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Uncle Dave still resounds

'Let 'er go boys'

DAN WHITTLE
The Cannon Courier

MURFREESBORO — History echoes here loud and clear ... "Let 'er go boys" ... due to the Uncle Dave Macon Days that annually brings thousands of fans to the geographical and musical heart of Tennessee.

Thanks to Uncle Dave, notable musical history also lives at Woodbury, Readyville, Kittrell and the small immaculately-kept Coleman Cemetery which was the final resting place of the music-making legend who helped popularize country music in general, and the Grand Ole Opry specifically.

Due to Uncle Dave's great-grandson, Dr. Michael D. (Mike) Doubler, that history is being preserved in a book soon to be published: "Take It Away, Uncle Dave!: The Life and Music of Uncle Dave Macon."

Author Doubler also recently published a pictorial history of Uncle Dave's life that will be available at the upcoming Uncle Dave Macon Days,

July 10, 11 and 12 at Cannonsburgh Pioneer Village in Murfreesboro.

"The Macon-Doubler Fellowship will have a sales tent this year at the Uncle Dave Macon Days' festival, with the photo book (\$14.95) and Uncle Dave's music for sale. I'll be glad to sign the photo book, for anyone who likes," Doubler declared. "I'm under contract to have the first book-length biography done with a major book publisher on Uncle Dave's life in time for Uncle Dave Macon Days in 2017."

"Let 'er go boys," echoes forever the voice of the Grand Ole Opry's "Solemn Old Judge" (announcer) George Hay. "Slap that banjo silly!"

With those words from Hay, Uncle Dave began a musical trail in the 1920s that lives on today due to Nashville's historic WSM Radio Station, the Grand Ole Opry and Uncle Dave Macon Days.

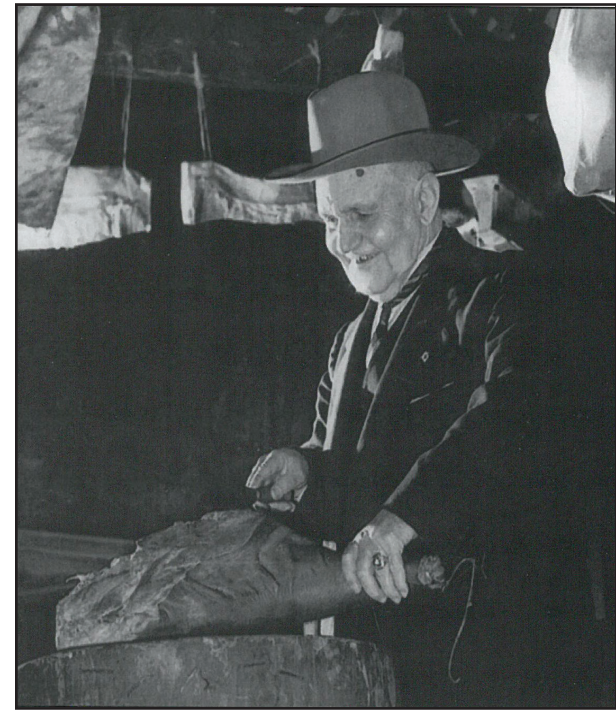
Author Doubler describes his motivation for chronicling his famous

great-grandfather's life: "Uncle Dave Macon was the first superstar of the Grand Ole Opry, and an immortal in the annals of old time and country music. Middle Tennessee State University music historian (the late) Charles Wolfe labeled him 'the Elvis Presley of his day.' At the local level, Uncle Dave was arguably the most famous resident in the history of Rutherford County."

Uncle Dave was born Oct. 7, 1870, at Smartt Station in rural Warren County, the eighth of 11 children born to Martha and John Macon after the family moved westward out of North Carolina.

"Young Dave exhibited musical talent at an early age, learning to play the guitar," the great-grandson writes. "When he was 13, Dave witnessed an entertainer playing a banjo at a carnival sideshow. The sound and tempo fired his imagination and he begged his mother to buy him one of the instruments. By the time he was 16, the teenager was captivated with the banjo."

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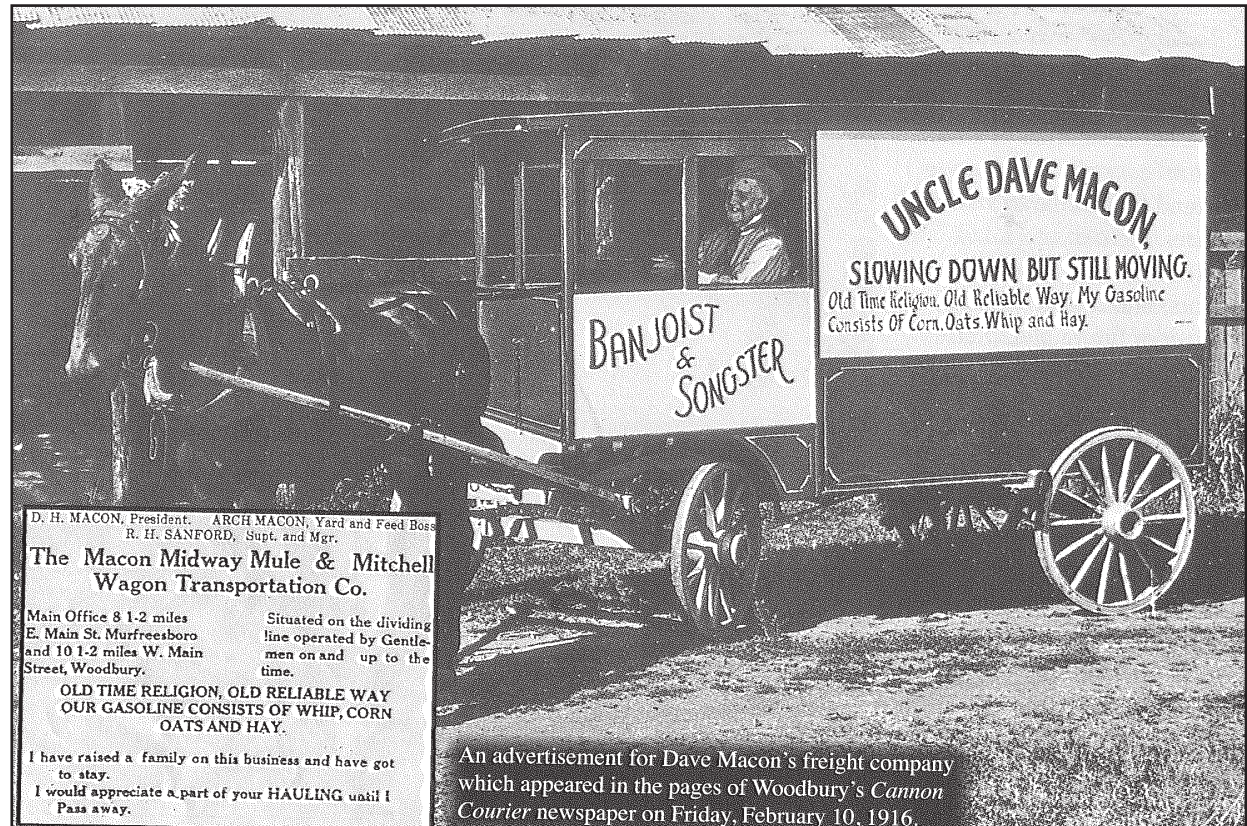


Photos courtesy Dr. Michael Doubler

Where ever he traveled Uncle Dave Macon always carried country hams ... even to Hollywood where he filmed the first country music movie with Roy Acuff.



Uncle Dave was always an entertainer. Here he strikes up a tune for a group of visitors from Pikeville.



This ad for Uncle Dave's hauling business appeared in the Feb. 10, 1916 edition of the Cannon Courier. Along with his service he advertised himself as a "banjoist and songster."

Half Hill certified for hemp

Half Hill Farm is the first USDA certified organic farm in Tennessee to grow legal hemp. The state legalized hemp last year despite decades of federal prohibition under the Controlled Substance Act. Growing hemp requires a background check and permit from the Tennessee Department of Agriculture.

Half Hill Farm grows several hundred plants in a pilot partnership with a co-op of farmers with Tennessee Hemp Farm. Using various farm methods, participating farms hope to learn how much seed and fiber production they



can expect from a plant not grown legally in the United States since the 1950s.

"My guess is hemp will grow just fine here in Cannon County," said Half Hill Farm's Christian Grantham. "The exciting part for us is what can be done with it."

While industrial hemp contains little to none of the psychoactive ingredient THC, hemp seeds produce the highest omega 3 and omega 6 fatty acids

of any grain. Milled seed is an excellent source of oil and plant protein, and hemp is one of the world's most renewable sources of industrial fiber.

"It won't be long before you start seeing several Tennessee products made with hemp grown and processed right here," Grantham said. "As part of our farm's mission, we can't wait to share the health benefits of hemp through value added

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Former chief enters guilty plea

Kevin Mooneyham, 47, former Woodbury Chief of Police, pleaded guilty before Chief U.S. District Judge Kevin H. Sharp to theft of federal program funds.

During a plea hearing, Mooneyham admitted that, from January 2013 through February 2015, while acting in his official

capacity as the Woodbury Police Chief, he submitted fraudulent timesheets for more than \$28,000 in overtime hours that he had not in fact worked, David Rivera, U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee, said.

Mooneyham was indicted on April 22. The funds used to pay

the false overtime hours claimed by Mooneyham were derived from federal grants provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through the Governor's Highway Safety Office, specifically for the purpose of enhanced alcohol enforcement efforts.

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Arts Center awarded grants

NASHVILLE -- State Senator Mae Beavers (R-Mt. Juliet) and Rep. Mark Pody (R-Lebanon) announced two arts grants have been awarded in Cannon County from the Tennessee Arts Commission for a combined total of \$36,400.

The grants are made possible through an appropriation of state funds by the General Assembly, federal dollars from the National Endowment for the Arts, and by Tennesseans who buy specialty license plates.

"It is very important that we preserve our cultural heritage for future generations," said Senator Beavers. "I am very pleased this grant has been awarded for this purpose."

"The arts do have a positive impact on our community and the effects certainly trickle down: the creative thinking skills of students are improved, our local culture is communicated through various mediums, and the community's beauty is

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Lillian Smith "Muddy" Wallace

Graveside services for Mrs. Lillian Smith "Muddy" Wallace, 103, will be held Tuesday, July 9, 2015 at Riverside Cemetery with Bro. Tim Gentry officiating.



Mrs. Wallace died Thursday, July 2 in Hoover, AL following an extended illness. A native of Cannon County, Mrs. Wallace was the daughter of the late Mack and Mattie Higgins.

For many years "Mrs. Mattie" owned and operated the Higgins House at the corner of East Main and McCrary Streets. It was the home for tourists, peddlers and local tenants until it closed in the 1980's.

Mrs. Wallace and her late husband, Hayden Smith, were owners of the Cannon Courier from the 1933 until 1950. After Mr. Smith's death in 1951. Mrs. Lillian, a member of the Church of Christ, later married well known Church of Christ Minister G.K. Wallace, who died in 1988.

For several years "Muddy" as she was so well known, made her home in Florida and later in Hoover, Alabama with her daughter. She remained active and visited her former home in Woodbury on many occasions. If you talked with Mrs. Wallace, you quickly saw wit, charm and a keen memory of her childhood days in Cannon County which she always liked to talk about with anyone she met.

In 2006 the Woodbury Lions Club honored Mrs. Wallace as part of their 70th Anniversary celebration. Her former husband Hayden was a Charter Member and first President of the club when it was organized in 1936.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Nancy Griner of Hoover, AL and Mrs. Sally Ann Smith of Riverview, FL; grandchildren Cindy (Jeff) Lawrence and Molly (Russ) Stringer; all of Hoover, AL; Hayden (Wendy) Smith of Riverview, FL and Beverly (Al) Fisch of St. Petersburg, FL; stepson Jim (Taffy) Wallace of Fayette, MO; seven great grandchildren; four great great grandchildren.

Visitation with the family will be Tuesday, July 9 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. with graveside services following with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were: nephews Andy Bryson and Hayden Bryson, Charles Sain Jim Stone, Joe Hawkins, Austin Jennings.

The family requested memorial donations be made to Lillian and G.K. Wallace Scholarship or Billy Smith Preaching Scholarship both at Freed-Hardeman University in Henderson, TN. Contact Smith Funeral Home for further information.

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Spotted Horse Show a success

By COL. JIM STONE

The "Friends of After School Kids" Spotted Horse Show was a great success. We want to thank our proud sponsors and supporters for your great support in helping our kids. Our kids are very special and they need all of the tender loving care that we can give them. You only go through that stage of your life once, so, let's help them to fill those years with wonderful and precious memories. The Hilton Stone American Legion Post 279 is proud to be a sponsor of "The Friends of After School Kids."

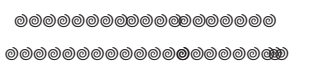
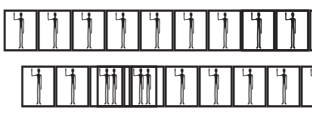
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Samuel "Whyte" Goin

Mr. Samuel "Whyte" Goin, 73, of Woodbury passed away on June 26, 2015. He was born in Auburntown, TN on January 28, 1942. His parents were the late Ernest Ray Goin and Nell (Hayes) Goin. He was also preceded in death by a brother, James Ray Goin and two sisters, Tina Nichols and Ruth Bain. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Layuna (Bailey) Goin and his son and daughter-in-law, David & Brandi Goin; two grandchildren, Bailey and Cameron Goin all of Woodbury; niece, Tina & Ray Cooper; great niece Teresa Prater and great-great niece and nephew, Holly Prater and Cody Prater; also by numerous other nieces and nephews.



Mr. Whyte grew up in Auburntown and was a member of the Auburntown Church of Christ. He served in the US Army during the Vietnam War and received a Purple Heart. He was a long haul truck driver for over 20 years. He drove for Tilford Trucking during that time and made many runs to Buffalo, New York to deliver chickens. Mr. Whyte was always joking around and having a big time. He loved to be outdoors and spent time feeding the birds. He and Mrs. Layuna we married over 53 years and she came to visit him every day at the nursing home once he became ill. He always loved to spend time with his grandkids.

Visitation was held at Smith Funeral Home on Sunday, June 28, 2015. The family held a private committal service and requests that no flowers be sent. In lieu of flowers you may donate to the charity of your choice and may notify the family of your donation by contacting Smith Funeral Home. The family would like to express a special thanks to the staff of Woodbury Health and Rehab for their care. Share your memories and condolences on the guestbook page of www.smithfuneralhomewoodbury.net Smith Funeral Home, (615)563-5337

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Vol Jam acts include Wynonna on Aug. 12

NASHVILLE - On Aug. 12, Charlie Daniels' 40th Anniversary Volunteer Jam will usher in music fans from all over the world to Nashville's Bridgestone Arena for a historic, colossal concert to benefit U.S. veterans in need through the (501)(c)(3) non-profit organization, The Journey Home Project.

Charlie Daniels announced the award-winning hit-maker Wynonna and multi-No. 1 hit-maker and Canadian guitar-slinger, Terri Clark, will join the already-announced mega line-up which includes: Charlie Daniels and The Charlie Daniels Band, Ted Nugent, Trace Adkins, Alabama, Montgomery Gentry, The Oak Ridge Boys, Tracy Lawrence, Travis Tritt, Craig Morgan, Phil Vassar, Lee Greenwood, Billy Ray Cyrus, Colt Ford, Michael W. Smith, The

Grascals, The Kentucky Headhunters, Ryan Weaver, The Outlaws and Lee Roy Parnell. In addition, several head-turning SURPRISE guests will add even more excitement to the event.

Tickets are still available to the public at Ticketmaster.com, all Ticketmaster locations, and the Bridgestone Arena box office for \$17.68 and up.

