



All Saints' Chapel following a past Greening of the Chapel. Ken Taylor, chief organizer of the event, said the decorations and flowers usually last about seven days.

## Greening of the Chapel a Foliage Festival

by Kevin Cummings  
Messenger Staff Writer

Sewanee yard clippings, skilled decorating wizardry, and willing hands and hearts are parts of the formula that make the annual Greening of All Saints' Chapel possible.

The greening is a tradition that always precedes the Festival of Lessons and Carols, which will mark its 57th year on Dec. 3 and 4.

"Of course people come to Lessons and Carols for the music, but they come to see it and smell it and feel it too," said Ken Taylor, the greening's chief organizer. "It's a big thing and a lot of folks have said that it's what starts their Christmas holidays, coming to Lessons and Carols."

All three performances of the event itself are sold out, but organizers will conduct tours of the chapel and its

decorations on the Saturday and Sunday afternoon prior to Lessons and Carols. The times will be announced, Taylor said.

Volunteers deck out the church on the Friday before the University Choir's performance—this year the greening is Dec. 2. People will start looking for items in the fall, Taylor noted, like dried hydrangea blooms, seed pods and nandina berries to contribute to the chapel accoutrements. Folks will add magnolia, pine clippings, laurel, holly, hemlock and other evergreen trimmings.

These decorations are dappled about and entwined into wreaths and garlands to adorn windows, altars, lecterns, rails and other parts of the church, including two wreaths each for the 14 sets of doors, Taylor said.

"We try to come up with something

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## Help Provide Holiday Joy for Others

### Operation Noel Accepting Applications until Dec. 12

In just a few weeks, it will be Christmas. While many are already planning ahead about gifts to buy and food to eat, there are those not so fortunate. In our area, there are children who may not get presents and families that may not have an abundant holiday meal.

Each year the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department (SVFD), in conjunction with FROST (the department's Fund Raising Operational Support Team), organizes the purchasing and distribution of food and toys for these families. All items will be delivered the morning of Dec. 23 by the SVFD and FROST.

But this important program cannot happen without help from the community. Please consider making a donation of money, nonperishable food items or new toys to Operation Noel this year and give back to your community this Christmas season.

Families eligible for Operation Noel must live in the following communities: Sewanee, Midway, Jump Off and Sherwood Road to the top of Sherwood Mountain (but not into Sherwood).

Every family needs to fill out a new application, even if they have received from Operation Noel before. An application ensures that organizers have all the pertinent information so they can provide for everyone in need. The application is on page 3 of this week's issue of the Messenger. The deadline for returning applications is Monday, Dec. 12.

If you would like to make a donation of money, nonperishable food items or new toys, please take items to Fire Chief David Green's office at the fire hall behind duPont Library, or Print Services next door to University Book and Supply Store. For more information call 598-3400 and leave a message.

## SUD Announces Water Restrictions

by Leslie Lytle  
Messenger Staff Writer

At the Nov. 21 meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties, SUD manager Ben Beavers announced SUD had joined the neighboring water utilities and implemented mandatory water use restrictions. As of Nov. 1, SUD had 160 days of water left. Lake O'Donnell was two feet below the full mark and Lake Jackson was down 22 feet.

The restrictions prohibit washing sidewalks, driveways, parking areas, tennis courts, patios, or other hard surfaces except for sanitary or safety purposes; filling or re-filling of swimming pools; non-commercial and commercial washing of motor vehicles, trailers and boats; use of water for dust control or construction compaction; and use of water for fire-fighting training. Watering of fairways

and athletic fields is restricted to the hours of 12:01 a.m. to 5 a.m. Watering of lawns, flower gardens, trees, shrubs, etc., is restricted to assigned days of the week from 5 a.m. to 10 a.m.; addresses ending in an even number may water on Wednesday, Friday, or Sunday, and addresses ending in an odd number may water on Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday.

Following the drought of 2007 area water utilities adopted a linked drought management plan. "We're in a lot better shape than we were in 2007," Beavers said. "Big Creek is the worst off." The Big Creek utility is considering pumping water from a nearby state owned lake. At the 60 day supply level, SUD's drought management plan calls for penalties for violating use restrictions. "No significant rain is forecasted until January," Beavers cautioned, encouraging customers to

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The view from Armfield Bluff. Photo by Sandy Gilliam

## School Board Grapples with Middle School Options

by Leslie Lytle  
Messenger Staff Writer

"I don't have enough information to make a decision," said Board President Cleijo Walker at the Nov. 14 meeting of the Franklin County School Board. She encouraged the board to join her in making a list of questions to address before determining which option would best serve the county: renovating the two aging middle schools; a new consolidated middle school; or two new middle schools on the existing sites.

The board raised several cost related questions. Board member Sara Liechty said the board needed information on the cost of site acquisition and infrastructure for a new consolidated middle school and information on the cost of portables to temporarily house students if the schools were renovated. Liechty also suggested the board consider geothermal heating and cooling with the potential for long-term energy cost savings.

Tim Little representing the engineering firm Oliver, Little, and Gipson (OLG) said geothermal was an option in the new school scenarios, but would add \$6.50 per square foot to construction costs. He estimated the payback at 11–13 years.

Board member Linda Jones questioned the need for auxiliary gyms if new schools were built on the existing sites, favoring the plan which

incorporated the existing gyms into the structures. Stanley Bean, North Middle School principal who chairs the Capital Building Program Committee, spoke in favor of new gyms. "The existing gyms have had much wear and tear as much as they're used."

Jones also asked if the relatively new eighth-grade pods, built in 1997–98, could be incorporated in the new school designs. "We didn't consider repurposing the pods," said Little, "but it's a possibility."

Adam Tucker, Sewanee school board representative, joined other board members in expressing excitement about the possibility of new schools on the existing sites, but Tucker pointed to the \$15 million higher cost, cautioning, "I wouldn't want to see the new facilities cut off funding for

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Is it a bear?

## SES "Turkey Protection" Project

The Sewanee Elementary School first-grade students have once again created disguises for their turkey friends to help them survive the upcoming holiday and avoid being the main course for dinner.

Turkeys are "hiding" throughout this issue of the Messenger. See them all in color at <www.sewanee-messenger.com>.

## Tree Lighting on Dec. 2

There will be two holiday tree lightings on Friday, Dec. 2. Students and community members will gather at 4 p.m. in the University Quad for music and snacks. The campus tree lighting will be at 4:30 p.m.

Music will begin in Angel Park in downtown Sewanee at 5 p.m. The Sewanee Chorale will lead Christmas caroling.

A Sewanee fire engine will carry Santa Claus and friends to downtown around 5:15 p.m. University Ave. will be closed 4–7 p.m.

The tree lighting at Angel Park will be at 5:30 p.m. Cookies and hot beverages will be available afterward, and Santa and the Grinch will be posing for photos.

Please bring unwrapped toys for Operation Noel. Gifts of money and nonperishable food will be collected for the Community Action Committee.

In case of inclement weather, the post-tree-lighting activities will move inside to the Blue Chair Bakery and Tavern.

Decorating of the Christmas tree at Angel Park will be at 9 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 30. All are welcome to help.

This event is co-sponsored by the University and the Sewanee Business Alliance.

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## Balsam Wreath Sale to Benefit CAC

The annual Balsam Wreath Sale has begun. A tradition for more than 20 years with students at Sewanee Elementary and then St. Andrew's-Sewanee participating, the profits from this sale now benefit the outreach work of the Community Action Committee, an organization that helps the greater Sewanee area.

The wreaths measure at least 22" and come with a big red bow and pine cones. The wreaths cost \$25 and will arrive between Dec. 7-14. The CAC will contact you when your wreath arrives to pickup at the CAC at Otey Parish. If requested, wreaths can be delivered.

To order wreaths, email <cacchristmaswreaths@gmail.com> or <cynthia dehondpotter@gmail.com> or call Cindy Potter at 598-5773. Order forms are also available at the CAC office at Otey. Be sure to include your name, number of wreaths you want and contact information. Your order will be confirmed by email or phone. Orders are due on Friday, Dec. 2.



From the 2012 archives: These St. Andrew's-Sewanee sixth-graders show off the balsam wreaths.

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## Thanksgiving Holiday Closings

Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, Nov. 24. All federal, state and county offices will be closed, including the banks and post offices. Other closings include the offices of the University and St. Andrew's-Sewanee School, the Messenger and the Sewanee Senior Center. The Convenience Center will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24-25, and reopen Saturday, Nov. 26 for Thanksgiving weekend. Garbage pickup in Sewanee is on a regular schedule. The Hospitality Shop is closed until Tuesday, Nov. 29.

