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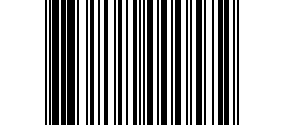
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Crowell's Chapel is approximately 1,000 feet from the Halls Mill Market, violating the 2,000-foot rule.

Halls Mill beer on ice; sales decision deferred

By ZOË HAGGARD
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The newly opened Halls Mill Market will have to wait a bit before selling beer at the location.

Bedford County Beer Board met Wednesday afternoon to approve the owner's permit for selling beer. However, at the owner's request, the board voted to defer the decision until September. Several questions were raised about the selling of beer at the location due to its close proximity to Crowell's Chapel Lutheran Church.

Bedford County has adopted a rule forbidding the sale, storage or manufacture of beer within 2,000 feet of a church, school, or other place of public gathering as well as within 300 feet of a residential dwelling (if the owner objects to the issuance of a beer permit).

According to Bedford County Zoning Director Chris White, "It is a law that was passed by the General Assembly back in 1935-ish when rural counties were decades away from the ability to pass and enforce their own zoning resolutions.

"But the law was not forced down the throats of counties, county commissions across the state would be required to pass their own resolutions with a 2/3 vote before they could enforce it." It became an official ruling in 1984.

Crowell's Chapel is approximately 0.2 miles from the market and thus just over 1,000 feet. The church is around 125 years old and has graves dating back to the late 1700s. It's a small church with around 20 people attending every weekend.

Church treasurer Ed Hillegass said they would be fine with the market selling beer as long as they don't turn the business into "a bar." Hillegass also added they don't have a lot of young adults attending the church who could be potentially influenced by the selling of alcohol.

According to Laylah Smith, County Technical Assistance Service (CTAS) legal consultant, a formal action enacted by the Bedford County Commission exempting a distance requirement for the purpose of selling beer would invalidate the 2,000-foot distance rule (which was previously adopted on July 9, 1984, pursuant to TCA 57-5-105(b)(1).

Beer board member Larry Joyce said this exemption would need to go before the zoning board, the rules and legislative committee, and the board of commissioners before the beer board can decide on the permit.

According to Smith, a new distance rule could be established by measuring the shortest distance between an existing license and the nearest school, residence, church, or other public gathering place. The second option is to pass a new resolution reinstating the distance rule. But all permits that were issued in violation of the distance rule must be eliminated in order to do this.

The question was also raised as to whether the applicant has to pay the application fee of \$250 again due to the deferral. The County attorney advised, "No portion of this fee can be refunded to the applicant regardless of whether the application is approved or denied."



T-G Photo by David Melson
Shelbyville Police Chief Jan Phillips hopes additional officers can be added within the next few months.

Chief works to strengthen City police

By DAVID MELSON
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Years of experience have taught Shelbyville Police Chief Jan Phillips that growing his department as the city's population increases is a must.

He's overseeing a department facing a growing number of calls with a staff limited in size by funding.

"At this point in 2016 we were running around 1,100-1,200 calls for service a month. We ran 2,100 last month (May)," Phillips said. "Our call volume has increased tremendously over the past few years. There's an influx...the traffic's heavier. We've got more people. We've got more cars on the road. Our accidents haven't gone up that much, just the calls for service."

The department is authorized for 47 officers and has 46. A hoped-for COPS grant will allow three more officers to be hired.

"We couldn't budget those this year because if you apply for them with a grant they can't be pre-budgeted," Phillips said. "The grant pays 75 percent, we pay 25 percent of their salaries for three years. After the third year we have to offer to pay them a fourth year. Of course we're going to keep them on, which would help us out a lot with new people coming into town, more building, more population, heavier traffic and all that stuff."

Wanted: Officers

The department works hard to find officers – and is having to go to some lengths.

"I think the (City of Shelbyville) HR department puts it in some state publication, we put it out there most of the time on Facebook, some law enforcement websites and Facebook pages. We don't get the applications like we used to," Phillips said.

"We'll take applications for a couple of months and then put them through the testing process to see what we've got. We look at their past record, if they've bounced around a lot, any past indication that they're not stable, and sit down and have a talk and interview with them, just sort of feel them out a little bit. Those have worked really, really well."

The next step: Retaining officers. Phillips named one officer "who left us and went to Berry Hill, for more money and better insurance, and that's what we have to compete with sometimes."

"We're hoping to get a fairly good pay increase for our employees this year, we got one last year, and hopefully we can retain them but they look at other departments and we have to compete with Murfreesboro, Tullahoma and Lewisburg, and they're getting creative on what they're

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STRONG STORM SOAKS SHELBYVILLE



T-G Photo by David Melson
High winds in spotty locations across Bedford County left isolated wind damage, such as several trees across St. James Place in the Union Station area. More than 3 inches of rain fell at Shelbyville Municipal Airport during an intense storm Thursday afternoon.

DEATH NOTICES

Jane Pruitt

July 2, 2022
Jane Pruitt, 87, of Bartlett, Tennessee, passed away Saturday, July 2, 2022 at her residence. She was the mother of Susan (Jimmy) Clark of Shelbyville.
Graveside services were conducted Friday, July 8 at Swanson Cemetery, Chapel Hill, with Paten Pruitt officiating.
Lawrence Funeral Home, Chapel Hill, handled arrangements.

Dr. Donald Barnes

July 8, 2022
Dr. Donald Barnes, 94, a local OB/GYN for many years, passed away Friday, July 8, 2022, at Manchester Health Care Center, under the loving care and comfort of the staff, his family, and Avalon Hospice.
Arrangements pending from Feldhaus Memorial Chapel.

OBITUARIES

Julia Frances Rhoades Sanders Barnett

July 4, 2022
Julia Frances Rhoades Sanders Barnett, age 84, of Lawrenceburg passed away Monday, July 4, 2022 at NHC Healthcare Lawrenceburg after an extended illness.
Funeral services will be held at Loretto Memorial Chapel at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 9, Jaymond Perry and John Copeland officiating. Burial will follow in Grassy Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 11 a.m.
She was a native of Decatur, Alabama, a seamstress, and of the Baptist faith.
Survivors include four daughters, Melissa Wilson (Nink) of Shelbyville, Renita Copeland (John) of Leoma, Nedenia Baxter and Lynnette Sanders, both of Lawrenceburg; a sister, Effie Mae Hammonds of Priceville, Alabama; nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Sandra Jeanette 'Sandi' Cawthron

July 3, 2022
Sandra Jeanette "Sandi" Cawthron, 58, of Wartrace died Sunday, July 3, 2022.
Per her request, she will be cremated. No services are scheduled.
She was born March 18, 1964 in Los Angeles, California and was a former employee of Heilig Myers Furniture Co. She will be greatly missed by her loving family. She was the neatest sister who had a big heart towards everyone.
She was the daughter of John Robert "Bob" Mason of Shelbyville and the late Doris Jean Fuston Mason.
In addition to her father, she is also survived by her brothers and sisters, John R. Mason Jr., Debra Whitaker, Joyce (Bob) Feltner, and James Nolan (Angie) Mason.
Hillcrest Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



James Robert "Bobby" Gregory

July 5, 2022
James Robert "Bobby" Gregory, 83, of Wartrace died Tuesday, July 5, 2022.
Funeral services were held Friday, July 8, at Fairfield Church of Christ, Jeff Collet officiating. Burial followed at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens.
He was born July 5, 1939 in Coffee County. He was a retired employee of Empire Pencil Co., where he worked for over 42 years, and a member of Fairfield Church of Christ.
He was preceded in death by his parents, James T. and Flossie Irene Stevenson Gregory; brothers and sisters, Dorris Ray Gregory, Cathy Troxler, Frank Gregory and Marie May.
Bobby is survived by his wife, Patricia "Patsy" Driver Gregory; daughters, Colleen (Earl) Adcock, Sonia (Eddie) Miller; brothers and sisters, Lyndell "Tuby" Gregory, Frances Melson, Roger (Sherry) Gregory, JoAnn (Edward) Ashby, Becky (Allen) McBee; grandchildren, Brandon (Sara) Adcock, Bradley (Megan) Adcock, Kris (Veronica) Adcock, Kristy (Wade) Campbell; and seven great-grandchildren.



Stella Jean Tune

July 5, 2022
Mrs. Stella Jean Tune, age 88, of Wartrace, passed away Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at her home under the loving care and comfort of her family and Hospice Compassus.
Funeral services were held Friday, July 8, 2022, at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel. Bishop John Batts was eulogist, with burial following in Willow Mount Cemetery.
She was born March 21, 1934, in Bedford County, to the late Clarence Bonner and Louise Williams. Her work experience includes Fly Manufacturing, National Pen, and Tyson Foods. She along with her husband, owned and operated Tune's U Call-I Haul. She attended Galilee Primitive Baptist Church.
In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Thomas Tune, who passed away in 1999, and a brother, Johnny Tillman.
Survivors include a daughter, Shelly T. Williams, and a son, Joe Thomas Tune, Jr. both of Shelbyville; a brother, Arthur Trollinger, and his wife Birda; a half-sister, Jennie Boyd, grandchildren, Herman Williams, Jr. and Isaac Williams; eight great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.
Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with the arrangements.

TREE GOES DOWN



This tree at Bedford County Department of Education, Madison Street, fell during Thursday's storm.

Biden signs order on abortion access

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Joe Biden on Friday condemned the "extreme" Supreme Court majority that ended a constitutional right to abortion and delivered an impassioned plea for Americans upset by the decision to "vote, vote, vote vote" in November. Under mounting pressure from fellow Democrats to be more forceful in response to the ruling, he signed an executive order to try to protect access to the procedure.
The actions Biden outlined are intended to head off some potential penalties that women seeking abortion may face after the ruling, but his order cannot restore access to abortion in the more than a dozen states where strict limits or total bans have gone into effect. About a dozen more states are set to impose additional restrictions.
Biden acknowledged the limitations facing his office, saying it would require an act of Congress to restore nationwide access to the way it was before the June 24 decision.
"The fastest way to restore Roe is to pass a national law," Biden said. "The challenge is go out and vote. For God's sake there is an election in November!"
Biden's action formalized instructions to the Departments of Justice and Health and Human Services to push back on efforts to limit the ability of women to access federally approved abortion medication or to travel across state lines to access clinical abortion services. He was joined by Vice President Kamala Harris, HHS sec-

retary Xavier Becerra and Deputy Attorney General Lisa Monaco in the Roosevelt Room as he signed the order.
His executive order also directs agencies to work to educate medical providers and insurers about how and when they are required to share privileged patient information with authorities — an effort to protect women who seek or obtain abortion services. He is also asking the Federal Trade Commission to take steps to protect the privacy of those seeking information about reproductive care online and establish a task force to coordinate federal efforts to safeguard access to abortion.
Biden is also directing his staff to line up volunteer lawyers to provide women and providers with pro bono legal assistance to help them navigate new state restrictions.
The order comes as Biden has faced criticism from some in his own party for not acting with more urgency to protect women's access to abortion. The court's decision in the case known as *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* overturned the landmark 1973 *Roe v. Wade* ruling.
Since the decision, Biden has stressed that his ability to protect abortion rights by executive action is limited without congressional action, and stressed that Democrats do not have the votes in the current Congress to do so.
"We need two additional pro-choice senators and a pro-choice house to codify Roe," he said. "Your vote can make that

a reality."
Biden for the first time last week announced his support for changing Senate rules to allow a measure to restore nationwide access to abortion to pass by simple majority, rather than the usual 60-vote threshold required to end a filibuster. However, at least two Democratic lawmakers have made clear they won't support changing Senate rules.
He predicted that women would turn out in "record numbers" in frustration over the court's decision, and said he expected "millions and millions of men will be taking up the fight beside them."
On Friday, he repeated his sharp criticism of the Supreme Court's reasoning in striking down what had been a half-century constitutional right to abortion.
"Let's be clear about something from the very start, this was not a decision driven by the Constitution," Biden said. He accused the court's majority of "playing fast and loose with the facts."
He spoke emotionally of a 10-year-old Ohio girl reported to have been forced to travel out of state to terminate a pregnancy after being raped, noting that some states have instituted abortion bans that don't have exceptions for cases of rape or incest.
"A 10-year-old should be forced to give birth to a rapist's child?" an incredulous Biden nearly shouted. "I can't think of anything more extreme."
Biden added that in the November congressional elections, "The choice we face as a nation is between

the mainstream or the extreme."
His directions to the Justice Department and HHS push the agencies to fight in court to protect women, but the order conveys no guarantees that the judicial system will take their side against potential prosecution by states that have moved to outlaw abortion.
NARAL Pro-Choice America President Minnie Timmaraju called Biden's order "an important first step in restoring the rights taken from millions of Americans by the Supreme Court."
But Lawrence Gostin, who runs the O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law at Georgetown University, described Biden's plans as "underwhelming."
"There's nothing that I saw that would affect the lives of ordinary poor women living in red states," he said.
Gostin encouraged Biden to take a more forceful approach toward ensuring access to medication abortion across the country and said Medicaid should consider covering transportation to other states for the purposes of getting abortions.
Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, the administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, recently told the AP that the agency had been looking at whether Medicaid could cover travel for abortions, but acknowledged that "Medicaid's coverage of abortion is extremely limited."

