

State Report Card on Education

A Look at Franklin County Students' Performance

by Leslie Lytle
Messenger Staff Writer

Each year the Tennessee Department of Education issues a statewide report card with data on achievement, graduation rate, academic growth and other criteria, which makes it possible to compare state averages, districts and individual schools. How did Tennessee students do in the 2014–15 school year compared to the 2013–14 school year?

How did Franklin County students do compared to state averages? And how did Sewanee Elementary School students do compared to other schools in the district and state?

Statewide, math, reading and science scores at the elementary school and high school levels showed little change with the exception of

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Joe Wiegand as President
Theodore Roosevelt

“An Evening with Teddy Roosevelt” Dinner

The Rotary Club of Grundy County and the Grundy County Historical Society are hosting “An Evening with Teddy Roosevelt,” Monday, Nov. 16, at the DuBose Conference Center in Monteagle. The social hour is at 6 p.m.; dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person.

Actor and historian Joe Wiegand will bring Theodore Roosevelt to life in his one-man performance at this special event. Wiegand, a Sewanee C’87 alumnus, has entertained audiences nationwide with the wit and wisdom that endeared Theodore Roosevelt to the American people.

As a one-man show, Wiegand shares stories full of adventure, laughter and inspiration. Enjoy T.R.’s adventures as rancher and Rough Rider. Relive the establishment of America’s great national parks, forests, monuments and wildlife reserves. From bear hunts to the Panama Canal, from Africa to the Amazon, T.R.’s delightful stories come to life.

Proceeds of this fund-raiser will support the Grundy County Imagination Library and the Grundy Heritage Center. Tickets are available at the Grundy County Heritage Center or by contacting Nadene Fultz Moore at (931) 273-2194 or (931) 592-6008, or Jim Waller at (931) 636-7297.



Playground equipment at Elliott Park in Sewanee. Photo by Elizabeth Duncan

Elliott Park Playground Installation Has Begun

Park Opens With Work Day on Nov. 21

The materials began arriving on Nov. 10, and Gametime, Inc. has started the assembly process for the new playground at Elliott Park.

While it is very exciting to see the area take shape, it will not be until Saturday, Nov. 21, that anyone will be allowed on the equipment. For safety and liability, the community is advised to not enter the playground until it officially opens.

Please mark your calendars for the volunteer work day, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., on Saturday, Nov. 21. Volunteers (and wheelbarrows, rakes, shovels and pitchforks) are needed; go to the website <www.signupgenius.com> if you would like to help. Use the email “eduncan@sasweb.org” to find the event.

After the required fiber mulch is spread, opening festivities will start at 3 p.m., with live music and the Shenanigans food truck. All are welcome to join the celebration as Sewanee’s second community park becomes a reality.

Yelverton Guitar & Lute Concert on Monday

William Yelverton will perform a classical guitar and lute concert at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 16, in St. Luke’s Chapel on the Sewanee campus.

Admission is free and open to the public. The program will contain music from the Spanish and English Renaissance, a suite by G.F. Handel (originally for harpsichord), Brazilian choros, Spanish Flamenco and contemporary music from Russia, Brazil and the United States, including works by Koshkin, Gismonti and more.

Yelverton is a visiting professor of guitar at Sewanee while on sabbatical from Middle Tennessee State University. He has performed throughout the United States and in a dozen foreign countries. He is a prize-winner in the Guitar Foundation of America International Competition. Soundboard Magazine wrote that his exceptionally diverse programs of solo guitar and lute have “kept audiences spellbound.”



William Yelverton

Board Okays Identification Pilot Project in Schools

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the Nov. 9 meeting, the Franklin County Board of Education approved installation of Raptor sexual predator detection software at Franklin County High School and Clark Memorial Elementary School on a pilot basis.

Visitors to the schools will be required to scan their photo ID at a kiosk located immediately inside the entrance. The Raptor software then searches more than 700 websites for sexual predator information. In the case of an alert, the system summons a school resource officer.

Sewanee school board representative Adam Tucker stressed installation of the software at the two schools was a trial. Before the school system considers wider implementation, “the pilot program needs to be rigorously evaluated to assess the system’s cost effectiveness and effectiveness in enhancing student safety,” Tucker said. The pilot installation will cost \$3,970.

Tucker also expressed concern about parents without a photo ID being denied access to their children. Tucker cited the example of children of undocumented immigrants. Director of Schools Amie Lonas said procedures would be in place to enable parents without a photo ID to engage with their

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College Homecoming Weekend Begins Today

Homecoming at the University of the South is today (Friday) through Sunday, Nov. 13–15. More than 1,400 Sewanee alumni have registered to participate in the weekend’s events. This is a reunion year for alumni with class years ending in “5” and “0”; those classes will have special events in addition to the all-alumni offerings.

The registration desk at the McGriff Alumni House will be open today (Friday) until 6 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 14, from 8 a.m. to noon. The weekend will be filled with social, educational and recreational opportunities planned to appeal to all alumni, including lectures on Friday by Jerry Smith on the Rebel’s Rest excavation project; Bruce Van Saun on the new era of banking; and Fahd Arshad, C’02, on his path from liberal arts to financial technology. These talks are free and open to the public; see <www.sewaneegateway.com> for times and locations, and the full schedule of events.

The Alumni Awards Ceremony will be at 10 a.m., Saturday, in All Saints’ Chapel. This year’s award winners are Distinguished Faculty Award—John Reishman and Fred Croom; Distinguished Service Award—Jock Tonissen, C’70; Distinguished Young Alumnus Award—Jennifer Bulkeley Staats, C’00; and Distinguished Alumnus Award—John Douglas, C’63.

Saturday’s Alumni Parade begins at 12:45 p.m. (meet on Georgia Avenue) and will be followed by a 1:30 p.m. home football game against Hendrix College. A memorial service at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday will remember alumni, faculty, staff and community members at St. Augustine’s Stone outside All Saints’ Chapel.



Five Sewanee Elementary School students participated in the Chattanooga Sectional of the NFL Punt, Pass and Kick competition on Nov. 8. Kia Walker (front row, left) and Emma Smith (front row, right) each won their age group. Also attending were (back row, from left) Morgan Hiers, Robbie Philipp and Lakin Laurendine.

Meacham To Talk About His Biography of George H. W. Bush

University of the South Vice-Chancellor John McCardell will talk with Jon Meacham about Meacham’s new book, “Destiny and Power: The American Odyssey of George Herbert Walker Bush,” at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, in Convocation Hall. It will be followed by a question-and-answer period with the audience, then a reception and book signing.

Meacham, a 1991 Sewanee graduate, is executive editor and executive vice president at Random House. He is a former editor-in-chief of News-

week, a contributing editor to Time Magazine and a commentator on politics, history and religion. He won the 2009 Pulitzer Prize for his biography “American Lion: Andrew Jackson in the White House.”

Meacham has participated in two lively and engaging public “conversations” at Sewanee since 2013, one with former Secretary of Defense Robert Gates, and one with New York Times columnist David Brooks.

The event is free and open to the public.

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Letters

BROADBAND ACCESS?

To the Editor:

If you are concerned because you have no broadband Internet access, know that you are not alone. There are pockets of unserved areas all across Tennessee. Some of these pockets exist because of state laws giving telecoms a monopoly over who can provide service and more importantly, who cannot.

About two years ago a group of Bradley County neighbors who had no access to broadband Internet formed "Citizens Striving to be Part of the 21st Century." We now recognize our regional concern is a statewide problem.

In Tennessee there are seven electric service companies providing fiber-optic broadband Internet to their customers. However, state law doesn't allow them to provide broadband service outside their "electric service footprint." The telecoms, which have the legal right to provide broadband service, are in no way required to do so.

There have been several efforts over the years to change these laws, but lawmakers do not have good information about who has access to broadband. Please contact our group by calling (844) 528-7597; this is a toll-free call. Leave your name, address, phone number and any email address we might



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Jared Bruckner
McDonald, Tenn. ■

BOOK REVIEW

To the Editor:

I want to tell you about a book I just finished that I recommend to everyone: "Chicken Stock" by Leslie Lytle (available at local retailers and through online booksellers).

In the book, we are drawn into this farmer's life, loves and struggles. Just widowed, she has to learn how to raise chickens and figure out how to keep the farm. Bravely she soldiers on, solving one unexpected problem after another. Without an excess of detail, description or preaching, this author keeps this story moving along. Will our farmer succeed? With all of the suspense of a murder mystery, we have a chicken house "page-turner."

Underneath it all is a not-so-fictional story about contract farming. This story, too, unfolds as we realize that this farmer's struggles are representative of most of our real farmers. Through her eyes and experiences

we come to understand how contract farming affects farmers, rural communities and the food we eat. This chicken house exposé, as in Aesop's Fables, informs us of important truths with an enchanting story. What do you really know about how your food is produced?

Barbara Camm
Tracy City ■

FAMILY OFFERS THANKS

To the Editor:

The family of Robert W. Capel IV, "Robbie," wishes to thank the Sewanee community for your donations during our time of need following the loss of our beloved son and grandson. Your assistance has helped ease some of our financial burdens. Your loving prayers, actions and encouraging words held us up during the most difficult time of our lives. We could feel you with us. Words cannot express the gratitude we feel.

Robert and Patricia Capel
and family, Hollywood, Fla. ■

FOCAGIFO UPDATE

To the Editor:

The Friends of Canon Gideon Foundation (FOCAGIFO) raised money in the summer of 2014 in Sewanee to purchase seven Dell laptop computers for the Hope Institute for Transformational Leadership and Development, in Kampala, Uganda. I received the following note and photo [above] from Mwesigwa Allan at the Institute.

"Greetings to you and the family. I wanted to show you a picture of the computer lessons.

"I would like to officially thank you for the wonderful donation. Great thanks to our USA friends for the computer donation.

"Students were very excited in having a computer lab. We are very proud and happy that our dreams were unveiled. Thank you so much."

How lovely to see the fruit of our labor. Thank you all for your donations.

Sally Hubbard
Sewanee ■

Correction

Last week's story about Locally Sourced Sunday Lunch contained an error about the size of poultry farms governed by a USDA ruling.

The correct information is:

Pastured poultry from family farms is becoming available as a result of a USDA ruling allowing farms who raised fewer than 10,000 chickens to apply for an exemption to process birds on the farm without an inspector present.

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Franklin County Holiday Market

The Southern Tennessee Ladies' Society Scholarship Foundation is hosting a holiday craft market, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., today (Friday), Nov. 13, and 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 14, at 839 Dinah Shore Blvd., Winchester.

More than 45 local artists and crafters will offer handmade holiday decor, jewelry, baked goods, and more. For more information contact Edith Nunley at 962-4526 or <stlsholidaymarket@gmail.com>.

Coffee with the Coach on Monday

Coffee with the Coach will meet at 9 a.m., Monday, Nov. 16, at the Blue Chair Tavern. The guest will be Sewanee men's tennis coach John Shackelford. Come and enjoy good conversation and free coffee.

Sewanee Woman's Club Book Club Meeting on Nov. 16

The Sewanee Woman's Club Book Club will meet at 1:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 16, in the home of Flournoy Rogers (please note the location change). Sally Hubbard will review "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr. For more information email Debbie Racka at <deb-bie811@comcast.net> or contact Rogers at 598-0733.

EQB on Wednesday

EQB will meet for lunch at noon, Wednesday, Nov. 18, at St. Mary's Sewanee.

Area Rotary Club Meetings

The Grundy County Rotary Club meets at 11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, at Dutch Maid Bakery in Tracy City. On Nov. 17, Carol Ponder and Troupe will perform "My Father's War."

The Monteagle Sewanee Rotary Club meets 8–9 a.m., Thursdays, at the Sewanee Inn. On Nov. 19, Beth Stubbs, district governor, will be at the meeting.

Call for Agenda Items for Community Council

The Sewanee Community Council will meet in November if there are agenda items that need attention before its scheduled January meeting. If you have agenda items that cannot wait, please submit them to the provost's office by noon, Wednesday, Nov. 18. If needed, there will be a meeting on Monday, Nov. 30; otherwise, the next meeting will be on Jan. 25.

Garden Club Meeting Wednesday

The Sewanee Garden Club will meet at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 18, at the Clifftops Lake Club House (please note the date change). The program will feature Darlene Seagroves talking about "Much Ado About Bee's Wax." For more information contact Flournoy Rogers at (931) 598-0733 or email <semmesrogers@gmail.com>.