The University Archives and duPont Library will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24 and Friday, Nov. 25. Hours for duPont are 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 26, 1-5 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 27, and back to regular hours on Monday, Nov. 28.

## University Deer Hunt

The 2016 University deer hunt continues through Jan. 13, 2017. The archery only season runs through Dec. 21, and the regular season begins on Dec. 22. The University deer hunt is a private hunt by invitation only. No hunting is allowed without explicit written permission.

Hunting is allowed on most weekends from sunrise to 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. until sunset. Hunting is allowed weekdays from sunrise to 8:30 a.m. in all zones and 3:30 p.m. to sunset in zones 3, 4 and 6.

There is no hunting Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. There will be a limited firearms hunt that will start the day after Christmas.

## November Lease Committee Summary

The following items were approved in the November 2016 Meeting: October minutes; request to add an addition and a deck to the back of the house on Lease No. 562, located at 722 Georgia Avenue.

Leasehold information is available online at <leases.sewaneed.edu> or by calling the lease office at 598-1998. A county building permit is required for structures with roofs; call (931) 967-0981 for information.

Agenda items are due by the fifth of each month for Lease Committee meetings. If the fifth falls on a weekend or holiday, then agenda items are due on the next business day. Lease Committee meetings are normally the third Tuesday of each month.

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## MESSENGER Break Ahead

There will be four issues in December: Fridays, Dec. 2, Dec. 9, Dec. 16 and an early edition on Wednesday, Dec. 21. The staff will take a two-week break and return to the office on Monday, Jan. 9, with the first issue of 2017 on Friday, Jan. 13.

If your organization or church has a different schedule during these upcoming holidays than we normally post, please send the updates to <[news@sewaneemessenger.com](mailto:news@sewaneemessenger.com)> or call the office 598-9949.



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

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



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### Area Rotary Club Meetings

The Grundy County Rotary Club meets at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesdays at Dutch Maid Bakery in Tracy City. The Monteagle Sewanee Rotary Club meets at 8 a.m., Thursdays at the Sewanee Inn. The Monteagle Sewanee Rotary Club will not meet on Thursday, Nov. 24.

### Coffee with the Coach

Coffee with the Coach, an opportunity to learn more about Sewanee's sports teams, will be at 9 a.m., Monday, Nov. 28 with Bradley Pierson. Gather at the Blue Chair Tavern for free coffee and conversation. All are welcome.

### Benson to Speak at FOL Meeting

Friends of the Library of Sewanee: The University of the South invites the community to attend a talk by Robert Benson, professor emeritus of English. Benson will discuss his book, "Wedding the Wild Particular." The Friends meeting will be in the Torian Room of Jessie Ball duPont Library at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 30. A reception will follow the talk. For more information about the Friends of the Library go to <<http://libguides.sewanee.edu/FOL>>.

### CCJP Meeting

The Cumberland Center for Justice and Peace (CCJP) will be having their next quarterly board meeting 9–11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 3, at the Sewanee Senior Center. For more information, please contact <[charles@ccjp.org](mailto:charles@ccjp.org)>.

### GAAC Holiday Feast

The Grundy Area Arts Council will hold its annual holiday feast and meeting Monday, Dec. 5 at 5:30 p.m. at the Dutch Maid Bakery in Tracy City. Entertainment will be provided by dancers from the recent Sewanee production of "The Nutcracker." Dinner will be a Christmas buffet featuring a holiday ham. Dinner costs \$10 per person, and reservations should be made by Monday, Nov. 28. Contact <[grundyareaarts@gmail.com](mailto:grundyareaarts@gmail.com)> to reserve your dinner seat.

### Life Long Learning on Dec. 15

The Academy for Life Long Learning will meet at noon, Thursday, Dec. 15 at St. Mary's Sewanee. University of the South professor John Willis will present the program on "Landscape and Memory."

## Senior Center Christmas Bazaar

The annual Christmas Bazaar will be 9 a.m.–2 p.m., Monday–Friday, and 9 a.m.–1 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 5–10, at the Sewanee Senior Center.

The bake sale items will include cookies, cakes, pies and candies. There will also be crafts, canned goods (jams and jellies), handmade items and white elephant items for sale.

An antique (1910) quilt, \$250 in cash or a new sewing machine will be given away. Tickets to enter the drawing are \$2 each. The drawing will be on Tuesday, Dec. 13, during the Center Christmas lunch.

Donations for the bazaar are welcome and greatly appreciated. Please bring any white elephant items, needlework or other non-perishable items any day before the bazaar begins. Baked items, home-canned foods, preserves, jellies and jams should be brought the week of the bazaar.

The Center is regularly open Mondays through Fridays. Please call 598-0771 with any questions.

## Holiday Book Sale

Thurmond Memorial Library at Otey Parish will be having a holiday book sale 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Dec. 2–3. There are more than 500 quality used books available. There are also 50 re-gift books with complimentary gift wrap. Volunteers are needed during the sale. For more information contact Trudy Cunningham at <[tcunning@sewanee.edu](mailto:tcunning@sewanee.edu)>.



Some of the SES first-graders who disguised their turkey friends are from left, Marin Owens, Hays Hegwood, Becca Grace Betancourt and Daxton Marshall.

## Sewanee Operation Noel Application

Please mail completed form to Tracie Sherrill by Monday, Dec. 12.

138 Lake O'Donnell Rd., Sewanee TN 37375 or email all information to [tsherril@sewanee.edu](mailto:tsherril@sewanee.edu).

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# of Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_

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A fry-bread and chili supper in solidarity with the ongoing Standing Rock protest will be 5–9 p.m., Saturday Nov. 26, at Otey Memorial Parish Church. Bude Van Dyke will perform, and guest speakers Luke Mason and Michael Lee will give a situational update. The suggested donation is \$10 for the meal; \$5 for children and seniors. If you would like to volunteer, go to <<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084daba923aaf58-standing>>. All are welcome.

Another way to support the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe water protectors if you cannot attend this event: send your check with #NoDAPL on the memo to: Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota, 3600 25th St. S., Fargo, ND 58104.

## End of Life Issues Series

“Prepare. . .” is a three-week class meeting 6–7 p.m. on Wednesdays, Nov. 30, Dec. 7 and Dec. 14. at St. James parish hall.

The focus of the series is preparation for “end of life issues,” and the series is designed to be upbeat, thought-provoking and “life giving.”

Materials from Elisabeth Kubler-Ross regarding the “five stages of grief and death” and “Death the Final Stage of Growth” will be presented. Handouts include “Five Wishes,” regarding your personal and emotional and medical instructions, and “A Thanksgiving and Celebration for a Life,” directions for a celebration of your life.

Participants will also have an opportunity to select additional topics that they would like to hear more about. For more information or to register, contact the Rev. Linda Hutton, <[justlinda@charter.net](mailto:justlinda@charter.net)> or School of Theology Field Education Tech Mike Wood, <[woodmj0@sewanee.edu](mailto:woodmj0@sewanee.edu)>.

## Tutoring Program Planning Meeting

For those interested in teaching and/or volunteering in the St. James/CAC Tutoring Program that begins Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, there is a planning meeting 3:30–5 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 29, at St. James parish hall. All are welcome.

## Church News

### All Saints’ Chapel

The Catechumenate will resume Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m. in the Bairnwick Women’s Center. Desserts and coffee will be provided. Catechumenate, from a Greek word meaning “learning and exploring,” is a place where we explore what it means to be a human being and what it means to be a person of faith in our community. Email Lay Chaplain Rob McAlister

<[rvmcalis@sewanee.edu](mailto:rvmcalis@sewanee.edu)> for directions or more information.

Morning and Evening Prayer will be suspended while the University is on break, beginning Wed, Nov. 23. These services will resume Tuesday, Nov. 29. Next Sunday, the Eucharist will be offered at 8 a.m. only at the High Altar. The 11 a.m. Eucharist will resume on Sunday, Dec. 4.

### Otey Parish

There will be a 10 a.m. service on Thanksgiving Day with Joe Porter preaching and celebrating.

Otey offices will be closed Nov. 24 and Nov. 25 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

This Sunday we mark the beginning of Advent with the making of Advent wreaths by all ages in St. Mark’s Hall. There will be no Godly Play, Youth Sunday School, or Adult Forum. The Lectionary Class will meet.

### St. James

There will be a Celebration of St. Nicholas Day at 5 p.m., Friday, Dec. 9, at St. James Midway Community Park. St. Nicholas will be present, along with caroling, hot chocolate and candy canes.

