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## Candidates address full crowd at UAM for political debates



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Candidates for local political offices made their intentions known at an open forum Tuesday night at UAM. Pictured (left) is Mayoral Candidate Jason Akers, the only one of three candidates to be present at the event. Pictured right (from left to right) are Sheriff candidates, James Slaughter, Mark Gober and Tim Nichols.

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The Political Science and History Department at the University of Arkansas at Monticello, held a Town Hall meeting Tuesday night in the Agriculture building featuring candidates for Monticello Mayor and Drew County Sheriff.

Dr. Kyle Day opened the forum by introducing the college students that were present and the non-profit organizations that are on campus that helped organize this event.

At 6 p.m., the Mayoral can-

didate debate was scheduled to start. However, only one of the three candidates for Mayor was present. Candidates that will appear on the upcoming ballot, Bart Gregory and Joe Rogers were not in attendance, citing illness as their reasons for absence.

Police Chief Jason Akers took the mic after being introduced by Dr. Day and outlined his plans if elected as Mayor of Monticello.

Akers is a Southeast Arkansas native and has 30 years of experience in law enforcement. In 2019, he became Chief of Police in Monticello under current Mayor Paige Chase.

In that time, Akers has led the MPD to becoming an "accredited police department" and helped secure more than \$300,000 in grant funding for the department. His goals as Mayor would be similar to those he set while at the Police Department, recruit good employees; analyze budget spending and fixing infrastructure.

Akers told the crowd that fixing Monticello's outdated water infrastructure was of utmost importance.

Questions from the crowd came in regarding sludge waste disposal and current liquor laws

within the City.

Akers stated that at this time, he was not intimately involved with the sludge removal project but he understood that the current city officials are working closely with the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality to make sure the proper actions are taken that will be most cost effective and most beneficial for the local people. Regarding the question of current liquor laws, Akers stated that he would support the will of the people if that issue was brought to the ballot.

The three candidates for Drew County Sheriff were all present at

the forum.

Mark Gober, Tim Nichols and James Slaughter took turns answering questions presented by the evenings moderator, Dr. Carol Strong.

All three gentlemen have many years of experience in law enforcement in Southeast Arkansas.

Gober currently serves as the Sheriff for Drew County. Nichols is currently employed as a criminal investigator. James Slaughter is a Drug Task Force Agent in the 10th Judicial District.

The candidates for Sheriff outlined what being a county sheriff meant and how they planned to

keep order within the county and uphold the constitution.

Gober emphasized the importance of being a leader and being willing to work side by side with deputies.

Nichols stated that he would be available to the people 24/7 and will treat everyone with respect.

Slaughter added that reducing drugs in Drew County would drastically reduce crime.

Early voting begins Monday, October 24 at 8 a.m. at the Drew County Courthouse. Election Day will be Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

## Local teacher takes students abroad through travel club



Photo courtesy of Eva Arrington

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Drew Central Elementary teacher Eva Arrington has been the sponsor of an educational travel club since 2015.

Students from local school districts, as well as home schooled students, are eligible to join the club and travel abroad during breaks from school. The group is always paired with schools from other states. Students have been with on trips with students from The Bronx, Illinois, Florida, Texas, Ohio, and Washington D.C.

The focus of The Travel Club is to educate students about different cultures and to understand other perspectives. While traveling, the students are exposed to different foods, music, dance, language, and traditions from around the world.

In the past seven years, the travel club has traveled to China, France, Spain, England, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Ecuador, The Galápagos Islands, Greece, Scotland, Netherlands.

"Just a few of the many famous sites we have

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## RIBBON CUTTING HELD FOR MAIN STREET ART GRAND OPENING



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**OPEN FOR BUSINESS** Main Street Art Gallery is now open for patrons to visit and view local art. The gallery is located at 112 N. Main St. and features Southeast Arkansas natives' original pieces. See page 1B for more photos from this event.

## FALL MARKET HELD THIS WEEKEND



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Market in the Park held an annual gathering last Saturday in the mini park by the Drew County Courthouse. Vendors were set up across the grass with baked goods, crafts, jewelry and other food items for sale.

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**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**UPCOMING**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22**

**75th Library anniversary**

The Southeast Arkansas Regional Library will celebrate its 75th year in business from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22 at 114 W. Jefferson Ave. Everyone 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.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28**

**NAACP Virtual Freedom Fund Gala**

Beginning at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, the Drew County Branch of the NAACP #6042 will host a Freedom Fund Gala via Zoom webinar, ID 875 8358 7660. The speaker will be Attorney Antwan Phillips. The event is free to join and the branch will accept donations at any time. For more information, contact Peggy Orr at 870-224-2416.

**FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY OCTOBER 28, 29 AND 30**

**Revival**

First Free Will Baptist Church, located at 1351 Hwy 278 W., will host a revival beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, October 28. The speaker will be Bro. Justin Morphis. Services will be at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. on Sunday.

**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.

**THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 AND 4**

**Revival**

A revival will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 3 and Friday, Nov. 4 at 111 East Briarcliff St. Guest Evangelist will be Supt. Earl Glass from Pine Bluff.

**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](http://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 attend.

**Support for local schools**

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

**Borrow a book and hours**

The Southeast Arkansas Regional Library, Monticello Branch, 114 West Jefferson Avenue, is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Masks are required while entering, exiting or walking around the library. Masks may be removed while seated. Social distancing of 6 feet between individuals. Hand sanitizer is available upon entering the building and at the front desk. Call the library at 870-367-8583. Fax, copying and printing services are available. Public WiFi is available inside and from the parking lot. The password is books2015.

**Information and referral outreach office now open**

Southeast Arkansas Delta Solutions Community Development Organization announces the opening of its Information and Referral Outreach Office, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The office will be open Tuesdays only. Services will include but are not limited to, COVID-19 relief information, pharmacy assistance referrals for free and reduced prescription medications, help with disability applications and other health and human services needs.

Delta Solutions is a non-profit organization, serving residents in Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Desha and Drew counties. It's primary focus is Education, Housing, Health and Wellness, Economic Development, Community Development, Housing, Food Insecurity, and Financial Literacy.

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

**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 71675.

**VFW Auxiliary**

Anyone interested in joining the VFW Auxiliary is asked to contact Wanda or Melvin Veasey, VFW Commander, at [mlvinj.veasey@](mailto:mlvinj.veasey@)

**AEA DISTRIBUTES BOOKS TO DCE**



Photo courtesy of Trudy Jackson, DCE Principal

For the past two years, the AEA (Arkansas Education Association) has been traveling the state and providing books to school district libraries and students. This past week, the AEA Reading Fairy Godmother (AEA President Carol Fleming) traveled to Drew Central Elementary and gave books to all of the first grade students. She also read a wonderful book to each of the first grade classes. In addition, the school librarian was given seven books to add to the school library collection. Those books included Creepy Crayon, Creepy Carrots, Henry's Freedom Box, School's First Day of School, and others. Mrs. Fleming stated, "It is such a joy to share the 'Gift of Reading' with Arkansas' public school students." Drew Central Elementary School was very excited to receive free books for students to take home to read and keep!

**Senior Center lunch menu: Oct. 19-26**

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

**Thursday:** Goulash, garlic bread, sweet corn, cookie bar

**Friday:** Pulled pork BBQ, coleslaw, baked beans, cake

**Monday:** Vegetable beef soup, cornbread, cookie bar

**Tuesday:** Turkey w/ gravy, herb stuffing, green

beans, banana cake

**Wednesday:** Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, w/ gravy, lima beans, apple cobbler, 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.**

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## Summit Utilities Arkansas announces important changes coming to customer accounts

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

Summit Utilities customers can expect changes coming November 1. Summit closed its acquisition of CenterPoint Energy's distribution assets in Arkansas, Oklahoma and the Texarkana, Texas area in January 2022. Since that time, CenterPoint has been providing certain services to customers on Summit's behalf while the companies worked together to securely transition all customer data and services to Summit. Summit will be providing all billing and customer services from the Summit platforms beginning Tuesday, November 1, 2022.

Summit is still made up of the same local people, dedicated to safety, community, and reliable energy, but the CenterPoint platforms customers have been using will be changing to new Summit platforms as part of this transition.

These changes include:

- New Summit customer account number (Customers will be able to use their CenterPoint credentials to log into Summit's new customer portal. The first time a customer logs in, they will be prompted to reset their password.)
- New bill design
- New customer account management web portal
- New customer service call center based in Arkansas

Customer account numbers will change beginning November 1. When this transition happens, Summit will have a secure webpage customers can visit to help them look

up their new account number, and Summit's customer service call center will be available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. central time, Monday through Friday.

Because of this transition in billing systems from CenterPoint's platform to Summit's platform, there will be a "blackout" period when customers will not be able to make payments through either the CenterPoint Energy or Summit customer portals beginning at 6 p.m. October 27 until 8 a.m. November 1. Summit apologizes for the inconvenience and will not be charging any late fees during this time.

During the "blackout" period, emergency calls will go to Summit's dispatch beginning at 6 p.m. central time on October 27th.

Summit understands changes like this can be challenging, which is why Summit is working diligently to keep customers informed about this transition through emails, bill inserts, Facebook and the website.

Summit's customer service numbers will remain the same: Arkansas and Texarkana: 800-992-7552.

During this transition, customers may experience longer wait times when calling customer service due to a potential for higher call volumes. Summit appreciates everyone's patience as they continue to work on the transition process.

A full list of frequently asked questions and answers regarding upcoming changes can be found on Summit's website.

## Breast Cancer Awareness Month

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) BreastCare program coordinates efforts with a statewide network of providers offering no-cost breast and cervical cancer screenings and follow-up services.

Nearly 400 women die due to breast cancer and over 2400 women are diagnosed with breast cancer each year in Arkansas. According to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, one in eight women will develop breast cancer. Breast cancer is the most common cancer for women in Arkansas and the second leading cause of cancer death for women both in Arkansas and in the United States. The state currently ranks as the 37th lowest for mammography and 16th lowest for pap tests. While the breast and cervical cancer screening rates among women in Arkansas have improved over the years, we still have a long way to go in improving the screening rates. Cancers diagnosed at late stages (III or IV) are generally associated with poor outcomes and higher treatment

costs. Women who are diagnosed at earlier stages have a greater chance of survival. Breast and cervical screening services are imperative for early detection and better treatment outcomes.