The Henry Rifles Stage, which will be located on the Bridgestone Plaza, will host a free open-to-the-public, energy-packed side show for concert-goers and bystanders featuring Natalie Stovall & The Drive, The Grascals, American Hitmen, Jason D. Williams, Jesse & Noah Bellamy, Ryan Weaver, the Scooter Brown Band and Justin McCorkle Band.

Music will take place from 4 to 7 p.m. CDT.

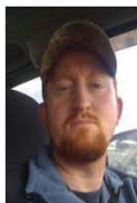
Barbeque Dinner and Auction for the funeral expenses of Shannon Young,

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Auction will begin at 6:00 p.m. Donations for the auction can be given to Shirley Young (563-5743), Keisha Young (464-3490), or Brenda Dodd (563-5907). Donations are greatly appreciated.

Shannon passed away suddenly on June 1. Please help us raise money to pay for his funeral expenses. All proceeds go directly to the family.

Ova Barrett Bogle

Ova Barrett Bogle, age 84, of Woodbury passed away Sunday, June 21, 2015 at Woodbury Health Care. She was a native of Cannon County.

Survivors include her daughters, Charlene Bogle & Marlene Bogle, both of Woodbury; and Brother, Melvin (Glenda) Barrett, of Woodbury. Also surviving are several nieces & nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Brady Bogle; Parents, Willie & Bertha Walker Barrett; and Brothers, Austin, W.T., & Donald Barrett.

Ms. Bogle was a member of the Pleasant View Church of Christ and was a homemaker.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 24, 2015 in the Chapel of Woodbury Funeral Home with Bro. Jerry Gilley officiating. Interment followed at Ivy Bluff Cemetery. Woodbury Funeral Home, 615-563-2311, www.woodburyfuneralhome.net

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Postal Service to issue Elvis stamp



WASHINGTON - The U.S. Postal Service previewed the Music Icons: Elvis Presley Commemorative Forever stamp and joined with Sony Music's RCA/Legacy Recordings in announcing the upcoming debut of an exclusive music CD titled ELVIS FOREVER that includes an Elvis song, as you've never heard it before. The CD will be available online and in select Post Offices beginning Aug. 12 - on the same day as the Elvis Presley stamp dedication ceremony.

Priscilla Presley will join Postmaster General Megan Brennan in dedicating the stamp on the morning of Aug. 12 at Graceland in Memphis as part of this year's Elvis Week celebration. The public is encouraged to tweet about this news using #ElvisForever.

The Postal Service is proud to announce the offering of an exclusive CD of 18 Presley hits titled, ELVIS FOREVER, which includes a new performance of Elvis' inspiring song "If I Can Dream" as you've never heard it before. "If I Can Dream" has been selected from a forthcoming Fall 2015 Elvis Presley album release. Customers can get this track first by picking up a copy of ELVIS FOREVER at their local Post Office location or pre-order the stamps and the

commemorative \$9.99 CD now at this link for delivery shortly after August 12.

Launched in 2013, the Music Icons series consists of beloved musicians whose blend of sound and way of life broke musical boundaries. The first inductees were Lydia Mendoza, Johnny Cash and Ray Charles. Last year's inductees were Jimi Hendrix and Janis Joplin.

The King of Rock and Roll™ Elvis Presley is regarded as one of the most significant cultural icons of the 20th century. Known worldwide as "The King of Rock 'n' Roll," his music and unique performance style, combined with a singularly potent mix of influences, made him enormously popular. "The King's" influence continues to inspire many of today's artists, musicians, designers and social influencers.

During his lifetime, Presley starred in 33 films, recorded 18 number one singles, and racked up 14 Grammy nominations and three Grammy wins. He sold out every one of the 1,140 concerts he performed after serving in the Army. To date, no one has ever surpassed his record for scoring the most Top 40 hits, a total of 114. Presley is the first recording artist to have sold more than one billion albums, cementing his status as the King of Rock 'n' Roll.

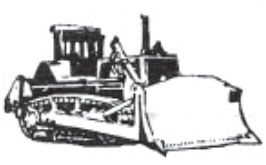
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News from the Mountain

BY CAROL GUNTER



Well, we got plenty of rain Tuesday night at our house. There was over an 1 1/2 inch of rain when I emptied the rain gauge. Friday night into Saturday we got another inch. The ground is really soaking up this rain as it falls. Hadn't realized it but we were really needing some rainfall. Weather forecasters predicting some more pretty good chances of rain this up coming week also. This next week not be as hot as it has been only in the 80s.

Katie Underwood and brother Hunter visiting at our house on Saturday evening.

Lou Davis Higgins doing well on Tuesday of this week when talking with her. She has a big birthday coming up on Aug. 26, as she will be 96 years old. Remarkable lady for sure. Do give her a call on that day and wish her a happy birthday if you can.

Please uplift these people in prayer: Kathy Martin, Denise Stanton, Edith Miller, Joann Braswell and the Trena Curtis family.

Pretty sure those skunks have taken refuge somewhere else as it's been two weeks now and positively no sign of them still being at Aubrey's shop. I'm still keeping a watchful eye out for them just in case I'm wrong. A passing thought ... maybe the "little green men" took care of them. Those little aliens want all the attention and certainly don't want to share their limelight with some skunks.

Receiving some flowers from friend Diane on Monday evening. Will get them set out tomorrow as the rain is stopping me today with on and off showers. Diane is always coming to my rescue as I needed some more monkey grass. I am wondering where did they get this name? Really I have no idea. Will have

to check this out as inquiring minds like me want to know its origin.

Carlton and Mai Nell Melton at church on Sunday. Carlton was a "sight for sore eyes" for a lot of us. We were all glad he was able to be there.

Brother Armstrong preached one more great sermon about the times we are living in. God knows "all" that is going on and He will have the final say as to how the outcome will be as for all of those that do not acknowledge Him and fear Him. God's patience with America, I believe, has just about played out. This country that once was so great and mighty with God at the reigns is no longer looked up to in any shape, form or fashion by any nation in the world, because we have become so ungodly. Pretty grim outlook for the kids and grandkids that depend on us adults to set examples of righteousness and holiness in reverence to God in everything that we say and do each day and have our backs turned against the evil that would ensnare us if we let it. Those kids and grandkids look up to us and we should be looking up to God. Going along with what others may be doing wrong in their living for this last world is quite a sad situation especially, when they know better. Believe it or not, kids are watching and listening to your and me and we are shaping their values, character and just how well they are going to turn out in life. Until America's people truly care about their families, and what's to become of them, will be able to turn this around and become a God-fearing nation once again. If you love your family, you should care enough to do what is right by them by doing only what God would want you

to do. After all, the only winner there will ever be is God because He owns it all.

Wondering if J's Restaurant in the Three Star Mall in McMinnville will keep going on after the passing of its popular owner Jean-Claude Petit at age 67? Good news is that his son, Junior Petit, will be carrying on the family business as usual.

Also, Nestor Stewart, age 87, owner of Stewart's Pharmacy in McMinnville passed away on Tuesday, June 23. The pharmacy opened on the following Saturday to serve a whole lot of customers as I'm sure Nestor would have wanted. Really good when a family business continues and honors that one individual that made it a success while they were here.

Rick Hubler, the truck driver I've spoken about in the column finally had the opportunity to scare me really good Thursday evening as I was mowing around Aubrey's shop. Concentrating on my mowing, minding my own business and not bothering anyone, he came up behind me, set down on the horn and startled me so bad I couldn't even scream as I always do, if someone scares me. I put my hands on the steering wheel and just stopped - tears coming to my eyes and Rick wanted to know was I okay? I said I think so as I was trying to get our a Kleenex out of my pocket to catch those tears and then I started laughing as he did. He knew who Aubrey enjoyed doing this to me so he wanted to carry on the tradition. I told him if Aubrey knows what just happened, he's totally elated and laughing his head off too.

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

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14312 Halls Hill Pike
 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2037 sq. ft., 5.1 acres, built in '15 MLS# 1615448



News from the Mountain

BY CAROL GUNTER



Tuesday the 16th of June and it sure is a scorcher today and everybody needs to take cover as in the shade from the hot rays of the sun beaming down on them every chance they get.

The sun is covered up by some clouds ever so often which does help. Only a 20 percent chance of rain today - better chance later in the week. Staying in the house until later on in the day as I will be getting outside to do some yard work then. It's just not worth it for a person to be working outside with the weather as hot as it is. Feel sorry for construction workers, home builders and others who have to be out in it making a living.

So happy to report the little hummers are back at our house and hope they are at everybody else's that love to feed and watch them as they are so adorable.

That \$2 rain gauge from Wally World is really paying off now big time as I'm not having to guess at how much rain we have been getting. I just give the gauge a gander and I'm on the money. To think it took me over a year to get it up and running sort of explains why there are a lot of things that don't get down around here. Could say I'll get better as I get older about doing things but I'm already there being older and it's not getting any better. A true friend has reminded me that you can only do so much work so you don't strain yourself, and that the work will be there for someone else to do long after you're dead and gone and forgotten about. (Oh - that hurt!) Also telling me this friend that I'm at the end of my life.

All of this misery added on just because of that rain gauge and how long it took for me to get it up and operating that I told this friend about. Sometimes you can get more information about your life than you want. I try to think about all of this logically. I've got an important destination to get to one of these days and I'm not really spending more time in this place than I have to, but just thinking about this day and what I can do for the Lord 'cause I know he's waiting for this little country girl to come home.

Left out an important birthday for July: Zeke Hullett 11th.

Chloe Evelyn Bogle doing OK when I got to see and talk to her last week. Neighbors Lynn and Brenda Underwood, Katie and Hunter and Wilma Sue Barrett doing good, also. Up at Short Mountain Market, someone was telling Ralph before I got up there that I was push-mowing around Aubrey's shop early as they went by so Ralph assumed I was getting up before the chickens do. Don't know about that as I don't have a clue when they get up and start cooking their breakfast and having their coffee. Do you?

Enjoying a delightful conversation with Betty Gunter this past Monday and glad to hear her and the family doing well. John and Kathy Carpenter spending some time off to travel to Michigan to where John's family is from. Going back to your roots is a meaningful experience for so many. Kathy (Betty's daughter) is enjoying this

trip and learning about John's family too. Sue Cope (Frank Cope's wife) called the other day and loves the column and all the amusement that does with "the little green men," "the invisible cow" and the moles. She has a remedy she gave me to take care of those pesky moles and I'll let you know a little bit later if it works.

Monday, June 22, spending a little time out at DeKalb Market to see our girls Deb and Spider. All is well with them as they were waiting on a lot of customers.

Stopped by Short Mountain Market coming home and saw friends Russell Taylor, Michael Melton, Glenn Ferrell and Bobby Taylor and, of course, everyone was having a good time. Debby was able to keep everyone in line.

Speaking of the little aliens and that cruise ship, there seems to have been a false rumor floating around as rumors do at times but no truth to it. Clyde is telling me this, after he finally decided to answer his phone. Personally, I think there could be a coverup going on, since he's in so thick with them. Anyway the little guys are back on the mountain residing I guess in that Devil's Hole.

Please keep in prayer: The Trena Curtis family, Kathy Martin, Carlton and Mai Nell Melton, Edith Miller, Joann Braswell, Denise Stanton and also the Ova Bogle family in the loss of their dear loved one.

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

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Courier Columnist

Hairy armpits: great debate engages USA



A Shot of Wry
LARRY WOODY

Today I'd like to engage in a candid discussion about an issue that confronts the nation and, frankly, I'm disappointed the President continues to dodge it.

Hairy armpits!
More specifically, women's hair armpits!

A recent story on a major national news outlet claimed such "natural growth" is becoming increasingly chic.

Let's have a show of hands: how many of you ladies out there have hairy armpits? (On second thought, lower your hands. We'll take your word for it.)

Let me say right up front I personally have nothing against female armpits, hairy or otherwise. In fact, I think "Hootie and the Hairy Armpits" would make a great name for a rock band.

There's certainly nothing amiss if a miss elects not to trim her underarms. Eleanor Roosevelt, for example, had notoriously hairy armpits. (To be honest, I tried Googling "Eleanor Roosevelt's armpits" and didn't come up with anything. So I'm just guessing.)

I did, however, turn up some interesting factoids about female armpits and how they've evolved over the eons. Up to about a century ago, hairy female armpits went mainly undetected because proper ladies kept a lid on their body parts from ankle to chin.

Frankly, we have NO IDEA what they may have been growing under there.

Then there came the advent of sleeveless dresses. Next thing we knew, women were smoking and raising their arms in public.

Flappers became reluctant to dance the "Muskrat Ramble" with tarantulas under their arms. Armpit hair became a fashion issue.

And the hair war wasn't waged just on armpits. Every woman in America except my 83-year-old grandmother and Gloria Steinem shaved their legs and waxed their bikini lines. Like hairy armpits, bristly legs on women were considered "unattractive" by most social conventions (i.e., guys).

Or least that used to be the case. Today "unwanted hair" is making a comeback. Suddenly it's wanted. And it's not just about under-arm hair; it's a statement about "direct-action feminism."

That's the term used by trendy hairdresser Roxie Hunt, who went on to declare:

"By having hairy armpits I am expressing my right to make my own choices about my own body."

I'm with Roxie. If you want hairy armpits, you go girl. Power to the pits!

Some in-the-trend women are so proud of their armpit hair that they're dying it bright hues.

Gladys: "I just LOVE what you've done with your armpit hair!"

Phyllis: "Oh, thanks. Purple has always been my favorite color."

Do girls with blonde armpit hair have more fun?

Would an aging socialite be tempted to add a tint of color to her armpit hair? (Is it real, or is it Clairrol?)

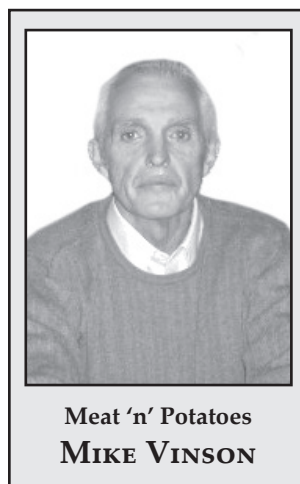
My position is simple: Body hair, wherever is found, belongs to the individual and it is up to that person what to do with it -- shave it, braid it or let it grow wild and blow in the wind.

We shouldn't be poking our nose in other people's armpits.



Courier Columnist

Beware of same sex marriage in ol' Tennessee



Meat 'n' Potatoes
MIKE VINSON

Most are aware that on Friday, June 26, 2015, the U.S. Supreme Court voted to legalize same-sex marriage across the United States. "The justices ruled 5-4 that states cannot deny gay men and lesbians the marriage rights enjoyed for thousands of years by opposite-sex couples" (reference: "USA Today," June 27, 2015 edition).

Expectedly, there was tremendous dissent among the nine justices in reaching a conclusion. Wrote Justice Anthony Kennedy: "Same-sex couples seek in marriage the same legal treatment as opposite-sex couples, and it would disparage their choices and diminish their personhood to deny them this right."

Chief Justice John Roberts countered with: "Today, five lawyers have ordered every state to change their definition of marriage. Just who do we think we are?"

Regardless your political leaning or sexual orientation, this was a landmark decision by the U.S. Supreme Court, one that promises to alter the "face" of American society figuratively and, possibly, literally. And when I say "literally," I mean: Given the mercurial advances being made in the medical field (technology, surgical procedures, pharmaceuticals, hormone aids and enhancers) who can argue it would be absolutely impossible for a "new definition" of human being to exist sometime in the near future?

While the U.S. Supreme Court was reaching its decision on same-sex marriage, Tennessee remained one of the 14 states that did not recognize same-sex marriage. However, given this ruling Tennessee now must comply and issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples. In fact, the front-page headline of the Sunday/June 28, 2015 edition of the "Southern Standard" (McMinnville/Warren County newspaper) read: "Gay marriage coming to county."

Regarding same-sex marriage in Tennessee, the remarks I've heard from locals have ranged from, "A tremendous breakthrough for humanity," to "We're becoming another Sodom & Gomorrah—it's a wonder the Lord doesn't send down fire and brimstone from Heaven and consume us all!"