### Tullahoma Sangha

Tullahoma Sangha, a Zen Buddhist meditation and study group, meets each Wednesday at 6 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church of Tullahoma. The service will consist of zazen (meditation), kinhin (walking meditation) and a short lesson and discussion. Newcomers are welcome; please call ahead and we will have a short orientation at 5:45 p.m. The church is located at 3536 New Manchester Hwy., Tullahoma. For more information or to be added to the email group, call (931) 588-8935.

### Unitarian Universalist Church

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Tullahoma’s speaker at 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 27, will be Rev. Denise Gyauch on “Gratitude and Blessings.” The service is followed by refreshments and a discussion period. The church is located at 3536 New Manchester Hwy., Tullahoma. For more information call (931) 455-8626, or go to <[www.tullahomauu.org](http://www.tullahomauu.org)>.

**To list your church in the calendar, send service times, church address and contact information to <[news@sewaneemessenger.com](mailto:news@sewaneemessenger.com)> or phone 598-9949.**

# CHURCH CALENDAR

### Weekday Services, Nov. 23–Dec. 2

7 a.m. Morning Prayer, St. Mary’s (not 11/28)  
7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, St. Paul’s Chapel, Otey  
7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, St. Mary’s (not 11/28)  
8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Christ the King (11/29)  
8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, St. Augustine’s (not 11/23–25)  
10 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Eucharist, Otey (11/24)  
4 p.m. Evening Prayer, St. Augustine’s (not 11/23–25)  
4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer, St. Paul’s Chapel, Otey  
5 p.m. Evening Prayer, St. Mary’s (not 11/28)

### Saturday, Nov. 26

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary’s  
10 a.m. Sabbath School, Monteagle 7th Day Adventist  
11 a.m. Worship Service, Monteagle 7th Day Adventist  
5 p.m. Mass, Good Shepherd, Decherd

### Sunday, Nov. 27

#### All Saints’ Chapel

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist

#### Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle

10 a.m. Worship Service  
5:30 p.m. Evening Service

#### Christ Church, Monteagle

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
10:45 a.m. Children’s Sunday School  
12:50 p.m. Christian Formation Class

#### Christ Episcopal Church, Alto

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
10 a.m. Sunday School

#### Christ Episcopal Church, Tracy City

10 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (child care provided)

#### Christ the King Anglican, Decherd

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:40 a.m. Sunday School

#### Church of the Holy Comforter, Monteagle

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist

#### Cowan Fellowship Church

10 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Worship Service

#### Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Cowan

6:30 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service

#### Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Monteagle

9 a.m. Fellowship  
11 a.m. Worship Service

#### Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Sewanee

9 a.m. Worship Service  
10 a.m. Sunday School

#### Decherd United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:50 a.m. Worship

#### Epiphany Mission Church, Sherwood

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
10 a.m. Children’s Sunday School

#### Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd

10:30 a.m. Mass

#### Grace Fellowship Church

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

#### Harrison Chapel Methodist Church

9 a.m. Worship Service  
10 a.m. Sunday School

#### Midway Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Service  
6 p.m. Evening Service

### Midway Church of Christ

10 a.m. Bible Study  
11 a.m. Morning Service  
6 p.m. Evening Service

### Ministry Baptist Church, Old Co-op Bldg., Pelham

10 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Breakfast

11 a.m. Worship Service

### Monteagle First Baptist Church

10 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Worship Service

6 p.m. Evening Worship

### Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Worship Service

### New Beginnings Church, Monteagle

9:30 a.m. Worship Service  
11:15 a.m. Worship Service

### Otey Memorial Parish Church • Annual Meeting

8:50 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
9:30 a.m. Christian Formation

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist

### Pelham United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Worship Service

### St. Agnes Episcopal Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Sunday Service (Rite 1)

### St. James Episcopal Church

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist

### St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8 a.m. Mass

### Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Morning Service

6 p.m. Evening Service

### Sisters of St. Mary’s Convent

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5 p.m. Evensong

### Tracy City First Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

5:30 p.m. Youth

6 p.m. Evening Worship

### Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist

6 p.m. Evening Worship

### Valley Home Community Church, Pelham

10 a.m. Sunday School  
10 a.m. Worship Service

### Wednesday, Nov. 30

6 a.m. Morning Prayer, Cowan Fellowship  
12 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Christ Church, Monteagle  
5 p.m. KAs, Bible study, meal, Monteagle First Baptist

5:30 p.m. Evening Worship, Bible Baptist, Monteagle  
5:45 p.m. Youth, Bible study, meal, Monteagle First Baptist

6 p.m. Bible study, Monteagle First Baptist  
6 p.m. Prayer and study, Midway Baptist  
6 p.m. Youth (AWANA), Tracy City First Baptist  
6 p.m. Prayer, Trinity Episcopal, Winchester  
6:30 p.m. Community Harvest Church, Coalmont  
6:30 p.m. Prayer Service, Harrison Chapel, Midway  
7 p.m. Adult Formation, Epiphany, Sherwood  
7 p.m. Evening Worship, Tracy City First Baptist



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8 Jackson Point Rd.	1734341	\$36,000
9 Jackson Point Rd.	1734307	\$39,000



**Greening** (from page 1)

different every year. The whole year I'm thinking about ways we can change it up a little," he said.

Taylor's Mercantile adds poinsettias and the University of the South's Forestry Department hauls in an additional two trailer loads of greenery.

The University's Greek organizations decorate the pillars in the church and other volunteers do the rest. The festivities also include an Advent wreath for the large steel ring that sits overhead.

Another part of the greening is teams of people creating gold-colored roses from ginkgo leaves found on campus. Marcia Mary Cook, a retired theatre professor and former dorm matron, has been heavily involved in the flower guild at All Saints' since the mid-1990s.

Cook said she's worried about the Ginkgo leaves, which hadn't fallen last

week and were just barely turning gold because of the drought. But there's still time before the greening.

"If we get some rain and wind, everything will come down," Cook said. The flower guild, which is part of St. Augustine's Guild at All Saints', plays a big role in the greening. A number of the small group of mostly women are former dorm matrons, Taylor said.

The greening starts at 9 a.m. and last year, because about 80 volunteers participated, the decorating was complete by 2 p.m.—about two hours faster than normal, Taylor said.

"I love doing it and I love that the community is involved," he said. "Members of flower guilds as far as Mobile, Ala., have come to help and learn how to do it at their church."

Volunteers for the Greening of the Chapel are asked to arrive at 9 a.m. on Dec. 2. A light lunch will be served.



Volunteers work during a previous Greening of the Chapel.

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**SUD** (from page 1)

adopt conservative water use practices so SUD's water supply will last longer.

Discussing the 2017 budget, Beavers said water sales trended below budget throughout 2016, and he'll base the 2017 budget on 2016 sales, at present 3.5 percent below 2015. Beavers attributes the difference to decreased irrigation water sales since the University has relied on its irrigation pond for most irrigation needs. To offset decreased sales, Beavers intends to decrease capital improvement plan (CIP) and operation budget expenses. The draft of the 2017 CIP budget is 13 percent below the 2016 budget, with the biggest ticket item being \$150,000 for repairs to the Depot Branch sewer line. The board discussed a small one percent increase in customers' water use rate. Beavers pointed out a one percent increase "won't make up for the decrease in water sales."

Beavers will present the final budget for approval at the next meeting on Dec. 13.

The SUD Board is seeking three nominees for the office of commis-

sioner. Prospective candidates should call the SUD office at (931) 598-5611 before the Dec. 13 meeting. Voting begins on Jan. 5 and ends at the close of the business day Jan. 24. Commissioners earn a \$50 stipend for each meeting they participate in.

Beavers said all permits for the Midway pressure boosting station had been approved, and the engineer assigned to the project was seeking bids. The project will provide a much needed increase in water pressure in the Midway community. "My goal is to have the pressure boosting station substantially completed by the end of the year," Beavers stressed.

The board passed a resolution honoring William "Jerry" Johnson who retired on Nov. 1 after 35 years of service. Johnson started on the field crew, earned his water plant operator's license, and rose to the position of assistant manager. Johnson declined the offer of a celebration in honor of his retirement, asking only for "a key to Lake O'Donnell and Lake Jackson so I can fish."

**HEARING HEALTH NEWS**  
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**Schools** (from page 1)

other programs and needs like teacher salary increases."

Board member Christine Hopkins asked if research suggested students in smaller facilities "learned better." Jones echoed this concern. Jones interviewed teachers at both schools who feared they would lose the opportunity to develop relationships with students in a large consolidated school. Jones said teachers also cited the way students in lower grades learned from interacting with students in the upper grades in a small school.

