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University Public Health Department: What, Why, How

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

Beginning with the fall semester, the newly formed Public Health Department became part of the University's Risk Management team. "The goals of the Public Health Department extend beyond COVID, but the immediacy of COVID is where we really jump in," said Dr. Mary Heath, who, with Public Health Officer Mariel Gingrich, heads up the department. "The focus is on testing and keeping COVID within circumscribed boundaries to keep everyone healthy and safe."

"The goal is to stop the spread of COVID on campus," said Gingrich. "The challenges are multitudinous."

"COVID can be spread asymptotically, so people are spreading it before they know they have it," Gingrich said. "The symptoms can be vague and mild like a cold. There's a nationwide shortage of testing and lab capacity. And there's the issue of public perception. Some people are ambivalent about the spread of COVID and others want to shut down everything."

Pointing to the importance of "communicating, making sure the community is consistently engaged, not just for a day or two," Heath acknowledged the role played by "the fatigue of testing, fatigue of thinking about this." Heath went on to stress, "The disease is not static. It's always moving and the interplay with surrounding communities is always happening by way of other school districts, athletic teams, going to the grocery store."

Breaking that idea down into action, Gingrich said, "Just because you test negative, don't stop mask-



Public Health Department Medical Officer, Dr. Mary Heath



Public Health Department Officer, Mariel Gingrich

ing and neglect handwashing and practicing social distancing. Don't throw caution to the wind. Just because testing is frequent, don't

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Sewanee Council News: Election, 41A, Cell Tower

by Leslie Lytle
Messenger Staff Writer

Six seats are open for the Sewanee Community Council on the Nov. 3 election, four district seats and two at-large seats. Election officer Theresa Shackelford mapped out election protocols and possible changes at the Sept. 14 meeting. The council also heard updates on narrowing Highway 41A, reviewed cell tower plans and adopted a resolution honoring recently retired Vice-Chancellor John McCardell.

Council representative Pixie Dozier (District 3) and at-large representatives Cindy Potter and Shackelford will not seek re-election. Potential candidates must have resided in Sewanee at least two years and should submit a petition signed by 10 registered voters in their district to Tabatha Whitsett in the Provost's Office. For at-large candidates, 10 signatures from any Sewanee registered voter suffice. Candidates should also submit a photo and brief bio. Nominating petitions are available from the Lease Office. The deadline for submitting petitions is Oct. 15. Page 11 of this issue has a nominating petition.

Early voting will be at the Lease Office during regular business hours from Oct. 16-30. Council representative Anna Palmer volunteered to help with Nov. 3 election day voting at Sewanee Elementary School.

Palmer suggested an electronic signature option for petitions, given the COVID-19 pandemic. Council representative Erik Keen proposed a remote voting option. Shackelford and Palmer will explore implementing the suggestions.

Frank Gladu, who heads up the Sewanee Village Project, updated the council on plans to narrow Highway 41A, a Tennessee Department of Transportation project six years in the making. Construction could begin as early as next spring, Gladu said. Benefits include sidewalks, planting strips, and a pedestrian activated crossing signal. Gladu estimates construction to take 9 to 15 months. Through-traffic passage will continue during construction with no traffic diverted onto University Avenue or other Sewanee streets.

Shackelford expressed concern about a rate increase to Sewanee Utility District customers to pay for the infrastructure relocation required by the project, estimated to cost \$288,000. "The University is in discussion with SUD to address their expense and reached a verbal agreement to partner with SUD to avoid any rate increases associated with the project," Gladu said. He praised SUD for working with TDOT to mitigate the expense and significantly reducing the initial estimated cost, \$500,000.

Asked to comment on plans to locate a cell tower at the initially-proposed football field site, Vice-Chancellor Reuben Brigety said,

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Bodyworks Youniversity sessions moved from the "front porch" to the American Legion Hall.

Bodyworks Youniversity Classes Available at the Legion Hall

In March, the University closed the Fowler Center leaving Bodyworks Youniversity owner Kim Butters without a work space. She began teaching Pilates classes via Zoom from Angel Park, but discovered that many of her private and duet students missed working out on the Pilates apparatus that they could not do on Zoom. She then moved two Pilates Reformers to the front porch of her Maple Street home, 6 feet apart of course, and began doing "front porch sessions."

Business quickly began to rebound as clients found the fresh air and nature sounds a great addition to the workout. In anticipation of cooler weather, Bodyworks Youniversity has moved from the "front porch" to the American Legion Hall. There is plenty of room for social distancing and the windows are open to keep the fresh air coming in. For more information visit <www.bodyworksyouniversity.com>.

Sixth Annual Hunger Walk Goes Virtual

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club is hosting the sixth annual Hunger Walk as a week-long virtual event due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The purpose of the Hunger Walk is to raise community awareness about food insecurity on the South Cumberland Plateau and to raise funds to support organizations combating food insecurity in the community.

Anyone may participate. Pick a route, then walk, run, or cycle. Dollars raised go toward the Community Action Committee and Grundy County Food Bank to help the more than 12,000 people in the tri-county area who do not have access to adequate nutritious food.

Between Sept. 28 and Oct. 4, walk, run, or cycle at your chosen location. This year, participants are challenged to log as many miles as they can in a one week period.



Participants can create a fundraising page to track how much money is raised, and use Endomondo to track the distance, which will be visualized on the website. Go to <www.thehungerwalk.com> for more information. Donations are also accepted.

Questions or concerns about registration? Email Project Manager Nellie Fagan <nellie@myblueprint.com>.



Sewanee Elementary School observed Patriot Day with a special flag-raising ceremony to honor those who showed bravery and lost their lives in the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001. Fifth-grade students led the ceremony by raising the U.S. flag to half-staff, saying the Pledge of Allegiance, and having a moment of silence. Students also read aloud "The American Hero" poem by Roger Robicheau and sang "This Land is Your Land" by Woody Guthrie. Later, students were visited by the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department and deputies from the Franklin County Sheriff's Department. SES students thanked the special visitors with handmade signs, cards, and pictures. Here, the first-grade students met and talked with some first responders.

