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# Wartrace water line breaks



Some of the holes crews have dug trying to find the leak. Submitted photo

## Mayor: Customers won't have to pay

By ZOË WATKINS  
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Wartrace residents faced another water main break toward Phillipi Road and Horse Mountain Road over the weekend. Many residents were without water for three days and counting at T-G press time.

Crews began working in the early mornings of Saturday, Sunday, and Monday but to no avail as they could not locate the source of the break.

"This leak was reported on Saturday and since then our utility crew has scoured the 5+ miles of line that carries water in that direction," said Wartrace Mayor Brian Ross.

He added that they did not disclose the exact area where they were looking for the leak. He said they were being "mindful of our utility crew to prevent any passersby with questions or onlooking which can deter our crew from their search and to prevent any additional traffic

from onlookers and create traffic flow concerns."

### Inconvenience

Facing many complaints, the Town of Wartrace said in a recent Facebook post that there is not an "on or off switch with this." Instead, "the water line that brings that area water is broken somewhere. It's a needle to be found in a haystack."

Some residents said they stayed in motels while others said they took showers at the local rec center. Or as one resident said, "Humans can't just hit pause on using the toilet for three days."

"This has been a challenging weekend to say the least," said local business owner Tabby Stem. She said they had to go to their shop (The Express in Shelbyville) to fill 5-gallon buckets in order to flush the toilets at their house and at their daughters' houses, then shower at

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## WIND DAMAGE



T-G Photos by Diandra Womble

Friday's high winds sent a tree limb through the roof of the home of Diandra Womble in the Southside area of Shelbyville. Most damage in the county was to trees and electric lines, with little structural damage being reported.



# City won't bear expense of sign at Shoma Park

By DAVID MELSON  
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If a new sign is constructed at the entrance of Shoma Park subdivision, it won't be at the City of Shelbyville's expense.

The request for consideration of the city footing the bill for the sign has been removed from the agenda for Thursday night's Shelbyville City Council meeting, Mayor Randy Carroll said Monday.

Consideration of the request was to have come up at the meeting. It was discussed, but not approved, at a study session last week.

Carroll also clarified that his appointment of vice-mayor William Christie as the council's representative on the Shelbyville-Bedford Partnership board must be ratified by the council. The announcement at the study session was not the final appointment.

Christie replaces council member Henry Feldhaus on the partnership. Carroll said he made the change because Feldhaus had already served and he wanted someone else to have a chance.

The meeting will be at 6 p.m. at Shelbyville Recreation Center.

## NEXT STOP: STATE



T-G Photo by Chris Siers

The Community Viqueens rush to the student section to celebrate after beating Smith County in the Class AA sectional on Saturday night. They will qualify for the Viqueens for the Class AA state basketball tournament, which will begin this week in the Murphy Center on the campus of MTSU.

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DEATH NOTICES

Daniel Lewis Locke Sr.

March 1, 2023

Daniel Lewis Locke, Sr., 39, of Manchester, passed away Wednesday, March 1, 2023.

Funeral services were Monday, March 6, 2023, at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel.

OBITUARIES

Veronica Elizabeth Beard

March 3, 2023

Veronica Elizabeth Beard, 62, of Lewisburg died Friday, March 3, 2023.

A Celebration of Life service will be held 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, at Hillcrest Funeral Home, Pastor Jason Williams officiating. Visitation will begin at 4 p.m. Per her request she will be cremated.

She was born May 4, 1960 in Detroit, Michigan; was a dialysis tech for Fresenius Dialysis Clinic and a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

She was the daughter of the late Alfred Lee and Rosemarie Robertson.

Veronica is survived by her children, Ashley Lynette Beard, Dalton Glyn Beard; her ex-husband, Tony Beard; brother, Carl Allen (Kathy) Robertson; and sister, Mary Ann (John) Davis.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Trinity Baptist Church or to the Multi County Cancer Support Fund.



Wartrace

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their relative's.

"We couldn't do our normal meal prep that we do every Sunday (so no food prepared for the week now) and were unable to do the work outside that we needed to do," she said. "As of this morning, we still have no water. I still have no idea what is going on and am surprised that we were so uninformed in this situation."

Another resident commented, "We have lived in this area for 35 years with many water shutoffs. I couldn't begin to count how many. I know it is difficult to chase leaks on 80- or 90-year-old lines. We are already paying more for water than anyone around and understand that leaks happen..."

Many were also sharing photos of possible leaks near roadways, some stretching out to the Highway 82 junction. The town reported Rye Engineering, which specializes in leak detection, on the scene helping.

"We're also thankful to

a couple of former water managers still active in our community who are here helping, as well," said Town Recorder Kathy Tyson.

She said once the leak is found, repairing it will not actually take that long (depending on how deep it is).

Ross added, "When it comes to Wartrace Water billing, we only bill our customers for what they use. For the impacted customers, they will not be charged for the days without service, for they have not had any usage due to this leak."

Residents are encouraged during any water main break to keep their eyes open and report any water standing where it shouldn't be. For example, the town said sometimes the leaks show themselves in the middle of fields.

Residents can call the Town of Wartrace at 931-389-6144, comment on Facebook, or message them to report any unusual standing water.

Water rates

Meanwhile, the Wartrace Board of Mayor

and Alderman continues to look at their water rates. Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS) finance specialist Eric Spencer did a presentation at the last meeting to discuss where the water rates will be in the future.

A lot of this is mostly based on Wartrace's growth. Though more people will be joining the system and contributing financially to it, the town will essentially have more to pay for the system as operating expenses continue to increase.

"We would consider the impact and any capital improvements that you plan to add to your system as well, of course, any grants," said Spencer. They also looked at whether Wartrace would be making a profit or not if water rates were to remain the same. Spencer said the town could expect to see a decline in the fiscal year of 2027.

To combat this, rates will most likely have to go up again by 2025 at a minimum, according to Spencer. He said he recommends making the rate increases in small,

marginal increments.

"We think you could be okay next year without an increase," said Spencer.

Wartrace's system is not only old but extensive. Built as early as the 1930s, Wartrace has about 100 miles of water pipes that span from the town itself to Tullahoma to Beech Grove to the Highway 41A-64 intersection. Essentially, Wartrace's water district has hundreds of miles of pipe and less than 1300 people to pay for it.

"We cannot thank that area enough for their patience while we relentlessly look for the leak," Ross said. "We have our water crew, myself, and other contractors, along with previous water managers, to help find this leak. We know that our gratitude, and thanking those customers for their patience while they are being impacted by this, will not get water back to that area immediately, [but] we are adamantly doing everything we can to repair this leak. We can promise and guarantee that."

# 'Dilbert,' Scott Adams draw ire from fellow cartoonists

NEW YORK (AP) — Cartoonists are pushing back against racist remarks made by "Dilbert" creator Scott Adams, with one artist even using his own strip this week to lampoon the disgraced cartoon now dropped by newspapers nationwide.

Darrin Bell is transforming his strip "Candorville" — which usually features young Black and Latino characters — into a way to address Adams' racism by mimicking the look and style of "Dilbert," complete with wayward necktie.

"The only reason anyone knows who Scott Adams is because of the comics page. So I thought somebody on the comics page should respond to him on the comics page," Bell, the 2019 winner of the Pulitzer Prize for illustrated reporting and commentary, told The Associated Press.

In the strips running Monday to Saturday, Bell paired Dilbert with one of his own characters, Lemont Brown. In one, Dilbert hopes Lemont will side with him in his quest to get a laundry room installed at work.

"You could wash your hoodie," says Dilbert. Responds Lemont: "And you could wash your hood?"

Adams, who is white, was an outspoken — and controversial — presence on social media long before describing Black people as a "hate group" on YouTube last month. Adams repeatedly referred to people who are Black as members of a "hate group" and said he would no longer "help Black Americans." He later said he was being hyperbolic, yet continued to defend his stance.

"When somebody goes too far like Scott Adams did, everyone who knows better should stand up and use their First Amendment to draw a line — to say that this is unacceptable," said Bell, whose new graphic novel "The Talk" explores growing up as a biracial man in white culture.

Other cartoonists have stepped forward to denounce Adams, like Bill Holbrook, the creator of "On the Fastrack," a strip that features an interracial family and — like "Dilbert" — focuses on a modern workplace.

"One of the things I wanted to spotlight with my characters is that people do rise above their differences. It can work," Holbrook said. "That's the spotlight I wanted to focus on and still do. It's all a matter of where you want to put your focus."

Holbrook said the Adams case is not one of so-called cancel culture but of consequences.

"I am in full support with him saying anything he wants to, but then he has to own the consequences of saying them," he said. "He's not being canceled. He's experiencing the consequences of expressing his views."

Individual newspapers have dropped "Dilbert" and Adams' distributor, Andrews McMeel Universal, said it was severing ties with the cartoonist. While some outlets replaced "Dilbert" with another strip, The Sun Chronicle in Attleboro, Massachusetts, decided to keep the space blank through March "as a reminder of the racism that pervades our society."

The "Dilbert" controversy has rocked a community of daily

cartoonists who often create work in their homes several months ahead of publication. While reliably pro-free speech, they say they're also orientated toward a better future — or at least a chuckle.

"We believe comics are a powerful medium and that cartoonists should perpetuate laughter, not racism and hate," said Tea Fougner, editor in chief of King Features Syndicate — which distributes such strips as "Candorville," "Zits," "Mutts" and "Dennis the Menace" — in a statement to the AP.

"We are proud of our cartoonists who are using their platforms to denounce the hatred spread by Scott Adams and encourage others to join us as we stand together as a community to keep the world of cartooning a safe and welcoming space for everyone," the statement said.

Bell credited King Features Syndicate and his editors for allowing him to rip up the strips intended for this week and pivot to the "Dilbert" send-ups, an unusual request.

"They apparently thought it was important enough to take a risk and to make sure that it goes out on time," Bell said.

Many comic creators said they'd stopped reading "Dilbert" over the past several years, finding the strip's tone darker and its creator's descent into misogyny, anti-immigration and racism alarming. But Adams still had hundreds of newspaper perches before last week.

"We can't move forward and progress as a culture and as a society if there are still people in these gatekeeping roles that are holding onto these archaic

ideas," said artist Bianca Xunise, who co-authors the strip "Six Chix" and is the second Black woman in comics history to be nationally syndicated.

Xunise noted the fallout was much quicker when she drew a strip that commented on both the Black Lives Matter movement and the coronavirus pandemic. More than 120 publications immediately dropped the strip.

She said being Black in the cartooning world seems to always trigger pushback from hateful readers and those fearful of "woke" messages, but is heartened that "Heart of the City" — now authored by the Black cartoonist Steenz — replaced "Dilbert" in The Washington Post.

"We don't want to push so far that it becomes a different form of fascism over censoring everybody's ideas just out of fear of being offensive," Xunise said. "But some things do not need to be said, and especially if they are a directly punching down towards those who are marginalized."

"Macanudo" creator Ricardo Liniers Siri, known professionally as Liniers, said Adams was moving into unfunny territory and that's a cartoonist's third rail.

"Grievance generally is not fun. The funniest guy at a party is not the one just complaining about everything. That's the annoying guy," he said.

"I don't do grievance. I'm just trying to focus on whatever is good that we have around," he added. "Because in the context of a newspaper with so much bad news, I try to have an optimistic space."

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# US citizens kidnapped in Mexico border city amid shootout

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Gunmen kidnapped four U.S. citizens who crossed into Mexico from Texas last week to buy medicine and got caught in a shootout that killed at least one Mexican citizen, U.S. and Mexican officials said Monday.

The four were in a white minivan with North Carolina license plates. They came under fire on Friday shortly after entering the city of Matamoros from Brownsville, the southernmost tip of Texas near the Gulf coast, the FBI San Antonio Division office said in a statement Sunday.

"All four Americans were placed in a vehicle and taken from the scene by armed men," the office said. The FBI is offering a \$50,000 reward for the victims' return and the arrest of the culprits.

Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador said

Monday that the four were going to buy medicine and ended up in the crossfire between two armed groups, without offering details.

A video posted to social media Friday shows armed men, some wearing tan body armor, who load four people into the bed of a pickup truck in broad daylight. One was alive and sitting up, but the others appeared to be either dead or wounded.

Matamoros is home to warring factions of the Gulf drug cartel, as leadership changes have led to bloody infighting. Amid the violence, thousands of Mexicans have disappeared.

Shootouts there on Friday were so bad that the U.S. Consulate issued an alert about the danger and local authorities warned people to shelter in place. It was not immediately clear how the abductions could have been

connected to that violence Friday.

U.S. Ambassador to Mexico Ken Salazar said in a statement Monday that the Americans were kidnapped at gunpoint and an "innocent" Mexican citizen died in the attack. He said various U.S. justice agencies were working with their Mexican counterparts to recover the missing U.S. citizens. Authorities have provided no other details about who the victims were or where they were from.

President Joe Biden had been informed of the situation, White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre said Monday. She declined to answer other questions, citing privacy concerns.

Tamaulipas state police said people had been killed and injured Friday, but not how many. The state police said on social media that neither law enforcement nor the military were involved in

"two armed incidents between unidentified civilians."

Victims of violence in Matamoros and other large border cities of Tamaulipas often go uncounted, because the cartels have a history taking bodies of their own with them. Local media often avoid reporting on such incidents out of safety concerns, creating an information vacuum.

Photographs from the scene viewed by The Associated Press show a white minivan with the driver's side window shot out and all of the doors open sitting on the side of the road after apparently colliding with red SUV. Multiple people were lying in the street beside it surrounded by rifletoting gunmen.

Their positions appeared to correspond with the video posted online that was taken from another angle, which showed them being

dragged across the street and loaded into the bed of a white pickup. One person who was sitting up in the street walks under their own power to the pickup. At least one other appeared to lift his head from the pavement before being dragged to the truck.

Tamaulipas state's many border crossings with Texas make it lucrative for the cartels that move drugs, migrants and guns between Mexico and the U.S.

The State Department's travel warning for Tamaulipas warns U.S. citizens not to travel there. However, being a border city, U.S. citizens who live in Brownsville or elsewhere in Texas frequently cross to visit family, attend medical appointments or shop. It would also be a crossing point for people traveling deeper into Mexico.

**WIND DAMAGE**



**Surprising few reports of storm damage were received in Bedford County following the high winds with a thunderstorm that blew through the area at midday Friday. Most damage consisted of utility poles downed or power outages. This tree went through the roof of Diandra Womble home in Shelbyville's Southside area.**

T-G Photos by Diandra Womble



**RIBBON CUTTING**



The Shelbyville Bedford Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting for Cutting Edge Optical on Thursday, March 2. Cutting Edge Optical is located at 875 Union Street and is open 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

**Governor proclaims March 3 as Arbor Day**

NASHVILLE – Gov. Bill Lee has proclaimed March 3 as Arbor Day in Tennessee to recognize the importance of planting and maintaining trees in our state. This year's celebration was held at Willow Brook Elementary School in Oak Ridge.

"Tennessee Arbor Day is a unique celebration, focusing not on the past but on the future," State Forester David Arnold echoed from the Governor's proclamation. "Trees are a source of joy and personal renewal and play an instrumental role in the health, education, and social well-being of residents and visitors. We're proud to highlight Oak Ridge for Arbor Day in Tennessee and the work they're doing to maintain tree canopy coverage. Their continued dedication as a Tree City USA through planting and proper maintenance of landscape trees enhances the economic vitality of business areas, increases property values, cuts heating and cooling costs, moderates the temperature, cleans our air, beautifies our communities, and improves our quality of life."

Tree City USA is a nationwide movement founded by the Arbor Day Foundation and supported by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture Division of Forestry and the Tennessee Urban Forestry Council. The program provides the framework for communities to manage and expand their public trees. Oak Ridge has been a Tree City USA for 35 years. The City of Oak Ridge Electric Department has also maintained Tree Line USA status for nine years. That program recognizes best practices in public and private utility arboriculture, demonstrating how trees and utilities can co-exist for the benefit of communities and citizens. Tennessee is a national leader in Tree Line USA with 17 recognized utilities.

Dedication to both programs indicates Oak Ridge's high level of commitment to the stewardship of the community's urban tree canopy.

