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### County Clerk's Office releases sample ballot for upcoming election

#### **Publication Ballot General Election** Drew County, Arkansas - November 8, 2022 **Publication** Typ:01 Seq:0001 Spl:01 STATE COUNTY INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER 1. Vote by placing an appropriate mark (blacken the oval) ( ) opposite the person for whom you wish to vote. Vote on amendments, acts, and measures by placing an appropriate mark (blacken the oval) below the amendment (or act or Auditor of State Sheriff Vote For One Simeon Snow **Tim Nichols** Treasurer Dennis Milligan **Sheriff Mark Gober** measure) either FOR or AGAINST. Diamond Arnold-Johnson **James Slaughter** 2. If you vote for more than one candidate in a race, your vote in that race will not count. If you make a mistake on your ballot, return it to an election efficient for a return to an MUNICIPAL Commissioner of State Lands Vote For One election official for a replacement City of Monticello Mayor Vote For One ballot. You may replace up to two ballots in an election. Darlene Goldi Gaines Democratic Joe Rogers Commissioner of State Lands **FEDERAL** Fommy Land **Bart Gregory** U.S. Senate Jason Akers State Supreme Court Associate Justice Position 2 Vote For One Senator John Boozman City of Wilmar Mayor **Natalie James** Justice Robin Wynne Kenneth Cates Judge Chris Carnahan Toni A. Perry U.S. Congress District 4 State Senate District 1 City of Winchester Mayor Senator Ben Gilmore John White LeVorn Cotto **Gregory Maxwell Demetrous** Trotter State Senate District 8 U.S. Rep. Bruce Westerman City of Winchester City Council Position 3 **David Dinwiddie** STATE Senator Stephanie Flowers Matilda Chaney Governor Vote For One Michael Haynes State Representative District 93 Vote For One Sarah Huckabee Sanders **UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES** Aaron Cagle **Chris Jones** Justice of Peace: Dist. 1-Orlando Justice of Péace: Dist. 1-Orlando Jones, Dist. 2-Ben Higginbotham, Dist. 3-Roger Harris, Dist. 5-Steven Pigott, Dist. 6-Donna Usry, Dist. 7-Joe Williams, Dist. 8-Frank Appleberry, Assessor-Cheri Adcock, County Rep. Mike Holcomb Ricky Dale Harrington Jr. State Representative District 94 Clerk-Stephanie Chisom, Collector-Tax Collector Tonya K. Loveless, Coroner-Charles F. "Chuck" Dearman, Coroner-Charles F. "Chuck" Dearmal County Judge-Jessie Griffin, County Surveyor-Doug Harton, Treasurer-Treasurer Charles Searcy, Constable: Marion Township-David **Curley Jackson** Rep. Jeff Wardlaw Attorney General Leslie Rutledge Menotti Veasey Township-Scott M Kelly Krout COUNTY Chapman, Cominto Township-Michael Frisby, Collins Township-John W. Beatty, Saline Township-Steven Paul Frank Gilbert Justice of the Peace District 4 Sturgis Clear Creek Township-Jessica Moore, Springhill Township-Casey Walker, Monticello: City Attorney-Whit Barton, City Council: Ward 1, Pos. 1-Cedric Leonard, Ward 1, Pos. 2-Al Sheila Maxwell Peer, Ward 2, Pos. 1-Craig McRae, Ward 2, Pos. 2-Claudia Hartness, Ward 3, Pos. 1-Michael James, Ward Jesse Gibson Heath Loveless t. Gov. Tim Griffin Ward 1, Fos. 1-Michael Salties, Ward 4, Pos. 1-Mark Tiner, Ward 4, Pos. 2-Michael Wigley, Wilmar: City Council-Ward 1, Pos. 1-Deborah K. West, Ward 1, Pos. Justice of the Peace District 9 Secretary of State

Sample ballot courtesy of Nancy White

Pos. 1-Deborah K. West, Ward 1, Pos. 2-Charles Saffold, Ward 2, Pos. 1-Shirley McNeary, Ward 2, Pos. 2-Marvin Hopson Sr., Tillar: Recorder/Treasurer- Karen Robertson, City Council-Pos. 1-Angela Ethridge, Pos. 2-Joyce H. Kimbro, Pos. 3-Donnie Robertson, Pos. 4-Joe M. Robertson, Pos. 5-Edward Plunkett, Winchester: City Council Pos. 1 Anthony Hopp Pos.

City Council-Pos. 1-Anthony Horn, Pos 2-Rosetta Racy, Pos. 4-Thomas Horn Jr., Pos. 5- David Haynes

PLEASE VOTE

**BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT** 

For a sample ballot on the statewide issues 1-4, see next week's Advance (Oct. 19)

## Dillard sentenced to 45 years for multiple charges

Rene Knowles, JP 9

Circuit Clerk Vote For One

Circuit Clerk Beverly Burks

Zachary Hill

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

In a joint press release by the Monticello Police Department and 10th District Prosecutors Office, a Pine Bluff man was found guilty last week by a Drew County jury of Manslaughter and Criminal Mischief 1st Degree after being arrested by MPD.

Secretary of State John Thurston

Anna Beth Gorman

Pam Whitaker

Rep. Mark Lowery

Jarvis Dillard, 34, of Pine Bluff was arrested after recklessly driving his vehicle backwards through a local parking lot last year, damaging multiple vehicles and striking an elderly woman as she was loading groceries. The elderly lady succumbed to her injuries.

The jury found Dillard guilty of Manslaughter and Criminal Mischief 1st Degree and sentenced him to 30 years for the Manslaughter and 15 for Criminal Mischief. Dillard is currently serving a 20 year sentence for previous charges in another jurisdiction in conjunction with the sentence handed down by the jury last week.

The case was prosecuted by Chief Deputy Prosecutor Frank Spain, who said "I'd like to thank the jury for their careful consideration of the evidence and the Monticello Police Department for their outstanding response and investigation into this matter"



The Monticello-Drew County Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at 11 a.m., Monday, October 10 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission. The Arkansas Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission is a division of the Arkansas Department of Education. The Commission hosted "The Delta Experience" economic development luncheon and discussed economic growth in Southeast Arkansas. Pictured above are members of the MLK Commission, local Chamber of Commerce and Monticello City Council members.

## Local legacy takes opportunity to help build generational wealth



Katelyn Burch Busby (right) happily welcomes clients into the Edward Jones office on Bolling Street in Monticello. Pictured with her on the left are Kelton and Lee Busby, fellow Edward Jones Financial Advisors

By Ashley Hogg editor@monticellonews.net

Opportunities are available every day. Some are created out of necessity, some from tragedy, and some seem random. It is what we choose to do with those opportunities that defines us.

Katelyn Burch Busby is a product of several generations of family financial planning in Drew County and in her new role as an Edward Jones Financial Advisor, her goal is to help Monticellonians reach their financial dreams and build generational wealth.

Her father, the late Dr. Robert "Bobby" H. Burch Jr. and her grandfather, the late Dr. Robert "Bob" H. Burch Sr., served Drew County's dental needs for decades. Her mother, LeAnne Burch, is a retired Brigadier General of the United States Army, former member of the Arkansas House of Representatives, and is retired from years of service as a Department of Human Services attorney.

Katelyn was born abroad while both of her parents served in the United States Army. The family returned home to Monticello when Katelyn was

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### **UAM hosts Hall of Fame ceremony**

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

The University of Arkansas at Monticello Athletic Department held the 2022 UAM Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony on Thursday, October 6 in the UAM University Center.

The event cerebrated members of the 2022 Hall of Fame Class; including former 2x All-American softball player Sarah Hayslip Santo; Derylton Hill, an All-Regional and All-GAC basketball player; Ricky Owens, an All-American and Academic All-American baseball player; Becca Tipton Greenwood, a 2x All-American softball player; and Jeremy Woodall, a former UAM football player and this year's Spirit Award winner.

Greenwood is a native of Drew County and graduate of Drew Central High School. Becca was raised in Dermott by her late mother, Elaine Tipton, and father, David Tipton. She has an older brother, Park Tipton, who is a physical therapist at South Arkansas Rehabilitation. She has a wonderful husband, Jonathan Greenwood, and two little boys, Kye and J.B. who love to hunt, fish, play baseball, basketball, and rodeo. She graduated from Drew Central High School in 2006

where she played tennis, softball, basketball, and ran cross country. She then attended UAM where she played softball from 2006-2010 and received her masters as well from 2013-2015. She received numerous national, regional, and conference recognitions, including GSC Freshman of the Year, ESPN All-Academic Team, GSC All South Region Player of the Year, and 1st Team All American. During her

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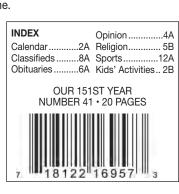
Photo courtesy of UAM

Becca Greenwood addressed the crowd as she was inducted into the University of Arkansas at Monticello Sports Hall of Fame.

## DREW COUNTY SHERIFF D

WHEN: Tuesday, Oct. 18 TIME: 7:00 P.M. PLACE: UAM Agricultural Building (on UAM Campus) MODERATOR: Dr. Carol Strong, UAM Political Science Professor

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#### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### **UPCOMING**

#### FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 AND 15

MHS Class of 1980 reunion

The Monticello High School Class of 1980 will hold its 42nd class reunion from 7 to 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14 and from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at the home of Bob and Kim Lee. Please RSVP to the group page on facebook asap if you plan to attend.

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15**

#### **Arts and Crafts Bazaar**

The third annual Market in the Park Arts and Crafts Bazaar will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 15. To participate as a vendor, call Susan Wishard at 870-224-1925 or visit the Market in the Park Facebook page.

#### **Art Gallery opening**

Main Street Art gallery will hold a grand opening from 4 - 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at 112 N. Main St. Local artists are currently featured in the gallery and the public is invited to meet the artists. For more information about the gallery, visit their Facebook page Main Street Art.

#### Fountain Hill all school reunion

The 2022 Fountain Hill Alumni Reunion and Banquet or All School Reunion, will be held Saturday, October 15, 2022 at the gym in Fountain Hill. Social hour will be from 4 - 5 p.m. The program honoring our 50-year Class of 1972 to follow. Hamburgers, hotdogs or pulled pork sandwiches with chips and drinks will be served.

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16**

**Men's Day Program** 

Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its annual Men's Day Program at 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 16. The guest speaker will be Rev. T.C. Jordan. The public is invited to attend. **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23** 

#### **Harvest Festival at Lacey United Methodist Church**

Beginning at 5 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 23, the Lacey United Methodist Church will host a Harvest Festival. There will be special music and a potluck dinner. Everyone is invited to attend.

#### **Deadline to enroll**

The deadline to enroll in the Education First Tour: Ireland June 2024 is Sunday, Oct. 23. The meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday Oct. 18 at Drew Central Elementary. For more information, contact group leader Eva Arrington at 870-224-6545.

#### **THURSDAY. OCTOBER 27**

Public meeting presented by Monticello Rotary Club and UAM

The Monticello Rotary Club and the University of Arkansas at Monticello will host a public meeting beginning at 11:30 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 27 in the Green Room at UAM. The guest speaker will be owner of Gangster Museum of America, Robert Raines. The program is free to the public and lunch will be available for purchase.

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29**

#### **Gospel Band**

Haley Creek Gospel Band at Florence Baptist Church, 1357 Hwy 277 North Monticello. Saturday, October 29 at 6 pm Soup and chili supper to follow.

#### **THROUGH DECEMBER 1**

#### **Christmas basket raffle**

The Senior Center is selling raffle tickets for a Christmas basket full of amazing goodies. Tickets will be \$5 apiece. The drawing will be held on Dec. 1.

#### **ONGOING**

#### **SEARK Miracle League Fall Ball Registration**

Registration for fall ball is now open at www.searkmiracleleague. com. There is no fee to register this year. Games begin September 27 at 6 p.m.

#### 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

#### **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, 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 De-

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The Board of Directors of the Southeast Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc. (SEAEDD) will hold their regular meeting on Thursday, October 13, 2022, at Noon at the Sadie T Johnson Community

Center: 707 US-278, Monticello, AR. The Southeast Arkansas Regional Solid Waste

Management Board will **not meet** that day, due to

lack of business.



## Miller, Webb to exchange vows Nov. 5

David and Michele Webb of Selma, and Steve and Brandi Miller of Gonzales, La., are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their children, Autumn Elizabeth Webb and John Michael Miller, both of Hattiesburg, Miss.

The wedding will take place at 4 p.m., Saturday, November 5, 2022 at Hereford Hills Venue in Columbia, Miss. with a reception to follow.



#### **Senior Center lunch** menu: Oct. 12-19

Wednesday: Chicken & dumplings, mixed greens, pear cobbler

**Thursday:** Smothered pork chop, mashed potatoes, purple hull peas dump cake, roll

**Friday:** Hamburger gravy over biscuit, green beans, pudding

**Monday:** Chicken & rice soup, crackers, fruit

**Tuesday:** Hamburger steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, stewed tomatoes & okra, peach cobbler, biscuit

**Wednesday:** Smothered chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, squash, brownie, roll

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.

