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First-year students gathered at Harris-McGee Field—masked and distanced—for the Honor Code signing ceremony that marks their official matriculation into the University of the South. Photo from the University of the South

## Community Chest Applications Available

Since 1908, the Sewanee Civic Association (SCA) has overseen the distribution of grants to nonprofit organizations across the South Cumberland Plateau. Sponsored by the SCA, the Sewanee Community Chest (SCC) is pleased to announce the beginning of the 2020–21 grant cycle. All nonprofits that benefit the community are encouraged to apply.

The 2020–21 funding application can be downloaded from

the website at <[www.sewanee-civic.org](http://www.sewanee-civic.org)>. Interested nonprofits may also request an application by emailing the SCC at <[sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com](mailto:sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com)>. The deadline for submission is Tuesday, Sept. 15.

The SCC is a nonprofit organization and relies on funding from the community in order to support charitable programs throughout the greater Sewanee area. As the 2020–21 grant cycle

begins, the SCC is also kicking off its yearly fundraising campaign.

The SCA urges everyone who benefits from life in this community, whether you live, work, or visit, to give generously. Donations are tax deductible. Contributions, payroll deductions and pledges are accepted at any time at P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375. You can also make a donation through Paypal at <[www.sewanee-civic.org](http://www.sewanee-civic.org)>.

## SUD Signs TDOT Contract

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the Aug. 18 meeting, the Sewanee Utility District (SUD) Board of Commissioners voted to sign a contract with the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) requiring SUD to assume financial liability for relocation of water and sewer lines in conjunction with narrowing Highway 41A. SUD hopes to receive financial assistance from the University to mitigate the estimated \$315,225 cost to SUD and SUD customers.

TDOT's decision to narrow the highway evolved in conjunction with the University pursuing its Sewanee Village Plan for the downtown area. Because narrowing the road is a TDOT project, impacted utilities are financially liable for the needed infrastructure changes, SUD manager Ben Beavers advised the board at the May meeting.

In hopes of receiving assistance in paying for relocating water and sewer lines, Beavers and SUD President Charlie Smith held a virtual conference recently with Frank Gladu who heads up the Sewanee Village initiative, and University Vice President for Finance Doug Williams.

"The University is willing to discuss a partnership," Beavers said. "They will probably help us out with the cost, but the details are nebulous."

Smith concurred. "I feel like there's a good faith effort on the part of the University to work out some kind of a plan to mitigate the cost to SUD."

The board also revisited the topic of Long-Term Financial Planning. At the July meeting, the board agreed to enter into an arrangement with the nonprofit Communities Unlimited to perform a three-part study for SUD. Beavers said the board was also considering seeking planning advice from an area accounting firm.

The at-large seat held by Smith will come open for election in January. Prospective candidates should contact Beavers at the SUD office. Commissioners need to be SUD customers. The board must select three nominees. Smith will seek reelection to a second four-year term.

Smith updated the board on the effort to amend language in the charter that established the utility which limits commissioners to two consecutive terms. The board wants the language changed to allow for unlimited consecutive terms. Amending the charter requires a legislative act. At Smith's behest, the office of Representative Iris Rudder agreed to introduce the request in the Tennessee legislature. Smith is seeking clarification on the status of the amendment request.

The board meets next on Sept. 15.

## Monteagle Denies Petro Plan; Pursues Correcting Zoning Error

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the Aug. 18 Monteagle Planning Commission meeting, two issues intersected, the requested approval for the Petro Travel Center at I-24 Exit 135, and inaccuracies on the zoning map approved by the Monteagle City Council in 2019.

In July, Rodney Kilgore presented a site plan for the Petro construction, which failed to meet a number of requirements. The detailed site plan presented at the Aug. 4 meeting addressed most of the issues, but the Planning Commission requested a screening fence as required by Monteagle City ordinance.

The Planning Commission expected to receive a revised site plan at the Aug. 18 meeting. The Commission asked for an 8 foot tall block and brick fence along the entire rear portion of the parking lot. No revised site plan was presented.

Representing Kilgore and

co-franchisees Tammy and Brian Graber, attorney Rusty Leonard argued the height and materials requirements were "in excess" of the zoning ordinance requirements and the \$500,000 cost was prohibitive and could "break the bank" on an \$18 million dollar project. Leonard proposed a wooden fence be erected.

Planning Commission Chair David Oliver countered, based on his research, the fence the commission requested would cost \$100,000 and the block and brick construction was needed to buffer sound. "We're trying to offer protection to the neighboring residents," Oliver insisted.

Leonard said if the commission failed to approve the proposal for a wood fence, the franchisees had "no choice but to build a wall or file a law suit." Leonard stressed the travel center not being built could cost Monteagle jobs and

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# Letters

## CHANGE TO SCA ANNUAL MEETING

### To the Editor:

In early April, the Sewanee Civic Association Board made the warranted decision to postpone our annual meeting until further notice. Typically this meeting addresses several important business items within our organization: voting on new board members and approving a new budget for the next physical year, which begins on Sept. 1. This year there are also proposed bylaw changes to adopt for the association. We were hopeful that the state of threat that the virus poses would have subsided by now, so we could have a somewhat usual meeting. That is quite the contrary, and “usual” is not the word to describe our present time.

In light of the imminent need to address the specific business items, the SCA's Board has decided to host a hybrid annual meeting. The meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 27 at the Dubose Pavilion in Monteagle. We chose this venue because it gives a large open air space, where our membership can properly socially distance and still be present in person if so desired. This will be a mask mandatory gathering. Additionally, we will be broadcasting the meeting over Zoom, so that association members that cannot attend in person can still be involved and informed. This meeting will be solely for voting on the business items at hand and to provide a quick update to our membership.

Traditionally we would also present Community Service Awards during our Annual Meeting, but since this a pilot meeting

model, we feel that those awards should be presented at a future date. Please understand that we will not be able to serve food or drinks during this meeting either.

Zoom is a wonderful tool that allows you to connect to a video meeting with a computer, tablet or smartphone. You can also dial in like a regular phone conference call. When we start the meeting, all those who are virtual attendees will automatically be put on mute. There will be times allocated for those physically attending the meeting to vote and/or make comment and there will be times when the Zoom lines are unmuted to vote and/or make comments. The meeting information is below:

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*Brandon Barry, Sewanee Civic Association President*

## MAKING GOOD TROUBLE

### To the Editor:

Let's make some good trouble. The support of the Sewanee community is needed to remove the rebel mascot from Franklin County High School. The Franklin County School Board has recently been petitioned to:

Remove the rebel mascot including all signage and symbols;  
Prohibit the song “Dixie” at all school related activities;

Eliminate the school seal which has a strong relationship with the confederate flag;

Establish a diverse task force to dialogue, create awareness and implement training and policies to promote sensitivity to discrimination in our school system.

These confederate symbols represent white domination, oppression, segregation and hate, and are offensive and racist. In addition, these symbols are in violation of FC school board policy which prohibits student discrimination. Black lives matter in Franklin County and that includes the right to an equal opportunity education without intimidation.

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*Chris Colane, Sewanee*



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## COVID-19 Assessment Sites Open

The Tennessee Department of Health has COVID-19 assessment sites available across the southeast region. A full list of sites can be accessed [www.tn.gov/health/cedep/ncov.html](http://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/ncov.html).

Currently, there is free drive-thru testing available, Monday through Friday, at the health departments in Bradley, Franklin, Grundy, McMinn, Rhea, and Sequatchie. Residents in Bledsoe, Marion, Meigs, and Polk counties may also call their local health department during regular business hours for assistance in getting tested.

