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Old Grundy County High School decorated for Christmas.

## SCLDC: One-Stop Whole-Person Nurturing

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

The South Cumberland Learning and Development Center (SCLDC) serves area residents from the womb through adulthood, offering job placement, tutoring, hands-on gardening, counseling, and much more, all under one roof. The name, though, often comes as a surprise. To most folks, it's the old Grundy County High School.

"People probably got sick of me saying, 'When that building gets done,'" said Emily Partin who charted and championed the project since 2011. But the story began years before.

In 2005, Tracy City received a \$500,000 grant to establish a trade school in the old high school building. "Then the recession happened," Partin said. "The grant got lost in the shuffle." Three mayors and the person who wrote the grant died. Partin finally persuaded the funders to honor the dormant grant and change its scope. Her vision encompassed the whole plateau, embraced lifelong learning, and advocated for whole-person development from emotional to financial and everything in between.

With donations, some large and anonymous, and the Tennessee Southeast Development District's help acquiring grants, building rehabilitation happened. But a larger hurdle loomed. "We knew once the heat and air were on, there would be new bills," Partin conceded. Would the SCLDC be able to find the lease paying tenants needed to make the project sustainable?

The answer: a resounding, Yes! Six paying tenants have come home to roost.

Top on Partin's praise list is Volunteer Behavioral Health Care System (VBHCS) who renovated a suite of classrooms at their own expense to create treatment spaces. VBHCS offers therapy, care coordination, substance abuse treatment and myriad crisis services, some through grants, like the Grundy Safe Communities Coalition for drug abuse prevention.

"Because of COVID, the number of our crisis services has skyrocketed, suicides are way up, domestic violence is way up," said VBHCS Director Ron Abrams. "We're here for anyone who in any way needs mental health assistance." VBHCS offers fee arrangements for those with payment challenges.

Two tenants share the former principal's office, Safe Baby Court and Nurturing the Next. Under the guidance of the Department of Children's Services, a judge assigns families with children age three and younger to Safe Baby Court. The program "connects family members to appropriate services...and [helps them] work a case plan," said Teresa Calhoun, Grundy Safe Baby Court VISTA. Calhoun stressed the long-lasting impact trauma can have and the importance of "establishing permanency" for young children.

With a similar whole-child and early intervention approach,

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## Sewanee Village Update: Kudos for Gladu

by Leslie Lytle  
Messenger Staff Writer

On Dec. 9, via Zoom, Frank Gladu hosted his final Sewanee Village Update meeting. Tasked with overseeing the Sewanee Village Plan to revision and revitalize the downtown area, Gladu began hosting regular update meetings, usually monthly, in 2017. Gladu will retire in early 2021. Overseeing the Sewanee Village Project will fall to David Shipp in the newly created position of Vice President for Economic Development and Community Relations.

More than 20 participants joined the final meeting. Gladu opened with an update on the five priority projects he identified in 2017 and proposed for substantial completion by 2022. The new bookstore, located between Tower Community Bank and the post office, opened its doors in August. Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) received no bids on the project to narrow Highway 41A to calm traffic. TDOT plans to combine the Highway 41A project with other area road projects and rebid it in February, Gladu said. TDOT estimates construction will take 12-18 months.

Turning to further out projects, Gladu highlighted the features of the Village Green proposed for the current Sewanee Market lot and the plaza proposed for the far side of Highway 41A in front of Shenanigans. The proposed Green calls for a pavilion-stage type area and green spaces with trees. With the concept plan complete, attention is focused on costing out the elements, so fundraising can begin.

Resident Eric Keen suggested constructing the plaza first, since it was less disruptive and more immediately beneficial. "There's been a recent shift of thinking in that direction," Gladu concurred.

The mixed-use food market and apartment building proposed for the current Hair Depot lot was "on hold," Gladu said, citing the difficulty of finding investors to take on a project of that size given the economic climate of the pandemic. Conversely, he said, due to the pandemic, the economic conditions "for housing are probably currently better than they were a year ago...I plan to emphasize that to Shipp."

Keen pointed to Vice-Chancellor Reuben Brigety's focus on addressing inequality, and asked how that played into the Village Plan. "That's one of the more challenging aspects of the job I was tasked with," Gladu said. He cited the example of housing and his hope for housing that was affordable "to the people who work here." But, he conceded, "it might be necessary to generate some economic development from single family homes in order to be able to accomplish that objective."

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All Saints' Chapel before the Sunday service. Photo by Scott Lee

## Otey Memorial Parishioners Gather in All Saints' Chapel

by Bailey Basham, Messenger Staff Writer

For the past two weeks, churchgoers from Otey Memorial Parish Church have been gathering in All Saints' Chapel for its 11 a.m. Sunday service.

