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## Former Bull Shoals mayor arrested

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According to affidavits filed in Marion County last week, a former Bull Shoals mayor — 69 year-old David Nixon, is accused of the crimes of abuse of office and theft of property. This follows an investigation by Special Agent JayP Massiet with the Public Integrity Unit of the Arkansas Attorney General's Office.

Nixon was arrested and placed in the Marion County Jail on Tuesday, Feb. 13, and released later that day after posting a \$1,500 cash bond.

The court's documents state that the investigation began after Michael Savu, current mayor of Bull Shoals, contacted Massiet in January 2023. Savu informed the investigator of his suspicion that unethical practices had occurred under his predecessor in the mayor's office. Savu's specific concern was that he discovered Nixon was having his Medicare Part B payments reimbursed to him through the city's funds. Savu had been approached by the city's recorder/treasurer, Tina Bailey, with a check to be signed, payable to Nixon.

Bailey explained to Savu that, for the past few years, Nixon had been having his Medicare Part B deducted from his social security payments and then he would in turn be reimbursed for those payments by receiving a check from the city.

Massiet's investigation included interviews with former and current city council members, as well as the city's CPA. Massiet found that these reimbursement payments had amounted to a total of \$5,915.10 received by Nixon.

A close examination of city council minutes, alongside the investigator's interviews, concluded that Nixon had been approving and issuing these reimbursement checks to himself — without any agreement or arrangement having been officially made through the city council.

Nixon told the investigator that he had used his own "administrative discretion," having decided that he could save the city money by unenrolling from the city's insurance policy and using a supplemental Part-G policy instead. Nixon said that he

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# Violet Brumley-Hensley, a fiddle icon at 107

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**V**iolet Brumley Hensley has many titles. She has been called the "Whittling Fiddler," the "Stradivarius of the Ozarks" and a "Living Treasure." To the large family who admires her, she's also known as "Mom," "Grandma," and "Great, great...so many greats you can lose count, grandma." Hensley's bright personality has won over many people during her lifetime, and it has been a long and exciting life.

Hensley was born in 1916 in Montgomery County (Mt. Ida), Arkansas. She spent her early years there near a town that was called Womble when she was born, but the name of the town was changed to Norman shortly after.

For her visit with the Times, she sits at her kitchen table with her daughter, Sandra Flagg, on a mild November day. Violet wears a colorful floral pattern, a style she is well-known for and her clothing is often handmade by one of her daughters. The two women drink tea while Flagg shares stories of what life has been like alongside her mother over the years — the TV performances, dozens of interviews, and seeing Silver Dollar City develop from its very beginning. Flagg and another of Hensley's daughters, Lewonna Nelson, work together to ensure she never spends a day alone. There is always someone there to share tea with.

Hensley has lived in her cozy Yellville home for decades and the walls are speckled with photographs of the years gone by.

There, she enjoys a mostly predictable daily routine with her regular meals accompanied by tea, milk or coffee, and a long nap each afternoon. When asked if she feels like she lives like a housecat — napping and drinking milk every day — she laughs in response and her soft laugh lights up the room. Her laughter might have softened over the years, but the joyful light hasn't faded.

Hensley has appeared in numerous TV interviews over the years, and in viewing them, one can see that she is not shy. She is a sociable person who enjoys sharing music with others, and enjoys lighthearted joking around. She has made many admirers and friends through her time spent performing at Silver Dollar City and elsewhere.



Violet Brumley-Hensley

Her fans count among themselves many who are well-regarded musicians in their own right, such as Ricky Skaggs and Glen Campbell.

While mostly quiet on this day but with a little prompting, the memories flow and Hensley's gift of gab returns in bits. Flagg asks her mother, "Tell about that calf you tried to harness? Do you remember it?" and she does. Hensley takes a moment to think and recalls, "I harnessed a calf with a mule. I was gonna plow my dad's tobacco patch! He said, 'You tear them apart, you just teared the devil out of my tobacco patch!'"

Young Hensley was only trying to be helpful, to be productive. She worked hard with her family as a young woman. They picked cotton in Norman and grew their own food. When she was eleven, Hensley's mother passed away, leaving her and her siblings to work perhaps a little harder than most.

There were no cars in their area for a long time until finally someone nearby got a truck. When a school bus was added to the community it was just a truck with two benches in the back, one down each side. That was after her time however; she, like so many others of her generation, walked to school. She did not go to school for long; she was needed more at home where there was work to be done and the cost of schoolbooks was more than her father could spare.

Before the more modern advances in travel started showing up, Hensley traveled in wagons. She even made some of the wagon parts herself.

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## Northark to add golf teams

By SCOTT McDONALD  
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Another new sport will be added to the North Arkansas College athletic program by the time the Fall 2024 semester begins.

Citing the lack of interest in the soccer program, Northark president Dr. Rick Massengale informed the Board of Trustees during their monthly meeting on Feb. 8, that the college will begin a golf program for both women and men and will give soccer one more try.

“Our soccer program is not doing what I thought it would,” Massengale said. “We still do not have a women’s team as not enough have shown interest, and right now we only have four men signed up with three of those international. That wasn’t the reason we started the soccer program.”

Massengale said there is nothing against having international players on the soccer team, but “it’s supposed to be for our kids from our area schools.”

Getting and keeping a coach has been another hindrance.

“We’re going to try and keep the soccer program going but right now we can’t get a coach,” Massengale said. “They want Div. 1 pay for a Div. 2 JUCO program, and we just can’t do that.”

Golf is a popular sports among the area schools and there has been interest among Northern students to start a collegiate tea.

“There are six teams in our region and (athletic director) Bobby Howard has checked into it,” Massengale said. “We would not have to hire a full-time coach. We have someone who might be interested to doing it part-time.”

Massengale informed the board that he still hasn’t hard back from the governor’s office about the appointment to fill vacancy on the Board of Trustees. Former trustee Kevin Cheri resigned from the board in November. And due to Arkansas state law, Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders must appoint a new trustee to fill out Cheri’s term.

Board president Linda Pledger appointed Scott Miller, Don Tomlinson and Debbie Johnson to the Commencement Award committee.



## New signs for flaggers

Harrison city worker Chase Simmons holds up a new safety traffic flagging signs the city of Harrison is now using. The signs have flashing lights that are visible to the vehicle drivers when they approach work areas the city crews are working at. One side says “Stop” and the other side says “Slow”. LEE H. DUNLAP/CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

## F IS FOR FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY, FIRETRUCK!



Isaac (Age 1) and his big brother, Ethan (Age 3), visit the Friends of the Library bake sale on Valentine’s day with their mother, Rachel. The family was celebrating the letter “F” with a firefighter theme on this day. The bake sale benefits Boone County’s Friends of the Library. JEFF BRASEL / STAFF

# Gov. Sanders announces plan for Arkansas School for the Deaf, School for the Blind

From Times Sources

LITTLE ROCK — Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders today announced a plan for the Arkansas School for the Deaf (ASD) and Arkansas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (ASB). She was joined by Secretary of Education Jacob Oliva, Speaker Matthew Shepherd, bipartisan partners from the legislature, Robert Fagan, Chairman of the Board at ASD and ASB, and staff members and parents of the schools.

“These two schools were built as a promise to deaf, blind, and visually impaired Arkansans – a promise that they deserve a quality education just as much as any other student. Sadly, for far too long, our state has failed to keep its word,” said Governor Sanders. “Today, we announced a plan to change that. Arkansas is going to keep its promise. We’re going to fix these schools. And we’re going to prioritize students’ safety and happiness so that ASD and ASB will thrive, as they were intended to, right here in the heart of our capital city.”

After touring the school

with legislators and staff late last year, Governor Sanders assembled a group of lawmakers and advocates to craft a plan to improve ASD and ASB. They surveyed more than 200 school community members to compile three main priorities: keeping the campus at its current location, providing more resources for deaf and blind students beyond the Little Rock campus, and addressing the critical safety concerns students are seeing right now.

The group then consulted with school architects and planners for a comprehensive vision for the future of the two schools that will deliver high-quality instruction in high-quality facilities, while also ensuring that the campus’ historic nature is protected and that deaf and vision-impaired students learn in separate classrooms tailored to their specific needs. The legislature has already allocated \$30 million to begin moving forward with this plan.

“We want to keep our kids safe. We want to give them the best education that we possibly can,” said Robert Fagan, Chairman of

the Board of the Arkansas School for the Deaf and Arkansas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired. “I truly believe that our legislators and the Department of Ed and the Governor are committed to seeing this thing through and it’s just an awesome day for the students who are blind and visually impaired in the state of Arkansas.”

“They have found a way to provide an excellent state-of-the-art facility for our students, while also preserving the historical and cultural home,” said Representative Charlene Fite. “I’m so thankful for this. I have prayed for this day, hoped for this day, and worked for this day for many, many years. And now it’s happening and I’m over the moon.”

“We are so grateful that the attention has been given to the schools because we believe in the education of blind and visually impaired and deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals,” said Cary Smith, an Arkansas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired parent. “We are so grateful for the opportunity for the school to improve. We know it can be better. And we have

the people and the educators in place now.”

“Our family is so excited for this next phase of these two important schools. As parents of a visually impaired son, we are grateful for the Governor’s commitment to educational excellence and safety for all Arkansas students,” said Tiffany Henry, an Arkansas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired parent.

“We are pleased to move forward with next steps for improving the learning environment at the Arkansas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Arkansas School for the Deaf. The failed status quo has resulted in low student achievement, limited outcomes, and dilapidated buildings. The commitment from the Governor, legislators, school faculty and staff, and the local board empower us to move closer to ensuring students have access to state-of-the-art, high-quality facilities that promote safety and learning. We look forward to continuing the conversation with all stakeholders, as we seek the establishment of a facility where students can thrive,” said Secretary Oliva.

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# Officials prepare for upcoming eclipse

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Several government officials and community leaders met in the City Council Chambers on Wednesday, Feb. 14, to discuss plans for the solar eclipse that will affect Boone County on Monday, April 8.

Mayor Jerry Jackson said it was important to be prepared for the 1.5 million tourists entering the state, as some expect.

Cat Schoubroek from the visitor's center said they are prepared with paper maps, eclipse glasses, and apparel that read, "Are You Ready for the Dark?"

## Weekend before the eclipse, April 5-7

Several activities will be scheduled for the Friday and Saturday before the eclipse. Matt Bell and Kyle Strain from Explore Harrison modeled the eclipse-themed hoodies they had designed that read, "Get Mooned in Boone County." The public can purchase clothing with the eclipse logo from Impact Tees.

On the Friday night before the eclipse, Rotary will sponsor Music on the Square, 5:30 p.m.—10 p.m. with NEWCO performing at 6:30 p.m.

On the following Saturday, events will begin at 9 a.m. and finish at 10 p.m. National Park Radio will perform on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

The Entertainment District will be open, and Neno's Place and the 1929 Hotel Seville will participate from 4:30 p.m. until 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Saturday, there will be food vendors and many activities for children and retail vendors.

Also, Saturday evening will be an Eclipse 5K Night Run sponsored by North Arkansas Regional Medical Center. The hospital plans to have additional emergency room staff for the eclipse weekend because of the sheer volume of people expected in the area.

## Eclipse day

On Monday, The Boone County Library will host Eclipse on the Street from noon until 3 p.m. More than 25 vendors,

## Don't be in the dARK

Plan Early, Act Often and Avoid the Messy Aftermath

On Monday, April 8, 2024, a full solar eclipse will travel diagonally through the state of Arkansas and there are already more than 1.5 million visitors expected to join us for this event.

Many Arkansas businesses, towns, and hospitality organizations have been preparing for this influx of travelers to our state. But do any of these plans include waste management? Even though it is a less glamorous aspect of event coordination, waste planning must be a priority to preserve our "Natural State."



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### 1. Land Owners and RV Park Operators

- Remember YOU are ultimately responsible for clean-up and disposal of all waste and trash generated on your property from the event.
- Consider providing trash bags to all guests and place receptacles in convenient locations.
- Post signs that encourage proper waste management and indicate trash collection locations.

### 2. Gas Station Operators

- Storage tanks should be filled early and often, especially in rural areas. Talk to your fuel supplier early to arrange additional fuel drops, if necessary.
- Empty trash receptacles often to prevent overflow.
- Develop a clean-up strategy to prevent excess litter from the anticipated increase in fuel station traffic.

### 3. After the Event

- Consult with your Solid Waste Management District, County Office of Emergency Management, or waste hauler to coordinate proper pick up and disposal of waste.
- Help ensure all trash is properly contained and choose a waste staging area with easy access for pick up.
- **DON'T BURN IT!** — Arkansas law prohibits burning of household wastes to protect residents and visitors from hazardous emissions.

food trucks, a bouncy house, and activities for all ages will be available. The week before the eclipse, a miniature planetarium will teach the public about stars and constellations. The activities will include a star finder. The library also has eclipse glasses free for the public in March.

North Arkansas College is hosting a Zombie Apocalypse Bike Race at the course adjacent to the campus with prizes for the best costumes. There will also be lots of science activities for visitors.

Fire Chief Marc Lowery said his team would be available to assist. "We will be fully staffed with additional manpower to call in if needed."

Assistant Police Chief John Cagle said he is in the process of securing side-by-sides, which would allow the police to drive off-road during an emergency if traffic is at a standstill.

Public Works COO Wade Phillips said his team would get out of the

way. "We won't be doing non-emergency street repairs during that time and will be available to assist other departments as needed."

Phillips also explained the Arkansas DOT is concerned about the mass exodus after the eclipse causing traffic jams. "We will have staff on duty at main intersections along Hwy. 65 who can manually operate the signal lights to speed up the traffic flow."

Bell reported local hotels still have some rooms available. Schoubroek from the Welcome Center reported that all National Parks spaces are booked.

Parks and Rec Director Chuck Eddington said they are not scheduling any sporting events for that weekend. "If the hotels and area RV parks fill up in advance, we will open some city-owned parking lots for RVs."

Airport Manager Judy McCutcheon said she's jealous of the activity other airports will get who are in totality areas.

"We have additional fuel ordered — 10,000 gallons of AvGas and 12,000 gallons of jet fuel, with the trucks fully loaded. Hopefully, we will get more traffic as the time gets closer."

Chamber representative Amy Deere said they are still getting calls from locals who know nothing about the eclipse and how to be prepared. "We are directing most people to the ExploreHarrison.com website."

The Boone County Health Unit will take walk-ins that day but not schedule appointments.

Daniel Bolen with the Office of Emergency Management said they will have an additional

mobile tower to assist in receiving emergency calls.

"We will do what we always do and take care of emergency calls," Bolen said. "If cell towers are jammed, texts will get through to 911. Be sure to give clear, concise information about the emergency and the address."

A list is being prepared for ExploreHarrison.com to make suggestions for locals to have on hand and what guests need to bring into the area to be ready.

The officials feel it is very important for everyone to funnel activity information and Q&As to that one site. So guests coming through or stay-

ing here will all receive the same information.

When Mayor Jackson wrapped up the first meeting last year, he reminded the leaders that his goal was to showcase Harrison and the community in a welcoming light. "I'd like to see all the businesses with LED signs to say 'Welcome to Harrison.' We want them to enjoy their time driving through or spending the weekend here."

There will be a lot more detailed information to come. Watch ExploreHarrison.com to see the combined schedule of events and information.

The next Eclipse meeting for community leaders is set for Wednesday at 3 p.m. on April 3.

## Teen charged in campus shooting

From Times Sources

CAMDEN — On the evening of Feb. 13, 2024, Arkansas State Police (ASP) Criminal Investigation Division (CID) arrested a 17-year-old from Magnolia in connection with a shooting that occurred Feb. 12, 2023, on the Southern Arkansas Tech University campus. He will be charged as an adult with First-Degree Battery, Aggravated Assault, and having a Firearm on a School Campus.

SAU Tech Police and the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office responded at about 10:30 p.m. to the shooting at the Highland Dormitory and requested ASP's CID to investigate. While on scene, law enforcement was informed that the victim, a 20-year-old Camden man, was receiving care at a local hospital for injuries that are not believed to be life-threatening.

Neither the victim nor the suspect is affiliated with SAU Tech.

## Gas price roller coaster continues

State avg up 14 cents

From Times Sources

The statewide gas price average in Arkansas was \$2.90 for a gallon of regular unleaded fuel on Thursday, according to the AAA Arkansas Weekend Gas Watch. That price is 14 cents more compared to last week and is 19 cents less per gallon compared to that day last year. Of the major metropolitan areas surveyed in Arkansas, drivers in Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers and West Memphis were paying the most on average at \$2.97 while drivers in Fort Smith were

paying the least at \$2.82 per gallon. The national average price for a gallon of regular unleaded was \$3.28, which is 13 cents more compared to that day last week and 14 cents less than the price per gallon at the same time last year, according to AAA Gas Prices.

Supply of gasoline has fallen by seven million barrels over the last two weeks according to the latest data from the Energy Information Administration. Meanwhile, West Texas Intermediate crude oil is approximately two dollars more when compared to one month ago. Crude oil

is the main ingredient in gasoline and if it continues to become more expensive, gasoline prices will likely increase.

"Gas price fluctuations continue, with prices rising by an average of 14 cents per gallon week-to-week for regular unleaded gasoline," said AAA spokesperson Nick Chabbarria. "Fuel prices will likely continue to fluctuate throughout the remainder of February and could increase as March approaches."

Drivers in Arkansas were paying the 7th lowest gas price average in the country, according to gasprices.aaa.com.

## BEWARE! Medicaid rules are not gift tax rules

*My grandfather wants to give me \$16,999. He says he could do that and still get Medicaid if he needs it. I love him for that generosity, but is he right?*

No! Your grandfather needs better advice. First, Medicaid would almost certainly hit him with hefty penalties for that kind of gift, depending on when he applies. Second, it sounds like he is mixing up Medicaid rules with gift tax rules, when the two have nothing to do with each other.

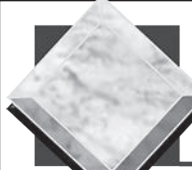
Medicaid is the government program that pays for long-term health care for elderly and disabled people who own very little, and who could not afford expensive care for serious conditions. Medicaid is easily confused with Medicare, the government health insurance program.

If your grandfather does need Medicaid, caseworkers will scrutinize his finances carefully. They will almost certainly impose a penalty on gifts given within five years before the date he applies. That penalty would require him to pay thousands of dollars over a period

of ineligibility, possibly more than the \$16,999 he wants to give you. There are a few exceptions to that rule, but, generally, the five-year "look back" period is designed to prevent "planning to be poor" in order to qualify.

The \$16,999 figure suggests that your grandfather wants to take advantage of the gift-tax rules, but he's probably mixed up there, too. Those rules currently permit tax-free gifts of up to around \$13 million over a lifetime. The restriction on gifts over \$17,000 a year is simply that they must be reported to the IRS. The gifts would be taxed only if they eventually accumulate over the \$13 million limit. That limit will be slashed in 2026 to \$5 million. The bottom line is that tax rules encourage gift-giving (less so after the 2026 change). Medicaid rules essentially forbid gift-giving. The two sets of laws are designed to serve opposite purposes.

Medicaid and tax planning is tricky. Please ask your grandfather to call us. We can steer him away from many common, but very expensive, misconceptions and pitfalls.




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## What Happened On This Day

February 17

**2008**

### Kosovo declares its independence

The region's secession from Serbia followed an armed conflict referred to as the Kosovo War.

**1992**

### Serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer is jailed for life

Dahmer was convicted of murdering and dismembering at least 17 young men and boys.

**1913**

### The "Armory Show" opens in New York

The art exhibition featured works by Henri Matisse, Pablo Picasso, and Vincent van Gogh and marked the advent of artistic modernism in the United States.

**1904**

### "Madama Butterfly" is premiered

Giacomo Puccini's opera, one of the world's most performed works of musical theater, was poorly received in its first performance.

**1863**

### A precursor of the Red Cross and Red Crescent is founded

The "Committee for Relief to the Wounded" was created by a group of citizens in Geneva, Switzerland. — information from timeanddate.com



### Sharron Sue Howard

79, of Harrison

Sharron Sue Howard, of Harrison, passed away Friday, Feb. 16 (2024). She was 79 years old.

The daughter of Lee and Alice Morris was born on Aug. 20, 1944 in San Luis Obispo, California. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Howard and her parents.



She is survived by her children, Becky (Terry) Bolin and Bobby (Becky) Howard; grandchildren, Lacey (Bryan) Vericker, Clint (Kayla) Howard, Luke Bolin, and Landon Bolin (Taylor Trennepohl); great grandchildren, Carson, Knox, Sloane and Riggins; brothers, Garry and Larry Morris; sister, Polly Ringgold; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Sue was a lifelong resident of Harrison. She enjoyed her kids and grandbabies. Sue loved her family time. She was a loving mother and a Granny Sue and was looking forward to reuniting with Robert, the love of her life for 52 years.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m., Monday, Feb. 19 at Coffman Funeral Home in Harrison with the visitation 1 hour prior to the service at 1 p.m. Pastor Sean Milliken will officiate. Burial will follow in White Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Clint Howard, Luke Bolin, Landon Bolin, Bryan Vericker, Rowdy Morris and Roger Morris.

On-line condolences can be left at [www.coffmanfh.com](http://www.coffmanfh.com).

### Marion Mack Angel

86, of Overland Park, Kansas

It is with deep sorrow and a profound sense of loss that we announce the passing of Marion Mack Angel, a true American hero and patriot, devoted husband and father, adored grandfather, loving brother, and loyal friend. Mack, as he was affectionately known, soared into the heavens from Overland Park, Kansas on Feb. 9 (2024) at the age of 86.