Civic Association Meets on Wednesday

The Sewanee Civic Association (SCA) will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 18, at St. Mark's Hall, Otey Parish. Social time with wine begins at 6 p.m., and dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Dinner (\$15), will be catered by the Blue Chair. The business meeting begins at 7 p.m., followed by a brief program.

Kim Tucker, principal of Sewanee Elementary School, will present the program. The program portion of the evening is free and open to the public. Babysitting will be available. This year, the SCA is celebrating 107 years of civic opportunities in the community. For more information visit <www.sewaneeccivic.wordpress.com>.

Franklin County Republican Women's Club

The Franklin County Republican Women's Club will meet at 11 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 19, in the Franklin-Pearson House in Cowan. Lunch will follow at 12:15 p.m., at Fiesta Grill. For more information call (931) 924-3000.

Curbside Recycling on Nov. 20

Residential curbside recycling pickup in Sewanee is on the first and third Friday of each month. Friday, Nov. 20, will be a pickup day. Recyclable materials must be separated by type and placed in blue bags by the side of the road no later than 7:30 a.m.

Please do not put out general household trash on this day. Blue bags may be picked up in the University Lease and Community Relations office, 400 University Ave. (the Blue House) or at the Physical Plant Services office on Georgia Avenue.

Lytle Book Signing and Reading

The University of the South Book and Supply Store will host a reading and book signing by author Leslie Lytle, 3:30 p.m.–5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 20. Her new novel, "Chicken Stock," speaks to rural America's struggle against corporate agriculture through the eyes of a young woman. Lytle's reading will be at 4 p.m.

UDC Meets on Nov. 21

The Kirby-Smith Chapter #327 Sewanee of the United Daughters of The Confederacy will meet at 10 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 21, in the Franklin-Pearson House in Cowan. All meetings are open to the public.

STLS Luncheon Reservation Deadline Nov. 24

Reservation/cancellation deadline for the upcoming meeting of the Southern Tennessee Ladies Society (STLS) is at noon, Tuesday, Nov. 24, for the meeting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 2, at the Franklin County Country Club. Social time and a silent auction begin at 9:30 a.m.

Buffet luncheon, \$12, includes dessert, coffee, tea, tax and tip. The program will be a holiday skit.

The mission of STLS is to award scholarships to graduating seniors in Coffee, Franklin, Grundy, Lincoln and Moore counties. To make or cancel a reservation call Tina, 967-4813, or email <reply2stls@att.net>.

F@H Celebrates Fifth Anniversary

Folks at Homewill celebrate its fifth anniversary with a celebration, 4–6 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 19, at Rivendell Writers' Colony. This is an opportunity to visit with friends and neighbors at Rivendell with the magnificent view of Lost Cove as a backdrop.

There is no charge, but an RSVP is requested. Call Folks at Home at 931-598-0303 or email <folksathome.sewanee@gmail.com>

Enjoy refreshments, music and a few surprises to celebrate the five years of successful services and programs at Folks at Home.

Folks at Home is a local nonprofit organization developed for and dedicated to assisting its members in continuing a dignified and comfortable lifestyle in the community through coordination of services they need during elder years.

Anyone of any age is invited to participate in Folks at Home.

Rivendell Writers' Colony aims to inspire and educate the imagination by offering programs, workshops and residencies to both published authors and aspiring writers. Both Folks at Home and Rivendell Writers' Colony are local nonprofit organizations.

Public Health, Visual Epidemiology Lecture

Visual epidemiology is a new approach to global and local health that combines the strength of data with the power of storytelling.

The creator of this approach, Jonathan Smith, and his mentor, Kaveh Khoshnood, both from the Yale School of Public Health, will give a talk at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 15, in room G26, duPont Library.

Smith and Khoshnood will discuss their work and show some film segments that embody their approach. This will be an informal presentation with an opportunity for questions and discussion both about the work in particular and about approaches to public, global and local health.

Khoshnood is an associate professor and director of undergraduate studies at the Yale School of Public Health and core faculty member of the Yale Council on Middle East Studies. He trained as an infectious disease epidemiologist and has more than two decades of domestic and international experience in HIV prevention research among drug users and other at-risk populations, including its ethical aspects.

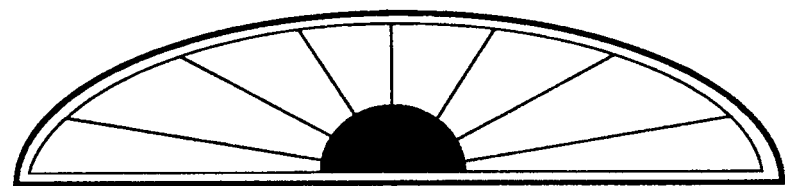
Smith, MPH, is a lecturer in epidemiology of microbial diseases and global health at Yale University School of Public Health, where he researches tuberculosis and HIV in the context of mining and migrancy in sub-Saharan Africa. He is an affiliate of the Yale Global Health Leadership Institute and founding director of Visual Epidemiology, a nonprofit organization seeking to combine academic discourse with personal narratives through filmmaking.

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Obituaries

Robert William Capel IV

Robert William “Robbie” Capel IV, age 7, died on Oct. 25, 2015, in Hollywood, Fla.

He is survived by his parents, Robert and Patricia Capel, Hollywood, Fla.; brother, Austin; maternal grandparents, Todor Parvanov and Patricia Damas; paternal grandparents, Robert and Virginia (Ginny) Capel of Sewanee; aunt and uncle, Silvana and Luis Silvestri; aunts, Laura Boudreau and Deborah Farr; two cousins; and many other extended family members.

Funeral services were on Oct. 28 in the chapel of Levitt-Weinstein Funeral Home in Tamarac, Fla., officiated by the Rev. Canon Mark H. Sims. Interment followed in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens. A celebration of Robbie’s life was on Nov. 1 at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Coral Springs, Fla.

Rose H. Causey

Rose H. Causey, age 85 of Monteagle, died October 21, 2015, at Southern Tennessee Medical Center in Winchester. She was born on March 25, 1930, in Marthaville, La., to A.H. and Elma Tyler Hayes. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Tracy City. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, John W. Causey; brothers, Glenn Hayes and Herman Hayes; and a sister, Mildred Lonon.

She is survived by her daughters, Debra (Thomas) Kandul of Monteagle, Susan (Dan) Chitwood and Kathy Kinnaid, both of Louisville, Ky., and Amy (Wes) Sights of Henderson, Ky.; and eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 28, at First Baptist Church in Tracy City. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to Tracy City First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 417, Tracy City, TN 37387. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Anthony Gene Felts

Anthony Gene Felts, age 54 of Springfield, Tenn., died on Nov. 6, 2015, at his home. He was born on Aug. 17, 1961, in Robertson County to Catherine Starks Felts and the late Nathan Gene Felts. He was the director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Springfield and was a national director for Dixie Youth Baseball Organization; he coached youth baseball for more than 30 years, influencing generations of youth in Springfield.

He is survived by his mother, Catherine Starks Felts of Hermitage; wife, Vickie Alexander Felts of Springfield; son, Clayton Anthony (Katie) Felts of Winchester; daughter, Ana Catherine (Leslie) Felts-Hyams of Hopkinsville, Ky.; stepson,

Brandon Whited of Springfield; stepdaughter, Heather (Landon) Morris of Chapmansboro, Tenn.; sister, Lisa Felts (Tom) Lynch of Mt. Juliet, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were on Nov. 6 in the funeral home chapel with Bro. Steve Freeman officiating. Interment followed in Elmwood Cemetery. The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society, sent in care of Robertson County Funeral Home, <www.robertsoncountyfuneralhome.com>.

Gary Lee Gilliam

Gary Lee Gilliam, age 63 of Gulf Shores, Ala., died on Nov. 5, 2015, at Covenant Hospice in Pensacola, Fla. He was born and raised in Sewanee.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Gilliam Sr. of Sewanee, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Turner of Monteagle; and parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Gilliam Jr. (Louise Turner) of Sewanee and Haleyville.

He is survived by his daughter, Misty (Shane) Hughes of Winfield, Ala.; son, Nathan Gilliam of Chicago, Ill.; sister, Susan (Dave) McAlpine of Daphne, Ala.; aunts, Louise Gilliam Myers of Cowan and Jean Turner Pirtle, both of Monteagle; uncles, James and Floyd Turner of Monteagle; and a step-grandson, niece, and many cousins and friends.

A private interment of ashes and celebration of life will be held at a later date. Arrangements were by Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Pensacola, Fla.

Donald L. Melton

Donald L. “Memphis” Melton, age 70 of Decherd, died on Nov. 1, 2015. He is survived by his daughter, Mindy Melton of Monteagle; son, Timothy Melton of Monteagle; and two grandchildren.

A celebration of his life was on Nov. 7 in the funeral home chapel. Interment was in Rutledge Hill Cemetery. Arrangements were by Watson-North Funeral Home, Winchester.

JoAnne Merriman Nelson

JoAnne Merriman Nelson, age 70 of Sewanee, died on Oct. 25, 2015. She was born on Dec. 4, 1944, to Nannimae and William Kelly Merriman. She worked as a professional secretary, a license examiner for the Tennessee Highway Patrol and a Certified Nursing Assistant. She was preceded in death by her parents; and husband, George Edward Nelson.

She is survived by her sons, Rathburn “Sandy” (Ginger) Ray and Gregory E. Nelson; daughters, Kelly Elizabeth (Rusty) Langford and Mandie Myers; brother, Jim Kelly (Frances) Merriman;

and three grandchildren and two grandchildren.

A celebration of life service was on Nov. 7 at Gillam Cemetery on Battle Creek. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Betty Jean Sanders

Betty Jean Sanders, age 79 of Tracy City, died on Nov. 10, 2015. She was born in Tracy City on Jan. 22, 1936, to Raymond and Jessie Graham King. She was a member of Mount Ararat Cumberland Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Jessie Houston Sanders; and brothers George and Charles King.

She is survived by her son, Larry (Brenda) Sanders of Coalmont; daughter, Joyce (Robert) Henn of Monteagle; brothers William and Kenneth King of California; and three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside funeral services were today, Nov. 13, at Orange Hill Cemetery with Bro. Leslie Sanders officiating. For complete obituary go to <www.laynefuneralhome.com>.

Church News

All Saints’ Chapel

A memorial service at 9:30 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 15, will remember alumni, faculty, staff and community members at St. Augustine’s Stone outside All Saints’ Chapel..

Christ Church, Monteagle

On Nov. 15, Christ Church will have a special blessing for shoeboxes prepared for Samaritan’s Purse and Operation Christmas Child.

Otey Memorial Parish

At 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 15, Otey Parish’s Adult Forum meets in St. Mark’s Hall of Claiborne Parish House [see story on page 5 about the program]. The Lectionary class will also meet in Claiborne Parish House. Children ages 3–11 can attend Godly Play at 10 a.m. Middle school and high school Sunday School will meet on the second floor of Brooks Hall.

Nursery care is available for children 6 weeks to 4 years old from 8:30 a.m. until after the coffee hour.

Unitarian Universalist

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Tullahoma will gather at 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 15. The speaker this Sunday will be Will Prater, who will talk about “Assume Best Intent.” Refreshments and discussion will follow. The church is located at 3536 New Manchester Hwy., Tullahoma.

For more information, call at (931) 455-8626, or go to <www.tullahomauu.org>.

