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New spaces and places coming to Monticello









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Clockwise from top left: Drew Central dining area addition; Patriot Fuel stop; Take 5 Car Wash; South Main Street parking lot.

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It seems like there is new construction happening in every direction in Monticello.

From Drew Central's new cafeteria

addition, to desperately needed down town parking, the concrete is flowing is Drew County.

One of the largest projects is the dining area addition on the Drew Central campus. This project has been underway since well before students let out

for summer break. The goal is for the project to be complete when the students return for the Fall 2022 semester.

"The project is progressing very well now that it is in the dry," said Drew Central Superintendent Kim Barnes. "The laying of the brick is starting this

week. We are also re-doing all the sidewalks around the high school to address drainage issues and installing a HVAC system in the multi-purpose gym. The construction team is pushing hard to complete it by the opening of school. All the building supplies are delivered

but the sub-contractors, as many other business owners in our world today, are working with reduced numbers of crew members. We are very thankful for the dedication of the individuals who have

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Moscow man facing weapons and DWI related charges

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

According to MPD Chief Jason Akers, a Moscow man is facing felony firearms related and traffic charges after being stopped by MPD Officers early Sunday morning.

According to Chief Akers, MPD received early morning calls of gunshots being fired near a local apartment complex along with a vehicle description of the suspect.

Officers located the suspects vehicle, later determined to be driven by Jeremiah Morgan, 35, of Moscow. A traffic stop was made for traffic violations in conjunction with the vehicle matching the previously provided wit-

ness descriptions of the vehicle involved in the firearms related incident.

Pursuant to the traffic stop, Morgan was found to be in possession of multiple firearms and ammunition. A .223 caliber pistol as well as a .22 caliber pistol was located inside the vehicle by offi-

Morgan was arrested on scene and charged with Felon in possession of a firearm and Driving While Intoxicated, driving on suspended license and improper muffler. He was transported to the Drew County Jail pending a first judicial appear-

Chief Akers commend-



ed the citizens of the neighborhood for quickly and accurately reporting the incident and officers for their diligence in safely resolving the matter. "When our community and law enforcement resolve to not tolerate this kind of behavior, we get a safer community in return".

The investigation by MPD is continuing.

Monticello Dental Center names new dentist and hygienist

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

Monticello Dental Center announced that Dr. Drew Perry and dental hygienist Sidney Sizemore have joined the dental clinic at 791 Roberts Drive in Monticello.

Dr. Perry grew up in Hamburg and graduated from Hamburg High School. He then enrolled in the University of Arkansas at Monticello where he graduated with bachelor's degrees in biology and biochemistry. He went on to attend the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis where he received his Doctorate of Dental Surgery. Dr. Perry and his wife, Kacee Jo, are excited to move back home to southeast Arkansas where they enjoy hunting, fishing, golfing



and spending time with their friends and family. Born and raised in Monticello, Sidney Sizemore graduated Monticello High School in 2016 before attending Arkansas



SIZEMORE

State University where she received her bachelor's degree in Health Science. She then attended the UAMS Dental Hygiene program and completed her training to fulfill her lifelong dream of becoming a licensed dental hygienist. "I look forward to becoming involved with my community and giving back to others," said Sizemore. "I believe I have a responsibility to show compassion to others while also educating my patients about the importance of oral health."

Monticello Dental Center is part of Arkansas Dental Centers, a family-owned network of 13 independently operated dental clinics in central and southeast Arkansas. Visit www.arkansasdentalcenters.com or call (870) 367-3433 for information and appointments.

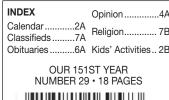
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

UPCOMING

MONDAY, JULY 25 THROUGH THURSDAY, JULY 28

SMArts summer theatre camp

Seark Concert Association presents SMArts Theatre Camp from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday, July 25 through Thursday, July 28. Registration is \$100 and the deadline to sign up in July 1. For more info, and to register, visit www.searkconcert.org.

EFFECTIVE MONDAY, AUGUST 1

Medical Records Public Notice

Dr. K Shrum will be moving his practice to Mainline Health Systems in Monticello. Patients desiring to transfer their care to Mainline are required to complete a medical record release. Forms will be available at Dr. Shrum's current clinic until its closure on July 29.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

Our Festival

Beginning at 10 a.m., Saturday, August 27, Our Festival will take place at McCloy Park. There will be local music, a car show, a hot dog eating contest and much more.

NOW THROUGH AUGUST 31

Senior Center Raffle

The Senior Center is holding a raffle for a beautiful, crocheted Afghan and pillow. Tickets are \$1.00. The raffle will end the beginning of September.

ONGOING

Fair Board seeking volunteers

The Drew County Fair will be held the first week of October. The Fair Board is seeking volunteers in all capacities. For more information, contact the County Extension office at 870-460-6200.

Monticello Youth Football League sign up

The Monticello youth Football League registration is now open. The deadline to register is July 15. Coaches are needed. For more information and to register, visit www.monticelloyouthfootballleague. com or call 870-466-8219.

City recycling guidelines

Each Wednesday, barring a catastrophe, the city of Monticello is accepting recyclable items at the Transfer Station within the following guidelines: 1) Cardboard—must be flattened. Not accepted are cereal boxes, drink can boxes or egg cartons; 2) Plastic bottles—lids must be removed and the bottles must be bagged. Only No. 1 and No. 2 bottles are accepted (the number is located on the bottom of the bottle). No wide-mouthed bottles can be accepted; 3) Newspapers—bagged or boxed; 4) Aluminum cans—must be bagged. No tin cans or pet food cans can be accepted; and 5) Shredded office paper—must be bagged. To have recycled items picked up, contact City Hall at 870-367-4400. Note: Electronics (E-Waste) are accepted at the city transfer station, 1466 Old Warren Road, but are not eligible for pick up. The city reminds all citizens to not mix household trash with recyclable items. The city does not accept glass or any item not listed above at this time.

Drew County Quorum Court Meeting

The Drew County Quorum Court meets the second Monday of every month at 6 p.m. in the Monticello District Court, 107 East Jackson Avenue in Monticello. The public is encouraged to attend.

Monticello City Council Meeting

The Monticello City Council meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. in the Sadie T. Johnson Community Building, 707 U.S. Highway 278 East in Monticello. The public is encouraged to attend.

Support for local schools

Show support for local schools by purchasing a school mascot yard sign for only \$20. All three (University of Arkansas at Monticello Boll Weevils, Drew Central Pirates and Monticello Billies) may be purchased for \$50. For more information, contact the Monticello-Drew County Chamber of Commerce at 870-367-6741 or stop by the chamber office at 335 East Gaines Street.

Borrow a book and hours

The Southeast Arkansas Regional Library, Monticello Branch, 114 West Jefferson Avenue, is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

Masks are required while entering, exiting or walking around the library. Masks may be removed while seated. Social distancing of 6 feet between individuals. Hand sanitizer is available upon entering the building and at the front desk. Call the library at 870-367-8583. Fax, copying and printing services are available.

Public WiFi is available inside and from the parking lot. The password is books2015.

Information and referral outreach office now open

Southeast Arkansas Delta Solutions Community Development Organization announces the opening of its Information and Referral Outreach Office, beginning Tuesday, Sept. 1, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The office will be open Tuesdays only. Services will include but are not limited to, COVID-19 relief information, pharmacy assistance referrals for free and reduced prescription medications, help with disability applications and other health and human services needs. Delta Solutions is a non-profit organization, serving residents in Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Desha and Drew counties. It's primary focus is Education, Housing, Health and Wellness, Economic Development, Community Development, Housing, Food Insecurity, and Financial Literacy.

The office is located at Revival Center Church's Business office complex. For service, please use the front entrance at 311 South Pine in Monticello. For questions or to schedule an appointment, one may call Mrs. Linda Austin at (870) 740-1093.

Arkansas Bikers Aiming Toward Education Meeting

The Arkansas Bikers Aiming Toward Education holds a meeting monthly at Western Sizzlin', 436 U.S. Highway 425 North, on the first Thursday of every month. Social hour starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is called to order at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend who cares about motorcycles and motorcycle safety, you do not have to own or ride a bike to be a member or to attend meetings.

Andrews Chapel Cemetery

To all concerned that have family or cemetery plots in the Andrews Chapel Cemetery, please send any updated contact information to: Andrews Chapel Cemetery Association, C/O Cindy Ferrell, Secretary/Treasurer, 2968 Barkada Road, Wilmar, AR 71675.

VFW Auxiliary

Anyone interested in joining the VFW Auxiliary is asked to contact Wanda or Melvin Veasey, VFW Commander, at mlvinj.veasey@yahoo.com or 870-723-4993.

Any relative of a veteran who served overseas in a foreign war is eligible for membership. Any past members who are still interested in the Auxiliary are also asked to contact Wanda or Melvin if they are still interested in being a member.

Drew Co. Democratic Party meeting

The Drew County Democratic Party is hosting monthly meeting on the fourth Monday of each month through November. The meeting location is the Wilmar Community Center 2506 Hwy 278 West. The venue is set up for social distancing and mask recommended. The meeting starts at 6pm . All interested parties are invited to attend. For more information, contact President Peggy Orr 870-224-2416.

Senior Center July 20 - July 29



Wednesday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, whole kernel corn, cobbler, roll

Thursday: Baked ham, yams, Italian green beans, cream cheese brownie, biscuit

Friday: Chicken sandwich, potato salad, fruited Jello

Monday: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad, garlic toast, mandarin oranges

Tuesday: Oven Fried Chicken, wild rice,

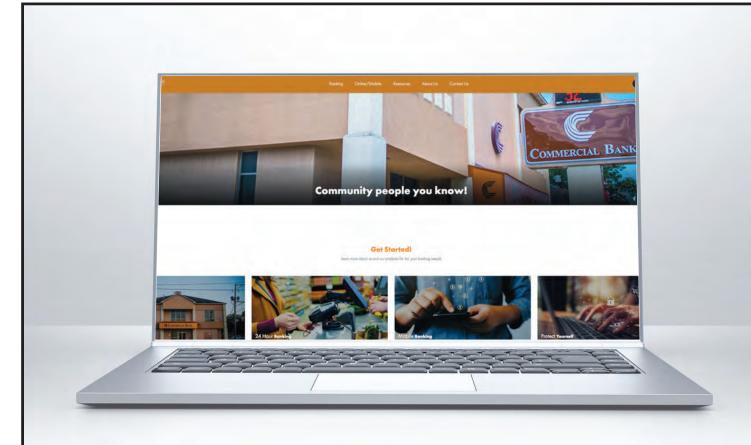
green beans, pudding, roll

Wednesday: Hamburger Steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, lima beans, Jello cup, roll

Thursday: Sweet and sour pork, rice, egg roll, stir fry veggie, pineapple

Friday: BBQ Pulled Pork sandwich, baked beans, coleslaw, cookie bar

Menu is subject to change. All lunches have a choice of sweet tea and milk. The Senior Center serves lunch for citizens 60 and older for \$4; under 60, \$5, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., first come, first served. If you need any information on our senior center, please call 367-2434. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have.



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Update: Lake Monticello's refill progressing

Kristofor Nault, the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission's supervisor for its Fisheries district office in Monticello, reports that the renovated Lake Monticello is refilling, slowly but surely. The aerial image he sent along also shows that more than a quarter of the surface bed is now covered

in water after the draining of Lake Monticello more than two years ago.

The dam on Lake Monticello required significant repair at that time, and the city of Monticello, which owns the lake, allowed the AGFC, as the manager of the fish in the body of water, to go in while the dam was being rebuilt and create and place habitat structures throughout the lakebed, along with other methods of providing new fish habitat, so that Lake Monticello could return to its past glory as a top fishing destination in Arkansas. The AGFC Fisheries Division's goal is to restore Lake Monticello as a trophy bass lake

with this latest work.

The city closed the spillway gate at Lake Monticello last Nov. 9, and the surface acres of standing water on the lake at that time totaled about 17 acres, Nault said. The aerial image at top right, taken July 4, shows the surface acreage of water on Lake Monticello now at about 450

acres. When the lake was at full fall dependent, as is the case as pool before the renovation, the total acreage of the lake was listed as 1,520 acres. The lake when filled has several deep pools throughout, and a complete refilling takes some time.