Born on Nov. 17, 1937 to Edith and John Angel in Harrison, Arkansas, Mack's journey began with a spirit of adventure that ultimately led him to a distinguished career as a fighter pilot for the US Air Force under the call sign "Hippo." His bravery and commitment as a Wild Weasel were exemplified during his service in the Vietnam War, where he flew 100 missions North. His unparalleled skill and dedication earned the respect and admiration of his country and fellow servicemen and women and military honors including the Silver Star for exhibiting gallantry while risking life above and beyond the call of duty.



Mack's illustrious career reached new heights when he became a member of the prestigious US Air Force Thunderbirds, showcasing his exceptional abilities and representing the epitome of precision and excellence in flying. His time with the Thunderbirds solidified his status as an elite aviator and a symbol of American strength and pride.

Upon retiring from the USAF after 21 years of loyal service, Mack continued his successful aviation career as a demonstration pilot for Cessna Aircraft and then as a corporate pilot for Pizza Hut and Frito-Lay. Mack ultimately turned his aviation career into a hobby and retired to Pecan Plantation Airport in Granbury, Texas where he spent many glorious years piloting his Bonanza and restoring his 1953 and 1962 Corvettes.

Beyond the skies, Mack was a loving and devoted family man. He is survived by his cherished wife Connie with whom he shared a lifetime of love and companionship throughout their 60 years of marriage. Mack leaves behind a legacy of love and strength that extends to his three daughters and their husbands: Sheryl and Tim of Stilwell, Kansas; Tiffany and Alberto of Newton, Massachusetts; and Celeste and Thad of Leewood, Kansas; and to his six grandchildren Chance, Cole, Sofia, Santi, Maxwell, and Theo. His adoration extended further to his surviving brother Clark of Little Rock, Arkansas and his sister Ann of Harrison, Arkansas and to his pre-deceased brother Roger of Forsythe, Missouri.

Mack was a beacon of inspiration for all who knew him. His kindness, courage, and unwavering commitment to family and country will forever be etched in our hearts. The memories of his daring flights, enduring charm, and warm laughter will continue to resonate, reminding us of the extraordinary man who touched the skies and our lives.

Mack's wings may no longer grace the clouds, as he has "flown west", but his spirit will soar eternally in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing him and as he is fittingly laid to rest with honors at a National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the American Parkinson Disease Association in Mack's memory. American Parkinson Disease Association

### Nancy Rushing

85

Nancy Deanna Rushing passed away Wednesday, Feb. 14 (2024) at North Arkansas Medical Center. Nancy was born Feb. 26, 1938 in Snowball. Memorial service details will be announced at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Roller-Christeson Funeral home.

### Debra Martens

62, of Peel

Debra Edmonson Martens, 62, of Peel, passed away on Feb. 12 (2024). She was born on Oct. 27, 1961, in Ft. Smith to Frederick and Martha (Freeze) Edmonson. She is preceded in death by her husband, Karl Martens. Care entrusted to Diamond State Funerals.



*Snowy Morning*

An old barn on Highway 7 South is surrounded by falling snowflakes Monday morning from the most recent snow event. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO/ LEE H. DUNLAP



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## HARRISON POLICE DEPARTMENT LOG

### Feb. 13

**12:09 a.m.** – A woman called to talk to the officer who stopped her son the previous night. Information given.

**8:07 a.m.** – A parking lot wreck was reported outside Harps. Information noted for insurance purposes.

**10:14 a.m.** – A male subject on White Oak Lane called to talk to an officer about an incident that occurred a few weeks earlier. He was advised of his options.

**10:46 a.m.** – A male subject called to talk to an officer about a complaint he filed earlier. He was referred to the prosecuting attorney's office.

**11:38 a.m.** – A caller reported a vehicle stalled on the Bypass in front of Popeye's. An officer said the vehicle was gone on his arrival.

**11:45 a.m.** – A caller requested an officer check on a female subject at an address on West Rush because she hadn't shown up for work at NARMC for two days. An officer said the woman wasn't home at the time, but her husband said she thought she had been fired from the hospital. The original caller was notified.

**11:48 a.m.** – A female subject called to report a bag containing a laptop computer and other items was stolen from her vehicle. An officer tried to return her call, but she didn't answer.

**12:54 p.m.** – A bail bondsman called to report he would be in the area of East Rogers looking for a female subject. Information noted for future reference.

**1:12 p.m.** – A woman called to report her ex-boyfriend was threatening her and her children via text messages. She was advised of the process to retrieve her personal belongings and to cease communication with the ex-boyfriend afterward.

**1:53 p.m.** – A caller reported a man and woman in a physical disturbance on the Walmart parking lot with the man pinning the woman to the ground. Officers said the subjects weren't fighting when they arrived, but the 29-year-old man was arrested for public intoxication with bond set at \$390. He was taken to the Boone County Jail.

**2:19 p.m.** – A one-vehicle, non-injury wreck was reported at Cottonwood Road and the Bypass. An officer said the roadway was cleared.

**2:20 p.m.** – A parking lot wreck was reported outside Boston Mountain Health Clinic. Information noted for insurance purposes.

**2:34 p.m.** – A two-vehicle, non-injury wreck was reported at Highway 65 and Walmart Drive.

**3:13 p.m.** – A two-vehicle, non-injury wreck was reported on Industrial Park Road near the north interchange and one of the parties involved was having a seizure. An officer said the 22-year-old male subject was taken to NARMC for treatment and evaluation.

**4:22 p.m.** – A two-vehicle, non-injury wreck was reported in the 1500 block of North Main Street.

**4:24 p.m.** – A caller requested an officer check on a male subject in a vehicle parked behind a dumpster outside Arby's. The caller said the subject was wearing provocative clothing and acting strangely in the back seat of the car. An officer said the vehicle was gone when he checked the area.

**4:59 p.m.** – A woman outside Harrison called to report a female subject who lives in Harrison was in possession of her son's phone and wallet and was refusing to return them. An officer checked the residence on West Newman, but the subject wasn't present at the time. The caller was advised of the proper steps to take.

**5:19 p.m.** – A woman called to report she found an inappropriate video of her 8-year-old daughter on the girl's tablet. She said there was another child's voice heard in the video, but she didn't know who the other child was. An officer said a formal complaint was filed.

**5:23 p.m.** – A female subject called to talk to an officer about a bank bag found outside The Links the previous day. An officer said the woman agreed to go to the HPD to confirm ownership of the bag.

**8:05 p.m.** – A male subject called to report the driver of a transport van fell asleep in the vehicle outside McDonald's adjacent to Walmart. The caller said he was afraid to get

back in the vehicle. An officer spoke to both parties and they left together.

**8:39 p.m.** – Pope County authorities contacted the HPD for warrant confirmation on a 22-year-old woman for failure to appear in court on driving on a suspended license with bond set at \$1,335. The warrant was confirmed valid, but the location was outside extradition range.

**9:04 p.m.** – A caller reported a former employee at Little Caesar's damaged property at the store. An officer said the suspect wasn't home when the officer arrived, but the original caller asked that a criminal trespass warning be issued when he was located.

**11:51 p.m.** – An officer advised he'd be out with Probation and Parole at an address on west Ridge. A 29-year-old woman was served with a warrant for failure to pay fines on theft of property, harassing communications and driving on a suspended license, then released with a new court date.

### Feb. 14

**6:09 a.m.** – A caller reported someone going through a dumpster near Sanctuary. An officer said a 21-year-old man and a 29-year-old woman were issued criminal trespass warnings and agreed to leave the area.

**10:04 a.m.** – A caller reported a vehicle stalled on the roadway near the north interchange. An officer said a wrecker service was on scene when he arrived.

**10:18 a.m.** – A two-vehicle, non-injury wreck was reported on West Rush in front of the Harrison Daily Times.

**10:31 a.m.** – A female subject on North Willow called to report someone stealing her mail. An officer said the matter was an issue between the Post Office and the caller, so she was advised of her options.

**10:34 a.m.** – A man called to report he was driving on the Bypass when a box truck clipped the mirror on his vehicle. An officer spoke to both drivers, but no damage was done and neither wanted to file a formal complaint.

**10:54 a.m.** – An officer on patrol advised he was flagged down by a male subject reporting a road rage incident at Highways 65 North and 43. The subject was advised not to exit his vehicle at dangerous intersections.

**11:11 a.m.** – A parking lot wreck was reported outside Ozark Crossing. Information noted for insurance purposes.

**11:18 a.m.** – A male subject called to ask about the legality of riding an electric bike in the city limits. He was advised of his options.

**11:26 a.m.** – Officers out in the area of South Cherry and West South Avenue arrested a 42-year-old man on a warrant for parole violation with no bond amount shown. He was taken to the Boone County Jail.

**11:48 a.m.** – A man went to the HPD to report his son was receiving inappropriate text messages. He was advised of his options and the proper steps to take.

**12:04 p.m.** – A parking lot wreck was reported outside Jamie's Local Flavor. Information noted for insurance purposes.

**1:11 p.m.** – A caller reported a driver hit a sign outside an address on East Prospect although it wasn't clear when it happened. The information was noted for future reference and extra patrol was issued.

**2:20 p.m.** – Arkansas State Police contacted the HPD for warrant confirmation on a 44-year-old man for failure to appear in court. The warrant was confirmed valid and he was later released after posting \$2,516 professional bond.

**2:35 p.m.** – A caller reported a possibly intoxicated male subject walking on West Ridge. An officer said the subject was gone when he checked the area.

**3:04 p.m.** – A female subject went to the HPD to turn herself in on warrants out of the HPD and BCSO. She was later released after posting \$2,455 professional bond.

**3:11 p.m.** – A caller reported a suspicious vehicle parked on Ozark Street. An officer wasn't able to contact the registered owner, but the vehicle was legally parked at the time.

**3:46 p.m.** – A caller reported loud music coming from an address on South Allen Street. An officer said the occupant was working on a vehicle, but he agreed to turn down the music.

**3:59 p.m.** – A woman called to name a sus-

pect in the theft of jewelry that she reported about a month earlier. Information passed on to the investigating officer.

**4:39 p.m.** – A caller reported finding drug paraphernalia in a bathroom at Penmac. An officer seized the item to be destroyed.

**5:19 p.m.** – A caller reported a male subject acting erratically in a vehicle parked outside Walmart. An officer said the man had been having trouble getting oil in the car, but he was about to move along.

**6:13 p.m.** – A man called to talk to an officer about possible sexual misconduct involving his children. He was advised of his options.

**6:26 p.m.** – A male subject called to report he was being threatened by another resident at Cottonwood Heights Apartments. An officer tried to return the call, but the man didn't answer.

**7:05 p.m.** – A caller reported the residents at an address on Tori Drive weren't home, but one door was open. An officer cleared the residence and left a message for the owner. The owner called about 30 minutes later to talk to an officer about the incident, as well as about a firearm he reported stolen in 2021. Assist completed.

**8:01 p.m.** – A caller reported a suspicious male subject carrying a white cup while walking beside Main Street. An officer said the man was just walking back to his residence at Tower Manor Apartments.

**8:14 p.m.** – A caller reported a possibly intoxicated male subject yelling at customers outside Casey's on Highway 65 North. An officer administered a field sobriety test and said the man wasn't intoxicated at the time.

**8:49 p.m.** – A woman called to report a boy in a car outside Walmart told her he was being harmed by his father before they left in a vehicle southbound on Highway 65. Officers and other local law enforcement agencies were notified to watch for the vehicle. An officer did locate the vehicle later and determined the boy was fine. He said he had just been pulling a prank.

**10:01 p.m.** – A man called to talk to an officer about getting his medication. He said he was at The Springs Rehabilitation Center at the time, but he had an RV at a campground. An officer returned the call, but the man became irate and disconnected the phone.

**Feb. 15**

**12:16 a.m.** – An officer on patrol logged an unoccupied vehicle on the old junior high parking lot.

**12:21 a.m.** – An officer on patrol advised he'd be out with a subject wearing a ski mask and headlamp while riding a bicycle at East Rogers and South Vine. The officer followed the 15-year-old boy to an address on East Rogers and spoke to his parents about the city curfew ordinance.

**1:29 a.m.** – An officer on patrol logged a man and woman walking at East College and South Ash.

**1:32 a.m.** – An officer on patrol advised he'd be out with a man and woman outside Goodwill. The subjects agreed to move along.

**3:18 a.m.** – A female subject called 911 to report her father and her boyfriend were in a disturbance outside an address on North Spring Street. Officers responded and notified Harrison Rescue. One of the subjects was taken to NARMC for treatment.

**7:27 a.m.** – A two-vehicle, non-injury wreck was reported at Lakeshore Drive and South Pine.

**9:26 a.m.** – An officer advised he'd be out with Probation and Parole at an address on Emerald Lane. A 29-year-old woman was arrested for possession of controlled substance and a warrant for probation violation with no bond amount shown. She was taken to the Boone County Jail. A 31-year-old man was arrested for possession of controlled substances and three counts of possession of drug paraphernalia. He was later released after posting \$3,000 professional bond.

**9:40 a.m.** – A caller reported an abandoned vehicle behind an address on South Pine. An officer said it wasn't reported stolen, so the caller was advised the car could be towed at the owner's expense.

**10:43 a.m.** – A reckless driver was reported turning onto Highway 43 North from Highway 7 North. An officer stopped the vehicle and

said the driver wasn't impaired, but she did have a disability that could have contributed to her driving.

**10:55 a.m.** – A man called to report his 70-year-old wife, who suffered from dementia, was missing from Walmart. Officers began searching for the woman, but the man called back to report she was located inside the store. An officer met with the subjects on the parking lot to confirm the woman didn't require medical attention.

**11:50 a.m.** – A Walmart employee reported a shoplifter in custody. An officer cited the 19-year-old female subject for theft and she left the property.

**12:24 p.m.** – An NARMC employee reported a male patient on a psychiatric hold left the hospital wearing only underwear. An officer located him and returned him to NARMC. NARMC notified police about an hour later that he had left the facility again and was possibly at an address on Melshire Cove. The caller said the subject commented that he wouldn't return to the hospital without a fight. An officer said the subject's father was taking him back to NARMC. Officers followed them to the hospital and the subject said he wouldn't leave again.

**12:46 p.m.** – An officer transported a female subject to an address in Springdale. Assist completed.

**2:04 p.m.** – A caller reported homeless people had set up tents near the First Methodist Church. The caller said items had gone missing from her residence in the recent past. An officer spoke to the subjects and advised them of the potential consequences of their actions.

**3:03 p.m.** – A parking lot wreck was reported in the 700 block of North Main. Information noted for insurance purposes.

**3:31 p.m.** – A woman called to report her purse and prescription medications were stolen from a vehicle parked on Dawson Drive. A formal theft complaint was filed.

**4:12 p.m.** – A female subject called to talk to an officer about a hit-and-run wreck that occurred about 30 minutes earlier at North Main and North Spruce. She said she would go to the HPD later to file a formal complaint.

**4:14 p.m.** – An officer on patrol advised he'd be out at an address on North Highland to follow up on a theft complaint. The officer left a statement form with the occupant to complete for a formal complaint.

**4:18 p.m.** – A caller reported a possibly intoxicated male subject at an address on Granger Road. An officer said the subject passed a field sobriety test, but he was cited for open container in a vehicle.

**4:26 p.m.** – A woman in Ash Flat called to report that police took custody of her dog when she was arrested in Harrison. She went to the HPD later and the dog was released to her from the city pound.

**4:28 p.m.** – A female subject called to talk to an officer about getting her personal belongings from a vehicle that had been impounded. An officer determined an investigative hold had been placed on the car and no one could enter it without a search warrant. The caller was advised of her options.

**5:59 p.m.** – A woman on South Cherry called to talk to an officer about filing harassment charges on neighbors who often call police regarding her dogs. She was advised of the proper steps to take.

**6 p.m.** – A reckless driver was reported pulling onto the parking lot outside Colton's. An officer said the vehicle was gone when he checked the area.

**6:23 p.m.** – An officer on a traffic stop arrested a 29-year-old man on a warrant for residential burglary, aggravated assault and third-degree domestic battery with no bond amount shown. He was taken to the Boone County Jail.

**6:28 p.m.** – A Walmart employee reported two shoplifters in custody at the business. An officer said the 39-year-old woman and 35-year-old man were cited for theft and issued criminal trespass warnings for the store.

**6:29 p.m.** – A caller reported a disturbance outside an address on North Pine. An officer said one male subject was taken into custody on a Carroll County warrant and taken to the Boone County Jail to await extradition. Another male subject was arrested on unspecified charges and was also taken to the Boone County Jail.


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## Public form to discuss the Arkansas FOIA

From Times Sources

A free public forum has been scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 22, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Signature Bank Building at 303 North Main Street in Harrison.

The purpose of the forum will be to allow a trio of experts to fully discuss the proposed citizen sponsored Constitutional Amendment and Initiated Act concerning the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act. Those attending the free public forum will also have opportunities to ask questions and make comments concerning the upcoming signature gathering process across the state and to learn how citizens can greatly help to ensure that the proposed FOIA constitutional amendment and initiated act are placed on the ballot for voter approval during the state's general election on November 5 of this year.

The proposed constitutional amendment will create a public right to governmental openness and transparency, enshrine the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act in the state's constitution and will make it more difficult for the state legislature to weaken the Act by requiring support from a two-thirds majority in the legislature for changes that would take effect only after approval by a citizen vote via a statewide referendum election.

Importantly, the amendment will also take away the state's sovereign immunity in cases involving governmental openness and transparency.

Along with the proposed constitutional amendment, the initiated act will empower state citizens, foster government openness and transparency and safeguard the public's right to access and copy public records. Among its key provisions, the proposed initiated act establishes a strong definition of a public meeting which will require members of public bodies to discuss the public's business in public rather than behind closed doors. The initiated act also gives "teeth" to the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act by allowing citizens to recover legal fees if they file lawsuits against governing entities to enforce their respective citizen's rights. It, too, gives courts the authority to issue civil penalties against governmental bodies that do not comply with valid requests for public records. The proposed initiated act also requires the creation of a State Commission to assist citizens with their respective Arkansas Freedom of Information Act requests.

In essence, the Arkansas Government Disclosure Amendment of 2024 and the Arkansas Government Disclosure Act of 2024 are ballot

initiatives that, together, will enshrine citizens' rights to governmental openness and transparency in the state's constitution. A total of 90,704 and 72, 563 ballot signatures must be collected from at least 50 Arkansas counties and submitted to the office of the Arkansas Secretary of State by July 5 in order for the proposed constitutional amendment and the proposed initiated act to be placed on the general election ballot in November. Citizen approval in November of the proposed constitutional amendment and the initiated act will serve to establish the "gold standard" for governmental openness and transparency throughout the nation.

Serving as one of the three featured speakers during the free public forum will be Jimmie Cavin, a resident of Conway and an individual known to be a "bulldog" when researching and reviewing potential FOIA violations. Jimmie comes to Harrison with many FOIA victories under his "belt", is a member of the Arkansas Citizens for Transparency and has consistently stated that "the Act will protect citizens' interests in governmental openness and transparency and will punish governmental officials who violate those interests with stiff personal financial penalties".

Jimmie is also a member of the Arkansas Citizens for Transparency Ballot Question Committee and is known statewide as an expert concerning the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act and its mandates.

Paul Bode, a native of New York, retired after working for 35 years in the nuclear industry. Paul is now a citizen of Harrison and has developed respect for the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act since moving to the Natural State. He has consistently endeavored to learn as much as he can concerning the functions of local, county and state governmental entities in Arkansas. Paul appreciates the state's FOIA for being "the public's law" and vocally encourages citizens and governmental officials to study and review the important statute, learn of its mandates and endeavor to apply the law for the betterment of the State's citizens and governmental bodies. During the public forum, Paul will present a citizen's view of the State's FOIA and will serve as one of the forum's keynote speakers.

Probably no one in Arkansas is more passionate, more knowledgeable and more up-to-date concerning Arkansas Freedom of Information Act issues than Joey McCutchen from Fort Smith. Lead attorney for the McCutchen

Napurano--The Law Firm in Fort Smith, Joey, to many individuals, ranks at the top concerning all aspect of the state's FOIA, its application and its use by citizens to better ensure openness and transparency in all governmental dealings. Known to many, also, as a "bulldog" when he deals with transparency issues, Joey's presence and comments during the public forum, promises to be an opportunity for citizens attending to hear from the "master". Anyone desiring to learn about the "people's law", the state FOIA and its valuable contribution to governmental openness and transparency will not want to miss the comments from McCutchen.

Individuals attending the public Freedom of Information Act and will be, upon request, provided free voter registration materials. Several opportunities will be available for individuals to sign petitions related to the upcoming statewide referendum elections.

Free finger foods, soft drinks and bottled water will be provided to forum participants, and the Forum is being sponsored by the "We, the People Of Boone County Committee", the "Boone County Good Government Group" and the "Boone County in Transparency in Government Group".

## Legislative joint audit finds errors

Staff Report  
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LITTLE ROCK — The legislative joint auditing committee released its report of findings of educational institutions.

Out of the 18 school districts audited, four districts were found to have violations.

- Norfolk School District. A school district automobile was used for personal use. The use of the vehicle was made by the superintendent of the school district.

In accordance with the Internal Revenue Service Publication 15-B, personal use of a school-owned vehicle is a taxable fringe benefit. This benefit should be included into the wages of that employee.