The Breast Cancer Act of 1997 was signed March 11, 1997 by the Arkansas General Assembly, which led to the development of the ADH's BreastCare program. Women ages 21-64 can be screened for cervical cancer, and women ages 40-64 can be screened for breast cancer regardless of ethnicity or nationality. Since its inception, the BreastCare Program has enrolled over 128,000 women for breast and cervical cancer screening and diagnostic services. Additionally, the program provides educational information to communities about the importance of regular breast exams as well as the risks associated with breast cancer.

For more information about BreastCare, call 1-833-693-2942 or visit [www.ARBreastCare.com](http://www.ARBreastCare.com) to see if you are eligible and to find a provider. Chances are there is a BreastCare provider near you.

## Ferguson selected as Ambassador for UALR Donaghey College of STEM

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

Daniel Ferguson of Monticello, is part of a select group of UA Little Rock students who are serving as ambassadors for the Donaghey College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM).

Student ambassadors are high-achieving student leaders who serve as mentors, tutors, and peer support for STEM majors at UA Little Rock. Those selected for the CSTEM Ambassador Program serve as mentors to freshmen in the CSTEM Scholars Program, provide homework help and referrals in the Learning Commons, work in the

student computer lab, and promote the college through outreach and campus events.

"Our new group of amazing student ambassadors are working hard to support their fellow STEM students," said Erin Flowers, director of student services for the Donaghey College of STEM. "We have a great group of ambassadors this year who are true student leaders in the college."

With about 9,000 students and 100 programs, UA Little Rock offers learning, research, service, social and career opportunities that can only be found at a metropolitan university located in Arkansas's capital city.

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yahoo.com or 870-723-4993. Any relative of a veteran who served overseas in a foreign war is eligible for membership. Any past members who are still interested in the Auxiliary are also asked to contact Wanda or Melvin if they are still interested in being a member.

**Drew Co. Democratic Party**

meeting

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

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## Answering Arkansans

I hear from Arkansans every day about issues impacting their lives. During meetings around the state and in the nation's capital, as well as through phone calls, emails and letters to my offices, the people of Arkansas voice their opinions and questions about federal policy to my staff and me regularly. This engagement is necessary to best represent The Natural State and advance the priorities we share. Recent outreach we've received represents just some of the issues on your minds.

"Due to the recent inflation of not only everything, but more specifically gas prices, I have struggled to make car payments and still afford to put gas in the tank and use my car. Please help the people of Arkansas and the rest of the United States to overcome these issues and resolve them in Congress."



JOHN BOOZMAN  
U.S. SENATE REPORT

This is one of the top concerns I hear about. Too often we have to make difficult decisions around our budget as a result of rising costs. In recent days, we learned inflation increased this September by 8.2 percent compared to last year. In Arkansas, that amounts to each household paying an additional \$569.

We can't continue to spend our way out of inflation. Unfortunately, this is the approach of the Biden administration. Within months of taking office, President Biden approved \$7 trillion in new federal spending. This legislation had no input from Republicans and flooded our recovering economy with trillions of dollars. Now we're all experiencing the consequences of this reckless spending spree.

One of the reasons we're paying more for fuel is because our country relies on other nations to supply our energy needs. We need to change our policies and tap our vast domestic energy sources. That's why I've called on the Biden administration to restore American energy independence. We need to open up our nation's oil and gas deposits and speed up the permitting approval process.

I'm also supporting the American Energy Independence from Russia Act that would authorize the construction of Keystone XL, increase liquefied natural gas exports by removing regulatory hurdles, prohibit bans or pauses on new energy leases and spur other action to support U.S. energy production.

"Students need school lunches. If it takes menu changes to get the nutrition quality better so kids look forward to school a bit more, so be it!"

Like all other sectors of our economy, school lunch programs have been impacted by inflation as well as supply chain disruptions and staffing shortages. As the Ranking Member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, I engaged with Arkansans involved with student nutrition during the school year, as well as during summer, to ensure young people have access to healthy meals. The information these professionals shared was important in ensuring these programs can adapt and continue.

In June, the president signed into law the Keep Kids Fed Act, legislation I introduced to deliver important funding and flexibility for communities to serve schools and daycares and provide students in the highest need of nutritious meals the ability to access this food.

"Suicide impacts far too many families in Arkansas. Suicide prevention needs to be a national priority at all levels of government. You need to do all you can to save lives and bring hope to those affected by suicide."

Investments in mental health care are more important than ever. With my support, Congress passed the bipartisan National Suicide Hotline Designation Act in 2020 to establish a quick and convenient way to get individuals the help they need. This new 988 Suicide Crisis Lifeline number launched in July to connect callers to trained counselors for free and confidential care. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in the first full month in operation, the crisis lifeline experienced a 45 percent increase in calls from the previous year.

As a senior member of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee, I've worked to improve the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) policies to address the suicide crisis among the men and women who served in uniform.

Congress also approved the IMPROVE Well-being for Veterans Act, legislation I introduced to create a VA grant program to leverage the positive

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## Pay attention, voting begins soon

I went to the local political debates at UAM Tuesday night. Obviously, I was there for work but I was also glad to have the opportunity to attend because I fancy myself as an informed voter and I would be a gigantic hypocrite if I didn't at least listen to what all the candidates had to say.

I won't lie, walking into to the room, my mind was pretty much made up about who I will be voting for in the Mayoral and Sheriff race in the coming weeks. I've met the candidates, I've heard them address the public and I've asked my questions in private to each one.



ASHLEY HOGG  
EDITOR

Being a good judge of character can be just as much of a curse as it is a blessing. More times than not, I am able to "size up" any given person within the first few minutes of my encounter with them. This is a trait I have possessed as long as I can remember.

I was told often in my adolescence that I judged people too quickly or harshly. That's where the curse part comes in. I often watched people I cared about be taken advantage of by someone

that I knew was rotten and they gave a chance to.

Not that there is anything wrong with that. The world wouldn't survive if everyone was a cynic like me. We need the sunshine and silver lining people in the world like Superman. They give us balance.

I have been wrong before but more times than not, I trust my gut, it doesn't fail me.

I was disappointed that only one of the Mayoral candidates was able to make it to the debate. One candidate cited Covid-19 as his reason for absence and the other cited "not feeling well" as his reason for absence. I've never run for office before, but it seems like if I was garnering votes from my city, I'd make every effort to show up to a debate organized by our University.

Chief Akers did a nice job of taking up an entire hour allotted for a three candidate debate by himself. Students from UAM and the crowd were given opportunities to ask questions that were relevant to issues that were important to them.

Akers was able to intellectually answer any question that came his way and if he was not sure about a particular topic, he was honest and said he would look into it. As a voter, I appreciate a person who can speak to a crowd and be confident without giving off the air of being egotistical.

Thankfully, all three candidates for Drew County Sheriff were present last night.

Mark Gober, Tim Nichols and James Slaughter took turns answering questions asked by moderator, Dr. Carol Strong.

Each of the gentlemen have many years of law enforcement experience, just in slightly different capacities.

Slaughter is currently employed as a Drug Task Force Agent and he feels that stopping drugs in Drew County will reduce crime immensely. This is an idea I can get behind.

Nichols has a calm demeanor and has a way of making me feel at ease about certain situations. I believe he can remain level headed in a hostile situation and I think that would be a great quality for a Sheriff.

Gober has experience in leading Drew County and has a very hands on approach. To be a good leader, you must be willing to trudge through the trenches with your department. I think Gober is willing to stand with his deputies at any given time.

Please make sure you take time to vote. Drew County needs strong leaders who can help move us forward.



## Budget reviews beginning soon

Our state budget has a direct impact on everything from classrooms to health care. The importance of the budget is why the General Assembly begins reviewing budget needs weeks before the legislative session begins.

Budget hearings began this week and will continue through November 10.

During the hearings, the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) sits with the Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC) as voting participants in the hearings, creating the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget Committee (ALC/JBC).

Over the course of the budget hearings, the committee will hear budget requests for all state boards, commissions, and agencies.

This week the committee heard requests from licensing boards and commissions. Next week, the committee will begin hearing requests from state agencies.

Historically, the two largest categories of funding are education and human services.

The Department of Finance and Administration will present an annual forecast and the Governor's recommendations for a balanced budget on November 10 at 9 a.m.

The most recent general revenue report released showed net available general revenue at 7.3 percent above levels from one year ago. After the first three months into the fiscal year, net available revenue is above forecast by \$174.8 million or 10.4 percent.

All of the information gathered during these hearings will help in drafting appropriation bills.

Members can begin pre-filing bills on November 15. The Arkansas General Assembly will convene for the 2023 Regular Session on Monday, January 9.

You can watch find the daily agendas and watch the meetings live at [www.arkansas-house.org](http://www.arkansas-house.org).

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## Biden's proposed marijuana policy

Today I would like to talk about the recently proposed policies on marijuana from the Biden administration, and why the administration's proposal is not the best approach for Arkansas and our nation.

Last week President Biden announced his new policy on marijuana which included granting pardons to all individuals convicted of federal offenses for simple possession of marijuana.

In his proposed policy, he also urges governors to follow the policy at the state level where it is applicable.

The President's third proposal would create the rescheduling of marijuana under the Controlled Substances Act.

During my time as Governor, I

have often used the clemency powers granted to me under the Arkansas Constitution to grant pardons to those with drug offenses. In fact, I have pardoned hundreds of Arkansans who have been convicted of drug offenses. When choosing to grant a pardon, I will closely examine an applicant's behavior after their sentence. In this time of rising crime, there should be a clear record of law-abiding conduct before pardons are issued.

I do not support issuing blanket pardons to those who have been convicted of these types of crimes. I firmly believe in second chances, and in each of these cases we must use compassion.

Each case should be looked at individually to determine who is deserving of a pardon.

The President's request to potentially reschedule marijuana is also misguided. In his statement, President Biden says, "Federal law currently classifies marijuana in Schedule I of

the Controlled Substances Act, the classification meant for the most dangerous substances." This characterization is incorrect.

According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, Schedule I drugs are defined as "drugs with no currently accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse." While medical marijuana may be legal in many states across the nation, the medical community has not come to a consensus on the benefits.