"So the lake is filling up slowly but surely!" Nault reports. Refilling of Lake Monticello is rainin other recent rebuilds by the AGFC, such as Lake Poinsett in northeast Arkansas.

The AGFC plans the stocking of prey fish in the lake this year to serve as a forage base for the Florida largemouth bass and black crappie that will be stocked

Mainline Health Systems opens new Women's Clinic to serve Drew County and surrounding area

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Mainline Health Systems announced on Friday the addition of a women's health clinic at its Monticello location to serve Drew County and surrounding areas with limited access to medical providers that specialize in care for women.

Located at 535 Jordan Drive in Monticello, Mainline Women's Clinic and Mainline Family and Pediatrics will be led by Dr. Kelly Shrum and Dr. Constance Williams Chapman providing care that includes:

• Preventive Health

- Delivery
- Gynecologic Care Obstetrics
- · Infertility Diagnosis and Treatment

"Health is our top priority. In some parts of our state, health care facilities can be few and far between," Ashley Anthony, COO said, noting that babies will be delivered at Drew Memorial Hospital, also in Monticello. "We're excited to be able to offer convenient obstetric and gynecological care and personalized attention to those in

mainlinehealth WOMEN'S CLINIC

need."

The clinic will operate Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to noon. Potential patients may schedule appointments by calling 870-367-6246.

Shrum, a Guymon, Okla., native earned a bachelor's in zoology from Oklahoma University in 1990 and graduated from

medical school at the Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1994. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Family Physicians and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Constance Chapman received her Doctor of Medicine

in 2018 from The Ohio State University College of Medicine. In addition, Dr. Chapman holds master's degrees in medical physiology and public health from Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine and Tulane University, School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine respectively. A Pine Bluff native, Dr. Chapman is a member of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and completed her residency at Lehigh Valley Health Network, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

About Mainline Health **Systems**

Since 1978, Mainline Health Systems has served the residents of Southeast Arkansas with a compassionate approach and a commitment to the highest standard of medical and dental care. From its first office in Portland all those years ago, Mainline Health Systems has grown to 24 locations across Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Cleveland, Drew, Grant, and Lincoln counties.

To learn more about Mainline Health Systems, visit https:// mainlinehealth.net/about-us/.

Korean War Veterans to be honored in Armistice Day ceremony

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

The 69th anniversary of the end of hostilities of the Korean War is set to be commemorated with a wreath laying 9 a.m. July 27, at the Korean War Monument at the MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History

The Korean War armistice was signed on July 27, 1953. Two Korean War veterans are part of the ceremony. Floyd

Brantley, a Korean War veteran as well as a World War II Veteran and Vietnam War veteran will give the Veteran keynote address, and Dr. Lumas Kendrick will give the opening

The Korean American Federation President, Rev. Dr. Naomi Rogers is also scheduled to speak.

The ceremony is open to the public and will be broadcast via Facebook live at https://www.facebook.com/ADVAVets/

The MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History is located at 503 E 9th Street in Little Rock.

In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will move to the second floor of the museum and due to space seating will

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shown up consistently to help complete our new dining

Coming together just North of the Drew Central campus on U.S. Highway 425 is Patriot Fuel Stop.

According to Dr. Tim Simon, the store is scheduled to be operational by the Fall and they will have lots of parking for semi trucks, gasoline and diesel options for purchase and hot food items for sale.

Keeping North on Highway 425, a massive amount of dirt work has been done directly across from Walmart. According to their website, Take 5 Car Wash will soon makes its debut in Monticello between Western Sizzlin' and the new climate

formerly Johnson's Furniture. Take 5 will have an oil change facility as well.

425 isn't the only place getting construction action. On South Main Street, between the square and the Drew County Court House, a desperately controlled Smart Storage units, needed parking area is taking

shape.

Parking spaces are extremely limited on the square, making businesses less accessible to patrons.

The new parking lot should alleviate a long time problem for the downtown area.







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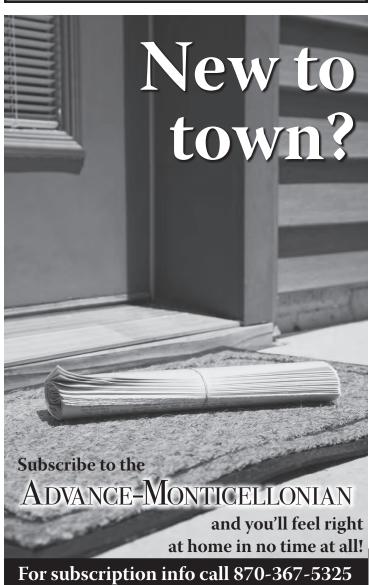
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to honor veterans

It's been more than 30 years since the United States and coalition forces helped liberate Kuwait from the Iraqi invasion. Now, the men and women who served in uniform during Operations Desert Storm and Desert Shield will soon be recognized with a national memorial honoring their selfless service and sacrifice.

Hundreds of people recently gathered in Washington, D.C. to celebrate the groundbreaking for the tribute.

The site has national significance. In the shadows of the Lincoln Memorial, it appropriately recognizes the sacrifice of



IOHN BOOZMAN U.S. SENATE

those called to serve in our nation's uniform. The stretch of ground holds a special place in the hearts of Americans. It's where we honor influential leaders and recognize the leaders who shaped the history of our nation and heroes who defended our ideals.

It's where America gathers to celebrate Independence

Day, commemorate the ingenuity that has made our country great and exercise our freedoms.

When people around the world think of our nation's capital, they picture the landmarks spread across the backdrop of the National Mall and associate them with what the United States represents. These memorials and monuments stand as shining beacons of hope and the promise of the American dream.

So it's only fitting for the home of the National Desert Storm and Desert Shield War Memorial to be found there as well.

I championed this bipartisan effort with my friend from Indiana, former Senator Joe Donnelly.

In 2013, we introduced legislation to authorize a national memorial to honor the hundreds of thousands of men and women who fought to defend freedom in the Gulf War including those who made the ultimate

It's been more than three decades since the war ended. The time has come to ensure we have a dedicated landmark honoring the valor and dedication of our servicemembers and their loved ones. We want these men and women to be able to have a dedicated place of honor to reflect on their mission and those they served alongside.

I'm proud to have played a small role in helping make the memorial a reality, but the hard work was done by those whose service and sacrifice will be memorialized there for generations to come. It will stand as a symbol of reverence to and respect for the veterans and their families, and help teach future generations about this important moment in our nation's tradition of fighting

It's critical we reflect on this episode and those who willingly set out to answer this

I was honored to join those who have spent years advocating for this memorial, veterans and their families to mark the occasion and acknowledge the incredible support worldwide to recognize those who served in this mission. We can be proud of the efforts of Arkansans Jeff Kurczek and Brenten Byrd who have helped pave the wave for this monument as National Desert Storm War Memorial board members.

As long as men and women fight and die on behalf of the country we love and the freedoms we espouse, they must never be forgotten or have cause to question our national gratitude. I look forward to the day the site features a completed tribute to America's Gulf War veterans. They richly deserve it, and our unending thanks, for what they did and all they represent.

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Breaking ground | Going to take a lot more than Covid to kick me

I'm about ten days post the day I tested positive for Covid. Let me tell y'all, I am still tired.

The first 24 hours, I had the worst headache of my life. After that, the worst symptoms for me were, and still lingering are, the insane lack of energy.

I went to church this Sunday morning and after I got home, I took a three hour

nap. I don't take naps. It's hard to take a nap when you have Fred to chase around.

Thankfully, Covid couldn't keep us down for too long, Yes, us. Every Superman has his Kryptonite, his just happens to be living with me and sharing my germs. We both spent the week working as much as possible remotely, napping, getting another tissue and napping

a little more.

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HOGG

EDITOR

There is never a convenient time to be sick, especially when you are a parent and employed full time. Funny how the body and germs can just take over whenever they see fit. I woke up the morning of the

positive test with a full day planned. I was a little congested but my allergies flair up at a moments notice so, I didn't think much about it.

I made the ride to Little Rock to help Cake pick out a beautiful wedding gown. It was a lovely morning of ladies discussing lace and flowers. She found her dress, it is truly perfect.

We left the bridal shop on a high but I could feel the headache taking me over and fast. We sat down to lunch and I took some medicine hoping that I could catch the headache before it totally consumed me.

By the end of lunch, I was pretty miserable and really glad I didn't have to drive home. When I did get home, my entire body

began to hurt. It did not occur to me that Covid could be the culprit until I felt myself shivering from a fever. Long story short, you can make it through

this varient but it sure isn't pleseant. Don't wish it on anyone. I do hope that everyone that can be is

fully vaccinated and being diligent with the hand washing and other hygiene practices. I am amazed and so incredibly thankful

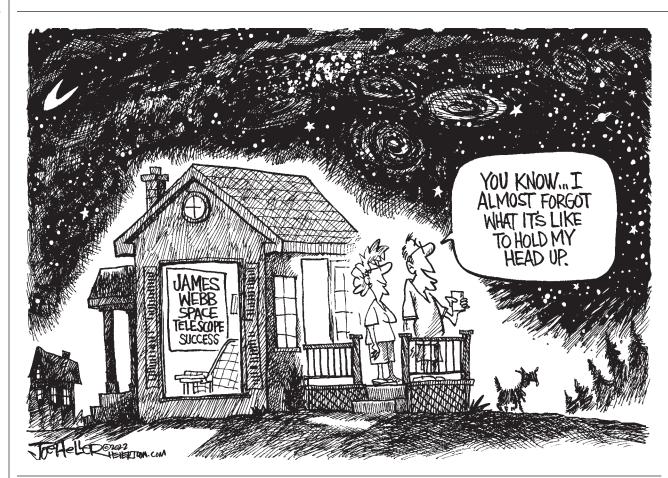
that Fred has remained healthy. There is no way to tell how many times she has been directly exposed to people who are Covid positive and has not gotten sick. She is excited to go back to school and I am praying that all the students have a happy, healthy and safe year.

Despite the low energy, I am thankful that we were sick last week and not this week.

Friday, Superman and I will take to the sky to go to his favorite city to see one of our favorite musicians, Chris Stapleton. This concert has been rescheduled twice so hopefully, third time is the charm and we will actually get to hear him play at Wrigley Field this weekend.

It's a quick trip, we will both be back grinding away on Monday. But I am such a believer in those little moments that make life worth living. I will never concede to the idea that I was born to pay bills and die. Oh no, life is short, buy the shoes, take the trip, get extra queso.

Before the summer comes to an end, I encourage everyone to make a deliberate effort to spend time with the people you love. A little effort goes a long way.



Building a culture of reading

The ability to read well is one of the most crucial skills we can give our students, and today I'd like to encourage you to join in our efforts to build a culture of reading in Arkansas.

Reading is not simply one skill



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of many that we choose to master. Young people who don't learn to read well will always struggle in life.

Reading changes

everything. We can give our children the gift of reading by providing books at home and reading aloud

to them. Children with age-appropriate books at home are more likely to excel academically. When we read to our children, we help

Two interest groups submitted

petitions to the Secretary of State

seeking to have two proposed con-

ballot.

ing to legalize marijuana turned in

more than 190,000 signatures. The

other group submitted more than

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The group seek-

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the November

them build a broad vocabulary, strengthen language skills, and foster a desire to read. Their memory of that time spent with parents and grandparents is a bonus.

Dolly Parton, the iconic singer from Tennessee, understands that children must read to succeed. So in 1995, she started the Imagination Library to provide books to children up to the age of five. The Department of Education has partnered with Dolly to provide books to more than 55,000 Arkansas children. Dolly visited the Governor's Mansion in May to join us for a dinner to celebrate the expansion of Imagination Library into every county in Arkansas, which is an impressive accomplishment.

Just this morning, as I wrapped up my year as Chair of the National Governors Association, Dolly joined us by livestream at our

New ballot measures coming in November

To qualify for a place on the

ballot, at least 89,151 signatures of

registered voters must accompany

cast in the most recent election for

the petitions. That represents 10

percent of the number of votes

Also, a required number of

signatures must have been gath-

of the 15 counties the number of

ered in at least 15 counties. In each

signatures must exceed 10 percent

of the number of votes cast in that

county in the most recent election

vents an interest group from quali-

fying a ballot measure by collecting

almost all the required signatures

for governor. This provision pre-

103,000 signatures.

governor.

summer meeting in Maine to talk about Imagination Library. As the First Lady points out, the children who receive a book in the mail every month have a new story to read and a reminder that someone cares about them.