To correct the matter, the business officer of the school district will include the amount in the superintendent's W-2.

Each pay period, the superintendent's payroll check will automatically calculate the taxes on this benefit and be withheld from the employee's check.

- Concord School District. Eleven unauthorized withdrawals totalling \$71,300 were made from the district's bank account.

The district personnel discovered the withdrawals from the bank accounts. The banking facilities recovered the funds.

The district was encouraged to reconcile the accounts promptly in order to detect fraud.

- Bald Knob School District. The district failed to

follow proper cash receipting procedures for the pee wee football program at the school.

The receipt book that was used for accepting payments was not prenumbered. Those receipts did not show if the deposit was cash or check. Some funds could not be traced and \$127 was not found.

The district didn't reconcile the differences between the subsidiary receipts issued and turned in to the district.

The district will create a training problem to instruct staff on the proper handling of funds. They will hand these procedures to staff. The district will also continue to monitor and audit activity receipts and deposits monthly.

- Jonesboro Westside School District. Three unauthorized withdrawals totaling \$10,330 were made from the district's bank account. District personnel discovered the unauthorized withdrawals, All funds were recovered from the bank.

The district will continue to monitor its accounts and will address any differences as soon as found.

- Arkadelphia School District; Bentonville School District; Calico Rock School District; Cave City School District; England School District; Harmony Grove (Camden) School District; Hoxie School District; Melbourne School District; Monticello School District; Ozark School District; Piggott School District; Pocahontas School District; Salem School District; and West Fork School District were found with no violations.

## WANTED Roland Keith Rogers

Bench Warrant on Simultaneous Possession of Drugs and Firearms

Possession of Methamphetamine or Cocaine with the Purpose to Deliver Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Possession of Firearms by Certain persons

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Bond \$20,000.00  
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Roland Keith Rogers  
AKA/ Keith Rogers, Psycho Rogers  
Address:  
(Last Known) 114 N Locust  
Lead Hill, AR 72644



Roland Keith Rogers

SEX: Male  
Hair: Blonde  
Eyes: Blue  
Height: 6'2"  
Weight: 158  
Race: White  
If you have any information, please contact the Boone County Sheriff's Office at 870-741-8404

## WANTED Zoe Maelea Battenfield

Bench Warrant on Possession of a Controlled Substance

Bond \$5,000.00  
Cash or pro  
Zoe Maelea Battenfield  
AKA/ Zoey Battenfield  
Address:

(Last Known) 3 Bobolink Cir Apt B  
Little Rock, AR 72205

SEX: Female  
Hair: Red  
Eyes: Green  
Height: 5'1"  
Weight: 165  
Race: White



Zoe Maelea Battenfield

If you have any information, please contact the Boone County Sheriff's Office at 870-741-8404

## WANTED Jessica Danielle Austin

Body Attachment on Failure to Pay Child Support

Bond \$1,500.00  
Cash Only  
Jessica Danielle Austin  
Address:  
(Last Known) 125 N Park St  
Cabot, AR 72023

SEX: Female  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Hazel  
Height: 5'11  
Weight: 270  
Race: White  
If you have any



Jessica Danielle Austin

information, please contact the Boone County Sheriff's Office at 870-741-8404

## WANTED Jarrod Danon Adkins

Body Attachment for Unpaid Child Support or 30 Day Sliding Scale

Bond \$1,500.00  
Cash Only  
Jarrod Danon Adkins  
Address:

(Last Known) 821 W Ridge Ave  
Harrison, AR 72601

SEX: Male  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Blue  
Height: 6'1"  
Weight: 135  
Race: White



Jarrod Adkins

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Arkansas is lucky, truly, in what it offers in terms of the arts — feasts that belie its comparatively small population. Opera and ballet. A splendid symphony that serves the entire state; wonderful if less recognized regional orchestras that invariably inspire. There is Enesco in El Dorado, Franck in Fort Smith, Janacek in Jonesboro and Finzi in Fayetteville, and that's enough of that. (Perhaps, one day, there can again be Paganini in Pine Bluff.) Mixed in are some jazz and rock and folk, lots of each. There are repertory and community theaters in a dozen or more smaller communities, with college campuses such as those of Forrest City and Mountain Home hosting their own theatricals or touring productions.



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And the visual arts: painting and sculpture, photography and filmmaking, textiles and ceramics. The two behemoths of their genus are, of course, the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts (formerly the Arkansas Arts Center) at Little Rock, and Crystal Bridges, the Alice Walton-endowed citadel of civilization at Bentonville. It is Arkansas's colleges and universities, two- and four-year, that nurture local talent, that provide the space for their students' visions to flourish and be assayed and appreciated by their communities.

Or not appreciated.

Perusing one or another website I came across a couple of stories involving a retrospective of the paintings and sculptures or installations, whatever, of Yoko Ono, widow of Beatle John Lennon. The articles, by critics deemed worthy of the title by their peers or their publications, or both, insisted that the time for such a celebration, and at a major European museum at that, was past due. Okay. I emailed the stories to a pal who is a scholar of all things Beatles.

Boom.  
"Many years ago I went to the (Arkansas) Arts Center to view the entries and winners of the Delta Exhibition," he began, referring to the annual competition that is the facility's biggest events. "One of the third place or honorable mentions was a wall shelf, the kind you can get at Walmart. A couple of brackets keep it attached to the wall. On the shelf were five or six pieces of flower-sack fabric, folded and stacked. That's it. That was a winner."

He was completely on board, my friend, with those "denouncing...puerile crap as a significant insight into whatever anybody said it was, or a milestone in advancing human nature toward freedom of expression..."

He wasn't through. That was Little Rock. He took aim at Bentonville.

"(M)any years later, the major installation of the year at Alice Walton's museum was a pile of green-wrapped hard candies on the floor. Much was written and said about the work's penetration into, and revelations of, the metaphysical mysteries of the universe.

"It's all a fraud, a schoolyard taunt by the 'Kool Kids,' shouting, 'We're so brilliant and cool. We don't break rules because there are no rules. Everything is an illusion. If you criticize us we'll remind everyone of how Hitler echoed your same repressive, dangerous ideas.'"

He was having a bad art day, my friend. He kept going. "Michealangelo's labor on the Sistine Chapel is okay, if you like that kind of patriarchal repression by superstition," he said, "but it's mere childish scribbles compared with a pile of candy on the floor."

I emailed back, telling him that I was (a) happy to have helped elevate his chronic low blood pressure, and (b) reminded of Morley Safer's 60 Minutes takedown of what he perceived to be absurdity posing as art — a basketball suspended in jello, or something akin.

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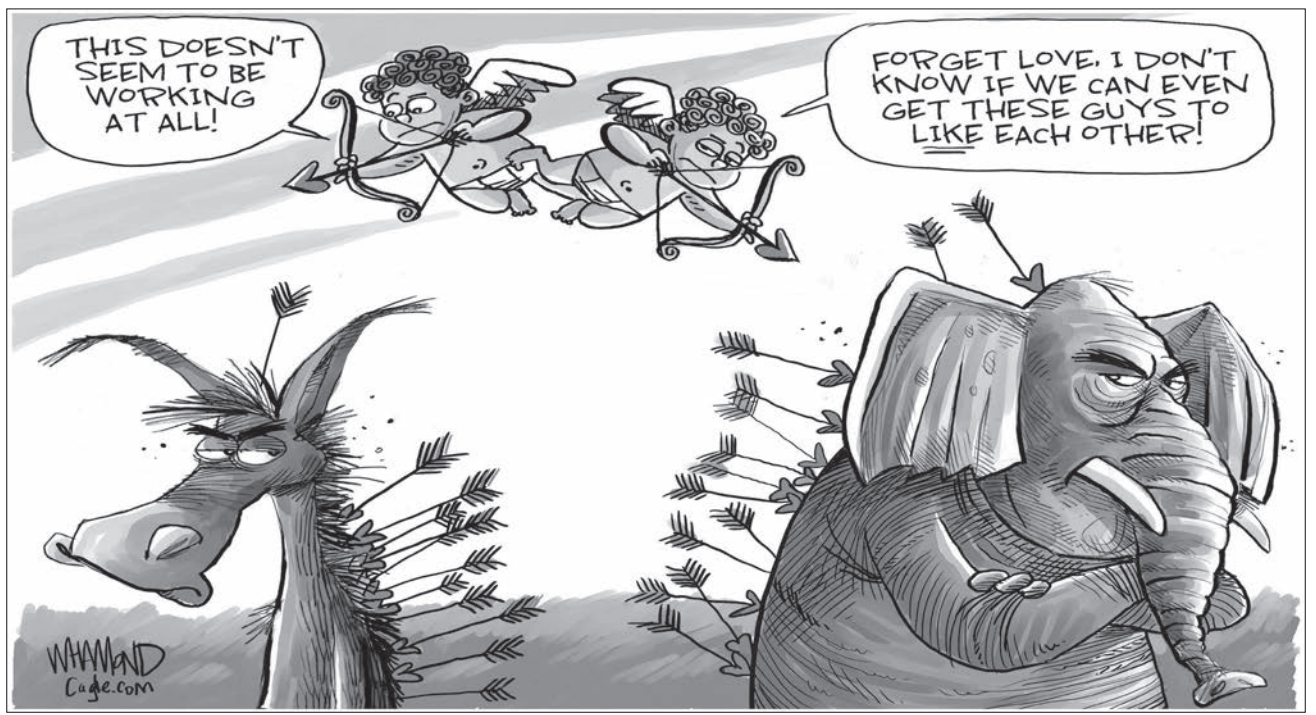
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## EDITORIAL

# The loveless state of modern romance

With all the changes modern life is bringing us, here's one that makes me sad: romance is dying.

Here are some interesting romance trends, as reported in CNN health:

- The percentage of Americans who don't have a steady partner is up 50% since 1986.
- Americans are less likely to have sex than at any point since 1989.
- Fewer Americans are celebrating Valentine's Day now than they did at the end of the 2000s.

Psychology Today reports that millennials between the age of 27 and 42 are "resisting entering into serious relationships because they may involve love."

"With many millennials up to their ears in college debt and children of divorced parents, love is often perceived by members of that generation as a luxury they cannot afford, or as a foolish enterprise on which to embark," says Psychology Today.

It's heartbreaking to see so many people so cynical at such a young age. Their lack of hopefulness is costing them so many opportunities, including the opportunity to experience lasting love.

Pursuing lasting love is risky. It means you must open yourself up to the possibility of tremendous hurt.

But as the great poet Tennyson wrote, "Tis better to have loved and lost than never to have



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loved at all."

Love is one of the strongest feelings or emotions a human can know, yet strong feelings have been on the outs since the early 1970s, according to Manhattan Institute scholar Kay S. Hymowitz.

A Wall Street Journal article she wrote in 1995, notes Psychology Today, argues that strong feelings, such as love, became frowned upon as far back as the early 1970s, partly as a result of the feminist movement.

Terms such as "boyfriend," "girlfriend," "dating" and "commitment" started losing favor, as they limited one's personal freedom.

Fast forward to 2024 and the "rigid" past in which couples courted with the end goal of marriage has given way to a meaningless hookup culture that robs individuals of experiencing a deep, lasting, highly-satisfying connection with another human being.

We need only examine modern love songs to see how well the hookup culture is working out.

Consider the lyrics to Dean Martin's 1953 hit song, "That's Amore."

When the moon hits your eye like a big pizza pie  
That's amore

When the world seems to shine like you've had too much wine  
That's amore

The longing for an innocent, romantic love was very strong in 1953, when my mother and father were courting — their love story still fills their offspring with tremendous joy and satisfaction.

How do Dino's innocent, hopeful lyrics compare with those of modern love songs? Let's take a look at Billboard's top three "Hot 100 Songs" for 2023:

Number 1: "Last Night," by Morgan Wallen, shares the details of a whiskey-fueled argument a fellow had with his girlfriend, who slammed the door in his face on the way out.

Number 2: "Flowers," by Miley Cyrus, is about a woman who leaves her man and convinces herself she doesn't need him because she can hold her own hand and love herself better than he can.

Number 3: In "Kill Bill," by SZA, a woman plots to kill her ex and vows that his new girlfriend is going to be next!

Well, there you have it. Modern love songs capture well the sorry state of romance in 2024. And now you know why the death of romance is making me so sad.

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# U.S. is paddling toward the Fiscal Falls

From The Wall Street Journal

The Congressional Budget Office rudely interrupted the presidential campaign this week by releasing its 10-year budget outlook. Neither Joe Biden nor Donald Trump wants to talk about the woolly mammoth in the room, but somebody has to point out that growing entitlements and debt payments are squeezing national defense.

CBO forecasts that under current law the national debt will grow to \$48.3 trillion in 2034 from \$26.2 trillion this last fiscal year—a whopping 84% increase. Debt as a share of GDP will rise to 116% in 2034 from 97.3%. As helpful historical context, the U.S. added \$22.3 trillion in debt in its entire history through 2021, about as much as it's projected to pile on over the next 10 years.

Don't blame Americans for not paying enough taxes. Revenues are expected to average 17.8% of GDP through 2034, which is more than the 17.3% average over the last 50 years. The problem is that spending over the next decade will average 23.5% of GDP—significantly more than the 50-year average (21%).

Even these debt projections may be optimistic. They assume no recession and that the 2017 individual tax cuts and Inflation Reduction Act's sweetened ObamaCare subsidies expire in 2025. Oh, and that Congress doesn't lather on more spending, and more student debt isn't canceled by executive decree. What are the odds?

It's true the budget gnomes often underestimate economic growth. CBO may be pessimistic in assuming that GDP will rise on average by only 2% annually through 2034. Increased productivity from artificial intelligence and other technologies could put the country on a higher growth plane.

But in any case the growth in spending, and especially entitlements, is unsustainable. Discretionary spending is expected to climb by \$372 billion over the next 10 years. But mandatory programs will balloon by some \$2.5 trillion and hit \$6.3 trillion in 2034, almost entirely owing to growth in Medicare, Social Security and Medicaid.

Growing deficits will compound and increase

interest payments. The U.S. this fiscal year will spend an estimated \$870 billion on servicing the debt, which is more than it will spend on defense. By 2034 interest payments will grow to \$1.6 trillion, or 3.9% of GDP. Meanwhile, defense spending is at a postwar low of 3% of GDP, and heading lower.

As it often does, CBO underestimated this past year's spending, especially on entitlements. Because Medicare outlays last year were higher than expected, the agency says it "increased its projections of such outlays in later years." It also "reduced its projections of mortality from COVID-19" and "increased its projections of the population age 65 or older."

Longer life spans for seniors are good news, but the result will be higher entitlement spending. This may mean that the Medicare and Social Security trust funds become insolvent sooner than currently forecast — 2031 for Medicare and 2034 for Social Security — forcing benefit cuts if Congress doesn't reform the programs.

It's declass in Washington these days to suggest that entitlements need to be reformed. Democrats pretend that soaking the rich will make the Social Security and Medicare trust funds solvent. It won't. Or they plan to ration care by reducing payments for medicines and providers.

Republicans say economic growth can do the job. This is essential but it's no longer enough with entitlements growing so fast. Future benefits will have to be adjusted one way or another, and the pain will be that much less the sooner this happens.

As an aside, CBO revised up its 10-year forecast for spending on electric-vehicle and green-energy tax credits by \$124 billion. It's no surprise that more Americans are cashing in on the climate largesse, especially since the Administration expanded eligibility for the EV credit. CBO attributes the upward revision partly to the Administration's proposed back-door EV mandate.

It's almost as if everyone in Washington is blithely paddling toward Niagara Falls. Enjoy the scenery on the way down.

# Five generations of faith

By TAMMY COPE SCHEER

Five-month-old Elsie Evelyn Parks, daughter of Dakota and Josie Parks of Washington State, came to Arkansas last month to meet her namesake — 100 year old Evelyn Campbell, her great-great grandmother.

Olvey Bible Church and pastor Kevin Vaclavicek opened their doors and sanctuary for Dakota and Josie to publicly dedicate Elsie to the Lord. The family was humbled that the church not only allowed them to dedicate Elsie in the church, but also pledged to continue to pray for them as they raise Elsie to know, love and serve the Lord. They desire to follow the legacy of faith that is present in their family and begins with 100 year old Evelyn Campbell.

Baby Elsie enjoyed visiting her Great Grandma, as she is called, at her home in Harrison. She also visited the graveside of her other namesake, Great-Great Granny Elsie Newman, also a woman of faith with lasting impact on the family. Elsie Evelyn Parks is the great-granddaughter of Ron and Nita Cope of Harrison who both attend Olvey Bible Church.



## Joy comes in the morning

“Commit your way to the Lord, ...Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him”  
(Psalm 37:5,7)

“All the way up the steep road leading to eternal life are well-springs of joy to refresh the weary. Those who walk in wisdom’s ways are, even in tribulation, exceeding joyful; for He whom their soul loveth walks, invisible, beside them” (Messages to Young People, p. 150) In order for the children of God to be the happiest people in the world, God gave them the privilege of communing with Him along the way. As there can be no happy physical life if we don’t keep breathing, so there can be no happy spiritual life without continual praying. You will need God very much as you walk through this year. Determine that you will hold the prayer line open between you and God every day.

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# AREA RELIGIOUS EVENTS

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## Bible Reading Marathon planning

Those interested in being a part of the Bible Reading Marathon planning committee are encouraged to meet at the North Arkansas Baptist

Association at 912 Goblin Drive on Thursday, Feb. 15 at 4 p.m. The Marathon is scheduled for Tuesday, April 30 and Wednesday, May 1 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursday May 2 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. For more information email Sylvia Stout at silviacsweet@hotmail.com or call 870-204-2039.

## Daddy Daughter Dinner

Bear Creek Baptist Church is hosting a Daddy Daughter Dinner on Saturday, Feb. 24 at 5 p.m. There will be dinner, entertainment and service provided by teens raising money from tips for camp. To sign up call 870-741-7937.

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Debbie Fink, pastor, Sunday Worship  
9am, 870-429-6766

#### Fellowship Bible Church

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870-741-3912. We're on Facebook

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US 65 N. Exit Ridgeway Loop  
Arvin Adams, pastor • 743-5954  
Sundays 9:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.

#### New Hope Full Gospel

Pastor Arlis Burks  
13808 Hwy 43 S.  
Sunday: 10am & 6pm

#### Olvey Bible Church

Hwy. 412/62 East  
Sun.: ss 9:45a/mw 11a/eve 6p  
Wed.: 6p / Come Join Us!

#### Restoration

##### Life Fellowship

8113 Hwy 392 W, Harrison, AR  
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Services-Wed. 7pm, Sun, 9:45am

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1802 Campus Ave. • Pastor Mike Moore.  
SS 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Sun., 6:00 p.m. Wed.  
870-743-5977

#### Yardelle Chapel

Hwy. 123, Yardelle, AR  
S.S. 10am / Worship 11am  
Sunday Evening 6pm

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7883 Hwy. 392 West, Harrison  
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1329 W. Stephenson  
Dennis Selvidge, pastor \*741-5538  
Sunday 9:30am, 10:30am & 6pm

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433 Union Rd., Harrison  
SS: 10 a.m., Worship: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.  
Ph: 870-350-6848

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179 DeVitos Loop, Harrison, AR  
Sun.: 9:45am 11:00am & 6:30pm  
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Pastor Jake Johnson

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SS 9:45, W. 10:45, BS 6 p.m.  
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12431 Denver Road, Omaha

#### Calvary Baptist Church

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Interim pastor Mark Bailey  
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Wed. night 6:30pm

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703 E Walters Ave., Harrison  
741-5148  
BS 9:15am/worship 10:30am  
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Hwy. 206 East, 6591 Prairie View Rd.  
479-597-8012  
Sun. 10 a.m. SS, 11 a.m. worship

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Hwy. 206/Garrett St., 479-264-7820  
Tom Harris, pastor  
S.S. 10am, Worship/kids church 11am

#### First Baptist Church

616 Diamond Blvd., Diamond City, AR  
Sunday School: 9:30am  
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#### First Baptist Church of Lead Hill

870-436-5268  
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Wed. night children & youth 6 p.m.

#### First Baptist Church

Valley Springs  
4547 Hog Creek Road  
Valley Springs www.fbcvs.com

#### Grubb Springs Baptist

Hwy. 43S. -4884 Grubb Spr. Rd.  
Harrison, AR  
Sundays 9:45AM, 11AM, & 6PM

#### Gaither Baptist Church

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Dr. James Bryant, pastor • 870-577-0650  
10 a.m. SS, 11 a.m. Worship

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Howard Braymer, pastor • 741-8755.  
www.OpenDoorBC.com

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www.ofbc-bergman.org  
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#### Christian Church

102 Hwy 14, Lead Hill, AR  
SS 10am / Service 11am  
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Sun. 10:15 a.m. & 5 pm/Wed. 7 p.m.

#### North-Ark Church of Christ

2 Miles E. of Alpena Hwy. 412  
Sunday 10:30 a.m./Wed. 7 p.m.

#### Northside Church of Christ

523 N. Walnut-Praicher Steve Powers  
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#### Church of the Nazarene

217 E South Ave.  
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##### Methodist Church

Reverend Steve Cook  
Worship 9 am, SS 10:45  
113 Sunset Ave, Diamond City, AR

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##### Methodist Church

Pastor Angie Gage \* 741-2351  
1100 W Bower \*  
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Service time 10:30am

#### St. Paul's Methodist Church

Reverend Steve Cook  
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Sun. eve 6pm/Wed. service 7pm

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Pastor Ross Harris\*741-6799  
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## McCartney's stolen bass is found, returned to Beatle after more than 50 years

By **BRIAN MELLEY**  
Associated Press

LONDON — Paul McCartney no longer gently weeps for his original bass guitar.