One way to support Arbor Day is to plant Tennessee-grown trees. A list of nurseries and garden centers with locally grown trees is available at [www.picket-nproducts.org/find-products/plants.html](http://www.picket-nproducts.org/find-products/plants.html). The Division of Forestry's East Tennessee Nursery also grows tree seedlings to meet forest conservation needs. Selecting native trees adds value to your home with a quality product that is acclimated to Tennessee's growing conditions. Orders for the Division's nursery will be taken by mailing or faxing the seedling order form until April 1. Orders are for bulk orders of a minimum of 25 seedlings of any selected species.

For information about how to properly maintain landscape trees, contact your local Tennessee Department of Agriculture's Division of Forestry office or visit [www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests/urban.html](http://www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests/urban.html).

The Division of Forestry protects Tennessee's forests by fighting wildfires, coordinating hazard emergency response, providing prescribed fire guidance and contract services, as well as wildland fire training. Additionally, the Division promotes the responsible use of forest resources by assisting landowners, providing quality seedlings, monitoring insects and diseases, improving urban forests, managing state forests, protecting water quality, and collecting forest inventory data. The Division also works to promote primary and secondary forest industries to stimulate the state's economy. Visit [www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests](http://www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests) for more information.

**Marsh enjoys reading to first graders**

I was honored and excited to read to the Thomas Magnet School first graders this past Monday in Shelbyville. My granddaughter, Anna Marsh, invited me and it was great fun to meet with the students and read to them and tell them about the importance of reading throughout their lives.

David Crowell of Shelbyville came up to Nashville on Monday and Tuesday to be confirmed as a new commissioner of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission. He got to meet with a lot of the legislators on the Commerce and Utility committees. It was a pleasure to introduce him to the committee and carry the legislation to get him appointed.

Melonie Schiede from Shelbyville came by representing her college - Union University. Ms. Schiede is working to change the law concerning pharmacy benefit managers (PMBs). Also, several veterinarians from around the state joined me in my office to educate me on their industry's new rules and regulations. Heather Vaughan and Staci Corder, both from Fayetteville, are leading their association and doing a great job.

On Wednesday, the Duck River Electric Co-op Leadership came to talk and discuss several pieces of legislation they support this legislative session. It was a pleasure to hear from Chairman Barry Cooper and Executive Director Scott Spence and several board members.

The Tennessee County Services Association Day on the Hill was this past week and I got to meet with Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham and Lincoln County Mayor Bill Newman. I also got to meet Lincoln County Commissioners Terry Lynn Rogers and Jennie Roles-Water at the Tuesday morning TCOSA's breakfast meeting.

The Transportation Modernization Act passed out of the House Transportation Committee on Tuesday with a unanimous yes vote. In the legislation, there is a provision for \$300 million in state aid road funding which goes to our counties. This is more money than the counties normally receive in ten years. There is a lot of money going into maintaining and building roads. Bedford county will receive \$3.2 million, Lincoln County will receive \$3.2 million, and

Moore County will receive \$2 million. This money will really help out with our local road projects.

The pace picked up this week on Capitol Hill with lawmakers advancing several bills through committees and on the House floor. The House Education Committee had a hearing on Wednesday to focus on the impact of the bipartisan Tennessee Literary Success Act and Learning Loss Remediation and Student Acceleration Act that was passed by the General Assembly in 2021. The General Assembly has placed a heightened focus on foundational literacy skills in recent years because of the critical importance of third-grade reading proficiency. Before the pandemic, only a third of Tennessee fourth graders were able to read at grade level. So, if the 3rd graders

are not reading on grade level, they are subject to being retained. There are 18 bills filed to make changes to this proposal.

The House Criminal Justice Subcommittee advanced legislation to strengthen the punishment for those who sell certain dangerous and illegal drugs like fentanyl in Tennessee. This bill proposes to increase the punishment from a Class C felony to a Class B felony. "The only way we can try to hopefully deter some of the fentanyl poisonings in our state is to make our laws much tougher." - per sponsor Powers.

House Bill 31 by Clay Doggett would add rape to the list of crimes that a defendant is not eligible for probation under the Tennessee Criminal Sentencing Reform Act of 1989. Last year,

the General Assembly expanded the Truth in Sentencing Act to censor certain violent offenders and make them serve 100 percent of their sentence imposed by a judge or jury.

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*With sincere thanks and God's blessing to each and all,*  
**Jerry Sue Boyce & Trent**  
**Jennifer & Sam Trott & family**  
**Bryan & Angela Boyce & family**

# Send in your resumes electronically

**Dear Heloise:**  
Regarding the tips on resumes, specifically about printing it on high-quality paper -- the reader left out an important tip. We who work in human resources don't want you sending in or handing us a piece of paper. Be prepared to email it instead so that it can be forwarded to others. That means save it as a PDF, since a Word document's format can come out funky and a PDF will make it look how it's supposed to. Have a few copies printed for when you go on an interview, but in most cases, the interviewer will have a copy of it right in front of them. -- G.K., via email

## Hints from Heloise

*Heloise*



there. Again, it's quick to loosen the grit and grime without the worry of scratching.

As for cleaning the window screens, you need to be careful, as they can be damaged easily. A long-handled, soft-bristled car-washing brush can quickly clean a water-sprayed screen. Don't forget to clean both sides and glide those soft bristles where the frame meets the screening. Just remember to make sure you buy a soft-bristle type. They can be found at any store that sells auto supplies. -- Mary Anderson, Vancouver, Washington

## REMOVING BURNED FOOD

**Dear Readers:** To remove burned food stuck on a cooking pot, grab some baking soda and add 3 tablespoons of it in enough water to cover the bottom of the pan. Then, just simmer this until the crud is beginning to lift, and scrub to remove any remaining residue. Rinse and clean the pot as you usually do.

You can find more cleaning and deodorizing hints using baking soda in my six-page pamphlet "Heloise's Baking Soda Hints and Recipes." Get this useful pamphlet by sending \$5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Heloise/Baking Soda, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001.

**FYI:** Sprinkle baking soda onto a damp sponge to clean kitchen counters, drains, sinks and the refrigerator. -- Heloise

Send a money-saving or timesaving hint to Heloise, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001, or you can fax it to 1-210-HELOISE or email it to Heloise@Heloise.com. I can't answer your letter personally but will use the best hints received in my column.

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

## TODAY

### Commodities

A commodity food distribution will be held Tuesday, March 7 from 9-11 a.m. at Bedford County Agriculture Center, 2119 Midland Road, by South Central Tennessee Human Resource Agency. Only Bedford County residents are eligible. Call 931-685-9962 for more information.

## FRIDAY

### Mediterranean Diet class

UT/TSU Extension is offering a four-week class exploring the foods and principles of the healthy Mediterranean Diet through lecture, cooking demonstrations, tastings and more. It will be held on March 10, 17, 24 and 30 from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Extension office. Cost is \$20 for the series and you must pre-register by going to [bedford.tennessee.edu](http://bedford.tennessee.edu) or stopping by the Extension Office, 2105 Midland Road, for a registration form. Call 931-684-5971 for more information.

## SATURDAY

### Food pantry

Scott's Chapel United Methodist Church, 940 Morton St., will hold a food pantry from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, March 11. For more information call 931-684-2297.

### VFW breakfast

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5019, and its Auxiliary will host their second Saturday fundraiser breakfast March 11 from 7:30 a.m. at the VFW Post, 1320 E. Depot St. Home cooked food including sausage and pork loin are on the menu. Carry-outs are available. For more information call Alex at 615-513-7959.

### Spaghetti supper

Blankenship United Methodist Church, 3602 Midland Road, will host a spaghetti supper Saturday, March 11, from 5-7 p.m. Proceeds will benefit homeless services and the church,

## SUNDAY

### Laity Club

Bedford County Laity Club will meet Sunday, March 12 at Mount Lebanon Church.

## MONDAY

### Arts Council

Bedford County Arts Council's monthly meeting will be Monday, March 13 at The Fly Arts Center. A

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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potluck dinner at 6 p.m. will be followed by a program at 6:30 p.m. Longtime board member Jim Sepull and his wife Donna will share stories about their historic Shelbyville home, including some haunting stories. All current members and those wanting to learn more about the council are invited.

## MARCH 25

### Democratic convention

Bedford County Democratic Party will hold a reorganization convention to elect new leaders Saturday, March 25 at Shelbyville Recreation Center. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the convention at 10. All registered Democrats are invited.

## MARCH 18

### Biloxi Blues

Neil Simon's "Biloxi Blues" will be presented at The Fly Arts Center March 18, 24 and 25 at 7 p.m. and March 19 and 26 at 2 p.m.

## MARCH 20

### Democratic Party Meeting

Bedford County Democratic Party will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, March 20 at El Mexico, 724 N. Main St.

### Historical Society

The Bedford County Historical Society will resume its customary meeting schedule with its spring quarter meeting on Monday, March 20, in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church. A potluck supper will kick off the meeting at 6:30 p.m. followed by a short business meeting. Society member and Bedford County Archives Director Carol Roberts will provide the program featuring "Distilleries of Bedford County In the Prohibition Era." Hosts are Tom and Rhonda Styer, Scott and Trish Hubbard, Sandra Smith, and Sarah Hill. The public is invited to bring a dish and enjoy the meal and program. Call Society President Al Simmons, 680-6313, with questions.

### Diabetes program

Take Charge of Your Diabetes, a six-week program, helps people with diabetes learn to manage their disease and improve their health. Some of the topics covered include nutrition, controlling blood sugar, exercise, stress management, foot care, etc. The program is offered free of charge and will be taught by UT/TSU Extension and the Health Department on Mondays at 10 a.m. from March 20 through April 24 at the Extension office, 2105 Midland Road. You must pre-register by calling 931-684-5971.

## APRIL 1

### Book signing

Shelbyville-Bedford County Public Library will host an author presentation and book signing with Dr. Lona Bailey of Manchester at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 1, in the Community Room. Bailey's newest book, "The Voice of Villainy," covers the life and work of actress Betty Lou Gerson from Chattanooga, the voice behind the original Cruella de Vil from Disney's One Hundred and One Dalmatians. The event is free to attend for all ages. For more information call 931-684-7323.

### SCHS '57 reunion

Shelbyville Central High School's Class of 1957 will meet at the back parking lot of King's Museum (the old SCHS) on Saturday, April 1, at 9:30 a.m. They will tour the museum and then meet at Legends, 1609 N. Main St., at 11:30 a.m. for their reunion. Guests are welcome.

### Easter egg hunt

First Community Bank will host a free Easter egg hunt at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 1 at its main office, 207 Elm St.

## APRIL 2

### Soup Kitchen

The Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen will be hosting a fundraiser on Sunday, April 2, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 336 S. Cannon Blvd. A portion of the proceeds will be shared with Gateway Church, who provides them storage space, facilitates clothing, and distributes additional food. To-go orders available. Reservations are appreciated but not required.

## APRIL 8

### Paper-postcard show

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Regional Postcard & Paper Memorabilia Show will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at The Fly Arts Center.

## APRIL 22

### Barbecue cookoff

Shelbyville Moose Lodge #2197 will hold its 14th annual barbecue cookoff Saturday, April 22. For more information call the lodge, 931-684-9137.

## ONGOING

### Meals on Wheels

Shelbyville Senior Citizens Center is in need of Meals on Wheels volunteers to deliver meals to the homebound of Shelbyville. For more information, call 684-0019 and ask for Amy Wilson.

### Soup kitchen

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen serves meals from 3:30-5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 336 S. Cannon Blvd. (corner of South Cannon Boulevard and Pickle Street). 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.

### Head Start

Bedford County Head Start Centers are currently taking applications. For more information or to complete an application contact any Head Start Center. Phone numbers are: Wartrace 931-389-6406, Harris Head Start 931-773-0033, North Side Head Start Center 931-773-0141, and Bedford Early Head Start 931-685-0876. Head Start is a free child development program for children 6 weeks to 3 years and their families. Early Head Start enrolls pregnant women for monthly prenatal educational visits.

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A nursing shortage in the United States is expected to intensify in the coming years as the aging population grows and the need for health care increases as well. Projections from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics suggest there will be more than 203,000 openings for registered

nurses each year between 2021 and 2031. And it's not just a shortage of RNs that the health care industry will be forced to confront. The BLS' Occupation Outlook Handbook also projects a growing demand for advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs), with estimates suggest-

ing as many as 30,200 APRN openings each year between now and 2031. Qualifications to become an APRN typically include completion of a master's or even doctoral program, while RNs typically must complete a four-year bachelor's or two-year associate's program.

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# Bird flu outbreak underscores need for early detection

**By TREANA MAYER**  
Colorado State University  
From The Conversation

The current epidemic of avian influenza has killed over 58 million birds in the U.S. as of February 2023. Following on the heels of the COVID-19 pandemic, large outbreaks of viruses like bird flu raise the specter of another disease jumping from animals into humans. This process is called spillover.

I'm a veterinarian and a researcher who studies how diseases spread between animals and people. I was on the Colorado State University veterinary diagnostic team that helped detect some of the earliest cases of H5N1 avian influenza in U.S. birds in 2022. As this year's outbreak of bird flu grows, people are understandably worried about spillover.

Given that the next potential pandemic will likely originate from animals, it's important to understand how and why spillover occurs – and what can be done to stop it.

## How spillover works

Spillover involves any type of disease-causing pathogen, be it a virus, parasite or bacteria, jumping into humans. The pathogen can be something never before seen in people, such as a new Ebola virus carried by bats, or it could be something well known and recurring, like Salmonella from farm animals.

The term spillover evokes images of a container of liquid overflowing,

and this image is a great metaphor for how the process works.

Imagine water being poured into a cup. If the water level keeps increasing, the water will flow over the rim, and anything nearby could get splashed. In viral spillover, the cup is an animal population, the water is a zoonotic disease capable of spreading from an animal to a person, and humans are the ones standing in the splash zone.

The probability that a spillover will occur depends on many biological and social factors, including the rate and severity of animal infections, environmental pressure on the disease to evolve and the amount of close contact between infected animals and people.

## Why spillover matters

While not all animal viruses or other pathogens are capable of spilling over into people, up to three-quarters of all new human infectious diseases have originated from animals. There's a good chance the next big pandemic risk will arise from spillover, and the more that's known about how spillovers occur, the better chance there is at preventing it.

Most spillover research today is focused on learning about and preventing viruses – including coronaviruses, like the one that causes COVID-19 and certain viral lineages of avian influenza – from jumping

into humans. These viruses mutate very quickly, and random changes in their genetic code could eventually allow them to infect humans.

Spillover events can be hard to detect, flying under the radar without leading to bigger outbreaks. Sometimes a virus that transfers from animals to humans poses no risk to people if the virus is not well adapted to human biology. But the more often this jump occurs, the higher the chances a dangerous pathogen will adapt and take off.

## Nore likely

Epidemiologists are projecting that the risk of spillover from wildlife into humans will increase in coming years, in large part because of the destruction of nature and encroachment of humans into previously wild places.

Because of habitat loss, climate change and changes in land use, humanity is collectively jostling the table that is holding up that cup of water. With less stability, spillover becomes more likely as animals are stressed, crowded and on the move.

As development expands into new habitats, wild animals come into closer contact with people – and, importantly, the food supply. The mixing of wildlife and farm animals greatly amplifies the risk that a disease will jump species and spread like wildfire among farm animals. Poultry across the U.S. are expe-

riencing this now, thanks to a new form of avian flu that experts think spread to chicken farms mostly through migrating ducks.

## Current risk

The new avian influenza virus is a distant descendant of the original H5N1 strain that has caused human epidemics of bird flu in the past. Health officials are detecting cases of this new flu virus jumping from birds to other mammals – like foxes, skunks and bears.

On Feb. 23, 2023, news outlets began reporting a few confirmed infections of people in Cambodia, including one infection leading to the death of an 11-year-old girl. While this new strain of bird flu can infect people in rare situations, it isn't very good at doing so, because it is not able to bind to cells in human respiratory tracts very effectively. For now, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention thinks there is low risk to the general public.

Active monitoring of wild animals, farm animals and humans will allow health officials to detect the first sign of spillover and help prevent a small viral splash from turning into a large outbreak. Moving forward, researchers and policymakers can take steps to prevent spillover events by preserving nature, keeping wildlife wild and separate from livestock and improving early detection of novel infections in people and animals.