Police

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offering. It used to be hard to get a job with a police department, there wasn't a lot of turnover, but with the way everything is now it's a competitive business...it really is."
Two officers from areas far from Shelbyville are "fitting in well," Phillips says. Andrew Le Roy, from Illinois with 20 years experience, and Brandon Pasley, from Pennsylvania, have joined within the past two years.

Drug issues

"Methamphetamine, heroin and prescription drugs are the biggest drug problem in Shelbyville," Phillips said. "I haven't heard a lot about cocaine usage but that's not saying there's not any. It might be making a comeback. I think the prescription drugs have slacked off a little bit now because they track that through pharmacies."
Shane George, who is technically considered a Shelbyville police officer,

is the director of the 17th Judicial District Drug Task Force.
"He's been an officer for 17-18 years," Phillips said. "When he first came on here he was assigned to the DTF and worked his way up to where he is now. He keeps in close contact with us. The SPD pays part of his salary and the district attorney's office makes up the difference."
"Our CID (Criminal Investigation Division i.e. detectives) works closely with them. We have two K9s that are detecting a lot of drugs on the streets, mostly small arrests, officers are stopping vehicles and smelling marijuana (and using a drug dog to sniff vehicles) which leads up to cocaine and other drugs. One of the K9s is on what we call directed patrol."
Phillips realizes illegal drug use isn't going away, no matter how much enforcement takes place.
"As long as there's a demand there's going to be a supply."

Homeless situation

Police regularly receive

complaints and reports of homeless people sleeping in vehicles or, during the summer, openly in parking lots of businesses. Other reports concern customers of businesses, usually convenience stores, being pestered for money.
"There's not a lot the city can do about squatters and homeless people unless a property owner calls and complains," Phillips said. "They can't be charged for trespassing without a complaint. Officers just let them stay where they are."
Regarding the squatters frequenting the vacant former Rite Aid drug store downtown, Phillips said, "Apparently they allow everyone to set up their food trucks there too, so that's private property there and we don't bother them unless we have a call or a disturbance or some type of complaint. I don't think a lot of these people are from Shelbyville."
He urges people not to just hand over money to those asking. City officials recently erected anti-panhousing signs after Phillips saw similar signs

in Cookeville. Those signs urge donations to charity groups instead of directly to individuals.
Mass shootings
"If we ever have a situation like that we go straight to the threat. If we hear gunshots we go straight to that threat," Phillips said. "We don't wait around on the outside. We go in and take out the problem. We've trained on that with the Bedford County Sheriff's Office, Emergency Management Agency and school security."
Strong backing
"We've been lucky that we've had good support from our community. I went in a place of business the other day, walked in and walked out, and had three people tell me, 'Thank you for your service.' That means a lot. That makes you feel like people appreciate you. Sometimes you don't get that in larger cities. We're lucky here to have that kind of relationship with our community."

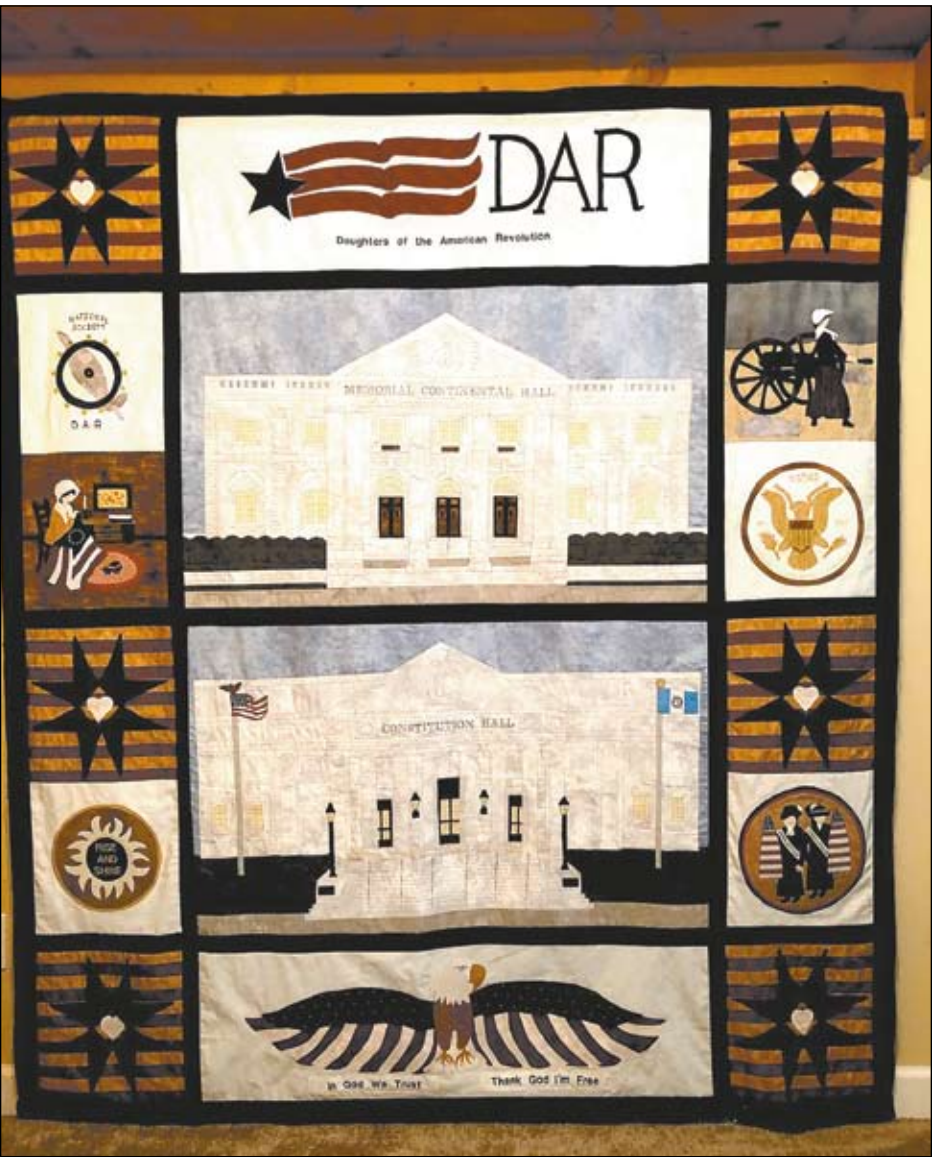


“MRS. ELLIOTT” GOES TO WASHINGTON

Sharon Elliott of Normandy was recently awarded first place for her patriotic quilt in the national Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) quilt contest. She is an active member of the Murfreesboro Chapter.

T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

LOCAL QUILTER HONORED



Submitted Photo

Sharon Elliott recently returned from Washington, D.C., and the DAR convention, where she received her certificate and ribbon for her patriotic quilt—one which includes a block about women’s right to vote. A long-time quilter and self-proclaimed American patriot, Elliott said it was a trip of a lifetime. (See full story in the T-G’s July 30 “Bedford Life” magazine.)

Diane Neeley: School board to commission Name on Aug. 4 ballot

Diane Neeley has announced her candidacy for a Bedford County Commission seat within District 4, which lies in the southwestern portion of the county.

“I am committed to the community who embraced me many years ago as a young bride,” said Neeley. “The people of my district have blessed our family with their friendship and it is my desire to continue my service to them as a County commissioner.”

Neeley has served on Bedford County Board of Education for 20 years, representing District 4, which includes Liberty School. Neeley said during her tenure as a BOE member, she has spent countless hours in study and research to oversee the largest budget in the county.

Over those 20 years, she’s also participated in the planning and budgeting to build Harris Middle, Community High, Cascade High, Learning Way as well as the renovation and addition at Shelbyville Central High.

She has served as chair, vice-chair, and board team leader of the collaborative conferencing committee since its inception in 2012. She has been the Tennessee Legislative liaison for the local board for many years along with serving on numerous committees, both local and state, in relation to community involvement and initiatives for public education.

Neeley has been recognized by the Tennessee School Board Association as a Level V Master



DIANE NEELEY

Boardman. She was honored as a member of the All-Tennessee School Board in 2010 and was a recipient of the TSBA Scholars Circle award in 2017.

“My work in the private sector—coupled with my years of board experience—have taught me how to budget, differentiate between needs and wants . . . collaborate to find solutions for funding those needs.

She said she will be accessible to her constituency. “I have never had a conversation from which I didn’t learn something and how a decision can affect someone’s life. That is of utmost importance to me. Growth is inevitable, but how we allow and embrace it is our decision.”

Neeley and her husband, Kim, have two children who also reside in the Wheel community. Son Spencer, his wife, Candy, and their children Kenadi, Slaten and Emma, along with daughter Leandra Huit, husband Aaron, Nolan and baby

Harper (due to arrive in September) are all important reasons, she said, for her desire to serve District 4.

“It has been my honor and privilege to serve the people of District 4 as their Board of Education member and I would love the opportunity to continue my service to my community as their next County commissioner. I am committed to the people of our county and will work tirelessly to provide the best services we can for them. I will not make a decision that I have not thoroughly studied and exhausted every avenue available for me to understand the ramifications of the decision.”

Neeley said during this time of continued challenges, due to COVID and economic distress, she feels her experience will be an asset to the County as it moves forward. “It is time for people in office to build trust with their constituents . . . demonstrate transparency and open communication and that is exactly what I will do as your commissioner,” Neeley said.

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CELEBRATING THE 4TH

Kelsey Zane Sommers took this awesome July 4th pix of some sweeties celebrating Independence Day.

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Gospel - Madison St.
Worship - Gateway Church
- Thursday, July 21st
Mid-State Cloggers
- Friday, July 22nd
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- Saturday, July 23rd
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Less plastic

Dear Heloise: I read your column in the Daily News every day. I appreciate the suggestions that you and your readers impart. I do have one issue regarding reducing waste. Many of the suggestions involve reusing items like the one today regarding micro-waving.

Hints from Heloise



Heloise

Bridget, a Shih Tzu-poodle mix. (I think.) We rescued her about a year ago from the Humane Society here in Omaha, Nebraska. She is about two and a half years old. Last December, I lost my husband, and she has become a lifesaver for me. We are best friends. No matter which room I am in, Bridget is right here beside me. A big plus: She loves to cuddle at night in "our" bed. -- Teresa Cavanaugh, Omaha, Nebraska

Readers, to see Bridget and our other Pet Pals, go to Heloise.com and click on "Pet of the Week." Do you have a furry friend to share with our readers? Send a photo and a brief description to Heloise@Heloise.com. -- Heloise

SERVING JURY DUTY

Today's Sound Off is centered on serving jury duty: Dear Heloise: I recently received notice that I am called to serve jury duty. I've served before in another state where I lived. It's not the most pleasant thing, especially when it's a serious crime such as murder or rape, but it's still a duty of citizens in a democracy. The last time I served jury duty, I heard people complain that they had been called to serve on a jury. When the judge asked if any of us had a reason why we couldn't serve, it was like lemmings to the sea as people rushed forward to request to be excused. Most of them had a reason of one kind or another. One man said his dogs would miss him too much if he was gone every day. Another person said she believed God would punish her if she sat in judgment of another person. All the excuses were frivolous.

As difficult as it is and as tiring as it is, we all need to serve jury duty if called, unless there are health issues or some other valid reason. I looked upon it as an experience and a chance to exercise my democratic freedom. If called, I would urge others to serve as well. -- Corrine H., Cleveland, Ohio Corrine, I've served jury duty, and while it's not always easy to come to a verdict, it's still a duty and a privilege to serve our community in this capacity. Thank you for reminding us. --Heloise

SEND A GREAT HINT TO:

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FAST FACTS

Got five to 10 minutes before you leave the house for the day? Do one or two of these: -- Take out the trash. -- Empty the dishwasher. -- Load the dishwasher. -- Gather up the clothes you'll drop off at the dry cleaners after work. Put them in your car. -- Make a list of items you need from the grocery store.