Public and school libraries are another important element of a reading culture. Libraries offer books, newspapers, and magazines to readers who might not otherwise be able to afford those materials.

When I was growing up in Gravette and reading Hardy Boys detective books, a trip to the library was as much a part of the reading experience as sitting down with a book.

A resident of Helena once wrote to a Little Rock newspaper editor about the mystique of Helena's public library, which "was what a

in one or two big cities.

The deadline was July 8 for

submitting the petitions and sig-

whose office examines them to

make sure they are valid.

natures with the Secretary of State,

The interest groups may con-

tinue collecting signatures for 30

days, to further ensure that they

have enough valid ones, as long as

their initial submission contained

at least 75 percent of the required

66,864 of the original signatures

must be valid in order for the in-

collecting additional signatures.

terest groups to be able to continue

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number. That means at least

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Make sure Medicaid contact info in accurate

This week we want to remind Arkansans who receive Medicaid coverage to make sure their contact information is up to date.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the federal government temporarily



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Medicaid requirements and conditions. This was done to help keep people with Medicaid from losing their health

stopped some

coverage

during the pandemic. However, Arkansas will soon be required to review Medicaid eligibility for people whose coverage was extended due to the COVID-19 public health emergency. This means that many Medicaid clients may lose their coverage if they

don't take simple steps now. The Department of Human Services (DHS) has launched a campaign called Update Arkansas. The agency is working with community partners, advocates, and clients to make sure eligible Arkansans keep getting high quality health care

coverage. It's important for clients to update their contact information now to avoid possibly losing coverage. Clients need to update their information on the phone, online, or in-per-

Here's how clients can update their contact information: 1. Call the Update Arkan-

sas hotline at 1-844-872-2660 2. Go online at access.arkansas.gov

3. Visit their local DHS county office to update their information

Be sure to check the mail. Arkansas Medicaid may mail clients a renewal letter asking them to complete paperwork to make sure they still qualify for Medicaid.

If clients get renewal forms, they should fill them out and send them to Arkansas Medicaid right away to keep their coverage. They can renew quickly online at www.access. arkansas.gov. They can also fill out the renewal forms and mail them back to DHS or drop them off at their local DHS county office.

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Seoul City Sue

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The act of treason is often committed least suspected of being capable of it, but the act is just as devastating. During the American Revolution, Benedict Arnold, once a decorated and respected officer, betrayed the American effort. In World War II, radio propagandists such as Axis Sally and Tokyo Rose would mock American troops with their messages to break their will or incite them to desert. During the Korean War, there was Seoul City Sue, a propagandist whose Arkansas roots made her acts even more shocking.

Seoul City Sue was born Anna Wallis to a farm family in Lawrence County in 1900. She was the last of six children. Her mother died a few years after she was born, and her father spent the next few years raising her and her siblings until his own death in 1914. As she and one other sister were still minors, they were brought to Oklahoma to live with an older sister.

Wallis briefly college in Okla- ideas. In 1939, she attempted to

homa and worked as a clerk and volunteered as a Sunday School teacher. Through her work through the church and the Student Volunteer Movement at the college, she became interested in missionary work overseas. In 1929, she transferred to Scarritt College, a Tennessee school for training missionaries and church workers. She graduated in 1930 and was chosen by the Southern Methodist Conference to teach at a mission school the church had established in Korea.

Once she left for Asia, she would only return on a handful of occasions. The Japanese occupation of Korea, however, made it increasingly difficult for missionaries to work. In 1938, she moved to Shanghai to teach at the Shanghai American School. She continued to work at the school after the Japanese invasion. There she met Suh Kyoon Chul, a Korean expatriate and radical who also taught at the school. The two soon married, and she increasingly expressed her husband's radical political

return to the U.S., but her husband was not allowed to enter the country because of his suspicious political associations. The two returned to China. She and her husband would remain there for the remainder of the war.

After World War II ended, she and her husband left for Korea where she would work as a teacher at a school for the children of American diplomats in Seoul, the capital of South Korea. However, she was fired not long afterward after her husband's political activities were brought under suspicion.

The two remained in Seoul. On June 25, 1950, communist North Korea attacked the South. Knowing that the North Koreans were approaching the city, they decided to stay. On June 28, Seoul fell to North Korean forces as South Korea's confused and overwhelmed army was routed. As the North Koreans settled into their occupation, the rounded up civilians and tortured and killed suspected dissidents. Records discovered later showed that she and several other civilians left in the city swore a loyalty oath to North Korea. The couple was moved to a location near the radio station, and on July 18, North Korean authorities began broadcasting propaganda from Seoul as "Radio Seoul."

She had no training as a broadcaster, and her presentation was widely mocked for being monotone. Friends who knew her later insisted this was proof that she was being coerced. American soldiers fighting the communist onslaught began calling her "Seoul City Sue" after a popular song of the day, "Sioux City Sue." Before long, her identity was discovered. In late August, her sister in Oklahoma acknowledged in a newspaper interview Seoul City Sue's real identity. Though her sister had not heard from her in some time, she theorized that she was being forced to do the broadcasts.

Her broadcasts mocked the Allied effort against North Korea as she played popular music to draw in Allied listeners. As the war continued, her broadcasts became even more inflammatory. She announced the names of captured American soldiers, named units and locations, named Allied ships approaching and docking in Korea, and mocked African-American soldiers for fighting for a United States that still supported segregation. An American bombing raid on the radio station in August briefly knocked the station off the air. When American forces retook Seoul on September 25, she and her husband left with the retreating North Koreans. She continued her broadcasts for the rest of the war, belittling Allied troops as they struggled in the field.

American officials debated whether she could be charged with treason for her broadcasts. Once the war ended with the 1953 armistice, it was largely decided that she was not worth the effort.

Details of the next few years have been sketchy. According to reports, she worked for the North Korean government as a translator and helped develop propaganda materials.

In 1969, with her usefulness to the North Korean regime at an end, she was executed. She was accused of being a spy by a government that cared nothing of the due process and human rights guaranteed in the country she left far behind. Whether she expected this end or ever realized that traitors themselves are often betrayed, no one can say. Few records of her later life have ever been revealed. After her death, she was forgotten about and her memory left to fade.

In the early 1970s, defectors coming across the border back into South Korea relaved the stories of her ultimate fate. She was briefly mentioned as an aside on the 1970s sitcom M*A*S*H, which took place during the Korean War.

The Korean War ultimately left more than two million dead on both sides, including more than 33,000 Americans. This is not counting the bodies broken by injuries, the families separated, or the minds shattered by the trauma of war. Many Arkansans served their country with great courage and dedication during this terrible ordeal, rightfully being called heroes for their efforts. The stain of Seoul City Sue's propaganda broadcasts would become a dark footnote to a terrible war.

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Adult-Use Cannabis Initiative submits more than 190K ballot signatures

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

Responsible Growth Arkansas (RGA) is the Ballot Question Committee (BQC) behind the efforts to pass adult use cannabis laws in Arkansas. RGA turned in over 190,000 signatures this morning at 9:30 a.m. to the Secretary of State's

satellite office in preparation to sel for RGA. qualify for the ballot on Nov. 8.

"Today, RGA submitted the signatures of tens of thousands of Arkansans who want the opportunity to vote to authorize the regulated and taxed sale of cannabis to adults 21 and over," said Steve Lancaster, co-coun-

"We are pleased that the voters of Arkansas support advancing the existing medical cannabis program in a responsible and regulated way. We've gone to every corner of the state, and the response from Arkansas voters has been

overwhelmingly positive. We cant portion of the revenue this law enforcement officers. look forward to the Secretary of State reviewing our signatures and placing the amendment on the fall ballot."

This initiative authorizes adults 21 and older to purchase and possess up to one ounce of cannabis. In addition, a signifiexpanded industry will generate through a sales tax

will be earmarked for three entities: funding for drug courts to encourage rehabilitation, expanded support for healthcare research, and a critically needed stipend to support certified

Responsible Growth Arkansas is the Ballot Question Committee sponsoring the initiative bring Adult Use Cannabis to Arkansas. To learn more about this ballot initiative, please visit https://www.responsiblegrowtharkansas.com/

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library is supposed to be dark in the corners, cool air, quiet, a little mysterious, and the wonderful smell of books."

The road to a reading culture in Arkansas is lined with dozens of libraries, including the four that the railroad tycoon and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie paid for in Little Rock, Fort Smith, Morrilton, and Eureka Springs.

Of all the gifts I'd like to leave to Arkansans, a culture of reading is one of the most important. One of our goals has been to ensure that by the time students leave the third grade, they are reading

at the third-grade level. To enhance that possibility, the Arkansas Department of Education launched the Reading Initiative for Student Excellence – or RISE. We emphasize phonics and the science of reading.

For Arkansas to continue to prosper, we must build a foundation of readers. Our success depends in large

measure on the strength of our collective reading skills.

But it's more basic than that. I love to read. Literature of all kinds has greatly improved the quality of my life. I want Arkansas's kids to enjoy books and to read for pleasure as well as education, because we miss so much of life when we don't.

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Also, the Secretary of State submitted the proposed ballot titles and popular names with the state **Board of Election Commis**sioners.

The Board must determine within 30 days of July 8 whether or not the ballot title is misleading. If it does not approve the ballot title the sponsor groups may appeal to the state Supreme Court, which must expedite its decision.

Historically, the state attorney general determined whether or not the ballot title was misleading, and did so before the sponsor groups began collecting signatures. The attorney general could instruct the sponsor groups to submit a different ballot title that was not misleading.

Act 376 of 2019 changed the law to give the Board of Election Commissioners the power to approve ballot titles. If the Board rejects a ballot title the sponsor group may not submit a new one with different language, as they could previously when the attorney general approved ballot titles.

Considering the con-

troversial nature of both proposed amendments, legal challenges can be expected throughout the process. A group in favor of a Pope County casino has already spent more than \$1 million to develop a resort with

gambling near Russellville. Arkansas voters approved Amendment 100 in 2018 to allow four casinos in Arkansas. Besides the much disputed Pope County location that has yet to open, they are at Oaklawn in Hot

Springs, at Southland in West Memphis and at Saracen in Pine Bluff.

Arkansas voters approved Amendment 98 in 2016 to allow the cultivation and dispensing of medical marijuana. Officials in the Secretary of State's office who verify signatures said that no one could remember a sponsor group ever surpassing the 190,000 signatures submitted by the sponsors of the recreational marijuana.

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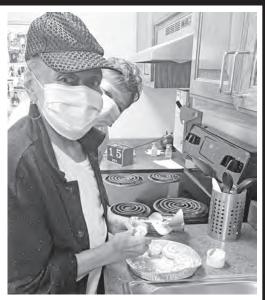
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OBITUARIES

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Wayvon Lawayne Burns

Wayvon Lawayne Burns, 70, of Monticello, departed this life Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at the Arkansas Heart Hospital in Little Rock. He was born October 7, 1951, in Drew County. He was preceded in death by his father, Wayvon David Burns and his step-father, Alton (Buddy)

Middlebrook. He was a truck driver and loved to hunt and fish or anything

outdoors

but, most of

all, he loved his Lord Jesus Christ. Wayvon also loved spending time with his grandkids and great grandkids. He was also a member

of the National Guard. He is survived by his lovely wife of 50 years, Brenda Sue Bostian Burns of Monticello; four sons, Timothy Burns, Andy (Farrah) Burns, Devin Burns, Tracy (Stacy) Burns all of Monticello; his mother, Wanda Middlebrook of Monticello; six grandsons, Michael (Kristina) Knight, Nick and Tyler Burns, Austin Burns, Parker Burns and Chase Boykin; three granddaughters, Skylar Burns, Sidney Burns and Paige (Spencer) Raney; five great grandchildren, Maddix and Mia Tilley, Kolton Raney, and Jasper and Delilah Burns; a special brother-in-law, Danny Bostian; four sisters-in-law, Shirley Ray, Virginia (Frank)

Hill, Kay Bostian and Marilyn Bostian; two additional brothers-in-law, Quentin Bostian and Sam Bostian; along with numerous other relatives and friends that he loved dearly.

