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Commission **OKs its first Ethics panel**

MIKE WEST **Courier Editor**

Cannon County Commissioners voted 8-2 to create a new Ethics Committee to hear complaints of policy violations and to refer ethical questions to the appropriate official or agency.

County Executive Mike Gannon quickly named five individuals to the new panel at the Thursday, March 3 commission meeting. Selected were County Commissioners Mark Barker, Glenn Steakley and Richie Hunter, County Trustee Norma Knox and citizen Bill Jennings.

"These are five people beyond reproach," Gannon said.

The new panel passed commission vote unanimously following a motion by Commissioner Adam Melton and seconded by Karen Ashford.

"I think it will benefit all county officials," Gannon said.

Prior to the vote, the county executive said Cannon County's ethics policy dates back to 2007 and follows a suggestion made by the County Technical Assistance Service (CTAS). The policy only covers two issues: 1. Disclosure and/or limits on gifts and 2. disclosure of conflict of

The ethics policy does not include personnel, employment or operational regulations of local government offices. The police does apply broadly to all county officials and the employees in all county offices and departments as well as to members, officers and employees of any county board or commission.

"All 14 Upper Cumberland counties have adopted an ethics policy," Gannon said. "Seven have an ethics committee, seven do not."

Adoption of an ethics committee is totally left up to the County Commission, he explained. "Every county is different. I'm not recommending if we have one or not."

Meetings are rare for any of those ethics committees, Gannon continued. "Not any of them have ever had an ethics complaint except for Smith County and that was a minor issue that was handled guickly."

Rarely do any of the Upper Cumberland ethics committees have any action before them especially when compared to the busy county Audit Committee.



MIKE WEST photo

County Executive Mike Gannon makes a point during discussion about Cannon County's ethics policy. The County Commission voted to establish an Ethics Committee with Gannon naming Commissioners Mark Barker, Glenn Steakley and Richie Hunter, County Trustee Norma Knox and citizen Bill Jennings to the panel.

Probation up for debate

MIKE WEST **Courier Editor**

Cannon County is beginning the process of selecting a new method of handling probation cases in local courts.

Providence Community Corrections, is headquartered in Greenville, S.C. Currently handling probation in Cannon County, PCC is the focus of a lawsuit in Rutherford County and is in the process of going out of business.

"This is something that needs to be

are looking at our best options. PCC is going out of business soon. CTAS is running the numbers," Melton said.

The lawsuit in Rutherford County claims PCC is violating racketeering laws by jailing poor people who fail to pay court fines and by refusing to waive fees for the indigent, according to Federal Court documentation.

Rutherford County has decided to handle their probation cases in house and is not interested in handling Cannon County cases.

"This cannot be done off the cuff.

Rutherford County, local courts do have 178 people on probation in misdemeanor cases and eight in Circuit Court cases. The local cases contribute nearly \$200,000 to the county's budget.

"We are trying to do this in an expedited manner," Melton said. "My hat's off to PCC. They have offered to do anything we need, including donating computers and other equipment.'

County Executive Mike Gannon appointed an ad hoc committee to

Commissioner Glenn See ETHICS, Page 9

looked at very quickly," Judge Susan Melton told County Commissioners Thursday night.

"CTAS (County Technical Assistance Service), the sheriff and myself Training would be necessary" before Cannon County could handle any probation cases, the judge said.

While Cannon County has only a fraction of the cases compared to help with the discussion.

Gannon named Commissioners Jamie Holloway, Karen Ashford and Jim Bush to what he dubbed the "Probation Committee."





Back a few years, Terrell Vaughn and Mayne Youngblood participated in a June 1994 UT Agriculture Extension event.

Bringing it around... 4-H volunteers Elizabeth House and Leah Hyatt divy up cake following Cannon County's Commission meeting.

Celebrating Cannon's farm connection

March is University of Tennessee Extension Month! All 95 counties across the state are celebrating the state's 105-year-old Extension program. Along with many other programs offered this month, the Cannon County Extension will be celebrated on the Square in Woodbury on March 18 from 3-5 p.m. Great food, games and door prizes are planned as well!

What is Cannon County's oldest and largest industry?

The answer is simple: Agriculture. A general type of farming is practiced with a good balance of crop and livestock production in Cannon County.

Playing an important role in that is the UT Extension Service with its emphasis on the 4-H Club work. That history dates back to 1918 when H.T. Andrews, the first agriculture demonstration agent, wrote Cannon County was very much to itself due to natural conditions and the lack of railroad connections.

Andrew's reports listed breeds of animal

now uncommon to Cannon County like the OIC (Ohio Improved Chester) hogs and Poland China swine and Southdown and Shropsire sheep.

He was happy to report that beef cattle were all of the Hereford breed and Jersey was the common dairy breed. In those days, corn cost 25 cents a bushel to produce with an average of 50 bushels per acre yield.

Andrews introduced soybeans to the farmers of Cannon County in those days, telling them they were good to eat. In those early days, Cornelia Laughry and Mary E. Doney, canning specialists, worked locally.

From 1920-1929, Cannon County was without extension personnel. C.W. Robinson was hired in 1930 and was the first extension agent to draw a salary from county sources.

It was Robinson who began the push to expand farming locally.

Over 500 acres of land were terraced along with 20 terracing demonstrations of farms. The raising of family pultry and sheep flocks, home orchards and gardens were encouraged. His goals included one good breeding sow on each farm to insure a home meat supply and some to sell. Every community had a 4-H Club for See CELEBRATING, Page 9







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Tactics of the War on Ladybugs

Don't know if those buttercups will get any snow on them or not today but pretty sure they got a ton of sleet at times on them as that sleet sounded like a hard rain at different intervals today as it was bouncing everywhere. Snow showers every now and then but for the most part they're not sticking as the ground is just too warm. They are a beautiful sight though.

Here it is February and I have had a problem lately with ladybugs. Hard to believe I know. Someone gave ma a saddle of flowers as they were going to put a new batch of flowers on their loved one's rock. These flowers were still in super-good shape so I had this plan to fix them up as a truly beautiful bouquet of flowers that I would put in this tall, attractive vase I had. Started out fine pulling out some of the flowers and putting them in a pile and then a ladybug was flying around me then another and it was like a blue-million of those bugs were coming out of that saddle at me. Took some of them down with my flv swatter that I retrieved from the kitchen. Got a pint jar and started putting them in it but they were getting out quicker than I could put them in. Finally resorted to the Hot Shot as I think the whole family and their extended family had probably settled in that saddle for the winter and may some friends, too. I don't know how many escaped, I just know that will be the last time I take the flowers from a saddle or any other wreath apart inside our house. Sure didn't want one of them ladybugs swimming around in my Dunkin Donut coffee with the hazelnut creamer the next morning at breakfast. That would be a bummer for sure for those of us that love our coffee to get us going of a morning.

We have some people that we need to uplift in prayer: Edith Miller, Ruth Brown, Fay Pitts, Jody Reedy, Charlie Mai Daniel, the family of Michael Underwood, Denise Stanton, Betty Gunter, Donna Lawson, Chloe Evelyn Bogle, the family of Luther Lawrence, and the family of Bobbye Harrison.

Betty Gunter doing pretty good on Thursday evening. Daughter Karen and husband Jerry visiting with her.

As of late at Glenda's (DeKalb Market) Janice/"Spider, Jackie/"Aubreys" "Yankee"/"Skeeter" and "Ella" all doing well.

Our own Clyde Nokes here at Short Mountain was honored by Governor Bill Haslam and the Tennessee General Assembly last Thursday in Nashville at the Capitol Building with a resolution recognizing his accomplishments in Bluegrass Music that has spanned for more than 70 years. Be sure and check out the Clyde Nokes story on page 5 of this issue of the Cannon Courier. A picture with Governor Haslam and State Representative Mark Pody with lots of family and friends in attendance to make the day for Clyde one to remember. Congratulations Clyde to you for this honor bestowed unto you. You certainly do deserve it!

All is quiet on the home front as no turkeys, deer, or 'little green men' have I spotted. We all need a break every now and then as it is always welcome. Bobby has said those little aliens are honoring Clyde as well, since he is their leader and one fine fella. Sounds like they are not as bad as I thought - or either they're just buttering Clyde up to do him in at some point in time. Stay turned.

Saw 3 of my neighbor's pigs in our yard earlier inthe week. The neighbor got them rounded up before I knew it. Ham, gravy, eggs and biscuits sure would have been good eatin' I have been thinking. All is not lost as I can still see those plump checkens they have close to the property line. I may have to get a bag of chicken feed for them to keep them fed real good, because chicken, gravy, eggs and biscuits would be quite a treat too.

Hope you have a wonderful week ahead and that wherever you go let those you meet know that you serve an awesome God the one true God there is. Jesus Christ, God's son, shed his precious blood on that old rugged cross so we could be free from the bondage of sin. We owe everything to Him.

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

Thou shalt love the Lord they God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. Matthew 22:37.



UFIT ADDS MTSU ALUMNAE TO STAFF *Fitness team grows with addition of Morales and Cochran*





Hailie Cochran

Just six months after opening its doors, UFIT Personal Training has announced the addition of two MTSU alumnae to its fitness team.

"Our studio is growing quickly, and we're proud to have two accomplished young professionals join our staff," UFIT owner Wes Robinson said.

Siobhan Morales, MS, ACSM, CSCS, and Hailie Cochran, CEP, draw from their individual backgrounds while working with clients oneon-one and in small group fitness classes.

Morales has an undergraduate degree in exercise science and earned her master's degree from MTSU in 2015. Originally from Trinidad, she received a soccer scholarship that allowed her to study in the United States. As a former college athlete, Morales said the transition to physical therapy was smooth. "I have the character and personality for helping people get healthy," she said, adding that fitness was a natural

part of her childhood. "My father always wanted me to be an indoor child, but I was always outside playing with cricket and (soccer) with the boys."

Morales calls her clients "family" and enjoys their regular conversations almost as much as she enjoys training them. "It's not about me; it's about giving that person the best experience," she said. "They say, 'I want to lose weight,' but I always tell people, 'Working out is not to look like someone else. It's to produce the best you.' When you train, you're doing that for you."

While Morales and Cochran come from very different backgrounds, they both have a desire to help others. Cochran graduated with a bachelor's degree in exercise science from MTSU in 2014 and has continued working at the university as a research assistant aiming to further the advancement of underwater therapy (specifically those dealing with spinal cord injuries). The Jackson, Tenn.-native said she's always enjoyed

Siobhan Morales

helping others, and health and wellness was a natural fit for her.

"The more I learned, the more I realized I wanted to be on the proactive side, rather than working on problems after they happen," she said. "The focus is on getting people healthy." Cochran explained how she watches her clients' progress week after week through strength gains, better balance, and weight loss. But she's most proud when clients become more confident in themselves and in their abilities. "At UFIT, you're not just working with a trainer and lifting some weights," she said. "You're working with people who can understand where you're coming from, tell you what's going on, and guide you toward reaching attainable goals."

To learn more about UFIT or to schedule a free consultation, visit http://www. onaltrainingmurfreesboro. com/, call 615-797-8348, or visit the studio at 169 Mall Circle Drive in Murfreesboro.



CANNON COUNTY SCHOOLS INVITE YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN TO PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN SCREENING AND REGISTRATION

New Regulations

For kids who will begin kindergarten this fall (must turn 5 by Aug. 15, 2016) OR if you want your child to attend a voluntary pre-kindergarten class (must turn 4 by Aug. 15, 2016)

Cannon County Board of Education Monday, March 21st 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM Tuesday, March 22nd 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM Wednesday, March 23rd 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM <u>Please bring:</u>

- 1. Proof of residence (light or phone bill with your name and address)
- 2. Birth certificate (official copy)
- 3. Immunization record with proof of physical
- 4. Social Security Card
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UT grad Scott Kelly is back on Earth after his record-breaking flight.