#### **Drew Central Middle School October** Students of the Month

Seventh Grade

Samari Youngblood

Fifth Grade Faith Jordan Jesse Salazar

Mason Maggard

Eighth Grade Sixth Grade Jadyn Davis Alexa Sosa-Pahaumba Miklo Alvarez Madison Jones







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#### **UAM**

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time at UAM she enjoyed working for Coach Alvy Early in the athletic department and had amazing professors who were very supportive. While playing softball for UAM, she worked for Jennie Finch at numerous softball camps and helped host a softball camp in Poland. After graduating from UAM, Becca worked at Monticello Middle School as a teacher and coach. She then became a special education teacher and is currently a teacher and coach at Drew Central High School. Some of Becca's greatest memories were made during her time at UAM.

2010, Greenwood's name stands out above most in the UAM and GSC record books. She holds top 10 placings in many individual season records, including at-bats (216), runs scored (52), home runs (15), total bases (175), SLG (.810 & .801), and OBP (.511). Greenwood also holds the school record in average (.472), hits (102), doubles (70), and RBIs (71-T1st).

Athletic Director Hud Jackson commented, "Our Hall of Fame banquet was amazing! We honored five great people! They were all so grateful for being selected. We will continue to build on this ceremony and we hope our honorees were happy with our effort. Big thank you to all the folks who

made it possible. Our athletic department staff did a tremendous job putting the ceremony together.

Prior to the ceremony UAM Chancellor Dr. Peggy Doss talked about the inductees and what their outstanding athletics achievements have done for the university, as well as the incredible strides each of them has made in their careers after departing from Arkansas-Monticello.

UAM Baptist Collegiate Ministry Director, and this year's Spirit Award Winner, Jeremy Woodall, provided a blessing. Woodall is also a former Boll Weevil football player, and has been one of the biggest supporters of UAM athletes and students since.

#### **BUSBY**

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in the fourth grade. She is a graduate of Monticello High School and received her Bachelors Degree from the University of Arkansas and later, her Juris Doctor from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

Katelyn married William Busby, son of William "Bill" Busby and Roselyn Grubbs Busy, all of Monticello, and after living in central Arkansas for a short time, the couple moved back home to Monticello to pursue their careers and start a family. William was employed as an Edward Jones Financial Advisor, following in the footsteps of his uncle and cousin, Kelton and Lee Busby.

tragically killed in an outdoor accident. His death left a space in local hearts and the growing financial community in Southeast Arkansas.

The opportunity arose for Katelyn to become a Financial Advisor for Edward Jones and she took it gladly.

"I am excited about the opportunity to help people in the community that I was raised in," Katelyn stated.

Through her role with Edward Jones, it is Katelyn's goal to help people reach their financial dreams with retirement investing, estate planning and much more.

For 100 years, Edward Jones has worked to create a better future for their clients and commu-

Last November, William was nities, one relationship at a time.

With a generational history in Drew County, Katelyn is proud to build personal and professional relationships with everyone she comes in contact with.

She shares the company purpose of commitment to partnership for positive impact to improve the lives of clients.

Katelyn can be found in the Edward Jones office on Bolling Street with fellow financial advisor, Lee Busby.

"My primary goal is to help you develop an investment strategy geared toward your unique, longterm goals. Whether you need to save for a child's college education, reduce taxes, or plan for retirement, I can help," Katelyn stated.

#### CALENDAR

Since her graduation in

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velopment, 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.

#### **AA** meetings

The Monticello Winner's Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, located at 836 N. Hyatt St. in Monticello at noon on Tuesdays and Fridays and at 8 p.m. on Thursdays and Saturdays. The meetings are open. There are no dues or fees.

#### **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

#### 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-

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

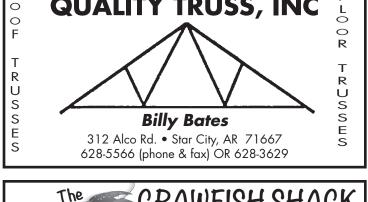
The Drew County Democratic Party is hosting monthly

of each month through November. The meeting location is the Wilmar Community Center 2506 Hwy 278 West. The venue is

mask recommended. The meeting starts at 6pm. All interested parties are invited to attend. For more information, contact President Peggy Orr 870-224-2416.



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The 26th Annual Weevil Welcome event was held on September 26th in

McCloy Park. Approximately 300 people enjoyed a great evening of food, fellowship and fun as we gathered to show appreciation for UAM employees

and their families. The Monticello-Drew County Chamber of Commerce wishes to thank the many individuals and organizations who helped to make this appreciation event possible, including:

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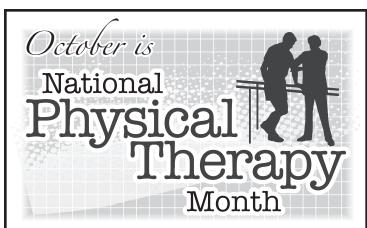


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To pay in office, online or to postmark payment for Real Estate & Personal Property Taxes. Delinquents must be paid before currents. Office hours are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday-Friday. For your convenience, a Drop Box is located outside the Courthouse. You can also go online to actdatascout.com or Arkansas.gov to pay taxes but a credit card fee will be applied.



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# OPINION

Ashley Hogg, Editor reporter@monticellonews.net publisher@monticellonews.net editor@monticellonews.net

#### Fighting to prevent, detect and better treat breast cancer

Breast cancer is the most common cancer and the second leading cause of death among women in the U.S. The American Cancer Society estimates that, in 2022, there will be over 300,000 new cases diagnosed and more than 43,000 deaths.

The average American woman has around a one in eight chance of developing this disease at some point in her life. It can and does happen to our family, friends and acquaintances every day. Fortunately, our constantly evolving approaches to prevention, detection and treatment are resulting in better odds and more survivals.



BOOZMAN U.S. SENATE

There has been a concerted effort to study and fight breast cancer by researchers and health care providers throughout our country. In Arkansas, we are committed to providing the services and support necessary to give those diagnosed greater

The BreastCare program cre-

ated by the state government provides no-cost screening and follow-up services to eligible women who are uninsured or underinsured. It also supplies educational information to Natural State communities about the importance of regular mammography exams and the risks as-

sociated with breast cancer. Since its inception 25 years ago, BreastCare has enrolled over 128,000 women. The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences is also leading the way. Its breast cancer program at the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute just recently earned reaccreditation from the Na-

named to the organization's leadership. There is a clear and firm commitment to battling this particular health challenge throughout our state. One of the keys to doing so is through early detection.

tional Accreditation Program for Breast Centers

(NAPBC) in addition to two of its providers being

I recently met with a group of Arkansans who traveled to Washington, D.C. as part of the American Cancer Society Action Network's 2022 Leadership Summit and Lobby Day. These advocates from several different communities were dedicated to helping Congress understand the importance of continuing our support for research and other priorities, including the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, which for 30 years has decreased disparities in breast and cervical cancer deaths by providing over 15.6 million screening exams.

And that's not the only initiative at the federal level demonstrating the shared recognition that more must be done to save lives and protect Americans' health.

Two bills I led to specifically address this issue within the veterans community became law this year and will help give our former servicemembers access to new prevention measures and worldclass treatments.

The Dr. Kate Hendricks Thomas Supporting Expanded Review for Veterans in Combat Environments (SERVICE) Act and the Making Advances in Mammography and Medical Options (MAMMO) for Veterans Act will offer women veterans more peace of mind when it comes to their breast health. Since these bills are now law, if a veteran is at higher risk because of where she served, she will have earlier opportunities for screening. For those diagnosed with breast cancer, the Department of Veterans Affairs will be obtaining world-class imaging technology and offer participation in more clinical trials to enhance treatment and outcomes.

This Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we must continue to support every American suffering from this disease while also pushing to improve the likelihood that they will lead long, healthy lives. In Arkansas and throughout our country, we are making good progress with more to come.

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## Election Day is fast approaching

In a few short weeks, Arkansans will take to the ballot box to vote in the midterm election.

Drew County residents, as well as the rest of the state, have some important decisions to

A new mayor will take office in Monticello on January 1. If you think the office of Mayor

> doesn't affect you because you don't live within the city limits of Monticello, I implore that you look at certain city ordinances and consider the taxes on goods within the city.

The Mayor should represent our City with class and leadership. I was fortunate enough to work under the exiting Mayor, Paige Chase. City Hall is a revolving door and it takes

a strong person to juggle ongoing projects and constantly take on new ones. I ask that before you go to the polls, you ask questions, meet candidates and have a very informed decision made before you click submit.

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Drew County will also choose a Sheriff. There or and Sheriff declare a political party is com-

are three gentlemen running for the office who have very different personalities and styles.

My deepest recommendation is that you meet all three of these men and have an in depth conversation with them about what is important in our county. Law enforcement officers can get a bad wrap a lot of the time. It takes a person with strong conviction to enter the profession these days. I know that you will join me in wanting the best man to be in charge of keeping our county

On a state level, Arkansans will have many issues presented before them.

To stay informed and get the least biased information, visit https://www.uaex.uada. edu/business-communities/voter-education/ state-ballot-issues.aspx. This site will outline state issues that you will have on your ballot and larger, statewide races.

I try really hard not to be a one issue voter. I try really hard not to vote party lines. I don't know that I always succeed, but I do try to have the full story before I cast my votes.

In my opinion, having local offices like May-

plete nonsense. I could not care less whether my Sheriff is a Republican or Democrat. I want the Sheriff to catch criminals and keep order.

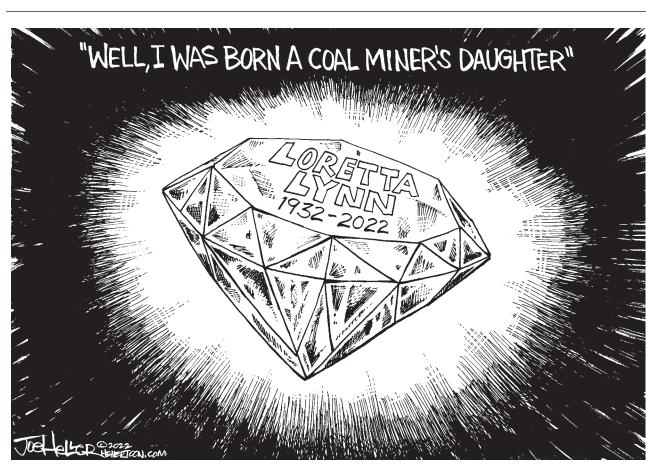
Why does it matter if a town of less than 10,000 has a Mayor that is red or blue? We need to be focusing on fixing our ancient infrastructure and building revenue for the City.

Alas, I know there will be people who will see the "R" or the "D" by a candidates name and they will click the button and not think about it ever again. And, I guess that is okay, at least they voted.

When it comes down to it and humans have actual conversations with other humans, we are never that far apart on issues.

Our major division is fed to us by mega media outlets for ratings. The saying used to be "sex sells". Now, its more like "drama sells." As long as people are arguing amongst themselves, we will continue to be in a slow moving society as we trudge through the weeds on issues instead on taking action when needed.

Long story short, on November 8, make a special point to go vote. The City, County and State depend on it.



## New center assists forest business

Today I'd like to talk about the recent opening of a new academic center to promote the forest industry in Arkansas.

Agriculture is the leading industry in our state, and timber plays a

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critical role in our state's economy. When you think of agriculture in the Natural State, the first commodities to come to mind are typically rice, cotton, poultry, soybeans, or cattle. But the forest industry is critical to

our state's econo-

my and agricultural

production. Last week, I traveled to the campus of the University of Arkansas at Monticello for the grand opening of the Arkansas Center for Forest Business. The purpose of this Center is to provide technical assistance for solutions to forest resource challenges, degree programs, and information on timber supply, market conditions, and efficiency.

The forest industry accounts for \$6 billion of the Arkansas economy. Our state is the most timber-dependent economy in the South and third most in the country. We are growing forests twice as fast as they're being harvested, and we could double our timber production and still be a leader in forest sustainability.

The Center for Forest Business will provide a number of resources to the timber industry in Arkansas. Not only will the Center provide expanded educational opportunities at UA-Monticello, but it will also provide opportunities for greater economic development projects in South Arkansas.

Companies like Drax and Highland Pellets chose to expand their operations in Arkansas because of our abundant and sustainable forest products. The Center for Forest Business will not only help our timber producers maximize their profits, but it will also help attract additional businesses who utilize this resource.

But the Center for Forest Business will not just benefit timber producers in South Arkansas. Dean Peter MacKeith of the University of Arkansas Fay Jones School of Architecture in Fayetteville has long had the vision for the entire state to work together to promote our state's forest products. According to Dean MacKeith, the Center for Forest Business focuses on the economics and the finance side of the timber industry, while the Anthony Timberlands Center in Fayetteville will focus on the development and promotion of forest products.

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## Staff shortages and high caseloads cause issues for Family Services

The state Division of Children and



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Family Services continues to struggle with high staff turnover and high caseloads for family service workers. The two problems are closely related.

The division operates the state's foster care system. The number of children in foster care

went up during the pandemic, from

4,415 in March of 2020 to 4,855 in October of last year. By June of 2022 the number had gone back down slightly, to 4,541 children.

The division's staff of about 1,000 workers frequently had to be under quarantine during the pandemic, causing a backlog of cases that added to the pressures of their jobs.

The average family service worker's caseload rose from 20.2 in March of 2020 to 24.9 in September of 2021. When caseloads increase, staff turnover goes up.

Last year the turnover rate for fam-

ily service workers went up from 44.5 percent in 2020 to 63.2 percent in 2021. The extremely high rate in staff turnover creates additional burdens for those workers who remain, and for supervisors whose duties include training.