A five-year search by the manufacturer of the instrument that was aided by a husband-and-wife team of journalists helped reunite The Beatles star with the distinctive violin-shaped 1961 electric Höfner that went missing a half century ago and is estimated to be worth 10 million pounds (\$12.6 million).

McCartney had asked Höfner to help find the missing instrument that helped launch Beatlemania across the universe, Scott Jones, a journalist who teamed up with Höfner executive Nick Wass to track it down, said Friday.

"Paul said to me, 'Hey, because you're from Höfner, couldn't you help find my bass?'" Wass said. "And that's what sparked this great hunt. Sitting there, seeing what the lost bass means to Paul, I was determined to solve the mystery."

McCartney bought the bass for about 30 pounds (\$37) in 1961 when The Beatles were developing their chops during a series of residencies in Hamburg, Germany. The instrument was played on the Beatles first two records and featured on hits such as "Love Me Do," "Twist and Shout," and "She Loves You."

"Because I was left-handed, it looked less daft because it was symmetrical," McCartney once said. "I got into that. And once I bought it, I fell in love with it."

It was rumored to have been stolen around the time The Beatles were recording their final album, "Let it Be," in 1969. But no one was sure when it went missing.

What began as a long and winding road for Wass to track down the bass picked up speed when Jones serendipitously joined the hunt after seeing McCartney headline the Glastonbury Festival in 2022. The stage lights at one point seemed to illuminate nothing but the sunburst pattern on his bass and Jones wondered if it was the same instrument McCartney had played in the early '60s.

When he later searched the internet he was stunned to find the original bass was missing and there was a search for it.

"I was staggered, I was amazed," Jones said. "I think we live in a world where The Beatles could do almost anything and it would get a lot of attention."

Jones and his wife, Naomi, both journalists and researchers, got in touch with Wass to spread the word more broadly.

After hitting a dead end following a lead about a roadie for The Who, they relaunched The Lost Bass Project in September and within 48 hours were inundated with 600 emails that contained the "little gems that led us to where we are today," Jones said.

## What to stream this week: 'Avatar: The Last Airbender,' 'Priscilla,' Dolly Parton's puppies

By The Associated Press

Dolly Parton hosting a two-hour puppy-filled variety special on CBS and the seventh and final season of the hospital drama, "The Good Doctor" are some of the new television, movies, music and games headed to a device near you.

Also among the streaming offerings worth your time as selected by The Associated Press' entertainment journalists: Andrew Lincoln and Danai Gurira return to "The Walking Dead" universe in their own spin-off, "The Walking Dead: The Ones Who Live" and "Avatar: The Last Airbender" gets the live-action treatment by Netflix.

### NEW MOVIES TO STREAM

- It missed out on Oscar nominations, but Andrew Haigh's "All of Us Strangers" was one of the best films of 2023. The film, which debuts on Hulu on Thursday, stars Andrew Scott as a writer working on an autobiographical script, work that transports him back to his childhood home where he finds his long dead parents (Claire Foy, Jamie Bell) as they once were. At the same time, a romance with a neighbor (Paul Mescal) evolves. Metaphysical and melancholy, "All of Us Strangers" is a stunner that AP Film Writer Lindsey Bahr called an "a deeply felt journey of acceptance, love and forgiveness" in her review.

- Another near-miss with the Oscars, Sofia Coppola's "Priscilla," hits Max on Friday, Feb.

23. Coppola's dreamy, textured tale of Priscilla Presley's surreal romance with Elvis produced two of last year's most memorably breakthrough performances in Cailee Spaeny and Jacob Elordi. In my review, I praised "Priscilla" as "a kind of fairy tale that turns claustrophobic and cautionary."

- Two notable veterans of last year's Oscar race, both from A24, arrive this week on Netflix. "Everything Everywhere All at Once," Daniel Kwan and Daniel Scheinert's multiverse romp arrives Friday, Feb. 23, almost exactly a year after the anarchic sci-fi what's its improbable Academy Awards sweep. Also hitting Netflix, on Saturday, Feb. 24, is the 2023 best animated nominee "Marcel the Shell With Shoes On." Jenny Slate and Dean Fleischer Camp's whimsical stop-motion animated film about a one-inch tall seashell with a big heart and an endearing fondness for Lesley Stahl.

### NEW MUSIC TO STREAM

- MGMT is ready to midwife their 10-track "Loss of Life," which the band says had a "relatively painless birth after a lengthy gestation period." The psychedelic, synth-pop duo of Andrew VanWyngarden and Ben Goldwasser joke "Musically speaking, we are running at around 20% adult contemporary." Christine and the Queens appear on the song "Dancing in Babylon" — the first-ever feature on an MGMT

album. "Loss Of Life," the follow-up to 2018's "Little Dark Age," has spun off the singled "Nothing To Declare," "Bubblegum Dog" and "Mother Nature." It lands Friday, Feb. 23.

- Goth-pop singer Allie X is putting it all on the line with "Girl With No Face," her first self-produced album. "There is a death in this music, as well as the beginning of a rebirth. I needed to make something that came completely from me," she wrote. The classically trained pop artist from Toronto has released a trio of tracks from the new collection, including "Black Eye," an off-kilter, retro electro-banger with a video she directed and the lyrics, "The world goes round/ Makes me dizzy but I hold my ground/ When I get nauseous I just gag it down." The album drops Friday, Feb. 23.

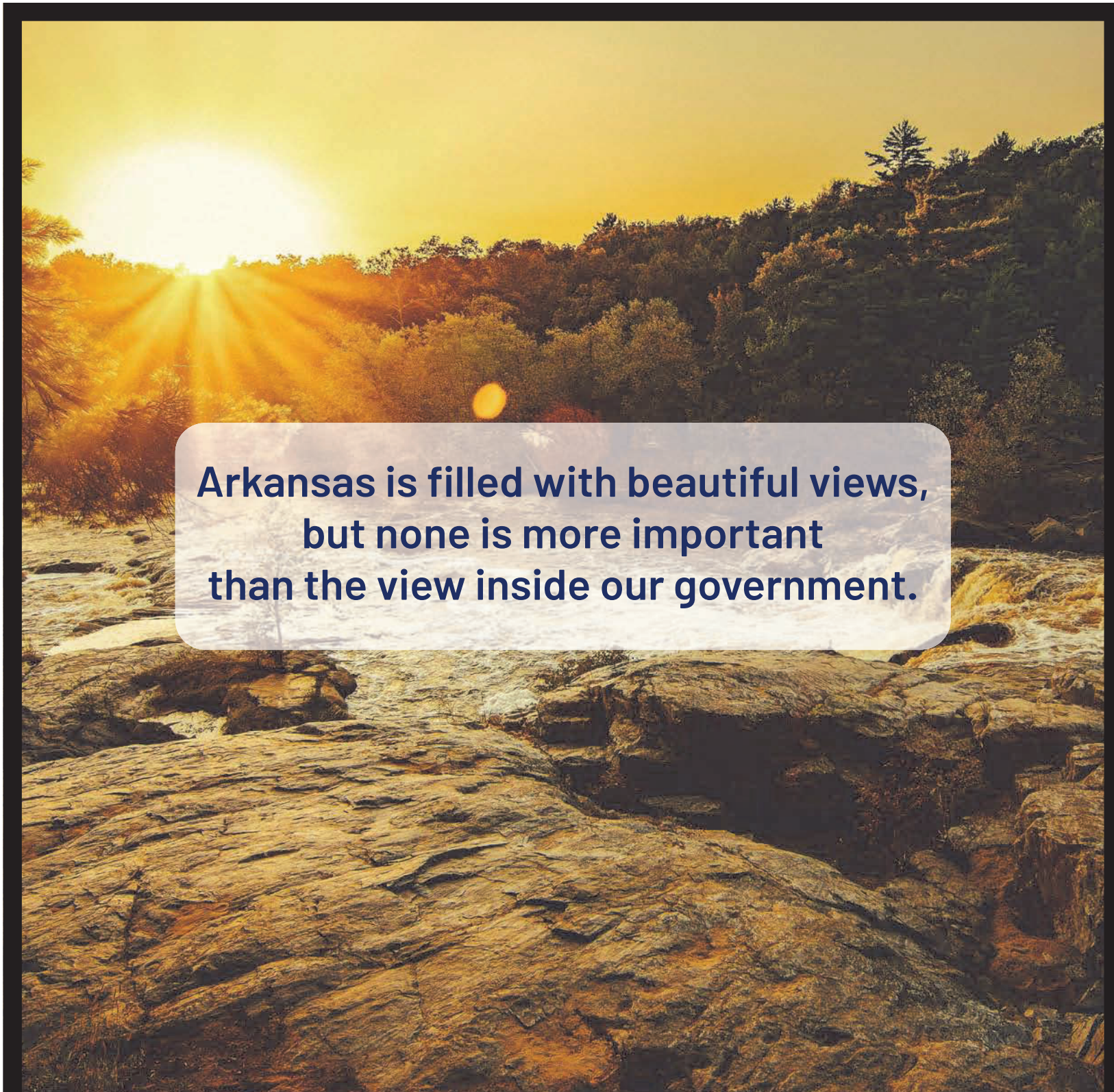
### NEW SHOWS TO STREAM

- If you already miss the "Puppy Bowl," Dolly Parton has you covered. The country music icon is hosting the two-hour variety special "Dolly Parton's Pet Gala" on Wednesday on CBS. It will feature the latest in doggy fashion and performances of Parton classics, including "9 to 5," "I Will Always Love You," "Puppy Love" and "Jolene," with Parton and country hitmakers Lainey Wilson, Carly Pearce, Chris Janson and KC of KC of the Sunshine Band performing. "I know all the animal lovers out there are going to love this show," Parton said in a statement.

- A trio of popular ABC shows return Tuesday after eight months due to the Hollywood strikes. "Will Trent," based on books by Karin Slaughter, stars Ramon Rodriguez as an agent with the Georgia Bureau of Investigations. Nathan Fillion leads the police procedural "The Rookie," and Freddie Highmore returns for the seventh and final season of the hospital drama, "The Good Doctor" where he plays a surgeon with autism. Episodes also stream on Hulu.

- Fifteen years after the popular Nickelodeon animated series "Avatar: The Last Airbender" went off the air, the story has gotten the live-action treatment by Netflix. This new "Last Airbender" stars Gordon Cormier as Aang, a 12-year-old boy with the fate of the world on his shoulders. The series premieres Thursday.

- Andrew Lincoln and Danai Gurira return to "The Walking Dead" universe in their own spin-off, "The Walking Dead: The Ones Who Live." The six-episode series follows their star-crossed characters, Rick and Michonne, as they fight to find their way back to one another after years of separation. Scott Gimple, the chief content officer for "The Walking Dead" franchise created the series with Lincoln and Gurira. New characters are also played by Terry O'Quinn, Lesley-Ann Brandt and Aaron Bachelor. The show premieres Sunday, Feb. 25 on AMC and AMC+.



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## INVESTIGATIVE CORPORAL SHAUNA ISBELL

By EMILY ROBERTS | Special to the Times



*Investigative Corporal Shauna Isbell*

Investigative Corporal Shauna Isbell of the Criminal Investigations Division of the Boone County Sheriff's Office is every bit as impressive as her title. Though she was born and raised in Jacksonville, Fla., she moved to the Harrison area in November of 2009 and has proudly served Boone County for six years.

Currently the only female deputy in the sheriff's office, she also has the honor of being the first female investigator for the county.

"Law enforcement has always been a dream of mine ever since I was a little kid," she said. "My dad and my uncle were both in law enforcement, so I come from a law enforcement family. I always wanted to be a detective. The sheriff's office has given me an incredible opportunity [as a criminal investigator.]"

Corporal Isbell studied at the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy (ALETA) where students earn college credits. However, it's important to note that continuing education and training is mandatory for investigators.

"The training hours are endless," Isbell said. "Criminal investigation classes, photography classes, really anything you can think of that pertains to investigating a crime scene. While [there are a minimum number of hours required,] most of us, including me, do way more than that. You want to be on your game. You absolutely cannot falter when it comes to investigating a crime scene or even just going to talk to families."

When asked what drew and kept her in Boone County, Isbell couldn't say enough about the community.

"The reason that I moved here was to get out of the big city. The crime was so horrible back home," said the Coporal. "This place puts me in a trance. People here are just different. Most of the people here are kind. They love each other and their community. They 'Back the Blue.' They really do support their law enforcement."

She also fell in love with the hometown culture that she found lacking in much larger cities. "Everyone knows each other,

and I really like that. To me, it's kind of sweet. I grew up in a place that just was not like that. You went to school on one side of town and that's all you know. I find it wholesome."

When discussing the overwhelming support from the community it's important to note that Cpl Isbell and her team feel it from beyond interaction with civilians. Boone County is very supportive of the needs of the department, and sheriff's deputies enjoy a refreshingly close, positive working relationship with the Harrison Police Department. "It helps tremendously with how we protect the community," said Isbell.

Of course, the job can be quite challenging. What keeps Cpl Isbell motivated on the harder days, according to her, are the people in the community she serves. "It's not always fun, it's not always easy. But it's important and the community relies on the work we do," she said. "I'm very passionate about the victim getting justice. Not even just justice, but what they need."

She takes pride in seeing cases through to the end, even when her role in the justice system is complete. "Once it's out of my hands and it goes to the prosecutor's office, it's at the prosecutor's office. But I still do follow up. I still speak to people. I still make sure they're taken care of. They still call me with questions. That's what I love."

It's no secret that American attitudes toward law enforcement have shifted dramatically in the last decade. Communities nationwide have witnessed protests against law enforcement agencies. Angry rhetoric can be found in social media threads on any platform. Cpl Isbell is happy to report that she and her colleagues have not felt the worst of anti-police sentiments.

"The only people who don't like law enforcement are criminals," she stated. "So, yes. We run into that. But the vast majority of people here are happy to have us. They're happy when we show up."

And, who wouldn't be? The passion for and the dedication to the people of Boone County is a trademark to Shauna Isbell and the entire team of the Sheriff's Office. It is clear that the community can rest easier knowing they are serving and protecting.

“Law enforcement has always been a dream of mine ever since I was a little kid.”

*Corporal Shauna Isbell*

Investigative Corporal Shauna Isbell serves her community proudly in the Criminal Investigations Division of the Boone County Sheriff's Office. JEFF BRASEL / STAFF

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# HENSLEY

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The wheel hubs were made of wood and if they loosened, they could be tightened back up with water. The fix was to pull the wagon into the creek and let the wheels sit in the creek water for a while.

Working with wood would become one of Hensley's primary occupations in life, alongside caring for a family and making music. Even in her youth, Hensley found a way to play with the trees, not only to use them as tools. She recalls a time when she and her sister, Evelyn, made some fun for themselves. The two worked as field hands alongside their dad, but they made time for play too. They cut the limbs off of a young tree and made a swing of it, taking turns jumping off and swinging on the sapling. Hensley brightens up in recollection of the fun they shared, "We climbed it up, both of us. The swinging, swinging tree!" The young girls also delighted in wading in a local swimming hole or eating blackberries straight off of the brambles.

When she was 15, Hensley learned to turn a tree into a fiddle. Over the years she has made more than 70 fiddles, as well as other carved wood objects — including highly detailed wagons complete with little buckets and such, wagons much like those she rode in as a child. The trees were hand-sawn, crosscut, and chopped with axes. The wood would then be dried by the fireplace.

Hensley's father, George Washington Brumley, was a fiddle maker and a player himself. Hensley learned to play the fiddle from her father as a child, and at 15, she decided to try making one for herself. She made her first fiddle and kept going, numbering each one as she made it. Ever since, it has been one of the most significant aspects of her life, taking her around the country and making her well-known in many circles —



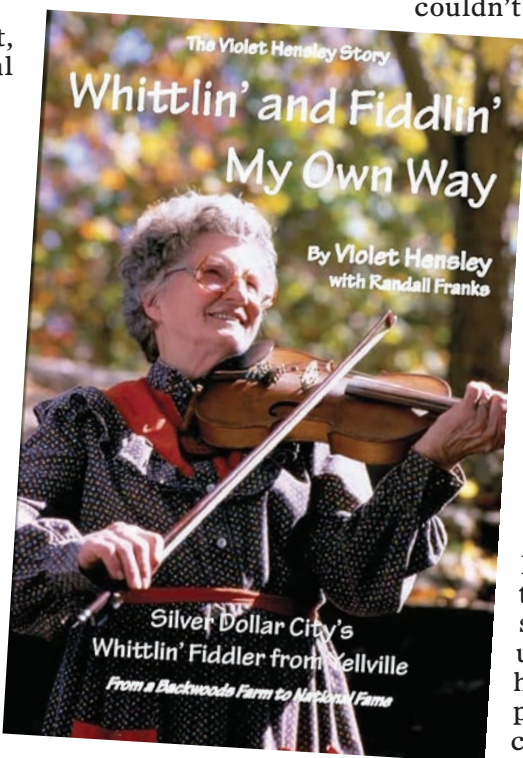
107 year-old Violet Hensley plays one of her handmade fiddles in the kitchen of her Yellville home.

LORETTA KNEIFF / STAFF

among music, craft, and Ozarks cultural heritage enthusiasts.

The other major aspect of her life has been her family. She raised a large family with her husband, the late Adren Hensley, and shared her passion for music with them. Flagg recalls with enthusiasm, all of the years she has spent with her mother, traveling from place-to-place and meeting interesting people. "We've done tons of interviews — Charles Kuralt and Katie Couric's crew. Sometimes they have tons of equipment, they set up all over the place."

The family traveled to California when Hensley appeared on The Beverly Hillbillies. Flagg recalls, "Ellie Mae showed up with hair rollers in her hair. They were all so funny and so nice." Paul Henning, the producer of the show, had an episode filmed at Silver Dollar City (SDC), in Branson, as well. Hensley and her family have been frequent performers at SDC, having been recruited in the earliest



Violet Hensley co-authored a book about her life. Released in 2014, it is available from nationwide booksellers like Amazon and Barnes and Noble. You may also find it being carried by local historical societies and libraries. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

days to appear at the Fall Festival there. The family became regulars, drawing in crowds just to see them perform. Hensley was a charmer and a hit with the visitors, the staff, and her fellow performers at the park.

As Flagg got older, and had children of her own to care for, they'd all stay in a



Violet Hensley (left) with her daughters, Lewonna and Sandra; and her husband, Adren Hensley, in 1972. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

camper at SDC for the Fall Festivals. The trips were difficult to manage, wrangling multiple generations in. Over the years, their camper started falling apart and they decided they wouldn't do it anymore; they couldn't keep making

the trip. When the family tried to tell SDC they weren't coming, the folks at SDC refused to let them miss out, insisting they come by offering to put them up in an apartment. The family continued joining the Fall Festival this way for several years, until COVID hit. Flagg explains, "We could have gone back

the next year but y'know... they were doing the plexiglass and masks and we said, no way, we're not doing plexiglass because people that came to visit her, the chairs were side by side and they had their arms wrapped around, and they would sit there and talk for as long as they wanted to."

"There was no way we were going to make her... because she can't see well, so she couldn't see the people and with plexiglass, she wouldn't be able to hear them either. She'd just be sitting there by herself all the time and we said no, we are not going to do that to her."

When Hensley turned 105, she woke up with COVID. "She didn't even know she had been sick though — just a little snuffle or so," says her daughter. Hensley's physical resilience is unquestionable.

Now 107, Hensley continues to light up a room. Her days have slowed down in recent years and there is no more traveling to meet celebrities; but while she spends her time living quietly like something of a housecat, Hensley is very well looked-after. She continues to gain the admiration of people from all

walks of life who are drawn to her story, as it is shared over and over again by those who already appreciate her. To mention her name to anyone who knows her prompts a smile — her personality memorable, her passion for music contagious across the decades. Hensley's legacy

reverberates through her impact on American music, particularly as one of the pioneering female fiddlers and fiddle makers. Her children and grandchildren, her fiddles, and the fiddles of those she has taught to craft as well, will long continue to sing out the songs that score a lifetime.

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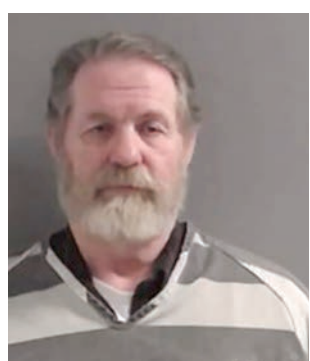
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Violet Hensley's first day of school, 1922. Hensley is third from the left in the second row — short statured and standing. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

## ARRESTED

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David Nixon

reimbursed himself for the social security payment deductions because he was entitled to full health care coverage.

On Wednesday, Arkansas Attorney General Tim Griffin offered gratitude for the law enforcement efforts put forth by his office and Marion County law enforcement in the case,

"Abuse of office and theft of public funds are serious breaches of the public's trust, and my office is committed to holding violators of that trust to account. I thank the special agents from my office for their excellent and diligent work on this case, as well as the Marion County officials who helped facilitate the arrest."

# Volunteers sought for roadside dump near Smith Creek

From Times Sources

FAYETTEVILLE — The Cooperative Extension Service and The Nature Conservancy are working with partners and landowners in the Buffalo River watershed to improve water quality. One such water quality improvement opportunity is removal of trash from an illegal roadside dump located off of Highway 21 near Smith Creek Nature Preserve on Thursday, February 22 from

10:00 a.m. until noon.