Director of Schools Amie Lonas said, "You can find research to support both the small school and large school concepts. It all depends on what kind of leadership is in place. It's not the building, but the learning community within the school."

Noting the slightly smaller student population at South Middle School, board member Chris Guess recommended rezoning to balance the number of students at each school both in terms of numbers as well as demographics, insisting, "We need to look at what is equitable, not just in terms of traditional educational parameters, but athletics, music and the arts."

The board will continue the discussion at the Dec. 5 working session.

In other business, Lonas said five mentors were still needed for Advise Tennessee, a mentoring program designed to increase college attendance and graduation rates. To volunteer, contact Secondary Education Supervisor Diane Spaulding at (931) 967-0626. Nov. 20 is the deadline.

Revisiting a request at the Oct. board meeting to recognize Jeff Taylor, former Franklin County High School (FCHS) basketball star and coach at Franklin County and Tullahoma high school, FCHS Principal Roger Alsup proposed retiring Taylor's jersey and placing it in a framed glass display case in the gym lobby. Lonas said board approval wasn't needed for recognition of this type. A ceremony is planned for the Dec. 2 Franklin County versus Tullahoma basketball game when both schools are present to honor Taylor.

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## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

by Kevin Cummings  
Messenger Staff Writer

Who would play Dr. Tom Phelps in a movie?

"George Clooney," his wife Marilyn says and they both fall into laughter. "Don't I wish," Tom says.

Marilyn, a relationship therapist who grew up in south Texas, finally settles on J.K. Simmons, the star of dozens of movies and Farmers Insurance commercials.

Tom and I sit on his porch on a very warm November afternoon; the Phelps' cat, Butterscotch, sleeps on a chair between me and the doctor, while Toni, a lab mix, sleeps on the floor at our feet. Tom's clothes are dirty because he's building a patio today on his off day from the Harton Sleep Disorders and Neurodiagnostic Center, a Tullahoma practice he founded in 1992 in the budding days of sleep medicine.

Tom, 64, is even-keel, soft-spoken and attentive. When a patient sits down in his office they often talk about more than CPAPs and sleep habits; they talk about living, happiness, passion.

"I get as much of a kick out of helping somebody feel and sleep better as a surgeon does taking out somebody's gallbladder," he says. "I had my years in the emergency room and got a lot of adrenaline and testosterone in the ICU, but preventative medicine is what I truly love."

Tom will retire from his practice in February to spend more time working in other countries, like volunteering in Uganda at the Friends of Canon Gideon Foundation, a support organization for people with HIV and their loved ones. He also plans to spend time volunteering at a school in Liberia.

In addition, Tom, a vocal activist for universal health care, will practice for six months in New Zealand, a country with a reputation for success in socialized healthcare.

"One of the things I hope to see before I pass to another world is all my fellow Americans have health insurance and good healthcare. That's my fervent prayer," he says.

Tom, the son of Gladys, a homemaker, and Richard, a printmaker, grew up in Williamson County near Brentwood, Tenn., the youngest of five boys who loved to play sports, rough-house and explore their country property. With anywhere from two to 13 dogs roaming the land, Tom liked to search for arrowheads, swim and build dams in the creeks, where he'd bomb his homemade Navy fleet with rocks.

"The woods and my dogs were my entertainment and best friends," he says.

During one of his battleship bombings, he dropped a massive rock on his big toe. His mom gave him an aspirin and a book about Thomas Jefferson and told Tom to go in her bedroom and read. When he read, he forgot about the pain in his foot, which was one of his first experiences with pain management, a field he is now delving into with its natural ties to sleep medicine.

"Distraction is a pretty good pain reliever," he says, noting that a recent conference highlighted the use of virtual reality as a new distraction tool for pain management.

### Tom Phelps

In high school, Tom was a distance runner and football player. He founded the school's cross country team, which led to running track and cross country at Sewanee, where he graduated with an English degree in 1974.

A number of his Sewanee professors were major influences in his life, in addition to William C. White, Tom's principal and baseball coach at Lipscomb Elementary School, who previously coached baseball at Sewanee.

After graduating college, Tom taught English for three years at Battle Ground Academy in Franklin, Tenn., before deciding to go to medical school and become a family practice physician.

"I couldn't make enough money (teaching) to sustain my family. I had to take part-time jobs to make ends meet," he says.

The mentor who had the biggest impact on his road to the Hippocratic Oath was his Scoutmaster in Troop 1, Billy Jim Vaughn, a legend in scouting and also a Navy medical corpsman in WWII.

"About the only activity Brentwood had to offer besides church was Scouts," Tom says. "Being a doctor has been in the back of my mind all along. Billy Jim Vaughn put that in my head when I was a little boy, actually. He taught us all the skills he knew; we were medics when we came out of his training."

Tom was an Eagle Scout, like all his brothers. His passion for the outdoors is still strong today with hobbies like whitewater canoeing, rock climbing, gardening and bird watching.

He and Marilyn also like to collect mushrooms on hikes and add them to dishes like stroganoff and pizza. The couple's first unofficial date was actually a hike. Before the walk, he and Marilyn met at Stirling's Coffee House, where Tom's cousin, a friend of Marilyn's, played matchmaker.

Tom's cousin said they had to meet because they were "the same."

They both ordered chai tea at Stirling's. Both had three children. They laughed at each other's corny jokes and soon found they shared the same values. Their first official date was at Lessons and Carols at All Saints' Chapel; the next year after Lessons and Carols, Tom proposed at Greens' View on the Perimeter Trail.

If producers do make a movie of Dr. Phelps' life, George Clooney will need hiking boots, because the couple takes an anniversary walk each November.

### UPCLOSE

Tom Phelps

**Favorite author:** Robert Penn Warren

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**Favorite childhood game:** Baseball

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# Community Chest Spotlight: Animal Harbor

The 2016–17 Sewanee Community Chest (SCC) Fund Drive is under way. Sponsored by the Sewanee Civic Association, the SCC raises money yearly for local charitable organizations serving the area. This year's goal is \$116,850 for 26 organizations that have requested basic needs funding for quality of life, community aid, children's programs, and those who are beyond Sewanee but still serve our entire community.

For the next few weeks, the Sewanee Mountain Messenger will focus on some of the organizations supported by the Community Chest. This week we shine the spotlight on the Franklin County Humane Society (FCHS), also known as Animal Harbor.

The purpose of FCHS is to provide temporary shelter and loving care, including medical care, for lost and homeless animals until new homes are found; reduce future generations of unwanted companion animals by developing and maintaining a low-cost spay/neuter program for low-income residents; altering all shelter animals before they are adopted; and educating the community about animal welfare and prevent cruelty to animals.

In 2015, FCHS served a total of 808 people directly: 306 adopters; 17 owners whose lost pets were returned; 237 owners who surrendered their pets to because they could no longer keep them; and 248 low-income residents whose pet spay/neuters were subsidized; plus many others who came to Animal Harbor for advice or assistance in finding lost pets or simply

to see the pets up for adoption.

They placed 306 spayed or neutered pets in new homes locally and sent 200 dogs to shelters in the North through our Rescue Waggin' program. They also distributed books that promote kindness and responsibility toward animals to all of the public school libraries in Franklin County as well as to Winchester Christian Academy, the Mennonite School, St. Andrew's-Sewanee and The Franklin County Library.

Their work to improve the lives of homeless pets and to instill the value of humane treatment of animals contributes to a better community for all residents.

FCHS will receive \$3,000 to be used for veterinary expenses, which include spaying and neutering the rescued pets before adoption. These veterinary services cost approximately \$30,838 last year.

Since 1908, the goal of the SCC has been to help citizens by funding the community. Through SCC funding, 26 local organizations can help those caught in the cycle of poverty, improve quality of life through outreach and community initiatives, and provide support for children with a variety of programs. The SCC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and donations are tax-deductible. Send your donation to Sewanee Community Chest, P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375. For more information, or to make a donation through PayPal, contact <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com> or go to <www.sewaneecciv.wordpress.com>.

## Burn Ban Still in Effect

There is a regional burn ban that includes Franklin, Marion and Grundy counties. This ban includes all outdoor fires, including those in Turkish fire pits, chimenea and all other similar exterior fire enclosures. Charcoal grills remain permitted.

Tim Phelps, spokesman for the Tennessee Division of Forestry Administration wants everyone to know about the arson tip hotline: 1-800-762-3017. Tips leading to an arrest are worth \$2,500, up from the previous \$1,500 offered.

## Camp Mountain Lake Purchased by Former Resident

Former Grundy County resident Charles Kildgore has acquired the 17-acre site of the former Camp Mountain Lake from the Citizens Tri-County Bank. He also acquired an adjoining 38 acres of woodlands.