Franklin County Health Department, drive-thru testing 8:30–10:30 a.m., Monday–Friday, 266 Joyce Lane, Winchester, TN 37398, (931) 967-3826.

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Marion County Health Department, 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Monday–Friday, 24 East 7th St., Jasper, TN 37347, (423) 942-2238. Call ahead.



## Letters to the Editor Policy

Letters to the editor are welcome at the Sewanee Mountain Messenger and are a vital part of our community's conversation. Letters need to be no longer than 250 words and may be edited for space and clarity. We make exceptions from time to time, but these are our general guidelines.

Letters and/or their author must have some relationship to our community. We do not accept letters on national topics from individuals who live outside our print circulation area. Please include your name, address and a daytime telephone number with your letter. You may mail it to us at Sewanee Mountain Messenger, P.O. Box 296, Sewanee, TN 37375, come by our office, 418 St. Mary's Ln., or send your email to <[news@sewaneeemessenger.com](mailto:news@sewaneeemessenger.com)>. —KB

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If you know of others in our Mountain family who are serving our country, please give their names to American Legion and Auxiliary member Louise Irwin, 598-5864.

## MESSENGER INFORMATION

Phone: 598-9949

### News and Calendar

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Wednesday  
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Thursday—Production Day  
9 a.m.–noon

Friday—Circulation Day  
Closed



## Voting Information

Tuesday, Nov. 3 is the Federal and State General Election. Early voting takes place Oct. 14–29. Voter registration deadline is Oct. 5. If you are unable to appear at your polling place on Election Day or during the Early Voting period, you may request an absentee ballot. You may request ballots to be mailed until Oct. 27.

Contact information for election offices, sample ballots and more can be found at <<https://sos.tn.gov/elections>>.

For more information, go to Franklin County <[http://franklinctn.us/election\\_commission.html](http://franklinctn.us/election_commission.html)>, phone (931) 967-1893. In Grundy County email <[grundycountyttn.net](mailto:grundycountyttn.net)>, phone (931) 692-3551. In Marion County <[www.marionvotes.com](http://www.marionvotes.com)>, phone (423) 942-2108.

Tennesseans voting on Election Day should remember to bring valid state or federal photo identification with them to the polls. For information about what types of ID are acceptable, visit <[GoVoteTN.com](http://GoVoteTN.com)> or call (877) 850-4959.

Voters can find early voting and Election Day polling locations, view sample ballots, see names of elected officials and districts, as well as access online election results on <[GoVoteTN.com](http://GoVoteTN.com)>.

## REAL ID License Information

The REAL ID Act of 2005 establishes minimum security standards for license issuance and production, and prohibits Federal agencies from accepting for certain purposes driver licenses and identification cards from states not meeting the Act's minimum standards. Beginning Oct. 1, 2021, all persons must have a REAL ID license for accessing certain Federal buildings, entering nuclear facilities, and boarding commercial flights within the United States.

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For more information on REAL ID and required documents, visit <[www.tnrealid.gov](http://www.tnrealid.gov)>.

## Girls Scout Registration Aug. 24

Troop 2107 will be registering K-5 girls for Girl Scouts this year at the Sewanee Community Center, from 3–5 p.m., Monday, Aug. 24.

Troop dues are \$12, payable in person, national dues \$26 payable online (details at the event).

For more information or if you would like to register but cannot make this event, email Lisa Rung at <[rung.lisa@gmail.com](mailto:rung.lisa@gmail.com)>.

## University Job Opportunities

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For more information call (931) 598-1381. Apply at <[jobs.sewanee.edu](http://jobs.sewanee.edu)>.

*We're glad you're reading the Messenger!*

## Upcoming Meetings

### Rotary Club Meeting

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary will meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 27, at the Monteagle Inn. The meeting will also be available to members and interested guests via Zoom transmission. Guest speaker will be Reece Thomas on the Sweetens Cove Golf Course. For the Zoom link, email Woody Deutsch <[woodybike@me.com](mailto:woodybike@me.com)>.

### Sewanee Civic Association Meeting

The Sewanee Civic Association meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 27. This will be an open air, socially distanced meeting at the DuBose Pavilion in Monteagle. Masks are required. A Zoom link is available for those who wish to attend virtually <<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87993309527>>, Meeting ID: 879 9330 9527.

### EQB Club Resumes Meetings

Members of the EQB Club will have the pleasure of a lead by Francis X. Hart, semi-retired Physics teacher, at noon, Sept. 2, via Zoom. The talk is titled "Why Has Our Weather Gotten So Weird?" Hart will discuss how global warming has affected diverse problems such as increased Midwest flooding, the Polar Vortex, environmental damage from structural collapse, and the increased hurricane activity this year.

Non-EQB members interested in attending may contact Chuck Morgret by email at <[chuckmorgret@gmail.com](mailto:chuckmorgret@gmail.com)> for the Zoom link.

### Trustee Community Relations Committee

The Trustee Community Relations Committee will meet Monday, Sept. 21, virtually via Zoom. Members will meet with the Sewanee Community Council, who will update the Trustees on topics of interest and concern to our community. If you have items that you would like the council to consider, please contact a council member prior to Friday, Sept. 4. Members of the Sewanee Community Council include Nancy Berner, Pam Byerly, Pixie Dozier, Adam Foster, Sallie Green, Sarah Hess, Louise Irwin, Eric Keen, Anna Palmer, Cindy Potter, Mary Priestley, Kate Reed, Paul Schutz, Theresa Shackelford, Karen Singer, Shirley Taylor, Phil White, and June Weber.



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# Church News

## All Saints' Chapel

All Saints' Chapel streams its 11 a.m. service each week at <https://new.sewanee.edu/campus-life/believing/all-saints-chapel/all-saints-chapel-services/online-services/>.

In addition, we can accommodate up to 50 in-person worshippers each Sunday for the 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite I and the 11 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II services. Visitors must wear a mask, have their temperature checked, be free of COVID-related symptoms, and sit six feet apart from those outside their immediate family. Communion is distributed in one-kind only, and no congregational singing takes place during worship. At the 11 a.m. service, soloists and small vocal ensembles sing masked and with a minimum of 12' of distance between each other and between them and the congregation.

## Harrison Chapel Homecoming Aug. 30

Harrison Chapel Church invites everyone to Homecoming celebration at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 30. During the worship service there will be special singing by HCC Youth Impact and Abundantly Blessed. Food will be served after the service. All are welcome.

Harrison Chapel Church is at 254 Otter Falls Rd., in Midway. Please feel free to contact their Facebook page, Harrison-ChapelTN with any questions.

## Morton Memorial UMC

Why do we have to deny ourselves to be Christians? Isn't life hard enough already? Isn't 2020 already taking much of our lives? Join us Sunday as we look at Matthew 16:21-27 and ask, "What could this passage mean for us in this already taxing and tragic year? Is there really any good news there?"

During the pandemic, Morton Memorial has suspended worship in the Sanctuary but makes the weekly service available through Morton's web page and Facebook. You can view the Sunday service any time after 8 a.m. on Sunday via a link at <Mortonmemorial-umc.com>. Past messages are also available. Prayer requests can be sent to <mortonmemorialumc@gmail.com>.

## Otey Memorial Parish

Our Sunday worship service will stream live on our Facebook page at 8:30 a.m. The service will also be available at 11 a.m. and afterward on our YouTube channel and our Facebook page.

Parish staff are working in-person and remotely as best fits their duties. Our phone (598-5926) and email <admin@oteyparish.org> are monitored and responded to during business hours. Masked and distanced meetings with staff members may be arranged by calling in advance.