The dumpsite was found as part of a litter audit conducted by UA Cooperative Extension service as a part of the Buffalo River Watershed Enhancement Project outreach related to using the Buffalo River Watershed Management Plan to improve water quality in the watershed.

Participants will be provided with the necessary cleanup supplies and are encouraged to dress appropriately

for the weather and getting dirty.

To sign up to participate contact John Pennington at 870-329-7009 or jhpennington@uaex.edu

The Cooperative Extension Service has partnered with multiple agencies and organizations, including lead partner The Nature Conservancy, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, Arkansas Forestry Division,

Buffalo River Conservation District, Searcy County Agricultural Conservation Cooperative, Searcy County, and the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission. The partnership project makes hundreds of thousands of dollars in conservation practice funding available to landowners participating in the project each year. To learn more, visit <https://www.uaex.uada.edu/environment-nature/water/buffalo-river-project.aspx>. If

you are a landowner in need of conservation assistance funding, contact your local NRCS service provider and sign up for the Buffalo River Watershed Enhancement Project.

For more information on water quality, watersheds, Arkansas Watershed Stewards Program or the Buffalo River Watershed Regional Conservation Program check in with your local county extension office.

# FOL bake sale, a sweet success

Staff Report  
news@harrisondaily.com

The Boone County Friends of the Library (FOL) held a Valentine's Day bake sale on Wednesday, Feb. 14. FOL is an all-volunteer, 501(c)3 organization that works to enhance the Boone County Library through volunteer work and fundraising. Enhancements to the library include the addition of new books, programs, building improvements and more. The FOL will host a spring book sale April 11—April 13, more details on this popular event will be provided at a later date.



Volunteers greet customers as they shop for sweets at the Boone County Friends of the Library bake sale on Valentine's Day. Customers had a large variety of cakes, cookies, and other treats to choose from. JEFF BRASEL/STAFF



Mikel (Age 5) and his little brother, Mitchel (Age 1) attend the Friends of the Library book sale on Valentine's Day. Volunteers organize the event and help customers like Mikel and Mitchel buy sweet treats to raise funds to help the library. LORETTA KNIFF / STAFF

# Scout completes Eagle Scout project



R.G. and Emily Earnest and their youngest son, William, are excited to support the project completed by Samuel Earnest (left) and Scout Troop 60. CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS/LEE H. DUNLAP

By DONNA BRAYMER  
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Last year, Life Scout Samuel Earnest approached the City of Harrison CFO Luke Feighert about an Eagle Scout project to add trail etiquette signs around Lake Harrison.

Mayor Jerry Jackson said, "We are proud of Samuel Earnest and Troop 60. These trail etiquette signs look great and should make it easier for runners, walkers, and bikers to co-exist on the same trails so everyone can enjoy the beauty of downtown Harrison."

When the project began, Sam was a sophomore at Harrison High School and 15. As a cross-country runner, Sam saw the need for signs on the trails around Lake Harrison to remind participants of courtesy and safety rules for all who enjoy walking, running, or biking on the trail.

"I'm a cross-country runner, and often people on electric bikes will zoom by us without announcing themselves, and someone



Mayor Jerry Jackson (from left), Scoutmaster Todd Anderson, and Life Scout Samuel Earnest are holding the plaque now attached to the trail etiquette sign at the Anstaff Bank Soccer Complex entrance. Earnest is a member of the Scout Troop 60.

could be injured if there is a collision," Sam said during an interview last summer. "I also wanted to remind people to pick up their trash and clean up after their pets to keep it nice for everyone."

Sam took a couple of months doing all the planning for this project. Then, the plan was presented to the Scouts of America leadership for approval. Then, he had to meet with city officials and the City Council.

"That was intimidating, but they were all in favor," Sam said.

Sam's dad, R.G. Earnest, said last

summer, "Fundraising is also a part of each Eagle Scout project, and the city was gracious enough to cover the costs of the three signs, which was about \$500."

Troop 60 Scoutmaster Todd Anderson presented Samuel Earnest with a name plaque to add to the sign acknowledging his project. Mayor Jerry Jackson presented a letter to Anderson and Samuel for the Eagle Scout Board of Review stating the city had accepted and appreciated the completed project and would take over the maintenance of the signs.

## THIS WEEK'S LIVESTOCK REPORT



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|----------------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| <b>Total Receipts:</b>     | 3,607%        | 677            | 697         |
| <b>Feeder Cattle:</b>      | 3,532 (97.9%) | 606.89 (89.5%) | 572 (82.1%) |
| <b>Slaughter Cattle:</b>   | 65 (1.8%)     | 61 (9.0%)      | 95 (13.6%)  |
| <b>Replacement Cattle:</b> | 10 (0.3%)     | 10 (1.5%)      | 30 (4.3%)   |

**Compared to last week:** Feeder steers mixed with under 450 lbs 6.00 lower on a very light test over 450 lbs 1.00-5.00 higher. Feeder heifers mostly steady to 10.00 higher instances 19.00 higher. The offering included several unweaned calves with good demand on the weaned cattle. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher on a light test. Slaughter bulls mixed but about steady. Supply included: 90% Feeder Cattle (30% Steers, 0% Dairy Steers, 50% Heifers, 20% Bulls); 9% Slaughter Cattle (64% Cows, 36% Bulls); 1% Replacement Cattle (14% Stock Cows, 43% Bred Cows, 43% Bred Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 21%.

| FEEDER CATTLE                                     |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
|---|----------|--------|---------------|-----------|-----|---------|-----|---------------|--------|
| STEERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt)   |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 7   | 305-335  | 322    | 337.50-391.00 | 373.07    | 54  | 558-591 | 575 | 234.00-260.00 | 247.87 |
| 15  | 360-398  | 373    | 327.00-371.00 | 341.49    | 50  | 608-640 | 620 | 219-250       | 237.65 |
| 42  | 405-449  | 428    | 312.00-362.00 | 332.57    | 50  | 630     | 630 | 236.00-349.00 | 243.73 |
| 55  | 424-427  | 425    | 347.00-360.00 | 351.27    | 22  | 650-696 | 688 | 248.00        | 248.00 |
| 47  | 452-498  | 473    | 303.00-351.00 | 324.90    | 150 | 660-697 | 671 | 210.00-230.00 | 221.39 |
| 63  | 506-549  | 524    | 285.00-323.00 | 309.64    | 15  | 715-722 | 721 | 228.00-240.00 | 234.61 |
| 15  | 529      | 529    | 328.50        | 328.50    | 25  | 821     | 821 | 210.00-225.00 | 223.02 |
| 41  | 558-587  | 578    | 275.00-310.00 | 291.80    |     |         |     | 211.00        | 211.00 |
| 175   | 600-646  | 618    | 251.00-295.00 | 276.42    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 8   | 618-628  | 622    | 250.00-258.00 | 254.97    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 31  | 628      | 628    | 287.50        | 287.50    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 78  | 659-698  | 676    | 253.00-266.00 | 259.06    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 82  | 722-732  | 726    | 244.00-267.00 | 258.09    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 74  | 761-798  | 775    | 230.00-249.50 | 241.49    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 30  | 815-844  | 832    | 225.00-232.00 | 230.38    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 3   | 850-890  | 877    | 212.00-220.00 | 214.59    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 10  | 980-994  | 993    | 203.00-205.00 | 204.80    |     |         |     |               |        |
| STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt) |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 111   | 352      | 352    | 312.00        | 312.00    | 21  | 632-644 | 639 | 215.00-224.00 | 220.18 |
| 10  | 352      | 352    | 312.00        | 312.00    | 65  | 600-648 | 624 | 225.00-245.00 | 232.43 |
| 92  | 474-496  | 488    | 300.00-316.00 | 306.01    | 21  | 652-672 | 663 | 222.00-225.00 | 223.74 |
| 19  | 451-464  | 459    | 337.00        | 337.00    | 47  | 653-686 | 665 | 219.00-229.00 | 225.10 |
| 70  | 519-545  | 531    | 280.00-309.50 | 295.26    | 27  | 820     | 820 | 207.00        | 207.00 |
| 54  | 577-598  | 589    | 261.50-269.00 | 264.57    | 33  | 870     | 870 | 189.50        | 189.50 |
| 159   | 588-596  | 594    | 298.00-300.00 | 299.58    | 7   | 854     | 854 | 189.00        | 189.00 |
| 42  | 617-647  | 640    | 251.00-260.00 | 256.90    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 132   | 651-694  | 682    | 240.00-256.00 | 247.67    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 103   | 705-741  | 712    | 230.00-245.00 | 242.09    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 80  | 751-773  | 766    | 234.00-242.50 | 238.73    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 49  | 839      | 839    | 231.00        | 231.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 61  | 874      | 874    | 229.85        | 229.85    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 4   | 911      | 911    | 210.00        | 210.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| STEERS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt)   |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 11  | 305-319  | 316    | 310.00-319.00 | 313.40    | 1   | 610     | 610 | 203.00        | 203.00 |
| 15  | 360-397  | 381    | 275.00-320.00 | 303.71    | 2   | 658     | 658 | 205.00        | 205.00 |
| 14  | 405-435  | 422    | 272.00-311.00 | 298.66    | 1   | 735     | 735 | 180.00        | 180.00 |
| 5   | 440-449  | 447    | 315.00        | 315.00    | 13  | 717     | 717 | 200.00        | 200.00 |
| 11  | 460-481  | 478    | 273.00-280.00 | 273.79    | 2   | 885     | 885 | 180.00        | 180.00 |
| 6   | 505-540  | 524    | 250.00-275.00 | 264.32    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 9   | 565-582  | 576    | 246.00-279.00 | 258.02    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 8   | 635-645  | 641    | 229.00-250.00 | 242.02    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 8   | 660-683  | 676    | 227.00-234.00 | 231.15    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 2   | 700-710  | 705    | 225.00-229.00 | 227.01    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 6   | 768      | 768    | 210.00        | 210.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| STEERS - Medium and Large 3 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt)   |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 1   | 340      | 340    | 202.00        | 202.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| DAIRY STEERS - Large 3 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt)        |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 2   | 420      | 420    | 150.00        | 150.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt)  |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 4   | 310-325  | 315    | 287.00-301.00 | 294.92    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 31  | 355-398  | 375    | 285.00-312.00 | 303.76    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 51  | 400-441  | 429    | 274.00-305.00 | 282.26    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 10  | 406      | 406    | 303.00        | 303.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 85  | 452-492  | 471    | 260.00-298.00 | 283.02    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 5   | 454      | 454    | 285.00        | 285.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 139   | 500-545  | 518    | 252.00-284.50 | 269.59    |     |         |     |               |        |
| HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt)  |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 3   | 635      | 635    | 236.00        | 236.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| HEIFERS - Medium and Large 3 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt)  |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 1   | 350      | 350    | 137.00        | 137.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 1   | 425      | 425    | 211.00        | 211.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 1   | 465      | 465    | 161.00        | 161.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
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| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 39  | 324      | 324    | 329.00        | 329.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 5   | 382-398  | 395    | 289.00-334.00 | 320.33    |     |         |     |               |        |
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| 12  | 505-531  | 526    | 287.00-297.00 | 294.70    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 13  | 560-566  | 565    | 243.00-261.00 | 245.74    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 3   | 635      | 635    | 236.00        | 236.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| BULLS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Cwt/Actual Wt)    |          |        |               |           |     |         |     |               |        |
| Head  | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range   | Avg Price |     |         |     |               |        |
| 1   | 410      | 410    | 210.00        | 210.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
| 3   | 462      | 462    | 279.00        | 279.00    |     |         |     |               |        |
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## Lady Goblin shot comes up short



Brooklynn Mitchell handles the basketball for the Lady Gobblins of Harrison. Harrison has a home game on Tuesday night as they host Russellville in the final regular season game at Goblin Arena. JEFF BRASEL/STAFF

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GREENBRIER — The Harrison Lady Gobblins were in a four-way tie on Tuesday night when they visited Greenbrier. When they left Greenbrier, the team had fallen into sixth place in the 5A-West race. The Lady Panthers beat Harrison 49-47.

After Friday's game, there are two contests left in league action. Harrison hosts Rus-

sellville on Tuesday night for Senior Night and then travels to Siloam Springs.

The Lady Gobblins started the fourth quarter trailing, 36-34.

After a Lady Panther bucket, Jordin Quandt hit a 3-pointer.

The was quickly answer by the home team and then they scored again to make a six-point contest at the midway

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## Harrison tosses away chance at Greenbrier



Ryder Scribner handles the basketball for the Gobblins in Greenwood. On Tuesday night, Harrison fell to Greenbrier, 44-41. JEFF BRASEL/STAFF

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GREENBRIER — It was obvious from the beginning of the game. The Greenbrier Panthers knew that they could stay in the game with Harrison by playing a slow game.

Tuesday night in Greenbrier, the Panther did just that and Harrison could not break into a consistent offensive stride and lost to the Panthers, 44-41.

There are two games remaining in the 5A-West. The last 30 seconds of the game was exciting.

Harrison trailed, 42-38. The Gobblins fouled Greenbrier to send them

to the free throw line. The Panthers missed both shots and Harrison came down the floor with the basketball.

Harrison got the ball into the hands of the outside shooters, but it ended up Maddox Bell draining a trey with 9.1 seconds left to move Harrison within three points.

The Gobblins fouled quickly and with 6.5 seconds left in the game, the Panthers moved ahead by three points with two free throws.

Moving the ball up the court, Harrison called timeout with just over three seconds left in the game.

Harrison had to score

a 3-point to force overtime. Instead, the Gobblins threw the basketball away allowing Greenbrier to seal the conference game.

Harrison held the lead at the end of the first period as Bell and Lucas Paul scored back-to-back baskets. The scoreboard read, 12-11.

Paul started the second period with a bucket and Ryder Scribner hit a trey to give Harrison a four-point lead.

They held that four point advantage twice in the second period as Hayden Martin scored with 3:30 left in the period for a 19-15 lead.

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## Razorbacks are on road at Miss. State

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FAYETTEVILLE — Arkansas will hit the road to face Mississippi State on Saturday afternoon with Eric Musselman's squad trying to get untracked.

Arkansas (12-12, 3-8) is coming off a 92-63 loss to Tennessee Wednesday night in Bud Walton Arena. On the other hand, Mississippi State (16-8, 5-6) is not only home, but hasn't played since Saturday when they beat Missouri 75-51. Eric Musselman isn't exactly thrilled with how the SEC set the schedule up this season. He was asked should you play at home if you are set to face a team coming off a bye?

"I don't want to get fined," Musselman said. "I just said, to turn around when you have the last game twice, it's happened to us. And then you play at 11 a.m. in Baton Rouge and then you play a game at... I don't know what it is, 1 o'clock. Unless you play the game or coach the game, an extra four hours does matter when you have a short turnaround. And I wish we would have played Tuesday night.

"You get the schedule that people give you and it's not an excuse. We've got to go play the game. But looking at the numbers on what's happened around

the league. It's a hard game and we've got to go get ready for the team that's been prepping for us for a week. So, it is what it is. We had it with Georgia and now this will be our second time doing it."

Musselman dismissed the notion that he might bring that up at the SEC meetings.

"Yeah, well, they got bigger things to worry about than playing a late game and then an early game," Musselman said.

Point guard El Ellis also was asked about playing a team with a bye?

"I feel like it's good for us since we haven't had a bye," Ellis said. "We weren't just practicing. We had a game. I would say we just have to come play for 40 minutes. We can't play for 20 minutes like we did tonight. We've got to play for a full 40. We have to compete the whole game. Mississippi State is a tough place to play, so just got to come out ready to play."

Arkansas will face a Mississippi State team that is at full strength as senior forward Tolu Smith is set to play his 13th game. Smith, who scored 16 points and pulled down 11 boards against Missouri, has been limited to 12 games due to a foot injury. Smith is averaging 16.8 points, 8.3 rebounds and 1.3 assists per game since his return.

Freshman guard Josh Hubbard is averaging 14.8 points, 2.4 rebounds and 1.7 assists. Senior forward Cameron Matthews leads the team 7.1 rebounds and 2.2 steals per game. He is also averaging 9.3 points and 2.9 assists. Senior guard Dashawn Davis averages 6.4 points, 1.8 rebounds, 3.1 assists and 1.5 steals.

Junior guard Tramon Mark leads the Razorbacks with 17.3 points and 1.3 steals per outing. Sophomore forward Trevon Brazile still leads the team in rebounds, 6.5, and blocks, 1.3, but isn't available due a knee injury that has limited him to 19 games.

The tip is set for 1 p.m. and will be televised on ESPNU.

## Let me understand what you are asking

I was out to visit my wife on one of the Fake spring days that we have had.

As I am approaching the tower, I am not really paying attention, but I see two guys standing by the door.

My thought was taking a detour to avoid the guys smoking at the door.

As I got closer, Marcus (Jones) and Brad (Maberry) were not smoking at the door. They were just getting smoking mad about Razorback athletics.

I am tired when it comes to the Razorbacks. Just plain tired.

I want to support the team. I do my part as a fan, but they exhaust me.

Brad and Marcus were discussing the level of play for football and basketball at the University. Neither were happy with it as is the rest of Arkansas.

However, they were more astonished at actions taken by the University.

The price for tickets have increased for next season.

Not a few dollars, but by a lot.

I already find it funny that the University already sells end zone tickets as "premium" seating. The end zone is not a good place to sit unless it is the only tickets that you can get.

Back in the olden days, we use to buy end zone tickets for \$5 because they could not give those tickets away. Now, slap a back on a chair and put a concession stand behind you and those tickets are high dollar.

You have to watch the jumbotron to see what happens in the game.

Not only is the University raising prices of tickets, but now they want you to join with an "one-time" monthly gift.

This gift will be used in the pursuit of purchasing players. I am sure it is meant to recruit players. No, these funds will be used in the Arkansas Edge fund which is used to secure Name, Image, Likeness deals.

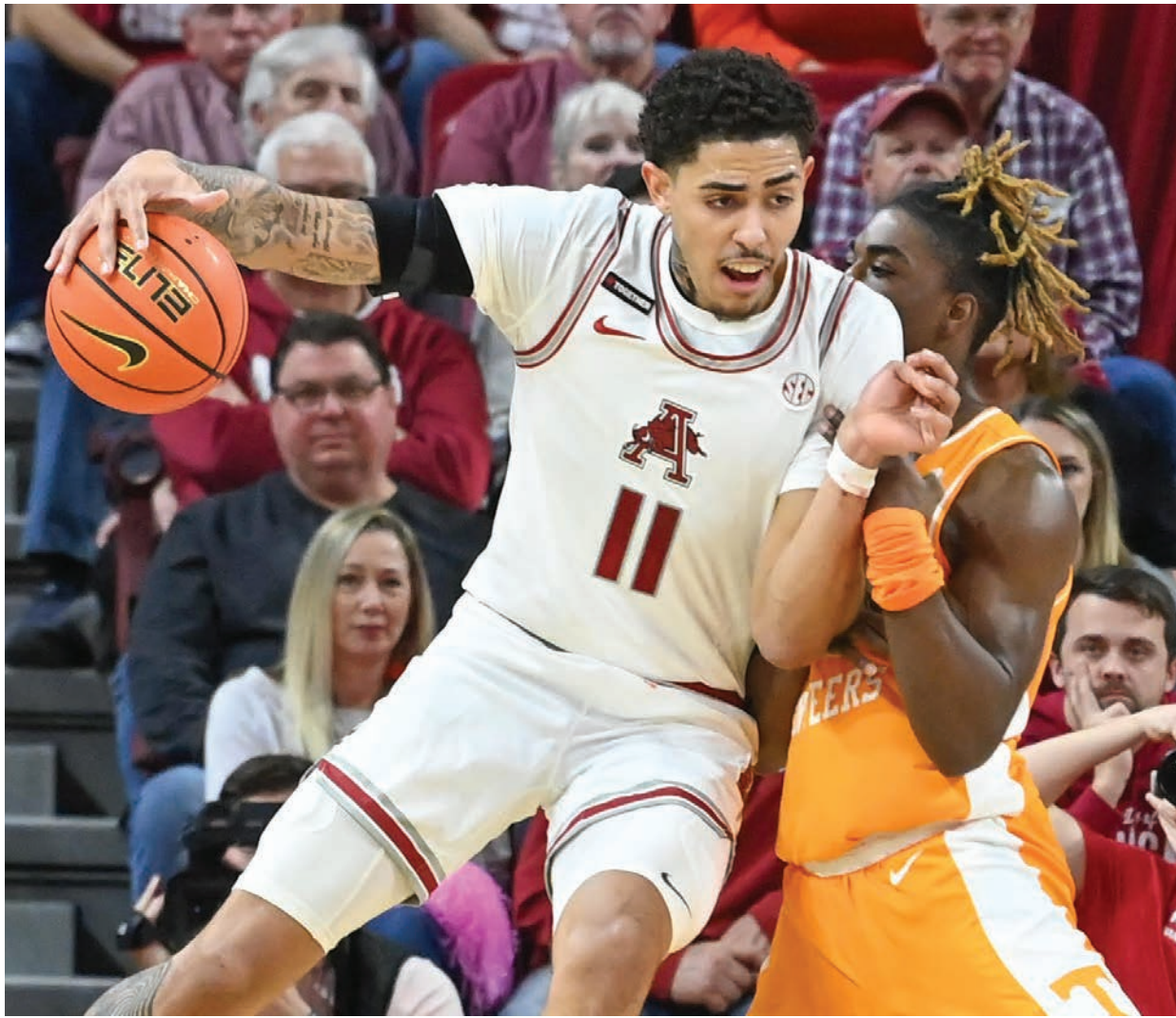


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# ARKANSAS RAZORBACK

## Tennessee blows Razorbacks out of water



Razorback senior forward Jalen Graham (left) from Phoenix, Ariz. backs into the paint against Tennessee inside Bud Walton Arena in Fayetteville on Wednesday night. Graham and Hogs fell to Tennessee on Wednesday night and hit to road to play Mississippi State on Saturday. CRAVEN WHITLOW/NATE ALLEN SPORTS SERVICES

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FAYETTEVILLE — Arkansas kept the game with No. 8 Tennessee close for a half, but the Vols took control in the final 20 minutes for a 92-63 win in Bud Walton Arena.