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Resolution of Thanks to Dr. John McCardell

WHEREAS, during his ten year tenure as Vice Chancellor of the University of the South, Dr. John McCardell concurrently served in the more daunting role of Chair of the Sewanee Community Council, Mayor of Sewanee, and

WHEREAS, being a populist in ermine clothing, John strove to unite the worlds of town and gown, and

WHEREAS, John strongly and frequently urged council members to consult their constituents, with the belief that shared knowledge begets shared understanding, and

WHEREAS, pitchforks and torches aside, John welcomed the community to attend meetings, and managed strident discussions with wisdom and grace, winning the respect and admiration of both ally and adversary, and

WHEREAS, John instituted numerous meaningful measures to improve the efficiency and impact of the Council, most notably, the Community Council Funding Project, and

WHEREAS, in an unprecedented display of bravery and hospitality, John began a tradition of hosting an annual pre-council dinner in his home; members were feted like Regents with Chef Rick's best offerings and generous amounts of wine, imparting a renewed sense of service and love for fellow beings,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Sewanee Community Council offers its sincere gratitude and appreciation for Dr. John McCardell's years of wise and innovative leadership and wish him all future happiness as he continues to be a revered and integral part of our community.

Summary of the August Lease Committee Meeting

The following items were approved: July minutes; request to transfer Lease No. 404 (Troisi), located at 125 Palmetto Ave., to Casey and Brittany Vaughan; request to transfer Lease No. 133 (Wilson), located at 72 Maxon Lane, to Sandra Guitar Wallis; request to install a fence at Lease No. 531, located at 165 Tennessee Ave.; request to replace steps on Lease No. 843, located at 328 Bob Stewman Rd.; request to repaint house at Lease No. 971, located at 277 Wiggins Creek Rd.

Leasehold information is available online at <leases.sewanee.edu> or by calling the lease office at 598-1998.

Please be sure and contact the Franklin County Planning and Zoning for any needed permits as well as the local utility companies to ensure there are no issues before beginning your project.

Planning and Zoning office, (931) 967-0981; Duck River Electric Membership Corporation, (931) 598-5228; Sewanee Utility District, water and sewer, (931) 598-5611; Elk River Public Utility District, natural gas, (931) 967-2110.

Agenda items are due by the fifth of each month for Lease Committee meetings. If the fifth falls on a weekend, then items are due the following Monday. Lease Committee meetings are normally the third Tuesday of the month.



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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 (931) 967-3826.

Grundy County Health Department, drive-thru testing 8:30–10:30 a.m., Monday–Friday, 1372 Main St., Altamont, (931) 692-3641.

Marion County Health Department, 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Monday–Friday, 24 East 7th St., Jasper, (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>. —KB

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SCRLT to Host Annual Meeting Virtually on Sept. 19

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Franklin County Commission

The Franklin County Commission is scheduled to meet at 7 p.m., Monday, Sept. 21, at the Franklin County Courthouse.

SUD Meeting Rescheduled

The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners will have its regular meeting at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 22, at the utility office on Sherwood Road. If a customer is unable to attend but wishes to bring a matter to the board, call 598-5611, visit the office, or call a board member. The board members are Doug Cameron, Randall Henley, Ronnie Hoosier, Charlie Smith and Paul Evans.

Rotary Club Meeting

The Montecagle-Sewanee Rotary will meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 24, at the Montecagle Inn. The meeting will also be available to members and interested guests via Zoom transmission. Guest speaker will be Mark Webb, Athletic Director at the University of the South. For the Zoom link, email Woody Deutsch <woodybike@me.com>.

Town of Montecagle

The Town of Montecagle will have their regular monthly meeting Sept. 28, 2020, at 6 p.m., in the Conference Room at City Hall.

Montecagle Regional Planning Commission

The Montecagle Regional Planning Commission will hold their regular monthly meeting on Oct. 6, 2020, at 5 p.m., in the Conference Room at City Hall.

Flu Clinic at Sewanee Pediatrics

Sewanee Pediatrics will be hosting a Flu Clinic for established and new patients on Saturday, Sept. 26 from 8 a.m.-noon. The clinic is located at 1318 University Ave., Sewanee.

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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.

To donate, send a check payable to Sewanee Community Chest 37375 Campaign, P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375, or use PayPal Giving at <https://www.paypal.com/fundraiser/charity/119597>.

Hospitality Shop Closed

The Hospitality Shop, in order to cooperate with the University's policies and to facilitate the safety and security of the campus community, will be closed until further notice. The manager and the volunteers regret the inconvenience to the many loyal customers from the larger Mountain community, and they look forward to the time when the shop can reopen and safely resume the services it has provided for more than 50 years.

The shop cannot process donations of any kind during this time, and respectfully request that no items be left at the shop.

Fresh Food at Area Markets


The Sewanee Gardeners' Market is open every Saturday, 8-10 a.m. The Market is located on Highway 41A, next to Hawkins Lane. The last day for the Saturday Gardeners' Market is Saturday, Oct. 3.

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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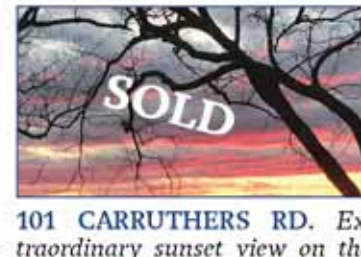
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Obituaries

William Albert Keller

William Albert Keller, age 79 of Sewanee, died on Sept. 12, 2020. He was born on Dec. 30, 1940, in New Albany, Ind., to Harold and Anna Bernardine Bordenet Keller. His family first relocated to Tennessee starting in Oak Ridge, then moving to Winchester and later to Tullahoma. He spent most of his life in Middle Tennessee. He served in the Marine Corps from 1958 to 1962. With a B.S. from the University of Tennessee in Business Administration, he was a business owner and mortgage broker, as well as an insurance agent and bonding agent. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Tullahoma, Downtown Lions Club, Charter Member of South Cumberland Kiwanis Club; and on the Board of Directors of the Franklin County Service Unit of The Salvation Army, as well as Treasurer for five years. In his final years, he was very active with the Sewanee Senior Center as a volunteer delivering meals and also as a member enjoying the company of his friends and playing games. He recently attended All Saints’ Chapel, after having been a Lay Reader at Trinity Church, Winchester.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Isabel Anders; children, Renee (Dana) Cavanaugh, Joseph Keller, Gail (Shawn) Henderson, Melody (Joe) DePasquale, Sarah Alison Anders, and Emilie (Jim) Blevins. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, no services are scheduled at this time. Donations in his memory should be sent to the Sewanee Senior Center. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Margaret (Anne) Partee Lorenz