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Is space flight perfect career for this feller?

Hmmmmm, I have about decided an astronaut's life is the life for me. And why is that?

Haven't you heard? NASA's Scott Kelly recently returned to earth after N.F.

My Take MIKE WEST

Letters to the Editor Citizens, taxpayers of Cannon have spoken

To the Editor:

Last Tuesday, March 1, 2016, the citizens and taxpayers of Cannon County voted NO, by a vote of 79 percent AGAINST and 21 percent for, an increase of an additional \$29 Wheel Tax. The voters also voted NO, by a vote 71 percent AGAINST and 29 percent for, an additional 1 cent sales tax increase. This was not just a vote against these two taxes, this was a vote against additional tax increases of any kind!

The taxpayers have spoken in a loud voice. County executive, Cannon County commissioners, Budget Committee and other experts TAKE NOTE! The answer to Cannon County's economic issues is not to increase the tax burden on the citizens of Cannon County. The answer is to STOP SPENDING! You cannot solve a fiscal issue by borrowing more money and continuing to tax and spend, but you can STOP SPENDING!

I understand some of you have received irate phone calls from some taxpayers in your district. That's wonderful!!! Up until now, there appears to be a disconnect between the elected officials of Cannon County and the taxpayers. Now is an opportunity for you to step up to the plate and do the job you have been elected to perform.

When you start the budget process, review EVERY line item in each department (courthouse, schools, highway department, solid waste, ambulance service, etc.) with one goal in mind, STOP SPENDING!! QUESTION EVERYTHING. Make the hard calls. Being an elected official is kinda like getting old -- it ain't for sissys.

Voters and taxpayers be alert! Taxes were increased this year by over \$300,000 and there will be a renewed attempt to raise property taxes this year in order to fund new pet projects in the future. We cannot afford any more "new ambulance centers" or "new health departments" paid for by "GRANTS" which always produce an additional burden on the county to fund. We cannot afford any more "FREE MONEY."

STOP SPENDING!!! REDUCE WASTE!!! DO YOUR JOB!!! BE CREATIVE!!!

Randall Reid resident of First District



Courier columnist McCarthyism alive & well



a year in space and guess what? He grew 2 inches in height. Now he is taller than his identical twin, astronaut Mark Kelly, who retired following the shooting of his wife former Arizona Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords.

Astronaut Mark Kelly, while he doesn't have Cannon County roots, did graduate from the UT Space Institute up the highway near Tullahoma.

He's the second US astronaut to put in lenghty stints in space. Kelly followed fellow UTSI graduate Barry Wilmore on the space station, giving UT an almost eighteen-month span of consecutive presence in space. Despite its Tullahoma location, UTSI falls under the auspices of the UT Knoxville College of Engineering.

While I don't have a twin to compare myself too, the measuring tape tells that tale. Personally, I've been shrinking in height during the last couple of years. A good 2 inches would put me back where I started, uh, a few years ago.

There are no age restrictions for the NASA astronaut corps. That's a plus. Astronaut candidates have ranged between the ages of 26 and 46, with the average age being 34. Heck, Sen. John Glenn went up in space at age 77 on a Space Shuttle mission. I'm way short of that age.

Let's see. What are other requirements? College education ... got it. Visual acuity ... hmmmm, it's a good thing they allow corrective lenses. Blood pressure not to exceed 140/90. Close on that one! Standing height between 62 and 75 inches. Dang, where is my calculator? Yep, cleared that one too.

So far, so good...

I can't float around in space without getting paid. Wonder how much astronauts earn? They can't be flying around for free.

Let me Google that one. As of 2015, astronauts based out of the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas \$158,700. Military astronauts are detailed to the Johnson Space Center and remain in an active duty status for pay, benefits, leave, and other similar military matters.

Hey, this is sounding better by the minute, but there's bound to be some drawbacks.

Ut oh, brittle bones.

Astronauts don't walk in space. They float, which causes some breakdown in the bones, making them more brittle.

That's not too bad, but extended spaceflight can also cause muscles to weaken.

But the blood flow in space is concentrated more in the upper part of the body, causing astronauts to have a puffy face. (That's already a problem ... or maybe its just a saggy of the face?) But the blood flow issue also causes astronauts' legs to get smaller in circumference. (In my case, from match sticks to toothpicks.)

But hey, there's some good news as well. The heart doesn't have to work as hard up in space. This is sounding better!

There is no 24-hour day/light cycle in space so the astronaut's body clock has to readjust to day/light cycle after return to earth. Not a problem.

But then comes the balance issues.

The lack of gravity really messes with the inner ear, making some astronauts disoriented with motions sickness. It's been a while since I've been car sick, but I will never forget getting seasick fishing out in the Atlantic. I was hoping Jaws would pop outta the ocean and swallow me up and put me out of my seasick misery.

Motion sickness just might do me in and end my space career early.

I doubt if my fellow astronauts could tolerate my upset stomach floating around in space.

In fact, I know they wouldn't... Yuck! One of the complaints I'm hearing quite a bit about this year's presidential race is how little actual investigation is being done by reporters and news organizations, which is a pretty interesting charge considering that this Wednesday, March 9th, marks one of the most significant dates in the media.

In 1954 on this date, C-B-S news reporter Edward R. Murrow aired his famous Joseph McCarthy broadcast. The "See It Now" program is often credited with bringing about the downfall of the bombastic and accusatory Senator Joseph McCarthy, and the beginning of the end of McCarthyism.

As I talk to students today they find it almost inconceivable there was a time in this

country, not so very long ago, when a vast portion of the citizenry was actually afraid of someone in government. They find it almost impossible to believe in this country careers were destroyed, relationships broken, and in some cases, lives ended, because of what you believed.

Actually, Murrow did what reporters are supposed to do: he simply took

the words McCarthy was using, and compared them against reality.

"The fault,

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Media Matters LARRY BURRISS

He went to documents and previous

statements the junior senator had used, and showed the public where the contradictions and outright lies were.

By showing McCarthy in action, and by using his own words, Murrow took a bold step in letting the public see just what tactics the junior senator from Wisconsin was using to destroy those who opposed his brand of patriotism.

At one time McCarthyism was seen as an aberration on the American political scene, but recent events have shown

his tactics have not been forgotten, and are alive and well today.

At the end of the program Murrow didn't say McCarthy was entirely at fault for the situation. He also laid part of the blame on an apathetic and over-credulous public: Even Murrow's final words in the broadcast are just as applicable today:

"The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, but in ourselves."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome on any subject printed in the pages of this newspaper. All letters must be under 250 words and are subject to editing for improper language and verified by address or phone number. Letters must be received Thursdays by 5 p.m. to be considered for publication in the following week's Courier.

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House Joint Resolution 587 Honors Bluegrass Musician Clyde Nokes

B l u e g r a s s musician Clyde Nokes was recently honored by Gov. Bill Haslam and the Tennessee General Assembly for his career as well as acts of kindness.

Nokes was honored by passage of a House Joint Resolution, authored by Rep. Mark Pody.

Born in Gassaway 1928, Nokes grew in up farming and selling produce in the days before his parents, Shelah and Gertrude Nokes, opened a general store in Sycamore. He received his first guitar, ordered from Sears and Roebucks by his father, at age 6. His friends, Gladys and Robertson, Katheryn taught him first chords. Soon his brother, Rayburn, picked up the banjo and the Nokes Brothers Band was underway.

Members of the Nokes family and friends joined Clyde for the presentation by Governor Haslam and Representative Pody.

House Joint Resolution 587 states:

"WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those icons of Tennessee bluegrass music who have earned the admiration and respect of both their audiences and their fellow musical artists; need; and

WHEREAS, born at his parents' home on December 13, 1928, Clyde Nokes is the second of four children born to Shelah and Gertrude Nokes, who were sharecroppers in the Gassaway community; and WHEREAS, Mr. Nokes grew up farming and selling produce on the side of the road, before he and his father opened a general store in the Sycamore community; and

W H E R E A S, his father bought Clyde his first guitar, a Stella from Sears and Roebuck that arrived by mail in a cardboard box, when he was six, and the Roberson sisters taught him his first guitar chords; and

W H E R E A S , before long Mr. Nokes started playing at the general store and pie suppers, and when his brother, Rayburn, began playing banjo, they formed the Nokes Brothers' Band along with David Watts; and

WHEREAS, Clyde Nokes then married a Short Mountain girl, Maxine Hale, and they had four sons, Gerry, Nick, Bill, and Jeff, each of whom learned to play an instrument by the time he reached his teens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nokes's singular career spans over seventy years Campbell, and Ernie Ashford; and

WHEREAS, he has also jammed with Josh Graves and Lester Flatt's wife, Gladys, and performed on the television series Nashville 99 in the 1970s with fiddle player Mitchell Fuston; and

W H E R E A S, generous to a fault, Mr. Nokes helped purchase a mandolin for a legally blind friend as a gift, so that he might be able to fulfill his dream of learning to play; and

W H E R E A S, he has been known to deliver food to people in poor health or financial distress, and along with his family and friends, Mr. Nokes has donated his time and musical talents to fundraising concerts to help others with medical and other bills; and

WHEREAS, Nokes Clyde has distinguished himself as an asset to his community, as both a musician and humanitarian, and а should be specially he recognized; now, therefore, IT RESOLVED BE THE HOUSE OF ΒY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED GENERAL NINTH ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Shown above, Rep. Mark Pody, right, and Shirley Boren, left, presented a flag that was flown over the state Capitol to Clyde and Maxine Nokes. Clyde was honored by a Joint Resolution of the Tennessee General Assembly for his career as a Bluegrass musician. Check website for details at charlesatnip.com Listings: REDUCED: Land for Sale -- Will Daniel Road.

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W H E R E A S, Clyde Bradley Nokes is most assuredly one such bluegrass icon, who is loved and respected in his community, not only for his musical talent, but also for his random acts of kindness to help those in of performing bluegrass music in his community, and he has also played with gifted musicians such as Benny Martin, Billy Womack, Benny Williams, Carl Tipton, Dorris Macon, Graham Williams, Curly Ray Fox, Jim Ed Brown, John Hagger, Johnny

Clyde Bradley Nokes upon his outstanding career as a bluegrass musician, thank him for his many good works to benefit his community, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.



PRE-RUN FOR MARCH 19TH WATERFALL TOUR BY FRIENDS OF EDGAR EVINS STATE PARK

Fount Bertram, President of Friends of Edgar Evins State Park and Park Ranger Brad Halfacre recently did a pre-run of the March 19th Waterfall Tour.

Fount and Brad are pictured here at Rutledge Falls in Coffee county, one of the stops on the tour. Other destinations will be Cascade Falls near the George Dickel Distillery and the falls at Old Stone Fort State Park.

Reservations are still being taken on-line at www.tnvacation.com/ events/10382 . The charge is \$15 per person, plus the price of your lunch. (The tour will include a lunch stop at the new Farmer's Family Restaurant in Manchester.)

We're hoping for a beautiful early spring day with lots of wildflowers by March 19th! If you need help making reservations phone Fount at 615-765-5357. He or Anna will be glad to assist you.



Jackson Co. pension troubles

The Tennessee Comptroller's annual audit of Jackson County government found that 18 county employees and one Highway Department

Tennessee employee were not annual participating in the Jackson Tennessee Consolidated Netirement System Retirement System (TCRS) pension plan. and one State law mandates participation by all

LORDY, LORDY Tracey's 40!



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eligible employees. Comptroller auditors were unable to determine if Jackson County's pension liability was recorded correctly. This resulted in a finding of material noncompliance and qualified opinions on the county's financial statements.

Jackson County received eight audit findings in its fiscal year 2015 report. Six of these findings were also noted in the previous year's report but had not been corrected.

Additional findings in the report include problems with purchasing procedures, expenditures exceeding appropriations, multiple employees using the same cash drawer, and a failure to separate m o n e y - h a n d l i n g responsibilities.