Tennessee held a 46-40 lead at intermission, but then outscored the Hogs 46-23 in the second half to take an easy win. Eric Musselman was complimentary of Tennessee (18-6, 8-3) afterward. “They make shots,” Musselman said. “They defend. They cut hard. They play hard. They’ve got a great competitive spirit. A very, very poor second half, there’s no denying that. Our lack of taking care of the basketball, 15 turnovers which led to the 28 Tennessee points. And our lack of ability to get to the free throw line. Tennessee gives up 23-plus free throws attempted in league play. We were unable even get to get to the average and we are one of the highest attempting free throws teams in the country. We didn’t get to the line enough and we didn’t take care of the ball.”

The Vols made 21 free throws in 24 attempts. Arkansas got to the charity stripe 15 times making 11. Musselman did feel like the

game was physical, but Arkansas just didn’t get the calls.

“There was a lot of contact and there wasn’t a lot of fouls,” Musselman said. “We’ve got to play through it for sure. Also very surprised we didn’t get to the foul line. 28-plus times was a goal that we talked about but we got totally outplayed.”

Arkansas (12-12, 3-8) did take a brief lead, 15-14, with 14:21 remaining in the first half. That was the last time Arkansas was on top.

“Yeah I thought we moved the ball (in first half),” Musselman said. “I don’t know how many assists we had in the second half (2), but it couldn’t have been many. Second half was not good at all from a second half standpoint.”

Tennessee had a balanced attack with Jonas Aidoo leading the Vols with 23 points and 12 boards. Dalton Knecht was next with 22 points while Jordan Gainey chipped in 17 and Josiah-Jordan James adding 12.

“They are very physical,” Musselman said. “Aidoo was phenomenal interior — 23 points — 11 of 14 and then off the bench Gainey was great — 18 minutes, 17 points. Their good players made shots. Hard to guard

and defensively both halves (by Arkansas) not very good job, 46 points in both halves by Tennessee.”

Arkansas was led in scoring by Tramon Mark with 12 points. Davonte “Devo” Davis had eight points, three rebounds and four assists. Jalen Graham added eight points and seven rebounds, which was best on the team. Jeremiah Davenport had eight points and Joseph Pinion three points.

Tennessee shot 57% (33-58) from the field compared to 38% (22-58) for Arkansas. The Razorbacks did shoot 35% (8-23) from deep compared to only 29% for the opponent. The Vols outrebounded Arkansas 36-25. Tennessee had 48 points in the paint compared to 22 for Arkansas.

“Yeah, I mean I thought they got whatever they wanted in the paint tonight,” Musselman said. “I thought that hard post ups and physical post ups and they established post position. When you catch the ball that deep, it’s pretty hard to stop somebody.”

The Razorbacks will be at Mississippi State (16-8, 5-6) on Saturday with the tip at 1 p.m. on ESPN. The Bulldogs last played Saturday when they blasted Missouri 75-51.

## Hogs lose legend as Weber passes

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FAYETTEVILLE — The University of Arkansas lost a legend on Tuesday afternoon when former trainer Dean Weber passed away at the age of 78.

Weber was the athletic trainer at Arkansas from 1973 to 2008. He was Director of Equipment Services from 2008-14. He then moved to assistant director of the Razorback Foundation before retiring.



Dean Weber

He was the athletic trainer for the 1984 United States Olympic team. In 1998, Weber was inducted into the Arkansas Athletic Trainers’ Association Hall of Fame. He was then inducted in the UA Sports Hall of Honor in 2000.

Several former Arkansas players were posting condolences on social media Tuesday night. Air Force assistant coach Tim Horton, a former player at Arkansas, took to X posting his condolences.

“Sad, sad day for so many former RazorbackFB players and coaches in the death of our trainer, Dean Weber,” Horton posted on X. “The greatest ever, who loved, cared and served so many Razorbacks for over 50 years!”

Weber had been in poor health for a lengthy time.

## 5 Hogs invited to NFL Combine

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FAYETTEVILLE — The NFL released the list of players invited to the 2024 NFL Scouting Combine on Tuesday including five from the University of Arkansas.

A total of 321 prospects have been invited to attend this year’s event, which will take place in Indianapolis from February 26 through March 4. The former Razorbacks are cornerback Dwight McGlothorn, kicker Cam Little, defensive end Trajan Jeffcoat and offensive linemen Brady Latham and Beau Limmer.

McGlothorn, 6-2, 188, transferred to Arkansas from LSU following the 2021 season. In nine games as a senior, McGlothorn finished with 20 tackles, including 19 solo, three for loss, three interceptions, six pass breakups and a forced fumble.

Jeffcoat, 6-4, 281, spent his redshirt senior season at Arkansas after previously playing at Missouri. Jeffcoat played all 12 games in

2023. He finished with 16 tackles, seven solo, 8.5 for loss, four sacks and five quarterback hurries.

Junior Cam Little, 6-2, 179, opted to declare for the NFL Draft instead of return to the Razorbacks for 2024. In 12 games this past season, Little averaged 64.2 yards per kickoff with 53 touchbacks on 62 kicks. He was 20-of-24 on field goals with a long of 56 yards. Little was perfect on 33 point after touchdowns.

Limmer, 6-5, 307, and Latham, 6-5, 312, were both redshirt seniors who had another season at Arkansas if they wanted, but instead opted for the NFL. Limmer started at center this season after previously playing guard. Latham started at guard and moved out to tackle for plays when needed.

The NFL Draft will be held April 25-27 at Campus Martius Park in Detroit, Michigan. Round 1 will be April 25. The second and third rounds will be April 26. The final four rounds will be Saturday, April 27.

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# Finals are set for 1A-1East

**Staff Report**

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JASPER — If basketball fans wanted to see close games, Jasper was the place to be on Thursday night.

In the 1A-1East District Tournament being played at Jasper, the night was filled with close contests with only game that ended in a double digit win.

That game was in senior girls play as No. 2 Jasper downed No. 3 Alpena, 58-47. In the other senior girls contest, No. 1 Kingston dismissed No. 4 Omaha, 56-48.

In senior boys action, No. 3 Omaha defeated No. 2 Kingston, 59-55, while No. 1 Jasper moved past Lead Hill, 56-47.

In the upcoming Class 1A Region 1 Tournament that will be held at Huntsville High School beginning Wednesday.

Depending on the finish in girls action, the winner of the district tournament will play a 7 p.m. on Wednesday. The second-place team will play at 4 p.m. on Thursday. The Alpena girls will play at 7 p.m. on Thursday and the Omaha girls will play at 4 p.m. on Wednesday.

The winner of the boys tournament will play at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday and the runner-up will play at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday.

The Lead Hill Tigers will play at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday and the Kingston boys will play at 8:30 p.m. on Thursday.

**Senior Girls**

**Kingston 58, Omaha 48**

Kingston executed down the stretch to defeat Omaha, 56-48.

The Lady Yellow Jackets had a 41-28 lead heading into the final period.

Pushing the lead out to start the period, the Lady Yellow Jackets didn't allow Omaha to get closer than 12 points.



Kingston's Lauren Fancher (right) is guarded by Peyton Matlock during action in the 1A-1East District Tournament on Thursday night. The Lady Yellow Jackets defeated Omaha to advance to the finals. JEFF BRASEL/STAFF

Omaha couldn't get closer than 12 points until the final minute of the contest. The Lady Eagles cut the score to a 10-point difference and then with 39 seconds they pulled within eight points.

Kingston struggled at the free throw going 1-of-4 in the last minutes of the game.

To start the game, the Lady Yellow Jackets jumped out to a 15-4 lead as Lila Hartness had eight of the Kingston 15 points.

In the second frame, Hartness scored nine points as Paige Randall added seven and Callie Edgmon six.

Edgmon hit two treys in the frame and Hartness and Randall knocked down one each.

Payton Matlock hit two 3-pointers in the frame for the Lady Ea-

gles. Omaha was only 1-of-6 from the charity stripe in the frame.

Kingston led 37-17 with a half left to play.

The Lady Yellow Jackets were led in scoring by Hartness with 23 points. Edgmon added 16, Randall 2, Lauren Fancher and Rilee Pittman two each and Emma Kivell one.

Omaha was led by Matlock with 16 points. Maddie Physny added 12, Remington Crouch 11, Laila Arnold five and Clara Alfrord four.

**Jasper 58, Alpena 47**

The Jasper Lady Pirates added a few points at the end of each break on the way to posting a 58-47 win.

The Lady Pirates moved to a 13-11 lead at the first break and then was ahead, 29-26, at intermission.

Jasper added the most points to its lead in the third frame. Camber Shrum had seven points for the Lady Pirates as they outscored Alpena, 13-8, in the frame.

Four players scored in double digits for Jasper. Jadeyn Middleton had 15 points for the Lady Pirates. Laney Daniels added 13, Tianna Siebert 12, Shrum 11, Willa Young four and Maggie Thomas three.

Alpena was led by Laini Block with 16 points. Cassidy Ohler and Bryanna McNair had eight each, Crandall Eppes six, Rhonnie Jetton five and Yazia Gonzalez four.

**Senior Boys**

**Jasper 56, Lead Hill 47**

A 12-0 Jasper run in the second period



Jasper's Malijah Campbell elevates for two-points against Lead Hill on Thursday night in the 1A-1East District Tournament. The Pirates downed the Tigers, 56-47. JEFF BRASEL/STAFF

gave the home team some breathing room as they defeated Lead Hill, 56-47.

The Pirates led 8-5 after the first period. Lead Hill came back and knotted the game at 10-10.

Jasper moved ahead, 22-10, in the second frame. The Pirates moved ahead, 25-14, at intermission.

Lead Hill got hot in the third period and scored 20 points. They cut the Pirate lead to 41-34 with eight minutes left.

Jasper was 7-of-12 from the free throw line in the final period, but they added four field goals to the total to secure the win.

Leading the Pirates in scoring was Spencer Traywick with 19 points. Sawyer Willis added 13, Malijah Campbell 10, Canaan Hudson eight, Blake Williams five and Ty Williams one.

Lead Hill was led by Kaden Baker with 15 points. Coda Lemon added 13, Nicklas May and Nolan Turner eight each and Haygan

Dotson three.

**Omaha 59, Kingston 55**

Omaha came from behind in the fourth period to post a 59-55 win.

Dylan Greenwood had three 3-pointers in the final frame as Omaha scored 19 points.

Omaha jumped out a 17-10 lead at the end of the first period.

The Yellow Jackets cut a point off of the lead to make it a 28-22 score at halftime.

Chism Floyd scored 13 Kingston points in the third period as the Yellow Jackets took the one point lead into the fourth period.

Leading Omaha in scoring was Briar Whitehurst with 15 points. Noah Morrison added 14, Greenwood 12, Jonathan McKinney nine, Sam Edwards eight and Creyton Gross one.

Leading Kingston in scoring was Floyd with 26 points. Colton Clemons added 12, Ethan Clark and Joshua Cooper six each and Hunter Farrar five.

# Bergman boys down Valley Springs in districts

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VALLEY SPRINGS — The homecourt advantage didn't help Valley Springs on Wednesday night.

In the 3A-1East District Tournament being played

at Valley Springs, the Panthers of Bergman downed Valley Springs, 53-42.

Bergman held a four point lead at the first two breaks.

The Panthers led 11-7 at the first stop and 24-20 at halftime.

Doubling their lead in the fourth period, the Panthers outscored Valley Springs, 15-11, heading into the final frame.

Leading Bergman in scoring was Dylan Friend with 19 points. Zion Fultz added 18, Sawyer Schubert

seven, Noah Royce five and Bryson Bauer and Kaden Ponder two each.

Valley Springs will play in the Class 3A Region 1 Tournament on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. The tournament is being held at Booneville.

Depending on the outcome of the district tournament, the Panthers could play on Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. with a win in the district finals. If the Panthers fell in the finals of the tournament, then they will play at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday.

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# Second night of action produces one upset in 1A-1East

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JASPER — There was only one upset on the second night of action at the 1A-1East District Tournament being held at Jasper.

No. 5 Lead Hill earned a regional tournament berth by upsetting No. 4 Alpena's senior boys. Lead Hill won the contest, 44-41.

In other action, the Omaha senior boys downed Deer, 71-30.

Lead Hill's senior girls fell to Alpena, 61-26.

## Senior Boys

### Lead Hill 44, Alpena 41

A decisive fourth quarter was the difference as the Tigers of Lead Hill defeated Alpena, 44-41.

Heading into the fourth period, the Leopards led the Tigers, 29-25.

Both teams scored 13 points in the first period and both teams scored six points in the second frame.

Alpena got seven points from Hayden Jones in the third period to put the Leopards ahead, 29-25, after three periods of play.

Nolan Turner scored nine points in the fourth period for Lead Hill to go ahead and post the win.

Turner led the Tigers with 17 points. Nicklas May had 10 points, Coda Lemon and Haygan Dotson seven each, Kaden Baker two and Alex Gray one. May had 10 rebounds.

Alpena was led by Slade Harp with 16 points. Jones added 11, Keaton Toliver seven, D.J. Evans four, Tucker Savage two and Kolby Woods one.

### Omaha 71, Deer 30

The Omaha boys had 11

players score on the way to producing a 71-40 win over Deer.

Omaha soared out to a 19-6 lead at the end of the first period and then held the Antlers to three points in the second frame.

Moving ahead, 45-9, at intermission, the Eagles were on their way to the regional tournament.

The Eagles won the third period, 15-9.

Noah Morrison had 17 points for Omaha. Dylan Greenwood added 12, Briar Whitehurst 11, Jonathan McKinney seven, Gatlin Edwards six, Bo Lange five, Tucker Greenwood and Zane Robinson three each and Creyton Gross and Sam Edwards two apiece.

Deer was led by Lane Nichols and Jesse Gunter with six points apiece. Ayden Burdine added four, Carter Lasater, Dillon Young and Carson Breedlove three apiece and Rylan Perkins and Hyatt Gilmore two each.

## Senior Girls

### Alpena 61, Lead Hill 26

Alpena doubled up Lead Hill in the first period on the way to producing a 61-26 win.

The Lady Leopards led 22-11 after the first period and move their advantage to 41-19.

Only allowing four points in the third period, Alpena moved ahead, 58-23, with eight minutes to play.

Leading Alpena in scoring was Yaiza Gonzalez with 16 points. Laini Block added 14, Cassidy Ohler 10, Emily Wray and Bryanna McNair seven each, Crandall Eppes five and Talia Hilton two.

Alexus Egger had 12 points for Lead Hill. Lauryn Moon added seven, Kaydence Wilson five and Kayla Egger two.

# Tuesday night games were moved from Monday

**Staff Report**  
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JASPER — The first round games and a quarterfinal game were on the agenda for the beginning night of the 1A-1East District Tournament that is being held in the Pirates Cove at Jasper High School.

The first round games included No. 6 Deer beating No. 7 Mount Judea boys, 73-49. The No. 6 Lead Hill girls dismissed No. 7 Mount Judea, 55-21.

The quarterfinal game saw No. 4 Omaha senior girls run past No. 5 Deer, 65-40.

## Senior Boys

### Deer 73, Mount Judea 49

A solid second period was the difference in the game between Deer and Mount Judea. Deer won the contest, 73-49.

The Antlers held a 17-12 lead at the end of the first period. Five different Antlers scored in the frame to offset the five points from Malachi Faight of Mt. Judea.

Ayden Burdine scored seven points for Deer and Carter Lasater added five.

The Antlers went into the locker room at halftime lead, 35-20.

In the third period, the teams played equally. Deer scored 14 points in the frame. The Eagles were able to put 12 points on the board.

Deer's 17-point lead increased by seven in the fourth period. Burdine scored 10 points in the frame to claim the win for the Antlers.

Burdine led the Antlers with 20 points. Lasater added 14, Carson Breedlove 13, Trey Reynolds 12, Rylan Perkins 11 and Lane Nichols one.

Breedlove led the Antlers with 11 rebounds. Burdine picked off nine, Reynolds eight and Lasater and Nichols six each.

Mt. Judea was led by Faight with 15 points. Kaiden Clayborn added 14, Josh Criner nine, Mason Campbell six, Alec Ricketts three and Marlon Mendez two.

Faight had seven rebounds for Mt. Judea and Mendez and Clayborn had five rebounds each.

## Senior Girls

### Lead Hill 55, Mt. Judea 21

The Lady Tigers of Lead Hill held Mt. Judea to six points in the first period on the way to posting a 55-21 win.

Scoring 18 first period points, the Lady Tigers led 18-4, at the first stop. Lauryn Moon had eight points in the period for Lead Hill while Mary Smith and Macy Williams had two points each for the Lady Eagles.

Moon came back with eight more points in the second as the Lady Tigers had 19 points and moved its lead to 37-6.

Bailey Campbell and Myleigh Ricketts had a free throw each for Mt. Judea.

Lead Hill won the third period, 16-8, as the Lady Eagles won the first quarter, 7-2.

Leading Lead Hill in scoring was Moon with 18 points. Alexis Egger added 13, Khloe Pena 12,

Kaydence Wilson seven, Aubrey Wilson three and Averi Smith two.

Ricketts had 10 for Mt. Judea. Smith added six, Williams four and Campbell one.

Williams had 11 rebounds for Mt. Judea

## Omaha 65, Deer 40

The third period was the difference for Omaha. They defeated Deer, 65-40.

Deer was within striking distance of Omaha coming into the second half.

That changed. Omaha hit four 3-pointers in the third period which that total matched the total points that Deer scored in the third — four.

Maddie Pyschny had eight points in the third period for Omaha and Remington Crouch added seven. Omaha led, 57-27, with a period left.

The Lady Eagles scored a 15-11 lead after the first period. Pyschny had five points in the frame and Aurora Gilmore, Myleigh Smith and Jaycee Hoskins scored three points each for Deer.

Hoskins added six points for the Lady Antlers in the second period, but Peyton Matlock had eight points for Omaha in the frame.

Pyschny ended the game with 17 points for Omaha. Crouch added 16, Matlock 14, Clara Alrod 10 and Laila Arnold eight.

Matlock had seven rebounds for Omaha and Pyschny had five.

Hoskins had 12 rebounds for Deer. Gilmore pulled down eight and Smith five.

## LADY GOBLINS

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point of the fourth period.

Harrison then found its offense.

Brynne Bonds drained a trey that was followed by a London Lee free throw. That free throw pulled the Lady Goblins within two points.

Greenbrier scored next, but Harrison began to climb back up the four-point hill.

Brooklynn Mitchell made a free throw and then went back to the free throw line and made another charity toss.

With 2:37 left in the game, Eliza Barger tied the contest at 45.

After a Greenbrier miss, Mitchell was fouled again by the Lady Panthers.

She made both free throws and Harrison led 47-45 with 2:06 left.

Greenbrier tied the score with 45 seconds left. The Lady Panthers had a chance to move ahead as they were fouled on the play.

They missed the free throw, but with 12.7 seconds left in the game, the Lady Panther made a pair of shots to go ahead, 49-47.

Harrison moved the basketball down the court and called timeout with six seconds left.

The Lady Goblins drew up a play, but the shot was short as Harrison fell.

Greenbrier put a 15-11 lead on the board at the end of the first quarter as the Lady Panthers scored a 9-2 run to end the period.

To start the second frame, Greenbrier scored the first nine points of the second period.

Harrison scored its first points of the frame with 2:43 when Bonds scored. She hit back-to-back baskets.

Greenbrier moved ahead, 26-15, but the Lady Goblins scored the last five points of the frame. Bonds hit a trey and Barger hit

a basket at the close of the period to make it a 26-20 contest at halftime.

With 2:25 left in the third period, Lee hit a free throw to pull the Lady Goblins within, 29-28.

Greenbrier moved back to a five point lead, but Lee hit two free throws and then a field goal. Bonds closed out the period with two free throws to pull Harrison within two points.

Leading Harrison in scoring was Bonds with 12 points. Lee added 10, Barger nine, Lila Jones seven, Mitchell five and Quandt three.



## GOBLINS

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Harrison got a 3-pointer from Martin as the only points the rest of the way in the first half. The Goblins led, 22-21 at intermission.

Eli McNutt started the second half with a basket for Harrison, but Greenbrier scored the next nine points.

Cole Cecial hit two free throws as Harrison trailed, 32-26, heading into the final eight minutes of action.

Harrison started the fourth period with an 8-2 run. With 5 : 1 8 left in the game, Martin tied the contest at 34.

Greenbrier scored the next six points and the Goblins went over three minutes within scoring.

Cecil hit two free throws and Bell scored with 1:40 to pull Harrison within, 40-38.