Moving right along it is my understanding churches/religious organizations, as of now anyway, are not compelled to perform same-sex marriages. However, it also is my understanding those same churches/religious organizations "can allow"

clergy to conduct same-sex marriages if they so choose.

Granted, most gay and lesbian couples desiring to marry will opt for a "wedding officiant" — pastor, priest, rabbi, judge, Justice of the Peace, County Court Clerk, etc. — who has no qualms about conducting same-sex marriage, and, too, those couples will choose for a marriage site a place that is receptive, not hostile, to same-sex marriage.

However, readers, beware! Remember we dwell in the very buckle of the Bible-Belt, and this would be the perfect testing ground for yet more latitude and longitude in same-sex marriage. I have a "prophecy" that goes something like this:

A handsome, male couple in their early 30s goes to an old-school Southern Baptist minister, in his 60s, and the couple, holding hands, inform the minister they want him to marry them. The minister flat-out says "no!"

The male couple goes elsewhere in Tennessee and gets married. After marrying, the newlyweds start attending the very Southern Baptist church where the aforementioned pastor officiates. When the male couple enter church on Sundays, the congregation goes stone-faced galvanized! The couple even brings nice covered dishes for the church socials. No one will sit with them.

Okay," says the couple, "we're going to TV news station and tell them we're the victims of discrimination." The TV news station investigates, and the Baptist minister stands his ground, explaining to the investigative team his reasons for refusing to marry the male couple, and why his congregation is uncomfortable with them attending church services.

Inevitably, politics will enter into the foray. The same-sex issue is discussed in legislative sessions, and, eventually, a bill passes that legally compels any minister of any faith to perform a same-sex marriage. It ultimately becomes so controversial there is a showdown putting to test "separation of church and state."

I certainly am not wishing for a scenario as described above, but given the world in which we live, such certainly is within the realm of possibility.

Again, it's just a "prophecy." Only time will tell if it comes to past.

Letter: Reflections from an aging parent

To the Editor:

I am sitting on the patio at the Bridge, an assisted living facility, listening to the lonesome sound of a freight train and watching the heavy traffic on Murfreesboro Road.

My husband of 61 years is a resident next door at Life Care, a rehab and long-term care facility. We can't be together because of state rules and regulations.

When the state tells people all the ways to care for the elderly and handicapped they don't mention the costs or

inconveniences involved. They need to rethink their caring processes.

My husband and I took our marriage vows: for better or worse, for richer or poorer, in sickness and health seriously and lived them fully. Now we would like to be together to live the last one ... till death do us part.

Abide with me, t'is eventide.

Georgia Gannon
Nashville

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome on any subject printed in the pages of this newspaper.

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Letters may be sent online to news@cannoncourier.com or by mail to Letters, Cannon Courier, 113 West Main St., Woodbury, TN 37190

Courier Columnist

Change name of Forrest Hall??



Media Matters
LARRY BURRISS

I've heard the best defense is a good offense. Or maybe it's the other way around the best offense is a good defense. Whichever, this is my attempt to strike first and head off what may be a problem at MTSU.

As you may have heard, there is currently a move afoot to change the name of Forrest Hall, named for Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest.

Remember now, MTSU is supposed to be dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge and the free exchange of ideas. So I hope the University will do all in its power to protect anyone who may not want to change the name. In fact, I hope the entire faculty will stand behind anyone who exercises their right to free speech and the free exchange of ideas, no matter how offensive.

Now, here's a solution to the name problem that is sure to cause a conundrum for the thought police. I recommend we change the name of the building from Forrest Hall to...Forrest Hall, named in honor of a Tennessee native who was a World War II aviation general who died saving his aircrew in a raid over Germany. This Gen. Forrest was the first U.S. general to be killed in the war, and he was post-humously awarded

the Distinguished Service Cross, second only to the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Now, if the P-C police are concerned that it is the name "Forrest," that is the problem, then I think we may need to research every name on every building on campus to make sure there aren't any unsavory people with the same name as the namesake of the building. After all, we don't want anyone to be offended, do we?

Or, what do we do if the namesake of a building has a distant relative with an unsavory past? Will the thought police get upset about that?

Unfortunately, we are seeing more and more examples where university faculty have been dismissed, have had their employment revoked and have been censured for what they say. I certainly hope the MTSU administration and faculty are not so closed minded they would want to censor, or censure, someone for what they think or say in the all-important search for truth.

High schoolers get forensic facts

Home School children must register soon

MURFREESBORO — They came to MTSU from high schools in four different states to learn more about forensic science in a hands-on environment. Within the first hour of the eighth annual CSI: MTSU summer camp, the 36 young participants found themselves in the shoes of the professionals at an alarming crime scene: A teenager was missing from her family's home, where even a casual observer could see foul play, in a scenario straight from the headlines.

The campers studied blood, fingerprint, hair, fiber and ballistics samples in a laboratory; obtained witness statements from investigators; hashed out ideas with their colleagues in a conference room; and presented their conclusions to a trio of "judges," as well as a roomful of parents, friends and supporters on the final day — all in hopes of resolving a crime and finding justice.

"We had two dead ends on this that they had to figure out," said Dr. Hugh Berryman, director of MTSU's Forensic Institute for Research and Education, explaining how the groups narrowed down their kidnapping suspects with phone calls, emails, purchase receipts and more.

"The first group to 'save' our victim, 'Cindy Parker' ... figured out where she was in less than two hours on the first day," Berryman said, "and that was excellent work. It scared me. I tried not to show it, but I was thinking, 'oh NO,



Mitzi Dunkley, left, and Dr. Hugh Berryman, assistant director and director, respectively, of MTSU's Forensic Institute for Research and Education, look over the judges' tallies for the top presentations at this summer's CSI:MTSU camp

this whole camp's gonna come apart two hours into the first day; they've already figured it all out."

The campers accomplished their discoveries with the help of MTSU forensic anthropology students who coordinated group activities, answered questions and taught integral facets of the camp, such as laboratory evidence analysis.

On the final day, Berryman singled out MTSU students who played a significant role in this year's CSI camp: Cori Crenshaw, Matt Davis, Cody Evans, Erin Floyd, Blakely Hunze, Amber Lancaster, Jeffrey LaPorte,

Daniel Locke, Justin Lowe, Sophie Plant-Moran, Lauren Smith and Charlotte Whitaker.

They're also members of the university's Forensic Anthropology Search and Recovery, or FASR, Team, which helps law enforcement agencies and medical examiners cross Tennessee recover and document skeletal remains at crime scenes.

The undergraduate and graduate students are tops in their field with experience in human osteology, forensic anthropology and archaeological field work. Many of the student anthropologists got their start the same way the young visitors did: at a

CSI:MTSU camp.

"I don't think you'll find another university that has undergrad and grad students who work actual crime scenes with a professor like me," said Berryman, a longtime professor in MTSU's Department of Sociology and Anthropology and a nationally recognized forensic anthropologist.

"Many times me and my crews are on the inside of the yellow tape and the authorities are on the other. It's very serious. Any student who goes on these crime scenes with me are subject to subpoena and to testify in court. It's the real deal, and I'm really proud of these students."

You can watch a brief video about this year's CSI:MTSU Camp at <http://youtu.be/iyhoJRC7qWc>.

Along with CSI:MTSU camps, the Forensic Institute for Research and Education, established in 2006, offers free public lectures featuring renowned forensic-science experts each semester. FIRE also provides regular educational and training opportunities for law enforcement, medical examiners, coroners, attorneys, social workers and other groups in forensic science and homeland security.

To learn more about other FIRE programs and events, contact the FIRE offices at 615-494-7713.

Any parents/legal guardians who intend to conduct an Independent Home School, grades K-12, or a Church-Related Home School, grades K-12, for their own children, during the 2015-2016 school year must notify their local public school Director's office at the beginning of each new school year. This requirement applies to previous home school parents and new ones alike.

Home School registration forms for the 2015-2016 school year are available at the Cannon County School Director's office and online at the Cannon County Schools page (<http://www.ccstn.net/> under the homeschool department tab) or the Tennessee State Department of Education Home School page (<http://www.tn.gov/education/schools/homeschool.shtml>). Upon completion, forms should be returned to the Director of School's office at 301 West Main Street, Woodbury, TN 37190 by August 1, 2015.

Any parent/legal guardian wishing to conduct an independent Home School for grades K-12 must provide 1) proof of legal custody or guardianship by a copy of child's birth certificate or court order, and 2) copy of a high school diploma or GED, and the student's immunization record.

If you have any questions regarding home schools, please call 563-5752 or 563-5029 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Great news for yet-to-be born Westin Hale

Auburntown News

By ANNA PATRICK

Great news for yet-to-be-born Westin Hale. He underwent intrauterine repair of spina bifida and the doc said the surgery went really well; so well, in fact, that he and mom, Maggie, are about a day ahead of schedule in their recovery. The defect was not as large as they originally thought. Praise the Lord! It's now bedrest for him and mom with dad, Alan, taking over all the duties until he enters this world.

The fundraiser held for the family was a great success. Over \$4,000 was raised to help with their expenses during this time.

Sorry to learn of the passing of Whyte Goins, Friday, June 26th. Our sympathy to wife, Layuna and other loved ones.

Sending get well wishes to Larry McAllister who is home after spending a few days in the hospital. Also Sandy Osborne is home and doing well following recent foot surgery.

Sunday, the Zimmer family (Chris, Sara Drue, Drew and Canyon) arrived on Hurricane Creek at the home of Eddie and Donna Nichols. The boys are having a ball on the farm especially with the intact snake skin that is longer than either one of them!

They are spending several weeks here between moves — from New York to Texas.

Grandyoun'uns Kullon and Shiloh Patrick spent Saturday night with P-pa and me so dad, Kyle, could take mom, Shannon, out for her birthday.

Sunday, it was a double birthday celebration at our house with Shannon who selected a Snickers Cheesecake for her dessert and grandson, Daxton Patrick's selection was a cheesecake iced with chocolate salted caramel icing. He requested this because he likes cheesecake and he likes the icing or least he likes it on chocolate cake warmed in the microwave; BUT he didn't realize it isn't wise to melt it on cheesecake! It was still good.

The Reeds, Tim, DeAnna, Alayna and Adrianna, were not present due to spending the weekend in Nashville at the Jr. Beta Convention. They were there with 16 Jr. Betas and Diane McAllister. Sorry I don't have all the names of the ones attending.

Despite the rain off and on Tuesday, the Reeds' pool was full of bobbing heads and jumping boys! Karen Stinnett with grandchildren, Cason and Kinsley Stinnett, William and Grant Buterbaugh,

Gracie Smith, Rylon and Amaieah Morrison, Kullon and Shiloh Patrick, and Janna Womack and I took on the cold water. Karen and I controlled the pool (yeah, right!) while DeAnna, Alayna and P-pa stayed "on deck". Wait a minute Karen was part of the UN controlled group! Bethany Morrison and Shannon Patrick just had to go shopping at that time! (yeah, right again!) Everyone had a good time in spite of the threatening rain.

If you haven't had breakfast at Jimbo's yet, you oughta come on. Whether you eat or not, it's a good time with lots of friends showing up. One special guest this week, at least for me, was cousin, Donnie Harris of Murfreesboro, whom I hadn't seen in a while. It was good to see him. There are always new "eaters" each week.

Prosperity Baptist Church held a baptismal service Sunday the 18th. Candidates were Memphis

Reed and Evan Saddler.

Don't forget the barbeque dinner and auction benefit to help with the funeral expenses of Shannon Young who passed away recently. The event is set for Saturday, July 18th at the Gassaway Fire Hall. The meal includes the main dish, hot dogs, baked beans, Cole slaw, chips, desserts and drinks. It's \$8.00 for an adult plate and \$6.00 for children 10 and under. The auction begins at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to make a donation for the auction, contact Shirley Young at 615-563-5743, Keisha Young 615-464-3490, or Brenda Dodd 615-563-5907. All proceeds to directly to the family.

Wow! Red Apple days is right around the corner — August 1st and 2nd. Get

ready for some good times.

Cousin Jewell Patterson Dale celebrates her 75th birthday the 9th of July. The 10th belongs to Danny Kennedy and his niece, tiger Lilly Kennedy although there are a few years difference in their ages! Elaine Reed, Shannon Jones, Brian Dale and Sandy Osborne put another year under their belt on the 11th. Anna Lara turns 8 on the 12th. Nick Hale enters the 20's on the 13th and Amy Gannon and Dawson McCrary finish up the week of wishes on the 14th. Happy, happy days to all of you.

Happy anniversary to Matt and Ashley Kress on their 2nd year and to Judy and Tim Colwell for their 14th on the 14th.

If you have news for this column, please e-mail me at apatrick@dtccom.net, or call 464-4310 and leave a message if no answer.

TN Promise Community Service set

LYNCHBURG — In support of the Tennessee Board of Regents initiative to help ensure that TN Promise eligible students complete the required eight hours of community service by Aug. 1, Motlow College will participate in the Community Service Saturday on July 11.

Students will participate in outdoors campus clean-up, sessions on career exploration, service learning opportunities, and college readiness check-ups. To participate, students must pre-register no later than July 9.

To register, go to the Motlow College web site, (www.mscc.edu) and select Community Service Saturday or type (https://prodssb.mscc.edu/PROD/bzktnp.p_signup) in the browser. Complete the registration form and submit.

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Words of Wisdom

By Dan Whittle

Modern picker mimics Uncle Dave

Nashville banjoist Leroy Troy may be country music's most authentic clone to Uncle Dave Macon.

"Uncle Dave was my earliest role model. I have many aspects of Uncle Dave's style of entertaining in my repertoire," confirmed Leroy Troy. "That's because a man who knew Uncle Dave, helped teach me some of Uncle Dave's moves with the banjo. David 'Stringbean' Akeman and Grandpa Jones are my other two heroes of old time country music."

Leroy Troy, and his popular Tennessee Mafia Jug Band, are in demand throughout the U.S. The group has made a record-number of appearances at the Arts Center of Cannon County.

But, it all started with a banjo at Uncle Dave Macon Days back in 1995.

"That's when I was named the champion banjo plucker, one of my highest honors," Leroy confirmed. "I was also honored to be named 'Grand Marshall' at Uncle Dave Macon Days' Parade in 1999."

"People like Uncle Dave paved the way for country music to become accepted throughout the fabric of Americana life," Leroy diagnosed.

Like Uncle Dave, there appears to be "magic" between Leroy and his banjos.

"I mimic Uncle Dave by twirling my banjo," the musician noted. "People still think there's 'magic' in my banjo."

Biographer Dr. Michael D. (Mike) Doubler, in his forthcoming book -

"Take It Away, Uncle Dave!" The Life and Music of Uncle Dave Macon" - describes a typical Uncle Dave performance.

The author, through the Macon-Doubler Fellowship, will have a sales tent at this year's Uncle Dave Macon Days that runs July 10, 11, 12 at Cannonsburgh Pioneer Village in Murfreesboro, featured his recently-released "Uncle Dave Macon: A Photo Trib-

ute" for \$14.95.

"I'll be glad to sign books for anyone who likes," Doubler confirmed before describing more unique aspects of Uncle Dave's historic entertainment routines.

"With no sound systems in most venues in the 1920s, Uncle Dave projected the power of his voice with shouting and whooping," author Doubler described. "He thrilled audiences by twirling his banjo like the hands of a clock and swinging the instrument in circles around his head, torso and legs ..."

"Another trick was to fan the banjo with his hat, while somehow continuing to pluck the strings with his fretting hand. Uncle Dave always played sitting down, but sometimes would dance across the stage while continuing to pick."

Uncle Dave also had a sense of not staying on stage too long.

"Uncle Dave never entertained too long, he described with these words: 'Always leave 'em wanting a little more,' was his stage mantra," the great grandson recalls.

"Uncle Dave considered himself an entertainer rather than strictly a musician," author Doubler continued. "Shows lasted an hour or more, with Uncle Dave playing many tunes, all interspersed between jokes, stories and witty commentaries on politics, economics, religion and the war between the sexes."