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'Ouch!' Johnny Cash bit me!

Scientists recently named a newlydiscovered species of tarantula "Johnny Cash" because it dresses in black, has a duck-tail pompadour and sings in a deep bass voice.

Just kidding. They named the big, hairy spider Johnny Cash because it was discovered in the region around Folsom State Prison, the notorious California slammer made famous by Johnny Cash (the singer) who recorded a live album there.

He performed before a captive audience.

It would have been criminal not to attend.

When Johnny announced it was time for a break, the guards got nervous.

He weighed the pros and cons of an encore.

OK, I'll stop.

Back to the tarantula: I always assumed that newly-discovered species were named after the scientists who found them. They were usually given the scientist's name, along with some fancysounding Latin suffix. If, for example, entomologist Bob Smith discovered a new kind of potato bug, it would be named in his honor. However, it wouldn't be called simply the "Bob Smith Tater Bug, " but rather the "Robertsmithititous Potatobuguss." Or something like that. So in reading the story about the new Johnny Cash Tarantula I was surprised to learn that naming spiders after celebrity singers is not that uncommon. There are arachnids named after Buddy Holly, Lou Reed, John Lennon, Neil Young, David Bowie and now Johnny Cash.

It's not clear why it's only spiders that get named after famous singers. Why, for instance, wouldn't a new species of earthworm deserve a similar honor? (The Wayne Newton Wiggler.)

Or the Barry Manilow Grasshopper? It can often be heard chirping softly in elevators.

How about a new termite christened for Willie Nelson? ("Hello Terminix? Can you send an exterminator over right away? Willie Nelsons are eating my house.")

It's also interesting that the celebrity spiders are all named after guys: Buddy, Lou, John, Neil, David and Johnny. That reeks of malebug chauvinism. The Lady Bugs shouldn't be left out.

Maybe a female Johnny Cash Tarantula could be named June Carter.

We could have the Madonna Moth, the Beyonce Bed Bug and the Dixie Chicks Chicken Mite.

If Miley Cyrus had a bug named after her it might be a tad risque.

FARM, CONSTRUCTION, LANDSCAPE & LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT Consignment Auction

Consignments will be accepted March 14th - 18th, 8:00 - 5:00 PM at Cannon County Fairgrounds.



*Items pictured are from a previous auction



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Perhaps the Twerking Sand Flea. It hops around shaking its hiney in the air.

I'm not sure that having an insect named after you is really an honor. Most bugs are irritating little pests (the Cher Chigger and the Justin Bieber Skeeter come to mind).

I suppose having a Kate Upton Supermodel Butterfly flit through your window and light on your knee wouldn't be too bad. But would anyone be thrilled if a big-eyed, sharp-fanged, hair-bristling Johnny Cash Tarantula suddenly dropped down their neck?

That would be almost as bad as the Bob Dylan Intestinal Tape Worm.

Housing mkt still improving

MURFREESBORO - Tennessee's housing market continued noticeable show to improvement in the last quarter of 2015, according to the latest statewide housing report from the MTSU Business and Economic Research Center. This report is funded by Tennessee Housing Development Agency to provide regular metrics on the state's housing market.

Construction permits for single-family homes were up 31 percent across the state for the quarter, while multifamily permits rose a remarkable 72 percent, said BERC Director Murat Arik, who also noted the state's steadily improving unemployment rate.

Meanwhile, inventory fell and home sales rose

in the top three metro areas of Memphis, Nashville and Knoxville throughout the year. Delinquency rates across the state are at a post-recession low for both mortgages past due and foreclosures started, the report notes.

Year-over-year home prices were up 5 percent for the state, with the highest jumps in the Nashville Metropolitan Statistical Area at 8.2 percent, the Morristown MSA at 5.2 percent, and the Kingsport-Bristol MSA at 4.9 percent.

See the full report at http://mtsu.edu/berc/ housing.php.

Under contract with THDA, BERC releases the "Tennessee Housing Market" report each quarter. The report offers an overview of the state's economy as it relates to the housing market and includes data on employment, housing construction, rental vacancy rates, real estate transactions and mortgages, home sales and prices, delinquencies and foreclosures.

The Business and Economic Research Center operates under the Jennings A. Jones College of Business at MTSU. For more information, visit http:// mtsu.edu/berc/.

THDA publishes research on affordable housing, its programs beneficiaries. and THDA also coordinates planning state for housing through the Consolidated Planning process, annual Action Plans, and annual Performance Reports. http://thda.org/ See research-planning/ for more information.



THE CANNON BLAST

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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 6 p.m. 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.

Celebrate Recovery

For hurts, habits and hang-ups. Every Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. First Baptist Church. Contact: Hunter Hay 615-542-2132 musclers66@yahoo.com

Community Dinner

Sycamore Baptist Church Sycamore Baptist, 7165 Sycamore Creek Road, will hold a community dinner the first Wednesday of every month from 5 to 7 p.m. Donations accepted with the funds going for a new church building.

Alcoholics Anonymous

If you drink alot that's your business. If you want to stop that's ours. Call 615-653-7914.

Flags for Sale

The American Legion Post 279 in Woodbury is selling flags and accessories. The monies raised from the sale of these flags goes 100% back to our Community, our Youth and our Veterans, in Cannon County. This is an on-going project. We have available an assortment of all sizes and all types of flags - United States Flags, State Flags, Military Service Flags; and all sizes of flag poles. The United States Flag 3'x 5' nylon is \$25 (best price

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615-563-2691, OR BRITT KNOX 615-904-5644, OR PENNY DANIELS 615-563-6729. We will be glad to take your order, deliver your order, and all with a smile and a big thank you, for Supporting the American Legion Post 279, AND OUR YOUTH, OUR COMMUNITY, AND OUR VETERANS, OF CANNON COUNTY.

Art Center Season Tickets

The Arts Center of Cannon County has set its 2016 season with tickets going on sale Nov. 2. Season Tickets are just \$60 for six shows. The 2016 Season features:

Memphis, The Musical- The Tony Award Winning Musical about the birth of rock 'n' roll in the turbulent 1950s.(Rated PG)

Always...Patsy Cline- The musical based on Patsy Cline's true story with 27 classic songs. (Rated PG)

Disney's The Little Mermaid- The all-new full length version based on the animated 1989 Disney film of the same name. (Rated G)

Rock of Ages- Take a trip back to the 1980s in this rock musical featuring the music of Journey, Whitesnake, Styx, Bon Jovi, and many more. (Rated PG13)

The Odd Couple- Neil Simon's classic buddy comedy. (Rated PG)

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang- The new stage musical based on the 1968 film. (Rated G)

Auburn Elementary School is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, March 22nd from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the school gym. Interested donors please contact Cindy Larson at cindy.larson@ccstn.net for an appointment or call the school at 615-464-4342. If you have never given blood please consider this life-saving gift. One donation could save up to three lives. You must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, and not have given blood in the past 56 days. There is no upper age limit. Walk in donors are also welcome!

Cannon County Community for Animals Tuesday, March 22

Cannon County Community for Animals, an independent group not associated with any state or national humane organizations, will meet at 6 to 8 p.m. at the Lions Club Building at the Cannon County Fairgrounds.

9th Annual Princess Ball Friday, March 25

Presented by the Woodbury Lions Club, the 9th Annual Princess Ball is a father and daughter dance. It is open to girls 18 years old and younger accompanied by their father or a father figure including grandfathers, uncles or older brothers. All escorts must be 18 or older. Advance tickets are \$25 per couple. Call 615-563-2222 or 615-542-2311 for more information.

Community Easter Celebration for Children Friday, March 25

A Community Easter Celebration for Children, Friday, March 25, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A free event at First Baptist Church, 413 W. Main St., Woodbury. There will be food, puppets, crafts, games, egg hunts and inflatables. Discover the true reason why we celebrate Easter -- Jesus is Alive. Call 615-563-2474 for more information.

Household Hazardous Waste Events

Cannon County will not be hosting a Household Hazardous Waste event this year. You are welcome to take any household waste to a neighboring county. Included on the list are leftover household products that contain corrosive, toxic, ignitable, or reactive ingredients are considered to be household hazardous waste (HHW). Products, such as paints, cleaners, oils, batteries, and pesticides, that contain potentially hazardous ingredients require special care when you dispose of them. Upcoming events include:

Coffee County, April 9, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Solid Waste Department, 2180 Murfreesboro Highway, Manchester. Call Wannella Ingleburger (931) 723-5139.

Warren County, April 30, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Three Star Mall, 1410 Sparta Street, McMinnville. Call Dennis Baird (931) 473-2381

DeKalb County, May 14, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., DeKalb County Farmers CO-OP, 725 W Broad St., Smithville. Call Tim Stribling (615) 597-5175.

Hunter Education Course March 7,8, 10,11,12

Hunter Education Course set for March 7,8,19,11,12. Classes held at Monday through Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Cannon County Senior Citizens Center. Preregister at register-ed.com Call Mark Vance with any questions at 615-203-4688.

Cannon County Senior Center

Music Night Friday, March 18

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The Gilley Brothers will appear at 7 p.m. at the Senior Center. Doors open at 6 p.m. Admission is \$5.

Annual Waterfall Tour Saturday, March 19

March 19 – The 15th Annual Waterfall Tour by Friends of Edgar Evins State Park: Ride a school bus to selected waterfalls in the Middle TN area. This year we will visit the falls at Old Stone Fort State Park, Cascade Hollow Falls, near the George Dickle Distillery and Rutledge Falls. We will eat lunch at the Farmers Market Family Buffet in Manchester. Expect short walks on uneven ground. Cost is \$15 per person, plus lunch. Reservations required. On-line reservations may be made at www.tnvacation. com/events/10382. If help is needed making reservations please phone the park office, (931) 858-2114 or (800) 250-8619, for contact information for Fount Bertram, President of Friends of Edgar Evins. Fount or Anna will be happy to assist you. See us on Facebook at FriendsofEESP or visit our website at www.foeesp.alturl.comFriends of Edgar Evins State Park is a non-profit organization with the sole purpose of helping the park.

Looking for a fun trip during Spring Break?

Join the West Side Travel Group as they travel to Washington D.C. During Cherry Blossom Time. March 28 -- April 1. "The West Side Travel Group" will be touring sites in Washington D.C. See the sites of DC with a guided tour through the Capital Building and Arlington Cemetery. Travel by comfortable Coach Bus. Included in the cost will be hotel fee with free hot breakfast, coach bus transportation, one dinner meal and admission cost to attractions and sights. The cost will be approximately \$375.00 more or less depending on the number of people traveling on this trip. Tour Director Kathy Simon has over 20 years experience in directing and organizing tour group. West Side Travel Group is located in Woodbury. Get your name on the list. Contact Kathy Simon Tour Director at 615-904-5303

Cannon County Historical Society Tuesday, March 8

Bro. Herb Alsup, retired preacher at Woodbury Church of Christ, will be guest speaker at the Cannon County Historical Society's meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Cannon County Senior Citizens Center, 609 College St., Woodbury. Herb has been called the

"Chaplain of Cannon County" and is well known and well regarded throughout Cannon County and Middle Tennessee. Snacks and refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the program will begin at 7 p.m.

Lions Club Blood Drive Thursday, March 17

During Red Cross Month in March, the American Red Cross invites individuals to become everyday heroes by giving blood. Upcoming blood donation opportunities include: Lions Club Building, 540 W Adams St. Woodbury on March 17 from noon - 6 p.m. March has been recognized as Red Cross Month by every U.S. president since

1943. Red Cross Month is a celebration of supporters who are the face of the Red Cross in their communities, helping to prepare for and bringing help and hope after emergencies. Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Cannon Co. Extension Celebration on the Square Friday, March 18

Free food, fun, photo booth, games and door prizes on March 18 from 3 to 5 p.m. on the Square in Woodbury. Sponsored by the UT Agriculture Extension.