When the COVID-19 pandemic first appeared in March, Rob Lamborn, rector at Otey Parish, said the church leaders began piecing together church services from video clips recorded by different congregants in their homes.

In the summer, the folks at Otey moved to host services via livestream, which they filmed from the church with no more than 10 people in person.

"It was a breakthrough to start in person services outside at the beginning of September. The weather has been very kind to us, with rain only on two Sundays from September through November. We've continued offering our 8:30 a.m. service on Facebook and YouTube," Lamborn said. "For the past two Sundays, Otey has held its 11 a.m. service in All Saints' Chapel. We are full of gratitude for the hospitality of Chaplain Peter Gray, the chapel staff, and Vice-Chancellor Reuben Brigety, so that we can worship together in All Saints' during the coldest months."

Lamborn said that the services at All Saints', as well as the livestreams and various ways of staying in touch and worshipping together despite the need to maintain distance, have been particularly valuable over the last several months.

"Our last big in-person social event was Mardi Gras on Feb. 25, and that evening, St. Mark's Hall was rocking. It was full of people enjoying pancakes with fixings, the music of Bazzania, and each other's company. During March, we started ratcheting up precautions in worship, to the point that we were online-only by the end of the month," he said. "Since then, we have sought to keep people connected via the internet, with phone calls, and with responsible in-person visits and events, but [much of our regular programming is] postponed until after there is a vaccine."

Lamborn said roughly 60 people have attended the past two services at All Saints', and the congregants maintain the approved 6-foot distance by sitting only in designated areas spread through the chapel.

"We have organ music and singing by a vocal ensemble, but not hymns or other congregational singing. The Bible readings, prayers, and sermons are as usual, and we take care to offer Communion in a way that does not risk transmission of COVID. The maximum capacity allowed in All Saints' right now is 100, so there is room for some more people to join in," Lamborn added.

Otey Parish will continue holding the regular 11 a.m. Sunday service in-person in All Saints' Chapel during University break through Jan. 24, 2021. Lamborn added that they also plan to hold their Christmas pageant as well as the Christmas Eve and Epiphany services in All Saints'.

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# Letter

## PROPOSED PILOT TRUCK PLAZA AT MONTEAGLE EXIT 135

### To the Editor:

Several well-written and informative Messenger articles by Leslie Lytle (Nov. 13, Dec. 4) reported on meetings of the prior and new Monteagle city councils and planning commissions, wherein non-publicized zoning changes were made. The Nov. 13 article described the zoning board chairman's (James David Oliver) concerns about the legality of the changes to Monteagle's zoning map and failure to publish hearing notices of a proposed town zoning change.

The articles mention town planning guidance by Garret Haynes, Southeast Tennessee Development District, who appeared to be tasked with reviewing the proposed truck plaza plans and plans for the Monteagle Planning Commission, although it was reported that

zoning for the property would not be decided by a court until Jan. 15. Oddly, there is no discussion of any prior or recent economic, environmental, or traffic studies being requested by the city council or planning committees. Wouldn't one want to know what effect diesel exhaust fumes will be having on children in the elementary school and in the ball park across the street from the proposed truck plaza? And, what will happen if Exit 135 is backed up with truck traffic? Will all traffic to and from Sewanee and Tracy City and beyond need to travel down Main Street? Will a traffic control light at Highway 41A at Exit 134 be required?

This raises serious questions as to whether the primary objective of the new Monteagle administration and its newly-appointed planning committee is to increase the city's tax revenue at the expense of the health and safety of its citizens.

*James E. Waller, Monteagle*

# Correction

In the story from the Dec. 4, 2020 issue concerning the Monteagle Planning Commission, Janet Miller-Schmidt was misidentified as the vice chair of the planning commission. The vice chair is Richard Black. The Messenger regrets the error.

## COVID-19 Testing Sites

The Tennessee Department of Health has COVID-19 assessment sites available across the southeast region. A full list of sites can be accessed <<https://covid19.tn.gov/>>.

There is free drive-thru testing available, Monday through Friday, at the health departments in Franklin and Grundy counties. Residents in Marion County may also call their local health department during regular business hours for assistance in getting tested.

Franklin County Health Department, drive-thru testing 9 a.m.–noon, Monday–Friday, 266 Joyce Lane, Winchester (931) 967-3826.

Grundy County Health Department, drive-thru testing 8:30–10:30 a.m., and 1–3 p.m., Monday–Friday, 1372 Main St., Altamont, (931) 692-3641. Call ahead for an appointment.