"We want to preserve and restore as many of the buildings as possible. We have formed Camp Mountain Lake Retreats, LLC to own the property and develop economically viable lodging on the site. The first couple of months will be cleaning up all of the cabins and assessing their condition. After the assessment period we will provide a schedule of events and announce plans for the property. We have been presented with some very good ideas from people we have met in the past few weeks," Mr. Kildgore explained.

The camp, located next to the Grundy Lakes State Park, home of the historical COKE ovens, was attended by several thousand campers since its beginning in 1946. Many of the original buildings are still standing.

"In its heyday, the camp boasted horseback riding, archery, rifle range, boating, hiking, fishing, and athletics, including volleyball, tennis, football, baseball, basketball, badminton, croquet and camp crafts," said Kildgore.

He worked at the camp in 1975 as a counselor in training. "I was the only Grundy County Football player that year who had dishpan hands. I washed 375 plates, glasses and silverware every day. I also ran errands for Coach Moore. I think Coach had the idea I was older and allowed me to drive his car to the carwash as well as the camp truck. It was a great learning experience for me. It helped build my work ethic," Kildgore said.

Kildgore's family moved to Grundy County in 1968 where his father practiced law until 1998 in Tracy City. In 1978, after high school, Kildgore left for college at the University of Tennessee—Knoxville. In 1984 he moved to Nashville where he now resides in Franklin, with his wife Cindy.

"In all the years I spent on the mountain I found the people here to be wonderful. I remember being invited into many homes for dinner, met a lot of great people and still believe it is a nice place to live."

For more information about Camp Mountain Lake, contact Charles E. Kildgore, Camp Mountain Lake Retreats, LLC, 587 Lake Rd., Tracy City, TN 37387, call (615) 596-0781 or email <ckildgore@gmail.com>.

## Senior Center News

### Volunteers Needed

The Center needs volunteers who can help in the kitchen to prepare lunch and to help clean up and wash dishes. Call the center at 598-0771 or 598-0915 to volunteer.

### Menus

The Sewanee Senior Center serves lunch at noon, Monday through Friday. The suggested donation is \$4, regardless of your age. Please call 598-0771 by 9 a.m. to order lunch.

**Nov. 23:** Chef salad, crackers, dessert.

**Nov. 24 & 25:** Center closed.

**Nov. 28:** White bean chicken chili, autumn apple salad, dessert.

**Nov. 29:** Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, green pea salad, roll, dessert.

**Nov. 30:** Barbecue sandwich, chips, dessert.

**Dec. 1:** Salmon patty, white beans, turnip greens, cornbread, dessert.

**Dec. 2:** French market soup, grilled cheese sandwich, cornbread muffin, dessert.

*Menus may vary.*

### Christmas Bazaar

The Sewanee Senior Citizens Center will be having its annual Christmas Bazaar and bake sale Dec. 5–10. Donations are now being accepted at the Center located at 5 Ball Park Road.

# TN Craft—South

## 2016 Holiday Tour

**SATURDAY**  
Dec. 3, 10-5 CST

**SUNDAY**  
Dec. 4, 11-4 CST

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Glyn & Will Melnyk—Handwoven Textiles

**2. Spencer Room at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School**  
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Sewanee, TN 37375  
• Carol Kimmons—Pottery  
• Bill Mauzy—Wood  
• J. Denise Miller—Paintings: Pastels and Acrylics  
• Tammy O'Connor—Glass

**3. St. Andrew's-Sewanee Gallery**  
820 Quintard Rd.  
Sewanee, TN 37375  
• Studio Tour Exhibition—selected works by Studio Tour participants, members of Tennessee Craft-South, and SAS faculty, staff, and students

**4. Merissa Tobler Studio**  
25 Running Knob Hollow Rd.  
Sewanee, TN 37375  
931-636-3490  
• Arlyn Ende—Mixed Media  
• Sherry Nickell—Glass  
• Jeanie Stephenson—Bronze  
• Merissa Tobler—Pottery

**5. Pippa Browne Studio**  
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• Anne Griffin—Knitting  
• Shore Griffin—Jewelry  
• Mary Lynch—Handbuilt Functional Clay  
• Claire Reishman—Clay

**7. Bob Askew Studio**  
289 University Ave.  
Sewanee, TN 37375  
• Bob Askew—Paintings: Watercolor and Oil

**8. St. Mark's Hall at Otey Parish**  
216 University Ave.  
931-598-5927  
• Community Action Committee  
Art—Quilting, Carving, Painting, Jewelry

**9. Locals**  
49 University Ave.  
Sewanee, TN 37375  
931-598-0400  
• G. Sanford McGee—Copper and Mixed Media  
• Susan Church—Wood

**10. American Legion Hall**  
36 University Ave.  
Sewanee, TN 37375  
• Barbara Coffelt—Stained Glass  
• Lisa Dorney—Fused Glass  
• Marjorie Langston—Glass  
• Pat Rolie—Quilts  
• Ursula Vann—Clay  
• Nancy Wallace—Books  
• Will Winton—Prints of Watercolors

**11. Ben Potter Studio**  
341 Kentucky Ave.  
Sewanee, TN 37375  
931-598-5773  
• Ben Potter—Copper

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## SES Menus

**Monday–Friday,  
Nov. 28–Dec. 2  
LUNCH**

**Monday, Nov. 28:** Barbecue, Mozzarella cheese sticks, baked beans, potato wedges, marinara sauce, hamburger bun.

**Tuesday, Nov. 29:** Chicken nuggets, steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green peas, fresh veggie cup, fruit, roll.

**Wednesday, Nov. 30:** Mexican pasta bake, macaroni and cheese, green beans, side salad, veggie juice, fruit, garlic breadsticks.

**Thursday, Dec. 1:** Ravioli, fish, potato smiles, veggie cup, green beans, fruit, hush puppies.

**Friday, Dec. 2:** Cheesy bread sticks, hot dog, ranch potatoes, side salad, salsa, cookie, fruit, hot dog bun

### BREAKFAST

Each day, students select one or two items.

**Monday, Nov. 28:** Yogurt or breakfast pizza.

**Tuesday, Nov. 29:** Biscuit, sausage, gravy, jelly.

**Wednesday, Nov. 30:** Chocolate muffin or cinnamon roll.

**Thursday, Dec. 1:** Biscuit, gravy, jelly or banana bread slice.

**Friday, Dec. 2:** Biscuit, gravy, jelly or Dutch waffle.

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



*Martin Knoll, University of the South professor of geology, with SAS eighth-grade students measuring and assessing drought impact on local lake levels.*

## SAS Eighth-Grade Explores Water Levels

On Nov. 11, St. Andrew's-Sewanee School eighth-graders measured the lake level of one of the campus lakes, "The Res," as part of an assessment of the current drought impact on local lake conditions. The students were led by Martin Knoll, University of the South professor of geology and husband of Marion Knoll, SAS eighth-grade science teacher and head of the Middle School.

The students used a surveyor's level and stadia rod to determine the current lake level in the Reservoir and the normal "lake full" level of the Reservoir. By subtracting the current lake level from the lake full level, they determined that the Reservoir is approximately 0.45 meters below normal. Students were interested in the fact that the Reservoir water levels are not as low as levels in other local lakes such as Lake Cheston (also not used as a water supply), and they hypothesized that this might be due to higher groundwater flow into the Reservoir due to higher permeability of the surrounding soils and bedrock.

Students were also really intrigued by current technology that could be implemented in the event of extreme water shortages such as a portable water filtration system on the back of an 18-wheeler, which would allow SAS to pump water from the Reservoir to our water tower and then rely on a gravity feed to supply our water needs.

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## MES Literacy Event a Success

Monteagle Elementary held a special literacy event Oct. 27 with a variety of events. The parents went to the library to receive information about the reading AR program and literacy resources while the older children read spooky stories to the younger children in the auditorium. Afterwards, the parents and students went outside to participate in the first ever Trunk or Treat.

Businesses, members of the community, the city of Monteagle, churches as well as parents set up their trunks filled with candy and allowed the students who were dressed up in Halloween costumes parade around the field to gather their treats. Some of the themed trunks included Star Wars, Candyland, Ninja Turtles, Letter People, Halloween, princess, Bee Hive, Disco, Lego Land, and several others with their own creative touches made the event memorable for the students.