Margaret (Anne) Partee Lorenz, 77, died on Aug.29, 2020, at her home. She was born on Aug. 6, 1943, in Nashville, the oldest daughter of artists McCullough Partee and Betty (Mary Elizabeth Shemwell) Partee. She was a 1961 graduate of West High School in Nashville. She earned B.S. and M.A. degrees from George Peabody College for Teachers (now part of Vanderbilt University). Her career as a special education/ learning disabilities tutor in Sewanee spanned 51 years, teaching young people over several generations. One of her proudest accomplishments was to be the founding principal and teacher of the Sewanee Learning Center, which operated for 10 years on the campus of The University of the South. There she met her husband, Jack Lorenz Jr., who was a professor of physics and astronomy. Their home, Onteora, was a very special meeting place for family, friends, and students, who loved seeing the family cats there, as well as raccoons, ducks, geese, deer, foxes, and other wildlife Anne and Jack fed or rehabilitated. She was very active in Cowan Fellowship Church, where she helped teach the youth Sunday School class, kept weekly prayer requests for Sunday services, and much more. She was also active in several organizations, most recently EQB, Sewanee Woman’s Club, Porchers, and the West Lunch Bunch.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Walter Parterson Partee; and her husband, Philip (Jack) Lorenz Jr.

She is survived by her sister, Elizabeth McCullough Partee; her step-children, Philip J. Lorenz III and Brenna Lorenz; and many cousins in the Partee and Shemwell families.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 19 at Cowan Fellowship Church. Please wear a mask and observe social distancing due to COVID-19. Arrangements are by Moore-Cortner Funeral Home <www.moorecortner.com>. Live-streaming, or subsequent viewing of the service, will be made available on the Moore-Cortner website or Facebook page. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Cowan Fellowship Church, 609 E. Cumberland Street, Cowan, TN 37318, or to a charity of your choice.

Jessie Roberts

Jessie Roberts of Hollywood, Ala., died on Sept. 14, 2020. He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Annie Roberts, and grandson David Roberts.

He is survived by his wife, Eva Mae Roberts; daughters, Lori (Wesley) Phillips and Wanda (RC) Wann; sons, Dwain (Kaye) Roberts and Jerry (Marlene) Roberts, seven grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2020 from the Chapel of Rudder Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow in Stevenson City Cemetery with Tyler Phillips and Bobby Smith officiating. Online condolences may be left for the family at <www.rudderfuneralhomes.com>.

George “Mike” Taylor

George “Mike” Taylor, age 68 of Castroville, Texas, died on Aug. 10, 2020. He was born on Oct. 6, 1951, in Corpus Christi, Texas, to George Porter Taylor Jr. and Evelyn Gertrude Thompson Taylor. He graduated from Medina Valley High School in 1969, then attended San Antonio College, becoming a licensed irrigator and landscaper. For many years he maintained the St. Louis Catholic Church grounds and Zion Lutheran Cemetery. He was the field director for the Pony League Softball teams and past president of the Medina Valley Moose Lodge. He was preceded in death by his father, George P. Taylor Jr.; father-in-law, Delvin J. Bippert; and brother-in-law, Robert “Bob” Youngman.

He is survived by his wife of more than 48 years, Gwen Taylor of Castroville; mother, Evelyn Taylor of Sewanee; children, Christy (Joe) Taylor and Mindy (Raymond) Lerma, both of of San Antonio, Michael (Bridget) Taylor of Castroville; brothers, Kenneth Ray Taylor (Lynn) of Sewanee, Brian Keith Taylor of North Fort Meyers, Fla.; sister, Patricia Gray (Tim) of Shelbyville; mother-in-law, Evangeline “Sissy” Bippert of San Antonio; in-laws, Charmaine Youngman of Castroville, Mary Uresti (Jesse) of Von Ormy, Melissa Kwapich (Michael) of Castroville, Rita Copp (Michael) of Castroville, Darryl Bippert of San Antonio, four grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A Vigil Service was on Aug. 21, 2020, at Tondre-Guinn Funeral Home followed by a Celebration of Life at his daughter Bridget’s home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Mike’s memory to the St. Louis Day Fund at St. Louis Catholic Church. For complete obituary go to <www.tondre-guinn.com>.

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, All Saints’ can accommodate up to 50 in-person worshipers 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 6 feet apart from those outside their immediate family.

Morton Memorial UMC

From the time of the first family, when Cain and Abel were at fatal odds, there have been Family Feuds. Disagreements within families, between neighbors and clans and expressed in deep disputes about religious orthodoxy have been part of our social and religious DNA. Worship with us this Sunday online as we talk about

Family Feuds and their resolution based on the scripture in Matthew 18:15-20.

During the pandemic, Morton Memorial has suspended worship in the Sanctuary but is working actively to have safe means of worshiping in person. Last Sunday, the church held an outdoor worship service and is discussing whether to do this again, as weather permits. Meanwhile, we continue making the weekly service available through Morton’s web page and Facebook and will post messages in both places for other services on the lawn.

You can view the Sept. 20 service any time after 8 a.m. on Sunday via a link at <Mortonmemorialumc.com>. Past messages are also available. Questions and prayer requests can be sent to <mortonmemorialumc@gmail.com>.

Otey Memorial Parish

Weather permitting, Otey will have an outdoor service at 11 a.m. in the shaded area in front of Brooks Hall marked off

into separate distanced areas for each individual or family. Please bring anything you may need, like chairs or blankets. If it is prudent for you to attend, we hope to see you there.

Godly Play is offered via Zoom at 9:15 a.m.

Sunday Forum, 9:45 a.m.: “Bishop Otey & the early years of the Diocese of Tennessee,” with speaker Howard Lorti. Howard’s family moved to Sewanee in 1967. He was the salutorian SMA 1971, Phi Beta Kappa University of the South 1975. Bishop Otey was the subject of his master’s thesis in the late 1970s. After moving back to Sewanee in 2011, Howard decided to redo his biography of Otey taking all the time necessary and leaving no stone unturned in research. He has been working on it ever since.

Fire on the Mountain Youth Sunday School takes place at 4 p.m. on the porch of Brooks Hall.

CAC continues its work of serving the needy with food and in other ways. Director David Goodpaster is staffing CAC, taking sensible precautions while serving people in need 9–11 a.m., Monday through Friday.