Cowan Community Thanksgiving Service

Cowan Ministerial Association is hosting its Community Thanksgiving service, 6 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 22, at First Baptist, Cowan. This annual gathering of Cowan-area churches is a time of thankfulness and praise in preparation for the Thanksgiving holiday. Rev. Andy Gay, pastor of Cowan Fellowship Church, will be the speaker, and the host congregation will lead music and song. The entire community is welcome.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Weekday Services, Nov. 12–18

7:00 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary’s (not 11/16)
7:30 am Morning Prayer, Otey
8:30 am Morning Prayer, Christ the King Anglican (11/17)
8:30 am Morning Prayer, St. Augustine’s
12:30 pm Noon Prayer, St. Mary’s (not 11/16)
4:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Augustine’s
4:30 pm Evening Prayer, Otey
5:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Mary’s (not 11/16)

Saturday, Nov. 14

7:30 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary’s
10:00 am Sabbath School, Monteagle 7th Day Adventist
11:00 am Worship Service, Monteagle 7th Day Adventist
3:00 pm Shabbat, Sons of Tzadok, Monteagle
5:00 pm Mass, Good Shepherd Catholic, Decherd

Sunday, Nov. 15

All Saints’ Chapel

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:30 am St. Augustine’s Stone Service (outside All Saints’)
11:00 am Holy Eucharist
6:30 pm Growing in Grace

Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle

10:00 am Morning Service
5:30 pm Evening Service

Christ Church Episcopal, Alto

9:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Children’s Sunday School

Christ Church Episcopal, Tracy City

11:00 am Holy Eucharist
11:00 am Children’s Sunday School

Christ Church, Monteagle

10:30 am Holy Eucharist
10:45 am Children’s Sunday School
12:50 pm Christian formation class

Christ the King Anglican Church, Decherd

9:00 am Worship Service
10:40 am Adults’ and Children’s Sunday School

Church of the Holy Comforter, Monteagle

9:00 am Holy Eucharist

Community Harvest Church of God, Coalmont

10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
5:30 pm Evening Service

Cowan Fellowship Church

10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Sewanee

9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Sunday School

Decherd Mission Church

11:00 am Worship Service

Decherd United Methodist Church

9:45 am Sunday School
10:50 am Worship

Epiphany Episcopal Church, Sherwood

10:30 am Holy Eucharist
10:30 am Children’s Sunday School

First United Methodist Church, Winchester

8:30 am Traditional Worship (also at 11 am)
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Sunday School

Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd

10:30 am Mass

Grace Fellowship

10:30 am Sunday School/Worship Service

Harrison Chapel Methodist Church

10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm Worship Service, special singing

Midway Baptist Church

10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Service
6:00 pm Evening Service

Midway Church of Christ

10:00 am Bible Study
11:00 am Morning Service
6:00 pm Evening Service

Ministry Baptist Church, S.R. 50, Pelham

10:30 am Breakfast Fellowship
11:00 am Morning Service
6:00 pm Evening Service

Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

New Beginnings Church, Jump Off

10:30 am Worship Service

Otey Memorial Parish Church

8:50 am Holy Eucharist
10:00 am Godly Play
10:00 am Lectionary Class/Adult Forum
11:00 am Holy Eucharist

Pelham United Methodist Church

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

St. Agnes’ Episcopal, Cowan

10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Holy Eucharist

St. James Episcopal

9:00 am Holy Eucharist

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8:00 am Mass

St. Mary’s Convent

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm Evensong

Sewanee Church of God

10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Service
6:00 pm Evening Service

Society of Friends

9:30 am Meeting, 598-5031

Tracy City First Baptist Church

9:45 am Sunday School
10:45 am Morning Worship
5:30 pm Youth
6:00 pm Evening Worship

Valley Home Community Church, Pelham

10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm Evening Service

Wednesday, Nov. 18

6:00 am Morning Prayer, Cowan Fellowship
12:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Christ Church, Monteagle
5:30 pm Evening Worship, Bible Baptist, Monteagle
6:00 pm Youth (AWANA), Tracy City First Baptist
6:30 pm Community Harvest Church of God,
7:00 pm Adult Formation, Epiphany, Sherwood
7:00 pm Evening Worship, Tracy City First Baptist
7:00 pm Prayer Service, Harrison Chapel, Midway

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Friday, February 5–Sunday, February 7
Anne Bright, presenter
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The Anna House, \$450 (single); Commuter, \$250

Adult Forum Programs at Otey Parish

Since late August, the Adult Forum at Otey Memorial Parish in Sewanee, has had eight presentations on the theme "Witnesses to the Faith." This theme was chosen to illustrate some of the many ways Christians have responded in faith to the challenges of their times.

John Bratton talked about Otey's early missionary and civic-minded rector William S. Claiborne. Otey's new rector, Rob Lamborn, surveyed the work of the celebrated theologian William Porcher DuBose, University chaplain, faculty member and dean of the School of Theology at Sewanee.

Also featured have been Christopher Bryan on Jesus and the Roman Empire; Paul Holloway on the mystical sources of St. Paul's theology; Eric Thurman on St. Paul's practice of Christian heroism; Chris McDonough focused his attention on the Emperor Constantine and the recognition and spread of Christianity in the Empire; Alex Bruce spoke on the conversion of the Anglo-Saxons to Christianity and the poetry of Caedmon, the earliest English Christian poet; and Susan Ridyard discussed Perpetua, martyrdom and the origin of the cult of the saints.

Upcoming presentations are:

Sunday, Nov. 15—Robert Hughes, "A Candle in the Darkness: Julian of Norwich and the Fourteenth-Century Mystics";

Sunday, Nov. 22—Stephen Miller, "Hildegard of Bingen and Her Musical Visions."

These programs have attracted a substantial numbers of participants from the parish and community, and have provoked lively discussions.

All are welcome.

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Community Chest Spotlight

Volunteers in Medicine

The 2015–16 Sewanee Community Chest Fund Drive is underway. The power of people helping people makes a difference in the life of our community. Sponsored by the Sewanee Civic Association, the Community Chest raises money yearly for local charitable organizations serving the area. This year's goal is \$100,000. Currently, 40 percent has been raised in donations and pledges.

Volunteers in Medicine of Southern Tennessee (VIM) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit health clinic, providing preventative and maintenance healthcare for uninsured adults between the ages of 18 and 64. VIM is a free health clinic where volunteers with different medical backgrounds assist in patient care and organization of clinic operations. The clinic's patients are all uninsured, low-income adults who cannot afford medications and are not on a controlled substance such as narcotics. VIM relies on community donations to keep the clinic open.

Although the clinic is located in Franklin County, VIM has received increased referrals from Coffee, Grundy, Lincoln, Marion, Moore, Sequatchie and Warren counties. For the year 2015, patient growth has doubled to 1,700 patients. The care team includes three nurses, two physicians and one nurse practitioner. The specialty physicians include three gynecologists, a cardiologist and a chiropractor. There are an additional 12 volunteers from Sewanee's Bonner Program, Canale Program, Diabetes Education Program and Pre-Med Program. These volunteers have logged more than 1,500 volunteer hours.

VIM is requesting funding for its Diabetes Program. Each month VIM diagnoses approximately 15 new patients with diabetes. The insulin companies changed their patient assistance programs, and now most VIM patients are unable to get their insulin for free. Seventy-five percent of the SCC funding will go to the purchase of diabetes meters, testing strips, syringes, lancets and insulin. The remainder of the funding will go toward paying for the patients' lab work.

The goal of the Sewanee Community Chest is to help citizens by funding the community. For more information, or to make a donation through PayPal, contact <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com> or go to <http://www.sewaneeccivc.wordpress.com>.

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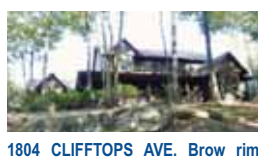
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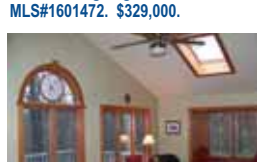
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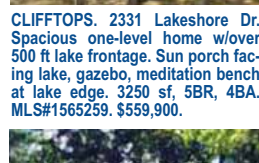
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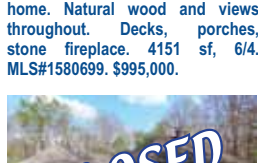
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Highlander School Preservation Presentation

David Curry of the Tennessee Preservation Trust (TPT) will present a program about TPT's preservation of core properties associated with the original Highlander Folk School at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 17, at Tom's Place in Monteagle.

Highlander Folk School was listed as one of the "Ten in Tennessee" preservation projects for TPT in 2014.

From 1932 until the mid-1940s, Highlander's mission was to build a progressive labor movement among the region's woodcutters, coal miners, government relief workers, textile workers and farming families.

Prominent activists, including Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr., participated in workshops at Highlander in the 1950s. The school also found support from Eleanor Roosevelt, folk singer Pete Seeger and others.

Over the years, Highlander faced charges brought by the IRS, the FBI, a congressional Senate security subcommittee, the Georgia Commission on Education, the Arkansas attorney general, Tennessee state legislators and a Tennessee district attorney.

In 1961 the State of Tennessee padlocked the buildings, revoked the school's charter, and confiscated its land and buildings, in response to charges that Highlander was tied to the Communist Party. The property was subdivided and sold at auction.

Tom's Place is located at 335 W. Main St. in Monteagle, across from CVS Pharmacy.



Monteagle Elementary School students participated in the Happiness Sprinkling Project on Oct. 29, a nationwide event where people from a community stand in public places and hold inspirational signs. The students enjoyed the event, wearing yellow clothing, "the color of happiness," and waving at passersby.

Kellogg Foundation Awards Education Grant in Grundy

The Discover Together program in Grundy County has been awarded a \$260,000 grant by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation to further the program's efforts to better connect families with social support networks. The grant is being administered by project director and Sewanee professor of psychology Karen Yu and overseen by Emily Partin, the director of Discover Together. The funding will be used to survey the needs identified by the community, as well as identifying the resources that exist.

The Kellogg Foundation looks for programs that would have a lasting impact on educating children and increasing the strength of the community. Partin said that all Discover Together programming "is designed to reach beyond each child to include families and the whole community."

Discover Together lead teacher Sherry Guyer implements a curriculum that encompasses literacy, exploration and social connections.

"Seeing the support families give each other has been tremendously rewarding," Guyer said. "I'm thrilled that we can continue to open our doors to more families." The family co-op component of Discover Together has doubled the number of sessions offered and currently has a waiting list, but is hoping to expand further.

Discover Together is a partnership between Scholastic, the University of the South, the Yale Child Study Center and the community of Grundy County. The project is designed to build family resilience through programs focused on place, community and literacy. Now in its fourth year, Discover Together features three main components: a family co-op for children from birth to age 5 and their caregivers; Camp Discover, a summer program for students aged 6-13; and the Learning Lab, a gathering place at Tracy City Elementary School for Camp Discover students and their families during the school year.

"We know that one of the most effective ways to increase resilience is by building a strong social network," said Dr. Linda Mayes of the Yale Child Study Center. "Discover Together has, from the beginning, been about bringing people together to strengthen their connections to each other and to this very special place on the Mountain."

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chemistry. Students lacking basic mastery of the material decreased six percentage points to 26.6 percent; advanced level students increased four percentage points to almost 20 percent. Locally, the improvements were even more dramatic, with the students lacking basic mastery in chemistry decreasing by 11 percentage points and those demonstrating advanced knowledge increasing to almost nine percent. While still below statewide averages, the gain is significant.

Looking at high school graduation rates, both Franklin County High School (FCHS) and Huntland High School (HHS) surpassed the state average of 87.2 percent and showed a rise in the number of students graduating compared to the 2013-14 school year. FCHS reported a graduation rate of 89.2 percent, and HHS reported an impressive 100 percent of enrolled seniors earning diplomas.

The Tennessee Value-Added Assessment System (TVAAS) provides a tool for comparing academic achievement in the 2014-15 school year with academic achievement in the 2013-14 school year. TVAAS scores rank academic growth on a scale of one to five. FCHS received a score of four in both literacy and numeracy, indicating academic growth above expected levels, and Broadview Elementary received an improvement score of five in both categories.

Board Meeting (from page 1)

children and school officials.

For Lonas, an important feature of the system is the ability to reference inputted data about which adults have permission to pick children up, preventing errors when child custody and restraining order circumstances prevail.

In other business, Lonas said the Capital Building Planning Committee has expressed a need for guidance from architectural and engineering firms in making decisions. The board approved Lonas' request to solicit proposals from firms detailing their qualifications for the committee to review. The school system will not incur any financial commitment in the review process. Need for renovation at the school system's two 40-year-old middle schools is top on the committees agenda, Lonas said.

Reviewing personnel needs, Assistant Superintendent Linda Foster said the school system would post a position for a fourth-grade teacher at Sewanee Elementary School. At present, one fourth-grade class has 27 students and is expected to reach the limit of 28 students next semester.

The board approved a motion by chair Kevin Caroland to make it "standard practice" to require only one reading before a vote is taken on policy issues.

When necessary, the board can request a second reading before voting, Caroland said.

The board also approved two policy revisions.

A key change in the Student Transportation Management policy bars bus drivers involved in an accident from driving until drug screening results are received in the cases where policy criteria prescribe drug screening. Bus drivers not required to undergo drug screening following an accident may request drug screening, but are not barred from driving. Foster said bus contractors would be notified of the changes.

The Emergency and Legal Leave policy was revised to afford witnesses the same allowances made for school system employees summoned for jury duty.

The board held its meeting in the Huntland School Cafeteria. Recently awarded a Focus Grant of nearly \$100,000, Huntland used the funds to buy Kindle Fire e-readers for all second- and third-grade students. Huntland qualified for the grant due to the achievement gap demonstrated by subgroups, such as racial and ethnic groups, students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds and students with disabilities.