The turnover rate for program assistants in the division was comparable to that of family service workers. It went up from 45.3 percent in 2020 to 63.2 percent in 2021.

The division has tried to lower the turnover rate by raising salaries. Pro-

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#### Deadline for voter registration has passed

An important deadline has passed for Arkansans planning to vote in the November election.

Arkansans had until October 11 to file your voter registration application with your county

If you submitted your application close to an election



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Early voting will begin on October 24. Early voting is available between the hours of 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, ending at 5 p.m. on the Monday before the election.

At the voting site, an election official will ask you to state your name, address, and date of birth. The election official will request you provide an approved form of I.D.

You can check your voter registration status and find vour polling location at www.voterview.org. On the website, you can find a sample ballot for your precinct.

Due to redistricting changes, we encourage you to review your ballot before heading to the polls. The boundaries of voting districts for state legislators shifted to reflect population changes in the 2020 Census. Districts were also renumbered. You may have the same lawmaker listed on your ballot but your House or Senate district number may be different than in previous years.

While Presidential elections get a lot of attention, the elections happening in midterm years are equally important. This election will determine our next Governor and constitutional officers. This ballot also includes several city and county elections, candidates for the Arkansas General Assembly, congressional races, and proposed amendments to the Arkansas Constitution.

For more information about voting in Arkansas visit www. sos.arkansas.gov.

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gram assistants' pay went from \$26,000 to \$28,500 per year. The starting salary for family service workers went up to \$36,155, and after the worker completes classroom training it goes up by seven percent.

Family service workers have financial incentives to remain with the division, such as a 10 percent increase in salary for becoming a specialist.

The legislature passed Act 574 in 2021 to direct two committees to study the best methods of reducing the number of children in foster care. They are the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth and the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth.

The two committees shall submit their findings to the Legislative Council by the first of December.

According to a draft of the committees' report, the state has partnered with private organizations for additional help. One is called Restore Hope. It works with parents to improve

family life, thus preventing the need for the state to step in and find a caring home for neglected children.

Restore Hope works with parents who are homeless, parents who have been in prison and parents who have not graduated from high school and who have not earned a GED. The organization offers help for those parents to attend votech schools to learn job skills. It also helps parents find stable housing.

The division is part of the state Human Services Department. To illustrate the division's need to reduce caseloads and staff turnover, its director told legislators that Pulaski County needs 174 new positions in the next three years to address a crisis in cases that has built up.

For example, she said, in November of 2019 there were 364 children in foster care in Pulaski County and last November there were 708.

There is a sense of urgency, because those children are at risk not only of neglect but of abuse.

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nomic success. The Center for Forest Business will not just benefit timber producers in South Arkansas, it will benefit any Arkansan in the forest

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product supply chain. Congratulations to Dean Michael Blazier of the UA-Monticello College of Forestry, Agriculture, and Natural Resources,

## How should you pay for short-term financial goals?

have long- and short-term financial goals. But how will your strategies for meeting your long-term goals differ from those needed for your short-term ones?

If you're like most people, your biggest long-term goal is achieving a comfortable retirement. And for this goal, a common strategy is putting away money in tax-advantaged retirement vehicles, such as your 401(k) and IRA.

So, how should you go about preparing for shorter-term goals, such as a family vacation, home renovation, wedding or major purchase?

For starters, determine what your goal is, how much you can spend on it and when you'll need the money. Even if you can't pinpoint a precise amount, you can develop a good estimate. Of course, the sooner you start this process, the better off you'll be, because you'll have more

Your next decision involves the manner in which you save for your shortterm goal. Specifically, what savings or investment vehicles should you use? The answer will be different for everyone, but vou need to make sure that your investments align with your risk tolerance and time horizon. And you'll want to ensure, as much as possible, that a certain amount of money is available for you at the specific time you'll need it.

If you aren't able to save enough to

As you go through life, you will likely reach a short-term goal, you have other options — you can borrow what you need, or you can potentially sell investments to cover the cost. How can you decide which choice is best?

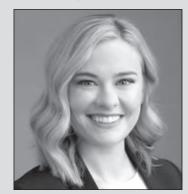
To help make up your mind, you'll first want to consider some of the most common borrowing options: credit cards, home equity loans, personal loans and margin loans. (A margin loan lets you borrow against the value of investments you already own). How might each of these loans fit into your overall financial strategy? Will the repayment schedule work with your cash flow and budget?

You'll then want to compare the costs and benefits of borrowing, in whatever form, against selling investments. For example, if you can borrow at a lower interest rate compared to the return you think you can get from your investments, borrowing might be a reasonable choice. You'll also need to consider other factors, such as your credit score, taxes, fees associated with selling investments and time needed to repay debts. If, for instance, selling investments will trigger a large amount of taxes, borrowing might be preferable. You'll also want to consider whether there's a penalty or high costs associated with selling investments. In addition, if you have a long time horizon for a loan, you may want to sell investments to avoid paying interest for a longer period of time, and thus driving up the overall cost of borrowing. Finally, keep in mind that you may have built an investment mix designed to align with your goals and risk tolerance. If you were to sell any of these investments to meet short-term needs, you would want to consider the need to rebalance your portfolio to maintain your desired asset allocation.

As you can see, there's a lot to think about when it comes to paying for shortterm goals. But by carefully evaluating your options, you can make the choices that are right for your needs.

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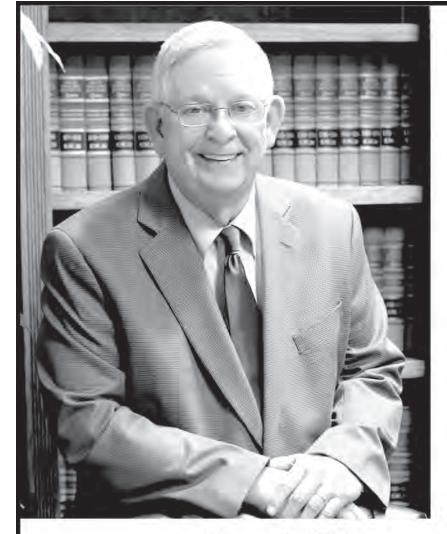
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#### **Terry Edward Avery Sr.**

Terry Edward Avery Sr., 66, passed away peacefully on Sunday, September 25, 2022, at Belle View Estates Rehabilitation and Care Center in Monticello. He was born October 5, 1955, to the late Richard Allen Avery and Mary Frances Wherry Avery. He began his education in the Drew School District, was a 1973 graduate of Monticello Senior High School then went on to attend the University of Arkansas at Monticello. He attended Morning Star MBC, where he became a member until his health failed. In his younger years, he worked at Burlington Industries before becoming the best truck driver to come out of

Southeast Arkansas. He drove for over 20 years including cross country and local companies. He

loved to play basketball at Jordan Park. He would pull up near half court with a mean left-hand jumper, which would

the time. In the '80s, he coached a young women's softball team called the Sweet Sensations. He also loved to go bowling. He was very competitive.

make most of

He is survived by five daughters, Kerri (Lonnie) Humphrey of Spring Lake, N.C., Tonya Hughes

of O'fallon, Ill., Kristy Davis of Fordyce, Kerri Avery, and Kimberly Catchings both of Monticello; one son, Terry Avery, Jr. of Monticello; two brothers, Jerry Avery and Anthony (Jean) Avery, Sr. both of El Dorado; one sister, Maryland Avery of Bryant; one uncle, William Andrew Powell of Monticello; nine grandchildren, Tory, Tyquan, Taj, Jabriona, Jayla, Erion, Kevionna, Rob'Vion, and Laila; three great-grandchildren, Ja' Kye, Mi'kyhlun and Ma'Kheil; two nephews, Anthony Jr. and Justin; one niece, Brianne; good friend, Sammy Simpson, Sr., and a special sister/friend Diane

Visitation will be from 6 - 8 p.m.

Avery; as well as a host of cousins

and friends.

the Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Chapel. Funeral Services will be at Morning Star Baptist Church, Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 1 p.m. Burial will follow in Oakland Cemetery in Monticello.

Please sign Terry's guestbook at www.stephensondearman.com. (Paid obituary)

#### **Dorcas Kay Strickland Burton**

Dorcas Kay Strickland Burton, 64, of the Green Hill community, went to be with her Lord and Savior Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at Drew Memorial Hospital in Monticello. She was born January 22, 1958, in Drew County, to the late Bobby Gene Strickland and

Dorcas came to know her Lord and



**BURTON** 

ren. She was a beautiful person who loved her Lord Jesus Christ. She met the love of her life at a young age and we often said, "there were few women who loved their husband as she loved her Buck." She

made many friends throughout

her lifetime with the gift of nev-

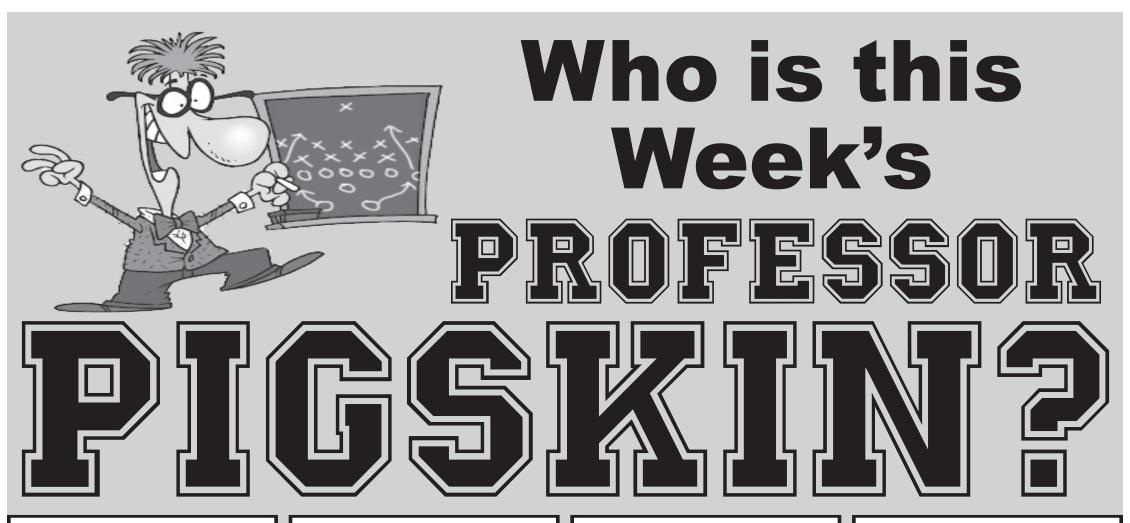
er meeting a stranger and always

wearing that beautiful smile. Dor-

Friday, September 30, 2022, in Lexa Williene Norman Strick- cas was a 1976 graduate of Drew Central High School where she was the Pirate Queen, FFA Sweetheart and cheerleader. She loved her work on the pipeline working with her husband, and often making lifelong friends from the states they worked. To know Dorcas was to love her. She adored her son, Brandon, and his wife, Mandy, and her grandsons. She took great pride and dearly loved her whole family. She was known as the "favorite aunt" and Mamaw D. She was funny, loved to laugh, and tell jokes. She always enjoyed listening to her brother's jokes, funny stories, and cutting up at any

event. She truly loved and lived

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life to the fullest. Christmas was always special to her always making sure everyone had a present. It was always her goal to make sure everyone was happy, and always there for anything we needed. She was truly the matriarch of our family of 51. Dorcas loved camping, hunting, traveling, sunning on the beach, and having fun times with her sisters, sisters-in-law, and bestie, Tressia Donaldson, her best friend for many years. Dorcas will be missed tremendously by her husband, son, family, and all of those who were fortunate to know her. She was a member of Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church and was a born-again believer that knew heaven was her home. Dorcas fought a courageous battle with cancer and

never dreamed of giving up. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by twin boys, Doyle Alan, Jr. and Michael Allen; and a daughter, Laci Kay Burton. Survivors include her husband of 46 years, Doyle Allen (Buck) Burton of Green Hill; one son, Brandon Burton (Mandy) of Lake Charles, La.; three grandsons, Trevor, Ty and Hunter Burton; two brothers, Mike Strickland (Susie) of Monticello and Scott Strickland (Lisa) of Fountain Hill; three sisters, Regina Wilson (David) of Wilmar, Fonda Norris (Danny) of Warren and Beverly Flemister (Jeff) of Monticello; two brothers-in-law, Donnie Burton (Jorene) of Dayton, Texas and Robert Burton of Green Hill; three sisters-in-law, Joy Cooper (Fred) of Monticello, Melinda Loveless (Herschel) of Possum Valley and Debbie Burton of Green Hill; along with numerous nieces and nephews, cousins and dear friends whom she loved very much.

Funeral service were at 10 a.m. Saturday, October 1, 2022, at Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church with Bro. David Jacks and Bro. Rocky Goodwin officiating. Burial was in Green Hill Cemetery. There was a visitation Friday evening from 5-7 p.m. at the church. Active pallbearers are Trevor Burton, Ty Burton, Hunter Burton, Kyle Poe, Cody Strickland, Dane Loveless, Kipp Flemister and Kevin Wilson. Honorary pallbearers are Billy Webb, Bimbo Huskey, Jason

Norris and Cody Poe. You can sign Dorcas' guestbook page at www.stephensondearman.com. (Paid obituary)

#### Lamar Gresham Moore

Lamar Gresham Moore, 87 a resident of Chillicothe, Mo. passed away on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at his residence. He was born the son of Vincent Gresham and Clara Belle (Price) Moore on January 30, 1935 in Monticello.