Schedule I does not mean that the drugs in Schedule I are the most dangerous. For example, Schedule II drugs are those with a "high potential for abuse, with use potentially leading to severe psychological or physical dependence." This includes drugs like fentanyl, Adderall, and morphine. These drugs are considered dangerous but have a legitimate medical use.

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## Important issues on November ballot

When Arkansas voters go to the polls on November 8 they will determine the fate of four proposed amendments to the state Constitution.

Three of the measures were referred to the ballot by the legislature. Issue One would grant the legislature the power to call itself into session. Issue Two would require a 60 percent majority for approval of future amendments and initiatives. Issue Three would prohibit state and local

governments from burdening a person's practice of religion, unless there is a compelling reason.

Issue Four was proposed by an interest group, to legalize the possession, sale and cultivation of marijuana for recreational purposes.

Issue One would change current language in the state Constitution that empowers only the governor to call a special session of the legislature. If approved by voters, Issue One would authorize legislators to call themselves into special session.

It could be done either by joint proclamation of the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or by a proclamation signed by

at least two-thirds of the membership of both the House and the Senate.

Issue One would not affect the current power of the governor to call special sessions.

Issue Two would require 60 percent majorities for approval of proposed amendments and initiated acts, rather than the current requirement that a simple majority is sufficient. It would affect proposed amendments referred by the legislature, as well as proposals by citizens' groups.

Supporters of Issue Two say that under the current system, it has become too easy for special interest groups

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### New poultry science researcher plans to pursue foodborne pathogen control

By: **JESSICA WESSON**  
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Tomi Obe, new assistant professor with the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science and department of poultry science, is eager to find ways to identify and control foodborne pathogens in the poultry industry.

"I was introduced to poultry processing and food microbiology," Obe said. "This attracted me to want to investigate Salmonella in poultry, and I have since dedicated my research to investigating Salmonella in poultry during live production and processing."

Obe conducts research for the Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station, the research arm of the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture. She received her bachelor's, master's and Ph.D. degrees in poultry science — all from Mississippi State University.

While at Mississippi State University, Obe said she became interested in improving food safety in poultry and poultry products. Her current research focuses on understanding Salmonella and Campylobacter persistence in poultry production and processing

environments.

Salmonella is a leading cause of bacterial foodborne illness in the United States. According to Obe, 1 in 6 human cases is linked to poultry.

"Salmonella is very diverse with over 2,500 serotypes that are unique, and it has been a challenge for the industry to effectively prevent contamination of poultry products," Obe said.

Serotypes are distinct types of Salmonella within subspecies of Salmonella species, and some forms of control may not work for all serotypes, she said.

Obe said she plans to build on her past research on Salmonella. At Mississippi State University, she tested how the bacteria adapted to stressors in poultry processing.

"I evaluated ways that Salmonella adapts to poultry processing-related stresses to acquire tolerance, persistence in processing environments and biofilm formation on food contact surfaces," Obe said.

Biofilms are structures formed by microorganisms like Salmonella, she said, often as an adaptation to survive in less

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## Should you consolidate retirement accounts?

One of the rewards for working over several decades is the ability to contribute to tax-advantaged retirement accounts, which can help provide needed income for you when you do retire. As the years went by, you may well have accumulated several retirement accounts, such as IRAs and 401(k)s or similar employer-sponsored plans. But you might find it advantageous to consolidate these accounts with a single provider. Consolidating them can provide you with several potential benefits, including these:

- **Less confusion and clutter** – If you have multiple accounts in different locations, it may be difficult to keep track of tax documents, statements, fees, disclosures and other important information. Consolidating accounts could help provide clear, simplified account maintenance.

- **Less likelihood of "lost accounts"** – It may be hard to believe, but many people abandon their retirement accounts, leaving thousands of dollars behind and unclaimed. In fact, at the end of 2021, there were nearly 25 million forgotten 401(k) accounts, worth about 20% of all 401(k) assets, according to an estimate by Capitalize, a financial services company that helps individuals roll over retirement plan assets into new accounts. It's possible that employers can even move small, old accounts out of their 401(k) plans and into an IRA on behalf of their former employees, thus increas-

ing the chances that savers will lose track of their money. By consolidating your retirement plans with one provider, you can ensure you don't lose track of your hard-earned money.

- **Ability to follow a unified strategy** – With multiple retirement accounts, and different investment portfolios, you might find it difficult to maintain a unified financial strategy that's appropriate for your goals and risk tolerance. But once you've consolidated accounts with a single provider, you'll find it easier to manage your investment mix and to rebalance your portfolio as needed. The need to rebalance may become more important as you near retirement because you may want to shift some of your assets into investments that aren't as susceptible to swings in the financial markets.

- **Possible improvement in investment options** – Often, 401(k)s may have limited investment selection, so consolidating accounts with a full-service firm may allow for a wider array of products and strategies. This broader exposure can potentially help you improve your overall retirement income strategies.

- **Greater ease in calculating RMDs** – Once you turn 72, you will need to start taking withdrawals — called required minimum distributions, or RMDs — from your traditional IRA and your 401(k) or similar plan. If you don't take out at least the minimal amount, which

is based on your age and account balance, you could face a penalty. If you have several accounts, with different providers, it could be cumbersome and difficult to calculate your RMDs — it will be much easier with all accounts under one roof.

So, if you do have multiple retirement accounts, give some thought to consolidating them. The consolidation process is not difficult, and the end result may save you time and hassles, while also helping you manage your retirement income more effectively.

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outcomes nonprofit organizations have produced and build on their successes. The VA recently awarded its inaugural funding to support this effort.

Answering these questions and more is part of my role representing our state. As long as I have that privilege, Arkansans can continue to offer their thoughts and requests with the expectation that my staff and I are always ready to listen.

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When it comes to the proper schedule for marijuana, we need to follow the science and previous administrations that kept

marijuana in Schedule I.

Most importantly, we have to make sure we don't move to decriminalization of drugs that are harming Americans. The fact that a drug is unlawful discourages usage.

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to change the Constitution, by spending large sums of money to pay canvassers to collect signatures and for television commercials.

Opponents say Issue Two would curtail the power of the people to govern themselves, and that the current system has rigorous standards to make sure that signature gathering is done honestly and openly.

Arkansas is one of 15 states that allow citizens to propose constitutional amendments and

changes in state laws. Florida requires a 60 percent majority; Colorado requires 55 percent. Nevada requires a simple majority, but in two separate elections. Some states require supermajorities for approval of gambling or new taxes. Two states require only a simple majority, but voter turnout must exceed a certain threshold.

Issue Three would create a legal claim by which someone could file a lawsuit seeking relief from a government action that imposes on their religious beliefs.

Issue Four would allow adults to possess up to one ounce of marijuana. The eight culti-

vation facilities that are now allowed to grow medical marijuana would be granted the authority to grow it and sell it for non-medical purposes.

An additional 12 cultivation licenses would be issued.

Issue Four would grant a license to sell non-medical marijuana to the existing 40 dispensaries that are now licensed to sell medical marijuana, at their current location. Existing dispensaries also would automatically receive a second license to sell non-medical marijuana at a location at least five miles away from any current dispensary.

Using a lottery system, an additional 40 licenses would be

issued to new dispensaries.

In other words, Issue Four would allow a maximum of 20 licenses to grow non-medical marijuana at regulated cultivation facilities, and a maximum of 120 retail dispensaries of non-medical marijuana.

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**UNION BANK SALINE RIVER SHOOTOUT THIS FRIDAY**



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Friday, Oct. 21, at Hyatt Field in Monticello, the annual Union Bank Saline River Shootout between the Warren Lumberjacks and the Monticello Billies will take place. This football game is one of the longest running in the state and the game will be celebrated with the state's largest known rivalry trophy, which will be displayed at the winning school for the duration of the year. Union Bank invites everyone to join the fun beginning at 7 p.m. Friday night. The Monticello Billies are 4-3 and the Warren Lumberjacks are 6-1 for the season.

**TRAVEL**

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visited are the Palace of Versailles, Eiffel Tower, Windsor Castle, London Eye, the equator, The Vatican, The Louvre, Neuwachstein Castle, top of Swiss Alps, World War II Memorial Beaches of Normandy, The Parthenon, and the Roman Coliseum," Arrington said.

The motto of the club, selected by the students is "Better to see something once than to hear about it a thousand times."

"A lot of firsts happen on these trips," Arrington added. "First plane ride, first swim in the ocean, first trip abroad, sleeper train, subway/metro, staying in a hotel, cogwheel train up the Swiss Alps, ride in a ferry across English Channel, ride in a funicular on the Isle of Capri, and took a cruise ship around Greek Islands. A few of the many famous cities we have seen Venice, Paris, London, Canterbury, Beijing, Munich, Lucerne, Barcelona, Madrid, Rome, Pompeii, Athens, Amsterdam, Edinburgh."

Trips of this size must be planned in advance. In 2023, students participating in the travel club will explore Rome, Sorrento, Pompeii, and the Isle of Capri. In 2024, two tours will be lead, one to Ireland and the other to Japan.

"I believe outside of exploring multicultural hubs, students are also widening their worldviews, making lifelong friends, and finding new interests that stick with them for life," Arrington added. "Also, I believe traveling gives them the chance to experience something beyond their

"normal." They can push their own boundaries, try something new, and become a part of a different culture. I believe students will gain necessary skills to navigate and make an impact in an ever-evolving world."

"Being able to experience places and people personally, is immeasurable," Scott Lane, grandparent who traveled with his granddaughter. "Being able to do that with another generation, was irreplaceable."

Parents/guardians may contact Eva Arrington if interested at 870-224-6545.

**Operation Christmas Child drop-off sites to open November 14**

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More than 4,500 locations will open to collect Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts for the Samaritan's Purse project. Volunteers are preparing to collect shoebox gifts during National Collection Week, Nov. 14 - 21.

Operation Christmas Child has been collecting and delivering shoebox gifts—filled with school supplies, hygiene items and fun toys—to children worldwide since 1993. Anyone can pack a shoebox! In 2022, Operation Christmas Child hopes to collect enough shoeboxes to reach another 11 million children. Items may be dropped off at Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church beginning Nov. 14.

Individuals, families, and groups still have time to transform empty shoeboxes into fun gifts. The project partners with local churches across the globe to deliver these tangible expressions of God's love to children in need. Find a step-by-step guide on the How to Pack a Shoebox webpage.