Church Calendar

Abundant Life Assembly of God, Cowan

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday

All Saints’ Chapel

Please join us for worship on our website <https://new.sewanee.edu/campus-life/believing/all-saints-chapel/>

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Sunday

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Sunday

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

5 p.m. Mass, Saturday

8 a.m. Mass, Sunday

10:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday

2 p.m. Spanish Mass, Sunday

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>

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>

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

Otey Memorial Parish Church

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

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

9:15 a.m. Coffee Half-hour, Sunday

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum via Zoom. Contact <rector@oteyparish.org> for how to participate.

11 a.m. Outdoor service on the front lawn, weather permitting, also livestreamed on the Otey Memorial Parish FB page

4–6 p.m. Fire on the Mountain Youth Sunday School, Brooks Hall porch, masks required

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, Sunday, 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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Public Health (from page 1)

stop masking. Life has to go on, but we can't forget it has changed."

"I'm a physician in town with Sewanee Pediatrics, so my audience is broader than faculty, staff, and students," Heath said. "We hope to have more time to communicate beyond the University bubble. The whole county should be wearing masks."

Heath met with Franklin County Director of Schools Stanley Bean and school principals and recommended mask wearing for all public-school students and employees, but the policy was not adopted except at Sewanee Elementary. The University has a Domain-wide mask mandate in place.

Top on the immediate agenda for Gingrich and Heath is promoting the importance of getting a flu vaccine.

"People don't get flu vaccines at the rate they should," Gingrich said. "The flu sends hundreds of thousands of people to the doctor each year. During an existing pandemic that's especially stressful. The symptoms are much like COVID."

Why should you get vaccinated: one, so you won't mistake your symptoms for COVID; and, two, so you won't run to the doctor and get exposed to COVID or take up resources needed by those who do have COVID."

Gingrich and Heath both grew up with parents who worked in public health. After earning an undergraduate degree in English, Gingrich worked in communications in the public health sector and decided to pursue a career in that field earning a master's degree. Following college, Heath served in the Peace Corp and discovered how satisfying it was helping people, "helping parents have healthy children."

Gingrich finds herself drawn to consider "the larger societal implications." But she insisted, "I encourage everyone to be responsible, but not to be mean. It doesn't help. Stress brings out the worst in people."

Gingrich and Heath's foremost immediate message: "Help us out. Help yourself. Get a flu vaccine."

Community Council (from page 1)

"Because we have no idea how long the pandemic will last, it's vital we improve our cell phone IT as quickly as possible and that we do so as cost effectively as possible." In the meantime, Verizon will supply the University with COLT (Cell On Light Truck) service, cost \$100,000 each six months. Brigety hopes the COLT will be in place before Christmas. He stressed the football field site, estimated cost \$245,000, offered the best propagation, and the tower would not require a light. Remarking on the possibility of relocation of the tower with technological advances allowing for improved propagation, Brigety said, "I can't imagine 30 years from now there will still be a cell tower at the football field."

The council adopted a resolution thanking former Vice-Chancellor John McCardell for his service as council chair and Sewanee mayor. [See McCardell Resolution page 2.] The resolution praised McCardell for his commitment to "shared understanding," encouraging council representatives to consult with their constituents and community members to attend council meetings.

At the June meeting, Shackelford proposed revisioning use of the Funding Project monies, but at the Sept. 14 meeting she withdrew the suggestion, citing the uncertainties of the pandemic.

The council also approved a new Dog Control policy bringing the community's policy in line with state law.

VISTAs and SCCF Volunteers Continue Sept. 11 Service Tradition

Volunteers from South Cumberland Community Fund (SCCF) joined plateau VISTAs (Volunteers in Service to America) from the South Cumberland Plateau AmeriCorps VISTA Project to mark the Sept. 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance. During the National Day of Service volunteers delivered meals to plateau first responders and served at Morton Memorial UMC Food Pantry, joining hundreds of thousands of citizens across the country in both virtual and in-person acts of service.

The day began with delivering meals to first responders from their favorite local restaurants. Meals were delivered to Fire and Police Stations, as well as health and family care facilities in Beersheba Springs, Coalmont, Altamont, Tracy City, Pelham, Monteagle, Palmer, Gruetli-Laager, Jasper and Sewanee. Participating restaurants included the Dutch Maid Bakery, The Blue Chair, Mi Casa, Mountain Goat Market, Flury's, Papa Ron's, Pizza Hut, Rafael's, Smoke House, Shenanigans and McClurg Dining.

Meal packages included homemade cookies and thank you notes written by students at the University of the South. The project was generously sponsored by individual donors and South Cumberland Community Fund. In the afternoon, volunteers moved to Morton Memorial (UMC) Food Pantry and packaged a large volume of groceries for distribution to more than 100 plateau families.

"Sept. 11 is an emotional day of reflection," said Janet Cooper, Director of South Cumberland Community Fund. "For many Americans it is also a day of service that provides an opportunity to build community, while honoring both those who lost their lives on 9/11 and those who save lives every day."

Sept. 11 was designated a National Day of Service by Congress in 2009 and is led by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), the federal agency that engages millions of Americans in service through its AmeriCorps and Senior Corps programs and is responsible for the nation's volunteering and service efforts. For more information, visit <NationalService.gov>.



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Convent's Virtual Program Series Continues with June Mays on Gardening

The Sisters of St. Mary have gotten creative to bring inspiring programs to their audience virtually via Zoom. "The pandemic had necessitated a change of plans - in some way - for all of us, however, the first two months of our virtual program series have been a success; and we look forward to sharing our September event with you all!" said Sister Madeleine Mary, Prioress of the Community.

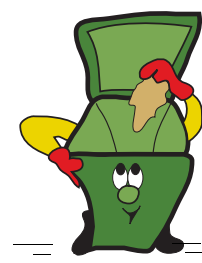
On Saturday, Sept. 26, from 9-11:30 a.m., the Sisters will host June Mays, Master Gardener for two virtual talks: The Potager & Gardens as Sanctuary.

After a 31-year career as a financial adviser, June moved to London for a year to study garden design. She designed or consulted on over 100 gardens, wrote for the garden magazines, and lectured until retiring at age 70. For our September program, June will present The Potager - a collection of images of beautifully designed vegetable and fruit gardens along with tips for success, along with Gardens As Sanctuary - advice on creating a garden that can deepen your spiritual life as well as enhance your landscape. There will also be time for questions. The cost of the session is \$20, and participants can register at <www.communityofstmarysouth.org>.