He was a 1952 graduate of Selma High School, where he played basketball. Lamar knew how to work hard and play hard, this led to an interesting path to his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Arkansas at Monticello. He served in the National Guard. Lamar often told about serving with his cousins, Paul Eddy Moore and Billy Moore at Fort Chaffee, Fort Smith.

Lamar was a lifelong John Deere man beginning with the family's purchase of the Model A tractor, to being Territory Repre-



**MOORE** 

sentative after college which led to owning his own John Deere dealership in Chillicothe, Missouri. Throughout

life, he took his responsibility toward family, friends and fun seriously. If he said he would take care of something, he would. Lamar valued family roots, hunting and old cars. He curated artifacts from his life to celebrate where he came from. He was quick to offer a chance to others to share in his newest hobby. To say he was outgoing would be an understatement. He was a lifelong member of the United Methodist

He is survived by two sons, Tony Moore of Kansas City, Mo., and Andrew Weldon (Amy) of Warrensburg, Mo.; four grandchildren, Taylor Moore, Sophia Weldon, Zoey Weldon and Emma Weldon; a brother, Jimmy Moore of Monticello, and sister-in-law, Rachel Moore of Chillicothe, Mo. He is also survived by his long time companion, Susan E. Welch Wilson of Milan, Mo.; and his faithful cat, Gresham Moore. He is preceded in death by his parents; a son, Brett Moore; and brother, Maurice Moore.

icothe, Mo. on Friday, October 7, 2022 at 6 p.m. A visitation was held at Lindley Funeral Home, on Friday, October 7, 2022 from 5 - 7 p.m. Additional services were held at Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Home, Monticello on Sunday, October 9, 2022 at 2 p.m. with a private burial at Mt. Tabor Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Band of Angels, Kansas City, Mo. and/or Mt. Tabor Cemetery, Monticello, and may be left at or mailed to Lindley Funeral Home, P.O. Box 47, Chillicothe, Mo.64601. Online condolences may be made at www.lindleyfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Lindley Funeral Home, Chillicothe, Missouri.

#### (Paid obituary) Kathy Jean O'Briant

Kathy Jean O'Briant, 63, of Monticello, passed away Octo-



**O'BRIANT** 

ber 7, 2022. Kathy born September 23, 1959, in Dumas, the daughter of the late Victor and Virginia Carr O'Briant. Her parents

and sister, Trilby Collins preceded her in death. Kathy was of Baptist faith and

had worked in healthcare for several years.

Survivors are her brother Rickey (C.C.) O'Briant of Conway, and three sisters Charlotte (Buddy) Roberson of Dumas, Jeannie (Tracy) Riley of Dumas, and Darcy (Alan) Melder of Monticello; and her nieces and nephews. Visitation was held from 5-7

p.m., Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at Griffin Funeral Home. Graveside Services will be held at Tyro Cemetery at 2 p.m. Thursday, October 13, 2022, with Rev. Arlan Bean officiating and burial Memorials may be made to

Second Chance Rescue, P.O. Box 322, Monticello, Arkansas 71657. Arrangements by Griffin Funeral Home, Dumas.

Please sign online guestbook at www.griffinfh.com

#### (Paid obituary) **Nancy Lorraine Wells** Stearns

Nancy Lorraine Wells Stearns, 89, of Monticello, went to be with her Lord and Savior Wednesday,

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She was a retired educator and member of Pilgrim Rest AME Church of Monticello. Nancy was a college graduate with a Bachelor's Degree in Education and taught in the Omaha Public School System until her retirement. She loved to cook, was a huge Dallas Cowboys fan and loved her long nails that had to be colored on a regular basis. She was the boss! Nancy was always very well put together and stylish. She enjoyed teaching even when she was not in the class-



**STEARNS** 

much and enjoyed her time with them. In addition to her par-

room. Nancy

also loved her

very

family

ents, she was also preceded in death by her husband Leon Stearns, son Terry Stearns, brothers, Wardell Wells, Hubert Wells, Sr., Edward Wells, LaRone Wells and Andrew Wells; and sisters, Betty Wells Lindsey, Martha Jones and Shirley Wilson.

She leaves to cherish her memories the mother of her grandchildren, Tammy Damper; grandchildren, Shawntel (Jimmy) Wallace, Donja (Sherronda) Damper, Drew Sr. (Deb) Damper, Laron, Marche' and Terrance Damper and Mike Dunn; great grandchildren, Symone, Marcus, Kevin and Alivia Damper, Danielle Spears, Tavion Davis, Drew, Jr., Aniya Damper, De'June Davis and Zoe Creighton; greatgreat grandchildren, Mya, Michael, Jr. and Samar McMillian and Ashton Damper; and a sister, Doris Wells and a host of nephew's and niece's.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 8, 2022, at Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Chapel with Rev. Chris Goodman officiating. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery. There was a Wake Friday evening from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. You can sign Mrs. Nancy's guestbook page at www.stephensondearman.com.

#### **Ernest W. Trotter**

Ernest W. Trotter, 88, of Lexa, formerly of Monticello, passed away Sunday, October 2, 2022, at his home. He was born Feb-Cooper, Zach Strickland, Kerry at Lindley Funeral Home, Chill- September 28, 2022, at The ruary 25, 1934, in Drew County,

to the late Thomas Henry Trotter and Ethel Cater Trotter.

He was a shipyard welder in Houston, and a Garden City, Kan. irrigation worker for Brown Root, Inc. He retired as a tire

builder

Mohawk Rub-

ber Company

in West Hele-

na. He was a

United States

Army Korean





ing and was a

member of the VFW and American Legion.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by siblings, Frankie Trotter, Russell Trotter, Cleo Cash, May Knight and Clay Trotter.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Peggy June Robinson Trotter of Lexa; three children, Angela Ray (John Guszak) of Capistrano Beach, Calif., Ernest Steven Trotter (Debbie) of Poplar Grove, and Brett Trotter of Hope; one sister Ida Cosby, Paragould; grandchildren Avery and Caitlyn Ray; Steven and Jeffrey Trotter, Jessica Pipkin and Pamela Kellum; seven great grandsons; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 1 pm Friday, October 7, 2022, at Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Chapel with burial following in Campground Cemetery. There was a visitation one hour before the funeral service at the funeral home. Please sign his guestbook page at www.stephensondearman.com.

#### (Paid obituary)

#### **Don Watson** Don Watson, 8o, of Van Bu-

ren, passed away Tuesday, October 4, 2022 in Fort Smith. He was born November 2, 1941 in Alma to the late Marshall and Margaret (Hanna) Watson. He was a 1959 graduate of Alma High School, and a 1964 graduate of the University of Arkansas. He retired from Riceland Foods, and was a Deacon for 30 years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Alma, and the Drew County Historical Society. He was an avid baseball fan and collector, and loved the Razorbacks. He established a church softball/baseball team in Memphis, and was the president of the Rotary Club.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Charles, Gordon and Ed Watson.

He is survived by his wife, Laura Watson of the home; a daughter, Sarah Howells (Curtis) of Alma; a son, Dr. Gregg Watson (Kim) of Highland, Calif.; and five grandchildren, Matt Vinson (Jade) of Bentonville, Olivia



of Fayetteville, Noah Watson of Portland, Ore., and Seth Watson and Hannah Watson of Highland, Calif.

Lloyd (Curtis)

Cremation

is under the direction of Edwards Van-Alma Funeral Home of Van Buren. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Gateway Seminary at

To place an online tribute, go to www.edwardsvan-alma.com.

(Paid obituary) **Bobby Lee Barnett** 

Bobby Lee Barnett, 86, of Monticello, passed away Monday, October 10, 2022 at Drew Memorial Hospital in Monticello. He was born February 26, 1936, in Drew County, to the late Cecil Calvin Barnett and Leona Collins Barnett.

Bobby is preceded in death by his parents; two infant sisters; his sister, Ruth Wooten; and his brother, Rex Barnett.

He is survived by three brothers, Carl Barnett, Raymond Barnett, and Dewey Barnett all of Monticello, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, family and

Visitation will be Wednesday, October 12, 2022 from 2-3 p.m. in Lone Sassafras Cemetery. Graveside services will follow.

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Moving Sale: Saturday, October 15, 7AM-? 130 Southern Oaks. Furniture, home decor, kitchen items, clothing. 10/15 1tpd

October 14-15, corner of 425 S and Bowser Rd. 103 Bowser Rd. 7AM-3PM. 10/12 1tpd

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Monticello Senior Center is in need of an elder Kitchen worker. Per Area on Aging Senior Worker Program, you must be 60 or older and be able to work 4 days a week, 5 hours a day from 7:15 am -12:30 pm. If in-

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## Legals

#### PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTION

**2022 GENERAL ELECTION** 

NON-PARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL RUNOFF **ELECTION** 

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE DREW COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT THE GENERAL ELECTION AND NON-PAR-TISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL RUNOFF ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN DREW COUNTY, ARKANSAS, ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 BETWEEN THE HOURS 7:30 A.M. – 7:30 P.M. AT THE FOLLOWING VOTE CENTERS:

EARLY VOTING...... COURTHOUSE CLUBROOM OCTOBER 24, 2022 - NOVEMBER 4, 2022 MON-FRI 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

SATURDAYS OCTOBER 29 AND NOVEMBER 5 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS WILL BE OPENED, PROCESSED, AND CANVASSED IN THE COURTHOUSE JURY ROOM BE-GINNING AT 1:00 P.M. ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022.

A list of appointed election officials, deputy county clerks, or additional deputies hired to conduct early voting can be found at the Drew County Clerk's Office, 210 South Main, Monticello, AR 71655 eight days before the first day of Early Voting. Any objections to Election officials must be in writing to the Drew County Board of Election Commissioners, 210 S. Main, Monticello, AR 71655 or emailed to drewctyclerk@yahoo.com by 10/24/2022.

Tabulation will begin at 7:30 pm on election day in the Courthouse clubroom.

Deadline to register to vote in this General Election for new registrants & out of state registrants is October 11, 2022. Deadline to transfer from another county within the state is November 4, 2022 For questions call the County Clerk's office 870.460.6260 or

THE PURPOSE OF THE GENERAL ELECTION AND NON-PARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL RUNOFF ELEC-TION IS TO VOTE FOR CANDIDATES FOR FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL CONTESTS AND FOR THE NON-PARTISAN JUDICIAL RUNOFF CANDIDATES, AND TO VOTE FOR OR AGAINST ISSUES ON THE BAL-

TO VIEW YOUR BALLOT ONLINE GO TO www.voterview.ar-nova.org

Sample ballots are also available in the County Clerk's office. Below is a list of the candidates for each ballot contest. **Federal** 

U.S. Senate Senator John Boozman- Republican Kenneth Cates- Libertarian

email at drewctyclerk@yahoo.com

Gregory Maxwell- Libertarian U.S. Rep. Bruce Westerman- Republican

John White- Democrat

Natalie James- Democrat U.S. Congress-District 4

State Governor Ricky Dale Harrington Jr.- Libertarian

**State Treasurer** 

Sarah Huckabee Sanders- Republican Chris Jones- Democrat

Write-In

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Diamond Arnold-Johnson- Democrat Treasurer Dennis Milligan- Republican

Simeon Snow- Libertarian **Commissioner of State Lands** 

Commissioner of State Lands-Tommy Land-Republican Darlene Goldi Gaines- Democrat

**State Supreme Court Associate Justice- Position 2** Judge Chris Carnahan- Independent Justice Robin Wynne- Independent

**Drew County Justice of Peace** District 4

Heath Loveless- Republican

Sheila Maxwell- Independent District 9

Rene Knowles, JP 9- Independent Zachary Hill- Republican

County Circuit Clerk Circuit Clerk Beverly Burks- Democrat

County Sheriff Sheriff Mark Gober- Democrat

James Slaughter- Republican

Tim Nichols- Independent **City of Monticello** 

Mayor **Bart Gregory** 

Jason Akers Joe Rogers City of Wilmar

Mayor Toni A. Perry- Democrat

City of Winchester Mayor

LeVorn Cotton **Demetrous Trotter** City Council

Matilda Chaney-Position 3 Michael Haynes-Position 3

**Unopposed Candidates** 

Justice of Peace: Dist. 1-Orlando Jones, Dist. 2-Ben Higginbotham, Dist. 3-Roger Harris, Dist. 5-Steven Pigott, Dist. 6-Donna Usry, Dist. 7-Joe Williams, Dist. 8-Frank Appleberry, Assessor-Cheri Adcock, County Clerk-Stephanie Chisom, Collector-Tax Collector Tonya K. Loveless, Coroner-Charles F. "Chuck" Dearman, County Judge-Jessie Griffin, County Surveyor-Doug Harton, Treasurer-Treasurer Charles Searcy, Constable: Marion Township-David Menotti, Veasey Township-Scott M. Chapman, Cominto Township-Michael Frisby, Collins Township-John W. Beatty, Saline Township-Steven Paul Sturgis, Clear Creek Township-Jessica Moore, Springhill Township-Casey Walker, Monticello: City Attorney-Whit Barton, City Council: Ward 1, Pos. 1-Cedric Leonard, Ward 1, Pos. 2-Al Peer, Ward 2, Pos. 1-Craig McRae, Ward 2, Pos. 2-Claudia Hartness, Ward 3, Pos. 1-Michael James, Ward 3, Pos. 2-Clarissa Pace, Ward 4, Pos. 1-Mark Tiner, Ward 4, Pos. 2-Michael Wigley, Wilmar: City Council-Ward 1, Pos. 1-Deborah K. West, Ward 1, Pos. 2-Charles Saffold, Ward 2, Pos. 1-Shirley McNeary, Ward 2, Pos. 2-Marvin Hopson Sr., Tillar: Recorder/Treasurer- Karen Robertson, City Council-Pos. 1-Angela Ethridge, Pos. 2-Joyce H. Kimbro, Pos. 3-Donnie Robertson, Pos. 4-Joe M. Robertson, Pos. 5-Edward Plunkett, Winchester: City Council-Pos. 1-Anthony Horn, Pos. 2-Rosetta Racy, Pos. 4-Thomas Horn Jr., Pos. 5- David Haynes

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Issue No. 1

(Popular Name)

A Constitutional Amendment to allow the General Assembly to Convene in Extraordinary Session Upon the Issuance of a Joint Written Proclamation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or Upon the Submission of a Written Proclamation Containing the Signatures of At Least Two-Thirds (2/3) of the Members of the House of Representatives and At Least Two-Thirds (2/3) of the Members of the Senate to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate Requesting that the General Assembly Convene in Extraordinary Session.