"Now more than ever, children around the world need to know that God loves them and there

is hope," said Franklin Graham, president of Samaritan's Purse. "A simple shoebox gift opens the door to share about the true hope that can only be found in Jesus Christ."

Participants can find the nearest drop-off location and hours of operation as they make plans to drop off their shoebox gifts. The online lookup tool is searchable by City or ZIP code. Signs at each location will identify the drop-off.

For drop-off locations serving

your community, visit our drop-off locator.

Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, seeks to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world and, together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 198 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 170 countries and territories.

This year, Operation Christmas Child will collect its 200-millionth shoebox!

**Entergy Arkansas encourages customers to stay safe with maintenance tips**

SPECIAL TO THE ADVANCE

As the leaves turn and cooler weather approaches, experts agree now is the best time to perform improvements and check areas around your home that may need maintenance. Entergy Arkansas encourages customers to stay safe and consider following some safety tips when working inside and outside their home.

Starting with interior safety, it's important to have a professional inspect and clean your furnace and fireplace to ensure both are within good standards. Fallen leaves, animal nests and other debris can cause the smoke from your fireplace to vent into your home rather than outside your home, which could cause a fire.

Your HVAC unit will work more efficiently when it's well-maintained, so replace dirty air filters inside and remove debris from the unit outside.

As Daylight Saving Time comes to an end Nov. 6, now is a great time to check the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors. All homes should contain a carbon monoxide detector to help identify the colorless and

odorless gas that can cause serious illness or death.

Getting in the seasonal spirit may mean lighting a few scented candles but remember to never leave a burning candle unattended. A small sputter or an errant flame can cause a fire in an instant.

If you are using a space heater to stay warm, be sure to only use it when you are at home to monitor its activity. Space heaters consume more energy than other heating systems and are a fire hazard, so keep them at least three feet away from rugs, furniture and anything flammable.

When performing maintenance activities that require a ladder inside or out, be sure to wear proper footwear, position the ladder on a flat surface, and have someone nearby to spot you.

Keep in mind when cleaning up fallen leaves and broken limbs brought down by brisk autumn breezes to stay away from power lines, and always consult with a professional for trimming trees. If trimmings fall onto power lines, assume downed wires are energized and report them to 1-800-ENTERGY.

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### Paul R. Daniels

Paul R. Daniels, 76, of Scottsdale, Ariz. passed away on October 13, 2022 with his family by his side. He called Mountain View, and Scottsdale home. Paul was born in his great grandparents dogtrot house, December 13, 1945 in rural Drew County, to John and Vivian Daniels. He was the youngest of three boys, The Late Honorable Charles Daniels was Paul's oldest brother and was an attorney and the Chief Supreme Court Justice of New Mexico. The late Martin Daniels lived most of his life in the oil fields of West Texas, had an engineering degree from The University of Arkansas, and lived a life of solitude. Paul graduated high school from Sandia High in Albuquerque, N.M. He met Teresa through his mother, Vivian, in Albuquerque and they found their way back to South Arkansas to his great grandparents' farm and was the third generation owners of the old home place. Paul and Teresa created their family on that old place with three daughters, Amy, Paula, and Carrie. It was very important to Paul to carry on the legacies of Lem and Mellicie Baker, and John and Vivian Daniels. The land was to be



DANIELS

nurtured and worked to provide sustainable food sources and regenerate nature in the most humble way for the family. He attended the "School of Lem Baker" and educated himself by living life with dogged determination, hard work, and the willingness to learn every single day. Paul, Teresa, and their girls lived on the farm for over ten years until they realized the importance of living closer to town for school activities. Paul and Teresa bought three tax offices in South Arkansas. Later, sold all three and bought one tax office in Conway. Paul continued to develop his talents and skills and became licensed in securities while owning the tax office in Conway. He was approached by an Investment Representative to consider Edward Jones as a career choice. Paul accepted the opportunity and moved the family to Edmond, Okla. He soon realized he was out of his comfort zone and element, packed up Teresa, Paula, and Carrie and headed back to Monticello. Amy stayed behind to attend college. He sent in his resignation to the home office by mail. What seemed like a month later, the home office contact called him and refused his resignation. Ultimately, he moved the family to Searcy, in 1984, and Paul never looked back for twenty years. He knocked on over 10,000 doors and wore out a few pairs of shoes in a

few years to build the practice in Searcy. In 1984, there was one office. Today, there are ten offices in White County and those offices serve clients across America. He was a partner and a leader of the firm, and served folks for twenty years not only in White County but in over fifteen states. He used his experiences and knowledge to serve and lead others to their own success. He always went back to the farm lessons, "Get a bucket", to persevere through all challenges turning them in to opportunity for all, and never forgetting where he came from. Nothing was more important than his family and all of his decisions were based on protecting those he loved the most. He would always go in to battle ahead of his four gals to make sure the trail was safe enough to travel. He was quite the trailblazer. He and Teresa traveled the world, met wonderful people, and had life-changing experiences. He was an avid fisherman and fished all over the U.S. and Canada. He loved elk hunting in The Gila Mountains around Winston, New Mexico, and hunted deer and moose in Canada. Paul ran over 107 competitive races including a half Ironman in 2017, and rode his bike the entire distance of both The Katy Trail (240 miles) and The Natchez Trace (444 miles). He studied Spanish for over twenty years, traveled and immersed himself in the language

in Mexico, Nicaragua, Chili, and Guatemala over those years. He played guitar and was always up for a family singing. Paul and family were highly competitive at Spades, and to the point that some family members were banned (Amy's husband, Chane) for talking too much. Paul believed in giving back in both talent and resources. Simply, he was a philanthropist and gave to nonprofits every year for most of his adult life. It was just part of his nature and his heart. He provided educational opportunities for children in Nicaragua, raising over \$30,000 to provide a mobile library for children who would not otherwise have access to books. Currently, our family is carrying on his legacy of providing a college education and a private elementary education for two children in Nicaragua. He was a Rotarian and welcomed the first female to Rotary in Searcy. He supported his conservative values, brain cancer research, children's healthcare, international healthcare for children with cleft palates, and so many more. Paul never believed the world was just about his needs and felt such satisfaction in giving back and serving others. He learned this lesson from his incredible momma, Vivian. A few days before his passing, he informed his hospice doctor of the fact he was going to "ride this mule until its nose hits the dirt", and

folks he did exactly that! Paul is survived by his wife of 57 years, Teresa Daniels, his three daughters Amy Daniels-Carter (Chane) of Searcy, Paula Daniels of Mt. View, (Floki, Bella, Jane, and Freckles), and Carrie Dick of Scottsdale (Kevin). Paul is also survived by his grandchildren, Lindsey Mann, Andrew Mann, Patti Daniels, Mason Dick, and Bailee Dick, and great grandchildren, Kaylee Mann, Jayden Mann, Addison Mann, Bailee Mann, he loved Tucker Shockley like a great grandchild, Juhl Mann, and Ari Mann. Paul did not wish to have a formal memorial service, however a private burial for family will be held in the Spring of 2023. There his ashes and his two brothers ashes will be laid to rest in the family "water box" with their parents at Lone Sassafras Cemetery in Drew County. In lieu of flowers, donations to The Cancer Center of Excellence in Searcy or Scottsdale Hospice of the Valley would be so appreciated to honor Paul's memory. (Paid obituary)

temple. He loved to garden and farming, horses and cattle. Cecil was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Edith Mae Hines, and a sister, Louise Beatty. He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Sandra Pryor, sons, Ronnie (Jean) Pryor and Phillip (Zelda) Pryor, daughter, Kathy (Jimmy) Bishop, grandchildren, Marsha, Melissa (Joe), Stan (Jessica), Tyler (Micah) Brandi, Jessica (Trent) Courtney (Sam), and Cody, great-grandchildren, Laine (Janelle), Laken, Gage, Avery, Pressly, Deacon, Canaan, and Phoebe, a sister, Reba Dell Jackson, three nieces, Tony Keaton, Susan Kirby, Linda McKnight, three nephews, Ed die McKnight, Karl and Max Keaton, and many more family and friends. Funeral services will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, October 22, 2022, at Roller McNutt Funeral Home in Conway. Visitation will be one hour prior. Burial will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, October 22, 2022, at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery in Emerson. Online Guestbook available at [www.rollerfuneralhomes.com/conway](http://www.rollerfuneralhomes.com/conway). (Paid obituary)



PRYOR

### Cecil Louis Pryor

Cecil Louis Pryor, 91, of Conway, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family, on October 16, 2022. He was born December 19, 1930, in Emerson, to the late Brodie Elmer and Minnie Pauline Pryor. Cecil was a 32nd degree Mason, potentate in 2005 for Sahara shiners

## Monticello Women's Investment Club to celebrate 30th anniversary



Photo courtesy of Judy Lassiter

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The Monticello Women's Investment Club was first organized in July of 1992. Fourteen women who had expressed an interest in learning more about investing gathered at the local public library at that initial meeting. Most of the fourteen original partners were educators who had some affiliation with the local university. The first decisions made at the organizational meeting were to limit the number of partners to fifteen,

to meet at 5 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month, to require a monthly contribution of \$20 from each partner, and to join the National Association of Investment Clubs. One original partner's husband was an attorney and he agreed to draft our original Partnership Agreement. Another original partner was a math teacher and she agreed to set up the ledger for accounts. Remember that 1992 was before the internet and before the Better Investing software was available,

so the work was done by hand in a labor-intensive process, and everyone had to contribute the same amount, no more or no less, to make the math doable. We opened a checking account at one of our local banks and that bank acted as our broker. Club members used the library at the University of Arkansas at Monticello to research stocks using Value Line. The financial partner had to do her reports for the club on the Sunday prior to the meeting because Sunday

was the only day the stock market quotes were published in the newspaper. The club ordered instructional materials from Better Investing and the partners took turns presenting information to the club at each meeting. The partners tried to learn as much as possible about financial terms and investing in general before buying the first stock. We are a diverse group of women by profession and by age. The current president of our club is our Drew County Circuit Clerk,

one partner owns a thriving real estate business, one partner is a consulting nurse, one is a retired brigadier general from the U.S. Army Reserves who has also served as a state legislator, one is a licensed professional counselor, one is a teacher at one of our state prisons, one helps her husband in his veterinary clinic, one works in the financial aid office at the local university, one manages a family business, one partner has worked as a museum curator, and four partners are retired educators. In the thirty years that the club has been operating, five partners have died, ten partners moved out of town, and six partners have withdrawn from the club. Each departing partner has been replaced, so the club is still active with fifteen partners. There

are still two original partners who remain active in the club. The club has weathered many upswings and downturns in the market over thirty years. By adherence to guidelines suggested by Better Investing, the club has seen its portfolio grow to a value of more than \$500,000. The club now uses a no-fee broker, and the financial partner can negotiate trades on the internet at no cost to the club. Our club is proud of the work we have done to learn about investing and we feel that we have been successful investors. The value of our club portfolio continues to increase (or it has until very recently), and we are continuing to learn as we monitor past investments and make decisions for new investments.