Banks Cemetery Meeting Sunday, March 20

The annual meeting for Banks Cemetery in DeKalb County will be held on Sunday, March 20 at 2 p.m. at Banks Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Financial information will be presented, trustees and officers will be elected, and other business will be discussed as necessary. Please make arrangements to remove old flowers from your family and love ones' graves since mowing season will soon begin. For anyone interested in submitting a bid for mowing and upkeep of the cemetery, please contact Ernie Winchester at 615-812-9921.

> Red Cross Blood Drive Auburn Elementary School Tuesday, March 22

Cannon County Senior Center Music Night Friday, April 1 Slick Nickel will appear at 7 p.m. at the Senior Center. Doors open at 6 p.m. Admission is \$5.

PARQ to meet Tuesday, April 12

PARQ (Preserve our Area's Rural Qualities) will be holding our quarterly meeting Tuesday April 12, 2016, at 3632 Locke Creek Road Readyville TN 37149. Time TBA.

The April meeting will include the election of two vacancies on the Board of Directors. Come and hear what is going on in your community or inform us of one of your interests! If you are would like to attend, please call to confirm time, place and possible weather challenges! 563-2200, 563-8088 or 409-6009.

What's Happening in Cannon County Schools

March 10–School Board meeting, WGS cafeteria, 6:30 p.m. March 14—CCHS Baseball game at Sequatchie Co., 5:30 p.m. March 14-CCHS Softball game at Franklin Co., JV at 5 p.m., and varsity at 7 p.m. March 15–TN Promise mandatory student meeting, 3 p.m., **CCHS** Cafeteria March 15–K-8 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3-6 p.m., various schools March 15—CCHS Tennis match with Dekalb Co. at home, 3:30 p.m. March 17–CPAC meeting at the Central Office, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. March 17–CCHS Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3-6 p.m. March 17–CCHS Softball game at Central Magnet, 4:30 p.m. March 17–CCHS Tennis match at Watertown, 3:30 p.m. March 18–CCHS Baseball game at Cannon Co. with Boyd Christian, 5 p.m. March 18 – CCHS Tennis match with Coffee Co. at home, 3:30 p.m. March 18 &19 - CCHS Softball games at Gordonsville, Time TBA

Trading Post Chat

BY SAVANNAH CUNNICK



IT TAKES A MEAN DOG FOR A LONG CHASE! Remember when politics attracted the brightest and most intelligent?

IT TAKES A MEAN DOG FOR A LONG CHASE! Yes, I could be talking about my loyal dog, Max, who guards our house and cleverly waits in his dog condo for the troublemaker neighborhood dogs to pass by and then pops out at them barking and nipping their fannies all the way back to where they came from. But, this time I am referring to our political scene out there.

Remember when politics attracted the brightest and most intelligent? What the heck happened?! Sorry, but we are NOT making the best choices in life right now. We have handed over our future and mere existence to a person and a handful of numbskulls who are literally non caring to OUR needs and care less that we are trillions in debt that will take over a century to clear up. We, ourselves here today, will not see it....one can only hope our future relatives will enjoy a cleaner existence in a cured nation!

So, ok...it is said that more Republicans vote then Democrats. I am not going to ask how many of you voted in this campaign, or if you even voted! And, I won't tell you what I did. But, one way or another: WHO is the best choice in this mad scramble?

Uncle Festus told me: A Canadian, a Cuban and a white supremacist walked into a bar. The bartender says, What will you have Senator Cruz? (Good one, Festus!)

Aunt Martha is so fed up with this political mess that she threw her hands up in the air and said: Put me in a microwave and let me go! I guess she would rather fry than lie than choose any one of these candidates. She was one person I know that did NOT vote this time. Cousin Clarence hates to stand in line plus he can't read the ballot or understand the voting procedure once he is in the booth...so I guess, that's one more who I know did not vote.

He thinks Trump looks like a bird and his theme song should be: On the Road Again.... As a matter of fact, he has a license plate that reads: Don't blame me...I voted for Willie Nelson!

OK....let's go on to the 31/2 hours long Academy Awards Ceremony. You did it, Leo....after six nominations...you won your Oscar for The Revenant. He won best actor and best movie. I thought it was rather rude that the Bear costar in this movie was not even mentioned! It does look



MAX carries on the Mean Joe Green image with keeping neighborhood straight!

like a good movie and I may break down and watch it. It is said that Leo did his own stunts and was extremely dedicated to making this the best movie ever. His last statement was: Let's not take this planet for granted! (Hey, maybe HE should run for president...).

The commentator, Chris Rock, broke up the monotony with the Girl Scout Cookie Campaign and those little gals made lots of money from those stuffy stars who bought a good bit of thin mints!! There were lots of fancy wardrobes and hair-dos on the red carpet. The age-old gown slit to the waist ... still looks best on J-Lo.

So, the Oscars are over until next year. The American Idol is in it's last year and The Voice has just started ... so there is more competition to watch. I don't know why I am so hooked on Jeopardy....It only makes me feel stupid after a half hour of outrageous questions. The only saving grace is when I actually answer a question ... especially the final question ... and all three contestants have no clue. Ride On, Savannah!

By the way...How do you folks ROLL ? From the back or from the front? Of course, I am referring to which way you put your toilet paper on the spool. JD and I do not agree...so there is this constant changing of the toilet paper roll one potty visit after another. Neither one of us give up...so this warped game of back or front continues in our household. What the heck ... a bathroom chuckle never hurts anyone! It could be worse ... Aunt Patsy still can't get Uncle Pete to put the toilet seat down and she is getting mighty tired of the unexpected chilly dunkings in the dark of the night...all alone...far out of town...(just for you JD)!

We are working on our spring opening of the Short Mountain Trading Post and are very excited to see all of you again. Opening date is still yet to be announced.

Hang in there....we shall return!

I think I am done with this week's CHAT...so just remember that the purpose of life is to live it....take one step at a time...life is a song..sing it! And for goodness sake... people may not always agree with you, but you have a right to SPEAK YOUR MIND! Have a great week!

Hugs, Savannah

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Fibromyalgia Resolved and Medications Discontinued with Chiropractic Care

A case study published in the Journal of Upper Chiropractic Cervical Research on Oct. 21, documents the 2014. case of a chiropractic patient being helped with According fibromyalgia. the Mayo Clinic's to website, "Fibromyalgia is a disorder characterized by widespread musculoskeletal pain accompanied by fatigue, sleep, memory and mood issues

from the desk of Dr. Trea Wessel



had been suffering with

headaches 3-4 times a

week, depression, fatigue,

loss of balance, ringing

in the ears, visual stars,

chronic sinus infections,

dry mouth, acid reflux,

painful periods, excessive

sleeping, constipation, and

normal neck curvature and a head position that was more forward than normal. It was determined the woman had vertebral subluxation causing nerve system interference. From this finding, a course of specific chiropractic adjustments was begun.

After her first chiropractic adjustment, the woman reported a 40 percent reduction in her pain. The study records that one month into her







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The authors of this study point out more than 5 million adult Americans are affected by fibromyalgia. Patients with fibromyalgia have an amplification of their pain as well as a heightened perception of pains that may not normally be felt by others. Sleep disorders are also common in these cases and contribute to the pain problems experienced by fibromyalgia sufferers.

In this study, a 31-yearold woman went to chiropractor the after suffering with diagnosed fibromyalgia for two and a half years. Her chief complaint was constant back pain and shooting pain down her legs. Her history also showed she

hemorrhoids.

А chiropractic examination with studies thermographic x-rays was and spinal performed. The x-rays showed multiple areas of spinal bone malpositions including a loss of the

care, the woman described improvement in her back pain, headaches, leg pain, sciatica, and constipation. A few weeks later, she stated her sciatic pain, back pain, and knee and foot pain had all improved, and her pain had decreased 80 percent since starting chiropractic care. At this point, she took herself off all pain medications.

"For more information on Chiropractic care contact:

Cannon County Chiropractic Dr. Trea Wessel 824 McMinnville Hwy. Woodbury, Tn 37190 615-563-3320

American **Red Cross**

<u>Be a hero</u> and <u>donate blood</u> during Red Cross Month

During Red Cross Month in March, the American Red Cross invites individuals to become everyday heroes by giving blood.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities include:

Auburn Elementary, 150 Vantrease Ave. Auburntown, TN 37016 3/22/2016: 2 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Lions Club Building, 540 W Adams St. Woodbury, TN 37190 3/17/2016: noon - 6 p.m.



March has been recognized as Red Cross Month by every U.S. president since 1943. Red Cross Month is a celebration of supporters who are the face of the Red Cross in their communities, helping to prepare for and bringing help and hope after emergencies.

For more than 30 years, blood donor Sherri Kay has been helping the Red Cross fulfill its lifesaving mission. "Knowing that I help to save lives and make a difference through the Red Cross is one of the most significant things that I do," she said.

Heroes of all blood types are needed to ensure a sufficient blood supply this spring. The Red Cross must collect approximately 14,000 blood and platelet donations every day for patients.

Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

CELEBRATION...

boys and girls. An important highlight of Robinson's tenure was a firstplace livestock judging team in a district contest with seven calves entered in a show in Nashville.

O.R. Holley, agricultural agent, started a wool pool, pushing prices from 3 to 5 cents a pound. The first contracts were let for tobacco and wheat acreage.

The Armour Cheese plant was built and opened in 1935, creating a new market for dairy products.

Meanwhile, home agent Jean Treanor worked with farm women to up the production and sale of eggs with prices rising from 8 cents a dozen to 18 cents. Jean encouraged store owners to sell paring knives for peeling potatoes and flower sifters to make household jobs easier. She also taught 4-H boys and girls to cook by letting them fix their breakfast at school 4-H Club meetings.

Miss Treanor also taught farm wives how to improve their kitchens. Several families have their first sinks made out of fuel cans and kitchen cabinets made from recycled apple and orange crates.

She also helped launch expansion of Cannon County's white oak basket making. Baskets commonly sold for 25 cents each, until she mailed one to the New York and received \$15.

World War II marked the next significant increase in local farming interests. Extension Agent J.S. Mc-Mahan pushed dairy cattle and organized war bonds, Civil Defense and salvage drives. Fifty acres of tomatoes were grown for a canning factory in Manchester. More than 200 mattress-

es were made by Cannon County families from 1941 to 1943 while Mary Neal Alexander was home demonstration agent. Victory gardens were plentiful. Pressure cookers made canning safer and easier despite an occasional explosion.

Over the years, the goals of the Cannon County Extension program have changed with agriculture remaining the top industry in the area.

According to the Census of Agriculture, there are 302 farms in Cannon County with beef cattle with sales of cattle and calves totalling \$9.7 million. Other livestock numbers include four dairy farms with 165 cows, 124 farms with hogs and pigs. Cannon County is currently ranked 27th in beef production, 28th for hogs and 46th for horses and ponies.

While the number of dairies has dropped considerably, the remaining operations have grown larger. For example, the Vickers' dairy is milking in excess of 400 head of Holstein cattle.

The Cannon County Extension office has been staffed by the following agricultural agents: H.T.Andrews, 1918-19; C.W. Robinson, 1930-33; O.R. Holly, 1934-39; Joe P. Little, 1944-45; Baxter Safley, 1945-49; Reed Hooper, 1949-52; Roy Luna, 1952-61; Clayton Glenn, 1957-96; William Bryan,

1-65; William Warren, 1965-72; Frank Smith, 1972-75; Noble Kearney, 5-79; John Basinger, 1979-1996; and Bruce Steelman, 1997-present.

The following have served as home economics agents: Cornelia Loughry, 1918; Mary Doney, 1918-19; Jean Treanor (Adams-Blankenship), 938-39; Emma Lou Cox, 1939-40; Jennie Mae Mitchell (Adams), 1940- l;Mary Neal (Alexander), 1941-43; Kathleen Rauscher (Bratten), 1943-Betty Profitt Bell, 1950-56; Margie Jowers McFerrin, 1957-62; Helen Reagan (Hawks), 1962-64; Carlene Etter Tenpenny, 1964-67; Faye Bickford, 1967-69; Rebecca Murray, 1970-87; Myra Cowell, 1987-88; Anita Dodd, 1988-91; Rebecca Bugg, 1991-97; Carla Youree, 1998- 2012 and Shavon Ward, 2013-present.