# In dry West, farmers balk at idling land to save water

**By SUMAN NAISHADHAM**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tom Brundy, an alfalfa grower in California's Imperial Valley, thinks farmers reliant on the shrinking Colorado River can do more to save water and use it more efficiently. That's why he's installed water sensors and monitors to prevent waste on nearly two-thirds of his 3,000 acres.

But one practice that's off-limits for Brundy is fallowing — leaving fields unplanted to spare the water that would otherwise irrigate crops. It would save plenty of water, Brundy said, but threatens both farmers and rural communities economically.

"It's not very productive because you just don't farm," Brundy said.

Many Western farmers feel the same, even as a growing sense is emerging that some fallowing will have to be part of the solution to the increasingly desperate drought in the West, where the Colorado River serves 40 million people.

"Given the volume of water that is used by agriculture in the Colorado River system, you can't stabilize the system without reductions in agriculture," said Tom Buschatzke, director of the Arizona Department of Water Resources. "That's just math."

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation is looking at paying farmers to idle some fields, many in the vast Imperial Valley in California and Yuma County in Arizona that grow much of the nation's winter vegetables and rely on the river. Funding would come from \$4 billion set aside for Western drought aid in the Inflation Reduction Act.

Federal officials and major irrigators have been negotiating for months. Neither side has disclosed

details of the negotiations or said how much money is being sought or offered.

U.S. Sen. John Hickenlooper, a Colorado Democrat, said fallowing has to be on the table. The challenge is figuring out fair payments when farmers work land of varying quality and plant crops of varying value, he said.

"Water in certain parts of the Colorado River basin is worth more than water in other parts. And somehow the Bureau of Reclamation has got to address that in a way that is fair, or at least perceived to be," Hickenlooper said in an interview.

Agriculture uses between 70% and 80% of the Colorado River's water, and ideas for reducing that have long been contentious. Farmers and the irrigators who serve them say their water use is justified since nearly the entire country eats the produce grown in the region, as well as meat from cattle fed on the grasses grown locally.

Water officials from cities and other states with less demand from farms say agriculture's large take from the river allows wasteful farming practices to continue even as water grows scarcer. They note that Western water law, which gives preference to more senior users, allows farmers with those rights to grow thirsty crops in converted desert even as key reservoirs fed by the Colorado dip to all-time lows.

Tina Shields is water manager for the Imperial Irrigation District, and advises farmers to first save water through efficiencies like drip irrigation, choosing less water-intensive crops and using water sensors to cut waste. But she acknowledged that fallowing will have to be part of the equation as states heed a call by the federal gov-

ernment to cut their use by 15% to 30%.

"As much as we don't like fallowing," Shields said, joking that the practice is known as the "F-word down here," she said some amount will be needed to conserve the additional 250,000 acre-feet of water the district has said it would save — or roughly 8% of its allotment from the Colorado River. (An acre-foot of water is enough to submerge one acre of land with a foot of water and roughly how much two to three U.S. households use per year.)

In the Imperial Valley, leaving fields idle to save water isn't a new idea.

For 15 years, Imperial Irrigation District ran fallowing programs as part of a historic water transfer deal it cut with San Diego in 2003. The programs expired in 2017. Nearly 300,000 acres of farmland were fallowed, conserving 1.8 million acre-feet of water and costing \$161 million in payments to farmers, the district said.

The Colorado River is in worse shape now, but in Imperial Valley, memories of that program linger. And farmers want far more than they were paid back then.

Larry Cox, who has grown produce and grasses in the Imperial Valley for decades, said he idled a few hundred of his 4,000 acres back then. He used the payments to buy sprinkler pipes and other equipment to make his irrigation systems more efficient. But he also let go between 5% and 10% of his workforce of irrigators, farm hands and tractor drivers.

Today, he worries about the effect of fallowing on rural communities. Besides the potential economic losses to farmers, the businesses that supply them with tires, fertilizer, gas and other needs are affected.

"It damages our com-

munity as a whole," he said.

Many farmers also fear that once land is taken out of production, it won't be farmed again. Part of the fear comes from how water rights work in the West, but also because fallowing can degrade soil quality and make it difficult to return the land to production later.

Paul Brierley, executive director of the Yuma Center of Excellence for Desert Agriculture at the University of Arizona, said disrupting farm operations has downstream effects.

"Farming is just like any other business," Brierley said. "They've got capital invested, they've got employees, they've got markets for their products. You can't just farm part of the time and not the rest."

A failed proposal from Yuma County farmers last year showed how difficult it may be for federal officials and the farmers they've targeted to reach a deal. In that case, the farmers proposed the government pay them around \$1,500 per acre-foot of water not used for four years, but the deal went nowhere.

A measure of how much Reclamation is willing to pay came in a separate offer made to farmers in Lower Basin states — Arizona, California and Nevada — for \$400 per acre-foot.

## AG NOTES

By **JOHN TEAGUE**  
UT/TSU Extension

### WHAT'S THE MARKET?

Drs. Andrew Griffith and Aaron Smith shared these comments on the markets. (I may have comments as well.)

Fed cattle traded \$1 higher than last week on a live basis. Prices on a live basis were mainly \$164 to \$165 while dressed prices were mainly \$262 to \$263. The 5-area weighted average prices through Thursday were \$164.84 live, up \$1.19 compared to last week and \$262.54 dressed, up \$2.61 from a week ago. A year ago, prices were \$140.76 live and \$224.62 dressed.

Based on Tennessee weekly auction price averages, steer prices were \$3 to \$9 higher this week compared to last week while heifer prices were \$2 to \$6 higher compared to the previous week. Harvest cow prices were \$2 to \$4 higher than last week while harvest bull prices were steady to \$1 higher compared to a week ago.

Above average temperatures and plenty of moisture in February has been a catalyst for the surge in calf prices while a decline in corn prices the past couple of weeks has provided room for cattle feeders to push feeder cattle bids higher.

(Just as we saw cattle numbers decline across the nation a few years ago due to extreme drought in the western Plains states, the same conditions for the past few years again has caused decline again. With fewer calves in the country, the market has moved higher on our cattle again. How long this will last will depend on weather, economy, beef supply, and a lot of external factors to the farming industry.)

Corn, cotton, soybeans, and wheat were down for the week.

May 2023 corn futures closed at \$6.39, down 10 cents since last Friday. For the week, May 2023 corn futures traded between \$6.22 and \$6.52. July 2023 corn futures closed at \$6.28, down 10 cents since last Friday. December 2023 corn futures closed at \$5.71, down 5 cents since last Friday.

May 2023 soybean futures closed at \$15.18, down 1 cent since last Friday. For the week, May 2023 soybean futures traded between \$14.77 and \$15.25. July 2023 soybean futures closed at \$15.06, down 2 cents since last Friday. November 2023 soybean futures closed at \$13.73, down 1 cent since last Friday.

Wheat cash prices at elevators and barge points ranged from \$6.42 to \$7.10. May 2023 wheat futures closed at \$7.08, down 13 cents since last Friday. May 2023 wheat futures traded between \$7.01 and \$7.24 this week. New crop wheat cash prices at elevators and barge points ranged from \$6.73 to \$7.15. July 2023 wheat futures closed at \$7.27, down 11 cents since last Friday. September 2023 wheat futures closed at \$7.27, down 11 cents since last Friday.

### SECURE POULTRY

Here is a message from Dr. Samantha Beatty, Tennessee State Veterinarian, on the Avian Influenza outbreak.

"Since the initial detection of HPAI at the beginning of 2022, the Southeast region of the United States has continued to be impacted by disease in poultry flocks, both commercial and backyard premises.

This virus is still being carried by wildlife in the region and based on testing in South and Central America over the winter will be carried back north by migratory birds through the end of spring. Flocks that may contact wild birds or their droppings are at an increased risk.

Healthy flocks in Tennessee are not quarantined. However, to mitigate disease risk, we strongly recommend the following steps to be taken for the protection of flocks with outside access. Keep birds indoors to prevent poultry flocks from coming into contact with wild or migratory birds. Restrict poultry access to any source of water that may have been contaminated by wild birds. Implement strict biosecurity on the premises. Alert all farm personnel of the increased risk of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza. Especially, focus biosecurity methods on preventing any exposure to wild waterfowl or their droppings. Monitor all flocks for increased mortality or clinical signs, report any concerns to your veterinarian or to the Office of State Veterinarian or Local USDA Veterinary Services representative."

(Folks, this is a serious thing in this county. The huge presence of the poultry industry affects so many people and their families, let alone the supply of poultry in the food chain. We need to do all we can to protect our home flocks and the commercial industry from exposure to the wild birds and water fowl who are carriers of this pathogen. There is no treatment and there is no cure for infected birds.

This does not pose a health threat for humans. It is specific to the chickens. So, follow security protocols as outlined above and let's protect our industry here.)

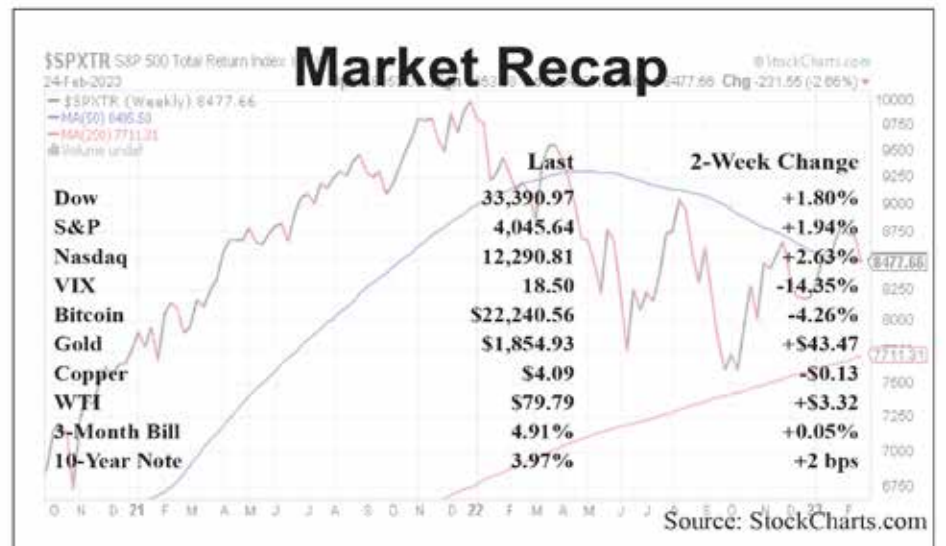
### THE KIDS

Ford's soccer team is having a good season, and they won two games this weekend. He had two scoring assists. They are learning to play as a team, and that's a great thing. Grades are still on the honor roll.

Hank is growing up. Now thirteen, he's shot up in height, and his voice is changing. Makes us proud when he does good things, like helping someone out who needs a friend or supporting a good community cause. He's got a really good heart, and you can't beat that!

Piper is doing well in kindergarten, learning curve out the roof, goes to the barn and helps out, into drawing things, cooking things, and her animals.

Mimi and Grantee are really proud of them, in case you can't tell....!



## WATCH OUT, DUCKS!



Submitted photo by Angela Boyce

Are these cats ready to take on any ducks that show up? Or are they just enjoying the afternoon sunshine? Who knows?

# Ukrainian military vows to hold Bakhmut as Russians close in

By **MSTYSLAV CHERNOV**

Associated Press

CHASIV YAR, Ukraine (AP) — Ukrainian military leaders expressed determination Monday to hold onto Bakhmut as Russian forces encroached on the devastated eastern city they have sought to capture for six months at the cost of thousands of lives.

Less than a week ago, an adviser to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said the defenders might retreat from Bakhmut and fall back to nearby positions.

But Zelenskyy's office said Monday that he chaired a meeting in which the country's top military brass "spoke in favor of continuing the defense operation and further strengthening our positions in Bakhmut."

Intense Russian shelling targeted the city in the Donetsk region and nearby villages as Moscow deployed more resources to try to finish off Bakhmut's resistance, according to local officials.

"Civilians are fleeing the region to escape Russian shelling continuing around the clock," Donetsk Gov. Pavlo Kyrylenko said.

Russian forces that invaded Ukraine just over a year ago have been unable to deliver a knockout blow that would allow them to seize Bakhmut. Analysts say it does not have major strategic value and that its capture would be unlikely to serve as a turning point in the conflict.

The Russian push for Bakhmut reflects the Kremlin's broader struggle to achieve battlefield momentum. Moscow's full-scale invasion on Feb. 24, 2022, soon stalled, and Ukraine launched a largely successful counteroffensive. Over the bitterly cold winter months, the fighting has largely been deadlocked.

The city's importance has become symbolic. For Russian President Vladimir Putin, prevailing there would finally deliver some good news from the front. For Kyiv the display of grit and defiance reinforces a message that Ukraine is holding on after a year of brutal attacks, justifying continued support from its Western allies.

U.S. Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin endorsed that view Monday, saying during a visit to Jordan that Bakhmut has "more of a symbolic value than ... strategic and operational value."

Moscow, he added, is "continuing to pour in a lot of ill-trained and ill-equipped troops" into Bakhmut, while Ukraine is patiently "building combat power" elsewhere with Western military support ahead of a possible spring offensive.

Even so, some analysts question the wisdom of pressing the Ukrainian defenders to hold out much longer. Others suggest that a tactical withdrawal may already be under way.

Michael Kofman, the director of Russia studies at the CAN think tank

in Arlington, Virginia, said Ukraine's defense of Bakhmut has been effective because it has drained the Russian war effort, but that Kyiv should now look ahead.

"The tenacious defense of Bakhmut achieved a great deal, expending Russian manpower and ammunition," Kofman tweeted late Sunday. "But strategies can reach points of diminishing returns, and given Ukraine is trying to husband resources for an offensive, it could impede the success of a more important operation."

The Institute for the Study of War, a Washington-based think tank, noted that urban warfare favors the defender but that Kyiv's smartest option now may be to withdraw to positions that are easier to defend.

In recent days, Ukrainian units destroyed two key bridges just outside Bakhmut, including one linking it to the nearby hilltop town of Chasiv Yar along the last remaining Ukrainian resupply route, according to U.K. military intelligence officials and other Western analysts. Demolishing the bridges could slow the Russian offensive.

"Ukrainian forces are unlikely to withdraw from Bakhmut all at once and may pursue a gradual fighting withdrawal to exhaust Russian forces through continued urban warfare," the ISW said in an assessment published late Sunday.

The Bakhmut battle has also served to expose Russian military shortcomings and bitter divisions.

Yevgeny Prigozhin, the millionaire owner of the Wagner Group military company that has spearheaded the Bakhmut offensive, has been at loggerheads with the Russian Defense Ministry and repeatedly accused it of failing to provide his forces with ammunition.

On Sunday, he again criticized top military brass for moving slowly to deliver the promised ammunition and questioned whether the delay was caused "by red tape or treason."

The commander of the Ukrainian land forces, Col.-Gen. Oleksandr Syrskyi, noted after visiting Bakhmut that the fight has escalated with the deployment of additional Wagner forces. Ukrainian troops, which are now focused on defending the city's north to prevent its encirclement, "have inflicted significant losses to the enemy, destroyed a large amount of equipment, forced the best Wagner assault units to be thrown into battle and reduced the enemy's offensive potential."

Putin's stated ambition is to seize full control of the four provinces, including Donetsk, that Moscow illegally annexed last fall. Russian forces control about half of Donetsk province, and to take its remaining half, they must go through Bakhmut. The city is the only approach to bigger Ukrainian-held cities since Ukrainian troops took back Izium in Kharkiv

province during a counteroffensive last September.

Bakhmut has taken on almost mythic importance to its defenders. It has become like Mariupol — the port city in the same province that Russia captured last year after an 82-day siege that eventually came down to a mammoth steel mill where determined Ukrainian fighters held out along with civilians.

Moscow looked to cement its rule in the areas it has occupied and annexed. Russian Defense Minister Sergei Shoigu traveled to Mariupol and toured some of the city's rebuilt infrastructure, the Defense Ministry reported Monday. Shoigu was shown a newly built hospital, a rescue center of the Emergency Ministry and residential buildings, the ministry said.