Sunday Forum: Reliable Information about COVID-19, Sunday Forum, 9:45 a.m. The Coronavirus pandemic has moved in tandem with a rapid spread of incomplete and inaccurate information about

the disease. Otey Memorial Parish is pleased to offer the church and community a Sunday Forum via Zoom led by a reliable and trustworthy source of information. Our own Clint Smith, Assistant Professor of Biology, is a virologist who completed a five-year postdoctoral fellowship at Vanderbilt University before joining the Sewanee faculty in 2016. He was part of the group that discovered the potential of remdesivir to treat a number of coronaviruses, and this spring and summer has served on the testing team at the Baylor School.

The forum will take place at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 23. Clint will walk us through the science about the virus, how it spreads (and probably does not spread), and the effectiveness of various types of testing. He will also answer questions, beginning with those submitted by 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 22, to <rector@oteyparish.org>.

Join Zoom Meeting, <<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86047850307?pwd=WXdtMHNqVGpNMMy9pQVoxVnl5N05zd099>>.

Godly Play story - "Creation" told by Jeannie Babb. 9:15-9:45 a.m. on Zoom. Please email <formation@oteyparish.org> for link and password. Godly Play kits are available to pick up Friday afternoons on the CAC porch. These are paper baggies containing a snack to enjoy during our closing feast, and a few art supplies that may have something to do with the story. Please check the bags to make sure supplies are appropriate for your child's developmental level. You might also provide supplies for open-ended projects (play-doh or clay, markers, etc.) Age 3 through fifth grade.

Fire on the Mountain Youth Sunday School - 4-6 p.m. on the porch of Brooks Hall at Otey Memorial Parish. A snack will be provided, but please bring your own water. Please wear a mask. We will remain outdoors and practice social distancing. Grades 6-12.

## Sisters of St. Mary

In today's world, you can't always change the amount of stress around you, but you can change the way you respond to it. This is where adaptogens come in. Adaptogens work with your body to improve your ability to not only handle stress, but to rise above it. This diverse class of herbs is found on every continent and has been used by every traditional culture, indicating the ancient wisdom of applying adaptogens to the modern world.

Join us and learn from the Herb Girls, one of whom is Eileen Brantley, a member of the Community of St. Mary Board of Advisors, and one of the first Organic Prayer Program interns at the convent.

This 90-minute session will be held on Saturday, Aug. 29, from 10-11:30 a.m. entirely online via Zoom and will involve a presentation and demonstration as well as time for questions. The cost of the session is \$20, and participants can register at <[www.communityofstmarysouth.org](http://www.communityofstmarysouth.org)>.

## Mary Clementine "Tine" Gallagher Smith

Mary Clementine "Tine" Gallagher Smith, age 94 of Alto, died on Aug. 13, 2020, at her home. She was born on July 9, 1926, in Pelham, to Joseph Edmund Gallagher and Aubrey Patton Gallagher. She was a devoted member of St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Church in Alto. She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings Clark Gallagher, Benton Gallagher, Willo-dean Gallagher and Jim Gallagher; son-in-law, Charles Stovall, and two grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Roy W. Smith Jr. of Decherd; children, Bill (Betty) Smith, Lauralee Stephens, and Glenn Dale (Kim) Smith, all of Decherd; Pamela (Jim) Martin, Cynthia Stovall, Joe Wayne (Kim) Smith, Patti (Jimmy Dale) Huber, and Stacie (Shannon) Medley, all of Winchester; sister Virginia Gipson of Estill Springs, 19 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, many nieces and

nephews, and caregivers, Dasha Wiser and Lisa Stephens.

Funeral services were on Aug. 17, 2020, from the Moore-Cortner Chapel with Father Steve Stowski officiating. Interment followed in Franklin Memorial Gardens. For complete obituary go to <[www.moorecortner.com](http://www.moorecortner.com)>.

## Anna Carol Smith

Anna Carol Smith, age 81 of Pelham, died on Aug. 7, 2020 at her home. She was born on Feb. 18, 1939, in Manchester to Martin Grady and Anna Ruth Reider Gilliam. She was a devoted member of Pelham Church of Christ and a dedicated member of the ladies' group. She was preceded in death by her parents; and brother, John Grady Gilliam.

She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Charles Smith of Pelham; children, Barry Smith of Pelham, Neal (Brucena) Smith of Decherd, and Sharon (Robin) Hood of Winchester; six grandchil-

dren, seven great-grandchildren, and nephew, Gregory (Kay) Gilliam of Pelham.

Funeral Services were on Aug. 10, 2020, from the Moore-Cortner Chapel with The Rev. Gordon Matthews officiating. Interment followed in Warren Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <[www.moorecortner.com](http://www.moorecortner.com)>.

# Death Notice

## Augustus "Gus" Brennecke Croom

Augustus "Gus" Brennecke Croom, age 16 of Sewanee, died on Sunday, Aug. 16, at Monroe Carrell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt after a long and courageous battle with lymphoma. A funeral service is planned for family only. Cards and letters may be sent to his parents, Mishoe Brennecke and Fred Croom, and twin brother, Mac Croom, at 735 University Ave; SPO, Sewanee TN 37383.

# Church Calendar

## Abundant Life Assembly of God, Cowan

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## All Saints' Chapel

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I, Sunday

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Sunday (limit 50 worshippers per service, must be masked)

## Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Worship, Wednesday

## Chapman Chapel Church of the Nazarene, Pelham

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Bible study, Wednesday

## Christ Church, Monteagle

10:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

noon Holy Communion, Wednesday

## Christ the King Anglican Church, Decherd

9 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

## Cowan Fellowship Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Monteagle

9:30 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Sewanee

9 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

## Decherd United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:50 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## First Baptist Church, Cowan

9:15 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:25 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## First Church of the Nazarene, Cowan

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd

8 a.m. Mass, Sunday

10:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday

2 p.m. Spanish Mass, Sunday

5 p.m. Mass, Saturday

## Goshen Cumberland Presbyterian Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Grace Fellowship Church

10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Worship Service, Sunday

## Harrison Chapel Methodist Church, Midway

## Facebook Live service below

8 a.m. Radio Show, Sunday (WSGM 104.7 FM)

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday (FB Live)

## Hobbs Hill Community Church, Tracy City

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Wednesday

## Midway Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Midway Church of Christ

10 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

## Monteagle Church of Christ

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle First Baptist Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle Seventh-Day Adventist

11 a.m. Worship, Saturday

## Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

Service available online afterward, at

<[Mortonmemorialumc.com](http://Mortonmemorialumc.com)>

8 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Mountain of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

Online worship services via Zoom. Info: call (931)

924-5339 or go online <[www.WildfireOnTheMountain.com](http://www.WildfireOnTheMountain.com)>

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Prayer Service, Wednesday

## New Beginnings Church, Monteagle

10:45 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## New Beginnings Church, Pelham

9:45 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## New Creations Ministries, Rayburn Chapel

4 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Sunday

## New Hope Church of God in Christ, Cowan

(services will resume at a date to be announced)

6 p.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

## Otey Memorial Parish Church

8:30 a.m. Service livestreamed on the Otey Memorial Parish FB page, Sunday

9:15 a.m. Coffee hour via Zoom. Contact <formation@oteyparish.org> for how to participate, Sunday

9:15 a.m. Godly Play, Sunday

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum

11 a.m. and afterward, Service available on the

Otey Memorial Parish YouTube channel

and the Otey Memorial Parish FB page

4-6 p.m. Fire on the Mountain Sunday School

## Pelham United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## St. Agnes' Episcopal Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## St. James Episcopal Church

9 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite II, conference call

## St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

Temporarily meeting at Good Shepherd, Decherd

## Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

## Tracy City First Baptist Church

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

## United Pentecostal, Monteagle

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Worship, Wednesday



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## Secretary of State Encourages Voters to Prepare Now to Vote in November Election

Tennessee Secretary of State Tre Hargett is encouraging voters to prepare now to vote in the presidential election on Nov. 3. Tennesseans should make sure their voter registration is up-to-date and make decisions about whether they will vote in-person or absentee by-mail if eligible.