The best-known 4-H agent for Cannon County was Clayton Glenn, who was hired in 1957 as Cannon County's first full-time 4-H agent. Glenn held that post until 1961 when he became Agriculture Agent and County Director. Eugene Bryan assumed the role of 4-H agent followed by Albert Warren, Frank Smith, Noble Kearney and Iohn U. Basinger. Heath Nokes held that post until he accepted the county director post in Warren County. In 2014 Sarah Malone became the current 4-H agent for Cannon County.

4-H faces from the past



1990: From left, David Barton, Tim Gentry, Jenny Fann and Jason Franklin.



1984: Deborah Leach and Bunk Sponsor.



1983: Terry Young.



1986: Kelly Melton.



1992: Mindi Lashbrook.



1987: Day Vinson.



1987: Tabby Goins.



1986: Diane Zeh.







1993: Sarah McAllister.



4-H photos courtesy of Bruce Steelman

THP starts trooper class

NASHVILLE -- The Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP) is announcing the first ever lateral trooper class for the agency.

THP will soon begin accepting applications for the next Trooper Cadet Academy. Men and women interested in a career as a state trooper can begin the application process online only, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, March 9, through 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, March 15.

Preferred qualifications for the lateral class will be Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Certified police officers and those individuals who have graduated from a POST certified law enforcement training facility.

As stated, this lateral class is the first of its kind for THP and is scheduled to begin Thursday, September 1, 2016, and scheduled to graduate Friday, December 16, 2016. The class will consist of 16 weeks of training condensed from the THP's traditional trooper academies, which consist of 22 weeks.

"In the interest of public safety, I believe that the

lateral trooper class will make Tennessee a safer state to work, live and play by putting highly trained troopers on Tennessee roadways with a faster turnaround", said Colonel Tracy Trott.

The THP anticipates the agility test and interview appointments to begin mid-April



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ETHICS...

Steakley said the title "ethics committee" is somewhat confusing.

Steakley, who attended an ethics training session in 2014, explained the committee is basically just a conduit for ethics questions and primarily deals with conflict of interest issues.

In other action, the Commission approved changes to the Cannon County Highway Department's policy manual.

"I went to the Planning Commission to discuss the changes and they agreed. I then took the changes to county attorney Mike Corley and he said there was 'no problem,"' Wayne Hancock, Road Superintendent, said.

The policy changes would change road right away width to 50 feet, minimum road surface at 20 feet and the gravel base would be expanded from 4 inches to 6 inches of gravel. All would upgrade road quality.

"It's been over 20 years since the policy manual has been updated," County Ex-

ecutive Gannon said.

Commissioner Adam Melton moved for acceptance and Karen Ashford seconded. The changes were approved unanimously.

Sheriff Darrell Young presented a quarterly budget report indicating

jail operations have used 62 percent of the budget twothirds through the budget year. However, sheriff operations have used 68 percent of the allotted funds.

"It's going to get a lot worse before its over," Young said, "We're going to take a hit on training."



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The 'Challenge' began 50 years ago March 11th & continues today

Jennifer Duggin has been "back in the running" again. This time, she traveled to New Orleans, LA to "Rock and Roll" run. It was a 13.1 mile marathon AND she made it! Congrats Jennifer.

Adult The Sunday School Class at Auburn Baptist Church enjoyed a get-together Saturday February 27th, in the church's fellowship hall. Lots of good food including Joan Hughes' world renowned pinto beans and cornbread.

Those enjoying the food, conversation, and games were Jimmy Mingle, Jerome Rothacker, JC and Joan Hughes, Ernest and Rita Davis, Bro. Jerry and Sandy Osborne, Elaine Reed, Deborah Kirkham, and Paul and Connie Leyhew.

Ruth and Marvin Davenport were in Murfreesboro Tuesday for a doctor's appointment when they met with Jerry Gaither and daughter, Maxine. Following a good report for both, they met at the Cracker Barrel to enjoy a good lunch and more fellowship.

Daughters, Bethany Morrison and DeAnna Reed took P-pa and me to Macon, GA over the weekend where we visited with my brother, Richard and Barbara Harris and also to bring back a van. We enjoyed

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By ANNA PATRICK

the visit and eating at Jim

Shaw's Seafood Restaurant

while there. On the trip

home, P-pa and I stopped

in Tunnel Hill, GA to visit

with Jewell Dale. The girls

traveled on to Chattanooga

where they enjoyed a meal

and good times at the City

will never be the same. Betty

and Terry Thomas and

Brenda and Bobby Francis

are home after spending

a month of fishing, eating

and shopping. You can

guess who did the fishing

and who did the shopping.

Lake Placid, FL

Café.

Of course, they all enjoyed the eating!

It's time for another good meal for you and a fundraiser for the basketball teams who need to finish out the year debt free. So come out to the Community Center Wednesday (tomorrow) between the hours of 4:00 and 7:00 p.m. for carry out or eat in of a chicken fried chicken meal. To go along with the entrée are green beans, mashed potatoes, corn, rolls, the usual good desserts and drinks. It's free to those who are 3 and

under, \$5.00 for 4-10 and \$8.00 for adult plates. Can't beat that and you don't have to cook or wash the dishes!

It's Travis Turney, Justin Gilley and Joyce Dutton who begins our birthday list this week on the 11th. The 12th is when Tamisha Cantrell, Emily Sheerer and Charles Ritchie get to eat cake and ice cream. Margie Gilley puts another year under her belt on the 13th. It was 69 years ago on the 14th when Jimmy Mingle came screaming in to the world. The 15th is a big day for Jerry Parker, Anthony Cantrell, our granddaughter, Ianna Womack, Gail Watson McKnight and Teresa Davis Brandon. Whew that takes care of this week's list so happy birthday to all of vou.



Fifty years ago on the 11th day of March, Betty Patrick took on the challenge of raising Terry Thomas. Then 3 years ago on the 15th Pam Davenport became Mrs. David Gaither. Happy anniversary to both couples.

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.

Turn up that dial! It's time for Broadway's roof-raising rock 'n' roll musical, Memphis!

Memphis: The Musical March 11-26

Directed by Darryl Deason Music Direction by Robert Hiers Choreography by Regina Wilkerson Ward Starring Michael Adcock & Melinda Paul

Memphis is Rated PG Memphis is set in the places where rock and roll was born in the 1950s: the seedy nightclubs, radio stations, and recording studios of the musicallyrich Tennessee city. With an original score, it tells the fictional story of DJ Huey Calhoun, a good ole' local boy with a passion for R&B music and Felicia Farrell, an up-and-coming black singer that he meets one fateful night on Beale Street. Despite the objections of their loved ones (Huey's close-minded mama and Felicia's cautious brother, a club owner), they embark on a dangerous affair. As their careers rise, the relationship is challenged by personal ambition and

the pressures of an outside world unable to accept their love.

Performances run March 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 & 26 at 7:30PM and March 13 & 20 at 2:00PM

The cast includes Michael McGee, Jordan McCullough, Quantavius Rankin, Susan Arnold Walsworth, Bill White, Zavior Phillips, Laurie Sam Wright, Burger, Shayna Brown, Maryam Mohammed, Julie Kelley, Eli Ragland, James Bessant, Tim Kelley, Kristin Taylor, Mckenzie Turney, Zoe Mulraine, Toyin Edogun, Mary Grace Bouldin, and Alexander Sanford.

Tickets are \$15 with discounts available for seniors students and

and can be purchased by calling (615) 563-2787 Tuesday through Saturday 10AM-4PM 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 the town of Woodbury, approximately 20 minutes from Murfreesboro, Manchester, and McMinnville and one hour southeast of Nashville. Office hours are 10:00a.m. 4:00p.m., Tuesday to through Saturday. For more information call 615-563-(ARTS) 2787. Check out our web site at www. artscenterofcc.com.

The Berger Gallery of The Arts Center of Cannon County is pleased to announce the opening of "Art by Roberta Reynolds"

Roberta Reynolds began sketching and painting in her early teens. She was encouraged by her father R.L.Stewart, who excelled woodcarving and in painting. Since then she has studied under various private teachers including renowned artist Trella Koczwara.

Roberta's work has been

exhibited in numerous shows throughout the state including the Tennessee All-State Art Exhibition at the Parthenon in Nashville. Her paintings are in private collections in various states. Nature themes are the predominant subject: still lifes, landscape, and animals. She works in acrylic and oil.

The Berger Gallery is located inside The Arts Center of Cannon County at 1424 John Bragg Highway, Woodbury, TN 37190 and is open 10am-4pm Tuesday through Saturday. Admission to the exhibit is free. For more information call 615-563-2787 or visit our website at artscenterofcc.com.

Confederate descendant puts Civil War women in spotlight in March 18 lecture



direct descendant of two Confederate great-grandfathers will reveal the contributions of the women of the Civil War in an upcoming lecture.

'THE CENTER FOR THE ARTS PRESENTS WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRIGINIA WOOLF?'

Edward Albee's

Opening their 2016 faculty party. Over the Joining them are Center Gallery series, The Center course of the evening the newcomers for the Arts is proud to unwitting guests are drawn Phipps and Casen Combs, into a three act minefield of humiliation, frustration and manipulation that will leave everyone's secrets revealed and a marriage in ruin. Hailed at the time as "a brilliant original work of art" (Newsweek), the numerous award winning revivals over the past half century have proven that the play still packs the same punch it delivered in its debut. WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF? is probably Edward Albee's most well-known work due in part to Mike Nichols 1966 film adaptation featuring Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton. The Center for the Arts' production of WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF? will feature Center favorite John Mack Green, in the role of George and well-known Murfreesboro actress Kelly Northcutt, as Martha.

Jonathan who will portray the young unsuspecting married couple, Nick and Honey. The show's director, Denis Pessar, has directed and music directed several shows for The Center including Anything Goes and Cabaret. WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF? will run from March 25th-April 3rd at The Center for the Arts, located in a historic building, one block off the square of Murfreesboro. Tickets can be purchased on the center's website at www.boroarts.org; calling 615-904-2787; or stopping by the Center's box office at 110 West College Street. Prices are \$15 for adults; \$13 for seniors, students and military. The show is rated PG-13 for strong language and adult situations.

resent WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF? This hilariously dark war of words will run March 25 -April 3, 2016. Marital strife has never been so wickedly fun, as the sharp tongued, dysfunctional couple discover inventive ways to get under the other's skin, building to a climax that still leaves audience aghast. WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF? premiered on Broadway in late 1962 and went on to win both the Tony Award and the New York Drama Critics' Circle award for Best Play.

On the campus of a small New England university the once loving - but now embittered and battle-scarred middleaged couple, George and Martha, entertain a new young professor and his wife following a late night

Shirley Farris Jones, who retired from MTSU's Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures after more than 30 years of service, will speak about "Valor and Lace: The Amazing Women of the Civil War" at 6 p.m. Friday, March 18, at Oaklands Mansion, 900 N. Maney Ave. in Murfreesboro.

"Without a voice and without a vote, they made their presence known and proved their worth alongside their male counterparts and left no doubt in anybody's minds that there was a lot more beneath their bonnets than just a bunch of pretty curls," said Jones of the women in the book.

Jones is the author of four books, including "The Un-Civil War in Middle Tennessee" and "Murfreesboro in the

Civil War," which she co-authored with retired Motlow State Community College history professor Michael Bradley.