In other developments Monday:

— Russian forces attacked central and eastern regions of Ukraine with Iranian-made Shahed drones, a spokesman for Ukraine's Air Forces, Yuriy Ihnat, told Ukrainian media. Of 15 drones Russia launched, 13 were shot down, Ihnat said. It wasn't immediately clear if the attack caused damage.

— Russian defenders shot down three missiles over Russia's Belgorod region on the border with Ukraine, its governor, Vyacheslav Gladkov, said on Telegram. Debris injured one person and damaged power lines and façades of residential buildings, according to the official. Gladkov did not specify whether the missiles were fired from Ukraine.

— Russia's Federal Security Service, or FSB, reported thwarting an attempt to assassinate nationalist businessman Konstantin Malofeyev that was allegedly plotted by Ukrainian security services and the Russian Volunteer Corps that claims to be part of Ukraine's armed forces. According to the FSB, the Russian Volunteer Corps leader Denis Kapustin was the mastermind behind the plan, which was to put a bomb under Malofeyev's car.

Malofeyev is a media baron and owner of the ultra-conservative Tsargrad TV who has supported Russia-backed separatists in Ukraine and has trumpeted Moscow's invasion as a "holy war." He has been sanctioned by the U.S. and last year was charged with trying to evade sanctions.

The Russian Volunteer Corps last week claimed responsibility for an attack on Russian villages on the border with Ukraine.

The FSB said Monday that the raid on the villages that killed two civilians and wounded two others, including a child, was organized and spearheaded by Kapustin. The FSB's allegations could not be independently verified. Ukrainian officials had not commented on the claim.

## Snow has been a no-show for some traditionally wintry cities

By **MICHAEL CASEY**

Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — Growing up in New England, Leah Ofsevit's most cherished childhood memories were blanketed in snow. She remembers running barefoot outside with her brother at the first sign of it, building snowmen and ice castles most winters, strapping on skis as a toddler.

Ofsevit and her husband, Jeremy Garczynski, want to pass those traditions onto their children, 3-year-old Lewis and 8-month-old Asher. They were hoping this would be the year: Tiny skis were purchased for Lewis, and they planned to ski their favorite Massachusetts ski trails while dragging Asher behind them in a sled.

But three months into winter, with March arriving, their skis and sleds are mostly gathering dust. She doesn't like it one bit.

"It's not what I envisioned for my kids," says Ofsevit, who was on her high school cross-country ski team and lives in Melrose, just outside Boston. "Its such a big part of being a kid in New England."

For much of the eastern United States, from Massachusetts all the way down to parts of West Virginia and into Ohio, winter has been a bust. While parts of the Midwest have been hit with repeated snow storms, much of California including Los Angeles got blanketed of late and even parts of the Southwest saw near-blizzard conditions, many East Coast cities have missed out.

Boston, known for nasty nor'easters and a blizzard last year that dumped nearly two feet of snow on the city, had seen just over 11 inches as of last week compared to an average of 38.6, according to data from the National Weather Service. Philadelphia has gotten only 0.3 inches compared to an average of 19.2. New York, which typically gets over two feet by now, has seen only 2.2 inches. Similar shortfalls have been seen in Providence, Pittsburgh, Washington, D.C. and parts of West Virginia.

There have been exceptions like Buffalo, which in November got walloped thanks to lake-effect storm, caused by cold air picking up moisture from warmer lakes. Yet, says David Robinson, a Rutgers University geography professor and the New Jersey state climatologist: "For the most part, it's been a winterless winter."

### The whys

A big reason for the lack of snow has been the warmer conditions, Robinson says — conditions driven in part by human-induced climate change. The northeast is among the fastest warming regions in the country.

The region has seen plenty of precipitation, but often it has been too warm to snow. Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Vermont all had their warmest January on record, while Indiana, New York and Pennsylvania their second warmest, according to the the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

But other factors are at play.

La Niña, which involves a large-scale cooling of ocean surface temperatures, has led to unusual cool conditions in the eastern Pacific Ocean. As a result, the jet stream, which would bring colder conditions to the region, has kept that air closer to the Canadian border rather than dropping down into the northeast.

The polar vortex, which spins like a whirling top above the North Pole, also remained strong through mid-January, which kept the colder air bottled up in Canada, according to Judah Cohen, who studies the relationship between the polar vortex and the weather and is the director of seasonal forecasting for Verisk AER.

This could become the new normal. The weather service analyzed snowfall totals back to 2019 in the contiguous United States and found the states whose totals are furthest off their average as of mid-February were on the East Coast.

For many who pride themselves on thriving in New England winters, the unusually warm conditions have been disorienting and downright depressing. Gone are the four seasons and the scenes many have long associated with winter — snow blanketing backyards, covering trees and piling up in mounds on street corners and in parking lots.

Instead, the landscape offers brown grass, muddy backyards and spring flowers blooming early.

"When I retired, I thought winter would be my joyful time because I will be able to ski when I want, be outdoors .... enjoy everything having to do with winter," Leah Ofsevit's mother, Nancy Mazonson. "It's not beautiful outside ... It's not mysterious. It's just the same old same old without the magic of snow."

Caroline Nagy moved from New York City to Troy in upstate New York with her husband in hopes of catching colder and snowier winters. It hasn't turned out as she expected. "A warm month is one thing," says Nagy, "but a warm winter is scary."

### Undermining activities

The warmer conditions have been especially hard on traditional winter sports.

Cross-country ski trails have not opened in many locations. Ice skaters have abandoned backyard ponds. Some ski resorts, especially those that rely on natural snow, have struggled to remain open. In Pennsylvania, Whitetail Resort has already closed for the season; in Cherry Creek, New York, Cockaigne Resort announced on its webpage that it was closing due to the warm temperatures and rain. And a popular 216-mile sled dog race in Michigan's Upper Peninsula was cancelled due to unfavorable weather for the first time in its 33-year-history.

"Wherever it was already thin, now it was turning to ice," says Darlene Walch, president of the Upper Peninsula Sled Dog Association. "When the snow pack gets saturated, it will turn to concrete when it freezes. It's not good for the dogs, and it's hard for the mushers to control their sleds."

Many lakes and ponds have not frozen over, including the Great Lakes, where less than 12% of the surface area was covered with ice as of early March, according to NOAA's Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The historical average for this time of year is closer to 40%.

As a result, ice fishing tournaments from Maine to Pennsylvania have been scrapped. Several people have fallen through the ice, including three fishermen who died in a week on Lake Champlain in Vermont.

The lack of winter's symptoms has not been all bad. Spring-like conditions have been a boon to bicycle commuters. Golfers have been spotted on courses that, this time of year, typically host skiers. Tennis courts are bustling on warm days, and playgrounds are filled with children.

# Police stay busy making drug arrests

By DAVID MELSON  
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Marijuana was confiscated from a man found sleeping in his vehicle behind Food Lion, Colloredo Boulevard, at 3:50 a.m. Thursday. Shelbyville police said.

Officer Andrew Koehler said in his report he could smell marijuana in the vehicle of Gregorio Morales Gallardo Jr., 19, of Ligon Drive. Koehler and Officers Jonathan Evans, Jeremiah Guinn and Dylan Bliss found five bags of marijuana totaling 48.1 grams, smaller bags used for resale, hashish oil, and a digital scale.

Morales was arrested on charges of distribution of a controlled substance with intent to sell and possession of drug paraphernalia, and a previous charge of failure to appear. He was held on \$15,000 bond.

Several others were arrested over the weekend on drug charges.

•Douglas Cody Tomlin-Hunter, who was stopped Friday by Bedford County deputies aware he was wanted for theft of merchandise ended up in more trouble.

Tomlin-Hunter, 32, was stopped while riding a bicycle on Highway 231 North. Deputies Brianna Gaines and Jeff Goodrich found .05 grams of marijuana, .9 grams of crystal methamphetamine, and several plastic bas, Gaines' report said. He was charged with possession of a schedule 2 drug with intent to resell, possession of a schedule 6 drug and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond was set at \$10,000.

•A man stopped for windows allegedly tinted too darkly Friday on North Main Street was charged with DUI, possession of a firearm while intoxicated and simple possession of a schedule 6 drug.

Gregory A. Baker, 58, of Old Pencil Mill Road failed field sobriety tests conducted by Officer Brandi Merlo and had a loaded pistol and marijuana joint in his possession, Merlo's report said. Baker posted \$9,500 bond.

•Timothy Allen Merrell, 33, of Tullahoma was being arrested for domestic violence Saturday morning at a Madison Street hotel when he admitted having a small marijuana bud in a pocket. He posted \$15,000 bond. Robert Corwin was cited for simple possession and possession of drug paraphernalia when stopped for speeding Saturday night on Highway 231 North.

Officer Steven Dalton said in his report he found marijuana and a pipe in the center console.

•Tiffany Williamson was cited for simple possession and possession of drug paraphernalia Sunday at Walmart when a customer walking past her car smelled marijuana and notified police.

Williamson handed

over a "small amount" of marijuana, Officer Gary Goodwin's report said.

## Vandalism

A brick water fountain valued at \$500-\$1,000 was destroyed by vandals, the Bedford County Sheriff's Office was told early Saturday.

## Thefts

•A 12-gauge shotgun was the only thing noticed missing from a home in the 4700 block of Highway 41A North vandalized Saturday, the BCSO was told.

•A man who said he was homeless took a cell phone Wednesday at Huddle House, North Main Street, police said.

The suspect contacted the victim and said he was going to bring back the phone but didn't immediately do so.

## Scam

A woman who bought a car on Facebook Marketplace told a Bedford County deputy she was misled by the seller.

She was told the car, for which she paid \$10,000, had around 100,000 miles. She was told at the county clerk's office later that the car had a rebuilt title and more than 200,000 miles.

The seller responded to the buyer's complaints by blocking her from his Facebook account and sending harassing messages to her with orders to stop contacting him.

Deputy Shaq Thompson suggested she seek an attorney's advice and consider filing a civil suit.

## Jail intake

The following were charged since Friday by the Shelbyville Police Department, Bedford County Sheriff's Office, Tennessee Highway Patrol or 17th Judiciary District Drug Task Force. They are only charged; guilt or innocence will be determined by the courts.

•Ali Reza Akmal, 41, Scotland Heights; violation of order of protection; released, \$2,500 bond

•Timothy Lamont Bailey, 52, Barksdale Lane; attachment; held, \$1,000 bond

•Daniel Lee Cowell, 30, Oak Circle, Unionville; truancy; released on recognizance

•David Cordell Harper, 36, Manchester; violation of probation; held, \$5,000 bond

•Joseph Roger Hedrick, 42, no fixed address; vandalism; held, \$1,000 bond

•Austin James Hickman, 18, Pinkston Road; no proof of insurance, reckless/careless driving, window tinting; released on recognizance

•Bibiana Leyva, 57, Lewisburg; DUI; released, \$3,000 bond

•Anthony Lee Lynch, 52, James Crowell Road; violation of probation;

released, \$2,500 bond

•Gregorio Morales Gallardo Jr., 19, Ligon Drive; failure to appear, distribution of controlled substance with intent to sell, possession of drug paraphernalia; held, \$15,000 bond

•Tiffany Odom, 40, Landers Street; failure to appear; held, \$1,500 bond

•Kristian Anthony Phillips, 31., Tullahoma; two bench warrants, failure to appear; held, \$10,000 bond

•Merideth Shelby Seibers, 26, Hawkins Drive; violation of probation; released, \$1,500 bond

•Paul Randall Smith, 60, Peacock Lane; theft of property; held, \$2,500 bond

•Nicholas Seth Stewart, 30, Nashville; failure to appear (two counts); released, \$5,000 bond

•Alejandro Michael Valero, 56, Couch Lane; violation of probation; held, \$5,000 bond

•Brandey Kay Armistead, 51, Frank Martin Road; capias, failure to appear; \$4,000 bond

•Gregory A. Baker, 58, Chapel Hill; DUI, simple possession, unlawful possession of a weapon; released, \$9,500 bond

•Dulce-Maria Bautista Gaspar, 35, Spring Hill; criminal impersonation, light law, no driver's license/exhibited on demand; released, \$3,500 bond

•David Alexander Bradford, 27, Mt. Juliet; financial responsibility, light law, no driver's license/exhibited on demand; released on recognizance

•John Isaac Brinkley, 19, Winchester; aggravated burglary, theft of property (two counts); \$10,000 bond

•Emmanuel Galindo Castaneda, 37, U.S. 231 North; truancy (three counts); released on recognizance

•Kristen Cowell, 34, Hilltop Drive; truancy; released on recognizance

•William Matthew Dalton, 39, Walnut Street; violation of probation; \$2,500 bond

•Dewayne Davis, 35, Estill Springs; driving on a revoked license, seatbelt law; released, \$4,500 bond

•Luis Enrique Galves, 20, Chapel Hill; DUI, failure to maintain lane; released, \$2,500 bond

•Hevelyn Daniela Garcia Conde, 21, Alton Avenue; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, speeding; released, \$500 bond

•Kristi Lyn Gentry, 45, Chapel Hill; driving on a suspended license, financial responsibility, speeding; released on recognizance

•James Lee Harris, 45, Murfreesboro; violation of probation; no bond

•Elliott Lane Helton, 25, Manchester; child restraint law, driving on an expired license, driving on a suspended license, financial responsibility, speeding; released on recognizance

•Ramirez Hernandez,

25, Fayetteville; license required; \$500 bond

•Diego Amulfo Jimenez, 41, Madison; driving on a revoked license; released on recognizance

•Domingo Lopez-Gomez, 18, Barksdale Lane; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, speeding; released on recognizance

•Jessica Mae McCullough, 34, Green Lane; truancy; released on recognizance

•Bret Austin McLain, 42, East Lane Street; public intoxication; released, \$2,500 bond

•Nilson Membreno, 22, Nashville; failure to appear; no bond

•Lawrence Amual Merlo Jr., 48, West Grundy Street; driving on a revoked license, speeding; released on recognizance

•Timothy Allen Merrell, 33, Tullahoma; simple domestic assault, simple possession; released, \$15,000 bond

•Julio Ceasar Godinez Morales, 26, no address listed; financial responsibility, no driver's license/exhibited on demand, speeding; \$500 bond

•Cody Daniel Morrow, 32, Benton; unlawful possession of a weapon; \$15,000 bond

•Deontye Roshaan Pettyway, 25, Anthony Lane; driving on a suspended license, financial responsibility; released on recognizance

•Julian Marcus Reed, 30, Lewis Avenue; driving on a revoked license, light law; released, \$4,500 bond

•Nicolas (NMN) Sebastian, 47, St. Charles Place; child abuse/neglect/endangerment (two counts), driving on a revoked license, DUI; released, \$12,000 bond

•Jamison Lee Shipley, 22, West McGuire Street, Bell Buckle; failure to appear; no bond

•Kameron Kasean Smith, 18, White Street; DUI, evading arrest, financial responsibility, light law, no driver's license/exhibited on demand,

reckless endangerment (two counts), seatbelt law, simple possession; \$11,500 bond

•Douglas Cody Tomlin-Hunter, 32, homeless; possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of schedule 2 drug, possession of schedule 6 drug, theft involving merchandise (shoplifting); \$10,000 bond

•Miguel Sanchez Vazquez, 25, Highway 41A North; driver to exercise due care, no driver's license/exhibited on demand; released on recognizance

•Daniel Antorio Wendelboe, 26, Murfreesboro; DUI, speeding; released, \$2,500 bond

•Justin Dale Wiser, 36, Carney Street; driving on a suspended license, financial responsibility, running a red light/stop sign; released on recognizance

# Death row inmate who acted as own attorney seeks new trial

By TRAVIS LOLLER  
Associated Press

NASHVILLE (AP) — A Tennessee man on death row who was forced to act as his own lawyer is seeking a new trial, claiming multiple violations of his constitutional rights.

Howard Willis was sentenced to death in 2010 for the murders of teenage newlyweds, 17-year-old Adam Chrismer and 16-year-old Samantha Leming Chrismer, both of Chickamauga, Georgia. The boy's head and hands were found by fishermen in Boone Lake in northeastern Tennessee in October 2002. The bodies of both teens were found a few days later in a storage unit rented by Willis' mother in Johnson City.