Uncle Dave had married and launched a family when he began his music career.

"I have a picture, with him seated in the yard (at Kittrell), holding his banjo, between his two youngest, Esten (left) and Paul. Great-grandmother 'Miss' Tildy stands at back right. Miss Tildy's mother, Mary Richardson (in hat) stands beside her eldest daughter. Mrs. Richardson was a lifelong resident of Kittrell, and as a young girl, had personally witnessed

General Nathan Bedford Forrest ride through the community as he returned victorious from the historic raid on Murfreesboro in July 1862."

"Local girl Mary Matilda Richardson caught Uncle Dave's eye and they wed in November 1899, and set up house in nearby Kittrell," recorded great-grandson author Doubler. "His marriage to 'Miss Tildy' was one of Uncle Dave's most enduring relationships, and perhaps biggest blessings of his life. She eventually bore him seven sons between 1901 and 1919."

The couples' personalities tended to complement one another, with Uncle Dave tending to family business matters.

"The Macons had always been business entrepreneurs, a pattern Uncle Dave followed," Doubler accounts. "Shortly after marrying, he started a freight company to serve Rutherford and Cannon counties."

Uncle Dave had been around mules and livestock all his life.

"Over time, the hauling fleet included seven Mitchell freight wagons and several teams of hearty mules," Doubler identified. "Popular freight items included all types of textiles and building materials, farm produce and means, special order items and barreled whiskey."

There was always something unique about the way Uncle Dave marketed himself and his business.

"Uncle Dave used music to ingratiate himself with businesses and families along his delivery routes," the great-grandson records. "Instead of routinely reciting a list of items to merchants during deliveries, he would convert the list into a tune."

"Uncle Dave would often traverse the Murfreesboro Square atop his freight wagon, singing and playing on the five-string all the while," the author shared.

Uncle Dave Macon Days returns July 10-12

One of America's premier traditional music festivals, the Uncle Dave Macon Days old-time music and dance festival, will return to Murfreesboro July 10-12.

The annual celebration takes place in Cannonsburgh, an authentic pioneer village that is home to more than 20 restored log structures. The village is located at 312 South Front Street (just off of Northwest Broad Street).

The family-oriented event annually draws more than 25,000 people during the three-day run. The Southeast Tourism Society has named the festival as one of the Top 20 Events in the Southeast for July, 2015.

In 1977, the festival was established first as a two-hour banjo picking on the lawn of the historic Rutherford County Courthouse to honor the memory and times of Uncle Dave Macon. Uncle Dave lived near Murfreesboro in the Kittrell community, and is considered one of the first Grand Ole Opry superstars. A master old-time banjo player and performer, he died in 1952, and was elected to the Country Music Hall of

Fame in 1966.

A purse of more than \$15,000 will be at stake during the highly charged music and dance competitions. Sanctioned in 1986 by the U.S. House of Representatives, the festival is home to the National Old-Time Championships in banjo, clogging and buckdancing.

Gates open at 8 am on July 10 with the Matilda Macon Folk Arts Village, Dave Macon Artisan's Court and Marketplace. Old-time Music and dance competitions begin at 1 pm on the Main Stage and the Dixie Dew Drop Stage. New this year are three featured concerts at sunset beginning with Russell Moore and Illrd Tyme Out at 6 pm followed by the 2015 Heritage Award Winner, Dr. Ralph Stanley and the Clinch Mountain Boys.

The festival continues July 11th with the famed Motorless Parade that travels down historic East Main Street, and ends at Cannonsburgh at 10 am. National old-time dance and banjo competitions continue throughout the day. On Saturday evening, the concert at sunset features the Hog

Slop String Band, and the STEELDRIVERS, recipients of the 2015 Trail Blazer Award.

The festival wraps up on July 12th with the Gospel Showcase, Wilson Bank and Trust Antique Car Show, and Community Service Fair. The festival concludes with a set by Kristina Craig and Exit 148, and the final concert at sunset with Larry Cordell and Lonesome Standard Time.

Gates open at 8 am on Friday and Saturday and Sunday at noon. Admission is \$10 for the general public, children 12 and under are free, seniors 55 and up are \$5. Admission on Sunday is \$5.

Other events taking place throughout the festival include: heritage activities for children, Dave Macon Marketplace, Matilda Macon Folk Arts Village with demonstrating craftsmen, mouth-watering local concessions, a juried arts and crafts show, storytelling and shape-note singing in the chapel and a historic photo exhibit.

For more information go to <http://www.uncledavemacondays.com>



"People like Uncle Dave paved the way for country music to become accepted throughout the fabric of Americana life," picker Leroy Troy says.



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Country Music Jam Session Pocahontas Community Center 1st and 3rd Fridays

A country music jam sessions is set for the first and third Fridays of each month at the Pocahontas Community Center, 1441 Pocahontas Road, Morrison. Musicians sign up at 5:30 and the music starts at 6pm. Open to the public, spectators and dancers are welcome. Admission is free. For more info call Ray at 615-765-7835 or John 931-588-1229.

Are you raising a relative child?

For more information on assistance and support, please contact Melissa Allison at the Upper Cumberland Developments District toll free at 1-877-275-8233.

A support group meeting will be held for relatives that are caring for relative children. This meeting will at the Cannon County Senior Center, 609 West Lehman St., Woodbury, TN 37190, 1:00 – 2:00 pm, Tuesday, April 28, 2015.

For housing assistance while caring for minor child, contact Myra Walker at 931-432-4111

Short Mtn. Trading Post

The Short Mountain Trading Post is Expanding and has room for more permanent vendors. Contact: Savannah at #615-464-7824.

Looking for Local Crafts People, Antiques and Collectible dealers.

Summer Reading Program Continues at Library

The Summer Reading Program continues at Adams Library. Summer Reading is for everyone -- all ages are included. This year for children birth to 4 years and children 4 to 12 years the subject is Every Hero Has a Story. For Teens, ages 12 to 17, the theme is Unmask. The topic for adults, ages 18 and up, is Escape the Ordinary. Every book counts toward the Summer Reading Program prizes.

80 Portraits of Cannon County Cannon Hall May - October

Framed vintage family photos from the breadth of Cannon County families will be on display in Cannon Hall beginning in May 2015 and will conclude with an old fashioned "family reunion" reception in October 2015.

Cannon Hall is a 2,600 square foot exhibition and event space located inside The Arts Center at 1424 John Bragg Highway, Woodbury.. We display works from our collection as well as loaned works from private collections and public institutions. Admission to Cannon Hall is free. Hall hours are 10 a.m. through 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call 615-563-2787 or visit our website at artscenterofcc.com.

Free Movies at Adams Library

Adams Library has begun its summer movie program. Come to the Jennings Community Room, hang out in the cool, eat some popcorn, have a drink, meet some new friends, visit with some old friends (quietly, of course) and enjoy a FREE movie on the big screen. What's the movie? Come by or call the library to find out. Due to licensing considerations, we can't print the title in the paper, but it's going to be great. Family movies are set for 1:30 p.m. July 11. Teen Pizza movie events are set for July 18 at 5 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Movies (2-3:30 p.m.) on July 14, 21 and 28.

Music Night @ the Cannon County Senior Center Friday, July 10

Featuring: Lonnie Jones and Tennessee Shine> Doors open at 6 p.m. Music begins at 7 p.m. Admission: \$5. Come on out and enjoy good music, line dancing and fellowship at your Senior Center.

Senior Conservancy at the Arts Center July 6-17

At the Arts Center of Cannon County. Contact 615-563-2787.

Bring It On The Musical July 10-25

Will take the stage at the Arts Center of Cannon County. Contact 615-563-2787.

Goat Show

July 11 @ 12:00 pm - 4 pm at The Stratton Bone Arena located behind the Cannon County High School, show will begin at noon. Contact Carol or Bob Melton at 615-563-5260 for information.

Farless Family Reunion Saturday, July 11

The Farless Family Reunion will be Saturday, July 11 at Center Hill Baptist Church fellowship hall. Please bring a covered dish. For more information call Brenda (Farless) Williams at 615-563-7394.

Bradyville Neighborhood Watch Saturday, July 11

Bradyville Neighborhood Watch will meet Saturday, July 11 at 11 a.m. At Bradyville Church of Christ. Gerald Melton, 16th Judicial District public defender, will be guest speaker. A cookout will follow. For more information call Anna Pittman, director, at 615-765-7571.

Historical Society Tuesday, July 14

The Cannon County Historical Society will meet Tuesday, July 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cannon County Senior Center, 609 Lehman St., in the small dining area. You will enter under the awning. The program, "The Most Interesting Character I Ever Knew" will begin at 7 p.m.

Music Night @ the Cannon County Senior Center Friday, July 17

Featuring: The Gilley Brothers Doors open at 6 p.m. Music begins at 7 p.m. Admission: \$5. Come on out and enjoy good music, line dancing and fellowship at your Senior Center.

Cruise-In on the Square 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 25

Includes a food drive to benefit the Food Bank. All cars and trucks welcome. Contact John Barker at 615-542-4065.

Red Apple Days Auburntown July 31-Aug. 1

Held at C.H. Hawkins Park, gospel music on Friday evening. Saturday begins with a 5K run, vendors, entertainment and a fish fry at the Community Center. Contact Roger Turney at 615-464-4210 for info.

The Arts Center Presents "Forever Abbey Road, A Tribute to the Beatles." July 31 @ 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm

The Arts Center presents Forever Abbey Road, a tribute to the Beatles. Showtime is 7:30 and The Blue Porch will be open if you would like dinner and a show. Contact the Arts Center at 615-563-2787 for information.

Arts Center Reverse Raffle Aug. 1

Your cordially invited to the Arts Center Reverse Raffle, enjoy a gourmet meal, door prize raffle, be the last ticket holder and you win \$5,000 dollars. A fun night with family and friends. Contact the Arts Center at 615-563-2787 for information.

Ghost: The Musical Begins Aug. 7 @ 7:30 pm - 10 pm

Ghost: The Musical begins its run at the Arts Center of Cannon County. The play continues weekends through Aug. 22.

Cruise-In On The Square Aug. 22 @ 3-7 p.m.

All cars and trucks welcome, door prizes, 50/50 drawing, music and more. Contact John Barker at 615-542-4065 for info.

You can submit items for The Blast by email at news@cannoncourier.com.



'Bring It On: The Musical' opens

Center of Cannon County presents Bring It On: The Musical Music and lyrics by Lin-Manuel Miranda, Tom Kitt and Amanda Green and book by Jeff Whitty Based on the 2000 film of the same name July 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 & 25 at 7:30 p.m. July 12 7 19 at 2 p.m.

Bring It On: The Musical takes you on a high-flying journey through friendship, forgiveness and termination. Bring It On: the Musical tells the high-energy story of the challenges and unexpected bonds formed through the thrill of extreme competition. Set against the world of competitive cheerleading, this powerhouse musical hilariously proves that winning isn't everything when it means losing something – or someone – you really care about. With a colorful assortment of characters, an exciting fresh sound and explosive choreography, this universal story is sure to be everything you hoped for and nothing like you expected.

Produced by Darryl Deason, this show features the direction of Chelsea Toombs, music direction of Scott Willis, choreography by Tyler Lamb, and Cheer Coach Regina Ward. The

cast includes Cheyenne Clark, Shawna Rayford, Maryam Muhammad, Graham Luker, Jessie Warrick, Connor McCabe, Baileigh Back, Caitlyn Porayko, Gerold Oliver, Allison Hall, Cassidy Best, Greg Henry, Ansley Adcock, Blake Hutchins, Casey Couch, Damen Bane, Delani Harrison, Garrett White, James Bessant, Katelyn McDaniel, Kirsten Taylor, Mary Grace Bouldin, Seth Lloyd, Alexandra Gray, Holly Adams, Joshua Ferguson, Mackenzie Turney, Maya Denning and Tara Thomas.

This production is appropriate for ages 13+. Tickets are \$15 with discounts available for students and seniors and can be purchased by calling (615) 563-2787 Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. or online at artscenterofcc.com and (subject to availability) at the door one hour prior to show time. The Arts Center is located on 1424 John Bragg Highway, just west of Woodbury, approximately 20 minutes from Murfreesboro, Manchester and McMinnville and one hour southeast of Nashville. Office hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call 615-563-(ARTS) 2787. Check out the web site at www.artscenterofcc.com.

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Trading Post Chat

BY SAVANNAH CUNNICK



TURN ON THE ANIMAL PLANET, MOM....Ok....Ok....Don't you know our show is on? Yep...that's what I hear on my day off...my five cats at home...love that show. No kidding, all five of them line up and actually watch that show. I guess it is all the meowing and hissing they hear that keeps their attention.

Oh, but then it is: CATS 101. Thank goodness we have more than one television in the house...because the living room one is totally taken for most of the Sunday morning. Now, if they could only get rid of the ants in my kitchen!!!

What have all of you been up to over the summer? Aside from sweating and suffocation on our hot, hot days...are you taking trips, watching Little League games, swimming, fishing, boating, tending gardens... well, if you haven't come to visit me at the Short Mountain Trading Post on Short Mountain Highway toward Woodbury...you need to do so. All the vendors are having really nice summer sales in their booths... especially the Loft with 40 percent off everything!! We are open Thursdays thru Saturdays from 10 to 5...so c'mon in!!!! Then you can take the tour at The Distillery and have lunch or dinner at the Stillhouse Restaurant. Both require reservations so check their Facebook for more info.

We had a lot of out of towners ... and quite a few who mentioned that they are almost at the empty nest point in their lives and would really like to move to Tennessee. They really love it here. I seconded that motion. JD and

I are very happy here as well and feel that it was one of the best decisions we ever made. Thanks to all of you folks, we feel most welcomed and fortunate to be part of this area.

I heard something really nice today... folks were talking about raising their children and how important it is to give them the right advice, be a good example and encourage them to do the best they can at all they do. The statement was: You don't have to give me the best...just give me YOUR best. The gentleman that said this is a coach and a father. A good man and I could tell how much he cared about the young people today. It IS important folks to give these kids a chance, respect them and what THEY go through and praise them. Listen, they are the future of our country...

I hope all of the DADS out there had a great Father's Day. Aunt Martha always gets Uncle Festus cards from all the pets. And every year, he asks Martha: Now Just HOW do those animals get to the store to buy these things? Martha just sighs and says: Oh, it IS a long hike for them and they ARE exhausted when they get back home, but it's all worth it just to get you those cards!!! With one more swig of the Short Mountain Distillery Moonshine he leans back in his recliner and smiles. Cousin Clarence takes his dad, Clyde, fishing every Father's Day. Cousin Annie tells them that they better catch something because that is what she's planning for supper. Most of the time, they end up going to the Fish Market and take home at least somebody's catch of the

day. I fear the day when Annie finds out just what they have been doing all this time...(gulp).

By the way, don't forget Fido in the summer...make sure doggies have plenty of water and give 'em an ice cube once an awhile. My poor Max got a hold of a nasty bee and it stung him on the lips. Uh...ever wonder what plastic surgery looks like on a dog's muzzle? He was a mess...and instead of barking, all he could do was flap his lips. I ended up giving him a Popsicle and antihistamine and he recovered nicely. Poor baby!! He gets a bath today...I am tired of him scratching his back in the middle of the road in front of all the neighbors and all the unmentionable things he chooses to do in their yards and driveways. Sometimes, I just look the other way and say: WHAT DOG ???!

HEY...I hope you remembered to stop and see us over the Fourth of July weekend! I was going to go to my class reunion in Ohio during that time, but realized it was more important to stay here and visit with all of you and help JD and the vendors at the Trading Post. (Don't tell anybody, but there goes another leak in my bucket list !!) Does that happen to you guys too?

Well, hey listen...see you soon... continue to enjoy your summer...come see us at the Barn...take best of care of your family and friends...smile... laugh...don't litter...and sit down and enjoy the VIEW as they say.