GIFT IDEAS FOR GRADUATE

Dear Heloise: Another good graduation gift is a small toolkit with a hammer, both types of screwdrivers and maybe pliers. Very helpful in a dorm or apartment. -- Kay Walsh, via email

CREDIT CARDS

Dear Heloise: Years ago, a lawyer in your column said, "Never sign the back of a new credit card." Instead, print "See photo ID." I have done this for years. This way, a server can confirm that you match your ID and the name on the ID matches the name on the credit card. You will be shocked at how few people ask you for an ID. -- Pat Baker, The Villages, Florida

VINEGAR TO THE RESCUE

Dear Readers: Have white rings of salt built up on the outside or inside of your clay pots? To remove them, wipe with a cloth that's been soaked in undiluted white vinegar.

Vinegar is such an indispensable and safe household product that can be used for cleaning, deodorizing and cooking. I've put together a six-page pamphlet full of vinegar uses that you can have by visiting www.Heloise.com, or by sending \$5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (78 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Vinegar, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. FYI: Wipe counters with a mixture of equal parts vinegar and water to keep ants away. -- Heloise

MORE ON TOMATO PASTE

Dear Heloise: To continue the conversation about tomato paste, I think I've come up with a dandy way of storing it. Tomato paste is also sold in tubes that are packaged in cardboard boxes. When using it, squirt out the amount you need, replace the lid on the tube and put it back in the box. It's easier to find the tube in your refrigerator if it's in the box. -- Joyce Cauthen, Birmingham, Alabama

PET PAL

Dear Heloise: This is

Send Community Calendar items to tgnews@t-g.com, notify us on Facebook, call 931-684-1200 or stop by our office, 323 E. Depot St.

SATURDAY

Dave-a-Palooza

The Dave-a-Palooza Music Festival is in progress today and Sunday, July 10, at 1295 Knob Creek Road near Wartrace.

Lawwell/Cook reunion

A reunion of the Lawwell and Cook families will be held at 11 a.m. today at Crowell's Chapel Lutheran Church under the pavilion. Attendees are asked to bring old photos and any other history to share.

SUNDAY

Laity Club

Bedford County Laity Club will meet at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 10, at Wartrace United Methodist Church. A meal will be provided.

MONDAY

Gallagher program

A free potluck dinner and program by Don Gallagher, owner of Gallagher Guitar Co. for many years and a master guitar maker, is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, July 11 at The Fly Arts Center. All are welcome. A display honoring Gallagher Guitar Co., formerly of Wartrace, is on loan to The Fly Arts Center.

VFW meeting

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5019, and its Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting Monday, July 11, at the VFW Post on Depot Street. Dinner is at 6 p.m. with a business meeting for members immediately following. For more information, contact Post Commander Mike Ruess, 931-249-1566.

JULY 12

Commission meeting

Bedford County Commission will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, at Bedford County Courthouse.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JULY 14

Shelbyville Council meeting

Shelbyville City Council will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday, July 14, at Shelbyville Recreation Center.

JULY 16

Mt. Olivet 150th celebration

Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church is hosting an ice cream supper and 150th anniversary homecoming celebration at 5 p.m. Saturday, July 16.

JULY 18-23

Bedford County Fair

The Bedford County Fair will be Monday, July 18, through Saturday, July 23. See bedfordcountynfair.org or call 931-684-0239.

JULY 19

Bell Buckle meeting

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor & Aldermen will meet on Tuesday, July 19, at 6 p.m. in Town Hall.

JULY 20

ABC's of Medicare

A free ABC's of Medicare class will be held Wednesday, July 20, from 9 a.m.-noon at the South Central Tennessee Development District building in Mt. Pleasant. Advance registration is required because class size is limited. Call toll free 1-877-801-0044 or email sctn.ship@sctdd.org. Volunteers are also needed.

JULY 21

Bell Buckle committee

Bell Buckle Beautification Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 21, in Town Hall.

JULY 22

Cruise-In

Celebration City Car Club's Cruise-In will be

July 2022

Calendar grid for July 2022 showing days of the week and dates.

Holidays 4th - Independence Day



AUG. 5

Farm Bureau meeting

Bedford County Farm Bureau's annual membership meeting will be held Friday, Aug. 5, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at its office, 323 Bethany Lane. Dinner will be served.

SEPT. 24

Police Fun Run

Shelbyville Police Benevolent Association will have its annual "Run Like You Stole Something" Fun Run fundraiser Saturday, September 24, at 8 a.m. at Shelbyville Central High School. Sign up at https://www.reg2run.com/index.php/event_details/327 or contact Kim Nash at Shelbyville Police Department, 931-684-5811. The first 100 sign-ups will receive a bag of goodies.

ONGOING

Soup kitchen

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen serves meals from 4-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 336 S. Cannon Blvd. (corner of South Cannon and Pickle Street). Doors open at 3:45. Donations may be made to Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen, P.O. Box 2259, Shelbyville, TN 37162, and are tax deductible under its 501c3 non-profit designation. Boxed non-perishables are available. Takeouts are no longer distributed.

Dig into tasty, nutritious potatoes

Potatoes are a staple of many people's diets. Versatile, affordable and tasty, potatoes are, not surprisingly, included in myriad recipes. Potatoes are underground tubers that grow on the roots of the potato plant. Potatoes are from the nightshade family, which means they're related to tobacco and tomatoes. Potatoes are native to South America, and were likely brought to Europe, and later North America, by immigrants and traders. In addition to their versatility and flavor, potatoes happen to be nutritional powerhouses. Potatoes are one of the "good" carbohydrates because they are whole and complex. Whole carbs like potatoes are

minimally processed and contain fiber found naturally, according to the health and wellness site Healthline. Carbohydrates are important for mental and physical performance because they provide the body with energy. Here's a deep look at what a serving of one potato provides in terms of nutritional benefits, courtesy of Potatoes USA. • Moderate caloric content: The average potato contains just 110 calories. That makes potatoes part of a healthy, low-calorie eating plan. • Vitamin C: Potatoes are very good sources of vitamin C, although people might not think of potatoes as a major source of this essential nutrient. One potato provides around 30 percent of the

recommended daily value of vitamin C. • Potassium: Each potato contains about 620 mg of potassium, which is more of this valuable nutrient than one gets from a banana. • No cholesterol: Potatoes are cholesterol- and fat-free when boiled or baked. There are many ways to prepare and serve potatoes so they remain low in fat and cholesterol-free. • Vitamin B and Iron: One potato provides 10 percent DV of vitamin B and 6 percent DV of iron. • Fiber: The highest level of fiber in potatoes is found in the skin. Dried skins are about 52 percent fiber. If you don't eat the skin, one potato will offer around 7 percent DV of fiber.

• Sodium-free: Potatoes are a smart choice for those watching their sodium intake. • Gluten-free: People with Celiac disease or those who have gluten intolerances can turn to potatoes to include starchy carbohydrates in their diets. They're perfect as side dishes or dressed up with other ingredients to make a main course. Potatoes come in many different forms and sizes, so they can be integrated into any meal. Because they can be cooked in various ways, potatoes also can be matched to particular diets and eating plans. Potatoes are a delicious, versatile and healthy option any time of the day, surprisingly, included in myriad recipes.

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COMMUNITY '62 REUNION



Community High School Class of 1962 recently held its reunion at River Bend Country Club. Classmates, front row, from left, Vivian Crick Prince, Hazel Epperson Butler, Carolyn Moore Molder, Peggy Faris Orrell, Georgia Haynes Hutchison, Marie Noblitt Smith, Virgie Beasley Summers, Brenda Lamb Sudberry, Pam Heath Miller, back row, from left, Morris Helton, Homer Gray, Larry Smith, Gerald Grissom, Stan Sandlin, Gene Molder, Joe Brothers, Rodney Scales and Wayne Crowell. Spouses (not pictured) also attended the reunion.

FUMC-Shelbyville welcomes new pastor Zimmermans settle into City

STAFF REPORT

The Rev. Abe Zimmerman shared recently how he enjoys good food and trying new dishes. Knowing the culinary reputation of the cooks at FUMC-Shelbyville, the new pastor has come to the right place.

But of course his main goal at FUMC-Shelbyville is to share the Bread of Life—The Gospel of Jesus Christ. He takes his call to the ministry very serious.

Preacher Zimmerman was born and raised in New Jersey, leaving the Garden State to answer his call to ministry. He would go on to complete his studies at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Ky.

Incidentally, it was at Asbury, in 2009, when he met future wife, Izzie. The two married in August, 2011, just after Izzie completed her master of arts in intercultural studies.

Following Abe's completion of a master of divinity degree, he began pastoral ministry in 2013, as a pulpit supply for a Presbyterian USA Church (northeast Mississippi) as he discerned ordination in the United Methodist Church.

In 2016, Izzie was hired by the TNUMC Conference. Abe was then appointed to serve Blankenship UMC in Shelbyville.

After 2 years, he was appointed to Hartsville UMC and Chapel UMC where he has served the last 4 years. Beginning in September 2021, Izzie



began a new role in what is now the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference as ministry associate of Connect and Discover/Send (twkumc.org.)

On Feb. 3, 2020, Abe and Izzie welcomed their son, Nehemiah. Within a few weeks, the whole world began shutting down as COVID-19 spread. They admit their first two years of parenthood have been a "uniquely blessed and challenging time."

Nehemiah reportedly likes cars, trucks, trains, and emergency and construction vehicles. The toddler takes a few minutes to warm up to new situa-

tions and people but he's really enjoying life, shared his dad.

"He loves being outdoors, especially playing in the dirt and water," added his mom.

So it is obvious that little Nehemiah is close to the couple's heart. But they also enjoy their own hobbies, when time permits.

The pastor shared that he enjoys keeping up with sports such as football and ultimate fighting. He spends a lot of time, he said, outdoors, going to the park or throwing rocks into the creek with his son. For leisure time, he watches movies, plays the

Xbox, reads, and listens to podcasts.

Izzie explains with a smile that she used to have hobbies but mainly spends her time these days doing age-appropriate versions of them with their toddler. The mom and son enjoy painting, drawing, and other creating together.

If she does get some time to herself, she enjoys some TV shows, trying new recipes and working on craft projects. Of course her duties as the preacher's wife are also important.

A welcome potluck meal is being planned in the Zimmermans' honor on Sunday.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Send church news and events to tgnews@t-g.com.

Baptist

The 10 a.m. message at **Calvary Baptist Church** will be "Do What You Did At First (Part 1)" by Bro. Tyler Shoemaker. The service will be livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook.

First Baptist Church-Depot Street is holding Vacation Bible School on Friday, July 15 from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, July 16 from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Participants should bring a swimsuit and towel.

First Baptist Church in Normandy has rescheduled its Vacation Bible School to July 10-15 1st. Children ages 3 years to 6th grade are welcome. Call 931-205-3922 for more information.

"I Give Them Eternal Life, and They Will Never Perish" from Romans 8:35-39 will be Bro. Bobby McGee's message at **Grace Baptist Church**.

Christian (Disciples of Christ)

First Christian Church is concluding its series on the G.O.A.T. (Greatest of All Time) with a message on the leadership of Jesus in lives today, from John 5.

Church of Christ

Sunday morning's sermon by Ronnie Greenhagan at 10 a.m. at **Bell Buckle Church of Christ** will be "Extravagant Love" from Mark chapter 13. The 5 p.m. sermon Sunday will be "Live And Make A Difference" from Daniel 1.

The series on "The Superior Teachings of Christ" continues Sunday at **Southside Church of Christ** with the lesson "Jesus & Common Sense" from Matthew 7:28-29 at 10 a.m. Vacation Bible School will be held Monday through Thursday from 6:30-8 p.m. daily. Sunday morning and regular Wednesday services are livestreamed at cofcsouthside.com.

Methodist

Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church is hosting an ice cream supper and 150th anniversary homecoming celebration at 5 p.m. Saturday, July 16.

Multi-denominational

The churches of Normandy will hold a Community Worship and Lunch under a tent on Front Street in Normandy on Sunday, July 17, at 10 a.m. A barbecue lunch will be provided.

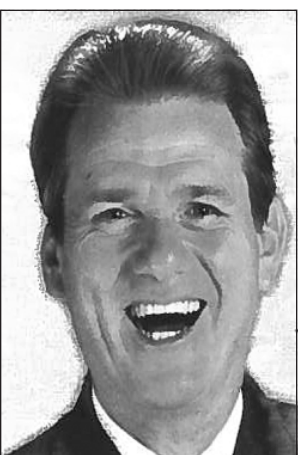
Non-Denominational

The Shelbyville Church, 1014 W. Lane St., will host a singing with the Southridge Singers on Saturday, July 16 at 6 p.m.