Huntland Principal William Bishop stressed the importance in "getting kids to read for pleasure." With the e-readers he now sees children reading on the bus and when waiting for school to begin. "It's like you've given them a new video game," Bishop said.

The school board next meets on Dec. 14.

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ANGELWITH ANATTITUDE

by Virginia Craighill



Dear Angel,

I've noticed that Sewanee's squirrel population is booming and that our squirrels seem rather more robust than in other parts of the country. What would account for this?

Gossip Squirrel

Dear Gossip Squirrel,

Your very pseudonym speaks to the current popularity of squirrels in Social Media, and while the general image of squirrels is one of benign furriness, our squirrels "are different." Sewanee's members of the Sciuridae family have evolved into a kind of "Super-Squirrel" breed, thanks to the overabundance of available foods. Squirrels from more impoverished areas must make do with nuts, but Sewanee's population of bushy-tailed rodents are more omnivorous: witnesses have seen them stealing tomatoes from the Sewanee gardens, carrying half-eaten bananas from McClurg's patio, and even hauling away an entire orchard's worth of designer apples, one by one. They appear impervious to electric fences, though not so much transformers.

Like the deer population, the squirrels thrive in the paradise we have created for them. However, unlike the deer population, there is no squirrel "cull," and they have no natural predators (unless you count transformers). It would not be surprising to see one of our predatory squirrels carrying off a young fawn, and you would be wise to keep your infants safely inside if you happen to see squirrels hanging about your window with a gluttonous look in their beady brown eyes.

The good news, though not for squirrels, is that the more they eat, the heavier and slower they get, making it more difficult to play "chicken-squirrel" with oncoming vehicles. Perhaps this method of natural selection will bring back a sleeker, less voracious breed of bushy-tailed varmint.

Dear Angel,

Driving past the football field during a recent home game, I noticed that while the female students have maintained their game-day dress code (sun dresses with cowboy boots), many young men were wearing T-shirts and shorts under their Wellington capes, which significantly lowers the

tone. However, as I turned onto Allen Gipson Lane, I saw two students impeccably dressed in coat and tie urinating into the bushes across from the Italian House. Is there some inverse relationship between dress and decorum? Perhaps I missed an announcement that the Fowler Center (with its restrooms) has been closed on Saturdays due to budget cuts.

Keep it Classy, Sewanee

Dear Classy,

Mark Twain once said, "Clothes make the man. Naked people have little or no influence in society." Although you did not specify, and one hates to make gender assumptions in this politically correct world, I would have to guess that these "impeccably dressed" students were male, based on their attire.

As for the inverse relationship between "dress and decorum," it seems prudent to define decorum just in case the students in question are not familiar with the word. Decorum: behavior in keeping with good taste and propriety. The sentence, "you exhibit remarkable modesty and decorum," is not one you would use upon seeing two well-dressed men peeing in the bushes. The synonyms propriety, seemliness, decency, good taste, and correctness also do not apply in this situation.

If, as Twain suggests, men who wear clothes have an influence in society, then we hope it would be a positive influence. If you're going to dress up for Game Day, whether in Highlander kilts and athletic jerseys, coats and ties, or Wellington capes, shorts and T-shirts, you should exhibit the kind of good taste and decency that most people associate with Sewanee students. Otherwise, you might as well go naked.

YSR!

Angel

Dear Angel,

It's No-Shave November, which means that I can stop shaving and the fullness of my beard will indicate my support of a good cause (although I'm not sure what it is). My mom says I have to shave anyway. What do you think?

Hunter Craighill C'19

Dear Hunter,

Your mom's right.

Love, Angel

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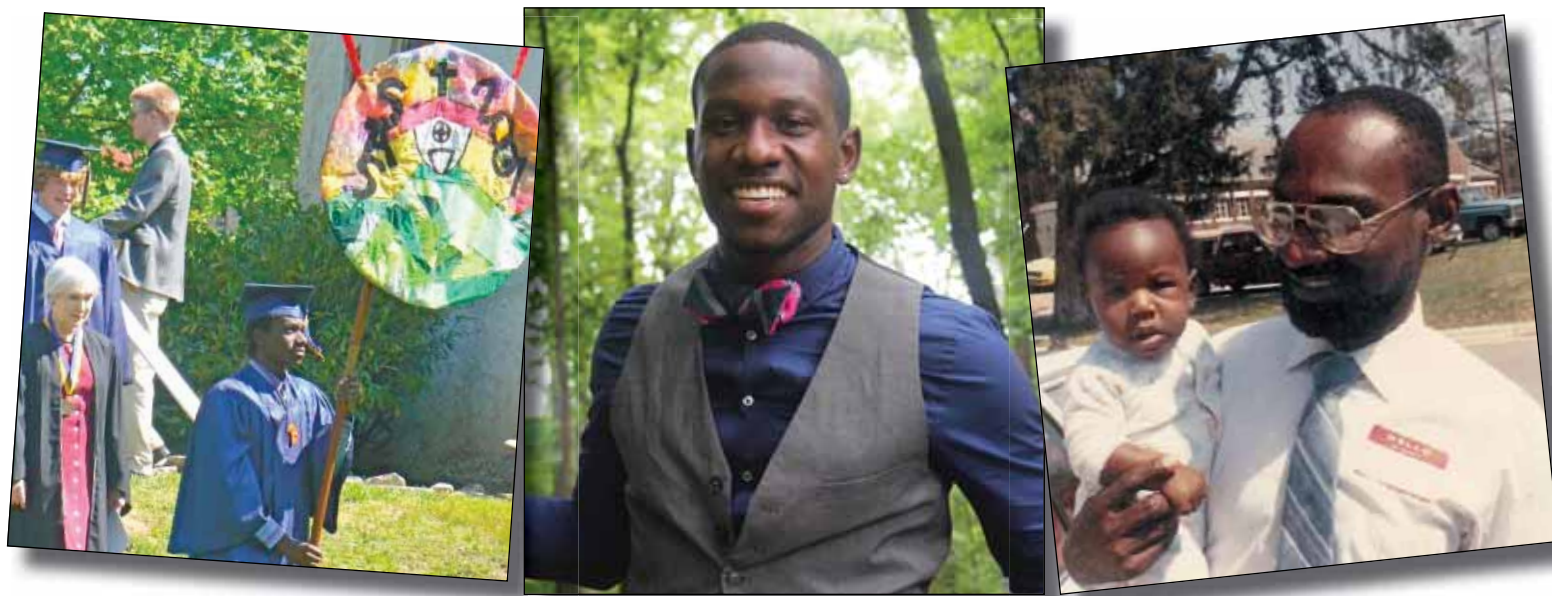
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Osei Hill (from left) at SAS graduation in 2007; today; with his father on the campus of Tuskegee.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Osei Hill

by Kevin Cummings
Messenger Staff Writer

Osei Hill is a man with a charge.

He sits across the table at Stirling's Coffee House with his energy in check, but the current is still there, circulating.

Tuskegee, Ala., is where that charge was born, a place where he grew up with two older brothers he admired, fishing with grasshoppers in the family pond. His parents, both dedicated educators at the historic Tuskegee University, instilled noble aspirations in their sons. Walter and Jill Hill gave all three boys names that carried a mission with it, "a charge."

Osei Kofi Tutu I was a 17th-century king in west Africa who formed an alliance among warring tribes to found the Empire of Ashanti. Osei, 27, sees his charge as empowering and connecting people.

"Honestly, I feel like every single day of my entire life has been preparing me for this special calling," he says. "Bringing people together is more than just what I really like to do; it's what I must do."

People who spend much time around Osei know that he is frenetic and frequently joking, but today he's mostly serious.

As an architecture and design teacher at his alma mater, St. Andrew's-Sewanee School, his students often design products for actual businesses or philanthropic efforts. This semester his high school students are designing a transitional café in one of Mexico's travel destinations, while his middle-schoolers are doing an interdisciplinary design project aimed at bringing aid to a young person currently living through the Syrian refugee crisis.

"The problems that face our young people are both complex and multilayered," he says. "My obligation to them

as a design instructor is to challenge them to channel creative thinking into innovative yet tangible results. When my students walk away from the class, they've not only gotten better, but also made something better."

Osei says SAS and the Sewanee community shaped him when he was a student.

"I have been absolutely in love with this mystical small mountain garden since I first visited in the summer of 2004 as a high school sophomore," he says. He graduated from SAS in 2007, where he was, among other things, the senior class president and a proctor.

"The people of this school and community were very influential in my development as an artist, community enthusiast and energized leader of young people. It was such a contrast to my previous school experience that honestly, even in high school, I dreamt about one day returning to this community to continue its legacy of excellence in education."

Osei comes from an accomplished, close-knit and bedrock family, and when relatives gather at the table during holidays, they each share their current projects and dreams. Then family members give advice and offer ways they can help one another succeed.

"To be able to stop for a moment as a family and simply invest our time and energy into each other's success is something I cherish at my core. Every second is absolutely priceless," he says.

One of his own dreams is to create ways to offer architecture and design curriculums to students in a variety of socially and economically diverse schools and communities. He's al-

ready created the architectural plans for a mobile design lab in a retro-fitted catering truck.

"There is a lot of need in a lot of places," Osei says. "If I can be a part of training the young people in those places on how to use design to creatively solve the problems of their communities, I think there could be some serious opportunity for solution-driven growth in both our local and global communities."

In addition to being an educator, Osei also does quite a bit of design and marketing consulting, a spur of his former life as a designer in Atlanta. His work spans a variety of interests and professions, including nonprofits, sports, music and his current project, agribusiness.

The African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church is also an integral part of Osei's life. His great-grandfather, grandfather and uncle were all ministers in the AME Church, and Osei just finished a four-year term for the AME Church, promoting voter education and registration for young people in the United States and internationally.

In addition, Osei is a prolific painter, a lover of travel and an SAS assistant basketball coach. This past summer he helped coach at the Philadelphia 76ers' basketball camps for talented young players from around

the world. He also found time to be a part of the talent relations team for the Essence Festival in New Orleans, helping make sure big-name performers have an enjoyable experience as they prepare to entertain more than 50,000 fans.

"You get to see more in the person, rather than the performance or song you love; you get to see who they are as people," Osei says. "That's a big thing for me. I'm drawn to those authentic moments in life where you get to not only see more in a person, but also then help them to see more in themselves."

"It's the same type of thing as to why I'm drawn to the classroom and drawn to being a coach," he adds. "Because I just really, really love people, and my focus has always really just been about celebrating other people."

UPCLOSE

Osei Hill

Favorite childhood toy: Legos

Favorite food: West Indian

Favorite movies: "Slumdog Millionaire" and "City of God"

Heroes: His mom and dad

Degree: Bachelor of Architecture, Tuskegee University

Brothers: Shaka and Askia

Mottos: "Live small, travel big." and "Do. Make. Be More!"

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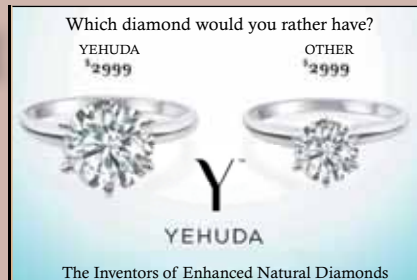
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Christmas on the Mountain

For the second year, Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministries will join Morton Memorial United Methodist Church to sponsor "Christmas on the Mountain." DuBose Conference Center in Monteagle is hosting the event this year, 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 13.

The event is for families who have children 17 years or younger residing in their household. The deadline for registration is Monday, Nov. 23.

Applicants will be invited to shop for up to two gifts for each child. There will be an assortment of gifts from which to choose, and the gifts will be greatly discounted. Typically each gift will cost \$5 or less. Cash payments will be accepted at the time of purchase.

In addition to the opportunity to shop for children's gifts, there will be refreshments and live music to enjoy while shopping. Babysitting services will also be available on site for parents or guardians.

Applications are available now at both Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministries and Morton Memorial United Methodist Church.

Completed applications may be mailed to Morton Memorial at 322 W. Main Street, Monteagle, TN 37356.

Postcard notifications will be mailed to participants with a designated shopping time.

Holiday Wreaths Benefit CAC

The Community Action Committee (CAC) is sponsoring the sale of holiday balsam wreaths.

Orders will be accepted until Nov. 25. The cost of the wreaths is \$25; they will arrive in early December. If you want a wreath before Dec. 4, please order by Nov. 15 and note that you want it early. The rest should arrive during the week of Dec. 7 and will be available for pickup at the CAC at Otey Parish. If requested, wreaths can be delivered.