Chat with you next week....

Hugs, Savannah



Savannah's cat loves to read the Cannon Courier. She especially loves CAT-A-STOPHIC news. That's always pawsitively purrfect.



From left. David Lee, owner of Ford of Murfreesboro, Tess Preble, controller, Art Hill, general sales manager and George Sewak, fixed operations director.



An architect's rendering depicts the new Ford of Murfreesboro store which is now under construction at the existing location at the corner of Broad Street and Northfield Blvd.

Ford of Murfreesboro breaks ground on new facility

Huge facility to house 50 bay service department, massive showroom

Ford of Murfreesboro in broke ground on their brand new facility on July 1st at 1550 NW Broad Street in Murfreesboro.

The new Ford store will be located adjacent to the existing facility on Broad Street and Northfield Blvd. The store will house a 50 bay service department, an internet cafe, a massive showroom and a covered vehicle delivery area. The new facility dwarfs the current Ford dealership

and will be almost 70,000 sq ft.

David Lee, owner of Ford of Murfreesboro said, "We are extremely proud to be bringing the very latest in dealership design and technology to Murfreesboro."

Lee also stated that the new facility will employ approximately 150-175 people and will add some 40-50 local jobs to the economy.

When asked about the decision to remain on Northfield and Broad, Lee said, "That was really a no-brainer. We wanted to stay

in the city center as we feel that the mix of commercial and residential in the area really adds to the vibrance of the community. By staying in the heart of Murfreesboro we remain one of the city's only truly hometown dealers."

Ford of Murfreesboro will also be taking over the adjacent facility on Broad Street and in the end will offer 24 1/2 acres of Fords across the entire Northfield and Broad corner.

The all new Ford of Murfreesboro is scheduled to open in late Spring of 2016.

In the meantime Lee states, "We are open for business and making great deals on new and used cars and trucks. The service, parts and body shop continue to offer the world class experience people are accustomed to from our facility.

"We are proud to be a part of the future of the City of Murfreesboro and Rutherford County and look forward to doing so for decades to come," Lee said.

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Great-grandson tells Uncle Dave's tale

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At 10 a.m. each day, author Dr. Michael D. (Mike) Doubler takes pen to pad, creating the first book-length biography of Uncle Dave Macon's legendary music-making life.

The author admits to personally having "no music-making ability."

But, he's an accomplished author, having published multiple books about military life as a graduate of West Point with a distinguished military career.

"First, I set it down in my own handwriting," noted Doubler, a 1973 graduate of Riverdale High School and later, a grad of the West Point Military Academy. "I'm a long-hand writer, whose brain and pen have to be synchronized. Writing has been described like a race between the hand and brain, and I tend to agree with that assessment."

At 2 p.m., after four tedious, long hours of writing, the writer edits his work, and ultimately, it's time to put his documentary of words into a computer.

"That's when I ease over to the computer, do my editing and get the manuscript ready to be sent to the major book publisher who has me under contract to complete the book 18 months after this year's Uncle Dave Macon Days' festival (July 10, 11, 12) in Murfreesboro," Doubler dictates. "As it goes into the computer, I get the feeling that we're bringing Uncle Dave's old-time music and entertainment jokes into this century's modern age of technology."

Can you imagine the pressure on this great-grandson to publish a book about the first superstar of the Grand Ole Opry? Music historians worldwide will be critiquing Doubler's work, seeking to ascertain exact details of Uncle Dave's life.

Can you imagine the drama it took for Uncle Dave to pack a suitcase in 1924, board a train in Murfreesboro with the destination of New York City to become the very first Tennessean to record a country music record?

Only a Macon family member can know the intimate details of Uncle Dave's performing life: "The sight of Uncle Dave strolling down the streets of Manhattan between his hotel and the recording studio in full suit and tie, wearing a black fedora hat cocked to the side, certainly piqued



Dr. Michael D. Doubler

the interests of native New Yorkers. Upon returning to his home in Kittrell, Uncle Dave shared this exchange to the family: (New Yorker: 'You're not from around here are you, old man?' Uncle Dave: 'No, sir, I'm surely not.' New Yorker: 'Have you ever been to New York City before?' Uncle Dave: 'No, sir, I haven't.' New Yorker: 'I'll bet you've never seen anything as big as New York City then, have you?' Uncle Dave: "Yes, sir, I have. I was born and raised in the hills of Tennessee, and they are a lot bigger than New York City.")

"Although Great-Grandfather Uncle Dave was from the hills of Middle Tennessee, he never let the bright lights of New York or anywhere else intimidate him," confirmed the great-grandson author.

On Uncle Dave's second trip to record in New York in 1925, there was a "Murfreesboro connection" from Uncle Dave's days running his legendary Macon Midway Mule & Mitchell Wagon Transportation Co. between Woodbury, Readyville, Kittrell and Murfreesboro.

"There had been a banker who had done business with Uncle Dave's freight-hauling business, whose success took him to New York," author Doubler shared. "Uncle Dave's fame was spreading fast by now, when the banker called Uncle

Dave and fiddler Sid Harkreader if they'd come and play at the Southern Bankers' Association meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel near Central Park. Sid and Uncle Dave did perform, and the bankers must have been pleased. The former Murfreesboro banker placed a \$50 gold piece in Uncle Dave's hand. He later said that \$50 gold piece made him aware that he had hit the big time, all the way New York City."

Uncle Dave loved to perform:

"If he couldn't play to an audience, Uncle Dave would play to his favorite team of mules," accounts Doubler, who resides in Rutherford County. "That's how much music and entertainment motivated my great-grandfather."

In pre-Grand Ole Opry days as a mule-driving freight hauler, Uncle Dave would strum his way into the hearts of families along the route between Murfreesboro and Woodbury: "Children learned Uncle Dave's freight-hauling schedule, and would place buckets of water along the route, in hopes he would stop to water his mules, and maybe play a song or two on his banjo from atop his freight-hauling wagon."

Author Doubler doubles down on some of Uncle Dave's personal habits only a family-member could know, such as Uncle Dave's love of Tennessee country ham.

"There wasn't hardly a day go by, that Uncle Dave didn't consume a portion of home-cured Tennessee country ham. When Uncle Dave and Roy Acuff were summonsed to Hollywood in 1940, Mr. Acuff patiently transported three of Uncle Dave's country hams in his personal vehicle. Uncle Dave didn't trust that there would always be good food out on the road, so he always took a country ham with him.

"And since they didn't know how long that making the movie, (entitled "Grand Ole Opry"), would take, Uncle Dave took three country hams with him to Hollywood, just to be on the safe side," Doubler shared private details of his famous ancestor. "When Uncle Dave would go into a restaurant, he'd haul out one of his country hams, and tell the waitress 'cook it for me, along with two eggs.'"

But, Uncle Dave was more than a mere musician, the great-grandson shares.

"He considered himself to be an entertainer, much more than just a musician," Doubler chronicles. "There's so much more to the storied life of Uncle Dave, a complex, but yet, a simple man. He was a husband, a businessman, a farmer, a parent and grandparent ... even after he became a professional musician, he farmed a little."

More about Uncle Dave, the grandparent: "He had six grandchildren, including my mother, Mary Macon Doubler. On her birthday, Uncle Dave gave her a Liberty head 1935 Silver Dollar that we still have. He was always giving money to children, even during the hard days of the Great Depression."

The great-grandson author described one of Uncle Dave's last "acts on the farm" after he'd shut down his mule-hauling business to make a living with his music and joke-telling.

"Although he was well on the way to success in entertaining, Uncle Dave liked to keep a hand in farming," Doubler accounted. "One way of clearing land for the plow in that era of life in Kittrell, was to use dynamite. After about 15 minutes that day, when the dynamite and blasting caps were put in place, Uncle Dave, without saying a word, walked out of the field and went to the house."

Uncle Dave was protective of his hands ...

"His son Archie finally went to the farm house on that cold November day, and found Uncle Dave sitting in his rocking chair in front of the fireplace," Doubler traced back in time. "They called him 'Pap,' and Archie asked: 'Pap, are you coming back out to help us with the dynamite?' That's when Pap held up his two hands, and stated plainly: 'There's money in my fingers, and all I have to do is pick out on the banjo.'"

He never left his farming roots: "In one media interview, he shared that as a boy, he was the 'conductor of a double-shovel plow.' Uncle Dave grew up with mules and loved working mules."

Before Uncle Dave became famous on the Grand Ole Opry, he was a businessman too.

In author Doubler's first book "Uncle Dave Macon: A Photo Tribute," Doubler

UNCLE

as if to gather his thoughts ...

"I'm sad to confirm this aspect of Uncle Dave's life, other than his mother, family members didn't do a lot to encourage Uncle Dave in his music career," the author shared. "At best, family sort of took him and his music for granted."

As a professional musician after becoming the first superstar of the Grand Ole Opry, Uncle Dave had up to seven banjos he used in performances. There was a rhythm to his music and stage performances ... called "entertaining."

"On stage, he carried three banjos ... he would tune all three before going on stage," Doubler described. "In order to keep the flow of his performance, he'd pick up another banjo not to break the flow of his performance."

Performances, including Uncle Dave's jokes and story-telling, could last up to one hour or more.

How many banjos does the family have today?

"None, but there's a gentleman locally, who has perhaps the icon banjo of Uncle Dave's collection," Doubler verified. "I'd like to trace down the historical instruments."

Uncle Dave never had a business manager or a professional promoter.

"He never learned to drive, and regularly hired neighbors or friends to chauffeur him," Doubler shared. "He learned the value of providing short free shows at schools in order to convince the children to attend the advertised event later that evening with their parents."

Before there was the Grand Ole Opry, the Macon family moved from Warren County to Nash-

ville.

"Using their life's savings and proceeds from the sale of their home (Macon Manor at Smartt's Station), the Macons purchased the Broadway House hotel in downtown Nashville," in the late 1800s, accounted author Doubler. "The family took up residence in the hotel in order to manage and operate the property."

Was "Broadway House" Uncle Dave's professional launching pad?

"The Broadway House was a favorite stopover for entertainers coming to Nashville by train and steamboat," Doubler reported. "An unfinished basement offered an ideal, spacious venue for bands and single musicians to rehearse. When not busy as a hotel clerk, Uncle Dave listened to and observed all the visiting musicians ... engendering a love for music and an appreciation for the craft of entertaining."

During that era, John Macon had an altercation with a man, who stabbed him with a knife, a fatal wound. This eventually caused the family to move out of Nashville to rural Readyville straddling the Cannon and Rutherford County line.

"Bitter over her husband's killing, and the acquittal of his assailant, Uncle Dave's mother sold the Broadway House and left Nashville for good," Doubler confirmed. "She eventually located a desirable property in adjacent Rutherford County, known as the The Corner's on productive farmland in Readyville. The Corners was an overnight stopping point for stagecoach lines as well as an inn. Martha Macon continued to provide those services with the help of her younger children."

GRANTS

enhanced for our residents and visitors," said Rep. Pody.

A grant of \$28,700 goes to the Arts Center of Cannon County in the form of partnership support.

The Center produces community theater & school matinees, offers summer youth conservatory, concerts, gallery exhibitions and displays its folk arts collection in a 18,000 square ft. facility. 33,000 individuals are estimated to benefit from these programs. The second grant of \$7,700 goes to the Cannon Association of Craft Arts for a marketing plan for the annual White Oak Craft Fair.

Neal Appelbaum, Arts Center executive chairman, said he was pleased by the news.

"I would encourage the public to purchase specialty license plates - not just for the Arts; it is an easy way to individually support a big cause," Appelbaum said.

"The Tennessee Arts Commission is honored to award these annual grants to support Tennessee's communities and schools through the arts. These investments help cultivate the arts for the benefit of all Tennesseans and offer all of us a better quality of life, provide our children with a more complete education, stimulate economic development and attract tourists to our state," said Tennessee Arts Commission Executive Director, Anne B. Pope.

Annual grants provide funds for: arts education projects, such as professional development for teachers, arts education in communities and programming for children in grades PK-12; operating

support to well-established arts organizations; and project support for arts projects in urban and rural counties.

Annual grant review panels were held throughout the month of April to review the grant applications. Panels are divided into different categories including Arts Education, Arts Access, Community Arts, Folk Arts, Literary Arts, Visual Arts, Music, Dance, Theater, Inter-Arts, Funds for At-Risk Youth and Rural Arts. Panel members are appointed to two-year terms and generally consist of professional artists, arts administrators, patrons, sponsors, educators and community leaders.

The Tennessee Arts Commission board members voted unanimously to approve the annual grants on June 10 at the Commission quarterly board meeting. The meeting was the last quarterly meeting of FY15 in which the 15-member board historically votes on allocations and budget for the next fiscal year.

The Annual Grants are the first of a series of grants that will be made by the Tennessee Arts Commission. The Commission expects to award over 1,000 grants during FY2016, totaling more than \$5.3 million dollars. These funds have a direct impact on communities across Tennessee, in both urban and rural areas.

Of the \$5.3 million dollars that will be granted, \$4.5 million came from specialty license plate fees earmarked to benefit the arts. Additionally, the Commission receives a state appropriation and federal funding, namely from the National Endowment for the Arts.

CHIEF

Mooneyham also admitted during the plea hearing he misrepresented to other officers of the Woodbury Police Department that federally-funded overtime was not available, despite the fact that he had been submitting and continued to submit timesheets for such overtime on his own behalf.

Mooneyham further disclosed that he had misrepresented to a Town of Woodbury official that he had received a large percentage of federally-funded overtime pay because no other officers of the

Woodbury Police Department were willing to perform the overtime patrols, Rivera said.

In fact, numerous Woodbury Police officers had expressed an interest in performing such overtime patrols.

Mooneyham will be sentenced by Chief Judge Sharp on Oct. 19. He faces up to 10 years in prison and a fine of up to \$250,000, plus forfeiture of the proceeds of his offense.

The case was investigated by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Bill Abely.

HEMP

products."

In the mid 1800s, Tennessee farms reported growing over 2,200 tons of hemp using it to make rope and industrial canvas used in boat sails and to bag cotton harvests. According to state records, production fell with competition from other states.

Growing commercial hemp is still illegal under federal law. Permitted

farms in Tennessee work closely with state and federal authorities under new farm rules for states that legalize hemp or recreational & medical marijuana.

Under state law, farms growing hemp can sell hemp fiber or viable hemp seed to a manufacturer and value added products direct to consumers. The first hemp crops in Tennessee will harvest in late September.

Special Event station a success

The DeKalb/Cannon County Amateur Radio Club conducted a Special Event Station at the 44th Annual Smithville Fiddlers' Jamboree and Craft Festival on Saturday, July 4th, 2015. This year marked the fifteenth year that a special event station had been set up at the Jamboree.

The station was setup at the front entrance of the Justin Potter Library during the early morning hours on Saturday. Antennas were assembled, radios were properly checked, and transmissions were

begun at 7:50 AM local time. Operations took place in the 20 meter, and 40 meter Amateur Radio bands, and the station was publicized in Amateur Radio magazines QST, CQ, and the club website. This year operations took place on a cool over cast day with only one small rain shower during the operations.

The station contacted 162 total Amateur Radio Stations in 34 States, Ontario and Nova Scotia, Canada, as well as stations in the Bahamas, and Puerto Rico.

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USDA Rural Development assists in treatment plant

USDA Rural Development Area Director Jerry Jolley joined DeKalb Utility District Manager Jon Fouch in celebration of its new water treatment plant today with a groundbreaking ceremony at the DeKalb Utility District (UD) office.

Through Rural Development's Water and Waste Disposal Loan and

Grant Program, USDA provided \$6,250,000 in loan and grant funds to combine with additional funding from Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), the State of Tennessee and DeKalb Utility District to construct a new Water Treatment Plant along with Raw Water Intake and Transmission line and Distribution System

improvements.