"We want every eligible Tennessean to be ready to vote in the November election," said Secretary Hargett. "Whether voting in-person or by-mail we want your vote to count."

Tennessee's generous early voting period starts Oct. 14 and lasts until Oct. 29.

Voters who choose to vote in-person during early voting or on Election Day will see the same precautions used during the August election. Voters should expect to see signs with further safety instructions at their polling locations. Poll officials will be supplied with gowns, face shields, gloves and other PPE. All poll officials will be wearing face coverings and are trained in social distancing protocols. Voters will experience precautions taken such as single-use pens, disposable stylus to select their candidate and sanitizer at the polling location.

For voters, voting absentee by-mail county election commissions will start mailing out ballots in September. Election officials are currently taking steps to finalize the November ballot, including certifying August election results as well as waiting on both major parties to officially confirm their presidential nominees.

In Tennessee, voters must have a legal reason listed in the law to be eligible to vote absentee by-mail. Some of the most common legal reasons are voters who are 60 or older and voters who will be out of

their counties during the election.

Eligible voters who have a special vulnerability to COVID-19 due to an underlying illness, physical disability, or other health condition and who cannot appear at the polling place on Election Day due to this condition may vote by absentee ballot under the "illness or physical disability" reason. Likewise, eligible voters who are caretakers to individuals with a special vulnerability may vote by absentee ballot under the "caretaker" reason.

Voters should consult trusted guidance from medical experts and use common sense in determining whether they have a special vulnerability. The CDC provides a website with helpful information that voters may wish to consult.

"If you make your request now to vote absentee by-mail, counties will be prepared to send you the ballot as soon as it is available," said Coordinator of Elections Mark Goins. "Once you receive your ballot, vote it and mail it back in as soon as possible so it is ready to be counted on Election Day."

Absentee by-mail ballots must be returned by-mail. This includes the U.S. Postal Service and services like FedEx and UPS. Each state is different when it comes to election law. Tennessee law does not permit voters to turn in their ballots in-person or for the use of drop boxes.

For more information on the voting process, go to GoVoteTN.com or call the Division of Elections toll-free at 1-877-850-4959.

## Support Food Banks and Farms

Local food banks are experiencing peak demand, and due to restaurants operating at greatly reduced levels, local farmers have seen a sharp drop in orders. South Cumberland Farmers' Market (SCFM) has implemented an online gift-certificate donation option to help area food banks and farmers.

Contributors can select what food bank they want to donate to and determine the amount. To donate, customers simply need to log in to their account at <www.sewanee.locallygrown.net>, open the Market, and choose "Food Bank Donations." There, customers can choose which food bank to donate to and the amount.

Customers who want to pay by Venmo should email market manager Emily Heid at <cumberlandfm@gmail.com>. Donations can also be mailed to 696 Garnertown Rd., Sewanee, TN 37375. Make the check payable to the South Cumberland Farmers Market and designate the food bank earmarked for the donation.

SCFM has waived the market-manager fee associated with gift certificate purchases. All donations designated for area food banks are tax-deductible.

## Zoning (from page 1)

tax dollars.

Attorney Bob Huskey, representing residents owning property adjacent to the Petro Center, suggested the commission require a bond sufficient to cover the erection of a block and brick screening fence should the franchisees fail to adhere to the site plan once approved.

A Monteagle resident presented three estimates for sound-barrier screening fences ranging in cost from \$136,000 to \$355,000.

"We want a sound barrier and protection for the people and we won't approve a plan until we have that," Oliver insisted. "At the last meeting, we asked the developer for a site drawing that showed a wall. We don't have that. There's nothing to approve."

Kilgore proposed an alternative to the screening fence requested. Leonard suggest hand writing in the alternative fencing on the plan in the commission's possession.

"That's not appropriate," Oliver said.

The commission voted to deny approval of the site plan. The Petro franchisees can present a revised plan at the next meeting scheduled for Sept. 1.

In the discussion about the erroneous zoning map, former planning commission member Ron Terrill pointed out the Southeast Tennessee Development District inadvertently introduced the errors into the map when the governmental agency created a color-coded map in 2018.

The errors included properties adjacent to and within the proposed Petro tract, which were rezoned from residential to commercial.

A resident argued the Petro project should not even be discussed until the zoning issues were corrected.

Oliver read from a city ordinance requiring public notice of rezoning in a local newspaper and by mail notice to affected residents.

Huskey presented affidavits from 12 residents who had received no notification of the rezoning.

Oliver said the planning commission needed to investigate whether the required public notice and by mail notice occurred. The planning commission will ask the Monteagle City Council to revisit the 2019 zoning changes at the Monday, Aug. 31 meeting.

Oliver stressed most of the proposed Petro property was zoned C-3 and the developers "have the right to build." Only seven acres of the Petro tract would be affected if the 2019 zoning changes to commercial zoning reverted back to residential.

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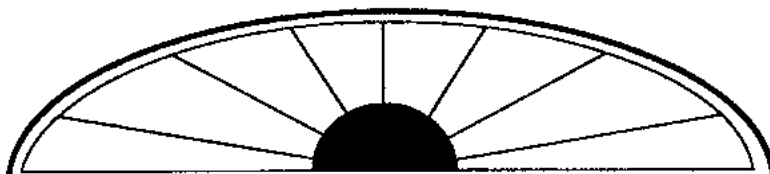
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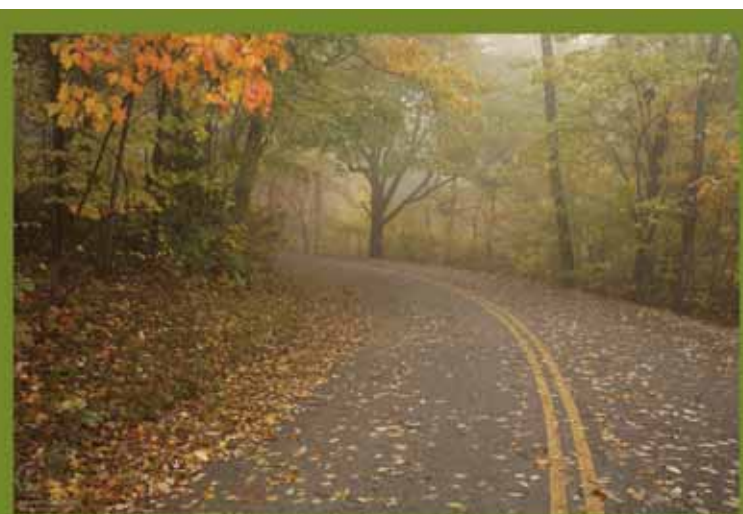


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## Fall Heritage Festival in Cowan, Sept. 18–20

The Fall Heritage Festival returns to Cowan, Sept. 18–20, filling the town with art, history, music, food, and free activities for kids of all ages. There will be modifications based on Tennessee and CDC recommendations, but at this point The Fall Heritage Committee is proceeding with plans to hold the Festival.