To order wreaths, either email <cacchristmaswreaths@gmail.com> or call Cindy Potter at 598-5773. Be sure to include your name, the number of wreaths you want and contact information. An order form will also be available at the CAC office; for details call 598-5927.

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SAS Celebrates Fall Athletic Teams with Awards

Varsity athletes at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School were recently honored at the Fall Athletic Awards event. After individual teams met with coaches, all athletes and families met in McCrory Hall for presentation of the Most Improved Player (MIP), the Most Valuable Player (MVP), and the Coaches' Award winners. The players on the team select MIP and MVP awards.

SAS celebrated the achievements of the varsity fall teams, including cross country, football, golf, mountain biking, girls' soccer and volleyball.

Members of the varsity cross country team ran in the TSSAA Division II-A state regionals. Sophia Patterson, '19, placed 40th, with a time of 27:17.20. The boys' team placed seventh overall, led by Mustafe Axmed, '16, with a 14th-place finish, in 19:10.30. Axmed was named to the All-Region team. He was followed by Isaac Tang, '18 (40); James Pitts, '20 (43); Andreas Forsyth, '16 (50); Drew Copeland, '16 (59); and Oscar Jing, '19 (60).

Hannah Powell, '17, placed second and Tommy Oliver, '16, placed sixth at the TSSAA Division II-A State Golf Championships. Both golfers qualified for the state tournament by taking first place in the boys' and girls' regional golf tournament.

SAS volleyball player Lexie Laurendine, '18, was named to the Division II-A East/Middle All-District Second Team. The team finished the year with a 14-8 record.

The football team went through a rebuilding year. The varsity girls' soccer team finished the season 4-4-2. The mountain biking team had not yet completed its season on awards night.



Coaches' Award winners: (back row, from left) Colburn Hassman (mountain biking), Seth Horton (football), Lachlan Hassman (cross country), Jake Wiley (golf) and Matthew Mollica (mountain biking); (front row, from left) Mason Goodson (soccer), Eliza Gooding (soccer), Isabel Butler (soccer) and Sophie Swallow (volleyball).



Most Improved Award winners (above): (back row, from left) Oscar Jing (cross country), Larson Heitzenrater (football), Spencer Davis (mountain biking) and Marshall Zhao (mountain biking); (front row, from left) Lydia Angus (volleyball), Gio Hui (golf) and Katie Giltner (soccer).

Most Valuable Player Award winner (left): (back row, from left) Tommy Oliver (golf), Mustafe Axmed (cross country), Zhaoqi Zhang (mountain biking), Michael Schaeffer (football) and Abby Mainzer (mountain biking); (front row, from left) Sophia Patterson (cross country), Isabel Butler (soccer) and Lexie Laurendine (volleyball).

Little League Benefit on Nov. 21

A chili supper and auction to benefit the Cowan/Sewanee Little League will start at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21, at Cowan Elementary School. The quarter auction starts at 5 p.m. The \$5 per meal price includes a drink and dessert.

Proceeds will go toward funding both Cowan and Sewanee ballfields, buying new equipment for baseball and funding softball.

Come enjoy a night out, and support our youth. Make sure you visit the vendor booths.

Farm School Hosts Holiday Bazaar

The Farm School in Summertown, Tenn., will host its Annual Holiday Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 5, and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 6. Handcrafted gifts including knitted woolens, tie-dyed clothing, handmade dolls, hats, scarves, jewelry, pottery, books, cards, ornaments and much more will be available. Dozens of vendors from Tennessee and the surrounding region donate a percentage of their sales to the Farm School in what has become the school's major fund-raiser of the year.

Food and drink will be served throughout the day. For event information call (931) 964-2325 or email <FSHolidayBazaar@gmail.com>. Directions are online at <www.the farmcommunity.com> under the "Visiting" tab.

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7 Saddletree Lane	1417538	\$70,000

State Archives Hosts Genealogy Workshop

The Thanksgiving weekend is a time when many reconnect with family members and share family stories. At the Tennessee State Library and Archives (TSLA), families can also explore stories of their relatives who lived many years ago.

For the fifth consecutive year, the staff at TSLA is encouraging Tennesseans to visit the library and celebrate Family History Day by learning more about genealogical research on the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

The session will be from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, at the TSLA auditorium, and research assistance will be available until 4:30 p.m. TSLA is located at 403 Seventh Avenue North, directly west of the State Capitol building in downtown Nashville.

Heather Adkins, manuscripts archivist for TSLA's public services section, will present the workshop designed for beginners that will provide an overview of resources available at the library and how to navigate through various databases. The workshop will also include advice on researching TSLA's manuscript collections, which can offer a wealth of information for those researching their ancestry. After the workshop, TSLA staff members will be on hand to help visitors with their research.

While the workshop is free, reservations are required due to limited seating. To make a reservation, go to <tslafamilyhistoryday.eventbrite.com>. Please note that TSLA will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 26, and Friday, Nov. 27, for the Thanksgiving holiday, so it is important to make reservations before then.

Parking is available around the TSLA building.

Energy Assistance Applications Available

South Central Human Resource Agency (SCHRA) is accepting applications for the 2016 Low Income Energy Assistance Program.

This program helps low-income households through direct energy payments to their energy provider. Households with total annual income below 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines may be assisted.

Proof of the total household income for the past eight weeks is required to determine eligibility. The Social Security card for each household member must be provided, along with the applicant's ID.

A printout from the utility company for the past 12 months' energy use and the most current utility bill must also be provided.

Persons interested in applying for the program should make an appointment at the SCHRA office, 107 N. Porter St., Winchester. The office can be reached at 967-1438.

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Barbara and Herb Brock

Brocks Celebrate 60th Anniversary

Herb and Barbara Brock of Tracy City will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary at 2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 28, in the parish hall of Christ Episcopal Church in Tracy City.

They were married on Nov. 15, 1955, in Indiana, and moved to Tracy City in 2002. Barbara is a former mayor of Tracy City. Herb was a contractor in Indiana, and is now the owner and operator of HBT Trucking.

The Brocks cordially invite you to join them for this celebration.

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Senior Center News

Thanksgiving Meal on Tuesday

The Sewanee Senior Center will serve its Thanksgiving meal (\$8) on Tuesday, Nov. 17. Please make reservations for this special event by Monday, Nov. 16, by calling the center at 598-0771.

Senior Center Bazaar Set

The Sewanee Senior Center's annual Christmas Bazaar will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday, Nov. 30, through Saturday, Dec. 5, at the center. Crafts, baked goods, canned goods, handmade items and white elephant items will be available. Donations for the white elephant sale can be dropped off at the center, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., weekdays. Please note that the center will not accept donations of clothing. For more information call 598-0771.

Lunch Menus

The Sewanee Senior Center serves lunch at noon on weekdays. The suggested donation is \$3 (\$0 or older) or \$5 (under 50). Please call by 9 a.m. to order lunch. If you make a reservation for lunch but do not come eat, please be prepared to pay for your meal. Menus may vary.

Nov. 16: Roasted cauliflower and greens soup, toasted cheese on rye, dessert.

Nov. 17: Thanksgiving luncheon (\$8): Turkey, dressing, yams, green beans, corn on cob, cranberry sauce, roll, dessert.

Nov. 18: Philly steak sandwich, chips, dessert.

Nov. 19: Chili, toasted cheese sandwich, dessert.

Nov. 20: Pork roast, mashed potatoes, broccoli, roll, dessert.

Participation at the Center

The Sewanee Senior Center does not charge any membership fee. All persons 50 or older who take part in any of the activities are considered members. The center is located at 5 Ball Park Rd., behind the Sewanee Market. To reserve a meal or for more information, call 598-0771.

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WED: Spaghetti, corn dog nuggets, fresh salad, pinto beans, turnip greens, garlic bread stick.

THU: Breakfast for lunch: steak, eggs, potato wedges, cherry tomatoes, biscuit, gravy.

FRI: Chicken quesadilla, chili cheese dog, French fries, fresh salad, hot dog bun, cinnamon roll.

BREAKFAST

Each day, students select one or two items

MON: Pancake or french toast sticks, syrup.

TUE: Biscuit, steak, gravy, jelly.

WED: Cinnamon toast or breakfast bun.

THU: Pop tart, cheese stick or peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

FRI: Chocolate muffin or build-your-own breakfast parfait.

Options available every breakfast: Assorted cereal, assorted fruit and juice, milk varieties.

Menus subject to change.



Sgt. Lamar Howard (left) from the Winchester Police Department recently visited Sewanee Elementary School to describe how he does his job on a motorcycle. SES student Samuel Dykes tries on Howard's helmet, which is a bit too big. Thanks also to Cpl. Jeff Miller of the Winchester Police Department and to Robin McNeece, SES school resource officer.

SES Hosts Math Night for Parents

Sewanee Elementary School is hosting a meeting for parents to learn more information about the Tennessee State Standards. The event will be at 5:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 16, at SES.

The requirements of the new Tennessee Ready Assessment will be discussed, and teachers will set up math stations for each grade level to give examples of math progressions, the new iReady instructional resources adopted by the Franklin County Board of Education, and grade-specific math tasks. For more information contact SES at 598-5951.



Is it any wonder that this bird feeder is always empty? Photo by Lyn Hutchinson

St. Andrew's-Sewanee Challenges Top Scholars

One of the benefits of being a St. Andrew's-Sewanee School student is the ability to take classes at the University of the South with no additional tuition charge. This relationship allows qualified SAS students to take college courses for credit.

This semester, 11 SAS students are taking 12 courses at the University, including intermediate Latin, urban economics, introduction to economics, calculus II, legislative processes, elementary Arabic, French and Russian.

"The benefits of taking college coursework at Sewanee go far beyond the fact that students earn actual college credits—without having to take another standardized test," said Christine Asmussen, SAS director of college counseling.

"As part of an actual college class, students are exposed to a different level of inquiry and discussion than they might find in high school, even in a group of highly talented peers. They learn about working together with people they don't know. They learn to approach a professor for help or advice. They learn that their thoughts and opinions carry weight and that college will not be scary. It breaks the ice for them in so many important ways. And, they have

the opportunity to pursue their own individual interests and goals. Having actual college credit from a university such as Sewanee makes it clear the SAS student can be successful in a rigorous college setting," said Asmussen. "Taking French at Sewanee has given me the opportunity to learn an additional language," said SAS junior Sam Smith, who has already completed four years of Chinese instruction at SAS. "Equally as important, I now know what to expect as I head toward college in the next few years, as well as what to look for when choosing the university I will attend. This experience has given me a greater appreciation for the amazing educational opportunities SAS is able to offer."

SAS senior Garner Nottingham has taken courses in economics and politics at Sewanee.

"Being able to take classes at the University has allowed me to expand the breadth of my education and has provided a transition to college during the second half of my high school career," he said.

Enrollment in a University class is not guaranteed and is dependent upon space availability and compatibility with the student's SAS schedule. SAS seniors wanting to take University classes must have an excellent attendance record, a minimum average of 85, and an 87 average both for the previous semester and in the specific subject area.

Juniors wanting to take University classes must have an excellent attendance record, a current minimum average of 90, and a 90 average both for the previous semester and in the specific subject area.

"We are so grateful for the opportunity our students have to take courses at the University of the South," said Kelley Black, SAS director of studies.

For more information about St. Andrew's-Sewanee School, visit <www.sasweb.org>.



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A Column for Young Adult Readers and Adults Who Appreciate The Genre

by Margaret Stephens

If it's not pouring rain on the weekends, while the rest of you are on a hike or at a football game, James and I are out hacking through various layers of topsoil and clay in our backyard, building a patio. And the YouTube that promises this can be done in a few hours in a single afternoon must have been made by the same people who claim that a Great Pyrenees—ours, for instance—is trainable.

After several weekends hunched over pickaxe and shovel a la Les Miz, we have three large muddy holes to show for it, and I leave you to imagine how much of that mud has ended up, thanks to various human and animal feet, inside my house.

All to say, to distract from how much my back and hands hurt, I started thinking about "The Wooden Horse" by Eric Williams, a war book I read as a kid when my older brother was on a World War II kick (which some would say he never quite got over). First published in 1949, it was reissued recently to coincide with a BBC radio dramatization.

It's the true story of three British POWs who dug their way out of a German prison camp by camouflaging their tunnel beneath a crudely constructed vaulting horse carried daily out near the fence wire. Fellow prisoners lined up to vault (a common school "exercise" in British schools at the time), while one man, carried inside the hollow horse under the very noses of the guards, painstakingly scraped out some 100 feet of sand which he carried back to the hut in sacks fashioned from cut-off trouser legs.