Willis had nine lawyers before the judge ruled that he would have to represent himself, accusing him of sowing conflict with his attorneys in an effort to avoid a trial. Willis' current attorneys say that characterization is unfair.

Representing himself at trial, Willis claimed that he was set up and that there was no evidence tying him to the murder weapon. The jury found otherwise and sentenced him to death.

In his bid for a new trial, Willis claims the original was unfair because he was forced to act as his own attorney and because he wasn't afforded sufficient resources to defend himself, among other claims.

Many of the attorneys left the case for reasons that had nothing to do with Willis, such as conflicts of interest or the need to care for a seriously ill relative.

As for the other attorneys, Willis had legitimate complaints about their work, his new petition argues. One attorney spent only nine hours reading the discovery material in the case between his appointment at the end of May 2005 and his withdrawal three months later.

"Although it is inconvenient to have to replace a lawyer, if there are legitimate complaints about the performance of that lawyer, a citizen should be entitled to raise those issues and have the right to counsel protected, especially when they are facing the death penalty," the petition reads.

In its response, attorneys for the state said many of Willis' complaints have already been considered by other courts and found to be without merit.

"The record clearly indicates that petitioner abused the dignity of the court by attempting to manipulate the court in order to delay or disrupt a trial," the state's response said. "If the petitioner was prejudiced ... the State would contend it was the direct result of his own calculated behavior."

When the Chrismers

were murdered in 2002, Willis was a Georgia trucker who was out on bond after an arrest in New York, where he was accused of smuggling cocaine from Texas to Brooklyn.

Willis was already a suspect in the teens' deaths when he was arrested in Tennessee on a bond violation. His New York attorney called the jail to invoke his right to representation and right to silence — meaning he should not be questioned about the Chrismers without his lawyer present. Law enforcement sought to circumvent that by working with Willis' ex-wife to solicit a confession in a taped jailhouse conversation.

Willis' belief that the confession was obtained illegally — and should have been thrown out — was a major point of conflict with his attorneys. He felt they were not doing enough to get the confession tossed. For instance, they never called his New York attorney to testify.

Willis' conflicts with his attorneys led to several withdrawing from the case. In 2008, the trial court judge ruled Willis had forfeited his right to an attorney. Willis appealed but lost. With the appeal over, he had only a few months to prepare his defense, according to the petition. That preparation was also seriously hindered by the fact that he was incarcerated. When he wanted to review previous court cases, he would have to leave a list on a Thursday for an investigator or public defender to bring the following Monday.

Willis asked the court to fund three expert witnesses he hoped to have testify at his trial. He wanted to raise doubts about the prosecution's theory that the Chrismers were killed at Willis' mother's house, and rebut testimony from the state's entomologist that blow flies found in the storage unit with the bodies matched blow flies found at the home. He asked for money for an expert on false confessions, a crime scene expert and an entomologist.

In the end, the judge only approved funding for an entomologist, and that person wasn't provided with the same raw data used by the state's expert — a fact that was used to make him look untrustworthy at trial, according to the petition. Meanwhile, witnesses for the state included a forensic anthropologist, crime scene analysts from both the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and a medical examiner.

The multiday hearing on Willis' petition for post-conviction relief is scheduled to begin Monday in Washington County Criminal Court in Jonesborough.

# Dozens face domestic terrorism charges in Georgia incident

By JEFF MARTIN  
and JEFF AMY  
Associated Press

ATLANTA (AP) — More than 20 people from more than a dozen states faced domestic terrorism charges Monday after dozens of young men in black masks attacked the site of a police training center under construction in a wooded area outside Atlanta that has become the flashpoint of conflict between authorities and left-leaning protesters.

Police said one suspect is from France, and another is from Canada. Two are from Georgia, while others hail from Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Arizona, Colorado, Utah and Wisconsin. Police haven't released their ages or other information.

Flaming bottles and rocks were thrown at officers during a protest

Sunday at "Cop City," where 26-year-old environmental activist Manuel Esteban Paez Terán, or "Tortuguita," was shot to death by officers at a protest in January. The demonstrators tried to blind officers by shining green lasers into their eyes, and used tires and debris to block a road, the Georgia Department of Public Safety said Monday.

From a Venezuelan family, Tortuguita was dedicated to preserving the natural environment, friends and family said. Those ideals clashed with Atlanta's hopes of building a \$90 million Atlanta Public Safety Training Center that would boost police preparedness morale in the wake of violent protests that roiled the country after George Floyd's death in 2020.

Now, authorities and young people are embroiled in a clash that appears to

have little to do with many other high-profile conflicts. Protesters against what detractors call "Cop City" run the gamut from more traditional environmental environmentalists to young, self-styled anarchists seeking clashes with what they see as an unjust society.

Demonstrations spread to downtown Atlanta on Jan. 21, when a police cruiser was set ablaze, rocks were thrown and fireworks were launched at a skyscraper that houses the Atlanta Police Foundation. Windows were shattered in that building and others.

Atlanta Police Chief Darin Schierbaum said at a midnight news conference that several pieces of construction equipment were set on fire Sunday in what he called "a coordinated attack" at the site for the Atlanta Public Safety Training Center in DeKalb

County. Surveillance video released by police show a piece of heavy equipment in flames at the facility under construction. It was among multiple pieces of construction gear destroyed, police said.

Protesters dressed in black threw rocks, bricks, Molotov cocktails, and fireworks at police officers Sunday at the construction site, police said. Police from nearby communities stepped in to assist city officers, and no officers were injured, Schierbaum said, adding that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has joined police in the case. Officers used non-lethal enforcement methods to disperse the crowd and detain those involved, he said. Asked about injuries to any of the demonstrators, the chief said that "some minor discomfort" was reported.

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and Theresa Lucille Reid



Police Chief Jan Phillips addresses the crowd as photos of Jacobs' career flash on a screen.



Jacobs is presented his duty weapon as a souvenir by Det. Lt. Charles Merlo, right, joined by the rest of the detective division.



Badges and uniform patches from Detective Sgt. Sam Jacobs' career.

T-G Photos by David Melson



Balloons and a sign proclaim the special day.

# Shelbyville city detective honored on retirement

**D**etective Sgt. Sam Jacobs retired from the Shelbyville Police Department on Friday. A retirement ceremony was held in his honor at police headquarters Thursday.

Jacobs didn't enter police work until he was in his mid-40s. He spent his entire 21-year law enforcement career with the SPD, beginning as a patrol officer before moving to the detective division.



Jacobs makes his ceremonial final police radio sign-off.

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# THREE-PEAT

## Lady Feet crush MTCS in state title rematch

By **CHRIS SIERS**  
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COOKEVILLE — The Webb Lady Feet have gotten to know MTCS pretty well over the past two seasons.

After sweeping the Lady Cougars (26-10) in four meetings last year, including in the state championship, Webb followed this season with five more wins over the Lady Cougars including a state championship rematch of last year's finals with a 73-43 win on Saturday to claim their third-straight state championship.

Angelica Velez put Webb (32-4) on the board first in the opening quarter with a basket barely 13 seconds into the game and MTCS responded for its only lead of the game with a three-pointer by Anna Clay Shirley.

But Webb's Rhema Collins answered with a basket at the 6:53 mark and the Lady Feet never trailed again.

MTCS kept the opening quarter close and cut the Lady Feet advantage to three points on a basket by Autumn Davis in the clos-

ing seconds.

Webb responded with three-straight three-pointers to open the second quarter, including two by Daria Biruik, to break the game wide open.

From there, MTCS never challenged the Lady Feet lead a gain.

Webb went on to build a 37-22 halftime lead and with a smothering defense and an excellent effort off the glass, MTCS simply didn't get second-chance looks.

With shots continuing not to fall, Webb went on a 20-8 run in the second quarter and followed with an even bigger run throughout the third period.

Webb opened the third with six-straight points before MTCS finally answered with a pair of free throws by Jailyn Banks.

MTCS didn't manage a shot from the floor until the 3:15 mark of the third quarter.

Webb continued its onslaught with Aalyah Del Rosario doing the bulk of the work in the paint, providing a dominant effort to lead the 22-point frame for  
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T-G Photo by Chris Siers

The Webb Lady Feet are presented with their third state tournament trophy after defeating MTCS on Saturday afternoon.

## Viqueens win OT thriller, reach state

By **RICKEY CLARDY**  
Sports Writer

UNIONVILLE — With a state tournament berth on the line in a Class AA sectional game, the Community Viqueens faced overtime after the Smith County Lady Owls tied the game with a three-pointer in the closing seconds of regulation.

With the momentum swinging in the direction of the Lady Owls, the Viqueens were forced to dig deep to overcome a Smith County team that came into Unionville with a game plan to control the pace of the game and draw fouls by driving to the basket.

At the end of the day, the Viqueens had come too far to be denied.

Community (26-6) took over in the final three minutes of overtime with clutch defensive plays and timely free throws to

defeat the Lady Owls 62-55 and punch its ticket to the TSSAA Class AA state basketball tournament.

"I knew going into that overtime, our seniors were not going to let them beat us," Coach Cody Pierce of the Viqueens said. "We were not going to lose that game."

"I could see it in their eyes," Pierce added.

In the opening eight minutes, it appeared the Viqueens would have a smooth ride to the state tournament in Murfreesboro.

After the Lady Owls banked in a trey to score the first basket of the game, the Viqueens, namely Addison Brothers, got hot from three-point land.

Brothers connected on four treys and M.J. Simmons added five points as the

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The Community bench celebrates after the final buzzer sounded in Saturday night's Class AA sectional.



Viqueen coach Cody Pierce is all smiles as he cuts down the final strand of the net after the win.



The Webb cheerleaders were honored as the championship cheerleading team following Saturday's game.



For her efforts on the court, Aalyah Del Rosario was named tournament MVP. She score a game-high 21 points in Saturday's title game.



Coach Matthew Shewmake is presented with a plaque after winning the Division II Class A state championship on Saturday.



Angelica Velez drives the ball across half-court and sets up the Lady Feet offense.

T-G Photos by Chris Siers

## Lady Feet

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the Lady Feet. MTCS managed to slow the game down a bit in the

fourth quarter and was able to draw several fouls.

The Lady Cougs went 10-for-12 in the fourth quarter, but couldn't erase the 30-point deficit as Webb held on to win its third-

straight state title.

Saturday's dominant win was the 12th-straight game in which Webb held its opponent under 50 points.

For their efforts in the state tournament, Bree

Robinson, Collins and Biruik were all named to the All-Tournament team, while Del Rosario was named the tournament MVP.

Del Rosario led three

Lady Feet in double figures with 21 points, while Collins added 13 and Biruik chipped in 11.

Webb finishes its third-straight state championship campaign with a 32-4 over-

all record.

MTCS 14 8 5 16 — 43  
 Webb 17 20 22 14 — 73  
 MTCS: Jaily Banks 13, Anna Clay Shirley 8, Autumn Davis 7, Riley Smith 6, Ashley Rucker 3, Claire Knight 3, Caylee Jackson 2, Lindsey Wisniowski.  
 Webb: Aalyah Del Rosario 21, Rhema Collins 13, Daria Biruik 11, Bree Robinson 8, Angelica Velez 6, Lauren Rust 6, Aurora Almon-Sanchez 4, Bre'aria Cannon 2, Tatianna Stovall 2.  
 3-Point goals: Webb (5): Biruik 3, Collins, Rust.  
 MTCS (4): Shirley 2, Rucker, Knight.  
 Halftime score: Webb 37, MTCS 22.

# Young, Richardson all the rage at NFL combine

By MICHAEL MAROT  
 AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Bryce Young provided one answer Saturday at the NFL's annual scouting combine: He stands 5-foot-10 1/8 inches and weighs 204 pounds.

Next question: Will his small frame hurt his draft stock?

On a day Anthony Richardson put on an impressive show at Lucas Oil Stadium, Young's numbers will create debate among scouts and team decision-makers about whether Young should be the first player — or the first quarterback — selected on April 27.

Richardson certainly made his case with a 4.43-second 40-yard dash, the fourth-fastest by a quarterback since 2003. The former Florida quarterback also broke the modern combine position record with a 40 1/2-inch vertical jump, and his 10-foot, 9-inch broad jump tied Matt Jones of Arkansas for the best mark by a quarterback since 2003.

Young's numbers, meanwhile, could have the opposite effect.

Typically, teams want franchise quarterbacks to be a little sturdier to remain healthy. Young's measurements would make him one of the league's smallest quarterbacks.

He doesn't believe it's a big deal, though he was listed at 6-0, 194 in college.

"I've been this size my whole life. I know who I am, I know what I can do," Young said Friday when asked about the size issue.

The 2021 Heisman Trophy winner from Alabama has all the other prototypical tools that franchises seek — strong arm, quick release, good accuracy, mobility and a knack for making big plays, even on the move.

The closest comparisons might be Kyle Murray, whom Arizona took with the top overall pick in 2019, and Russell Wilson, a third-round pick in 2012 who led Seattle to its only Super Bowl title before landing in Denver last season.

And while the quarterbacks, tight ends and receivers were scheduled to do their on-field drills Saturday in Indianapolis, Young had said he wouldn't join them. The next time scouts will see Young will be at Alabama's scheduled pro day.

Many draft analysts believe Young, former Ohio State quarterback C.J. Stroud, former Georgia defensive tackle Jalen Carter and linebacker Will Anderson Jr. of Alabama are the four players vying to be selected No. 1 overall.

Stroud performed well in the passing drills and another highly regarded quarterback, Will Levis, showed his arm strength. But Anderson is sticking with his ex-teammate.

"I would say Bryce played in

the SEC, one of the best conferences in college football," he said. "Big defensive tackles, big defensive linemen, big pass rushers and took a lot of hits during his years there. I have all confidence in Bryce Young. If I was in the position to take him, I'm taking him."

### More workout numbers

Trey Palmer of Nebraska logged the fastest 40-yard dash time among receivers, 4.33, narrowly outperforming Derius Davis of TCU (4.36).

Four receivers posted vertical jumps of at least 40 inches — Bryce Ford-Wheaton of West Virginia (41), Rashee Rice of TCU (41), Quentin Johnston of Tennessee (40). Hyatt was tops in the broad jump (11 feet, 3 inches), just ahead of Johnston and Demario Douglass of Liberty, who both logged 11-2.

Former Utah cornerback Clark Phillips III had 18 bench reps, tops among his group. Joey Porter Jr. of Penn State and Cory Trice Jr. of Purdue were tied for second at 17.

Will Mallory of Miami (4.54), Zack Kuntz of Old Dominion (4.55) and Sam LaPorta of Iowa (4.59) had the fastest 40s among tight ends. Kuntz led the position with a 40-inch vertical jump and broad jump of 10-8.

Offensive linemen and run-

ning backs work out Sunday.

### Supporting Carter

Defensive tackle Jalen Carter didn't speak to reporters in Indianapolis after Georgia authorities charged him with reckless driving and racing in connection to a fatal traffic accident.

Bulldogs offensive lineman Broderick Jones spoke in support of his friend Saturday.

"When we first met, he was a great dude, real chill, real calm, cool and collected, like nothing going on," Jones said. "He didn't do too much, just sat around, you know, not into everything that goes on in life. He doesn't do too much. He stays to himself, doesn't bother anybody."

### Missing teeth

Offensive lineman Cody Mauch came to the combine carrying 303 pounds. But it's what the former North Dakota State player was missing — two front teeth — that got everyone biting.

Mauch explained they were pulled in an emergency room after he collided with a friend during a seventh-grade basketball game and the teeth got knocked loose. The intended repairs didn't work, either, because either the replacements broke or Mauch lost his retainers.

Eventually, he decided to go

without, giving him the trademark look of a hockey player — or Hall of Fame linebacker Ray Nitschke, who also played toothless in green and gold.

"I say that I'm going to get them fixed after football, but I don't even know if I ever will. It's kind of just part of me," he said. "I think every team, every person I talked to here has had some kind of question about it."

### Throwing darts

Paris Johnson Jr. of Ohio State is ranked as one of the top offensive tackles in this year's draft. But occasionally, he makes a mistake, and he acknowledged Saturday that he made one during an interview with the Bears.

Chicago officials have been asking players whether they'd rather putt golf balls or throw darts. Johnson figured he'd be better off with the dart board. That's when the problems began.