Banot Tille) AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO CONVENE IN EX-TRAORDINARY SESSION UPON THE ISSUANCE OF A JOINT WRITTEN PROCLAMATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE OR UPON THE SUBMISSION OF A WRITTEN PROCLAMATION CONTAINING THE SIGNA-TURES OF AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE REOUESTING THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENE IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION; PROVIDING THAT NO BUSINESS OTHER THAN THE PURPOSE SET FORTH IN THE JOINT WRITTEN PROCLAMATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE OR THE WRITTEN PROC-LAMATION CONTAINING THE SIGNATURES OF AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVÉS AND AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE SHALL BE CONSIDERED AT AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION CONVENED UNDER THIS AMENDMENT; REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH BY JOINT RULE DURING EACH REGULAR SESSION PROCEDURES FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY SES-SION UNDER THIS AMENDMENT; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS AMENDMENT DOES NOT RESTRICT THE AUTHORITY OF THE GOVERNOR TO CONVENE AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 6, § 19.

Issue No. 2 (Popular Name)

A Constitutional Amendment to Reform Certain Measures Presented to Voters, to be Known as the "Constitutional Amendment and Ballot Initiative Reform Amendment."

(Ballot Title) AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND BALLOT INITIATIVE REFORM AMENDMENT", CON-CERNING THE NUMBER OF VOTES REQUIRED FOR AP-PROVAL OF CERTAIN MEASURES PRESENTED TO VOTERS; REQUIRING THAT INITIATIVES PROPOSED UNDER AR-KANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 1, AND CONSTITU-TIONAL AMENDMENTS PROPOSED UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 19, § 22, AND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 70, § 2, SHALL BE APPROVED WHEN RECEIVING AT LEAST SIXTY PERCENT (60%) OF THE VOTES CAST ON THE PROPOSED INITIATIVE OR PRO-POSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT; AND REQUIRING THAT A MEASURE SUBJECT TO A REFERENDUM SHALL BE REPEALED IF THE MEASURE IS REJECTED BY A MAJORI-TY OF THE ELECTORS VOTING UPON THE MATTER.

Issue No. 3 (Popular Name)

A Constitutional Amendment to Create the "Arkansas Religious Freedom Amendment."

(Ballot Title)

AN AMENOMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE THE "ARKANSAS RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AMENDMENT"; AND TO PROVIDE THAT GOVERNMENT MAY NEVER BURDEN A PERSON'S FREEDOM OF RELI-GION EXCEPT IN THE RARE CIRCUMSTANCE THAT THE GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATES THAT APPLICATION OF THE BURDEN TO THE PERSON IS IN FURTHERANCE OF

A COMPELLING GOVERNMENT INTEREST AND IS THE LEAST RESTRICTIVE MEANS OF FURTHERING THAT COM-PELLING GOVERNMENT INTEREST.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY PETITION OF THE PEOPLE

Issue No. 4

(Popular Name)

An Amendment to Authorize the Possession, Personal Use, and Consumption of Cannabis by Adults, to Authorize the Cultivation and Sale of Cannabis by Licensed Commercial Facilities, and to Provide for the Regulation of those Facilities.

(Ballot Title) AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AUTHORIZING POSSESSION AND USE OF CANNABIS (I.E., MARIJUANA) BY ADULTS, BUT ACKNOWLEDGING THAT POSSESSION AND SALE OF CANNABIS REMAIN ILLE-GAL UNDER FEDERAL LAW; AUTHORIZING LICENSED ADULT USE DISPENSARIES TO SELL ADULT USE CAN-NABIS PRODUCED BY LICENSED MEDICAL AND ADULT USE CULTIVATION FACILITIES, INCLUDING CANNABIS PRODUCED UNDER AMENDMENT 98, BEGINNING MARCH 8, 2023 AND AMENDING AMENDMENT 98 CONCERNING MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN PERTINENT PART, INCLUDING: AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 3(E) TO ALLOW LICENSED MEDICAL OR ADULT USE DISPENSARIES TO RECEIVE, TRANSFER, OR SELL MARIJUANA TO AND FROM MEDICAL AND ADULT USE CULTIVATION FACILITIES, OR OTHER MEDICAL OR ADULT USE DISPENSARIES, AND TO ACCEPT MARIJUANA SEEDS FROM INDIVIDUALS LEGAL-LY AUTHORIZED TO POSSESS THEM; REPEALING AMEND-MENT 98, § 8(C) REGARDING RESIDENCY REQUIRE-MENTS; REPEALING AND REPLACING AMENDMENT 98, §§ 8(E)(5)(A)-(B) AND 8(E)(8)(A)-(F) WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILD-PROOF PACKAGING AND RESTRICTIONS ON ADVERTISING THAT APPEALS TO CHILDREN; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 8(K) TO EXEMPT INDIVIDUALS OWN-ING LESS THAN 5% OF DISPENSARY OR CULTIVATION LICENSEES FROM CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 8(M)(1)(A) TO REMOVE A PROHIBITION ON DISPENSARIES SUPPLYING, POSSESS-ING, MANUFACTURING, DELIVERING, TRANSFERRING, OR SELLING PARAPHERNALIA THAT REQUIRES THE COMBUSTION OF MARIJUANA; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 8(M)(3)(A)(I) TO INCREASE THE MARIJUANA PLANTS THAT A DÌSPENSARY LICENSED UNDER THAT AMEND-MENT MAY GROW OR POSSESS AT ONE TIME FROM 50 TO 100 PLUS SEEDLINGS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 8(M) (4)(A)(II) TO ALLOW CULTIVATION FACILITIES TO SELL MARÍJÚANA TO DISPENSARIES, ADULT USE DISPENSA-RIES, PROCESSORS, OR OTHER CULTIVATION FACILITIES; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, §§ 10(B)(8)(A) AND 10(B) (8)(G) TO PROVIDE THAT LIMITS ON THE AMOUNT OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSED SHALL NOT INCLUDE ADULT USE CANNABIS PURCHASES; AMENDING AMEND-MENT 98, §§ 12(A)(1) AND 12(B)(1) TO PROVIDE THAT DISPENSARIES AND DISPENSARY AGENTS MAY DISPENSE MARIJUANA FOR ADULT USE; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 13(A) TO ALLOW MEDICAL AND ADULT USE CULTI-VATION FACILITIES TO SELL MARIJUANA TO ADULT USE DISPENSARIES; REPEALING AMENDMENT 98, § 17 AND PROHIBITING STATE OR LOCAL TAXES ON THE CULTIVA-TION, MANUFACTURING, SALE, USE, OR POSSESSION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA; REPEALING AMENDMENT 98, § 23 AND PROHIBITING LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENT, ALTER-ATION, OR REPEAL OF AMENDMENT 98 WITHOUT VOTER APPROVAL; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 24(F)(1)(A)(I) TO ALLOW TRANSPORTERS OR DISTRIBUTORS LICENSED UNDER AMENDMENT 98 TO DELIVER MARIJUANA TO ADULT USE DISPENSARIES AND CULTIVATION FACILI-TIES LICENSED UNDER THIS AMENDMENT; REQUIRING THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION ("ABC") TO REGULATE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF LICENSES FOR CULTIVATION FACILITIES AND ADULT USE DISPENSARIES AND TO REGULATE LICENSEES; REQUIR-ING ADULT USE DISPENSARIES TO PURCHASE CANNABIS ONLY FROM LICENSED MEDICAL OR ADULT USE CUL-TIVATION FACILITIES AND DISPENSARIES; REQUIRING CILITY LICENSES TO CULTIVATION FACILITY LICENSEES UNDER AMENDMENT 98 AS OF NOVEMBER 8, 2022, TO OPERATE ON THE SAME PREMISES AS THEIR EXISTING FACILITIES AND FORBIDDING ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL TIER ONE ADULT USE CULTIVATION LICENSES; REQUIR-ING ISSUANCE OF ADULT USE DISPENSARY LICENSES TO DISPENSARY LICENSEES UNDER AMENDMENT 98 AS OF NOVEMBER 8, 2022, FOR DISPENSARIES ON THEIR EXIST-ING PREMISES AND AT ANOTHER LOCATION LICENSED ONLY FOR ADULT USE CANNABIS SALES; REQUIRING ISSUANCE BY LOTTERY OF 40 ADDITIONAL ADULT USE DISPENSARY LICENSES AND 12 TIER TWO ADULT USE CULTIVATION FACILITY LICENSES; PROHIBITING CULTI-VATION FACILITIES AND DISPENSARIES NEAR SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, DAY CARES, OR FACILITIES SERVING THE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED THAT EXISTED BEFORE THE EARLIER OF THE INITIAL LICENSE APPLICATION OR LICENSE ISSUANCE; REQUIRING ALL ADULT USE ONLY DISPENSARIES TO BE LOCATED AT LEAST FIVE MILES FROM DISPENSARIES LICENSED UNDER AMENDMENT 98; PROHIBITING INDIVIDUALS FROM HOLDING OWNERSHIP INTERESTS IN MORE THAN 18 ADULT USE DISPENSA-RIES; REQUIRING ABC ADOPTION OF RULES GOVERNING LICENSING, RENEWAL, OWNERSHIP TRANSFERS, LO-CATION, AND OPERATION OF CULTIVATION FACILITIES AND ADULT USE DISPENSARIES LICENSED UNDER THIS AMENDMENT, AS WELL AS OTHER RULES NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER THIS AMENDMENT; PROHIBITING POLITI-CAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM USING ZONING TO RESTRICT THE LOCATION OF CULTIVATION FACILITIES AND DIS-PENSARIES IN AREAS NOT ZONED RESIDENTIAL-USE ONLY WHEN THIS AMENDMENT IS ADOPTED; ALLOW-ING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO HOLD LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS TO PROHIBIT RETAIL SALES OF CANNABIS; ALLOWING A STATE SUPPLEMENTAL SALES TAX OF UP TO 10% ON RETAIL CANNABIS SALES FOR ADULT USE, DIRECTING A PORTION OF SUCH TAX PROCEEDS TO BE USED FOR AN ANNUAL STIPEND FOR CERTIFIED LAW EN-FORCEMENT OFFICERS, THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES AND DRUG COURT PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED BY THE ARKANSAS DRUG COURT ACT, § 16-98-301 WITH THE REMAINDER GOING INTO GENERAL REVENUES, AND REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM LICENSING FEES AND SALES TAXES ON CANNABIS TO FUND AGENCIES REG-ULATING CANNABIS; PROVIDING THAT CULTIVATION FACILITIES AND ADULT USE DISPENSARIES ARE OTH-ERWISE SUBJECT TO THE SAME TAXATION AS OTHER FOR-PROFIT BUSINESSES; PROHIBITING EXCISE OR PRIVI-LEGE TAXES ON RETAIL SALES OF CANNABIS FOR ADULT USE; 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#### **NOTICE**

The City of Monticello is taking bids for one 4-ton, HVAC unit to service the Senior Citizen's Center at 203 Henley Drive, Monti-

The project can be viewed by calling (870) 367-2434 to speak with Cindy Villarreal or the mayor's office at (870) 367-4400. Sealed bids can be sent to PO Box 505, Monticello, AR 71657 c/o Kirstin Garrison or brought to City Hall at 203 E Gaines St., Monticello, AR 71655.

The City of Monticello will be opening sealed bids at 2:00 p.m. on October 20th at 203 E Gaines St. Monticello, AR and reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Paid for by the City of Monticello in the amount of \$33.32.

#106750 10/5 10/12

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF DREW COUNTY, **ARKANSAS** PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH YOUNG CATER, DECEASED

NO. 22PR-22-126

#### **NOTICE**

Last known address of decedent: 190 Jose Chapel Cut Off Road Monticello, AR 71655

Date of Death: February 19, 2022 The undersigned was appointed as Personal Representative of this estate on the 28th day of September, 2022.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published the 5th day of October, 2022.