The Fall Heritage Festival is a celebration of life in the foothills of the Cumberland Plateau, engaging regional communities through the educational and inspirational experience of history, music, arts, and civic involvement.

The fun starts Friday, Sept. 18, from 5–9 p.m., and continues Saturday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m.–9 p.m., and Sunday, Sept. 20, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. There will be fireworks at 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

For more information, to help sponsor, or for vendor applications, go to <www.FallHeritageFestival.info>.

## Grundy County Diaper Drive Underway

The Grundy Safe Baby Court team together with Judge William “Trey” Anderson III is pleased to announce the annual Grundy County Diaper Drive, which will be held for the duration of August 2020. Diaper donation bins can be found throughout Grundy County at the locations listed below. All diaper donations go directly to Grundy County families.

Families storing a surplus of outgrown diapers or those who simply want to help local families are encouraged to participate. According to the National Diaper Bank Network (NDBN), 1 in 3 American families struggle to afford diapers. Without access to clean diapers, babies are exposed to more health risks and are less likely to be accepted to daycare, which limits the ability of parents to work.

Pilot Gas Station (Monteagle); Citizens Tri County Bank (both Tracy City branches, Palmer branch); First United Methodist Church (Tracy City); Mike’s Pharmacy (Tracy City); Living Water Church (Tracy City); Rock Creek Pharmacy (Coalmont); L&L Gas Station (Coalmont); Palmer Drug (Palmer); Barker’s Cove Community Church (Palmer); Wiley’s Pharmacy (Altamont); Grundy County Courthouse (Altamont); and Cumberland Bible Chapel (Monteagle).

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## ‘To Make Our Voices Heard: Tennessee Women’s Fight for the Vote’

The Judge David Campbell Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Marion County Mayor’s office present “To Make Our Voices Heard: Tennessee Women’s Fight for the Vote,” a new traveling exhibition, on display Monday, Aug. 31, from 11 a.m.–3 p.m. Central time at the American Legion Post 62 in South Pittsburg. The exhibition, created in partnership with the Tennessee State Museum and the Tennessee State Library and Archives, explores the history of the woman’s suffrage movement, Tennessee’s dramatic vote to ratify the 19th Amendment in 1920, and the years that followed.

The Judge David Campbell Chapter DAR and the Marion County Mayor’s office are pleased to be able to present this exhibit commemorating the groundbreaking work of Tennesseans that helped make the 19th amendment a reality. In an effort to make the event as safe as possible, masks will be required (and provided, if needed) and the event will be set up to encourage social distancing. Everyone is invited to attend and learn more about Tennessee’s vital role in this movement.

The exhibition is constructed of multiple dynamic panels, offering guests a touch-free experience of archival images, engaging stories and introductions to the leaders of the fight for and against the cause of woman’s suffrage. The stories begin by detailing the early challenges

of racial and gender discrimination and continuing to the organization of African-American and white women’s associations to encourage political engagement.

Visitors will also learn about Febb Burn of McMinn County, whose letter to her son, Harry T. Burn, resulted in a last-minute vote that helped change women’s history in the United States forever.

The exhibit includes a Tennessee map, highlighting suffragist activities across the state.

In coordination with this traveling exhibit, the Tennessee State Museum in Nashville will soon open “Ratified! Tennessee Women and the Right to Vote,” an extensive 8,000 square foot exhibition exploring the Women’s Suffrage movement in Tennessee through archival images and documents, artifacts, films, interactive elements, and programming.

An online component of the exhibition, “Ratified! Statewide!” highlighting the suffrage movement in every Tennessee county is available now at <tnmuseum.org>.

“As we commemorate the historic vote that took place at Tennessee’s State Capitol in August of 1920, we want to honor those individuals who played key roles in the journey to gain voting rights for women,” said Ashley Howell, executive director of the Tennessee State Museum. “We are thrilled to have the opportunity to share these stories across the state.”

“To Make Our Voices Heard:

## SCCF Sponsors COVID-Safe Fall Fundraiser

Demonstrating innovativeness and resilience, the South Cumberland Community Fund (SCCF) Development Committee has come through with a delightful, socially distanced plan for the SCCF annual fall fundraiser: the Fall Harvest Celebration. The community is invited to participate by registering for and purchasing gourmet meals prepared by Corner Market Catering of Nashville using products from local growers, to be picked up Saturday, Sept. 12, at Monteagle Sunday School Assembly (MSSA).

SCCF supporters also have the opportunity to purchase Fall Harvest Celebration sponsorships to provide meals for first responders and health care professionals on the Plateau on Sept. 11. In addition to the two gourmet meals available Saturday evening, a Fall Harvest Celebration sponsorship provides lunches from area restaurants to these essential workers. The South Cumberland Plateau AmeriCorps VISTA cohort will provide delivery service that day in fulfillment of the AmeriCorps VISTA 9/11 Service Day requirement.

To choose from the meal selection and pay for your reservation online, go to <www.southcumberlandcommunityfund.org>.

You will be contacted by an SCCF representative one week before the event with your pick-up time for Saturday. “Attendees” will be greeted at the MSSA gate and directed to the dining hall, with gloved and masked SCCF supporters guiding the way. Volunteers will be stationed at the MSSA dining hall to carefully deliver packaged meals to donors’ trunks or cargo areas.

The Fall Harvest Celebration supports the SCCF grants program and SCCF’s many other community development initiatives across the South Cumberland Plateau.

Tennessee Women’s Fight for the Vote” is organized by the Tennessee State Museum and the Tennessee State Library and Archives with funding provided by The Official Committee of the State of Tennessee Woman Suffrage Centennial. The project is also funded in part by a grant from Humanities Tennessee, an independent affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The Tennessee State Museum, on the corner of Rosa L. Parks Blvd. and Jefferson Street at Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park, is home to 13,000 years of Tennessee art and history. Through six permanent exhibitions, the Museum takes visitors on a journey – through artifacts, films, interactive displays, events, and educational programming – from the state’s geological beginnings to the present day. Additional temporary exhibitions explore significant periods and individuals in history, along with art and cultural movements. For more information on exhibitions, events and digital programming, please visit <tnmuseum.org>.

## The 37375 Campaign

The Sewanee Civic Association and the Sewanee Business Alliance are working together to act locally and responsibly during this global pandemic. The 37375 Campaign will raise money for the purchase and distribution of COVID-19 health and safety products for the local Sewanee community and organizations to help protect the entire community. The goal of this campaign is to raise \$37,375.

Once the funds are collected, eligible community organizations will submit a simple application asking for assistance and choose from available health and safety products, giving this program the flexibility needed to meet the needs of a variety of organizations.

This unique special fundraiser will end on Sept. 30, 2020. Anything raised in excess of the stated goal will go towards the annual SCC fundraising effort for 25 area nonprofits, which is scheduled to begin this fall.

To donate, send a check payable to Sewanee Community Chest 37375 Campaign, P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375. You may also use PayPal Giving for online donations at <https://www.paypal.com/fundraiser/charity/119597>. The Sewanee Community Chest is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, and donations are tax-deductible.

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This survey is to determine the level of interest in reopening Franklin county Extended School Programs (ESP) on Sept. 8, 2020. ESP would like to make plans to reopen at the ESP sites that indicate registration and enrollment of the daily minimum required 12 children. The information gathered from this survey should provide the number of children that would be enrolling at each of the ESP sites and allow us to make the decision about which sites can reopen. If you are interested in registering for ESP this fall, please complete the survey using the link < <https://forms.gle/DzQsmBmv8XqPPEsr7>>.