"Safe, reliable water is vital to the future of every healthy community," said Jolley. "Making infrastructure investments like these not only provides for improved water treatment and distribution, it puts people to work now and lays the foundation for improved sustainable growth in the future." Others participating in

the event include DeKalb UD Board Commissioners President Roger Turney, Secretary Joe Fouch, Treasurer Hugh Washer, Jimmy Womack, and Paul Bass; Rural Development Cookeville Area Specialist Chris Hampton and Technician Alice Wills; Project Engineers Buddy Koonce and Bryant Griffin.

USDA Rural Development is moving

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Rescue Squad gets training grant

Emergency service training prepares first responders to save lives everyday all across America and throughout the world. Recently, the Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc. received new equipment to help train local volunteer rescue responders in the removal of victims from motor vehicle collisions.

The Rescue Squad was able to purchase new

training DVDs and a life-sized mannequin to aid in vehicle rescue (extrication). This equipment is the latest in the state of the art training materials. The new training equipment will enhance responders' skills and emergency care at the scene of motor vehicle collisions. The equipment was purchased through a project funded by the Tennessee Governor's Highway Safety Office (GHSO).

Julian S. Wise of Roanoke, VA is known and honored as the 'Father of Rescue Squads.' It all goes back to 1928 when he had witnessed a number of emergencies, particularly the drowning of a small

boy in the Roanoke River. In discussing the situation with his wife, he found more than encouragement. In fact, he credits her with the idea which has grown to international proportions since he organized the famed Roanoke Life Saving and First Aid Crew (the first in the world) in May 1928. He helped organize many of the first squads in Tennessee.

On May 8, 1978, the Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc. was chartered with the same mission in mind. For over 37 years, local volunteers have responded in Cannon County and provided this life-saving service. Providing for the proper

emergency care is more than just having the right equipment. It is largely impacted by the training of the first responders. Responders take pride in the fact that they are able to help someone in their time of need, but continual training helps these first responders efficiently deal with these emergencies when they arise.

Fred Sherrill, Tennessee GHSO Upper Cumberland Liaison, had this to say about the training grant: "The Governor's Highway Safety Office is proud to partner with the Cannon County Rescue Squad in efforts to save lives in Cannon County. We know they will use their grant funding for the betterment of the citizens of Cannon County."

The Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc. is happy to receive this training grant and the new training equipment. It will assist with responder training for many years to come in Cannon County.

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

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New law fights human trafficking

(NASHVILLE -- July 1 marks the effective date of major laws enacted this past legislative session to keep Tennessee on the forefront of the nationwide campaign to fight human trafficking.

"We have made major improvements since 2011 to address human trafficking and continue to lead the nation in these efforts," said Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Brian Kelsey (R-Germantown), who has sponsored numerous bills with Representative Jim

Coley (R-Bartlett) cracking down on human traffickers. "These new laws build upon our past efforts on human trafficking and give law enforcement agencies the resources they need to identify and prosecute this despicable crime."

New laws regarding human trafficking taking effect Wednesday, July 1, will:

provide four additional TBI special agents to train law enforcement and other officials in identifying, investigating

and prosecuting human trafficking. These special agents will also train first responders and caseworkers to find services and assist human trafficking victims.

extend the statute of limitations to 25 years for prosecution of "promoting prostitution of minors."

allow law enforcement to utilize wiretaps to investigate commercial human trafficking.

These new laws are in addition to legislation that took effect in April to allow

a juvenile caught in the sex trade to be sent to a shelter care facility to provide for their safe release to a parent or legal guardian.

The new human trafficking laws continue progress the state has made over the past four years after a 2011 Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) report showing incidents of the crime in 73 of 95 Tennessee counties. The resulting legislative efforts won Tennessee national acclaim, including a #1 national ranking by Shared

Hope International's 2013 Protected Innocence Challenge.

July 1 also marks enactment of the state budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year which contains funds for three new forensic scientists at the TBI to process rape kits at no charge to local law enforcement. In May, officials announced that more than half of the 12,000 backlogged rape evidence kits in Memphis had not been tested or were at labs awaiting analysis.

Legislation Kelsey co-sponsored with Senate Majority Leader Mark Norris (R-Collierville) ensures future sexual assault kits will be tested and stored in a timely manner. That law took effect in April.

"We still have much work to do to get these kits processed so that justice can be served for victims of rape," added Kelsey. "Funding these positions is very important to complete this backlog."

Saying goodbye to a friend & champion

By JEAN GEORGE

My story begins with a nine year old boy and his love of horses. He always had a way with horses beginning as a toddler, with my dad at his barn with his beloved mules, Kate and Alice. It progressed from there to horses. To be exact, the Tennessee Spotted Walking Horse. Something grabbed his attention and touched his heart and he was showing in the show ring by the age of twelve. Now, we fast forward to today.

Billy, decided he wanted to help promote the Tennessee Spotted Walking Horse Association, so we built a barn. He calls it Midnight Enterprise Stables. For two reasons, his first wonderful horse he named Midnight, at the age of nine he trained his horse, from sitting on their front feet stretched out. To everything that a fine horse should know, too letting our border collie right with him. He groomed, fed, watered, cleaned the stall. He also learned to shoe and kept their feet perfect. Above all, he loved his horse, he had a tender heart to show his appreciation for his horse. I can say honestly, I never saw a time he lifted his hand in anger to his horse. It just wasn't necessary for him to do that. Now for Enterprise, that means, to marking an energetic spirit and by readiness to undertake or experiment, all this according to Webster. This is exactly what we all have shared in doing with horse at Midnight Enterprise Stables. Our spirits have been very uplifting at times and we have worked with each and every horse taking great pride to fulfill each horses potential. This was a family endeavor, we all worked together, each of us with a specific job to do.

A lot of people have heard of our "Puppy" that is his barn name; his real name is "He's Painted by Gen". When I say "OUR" we considered him as one of ours, since the very early age of fourteen months, a part of the family. Puppy has never know another home other than ours. His owner decided for him to stay at our barn, which we all were so thrilled to do.

I am getting ahead of myself with out story here, let me back up and tell you "Puppy's" story. The conversation goes like this. Dad says "Son, you might ought to back that trailer up to the door here". Puppy was such a small little horse, black and while in color, big innocent eyes, hardly any mane at all, knobby knees, frail in fact. Billy looked through the slants in the trailer at this little horse and said, "Oh, I think that won't be necessary", came the reply back to dad. Billy got into the trailer with him, rubbed from from the top of his head to his feet, just talking to him quietly. He was telling him that they



He's Painted By Gen, better known as Puppy

were going to become big buddies. We just did not know how true that statement would be until later.

Meanwhile, Billy gently led "the little horse" off of the trailer and headed for the barn. In a flash, that little colt bolted, twisted and turned toward open field. Billy still hanging on, Billy loses his footing, and that "frail horse" as I said before, is dragging him across the hay field. There goes Billy's fat, there goes his sunglasses, there goes his phone and they are gone. Billy is refusing to turn loose as we are all hollering for him to do.

Finally, Billy regains his footing, he is bleeding, bruised and beat from one end to the other. He is heading for the barn, when all of a sudden, this little "frail colt" is heading to the barn ahead of him, because the snap broke on the lead line. That "fragile colt" runs to the six foot stockade fence and jumps flat-footed in to the holding area with Tom and Toby out 1400 pound Belgium mules. Who in fact, had been watching all the commotion that had just taken place. Oh, did I mention that was a mighty powerful hot wire on top of the six foot fence.

Puppy quickly takes refuse between the two mules. I know this sounds crazy to some folks, but all you animal people will understand what I am going to say. I do believe that Tom and Toby told this little critter, to "knock it off, we really have it good here". I say that because, Billy reached out

put a new lead line on the little colt and walked him to the barn, when he got his breath back that is, Billy not the colt. I will tell you right now, Billy did not beat the tar out of this little fellow, he did not jerk him around or disrespect him in any way, like some men would do.

He talked his way through the whole situation. Billy knew this little guy was scared, he had been taken away from all the things he knew and was familiar with, including his mamma. As we watched, Billy began to walk him from one end of the barn to the other. This went on for over an hour, it was miserably hold outside, but no one dared to move, fearing we might miss another episode like the last one. Finally, Billy had finally gained his trust.

That tiny colt, had earned a green apple, pop sickle. He also earned a clean stall, he earned a good supper, a fresh block of hay, fresh container of water, but most of all he had earned a man's respect and a great bond began that day between a man and his horse. That is how He's Painted by Gen got his barn name. After all of that Billy says, "Dad, he is going to be a champion, look how gentle he is now, look at him, he is as gentle as a puppy." As we all looked at Billy, grass still hanging out of his ears, we all began to laugh, including Billy.

Puppy, became a great success here at our barn, a Champion.

Puppy did most certainly become a

champion in our barn. The first year as a yearling he won the Yearling under halter high points horse of the year for 2012. Puppy won high points of the year as a 2 year old, open shod for 2013. Puppy won World Grand Champion2 and 3 year old open shod for 2014. Yes, Puppy was a Champion.

Puppy certainly flourished under the training here at Midnight Enterprise. Billy and his son Tylor, taught Puppy and trained him in the rain, heat, wind and snow. Puppy expected to be rode each and every day. I can't begin to tell you the number of hours he was rode and that is what made a true champion. Puppy had that one in a million natural ability to become a champion, time under the saddle was all it took and hours and hours was what he got.

Tylor was amazing when he rode puppy, he thought like the horse, he anticipated every single step. They became great together, like magic, Tylor brought home the Blue Ribbon that night he won The World Grand Champion in 2014. A champion was born with a lot of blood, sweat and tears here a Midnight Enterprise stables. Billy met him at the gate that night, with a lot of pride and jot in his heart, for the horse and his son.

We all said good-bye to Puppy this past week. It was a hard thing to do, but let Puppy know it wasn't out choice. He was shampooed for the last time, his tail and mane

was groomed for the last time. He ate his last apple flavored pop sickle. He eyes were big and bright, so trusting. I do believe he knew something was about to change. Billy loved this horse, he left Puppy's show halter on him, telling him he earned it.

As Puppy leaves out barn for the last time, Puppy holds top high points honor horse of the Year. I heard Billy say, "If I can't show with honesty and integrity, I won't show at all". This is what it came down too. As Puppy was lead away, he knew something indeed was wrong. Billy wasn't leading him to the trailer. Puppy, stopped looked back and nickered, a soft goo-bye.

Animal people who ready this will know what I am saying. Some say he was just a horse, your wrong. Puppy was one of us, a part of the family, and we all loved him. Some may say don't get to attached to an animal, again he was family. Just like Bob Bafferts, trainer for American Pharoah, the colt led to the Triple Crown Winner for 2015, said "if you love the horse, they'll

respond. You have to love the horse. No, Puppy wasn't just a horse, he was very special and loved, that is why he responded to Billy so well. He is a champion, and it was our honor to make him one. He became a champion learned from a kind hand, the right kind of discipline and a lot patience. We wish you well Puppy, may your journey be as it was here at Midnight Enterprise Stables. We will leave your night light on and the freezer full of apple flavored pop sickles. Maybe our next champion will like them as good as you did.

My heart is heave as I write this, my son (Billy) does not know I am writing this; he will read it in the Cannon Courier like everyone else. I am very proud of the way he treats his horses, it showed in Puppy and all the rest of the horses at the barn. My dad always said "You can judge a man's character by the way he treats his animals". I have heard this all of my life. What do you think? We love you Pup!

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SPORTS

Basketball more than a memory for Davenport

DAVID HUNTER
Courier Sports Writer

The last time Cannon County High School boys' basketball team played in the state tournament was 1985. It was the first time the Lions advanced to it since 1932, and recent Hall of Famer inductee Russell Davenport was one of the major parts of the legendary team's success 30 years ago.

The biggest memory Davenport has from the magical season was not the success on the court, but the overwhelming support from the community and the life lasting bonds with his teammates.

"Playing the sub state at home was something new for the boys," Davenport said a few weeks ago. "I remember coming to CCHS at 4:30 p.m. that afternoon, and I saw about 300 people having a pep rally in front of the gym, and I thought that was pretty neat. The gym was packed. At state, it seemed like everybody from Cannon County was there."

The Lions lost in the state quarterfinals to Knoxville Austin-East 98-61, but the memorial season was something the entire team has looked back on three decades later.

Davenport, who was mostly known for the thunderous dunks, during his high school career was inducted into the Hall of Fame on May 21. It was a special honor for him, and it was even more special when his 11-year old son Gus helped put him in



A key player on Cannon County High School's best boys basketball team ever, Russell Davenport keeps those memories alive by supporting local athletes, including his son, Gus. Davenport also coaches basketball and baseball.

there.

"I felt honored and humbled about it," Davenport said. "It is a special thing, and I could not have done it without the help of my teammates and good coaching. It was a special moment for me."

Family is very important to Davenport, and it is part of the reason why he enjoyed so much success on the basketball court during his time at CCHS.

"When I was little, I went to watch my sister play at the old gym, and there was pictures of famous players on the wall," Davenport said. "I wanted to do well, so my picture would be on the wall. I had the goal of doing good things to get to that point. It is a special thing."

One of the bonds he continues to share today from that team is with Alan Bush, who were the

two leaders of the 1984-85 team. Speaking of the leadership, Davenport has put it into practice in two very important aspects of his life today coaching middle school basketball and running his own company.

For the past few years, Davenport has been an assistant coach for the Westside Elementary team, which includes Gus on the team. This past season,

Westside had a perfect 25-0 record, including a state title. Russell has really enjoyed the experience of giving back to the game, and most importantly coaching his son at the same time.

"I enjoy being able to sit back and watch my boys play," Davenport said.

The family added Gus has the same goals for himself, including going to the state tournament

like his dad and breaking his dad's scoring records at CCHS. He has already done pretty well for himself, winning four Junior Pro titles and now a middle school title.

Not only does Davenport and his wife Shannon enjoy watching their kids, Gus and Bode play sports, they also take a thrill in giving back to the youth baseball athletes here in town. For the past 26 years, Russell has run his own construction company, DavCo Construction, and during the youth baseball season, the family gives out a reward to those young homerun hitters.

During the season, any kid who crushes the ball over the fence during the kid pitch leagues at the Cannon County Dixie Youth Association games will get a 50 dollar cash prize and their name will be posted on the board at the ballpark. It is one of the ways they give back to the community who has given so much to them.

For Davenport, the success was not about the records, but about the bonds he made with his teammates, which continues today as the team celebrated the 30-year anniversary in January. He also had a lot of coaches and supporters, who helped the team achieve history back then. However, most importantly today Davenport gives back to the community, while passing on valuable lessons to his sons.

Record 3-point shooter treasures her experiences

DAVID HUNTER
Courier Sports Writer

The sharpest three-point shooter in TSSAA history, Cannon County Lionettes star Emily Sissom became a Hall of Famer on May 21. It was a special night for her as she had her jersey retired, inducted by her equally good sister Abbey, and her high school coach Michael Dodgen was also put in the Hall of Fame.

"It was an awesome experience and an honor to be up there with people who were inducted that night," Emily Sissom said. "I think about all who have been inducted in previous years, and it is an honor to be named with those people."

During her high school career, Sissom made historical marks on the basketball court that still stand today, including 2,181 points and 385 three-pointers which is the most in TSSAA history. However, she was part of a couple of Lionette teams, which made history during her time at the school.

As a sophomore in 2009, she pitched the softball team to their only regional tournament appearance in school history. A couple of years later, Emily along with her sister Abbey helped send the Lionettes to the state basketball tournament for the first time since 1992. It is a memory Sissom still enjoys to this this day.

"It made my high school career so much better," Sissom said about the experience. "To this day my favorite basketball memory



It was a memorable moment for Emily Sissom when her sister Abbey inducted her into the Cannon Courier Sports Hall of Fame. Coach Michael Dodgen retired both Sissom sisters' jerseys during the ceremony.

by far is going to the state tournament and getting to play at the Murphy Center. The community all came together during all of that including going to region in softball. It was a really awesome experience and playing for it really made my high school career so much better."