*Lego Land was one of the special themed trunks during the Trunk or Treat at Monteagle Elementary.*

## MES Fall Festival Raises \$16k

On Nov. 4, Monteagle Elementary (MES) held its annual fall festival event and it was a huge success. There were games in each classroom hosted by staff, a silent auction with themed baskets, a chili supper for the eighth-grade and a contest for Harvest Festival King and Queen and Prince and Princess. The event focused on raising funds for gym renovation and playground items. Thanks to all of the parents, community members, staff and businesses, the festival raised more than \$16,000 in profits to be divided among the projects.

## School Calendar

Dec. 2, Last Day of Classes, School of Theology

Dec. 8, Early Dismissal @ 12:30, Professional Dev. 1–3 p.m., Grundy County

Dec. 9, Last Day of Final Examinations, School of Theology

Dec. 14, Last Day of Classes, University of the South

Dec. 16–30, Christmas Break, Marion County

Dec. 16–Jan. 3, Christmas Break, St. Andrew's-Sewanee

Dec. 17–Jan. 1, Christmas Break, Grundy County

Dec. 20, Abbreviated Day (8–9:30), Franklin County

Dec. 21, Last Day of Final Examinations, University of the South

Dec. 21–Jan. 2, Break, no school, Franklin County

Jan. 16, Class resumes, School of Theology

Jan. 17, Class resumes, University of the South

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## THE INSATIABLE CRITIC

by Elizabeth Ellis



The Sewanee Union Theatre will be taking a break this week as we pass the mashed potatoes and give thanks for all our friends and family, but will return with a vengeance with a big screen showing of the first in the original Indiana Jones trilogy, followed up by the most recent film directed by Clint Eastwood telling the true story of an American hero; airplane pilot Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger.

### The Rating System

Stars are so overused, and there's nothing on the planet more critical than cats, so one feature each week is rated from one to five Jackaroos. The more Jackaroos there are, the better it is!



Jackaroo

### Raiders of the Lost Ark

7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 30  
1981, Rated PG, 115 minutes

You'll never look at fedoras the same way again. Following up on the success of Star Wars, directors George Lucas and Steven Spielberg put their genius heads together to create one of the most dashing fictional archeologists ever known — Indiana Jones, played by the unduplicated Harrison Ford. The first in the original trilogy (we won't talk about "The Kingdom of the Crystal Skull"), "Indy" is a part-time professor/full-time adventurer with unorthodox ways of acquiring rare artifacts for future protection. The year is 1936, right before the start of World War II. A friend and museum curator Marcus Brody tells Indy that the German Nazis are in Cairo, hell-bent on finding The Ark of the Covenant, which is said to contain the original Ten Commandments and a mysterious force powerful enough to level nations. It is up to Indy — and the brave daughter of his old professor/old flame Marion (Karen Allen) — to stop the Nazis and preserve the Ark's secrets for all time. Winner of four Academy Awards and rated number 36 on IMDb's Top Rated Movies, it is a classic adventure flick totally worth seeing on the big screen. Rated PG for action and some scary images (particularly at the end), this film is best suited for older children accompanied by parents, as well as teenagers and adults.

### Sully

7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 1 through Sunday, Dec. 4  
2016, Rated PG-13, 96 minutes

Offentimes, the greatest American heroes are the ones who are simply "doing their job" day in and day out. This film directed by the great Clint Eastwood focuses on one such man — Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, (Tom Hanks) an experienced airplane pilot who saved the lives of 155 passengers when he landed a disabled Airbus A320 on the frigid waters of the Hudson River in New York City on Jan. 15, 2009. This film focuses not only on the accident itself, but the untold legal backlash Sully faced in the aftermath as the airline insurance companies disputed the need for the decision to make this unprecedented and unorthodox water landing. Tom Hanks brings a straightforward gravitas befitting the nature of the story garnered from a lifetime of being cast in roles of hardworking joes facing insurmountable odds. His chemistry with co-pilot Jeff Skiles, played by Aaron Eckhart, is genuine and heartfelt. The cinematography is incredible; the audience is literally put in the cockpit as the accident is re-enacted — perhaps not the film to go see right before getting on a plane! While the scenes of peril are difficult to watch at times, this film succeeds in being a straightforward tribute to the legions of people who work hard everyday in this country to keep us safe, and how they came together to save the lives of each of the passengers on board that fateful day. BONUS: Moving footage during the credits show the real Sully today with his family as well as many of the original passengers that he saved. Rated PG-13 for perilous scenes and brief strong language, this film is best viewed by adults, young and old, and families of older children.

For more reviews and fun, visit <http://theinsatiablenovels.blogspot.com/>

Showtimes, unless otherwise noted, are at 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$3 for children and students, and \$4 for adults. Wednesday night Cinema Guild movies are free of charge.

## 21st Annual Holiday Studio Tour

Tennessee Craft-South invites the public to the 21st annual Holiday Studio Tour on the Mountain Saturday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.–5 p.m. CST and Sunday, Dec. 4, 11 a.m.–4 p.m. CST. Tennessee Craft-South is the regional branch of Tennessee Craft, the statewide organization which supports and promotes all handmade crafts in Tennessee.

At its inception, the local studio tour ranged from Chattanooga to Tullahoma, but gradually, the tour focused increasingly on the Monteagle and Sewanee area because of the concentration of artists and exhibition spaces on the mountain. More than 25 local and regional artists will show their work, ranging from textiles, sculpture, jewelry, pottery, and glass to paintings, cast bronze, metal work and wood work. The Monteagle studio of Glyn and Will Melnyk has been added this year, featuring the Melnyks' handwoven textiles. Sewanee artists' studios open to the public for the Tour include those of Bob Askew, Pippa Browne, Ben Potter, Claire Reishman and Merissa Tobler. Other Sewanee locations displaying work are the American Legion Hall, Locals Gallery, St. Mark's Hall at Otey Parish, and the Spencer Room at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School. Light refreshments will be available at most locations.

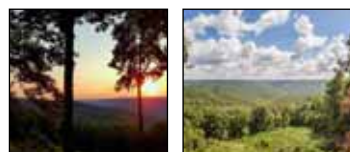
There is a group exhibition of artists' work in the St. Andrew's-Sewanee Art Gallery, located in the center of the Simmonds Building at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School. Most sites host several different artists showing their work, while the SAS Art Gallery presents an exhibition from artists on the Studio Tour, in addition to SAS faculty and students and other members of Tennessee Craft-South. Most works featured in the Studio Tour Exhibition are for sale at the Gallery.

There are six sponsors for the Holiday Studio Tour this year: the Monteagle Inn, Mooney's, Shenanigans, Locals, the Sewanee Inn and the Blue Chair. Studio Tour brochures are available at each of these local businesses and at all participating studios.

Bright yellow signs mark the tour route, and maps are available at all locations on the tour as well as at all sponsors' locations and on the Tennessee Craft-South website <<http://tennesseecraft.org/members/chapters/south/>>.



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## NSC Official to Speak on Policy "Myths"

Peter Lavoy, President Obama's Special Assistant and Senior Director for South Asia at National Security Council (NSC), will give this semester's Bryan Viewpoints Speakers Series lecture.

Lavoy's lecture is titled "Globalization is a Threat! ... And Ten Other Myths about Liberal Arts, Foreign Policy, and Life in the Global Community." He will be speaking in Convocation Hall at 4:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 5.

The lecture is free and open to the public. A reception will follow the event.

Lavoy's responsibilities include advising the President on United States' interests in Afghanistan, India, Pakistan and five other South Asian countries.

Since completing doctoral studies in political science at the University of California, Berkeley, in 1997, Lavoy has held a number of important positions in government service, including leadership roles in developing policies to counter biological and chemical weapons and the changing nature of conflict. He was a member of the faculty of the Naval Postgraduate School from 1993 to 2007.

He has served as National Intelligence Officer for South Asia, Chairman of the National Intelligence Council and Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Analysis in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. From 2011 to 2014, he was Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Asia and the South Pacific.

After a stint as a partner with an international strategic consulting firm, Monitor 360, he took up his present job in April 2015.

During his visit to Sewanee, Lavoy will meet with students to discuss careers in politics and government service, teach two classes and meet with faculty for a private discussion on South Asian and national security issues.

The Bryan Viewpoints Speaker Series is a program of the Babson Center for Global Commerce, and is made possible by the generous support of Peggy and J. F. Bryan IV, C'65.

Lavoy's visit is co-sponsored by the Departments of History, Politics and Economics and the Office of the Associate Dean for Global Education.

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#GivingTuesday is a global day of giving. Occurring this year on Nov. 29, #GivingTuesday is held annually on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving (in the U.S.) and the widely recognized shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday to kick-off the holiday giving season and inspire people to collaborate in improving their local communities and to give back in impactful ways to the charities and causes they support. For more information on local charities participating in #GivingTuesday go to <<https://www.givingtuesday.org/whats-happening-near-me>>.