Scribner led Harrison in scoring was 12 points. Bell added nine, Martin and Cecil seven each, Paul four and McNutt two.

## BRASEL

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In other words, we have to pay more for players and the fans should put up or shut up.

My understanding was that businesses "hired" the players for jobs. I didn't know that a general fund request from the University's athletic department or foundation did the hiring.

When looking at the players that were hired this year, K.J. Jefferson made \$555,000 and got a new corvette. Devo Davis is raking in nearly \$100,000.

I can't be the only person to think that we didn't get our money's worth out of these two players. We should ask for a refund.

When poor service is received, businesses do their best to make it right by reducing the price or giving back some money. Will K.J.

or Devo give back part of their earnings. Well, I guess Devo may be losing money since he wasn't fulfilling his NIL obligations.

I will venture out for a football game a year. It may not be in Razorback Stadium unless I get in a mood to take my grandsons to see one there. I have ventured to many SEC stadiums. Out of the ones that I have been too, only Ole Miss is less fan friendly then Arkansas.

To me staying at home makes good sense to watch a game. Here is why: \$200 for tickets; 3 hour drive round trip, 30 minutes getting to parking; 15 minute walk down or uphill — depending on parking; \$40 for concessions; may have to fight the sun; crowded together with people that use language I

don't want my grandsons hearing; getting upset at the players for poor play; sitting near the one person that knows everything; etc...

At home: 75 inch television: timely information on injury or play; wider variety of food choices; coke slurpees; when team gets down four touchdowns, I take 20 steps to nap; I can do laundry during game; I can do anything I want; Did I mention Coke slurpees?; etc...

I want Arkansas to be successful. I want to be supportive. I am just tired. Either give me something to be happy about or stay mediocre and don't ask for more money.

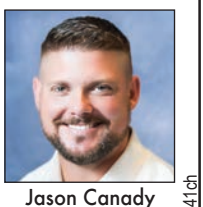
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## SCOUTS GATHER NEARLY 3/4 TON OF FOOD FOR LOCAL PANTRY



Boy Scout Troop 60 and Cub Scout Pack 160 donated more than 1,400 pounds of food to Camp Jack as part of the "Scouting for Food" program. The program encourages Scouts across the country to collect food for their local food banks. CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS / LEE H. DUNLAP



## Arkansas Heritage Grant apps open

From Times Sources

Community-based non-profit groups and others interested in supporting the mission of Arkansas Heritage are encouraged to apply for Arkansas Heritage Grants. Arkansas Heritage is a division of the Department of Arkansas Parks, Heritage and Tourism which identifies, preserves and promotes our state's cultural, historic and natural resources as a source of pride and enjoyment for all.

"The heritage of our state is influenced greatly by the big and small actions of community leaders," said Marty Ryall, director of the Division of Arkansas Heritage. "That's why we're encouraging Arkansans to apply for these grants and further support their local programming, events or offerings."

Arkansas Heritage Grants are designed to help groups promote awareness and enjoyment of Arkansas' heritage;

increase community-based non-profit groups' ability to create heritage related programs, especially in places where they would otherwise not occur; foster cooperative efforts among organizations, businesses and government to increase the size and scope of events; and create ongoing components to existing heritage-related celebrations.

Grants cannot exceed \$5,000, and for-profit organizations or events are not eligible. Money must go toward the proposed program, but cannot be used to fund ongoing operating costs, staff salaries or brick-and-mortar infrastructure. More information on grant criteria can be found at [ArkansasHeritage.com](http://ArkansasHeritage.com).

There are two deadlines in 2024 for submitting proposals: April 12 and Oct 11. For more information, please contact Debra Fithen, grants manager for Arkansas Heritage, at [debra.fithen@arkansas.gov](mailto:debra.fithen@arkansas.gov).

## ASMSA Summer Camp apps open

Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts

From Times Sources

**HOT SPRINGS** — The Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences and the Arts is now accepting applications for Summer@ASMSA camps. Summer@ASMSA is free, one-week summer camps for current eighth- and ninth-grade students in all Arkansas schools as well as 7th-graders participating in ASMSA-TIP. The camps will be held on ASMSA's campus in Hot Springs on Sunday, June 9, through Friday, June 14. Application deadline is Wednesday, May 1.

Students may apply to participate in one of five different camps that will provide a fun and challenging atmosphere. The camps include:

- Environmental Sci-

ence and Biotechnology (Sponsored by AEGIS): Campers will participate in hands-on, in-lab biological experiments like DNA barcoding and making glowing bacteria as well as environmental field activities such as stream water quality analysis and a visit to a quartz mine in the Ouachita Mountains.

- Engineering Camp: Participants will learn all types of engineering, from nuclear to electrical, at this hands-on camp. Campers will learn how to solder, use engineering design methods and more.

- Anime! Origami! Hiragana! Japanese Language and Culture Camp (Sponsored by AEGIS): Participants will learn the basics of Japanese language and culture including how to introduce themselves, make Japanese food, count yen and more while exploring some of the cultural norms and unique aspects of Japanese society.

- Studio Art Camp: Campers will engage in different artistic process including observational drawing, collage, painting, ceramics and more.

- Ignite Camp: Campers will discover a little bit of everything ASMSA has to offer through hands-on activities in multiple content areas while meeting a variety of ASMSA faculty and staff.

All camp activities — including tuition, housing, meals and class supplies — are free for participants. Housing and meals will be provided in ASMSA's Student Center, where nightly fun activities will be planned by members of the school's Residential Life staff.

To apply for Summer@ASMSA, visit <https://asmsa.me/summeratasm24>. For more information, email [outreach@asmsa.org](mailto:outreach@asmsa.org), call (501) 622-5116 or visit [www.asmsa.org/outreach/summer-at-asmsa/](http://www.asmsa.org/outreach/summer-at-asmsa/)

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## NEWS FROM LEAD HILL

**H**ope you all enjoyed a nice Valentine's Day. There will be no school on Monday, Feb. 19th due to Presidents Day.

Happy Birthday to Val Dalton Feb. 15, Happy Birthday to Chuck Ritchey Feb. 19, to my friend Joy Peterson Feb. 15, and Happy Anniversary to Joy and Jon Feb. 24. Happy Wedding Anniversary to Carl & Nancy Brown on Feb. 18 and Happy Birthday to Nancy Feb. 21.

Lead Hill, anyone in grades 7-12 interested in joining the Lead Hill Trap Team please contact Randy Rogers at (870) 688-8188. School furnishes all supplies!

Tiger Athletes of the Month presented by Casey Scribner State Farm! Lady Tiger of the Month: Alexis Egger, Tiger of the Month: Nolan Turner

Lead Hill's Mrs. Cowart's class has been learning about recycling. They made their very own recycling bins, so their items can be taken next weekend to be recycled!

Ozark Human Society is hosting a spaying/neutering clinic March 14 and 27 at Harrison Elks Lodge. Registration will be Thursday, March 7 at 9 a.m. until full, at "Cause for Paws" Thrift Store at 201 E. Crandall Ave. Harrison. Registration on first come basis. Payment is due in full upon registration, spaces are limited. Payment must be in cash, (small bills please). Cats \$60, includes rabies shot. Dogs less than 70 pounds \$80, includes rabies shot. Additional fee for dogs over 70 pounds.

Host Families needed for the 2024-25 School year and Fall Semesters. \$200 referral bonus when you refer a family that has never hosted with the "Academic Year in the USA". and they take a student.

AYUSA has some Great kids available and they are a non-profit organization. They also have 24/7 support.

French; Faustine is passionate about playing basketball and trains most weekdays. She loves kids and coaches a team of 8-year-old basketball players, which some days can take a lot of patience. She hopes she can continue playing basketball while in the U.S.

German; Mathis loves music, he enjoys playing it and listening to it. He likes both classical and modern music and plays both styles on his trumpet. Mathis looks forward to family dinners and cooking a German meal for you Fall Semester.

Italian; Nicolo loves sports, he plays tennis and soccer in a club and with friends and family. He also plays basketball and volleyball at school.

For more information call or text (870)365-2815 or go to [www.ayusa.org](http://www.ayusa.org)



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## Thanks for the memories

**I**f you were ever fortunate enough to meet Howard McCarville, guaranteed you would walk away smiling. Even at 93, he was a still charmer quick with a joke, harmonica at the ready. He would first introduce you to his tiny dogs who were always by his side, followed by a rousing rendition of the Marine Corps Hymn or America the Beautiful.

It's hard to believe that this man with the always-present smile and good nature was once part of what many historians say was the most brutal battle in modern warfare. Howard was a member of a Marine artillery unit that faced overwhelming odds at the Chosin Reservoir during the Korean War.

He was of a generation that never talked about their service, their heroism, their medals or their buddies who never came home. The one time I did get him to talk about it a bit, he told me that the fact any of them survived was a miracle.

Army veteran Robert "Bob" VanTassel also served in Korea, but from 1969 to 1975 during the height of the Vietnam War. Bob was also one of those remarkable veterans who chose to look at the bright side of life, although he had every reason not to. The only good thing that happened to Bob while

in Korea was that met Kim, the love of his life and wife of 52 years.

Both men made great personal sacrifices while serving their nation and came home from Korea with severe, service-related disabilities that would plague them their entire lives. I would like to tell you that the government that sent them into harm's way took good care of these men after returning home. Sadly, the truth is their disability claims were rejected and their pleas for medical assistance ignored.

Such was the reality for millions Korea and Vietnam era veterans. They had every right to be bitter and angry, but instead they chose to put their energies into serving other veterans as valued members of the Boone County posts of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) and Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW).

For decades they came to meetings, raised money and quietly helped other forgotten, local veterans. They inspired others to do the same, including me. They let all of us veterans know that our service wasn't forgotten, what we did mattered, and we were not alone in our struggles. It was from the compelling examples of men like Howard and Bob that Camp Jack took root.

During the past couple

of months, these two men left us for their next duty station in the great beyond. They will be sorely missed. It is comforting to know that in their final years, through the hard work of their local brothers in arms, especially Army veteran and DAV Service Officer Ron Craig, that they finally got the VA disability and medical support they so richly deserved.

This past week Ron visited Bob's widow, Kim, to ensure she is properly taken care of too. These are only two of the countless men and women veterans to whom we owe a great debt impossible to repay. Thank goodness organizations like the DAV, VFW and American Legion exists to help those our government has forsaken.

The passing of Howard and Bob is a stark reminder we all need do something to help veterans now, today, before it is too late. Howard and Bob were friends of mine and always made my day better. I wish I had taken more time to be a better friend to them. As another Bob use to say - guys, thanks for the memories.

*Matt Russell is a USMC Vietnam combat veteran and President of the Jack Williams Veteran Resource Center. Matt can be reached at [m.russell@campjack.org](mailto:m.russell@campjack.org), 411 South Pine Street, Harrison, AR. 72601 or by calling 870-517-5044. Follow Camp Jack on Facebook at [campjackvrc](https://www.facebook.com/campjackvrc) or visit [campjack.org](http://campjack.org).*

## NEWS FROM CAPPS

**G**reetings from Capps. For starters, I need to correct something I misstated in last week's article pertaining to the Capps Bat-

avia Fire Department. Although we showed significant improvement, we still fell short by a miniscule amount of bringing our rating from a 6 to 5. As this is our first on-site review for some time, it gives us some more targeted areas to work on and continue to keep doing what we've done well. My apologies for the error. Thankfully, last Monday's snow event was short-lived, although we did respond to one accident on Hwy 392 that morning and another near the icy Bridge ramp onto Hwy 412 from Hwy 65 on Tuesday morning. Just before sunup on Wednesday, we also worked a rollover wreck with injuries on Hwy 43 just off Creel Road. That's

a dangerous stretch with folks coming down the mountain going too fast or not paying attention. There is minimal shoulder and banks drop off so there's lots of potent hazards. There is

already green growth poking out from under the snow, much to the delight of the cows. So far the hay store is holding up pretty well. Many of you have asked about my wife, Jennifer and she still needs lots of prayer. The second tap of fluid from her lungs didn't help much so she really needs a touch from the Lord. We'll miss the Capps Full Gospel

sweetheart banquet tonight but will have to shoot for next year. The CNA class at Northark continues to go well, I'm hoping to be working with Home Helpers soon. Stay tuned for more news and historical tidbits from the Capps area in the weeks ahead. Blessings, Doug



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## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Kylee Brienne Campbell

Kylee Brienne Campbell and Tyler Grant Campbell announce the birth of a daughter.

Sianna Jane Campbell was born Wednesday, Feb.

7, at North Arkansas Regional Medical Center.

Dr. Ross Halsted was the attending physician.

The new addition was 20 inches long and weighed 7 pounds and 4.9 ounces.

She has two sisters, Reyna, age 6, and Kyla, age 3.

The proud grandparents are Becky and Allen Campbell of Harrison; Donna and Jamie Lasater of Marble Falls.

## KNAPPS CELEBRATE 50 YEARS



Debbie and Rex Knapp celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends on Sunday, Feb. 11 at the Urban Market venue in Harrison. The couple surprised their guests by renewing their wedding vows and reaffirming their love to one another.

Debbie & Rex were married on February 15th, 1974 in Alpena by Justice of the Peace Dalton Ramsey. They have two sons — Eric (Heather) and Brian (Lori-Beth), both of Harrison, and seven grandchildren.

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However, the income of the well-spouse, is not due the nursing home and is considered protected or excluded from use. Medicaid also allows the well-spouse to keep a large portion of assets in their name.

The main thing to understand is that none of those protections come automatically. They are part of a plan to get the best treatment of the Medicaid rules and application for assistance.

Consider looking into your assets and income prior to need and as always the first consultation is free.

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It is important to understand that the cost of long term skilled nursing is expensive., This last year in northern Arkansas we have seen the monthly cost for nursing home surge past \$8,000.00 a month.

Most retirement planning even longterm care policies are not able to fund care of that cost for a long period of time. So, being well informed if you or your spouse need this care is crucial.

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## Big bass being reeled in on DeGray Lake

By Jim Harris  
Arkansas Wildlife Magazine

BISMARCK — Black bass measuring 11.02 and 12.6 pounds were taken on consecutive weekends at DeGray Lake by area anglers. Kanon Harmon (above) caught his monster, which was 26 inches long with a 21-inch girth and 15-inch-wide mouth, on Saturday, Jan. 27, fishing with two friends, brothers Carson and Blake Humphrey. Last weekend, Jimi East-erling, a buddy and mentor of Kanon's, guided an angler from Memphis, Dabney Hammer, to a spot to land the 12.6-pounder.

Kanon reported catching his lunker with a white swimbait, a Motivated Ex-odus swimmer, at 35 feet depth in 60 feet of water. He said he was able to see the fish on LiveScope and put the perfect cast in its vicinity, played with it and got the fish to attack the bait. They were fishing in the area around the State Park Marina.

"I didn't think it was a bass at first," Kanon said. "I thought maybe it was a striper or hybrid. It wasn't

digging very hard. Bass usually take off as soon as you set the hook into them. But then I was fighting it in and fighting it in, we're about to get to get it right to the boat and then I saw that Florida (bass) strain diamond pattern on it and thought, 'This is a 10-pounder!' Everybody in the boat started to freak out."

He had a 10-pound test line on his spinning rod, and they managed to get the fish in, weigh it first on a scale in the boat that didn't give a consistent reading, then quickly took it to Iron Mountain Marina to use their scales, before getting photos and letting it go.

The 11.02-pound catch is his personal best, topping a previous 7-pounder.

Kanon, attending Harmony Grove High in Haskell at the time, teamed with Brody Jacks from Bauxite to win the 2020 Commissioners' Cup, sponsored by the Arkansas Game and Fish Foundation. They were fourth the previous year.

He's currently a senior at Arkansas Tech University in Russellville majoring in business management,



Local angler Kanon Harmon caught this massive 11.02-lb. largemouth bass at DeGray Lake Jan. 27. It was one of two double-digit bass reported from the lake in the last two weeks. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

but he hopes to continue fishing competitively in some capacity after college. He also works three

days a week. He plans on fishing area tournaments this spring and summer, and says he's been "chas-

ing it my whole life," first having a rod in hand at age 3. When he joined his dad in a firemen's fishing tournament on Lake Ouachita when he was 13, he says he was hooked.

"My friends have all had fish over 7 (pounds) and I was wondering if I would ever get one better than that weight," he said.

Kanon suggests that anglers fishing DeGray now try using swimbaits, jigging spoons and jerkbaits, as well as a Rat-L-Trap, which would be ideal around grass and shallow rock areas at DeGray. The spoon or swimbait, as well as an Alabama rig, would be more suited for targeting over brush piles the way he was fishing in late January; the A-rig will work nicely over grass, brush and schools of shad. Kanon uses a spoon or swimbait when he's targeting, he says.

Visit the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission's weekly fishing report at [www.agfc.com/tag/arkansas-wildlife-fishing-report](http://www.agfc.com/tag/arkansas-wildlife-fishing-report) or click <https://go.agfc.com/agfc-newsletter-sign-up> to subscribe and receive updates through your email.

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- 4 Cries like a donkey
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- 7 Say casually
- 8 Comply
- 9 500 sheets
- 10 Naked
- 12 Hereditary ruler
- 19 Payable
- 21 "The Eagle — Landed"
- 23 Ballet company
- 24 Cheer
- 25 Priest's vestment
- 26 Smile
- 27 Big hairdo
- 29 Slender
- 30 Glut
- 32 Goon for hire
- 34 "For sure!"
- 36 Winter fun
- 37 Farm animals
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## Creekside bike trail opening Wednesday

By DONNA BRAYMER  
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A new skills course alongside Crooked Creek is part of the new Creekside Complex in Harrison. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The City of Harrison and H.E.A.R.T. (Harrison, Exercise, Adventure, Recreation, Trails) have partnered to open a new bike trail along Crooked Creek as part of the Creekside Complex.

The public is invited to a ribbon-cutting ceremony with the Harrison Regional Chamber of Commerce at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21. Parking will be available at the Anstaff soccer complex parking lot, and guests can walk a short distance down the trail to the special bike features.

The city contracted with Jagged Axe Trail Design to design and construct the Creekside Bike Skills Trail. That includes about 6/10 of a mile with several features adjacent to Crooked Creek and the current walking trail.

HEART Committee member Cary Nabors said at the October City Council meeting, "This will be a great addition to our

community as part of our master trail plan. One of our long-term plans is to offer more outdoor activities in the area and to get more kids on bikes. This particular trail is called a skills course. It's a combination of features and connecting the features together. In the long term, this would be right across the Creek, the Nature Conservancy Land. This would add to an excellent quality of life."

"This will probably be one of the coolest trails we have. It is right next to the creek.

It's also the lowest price trail and part two of three phases," Mayor Jerry Jackson said.

Chairman of HEART, Chris Rost, said, "These wood features help riders build skills and balance. Most are about two to three feet wide but usually utilize both directions. We try to build trails to accommodate multiple directions."

This trail will be visible from the sidewalk area currently beside the Creek. So, family members can walk and watch their children riding on this trail.



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COULD I HAVE ANOTHER ONE FOR LEO AND ONE FOR TEDDY AND ONE FOR HARRY?  
SURE-- WHY NOT?

THIS ONE'S YOURS, LEO, THE NEXT ONE IS TEDDY'S AND...

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**GARFIELD**

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HARK! WHAT SMELL THROUGH YONDER DOORWAY BREAKS?  
IT IS THE COFFEE, AND JON IS THE BREWER!

HEY! THAT COFFEE IS MINE!  
NEITHER A BORROWER NOR A LENDER BE

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IN BLACK INK MY LOVE MAY STILL SHINE BRIGHT

GOOD NIGHT, GOOD NIGHT! PARTING IS SUCH SWEET SORROW!

LEAVING SO SOON?  
BREVITY IS THE SOUL OF WIT

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**Mort Walker's beetle bailey**

SOMETHING SMELLS GOOD!  
YES. WHERE IS IT COMING FROM?

IS THAT TONIGHT'S DESSERT?  
NO, I'M SAVING IT FOR SARGE

WHY DOES HE GET A WHOLE CAKE?!!  
HE LIKES CAKE

IT'S NOT FAIR!  
TELL THAT TO SARGE

YOU NEED TO LEARN HOW TO SHARE!  
GO AHEAD, SMOOSH IT IN HIS FACE!

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**Hi and Lois**  
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AND IT KEEPS TRACK OF WHAT I'VE SPENT.

SO WHY DOES IT TAKE ME TWICE AS LONG?

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**THE BORN LOSER**  
by Art & Chip Sansom

CAN YOU TWO GIVE ME SOME ADVICE FOR MY HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT?  
PRESIDENTS DAY IS THIS WEEK, SO WE HAVE TO MEMORIZE AND RECITE A FAMOUS QUOTE BY A PRESIDENT. WHAT QUOTE SHOULD I DO?  
HOW ABOUT LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS?  
THAT'S TOO TOUGH FOR THE BOY TO MEMORIZE!

NONSENSE! I MEMORIZED IT WHEN I WAS HIS AGE, AND I LEARNED IT SO WELL, I'LL BET I STILL REMEMBER IT!

HA! I'D LIKE TO HEARY YOU TRY, I'LL BET YOU CAN'T!

OKAY, HERE GOES... "ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU, ASK WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY."  
WELL, YOU PROVED ME WRONG--YOU REALLY DO REMEMBER LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS! SO YOU CAN TEACH IT TO WILBERFORCE!