On the night of the

Hall of Fame ceremony, those memories were remembered as Abbey inducted her, both of their basketball jerseys were retired and their head coach Dodgen was also inducted. All of that brought back special memories for Sissom.

"It is really cool and I have a lot of respect for

Coach Dodgen and the things he has been able to do," Sissom said of her former coach who is now at White County. "We came in about the same time and it has been really cool to see the growth he has made after I left. I love coming back when I could watching games and seeing the girls especially seeing

what a good job he has done with them as well. It is really cool to share that experience with him.

The success continued for Sissom in college at Union University both on and off the floor. On the court, she helped lead them to a couple of national championships while off the floor meant more to her

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as she studied to become a teacher and traveled on a mission trip to Haiti.

"I think going over there was something you could not ever imagine until you actually go there," Sissom said. "I was really humbled to see how joyful the people in Haiti are. It was really encouraging for me to go over there and see that things we value here in the USA are not as important to those people. As long as they have their family and they do not know when they will have their next meal. Those people were so joyful."

After graduating from Union this past spring, Sissom will get into the teaching field, which she compares being in the classroom to being on the court with her teammates. She gives all of the success during her sports career at both levels to all of her teammates.

"I could not have done it without any of my teammates," Sissom said. "They made my career successful and fun. I enjoyed being around my teammates during all of that."



Resolution of carpal tunnel following Chiropractic Care

Published on December 15, 2014, in the Annals of Vertebral Subluxation Research is a case study documenting the resolution of bilateral Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (CTS) following chiropractic care. The study authors note that CTS occurs in about 1 to 5% of the general population and as high as 14.5% among specific occupational groups.

The authors explain the impact this problem has by noting: "Carpal tunnel syndrome is one of the most common peripheral entrapment disorders in the United States. It has been estimated that approximately 5 million workers suffer from the disorder with cost estimates for medical care placed over \$2 billion annually."

The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke defines CTS by stating: "Carpal tunnel syndrome occurs when the median nerve, which runs from the forearm into the palm of the hand, becomes

pressed or squeezed at the wrist. The median nerve controls sensations to the palm side of the thumb and fingers (although not the little finger), as well as impulses to some small muscles in the hand that allow the fingers and thumb to move."

In this case, a 57-year-old woman went to a chiropractic college clinic with complaints of bilateral hand pain with numbness of her first three fingers that radiated towards her left arm. She had been experiencing numbness and pain in her right hand for the previous ten months, and for eight months in her left hand. She had not seen a medical doctor for her problem prior to going to the chiropractor. Her pain was worse when sleeping and when performing repetitive motions. Anti-inflammatory drugs and ice provided only some temporary relief.

A chiropractic examination was performed that included a posture

review, palpation, range of motion, orthopedic and neurological tests. Based on the history and examination findings, the patient was given a diagnosis of right and left wrist carpal tunnel syndrome with vertebral subluxation. Chiropractic care was then begun on this patient. The woman was also given some home exercises to perform on her own.

The case study reports that results were almost immediate. The woman experienced significant pain relief following the first visit. After the fourth visit she said, "I don't wear my brace anymore and there is no more tingling or pain."

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Elrena Parton reads from her newly published book Popcorn the Goat to Woodbury Grammar School's Mrs. C. J. Hughes's Pre-K class.

FSA county nominations now underway

Donny Green, DeKalb/ Election is underway. County FSA The nomination period continues through Aug. 3, 2015. County Executive Director, announces the nomination period for the 2015 Farm Service Agency (FSA) County Committee

Election is underway. The nomination period continues through Aug. 3, 2015. "I encourage all producers to participate in the county committee

election process by nominating candidates by the August 3 deadline," said Green. "We are counting on as much participation as possible, because county committees are an important link between the farm community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. We have seen a trend in recent years of increased nominations of minority, beginning farmers, and women producers and we hope that will continue."

Committees apply their judgment and knowledge to make decisions on county commodity price-

support loan eligibility, establishment of allotments and yields, conservation programs, disaster programs, employment and other farm program-related issues. Nationwide, there are more than 7,800 farmers and ranchers serving on FSA county committees. Committees consist of three to five members who are elected by eligible local producers.

To be eligible to serve on an FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area in which the person is a candidate.

Nominees must reside in Local Administrative

Area (LAA) for which they are seeking to be elected. For the 2015 Election, the DeKalb/Cannon County FSA County Committee Election will conduct elections in LAA-1 (DeKalb County) and LAA-5 (Cannon County). Below are the descriptions of the LAA's that will be conducting elections this year:

Local Administrative Area # 1, the portions of DeKalb County described as following:

East of a line where Hwy. 146 crosses the Cannon County line; following Hwy. 146 North to Hodges Rd.; thence north to Tabernacle Rd.; following Tabernacle Rd. to Dry Creek Rd.; east of Dry Creek Rd. to Hwy. 70 West; south of Hwy. 70 to

Hwy. 96 (Dale Ridge Rd.); thence north to Hwy. 96 to Hwy. 141 (Wolf Creek Rd.) to Center Hill Dam; from Center Hill Dam following Center Hill Lake southwest to include the area south and southwest of the lake to Sligo Bridge; thence following Hwy. 70 East in a westward direction to the intersection of Hwy. 70 and Hwy. 56; thence the area west of Hwy. 56 South to the Warren County line north of the Warren/DeKalb County line back to Hwy. 146 at the Cannon County line.

Local Administrative Area # 5, the portions of Cannon County described as following:

That portion of Cannon County that lies west of Highway 53 (a state highway that runs south from the DeKalb County line and north from the Coffee County Line).

Individuals may nominate themselves, or others, as a candidate. In addition, eligible candidates can be nominated by community-based and other organizations in the county where the election is being held before the close of the nomination period, especially group representing socially disadvantaged farmer or ranchers. Nomination and elections are open to all eligible candidates and voters without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital status or disability. The nomination form (FSA 669A) is available at USDA Service Centers and online at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections>

Ballots will be mailed to all eligible voters in LAA's 1 and 5 on Nov. 9, 2015. Completed ballots must be returned, either in person or postmarked no later Dec. 7, 2015. For more information about FSA county committees visit the DeKalb/Cannon County USDA Service Center or call 615-597-8225 extension 2.

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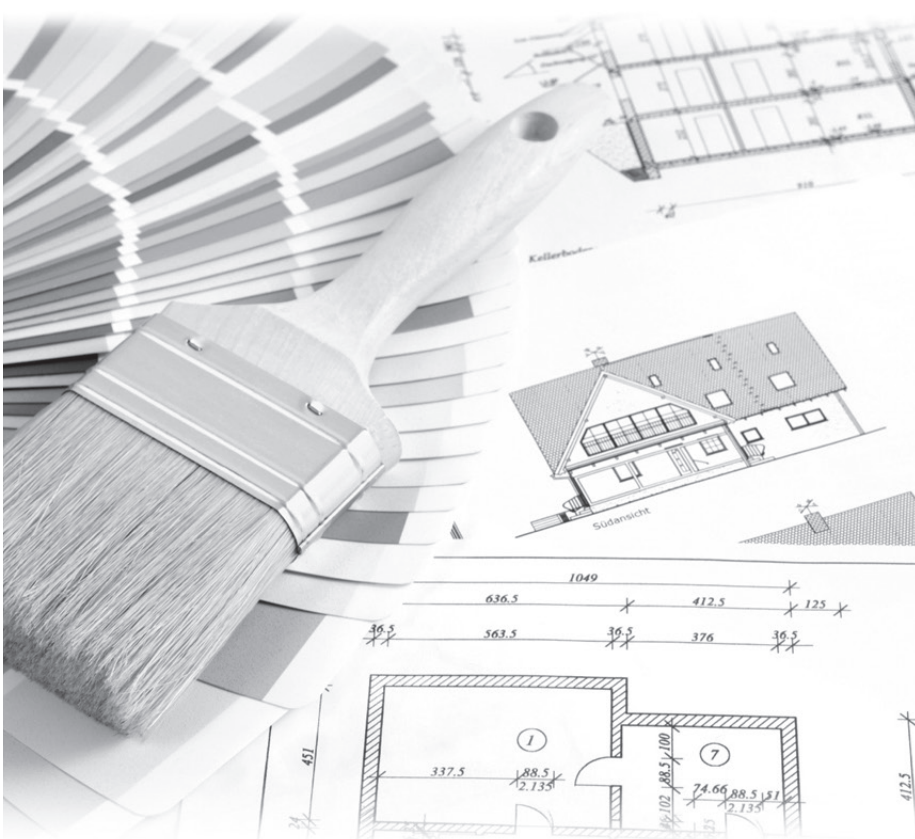
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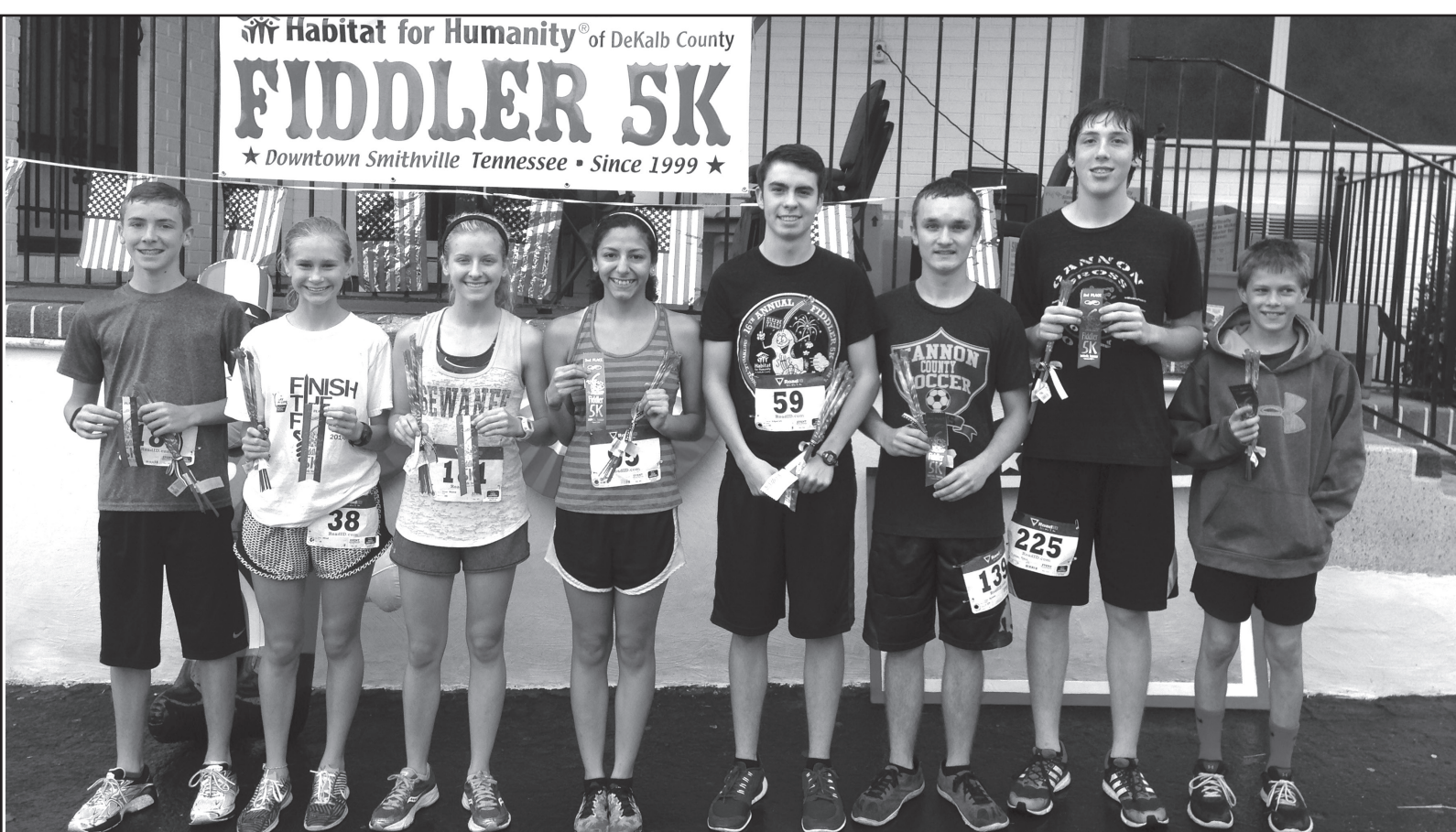
Beef Month is July

Ah! Finally, the relaxing sounds of summer. Kids are playing in the backyard, neighbors greet one another on evening walks and the best sound of all – steaks sizzling on the grill, the mouth-watering aroma letting everyone know someone's grilling beef tonight!

It's always grilling time in Tennessee, but somehow the lazy days of summer just make it that much better. July is Beef Month in Tennessee and that is something to celebrate!

Beef is a savory, lean and nutritious source of protein, zinc, iron and B-vitamins, all important nutrients your body requires. Calorie for calorie, lean beef is one of the most nutrient-rich foods: a 3-ounce serving of lean beef has only 179 calories. That same serving supplies more than 10% of the USDA daily value for essential vitamins and minerals needed for optimal health and weight. It's an extremely versatile protein source. With 29 lean beef cuts to choose from, including favorites such as tenderloin, sirloin, and flank steaks, you can't go wrong.

For a list of the 29 lean cuts of beef and great tasting healthy beef recipes visit the website www.beefitswhatsfordinner.com.



Over 30 runners from the high school and middle school cross country teams participated in this year's Fiddler 5k race at Smithville last Saturday. 9 runners placed in their age group. From left to right: Justin Whited 1st; Zettie Elrod 1st; Hannah Whited 1st; Elva Magana 2nd; Devin Gilpatrick 1st; Corey Seymour 2nd; Reece Wisdom 3rd; Tyler Southworth 2nd and not pictured Duncan Cook 3rd.



Good & Greasy art on display at UDMD

MURFREESBORO- Moxie Art Supply is pleased to announce a new exhibition in the gallery featuring Carl Carbonell and Woodbury's Heather Moulder, local printmakers working in a classic old time style. Carl and Heather spend their workdays at the historical Hatch Show Print in downtown Nashville printing letterpress show posters for all sorts of different entertainers and

companies. But once the shop closes, they stay busy in the shop with their own personal artwork. For this show, they have created a new body of work that celebrates both their love of woodblock printing and old-time music. Referencing lyrics, images, and characters, they're proud to have such a rich cultural depth to (quite literally) draw from. New woodblock prints will feature imagery from

classic old time tunes. As well as portraits of recurring characters in roots music such as Stack O Lee and John Henry. Moxie is easily accessible on the way to Uncle Dave Macon Days, and is located between Cannonburgh Village and the public city garage and library parking. Make sure to stop in to see this roots music inspired show on your way to see the music! Good and Greasy will be

open for viewing from July 8-31, Monday-Friday 10-6, and Saturday 10-4. Please join us for a reception with the artists, Saturday July 11th, 2:30-4pm, at Moxie Art Supply. The exhibit and reception are free and open to the public. Moxie is located at 302 W. Vine Street in Murfreesboro. The hours are Monday-Friday 10-6, and Saturday 10-4. Closed on Sundays.

Federal Court rules against Tellico pollution

After years of permit violations and pollution of Bat Creek, a tributary of the Tellico Reservoir, a federal court ordered the City of Madisonville to build a new wastewater treatment plant to go into operation by June 30, 2017. The consent decree was signed on June 29, 2015, by U.S. Eastern Tennessee District Court Chief District Judge Tom Varlan. The consent decree acknowledged the violations of the Clean Water Act by the existing Madisonville

sewage collection system and its treatment plant, and requires the City of Madisonville to follow a defined action plan for meeting its obligations under its state discharge permit. Critically, the plan calls for Madisonville to build a new sewage treatment plant to discharge highly treated wastewater to Bat Creek and to eliminate overflows of raw sewage from the headworks of the existing plant. The consent decree settles a lawsuit filed against the

City of Madisonville by the Tennessee Clean Water Network (TCWN) and the Watershed Association of the Tellico Reservoir (WATER). "We are pleased the consent decree compels the city to take action to bring its system into compliance with its discharge permit, which was written to protect water quality in Bat Creek and the Tellico Reservoir," said TCWN General Counsel Stephanie Durman. "All of the parties involved in negotiating

this settlement recognized that a permanent fix was needed, and sooner rather than later. With this resolution, the people of Madisonville and the Tellico Reservoir area will benefit from cleaner water for generations." WATER supports policies and projects that protect and improve the environment in and around Tellico Reservoir. The focus is on issues, policies, and practices that promote clean air, water, and natural habitat.