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church's 10 a.m. sermon by Pastor Jim Moran will be based on Colossians 1:1-14. Services are livestreamed on Facebook. Vacation Bible School will be July 17-21 from 5-8:30 p.m.

Evangelist Ring to visit Fellowship for Christ



David Ring

Cerebral Palsy on Oct. 28, 1953, in Jonesboro, Ark.

He was orphaned as a child, therefore being tossed as he calls it "pillar to post" most of his young life.

Ring began preaching The Gospel, because of his

love of Jesus Christ—The One, he says, who brought him out of the shadows of his disappointments.

He is now nationally known, having shared his story with hundreds of thousands across the world

in churches, schools and at corporate events.

When he speaks, an audience is likely to hear him say, "I have Cerebral Palsy. What's your problem?"



Join Us!

First Church of God on 274 Anthony Ln in Shelbyville, Tennessee is a small church based on faith, love and the Holy Bible. We are small in numbers and just a big family gathered every Sunday morning at 10 am for Bible study and 11 am for congregation service as we worship and praise the Lord, give our thanks and honor to Him and have a Bible believing preacher to preach for us. We are currently pastor-less and in great need of a pastor, faithful and helpful members, and workers. We would love for anyone interested in a new church or a job at a church to come and visit us. We firmly believe in Jesus Christ and truly repenting and turning from sin. We believe in the church of God foundation of sanctification, and try our best to live a sinless life in honoring God and His plans for us.

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be Saved." - Romans 10:13

DAVID RING MINISTRIES

YOU'VE NEVER HEARD A SPEAKER LIKE DAVID RING!

Join us July 10th at 11am
At Fellowship for Christ Church
non-denominational bible-believing church

142 Richdale Lane, Shelbyville, TN

Don't miss this life-changing event!

This is a free event. A love offering will be taken.

By **DAWN HANKINS**
dhankins@t-g.com

Shelbyville has the rare opportunity to hear possibly one of the most inspirational evangelists of our time—one who has been sharing The Gospel since 1973. David Ring is coming to Fellowship for Christ Church at 142 Richdale Lane on Sunday, July 10.

Services are at 11 a.m. This is a free event, though the church will be taking a love offering for the ministry.

A lot of special things have been said on radio and talk shows over the years about David Ring's ministry. He was born with

BC Adopt-a-Teacher enters year three

By **TINA CORLEY**
Special to the T-G

Bedford County Adopt-a-Teacher is back for the 3rd year! This little idea that began with the faith of a mustard seed back in June of 2020 has grown into something so spectacular for our local public school teachers.

The concept is quite simple. As a teacher you become a member of the Facebook page, create an Amazon wish list for your classroom needs and share that wish list to our page. That wish list is then shared by the teacher from our page to the teacher's personal Facebook page. In most instances, the sharing continues to occur thereafter. That's how we've grown our group so successfully.

People are invited to view the teachers' wish lists, choose items to purchase and the item is shipped directly to the teacher! It's takes only a minute to make a difference! It's simple.

Adopt-a-Teacher helps to set the teacher up for success as they embark upon

a new school year. This Facebook page not only helps them with the purchase of classroom supplies that they often pay for out of pocket, but teachers also receive an enormous morale booster by how engaged our community is in their give-back efforts.

The campaign runs for just over 6, very intense, weeks and is spearheaded solely by me, Tina Corley.

When people visit our page, they are guaranteed to find JOY! It's even a page rule that spreading kindness is rule number 1. Everything else follows suit if kindness is at the forefront of our mission. And because I manage the page, I single-handedly guarantee it!

I get countless private messages from teachers locally sharing how much the group means to them. Retiring the need for classroom supplies is fantastic, but feeling appreciated for what they bring to our community is immeasurable. THAT is why I work so hard to drive a successful campaign.

Last year alone, throughout the 6 week campaign, nearly \$45,000 in classroom supplies and teacher giveaways were raised. Local businesses have been very responsive when I've reached out to ask for giveaways and many have proactively reached out to me with offers after they see and hear how exciting this part of our campaign is. I share giveaways a few at a time on our page, teachers must like the donor's business Facebook page and comment on the post to enter. I then conduct LIVE drawings on Facebook that are guaranteed fun and full of positive energy!

Who doesn't like to laugh and win something in one fell swoop? The live drawings have really taken the campaign to the next level. It gives me a chance to surprise teachers with fun local giveaways and I plug the local businesses simultaneously. So many of our page members had no idea of various small businesses throughout our community, but thanks to our page they are now well

aware and often times even become customers. It truly is a win-win!

I've been contacted by many counties throughout Tennessee and states all across the country that have heard about the success of our campaign. As a matter of fact, we have 63 counties within the state of Tennessee and 21 states outside of Tennessee represented as members of our group. Their question is always the same—"What makes your campaign so successful?" and my answer is always the same.

Many years ago I had a handful of teachers who believed in me when I didn't believe in myself. They truly changed the trajectory of my life. This campaign is my opportunity to give back to our difference makers, our teachers! This campaign has shown me, and hopefully our local teachers, that so many wanted to say 'thank you' but just didn't have a platform to do so; that's what Bedford County Adopt-a-Teacher is all about. WE LOVE AND APPRECIATE OUR



Tina Corley

TEACHERS!

A little data about our current campaign that re-launched on June 9. We currently have just under 2,000 members on our page and since launch on June 9, our page has been visited over 31,000 times in only 28 days! That's more than I could've ever imagined. We've already had thousands and thousands of dollars in classroom supplies purchased and delivered to teachers all throughout the community. We've also given out a lot of really fantastic items from local businesses that wanted to express their appreciation to our teachers.

I have so many other really fantastic things in the funnel for this campaign that are already guaranteed to happen, but it's too soon for me to share the details just yet. I'll save that for a

future LIVE on our page. All the more reason for you to join our page and become a member of something that's guaranteed to bring you an immense amount of JOY! That is a promise! And maybe you'll even feel inspired and want to gift a teacher?

You'd be surprised how far a box of crayons will go; I challenge you to give it a try.

Feel free to message me via Facebook if you have any questions about our campaign.

Thank you so much!

•Tina Corley is a resident of Bedford County. She volunteers a lot of her time to the county's Adopt-a-Teacher page/program on Facebook. The T-G salutes Tina on what she's doing for the teachers, and students, of Bedford County.

State Primary/County General Election

August 4, 2022



Early Voting Schedule

July 15 – July 30, 2022

July 15, Fri	8:00 – 5:00
16, Sat	8:00 – 12:00
18, Mon	8:00 – 5:00
19, Tue	8:00 – 5:00
20, Wed	8:00 – 5:00
21, Thu	8:00 – 5:00
22, Fri	8:00 – 5:00
23, Sat	8:00 – 12:00
25, Mon	8:00 – 5:00
26, Tue	8:00 – 5:00
27, Wed	8:00 – 5:00
28, Thu	8:00 – 5:00
29, Fri	8:00 – 5:00
30, Sat	8:00 – 12:00

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4x4 scheduling is doable

By **KATHIE HABER**
Special to the T-G

I read with interest the article on the new schedule for the county high schools. As a former high school math teacher, not in Tennessee, I understand local parent and student concerns.

My school went on block schedules from an 8-period day. Teachers had to learn to teach differently. They cannot do the old fashion lecture. They need to incorporate learning activities into their style. Teachers that already did activities found the transition easy.

We required 4 years of English; 2 years of language; 2 years of math; 2 years of science; 3 years of history, which included U.S. government and our state history (after which students had to take an exam which was part of a graduation requirement.)

There was a requirement for PE, art and music. I can't remember the number of credits for each. We required a credit for computer literacy which could be taken through the business department or math department. These were the basic requirements.

If you declared an interest in a science or math you took more science and math courses. If you were in computer, you took more computer classes and math. We offered web design through our business department.

In our 4 x 4 there were some classes that were only 45 minutes. We evolved to having Friday as the day that clubs, band, chorus and debate club met as some needed more time. There was a time built in the day for clubs but there were some that needed more time. We also had extra help built into the daily schedule so students who were having difficulty in classes could get help or makeup a missed test.

There was concern raised about special ed students. We had many integrated into our classes. Those that were more learning challenged had their own curriculum and there were breaks throughout the day as the educators know that they learn in short chunks versus long chunks. As I said before, teachers have to learn a different style. I had different styles for different classes.

AP classes were not affected, in fact, the teachers liked them. As a com-



Kathie Haber

puter programming educator, I loved block scheduling as did the students. We were able to cover more languages in a year! Think one year I did C++ and Pascal.

Students will need to develop more self discipline and hone their focus skills. Put the TV, cell phone and any distraction away from where they are studying. Learn to block out sound. We know it's done with select hearing! You don't need to answer a text, phone call, or IM immediately unless it's an emergency from a parent. Your friends can wait!

Young people are amazed at the focus the older generations have. We learned that skill and have kept it. It has served us well in business and life.

Blocked scheduling will evolve. It's going to be tweaked. By the time the 4 years are done, the block scheduling in place will not be what was begun. There will be more courses that will need to be added.

Education is ever evolving because the world is changing rapidly. I recall what was covered when I went to high school to what and how I was taught. As an educator I find it exciting and I'm wondering what will come.

Kathie Haber
Bedford County

• Kathie Haber was on the team of teachers at her school who investigated this type of schedule. She visited different schools in and out of her state and talked to teachers and students about what they liked, didn't like, and how it changed their education, both teaching and learning. She says while her school had "skeptics" too, they brought in teachers and students to present firsthand their experiences. The T-G appreciates her sharing her past teaching experiences and welcome other educators to do the same.

OFFICIAL BALLOT
STATE OF TENNESSEE
BEDFORD COUNTY
AUGUST 4, 2022
STATE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

TENNESSEE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 62
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

PAT MARSH

WRITE-IN

GOVERNOR
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

BILL LEE

WRITE-IN

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN DISTRICT 14
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

RICHARD T FLOYD

WRITE-IN

OFFICIAL BALLOT
STATE OF TENNESSEE
BEDFORD COUNTY
AUGUST 4, 2022
STATE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 4
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

SCOTT DesJARLAIS

WRITE-IN

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEWOMAN DISTRICT 14
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

LYNNE DAVIS

WRITE-IN

OFFICIAL BALLOT
STATE OF TENNESSEE
BEDFORD COUNTY
AUGUST 4, 2022
STATE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 4
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

WAYNE STEELE

WRITE-IN

GOVERNOR
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

CARNITA FAYE ATWATER

WRITE-IN

TENNESSEE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 62
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

NO CANDIDATE QUALIFIED

JB SMILEY JR.