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**Upcoming statewide election presents Issues 1-4 for voter consideration**

UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES	QUESTION	QUESTION
<p><b>Unopposed Candidates</b> Vote for All</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For</p>	<p>the matter.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR ISSUE NO. 2</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST ISSUE NO. 2</p>	<p>use dispensaries; repealing Amendment 98, § 17 and prohibiting state or local taxes on the cultivation, manufacturing, sale, use, or possession of medical marijuana; repealing Amendment 98, § 23 and prohibiting legislative amendment, alteration, 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 facilities 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; requiring adult use dispensaries to purchase cannabis only from licensed medical or adult use cultivation facilities and dispensaries; requiring issuance of Tier One adult use cultivation facility 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; requiring issuance of adult use dispensary licenses to dispensary licensees under Amendment 98 as of November 8, 2022, for dispensaries on their existing 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 cultivation 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 dispensaries; requiring ABC adoption of rules governing licensing, renewal, ownership transfers, location, and operation of cultivation facilities and adult use dispensaries licensed under this amendment, as well as other rules necessary to administer this amendment; prohibiting political subdivisions from using zoning to restrict the location of cultivation facilities and dispensaries in areas not zoned residential-use only when this amendment is adopted; allowing 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 enforcement 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 regulating cannabis; providing that cultivation facilities and adult use dispensaries are otherwise subject to the same taxation as other for-profit businesses; prohibiting excise or privilege taxes on retail sales of cannabis for adult use; providing that this amendment does not limit employer cannabis policies, limit restrictions on cannabis combustion on private property, affect existing laws regarding driving under the influence of cannabis, permit minors to buy, possess, or consume cannabis, or permit cultivation, production, distribution, or sale of cannabis not expressly authorized by law; and prohibiting legislative amendment, alteration, or repeal of this amendment without voter approval.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR ISSUE NO. 4</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST ISSUE NO. 4</p>
<p><b>QUESTION</b></p> <p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b></p> <p><b>Issue No. 1 (Popular Name)</b> 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.</p> <p><b>(Ballot Title)</b> An amendment to the Arkansas Constitution 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; 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 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 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 session 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.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR ISSUE NO. 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST ISSUE NO. 1</p>	<p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b></p> <p><b>Issue No. 3 (Popular Name)</b> A Constitutional Amendment to Create the "Arkansas Religious Freedom Amendment."</p> <p><b>(Ballot Title)</b> An amendment to the Arkansas Constitution to create the "Arkansas Religious Freedom Amendment"; and to provide that government may never burden a person's freedom of religion 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 compelling government interest.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR ISSUE NO. 3</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST ISSUE NO. 3</p>	<p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b></p> <p><b>Issue No. 4 (Popular Name)</b> 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.</p> <p><b>(Ballot Title)</b> 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 illegal under federal law; authorizing licensed adult use dispensaries to sell adult use cannabis 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 legally authorized to possess them; repealing Amendment 98, § 8(c) regarding residency requirements; 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 owning 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, possessing, 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 dispensary licensed under that amendment 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 marijuana to dispensaries, adult use dispensaries, 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 Amendment 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 cultivation facilities to sell marijuana to adult</p>
<p><b>QUESTION</b></p> <p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b></p> <p><b>Issue No. 2 (Popular Name)</b> A Constitutional Amendment to Reform Certain Measures Presented to Voters, to be Known as the "Constitutional Amendment and Ballot Initiative Reform Amendment."</p> <p><b>(Ballot Title)</b> An amendment to the Arkansas Constitution, to be known as the "Constitutional Amendment and Ballot Initiative Reform Amendment", concerning the number of votes required for approval of certain measures presented to voters; requiring that initiatives proposed under Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, and Constitutional 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 proposed Constitutional Amendment; and requiring that a measure subject to a referendum shall be repealed if the measure is rejected by a majority of the electors voting upon</p>	<p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b></p> <p><b>Issue No. 2 (Popular Name)</b> A Constitutional Amendment to Reform Certain Measures Presented to Voters, to be Known as the "Constitutional Amendment and Ballot Initiative Reform Amendment."</p> <p><b>(Ballot Title)</b> An amendment to the Arkansas Constitution, to be known as the "Constitutional Amendment and Ballot Initiative Reform Amendment", concerning the number of votes required for approval of certain measures presented to voters; requiring that initiatives proposed under Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, and Constitutional 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 proposed Constitutional Amendment; and requiring that a measure subject to a referendum shall be repealed if the measure is rejected by a majority of the electors voting upon</p>	

Sample ballot courtesy of Nancy White

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ideal conditions. Data from her previous research showed that Salmonella could persist on processing surfaces using different techniques, especially biofilm formation. Moving forward, her team will be bio-mapping Salmonella prevalence and quantity on food-contact surfaces and exploring ways to establish targeted mitigations for virulent serotypes.

The end goal, Obe said, is to improve control methods that will benefit the poultry industry in a practical way.

"Our goal is to use the information from our research to develop techniques to quickly identify virulent foodborne pathogens and establish targeted control strategies," Obe said.

"We are very excited to have Dr. Tomi Obe join our program. She has an impressive background in researching the presence of foodborne pathogens in commercial poultry in both the production and processing environments," said David Caldwell, director of the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science and poultry science department head. "We fully expect that Dr. Obe will make impactful contributions to our research, teaching, and outreach programs. She is a great addition to the faculty in our department and center."

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## Barton Junior Bears defeat Junior Pirates with late touchdown



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**JADEN JONES** scored two touchdowns on two kickoff returns against Barton on Thursday night. Jones had return touchdowns for 77-yards and 84 yards.

**By: JEFF YOUNG**  
Advance Correspondent

The Drew Central Junior Pirates played one of their best games of the season on Thursday, October 13, hosting the Barton Junior Bears at Mike Pennington Stadium.

Barton would receive the opening kickoff after winning the coin toss to begin the contest.

Barton would score on their opening drive to take an 8-0 lead after the two-point conversion.

Drew Central would cut the lead to 8-6 after Jaden Jones returned the Barton kickoff 77 yards for the Junior Pirate touchdown.

The Junior Pirate defense would force the Junior Bears to punt on their next possession.

The defense was led by Luke Chapman with two tackles for losses on the drive.

Chapman would lead the Junior Pirates on the night with at least six tackles including three tackles for loss for a total of 17 yards.

Drew Central would take over possession at the Barton 40-yard line after the downed punt.

A false start penalty would set the Junior Pirates back to the Barton 45 with Jones gain-

ing three yards on the first play of the series to the 42-yard line. JaQuan Jacobs would cover the 42 yard on the next play to give the Pirates a 12-8 lead.

Barton would score on the kickoff to retake the lead 14-12 with 49 seconds remaining in the first quarter, but Jones would take the Barton kickoff back 84 yards for his second touchdown of the game.

Jacobs added the two point conversion to extend the lead to 20-14.

Drew Central would receive the second half kickoff and would hold the ball for the entire third quarter of play, but would turn the ball over on downs with 5:15 remaining in the contest on the Barton five-yard line.

Barton would be able to keep their drive alive throughout their final possession, capping off the drive with 44 seconds remaining in the contest.

Barton would add the two-point conversion to take a 22-20 lead.

Drew Central would advance the ball on their final possession to the Barton 32-yard line before turning the ball over to end the contest.



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**JAUQUAN JACOBS** had one kick return for 23 yards, and scored a touchdown on a 42-yard run. Jacobs gained 59 total yards on the ground on six carries.



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**EASTON ASHCRAFT** (left) recorded four total tackles on the night against Barton. **JONATHON TAYLOR** (center) also recorded four tackles on the night against Barton. **MARCO AMBROSIO** and **JOHNNY SAY** converge on a Junior Bear runner on Thursday night. Drew Central's defense helped the Junior Pirates hold a lead against Barton until the final seconds of the contest until Barton took the lead with 44 seconds remaining in the contest.

## Drew Central Pirates shutout on the road to the Barton Bears 42-0

**By: JEFF YOUNG**  
Advance Correspondent

In a contest that could have playoff implications for both teams, the Drew Central Pirates traveled to Barton to face the Bears on Friday, October 24.

Coming into the contest, Barton nor Drew Central had picked

up a conference victory on the field of play, however, the Pirates were informed earlier in the week that the Lakeside Beavers had self levied a forfeit in the previous weeks contest that the Pirates lost 33-22 for playing an ineligible player that had been suspended due to being

ejected when the Beavers played Barton the previous week before the Drew Central contest.

With the forfeit, that gave the Pirates a win in conference and looked to get their playoff qualifying win on the road at Barton.

Barton would win the coin toss and elected to receive the ball to

begin the contest.

Barton's Javarion Porter would take the opening kickoff from Ja'Corrian Love at their own 20 and would return the ball seven yards to the 27.

The Bears would take 13 plays on the drive, capping off the drive with a 20-yard touchdown

pass from quarterback Connor Willis to BJ Billingsley.

Barton added the two-point conversion to take an 8-0 lead with 5:12 remaining in the first quarter.

Drew Central's first drive of the contest did not produce much offense under quarterback

Tre'Bennett Fuller, who was having to fill in at the possession due to Drew Central's starting quarterback having to sit out the contest.