He watched someone in front of him throw three darts — two nearly hit the bull's eye and the third did. Johnson's turn didn't go quite as well.

"The first two hit like some snacks in the corner and I thought, 'Oh my gosh, they're going to end this meeting,'" Johnson said before describing the third shot. "It hit the board, so I was happy. I should have probably chosen golf."



The Community student section holds up a "U" during a free throw attempt in the fourth quarter.

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Addison Brothers settles in and knocks down a key free throw in overtime. She led all scorers with 19 points.



M.J. Simmons drives to the basket and scores in overtime. Simmons played most of the fourth quarter and all of overtime with four fouls.

# Viqueens

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Viqueens connected on six three-pointers in the opening quarter.

Community ended the quarter with a 22-11 lead.

The Lady Owls woke up in the second quarter and changed the complexion of the game.

The Smith County offense was able to get into gear and went to the foul line often by driving to the basket.

The strategy of getting Simmons into foul trouble worked for the Lady Owls as Simmons picked up her third foul with 3:22 left in the quarter and sat out the remainder of the half.

Meanwhile, the Lady Owls were adept at the foul line the entire game and went 6-of-7 at the line in the quarter to erase the Viqueen lead.

Four points each by Simmons and Zoey Dixon were not enough to offset a 24-point Lady Owl quarter

as the game was tied at 35-35 heading into the intermission.

"The early lead was nice, but they made a comeback," Pierce said.

"At halftime, I told them last year we were down eight going into the third quarter," Pierce added. "This time it's 0-0. I wouldn't want to be anywhere else."

"We put ourselves in a position even though we were not playing well," Pierce said.

The Viqueen defense was able to stymie the Smith County offense in the third quarter as Community edged out to a lead.

The Lady Owls could only score four points as the Viqueens used four points from Simmons to take the lead after Smith County led 37-35 early in the quarter.

Despite Community taking a 44-39 lead to the fourth quarter, the fourth foul on Simmons with 41 seconds put a damper on the Viqueen chances.

With Simmons on the bench, the Viqueens were able to stay composed and led 50-46 before Simmons

returned to the game with just over three minutes left.

"It was tough leaving her on the bench, but I trust who's out there," Pierce said. "We're a solid team all the way around."

The Lady Owls fought back and trailed 50-48 and had possession for over a minute with hopes of tying or taking the lead.

But a Smith County miss at the 1:03 mark helped secure the Viqueen lead.

Three free throws by Brothers in the final minute sandwiched by a Lady Owl basket left the Viqueens with a 53-50 lead and 18 seconds left as Smith County took possession with a chance to tie the game.

With the Community defense hindering the Lady Owls from taking an open shot, Addie Hawkins of Smith County was able to find a sliver of daylight and connect on a trey from the top of the key with four seconds left to tie the game at 53-53.

An attempted three-pointer by the Viqueens missed at the buzzer as the game went into overtime.

The Lady Owls, with a renewed vigor, continued to find success at the free throw line and took the lead with two makes at the 2:58 mark to go ahead 55-53.

With their backs to the wall, the Viqueens rose to the occasion and shutout the Lady Owls the rest of the way.

After Simmons connected on a basket with 2:39 left, the Viqueen defense came to the forefront by forcing a Smith County walk with 1:40 remaining.

Simmons, who scored six points with the help of a 4-of-4 performance at the line in the extra frame, put the Viqueens ahead to stay with 1:28 left as Community went up 57-55.

After a Lady Owl miss, Dixon connected on two free throws with 40 seconds left to put Community up 59-55.

A Simmons steal and two resulting free throws gave the Viqueens some breathing room and put Community up 61-55 with 24 seconds left.

Dixon connected on

a free throw with seven seconds remaining and ran out the clock after a steal as the Viqueens and their fans celebrated the team's first visit to the Big Dance since 2016.

"I've got to give them a ton of credit," Pierce said in regards to the performance of Smith County. "They played with a lot of passion."

"It's win or go home. Anybody's going to play their best game," Pierce added. "We got their best game."

"We had to go to overtime, but we kept our composure," Pierce said.

"We did have a lot of turnovers we normally don't have, but at the end of the day, we got the stops we needed."

Simmons and Brothers each had 19 points to lead the Viqueens.

Airyn Enoch had 16 points to lead three Lady Owls in double figures.

Hawkins netted 12 points while Merissa Spivey added 10.

The Viqueens were 15-of-20 at the foul line while

Smith County was near-perfect after hitting 18-of-19 free throws.

The Viqueens narrowly missed out on the state tournament last season which was on the mind of Pierce.

"My five years being here, one thing I told them about two weeks after we got put out last year, I said every year we get put out by one basket," Pierce said.

"You need to work every day to get that one basket, and tonight we got it."

Community will play Scotts Hill Thursday at 1:15 p.m. in the opening round of the TSSAA Class AA state tournament at Murphy Center in Murfreesboro.

Scotts Hill defeated Manassas 70-27 in its sectional game.

Smith Co. 11 24 4 14 2 — 55  
Community 22 13 9 9 9 — 62

Smith Co.: Airyn Enoch 16, Addie Hawkins 12, Merissa Spivey 10, Chloe Collins 9, Elle Haughton 6, Abigail Hackett 2, Julia Dickerson.  
Community: M. J. Simmons 19, Addison Brothers 19, Zoey Dixon 7, Haley Mitchell 7, Shelby Cawthon 4, Anna Haskins 6.  
3-Point goals: Smith Co. (5): Collins 3, Hawkins, Spivey, Community (7): Brothers 4, Mitchell 2, Simmons.  
Halftime score: Community 35, Smith Co. 35.



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Champion senior Lucas Clanton pulls up for a jumper in the second half against Pearl Cohn. He led all scorers with 30 points in Thursday night's region championship.

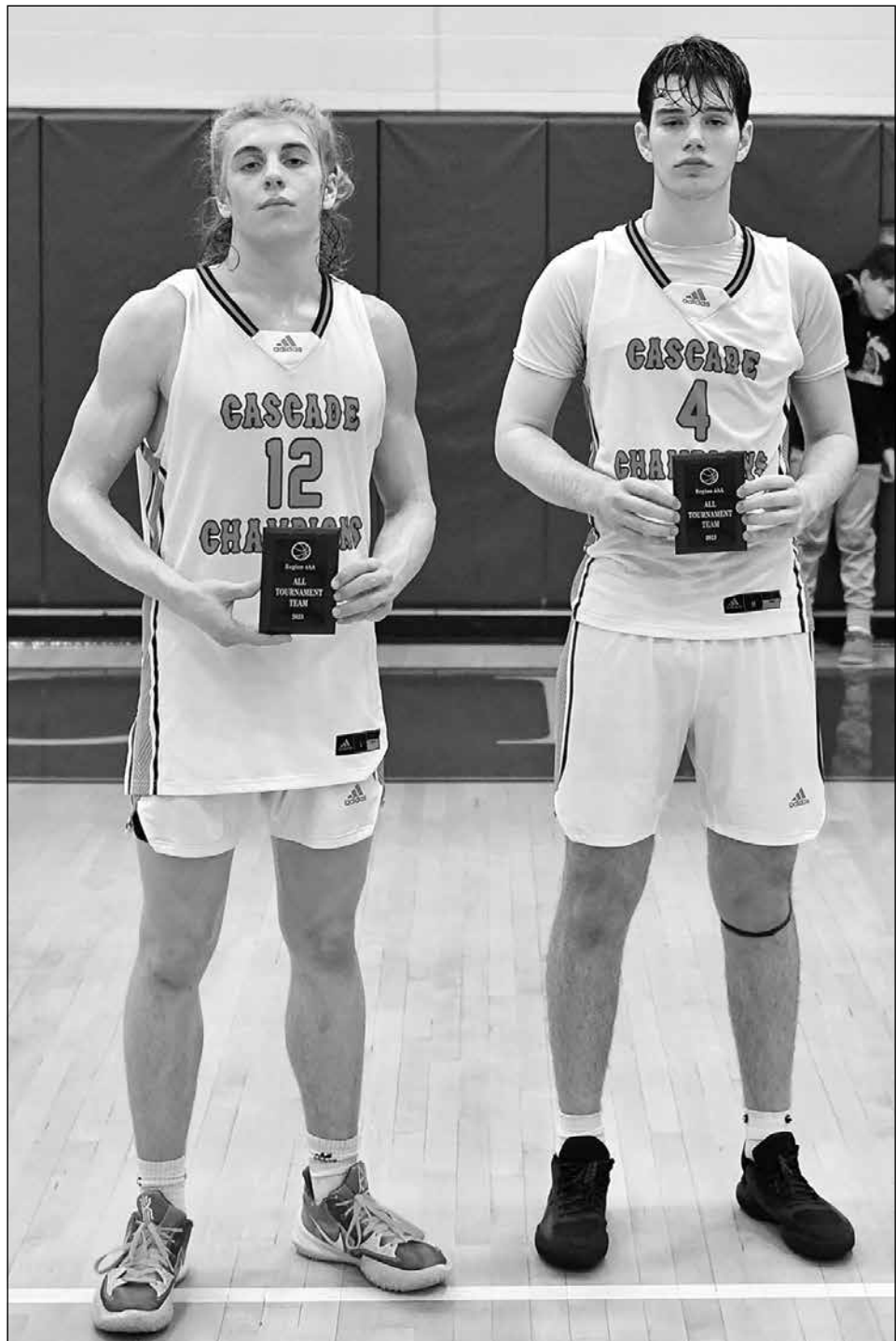


Photo courtesy of David Smith

For their efforts in the Region 4-AA title, Lucas Clanton (left) and Isaac McElroy were named to the All-Region 4-AA team.

# Champs fall in Region 4-AA final

By **WILL CARTER**  
Sports Writer

UNIONVILLE — It was hard to stop the Pearl Cohn Firebirds (20-8) once they picked up steam in the Region 4-AA Championship game on Thursday night, and they found their groove early in the contest with the Cascade Champions (27-6) which translated to a 86-68 victory and the region title.

Firebird guards Keith Roland, Doyel Cokrill, and Javion Kinnard combined for 68 points, and accounted for all 10 of Pearl Cohn's three-pointers on the night, including seven in the first half.

Each of the trio knocked down a three-pointer in the opening frame with Kinnard sinking two through the net, and combining with Cokrill for 15 first-quarter points as part of a 20 point total coming out of the gates.

"They shot the ball really well to start and got hot from deep," Cascade head coach Chris Lawson said.

"We had a game plan, but they

got out ahead of us and we had to adjust, defensively. They're very quick and good ball-handlers. We had a hard time staying in front, but you have to give Pearl Cohn a lot of credit. They played really well tonight."

Despite the Firebirds' onslaught, the Champions didn't lay down and let Pearl Cohn run away with it in the first half as Lucas Clanton knocked down a trio of three-pointers in the first, and added eight more points in the second frame to help keep Cascade within striking distance.

Cokrill and Roland dropped in a pair of threes less than a minute into the second frame to take a 15-point lead, but the Champions battled back throughout the quarter by holding Pearl Cohn to only six points the rest of the quarter, and went on a 6-0 run in the last two minutes to cut their deficit to 32-27 at halftime.

"Their fight is what I think I love the most about this group of guys," Lawson said.

"They don't ever quit and when we get down a little bit,

they always put up a fight. We were without a starter in Thomas Gentry tonight, and that hurt on both ends of the floor. Next guy up, and they played as hard as they possibly could."

But it didn't take long for Pearl Cohn to get back in their groove as they found themselves back with a double-digit advantage after going on a 10-4 run over the opening three minutes of the third quarter.

A few minutes later, they matched that run to take a 17-point lead with Cokrill knocking down a pair of treys and Kinnard adding one of his own to reach their total of 10 on the night.

"It's like you're swimming upstream, and you're constantly fighting that," Lawson said.

"You knock them back a little bit, but then they hit another three, get a couple more baskets, or get fouled and go to the free throw line. Things like that make it hard to come back, but I was really proud of our guys for battling to the end."

Isaac McElroy led the way

for Cascade in the third frame with eight points off all layups, but they found themselves down 63-43 heading into the final frame.

The Champions were never within single-digits for the rest of the contest, but they were able to cut their deficit to 71-57 after Clanton and McElroy combined for 12 points over the first four minutes of the final frame.

Clanton added one more three-pointer in the final 30 seconds for a total of six on the night and a game-high 30 points for the Champions.

"Tonight, they started out guarding him (Clanton) one-on-one, and he got going a little bit," Lawson said.

"Once he got in a groove, he was hard to stop. When you're feeling it, you're just looking for opportunities. He did a great job of getting inside and knocking down some outside shots as well."

The Firebirds closed out their win by going 15-of-18 from the free throw to cap off a 25-point final frame with Roland going a

perfect 10-of-10 from the line.

With the loss, the Champions will travel to York Institute for their sectional matchup with the Dragons on Monday night for their first shot at making the state tournament since traveling to Clay County two years ago where they suffered a heartbreaking loss in the final moments.

"We're gonna put in a plan to play York, and get prepared to play," Lawson said.

"Two years ago we played well on the road in substate at Clay County, and I have all the confidence in the world that this group can play well in that environment too."

Cascade played in the Class 2A state sectional on Monday night at York Institute, however, results were unavailable by press time on Monday. Check t-g.com/sports for full results from Monday night.

Pearl Cohn 20 12 29 25 — 86  
 Cascade 11 16 16 25 — 68  
 Pearl Cohn: Keith Roland 26, Doyel Cokrill 21, Javion Kinnard 21, Mekhi Wallace 17, Tre Uzzle 1.  
 Cascade: Lucas Clanton 30, Isaac McElroy 17, Saebyn Burris 13, Jackson Davis 8.  
 3-Point goals: Pearl Cohn (10); Cokrill 5, Kinnard 3, Roland 2.  
 Cascade (8); Clanton 6, Burris, McElroy.  
 Halftime score: Pearl Cohn 32, Cascade 27.

# Chase Elliott off track indefinitely after surgery

By **MARK ANDERSON**  
AP Sports Writer

LAS VEGAS — Chase Elliott is out indefinitely after undergoing a successful three-hour surgery to repair a fractured tibia, Hendrick Motorsports general manager Jeff Andrews said Saturday.

Andrews said there was no timeline on when the star NASCAR driver would return. Elliott injured his left leg Friday while snowboarding in Colorado. Josh Berry will drive the No. 9 Chevrolet in place of Elliott in Sunday's Cup race in Las Vegas.

"We're going to race a long time together with Chase Elliott and we're going to win a lot more races together," Andrews said. "Certainly, there's a little bit of a setback, and obviously Chase is very disappointed. The most important thing is Chase's health, and we'll have a suit ready for him when he's healthy and ready to get back in a race car."

Andrews said the process has begun to attain a waiver from NASCAR for Elliott — the 2020 Cup champion — to be eligible for this year's playoffs. Waivers have been granted to other

drivers for various circumstances.

Brad Keselowski, who won the series championship in 2012, said he wouldn't have a problem if Elliott received a waiver.

"Life happens," Keselowski said. "The schedule is just so demanding. It's inevitable that it's going to happen to somebody sometimes."

Berry, in the meantime, will be in charge of trying to collect points for the team. His first race will be at a place where the 32-year-old has won two Xfinity Series races, including last October, and finished in the top 10 in all four starts.

"I'm going to be learning a new car here in an hour or so, so at least having some success on the track, I think that definitely gives me more confidence in what I'm doing," Berry said Saturday. "It's been a wild couple of days. You never know what will happen when you wake up."

Two-time Cup Series champion Kyle Busch said he spoke with Elliott and shared his own experiences of returning from a broken right leg and left foot at Daytona in 2015. He missed

10 races but then won his first series championship that season.

"Even as good of a support system as I had around me during my injury, there was a time when we were watching the races on Sunday and you kind of break down and miss being out there and being in your car and having a chance of going out there to compete," Busch said. "That's what we live for and build on our whole lives to have success. Chase is plenty young (27) and I'm sure plenty healthy enough that it's not going to be anything too crazy to go through."

Three-time Daytona champion Denny Hamlin missed four races in 2013 after suffering a compound fracture in his back during a crash with Joey Logano.