Funeral services were at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 16, 2022, at Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Chapel with Rev. Terry Newman, Rev. Ed Hill and Rev. Devin Burns officiating. There was a visitation from 5-7 p.m. Friday evening at the funeral home. Burial was in Mt. Tabor Cemetery. You can sign Wayvon's guestbook page at www.stephensondearman.com.

(Paid obituary)

Eddie House Calhoun

Eddie House Calhoun, 82, of Redfield, a retired graphic designer and artist who designed the Little Rock Zoo logo in the 1970's, passed away on Friday, July 15, 2022.

She and her two sisters



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performed as a musical trio in the 1950's, winning an Arkansas statewide talent competition. She began performing

again at age 46, featured at local and regional churches.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Calhoun Jr. of Redfield, a sister, Dixie House (Alex) Crawley of Tulsa, Okla., a son, Robert Calhoun (Rhonda) of Daphne, AL, two daughters, Rebecca Calhoun Alexander (Joey) of

Hensley, and Debbie Calhoun Young (William), of Hensley, and grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Home in Monticello. Visitation was at 1 p.m. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery on Hyatt Street in Monticello. (Paid obituary)

Dewitt Collins

Dewitt Collins died on Monday, July 11, 2022, at Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville, N.C. He never liked the idea of flying and had his first flight back to Arkansas. Dewitt was the kindest person you could ever meet. He would offer to help whenever and wherever was needed.

He was born August 26 to the late Grover (GC) and Velma Collins in Coleman. He started his education at Drew Elementary and graduated from Monticello High School. Dewitt worked at many of jobs while living in North Carolina, Arkansas and, in Milwaukee, where he spent some years.

Dewitt is preceded in death by his parents, G.C. and Velma Collins, brothers; Jerry Collins and Kenneth Collins and many more family members that were waiting for him to arrive.

Left behind to cherish his memory are four sisters, Julius Marie Nolen of Little Rock, Laura Ann (Charles) Davis, Evelyn Faye Collins (James R. Miller) of Milwaukee, and his favorite sister, Crozell LaJune Lucas of Fayetteville, N.C., four brothers; Sammy Collins of Montrose, Grover C. Collins of Milwaukee, Melvin Collins and William Earl Collins, of Monticello, and many uncles, nieces, nephews and many families and friends. Dewitt, a constant present in all of lives will be deeply missed.

Graveside Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 23, 2022, in Green Mount Cemetery, Coleman. Visitation will be from 5 - 7 p.m. Friday, July 22, 2022 at Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Chapel.

You can sign Dewitt's guestbook at www.stephensondearman.com.

(Paid obituary) **Trilby Jean O'Briant**

Collins

Trilby Jean O'Briant Collins, 77 of Star City, passed away July 8, 2022, in Star City. She was born in the Garrett Bridge Community, Arkansas August 26, 1944, to the late Victor and Virginia Estelle Carr O'Briant, the widow of F.H. Collins, Trilby was a member of Anderson Chapel Baptist Church in Dumas. She was a retired Receiving Supervisor for Dollar General Stores for 20 years. Trilby loved to read and trail riding on Horseback as her pass times.

Trilby is survived by three sons, Daniel Shockley, San Diego, Fay (Krista) Collins, Winter Springs, Florida, and Garrick (Juliet) Collins, Maple City, Michigan, one daughter Trilby Crockett, Warren, one brother Rickey (C.C.) O'Briant, Monticello, four sisters Charlotte (William) Roberson, Dumas, Jeannie (Tracy) Riley, Dumas, Kathy O'Briant, Monticello, and Darcy (Alan) Melder, Monticello.

She is also survived by seven grandchildren: Thadeous and Chandler Crockett. Hannah, Grace and Garrick



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Collins and Alexandra and Gavin Shockley and two great grandchildren Waylen and Blaire Crockett. Trilby

was preceded in death by her parents, Husband, their daughter Dana Shockley, and a special friend Charles Chambers.

Visitation was Monday July 11, 2022, with Graveside services and burial at Tyro Cemetery July 12, 2022 in Tyro. The service was officiated by Rev. Arlon Bean under the direction of Griffin Funeral Home, grandchildren served as pallbearers. The guest book may be signed at www.Griffinfh.com.

(Paid obituary)

Celento "Roddy Poddy" Williams

Celento "Roddy Poddy" Williams, 49, of Monticello, went to be with his Lord and Savior, Sunday, July 17,

Roddy Poddy was born September 21, 1972 in Warren, to the Late Pamela Williams and Jemie Earl Davis. He was raised by Lewis Newton Jr. who loved him as

his own. Roddy Poddy was known for making everyone around him laugh. He always had a contagious smile. He loved to fish, hunt, and ride four-wheelers.

Roddy Poddy graduated Hermitage High School in 1991. He worked for Johnsville Sand and Gravel until his health failed.

Roddy Poddy is survived by his life partner of more than 20 years Linda Johnson; siblings, Scott M. Langstaff of Las Vegas, Catina Newton of Warren, April Newton of Conway, Gabriel Newton of Conway, Nicole LaTrice Johnson-Davis of California, Nicole Johnson (Charles) of Bryant, Derek Davis (Joreianna) of Denver; two granddaughters, Kailyn Green and



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and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, family and friends. **Funeral**

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Services

will be Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at 1 p.m. in the Stephenson-Dearman Chapel. Visitation will be from 12 - 1p.m. before the service. Memorials may be made in

Roddy Poddy's honor to Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Home, P.O. Box 506 Monticello, AR 71657 or buy calling 870-367-2451.

For more information and to sign the guestbook visit www.stephensondearman.

(Paid obituary)

Gubernatorial candidate Chris Jones releases "Teacher Pay Plus Plan," calls for State to invest record surplus funds for education in upcoming special session

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

Gubernatorial nominee Chris Jones released his Teacher Pay Plus Plan on Tuesday, to "Raise the Floor" and "Close the Gaps" on teacher pay and education quality across Arkansas. Jones is calling for the state to use a portion of its \$1.6 billion surplus to bring Arkansas out of the basement on teacher pay to a regionally competitive range. This means providing an immediate bonus, supporting Governor Asa Hutchinson's framework to raise the minimum teacher salary to \$46,000 a year and making a commitment to raise the threshold to \$50,000 a year by the end of his first term. The plan provides additional investments to support rural teachers and deferred building maintenance needs. Jones's plan provides a clear path to sustained funding for local school districts.

The Teacher Pay Plus Plan utilizes a portion of the state's historic surplus, with a sustainable total long-term funding structure.

For Teachers and Staff:

- One-Time Surplus Bonus For Teachers and Staff between \$1,000-\$2,500 per school employee.
- · Raise the Floor with Minimum Teacher Pay: \$46,000 this August, raised to \$50,000 per year by the end of the first term of the Jones administration and \$4,200 for those who already make \$46,000 or more.

· Close the Gaps on rural teacher shortage with a Rural Teacher Incentive Program.

For Local Schools:

- Deferred Maintenance Building Program (from surplus).
- Stability Fund (from surplus) to address unexpected economic changes.

Arkansans want us to meet this moment and rise to this occasion. We have a record state surplus of \$1.6 billion dollars. It's common sense that we invest in our children's education and our teachers. I am putting forward my Teacher Pay Plus Plan as a commitment to Arkansas voters, to demonstrate that I am dedicated to supporting achievable, common ground, bipartisan work. It's about our values and about smart investments. We can raise the floor and close the gaps in teacher pay and education across our great state," said Chris

"I urge my general election opponent Sarah Huckabee Sanders to join in on this statewide discussion. Our teachers and the kids in our classrooms deserve clear cut support from all of us. Right now they're working hard to raise pay in this August's special session. They deserve support from all of us. The longer we wait, the further behind our students

The release of the Teacher Pay Plus See PAY PLAN Page 10A

DCSO has busy few weeks

submitted to the Advance from the Drew County

Sheriff's office. U.S. Highway 278 near Wilmar. The vehicle was struck several time including the passenger side tire. During the course of the investigation, Zy'tavious Chavis, 200, of Wilmar, was identified as

a suspect in the case. Judge Bruce Anderson signed an arrest warrant for Chavis. He was later arrested at a Little Rock residence by LRPD. On July 7, Chavis appeared before Judge Crews Puryear for a first appearance. His bond was set at \$50,000. Chavis has since bonded out of jail and the investigation is ongoing.

On June 29, DCSO deputies were dispatched to 183 Seventh Day Camp Rd. In reference to someone shooting at a residence. Multiple rounds struck the residence and a boat that was parked

The following are reports in front of the residence. the vehicle with Ratlif and During the course of the investigation, Aiden Thomp- revealed the plate was fictison, 19, of Monticello was tious. After further investishot at as he was driving on for Thompson was signed by Judge Robert Gibson, charging him with a Terroristic Act. Thompson was arrested on July 12. On July 14, Thompson appeared before Judge Crew Puryear for a first appearance. His bond was set at \$25,000 and he has since bonded out of jail. The investigation is ongoing.

On July 9, DCSO deputies were dispatched to Ables Creek Rd. In reference to a

subject parked on the side of the road with possible stolen items inside the vehicle. Deputies arrived in the area and located a white Maile walking near Tillar. The subject was identified as James Ratliff, 47, of Dermott. Deputies returned to

a check of the license plate County in Miss. Two aluminum irrigation riser heads were located in the back of the truck that had been reported stolen from Desha County. Ratliff was arrested and charged with two counts of Theft by receiving. He appeared before Judge Robert Gibson on July 11. His bond was set at \$25,000. Currently, Ratliff remains in the Drew County Detention Fa-

On July 12, Deputy Anthony Atkins took a report of a stolen utility trailer from a cotton gin in Winchester. On June 14, an individual identified as a suspect. On gation, the vehicle was idenreported that his vehicle was July 11, an arrest warrant tified as stolen from Bolivar a call that the trailer in question was located at a pawn shop in Monticello. During the course of the investigation, Christopher Ward, 39, of Warren, was identified as a suspect. Ward was arrested and charged with Theft of Property over \$1,000. On July 14, Ward appeared before Judge Crews Puryear and his bond was set at \$2,500. Ward is currently in the Drew County Detention Facility.

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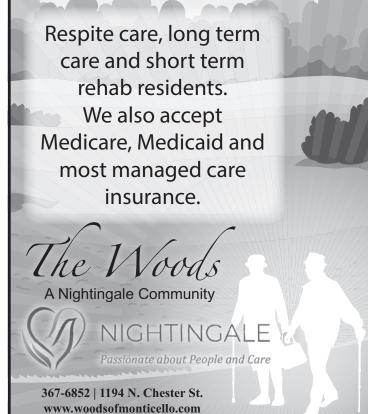
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ORDINANCE NO. 2022-12

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF DREW, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO PURCHASE BODY CAMERAS AND TASERS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

ARTICLE 1. The Eleventh Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget for Drew County, which the Annual Budget was dated December 13, 2021, and which amendment is dated July 11, 2022 and is filed with the County Clerk, is hereby adopted by reference and is incorporated herein as though set out word for word.

ARTICLE 2. The appropriations, sums, funds, accounts and demands as amended by said Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget for Drew County, filed with the County Clerk, are hereby appropriated to be paid from the designated funds and devoted to the payment of the specified demands for the year 2022 and those appropriations are hereby made by reference to that Eleventh Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget which is incorporated herein as though set out word for word.

ARTICLE 3. The Eleventh Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget and the amendments to the budget and appropriations adopted and made therein shall be effective for the calendar year of 2022.

ARTICLE 4. If any provision of this ordinance (including, but not limited to any provisions of the Eleventh Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget or appropriations in that amendment) are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of this ordinance (and the amendment to the budget and appropriations) are declared to be severable.