The Pirates would be forced to punt the ball away in four plays,

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**GABE BUTCHER** (40) was one of the leading defensive players for the Pirates on Friday night against Barton recording at least six tackles on the night. **TRE'BENNETT FULLER** (3) got his first start at quarterback at the high school level against Barton. The freshman led the Pirates in rushing with the longest run of the night for the Pirates on a 53-yard gain. **NICK BAILEY** (9) along with **TRAMOND MILLER** (2) level the Barton Bear runner. The bears would shutout the Pirates 42-0 in the contest.

# #4 Ouachita Baptist hands Weevils fourth loss of season 41-7

By: JEFF YOUNG  
Advance Correspondent

The University of Arkansas at Monticello Boll Weevils have now lost three consecutive contests after beginning the season 3-1.

The latest loss came on the road on Saturday, October 15, as the Weevils traveled to Arkadelphia to face the #4 nationally ranked Ouachita Baptist Tigers.

UAM would win the opening coin toss and would defer to the second half with OBU taking the 63-yard kick from Zachary Grisotti at the OBU two-yard line, returning the ball 26 yards to the OBU 28 to begin the first drive of the contest.

OBU would move the ball to the UAM 45, but would have to punt the ball to the Weevils with 11:51 remaining in the first quarter.

UAM would take over at their own two-yard line.

UAM would pick up 11-yards

on the first three plays from scrimmage to pick up a first down to the UAM 13 but the drive would stall at the 27 with UAM punting the ball to the OBU nine-yard line.

Beginning the drive from the nine, OBU would advance the ball into UAM territory down to the UAM 17-yard line where Ouachita's Dax Jagers would miss a 34-yard field goal attempt with 5:18 remaining in the first quarter.

Beginning their second drive of the contest on their own 20-yard line, the Weevils would move the ball down to the OBU 36-yard line with a combination of runs by Jonero Scott and Dorian Manuel.

From the 36-yard line, Hayden Thomas would take the hand-off from Demilon Brown running to the left side of the field, breaking free to cover the 36 yards for the Weevil touchdown.

Grisotti added the extra point to give the Weevils a 7-0 lead

with 28 seconds remaining in the quarter.

Beginning their next drive on the OBU 20, Ouachita's TJ Cole would close out the quarter with a six-yard gain to the OBU 26.

Starting the second quarter at their own 26, Cole would break free for a 71-yard gain on the first play of the quarter to give OBU possession at the UAM three-yard line. Kendel Givens would reach the end zone on the next two carries and after the extra point, the Tigers had tied the contest, 7-7, with 13:45 remaining in the half.

UAM would begin the next drive from the UAM 35 after a 35-yard return by Greg Hooks.

The Weevils would move the ball down to the OBU 18 in eight plays, but Grisotti's field goal attempt was not successful with OBU taking possession at their own 20-yard line.

OBU would advance the ball down to the UAM 17 in four plays, however, a personal foul

penalty against OBU would move the ball back to the UAM 32.

OBU's Givens would gain 31 yards on the next play down to the one-yard line with Cole taking the ball in for the score two plays later.

Jagers added the extra point to give OBU a 14-7 lead with 6:56 remaining in the half.

OBU would force UAM to punt in four plays on their next series, with Grisotti punting the ball 31 yards to the OBU 45.

OBU would gain 10 yards on the first play of the series, but a block below the waist against the Tigers would negate the play and bring the ball back to the OBU 30.

UAM would be called on a pass interference call on the next OBU play to give the Tigers a first down at the OBU 45.

OBU would move the ball into UAM territory and with 22 seconds remaining in the half, OBU would extend the lead to 21-0.

The score would hold through the remainder of the half.

UAM would begin their first drive of the second at the UAM 25 after a touchback.

The Weevils would move the ball down to the OBU 46-yard line, turning the ball over on downs.

OBU would score on their first drive of the contest to extend the lead to 28-7, and would add a second score in the quarter to go up 34-7 after an unsuccessful extra point attempt.

OBU would add one more score in the contest at the beginning of the fourth quarter to set up the final score of 41-7.

With the win Ouachita Baptist remains at the top of the Great American Conference and improved their national ranking to #3.

With the loss, UAM falls to 3-4 on the season and are currently on a three-game losing streak.

Demilon Brown posted his lowest stats of the season, going

5 for 10 passing with 39 yards and gaining 72 yards on the ground on 11 carries.

Jonero Scott led the Weevils in rushing with 83 yards on 18 carries.

Hayden Thomas added 59 yards on 11 carries with a touchdown.

UAM will return to Convoy-Leslie Cotton Bowl Stadium on Saturday, October 22, to face their second consecutive nationally ranked team with #23 Harding.

Harding comes into the contest after a loss on home against the Henderson State Reddies after giving up a touchdown and field goal in the fourth quarter to fall 15-14.

Last season Harding defeated UAM 64-7 and have currently defeated the Weevils in 10 consecutive contests dating back to October 30, 2010.

Harding leads the series 32-24 dating back to October 22, 1960. Kickoff is set for 2 pm.



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ZACHARY GRISOTTI (93) was responsible for all the kicking duties Saturday at Ouachita Baptist. Grisotti had three punts for 116 yards, two kickoffs for 128 yards, and a made extra point attempt. CALEB JACOBS (82) led the Weevils in receiving yards against OBU. Jacobs had two receptions for 20 yards. KAYTRON ALLEN (23) led the Weevils with 12 tackles against OBU. Allen has recorded 60 tackles on the season with one fumble recovery and five interceptions for 115 return yards.

## PIRATES

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but the Pirate defense would hold on Barton's next possession to force a Bear punt.

The Pirates would move the ball into Bear territory on the first carry of the drive after Kalani Collins ran down to the Barton 38 from the Pirate 43.

The drive would extend into the second quarter, but would stall with the Pirates turning the ball over on downs with 11:15 remaining in the half.

The Bears drive would stall deep into Pirate territory with Barton turning the ball over on downs at the Pirate 10-yard line with 5:01 remaining in the half.

Drew Central would gain a first down on their drive but would be forced to punt the ball away with the Bears taking over at the Pirate 41.

Barton was also forced to punt with the Porter punt being downed at the one yard line.

Brayden Millett would give Drew Central a couple of yards to breather after gaining to the three-yard line, but on the next play, the snap would get past Fuller and roll out of the back of the end zone for a safety giving Barton a 10-0 lead with 1:15 left in the half.

The Pirates would not get a quality kick on the kickoff giving Barton possession at the Pirate 30 and with 46 seconds remaining in the half, Collins connected with Billingsley for the second time in the contest on a 17-yard touchdown. After the two-point conversion, Barton led 18-0 heading into the half.

Barton would get the first turnover of the contest on the opening kickoff to begin the second half after recovering a Drew Central fumble at the Pirate 30-yard line.

Both teams would give up possession on their drives with Barton turning the ball over on downs and Drew central being forced to punt.

Barton would extend the lead on their second drive of the half on a 41-yard run by Jordan Thomas with 7:08 remaining in the third quarter.

Barton added the two-point conversion to extend the lead to 26-0.

Drew Central was forced to punt the ball away for the second time in the quarter giving Barton possession on the Pirate 39 after the Luke Phillips kick went out of bounds.

On the first play of the drive, Collins would rush to the Pirate 11 and after a gain down to the six, a penalty would move the ball back to the Pirate 21. Collins gained back the penalty yardage plus more down to the four-yard line where the Bears would punch it in on a pitch to Porter. With 4:21 remaining in the quarter, Barton extended the lead to 34-0 after the two-point conversion.

Drew Central got their biggest yardage gain of the contest on the first play of their next possession after Fuller broke free from the Pirate 32, running to the Barton 15 before being tackled from behind.

Barton would stop the drive on the next play after Billingsley intercepted Fuller's pass at the Barton five, returning it to the Barton 27.

Barton's Drive would extend into the fourth quarter where the Bears would initiate the Sportsmanship Rule after scoring on a 21-yard run by NeTaveus Johnson.

After the two-point conver-

sion, the score was 42-0 to set up the final score of the contest.

With the loss, the Pirates will now have to win on Friday, October 28, at home against Dollarway to keep their playoff hopes alive.

Barton will have three games remaining on their schedule with a road contest against Dollarway, at home against Rison, and on the road at Camden Harmony-Grove.

Barton finished the contest with 381 yards of total offense with the Barton defense holding Drew Central to a total of 88 offensive yards.

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## Building community through art

By **ASHLEY HOGG**  
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Main Street Art held its grand opening Saturday, October 15.

The art gallery and studio space, located at 112 N. Main, is a long term retirement goal of manager Stephen Coburn.

Some may recognize that name as being a Monticello native and one of the brave souls that hiked half of the Appalachian Trail earlier this year.