"I had to sit out with a back injury in 2013 and watch the car go around with Mark Martin and Brian Vickers and it was like, 'Wow, this is different seeing someone in it,'" Hamlin said. "But I do think there's positives in it. I think you become rejuvenated. I think you become more appreciative of the opportunity that you have."

# Texas Tech coach suspended

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Texas Tech suspended coach Mark Adams on Sunday over "an inappropriate, unacceptable, and racially insensitive comment" he made to a player.

Athletic director Kirby Hocutt said he was made aware of the incident Friday and issued a written reprimand before deciding to suspend Adams to investigate further.

The incident occurred in a meeting between Adams and a player, who wasn't identified, the school said in a news release.

"Adams was encouraging the student-athlete to be more receptive to coaching and referenced Bible verses about workers, teachers, parents, and slaves serving their masters," the statement said. "Adams immediately addressed this with the team and apologized."

The school didn't immediately say who would fill in for Adams as coach for the Big 12 Tournament. Texas Tech (16-15, 5-13 Big 12) is the ninth seed and plays West Virginia on Wednesday night in Kansas City, Missouri.

The 66-year-old Adams is in his second season. He replaced Chris Beard, who left to coach Texas, his alma mater. Beard was fired this season by the Longhorns after he was charged in a felony domestic violence case; prosecutors later dropped the charge.

The Red Raiders made the Sweet 16 in Adams' first season but started 0-8 in the Big 12 this season. The team's hopes for a fifth consecutive trip to the NCAA Tournament are slim.

# Kitayama breaks through in wild finish

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Kurt Kitayama only had to look around at the practice next to him in the practice area and right below him on the leaderboard at Bay Hill to know what he was up against Sunday in the Arnold Palmer Invitational.

"You can't ignore it. You got to know where you're at and you know who is there and just embrace the whole situation, I guess," Kitayama said after a final two hours of pure theater

for his first PGA Tour win. He got the result he desperately wanted in a fashion he never imagined.

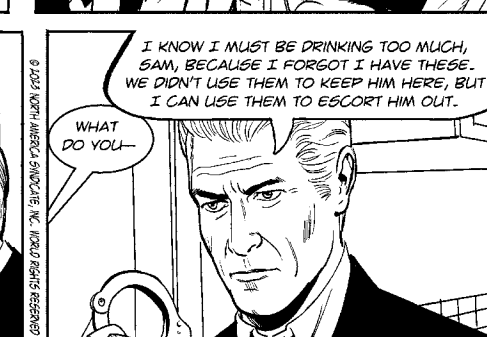
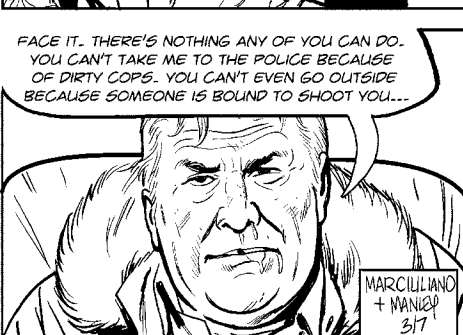
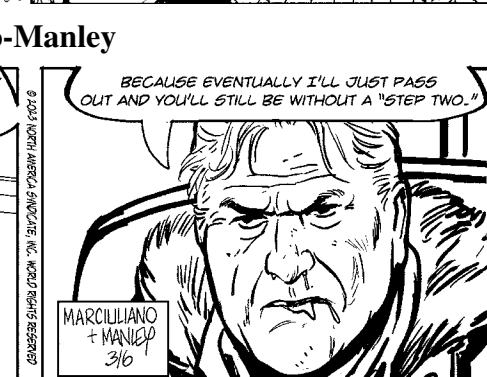
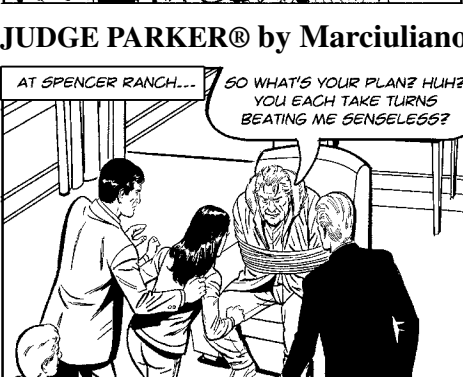
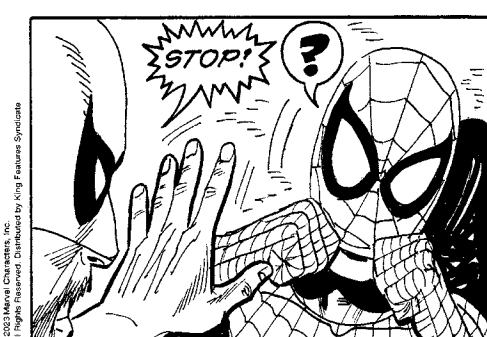
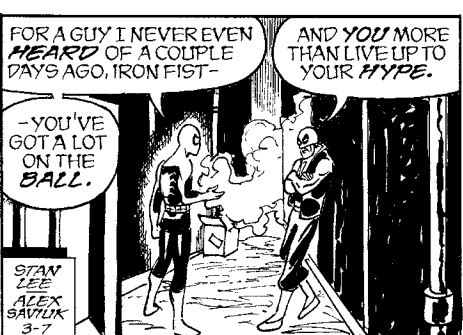
First came the wild tee shot that sailed out-of-bounds on the ninth hole that led to triple bogey and let an All-Star cast — Rory McIlroy, Jordan Spieth, Scottie Scheffler, Tyrrell Hatton and Harris English — back into the tournament.

And then the 30-year-old Californian, who has

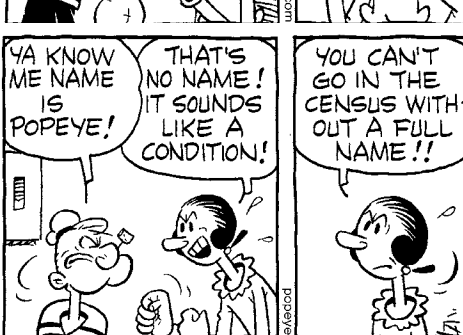
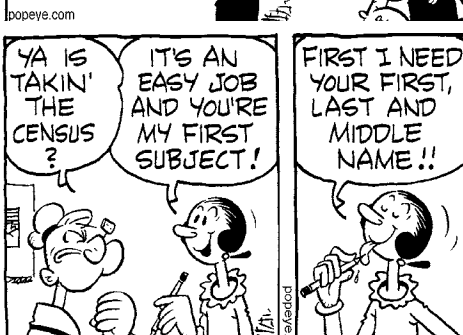
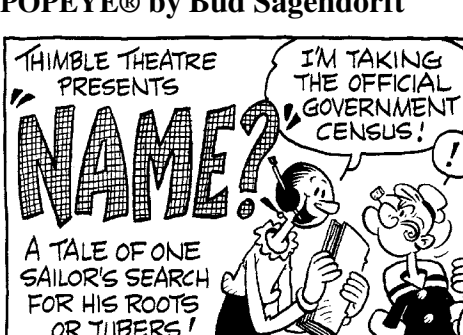
played on 11 tours around the world to hone his game, delivered the winner.

Part of a five-way tie for the lead with three holes to play, he drilled a 6-iron to just inside 15 feet on the par-3 17th and holed it for birdie to take the lead. From the gnarly rough left of the 18th fairway, he gouged an 8-iron onto the green to 50 feet. Needing two putts to win, the first one stopped an inch from the cup.

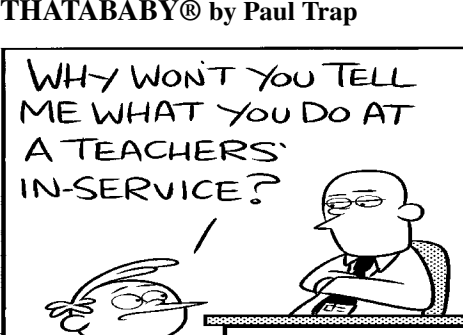
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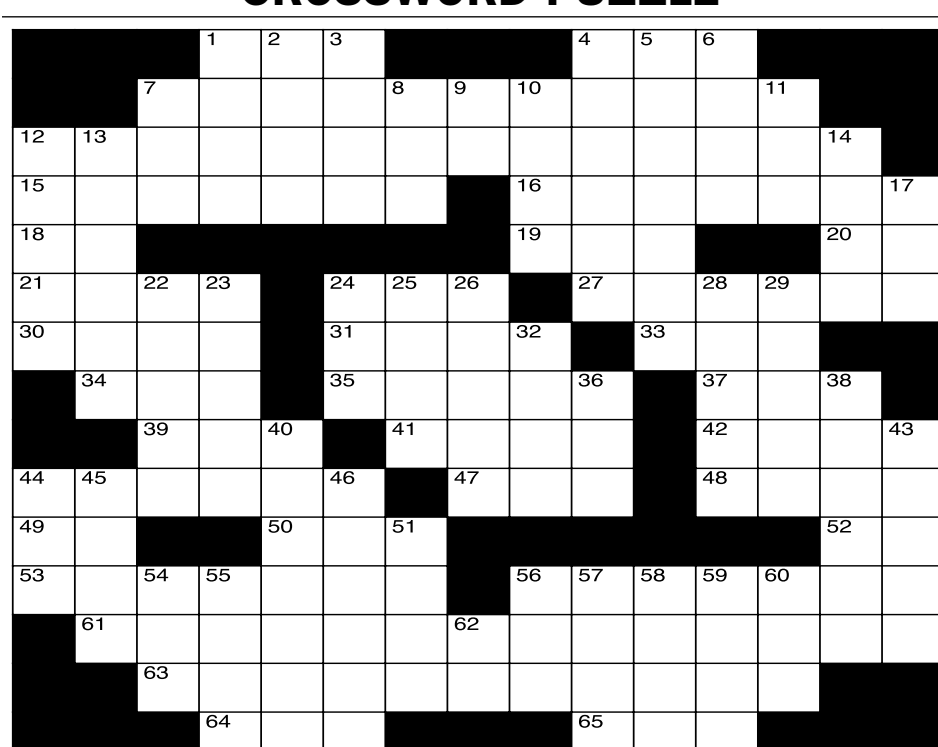
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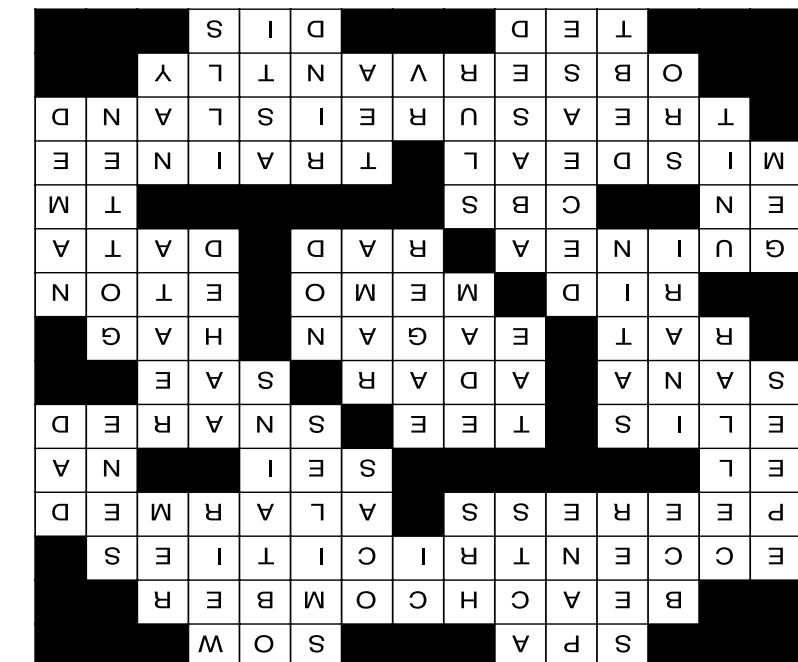
CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Relaxing place
4. Plant by scattering
7. A type of explorer
12. Unique traits
15. Lady
16. Dismayed
18. Railway
19. Type of whale
20. Sodium
21. Manning and Lilly are two
24. Where golfers begin
27. Entrapped
30. Influential punk artist
31. Hebrew calendar month
33. Car mechanics group
34. Undesirable rodent
35. Minneapolis suburb
37. Witch
39. Get free of
41. A written proposal or reminder
42. British School
44. Country on west coast of Africa
47. Cool!
48. Information
49. \_\_\_ route
50. Jim Nantz's network
52. Something to register (abbr.)
53. Give cards incorrectly
56. One who's learning on the job
61. Stevenson adventure novel
63. Taking careful notice
64. CNN's founder
65. Speak badly of

CLUES DOWN

- 1. A person with unusual powers of foresight
2. Single sheet of glass
3. Portrays a character
4. Expresses happiness
5. Acquires
6. "The Martian" author
7. Degree
8. 60-minute intervals
9. A detective's pal
10. Group of nations (abbr.)
11. Popular Georgia rockers
12. Fencing swords
13. Basement
14. Samoan monetary unit
17. Male parent
22. Finnish lake
23. A smooth fabric
24. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
25. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
26. Very willing
28. Expressed pleasure
29. Lasso
32. Hindu model of ideal man
36. Move your head in approval
38. Ill-\_\_: gained illegally
40. Die
43. Accused publicly
44. Precious stone
45. Individual thing or person
46. Behaved in a way that degraded
51. Derogatory term
54. No seats available
55. Liability
56. Popular beverage
57. Tough outer skin of fruit
58. \_\_\_ Spumante (Italian wine)
59. Troubles
60. Negative
62. Camper

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VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22: You're on their minds and that's important.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21: Taurus, when a new opportunity arises, you may feel like a fish out of water until you get into a routine.
GEMINI - May 22/June 21: Gemini, do not wait around for change to come.
CANCER - Jun 22/July 22: Cancer, right now is a big waiting game, and that could have you feeling a bit frustrated.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23: Leo, you may get wind that others are talking about you when you are not around.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23: You may joke about something that someone else takes very seriously, Libra.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22: You may have a lot of ideas, Scorpio, but it is essential to figure out funding if those plans are to be put in motion.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21: Sagittarius, it's time to embrace your love of culture, as you need to start pushing the creative side rather than the analytical one.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20: Opportunity awaits if you know where to look, Capricorn. A new business venture could be right around the corner.

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Default having been made by failure to comply with the terms and conditions of certain promissory notes executed by Johnny Darnell and wife, Regina Darnell, payable to Midstate Finance Co., Inc., a Tennessee corporation, and secured by two (2) deeds of trust, both executed by Johnny Darnell and wife, Regina Darnell, one of which was recorded on June 30, 2006 in Trust Deed Book 628, Page 66, Register's Office of Bedford County, TN, and the other of which was recorded on April 30, 2009 in Trust Deed Book 714, page 115, said Register's Office; wherein said Johnny Darnell and wife, Regina Darnell, conveyed the property described in said deeds of trust to Paul D. Gambill, Trustee, to secure the indebtedness therein described, including said notes; wherein said debt having been declared due and payable, as provided in said deeds of trust and notes, and payment not having been made as demanded; wherein William E. Shofner, as set forth in Trust Deed Book 1077, page 389, said Register's Office; having been appointed as Substitute Trustee in the place and stead of Paul D. Gambill, Trustee under said deeds of trust; wherein notice is hereby given that William E. Shofner, Substitute Trustee, having been requested so to do by the lawful owner of said indebtedness, will, on **Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 12:00 Noon**, at the south door of the courthouse located at the public square, Shelbyville, Bedford County, Tennessee, sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, free from the equity of redemption, homestead and dower and all other exemptions of every kind, all of which are expressly waived in said deeds of trust, that certain real estate in Bedford County, Tennessee, as encumbered by said deeds of trust and as fully described in deed of record in Deed Book 277, page 853, said Register's Office. This property is improved property known as **201 Cortner Road, Normandy, TN 37360** as shown on **Tax Map 95, parcel 14.00**, Bedford County, Tennessee. Said sale is subject to any and all unpaid taxes and any other prior claims, liens, easements, set back lines and restrictions. This property is being sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including, without limitation, fitness for a particular purpose or use.