A brilliant idea, necessitated by the meticulous design of the prison camp: the Nazis built the huts on stilts so prisoners couldn't tunnel below them, and the entire camp was constructed with layers of bright golden sand beneath the thin dirt of the compound so the least disturbance was immediately visible. Guards also employed seismographic equipment to detect vibrations from possible digging. Brooding over how to get around the various obstacles, POW John is struck by the random comment of a fellow prisoner about previous "classic" escape attempts. The word "classic" triggers the memory of the Trojan Horse, and the plan drops full-blown into his mind, certainly another argument for the benefits of a liberal education.

Our copy was packaged with two other true-life escape stories, "Escape Alone" by David Howarth, and "Return Ticket" by Anthony Deane-Drummond. Howarth's book describes the solitary journey of a saboteur across a frozen Norway to neutral Sweden; Deane-Drummond's is the equally astounding tale of a parachutist dropped behind enemy lines who was captured—and successfully escaped—three separate times. I read them along with a wonderful book about nurses in the wartime Pacific, which I would give anything to find again.

These books set my brother and me up for a lifetime of looking for good war stories. They also helped form my brother's lifelong admiration for the idealism and courage of soldiers, so much so that after 9/11, at the ripe old age of 45, he offered his trained-psychiatrist self to the Army. He was promptly snatched up and sent to Iraq, where he served several tours of duty, his mission to identify and treat soldiers with PTSD.

An inveterate storyteller, last month my brother published a book about his experiences as an "army doc"—or "Brain Ranger," as the soldier called the Combat Stress Control Units because of their habit of showing up near the front. "To Iraq and Back" (echoes of the Audie Murphy book and film) is available in print or Kindle through Amazon. You can search for it by title or under Graham Hoffman.

Meanwhile, if you're free some Saturday afternoon, come on down and help me and James dig our way to civilized living. Please.

And if you didn't get a chance to thank one of our courageous vets this week, there's still plenty of time.



Sewanee Elementary School fifth-grade students Keeran Long and Libby Neubauer raised the American flag and the Tennessee state flag at SES on a recent morning.

"Crop Circles – The Conspiracy of Love" opens at Mooney's

True to the phenomenal nature of crop circles, Mooney's Market and Emporium closed as usual Saturday night, Nov. 7, and awakened on Sunday morning with a beautiful, magnificent display of crop formation images in our front window.

Ray Minkler is an artist, a student of all things spiritual, a teacher and a guide into interior, mystical places for those who care to explore. Minkler became interested in crop formations in 1994 and has been researching them ever since. He was struck with the inspiration to re-create some of the profound images as his own artwork.

Seeking a translucent, lightweight medium, he hit upon using wax as a non-toxic alternative to resin, allowing the diffusion of light through the pieces.

Minkler's exhibit, "Crop Circles – The Conspiracy of Love" will be on display at Mooney's until Dec. 6. He has provided pictorial and text documentation of each formation that was the inspiration for the sculptures he has produced. He also offers a condensed, informative overview of the entire phenomenon as known to date.

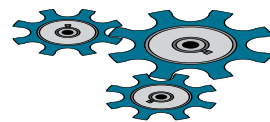
Minkler's creations are available for sale; they are framed in custom-made Tuf-Stone frames, made to hang in front of a window with indirect light or another light source.

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THE INSATIABLE CRITIC

by Elizabeth Ellis



It's Homecoming Weekend on the Mountain, and the Sewanee Union Theater has a little bit of everything in store for us. We kick off with a riveting documentary on the enigmatic Steve Jobs, followed by musical shenanigans in ancient Rome, and topped off with the powerful biopic about hip-hop musicians that started a cultural revolution.

Sir Toby, The Critic's valiant sidekick: Every good critic needs a good rating system, and there's nothing on the planet more critical than cats, so one feature each week is rated from one to five Tobys. The more Tobys there are, the better it is!



Steve Jobs: The Man in the Machine [documentary]

7:30 p.m., Friday–Sunday, Nov. 13–15

2015 • Rated R • 128 minutes

Some people loved him, and some hated him, but with an iPhone in every third person's pocket, no one can deny the impact Steve Jobs had on the world. "Beautiful, haunting, brilliant" are just some of the adjectives describing Jobs and his personality, an intense mind that never turned off.

This documentary takes audiences through the good, the bad and the ugly by means of interviews with the people closest to him at work, as well as Chrisann Brennan, his first girlfriend. When Brennan discovered she was pregnant just as Jobs was rising to power, he initially denied that the child was his and refused to pay any child support. There are stories of employees whose personal lives were ruined because of the commitment Jobs supposedly forced upon them. According to Brennan, Jobs even foretold his own untimely demise, stating back when they were in their 20s that he didn't think he would live very long. He died of cancer at age 56 in October 2011.

Directed by Alex Gibney, this documentary does focus more on the sensationalism surrounding Jobs rather than the intricacies of his creations, but it still makes for fascinating viewing. Rated R for some language and adult themes, this feature is tame enough to be appropriate for older children accompanied by parents who may be interested in the subject matter.

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum

7:30 p.m. • Wednesday, Nov. 18

1966 • Unrated • 99 minutes

This screwball comedy set in ancient Rome featuring music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim has been a staple of both the stage and screen for decades due to its irreverent brand of humor. Zero Mostel, best known for his turn as the corrupt Broadway showman Max Bialystock in Mel Brooks' classic "The Producers," plays Pseudolus, a slave who wishes to purchase his freedom. Opportunity comes knocking when Pseudolus finds out that Hero, the young and blandly named son of the master he serves, has fallen in love with a virgin courtesan from the house of Lycus. Hilarity ensues when Pseudolus makes a deal to obtain the girl for Hero—and everything possible goes wrong in the process. The movie won an Oscar for best adaptation of a musical for film, and the musical itself has enjoyed several Broadway revivals. Fun fact: stage veteran Nathan Lane has reprised both the role of Max Bialystock and Pseudolus on the Great White Way. Due to bawdy jokes and plot involving courtesans, I would recommend younger children be accompanied by their parents for this feature, but adults and teens looking for a good laugh will thoroughly enjoy this.

Straight Outta Compton

7:30 p.m. • Thursday–Sunday, Nov. 19–22

2015 • Rated R • 147 minutes

Following the roots of hip-hop icons Ice Cube, Dr. Dre and others, this biopic focuses on their rise to fame from the harsh street life of Compton, Calif. These artists came together to form the group N.W.A.—active from 1986 to 1991—to fight back against the racism and violence their families and friends lived every day with their voices and their music. Wildly controversial for their time, N.W.A.'s debut studio album, "Straight Outta Compton," was criticized for hard language, glorification of drugs and alcohol, and disrespect of women. The film shows a different side of the group's intent: to tell the true tales about life in the 'hood and the dark side of local law enforcement. Directed by F. Gary Gray ("The Italian Job"), this film is gritty and inspiring and reminds us of the impact their music continues to make. Recommended for older teens and adults due to the solidly earned R rating for strong sexuality and nudity, language, violence and drug use.

For more reviews and fun, go to <theinsatiablenovcritic.blogspot.com>.

Local's Hosts Functional Art Event for Homecoming

Joseph Riley Land (C'98) of Riley/Land (also known as Gourmet Pantry) has partnered with Melissa Campbell Goodson of Local's in Sewanee for a pop-up event during Homecoming weekend, noon to 5 p.m., today (Friday) and Saturday, Nov. 13–14.

Riley/Land features a collection of "functional art" in the form of hand-crafted small-batch foods for the pantry. Local's is at 49 University Ave., Sewanee.

Land has been curating his collection of shelf-stable foods since March 2013, when he launched Riley/Land in Harlem, just before the upper part of Manhattan hit its rebirth. The collection includes award-winning products like a Korean barbecue sauce from We Rub You in Queens and a line of tapenade from the Gracious Gourmet in Connecticut. Other items include Martha Stewart American Made nominees Southern Art hot sauce from Baton Rouge and Soberdough beer bread mixes from Nashville, and many more.

Land will be sampling and selling products during his event at Local's, including an introduction to his new Dorm Survival Kit subscription boxes.

"Food is art. And we embrace that. Everything we offer our clients is made by hand, with skill, pride and a certain amount of love," Land said.

Riley/Land also sells wooden kitchenwares (cutting boards, rolling pins, bowls, etc.) handmade in Middle Tennessee by an Amish family.

Local's once housed a grocery, a dry cleaner and a bank until the interior was renovated by local craftsmen in wood, stone and brick in the style of Arts and Crafts. Now a living part of the village of Sewanee, Local's is a place where life around the Mountain is reflected in art.



Table Top (above) by Roger Jones C'07 is among the paintings that will be on display, 3–4:30 p.m., today (Friday), Nov. 13, at IONA: Art Sanctuary. Artist Harley Nalley, C'08, will also be showing his drawings. The event is free; refreshments will be served. IONA is located at 630 Garnertown Rd., Sewanee.

DanceWise: Dreamscapes at Williams Center Nov. 19–21

Theatre Sewanee presents DanceWise: Dreamscapes, at 7:30 p.m., Thursday–Saturday, Nov. 19–21, and at 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 22, in the Tennessee Williams Center's Proctor Hill Theatre on the Sewanee campus. Admission is free, but seating is limited. To reserve tickets, please email <mcook@sewanee.edu>.

Under the artistic direction of Courtney World, this collection of dances brings together choreography by World, guest artist Adrienne Wilson and student choreographers Ellie Clark, Kylie McCardel, Arthur Ndoumbe, Fridien Tchoukoua and David Terrell. Seventeen Sewanee students will perform.

DanceWise: Dreamscapes features the premiere of eight new choreographic works and two re-staged dances in a variety of styles ranging from tap to contemporary to African. Lighting design is by Chynna Bradford, and costume design is by Jennifer Matthews and students from the costume design class.

Throughout the production, a dreamscape unfolds as each dance reveals new perspectives on the nature of dreams. From these various notions of dreaming, voluntary and involuntary, awake and asleep, viewers are led on an imaginative journey through inner desires, visions, aspirations and fantasies.



Miller Puckette

Convolution Brothers Perform on Nov. 20

The computer music trio the Convolution Brothers will perform at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 20, in St. Luke's Chapel. This concert is the University's annual Ebey "Lecture," this year co-hosted by the departments of mathematics and computer science, music and art. The event is free.

Described as "three guys, some microphones, and some of the most complicated electronic gear you've ever seen," the Convolution Brothers is comprised of Sewanee native Miller Puckette of University of California-San Diego, Cort Lippe of University at Buffalo and Zack Sattel of University of Montreal.



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Daniel Makins in Concert

Daniel Makins will perform a concert of original music at 6 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 21, in Hamilton Hall's Hargrove Auditorium at the School of Theology. Admission is free and open to the public.

Daniel Makins is from San Angelo, Texas, and has been honored with numerous songwriting awards. He is a three-time finalist at the prestigious Kerrville Folk Festival New Folk Competition. The Daily Texan calls him, "One of the top five new artists most likely to be seen on Austin City Limits."

His songs cover interpersonal but common ground with wit and honesty. Those who enjoy the music of Lyle Lovett, David Wilcox, Paul Simon or The Milk Carton Kids will feel at home in the audience.

Makins is a relative of famed musical archivist John A. Lomax and was raised in a musical family. Ten years of classical piano preceded a decade of touring as a jazz drummer and another decade working as a professional singer-songwriter-guitarist performing more than 150 nights annually. He has recorded eight albums and been included on a compilation released by the Center for Texas Music History. For more information go to <www.danielmakins.com>.

Final 2015 Show at Artisan Depot

The final Community Arts Show of 2015 organized by the Franklin County Arts Guild opens today (Friday), Nov. 13, at the Artisan Depot and Gift Shop in Cowan. There will be an artists' reception at 5 p.m. The theme for this show is "Tennessee." It includes people, places, as well as plants and things related to Tennessee. All works are contributions from artists from the area. The show will run through Dec. 20.

The Franklin County Arts Guild invites original contributions from Franklin County artists of all ages in any media for inclusion in its Community Arts Shows at the Artisan Depot. The guild will be announcing the Community Show themes for 2016 in the coming weeks.

For future shows, all work must be submitted ready for display. In addition all work must be submitted at the Artisan Depot in Cowan during the intake period during business hours.