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“Fixing Our Plate” A Dialogue with Anthony Flaccavento

The Office of Civic Engagement (OCE), Sewanee’s Integrated Program in the Environment (SIPE), the Office of Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability (OESS), and the Southeast Tennessee Young Farmers (SeTNYF) are proud to announce an ongoing forum on local and global food system challenges and solutions: “Fixing Our Plate.”

While farmers in the Sewanee region have been innovators, building access to local food with an online market and food hub, there is still much work to be done. Economic disparities driven by racial and social inequality have deprived people around the world of food justice, creating health crises related to over-nourishment and hunger alike, and amplified by unequal access to healthcare, the COVID-19 pandemic, and climate change. The current industrial food production paradigm threatens the health of our bodies, our communities, and our planet. Now more than ever, we need to transition to environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable forms of agriculture.

The first “Fixing Our Plate” event, a community-wide dialogue with organic farmer, public intellectual, and community organizer Anthony Flaccavento, will take place on Monday, Sept. 28, at 7:30 p.m. over Zoom. All members of the campus and the larger Sewanee and regional communities are invited to participate in this important dialogue. The Zoom link for this dialogue can be found here <<https://sewanee-edu.zoom.us/j/93264616773>>.

This initial public dialogue will be followed by two workshops designed for local and regional farmers and key food system stakeholders and organizations. These workshops, organized by SeTNYF and led by Flaccavento, are designed to clarify assets of the local food system upon which to build and the critical gaps that must be addressed in the near-term.

Session One, 3:30–4:30 p.m., Monday, Oct. 5, Quick and Dirty SWOT Analysis

Session 2, 3:30–4:30 p.m., Monday, Oct. 19, Action Planning

To register for these follow-up workshops or for more information, please contact Jess Wilson at <setnyf@gmail.com>.

In preparation for Flaccavento’s dialogue, it is recommended that attendees listen to Flaccavento’s engaging and clear 2019 presentation on sustainable economies at the Clinton School of Public Service or read his book, “Building a Healthy Economy from the Bottom Up: Harnessing Real-World Experience for Transformative Change.”

St. Mary’s Sewanee Offers Full Slate of Online Programming

Spiritual hospitality has always been at the heart of the St. Mary’s Sewanee’s mission.

For the last 30 years, St. Mary’s Sewanee has welcomed individuals and groups from across the United States and around the world to our beautiful location to receive spiritual rest and renewal. During this extraordinary time when we are sharing our physical space with the University of the South, the mission of St. Mary’s Sewanee remains certain.

We are pleased to announce a full slate of programming for the remainder of 2020.

Dr. Joe Howell and Lark Howell are returning on Sept. 26 with a day-long workshop on The Enneagram and Our Faith. The Howells will share their gifts and talents around the Enneagram with teaching and creativity.

The Rev. Tom Ward and Rebecca Paluzzi are offering a full day of quiet, lectio divina, and worship on Oct. 24.

Rabbi Rami Shapiro brings One River Wisdom to us again on Oct. 24 when he will explore The Heart of Spiritual Living — One Teaching: Perennial Wisdom; One Practice: Be a Blessing. Using a blend of conversation and contemplation, this promises to be a session full of insights.

Spend a day with Gordon Peerman and explore The Body Knows

the Way: Effortless Mindfulness during a day of quiet contemplation. On Nov. 14, Peerman will explore how simple shifts of attention into an easy awareness can open the way to emotional healing and spiritual connection.

Susan Packard will return with a workshop on What Autumn Can Teach in This Year of Pandemic on Nov. 21 where she will help us discover how to find peace and calm during this extraordinary time.

St. Mary’s Sewanee is also offering introductory workshops on Centering Prayer (Sept. 27), The Welcoming Prayer (Nov. 7), and Lectio Divina (Nov. 15).

The weekly Centering Prayer support groups welcome new and experienced practitioners at their meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. For login information, send an email to <reservations@stmaryssewanee.org>. There are links to Peerman’s weekly meditation group and other contemplative offerings on the website.

Registration is open for all these new retreats and workshops at the website at <www.stmaryssewanee.org>.

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, log in to the 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 South Cumberland Farmers Market, 696 Garnertown Rd., Sewanee, TN 37375. 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.

Fall Heritage Festival, 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.

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 festival begins 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 go to <www.FallHeritageFestival.info>.

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tnAchieves Announces New Virtual Mentoring Platform

tnAchieves, the partnering organization to the TN Promise serving 90 counties and over 100,000 students annually, is excited to present a new virtual mentoring opportunity that will allow mentors to provide high impact supports while adhering to local, state and federal social distancing guidelines. Bank of America will be the banner sponsor of this new virtual mentoring tool known as tnAchieves CONNECT.

tnAchieves CONNECT creates a virtual space where students and mentors can safely engage using video chat, email and instant messaging. These tools will support mentors as they develop impactful relationships without leaving home/work. With the support of tnAchieves CONNECT, mentors will spend about one hour a month serving as a trusted college resource, providing timely reminders for important deadlines and, most importantly, encouraging students to reach their full potential.

Business leaders across the state are eager to introduce this new platform to their teams. Arconic, BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, Caterpillar Financial Services, the Jackson Chamber of Commerce, the Tennessee Chamber of Commerce and Unum are each supporting the implementation of tnAchieves CONNECT within their networks. tnAchieves invites other Tennessee businesses to join these leaders in recruiting 9,000 mentors to meet student need.

tnAchieves is a 501(c)3 nonprofit that has been providing scholarships with mentor support since 2008. To apply as a mentor, please visit <www.tnAchieves.org> or contact Tyler Ford at (309) 945-3446.

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Ketch Secor Slated As Tennessee Craft Week Honorary Chair

Tennessee Craft announces Ketch Secor, lead singer of Old Crow Medicine Show, as the 2020 Tennessee Craft Week Honorary Chair. He will serve as the spokesman to spotlight the professional craft artists and their work during Oct. 2-11, 2020.

Tennessee Craft Week (TCW) celebrates handmade craft "Made in Tennessee" and invites participants to watch a video or demonstration from artists across the state, visit the virtual Tennessee Craft Fair, find events via the TCW "virtual road trip" tool, and take advantage of opportunities to meet the state's talented artists. The sixth annual Tennessee Craft Week is held in conjunction with American Craft Week, (in its 11th year) highlighting craft across the nation.