Deborah Wyckoff, Administrator c/o Barton & Roper, PLLC P.O. Box 507 Monticello, AR 71657 (870) 367-6288

#107125 10/5 10/12

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF DREW COUNTY, **ARKANSAS** PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY I. PARKER, **DECEASED** 

NO. 22PR-22-129

#### **NOTICE**

Last known address of decedent: 529 S Gabbert St

Monticello, AR 71655

Date of Death: August 9, 2022

An instrument captioned "Last Will and Testament of Mary I. Parker" dated November 10, 1982, was on the 28th day of September, 2022, admitted to probate as the last will of the above-named decedent and the undersigned has been appointed Executrix thereunder. A contest of the probate of this will can be effected only by filing a petition within the time provided by law.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published on the 5th day of October, 2022.

Gwendolyn Maria Daniels, Executrix c/o Barton & Roper, PLLC P.O. Box 507 Monticello, AR 71657 (870) 367-6288

#107126 10/5 10/12

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF DREW COUNTY, **ARKANSAS** PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GARY WAYNE TATE, DECEASED

NO. 22PR-22-133

#### **NOTICE**

Last known address of decedent: 722 Bowser

Monticello, AR 71655 Date of Death: March 22, 2019

An Affidavit for Collection of Small Estate by Distributees was filed on the 30th day of September, 2022. The estate to be collected contains real property, legally described as follows:

A parcel of land in the West one-half of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (W1/2 of SE1/4 of SE1/4) of Section 9, Township 13 South, Range 7 West, bounded by line beginning at a point 370 feet West of the Southeast corner of said W1/2 of SE1/4 of SE1/4, and thence running North a distance of 312 feet, thence running West a distance of 160 feet, thence running South a distance of 312 feet to the South boundary of said W1/2 of SE1/4 of SE1/4, and thence running East along said boundary line a distance of 160 feet back to the point of beginning, containing 1.06 acres of land,

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published on the 5th day of October, 2022.

Amanda Tate Prince, Distributee Barton & Roper, PLLC P.O. Box 507 Monticello, AR 71657 (870) 367-6288

#107128 10/5 10/12

#### **NOTICE**

The following vehicle(s) will be sold, dismantled or destroyed in fifteen (15) days unless claimed at Reggie's Lock & Key LLC, 1065 Highway 278 West, Monticello AR 71655, PH: (870) 723-6898. VIN 1FAHP2D84DG130375 2013 Ford Taurus

2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee

VIN 1J4GX48S64C284420

#107130 10/12 10/19 Legals continued on Page 10A

#### **PUBLIC TESTING - LOGIC AND ACCURACY TESTING** for ES&S ExpressVote and DS200 machines

Testing for General Election Nov. 8 2022 Testing will take place

Friday, October 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Department, 295 Airport Rd., Monticello. Public Viewing at 11:00 a.m. After completion at Road Dept. test will continue at Drew County Courthouse, 210 S. Main.

**Drew County Board of Election Commissioners** 

#### **NOTICE**

The City of Monticello is inviting proposals for the purchase of the former National Guard Armory building located at 809 Jordan Drive, Monticello, AR 71655.

Detailed information regarding the property and the City's expectations for a proposal may be obtained from the City's website at www.monticelloarkansas.us, by calling City Hall at 870-367-4400 and asking for Paige Chase or Kirstin Garrison or by email at pchase@cityofmonticelloar.com or adminasst@cityofmonticelloar.

There will be one group inspection tour at which the City will provide ample time and details for prospective proposers to obtain facts necessary for a successful submittal. Interested parties should gather at the subject property on Wednesday, November 16th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

All sealed proposals may be submitted to PO Box 505, Monticello, AR 71655 c/o Kirstin Garrison or brought by City Hall at 203 E Gaines St., Monticello, AR 71655.

The City of Monticello will be opening sealed proposals at 2:00 p.m. on December 1st at 203 E Gaines St. Monticello, AR and reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Paid for by the City of Monticello in the amount of \$51.80.

#106752 10/12 10/19 10/26

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF DREW COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES C. **TURNAGE, DECEASED** 

NO. 22PR-22-134

#### NOTICE

Last known address of decedent:

129 Oakwood Dr Monticello, AR 71655

Date of Death: September 10, 2022

An instrument captioned "Last Will and Testament of Charles Clif

Turnage" dated June 27, 2013, was on the 4th day of October, 2022, admitted to probate as the last will of the above-named decedent and the undersigned has been appointed Executrix thereunder. A contest of the probate of this will can be effected only by filing a petition within the time provided by law. All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them,

duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published on the 12th day of October, 2022.

Lee Ann Black, Executrix c/o Barton & Roper, PLLC P.O. Box 507 Monticello, AR 71657

#107132 10/12 10/19

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF DREW COUNTY, **ARKANSAS** PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALEXANDRA

> **BROOK WHITE, DECEASED** NO. 22PR-22-132

Last known address of decedent:

2892 Prairie Rd Hamburg, AR 71646

Date of Death: August 15, 2022

The undersigned was appointed as Personal Representative of this estate on the 6th day of October, 2022.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published on the 12th day of October, 2022. Rhonda Lynn Hudson & Greg White, Administrators c/o Barton & Roper, PLLC

> P.O. Box 507 Monticello, AR 71657 (870) 367-6288

> > #106754 10/12 10/19

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF DREW COUNTY, **ARKANSAS** 

PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHESTEE BELL. **DECEASED** 

NO. 22PR-22-131

#### **NOTICE**

Last known address of decedent: 408 S Conley St

Monticello, AR 71655 Date of Death: December 1, 2021

An instrument captioned "Last Will and Testament of Chestee Bell" dated July 7, 2021, was on the 6th day of October, 2022, admitted to probate as the last will of the above-named decedent and the undersigned has been appointed Co-Executors thereunder. A contest of the probate of this will can be effected only by filing a petition within the time provided by law.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published on the 12th day of October, 2022. Rochelle House and Jonisha Post, Co-Executors

c/o Barton & Roper, PLLC P.O. Box 507 Monticello, AR 71657

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#### JOB OPPORTUNITY IN SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS. Delta Family Center, a psychiatric residential treatment center for adolescents, is looking for qualified individuals to work as a

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#### NOTICE

The City of Monticello is taking bids for one 3-ton gas package, roof top, 208/230 volt, single phase HVAC unit to service the Water Department at City Hall.

The project can be viewed by calling the mayor's office at (870) 367-4400. Sealed bids can be sent to PO Box 505, Monticello, AR 71657 c/o Kirstin Garrison or brought to City Hall at 203 E Gaines St., Monticello, AR 71655.

The City of Monticello will be opening sealed bids at 2:00 p.m. on October 27th at 203 E Gaines St. Monticello, AR and reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Paid for by the City of Monticello in the amount of \$31.92.

#106758 10/12 10/19

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

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classified ads here. A message from The Advance Monticellonian and the FTC.

#### **PETS**

Monticello 2nd Chancefurdogs is in need of supplies: Dog pens, kennels and crates, dog houses, 20x20 plastic tarps, dog feeders, dog and puppy food ALWAYS needed. If you would like to donate, please contact: Monticello2ndChancefurdogs@yahoo.com or find us on facebook. TFN

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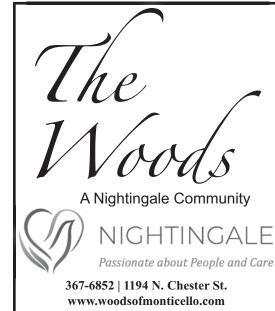
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## Lakeside Beavers sink Drew Central Homecoming 33-32



Jeff Young/Advance Monticellonian

KADE BODIFORD dives for the endzone for the two-point conversion. Bodiford also contributed with 141 passing yards and 34 rushing yards with



TRAMOND MILLER makes the stop on Lakeside runningback Aquavious Dunbar. Miller made several tackles in the contest. Offensively, Miller had 29 receiving yards.

BY: JEFF YOUNG Advance Correspondent

Celebrating Homecoming at Mike Pennington Stadium on the campus of Drew Central High School, the Drew Central Pirates would welcome conference opponent, the Lakeside Beavers from Lake Village.

After the pregame Homecoming festivities that included the announcement of the Homecoming Court and Hannah Meeks, who was crowned Homecoming Queen, the captains for the Beavers and Pirates would meet in the center of the field for the opening coin toss.

Drew Central would win the toss and would defer to the second half.

Lake Village would begin their opening drive of the contest from their own 38-yard line.

Lakeside would immediately go to their main workhorse on the ground, Aquavious Dunbar, for the first carry of the game for a five-yard gain.

After moving into Pirate territory, a holding call against the Beavers would bring the ball back to the Lakeside 41-yard line.

Lakeside would move the ball down to the Pirate 16 before Lakeside quarterback Kenvorris Campbell connected with Emmarian McAdoo for a 16 yard touchdown.

The extra point was missed as the Beavers took a 6-o lead with 6:39 remaining in the first quar-

Drew Central would begin their first drive of the contest at the Pirate 20 after a touchback on the kickoff.

The Pirates would move into Beaver territory on runs by Kalani Collins and Brayden Millett.

After reaching the Lakeside 22 and a penalty that pushed the ball back to the 27, Kade Bodiford connected with Tramond Miller for a 26-yard pick up to the Lakeside one-yard line. Collins would end the drive with the one-yard run followed by Bodiford on the two-point play to take an 8-6 lead.

Lakeside came right back with a big play from scrimmage with Campbell connecting with McAdoo for the second time on a 62-yard touchdown pass and reception. The extra point was good as Lakeside retook the lead 13-8 with 1:00 remaining in the quarter.

The Pirates would have to punt on their next possession, but the Pirates would take advantage of the first turnover over the contest after Millett intercepted the Campbell pass at the Lakeside

35-yard line, returning the ball for a Pirate score.

Bodiford added the two-point conversion and with 10:50 remaining in the half the Pirates led 16-13.

Lakeside came back on the next possession with Campbell connecting with McAdoo for the third time in the contest, this time for a 53-yard touchdown strike. After the extra point, Lakeside led 19-16 with 9:41 remaining in the half.

After forcing the Pirates to Punt, Lakeside added another score before the end of the half to take a 26-16 lead.

Drew Central would have the final possession of the half and would move the ball down the field on completed passes from Bodiford to Dayton England, but the Pirates could not get the ball in the endzone as the drive would run out of time in the half at the Lakeside five-vard line.

Drew Central would move the ball into Beaver territory on the opening drive of the second half, reaching the Lakeside 22-yard

The Pirates would fumble the ball at the Lakeside 21 with the Beavers recovering the ball with 7:20 remaining in the quarter.

The Pirates would force the Beavers to punt the ball and on the next series, the Pirates would cut the Beaver lead to 26-22 after a two-yard touchdown by Bodiford.

Dunbar would increase the Beaver lead to 33-22 after a 33yard touchdown run and a successful extra point.

On the Pirates final drive of the contest, the Pirates would lose a down after Bodiford was flagged for intentional grounding, then on the next play, Bodiford would throw an interception but the play would be negated by a roughing the passer call against Lakeside and a block in the back against the Pirates, however the officials flagged the Pirate quarterback for an unsportsmanlike penalty and ejected him from the contest.

Lakeside would go on to win the contest 33-22.

With the ejection, the Pirates will be without the services of their quarterback for at least a half of more this Friday when the Pirates travel to Barton in search of their first conference win.

With the loss, the Pirates will have to win two of their last three contests in order to be eligible for the 3A State Football playoffs.

The Drew Central Pirates and the Barton Bears are scheduled from Friday, October 14, at 7 pm.



KALANI COLLINS rushed for 48 yards to lead the Pirates on the ground. Collins also had a touchdown.



Jeff Young/Advance Monticellonian

**DAYTON ENGLAND** led the Pirates on Friday night with 65 receiving yards

## Monticello Junior Billies get road win over Hamburg Junior Lions 28-21

BY: JEFF YOUNG

Advance Correspondent

The Monticello Junior Billies picked up a road win on Thursday, October 6, with a 28-22 win over the Hamburg Junior Lions in Hamburg.

After winning the coin toss and electing to defer to the second half, the Billies would get the first turnover of the contest

after recovering a fumble on the second play of the contest.

The Junior Billies would also turn the ball over on a fumble on their first series but Jayden Rhodes would get the Billies the Ball back before the end of the quarter on an interception.

The first score of the contest would come in the second quarter after a 35-yard pass from Jackson Hines to Joseph Accelus gave the Billies a 6-o lead. Hines added the two point play for the 8-0 lead.

Monticello would add a second score before the end of the half on a one-yard run by Hines. The two-point conversion failed with the Billies holding a 14-0 lead at the half.

Monticello would receive the

ball to start the second half, but would turn the ball over on the

first play from scrimmage. Hamburg took advantage of the turnover, scoring on their drive to cut the lead to 14-7, but Monticello answered the score on the next possession on a run by Rhodes. Monticello led 22-7

after the two-point conversion. Hamburg would score on their next possession on a 54yard drive on a single pass to cover the distance. After the extra-point the lead was cut to 22-14.

with a long reception of 45 yards.

Monticello would get their final score of the contest on their next possession after beginning their drive on the Hamburg 46, Accelius would cover the 46 yards in two plays for the score.