ARTICLE 5. This **Eleventh** Appropriation Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget shall be effective immediately upon passage by the quorum court and approval by the County Judge. (See 2016 ACCG §14-14-907 3(f))

> ADOPTED: JULY 11, 2022 APPROVED: 7/11/2022

/s/Robert Akin Robert Akin, Drew County Judge

Attest: /s/Nancy White

Nancy White, Drew County Clerk Sponsors: Joe Williams, Carole Bulloch

ATTACHMENT TO APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2022-12

The **Eleventh** Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget for Drew County, Dated July 11, 2022 Appropriation Ordinance 2022-12

Decrease Unappropriated ARP Fund (1006) \$24,152.68 and increase the General ARP Fund (1006) Sheriff's Department (0400), Line (4004).

Capital Outlay

Machinery and Equipment \$24,152.68

Reason for Appropriations

• To purchase 11 Body Cameras and Tasers, signal sidearm, signal vehicle

Paid for by the Drew County Clerk's Office in the amount of \$113.12.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-15

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF DREW, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO **CLEAN UP FUNDS**

ARTICLE 1. The Fourteenth Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget for Drew County, which the Annual Budget was dated December 13, 2021, and which amendment is dated July 11, 2022 and is filed with the County Clerk, is hereby adopted by reference and is incorporated herein as though set out word for word.

ARTICLE 2. The appropriations, sums, funds, accounts and demands as amended by said Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget for Drew County, filed with the County Clerk, are hereby appropriated to be paid from the designated funds and devoted to the payment of the specified demands for the year 2022 and those appropriations are hereby made by reference to that Fourteenth Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget which is incorporated herein as though set out word for word.

ARTICLE 3. The Fourteenth Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget and the amendments to the budget and appropriations adopted and made therein shall be effective for the calendar year of 2022. ARTICLE 4. If any provision of this ordinance (including, but not limited to any provisions of the

Fourteenth Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget or appropriations in that amendment) are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of this ordinance (and the amendment to the budget and appropriations) are declared to be severable.

ARTICLE 5. This Fourteenth Appropriation Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget shall be effective immediately upon passage by the quorum court and approval by the county judge. (See 2016 ACCG \$14-14-907 3(f))

ADOPTED: June 13, 2022 APPROVED: 7/11/2022 /s/Robert Akin Robert Akin, Drew County Judge

Attest: /s/Nancy White

Nancy White, Drew County Clerk

Sponsors: Steve Morrison, Steve Pigott ATTACHMENT TO APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2022-15

The Fourteenth Amendment to the 2022 Annual Budget for Drew County, Dated July 11, 2022 Appropriation Ordinance 2022-15

Decrease Unappropriated ARPA Fund (1006) \$401.41 and increase the following Funds, Departments and line items:

1006.0101.1002	Salaries, Part-Time	\$ 28.79
1006.0109.1002	Salaries, Part-Time	\$ 0.02
1006.0200.1001	Salaries, Full Time	\$ 0.01
1006.0200.1006	Social Security Matching	\$ 0.01
1006.0400.1003	Extra Help	\$369.60
1006.0501.1006	Social Security Matching	\$ 0.01
Total 1006	,	\$401.41
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Transfer funds from the following Fund	ds below to	the correct Fund due to an error is	n coding
3017.0418.1001 Salaries, Full Time	TO	1006.0418.1001	\$4,955.36
3017.0418.1009 Health Insurance	TO	1006.0418.1009	\$1,669.39
3046.0418.1011 Unemployment	TO	1006.0418.1011	\$0.54
3046.0402.1011 Unemployment	TO	1000.0402.1011	\$3.60
1000.0104.1005 Overtime & Other	TO	3001.0104.1005	\$9.88
1000.0104.3030 Travel	TO	3001.0104.3030	\$187.45
1000.0103.3102 Computer Software	TO	3000.0103.3102	\$395.00
1000.0102.3020 Telephone, Fax	TO	3006.0102.3020	\$184.60
1000.0300.1002 Salaries, Part-Time	TO	1000.0300.1003 Extra Help	\$496.65
1006.0501.1002 Salaries, Part-Time	TO	1000.0501.1001	\$3,363.07
1000.0400.1003 Extra Help	TO	1006.0400.1003	\$254.10
1000.0418.3052 Fire and Extended	TO	1006.0418.3052	\$340.17
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Reason for Appropriations Clean up from incorrect calculations, and coding

Paid for by the Drew County Clerk's Office in the amount of \$218.12.

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EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2022-16

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF DREW, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO CONTROL AND DEAL WITH DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOGS, AND TO IMPOSE CRIMINAL PENALTIES AND LIABILITY ON OWNERS AND POSSESSORS OF DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOGS, AND FOR RELATED **PURPOSES**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF DREW COUNTY PURSUANT TO SECTION 1(A) OF AMENDMENT 55 TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AS **HEREINAFTER SET FORTH:**

- a. "Control Officer" means the Drew County Sheriff, a Drew County Deputy Sheriff, or any person designated by the County Judge or the Quorum Court of Drew County, Arkansas, to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance
 - b. "Dangerous dog" means any dog which, without provocation, has:
 - i. Bitten or attempted to bite a human.
 - ii. Inflicted physical injury upon a domestic animal when the dog is not on its owner's

real property, or

- iii. Exhibited such aggressive behavior toward a human as would put a reasonable person in fear of being attacked by the dog.
- Any of the above behaviors may be referred to herein as a "dangerous dog behavior".
- c. "District Court" means the District Court established under the laws of the state of Arkansas whose jurisdiction includes Drew County, Arkansas.
- d. "Muzzle" means a muzzle constructed of adequate material and of sufficient strength to prevent the dog from biting any person or domestic animal while not interfering with the vision or respiration of the dog.
- e. "Owner" means every person or entity owning, keeping, harboring, or having custody, permanently or temporarily, of a dog.
- f. "Secure Pen" means a pen with sound sides and sound bottom and top, if necessary, all sufficient to prevent an animal from escaping by climbing, jumping, or digging. When a dangerous dog or vicious dog is present inside the pen, the pen must be locked to prevent the entry of young children. The pen must be within a reasonable distance of a sign conspicuously warning of the presence of a dangerous dog in the pen.
 - g. "Vicious Dog" means any dog which, without provocation, has:
 - i. Killed or inflicted severe physical injury on a human,
 - ii. Killed or inflicted severe physical injury on another domestic animal,
 - iii. Has already been declared a dangerous dog pursuant to the provisions of this
- Ordinance and is determined to have committed a subsequent dangerous dog behavior, or iv. any dog owned or harbored primarily or in part for the purpose of dogfighting or which has been trained for dogfighting.
- h. "Vicious Dog Ordinance" This ordinance may be referred to as the Vicious Dog Ordinance.
- 2. Exemptions
 - - a. The provisions of this Ordinance do not apply to the following:
- i. A dog being used by a law enforcement officer to carry out the law enforcement officer's official duties;
- ii. A dog being used in a lawful hunt unless the dog has previously engaged in dangerous dog behavior;
- iii. A dog where the injury or damage inflicted by the dog was sustained by a domestic animal while the dog was working as a hunting dog, herding dog, or predator control dog on the property of, or under the control of, its owner or keeper, and the damage or injury was to a species or type of domestic animal appropriate to the work of the dog;
- iv. A dog protecting or defending a person within the immediate vicinity of the dog from an unjustified attack, assault, or other wrongful behavior;
- v. A dog where the injury inflicted by the dog was sustained by a person who, at the time of the injury, was committing a willful trespass or other tort, was tormenting, abusing, or assaulting the dog, had tormented, abused, or assaulted the dog, or was committing or attempting to commit a crime;
- vi. A dog where the injury inflicted by the dog was not severe and was sustained by a person who, at the time of the injury, had disturbed the dog while the dog was eating or sleeping; or
- vii. Excessive barking or vocalization, as long as the dog is not exhibiting dangerous or vicious behaviors as defined in this Ordinance.
- 3. Unlawful to Keep a Vicious Dog
- a. It shall be unlawful for any person to own, possess, keep, or harbor, permanently or tempo-
- b. In addition to being subject to any other enforcement action prescribed by this Ordinance or other law, any person who violates this section of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine not exceeding the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - 4. Additional Fines
- a. Any person who violates a provision of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine not exceeding the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - 5. Enforcement, Citing, and Adjudication
- a. Enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be by a Control Officer. In addition, a private citizen may file a complaint alleging violation of the provisions of this Ordinance with the clerk of the District Court.
- b. When investigating a possible violation of this Ordinance, a Control Officer is authorized to enter private property to obtain evidence and to seize any dog which the officer has probable cause to believe is a dangerous dog or a vicious dog subject to warrant and other requirements of the 4th Amendment to the US Constitution and other applicable federal and state law.
- c. If probable cause exists to believe that a dog is dangerous or vicious, a Control Officer may issue the owner of such dog a citation for violation of this Ordinance. The Control Officer may also seize and impound the dog. Any citation issued shall be for a mandatory appearance before the District Court.
- d. The District Court shall adjudicate the guilt of the owner and, if the owner is found guilty of violation of the provisions of this Ordinance, shall:
 - i. Impose any range of punishment provided for by this Ordinance; ii. Determine, based on the evidence presented, whether any dog which is the subject
- of a prosecution under this Ordinance is a dangerous dog or a vicious dog, as defined in this Ordinance, and, if the determination is in the affirmative, the Court shall so declare in the court records of the case; iii. In the discretion of the court, order that any dog declared to be a vicious dog be
- euthanized;
- iv. Establish the liability of the owner of any dog declared to be dangerous or vicious for boarding costs as described in the Impoundment section of this Ordinance; and
- v. Impose any reasonable conditions upon the owner of the dog in order to protect the public against possible attack by the dog.
- e. If a dog is declared to be a vicious dog but not ordered to be euthanized and that dog is thereafter the subject of a prosecution based upon subsequent dangerous dog behavior, all of the enforcement actions described in the preceding paragraph shall be available to the District Court in the subsequent prosecution.
 - 6. Requirements for Owners of Dangerous or Vicious Dogs a. The owner of any dog declared to be a dangerous dog or a vicious dog, but not ordered to be
- euthanized, shall perform the following: i. Keep the dog securely confined indoors or in a secure pen;
- ii. When not on the property of its owner, the dog shall wear a muzzle and be restrained on a leash, of adequate material and sufficient strength to effectively restrain the dog and no
- longer than six (6) feet in length, and under the control of a responsible person at least 18 years of age; iii. The dog shall at all times wear a substantial collar or halter and shall have attached to the collar or halter a metal tag bearing the owner's name and current telephone number;
- iv. Within three (3) days of declaration by the District Court that the dog is dangerous or vicious, post in a conspicuous location, so as to be noticed by the public, on the owner's property a sign which says "Warning - Dangerous Dog on Property", the lettering of which shall be clearly legible
- and of sufficient size to be easily read from a distance of 25 feet. Such a sign must be posted on each side of the owner's property which abuts a public street; v. If the dog escapes from the owner's property, immediately notify the office of the
- Drew County sheriff of such escape, and: (1) Advise such office that the dog has been declared to be dangerous or vicious, as
- the case may be;
 - (2) give an accurate description of the dog; and
 - (3) give the timeframe of when the dog escaped.
- vi. Implement any reasonable conditions imposed by the District Court upon the owner of the dog in order to protect the public against possible attacks by the dog.
- b. The owner of any dog declared to be a vicious dog, but not ordered to be euthanized, shall also perform the following: i. Immediately notify the office of the Drew County Sheriff that the dog has been
- declared to be a vicious dog by the District Court;
- ii. Have the dog sterilized within 14 days after expiration of the time period for the owner of the dog to perfect the appeal of the order of the District Court declaring the dog to be a vicious dog; iii. No person under 18 years of age shall control or be made responsible for the care
- or supervision, even temporarily, of the dog; iv. Upon transfer of ownership or possession of the dog to another person, the owner shall provide written notice to:
- (1) the office of the Drew County Sheriff, stating the name and address of the new
- owner or possessor of the dog; and (2) the person taking ownership or possession of the dog, specifying that the dog has been declared to be vicious by the District Court and the approximate date of such declaration; and
- v. If the owner changes place of residence while maintaining possession of the dog, the owner shall provide written notice to the office of the Drew County Sheriff stating the owner's new address and advising that the owner is in possession of a dog which has been declared to be vicious by the District Court and the approximate date of such declaration
- c. The violation of any of the provisions of this section by an owner shall subject the owner to the fine set forth in the Additional Fines section of this Ordinance.
- d. So long as the owner complies with the provisions of this section and any directives issued by the District Court concerning the dog, the owner shall not be subject to the fine set forth in the Unlawful to Keep a Vicious Dog section of this Ordinance.
- 7. Impoundment
- a. If a Control Officer issues a citation for violation of this Ordinance, the Control Officer may seize a dog which is the subject of such citation and impound the dog at an animal shelter operated by the County or by a legitimate humane organization or with a veterinarian. The reasonable costs of the boarding of an impounded animal shall be borne by the owner if the owner is convicted of violation of this Ordinance or the dog is declared to be dangerous or vicious by the District Court.
- b. The District Court may order the release of the animal to the owner pending trial of any alleged violation of this Ordinance and may impose conditions for the keeping of the animal upon the

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owner.