Ketch Secor is a founding member of Old Crow Medicine Show, a Grammy award-winning American string band who are also members of the revered Grand Ole Opry. The band's classic single, "Wagon Wheel" received the RIAA's Double-Platinum certification in 2019 for selling over 2,000,000 copies, while the band's debut album O.C.M.S. has been certified Gold (500,000 copies). The band's latest release is Live At The Ryman (2019), which was released on Columbia via The Orchard. Ketch lives in Nashville.

Secor authored a children's book titled, "Lorraine: The Girl Who Sang the Storm Away." The book, illustrated by Higgins Bond, highlights both family bonds and the power of music. This uplifting story has been brought to life through The Nashville Public Library Puppet Truck to be presented throughout the community. Profits from the book provide funding for the Episcopal School of Nashville. Secor also hosts Old Crow Medicine Show's YouTube show The Hartland Hootenanny that airs live on Saturday nights. A creative outlet during quarantine, the Hootenanny features live music, socially distanced square dance, special guests and comedy.

Tennessee Craft Week honors and promotes professional craft artists across the state each October. Local makers incorporate contemporary materials, adding their unique ideas and inventive techniques in keeping with traditional artisan quality.

Visit <<https://tennesseecraft.org/tennessee-craft-week/2020-craft-week-events-list/>> for a listing of all TCW events, and to build a custom "virtual road trip" of events.

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Pre-K Applications

Franklin County Pre-K continues to accept applications for openings throughout the school year. There are presently openings at most schools. Please call Beth Charlton or Patti Limbaugh at the Board of Education (931) 967-0626 if interested.

SES MENUS

**Monday-Friday,
Sept. 21-25
LUNCH**

Monday, Sept. 21: Hot dog, corn dog nuggets, potato smiles, green peas, fruit.

Tuesday, Sept. 22: Macaroni/cheese, beef dippers, potato sidewinders, fresh veggie cup, garlic breadstick, fruit.

Wednesday, Sept. 23: Hamburger or cheeseburger, sandwich choice, French fries, pinto beans, fruit.

Thursday, Sept. 24: Pizza, cheesy breadsticks, green beans, buttered corn, marinara sauce, cookie, fruit.

Friday, Sept. 25: Fridays are Virtual Learning Days for All Students. Breakfast and lunch meals will be available for pickup. Please contact your school's cafeteria manager to order meals for Fridays.

BREAKFAST

Each day, students select one or two items.

Monday, Sept. 21: Banana bread slice, juice, fruit

Tuesday, Sept. 22: Meat biscuit, juice, fruit.

Wednesday, Sept. 23: Egg & cheese sandwich, juice, fruit.

Thursday, Sept. 24: Breakfast pizza, juice, fruit.

Friday, Sept. 25: Fridays are Virtual Learning Days for All Students. Breakfast and lunch meals will be available for pickup. Please contact your school's cafeteria manager to order meals for Fridays.

Options available every breakfast: assorted cereal, assorted fruit and juice, milk varieties. Menus subject to change.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sept. 23
No University Classes

Oct. 9
Fall Break, Franklin County

Oct. 19
Fall Break, Grundy County

Nov. 3
No classes, Franklin County

Nov. 20
Last Day of Classes, University of the South

QUICK LINKS

Schedules may change.
Franklin County <<https://www.fcstn.net>>
Grundy County <<http://www.grundycoschools.com>>
Marion County <<https://www.marionschools.org>>
St. Andrew's-Sewanee <<https://www.sasweb.org>>
University of the South <<http://www.sewanee.edu>>

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://franklincotn.us/election_commission.html>, phone (931) 967-1893. In Grundy County email <grundycountytn.net>, phone (931) 692-3551. In Marion County <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> 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>.

Become a Poll Official for the State and Federal General Election

Tennessee Secretary of State Tre Hargett encourages Tennesseans to serve as poll officials for the Nov. 3 State and Federal General Election.

Most Tennesseans are eligible to work as poll officials, regardless of political affiliation. The minimum age to work as a poll official is 16 years old. Anyone over 18 must be a registered voter in the county they are serving in. County or municipal government employees can serve if they don't work directly under the supervision of an elected official who is on the ballot.

Poll officials will be supplied with face coverings, gowns, face shields, gloves and other personal protective equipment. All poll officials are required to wear a face covering and will be trained in social distancing protocols.

In Tennessee, poll officials are compensated for working on Election Day and for attending required training sessions.

For the latest information on the Nov. 3 election, follow the Secretary of State's social media channels Twitter: @SecTreHargett, Facebook: Tennessee Secretary of State and Instagram: @tnsecofstate.

For more information and to apply to become a poll official, visit pollworkers.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.

You do not need a REAL ID to drive; vote; purchase alcohol or cigarettes; access hospitals; visit the post office; access federal courts; or apply for or receive federal benefits such as social security or veterans' benefits.

Customers can now schedule an appointment for REAL ID at any Driver Services Center. Scheduling an appointment allows a customer

to be served at a Driver Services Center on a specific day and time. Appointments are available at all Driver Services Centers for Driver Services transactions including Knowledge Tests and REAL ID.

Documents required for a REAL ID are proof of U.S. citizenship or legal presence; proof of social security number, and proof of Tennessee residence. Go to <<https://www.tn.gov/safety/driver-services/real-id.html>> for more information.

For more information on REAL ID and required documents, visit <www.tnrealid.gov>.

State Parks to Host Tennessee Serves Events in September

Tennessee State Parks will host volunteer events in September across the state as part of First Lady Maria Lee's Tennessee Serves initiative.

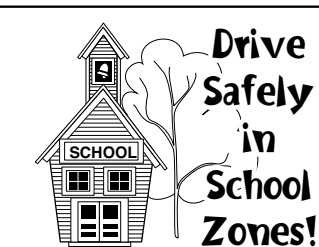
The service opportunities at the parks are for all ages and skill levels. They include activities such as landscaping, invasive plant removal, litter pickup, and trail maintenance. Projects include clearing debris at Camp Hazelwood at Paris Landing State Park; cleaning buildings and doing trail work at Fort Loudoun State Historic Park; cleaning up storm damage at Mousetail Landing State Park; cleaning the shoreline of the French Broad River at Seven Islands State Birding Park; and cutting and treating non-native Japanese Knotweed and Multiflora Rose and clearing trash and rock dams at Roan Mountain State Park.