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## Arts Notes

### 'a hand's width'

The Carlos Gallery in the Nabit Art Building presents "a hand's width," a solo exhibition by artist Anderson Wrangle. The exhibition continues through Dec. 16. A closing reception and artist talk will be at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 15. Gallery hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1–5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The gallery is located at 105 Kennerly Road.

### 'Communal Spirit'

"Communal Spirit: 3,000 Years of Mexican Artistry" incorporates diverse Pre-Columbian artifacts from both western and eastern Mexico, representing eight different indigenous civilizations. The 20th-century folk art presented features many of the same regions, inspiration and creative techniques. The exhibition continues through Dec. 16 at the University Archives.

### 'Love Thy Neighbor'

The University Art Gallery presents Jessica Wohl's "Love Thy Neighbor," an exhibition of quilts and drawings that grapples with the fear, intolerance and polarization the artist sees dividing communities and cities across the country, and answers those divisions with objects that evoke empathy and comfort. The exhibition will be on view through Jan. 27.

## SSO Winter Concert

In collaboration with the Sewanee Chorale, the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra (SSO) is bringing back the popular Celebrate the Season winter concert at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 9.

Orchestral performances include "Around the World at Christmas Time," "A Christmas Festival" and "Festive Songs of Chanukah." The Sewanee Chorale will join the orchestra for seasonal favorites including "O Holy Night," "O Come all ye faithful" (with audience participation), "We wish you a Merry Christmas," "Twas the Night Before Christmas" and selections from Handel oratorios "Judas Maccabeus" and "Messiah." All SSO performances are free and open to the public.

## Craft Artists Holiday Bazaar

The Arts Center of Cannon County is hosting a Craft Artists Holiday Bazaar 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 26. Choose from a variety of beautiful and unique gift items when top craft artists from throughout the region will offer for sale their original ceramics, jewelry, fiber, turned wood, pottery, one-of-a-kind furniture, baskets, stained glass and much more. Eighteen craft artists will be participating so plan on coming early for best selection. Support your local economy and receive great deals to boot.

Admission is free and open to the public. The event will be held at The Arts Center of Cannon County, 1424 John Bragg Highway, just west of the town of Woodbury. For additional information call (615) 563-2787 or visit the website at <[www.artscen.terofcc.com](http://www.artscen.terofcc.com)>.

## 'A Nutcracker Fantasy'

South Jackson Civic Center and Long School of Dance are proud to announce their upcoming production of "A Nutcracker Fantasy." Performances are 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 3, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4. There are additional performances open to local schools students and home school children on Friday, Dec. 2.

Tickets are available at <[www.southjackson.org](http://www.southjackson.org)> or by calling (931) 455-5321. Adult tickets are \$16 and student tickets are \$11.

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## Tracy City Jam

The Tracy City Tuesday Jam will change its meeting time to Tuesdays at 5 p.m. for its winter schedule. All skill levels and acoustic instruments welcome. The jam meets in the Arts Council Room of the Water Building beside the old high school in Tracy City.

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# Mountain Lions Earn Win Over Whitwell

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee boys' varsity basketball team made the 40-mile trek to Whitwell on Nov. 17 and turned back the Tigers, 57-54.

Dustin Stensby led SAS with 23 points. The Mountain Lions jumped out to a 12-5 lead early in the first quarter but the Tigers battled back to take a 22-21 halftime lead.

SAS's Aubrey Black sparked a strong third quarter with a rainbow three as SAS entered the fourth with a 43-39 advantage. Again the Tigers came back to tie the game at 54-54 with 20 seconds left, but the Mountain Lions scored the final three points with John Grammer sealing the victory with a free throw.

Emmanuel Thombs scored 14 points; Jaylon Tillman added seven; Larson Heitzenrater chimed in with six points; Grammer had four; and Black added three points. The win moved SAS to 1-1 on the season.



Aubrey Black



Seniors on the SAS mountain biking team, from left, are Ashton Milford, Andrew Bachman and Fritz Stine.

# SAS Rolls Past Rebels

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee middle school boys' basketball team coasted to an easy 29-14 road win on Nov. 15 over the Coalmont Rebels.

The SAS starters jumped out to a 15-2 lead in the first quarter and never looked back. No more than one or two starters were in the game at the same time from that point and players with less experience gained some valuable playing time.

Ethan Hargis scored a 3-pointer against his former teammates, and Elijah Seavey had his first layup of the season.

Nathan King hit three 3-pointers in the first half for SAS. Cameron Harmon had five points; Cam Weaver scored four; and Payton Zeitler and Ryan Ostrowski chipped in with two each.



SAS players battle for the ball in a Nov. 17 middle school basketball game against Swiss Memorial Elementary. Swiss won the game. Photo by Michael Ostrowski

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## SAS Hosts State Mountain Biking Championship

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee mountain biking team concluded its fall season the weekend of Nov.12-13 in the state championship race for the Tennessee High School Cycling League.

SAS hosted the race on its campus trails, with more than 180 high school and middle school riders competing. Athletes raced multiple laps on the trails, ranging from five to 20 miles depending on race category. The course was the most physically demanding of the race season, and included technical rocky sections, a large grass section, and several challenging climbs.

SAS seniors Ashton Milford, Andrew Bachman and Fritz Stine finished out their biking careers with strong rides on their home course, with Stine earning eighth place in the junior varsity category and eighth overall for the race season.

In the varsity race, Matthew Mollica had one of his best finishes of the season in sixth place, with an overall series standing of seventh in a very competitive group of riders.

Other strong finishes for SAS included Hanna Rosman (third place in sophomore girls and fourth place for the race series) and Zhaoqi Zhang (ninth place in junior varsity boys and 11th for the series).

SAS rider Aidan Smith completed his strongest ride of the season, earning third place in a talented group of freshman riders and fourth place in the series overall.

The SAS middle school program also represented well at the championship race with 13 riders participating. First-time racers Gus Croom, Mac Croom and Alex Waldrup experienced some pre-race jitters but joined their teammates to ride with spirit and represent SAS as true competitors.

In the final rankings for the Tennessee League's 2016 season, SAS earned fourth place out of 12 teams. Speed Baranco and Beth Pride Ford coach the SAS mountain biking team. The coaches are grateful for support from team parents, the Sewanee community, SAS faculty, staff and students, and Woody's Bike Shop.

Because of efforts by the National Interscholastic Cycling Association (NICA), mountain biking is becoming a popular sport across the country for kids in middle school and high school. Future growth for interscholastic mountain biking will require community awareness and participation, trail accessibility and financial support from individuals and businesses. For more information, visit <nationalmtb.org>.



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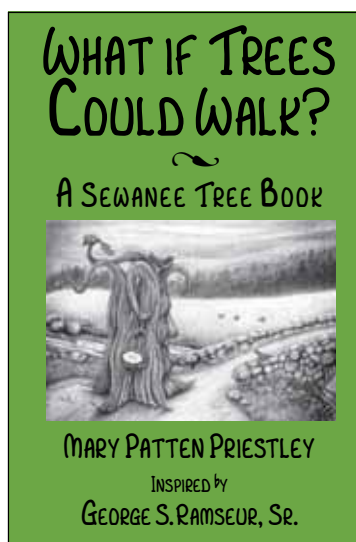
### What If Trees Could Walk?

The Sewanee Herbarium has just recently published a book, "What If Trees Could Walk?," written by Mary Patten Priestley, and illustrated by Mary Priestley and Kathryn Ramseur-Riley. Inspired by the teaching methods of George S. Ramseur, Sr., this book asks the kinds of questions he would ask his students and then guides the reader to the answers with a wealth of botanical information and suggested activities that lead to more questions and allow the reader to discover his or her own answers.

The book focuses on trees because, to quote from the forward, "Deep knowledge is only acquired gradually. That is how trees grow. It is the way George's influence has grown and will continue to grow." Even more specifically, it focuses on the white oak, a tree very prominent on the campus and in the forests of Sewanee. The author encourages the reader to adopt a tree, spend time with it, ask questions about it, and use the book as a guide to "explore the beauty, wonder, and importance of plants."

"What If Trees Could Walk?" is available at the University Bookstore. Consider picking up a copy and beginning to acquire "deep knowledge" of the plants that we live with and among here in Sewanee.

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## Hike Against Hunger on Nov. 25

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In Franklin County, join Ranger Jason at 8 a.m. at the Carter State Natural Area, 6231 Sherwood Rd., Sewanee, for a strenuous beautiful four-mile hike. Learn about the life and times of our native wild turkey. Bring the whole family and bring canned goods and monetary donations for the Franklin County Food Bank.