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Countdown to start of school

Director: Tina Norris,
Written by Lu Ann Curlee

July came with a bang, as it always does, and we now begin the countdown to the first day of school sometime in August. But we're not going to dwell on that now. Summer Reading is what's on our minds. If you haven't already signed up, come on in and do it today. It's not too late to join the program and start reading books for fun and prizes. Come to the library, get your program materials and start reading. This year for children birth to 4 years and children 4 to 12 years the subject is Every Hero Has a Story. For Teens, ages 12 to 17, the theme is Unmask. The topic for adults, ages 18 and up, is Escape the Ordinary.

Through June and July there will be NO story time at Adams Memorial Library, however story time is continuing at the Auburntown Branch. Story Time will resume in August at Adams Memorial. Until then you can attend the Auburntown story time and join the Summer Reading Program with your children.

July 14 we have our sixth summer movie of the season.

At the Library

We have a great crowd coming in for our weekly movie but we still have plenty of space for YOU! Come out and enjoy a movie in the cool with popcorn and juice.

All free and all for you. Can't wait until movie day to know what we're showing? Come by or call the library to find out. Due to licensing considerations, we can't print the title in the paper, but you'll love it.

Thursday, July 16, we have the premier summer event - THE POOL PARTY. We know you enjoy reading, but this is really why you come for Summer Reading, to get in the water. Everyone is welcome. This year we're also running a food drive for the Cannon County Food Bank. Bring your donations of canned food items to the pool and if we get 50 cans or more, Miss Patti will jump in the pool. She can't jump in if you don't bring the cans, so bring your canned goods and put Miss Patti in the pool.

The Family Story Time and Craft will be held on Saturday,

July 18, at 10:30 a.m. at Adams Memorial Library. Come by with your family for an event that everyone can enjoy. It's hard to find free events for the whole family, but you've found one now, so be sure not to miss it.

Don't forget our ongoing program One Thousand Books before Kindergarten that continues all year. If you have a child of pre-kindergarten age, stop by the circulation desk and sign up. You'll get a packet of materials to keep a record of your child's progress as well as games and activities. This will be a wonderful addition to your child's memory book. Someday your child will be astonished at all the books she read when she was little and too young to remember reading.

Only a two more weeks to jump into the Summer Reading Program and then it's over for another year. Don't wait a year, come in now! There's still time to sign up and win a prize. That is if reading the book isn't prize enough.

Come in today!



Col. Jim Stone, top left, talks to Summer Reading Program students about the military during the Library's "Every Hero Has a Story" program. The Military Heroes event also took youngsters to the Cannon County Courthouse to see all the military portraits.



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The Tennessee National Guard provided a table full of pencils and other keepsakes as part of that special day.



Ag land market continues to decline in price

OMAHA, Neb. - While current land values have generally trended lower this past year in comparison to the sharp increases of recent years, results of farm and ranch income at year's end could shift land market dynamics, according to Farmers National Company, the nation's leading farm and ranch real estate company.

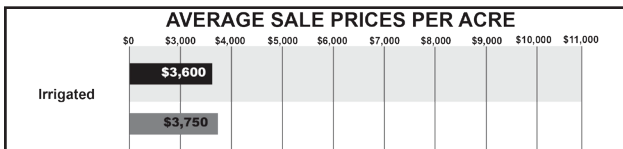
"Harvest results of 2015 will make it a pivotal year, which could impact the land market for several years," said Randy Dickhut, AFM, Vice President of Real Estate Operations of Farmers National Company. "Farm and ranch income will drive the direction. A great deal could happen between now and November."

Dickhut says margin

compression is occurring as a result of lower grain prices and steady input costs. He believes higher grain prices this fall would stabilize land values; however, lower prices could push values downward.

While farm and ranch profits are forecast to be lower in 2015 affecting annual cash flows, agriculture overall remains financially strong due to past profits. Operators working to shore up financial stress brought on by overextending cash flow may be looking for strategies to improve their finances. This could lead to a boost in sales as property owners work to right balance sheets, according to Dickhut.

Location and quality of land continue to be the main drivers of pricing for individual tracts.



The stability of this market is maintained by a lower supply of land for sale, contrasted with a continued demand for quality properties.

Farmers National Company statistics show the volume of properties for sale is down 40 percent over the past six months, as compared to the past two years. "The current level of available land is having a real impact on farm and ranch operations looking to expand," said Dickhut. "Demand is still good for quality land. The market just isn't as aggressive as in the past few years, so

values are drifting sideways to lower."

The market slowdown can, in some ways, be blamed on the absence of tax policy changes, which helped prompt sales this past year to some degree. While land values are down nearly 10 percent in most areas, price softening is happening at different rates in each region. For example, sales in the Northwest have been brisk, as the California drought is driving activity north. The Southern Delta region hasn't seen much decline, while parts of the Midwest are

experiencing significant drops in value.

While current buyers are predominantly active farmers and ranchers adding land to their operations, interest from investment funds and individuals is on the rise. In addition, generational land transfers continue to play a large role in market movements, as many inheriting land choose to sell.

"With the softening of land values, some investors are looking at this as an opportune time to buy," said Dickhut. "Land is considered a low risk long-term investment, so we will see these types of buyers jumping into the land market more and more over the next several years."

Demand for cropland

and grazing land from owner operators remains good, but buyers are being more realistic in what they will pay given lower grain prices. Land professionals are recommending that sellers be more realistic in evaluating the quality of their land and the expected selling price in order to have a successful sale.

According to Dickhut, long term economic trends look positive in relation to land values and ag markets. Demand for feed grains and protein sources by China and other world markets will remain strong long term as the growing world population has a desire to eat better.

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Executrix of the Estate of Jerry Smithson Deceased

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NOTICE FROM CANNON COUNTY SCHOOLS

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If you would like to pick up your records, please come to the Cannon County Board of Education by Friday July 10th. If you do not pick up your records by that date, they will be destroyed.

You may pick up your records from anytime Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you have any questions, please call Pamela Parker at 615-563-5752, extension 225.

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For more information please contact Tim Bell Chief Operating Officer and Project Manager at 615-849-2730. Alternatively, please contact Michael Underhill President and Chief Executive Officer at 615-904-5002 or by email at munderhill@cannoncountyrescue.com

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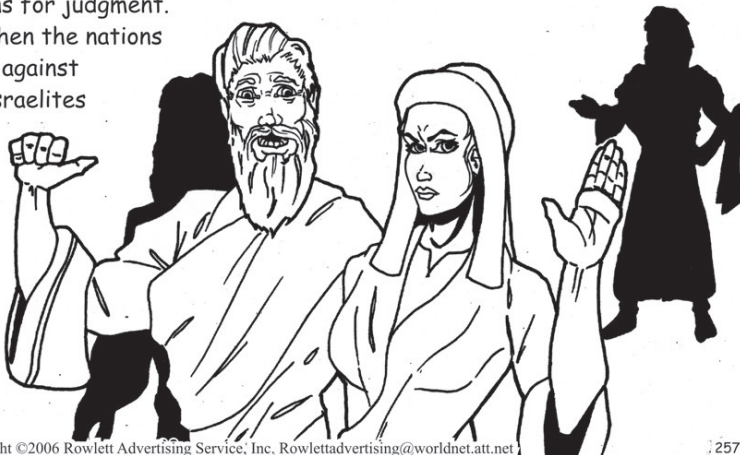
Zechariah Book of Zechariah

Zechariah the prophet was from a priestly family. He was associated with Haggai in the rebuilding of the temple in Jerusalem following the return of the Jewish exiles from the Babylonian exile.

Zechariah's writing draws from earlier prophets and at the same time gives word of events of the future. His book gives detailed references to the Messiah, references that Jesus fulfilled in His life. The King (Messiah) is prophesied to come very humbly. It was said He would bring salvation to His people but they would reject him.

Because of the rejection of the Savior, the Israelites would be abandoned to the neighboring nations for judgment.

Zechariah said that when the nations gathered to do battle against Jerusalem then the Israelites would recognize the one "whom they had pierced" and thus they would come out victorious. Finally all nations would come to Jerusalem to worship the Lord of Israel.



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Romans 8:6 For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

Isaiah 41:10 fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

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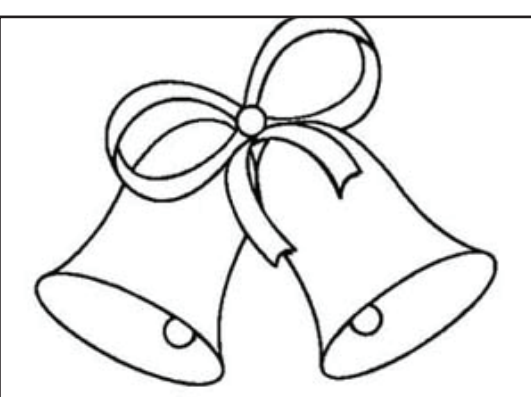
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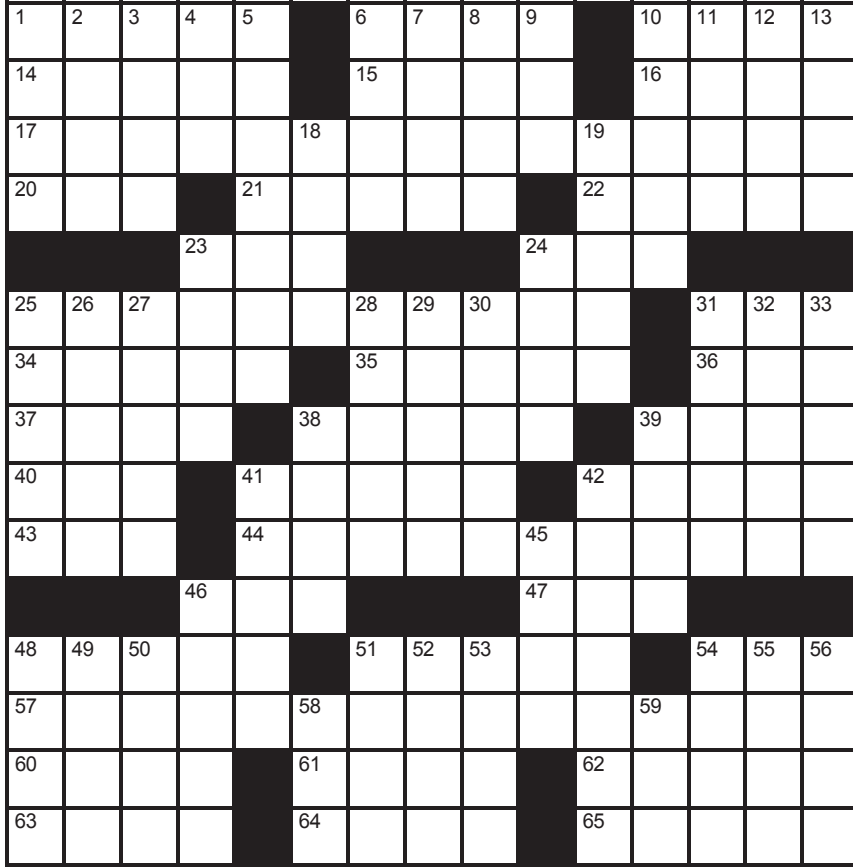
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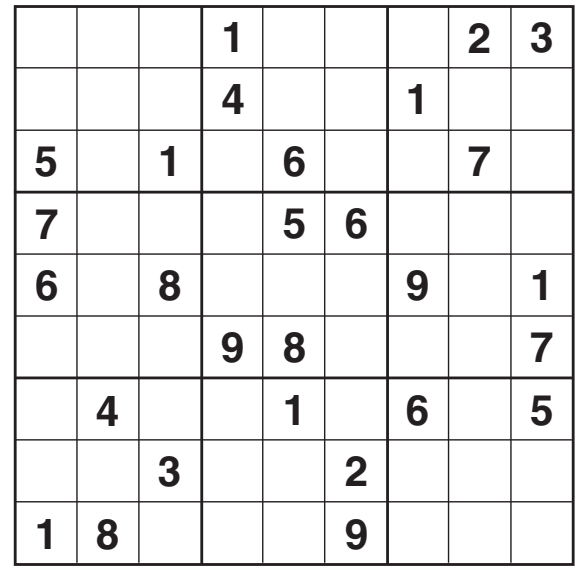
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Petfinder.com 'Happy Tails'

About a year ago Kirstin Burdett adopted a French bulldog who was rescued from a puppy mill. He had been malnourished and had rarely, if ever, been out of a cage. He lacked the normal puppy socialization most dogs receive from their mothers. Burdett had seen him on Petfinder, listed by Tri-State Yorkie and Small Breed Rescue in Oakland City, Indiana, and her heart went out to him.

In those first months after he was adopted, Scooter often screamed like a person if she or her boyfriend, Kevin, reached from behind him or caught him by surprise. Even now, he experiences nightmares from time to time. At those times, Burdett scoops him up and hugs him tightly until he relaxes. Sometimes, during the day, he comes to her looking for a hug and then goes back to whatever he was doing. The couple calls those "mommy moments."

He came to them with little muscle development and couldn't walk without his legs buckling. Now he runs along with them on their walks, savoring all the sights and sounds along the way.

But the aftereffects of life in a puppy mill last for a dog's lifetime because of the lack of those early socialization skills. Scooter, for instance, never learned to play. Though the couple bought lots of toys for him and enthusiastically encouraged him to play, he simply didn't get it. Eventually, Burdett donated most of the toys to a shelter. "We saved one ball and a cuddly moose, just in case," she says.

"We continue to help him through the anxieties and fears that stem from his traumatic years at the puppy mill but are devoted to making each day forward happy and healthy," she says.

Former puppy mill dogs require patience and understanding. Fortunately, people like Kirstin and Kevin are willing to assist on the journey to recovery.



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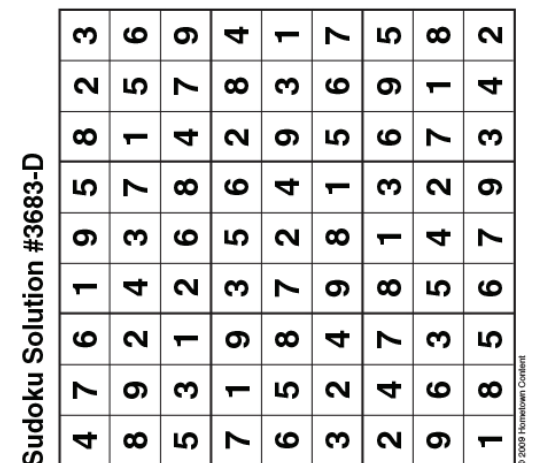
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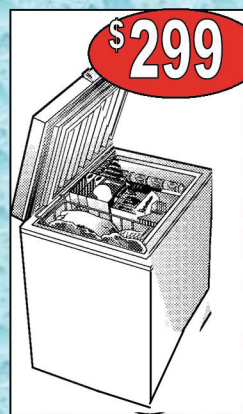
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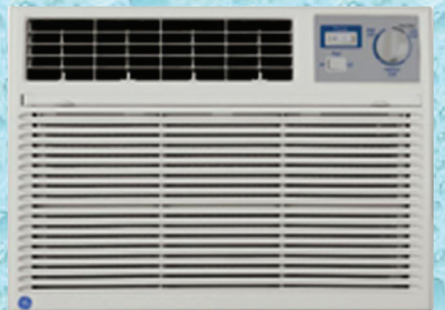
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