Tennessee Serves projects at parks also coincide with Public Lands Day at the parks on Sept. 26.

The first lady launched Tennessee Serves in 2019 to encourage Tennesseans to serve one another and volunteer in their communities. The three-part initiative includes serving Tennesseans across the state with a special focus on distressed counties; highlighting people and organizations already making a difference; and mobilizing Tennesseans to meet community needs.

For more information about plans at Tennessee State Parks visit <<https://tnstateparks.com/get-involved/volunteering>>.

For more information about the first lady's Tennessee Serves program, please visit <<https://www.tn.gov/firstlady/tennessee-serves.html>>.



Keep the South Cumberland State Park Safe and Clean

Don't let South Cumberland State Park be the place you caught, or shared, the COVID virus. Help us keep the Park safe for all to enjoy by following these simple steps:

Please wear masks any time you are in the presence of other Park visitors

Please maintain six-foot social distancing from anyone not in your immediate group

Please bring hand sanitizer and be virus-aware at all times during your visit

Please bring a trash bag and pack out whatever you bring into the Park. Enjoy the Park responsibly, and help us keep the Park beautiful.

If you find a crowd (or crowded parking lot) at the trail you planned to hike, remember that South Cumberland State Park has 12 amazing trailheads, waiting for you to explore!

Check out the newly-released map of all South Cumberland trailheads, <<https://www.friendsofsouthcumberland.org/>>, which also lists the most outstanding features seen from each trailhead.

Be aware that Savage Gulf North (Stone Door); Fiery Gizzard North (Grundy Forest); and Fiery Gizzard South (Foster Falls) are the busiest trailheads in the Park; consider starting your adventure from one of our other nine trailheads, and discover something new about South Cumberland State Park!

Get driving directions to any of the Park's 12 trailheads, and more info, by visiting our Trailhead Information Page <<https://www.friendsouthcumberland.org/trailhead-and-trail-info.html>>.

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NATURENOTES

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Snakeroot

Milk Sickness Plant

One of the last big shows of the late summer/fall wildflowers is now on display along roadsides and the edges of woods—the bright white flowering heads of White Snakeroot. It was finally identified after many decades as the cause of “milk sickness,” a poisoning resulting from drinking the milk of cows who grazed on this plant. One well-known possible victim was Nancy Hanks Lincoln, the mother of Abraham Lincoln. Farmers often allowed their cows to run in the woods late in the season, when this plant was abundant and other forage was more scarce, and increased incidence of this disease was observed in conjunction with this practice. In fact, an act was passed in the Tennessee General Assembly in 1821 authorizing the Franklin County Court to keep certain coves fenced, with very strict provisions obliging the upkeep of those fences, even though it was not yet known exactly what caused the disease. It is blooming in our woods now, and little else is. When we first moved to this property there were also numerous asters and goldenrods, but I believe they have succumbed to the deer and that the deer know better than to eat White Snakeroot, as it can affect other animals also.

It is not surprising that White Snakeroot contains this powerful chemical. It is sometimes considered a member of the tribe Eupatorieae, named for the ancient ruler of Pontus in Asia Minor, Mithridates VI Eupator, who is said to have regularly consumed small doses of these plants to make himself immune from poisoning by his enemies. Many other members of this group, such as Joe-Pye Weed, have chemicals that have been used for good or bad, as medicines can also be poisons depending on the dosage. The plants, of course, produce these strong compounds to protect themselves from being eaten.

White Snakeroot is somewhat similar in appearance to White Crownbeard, mentioned in an earlier Nature Note, but the Snake-root has opposite leaves, is not as tall, and a closer look will show that the flower heads have only the disc flowers and not the ray flowers that look like petals in the Crownbeard.

Orders Now Accepted for Division of Forestry Tree Seedlings

The Tennessee Department of Agriculture's Division of Forestry (TDF) is offering a variety of tree and shrub seedlings for reforestation and conservation projects. The East Tennessee Nursery in Delano, Tenn. produces forest seedlings and is accepting orders until April 30, 2021.

The nursery supports a \$24.3 billion dollar forest products industry and enables landowners to meet soil, timber, wildlife, aesthetic, and water quality objectives.

Landowners may apply for free seedlings for forest sustainability and restoration through Trees for Tennessee, Play. Plant. Preserve, and the Duck and Elk River Watershed Buffer Initiative programs. Quantities are limited with all three seedling programs.

Cost-share opportunities to purchase seedlings are available through the Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program and other state and federal programs.

For more information about the programs, eligibility requirements, and online seedling sales, visit www.planttrees.org or contact your local area forester at www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests/staff.html.

WEATHER

DAY	DATE	HI	LO
Mon	Sep 07	83	62
Tue	Sep 08	84	65
Wed	Sep 09	84	68
Thu	Sep 10	87	70
Fri	Sep 11	84	68
Sat	Sep 12	81	68
Sun	Sep 13	81	65

Week's Stats:
 Avg max temp = 83
 Avg min temp = 67
 Avg temp = 75
 Precipitation = 1.92"
*Reported by Sandy Gilliam
 Domain Ranger*



Mulah



Slatter

Pets of the Week Meet Mulah & Slatter

My name is Mulah, and boy am I something to talk about! I am a young, 14-month-old hound mix with a drive to please and special happiness about me. The ladies at the shelter say I am very smart and have been a quick learner in the short amount of time they have cared for me. See, I found myself in a pretty bad situation when tragedy hit my family. They only want what is best for my future, and they knew Animal Harbor would be able to help me find the best forever family. While I am very confused that my world was turned upside down in an instant and that I landed in a loud, scary place they call the shelter, I am very hopeful the ladies are right and I won't be here too long! I am very playful, but a little shy at first. Once I get to know you, I demand the attention of the room! I am up-to-date on my vaccinations, spayed, microchipped, heartworm-negative. All I need now is a new home to call my own! If you are interested in adopting me, make sure you submit an adoption application at www.animalharbor.org.