Jones also is a past president of the Rutherford County Historical Society, a member of the Association for the Preservation of Tennessee Antiquities, a founding member of Friends of Stones River National Battlefield and an active member of both Oaklands Mansion and the Marth Ready Morgan Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Tickets are \$15 per person. Light refreshments will be served. Reservations are required and may be secured by contacting Oaklands Mansion at 615-893-0022 or by email at info@ oaklandsmansion.org.



Sen. Beavers reiterates support for Tennessee Natural Marriage Defense Act

State Senator Mae Beavers (R-Mt. Juliet) reiterated support for legislation she is sponsoring in the Tennessee General Assembly defend to marriage as a union of a man and a woman as recognized by the people of Tennessee in the State Constitution.

Beavers said the only constitutionally sound resolution of the Obergefell v. Hodges opinion would be for the legislature to ignore and nullify it on the basis of the Tenth Amendment alone, which is the aim of the bill called the Tennessee Natural Marriage Defense Act.

"Justice Antonin Scalia characterized the Obergefell ruling as 'lacking even a thin veneer of law," said Senator Beavers. "The U. S. Constitution specifically enumerates the powers of the federal government, including the judiciary. The Tenth Amendment precisely states that the

powers delegated not to the United States by Constitution, the nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to states respectively the or to the people. As the regulation of marriage is not a federally enumerated power, no branch of the federal government has the constitutional authority to interfere with the institution."

Beavers said that the actions by Governor Bill Haslam and Attorney General Herbert Slatery recognizing same sex marriages as legal in the days following the Obergefell decision plunged Tennesseans into a moral and constitutional quagmire. "This was the equivalent to an illegal decree," added Beavers. "Because the Tennessee Code can only be enacted by the General Assembly, the governor's and attorney general's actions were, in and of themselves, lacking even a thin veneer of law as



Justice Scalia said."

"Since the Supreme Court delivered their decision, several wellmeaning legislators have introduced resolutions opposing the Obergefell decision," she said. "But these resolutions take the posture that the decision actually does exercise a power to amend Tennessee statutes and their enforcement."

Beavers' bill prohibits any state or local agency from complying with any court order that has the effect of violating Tennessee's laws protecting

It natural marriage. also prohibits state and local governments from arresting those persons who do not comply with a court order that is in contradiction to natural marriage in Tennessee. The legislation failed to receive a majority in the five-member House Civil Justice Subcommittee to move forward in the House of Representatives for the body's 99 members to consider. She said that there are efforts to resurrect the bill in the House and that she will schedule the legislation in the Senate accordingly. "The action by only a few legislators denies the citizens of Tennessee, who made the definition of marriage a part of Constitution, the our opportunity to have their representatives take а stand for both traditional marriage and constitutional integrity," added Beavers. "There are several wellmeaning legislators that have introduced other resolutions opposing the Obergefell decision; but these proposals take the posture that the decision actually does exercise a power to amend Tennessee statutes and their enforcement."

"Since the decision failed to act within the jurisdictional power of the Supreme Court, and since no judiciary action can amend a statute, the posture of accepting that a legitimate power

oaths of office and take definitive stand by а enforcement nullifying of the immoral, illegal and unconstitutional Obergefell opinion; if we cannot take an unwavering and principled stand for something so fundamental traditional marriage; as is there any principle, any freedom, we will not sacrifice?"

"If we fail to stand on this issue, we render not only the United States and Tennessee constitutions null and void; we become complicit in undermining the very foundations of our constitutional, federal, republic. I hope that my colleagues in the Tennessee General Assembly will stand will stand with me to defend the constitutions of our state and nation and adopt the Tennessee Natural Marriage Defense Act," Beavers concluded.



Motlow State remains fastest-growing institution in Tennessee for second consecutive semester

Motlow State Community College continues to lead all Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) institutions in enrollment and full-time equivalency (FTE) growth, based on preliminary numbers for the spring 2016 semester. Motlow similarly outpaced all TBR institutions in the fall 2015 semester, establishing Motlow as the fastest growing college in Tennessee and among the fastest growing in the nation.

"A real team effort by our completion coaches, faculty, and admissions staff has helped us lead the state in enrollment growth two semesters in a row," said Dr. Anthony Kinkel, Motlow president. "Not only is Motlow State benefiting from a record

number of Tennessee Promise students, but we are also retaining students at the highest rate in our

college's history." The most recent numbers for the spring semester show Motlow posted a state-leading growth rate of nine percent in enrollment headcount, and an impressive 19 percent increase in FTE

numbers. Out of the 13 state community colleges, only four other institutions showed an increase in headcount, with the closest to Motlow being Northeast State with an increase of three percent. The fall-to-spring retention rate of freshmen at Motlow was equally impressive, coming in at a record 81 percent. Retention rate is a critical number gauging the success of the institution in keeping students enrolled. The Motlow admissions department helps students to successfully navigate the admissions process prior to enrolling in class. "The admissions unit is typically the first point of contact for students; subsequently, we immediately establish a relationship with

students by welcoming them into our teaching and learning community," said Greer Alsup, director

of admissions and records. "Our goal is to communicate with every applicant within 48 hours of the admissions team, completion coaches continue to support students as they "figure out" life as a college student. "Many of our students feel lost and are overwhelmed with the start of college," said Rhonda Cotham, director of student success. "Completion coaches are here to walk them through any processes they need

assistance with and to teach them how to create a plan to be successful. They work with students to help them understand why they are here and assist them with seeking a degree that is right for them and their

long-term goals." Motlow faculty has successfully embraced and implemented a new and innovative learning support model for teaching those students who require remedial coursework. This model has led to greater success of those students

success of those students being able to migrate to college level studies versus dropping out, thus contributing to the improved retention rate of freshmen. to the positive growth at Motlow as evidenced by the spring 2016 semester enrollment headcount of 4,667, as compared to 4,296 for the spring 2015 semester. The spring 2016 FTE is 3,088 compared to 2,604 for the spring 2015 semester.

Motlow had the highest percentage of Tennessee Promise students

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SPORTS

Lionettes ready to hit the field

KEITH READY The Cannon Courier

One game shy of reaching the District 8-AA championship game and a automatic bid to the Region 4-AA tournament, the Cannon County Lionettes softball team are ready to hit the field once again.

The team has a new coaching staff, and will be anchored by four returning players that will have to produce offensively in order for the Lionettes to build on last year's 14-8 record.

Coach Brittany Cook makes her debut as the head coach for the Lionettes. This is Coach Cook's first ever coaching job. She followed the game extensively in her high school days at Shelbyville High School taking care of the scorebooks for the Golden Eagles and Eaglettes baseball and softball program.

"I am learning and the girls have been great teaching me technical terms," said Coach Cook. "I know the basics, the rules. I can tell you who is going to be good at what position but I couldn't teach them how to bat or throw if I had to."

The Lionettes will be relying on assistant Coach Wade McMackins for batting and pitching skills

help. He has been working with the Lionettes since the opening of practice with timing, stance in the batters box, and most importantly helping the Lionettes with pitching skills as they will have to find someone to step in for Kristen Hale who was basically the Lionettes go to arm for four vears.

The infield is anchored by senior Livia Walker, the soccer standout will be playing first base and Walker is in the pitching rotation. Walker could also see some time at third base in the infield.

Sophmore Shianne Ashford will back up Walker at first. Ashford is new at first base at the high school level and has played well in the scrimmages so far this season. Kelsie Smith will return to second base and junior Kallie McCrary. Third base is still anybody's position. Junior LauraBeth Nichols has the inside track but Nichols is also in the pitching rotation, so the team could turn to freshman Anna Brandon for some help at third base.

The catcher is Shelby Earls. The sophomore came on big last year after then senior Cheyenne Fann was lost for the season with a leg injury. Earls was a key producer offensively for the Lionettes

The outfield has several candidates. Bailey Sims returns and will be most likely the starting centerfielder on opening day. She will be joined by Joie McCrary in right field and Allie St John in leftfield.

With McCrary being in the pitching rotation, look for Baily Knox to get a lot of playing time when McCrary is on the mound.

The Lionettes strength has always been defense. The biggest question coming into the season is pitching. Instead of having one ace pitcher like they relied on in years past, the Lionettes will look to four players to pitch in a game rotation. Joie McCrary did see some limited action last season on the mound. Laura Beth Nichols, and Livia Walker also has some pitching experience. Freshman Anna Brandon is also in the rotation.

Coach Cook will rotate pitchers in each game and hopes to get at least three good innings out of each pitcher for the first half of the season as they gain game experience and build arm strength. The coaching position was not filled until late into the school year and as a result the schedule is kind of weak this year as far as non district games are concerned.

There are only 17 games scheduled outside of a tournament in Gordonsville.

Franklin County Lady Rebels start the season March 14th. Then it's on to district play. After the Gordonsville hosted tournament the Lionettes will play 13 straight district games before closing out the regular season May 2nd with Franklin County. There is a possibility that more games could be added but with the season close to starting it's hard to schedule additional games. Boyd Christian may be added to the schedule as both coaches are looking at potential dates.

Dekalb County looks to be the front runner of District 8-AA. The Lady Tigers are coming off a state tournament appearance from last season. Macon County is also expected to have a good softball team. The team from Lafavette finished second in the District last year and got to the sectional round. Most of the teams in District 8-AA are young and many of them have first year coaches. Look for Livingston to return to success and possibly Upperman as well. The Lionettes have the ability to build on last year's 14-8 record.

With a good stellar defense, the Lionettes pitching staff becomes the important piece keeping opponents to run opportunities to a minimum.

Offensively, Walker and Earls will be counted on to produce a majority of

the runs with their bats this year. Sims, Smith, St. John and Knox are a few of the Lionettes that bring speed to the basepaths and can provide a challenge to opponents trying to keep them contained.

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00-Livia Walker	Senior	INF/P
1-Baily Knox	Sophomore	OF
2-Tori Jones	Junior	INF
4-Allie St. John	Sophomore	OF
5-Alyssa Whited	Junior	INF/OF
7-Raquel Novoa	Junior	INF/OF
9-Bailey Sims	Senior	OF
10-Shelby Earls	Sophomore	e C
12-Laura B. Nichol	s Junior	INF/P
14-Taylor Parker	Freshman	OF/INF
15-Anna Brandon	Freshman	INF/P
16-Kallie McCrary	Junior	INF
18-Joie McCrary	Junior	OF/P
20-Shianne Ashford	l Sophomore	1B
22-Kelsie Smith	Senior	2B
24-Ana Lawson	Sophomore	
25-Macie Walker	Freshman	
27-Casey Crowe	Freshman	
34-Madelynne Bog	le Senior	
47-Alyssa Willams	Freshman	
Cannon County	Lionette Softball So	chedule
March 14	at Franklin County	7:0
March 15	at Central Magnet*	4:3
March 18-19	at Gordonsville	TB

March 14	at Franklin County	7:00
March 15	at Central Magnet [*]	4:30
March 18-19	at Gordonsville	TBA
March 22	at Smith County*	4:30
March 24	Macon County*	5:00
March 29	at Upperman*	4:30
March 31	Dekalb County*	4:30
April 5	York* (DH)	4:00
April 7	at Livingston* (DH)	5:00
April 12	Central Magnet*	4:30
April 14	Smith County*	4:30
April 19	Upperman*	4:30
April 21	at Macon County*	5:00
April 26	at Dekalb County*	4:30
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Short Mountain School **Presidential Election Results**

On Monday, February 29, Short Mountain School, grades 4-8, participated in a U.S. Presidential Mock Election. Students first learned about the election process in their social studies classes. They gave speeches and made posters to support their candidates. Finally, they assembled in the gym to cast their votes. The results of the voting are as follows:

REPUBLICAN: Donald Trump: 84.4%; Ted Cruz: 9.4%; Marco Rubio: 6.2% DEMOCRAT: Hillary Clinton: 16.7%; Bernie Sanders: 83.3%



Pacey casting his vote



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Make One Great Dish Chicken and Rice Soup By the editors of Relish Magazine



Photo by Mark Boughton Photography / styling by Teresa Blackburn

No matter how well prepared you think you are, last minute costume emergencies and pumpkin carving can sidetrack your Halloween dinner. Enter this quick soup that gets a jumpstart from a rotisserie chicken and a box of rice and vermicelli pasta mix (aka to busy moms as Rice a Roni). The flavored rice allows you to forego any additional seasonings, but the soup takes well to all sorts of additions (arugula or spinach).