WRITE-IN

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN DISTRICT 14
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

NO CANDIDATE QUALIFIED

WRITE-IN

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEWOMAN DISTRICT 14
Vote For One (1)
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JANE TUCKER

WRITE-IN

OFFICIAL BALLOT
COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION
BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE
AUGUST 4, 2022

CHANCELLOR DISTRICT 17
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

J.B. COX
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE PART I DISTRICT 17
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

FOREST A DURARD JR
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL DISTRICT 17
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

ROBERT J. CARTER
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE PART II DISTRICT 17
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

WYATT BURK
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

PUBLIC DEFENDER DISTRICT 17
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

DONNA ORR HARGROVE
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY MAYOR
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

CHAD GRAHAM
Republican Party Nominee

MISTY L. PELLAR
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

GREGORY G VICK
Republican Party Nominee

TONY R. SMITH
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

DREW HOOKER
Republican Party Nominee

ERIC MADDOX
Republican Party Nominee

DON GALLAGHER
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 3
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

JANICE L BROTHERS
Independent Candidate

JASON SANDERS
Independent Candidate

TROY THOMPSON
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 4
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

ANITA MURRAY EPPERSON
Independent Candidate

BRIAN FARRIS
Independent Candidate

DIANE NEELEY
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

SCOTT L. JOHNSON
Republican Party Nominee

JEFF SWEENEY
Republican Party Nominee

TRACEY STRASSNER
Independent Candidate

JIM WALKER
Independent Candidate

J.D. "BO" WILSON SR.
Independent Candidate

LINDA BOMAR YOCKEY
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 6
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

BILL ANDERSON
Independent Candidate

ADAM THOMAS
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 8
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

JOHN BOUTWELL
Republican Party Nominee

JASON K. BOYETTE
Republican Party Nominee

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 7
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

BRIAN BRENTON
Republican Party Nominee

JULIE WELLS SANDERS
Republican Party Nominee

SYLVIA PINSON
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 9
Vote For Two (2)
0 selected, incomplete

P. T. "BIFF" FARRAR
Independent Candidate

MARK THOMAS
Independent Candidate

ROBERT WARREN
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY TRUSTEE
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

TONYA DAVIS
Republican Party Nominee

WRITE-IN

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

MICHELLE MURRAY
Republican Party Nominee

WRITE-IN

GENERAL SESSIONS JUDGE
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

CHARLES L. RICH
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY CLERK
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

DONNA THOMAS
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

SHERIFF
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

AUSTIN SWING
Republican Party Nominee

WRITE-IN

REGISTER OF DEEDS
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

JOHNNY REED
Democratic Party Nominee

WRITE-IN

SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT 2
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

BRIAN CREWS
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT 7
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

NO CANDIDATE QUALIFIED

WRITE-IN

SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT 3
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

DAN REED
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

MAYOR Bell Buckle
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

RONNIE LOKEY

WRITE-IN

SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT 4
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

COURTNEY BOGLE
Republican Party Nominee

WRITE-IN

ALDERMAN Bell Buckle
Vote For Two (2)
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DAVID B. VANNATTA

WRITE-IN

JUDICIAL RETENTION QUESTIONS

Supreme Court At Large
Vote For One (1)
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Shall Jeffrey S. Bivins be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

RETAIN

REPLACE

Supreme Court At Large
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

Shall Sarah K. Campbell be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

RETAIN

REPLACE

Supreme Court At Large
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

Shall Sharon Gail Lee be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

RETAIN

REPLACE

Supreme Court At Large
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

Shall Roger A. Page be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

RETAIN

REPLACE

Court of Appeals Eastern Division
Vote For One (1)
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Shall Thomas R. "Skip" Frierson be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

RETAIN

REPLACE

Court of Appeals Eastern Division
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

Shall Kristi Davis be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

RETAIN

REPLACE

Court of Appeals Eastern Division
Vote For One (1)
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Shall John W. McClarty be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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Welcome to Bell Buckle Park

From summer concerts to Petanque games, Bell Buckle Park on Peacock Street is a great tourist stop.

Bell Buckle Park is proud to be an integral part of the Town of Bell Buckle's Tree City USA program with a memorial and honorary tree program. Dozens of trees have been planted at the park with brick markers honoring and remembering loved ones.

The Park offers opportunities for all to enjoy. Residents and visitors alike can enjoy the serene beauty of the park or take advantage of the healthful benefits of a brisk walk on the walking trail or have fun at the Ward Anderson Playground.

For large groups, the picnic pavilion may be rented.

Bell Buckle hopes that the park is an enjoyable venue for all who visit. The Park Board strives to continue to create a unique place addressing the fundamental needs of our community and celebrate the spirit of the railroad town.

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Thank God for children, grandchildren

Psalm 127:3-5 says: "Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from Him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them."

..... I was looking back at some of my old columns, and I came across this one from 2012 that I'm sharing with you today. I was writing about children being "a heritage from the Lord."

I thank God for my children and my grandchildren.

Everyone of them bear the bloodline of the Northern Dezotells and the Southern Freemans (Lynn's side of the family). What a wonderful mix.

Looking back when granddaughters 1 & 2 were just babies, I read the following:

..... I was sitting in my chair this morning with Charlie on my left side and Kori on my lap. Charli was busy playing a game on my iPad and Kori, with a big smile on her face, was watching her older cousin at work.

It was a wonderful moment. I was all wrapped up in the love of my granddaughters. It was a very special morning!

Yesterday, I spoke with my oldest son, Gabe. He called from his beautiful mountaintop perch in northern California to tell my wife and me that he loved us.

In fact, I spoke with all three of my children yesterday, and every one of them said, "I love you!" It was a good day!

This past weekend, my wife and I played hosts to our friend, Linda Thompson and six of her children. We had kids all over the place from Friday afternoon through Monday morning. It was a great weekend!

Linda is the founder and director of Native American Outreach Ministries, Inc. (NAOMI) in Jackrabbit, Arizona.

Last month I took a group of fellow "short-term missionaries" out to NAOMI for a week of ministry.

Every one of our team members had a memorable experience as they shared their love and the love of Christ with the children there in the high desert just south of the Navajo Reservation in northern Arizona.

King Solomon wrote in Psalm 127 that the person who has a "quiver full" of children is blessed.

I know that my wife and I are blessed with our three children and our two

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Bedford builds community
Event by event

COOL ON THE 4TH



Katt Stanford submitted this photo of some cool folks on July 4.

Enjoy family day at the fair

With July 4, 2022, now history, it's time for county fairs. Bedford County Fair is July 18-23 at the Ag Center/Fairgrounds on Midland Road, located off Highway 231 North.

Families who plan ahead for the festivities may be able to improve their experiences. Below are some tips to enhance a day at the county fair.

- Purchase passes in advance. Some fairs enable visitors to purchase entry tickets, parking passes and even game vouchers online. There are advantages to doing so, such as bundling discounts. Buying tickets in advance also cuts down on time spent waiting in line.
- Devise a basic plan. Look over the list of attractions and activities to gauge what you want to get out

of the fair. Some fairs post their calendars online. With kids in tow, you'll likely want to check out any children's rides or animal exhibits and interactions. Create a generalized plan, but be flexible, especially when going with other families.

- Think about safety. Fairs attract thousands of people and that can

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FUN TIMES WITH DAD



Photo by Kelsey Sommers
Zane Sommers and his oldest son, Ford Sommers, and youngest, Judson Sommers, all enjoyed their recent holiday together.

4TH SWEETNESS



Cameron Sutton submitted this July 4 photo of Hoyt and Waffles in their patriotic matching pajamas and bandanas.



Thank you

They hand you a bag of hamburgers and fries with a smile.

They are nameless faces doing a mostly thankless job.

In a time when so many people don't want to work, I want to say thank you to those who are willing to cook hamburgers, wait on tables, take orders at the drive-thru windows, wash dishes and dispose of trash. Those willing to serve as shippers of goods, those serving in customer service at businesses and those laboring in the hot sun fixing our streets and electricity, I salute you as well.

You can't drive more than a few yards down any street with businesses without seeing signs proclaiming, "we are hiring."

Last Saturday at a local chain restaurant I watched as basically one server was taking orders and delivering food and drinks to an entire dining room area. It was amazing to see how much energy she had for the job. But what impressed me the most was despite the demands she was able to deliver food with a smile. Her restaurant is one of those with a sign seeking help.

The lack of people wanting to work has baffled me. I try to stay away from politics in this space, but I don't know how people without jobs are surviving, especially with inflation raising prices on most products and services.

Due to a lack of workers some businesses, mainly restaurants, have been forced to reduce the number of days they are open or to limit the hours they are able to be open.

Hotels are resorting to the use of robots who can carry luggage, check in and check out guests, make room service deliveries and even serve as concierges. While it may cut down on the tips you have to dole out, it also eliminates personal contact with others.

Not all jobs are pleasant. I have been lucky through most of my life to look forward to going to work each day.

Many jobs are physically demanding. I worked four summers in the shipping room at the old Empire Pencil Company. Due to the increase in shipping of school supplies many young people, primarily college students, were hired to work in the shipping room as well as other parts of the factory. It was hot and often monotonous. The usual workday was 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. five days a week and 7 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

But the pay was good. It was considered to be a plumb job despite the demands. I wonder today how difficult it would be to fill those spots.

Woody Allen, the comedian, writer and director, once said "80 percent of success in life is showing up".

Thank those who are showing up today. Now more than ever they deserve your kind words.



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Community building activities

The adage “Rome wasn’t built in a day” dates back to the 12th century. Though the saying is now nearly a millennium old, its message, namely that time is necessary to create great things, is as true in 2022 as it was in 1190.

Building great communities takes time, but that process is often escalated when community members take collective action to make their towns or cities happier, healthier and safer places to live. One great way to make community-building the collective affair it needs to be is to plan activities that all community members can engage in and enjoy. The following are four community-building activities that can attract all members of the community.

1. A community fun run/walk is great for singles, families, children, and the elderly. These events typically draw crowds who will either participate in a 5K run or walk (roughly 3.1 miles) or spectators who cheer them on. The event typically begins in the center of town and then circles back so everyone begins and ends the day in the heart of town. An added benefit to this type of event is that participants usually run or walk for the benefit of a charity. Community organizers can choose a locally-based charitable organization to make the event even more community-friendly.

2. A taste of the town event is a great way to entice local foodies to get out of the house and enjoy some delicious foods prepared by local restaurants. Host this outdoor event on Main Street or at local park or school and allow local restaurant owners to set up food trucks or stands so community members can sample their most delicious dishes. This is a great way to bring the community together and promote local business.

3. Encourage local musicians to showcase their unique talents with a community music festival. Invite a local radio station to host a show at the festival and encourage local bars and restaurants to set up tents or food trucks so music lovers can enjoy some food and beverages while they watch their neighbors perform.

4. Many adults fondly recall school-wide field days when they were in elementary schools. Communities can capitalize on those fond memories by organizing community-wide field days that encourage participation from all residents. Categorize events by age, so residents young and old can compete, and group size, so families and singles can compete against one another in events like three-legged races or horse-shoes.

Have kids; will travel

Prior to having children, few adults would bat an eye at spontaneous weekend excursions or discounted red-eye travel deals that required little more than a hastily packed carry-on bag and passport in hand. Once adults make the decisions to expand their families, traveling—even short distances—often requires precise and detailed planning.

Children add the element of surprise and the unexpected — not to mention extra gear — and parents must adapt accordingly when they travel with their little ones. Traveling with young children requires a little extra planning and patience, but with these pointers, parents might be more properly prepared for the journey.

• Pack for the journey. Anticipate what your child may need, but remember, unless you are traveling to a remote location, there’s a good chance you can buy many items at your destination. Direct much of your focus on packing items you’ll need for the journey, and less on what you’ll need once you arrive. Food and entertainment are two key components to keep in mind.

• Factor in “stretch your legs” opportunities. Children have limited attention spans and abilities to stay put. According to Brain Balance, a program for improving concentration, children between the ages of two and six have attention spans from four to 18 minutes. Since kids may not be able to sit still the entire time, build breaks into trips so they can get up, run around and expend some of their boundless energy.

• Travel early morning or late at night. Morning flights tend to be less

crowded and are less likely to have takeoff delays that can push kids into meltdown mode. Kids are apt to be tired in the wee hours of the morning or later in the evening, so traveling, whether by road or sky, when they’re likely to sleep can be advantageous.

• Plan accommodations wisely. Choose lodging that fits your needs. Some people prefer a rental home because it affords more space and the ability to save money by preparing some meals at “home.” However, certain hotels may have babysitting services or recreational activities for children, enabling Mom or Dad to have a little time off.

• Bring a light stroller and baby sling/carrier. A full-sized stroller may be cumbersome, especially on sand or cobblestone. A sling or carrier enables you to navigate crowded places with ease. A lightweight, folding stroller can be used as a temporary bed for naps or when your toddler has tired out from walking.

• Know security rules. Check with the airline for confirmation, but the TSA generally allows formula, breast milk, and juice in quantities greater than 3.4 ounces or 100 milliliters in carry-on baggage. It does not need to fit within a quart-sized bag. Remove these items from your carry-on bag to be screened separately from the rest of your belongings.

• Explain the itinerary. For young children who are able to understand, spell out what will be happening along the journey so they know what to expect. This can help calm nerves and prevent tantrums.

Traveling with young children requires a little extra planning and patience.

BACKYARD OLYMPICS



Submitted photos
 It’s obvious from this July 4 photo that this group likely has fun, wherever they go.

LITTLE AMERICAN



This little American waved her American Flag proudly during the holiday. The photo was submitted by Sara Norman Snively.

MOM AND SONS CELEBRATE



Levi and Luke Landers and their mom, Natalie Wooten, said they really enjoyed hanging out by the pool together on July 4th.

STYLIN’ GIRLS



Amanda Marie Dye submitted this patriotic photo, with two little girls making quite the patriotic fashion statement.

PATRIOTIC SKATER



Weston Johnson took in a little scooter-time on the 4th. The photo was submitted by Suzy Johnson.

Community service projects for kids

The importance of giving back to one’s community is a value that parents can instill in their children at an early age.

Learning about worthy causes in local communities can help develop empathy in children and give them insight into those who live outside of their social and economic spheres. In addition, encouraging children to take part in community service can teach them skills they would not necessarily learn in the classroom.