8. Identification of Dogs a. In carrying out duties to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance, a Control Officer may photograph any dog when there exists probable cause to believe that the dog is dangerous or vicious.

b. If a dog is declared by the District Court to be dangerous or vicious, the court may:

i. order photographing of the dog by a Control Officer or other person designated by the court for that purpose; and

ii. if the dog has no remarkable identifying features, order that the owner of such dog have a microchip, for the purpose of identifying the dog, implanted in such dog by a veterinarian, and the expense of such implementation shall be borne by the owner. 9. Euthanasia

a. Any euthanasia ordered by the District Court shall be carried out in a humane manner by a licensed veterinarian or by a person eligible under the laws of the state of Arkansas to perform euthanasia upon a dog, and the cost of same shall be borne by Drew County.

b. No euthanasia ordered shall be performed before expiration of the time period for the owner of the dog to perfect an appeal of the order of the District Court authorizing the euthanasia.

c. The owner of the dog may be present when euthanasia is performed.

d. It shall be unlawful for the owner of a dog ordered euthanized under the provisions of this Ordinance to interfere with, attempt to prevent, or prevent such euthanasia.

10. Territorial Limitation of This Ordinance

a. The provisions of this Ordinance apply only to a dog: i. which is

housed, temporarily or permanently, in Drew County, Arkansas, but outside the city limits of Monticello, Arkansas; or

ii. which has committed an act which would cause that dog to be defined as a dangerous dog or a vicious dog Drew County, Arkansas, but outside the city limits of Monticello,

Arkansas.

11. Miscellaneous

a. In the event of a conflict between a provision of this Ordinance and a law of the state of Arkansas, the Arkansas state law shall control and the conflict in provision of this Ordinance shall be severed from this Ordinance with all remaining provisions to remain in full force and effect

b. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this Ordinance and the provisions of any previously enacted Ordinance, the provisions of this Ordinance shall control.

c. Nothing in this Ordinance shall limit or abrogate any claim or cause of action which any person may have under common law or statute relating to recovery of damages for injuries or property damage or other legal relief resulting from a dog

d. The headings of sections in this Ordinance are for convenience only and shall not control the wording of the body of the section.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE (Ark. Code Ann. § 14-14-908). An emergency is hereby declared to exist, that emergency being an immediate and necessary need for the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the people of Drew County, and their livestock and other property, from harm and damage from dangerous/vicious dogs, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from an after its passage by the Drew County Quorum Court and approval by the County

PASSED this 11th day of July, 2022, by the Quorum Court of APPROVED: /s/Robert Akin HONORABLE ROBERT

> Drew County Judge Date: 7/11/22 ATTEST: /s/Nancy White Nancy White

County Clerk of Drew County Sponsors: Joe Williams, Frank Appleberry Paid for by the Drew County

Clerk's Office in the amount of

\$709.80.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

<u>TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2022</u>

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN US BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT THE SPECIAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN DREW COUNTY, ARKANSAS ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2022 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:30 AM AND 7:30 PM.

FOR THE FOLLOWING QUESTION: MONTICELLO CITY 1% SALES AND USE TAX TO VOTE FOR ADOPTION OF TAX, OR AGAINST ADOPTION OF TAX **VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE AS FOLLOWS:**

ABSENTEE VOTING:

located in the Drew County Clerk's Office. Absentee ballot applications are available in the Drew County Clerk's office. For information or questions, call 870-460-6260.

Absentee ballots will be opened, processed and canvassed in the courthouse clubroom on at 4:00 pm on Tuesday August 9, 2022. **EARLY VOTING:**

begins on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 and ends on Monday, August 8, 2022 and will take place at the Courthouse, during regular business hours, 8:00 am-4:30 pm in the

Drew County Clerk's Office 210 South Main St Monticello, AR 71655

 $FOR\ EARLY\ VOTING\ AT\ THE\ COURTHOUSE,\ ENTER\ THE\ MAIN\ FRONT\ ENTRANCE\ OR\ USE\ THE\ HANDICAP\ ACCESS\ LOCATED$ AT THE BACK OF THE COURTHOUSE. THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE IS LOCATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR. ELEVATOR ACCESS IS ON THE GROUND FLOOR UPON ENTERING VIA THE HANDICAP DOOR.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL THE DREW COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 870-460-6260.

Paid for by the Drew County Board of Election Commissioners.

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NOTICE

The following vehicle(s) will be sold, dismantled or destroyed in fifteen (15) days unless claimed at Rod's Towing and Recovery, 1010 Hwy 425 South, Monticello, AR 71655, 870-367-1700. 2009 Toyota Yaris Gray Vin # JTDBT4K37A1359601

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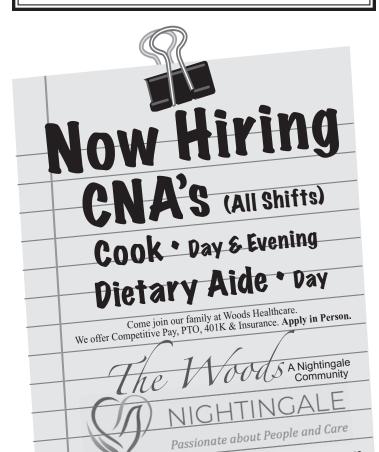
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Hospice Home Care receives honors

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

Hospice Home Care, 30-year leader caring for hospice patients and families living in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi, recently announced that it has been selected by Modern Healthcare as one of the 2022 Best Places to Work in Healthcare, a premier award program in one of the top U.S. healthcare news publications.

"We are thrilled that our team has received this recognition," said Cathy Carollo, CEO. "Earning this distinction amid an evolving healthcare crisis, our associates continue to stay mission-focused, 'adding life to each and every day'. I am

enormously proud and grateful to work alongside individuals who take every opportunity to care for one another, our patients, their families, and the communities we serve."

There are 150 Healthcare organizations on the recognition list currently ranked in alphabetical order. Modern Healthcare will announce a specific ranking during a special evening of recognition at the awards gala on September 29, 2022, at the Hilton Downtown in Nashville, TN. The October 3, 2022, issue of Modern Healthcare will list all contenders in rank and order.

LIHEAP application period begins July 25

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

Officials with the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) have announced residents can begin submitting applications Monday, July 25 for help with the costs of summer cooling bills, including those from Entergy Arkansas and other utilities.

LIHEAP is funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and is designed to lower the energy burden for low-income households, who pay a high proportion of household income for home energy costs, by paying benefits for home energy bills.

This assistance will be available until Sept. 30 or funds are completely expended, whichever comes first, officials said. The program will have another application period to assist with

Plan comes as bipartisan sup-

port surges for raising the

state's regionally-low teacher

pay during the upcoming Au-

gust special session of the Ar-

kansas Legislature. Jones re-

leased his plan at a public press

conference at the historic Little Rock Central High School on

Tuesday joined by educators from across the state. Arkansas

PAY PLAN

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winter heating costs beginning in January.

Eligibility is determined by household size and income. For example, a single individual with a maximum monthly countable income of \$1,859 and a family of four with \$3,574 would both be eligible.

The program is offered in all 75 counties in the state through community-based organizations, which can be found online at https://www.adeq.state. ar.us/energy/assistance/caad. aspx, along with a complete list of eligibility and required documentation to complete the application.

For additional ways to help with managing your Entergy Arkansas bill, such as Level Billing or Pick Your Date, visit https://www.entergy-arkansas. com/residential/, where energy efficiency tips can also be

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as educators leave the profes-

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school districts are actively recruiting teachers from Arkansas with billboards showcasing dramatically higher salaries. Governor Asa Hutchinson has

Pay Plus Plan is part of Chris Jones's larger PB&J (Preschool, Broadband, Jobs) agenda.

expressed support for higher teacher pay, and with school starting in August, the special session is the right time to take up the issue. The release of the Teacher

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MHS CHEER HAS SUCCESSFUL CAMP



The Monticello High School Cheerleaders recently attended the National Cheerleaders Association Camp in Hot Springs, Arkansas. This squad worked hard, competing against other squads from Arkansas, Mississippi, and Texas. The squad came home with the following awards: All Superior Ribbons for our Game Day Cheer and Jam Routine; Spirit Stick; Technical Excellence in Stunts for our Jam Routine; a Bid to Compete at Nationals; Won the Sr High Division of the Top Gun Dance Competition; Senior Cheerleader, Lillian Lay was a finalist in the Top Gun Jump Competition; Chosen for the Herkie Team Award by other squads at camp for teamwork and leadership; 11 Nominated for All American Cheerleader; Katie Rosegrant, Lily Parke, Sarah Prince, Kaiden Hale, Lillian Lay, Riley Derryberry, Arianna Reyes, and Katie Standley made the All American Team and Katie Rosegrant and Lily Parke were invited to tryout for NCA Staff. Our Mascot, Josh Young, received a superior ribbon for his skit and was chosen most spirited mascot at camp. The Monticello High School Cheer Squad is coached by Whitney Maggard. The squad invites you to watch their performance and support the Billies at the Blue/White game on August 12th at 6:00 pm at Hyatt Field. Members of the squad are L-R front row: Lillian Lay, Sarah Prince, Katie Rosegrant (Captain), Lily Parke(Co-Captain), Kaiden Hale. L-R Midler row: Madison Bitely, Riley Derryberry, Neely Taylor, Arianna Reyes. L-R Back row: Mallory Steen-Hobbs, Ashlynn Snow, Rachel Prince, Katie Standley, NCA Instructor-Shelby, Lilli Orrell, Noah Jackson, Preslie Cantrell, Mascot Josh Young.







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Miracle League ends successful season

BY: ASHLEY HOGG editor@monticellonews.net

The Seark Miracle League had a busy season of baseball games in the spring and summer of

The teams joined together on the special field to enjoy their last matches with coaches, volunteers and family members. At the conclusion of the day, the athletes enjoyed pizza and ice cream sponsored by Commercial Bank.

Seark Miracle League began several years ago in Monticello with the idea that every child should be able to participate in a sport no matter what type of physical or mental handicap they may face.

To learn more about the Seark Miracle League, visit searkmiracleleague.com.



















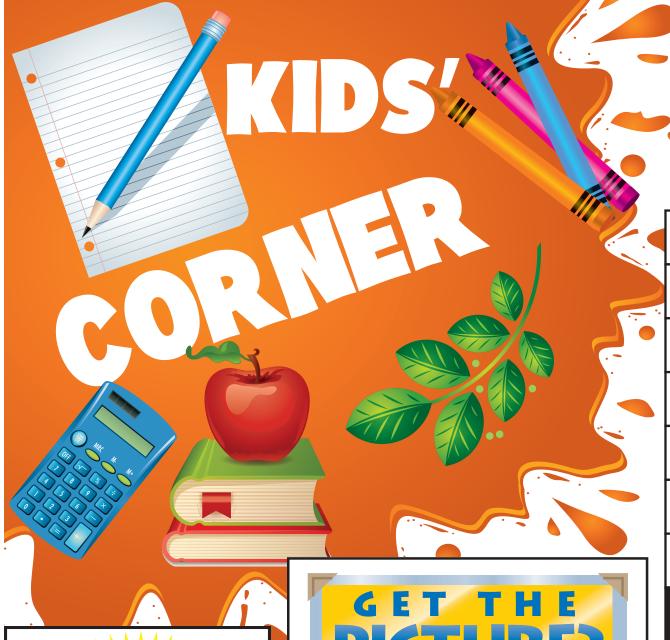


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Here are some fun activities for

our younger readers to enjoy!