The Artisan Depot is operated by the Franklin County Arts Guild and is located at 201 Cumberland St. East in Cowan. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m., Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

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The King's Singers. Photo by Chris O'Donovan

The King's Singers in Sewanee

Acclaimed for their life-affirming virtuosity and irresistible charm, the King's Singers will perform at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 19, in All Saints' Chapel. The concert is part of Sewanee's Performing Arts Series.

The King's Singers are admired for their musical excellence and recognized as consummate entertainers—a class act with a delightfully British sense of humor. Their generous spirit and magical ability to move audiences have remained constant since the group's founding in 1968. They perform more than 120 concerts each year, touring regularly to Europe and Asia, as well as across the United States.

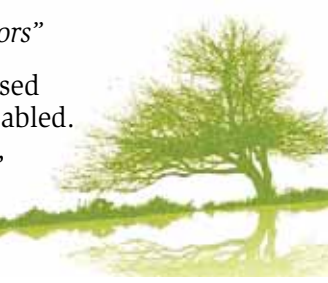
The King's Singers are double Grammy award-winning artists, honored in 2009 and again in 2012. In June 2013 they were chosen as one of only two vocal ensembles to enter the Gramophone Hall of Fame. Performing Arts Series tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors, \$10 for students, and will be available at the door. Sewanee students, faculty and staff are free with a University ID card.

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Hike Against Hunger on Nov. 27

Join the Grundy County Food Bank and the South Cumberland State Park for the first Hike Against Hunger on Friday, Nov. 27.

The two-mile hike will begin at 10:30 a.m., at the Grundy Lakes park in Tracy City. Registration is \$10 per person or \$25 for a group of four. Sponsorships are also available for the event starting at \$100, and sponsors will be given a plaque at the Food Bank to commemorate their generous support. Hike participants will also be offered refreshments at the conclusion of the hike.

The Grundy County Food Bank provides food assistance to about 500 families each month; qualifying individuals are able to receive food once per month. The Hike Against Hunger will help provide funds for the food bank to better serve clients.

"The more money we are able to raise from this event, the more food we will be able to purchase for our clients" said food bank director Sandy Spies. "Funds will help us purchase more fresh fruits and vegetables throughout the year and allow for the food bank to provide programs about nutrition and healthy meals," Spies continued. The staff and volunteers at the food bank are also excited about the collaboration with the South Cumberland State Park. All of the proceeds from the hike will benefit the Grundy County Food Bank. Pre-registration is not necessary for the event.

For more information go to the Grundy County Food Bank Facebook Page or contact Spies at (931) 235-6210 or <grundycountyfoodbank@gmail.com>.

SCC Benefit on Sunday

There will be a benefit concert for the Sewanee Children's Center (SCC) at 3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 15, in St. Luke's Chapel on campus. The event is free; donations to SCC will be accepted at the door.

Faculty members Bernadette Lo, Rebecca Van de Ven and Rebecca Murphy will join Larry Sims, retired director of SCC, in presenting this blend of narration and classical music.

Children may sit on the floor with their favorite blankets or snuggly toys and listen to Francis Poulenc's "The Story of Babar the Little Elephant" and Robert Muczynski's "Fuzzette the Tarantula." Lo is a visiting assistant professor of piano; Van de Ven (oboe) and Murphy (flute) are both adjunct faculty at the University.

Party for Paws Set for Nov. 21

The Party for Paws for Franklin County Humane Society's no-kill shelter Animal Harbor will be at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21, at St. Mark's Hall in Otey Parish Church.

Catering will be by Julia's Fine Foods. Music will be by Susan Walton. There will be a full bar and a silent auction. Tickets are \$40 and are available in advance by going to <www.animal-harbor.org> or calling Animal Harbor, 962-4472, or Caitlyn Barstad, (931) 581-2147. Tickets are also available from Animal Care Center, 967-6345; Midtown Vet Services, 962-3411; and Town and Country, 967-3666.



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SAS Swimmers Start Season at Manchester

On Nov. 5, the St. Andrew's-Sewanee School swim team traveled to Manchester and competed against middle and high school swimmers from Fayetteville City Schools, Grundy County High School, Lincoln County High School, Tullahoma High School, Warren County High School and the Webb School.

Sophomore Catherine Gray led the girls' team effort with two first-place finishes in the 200 individual medley (2:47.69) and 100 backstroke (1:15.92), while seventh-grader Zolon Knoll led the boys' team with a first and second-place finish in the 100 backstroke (1:17.94) and 100 breaststroke (1:22.06), respectively.

Additional strong performances include first-year swimmer Paula Gillich's second-place finish in the 50 freestyle with a time of 34.23 and senior Jack Haight's third-place finish in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:34.86. Gillich also swam the 100 freestyle, finishing in 1:21.73, while Haight swam the 200 freestyle, finishing in 2:45.29.

Other swimmers and their times include: freshman Vivian Li in the 100

freestyle (1:51.00), junior Lily Zhen in the 100 breaststroke (1:48.53), senior Jerry Jin in the 50 freestyle (38.45) and 100 breaststroke (2:14.20), junior Isaac Tang in the 50 freestyle (1:06.12), and seventh-grader Michael Vaughn in the 200 individual medley (3:33.76) and the 100 backstroke (1:35.00).

The girls' 200 free relay team of Gray, Gillich, Li and Zhen finished third in 2:42.34.

"We're very pleased with the performance of our swimmers with only one week of practice behind us and look forward to seeing their progress over the next few weeks," said coaches Nan Long and Allison Paterson in a joint statement.

"We're also excited to pick up additional swimmers as fall sports wrap up."

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee swimmers will take to the water next on Nov. 17 at 5 p.m. at the Winchester Swimplex against Franklin County High School and teams from Franklin County middle schools.

The first opportunity to watch the SAS swim team at home is Thursday, Dec. 3, at 7 p.m. at the University of the South's natatorium.



SAS middle school basketball player Anna Post (right) in action from last season. Post posted 33 total points in the first two games this season.

SASMS Girls' Basketball Victorious

The SAS middle school girls' basketball team opened the season with two straight wins by knocking off Tracy City, 26-6, in the season opener on Oct. 29 and winning a hard-fought battle on the road over Monteagle, 33-28, on Nov. 3.

SAS's Anna Post led all scorers in both outings with 14 points against Tracy City, and then she dropped 19 against the Eagles in their gym.

Tessa Shackelford and Mary B. Smith both chipped in 12 points each in the first two contests. Sarah Beth "Windex" Hobby cleaned the glass with 19 rebounds against Monteagle and was a defensive force in both victories. Additional team members include Katie Finn Hurst, Riley Burnette, Jenna Black, Meredith Foster, Madalyn Cleveland and Abi Cassell.



The 2015-16 St. Andrew's-Sewanee boys' varsity basketball team.

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Home Games This Week

Today, Nov. 13
 5 pm Tigers Swim/Dive v Berry
 7 pm Tigers Men's Basketball v Huntingdon

Saturday, Nov. 14
 5 pm Tigers Women's Basketball v Emory & Henry

Sunday, Nov. 15
 1 pm Tigers Women's Basketball v Wesleyan (Ga.)

Monday, Nov. 16
 6:30 pm SAS V Boys' Basketball v Berean Academy

Tuesday, Nov. 17
 5 pm FCHS V Swim/Dive v SAS
 6 pm Tigers Women's Basketball v Covenant

Wednesday, Nov. 18
 6 pm SAS MS Girls' Basketball v Coalmont Elementary
 7 pm SAS MS Boys' Basketball v Coalmont Elementary

Thursday, Nov. 19
 4:30 pm SES Girls' Basketball v North Lake at Townsend Gym
 5 pm SAS V Girls' Basketball v Berean Academy
 5:30 pm SES Boys' Basketball v North Lake at Townsend Gym
 6 pm SAS MS Girls' Basketball v Swiss Memorial Elementary
 7 pm SAS MS Boys' Basketball v Swiss Memorial Elementary

Friday, Nov. 20
 10 am Tigers Swim/Dive Igloo Invitational Meet (through 11/21)
 6 pm Tigers Men's Basketball v Boyce

Tigers' Cinderella Run Ends

Despite a valiant effort throughout the match, the Sewanee Tigers fell to the host Millsaps Majors, 2-1, in the Southern Athletic Association's men's soccer championship on Nov. 8. Sewanee entered the tournament as the eighth seed, but with wins over No. 1-seeded Oglethorpe and rival Rhodes in the semifinals, had advanced to the championship match.

Millsaps forward Nico Roth gave the Majors a 1-0 lead at the 15:43 mark. Roth tallied again in the 60th minute to extend Millsaps lead to 2-0.

The Tigers came roaring back late in the game, as freshman Kyle Johnston scored on a header off a corner kick from senior Chris Haberstroh at 81:31 to cut the lead to a single goal.

Sewanee maintained the pressure on the Majors for the final 10 minutes of the match. Haberstroh had an opening on a shot to tie the game in the closing minutes, but the Millsaps goalie came up with a great save to preserve the win for the Majors.

Statistically the match was very even, with Millsaps taking 15 shots to Sewanee's 14. Millsaps attempted seven corner kicks, while Sewanee attempted six. Shots on goal were even at seven apiece.

Freshman Will Merriman was again strong in goal for the Tigers as he turned away five Millsaps' shots.

Two Tigers Named All-Tournament

After an outstanding run in the Southern Athletic Association men's soccer tournament, Sewanee's Chris Haberstroh and Will Merriman were honored with all-tournament awards.

Despite not scoring a goal, Haberstroh was recognized as one of the top midfielders. A threat with and without the ball, his play and leadership guided the No. 8-seeded Tigers to wins over No. 1-seeded Oglethorpe and No. 5-seeded Rhodes. Haberstroh played a key role in helping the Tigers get to the championship match, when he assisted on Ramsey Seagle's game-winning goal against Rhodes.

Merriman capped off a great freshman season by allowing only two goals in three tournament matches. Playing between the pipes in all three contests, the first-year keeper posted back-to-back shutouts against the Stormy Petrels and Lynx. In total, Merriman finished with 15 saves and a .904 save percentage.



Sewanee's Nikki Johnston (far right) heads the ball in the Southern Athletic Association tournament match against Rhodes College.

Sewanee Women's Soccer to Play Chicago in NCAA Tournament

Following an outstanding regular season, the Sewanee women's soccer team is going dancing, after the Tigers received an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament.

The Tigers, who lost a heartbreaking double-overtime Southern Athletic Association (SAA) semifinal tournament match to rival Rhodes, enters the tournament with an 11-3-3 overall record. During the season, Sewanee had a nine-match winning streak and an 11-match unbeaten streak.

This fall, the Tigers played two NCAA tournament teams. The Tigers lost early in the year at Illinois Wesleyan and then tied SAA rival Centre on Sept. 26.

Individually, SAA Coach of the Year Patrick Johnston and SAA Newcomer of the Year Erin Gill led Sewanee into the tournament. The Tigers also feature a number of additional all-conference players in junior Elizabeth Eidson, sophomore Mary "Sissy" Frank, senior Olivia Glascoe, along with juniors Tyler Edell, Nikki Johnston and Baker Walls.

Nationally, Sewanee ranks 60th

in goals-against average (0.727) while ranking 58th in scoring offense (2.75).

The Tigers will take on No. 19 University of Chicago Maroons on the campus of Thomas More College on Nov. 14. The Maroons are 12-6-0 overall with key wins against Emory (1-0), No. 21 Wheaton (4-0), and No. 10 Brandeis (1-0). Along with Emory, Chicago and Sewanee have one other common opponent. Like the Tigers, the Maroons lost at Illinois Wesleyan.



Southern Athletic Association Coach of the Year Patrick Johnston

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OVERTIME

by John Shackelford



My daughter Sadie has been working on her senior thesis as an English/creative writing major at Middlebury College. She decided to write about her mother's family and their life story. When your grandfather is Polish-American and one of 15 children of an alcoholic father, and your grandmother is half-Spanish, half-Mexican, born and raised in Cuba on a wealthy sugar and cattle plantation that was taken away by Fidel Castro in the revolution in 1959, and your mother is the middle of seven kids with the first three born in Cuba, and the remaining children born on a Marine Corps base in the United States, you have the makings of a good story.