Getting involved in community service as a child may lead to a lifelong commitment to giving back. The following are some ways children can get involved in community

service projects.

Children can visit seniors in nursing homes or assisted living facilities, provided that the visits are cleared with the home’s staff. Kids can work alongside seniors on craft projects or participate in games like bingo.

Volunteering with a local soup kitchen can teach children about the plight of the less fortunate. Kids also can collect canned or boxed food and deliver it to food pantries so that no needy family has to go hungry.

Working with the principal of a local school, children can make plans to improve the grounds. Ideas include repairing play equipment,

planting trees, adding a vegetable or flower garden, or installing buddy benches where friends can find each other and hang out.

Kids can gather used eyeglasses and donate to an organization that recycles them for the needy.

Kids can reward first responders and military personnel who live in their communities by putting together care packages for them and their families.

Children can gather like-minded friends and participate in a beach or park cleanup.

Service projects are great ways for kids to get involved and give back to their communities.

July 4 celebrated in great ways



The group Utopia performed at the City-sponsored 4th of July event.



Little ones seemed to enjoy even the smallest catch on July 4th. Photo submitted by Kayla Marie George.



Fireworks were even watched lakeside last weekend.



Sparklers seemed to make many little ones happy.



Photos by Jennifer Swann

City Councilman Gary Haile led the Pledge of Allegiance during the City's annual fireworks event at H.V. Griffin Park.



Area lakes provide great fun on Independence Day.

Lots of activity

Local residents celebrated the 4th in a variety of ways—from boating to luncheons at the Rec Center. Some families just enjoyed the time together, watching the fireworks boom.



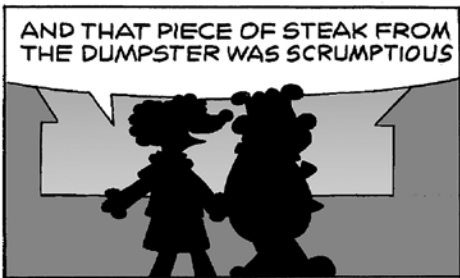
City fireworks were displayed in all their glory about 9 p.m., last Monday.



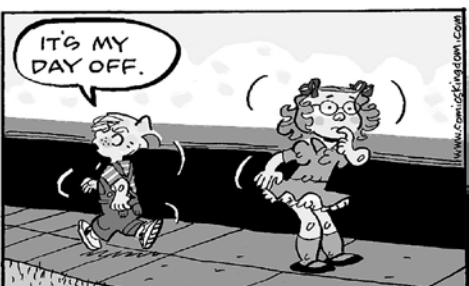
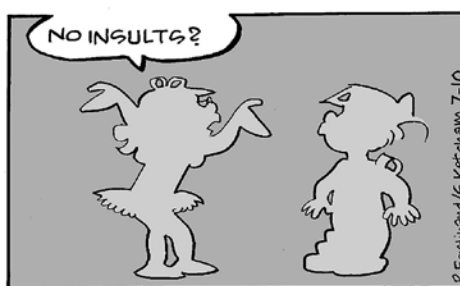
Norma Branch and Myrtle Shields enjoyed music by Rodney Hill and David Manire during Shelbyville Parks and Recreation Department's annual senior lunch at the Rec Center on July 4th.

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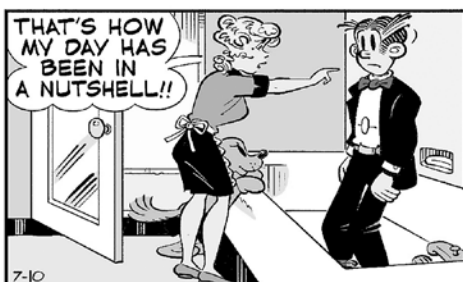
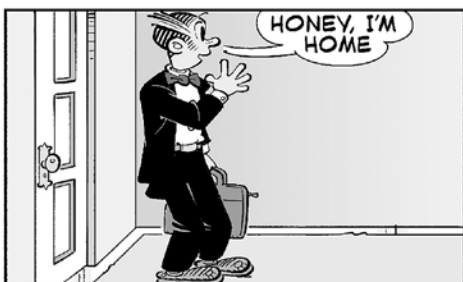
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Hank Ketchum's **Dennis the Menace** Hi Time!



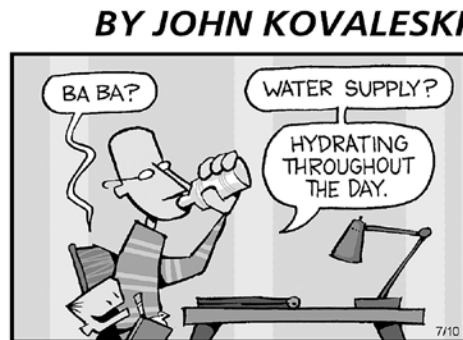
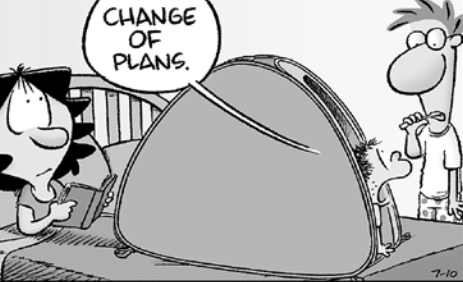
BLONDIE BY SEAN PETERS & JOHN MARSHALL



The FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane



PICKLES BY BRIAN CRANE



SALLY FORTH

by Francesco Marciuliano

AMAZING BREATH CONTROL THERE, TED.

LISTEN, TED, I KNOW IT MUST SEEM WEIRD YOU SEEING ME WITH YOUR MOM...

BUT YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND, I'VE ONLY KNOWN HER AS MY MOM, AND I'VE ONLY KNOWN HER AS BEING WITH MY DAD...

WELL, I DIDN'T SEE YOU WITH MY MOM... I MEAN, NOT IN THE WAY THAT... OKAY, I'VE ALREADY RUINED MY HALF OF THE CONVERSATION, SO LET ME START OVER...

AND YEAH, MY DAD COULD HAVE BEEN NICER TO MY MOM. LESS SELFISH, LESS NEEDY. HE COULD HAVE SUPPORTED HER AS MUCH AS SHE SUPPORTED HIM.

HE COULD HAVE SEEN THE FAMILY NOT MERELY AS AN EXTENSION OF HIMSELF AND NOT MADE EVERYTHING ABOUT HIM, EVERYTHING TO ASSUAGE HIS INSECURITIES, EVERY SINGLE TIME...

I KNOW MY MOM HAD A WHOLE OTHER LIFE BEFORE SHE WAS MY MOM. AND I KNOW SHE HAS ONE AFTER WE ALL MOVED OUT AND DESPITE THREE OF MY ADULT BROTHERS MOVING BACK IN...

LISTEN, I'M LIKE THIS CLOSE TO ASKING YOU TO PLAY CATCH WITH ME.

HOW ABOUT I TEACH YOU CRICKET INSTEAD? IT'S LIKE CALVINBALL BUT WITH A LOT MORE RULES.

The PHANTOM

THERE'S SOMETHING BEHIND ME... I'M CERTAIN OF IT.

I'LL SET THE TORCH HERE AND KEEP MOVING...

...SEE WHAT STEPS INTO THE LIGHT.

THE BEASTS I ENCOUNTERED HERE IN THE PAST LURKED IN THE DEEPER REACHES OF THE LABYRINTH.

WHY WOULD ONE BE SHADOWING ME ALREADY, SO CLOSE TO THE SURFACE?

YOU KNOW, IT'S OKAY TO CHOOSE A LOVELY TROPICAL BEACH OVER A DEATH-CHARGED HELLHOLE SPAWNED BY AN ANCIENT SCIENCE GONE MAD.

A FAIR POINT! BUT WHAT KIND OF PHANTOM WIFE WOULD I BE THEN?

DEVIL! WHAT ARE YOU DOING ON MY TRAIL, BIG FELLA?

IT'S A RARE DAY WHEN YOU DISOBEY MY COMMANDS...

I TOLD YOU TO STAY WITH DIANA.

HE DID STAY WITH ME! JUST AS I'M STAYING WITH YOU.

A FAIR POINT! BUT WHAT KIND OF PHANTOM WIFE WOULD I BE THEN?

Hi and Lois

EVERYBODY COME HERE. TIME FOR A NIGHTTIME HISTORY LESSON.

FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS, PEOPLE SLEPT IN TWO PHASES.

"FIRST SLEEP" BEGAN AT DUSK...

THEY'D WAKE UP AROUND MIDNIGHT...

AND DO HOUSEHOLD CHORES.

"SECOND SLEEP" LASTED UNTIL SUNRISE.

SOUNDS LIKE A TYPICAL NIGHT WITH TRIxie.

I'M MAINTAINING A TRADITION.

ZITS BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN

IRONING SOME SHIRTS... WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?

THE LOCKHORNS

BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER

"I FEEL A SONG COMING ON" IS NOT A THREAT.

"YOU KNOW THAT SOCK YOU SAID WAS LOST IN THE DRYER? ... I THINK I FOUND IT."

"LEROY HAS BEEN GOING TO THE GYM REGULARLY... THEIR TV SPORTS PACKAGE IS BETTER THAN OURS."

FUNKY WINKERBEAN

by TOM BATHUK

32 ANN APPLE
34 MRS. NUNN
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WELCOME BACK, OLD FRIEND!

SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS BY BOB WEBER JR.

Rachel Rabbit says Harry Ape and his weasel cohort stole an eight-slice pizza, minus one slice, from her picnic table. Harry insists he bought an eight-slice pie and claims he and his friend shared the slices equally. He says Rachel Rabbit is welcome to take the remaining slice. Why does Slylock Fox think the ape is lying?

Solution -- If Harry and his friend shared the pizza equally, then there would not be an odd number of slices remaining.

Spot six differences between these panels.

Answer -- Fly, paint drop, easel, orange, flower and tooth.

"MAYBE YOU SHOULD BUY A LOTTERY TICKET INSTEAD OF A FISHING LICENSE."

HOW TO DRAW a friendly rabbit

YOUR DRAWING

Today's terrific artist is Chloe, age 11

Bugs Bunny made his first official starring film appearance in ...

- 1921
- 1934
- 1940
- 1952
- 1957

Solution (c) "Wild Hare" released on July 27, 1940. Directed by Tex Avery and featuring Bugs Bunny.

"LORETTA BOUGHT ONE THING SHE DIDN'T NEED AND GOT A SECOND THING SHE DIDN'T NEED FREE."

Truly southern: Cornbread & Barbecued Chicken

Memories from Grandma's house

There's nothing more Americana or southern than barbecued chicken. Nothing spells summer in the south like bone-in, skin-on pieces of tender chicken slathered in barbecue sauce and grilled to sticky glazed perfection.

I remember growing up and visiting my grandparents. My Grandmother would tell my Grandfather to watch the chicken carefully and make sure it didn't have a speck of black on it from the grill.

Well, that never turned out exactly as she wanted as it was always a little, or a lot, blackened. But we loved it and ate every finger licking morsel.

One of my favorite sides for barbecued chicken is cornbread. There just seems to be an affinity of love between corn and barbecue sauce. Maybe its because they both have a sweetness that I love. Maybe its that they both scream summertime.

Whatever it is, a piece of cornbread is perfect along with the potato salad or slaw. Summer cornbread needs to be full of summer goodness and the start is putting some fresh corn kernels (or thawed frozen in a pinch) in the batter. It ramps up the texture and adds a little more sweetness and corn flavor.

I used two ears to cut the kernels off to make 1 cup for the recipe. If you don't want the kernels flying around everywhere when you cut them off, place the point of the ear in the middle tube of a Bundt pan and cut down the ear. The kernels fall into the pan and don't scatter around the kitchen, making for easier cleanup (and less kernel loss!)

And then summer calls for a little heat-in this case in the form of some salsa, peppers and onions. You can use a jalapeño or if you



want, a little less heat, like a poblano pepper. Poblanos are the larger, darker green peppers.

Traditionally used for chile rellenos, these are a little tamer than the jalapeños but still carry a little heat. I used a half a poblano pepper in my cornbread this time, as they didn't have any jalapeños at the store. You can also vary the heat by the type of salsa you use—mild, medium or hot. By the way, my Grandmother may have been right. According to USDA and the National Cancer Institute, some studies suggest there may be a cancer risk related to eating food cooked by high-heat cooking techniques as grilling, frying and broiling. These studies are inconclusive right now and no federal recommendations have been made concerning the chemicals formed when meats are charred (or burned). Based on present research findings, eating moderate amounts of grilled meats like fish, meat and poultry cooked—without charring or burning—to a safe temperature does not pose a problem.