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Slylock Fox received the following email:  
 Hi Slylock!  
 This is your cousin Rafferty! How have you been? I was just remembering when we were little fox foals, and we'd go to Mrs. Warhog's Candy Shoppe by the library? She had scary tusks LOL. Anyways, thought I'd let you know I've fallen on hard times -- I hate to ask, but would you be able to e-transfer \$20 thru this link? - transferrafferty.html Hope to hear from you soon!  
 -Rafferty

Slylock does remember Rafferty, and the information about his childhood rings true. There's something though, that clues Slylock in to thinking the sender is likely not his cousin, but rather a scammer. Can you spot it?

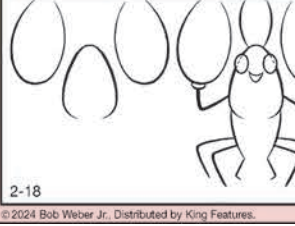


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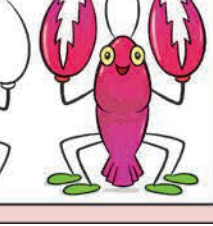


Answer -- Horns, hat, cloud, mane, bug and chicken.  
 Have fun solving a new comic puzzle every day at [www.slylockfox.com](http://www.slylockfox.com)

**HOW TO DRAW a lobster**

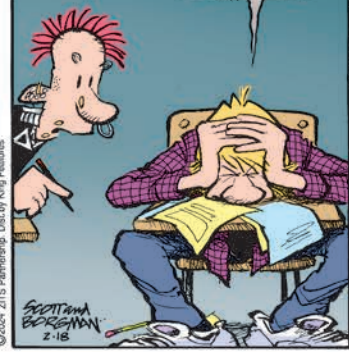
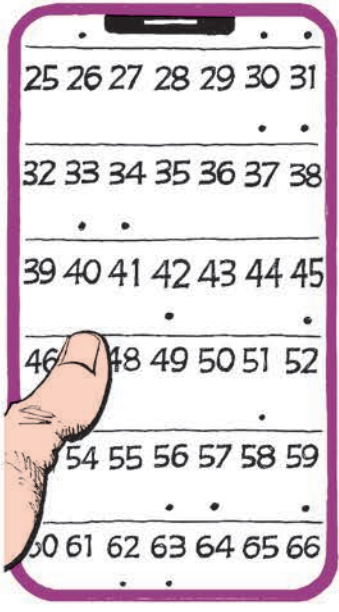
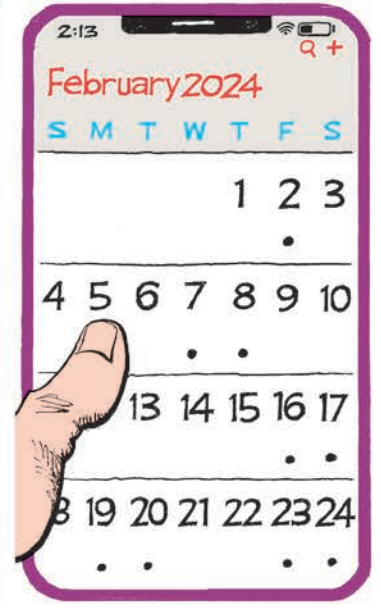
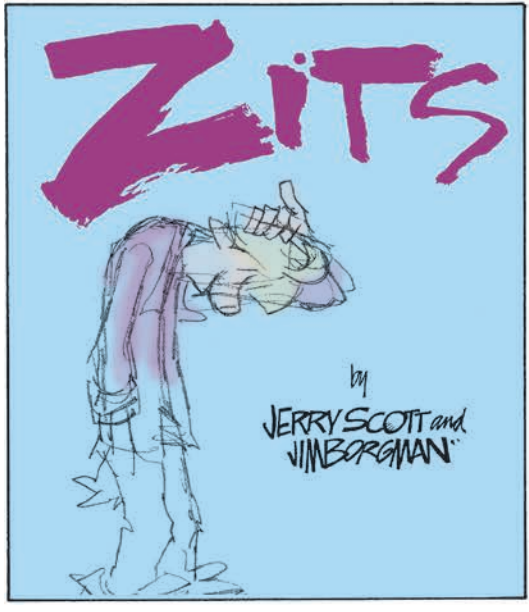
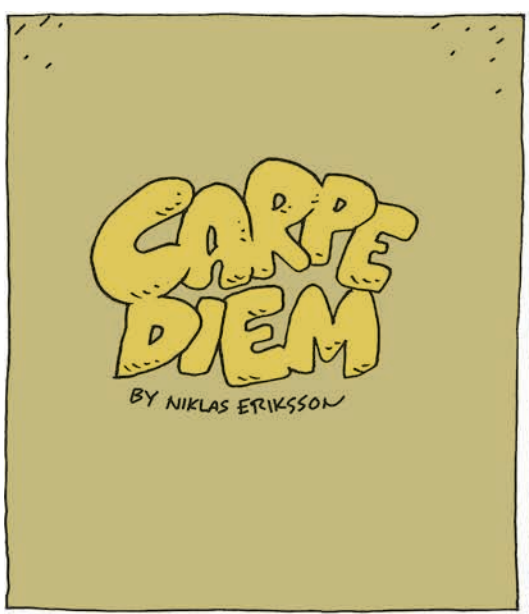
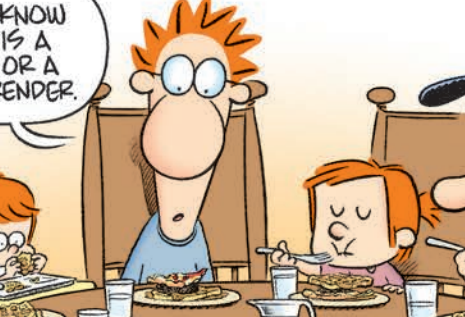
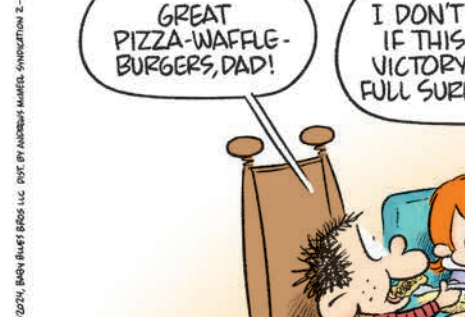
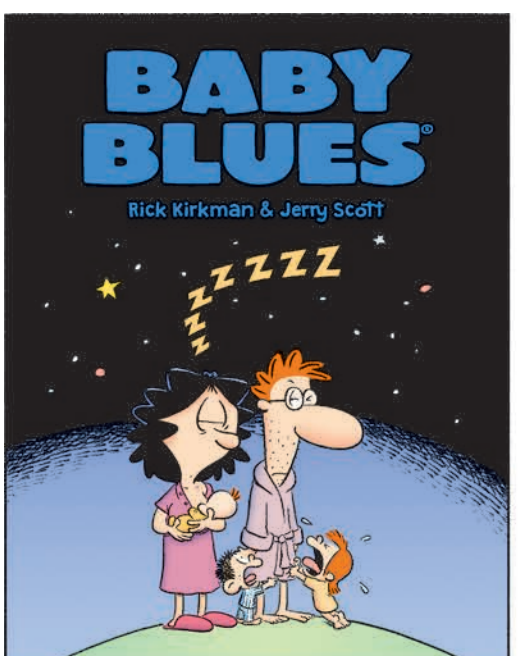
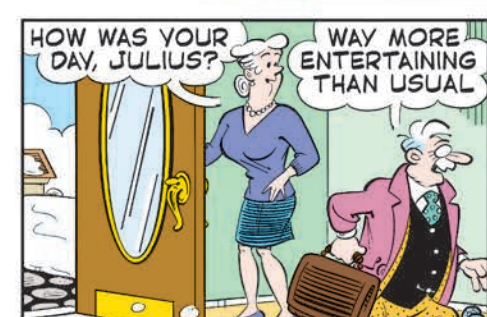
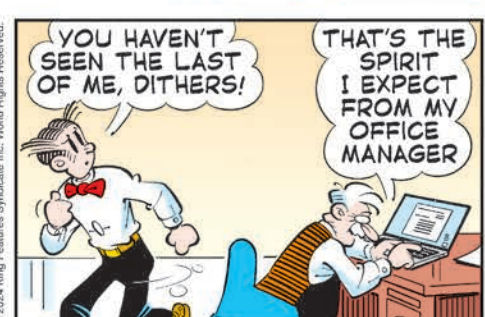
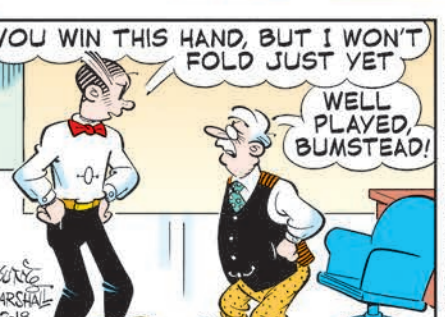
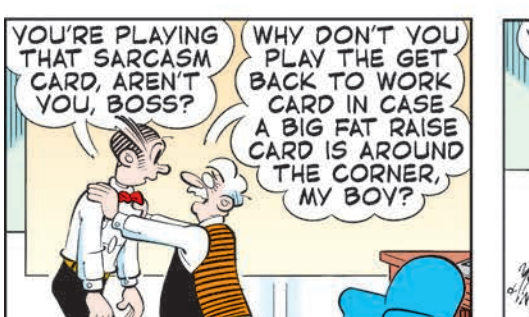
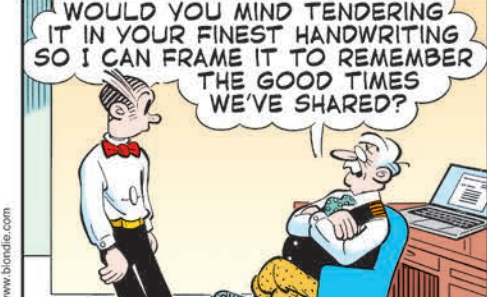
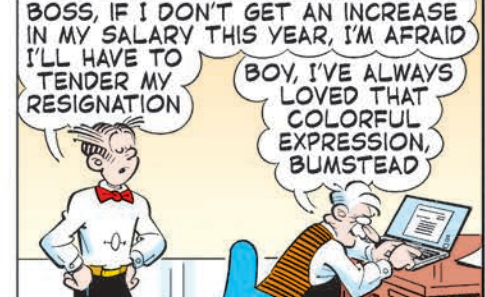
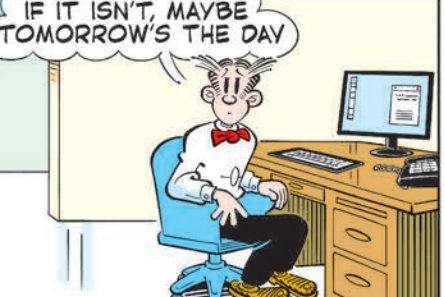
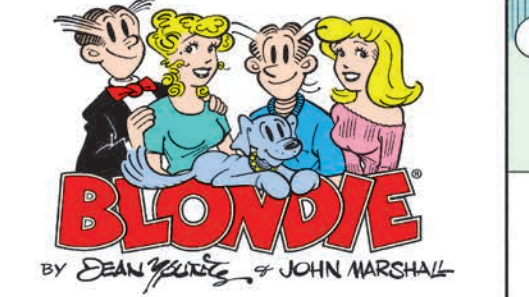
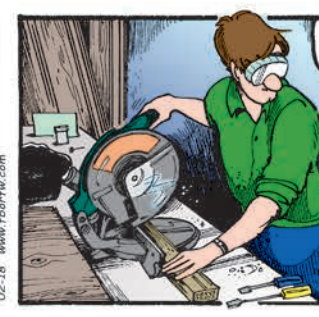
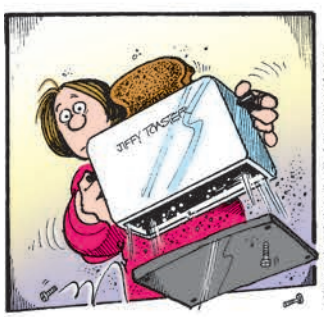
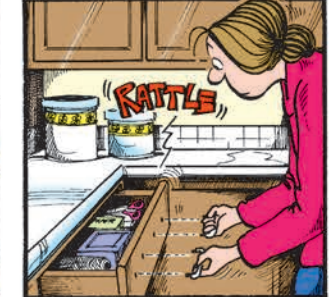
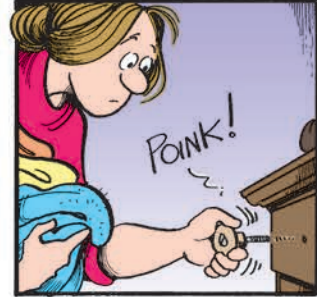
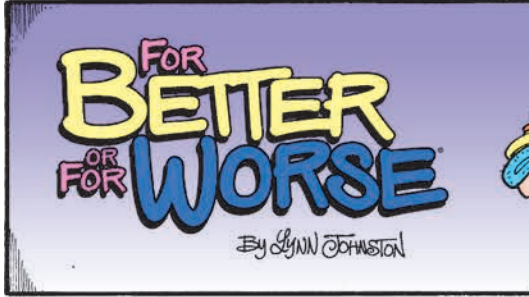


**YOUR DRAWING**



**When was the first email sent?**

- a) 1957
  - b) 1968
  - c) 1971
  - d) 1985
- Answer -- (c) The first email was sent in 1971 by Ray Tomlinson, a computer engineer.



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Nature of Account  
Accounting by Guardian  
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IN THE MATTER OF THE SMALL ESTATE OF  
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## West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin announces he won't run for president

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK — West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin announced on Friday that he is not running for president, saying he didn't want to be a "spoiler."

"I will not be seeking a third-party run," he said in a speech at West Virginia University. "I will not be involved in a presidential run. I will be involved in making sure that we secure a president that has the knowledge and has the passion and has the ability to bring this country together."

The speech was billed as part of a national listening tour Manchin announced when he decided not to seek another Senate term. He told the Morgantown audience that he

had no interest in being "a deal-breaker, if you will, a spoiler, whatever you want to call it."

"I just don't think it's the right time."

The centrist Democrat who often bucked his party's leadership had been considering a run for the presidency and had said he thought it would be clear by March if there was a path for a third-party candidate this year. He said in the speech that he thought a third-party bid might be viable at some point "but right now it's really challenging."

His decision comes as the leadership of No Labels, a national political movement that could offer an independent presidential ticket in 2024, has worked privately to iden-

tify serious candidates to represent the group in the general election. Manchin was viewed as one of the top prospects.

Manchin is not running for reelection in 2024. His Senate seat in a heavily Republican state is expected to be a prime pickup opportunity for the GOP.

Manchin, the only Democrat holding statewide office in West Virginia, has been at odds with members of his own party over his support for coal and other fossil fuels. With the Democrats holding a slim majority in the U.S. Senate, Manchin was a critical vote who wielded considerable influence to shape legislation and diluted much of President Joe Biden's social spend-

ing plans.

In addition to the No Labels effort, a group pushing for Manchin to partner with retiring Utah Sen. Mitt Romney to seek a third-party presidential bid filed paperwork last year to form a draft committee with the Federal Election Commission. Romney and Manchin did not sign on to the effort.

After Manchin announced last year that he would not run for reelection, he said he planned to travel the country "to see if there is an interest in creating a movement to mobilize the middle and bring Americans together."

He visited New Hampshire, an early voting state in the presidential primaries, in January.

The senator is scheduled to speak in Arizona, a political battleground state, on Saturday.

After Manchin's announcement, No Labels issued a statement saying the organization welcomed the senator's efforts to strengthen "America's commonsense majority."

"No Labels is currently speaking with several exceptional leaders about serving on the presidential Unity ticket. We are continuing to make great progress on our ballot access efforts and will announce in the coming weeks whether we will offer our line to a Unity ticket," said the co-chairs of No Labels, former Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman, former head of

the NAACP Benjamin Chavis, Jr., and former North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory.

Democratic Minnesota Rep. Dean Phillips said last month that he would consider running on a No Labels ticket, though he is still challenging Biden in the Democratic primaries.

Another leading No Labels prospect, former Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan, last week ruled out a 2024 presidential bid as well, announcing a Senate bid instead.

Lieberman, a Democrat turned independent, said in January that Republican presidential candidate and former U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley would be a good fit for the group's plans.

## CROSSWORD

### PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

#### UNIVERSITY SUBSTITUTES

- ACROSS
- 1 Small, sticky sheets
  - 8 Sentimental souvenir
  - 16 Bit of aquatic flora
  - 20 In hitting position, in baseball
  - 21 Haphazardly
  - 22 Ringing thing
  - 23 Providence university founded to educate Dracula?
  - 25 Not phony
  - 26 Auld lang —
  - 27 Wed. preceder
  - 28 Stale
  - 29 Passover bread
  - 30 Pixieish type
  - 32 Nicer than a Madison university?
  - 38 Actress Anderson
  - 41 Jeans, e.g.
  - 42 Ridden horse
  - 43 Located on a Somerville university's campus?
  - 46 Pooh or Yogi
  - 48 Encyclopedia unit: Abbr.
  - 50 Clueless
  - 51 Cruise of film
  - 52 Mine metals
  - 54 Baseball Hall of Famer Tony
  - 56 Some Siouan people
  - 58 Shakur of hip-hop
  - 62 LAX stats
  - 64 Little — ("Hairspray" girl)
  - 65 Certain till bill
  - 66 Title of a picture album featuring an Atlanta university?
  - 70 Paella veggie
  - 71 Singer Abdul
  - 72 Org. offering tows
  - 73 Inadequate leader of a Durham university?
  - 80 Easter meat
  - 83 Santa — (desert winds)
  - 84 Tart garnish
  - 85 Italian actress Sophia
  - 86 NFL coach Don or Mike
  - 88 Fort Knox bar
  - 90 — deck (cruise ship part)
  - 92 Cup edge
  - 94 Actress Lena
  - 95 Loud noise
  - 96 Mega melee
  - 98 Unable to escape from a New York university?
  - 103 Routine
  - 105 Animals of a region
  - 106 Pretenses
  - 107 Houston university attended for four complete years?
  - 112 Tattoo fluid
  - 113 Make ecstatic
  - 114 "Way cool!"
  - 115 Tazo drink
  - 117 "Intolerance" star Lillian

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- 91 Royal name of Norway
- 93 Sow or boar
- 97 Figure skater Midori
- 99 Arles assent
- 100 Don Lemon's channel
- 101 Chiang — -shek
- 102 Rapa — (Easter Island)
- 104 No longer ill
- 105 Hat for Frank Sinatra
- 107 Muttinous sort
- 108 Former senator Lott
- 109 Spiteful sort
- 110 Home for a 93-Down
- 111 Messy stacks
- 116 Dismounted
- 118 Search for
- 119 Lamarr of "Algiers"
- 121 Mil. enlistees
- 122 Mentalist Geller
- 123 Khaki cousin
- 124 Certain till bill
- 125 Bouquets-to-order co.
- 126 Mendes of "Hitch"

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# PUZZLE



### Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

RUTNOITNI CFSAT

Answer: Nutrition facts

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to weddings. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 14 = R)

- A. 12 7 5 4  
Clue: Promises
- B. 10 14 9 3 11  
Clue: Woman on her wedding day
- C. 18 14 7 7 20  
Clue: Man on his wedding day
- D. 20 21 14 14 17  
Clue: Get hitched

Answers: A. vows B. bride C. groom D. marry

## Guess Who?

I am an actress/singer born in California on February 20, 2003. I started out on television in a series based on the "American Girl" books. I moved on to Disney television, and later released my debut single about driving past a former flame's house.

Answer: Olivia Rodrigo

## TIE THE KNOT WORD SEARCH

C E M O R N D L A S G U E S T S E P G D  
 M M L I U E Q I G H L O O E S A A I H D  
 R R V P W N S G N I R G U S E A T I N G  
 E D U L U N F O S V R Q N V C Y M I A C  
 C M C H P O E P B Y N N B I S O C G H F  
 N O I T P E C E R Y A R V G C V E F S E  
 I Y S W R N O I T A T I V N I N I L A S  
 C T S S E C E I P R E T N E C V A N W T  
 V T S B G F C L D T P S E E Y O N D F I  
 E E E O U D H E F E V W O V F L W S H V  
 G F N U E M I C L I H M I F Y U F U W I  
 A F I Q U E D N A S E C T I N U Q U Y P T  
 I U P U V H W M B B C O Y Y O A B E I  
 R B P E E E V Y A S I R H R H T C D G E  
 R N A T D G I I O A E D A U T W H I D S  
 A O H D N G F M N F L D N T R E R F I B  
 M E I E C M D T Y E T E I A I C B A N M  
 I N G E N I S U O M I L D R B O H Q N M  
 G E F O I D S E E C D A N D B O N R E F  
 A Y N O M E R E C A L F I M Q C H C R I

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

### WORDS

- BAND
- BETROTHED
- BOUQUET
- BRIDESMAID
- BUFFET
- CELEBRATION
- CENTERPIECES
- CEREMONY
- CHURCH
- COUPLE
- DANCING
- DINNER
- FESTIVITIES
- GUESTS
- HAPPINESS
- INVITATION
- LIMOUSINE
- MARRIAGE
- OFFICIANT
- RECEPTION
- RINGS
- SEATING
- VOW
- WEDDING

## SUDOKU

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| 3 |   |   |   | 6 | 8 |   |   |   |
| 1 | 6 |   |   | 9 | 3 |   |   | 4 |
|   | 5 |   | 1 | 2 |   |   |   |   |
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## Coloring Fun