A poor Marine is stationed in Cuba, marries a wealthy plantation owner's daughter, they lose everything and head back into the poverty of the life of an enlisted Marine raising seven kids with a Cuban grandmother thrown into the party of 10. Put them all into a three-bedroom, one-bath ranch house in Jacksonville, N.C., and you begin to have a tale to tell. What if you move the whole crowd to 13 different cities in 17 years from North Carolina to California and back in an old station wagon? And what if, while in California, the second oldest daughter has her first child at the same time her mother has her last one? That would start to make truth seem stranger than fiction. The dad goes to night school on an assortment of military bases and drives a taxi while off duty to pay the bills, and the mother takes in sewing and has to hide the food in the house from her own kids so that it will last through the week. But then it gets even worse. When that first grandchild is 11 years old, he goes on a hike with his mother and younger brother in Colorado, walks ahead on the trail, and is then lost forever. The disappointment of the new life of poverty in the U.S. and the loss of loved ones brings the mother of seven to the decision to convert from a life of Catholicism to a fundamentalist church and insists on bringing her rebellious teenage children into the new flock. And that is just the introduction.

Sadie collected stories from her aunts and uncles, read a diary of her grandmother, and looked at a million old photos taped into dusty albums with yellowing cellophane tape. As she began to shape the story in her mind, she would send rough drafts back home for confirmation. When you are 21 and studying at college in Vermont and haven't tasted what poverty really means and haven't seen the drunken rage of someone who is supposed to love you, then you begin to think about how bad things must be for all of these people from whence your life sprang forth.

Sadie's mother however, had to correct that misconception. When you are poor, she said, you think how you are living is right. You don't know that your life isn't just the way it is supposed to be. When people are yelling and life is tough, you just believe this is normal, and this is my family. This is my home. These are the people I love. You may want better. You may wish you could go out to eat, or join a pool club for the summer, or go to a private college, but those are hopeful dreams, not angry prayers.

We are who we are because of the people who brought us into this world: those people who fed us, diapered us and got us to school on time. Rich or poor, we are all pretty lucky to get to run this race and have a few cheerleaders helping us along the way. When my wife gets out those old albums and takes a look at faded photographs, she doesn't think about the can of beans they had for dinner. She doesn't remember that sleeping with two sisters and a grandmother in a tiny bedroom was such a bad thing. What she thinks is that this is who I am. This is my family.

It is interesting where we find our home, how we got here, and who came along for the ride, but for better or worse, when we walk through that door and smell arroz con pollo, or whatever your mama makes for dinner, you will know. I belong here. And from Vermont to Santiago to Camp Pendleton, there is no place like home.

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NATURENOTES



Longleaf pine. Photo by Yolande Gottfried

News from Florida

While away from the Mountain for a few days, **Yolande Gottfried** sent us this report:

"On our way north from a visit in south Florida, we stopped at O'Leno, one of Florida's first state parks. As with our South Cumberland State Park, much of the early construction was done by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s.

We walked along the Santa Fe River, which flows into the Suwannee, the one Suwannee is not named for. Some of the plant communities we saw included longleaf pine savannahs, understories of saw palmetto, cypress draped in Spanish moss, live oaks covered in resurrection fern, and hammocks of broadleaf evergreen trees and shrubs. An interesting feature of the park is a sink where 900 million gallons of river per day disappears to flow underground, reappearing three miles downstream, again something we observe in our area on a smaller scale."



Saw palmetto. Photo by Yolande Gottfried

Workshop about Raised Beds & Composting

For fresh food lovers and flower enthusiasts alike, raised garden beds are a simple and valuable way to extend the growing season, to produce higher crop yields and to utilize even the most difficult growing sites. To learn firsthand about how to build and use raised garden beds and compost units, St. Mary's is offering a workshop, 9:30 a.m.-noon, on Saturday, Nov. 14, led by Leonard King. This is part of the new Ora et Labora Program Series. There is a \$25 fee for attendance. To register or for more information call 598-0046.



An example of the raised beds to be presented at the workshop.

While this type of gardening may sound similar to using planters, the two methods are entirely different approaches. Raised beds are open to the ground, allowing plants to grow as deep as needed. These beds are also larger than planters, making them ideal for vegetable growing or for larger flower gardens.

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State Park Offerings

Sunday, Nov. 15

Climber's Loop Hike—Meet Ranger Park at 2 p.m. at Foster Falls parking lot (498 Foster Falls Road, Sequatchie, TN 37374) for a 2-mile round-trip hike to see Foster Falls and the imposing cliffs and spectacular views that surround it.

Friday, November 20

Natural Bridge Geology—Meet Ranger Park at 2 p.m. at Natural Bridge parking lot (591 Natural Bridge Rd., Sevanee) for an easy stroll to the base of this impressive formation to explore the powerful forces that shaped our region.

As in any wilderness environment,

obvious hazards exist. Visitors are reminded to exercise care, stay on marked trails and be adequately prepared for back country trips.

The South Cumberland State Park Visitors' Center is located on Highway 41 South between Monteagle and Tracy City and is open 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. seven days a week. For more information call (931) 924-2980.

Weather

DAY	DATE	HI	LO
Mon	Nov 02	63	59
Tue	Nov 03	63	58
Wed	Nov 04	70	59
Thu	Nov 05	73	58
Fri	Nov 06	69	62
Sat	Nov 07	70	50
Sun	Nov 08	56	43

Weekly Averages:

Avg max temp =	66
Avg min temp =	56
Avg temp =	61
Precipitation =	0.89"

October Monthly Averages:

Avg max temp =	69
Avg min temp =	51
Avg temp =	60
Total Precipitation =	3.27"

October 57-Year Averages:

Avg max temp =	68
Avg min temp =	49
Avg temp =	57
Precipitation =	3.83"
YTD Avg Rainfall =	51.68"
YTD Rainfall =	52.48"

Reported by Elizabeth Tilly
Domain Manager's Assistant



Tyrion



Cuddles

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Homeward as on an arc of thought;
Home like a ruby beacon burns
As they crest wind, scale wave, soar air;
All the great voyagers return,

Though we who wait never have done
Fearing the piteous accidents,
The coral reef sharp as the bones
It has betrayed, fate's cormorant
Unleashed, whose diving's never done.

Even the voyager of mind
May fail beneath behemoth's weight;
Oh, the world's bawdy carcass blinds
All but the boldest, rots the sails
And swamps the voyaging of the mind.

But all the great voyagers return
Home like the hunter, like the hare
To its burrow; below, earth's axle turns
To speed their coming, the following fair
Winds bless their voyage, blow their safe return.

—“The Homecoming” by Barbara Howe

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Community Calendar

Today, Nov. 13

College Homecoming Weekend

- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 10:00 am Game day, Senior Center
- 12:00 pm Spinal spa with Kim, Fowler Center
- 3:00 pm Art reception, Jones, Nalley, IONA, 630 Garnertown Rd
- 3:30 pm Dance with Debbie, 4-7, Comm Ctr
- 4:15 pm Dance with Debbie, 8/up, Comm Ctr
- 5:00 pm Bible study, Mtn of God Tabernacle, Monteagle
- 5:00 pm “Tennessee” art reception, Artisan Depot, until 8
- 5:30 pm Artists’ reception, Artisan Depot, Cowan
- 5:30 pm World healing meditation, Comm Ctr
- 7:30 pm Movie, “Steve Jobs: The Man in the Machine,” SUT

Saturday, Nov. 14

- 8:30 am Yoga with Richard, Comm Center
- 9:30 am Raised Bed workshop, St. Mary's Convent
- 10:00 am Hospitality Shop open, until noon
- 7:30 pm Movie, “Steve Jobs: The Man in the Machine,” SUT

Sunday, Nov. 15

- 12:00 pm Fried Chicken Lunch at McClurg
- 3:00 pm Sewanee Children's Center benefit, St. Luke's Chapel
- 4:00 pm Yoga with Helen, Comm Center
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible study, Midway Baptist
- 5:30 pm Epidemiology lecture, duPont Room G26, lower level
- 7:30 pm Movie, “Steve Jobs: The Man in the Machine,” SUT

Monday, Nov. 16

- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:00 am Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 9:00 am Coffee with Coach, Blue Chair
- 10:30 am Chair exercise with Ruth, Senior Center
- 1:30 pm Sewanee Woman's Book Club, Flournoy Rogers home
- 5:30 pm Parents' math info night, SES
- 5:30 pm Yoga for healing with Lucie, Community Center
- 5:30 pm Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 6:00 pm GCHistorical Society fund raiser, 465 Railroad Ave.
- 6:00 pm Karate, youth @ 6; adults @ 7, Legion Hall
- 6:00 pm Sewanee Leaseholders, Senior Center
- 7:00 pm Centering Prayer, Otey sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Sewanee Chorale practice, Hargrove Auditorium
- 7:00 pm Sewanee Toastmasters, Torian Room, duPont
- 7:30 pm Classical guitar/lute concert, Yelverton, St. Luke's

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:30 am Hospitality Shop open, until 2 pm
- 10:30 am Bingo, Senior Center
- 11:30 am Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid, Tracy City
- 12:00 pm Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Center
- 12:15 pm Carillon concert, Williamson, Shapard Tower
- 3:30 pm Centering Prayer support, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 5:00 pm Acoustic Jam, water bldg. next to old GCHS
- 6:30 pm FC Dem Women, Oasis Restaurant, Winchester
- 6:30 pm Prayer and study, 7th Day Adventist, Monteagle
- 6:30 pm TPT Highlander program, Tom's Place, until 7:30

Wednesday, Nov. 18

- 9:00 am CAC office pantry day, until 11 am
- 10:00 am Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Center
- 10:00 am Senior Center writing group, Kelley residence
- 10:30 am Chair exercise with Ruth, Senior Center
- 12:00 pm EQB luncheon, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 1:30 pm Sewanee Garden Club, Clifftops Lake Clubhouse
- 5:30 pm Yoga with Helen, Comm Center
- 6:00 pm Civic Assn., St. Mark's Hall, Otey; program 7 p.m.
- 7:00 pm Bible study, Midway Baptist Church
- 7:00 pm Big Chess, Angel Park, until 10 pm
- 7:00 pm Catechumenate, Women's Center
- 7:30 pm Movie, “A Funny Thing Happened...,” (free), SUT

Thursday, Nov. 19

- 8:00 am Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, Sewanee Inn
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:00 am Journaling, <marypriestley@bellouth.net>, 598-0157
- 9:00 am Yoga with Becky, Comm Center
- 9:30 am Hospitality Shop open, until 2 pm
- 11:00 am FC Repub Women, Franklin-Pearson House
- 11:00 am Tai Chi with Kathleen, advanced, Comm Ctr
- 12:00 pm Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler
- 12:30 pm Carillon concert, Greene, Shapard Tower
- 12:30 pm Episcopal Peace Fellowship, Otey
- 1:30 pm Folks@Home Support Group, 598-0303
- 2:00 pm Knitting circle, Mooney's, until 4 pm
- 4:00 pm Folks@Home 5th Anniversary, Rivendell, until 6
- 6:00 pm Karate, youth@6, adults@7, Legion Hall
- 7:00 pm Survivors' support group, Morton Memorial
- 7:30 pm DanceWise performance, TN Williams Center
- 7:30 pm Movie, “Straight Outta Compton,” SUT
- 7:30 pm Performing Arts, The King's Singers, Guerry

Friday, Nov. 20

Curbside recycling, before 7 a.m.

- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 10:00 am Game day, Senior Center
- 12:00 pm Spinal spa with Kim, Fowler Center
- 3:30 pm Book signing, Lytle, University Bookstore, until 5
- 3:30 pm Dance with Debbie, 4-7, Comm Ctr
- 4:15 pm Dance with Debbie, 8/up, Comm Ctr
- 5:00 pm Bible study, Mtn of God Tabernacle, Monteagle
- 7:30 pm DanceWise performance, TN Williams Center
- 7:30 pm Ebey lecture, “Convolution Brothers,” St. Luke's
- 7:30 pm Movie, “Straight Outta Compton,” SUT

LOCAL 12-STEP MEETINGS

Friday

- 7:00 pm AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

Saturday

- 7:30 pm NA, open, Decherd United Methodist
- 7:30 pm AA, open, Claiborne Parish House, Otey

Sunday

- 6:30 pm AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle

Monday

- 5:00 pm Women's 12-step, Claiborne Parish House, Otey

- 7:00 pm AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

Tuesday

- 7:00 pm AA, open, First Baptist, Altamont
- 7:30 pm AA, open, Claiborne Parish House, Otey

Wednesday

- 10:00 am AA, closed, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493
- 4:30 pm AA, “Tea-Totallers” women's group, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493

- 7:00 pm NA, open, Decherd United Methodist
- 7:30 pm AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle

Thursday

- 12:00 pm AA, (931) 924-3493 for location
- 7:00 pm AA, open, St. James
- 7:30 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics, Dysfunctional Families, Claiborne Parish House, Otey

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