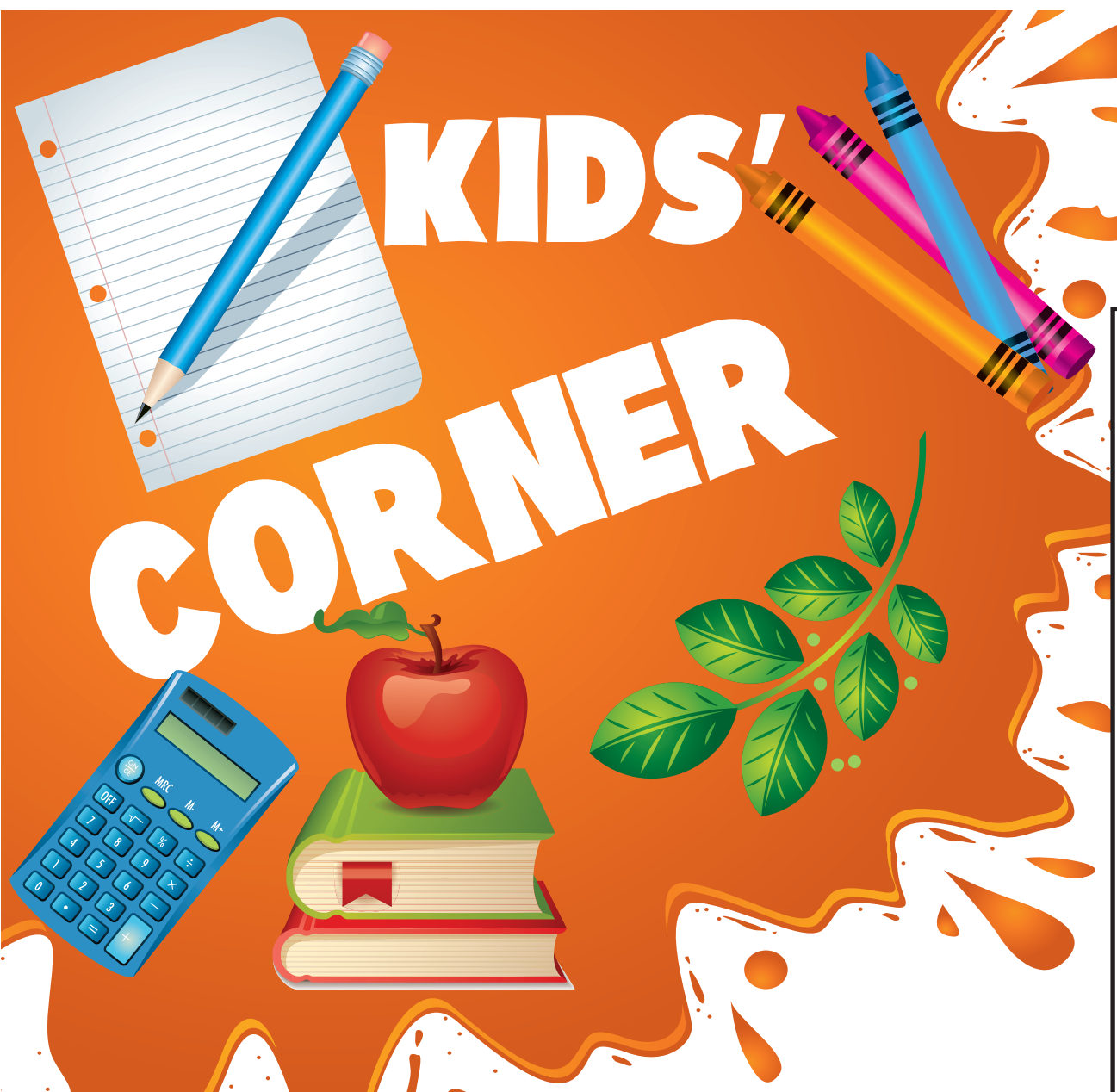
Coburn, along with other local artists, have featured pieces displayed in the gallery.

Along with the opening of Main Street Art, Coburn has started a non-profit organization called Art Education Opportunities. The plan for the group is to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior from Drew Central and Monticello High School that want to study art in college.

The gallery is open for visitors and will host painting classes in the coming months.

For more information, visit Main Street Art on Facebook or email [arteducationopportunities@gmail.com](mailto:arteducationopportunities@gmail.com)





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### Crossword Puzzle

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**ACROSS**  
1. One who purchases  
5. Pleasant to eat  
7. Olive is one type  
9. Customer selections

**DOWN**  
1. Hard part of bread  
2. Barely enough  
3. Time to eat  
4. Type of noodles  
6. Belonging to you  
8. Abbreviation for "take out"

Answers:  
Across 1. Consumer 5. Tasty 7. Oil 9. Orders  
Down 1. TO 8. TO  
1. Crust 2. Scant 3. Meal 4. Ramen 6. Your



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Page 7B Crossword

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# COUNTRY

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**BARKADA**  
**JANA WRIGHT**

There is no Barkada news this week. Jana Wright had other commitments. Her column will resume in next week's edition.

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

Beautiful fall weather has arrived and sixty-four degrees is the high today. I hope you all enjoyed this cooler weather.

Eugene Gifford visited Aunt May & Aunt Pepe on Wednesday.

Cindy Mckinstry of Little Rock came down to her homeplace on Saturday to attend the MHS Class of 1980 reunion. She had attended the Arkansas Singing Convention at Temple Missionary Baptist Church, Perryville earlier on Saturday. While in town she visited with Jimmy Cockrell, Liz Mckinstry of Banks, Greg Davi of Little Rock and Beverly & Shirley Burks of Wilmar.

Delbert & I were able to visit it and catch up on Thursday. It was so good to see you and glad y'all are doing well.

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

**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](mailto: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.

Verse of the week: "Do not be afraid of sudden panic, or of the storm that strikes the wicked; for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being caught".  
Proverbs 3:25-26  
Have a safe and blessed

week.  
**LACEY**  
**IVANELL HANDLEY**  
Hello Readers I hope everyone had a good week and

you were able to enjoy the weekend!

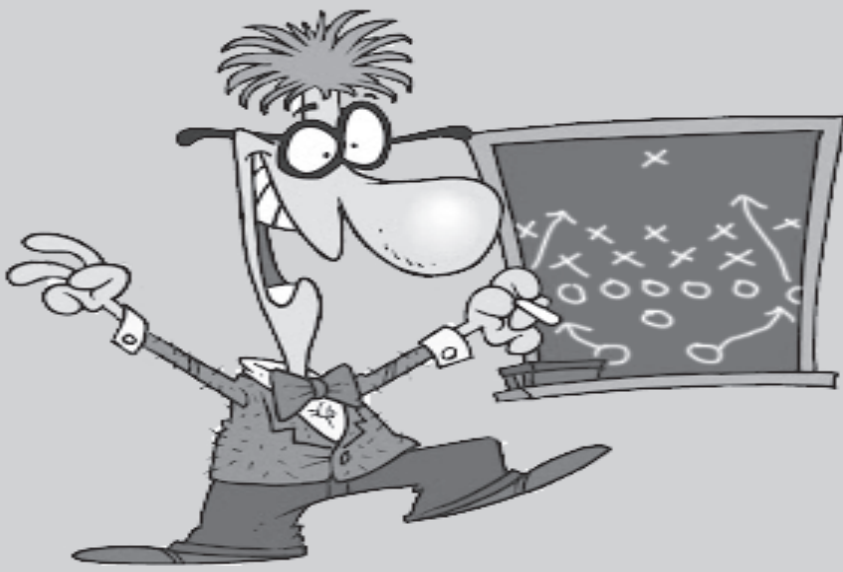
We had a wonderful Sunday service at Promise Land Baptist Church, Lacey. Sunday school was taught by Pastor Johnson, the subject was "Confidence Provides Necessary Courage"; background scripture was Judges 6:1-27. The key verse, Judges 6:23, "And the LORD said unto him, Peace be unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die". A great message was delivered by Pastor Johnson, his message was from 2 Corinthians 12:8-9 and his thought was "God's Grace is Sufficient", it was an inspiring word. Our visitors were: Evange-

list Letha Hawkins and her daughter, both of Little Rock, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Simpson, as well as our Mt. Olive church family.

Prayers for Mrs. Everlina Handley and others that are sick and shut-in. Sympathy and prayers for the families of Arlethea Jiles Davis. A family-hosted Celebration of Life will be held, Saturday October 22, 2022 at 1 p.m. at The Word Church, 205 S. Maple Street, Monticello.

Cousin Joyce Brown of California called to check on Charlie and our family; prayers for her husband Sam.

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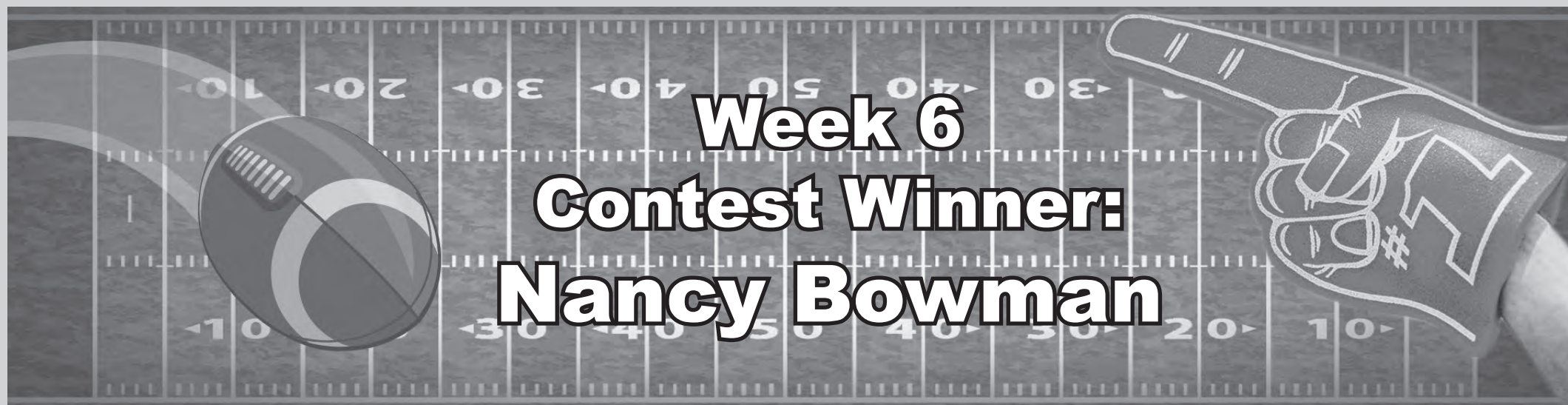
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My sister Jackie called Saturday night, we had a nice long conversation.

Belated wedding anniversary wishes to: Mr. and Mrs. Tyrone Franklin, October 16 and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Young, October 19.

Belated happy birthday wishes to: Malik Randolph, October 14.

Happy Birthday wishes to: Deverick Franklin, October 18; Callen Hardin, October 23; Joyce Franklin, October 23; Antonia Merritt, October 25; and Danielle Hall, October 25.

Thought for the week: "Every day may not be good...but there's something good in every day" (Alice Morse Earle)

## POSSUM VALLEY KAY CRAIG SPURLOCK

Welcome back, y'all! I don't know about anyone else, but

I am really liking the cooler, sometimes cold, mornings that we've been experiencing this week. Of course, some days it heats up almost to summertime levels. But that's okay. I love being able to take walks and sit out on the porch without sweating or swatting mosquitoes. Also, we really enjoy gathering around the plastic table with Addie and painting whatever her little mind comes up with. A discarded cardboard box becomes a rocket ship, paper plates become turkeys, pumpkins or owls. We're limited only by her imagination, which we've only just touched the tip of.

Rick and I were finally able to attend one of Bo's ballgames on Saturday. The South Arkansas Rally played in Monticello! We were so excited and the weather was perfect. The Rally boys played hard, but didn't come away with a win on the day.