Hello, my name is Slatter! You may recognize my name from the hit series “Saved by the Bell.” I am one more of a hunk, just like Slatter on the show, with my dashing brown tabby coat and cute eyes that draw you in! I am very playful and love to climb on the shelves in my community kitten room at the harbor. A home with energetic children or another kitten would suit me just fine, for romping and rumbling are my favorite pastimes. I am sure to entertain you with my evening zoomies and funny shenanigans. I am four-months-old, 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.

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. 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.

State Park Offerings

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

Friday, Sept. 18

New Moon Night Hike at Stone Door (\$10) (Please pre-register; hike is limited to first 10 registrants)—Join Ranger Spencer Baxter at 6:45 p.m. (CDT) at 1183 Stone Door Rd., Beersheba Springs, for a 2-mile round trip night hike to the Stone Door overlook plus several other overlooks along the way. Experience the night sky in beautiful Savage Gulf. Visitors are required to bring their own headlamp, sturdy hiking boots, weather-appropriate clothing, and a spirit of adventure.

Saturday, Sept. 19

Reading with Ranger Jessie (\$10) (Please pre-register)—Join Ranger Jessie DeRight at 10 a.m. (CDT) at South Cumberland State Park Visitors Center, 11745 U.S. 41, Monteagle, to walk along the Story Book Trail and hear “Brother Eagle, Sister Sky” while you learn about Native American culture. Each child will receive a paperback copy of this book to take home, to read again as often as they want. The trail is slightly more than a half-mile, so please wear comfortable shoes and bring some water. Only children need to be registered; adults do not need to register.

Grundy Forest Trail Restoration (Free)—Join Ranger Austin Holman at 1:30 p.m. (CDT) at Grundy Forest Trailhead, 131

Fiery Gizzard Rd., Tracy City, to help repair a sloped portion of the Grundy Forest Day Loop at Fiery Gizzard North, which has become worn. You'll be helping put in a new stone stairway, which will help maintain the integrity of the soil by limiting the impact of foot traffic and erosion. Wear sturdy, closed-toed footwear, bring gloves, and plenty of water. CDC social distancing guidelines will be followed throughout the program.

Tuesday, Sept. 22

Denny Cove First Day of Autumn Hike (\$5)—Join Ranger Ryan Harris at 1:15 p.m. (CDT) at Denny Cove parking lot, 5949 Hwy. 150, Sequatchie, for a 3-mile round trip moderate-to-strenuous hike over a lot of uneven ground, to beautiful Denny Falls and back. Wear sturdy hiking shoes/boots, bring a minimum of 32 oz. of water, and snacks.

Wednesday, Sept. 23

Greeter Falls Trash Clean-up (Donation \$0-\$20)—Join Ranger Spencer Baxter at 9:30 a.m. (CDT) at Greeter Falls parking lot, 550 Greeter Falls Rd., Altamont, to help remove trash from the area. Trash bags and gloves will be provided. Participants should wear sturdy shoes or boots and weather-appropriate clothing.

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by Phoebe Bates

Matilda told such Dreadful Lies,
It made one Gasp and Stretch one's Eyes;
Her Aunt, who, from her Earliest Youth,
Had kept a Strict Regard for Truth,
Attempted to Believe Matilda:
The effort very nearly killed her,
And would have done so, had not She
Discovered this Infirmary.
For once, towards the Close of Day,
Matilda, growing tired of play,
And finding she was left alone,
Went tiptoe to the Telephone
And summoned the Immediate Aid
Of London's Noble Fire-Brigade.
Within an hour the Gallant Band
Were pouring in on every hand,
From Putney, Hackney Downs, and Bow.
With Courage high and Hearts a-glow,
They galloped, roaring through the Town,
'Matilda's House is Burning Down!'
Inspired by British Cheers and Loud
Proceeding from the Frenzied Crowd,
They ran their ladders through a score
Of windows on the Ball Room Floor;
And took Peculiar Pains to Souse
The Pictures up and down the House,
Until Matilda's Aunt succeeded
In showing them they were not needed;
And even then she had to pay
To get the Men to go away,
It happened that a few Weeks later
Her Aunt was off to the Theatre
To see that Interesting Play
The Second Mrs. Tanqueray.
She had refused to take her Niece
To hear this Entertaining Piece:
A Deprivation Just and Wise
To Punish her for Telling Lies.
That Night a Fire did break out--
You should have heard Matilda Shout!
You should have heard her Scream and Bawl,
And throw the window up and call
To People passing in the Street--
(The rapidly increasing Heat
Encouraging her to obtain
Their confidence) -- but all in vain!
For every time she shouted 'Fire!'
They only answered 'Little Liar!'
And therefore when her Aunt returned,
Matilda, and the House, were Burned.

--Hilaire Bellock, from *Cautionary Tales for Children*

Community Calendar

Friday, Sept. 18

- 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. Pilates, for Athletes, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- noon Stretch/Straighten, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- noon Open House, Artisan Depot, Cowan, until 5 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Cowan Heritage Festival, until 9 p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. Stress Relief Class, Kim, (free), Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

Saturday, Sept. 19

- 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; <robeyogamtn@gmail.com>
- 10 a.m. Cowan Heritage Festival, until 9 p.m.
- 7 p.m. South Cumberland Regional Land Trust Annual Members' Meeting, via Zoom

Sunday, Sept. 20

- 11 a.m. Cowan Heritage Festival, until 5 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 21

- Trustees' Community Relations Committee, via Zoom*
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.
- 7 p.m. Franklin County Commission, Court-house, Winchester

Tuesday, Sept. 22 • Autumn Begins

- 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.
- 10:30 a.m. Yoga for Every Body, Anneli, DuBose Pavilion, until noon
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 4:30 p.m. South Cumberland Farmers' Market, curbside pickup, Community Center, until 6:30 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Sewanee Utility District Board rescheduled meeting, Utility Office, Sherwood Road
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginner, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 7:30 p.m. Conversation with Minnijean Brown Trickey (of the Little Rock Nine) and Spirit Tawfiq, via Zoom (Zoom ID: 97044262337)

Wednesday, Sept. 23

- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.

Thursday, Sept. 24

- 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.
- 10:30 a.m. Kundalini Yoga, Pippa, via Zoom; <pippabrowne64@gmail.com> for invitation
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginner, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

Friday, Sept. 25

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, for Athletes, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- noon Stretch/Straighten, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 6:30 p.m. Stress Relief Class, Kim, (free), Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

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 porch, 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

- 7 p.m. Al-Anon, First UMC, Winchester

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