Crossword Puzzle





VACATION

an extended period of leisure and recreation





Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

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ACROSS

- 1. Relaxing trip
- 5. Short portion of a ticket

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- 6. Short journey
- 7. Filling a suitcase for a voyage

DOWN

- 1. Different and diverse
- 2. The U.S. has a North and a South one
- 3. Jobs
- 4. Taking small bites of something

1. Variety 2. Carolina 3. Tasks 4. Nibbling UMOM

> 1. Vacation 5. Stub 6. Trip 7. Packing Across :SIDMSUY





ENGLISH: Vacation

SPANISH: Vacaciones

ITALIAN: Vacanza

FRENCH: Vacances GERMAN: Urlaub



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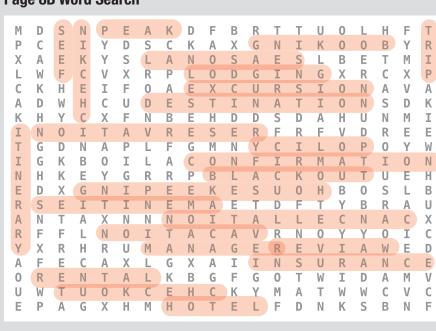
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Have kids; will travel: Master vacationing with young children

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

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

Children add the element of surprise and the unexpected — not to mention extra gear — and parents must adapt accordingly when they travel with their little ones. These pointers can keep parents properly prepared.

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

"stretch your legs" opportunities. Children have limited attention spans and abilities to stay put. According to Brain Balance, a program for improving concentration, children between the ages of two and six have attention spans from four to 18 minutes. Since kids may not be able to sit

• Factor in

still the entire time, build breaks into trips so they can get up, run around and expend some of their boundless energy.

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



Entertaining diversions and snacks are must-haves when traveling with kids in tow.

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

• Plan accommodations wisely. Choose lodging that fits your needs. Some people prefer a rental home because it affords more space and the ability to save money by preparing some

meals at "home." However, certain hotels may have babysitting services or recreational activities for children, enabling Mom or Dad to have a little time off.

• Bring a light stroller and

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

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

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

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









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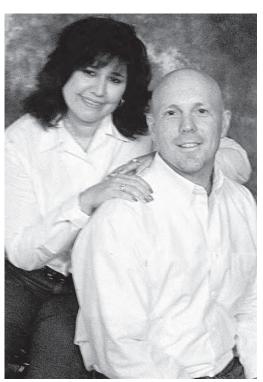
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as well as other organization's certifications. Applying their years of experience along with their advanced knowledge, Carpet Medics Restoration's owners and technicians have assisted home and business owners at their times of need whether dealing with flooded structures or fire/smoke damaged buildings. Owner Randy Phillips states that their goal is to solve the homeowner's problem and serve their needs first. "Although the majority of our restoration work is billed directly to insurance companies, we are there to serve the home or business owner. It is their property and we work for them. Our own home burned in 2007, so we can certainly empathize when someone is dealing with a catastrophe, big or small, in their home." Carpet Medics Restoration's sister company Phillips Mgmt & Svcs, Southeast Arkansas' premier commercial cleaning service, provides a strong resource of cleaning experts to rely on which is critical in the restoration of flooded and smoke damaged buildings. Phillips says "We have trained staff on hand at all times ready for whatever situation comes our way. If your house floods or you have fire & smoke damage, we hope you'll let us help you get through a difficult time."



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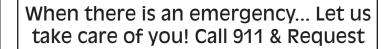




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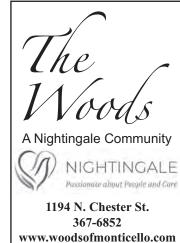
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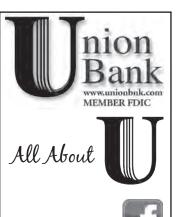


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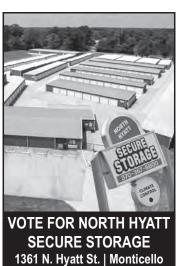
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COUNTRY

BARKADA **JANA WRIGHT**

Thank goodness we got some much needed rain this morning. It was not a whole lot, but anything is better than nothing. I loved listening to the thunder.

I did forget someone on my list last week for David and Kay Ozment's anniversary party: our grandson, Beaux Swain. Sorry about that,

Beaux spent the night with us Thursday night, and then Jakob Bayliss spent the night Saturday night. Sunday evening, he and I went to see my dad, Robert Owens. He is doing well.

I had the chance to chat with Mrs. Sharon Beard the other day in the Dollar General. It was good to catch up.

Tammy Stafford, Connie McKiever, and Kerri Sledge visited with Mrs. Mary Burgess last week. Previously that week, Tammy had brought her some fresh brownies!

We attended a birthday celebration for our nephew Seth Wilson on Saturday at his home. Those attending were Mr. Larry and Charlotte Wilson, Christy and Carleigh Roberts, David and Kay Ozment, Beaux Swain, Crayton Harris, Cara Harris, Shelly and Kelsey Wooten, Pierson Harper, Caleb James, and Sawyer Zipperer, and us. The boys had a wonderful time! They got to go fishing and spent the night.

Mrs. Mary Lasiter surprised her daughter-in-law, Anita Lasiter, with some beautiful roses last week. She said that they really brightened her day.

I had nice visit with Mrs. Geraldine McClure from Lawton, Okla. today. She had called me last week so I called her back. She is originally from Drew County. She said she really enjoys reading the news and keeping up with everyone. So, keep the news coming! Thanks for calling, Mrs. Geraidine!

The Wilmar Baptist Daytimers had fun, food, and fellowship last week. They played BINGO and had a good meal. It looked like a lot of fun. Maybe next time I can go.

Seth, Holly, Preslee Mc-Dougald, and Ansley Roberts enjoyed a family trip to the beach. They were joined by Seth's mom, Vicky McDougald. Everyone had a great time!

Jacob, Amanda, Jace, and Karson Bone and Sheena Tucker also enjoyed some beach time as a family. They had a nice relaxing time as well.

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I keep forgetting to congratulate Clayton and Madison Whitaker on the birth of their daughter Wrenlee Olivia Whitaker. She was born in June. She is absolutely pre-

Happy birthday to my beautiful niece Brittany Sears, Bradley Caldwell, Martha Ryburn, Mrs. Lou Reaves, Jerry Clarke, Kelsey Wooten, Angie Wheeler, Stacie Tucker, Amanda Calhoun, Bubba Barnett, and Gaybie Smith. I hope you all have or had happy birthdays.

Please continue to keep Debbie Brewster and Jaye Jones in your prayers. Both of them are having some health issues right now.

My thoughts and prayers are with the family of Mr. Wayvon Burns. After my news last week, we went to be with the Lord. May you all find comfort and strength during this time.

Please call 870.224.3383 with news or email wrightwoman_66@yahoo.com. No news is too small!

GREEN HILL WANDA PACE

Greenhill Community Baptist Church services are at 9:30am for Sunday, 10:30am for worship service, and 6:30pm on Wednesday. You are all invited.

Aunt May had a doctor's appointment last Thursday and received a good report. She is regaining her strength and doing well. Eugene Gifford and Paul Pace visited with Aunt May and Aunt Pepe last week.

Belated birthday wishes go out to Michelle Pace and Luke Pace. I hope you both enjoyed a blessed birthday.

Miss Ann Bennet underwent surgery on her leg last week. Please keep her in prayer for a full and speedy recovery.

I would like to wish my long time friend, Nellie Mc-Coy, a Happy Birthday. Miss Nellie and I have been triends for 30 years and I love her so much.

Cindy Mckinstry of Little Rock came for a few days to her country home with her friend Markay Dearien. She had breakfast and a visit with Paula Cruce Lane at Chef's Thursday morning. Cindy also visited with Tammy Mullis Knobloch. She visited her Aunt Shirley Burks & cousin Beverly Burks of Wilmar. She visited with her Uncle Jimmy Cockrell on Friday afternoon. Cindy & Markay dined & visited with her stepmom. Liz Mckinstry of Banks, AR.

Home canning is a good

Do you have any community tidbits?

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way to preserve fresh garden vegetables. My grandma, Adelene Warren, taught me how to home can when I was a young girl. I have canned tomatoes, rotel tomatoes, and jalapenos this year so far. Belinda Ferrell shared her okra canning recipe with me and I hope to can some this week.

Verse of the week: "do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand." Isaiah 41:10

Have a safe and blessed week.

JORDAN PARK TRILISA MARSHALL

Another hot week, everyone please be safe, and stay cool in this hot weather, and drink plenty of fluids. What a blessing it was to go visit Mr. Junior Douglas, he was doing well and also Mr. Clyde Wolfe was visiting too. They both said they truly miss my dad and I told them I do too, very much. One thing my dad did when he was living was visit and if anyone needed to go to the store or doctor's appointment he was always available to take them. I want to thank Missionary Lou Lambert, Missionary Amanda Glass, Sherry K. Tony, Gracie Steward, Bennie Walton, for calling seeing about me. Also,

Aunt Myrtle Burks and Gwen White. I'm not even sick but they still call checking on me and seeing how my family and I are doing. It's a blessing to know someone is thinking about you. Always give a person their flowers while they are living.

Happy birthday shout out this week goes to: Henryetta McFadden, July 18; Sabreonna Freeman, Linda Johnson, Jerry Clarke, Tarra Tate, Asha Koko Smith, and Gloria Oates, July 20; Denise Orr and Virgil Randolph, July 22; Ladonna Jones, Edward Rhodes, Brenda Brooks, Gwendolyn White and Kedrick Lewis, July 24. Happy birthday everyone, enjoy your special day.

Awesome Sunday School lesson we had, it was on: "Solomon Judges with Wisdom and Justice" coming from 1 Kings 3:16-28; 2 Chronicles 9:8 (KJV). Using godly wisdom is the only way to make good decisions. And Pastor Robert Marshall Sr's message was on: "God Operates on His Appointed Time' coming from Psalm 145:17; Daniels 9:4 (KJV). The Lord is righteous in everything He does, and He grants the desires of those who fear Him. And our Tuesday evening Bible Study lesson was on: "Looking Forward to Eternal Life" coming from John 3:16; 5:24; 6:40; 10:28; 14:3; 17:2-3; Jude 1:21; and 1 John 5:11-21 (KJV). A man can't

earn eternal life, it is a free gift from God. For John 3:16 (KJV) says, "For God so loved the world that he gave is only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting

I'm praying everyone has a blessed, safe and cool rest of the week. It's very hot this week, please keep checking on your elderly neighbors and make sure they are doing well, or if they even need anything from the store. I thank all the ones that checked on me to make sure I was doing good and not running out in this heat but I am at home resting and doing well.

Scripture for the week is: Daniel 9:9-10 (KJV), To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveness, though we have rebelled against him; Neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.

Much love and blessings to all, and in all you do keep God first. Blessings!

LACEY **IVANELL HANDLEY**

Not much to write about this week, Floyd and I have been shut-in with Covid. I wasn't able to be out and about but we are thankful to God that we are on the mend. I feel lost because I wasn't able go to church Sunday but I did watch Saint Mark Baptist Church, Little Rock online. Pastor Phillip Pointer's message was from Nehemiah 8:2-8 and his thought was "Learning Together".

Prayers for those that are sick and shut-in: Angelia Dominick and Marilyn Suber and others that are not feeling their best. Continued sympathy and prayers to the

Spencer family in the loss of their loved one.

Floyd and I would like to thank everyone for checking on us, all your calls, prayers and many other acts of kindness will never be forgotten! Thanks to Patricia Staple, Jeraldine Bell, Louise Withers, Mrs. Jessie Daniels, Sis. Mary Junior, Mrs. Ava Stout, Pastor Johnson, and Mrs. Ann Shaver for everything... we love you all! I received phone calls from my nieces, Tonya of Toledo Ohio, Keishia of Texas and Tamisha of Texas. Yolanda and her family spent the week visiting with their son Darnell and Angelika Handley in Texas last week, they had a fantastic

Belated birthday wishes to: Virginia Binns. Happy Birthday to: Tiana Wilson, July 19; Sterling Thompson, July 21; Jessie Daniels, July 23, and Judy McKevier, July 24. I hope everyone has a blessed and enjoyable birthday.