Deadline to complete the survey is Friday, Aug. 21, 2020.

Once the survey is closed and the results are calculated the number will determine which of the ESP sites have the initial number required to reopen. This list of ESP sites that can possibly reopen if the required 12 are registered and enrolled for that site will be posted on the Franklin County Schools District website under Departments - Extended School Program.

At that time the ESP Fall 2020 Registration form and all other ESP documents & information will be posted and available on the Extended School Program's web page. These documents may be downloaded or you can request the information for ESP registration from the school where your child will be enrolling in ESP.

All completed registration forms, signed documents, and a \$15 registration must be received by Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2020.

The ESP Site Director/ESP staff personnel will be available from 2:30-4 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 1, outside the school near the ESP classroom to collect registrations and write receipts. If you prefer to turn in the registration and fee before Sept. 1, please drop off at the Board of Education or mail to: Franklin County Board of Education, Attention: Kim Nuckolls, 215 South College St., Winchester, TN 37398.

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St. Andrew's-Sewanee School welcomed students back to campus. For more information about reopening campus, go to <<https://www.sasweb.org/reopening-campus>>.

## Virtual/Distance Learning Fridays at Franklin County Schools

Due to the volume of virtual learners and the added cleaning burden due to COVID-19, each Friday will be designated a virtual/distance learning day for all students. All teachers and staff members will report to work and students will remain at home to complete classwork. In-person students must receive assignments in all subjects to constitute 7 hour instructional day from all teachers on Thursday for students to complete on Friday. This will include specialty teachers. This plan would begin on Aug. 28 and continue through Oct. 2. Delaying until that date will allow parents to make child care arrangements. This is being suggested to provide all teachers with time to do the following:

Professional Development to learn to use additional programs and tools for virtual learning  
Planning and submitting in Google Classroom for the following week  
Create effective virtual assignments utilizing Google Classroom  
Meet weekly with virtual students via Zoom or Google Meets  
Monitor work completed by all students in Google Classroom and report those who have not completed work to keep track for attendance purposes

All teachers will be responsible for completing these tasks. There should be no interruption in the work day. Teachers should take their normal 30-minute lunch break. All extracurricular activities will proceed at normal times.

Support staff will be reporting to work and will be given an assignment by the principal of the school. Classrooms can also be deep cleaned on Fridays.

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## SES MENUS

**Monday-Friday,  
Aug. 17-21  
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**Monday, Aug. 17:** Salisbury steak, gravy, chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, pinto beans, dinner roll, fruit.

**Tuesday, Aug. 18:** Breakfast for Lunch or peanut butter/jelly sandwich: Chicken or sausage, scrambled eggs, lattice potatoes, salsa, veggie cup, biscuit, fruit.

**Wednesday, Aug. 19:** Chicken fajita, taco, potato smiles, salsa, buttered corn, tortilla chips, fruit.

**Thursday, Aug. 20:** Mexican pasta bake, chicken & dumplings, green beans, potato wedges, dinner roll, fruit.

**Friday, Aug. 21:** Pizza, chicken rings, french fries, steamed broccoli, dinner roll, cookie, fruit.

### BREAKFAST

Each day, students select one or two items.

**Monday, Aug. 17:** Yogurt cup, granola, juice, fruit.

**Tuesday, Aug. 18:** Pancake/sausage stick, juice, fruit.

**Wednesday, Aug. 19:** Meat biscuit, juice, fruit.

**Thursday, Aug. 20:** Muffin, juice, fruit.

**Friday, Aug. 21:** Meat biscuit, juice, fruit.

*Note: Pre-K menu is same except no juice. Options available every breakfast: assorted cereal, assorted fruit and juice, milk varieties.*

*Menus subject to change.*

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

**Aug. 24**

First day of classes, School of Theology

**Sept. 7**

Labor Day, no class, Franklin County, Grundy County

**Sept. 8**

First day of classes, Marion County

### QUICK LINKS

*Schedules may change.*

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## Sixth Annual Wildlife and Landscape Photo Contest Submissions

Tennessee Wildlife Federation, one of the largest and oldest nonprofits dedicated to conserving the state's wildlife and natural resources, is now accepting photo submissions for its sixth annual Tennessee wildlife and landscape photo contest.

Photographers are encouraged to submit up to 20 of their best images of Tennessee's wildlife and landscapes. Submissions can be made through Aug. 31 at <tnwf.org/PhotoContest>.

A panel of judges will select the best photos to be featured in the Federation's 2021 calendar and across the Federation's digital platforms. Winners will also receive a variety of prizes including gift cards, Federation apparel, a custom-built birdhouse, and Patagonia duffle bag.

"We look forward to the photo contest every year at the Federation," said Kendall McCarter, chief development officer for Tennessee Wildlife Federation. "Tennessee has some of the most breathtaking landscapes and wildlife for photographers—both amateur and professional—to capture and the Federation enjoys spotlighting their work throughout their year."

The deadline to submit photos is 11:59 p.m. CT Aug. 31. Voting for the People's Choice winner will be open for the public on Sept. 4.

For more information and official contest rules visit <tnwf.org/PhotoContest>.

## Fresh Food at Area Markets

The Sewanee Gardeners' Market is open every Saturday, 8–10 a.m. in the summer. The Market is located on Highway 41A, next to Hawkins Lane.


The South Cumberland Farmers' Market has breads, fruits and vegetables, eggs, coffee and meats available. Learn more online at <http://sewanee.locallygrown.net>. There is also an option to help support the local food banks on the website.

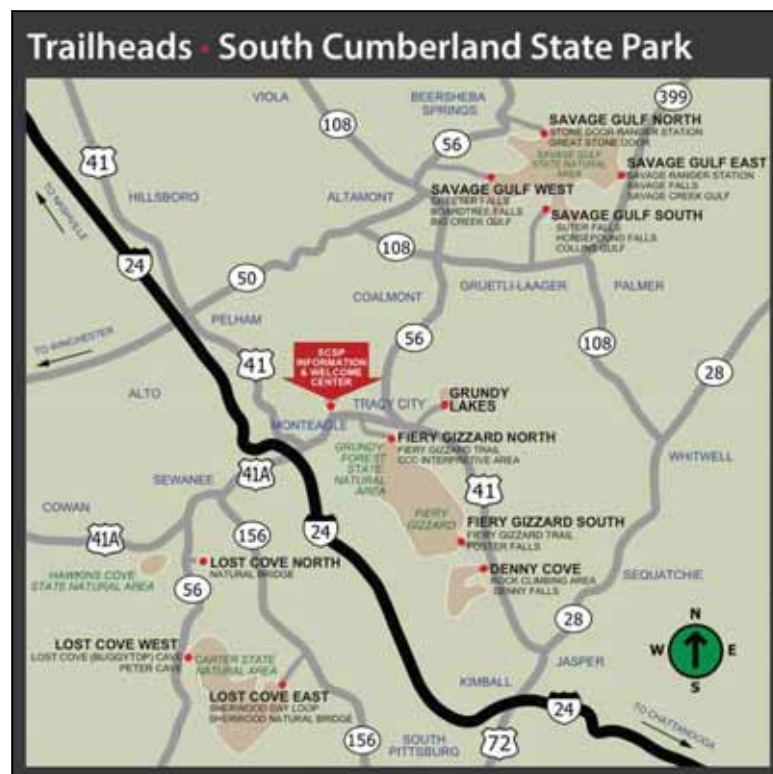
The Franklin County Farmers' Market is open 7 a.m.–1 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday on Dinah Shore Boulevard, Winchester, next to the Franklin County Annex building.