In Grundy County, join Ranger Park at 9 a.m. for a hike at Grundy Lakes parking lot, 587 Lakes Road, Tracy City TN 37387, for a moderate 2-mile hike to learn the history of the area. Step back in time and walk among the ruins of a once-booming coal mine. Peer into the depths of the fiery coke ovens, and walk along the paths once used by mine workers and convict laborers. Canned goods and monetary donations for the Grundy County Food Bank will be welcome.

In Marion County, join Ranger John at 10 a.m. at Denny Cove, the park's newest addition, just across the street from the Foster Falls Volunteer Fire Department, on US 41/TN 150, about 2 miles south of the entrance to Foster Falls, to hike 3 miles of the partially completed trail to the back of the cove, portions of which are still rather rough. Bring canned goods and monetary donations for the Marion County Community Ministries Food Bank.

In Sequatchie County, join Ranger Murray at 10 a.m. at Savage Gulf Ranger Station, 3157 SR 399, Palmer, TN 37365, for a 4.2-mile hike on the Savage Day Loop. Learn about the history of the area and the plants and animals that call the southern Cumberland Plateau home. Along the trail we visit Rattlesnake Point, a beautiful overlook of Savage Gulf. Canned goods and monetary donations for the Sequatchie County Food Bank will be welcome.

## State Park Event

Sunday, Nov. 27

Grundy Forest Nature Hike—Meet up with Ranger Park at 2 p.m. for an investigation into the fall nature scenes surrounding the Grundy Forest. This 2-mile loop hike will showcase some of the most picturesque waterfalls and early winter scenery. Meet at Grundy Forest parking area, 131 Fiery Gizzard Rd., Tracy City, TN 37387.

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.

For information about Friends of the South Cumberland go to <<http://friendsofsouthcumberland.org>>.



Is it a tree?

## Fiery Gizzard Trail Work Crews Needed

With Phase One of the trail completed and Phase Two nearly there, volunteers are needed. Join us every Saturday and Sunday this fall, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. There are jobs for everyone, and many do not involve moving rocks. This exciting reroute will cut through some rugged and beautiful terrain, so be prepared with sturdy footwear and plenty of water/snacks. If you have a favorite tool or pair of gloves, feel free to bring them. Meet at the Grundy Forest parking lot, 131 Fiery Gizzard Rd., Tracy City, TN 37387. Email Ranger Jason Reynolds at <[jason.reynolds@tn.gov](mailto:jason.reynolds@tn.gov)> for more information.

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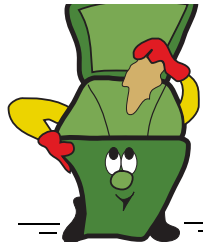
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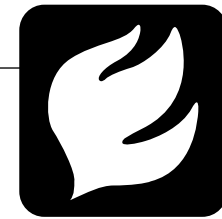
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“What is there else that I can try?”  
They stare at you in mild surprise  
And serve you other kinds of pies.

from “On Food,” by Hilaire Belloc



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# Community Calendar

## Today, Wednesday, Nov. 23

Messenger on Break, through Nov. 27  
FC Schools Thanksgiving Break, through Nov. 25  
GC Schools Thanksgiving Break, through Nov. 27  
University, School of Theology Thanksgiving Break, through Nov. 28  
9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.; also 1–3 p.m.  
10 a.m. Art Wednesdays, 104 Monterey St., Cowan  
10 a.m. Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Ctr  
10 a.m. Senior Center writing group, 212 Sherwood Rd.  
10:30 a.m. Chair exercise with Ruth, Senior Ctr  
12 p.m. Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Center  
5:30 p.m. Yoga with Helen, Comm Ctr

## Thursday, Nov. 24 • Thanksgiving Day

## Friday, Nov. 25

8 a.m. Franklin Co. Hunger Hike, Carter State N.A.  
9 a.m. Grundy Co. Hunger Hike, Grundy Lakes  
10 a.m. Marion Co. Hunger Hike, Denny Cove  
10 a.m. Sequatchie Co. Hunger Hike, Palmer  
4 p.m. Peace Vigil, corner 41A/University Avenue

## Saturday, Nov. 26

8:30 a.m. Yoga with Richard, Community Center  
10 a.m. Cowan Christmas Open House, until 5 p.m.  
5 p.m. Standing Rock solidarity fry-bread and chili supper, Otey, until 9 p.m.

## Sunday, Nov. 27

3 p.m. Knitting circle, instruction, Mooney's, until 5 p.m.  
4 p.m. Yoga with Helen, Community Ctr

## Monday, Nov. 28

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.  
9 a.m. Coffee with Coach Brad Pierson, Blue Chair  
9 a.m. Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee  
10:30 a.m. Chair exercise with Ruth, Senior Ctr  
5:30 p.m. Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee  
5:30 p.m. Yoga for Healing with Lucy, Comm Center  
6 p.m. Karate, youth, Legion Hall; adults, 7 p.m.  
7 p.m. Centering Prayer, Otey sanctuary

## Tuesday, Nov. 29

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.  
9 a.m. Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Ctr  
9:30 a.m. Crafting ladies, Morton Memorial, Monteagle  
9:30 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.  
10:30 a.m. Bingo, Sewanee Senior Ctr  
11:30 a.m. Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid, Tracy  
12 p.m. Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Ctr  
5 p.m. Acoustic jam, water bldg next to old GCHS  
5 p.m. Non-profit network-building info meeting, Otey

## Wednesday, Nov. 30

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.; also 1–3 p.m.  
9 a.m. Decorating Angel Park tree, Angel Park  
10 a.m. Art Wednesdays, 104 Monterey St., Cowan  
10 a.m. Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Ctr  
10 a.m. Senior Center writing group, 212 Sherwood Rd.  
10:30 a.m. Chair exercise with Ruth, Senior Ctr  
12 p.m. Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Center  
4:30 p.m. Friends of Library, Benson, Torian Room, duPont  
5:30 p.m. Yoga with Helen, Comm Ctr  
6 p.m. “Prepare” class, (1 of 3) St. James, until 7 p.m.  
7 p.m. Catechumenate, Bairnwick Women's Center  
7:30 p.m. Movie, “Raiders of the Lost Ark,” (CG) SUT

Thank you for reading the Messenger!



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## Thursday, Dec. 1

7:45 a.m. Monteagle Sewanee Rotary, Sewanee Inn  
9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.  
9 a.m. Nature journaling, Sewanee Herbarium  
9 a.m. Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Ctr  
9:30 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.  
11 a.m. Tai Chi with Kathleen, inter/adv, Comm Ctr  
12 p.m. Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Ctr  
12:30 p.m. Episcopal Peace Fellowship, Brooks Hall, Otey  
1:30 p.m. Folks@Home support group, 598-0303  
2 p.m. Knitting circle, Mooney's, until 4 p.m.  
7:30 p.m. Movie, “Sully,” SUT

## Friday, Dec. 2

Last day to buy Balsam Wreaths to benefit CAC, 598-5773  
School of Theology last day of classes

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.  
9 a.m. Curbside recycling, before 7 a.m.  
9 a.m. Greening of All Saints' Chapel  
10 a.m. Games day, Senior Ctr  
12 p.m. Spinal Spa with Kim, Fowler Ctr  
4 p.m. Cowan Christmas Market, Monterey Station, until 9 (photos with Santa today only)  
4 p.m. Peace Vigil, corner 41A/University Avenue  
4:30 p.m. Campus tree lighting, Quad  
5:15 p.m. Santa et al arrive at Angel Park via fire engine  
5:30 p.m. Angel Park tree lighting  
7:30 p.m. Movie, “Sully,” SUT

## LOCAL 12-STEP MEETINGS

### Friday

7 a.m. AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle  
7 p.m. AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

### Saturday

7:30 p.m. NA, open, Decherd United Methodist  
7:30 p.m. AA, open, Claiborne Parish House, Otey

### Sunday

6:30 p.m. AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle

### Monday

5 p.m. Women's 12-step, Brooks Hall, Otey  
7 p.m. AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

### Tuesday

7 p.m. AA, open, First Baptist, Altamont  
7:30 p.m. AA, open, Claiborne Parish House, Otey  
7:30 p.m. CoDA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle

### Wednesday

10 a.m. AA, closed, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493  
4:30 p.m. AA, “Tea-Totallers” women's group, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493  
7 p.m. NA, open, Decherd United Methodist  
7:30 p.m. AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle

### Thursday

12 p.m. AA, (931) 924-3493 for location



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