Still no hummingbird. I still have a feeder out because there have been a few reports of migrant birds stopping by feeders

here in Arkansas. My pineapple sage and scarlet lantana are still blooming brilliantly, which I hope will be an added enticement.

Bethel enjoyed a wonderful service this week. Bro. Dillon Sowrheaver filled our pulpit this week. His message, "Getting On The Devil's Radar", from Acts 19:11-20. Next week we'll hear from Bro. Tommy King.

That evening, several members met for a little repast then packed up what we had into shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. It looks like we will meet and surpass our

goal for this year. Thank God. Practically, when we started this mission project, I looked at it from the point of how much can this little church afford? Filling the boxes and shipping them adds up quickly. Oh, ye of little faith. God has provided, via donation, enough to cover the costs of shipping 50 boxes. Now we must pray for enough to cover the balance.

I went for walks on both Saturday and Sunday mornings. Saturday I was obsessed with taking photos of the reflections of wildflowers on the pond and with getting shots of Bo playing ball. Sunday it was Wood

Ducks at the creek and the tiny critters living among the flow-ers and weeds along the ditch-es.

That's really about all I have for this week. Rick and I have both been battling colds this week so it's a wonder that I was even able to put coherent sentences together.

I didn't give you a corny joke last week and my husband noticed. "Why was the broom late for work? It over swept!"

Until next time, please, be safe, be happy, and ask yourself this question? Are you on the devil's radar? Because he only wants you if you're living

for Christ. Really living for Him. If you're simply lollygagging along, attending church one day a week.... I know. My toes were thoroughly stepped on during this week's sermon. Lots to think about. Lots to do.

See ya next week. Same bat time, Same bat place.

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# DEVOTIONAL

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## Anger management

We are by nature and necessity relational. Almost every aspect of our life involves other people. Spouse, kids, family, co-workers, interaction with the public. So it would stand to reason that many of the issues we face are relational issues. And many of those relational issues especially those that have devolved into conflict, if you were to analyze them and try to identify a cause I believe, you would find that they all began with communication.

We either didn't say enough, or we didn't understand what was said or we didn't say the truth when it should have been said. What was the result? Hurt, anger and bitterness and loss.

I have been angry at situations. I've been angry when my team lost. I've been angry at the drive thru wait. I've been upset about things beyond my control. And during all of those times my anger didn't really do anything but raise my blood pressure.

But there have also been times in my life where I have experienced broken relationship, I've caused disappointment and I've broken trust when my anger stepped outside the boundary of God's Word and His plan. We have no control of external forces. But we do have control of internal responses.

This is the transformational power of the Cross at work. You're not who you once were, you were bought with a price. And I have been crucified with Christ, it's no longer I who live but Christ who lives within me. It's no longer about reacting from and for my flesh. Because I've been crucified, that old man is dead and gone. I now am denying my flesh, taking up a cross and following after Him.

Salvation is a free gift. By His grace we

are saved and in faith we receive. But transforming our mind is work. Sanctifying our life is work. It does not happen on its own. Now that I'm saved it's no longer business as usual. We no longer react to the world around us like someone who is not saved. We now respond to the world through Jesus Christ.

We've surrendered our heart to Christ now day by day we surrender the pieces of our life. Emotions are necessary, feelings are necessary but they too have to be crucified everyday. Anger is not sinful. Anger is not something that's bad. In fact anger can stir a righteous indignation within us that can compel us to a righteous action. The New Testament book of James gives us a very clear process to Godly anger management. Quick to listen.

When we fully submit our ears to the other person, we will hear their heart, their motives, I will hear perspective. I may hear something that moves my heart or I still might not agree but I have heard. Slow to speak. Less speaking and more listening requires this...are you ready?...humility. Humility is deferring your needs to someone else. It's putting their need to be heard over your need to speak.

Here's what happens when we do what the scripture tells us to do, we give space to the Holy Spirit. And finally, slow to wrath. Anger has to be taken serious and used strategically because it's valuable. I can't waste my anger on petty offenses and sinful provocation. There will be times when I've surrendered my heart to the Holy Spirit and submitted my hearts to the other person it will be a much slower trip to anger.

*By: Timothy Parke, Lead Pastor  
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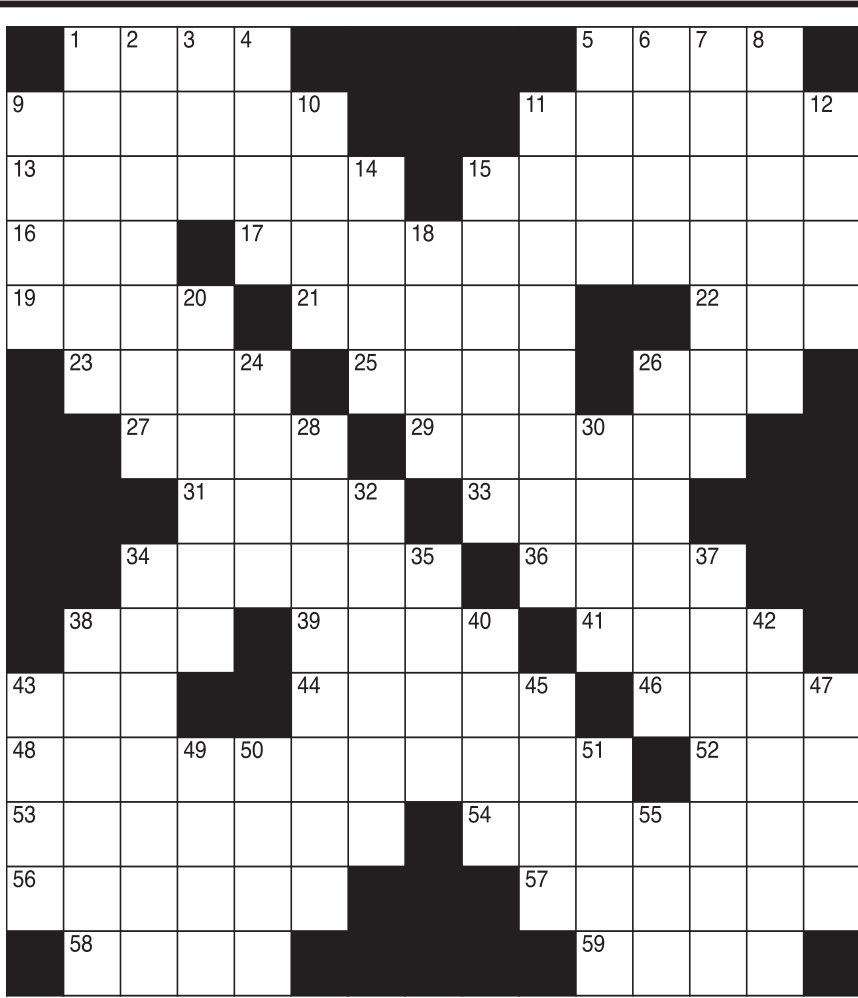
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- A way to communicate
- Historic city
- Not the same
- Hitting a horse to clear a jump
- One hurt the Titanic
- Fine dense cloth
- Architectural structure
- Where Serena works
- Stringed instrument
- Estimate
- Where sailors work
- Popular Terry Pratchett novel
- Popular slow cooked dish
- Twisted Sister's Snider
- "Office Space" actor Stephen
- Put the ball in the net
- Ancient Greek city in Thrace

- High school math subject
- Looked into
- Rhode Island rebellion
- A pea is one type
- You can put it on something
- Where golfers begin
- Make a mistake
- Semitic Sun god
- Ancient Greek City
- Beheaded
- A place to stay
- Inanely foolish
- Most unnatural
- "Dennis" is one
- Soothes
- Exam
- Leaked blood

## CLUES DOWN

- Triangular bone in lower back
- Building toy
- Pointed end of a pen
- Insect repellent
- College army
- Highly spiced stew
- Exploited
- Main course
- A bottle that contains a drug
- The most worthless part
- Everyone needs one nowadays
- Japanese wooden shoe
- Antelopes
- A way to cut
- Brooklyn hoopsters
- Gradually receded
- Ripped open

- College grads get one
- Amino acid
- Unruly gathering
- Legislative body
- Resembling pigs
- Russian assembly
- Take over for
- Put in advance
- Satisfy
- Felt
- Mild yellow Dutch cheese
- Witnesses
- Some build hills
- de Armas and Gasteyer are two
- Ancient people of Scotland
- Cheerless
- Unwell

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3			4				5
	2			6			
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Level: Intermediate

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Answers can be found on Page 2B

# This week's recipe: The perfect addition to any dessert

Vanilla wafer cookies, often called nilla cookies, are a friend to dessert cooks. These plain, delicious cookies are a key ingredient in banana pudding, and they also can be crushed and used to make pie crusts. Some people also may have seen the cookies used as the base for cheesecake cupcakes — they're just that versatile! Of course, nilla cookies also are perfect all on their own, or with chocolate spread, peanut butter or a favorite jam sandwiched between two of them. Commercially made nilla cookies may contain ingredients that do not fit into some people's diets. However "Nilla Cookies" from "Eat What You Love" (Ten Speed Press) by Danielle Walker are dairy- and grain-free.

5 1/2 tablespoons coconut flour  
1/2 teaspoon grain-free baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon fine sea salt

### Directions:

Preheat the oven to 350 F and line two baking sheets with parchment paper. In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the beater attachment, or using an electric hand-held mixer, beat the egg whites, palm shortening and vanilla on medium speed for 30 seconds, until frothy. Add the maple sugar, arrowroot, coconut flour, baking powder, and salt. Beat on medium speed for 15 seconds more, until the dough is fluffy. Using a teaspoon, scoop out the dough and roll it into small balls the size of gumballs. Space the balls 2 inches apart on the prepared baking sheets and press down gently on the tops to flatten them slightly. Bake one sheet at a time for 8 to 10 minutes, rotating the sheet halfway through the baking, until the cookies are golden brown. Transfer the cookies to a wire rack to cool completely. Store the cooled cookies in an airtight container in the refrigerator for 2 weeks or in the freezer for 6 months.

### Nilla Cookies

### Ingredients (Makes 32)

2 egg whites, chilled  
1/4 cup palm shortening  
1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract  
1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons maple sugar  
1/2 cup arrowroot powder



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