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## South Cumberland State Park Renames Trailheads

South Cumberland State Park Manager George Shinn has announced a new naming system for the park's 12 trailheads, effective immediately.

"We are such a large, spread-out park that it is difficult for new visitors to grasp where the trailheads are, in relation to the park's major features," he said. "This new naming system, which we developed in cooperation with the Friends of South Cumberland, is more logical and geographically-based. It will make it much easier for visitors to quickly grasp where our trailheads are, in relation to each other, and in which part of the park each trailhead is located."

Shinn noted that it will take time to switch over all of the park's existing directional signage and update maps, but steps are already underway to begin that process.

At the same time, the park's visitor center is being renamed the South Cumberland State Park Information and Welcome Center, to place more emphasis on its role as an information resource for new visitors.

"The Friends' website is the first resource that has been completely updated to reflect the new names," Shinn said. "The Tennessee State Parks website has also posted the new trailhead map, and should be fully up-to-date in the near future."

The new, official trailhead map also includes the park's most popular features and highlights listed below each of the new trailhead names. A free copy of the new map, which includes driving directions to each trailhead and other useful information, is also available for download from the Downloadable Maps page at <www.friendsofsouthcumberland.org>.

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## State Parks Host Virtual Bicycle Ride Across Tennessee

Tennessee State Parks has announced that the Bicycle Ride Across Tennessee (BRAT) will be a virtual event this year for the health and safety of riders and park personnel.

"This is a great event for cyclists across our state, and the virtual format will allow everyone to participate while still practicing social distancing," Jim Bryson, deputy commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, said. "It's a way to maintain personal goals but still follow safety guidelines in light of COVID-19."

Under the virtual format of the month-long event, Sept. 1-30, riders can log their miles on <lovetoride.net> as part of the Bicycle Ride Across Tennessee Cycling Club. The goal is for participants to ride 688 miles, the distance from Bristol to Memphis, in the month of September. Since this year is the 31st annual Bicycle Ride Across Tennessee, the club has a goal of 31,000 miles collectively.

In the past, riders would take out-and-back rides together. The virtual ride encourages riders to keep riding with shared goals in an online community and with shared routes across the state. The ride is non-competitive.

The cost to participate is \$150. Riders can register at <https://tn-stateparks.com/blog/the-bicycle-ride-across-tennessee-is-bringing-riders-together-virtually> and connect with the BRAT on its Facebook page.

All participants will receive:

- Access to trusted routes from past BRAT rides at multiple Tennessee State Parks through Ride with GPS;
- 2020 BRAT jersey and T-shirt;
- Eligibility to win prizes throughout September;
- Access to invitation-only small group rides located across the state of Tennessee with the BRAT director;

The opportunity to build your own cycling vacation around the provided routes with lodging at Tennessee State Parks;

The opportunity to enjoy park activities and guided programs just like you would at the normal Bike Ride Across Tennessee.

Participants do not have to live in Tennessee to participate and are welcome to log their miles any way they choose, including road cycling, indoor cycling, gravel or mountain biking.

Proceeds go to the development and protection of the Cumberland Trail, a 300-mile-long footpath down the eastern edge of the Cumberland Mountains, and the Tennessee Park Rangers Association, which provides scholarships and training for park rangers throughout the state to continue education in order to provide the highest level of protection for Tennessee State Parks.

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## NATURENOTES

by Yolande Gottfried



Sally Hubbard sent in this photo of a raccoon eating peaches. Later, her neighbor brought a ladder over and harvested what remained of the peaches.

### Late Summer

The “Dog Days” of summer are ending and there is a shift in the feel of the weather around this time of year. Often, the dogwoods are starting to show some color and the tulip poplars are turning yellow. This year, those signals of approaching autumn seem to be somewhat delayed, probably because it hasn’t been as dry as it often is in July and August. The preceding forty days or so were known as “Dog Days” because the Dog Star, Sirius, rises with the sun in that time period. Sirius is a star in the constellation Canis Major and is the brightest star in our sky besides the sun, so bright that the ancient Romans thought it added to the heat of the sun and caused the hot, humid weather of those summer days.

Another sign of the season is mixed-species foraging flocks. Now that the breeding season is over for most of our birds, we are seeing groups of birds like chickadees, titmice, nuthatches, and small woodpeckers moving as a group through the trees and feeding together. This behavior may have the benefit of better feeding efficiency and/or better protection from predators.

Another creature that has been feeding recently (besides the deer!) is the raccoon in the photo submitted by **Sally Hubbard**. They are usually nocturnal but the lure of the peaches must have brought this one out in the day. Raccoons in the South are paler, smaller-bodied, and have longer tails than raccoons in the North. They are a New World species and most of their relatives are tropical. And no, they don’t actually wash their food, but often dabble in the water for food, where their tracks may be found in the muddy edges of streams.

**In Memoriam:** Jean Yeatman, longtime contributor to Nature Notes, who passed away on Aug. 20, 2015.

## State Park Offerings

Please note: To confirm that these events will occur as listed go to <<http://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/southcumberland/#/?park=southcumberland>> or call (931) 924-2980.

### Friday, Aug. 21

**Volunteer Trail Cleanup at Denny Cove (\$1–\$20 donation)**—Join other South Cumberland trail-lovers and Ranger Ryan Harris at 2 p.m. CDT at Denny Cove, 5949 Hwy. 150, Sequatchie, to help the Park keep the trails free of trash. You will spend a couple of hours in the most impacted area at Denny Cove being good stewards of the land. Precautionary measures will be taken due to COVID-19. Nitrile gloves will be provided; bring a mask or face covering for the trail work.

### Saturday, Aug. 22

**Grundy Forest Trail Maintenance (free)**—Join AmeriCorps member and Ranger Austin Holman at 1 p.m. at Grundy Forest parking lot, 131 Fiery Gizzard Rd., Tracy City, to help improve the quality of the trails, inspecting water drainage and correcting some of the slopes, as well as possibly fixing some hazardous areas. Bring some work gloves and plenty of water as well as a snack if you would like. Closed-toed shoes are required. The tools needed will be provided. You’ll be outside, but will be working near each other, so bringing a mask is recommended. CDC social distancing guidelines will be followed throughout the program.

### Sunday, Aug. 23

**Historic CCC Interpretive Loop Cleanup (free)**—Recent storms have left the Civilian Conservation Corps interpretive loop in need of some attention. Join Ranger Austin Holman at 9 a.m. at 131 Fiery Gizzard Rd., Tracy City, to help clean up some of the trees and foundations around the site, while enjoying the outdoors. Tools will be provided, but bring a pair of work gloves and eye protection. Also be sure to bring plenty of water and a snack if you would like. Closed-toed shoes are required and pants are recommended, dress appropriately for the weather. CDC social distancing guidelines will be followed throughout this program.

**Women’s Intro to Flycasting (\$30)**—Have you been wanting to learn how to Fly Cast but wanted a tutorial before getting out on the water? Meet Ranger Jessie McNeel, who is a Fly Fishing Guide in Tennessee, and Captain Jared S. DeRight, a U.S. Coast Guard-Certified Captain and Professional Fly Fishing Guide in both Tennessee and Alaska, at 2 p.m. CDT at the SCSP Visitors’ Center, 11745 U.S. Hwy. 41, Monteagle, for a four-hour class. They will teach you all the basics of Fly Casting for you so you’ll be ready to hit the water. Class will include a discussion about the parts of a Fly Rod, Reels, and fly fishing line, how to put the Fly Fishing rod and reel together and string it up, and then you’ll practice some beginner casts such as the Basic Cast, the Roll Cast, and how to Shoot Line. All equipment will be provided. Participants will be practicing both in a field and on the pond located on the Meadow Trail (if the water is high enough). Dinner will be provided about halfway through the class and will consist of hotdogs and chips. This course is for ages 16 and up and is limited to women only.