Easy Chicken and Rice Soup

- (2-lb) rotisserie chicken 1
- onion, coarsely chopped 1
- 2 Tbsp butter

(7-oz) package Spanish-style rice 1 and vermicelli pasta mix (such as Rice a Roni)

handful chopped spinach or 1 arugula

1. Remove meat from chicken and shred. Place chicken bones, skin and juices in a Dutch oven and cover with water. Add onion. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer 2 to 4 hours. Strain. (You should have 6 cups broth; add water to equal 6 cups, if necessary.) Return broth to pot. (For a shortcut, use your favorite canned chicken broth.) Add shredded chicken.

2. Heat butter in a saucepan. Add rice, pasta mix and seasoning packet; sauté 2 minutes. Add to chicken mixture. Simmer, covered, 30 minutes. Add 2 cups water if soup is too thick. Add a handful of spinach or arugula just before serving. Makes about 10 cups; serves 8.

Look for Relish magazine, celebrating America's love of food, each week in The Cannon Courier.

Hop on over to Stones River Mall for fun-filled events with the Easter Bunny!



with a professional photo of their loved ones with the Easter Bunny from March 10-26.

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Breakfast with the Bunny will be held at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 12, inside Chuck E. Cheese's. Tickets are \$5 each and include a pancake breakfast, 10 game tokens, face painting, giveaways and more! Please visit Chuck E. Cheese's to purchase tickets for adults and children.

The Bunny Photo Set will be located near the Children's Play Area. Shoppers can capture the magic of the Spring season

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The Raising of Lazarus

When Jesus arrived in Bethany, Lazarus had already been dead and in the tomb for four days. When Martha discovered that Jesus was on his way, she went out to meet him. "Lord," she said, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died.'

Jesus told Martha, "Your brother will rise again." But Martha thought he was talking about the final resurrection of the dead.

Then Jesus said these important words: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

Martha then went and told Mary that Jesus wanted to see her. Jesus had not yet entered the village, most likely to avoid stirring up the crowd and calling attention to himself. The town of Bethany was not far from Jerusalem where the Jewish leaders were plotting against Jesus.

When Mary met Jesus she was grieving with strong emotion over her brother's death. The Jews with her were also weeping and mourning. Deeply moved by their grief, Jesus wept with them. Jesus then went to the tomb of Lazarus with Mary, Martha and the rest of the mourners.

There he asked them to remove the stone that covered the hillside burial place. Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed to his Father, closing with these words: "Lazarus, come out!" When Lazarus came out of the tomb, Jesus told the people to remove his grave clothes.

As a result of this incredible miracle, many people put their faith in Jesus. Jesus also raised from dead, Jairus' daughter (Matthew 9:18-26; Mark 5:41-42; Luke 8:52-56) and a widow's son (Luke 7:11-15). Others who were raised from the dead in the Bible:

In 1 Kings 17:22 Elijah raised a boy from the dead.

- In 2 Kings 4:34-35 Elisha raised a boy from the dead
- In 2 Kings 13:20-21 Elisha's bones raised a man from the dead.

In Acts 9:40-41 Peter raised a woman from the dead.

In Acts 20:9-20 Paul raised a man from the dead.



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Parcel 1: Beginning on an iron pin in the East margin of Highway 146, said pin being the SW corner of the property herein described and the NW corner of Short Mountain School property; thence with same school property S 79 deg. 00' 55" E 366.08 feet to an iron pin in school property line, also the SW corner of Elisa Ferrell's property; thence with Ferrell's line N 12 deg. 09' 28" E 100.00 feet to an iron pin in Ferrell's west property line, also the NE corner of the property being described; thence with a new line N 71 deg. 22' 24" W 215.44 feet to an iron pin at a maple tree, also Ellis Ferrell's corner; thence with Ferrell's corner N 81 deg. 11' 12" W 71.94 feet to an iron pin, being the SE corner of Dekalb Telephone

Cooperative and Ferrell's NW corner; thence with the line of Dekalb Telephone Cooperative N 80 deg. 46' 13" W 80.54 feet to an iron pin in the East margin of Highway 146 also the NW corner of Dekalb Telephone Cooperative and the NW corner of the property being described; thence with the margin of said Highway S 12 deg. 00' 45" W 123.45 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.00 acre, more or less, according to survey conducted by Richard Hearon Puckett, Registered Land Surveyor, on September 2, 1987.

Parcel 2: Beginning on an iron pin in the West property line of Ellis Ferrell, also the Northeast corner of a one acre lot conveyed to D. Mayo and the Southeast corner of the property herein described, thence with Ferrell's West line N 12 deg. 09'28" E, 25.57 feet to an iron pin at a corner post; thence with Ferrell's line N 58 deg. 18'22" W 198.14 feet to an iron pin in Ferrell's line, said pin being the Northwest corner of the property herein described; thence with Ferrell's line S 34 deg. 10' 57" W 77.87 feet to an iron pin at a maple tree; thence with a new line S 71 deg. 22' 24" E 215.44 feet to the point of beginning, containing in all 0.23 acres.

ALSO KNOWN AS: 6058 Short Mountain Road, Woodbury, TN 37190

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any rights governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property:

Michael W. Moore Patricia J. Moore

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. W&A No. 310708 INFORMATION, VISIT WWW.MYFIR.COM and WWW.REALTYTRAC. COM

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made in the terms, conditions, provisions and payments made and provided for in a Deed of Trust dated April 4, 1997, executed by Andrew S. Dick, a Single Person, to Bankers Title Company, Trustee, and recorded in Book 135, Page 242, and assignment to Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. of record in Book 75, Page 629, and re-assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, NA of record in Book 133, Page 791, Register's Office for Cannon County, Tennessee, to secure the therein indebtedness described, and the entire indebtedness having been called due and payable as provided in said deed of trust, and said payment not having been made, and the lawful Attorney-In-Fact and Servicer of said indebtedness having appointed the undersigned, David G. Mangum, as substitute trustee by written instrument dated February 3, 2016, recorded in Book 164, Page 899, in the above mentioned Register's Office, notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned substitute trustee, or my designated agent, under the power and authority vested in me by said deed of trust, and having been requested to do so by the lawful owner and holder of said debt, will on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 3:45 p.m. at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Woodbury, Cannon County, Tennessee, sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, free from the equity of redemption, homestead and dower, and all other exemptions and rights of every kind, all of which are expressly waived in said deed of trust, the following described tract or parcel of land more particularly described as follows, towit: Beginning on a PK nail in the center of the petty Gap Road at the SE comer of this tract and the SW comer of Tract No. 1, and this point is also located N 88 deg. 38' 19" W, 3147.69 feet from the center of the intersection of the Basham Ridge Road; thence with the Petty Gap Road, S 65 deg. 29' 23" W, 210.05 feet, S 69 deg. 40' 05" W, 115.30 feet, S 71 deg. 34' 44" W, 381.11 feet, S 75 deg. 41' 31" W, 99.24 feet, S 67 deg. 34' 40" W, 102.11 feet, S 63 deg. 41' 16" W, 151.35 feet to the SW corner of this tract; thence leaving the road and with a fence line N 21 deg.

06' 07" W, 308.69 feet N 25 deg. 25' 19" W, 138.30 feet, N 20 deg. 14' 29" W, 157.71 feet, N 11 deg. 52' 39" W, 71.01 feet, N 2 deg. 21' 09" E, 98.96 feet N 6 deg. 03' 06" E, 249.30 feet, N 7 dog. 12' 40" W, 117.25 feet to the corner of this tract at a fence corner; thence with the fence N 74 deg. 24' 10" E, 124.41 feet, N 86 deg. 24' 07· E, 122.33 feet, N 73 deg. 35' 23" E, 147.76 feet, N 61 deg. 34' 46" E, 73.84 feet, N 70 deg. 53' 45" E, 365.51 feet to the NE corner of this tract and the NW corner of Tract No.1; thence leaving the fence S 17 deg. 11' 42" E, 1078.86 feet back to the point of beginning and containing 23.251 acres, more or less, according to survey conducted by Thomas D. Cook, RLS No. 365 on October 26, 1993.

PUBLIC NOTICES

D E E D REFERENCE:

BEING the same property conveyed to Andrew S. Dick by deed from Patricia J. Wilson dated 04/04/97 of record in Book 174, Page 302, said Register's Office.

Subject to any and all existing easements, setback lines and restrictive covenants of record in said Register's Office, including but not limited to Fixture Filing to Middle Tennessee Electric Membership Corporation of record in Book 123, Page 404, said Register's Office. This description was taken from the deed of trust being foreclosed on of record in Book 135, page 242, and assignment to Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. of record in Book 75, Page 629, and re-assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, NA of record in Book 133, Page 791said Register's Office.

TAX MAP-PARCEL NO.: 065-014.00

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1692 Petty Gap Road, Woodbury, TN 37190, as shown on the tax maps for the Assessor of Property for Cannon County, TN.

This sale is subject to any and all unpaid real estate taxes; restrictive easements covenants, and setback lines; any all redemption and rights, including rights of redemption of any governmental agency, State or Federal, and any and all prior liens or encumbrances against said real property. Said sale is further subject to matters that an accurate survey of the property might disclose.

quality or quantity thereof, including, but not limited to, the enforceability of any lease affecting the property, the existence or absence of defaults under or the effect or this sale upon the rights of any party under such lease. The Substitute Trustee shall make no warranty of title, express or implied, and will sell and convey the subject real property by Substitute Trustee's Deed only.

The substitute trustee may adjourn or postpone the aforementioned sale of real property by public announcement at such time and place of sale, and from time to time thereafter may postpone such sale by public announcement at the time and place fixed by the preceding postponement or subsequently noticed sale, and without further notice make such sale at the time fixed by the last postponement, or may, in its discretion, give a new notice of sale. If applicable, the Notice requirements of T.C.A. § 35-5-117 have been met.

The failure of any high bidder to pay the purchase price and close the sale shall, at the option of the Substitute Trustee, be cause for rejection of the bid, and, if the bid is rejected, the Substitute Trustee shall have the option of making the sale to the next highest bidder who is ready, willing, and able to comply with the terms thereof. The proceeds derived from the sale of the property will be applied as provided for in said deed of trust.

Terms of sale: Cash

Substitute Trustee: David G. Mangum Substitute Trustee 2303 Franklin Road Nashville, TN 37204 (615) 255-8690

Interested Parties: Middle Tennessee Electric Membership Corporation, fixture filing Springleaf Financial Services f/k/a American General Service, Inc., judgment lien CACH, LLC, judgment lien Publish Newspaper: The Cannon Courier Editions dated: Tuesday, February 23, March 1, and March 8, 2016 ক

claims matured and unmatured against said estate are required to file same with the clerk of the above named court within four months of the first publication of this notice, otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

This 18th day of February, 2016.

Jonathan W Lines, Administrator of the Estate of Bette Marsha Duggin Lines, deceased.

NATHAN S NICHOLS CLERK & MASTER

JOHNATHON C HERSHMAN ATTORNEY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Amos Merrill McAllister

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of February, 2016, letters of administration or letters of testamentary in respect of the estate of Amos Merrill McAllister deceased were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Cannon County, Tennessee. All persons both resident and non-residents, having claims matured anď unmatured against said estate are required to file same with the clerk of the above named court within four months of the first publication of this notice, otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

This 23 day of February, 2016.

Robin Vance & Larry McAllister Co- Executor of the Estate of Amos Merrill McAllister, deceased.