The two-point conversion was not successful as the Junior Billies extended their lead to 28-

Hamburg would get one more score in the contest to set up the final of 28-21 and would also have one more possession but would turn the ball over on downs allowing Monticello to kneel for the win.







JACKSON HINES (left), JOSEPH ACCELUS (center), and JAYDEN RHODES (right) led the Junior Billies to a road victory on Thursday night in Hamburg over the Junior Lions. Hines finished the contest with 55 passing yards and a touchdown and 39 rushing yards. Accelus gained 71 yards on the ground with a touchdown and 35 reception yards wit a touchdown. Rhodes gained 25 yards on the ground with a touchdown and nine reception yards. Rhodes also had a total of 90 kickoff return yards on two returns. On defense, Rhodes was responsible for two interceptions.

## Northwestern Oklahoma Rangers spoil Weevil Homecoming 26-23

By: JEFF Young Advance Correspondent

The UAM Weevil football team fell behind early on Saturday, October 8, in front of a large Homecoming crowd to the 0-5 Northwestern Oklahoma State University Rangers and could not overcome the Ranger deficit as NWOSU handed the Weevils their third loss on the

NWOSU won the coin toss to start the contest and deferred to the second half.

UAM would get the first points of the contest on their first possession after an 18-yard kickoff return by Dorian Manuel gave the Weevils possession on their own 22.

Demilon Brown would get the Weevils on the board after a 20yard touchdown run with 9:01 remaining in the first quarter.

Marquise McKnight would miss the extra point to make the Weevil lead 6-o.

NWOSU came back on their first possession of the contest after covering 65 yards capped off by a one-yard run and a field goal to take a 7-6 lead.

UAM would turn the ball over on their next possession with Brown fumbling the ball at their own 12-yard line allowing Northwestern's Joseph Saunders to scoop the ball up for a Ranger score. The Extra point was missed to extend the Ranger lead to 13-6.

Both teams would be forced to punt on their next two possessions with UAM holding the ball as the quarter ended.

The Weevils would be forced



JONERO SCOTT led the Weevils in rushing against NWOSU with 127 yards and a touchdown. Scott also had 17 receiving yards on three receptions. Scott has three games this season with 100 plus rushing yards and has 508 rushing yards on the season with four touchdowns on 103 carries.

to punt the ball from their own 20-yard line on their first second quarter possession.

With the clock winding down in the first half of play, UAM would begin a drive with 6:48 remaining in the half from their own 34 yard line and would bring the ball into Ranger territory setting up for a 48-yard field goal attempt by Zachary Grisotti that went through the uprights to cut the Ranger lead to 13-9. The score would remain through the end of the half.

The ranger's opened the second half of play with a30-yard kickoff return to begin their drive at their own 35, however a block in the back penalty at the 20-yard line would bring the ball back to the Ranger 10.

NWOSU would cover the 90 yards on the drive capped off with a 55-yard touchdown pass and reception.

After the extra point, the Rangers extended the lead to 20-9.

After forcing UAM to punt on their next drive, The Ranger's would add their final score of the contest with 5:08 remaining in the third quarter.

With the added extra point NWOSU extended the lead to

Beginning a drive with 13:57

remaining in the contest from their own 35-yard line, the Weevils would cut the deficit to 26-16 after covering the 65-yards capped off with a 20yard run for a touchdown by Jonero Scott. McKnight added the extra point with 12:17 left in the contest.

Brown would connect with LaCedric Smith on their next possession for a 33-yard touchdown with KcKnight adding the final points of the contest to set up the 26-23 final in favor of the Rangers.

With the win, NWOSU improves their record to 1-5 with UAM falling to 3-3 on the sea-

The Weevil season does not get any easier in their bid to become bowl eligible.

The Weevils will be on the road on Saturday, October 15, to face the #4 ranked Ouachita Baptist Tigers and will return home the following week to face another current Top 10 ranked team when the #8 ranked Harding Bison travel to Convoy-Leslie Cotton Bowl Stadium.

The Weevils have lost to Ouachita in four consecutive contests, including being shut out last season 34-0.

The Weevils are currently 2-9 against the Tigers in their last 11 contests with their last win coming in 2016.

The UAM-Ouachita Baptist contest is scheduled for a 1 pm kickoff on Saturday in Arkadelphia.



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CHRIS BLAIR attempts to get past a NWOSU offinsive lineman on Saturday. Blair had two tackles on the day and was credited with a pass breakup.

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## UAM announces Monticello Madness on Tuesday, Oct. 18





COLE ANDERSON (left) and LAUREN KLEINE (right) will be two returning players for the UAM Weevil and Blossom basketball teams this season. Anderson and Kleine will be a part of Monticello Madness to be held at Steelman Field House on Tuesday, October 18.

BY: JEFF YOUNG Advance Correspondent

The University of Arkansas at Monticello has announced that the UAM Weevils and Blossoms are set to host Monticello Madness and Tuesday, October 18, at Steelman Field House with the doors opening at 6:30 pm.

The event is an opportunity to introduce the 2022-23 Weevil and Cotton Blossoms basketball teams while celebrating the coming season.

For the Weevils, it will mark the second season under head basketball coach Chad Tapp.

The Weevils completed last season with an overall record of 10-18 with a Great American

Conference record of 6-16. The Weevils finished the seatests.

Last season's team was not only the first under Tapp at UAM, but the team itself was a completely different squad from the GAC Champion team from the previous season after the entire Weevil squad with the exception of one player followed the previous coaching staff to their new school.

The one remaining player left the team early in the season leaving fans to cheer on a team of unknown Weevil players, however the fans would get behind the team, forming relationships with the new students.

Wesley Booker was deemed as the Mayor of Monticello in one internet article as he fell right

son losing seven straight con- into live in Monticello with a new church home and with interaction with the people of Monticello.

> A little more relaxed atmosphere during this years football season for the Weevils as the team can be found tailgating before home Weevils football games and along with assistant coaches Jeremy and Justin Wagner are helping raise money with the selling of "Fear the Weevils" t-shirts during tailgating as well as just inside the entrance of Convoy-Leslie Cotton Bowl Sta-

> For the Blossoms, the team has nowhere to go but up after the departure of former head coach Markel Cox.

Cox won one contest in his

two-year tenure at UAM, with the team going winless last season and are currently on a 34 game losing streak.

UAM hired David MIdlick to lead the Blossoms this season along with assistant Marissa Webb during the offseason.

Midlick came to UAM with a lot of coaching experience having coached at the high school, NCAA Division II, and NCAA Division I levels.

Many players left campus after the departure of Cox, but Midlick will have a few returning players from last season's team.

The event on Tuesday is designed as a chance to meet the current coaching staffs and players through introductions to

There will be contests held throughout the evening with hot shot contests for men and women with two players from each squad along with two fans, a three-point contest pitting a Blossoms vs a Weevil, and a dunk contest.

There will also be giveaways throughout the evening with prizes such as a Smart TV, A UAM Basketball, UAM Bookstore prizes, and more items as

The UAM Basketball seasons tip off on the road on Friday, November 11, with the Blossoms and Weevils participating in seperate events in Missouri and Iowa.



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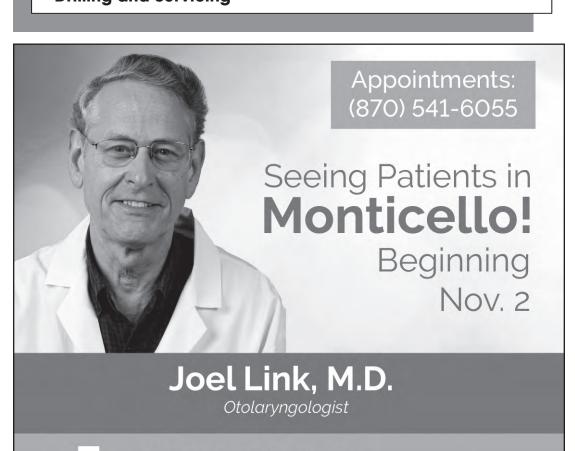
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## Drew County filled with Homecoming festivities last week

By Ashley Hogg editor@monticellonews.net

The streets were filled with former residents, football fans and locals this week as Drew Central, Monticello and the University of Arkansas at Monticello celebrated their annual homecoming week.

Drew Central and UAM did not take away a victory from the football games played but the crowning ceremonies drew in people from all over. Hannah Meeks was crowned queen for Drew Central and Becca Nichols was crowned queen for UAM.

Monticello won their football game against the Hamburg Lions and Kayden Hale was crowned homecoming queen.

























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## Remember to ask God for the miracle; He is able

By Amy Becker

"But if I were you, I would appeal to God; I would lay my cause before him. He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed, miracles that cannot be counted." *Job* 

Do you believe in miracles? Would you believe me if I said I'd seen a couple in my lifetime and I have full faith that God will do it again?

My nephew Cash was born very early. At two pounds and four ounces he was so tiny, but was doing pretty well, considerably. The doctors told my sister he had a long road ahead of him, but everything felt promising. Not long into his stay though, he became very sick. He had gotten an infection in his tiny two pound

stream. This meant that it was all over his body, and what was worse was that they could not find the source. Day by day things grew much worse and the doctors gave him very little chance to survive. We were shattered.

I vividly remember the night we received the news. Our family gathered together in a courtyard at Children's Hospital and we begged for God's healing over our sweet Cash. We cried and prayed and went our way. My sister and brother in law stayed behind though, and as they sat by his side, they read scripture and prayed. I remember my sister telling me that night she felt an overwhelming sense of peace that God was going to take care of Cash. She

body that was in his blood- just knew. The next day, they ran his tests, and the infection was gone. There was no way to explain it, it was a miracle.

> A few months ago, a precious friend of mine had a family member who was sent home with cancer so bad the doctors said there was nothing more they could do to help. Many people covered him in prayer, and as time went on he continued to get better. Holding out hope that he truly was getting better, they asked for prayer continuously and he kept gaining strength. When the good days seemed to be coming more often than not, they went back to the doctor for scans to see how he really was doing. The results showed zero cancer. He was free and clear. There was no explanation, it was a

miracle.

I cannot explain to you why sometimes God sees fit to heal, while other times he does not. I don't understand why sometimes we see miracles and other times we don't, but I can tell you that God is

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." Isaiah 55:8-9

His ways are higher than our ways. His thoughts are higher than ours. One day when we all get to heaven, I believe more will be clear. Until then though, I say we cannot forget to ask for the miranot, because you ask not."

Matthew 17:20 says that if we have faith even as small as a mustard seed, we can move mountains.

We have got to remember to ask God for the miracle. We need to pray big bold prayers on behalf of those we love, knowing that God hears our prayers and he can do any-

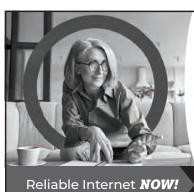
cle. James 4:2 says, "You have thing we can possibly ask and will give us all we need. So while I can't guarantee what the answer will be or how long it will take, I know that we need to lay our requests at Jesus' feet. He can perform miracles that we cannot imagine, and they cannot be numbered.

What do you need to pray for today? Remember, our God is able!









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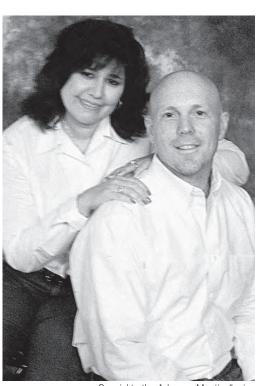
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#### BARKADA **JANA WRIGHT**

Sorry I have not had news in a couple of weeks. I had to have quintuple bypass surgery on September 27th. Even though, physically I have been improving, mentally I am still having some issues. I can't seem to concentrate on anything very long. Thank you to all who called, texted, sent food, and cards. Mostly thank you for all the prayers. They were all felt. Just a piece of advice. If you have chest pain of any kind, get it checked by a cardiologist. It is better to be safe than sorry. Heart disease does not discriminate against

Mrs. Wanda Reaves celebrated her 80th birthday in style! Kevin and Rhonda Kohnen and Keith and Hilary Reaves took her on a birthday extravaganza! They took her on a surprise trip to New Orleans!

Nena Thomas and Jerry Word and some friends all went camping this past week at Lake Clayburn.

Uncle Don Martin stopped by to check on me this past weekend. He and my son Dustin Barnett got to visit and talk about family history a bit.

Thanks to Eddie Brown! She called to check on me today and is bringing me some lunch tomorrow.

Hayli Gilliam was very proud of her chickens that she showed at the fair. She won a ribbon.

Congratulations to Kaylie Jester for winning 1st in super stock, 2nd in super modified, and 2nd in powderpuff! That's they way to show them girl power!

Robert and Tammy Stafford took a trip to Ponca over the weekend. It was a beautiful weekend for traveling.

Jeff and Sheena Tucker did some fall decorating and had

some quality time with their grandson Jaxson.

I was very sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Dorcas Burton. She was always such a sweet lady. My thoughts and prayers are with family and friends.

Happy anniversary to my sister-in-law Shana and brother-in-law Stacey Wilson. Also happy anniversary to Chris and Nancy Kozlowski. In addition, happy anniversary to Jim and Billie Ferrell. I wish all couples many more years of happiness!