Zach



Tori

## Pets of the Week

### Meet Zach & Tori

Hi, my name is Zach. I am looking for a family to love and be loved back. I am one of three siblings. My brother suddenly passed away, and my sister and I have found ourselves surrounded by many new friends here at the shelter. While I have a lot of fun here running and batting at the toys they provide me, I have bigger dreams. One dream is to have a nice home with a big picture window, as I love to sit in the high rise window in my room at the shelter. Another dream is to have a child love me and make me their pride and joy. Oh, what I wouldn’t do to have a human sibling to play with me and love me forever! I just love the volunteers that come in to play with me. They always bring in nice toys and treats from a special box that the girls call enrichment boxes. I am great friends with Tori, the kitty that shares a room with me. We frequently hang out in the green box together, and we would love to go into a home together one day, hopefully soon. I am up-to-date on my vaccinations, FIV/FelV negative, neutered, and microchipped. If you are interested in adopting me, make sure you submit an adoption application at <[www.animalharbor.org](http://www.animalharbor.org)>. Kattie is my friend, and she is in charge of reviewing applications, but it is my job to win your heart!

Hi, my name is Tori, and I am so excited to meet you and talk about myself! Well, you see I have been told I am the most talkative cat from Tennessee you will ever meet! I am looking for the most amazing family, who won’t mind my endless chatter. Animal Harbor staff members say I steal the room and do not let my presence go unnoticed. If I am not chatting, I love to lay in the highrise windows. My window is situated to overlook the outdoor dog runs, and those crazy, playful guys entertain me all day long! I also love to spend my pastime sitting on the green box that hangs on the wall in my room. I like to share my favorite spot with my buddy Zach. Did I mention, he is awaiting adoption too. Hint Hint... If I can’t take Zach to my new home, maybe there will be a sweet child who can be my new best friend? I am up-to-date on my vaccinations, FIV/FelV negative, spayed, and microchipped. If you are interested in adopting me, make sure you submit an adoption application at <[www.animalharbor.org](http://www.animalharbor.org)>.

Animal Harbor is located at 56 Nor-Nan Rd., off AEDC Road, in Winchester. Call Animal Harbor at 962-4472 for information and check out the other pets at <[www.animalharbor.org](http://www.animalharbor.org)>. Enter their drawing on this site for a free spay or neuter for one of your pets. Help Animal Harbor continue to save abandoned pets by sending your donations to Animal Harbor, P.O. Box 187, Winchester, TN 37398.

## ‘Picture the Park’ Photo Contest

Area photographers are invited to submit their most picturesque photos of the South Cumberland State Park (SCSP) to the annual Picture the Park photo contest sponsored by the Friends of South Cumberland (FOSC).

Winners will be named in several categories, and the photos will be used on the Friends’ website, in printed literature, in physical products offered in exchange for donations to the Friends, or to

sell in order to raise money for projects facilitated for the SCSP.

“By entering our contest and donating your photos to the Friends, you’ll help us tell the amazing story of the park and receive much-deserved recognition for your photographic talents,” said Friends board member Rick Dreves.

Deadline to submit photos is midnight on Sept. 13. More information, submission requirements and categories are available at <[www.friendsofsouthcumberland.org](http://www.friendsofsouthcumberland.org)>.

## WEATHER

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Mon	Aug 10	87	70
Tue	Aug 11	85	68
Wed	Aug 12	86	68
Thu	Aug 13	80	69
Fri	Aug 14	82	67
Sat	Aug 15	85	65
Sun	Aug 16	85	62

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by Phoebe Bates

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For that is the hard home-run.

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Live not for the-end-of-the-song.  
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# Community Calendar

### Friday, Aug. 21

- 8 a.m. COVID testing, Marion County Health Department, until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, call ahead, (423) 942-2238
- 8:30 a.m. Drive-thru COVID testing, Franklin County (931) 967-3826, and Grundy County (931) 692-3641, Health Departments, until 10:30 a.m., Monday through Friday
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. MC Schools drive-through meal service, Jasper Elementary, Monteagle Elementary, S. Pittsburg Elementary, Whitwell Elementary, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, golf/tennis, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- noon Stretch/Straighten, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 6:30 p.m. Stress Relief Class, Kim, (free), Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

### Saturday, Aug. 22

- 8 a.m. Sewanee Gardener's Market, Hawkins Lane, until 10 a.m.
- 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Gentle Yoga, Robie (\$10) Lake Cheston, near pavilion under Pine trees; <robieyogamtn@gmail.com>

### Monday, Aug. 24

- 8:45 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. MC Schools drive-through meal service, Jasper Elementary, Monteagle Elementary, S. Pittsburg Elementary, Whitwell Elementary, until 10 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.
- 3 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 2107 sign-ups, K-5, Community Center, until 5 p.m.

### Tuesday, Aug. 25

- 7 a.m. FC Farmers Market, Dinah Shore Blvd., Winchester, until 1 p.m.
- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, Tracy City, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, beginners, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 10:30 a.m. Yoga for Every Body, Anneli, DuBose Pavilion, until noon
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

- 4:30 p.m. South Cumberland Farmers' Market, curbside pickup, Community Center, until 6:30 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginner, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 7 p.m. Tracy Acoustic Jam, Pavilion on Railroad Ave., Tracy City, until 8:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, Aug. 26

- 8:45 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. MC Schools drive-through meal service, Jasper Elementary, Monteagle Elementary, S. Pittsburg Elementary, Whitwell Elementary, until 10 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.

### Thursday, Aug. 27

- 7 a.m. FC Farmers Market, Dinah Shore Blvd., Winchester, until 1 p.m.
- 8 a.m. Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, Monteagle Inn, and via Zoom
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, beginner, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 10:30 a.m. Kundalini Yoga, Pippa, via Zoom; <pippabrowne64@gmail.com> for invitation
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginner, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 5:30 p.m. Sewanee Civic Association Meeting, DuBose Pavilion, Monteagle; also via Zoom
- 6 p.m. Cowan Acoustic Jam, 303 Montgomery St., until 9 p.m.

### Friday, Aug. 28

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. MC Schools drive-through meal service, Jasper Elementary, Monteagle Elementary, S. Pittsburg Elementary, Whitwell Elementary, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, golf/tennis, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- noon Stretch/Straighten, Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 6:30 p.m. Stress Relief Class, Kim, (free), Angel Park/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

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### Local 12-Step Meetings

#### Friday

- 7 p.m. AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

#### Saturday

- 7 p.m. NA, open, Decherd United Methodist

#### Sunday

- 6:30 p.m. AA, open, Morton Memorial, Wesley House, Monteagle

#### Monday

- 5 p.m. Women's Recovery, Otey Parish on Zoom, call (606) 275-9562 for link
- 7 p.m. AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

#### Tuesday

- 7 p.m. AA, open, First Baptist, Altamont

#### Wednesday

- 10 a.m. AA, closed, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493
- 7 p.m. NA, Decherd United Methodist
- 7:30 p.m. AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle

#### Thursday

- 6 p.m. Al-Anon, Morton Memorial, Wesley House, Monteagle - canceled
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon, First UMC, Winchester