NATHAN S NICHOLS CLERK & MASTER

MATTHEW COWAN ATTORNEY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Daniel Vaughn

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of February, 2016, letters of administration or letters of testamentary in respect of the estate of Daniel Vaughn deceased were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Cannon County, Tennessee. All persons both resident and non-residents, having matured claims and unmatured against said estate are required to file same with the clerk of the above named court within four months of the first publication of this notice, otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

DATED February 12, 2016

WILSON & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C., Successor Trustee

FOR SALE

The property sold pursuant to this notice shall be sold "AS IS" and neither the Substitute Trustee nor the beneficiary of the Deed of Trust, nor any agent or attorney therefore, makes or shall make any warranty, whether express or implied, as to the condition, File #73902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Bette Marsha Duggin Lines

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of February, 2016, letters of administration or letters of testamentary in respect of the estate of Bette Marsha Duggin Lines, deceased were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Cannon County, Tennessee. All persons both resident and non-residents, having

This 23 day of February, 2016.

Nancy Youngblood Executrix of the estate of Daniel Vaughn deceased.

NATHAN S NICHOLS CLERK & MASTER

HAROLD H PARKER ATTORNEY

The Woodbury Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals will meet in regular session Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 6:00 PM. The meeting is open to the public. James H. Barrett, Chairman

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cannon County Courthouse in Woodbury, Tennessee. The purpose of said meeting is to discuss the possibility of applying for a Recreational Trail Program Grant through Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. The hearing is open to the public and active participation is highly encouraged. No person in the United States should, on the grounds of race, religion, color, or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal Assistance. If special need accommodations are required, you may contact the County Executive's Office at 615-563-2320.

Mike Gannon County Executive

Be Informed Before Investing in Gold

We urge Tennesseans to do thorough research before starting an investment of any kind," said TDCI Assistant Commissioner for Securities Frank Borger-Gilligan. "Gold often moves in reverse of stocks and bonds, so when stocks are down, gold may seem like a very tempting investment."

The Division encourages Tennesseans to consider the following information from the North American Securities Administrators Association before investing in gold:

• Multiple ways to invest in gold: Investors can put money into actual gold, gold-related market investments (i.e. mutual funds and exchange-traded funds) futures and gold mining companies.

• Mutual funds containing gold: Although several mutual funds have gold in their names, you will not find any with more than 10 percent of assets invested in the metal itself. • Stock in gold mining companies: Purchasing stock in a gold mining company is more volatile than purchasing physical gold because of the risk associated in discovering and mining the metal. Mining companies' profits are leveraged to the price of gold, meaning that if the price of gold were to decline, investors should expect to see mining companies' profits decline in similar fashion.

• Buying gold online: As with any online transaction, be sure you go through a reputable dealer.

• Gold CDs: These CDs can be as illusory as "fool's gold". Gold CDs differ from traditional CDs because they are tied to the price of gold. Many banks seduce investors with promises of a share in the rising value of gold. If however the commodity decreases in value, the investor gets only the principal back, and the interest rate may vary significantly from that of a regular fixed-rate CD. Is it a myth to say that gold is a safe investment: An investment in gold is not foolproof. Gold is a commodity, and, like other commodities, its price can fluctuate dramatically.

• Don't catch "Gold Fever": Gold attracts a crowd of promoters who would like to take investor's money. Beware of "exploration" companies.

Precious metal IRAs: Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) make it possible for investors to buy gold with funds they already have. Gold must be insured and physically shipped before going into storage. Metal must be physically stored through an approved depository, meaning investors cannot keep coins in a closet.

For more, contact the Tennessee Securities Division at 1-800-863-9117 or visit our website.

CRIME & COURTS

Why we learn when we are young not to abuse 911

Woodbury Police

Drug Charges

Audrey Amaro was arrested by Patrolman John House and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a Schedule II drug (morphine). A hearing is set for March 8 in General Sessions Court.

Deborah E. Smithson was charged with criminal a false name and date of birth, driving on a revoked license, possession of a Schedule II drug (morphine) with intent to deliver or sell and DUI (first offense) by Patrolman John House. A hearing is set for March 8 in General Sessions Court.

Bryan Keith Alexander was charged with driving on a revoked license (second offense) and possession of a Schedule IV drug (Xanax) by Patrolman John House. A hearing is set for March 8

impersonation for giving in General Sessions Court.

<u>DUI</u>

Ronald Wayne Jernigan Jr. was charged with driving on a revoked license and DUI (second offense) by Chief Lowell Womack. A hearing is set for March 8 in General Sessions Court.

Disorderly Conduct

James Estell Brown, Crystal Renee Boshak and Matthew Mark Whiting were all charged with disorderly conduct by Patrolman Melanie McCormick. Hearings are set for April 16 in General Sessions Court.

Cannon County Sheriff's Office

Domestic Assault

Kathy Gayle Davis, 56, of Bradyville, was charged with domestic assault following an incident. Making the arrest was Deputy Gregory Pauls.

Sean Tyree, 29, of Lorien Lane, Woodbury, was charged with domestic assault following an incident. A hearing is set for April 4 in General Sessions Court.

Stolen Trailer

William Bonson Morgan reported the theft of a Big Ram 16-foot tandem axle trailer from his home. The trailer is valued at \$1,255. Stolen Vehicle

Jordan Mcniel reported the theft of a maroon Ford F-150 with regular cab, custom wheels, headlights, grill and cowl hood.

Unlawfully Calling 911 Randall Smotherman, 52, was charged with knowingly and unlawfully calling 911 when there was no emergency. A hearing is set for April 4 in General Sessions Court.

Pickett County's Highway Superintendent Admits to Misuse of County Resources

A special investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has found that Pickett County Highway Superintendent Jimmy Cope directed countypurchased gravel and rock to be delivered to private property.

Mr. Cope admitted that he ordered the gravel and rock to be transported by county employees driving county trucks to be placed on various private properties in Pickett County.

Based upon interviews with Mr. Cope and another highway department employee, they estimated that as many as four loads of gravel per week were placed on private property. Investigators estimate this practice cost the county at least \$13,205 annually.

Mr. Cope claims that he never asked for votes and never received money in exchange for the gravel and rock. Mr. Cope told investigators he would provide county gravel to any Pickett County citizen who asked.

"This activity raises questions about use of taxpayer-funded resources, and it could also place the county at risk," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "Using county equipment on private property could expose the county to potentially unlimited liability in the event that an injury or damage occurred as a result of this practice."

To view the special investigation online, go to: http://www.comptroller. tn.gov/repository/ia/ pickettcountyhwydept.pdf If you suspect fraud, waste or abuse of public money in Tennessee, call the Comptroller's tollfree hotline at (800) 232-5454, or file a report online at:www.comptroller. tn.gov/hotline. Follow us on twitter: @TNCOT

TDCI Encourages Consumers to Know the Signs of Odometer Tampering

Investigate Vehicle's History before Buying



The Tennessee Department of Commerce & Insurance (TDCI) is offering tips to help identify odometer fraud, a crime that involves the reduction of mileage on a vehicle to inflate its value.

"Odometer fraud affects consumers in two ways," TDCI Deputy Commissioner Bill Giannini said. "First, a person may pay considerably more than the vehicle is worth. Second, they will believe that they have purchased a relatively safe, low-mileage vehicle when the vehicle is actually high mileage and potentially unsafe."

The Motor Vehicle Commission, which is a part of TDCI's Regulatory Boards, offers the following guidelines to help identify signs of odometer tampering: 1. Compare the mileage on the odometer with the mileage number on the last issued vehicle title, maintenance, or inspection records. Check the last oil change sticker and look for paperwork that might be in the glovebox detailing repairs with date and mileage information. The vehicle title will contain the odometer reading from when the vehicle was last sold and the date. Does the current reading seem reasonable compared to this information?

2. Evaluate the wear and tear of the vehicle (brakes, tires, etc.) to see if it is consistent with the mileage number displayed on the odometer. The interior of the car also has a story to tell. Examine the usage and wear of the wheel, gear lever and pedals and compare this to the mileage

number on the odometer. 3. Most automobiles will be operated at least an average of 15,000 miles per year. Multiply the age of the vehicle by 15,000. If the mileage reading on the odometer is significantly lower than the sum of that calculation you should exam the vehicle closely and compare to the other factors. If it is significantly higher that could be an indicator that the vehicle

indicator that the vehicle has been used as a fleet, rental, or other type of commercial vehicle.

4. For vehicles with a traditional mechanical odometer, check to see if the numbers are aligned evenly and are readable. Crooked numbers or numbers that contain gaps are often an indication of odometer fraud.

Flickering numbers on a digital odometer can be an indicator of tampering or other electrical problems.

5. Check the vehicle identification number on the driver's side dash and compare it to the number on the sticker on the driver's side door jam. They should match. If they do not, this could be an indicator of odometer or other types of vehicle fraud.

Odometer fraud is a criminal offense. If you suspect odometer tampering has taken place, report it immediately to local and state authorities.

To view additional consumer resources, visit the Motor Vehicle Commission's website: https://www. tn.gov/commerce/section/ motor-vehicle

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Medium Savvy Senior

Make Long-Term Care Coverage More Affordable Dear Savvy Senior,

I have been thinking about getting a long-term care insurance policy, but have found the monthly premiums to be very expensive. How can I find cheaper coverage? Getting Old

Dear Getting,

Cost is usually the biggest factor that keeps most people from purchasing long-term care insurance - only around 8 million Americans currently have a policy.

Depending on your age, health, and the provisions of the policy, costs can range anywhere from \$1,000 up to \$5,000 a year for an individual policy that covers nursing home care, assisted living and in-home care. Fortunately, there are various costcutting strategies that can help you save and still get adequate coverage. Here are several to consider.

Buy young: The most basic way to get long-term care insurance at a cheaper rate is by purchasing it at a younger age. For example, a typical policy that costs a 55-year-old \$1,500 a year in premiums could cost a 65-year-old \$3,000. Health is another fact that can affect costs. While good health can lower your monthly payments, having a preexisting medical condition can increase your costs, or you may not be able to get insurance at all.

Sign up as a pair: Many insurers offer 20 to 30 percent discounts on premiums if you sign-up at the same time as your spouse, partner or sibling.

Choose a shorter benefit period: Most people need long-term care for just under three years on average. So, by choosing a policy that covers you for two or three years, versus five or more years, it can cut your premiums by 20 to 40 percent.

Lengthen the time you pay: Most policies have 30 to 90-day waiting periods that require you to pay out-of-pocket for care before the policy kicks in. By choosing a longer wait period, it can lower your premiums 15 to 20 percent.

Lower the daily benefit: You can get a policy that pays out \$100, \$150, \$200 per day or more, but the higher the benefit, the higher your premium. So consider a plan that covers two-thirds the daily cost, and pay the other third out of savings. That could cut your premiums by about one-third.

Buy lower inflation protection: Inflation coverage protects you from the rising costs of care. Five percent compounded annually has been a common practice in the industry but it's expensive. Consider a policy that has a 3 percent CPI-adjusted inflation protection. This can save you 50 percent or more.

Get state help: Currently, 41 states have a long-term care partnership program that can help you save too. Under these programs, if you buy a long-term care policy approved by your

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state Medicaid agency, you can protect an amount of assets from Medicaid equal to the benefits that your policy pays out. With this program, you can choose a shorter benefit period, which will lower your premiums. See aaltci.org/partnership to learn more.

Buy a hybrid policy: If the thought of paying expensive monthly premiums for long-term care insurance - which you may never use - is keeping you from buying a policy, consider one that combines long-term care insurance with either a life insurance policy or an annuity. Hybrid life insurance policies provide a death benefit for your heirs and a pool of money you can use for long-term care. Any funds you use for care are generally subtracted from the death benefit. While hybrid annuity policies generally allows you to purchase a deferred annuity, which can be used for long-term care or if you don't need care, it can be redeemed for its accumulated value when it matures, or left to your heirs when you die.

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