If you want to be on the safe side until further research is done, you can follow these tips to prevent charring:

*remove visible fat that can cause a flare up

*pre-cook the meat in the microwave just before putting on the grill to release some of the fat and juices

*cook food in the center of the grill and move coals to the side*flip the meat often*cut off any charred (burned) portions of the meat before eating.

So watch your chicken and the next time you fire

Whitney Danhof

Seasonal Eating



up the grill, try this flavor-packed Summer Cornbread on the side.

For more information and recipes check out the Seasonal Eating page at bedford.tennessee.edu.

Summer Cornbread

- 2 Tbsp. chopped onion
- 1 jalapeño pepper, seeded and minced (or half a poblano)
- 4 Tbsp. vegetable oil, divided
- 1 C. flour
- 1 C. plain yellow cornmeal
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- 4 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 2 eggs
- 1 C. milk
- 1 C. fresh or frozen (thawed) corn kernels
- 1/3 C. shredded sharp-Cheddar cheese
- 1/4 C. salsa
- 2 Tbsp. minced chives

In a small skillet, sauté the onion and jalapeño in 1 tablespoon oil until tender. Set aside to cool. In a large bowl, combine flour, cornmeal, sugar, baking powder and salt. In another bowl, whisk the eggs, milk and remaining 3 tablespoons oil. Stir in the corn, cheese, salsa, chives and sautéed onion and peppers. Stir into the dry ingredients just until combined. Transfer to a greased 9-inch square baking pan. Bake at 425 degrees for 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean and top is lightly browned. Serve warm.



Whitney with her grandparents, Kenneth and Virginia Pickel in 1966.



Summer Cornbread



HOME IS GREAT TOO



Some residents, like the Wilson family, just enjoy being at home on the 4th, watching the fireworks from their front porch. The photo was submitted by Natalie Wilson.

Fair

(Continued from Page 1)

lead to confusion if children become separated from their parents. Write your mobile phone number down and put it in your child's pocket or bag, so he or she doesn't have to memorize it. Consider finding the tallest attraction at the fair (perhaps the Ferris wheel), and make that the most important point if anyone becomes lost. Snap a photo of

youngsters when you arrive so that you'll have a recent image and know exactly what they are wearing if you need to engage law enforcement. Some parents tell their children to find another parent and ask them to help them contact security.

• Time your visit. If the fair runs during the week and into the weekend, weekdays are likely to be much less crowded. Also, while not ideal, a cool day or one with a slight drizzle will cut down on crowds and improve the

ability to see more things and get on more rides.

• Factor in food. Fair food is an indulgence to enjoy when fairs come around. Rather than go overboard, pick one meal or item that the family will enjoy. Bring a backpack, if permitted, and fill it with bottled water and other light snacks so that you can tame hunger pangs and not bust the budget at the food court.

• Understand game odds. Fair games are largely designed to earn the event

money and not to cash out prizes to all participants. The chances of winning the grand prize, which may be a giant stuffed giraffe, usually are low, so it's best if children do not become overly concerned with winning a prize. Play the games for fun and memories and not to walk away with the biggest prizes.

In addition to these suggestions, parents can make sure they bring insect repellent and sunscreen to the fair. Dress for comfort and not fashion.

Doug

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who has a "quiver full" of children is blessed.

I know that my wife and I are blessed with our three children and our two grandbabies. They are our heritage from the Lord.

Sister Linda has served as a foster mother to hundreds of Indian children over the years at her home outside of Joseph City. She has had her quiver full and running over for many years now.

She knows that the children that she has cared for are her heritage from the Lord as well. She has never given physical birth to a child, but she has carried hundreds of babies, infants and toddlers, tweens and teens close to her heart throughout her years of ministry. And Linda has been blessed of God!

My children all live in their own homes and apartments now, and they are raising their own children. So, Lynn and I have the house to ourselves most of the time.

We share this little house

with our dog, Buster. The three of us are getting older and set in our ways.

We have gotten used to the quiet, and having everything in its place. Much of the time it's just Lynn and Buster and me; all calm and peaceful; the house all neat and orderly and tranquil. Ahhhhhhh!

But, we love the explosion of noise when our house is full of laughter and shouts from the babies and the kids.

Buster runs around the house chasing and being chased by little ones.

Shoes and socks and dolls and blocks litter the floor. My TV is not on the news channels I watch throughout the day but on Nickelodeon or Disney or Sprout.

There are strange noises and loud voices and unfamiliar smells. We dodge children and step over stuff on the floor as we walk from room to room.

And then, before we know it, the house is cleared of people, the floors are once again cleaned up. Buster is back napping on his rug. I'm in my chair and Lynn on her sofa.

And quiet returns for

the moment to the Dezotell home. Ahhhhhhh!

I thank God for our children. I thank God for our granddaughters. I thank God for Sister Linda and her children that she shares with us.

Yes, children are a heritage from the Lord. We have been blessed! Ahhhhhhh!

..... That was written 10 years ago this month, but now two of my children are back living with Lynn and me. Gabe had moved home from his adventures in California; Laura and her daughters are here as well, Kori and her sister, Jojo.

Jojo was born after that column was written.

Buster has gone to Heaven, (All Dogs Go To Heaven as the book says) and he has been remembered, not replaced, with seven new additions to our furry family: Dreamy, Bandit, Baby, Baxter, Oreo, Simba and Diva.

As I shared in that column from 2012, we love the explosion of noise when our house is full of laughter and shouts from the grandbabies and the kids.

Now dogs and cats run around the house chasing and being chased by my

granddaughters.

Shoes and socks and things still litter the floor. That is, until Lynn and I pick them up momentarily.

Our TV is not always on the news channels, and Nickelodeon, Disney and Sprout have been replaced by iPads set on YouTube or TikTok.

Quiet returns to the Dezotell home early in the morning, when everyone is asleep, and Lynn and I take time to be alone with the Lord. Peace and quiet... Ahhhhhhh!

I thank God for our children, and I thank God for our granddaughters, and I thank God for our fur babies.

Yes, children are a heritage from the Lord. We have been blessed! Ahhhhhhh!

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Attending concerts: yea or nay?

Believe it or not, my wife and I haven't attended a concert in nearly 25 years.

(Elton John's January 1998 appearance at Nashville Arena was our last outing.)

I realize such an admission strikes a discordant note with most "normal" people. "Don't you want to be able to say that you saw (fill in the blank) in person?"

Get serious. Most of the applause at concerts is lavished upon songs celebrating substance abuse, promiscuity, adultery or anti-establishment violence. If you can approve the other naughtiness, why not tell a few white lies

about concerts you didn't, technically, attend? ("Yeah, Garth called us onstage. But the CIA made the TV crews delete the video; so, alas, there's no record of it. Yeah, that's the ticket.")

The major obstacle to our attending more concerts is that my wife is particularly bothered by loud noises and flashing lights. Granted, this meshes with the "more decibels, please" concert mantra "I... wanna rock and roll all night, and suffer migraines every day." Music is supposed to change the world, not rewrite your genetic code.

I realize we could bring earplugs and dark glasses, but that's like dining at a 5-star restaurant after lam-

inating your taste buds.

Things are looking up for us financially, but concert tickets have traditionally been a low-priority budget item. More power to the people who think nothing of enriching ticket scalpers, but I would lose sleep over it. Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast, but it doesn't cut much ice with debt collectors.

I doubt I am the only person who dreads the hassle of concerts: tickets, hidden fees, traffic, parking, security, etc. If you do enjoy hassles, an economical compromise might involve staying home and putting together a backyard swing set ("some assem-

bly required") while your spouse bites the head off a bat.

It's especially hard to get enthusiastic about bands that have undergone one lineup change too many. You know, where the backup cowbell player has somehow obtained ownership of the name and is the only remaining original element. Here's an idea: I could just ship my baby teeth to the venue and say I attended.

Spare me the legendary artists who attempt staying relevant. ("I know you came to hear a selection of my 56 chart-topping hits, but first here's a new 45-minute stripped-down dirge about my angst over

the banking system in Lithuania.")

Two down-to-earth guys (my father and my wife's grandfather) influenced us not to get too starstruck. I enjoy the radio and my MP3 files without pursuing closer celebrity relationships. I mean, I appreciate the work of the time-and-temperature lady on the phone, but I don't feel obligated to see her in an arena or buy the T-shirt. ("Forecast: tomorrow you'll feel like a total fool. But with the heat index, you'll feel like a 110 percent fool.")

I do get wistful about a handful of missed opportunities (I wouldn't mind seeing Barry Manilow per-



Danny Tyree
Tyrades

form someday), but then I get on with my life.

Regrets? I've had a few, but then again, too few to mention. I did what I had to do and saw it through...

Hey, that reminds me. Did I ever tell you about the time Elvis and Sinatra regaled me with stories of getting John Philip Sousa so wasted he threw up in 76 trombones? Pull up a souvenir seat cushion...

• *Danny Tyree welcomes email responses at tyreetyrades@aol.com and visits to his Facebook fan page "Tyree's Tyrades."*

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Bridgette Nicole submitted this spectacular 4th of July display.

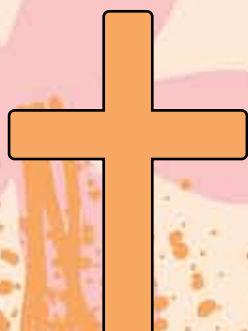
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Former Shelbyville Central Golden Eagle softball standout Taylor Sanders had a stellar season at Western Kentucky her junior year. She had a .347 batting average and broke a school record with 54 RBI's.

Panthers look at Mayfield, Darnold

By STEVE REED
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The Panthers now have two of the top three overall picks from the 2018 NFL draft class on their roster, and both happen to be quarterbacks.

The big question is which one will start this season for Carolina.

The Panthers view their starting QB job as an open competition between the newly acquired Baker Mayfield and incumbent Sam Darnold, one that will ultimately be decided at training camp and in pre-season games.

Panthers coach Matt Rhule has previously said he viewed Darnold as his starter, but that was before the team announced Wednesday it had agreed to a trade with Cleveland for Mayfield, whose relationship with the Browns quickly deteriorated after they began pursuing and later landed quarterback Deshaun Watson from the Houston Texans.

Trade talks between the Panthers and Browns had been ongoing for months, but the deal didn't come to fruition until Mayfield helped bridge the financial gap between the teams by agreeing to take a \$3.5 million pay cut. The Browns will pay Mayfield \$10.5 million in 2022 and the Panthers will pay him \$4.8 million.

Mayfield passed his physical exam with the Panthers on Thursday and the contract is expected to be finalized and signed early next week, according to a person familiar with the situation. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the team has deal has yet to be signed.

Both Mayfield and Darnold are set to become unrestricted free agents after the season.

Mayfield enters the competition with a presumptive edge over Darnold — at least on paper.

The former No. 1 pick from Oklahoma is 29-30 as an NFL starter in four seasons with Cleveland, helping lead the Browns to a playoff win in 2020 after finishing 11-5 in the regular season. He's thrown for 14,125 yards with 92 touchdowns and 56 interceptions.

Darnold, the No. 3 pick in '18, is 17-32 as a starter with the New York Jets and Panthers and has never posted a winning season, let alone reach the playoffs. He's thrown for 10,624 yards with 54 touchdowns and 52 interceptions.

But for Mayfield to win the job he'll first have to win over new Panthers offensive coordinator Ben McAdoo, a former critic of his, and catch up on the team's play-book installation.

When McAdoo was out of football in 2018, he told the New York Post he had plenty of reservations about Mayfield in the NFL, including his height, athleticism, hand size and the offense he played in with the Sooners.

"I didn't see a lot of pro-style football in his college tape," McAdoo said. "And if you're short you have to be able to make up for it some way, somehow, and personality doesn't do that. I didn't think he was a great athlete. This guy is kind of like a pocket quarterback that is short and with small hands, that's what I worry about."

And then there's Panthers wide receiver Robbie Anderson, who earlier this offseason addressed reports that Mayfield may wind up in Carolina by responding with "Nooooo" on social media.

Sanders excels for Hilltoppers

By GARY JOHNSON
Sports Writer

Since an early age, former Shelbyville Central softball standout Taylor Sanders has excelled playing softball, but none can compare to her junior season she recently completed at Western Kentucky University.

But more importantly in her eyes, the Hilltoppers excelled as a team as well, posting an impressive 38-13 record.