Happy birthday to Walter Dodson, Allison Chambers, Mrs. Judy Thompson, Carol Loveless, Mrs. Barbara Milburn, Gavin Wright, Mrs. Wanda Reaves, Tammy Stafford, Jennifer Pharr, Patrick Fowler, Tracy Forrest, Cindy Hudgens, Amanda Stafford, Micheal Barnett, Kim Prince, and Mrs. Shirley Burks. I hope you all have or had happy birthdays.

Please call 870.224.3383 with news or email wrightwoman\_66@yahoo.com. No news is too small.

#### **GREEN HILL WANDA PACE**

Aunt May is home from the hospital and feeling much better. Continued prayers for strength and recovery.

Happy Birthday wishes for Hudson Barnes, Marion Pharr, Carol Loveless, Kevin Hicks, and Leighanne Tucker. I hope you all enjoy a blessed birthday.

Happy 51st Anniversary to Mike and Gay Young! And Happy Anniversary to Jeff and Michelle Pace! I hope you share many more years of health and happiness.

Cindy Mckinstry of Little Rock came down to her homeplace in Greenhill on Wednesday. While in town

#### Do you have any community tidbits?

The Advance-Monticellonian is actively seeking other community reports to join the seven you read on a weekly basis. If you live in a community not represented on this page (and we know there are several around Monticello)—and you want to write about your particular area of the world, contact us at 870-367-5325, via email at editor@monticellonews.net, by U.S. mail at P.O. Box 486, Monticello 71657 or just drop by the office during business hours on either Thursdays or Fridays. Let's discuss your participation in our newspaper.

she visited with her uncle Jimmy Cockrell; Tammy, KC, & Kelli Knobloch; Reathel Privett; Gloria Pennington; Karen Fuqua; Melanie; Katie, Silas, & Harlyn Wedige; Wolf Mears; Shirley and beverly Burks. Cindy also visited the Main Street Art to enjoy the art provided by local artists. It was an enjoyable outing on Thursday. She attended the Monticello Homecoming game on Friday night. And had supper with her stepmom, Liz Mckinstry of Banks, AR on Saturday night.

Verse of the week: "If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given to you." James 1:5

If you have any news to share please call 367-9635 or message me on fb.

Have a safe and blessed week.

#### LACEY **IVANELL HANDLEY**

Hello Readers it's another week that the Lord has allowed us to see!

Sunday services were held at Mt. Olive AME Church, Lacey. We were blessed with another good Sunday school taught by Bro. Darron Spencer. The subject was "Song of Moses"; focus Scripture was Deuteronomy 33:3-6,10-14 and 18. The key verse, Deuteronomy 32:46, "he said to

them: "Take to heart all the words that I am giving in witness against you today; give them as a command to your children, so that they may diligently observe all the words of this law." Bro. Spencer did an awesome job. Pastor Jessie Washington was the speaker of the hour, he will be preaching until further notice. Pastor Washington's message was from Matthew 20:1-10 and his thought was "It's Harvest Time", it was a great message. Our visitors were Cynthia Spencer and Jerry Simpson.

Prayers for those who are sick and shut-in. Ardell Allen is home from the hospital, continued prayers that he will be up and around real soon. Prayers for the families that lossed loved ones. Prayers for the family of Nancy Lorraine Wells Stears as well as the family of Arlene Miles Jiles.

Happy belated birthday wishes to: Micky Findley; and Tina Shaver, October 5. Happy Birthday to: Clare Franklin, October 12; Paula Pippen, October 12; Markee Green, October 13; and Karion Pippen, October 15. I hope you all had a wonderful day.

Thought for the week: "Always remember you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, smarter than you think and loved more than you know! (Author unknown)

Be blessed and enjoy your week and by God's grace I will see you next week!

#### **POSSUM VALLEY** KAY CRAIG SPURLOCK

I'm going to start this week's column with a wee poem about my favorite season of the year. "Autumn, my love, reminds me how vibrant, how natural it is to transform. Shows me how violently soft we can fall. Says, darling, if you're going that way, you might as well dance on the way down."

Well, it appears my hummingbirds have flown the coup. I saw one bird a few days ago, but none all weekend. I will leave a feeder out, changing once a week, for another month at least. One never knows when a weary vagrant will stop by for a sip and go.

I made a decision this week. I'll be retiring the end of the vear. I'm excited and anxious at the same time. I've worked since I graduated from high school. With a few weeks here and there for birthing babies and an open heart surgery. It will be an adjustment, but I am looking forward to spending more time with Rick and traveling as much as we can. Old age is creeping up on this old body and I don't want to wait until I can't go to go. If you know what I mean.

The Glennon clan met at our home Saturday to honor the memory of my big brother, Randy. It's been my experience that most gatherings, after a death, turn into family reunions. I always get into trouble when I start naming names. So I'll simply say that my remaining siblings, most of their families, extended family, my children and two special friends joined us in celebrating a life gone too soon. Our church and community family made sure we had more than enough to eat. Possum Valley folk are some of the best in the world. Bar

Sunday morning we arrived at church to find that the electricity was out. Turns out there were several around Jones Loop without power, too. We opened the front doors, drug a few chairs into the foyer and proceeded with Sunday School. Thankfully, the temperature was mild enough that we were all quite comfortable. The lights came back on mid-lesson and we were able to open up the auditorium and continue with the service. I had the privilege of leading songs this week. Our own local boy, Trenton Eubanks, filled the pulpit. He brought us a message from John 21:2-6. After church, Rick an I joined Carole and Steve at Avocado's for lunch. It sure was good to see them both again. Afterward, we went out to the fairgrounds to retrieve my photos. I did pretty well this year. Four blue ribbons and one Best of

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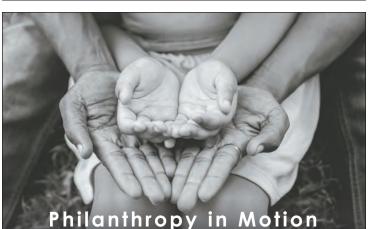
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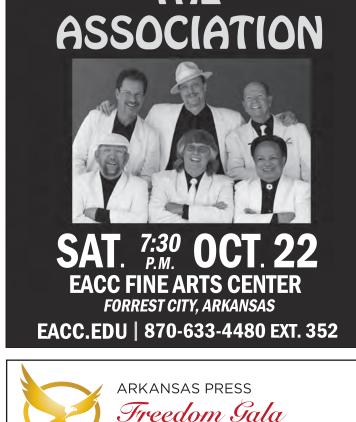
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#### Mind over matter

2 Corinthians 10:4-5 (NKJV) 4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ.

The most dangerous battlefront for the believer is not politics, or the internet or culture. The most dangerous place for the believer is right between our ears. This is the most valuable real estate that the enemy wants to occupy. This is where strongholds are made. Our thought life.

This is where the battle happens. I wish the battle was physical. I wish it were in the natural. Then it would be obvious, it would be easier to get help. People around you could see that you weren't crazy. But it's not. It's in our mind and since it's in my mind the enemy will try to convince me that I'm all alone to deal with this. Because no one else can see it or hear it. The enemy attacks in the quiet moments, in the dark times. This is where the enemy lobs his fiery darts that discourage, that depress, that opens the seam to doubt.

You can look at it this way. A thought is a seed. And for example, if a seed of discouragement is planted in the soil of doubt and insecurity a root of depression can take hold. This is the place of stronghold.

Thoughts are inevitable. Many times thoughts are even involuntary. Sometimes they come from my own life or sometimes they are from the enemy, sometimes they are there based on what we see through the windows of our eyes. But thoughts happen. So the question isn't how do I keep my thoughts from happening, the question is what do I do with the thought when it happens? The key is to stop the thought from becoming a stronghold. The Apostle Paul says that we bring every thought into captivity to the obedience to Christ.

What does this mean? The thought has to be met with resistance. We can't let the thought live rent free in our brain. The sequence needs to look like this. When a thought enters my mind it immediately must be dealt with. We engage the Holy Spirit and confer with Him the validity and

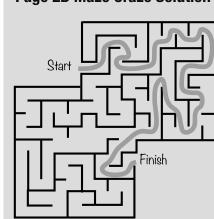


the value of the thought.

If it pleases the Lord, lines up with His Word and has value for the moment, occasion or the season, we allow the thought to proceed to the next step. If the thought does not do any of that, We do not let it proceed any further. Lust, anger, fear don't have to be spiritual problems. They begin as a flesh problem with spiritual consequences so we have to deal with them where they live. In our mind.

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

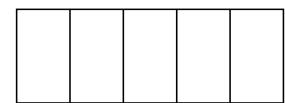
#### **Page 2B Maze Craze Solution**



## WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to the body.

## NJIOT



Answer: Joint

## Guess Who?

I am an athlete born in Mississippi on October 10, 1969. A car accident in 1990 nearly claimed by life, but I had a comeback that jump-started my football career. I am the first quarterback to throw for more than 70,000 yards.

Answer: Bret Favre

Answers:

A.

recovery

 $\mathcal{B}$ .

injury

 $\mathcal{C}$ 

movement

D.

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to physical therapy. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 17 = E)

A. **17 9 6** 1 17

Clue: Get well after injury/illness

21 22 18 20 В. 16

Clue: Ailment

Clue: Changing of position

D. 6 19 12 2

3

C.

Clue: Physical structure of an organism

**17** 3

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- 5. A way to season
- 8. North-central Indian city
- Emaciation
- 14. Actress de Armas
- 15. A way to score in basketball 16. Odd
- 18. Scripting languages on IBM machines
- 19. A right of local jurisdiction 20. Hard, colorless compound
- 21. Diving seabird
- 22. Wild goat of the mountains
- 23. Not shortened 26. Someone who learns from
- a teacher 30. Is inclined
- 31. Still asleep
- 32. Antidepressants (abbr.) 33. Town in Surrey, England
- 34. Indian music patterns 39. Birth control means
- 42. People tend to be on one 44. A way to keep meat moist
- 46. Home of the Crimson Tide 47. Pasta type
- 49. Late 1990s rapper 50. One circuit of a track
- 51. Surrounded by water 56. Late "Growing Pains"
- actor Thicke
- 57. Married couples say it
- 58. Drool
- 59. Sicilian city 60. Airline worker perk (abbr.)
- 61. Grayish-black mixture 62. Systems, doctrines, theories
- 63. Midway between east and southeast
- 64. Athletes who get paid

#### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Genus of owls
- 2. Hindu queen
- 3. Cain and
- 4. Hindu female deity 5. Islamic calendar month
- 6. Changes posture . More stubborn
- 8. Give work to
- 9. Round maps of the Earth Gathered fallen leaves
- 11. Popular credit card 13. Separation of church and state
- 17. Founder of Sikhism
- 25. Where you find the milk
- 26. Institute legal proceedings
- 27. The neural structure consisting
- of the brain and spinal cord 28. Expresses surprise
- 29. Have a debt to

- 35. Businessman 36. State on India's western coast
- 37. Practice of managing financial risks (abbr.)
- 38. Patty Hearst's captors
- 40. Put into service 41. 10-year periods
- 42. Crony
- 43. Surgical clamp
- 44. Leave unable to move due to lack of wind
- 45. Where rockers work
- 47. Valleys 48. Ancient lyric poem
- 49. Wise men
- 52. It lights a room 53. Assert
- 54. Fifth Roman Emperor 55. Ancient Greek city in Thrace

**Answers can be found on Page 2B** 

#### 9 8 3 2 6 2 9 4 3 6 5 3

#### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 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 more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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

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Show. Several young people from the Valley entered livestock in the fair and, from what I saw, did very well.

That's my news for this week. Until next time, please, be happy, stay safe and pray for your friends neighbors.

We've had a very busy few days and this ol' gal is ready for some rest. Good night and God Bless.

#### WILMAR **CHRIS RILEY**

Such a blessing to be, on the Lord of the dying preparing to make our way to the Lord of the living, that's my daily prayer. The journey is real. Stop taking it for granted. We can see this world's condition and it's not a pretty sight. But it's up to us to love and treat others as we would have them treat us. Families grow closer. Because when you are out of here it is too late. So show and

we know, God is love. Our prayers and get well wishes to the sick and shut in, and the same for the be-

give love while you yet live, as

I visited Robizine Owens and Rozene the past week. They are improving. Glad to see them and praying God speed.

Happy birthday to my brother-in-law Willie L. Riley of Detroit, October 15, and in memory of Clara Riley, October 17.

Men's day will be observed October 16 at 10 a.m. at the Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church. Pastor A.T. Jordan is speaker and D.J. Buffington is pastor.

Until we meet again by paper and pen, let's don't be like the leaves, fall anywhere.

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Misty, my wife of 10 years, along with our two sons, Micah and Nathaniel, have been residents of Drew County for 8 years, with 7 of those years living in the Ladelle Community. For my career I have worked for the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service as an agriculture extension agent in Jefferson County as well as an agriculture research associate for the past 7 years. We are active members of Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church for 8 years, where my wife and I serve in many capacities.

The reason I am seeking the office of Justice of the Peace is the opportunity to serve the people in my community on the Quorum Court, just as I serve in the church. I wish to be a voice for all the people in District 9, with a conservative Christian mindset on all matters that fall to the Quorum Court, which includes county taxes, budgets, roads, and sanitation. Making sensible and constitutionally sound decisions, such as keeping taxes

low, improving county roads and sanitation, is extremely important to me and to the citizens of Drew County, I will be very thankful and honored to receive your vote for Justice of the Peace for District 9. God bless!

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