Thought for the week: "I'm blessed with everything I need; I'm working hard toward everything I want; and most of all, I appreciate and thank God for what I have". (Author Unknown)

POSSUM VALLEY **KAY CRAIG SPURLOCK**

Welcome back, everyone. I hope you've enjoyed a safe and cool week. Summer can go away anytime now and make way for Fall, as far as I'm concerned.

We celebrated our Addie's 5th birthday this past week. She has been looking forward to being five ever since she turned four. She has mentioned her age to anyone who would listen. Bless her, she thinks she's big enough to do or say anything now.

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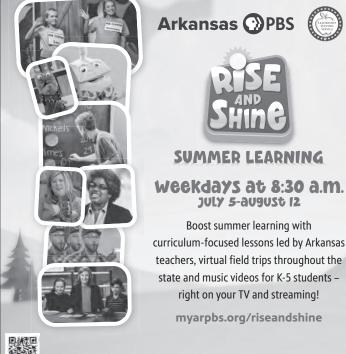
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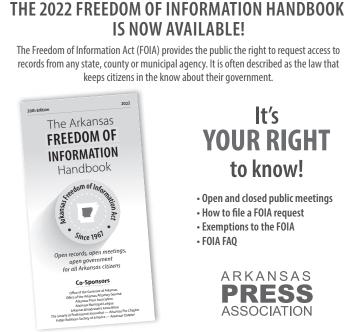
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DEVOTIONAL

Get your hopes up

Our culture has a strange outlook on the word hope. The definition lends itself to more of wishful thinking than anything else. "I hope you don't mind that I ate the last piece of cake" or "I hope things work out". The one we like the best is "Hope for the best". So we look at hope with the expectation that things may or may not work out how we want. In order to soften the blow of potential disappointment we're told to "not get your hopes up". So hope becomes just an attempt of a positive outlook without any real expectation.

And because life does happen, loss and grief are real we are cautious. The fear of disappointment builds walls and strongholds of defense to protect us. But because we will never be immune from disappointment, the only thing that those walls keep out is the one thing that can sustain us in those times and that's hope. But not the strategy of hope the world has defined.

Hope must be built on more than a wish. For the believer and follower of Jesus

Christ hope is now a byproduct of faith. Hope is the overflow and abundance of the trust we have in Him. Hope is no longer a positive outlook or a dream, hope is the expectant lifestyle we live. Paul gives us an encouragement in the Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Hope is not circumstantial. If it were then hope would be lost. But because hope is based on Jesus and He alone then regardless of the situation or season we have it! I'm reminded of the old hymn.

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name

By: Timothy Parke, Lead Pastor New Life Assembly of God

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We gathered at the City Park Friday evening to open gifts, eat pizza, cupcakes, ice cream and cake pops. Then we walked over to the pool for some swim time and cooling off. Addie is able to swim fairly well now and loves to practice whenever she can.

My usual route through Old 16th Section Rd. has yielded little by way of birds. I've seen more deer than birds here lately. I did see a Brown-headed Nuthatch and a Hairy Woodpecker, a few Indigo Buntings and Yellow-breasted Chats. At home, the hummingbird activity has exploded. I think I must have some fledgling birds about because they seem smaller. They are extremely thirsty, too. I'm changing nectar out every day or two anyway. In this heat nectar will spoil very quickly. So, it is very important to keep your feeders clean and nectar changed. Meghann came home with us Friday night after Addie's party and Saturday morning we stood out on the porch watching the hummingbirds battle over the nectar. As best we could tell there were at least six birds possibly more. They were flying so quickly that it's wasn't easy to keep up with how many there were. But definitely more than usual. I have sunflowers and Mountain Mint blooming now and I've seen them searching among these flowers for their source of protein, insects.

My morning walks are still enjoyable as the early mornings have been mostly pleasant. Scarlett and Ozzie have had two run-ins with a doe deer recently. Both times the encounters have taken place near our old homeplace. The first time, they ran off behind the house, which isn't at all unusual. But this time, they came back out with tails tucked and an angry doe hot on their tails. She stopped as soon as she saw me and ran off a short ways. The second time, the pups ran off into the woods across the road from the old house. I soon heard the cries of a fawn and here the dogs came again with momma deer right behind them. Just before this, I had seem the fawn run across the road to safety. Scarlett and Ozzie had better leave that fawn alone or they just might get the business end of that doe's hooves. Although, it was quite funny to watch. Almost like watching a chase in a Tom and Jerry cartoon.

Bethel enjoyed a wonderful service again this week. Our visiting preacher this week was Bro. Joe Williams from the Corinth community. Bro. Williams' message, "I Know The Plans", was taken from Jeremiah 2:4-11. Please, continue to pray that

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Clue: Bag

God's leader for our church will be sent to us in His time and in His will.

I don't have much else to report. Until next time, please, stay safe, stay cool and be happy.

Corny joke time: Why did the student eat their homework? The teacher said it was a piece of cake!

I'll leave with this promise from God. "But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Phillippians

WILMAR **CHRIS RILEY**

Triple digits. "Whew"! Be careful, drink plenty of liquid and stay near the AC as much as possible. Trust God for security.

We at 1st Baptist East Side were blessed with Sunday School, which was well taught by Sis. Janice Simpson. Subject of the lesson was: "Bringing the Light" John 5:31-40 and John 12:44-50. Glad to hear our guest which included Sis. Simpson's oldest sister, Sis. Franklin and a guest from Warren, Sis. Brenda Jacob's niece at 11 a.m. The message or word came from Pastor Simpson who rocked the house with his dynamic word coming from Philippians 2, Subject: "No Better Way to Behave". What a word.

Hearts were saddened over the earthly transition of dad and daughter Elder Nelson Spencer and Delois Diann Spencer, both were eulogized Saturday at Stephenson Dearman Chapel, with interment in Lacey Cemetery.

Sympathy to this family and sympathy is extended to the Velma Terrell family, as Corey Riley was best friends and classmates with their son Thomas Jr., the only one James allowed to spend the night when they were in school in the 80's.

I visited with Brenda Shaw in her home recently. I talked with Ruby Reed of Crossett. To the sick and shut ins, you have

our prayers and get well wishes.

Sympathy to Elanor McCov in the transition of your husband recently.

I enjoyed visiting with Vivian Clifton and daughter Odessa Shorter when they were home.

Belated birthday wish to Keith

MLA is fast approaching, August 19-20 in Little Rock. A big event hosted by my daughter in law Francez Riley. If interested call her at 501-410-5232 ASAP. It is an awesome

Now until we meet again by paper and pen, try to stay cool, safe and prayed up.

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Answers: A. rest B.

relax C. journey

D. suitcase

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Determine the code to reveal the answer! Solve the code to discover words related to vacations. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 15 = E) A. 23 18 15 22 Clue: Cease work В. 23 15 19 24 7 Clue: Become less tense C. 20 1 **13** 23 Clue: A trip

22

A B C D E F G H i J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Fashion accessory
- 5. Subatomic particle
- 10. Ethnic group of the Philippines
- 14. Popular cookie 15. Fabric
- 16. Alcoholic liquor
- 17. Peter ___, Dutch portrait painter 18. Longtime Chicago mayor
- 19. A famous "Lady"
- 20. Islamic calendar month
- 22. Rocky peak 23. Polio vaccine developer
- 24. Songs sung in open air
- 27. Military movements
- 30. Male parent 31. Beloved hot beverage
- 32. Female sibling
- 35. Tackled the QB
- 37. Set a dog on someone
- 38. Long live! (Spanish)
- 39. Porticos 40. Pouch
- 41. Smooth fabric

- 42. Enough (archaic) 43. Institute legal proceedings against
- 44. Scarred
- 45. Draw from
- 46. Brother or sister 47. Body part
- 48. Commercials
- 49. London soccer team 52. Satisfied
- 55. Surgical technique (abbr.)
- 56. Fencing sword
- 60. French industrial city 61. Intellectual property
- organization (abbr.)
- 63. Helps to carry food 64. "Rule, Britannia" composer
- 65. One-time Empress of the Roman **Empire**
- 66. Intestinal pouches 67 None better
- 68. "WandaVision" actress 69. Comedic actress Kathryn

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Fifth notes of major scales 2. Region
- 3. Your consciousness of your own identity
- 4. Georgetown athletes
- 5. They follow A 6. Spoke
- 7. Hairdressers' domain
- 8. Extravagantly theatric 9. End-blown flute
- 10. Heroic tales
- 11. Member of a Semitic people
- 12. Members of a priestly caste 13. Southern Ghana people

SUDOKU

9 6

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9

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4 9

Here's How It Works:

- 21. Counsels
- 23. Body of water
- 25. Awesome!
- 26. Calendar month 27. Native of region in Caucasus
- 28. Indian city
- 29. Exclusive 32. Alaskan town

- 34. Loose granular substances
- 36. Native American tribe 37. Written American English
- 38. Holiday (informal)
- 40. Add up

33. Covered with ivv

- 41. Small brown and gray rails 43. Get off your feet
- 44. Express disgust
- 46. Surface of the ground 47. Put into a silo
- 49. Belief
- 50. British noblemen
- 51. Tennis game 52. Dry, protective crust
- 53. Swiss river 54. Large integers
- 57. La __ Tar Pits, Hollywood 58. Every one of two or more

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savvy to the test!

Numbers

59. "Deadpool" actor Reynolds 61. Earlier

Answers can be found on Page 2B

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine

more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each

row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row,

column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The

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62. Peter's last name

2

VACATION RENTAL WORD SEARCH

E S S E F Ι X D C Н Ι C R S Ι Α D S S D S K D 0 S R V Т G D 0 Υ Ι G K Ι Ι 0 N G Ε X G Ι S U 0 B S R Е Ι Ε Ε Y S Ι Т Т X Α R Ε X Ι N S X Ι U Ε 0 T 0 Ι U W Т U 0 М C Ε

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

WORDS

AMENITIES BLACKOUT BOOKING CANCELLATION CHECK-IN CHECK-OUT CONFIRMATION DESTINATION **EXCURSION** FEES H0TEL HOUSEKEEPING **INSURANCE ITINERARY** LODGING MANAGER PEAK **POLICY** RENTAL **RESERVATION SEASONAL** TRIP VACATION

WAIVER

Guess Who?

I am a pop singer born in Texas on July 22, 1992. I grew up watching my mother rehearse for theater productions. I rose to fame on a Disney show, and later formed a band and released hit albums before going solo.

Answer: Selena Gomez

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to vacation.

CTETKI

1/8 teaspoon pepper

Directions:

carrot mix

Answey: Ticket

4 cups packaged, shredded cabbage and

1. In a medium bowl, whisk together all the

ingredients except the cabbage and carrot.

2. Stir in the cabbage and carrot mix until

well coated. The mixture will be very thick.

Let stand for 15 minutes before serving. The

coleslaw will shrink in volume by about half

This week's recipe: Creamy coleslaw gets a healthy boost



and picnics. Coleslaw is considered a Dutch Coleslaw is a staple of backyard cookouts

food, though there are mentions of a similar cabbage dish served in Ancient Rome. The word coleslaw is derived from the Dutch term "koolsla," meaning "cabbage salad." That's not surprising, as the slaw is made primarily of shredded cabbage with a salad dressing or other condiment, usually vinaigrette or mayonnaise.

Today coleslaw can be found prepackaged at supermarkets, sold by the pound behind the deli counter, or it can be made at home with a few simple ingredients. It's so versatile that it pairs well with anything from country cooking to ethnic delicacies. Those looking to lighten up coleslaw so it's a little more nutritious can enjoy "Sweet Country Coleslaw," courtesy of "Favorite Family Recipes: 43 Dishes for a Healthy Soul" (Publications International, Ltd.) by the American Heart Association.

Sweet Country Ingredients (Serves 4)

- 2 tablespoons fat-free sour cream 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 tablespoon light mayonnaise 1 teaspoon cider vinegar
- 1/4 teaspoon celery seeds (optional) 1/8 teaspoon salt



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