"This past season, the team did really well! We battled against some of the best in the country. We broke several school records. A few of those being best start in program history, best start through 10 games (9-1), new attendance record, and a new .745 winning percentage," Sanders said. "We beat ranked 5th in the nation Alabama 3-1. We were the regular season East Division champs and made it to back-to-back championship games."

Had it not been for an upset loss in the conference tournament championship, the team could have made a run in the NCAA tournament.

Sanders' numbers were very impressive as she had her best season as a collegiate student athlete, posting a .347 batting average with 11 home runs and a team season record 54 RBI's. She had a .960 fielding percentage while playing third-base.

She was named Second Team All-Conference, All-Tournament Team, Third Team All-Region and was named Conference USA Player of the Week two times this past season.

"This past season was the best season of softball on and off the field for me in a long time. Our team culture was absolutely amazing. We had weekly Bible Study meetings with our FCA mentor. I really think that helped us grow closer together and become more than just teammates," Sanders said.

"With mental health being highlighted in today's world, especially having the amount of pressure to

do well for your school, teammates, coaches, and parents/family it is easy to lose yourself and make softball your identity. It was really nice to just have people to talk to and know I'm not the only one and it will get better. It was easier to be for each other on the field when we knew what the person beside us was going through off the field."

After a stellar high school career, Sanders signed with Western Kentucky and head coach Amy Tudor. She admits there is a learning curve playing the next level.

"High school softball and college softball are like day and night. The pace of the game is a lot faster in college and it's a really hard adjustment. When you get to college you're not the best player on your team anymore. Everyone there is just as good if not better than you. It is a very humbling experience, but it forces you to want to work harder and make the coaches have to find a spot for you," Sanders said.

"Finding confidence is really hard when you fail time after time, but being surrounded by people that care about you and a coaching staff that wants you to live up to your greatest potential it is easier to find. I'm really grateful for my experience at Western. When you trust in the process and the coaching staff, the results will come. I am pushed constantly and hopefully this upcoming season I will live up to my greatest potential."

As great as this past season was, she looks forward to even bigger and better things in her senior season for both her and the team.

"We lost a few key players this past season. However, we are returning a lot of starters. I feel like with the help of the new transfers and the returning underclassmen we will be in a good position. Talent is always great to have and you will win a lot of games, but if the team culture is there that's when you win championships,"



Third-baseman Taylor Sanders posted a .960 fielding percentage for the Hilltoppers this past season.



Taylor Sanders belted 11 home runs for Western Kentucky her junior season.

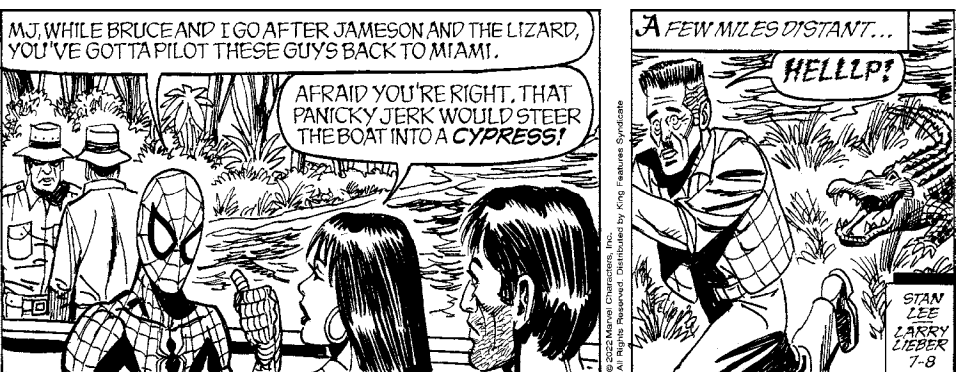
Sanders said.

"For me personally, I am entering my senior year and will graduate with a bachelor's degree in Healthcare Administration in May 2023. I am also working towards my mas-

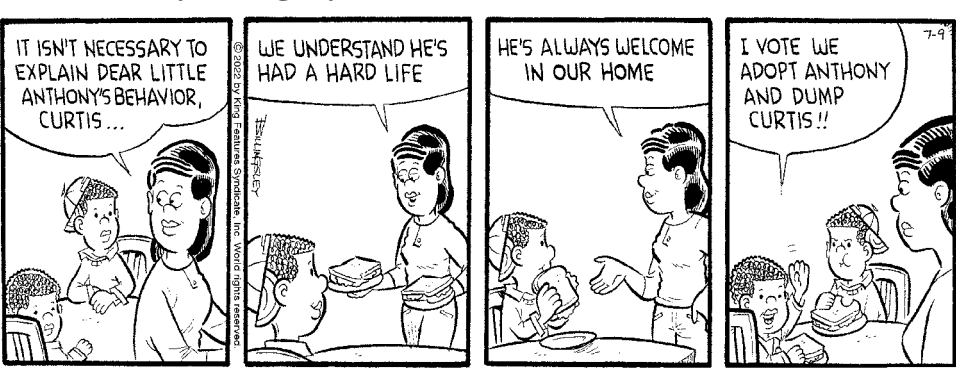
ter's degree in HCA while being an undergrad student. I hope to graduate with my master's in May 2024. As for now, I am going to work on my weaknesses and strengths in softball and try to stay as healthy

as possible. I could care less about personal awards. All I want is another regular season and conference tournament championship title and a chance to compete on the biggest stage with my teammates."

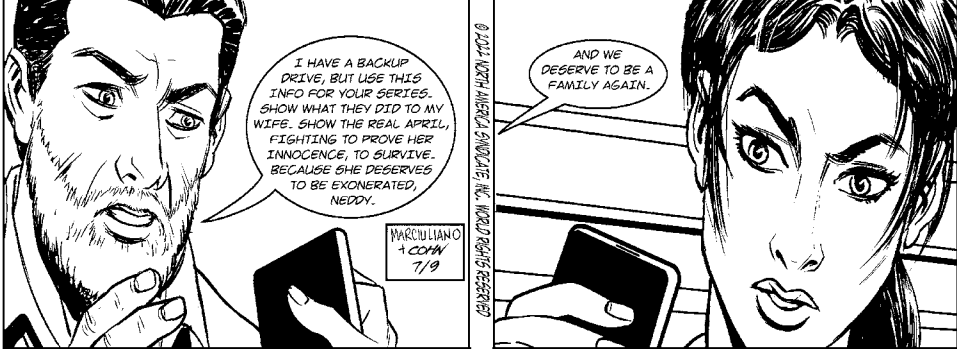
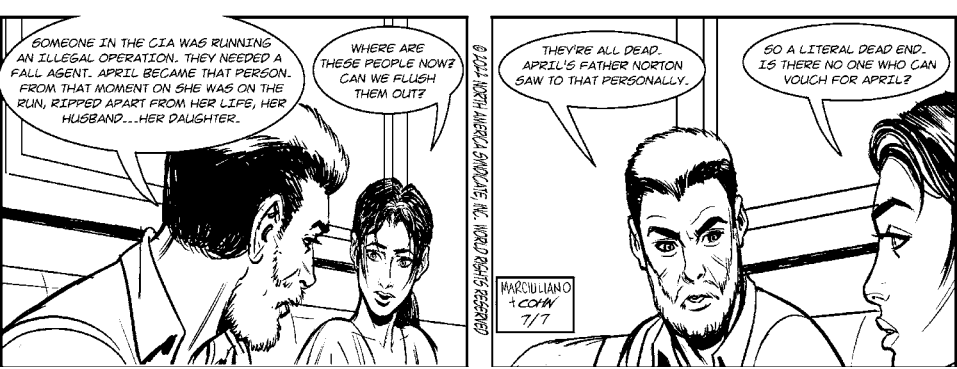
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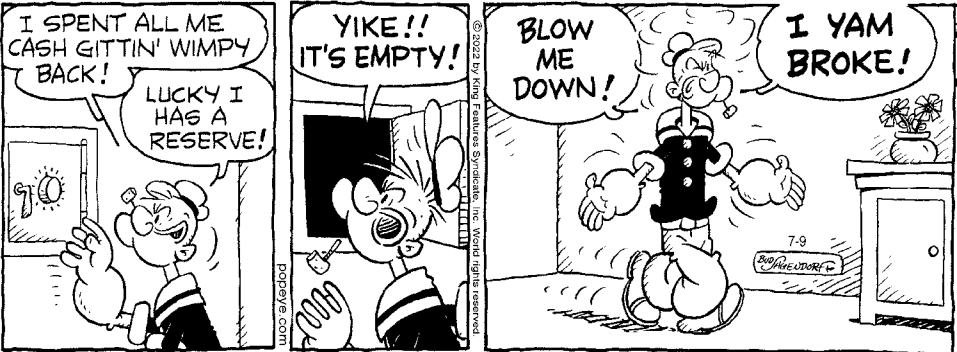
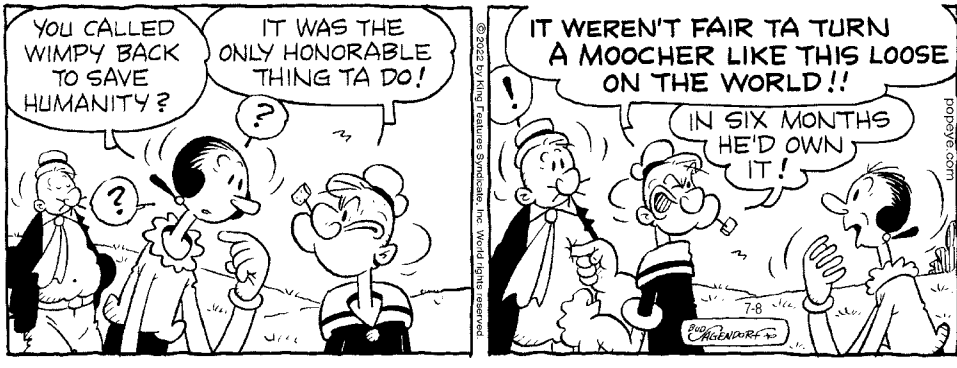
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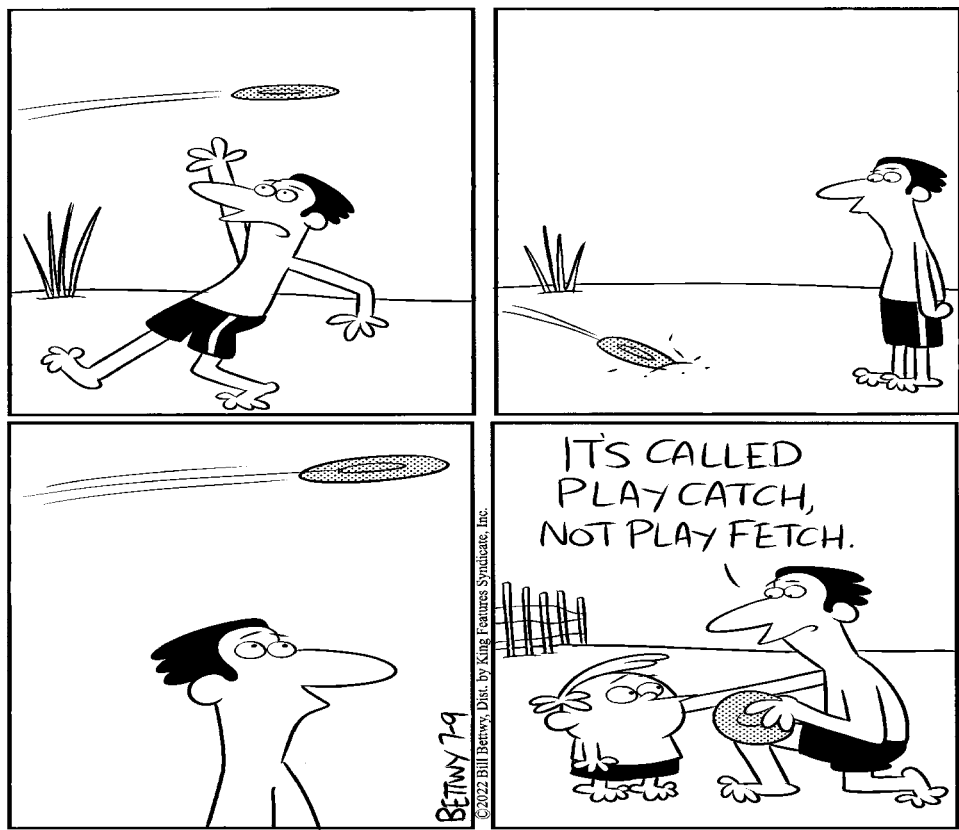


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