Substitute Trustee: William E. Shofner, Esq. 615 North Main Street Shelbyville, TN 37160 (931) 684-2632 (Feb. 21, 2023 & Mar. 7 & 21, 2023)

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION TO: SHARON IRENE RUSSELL MARK ANDREW RUSSELL, Plaintiff vs. SHARON IRENE RUSSELL, Defendant**  
Case No: 34,316 In the Chancery Court of Bedford County at Shelbyville In this cause, it appearing from the complaint which is sworn to that the current residence of SHARON IRENE RUSSELL, is unknown and cannot be ascertained despite diligent inquiry. She is hereby required to appear before the undersigned Clerk and Master and make defense to the complaint and serve a copy of her answer on plaintiff's solicitor, Brenda S. Bramlett, 885 Union Street, Suite B, P.O. Box 967, Shelbyville, TN 37162, or otherwise judgement by default will be taken against her for the relief demanded in the complaint. It is further ordered that this notice be published for four consecutive weeks in the Shelbyville Times Gazette. This the 21st day of February, 2023. CURT M. COBB, Clerk and Master Attorney for Plaintiff: Brenda S. Bramlett P.O. Box 967 Shelbyville, TN 37162 (Feb. 21 & 28, Mar. 7 & 14, 2023)

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Bedford County Board of Education Annual Retreat March 24-25, 2023 Sewanee Inn 1235 University Ave. Sewanee, TN 37375 (Mar. 7 & 11, 2023)

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of Vickie Lynn Hull Deceased**

Notice is hereby given that on February 17 of 2023, Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Vickie Lynn Hull** who died 4/11/2022 were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting), as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. Date: 2/17/2023 Daniel James Hull, Administrator Curt M. Cobb, Clerk & Master Trisha L. Henegar, Attorney (February 28 & March 7, 2023)

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of Dale L. Berrett Deceased**

Notice is hereby given that on February 16 of 2023, Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Dale L. Berrett** who died 1/29/2018 were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting), as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. Date: 2/16/2023 Dalena Berrett, Executrix Curt M. Cobb, Clerk & Master John T. Bobo, Bobo, Hunt & White Attorney (February 28 & March 7, 2023)

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of Janice Dale Walpole Deceased**

Notice is hereby given that on February 23 of 2023, Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Janice Dale Walpole** who died 11/23/2022 were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting), as the case may be) of this notice if

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the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. Date: 2/23/2023 William E. Walpole, Administrator Curt M. Cobb, Clerk & Master John T. Bobo, Bobo, Hunt & White Attorney (March 4 & 11, 2023)

**SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE AND AFFIXED MANUFACTURED HOME**

ANTHONY R. STEELE is the Successor Trustee of a Deed of Trust executed on June 30, 2004, by OTTO E. BACH and LORETTA A. BACH. The Deed of Trust appears of record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, at **Book TD555, Page 297** ("Deed of Trust"). The Trustee will sell the property described in the Deed of Trust at a foreclosure sale requested by the current holder of the Deed of Trust and underlying indebtedness, **Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc.** Pursuant to T.C.A. §47-9-604 this sale shall also include the affixed manufactured home described as one (1) 2005 Southern Manufactured Home bearing Serial Number DSDAL42115AB. The terms of sale shall be payment by cashier's check or certified funds immediately upon conclusion of the sale.

**Sale Date and Location:** March 23, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the front door of the Courthouse in Shelbyville, Bedford County, Tennessee.

**Property Description:** Abbreviated description per TCA 35-5-104(a)(2) is the property referenced in the Deed of Trust and otherwise described fully at Deed Book 205, Page 724, and commonly known as 1035 Wheel Road, Shelbyville, TN 37160

**Property Address:** 1035 Wheel Road, Shelbyville, Bedford County, Tennessee 37160

**Tax Map Identification No.:** 065-038.05 (However, the property description shall control in the event of any inconsistencies between the description and address or tax identification number). **Parties Interested:** Duck River EMC (Book TD854, Page 135); Republic Finance (Book L21, Page 786); Duck River Electric Management Corp. (Book L22, Page 185); Velocity Investments, LLC (Book L26, Page 712).

All sales of Property, both real and personal, are "AS IS" and "WHERE IS" without representation or warranty as to merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose or of any kind, except as to title and authority to convey. The sale of the described property is subject to all matters shown on any recorded plan; any unpaid taxes, any restrictive covenants, easements, set-back lines, prior liens, encumbrances, if any, and any other priority as may appear in the public records. Title to the manufactured home may be transferred by Bill of Sale or Certificate of Title, as the case may require. The right is preserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. **THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS TO COLLECT THE DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED AS A RESULT WILL BE USED FOR THAT EXPRESS PURPOSE ONLY. THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.** This the 24th day of February, 2023. Anthony R. Steele, Successor Trustee Winchester, Sellers, Foster & Steele, P.C.

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P.O. Box 2428 Knoxville, TN 37901 (865) 637-1980 (Feb. 28, Mar. 7 & 14, 2023)

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

WHEREAS, by Deed of Trust (the "Deed of Trust"), of record at Trust Deed Book 835, page 64, Register's Office for Bedford County, Tennessee, EZEQUIEL ESTRADA, WILLIAM ESTRADA, FERMIN ESTRADA, JR., ERIK ESTRADA, and PATRICIA ESTRADA, did convey unto BARBARA H. THOMAS, as Trustee, a certain tract of real estate hereinafter described, to secure a certain indebtedness set out in said Deed of Trust; and WHEREAS, JOE M. LAMBERT, JR. is the owner and holder of the note secured by said Deed of Trust hereinabove referred to; and WHEREAS, the said Barbara H. Thomas, Trustee, is unable to act as Trustee under the Deed of Trust and I have been appointed Substitute Trustee by the owner and holder of the note by instrument of record at Trust Deed Book 1072, page 135, Register's Office for Bedford County, Tennessee; and WHEREAS, the said real estate described in said Deed of Trust is as follows: Lying and being in the Seventh (7th) Civil District of Bedford County, Tennessee, more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a metal pin set on the north margin of Cedar River Road at the southwest corner of the Lot No. 6, River Oaks Subdivision (a plat of record in Plat Cabinet "A", Envelope 234) and being the southwest corner of the herein described property; thence leaving said margin of road North 18 deg. 01 min. 09 sec. West 130.90 feet to a metal pin set; thence South 79 deg. 39 min. 00 sec. East 10.00 feet to a metal pin set; thence North 00 deg. 56 min. 33 sec. East 658.03 feet to a point at the northwest corner of the herein described property; thence South 74 deg. 20 min. 05 sec. East 1025.33 feet to a metal pin set at the northeast corner of the herein described property; thence South 11 deg. 29 min. 07 sec. East 601.71 feet to a metal pipe found at the southeast corner of the herein described property; thence North 89 deg. 10 min. 04 sec. West 63.09 feet to a metal pin found at fence corner; thence North 83 deg. 08 min. 06 sec. West 165.90 feet to a metal pin found; thence North 78 deg. 30 min. 09 sec. West 146.72 feet to a metal pin in fence; thence North 75 deg. 48 min. 07 sec. West 231.32 feet to a metal pin found in fence; thence North 77 deg. 36 min. 01 sec. West 100.07 feet to a metal pin in fence; thence North 79 deg. 07 min. 32 sec. West 308.03 feet to a metal pin set at the northeast corner of said Lot 6 in River Oak Subdivision; thence South 10 deg. 06 min. 00 sec. West 96.81 feet to a point on the north margin of said road at the beginning of a curve; thence with said curve on the margin of road having a chord bearing and distance of South 86 deg. 03 min. 00 sec. West 74.37 feet (radius: 153.09 feet; Tangent of 38.33 feet) to the point of beginning, containing 15.23 acres. Included in this acreage is all of Lot No. 6 in River Oaks Subdivision, Section II (Plat Cabinet "A", Envelope 234), according to survey dated March 22, 2000, of Steve Northcutt, Registered Land Surveyor No. 1721, 117 Hickory Drive, Shelbyville, TN 37160. This legal description is the same as the previous deed of record. Included in the above legal description but expressly excluded from this conveyance is the following parcel of land being deeded to Furman Estrada, married, by separate deed being recorded at the Register's Office for said County and appearing of record in Book D262, page 434, said Register's Office, being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a metal pin found on the north margin of Cedar River Road at the southeast corner of the Boyce property (Deed Book 240, page 261) and same being the southwest corner of the herein

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described property; thence leaving said margin of road North 18 deg. 01 min. 56 sec. West 131.15 feet to a metal pin; thence South 79 deg. 15 min. 42 sec. East 9.95 feet to a metal pin; thence North 00 deg. 57 min. 25 sec. East 658.64 feet to a metal pin found at the southwest corner of the Jacobs property (Deed Book 241, page 831) and being the northwest corner of the herein described property; thence South 74 deg. 20 min. 05 sec. East 534.67 feet to a metal pin set at the northeast corner of the herein described property; thence South 00 deg. 00 min. 00 sec. East 296.85 feet to a metal pin set; thence North 78 deg. 15 min. 59 sec. West 206.36 feet to a metal pin set; thence South 54 deg. 09 min. 46 sec. West 77.89 feet to a metal pin set; thence South 40 deg. 56 min. 58 sec. West 100.73 feet to a metal pin set; thence South 24 deg. 23 min. 22 sec. West 122.78 feet to a metal pin set; thence South 24 deg. 23 min. 22 sec. West 122.78 feet to a metal pin set; North 65 deg. 36 min. 38 sec. West 50.00 feet to a metal pin set; thence South 32 deg. 57 min. 44 sec. West 68.45 feet to a metal pin; thence South 03 deg. 35 min. 06 sec. East 104.81 feet to a point on the north margin of said road; thence with said margin of road in a curve having a chord bearing and distance of South 78 deg. 52 min. 59 sec. West 37.55 feet, having a radius of 153.09 feet and a tangent of 18.92 feet to the point of beginning and containing 5.30 acres, and being all of Lot 1 in Archer Estates, based on a survey by Steve Northcutt, RLS #1721, dated 11/19/01, located at 117 Hickory Drive, Shelbyville, TN 37160. This legal description is the same as the previous deed of record. Being the same property conveyed to Furman Estrada, a married man, by Quitclaim Deed from American Value Homes, Inc., dated April 26, 2004, of record at Deed Book 280, page 459, Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee. BY WAY OF RECITAL, Fermin Estrada Bautista died intestate on March 18, 2006, survived by his five (5) children, Ezequiel Estrada, William Estrada, Fermin Estrada, Jr., Patricia Estrada and Erik Estrada. They constitute his only heirs at law. BY WAY OF FURTHER RECITAL, Ezequiel Estrada and William Estrada were appointed Co-Administrators of the Estate of Fermin Estrada Bautista, deceased, by Order entered on September 21, 2012, at Minute Book 187, Page 532, Bedford County Clerk and Master's Office. BY WAY OF FURTHER RECITAL, Fermin Estrada Bautista and Furman Estrada are one and the same person. This conveyance is subject to an easement of record at Deed Book 240, page 261, Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, and any and all other existing easements and restrictions of record. WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was made to secure the payment of a note therein set out and contained the power to sell in the case of default in the payment of said note and interest at maturity; and WHEREAS, the maker of said note has defaulted in the payment thereof, and the owner and holder of said note has declared the entire amount due and payable and has requested the undersigned to foreclose said Deed of Trust according to its terms in order to collect said note. NOW, THEREFORE, I, the undersigned TAMRA L. SMITH, Substitute Trustee, will, in accordance with the terms set out in the Deed of Trust above referred to, on **Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 10:00 A.M. CDT**, at the south door of the Bedford County Courthouse in Shelbyville, Tennessee, offer for sale and sell the above-described real estate at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in bar of equity of redemption and free from homestead and dower, all in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust and the laws of Tennessee controlling such sales, subject, however, to all outstanding

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real estate taxes. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day and time certain without further publication and in accordance with law upon announcement of said adjournment on the day and time and place of sale set forth above. The failure of any high bidder to pay the purchase price and close the sale shall, at the option of the Substitute Trustee, be cause for rejection of the bid, and if the bid is rejected, the Substitute Trustee shall have the option of making the sale to the next highest bidder who is ready, willing, and able to comply with the terms thereof. The proceeds derived from the sale of the property will be applied as provided for in said Deed of Trust. Said Deed of Trust is made a part hereof as if copied verbatim herein. This sale of the Property shall be subject to any and all unpaid taxes, assessments, rights-of-way, easements, protective covenants or restrictions, liens, and other superior matters of record which may affect said property; as well as any prior liens or encumbrances as well as priority created by a fixture filing; and/or any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. If the U.S. Department of Treasury/ IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development are listed as interested parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property, as required by 26 U. S. C. § 7425 and T. C. A. § 67-1-1433. The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U. S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Deed of Trust. The address of the above-described property is believed to be 0 Cedar River Road, Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein, and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control. This property is further identified as being Map 088, Parcel 010.19, on the records of the Tax Assessor of Bedford County, Tennessee. THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: N/A This 23rd day of February, 2023. Tamra L. Smith, Substitute Trustee Law Office of Joe M. Lambert, Jr. 100 Public Square North, Suite 3 Shelbyville, TN 37160 (931) 684-9600 (March 7, 14 & March 21, 2023)

**Public Notice**

The City of Shelbyville is seeking applicants for the position of part-time/temporary Custodian for the Shelbyville Recreation Center. A valid Tennessee Driver's License is required. Must be 18 years old to apply. This is a part-time/temporary position with an hourly rate of \$14.00 an hour. Application and complete job description may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours or download from the City website: [www.shelbyvilletn.org](http://www.shelbyvilletn.org). Applications must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 N. Spring St. or emailed to [stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org](mailto:stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org) and will be accepted until position has been filled. The City of Shelbyville is an equal opportunity employer and a drug free workplace. Successful Applicants will be required to pass a physical, drug screen, and background check. Stacey Claxton, Human Resources Generalist (Feb. 28, Mar. 4 & 7, 2023)

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**BEDFORD COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
Agenda March 16, 2023  
1 Public Square Suite 200 at 5:30 PM Roll call. Approval of January 19, 2023, minutes. Approval of the Agenda New Business. Owner requests a special exception at 125 Greer Rd. Owner requests a variance at 1650 Kingdom Rd. Owner requests a special exception at Hwy 64 West, Map 035; Parcel 009.03 Adjourn. (Mar. 7, 2023)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
The City of Shelbyville will be accepting sealed Request for Qualifications for the following: Professional Airport Services for Shelbyville Municipal Airport Details may be found on our website at [www.shelbyvilletn.org](http://www.shelbyvilletn.org). Sealed RFQs must be received at the City of Shelbyville Purchasing Office, 201 N. Spring St., Shelbyville, TN by 2:00 p.m. CST on Thursday, March 16, 2023. Any submittals received after the scheduled closing time for receipt of request for qualifications will be returned unopened. (Mar. 7 & 11, 2023)

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The City of Shelbyville will be accepting sealed bids/proposals for the following: Aviation fuel provider for Shelbyville Municipal Airport (RFP) Accessible door openers for Shelbyville Recreation Center (ITB) Roofing project for Community Development Center (ITB) Details may be found on our website at [www.shelbyvilletn.org](http://www.shelbyvilletn.org). Sealed RFQs must be received at the City of Shelbyville Purchasing Office, 201 N. Spring St., Shelbyville, TN by 2:00 p.m. CST on Thursday, March 16, 2023. Any submittals received after the scheduled closing time for receipt of request for bids/proposals will be returned unopened. (Mar. 7 & 11, 2023)

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# Golden Eagle football team hosts car show

The Shelbyville Central High School football team held a car show Saturday in the parking lot of Eagle Stadium. Cars from all eras, 1930s to recent models, caught the eyes of spectators.



Red Fords from two generations - a 1967-68 Mustang and a 1930s coupe - sit side by side.



Flames adorn the side of this 1952 Oldsmobile.



A pink and black 1955 Chevy Belair next to a two-tone green '56 model.



These old trucks boast the trendy retro look.



FAR LEFT: A 1950s Chevrolet truck with a custom paint job.

RIGHT: A rare 1957 Chevrolet two-door station wagon.

FAR LEFT BOTTOM: Newer cars, like this 1980s Corvette convertible in front of a later model Camaro convertible, are now collectible.

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