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

## Messenger Break Ahead

There will be one more issue in December on Friday, Dec. 18. The staff will take a break and return to the office on Monday, Jan. 11, with the first issue of 2021 on Friday, Jan. 15.

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



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Thursday—Production Day  
9 a.m.–noon

Friday—Circulation Day  
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## Upcoming Meetings

### Coffee with the Coach

Coffee with the Coach, an opportunity to learn more about Sewanee's sports teams, will live stream the meeting at 9 a.m., Monday, Dec. 14, with Mark Webb and Ray Knight. The live stream will be available at facebook.com/SewaneeTigers. Opportunities will be available on Sunday to submit questions in advance or during the live show on the social media platforms, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @SewaneeTigers. For those unable to view the meeting live, the content will be accessible on-demand on the Facebook page. It will also be available on the website <sewaneetigers.com> and on the University of the South's YouTube Channel by midday on Mondays.

### Franklin County School Board

The Franklin County School Board is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Monday, Dec. 14, at the Franklin County Board of Education building, 215 S. College St., Winchester.

### Sewanee Utility District

The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 15, at the utility office on Sherwood Road. If a customer is unable to attend but wishes to bring a matter to the board, call 598-5611, visit the office, or call a board member. Your board members are Doug Cameron, Randall Henley, Ronnie Hoosier, Charlie Smith and Paul Evans.

### Monteagle Regional Planning Commission

There special called meeting of the Monteagle Regional Planning Commission on Dec. 16, 2020, at 6 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall has been canceled.

### Rotary Club Meeting

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary will meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 17, via Zoom for a club assembly. For the Zoom link, email Woody Deutsch <woodybike@mac.com>. The club will not meet on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 or New Year's Eve, Dec. 31.

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**December 20 at 10:45 am:**  
Morning Prayer with sermon

**Christmas Eve at 5 pm:**  
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Holy Communion

**December 27 at 10:45 am:**  
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The St. Thomas Mobile Medical Unit will be present from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. An Ascension St. Thomas physician will be in the clinic to provide primary care and staff will administer flu shots. The St. Thomas Medical Unit is funded by the South Cumberland Community Fund, and anyone who wishes to receive health care will be seen regardless of their ability to pay.

Morton Memorial United Methodist Church is located at 322 West Main St., Monteagle.

## Sewanee Operation Noel

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.

Sewanee Operation Noel is a group that was formed many years ago by the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department (SVFD) to provide help for families in need. They provide food and/or toys during the Christmas season. The SVFD, in conjunction with FROST (Fund Raising Operational Support Team) and the Community Action Committee (CAC), organize the purchasing and distribution of goods.

To be eligible, families must fill out an application. Every family needs to fill out a new application whether they have received from Operation Noel before or not. An application will ensure that the organizers have all the pertinent

information in order to provide for everyone in need. The deadline for returning applications is Monday, Dec. 14. Families eligible for Operation Noel must live on top of Sewanee Mountain in the following communities: Sewanee, Midway, Jump Off and on Sherwood Road. Please see page 11 in this issue for the application.

To make a donation of money, non-perishable food items or new toys, please take items to the Fire Hall or Police Department located behind duPont Library, Print Services located in the old Beta House, or the CAC located at Otey Memorial Parish.

Food and toys will be available for pickup in the large parking lot beside Cravens Hall, 435 Kentucky Ave., on Wednesday, Dec. 23, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Please stay in your vehicle. SVFD and FROST members will be there to assist in loading of the items.

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# Church News

## All Saints' Chapel

There will only be an 8 a.m. Eucharist held on the Sundays during the break.

## Christ Church

Christ Church invites you to keep Advent with us. Each Sunday in Advent has its own history, and each year more interpretations are offered. The word means “coming,” and this is about the ways in which Jesus comes to the world. On the Third Sunday, Dec. 13, we will have our Lessons and Carols. On the Fourth Sunday, Dec. 20, the service will be Morning Prayer with sermon. Our Christmas Eve service will be a 5 p.m.

Christ Church is practicing safe distancing and enjoying a time of fellowship following each service.

## Otey Memorial Parish

Sunday worship will continue to be offered online at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. on the Facebook page, and afterward on the YouTube channel.

The 11 a.m. Sunday service is at All Saints' Chapel. If it is prudent for you to attend, we hope to see you there.

Sunday Forum, 9:30–10:30 a.m. The Sunday Forum is currently meeting via Zoom. This week's topic is “Ministry with Children and Youth” presented by Jeannie Babb. All are welcome.

Godly Play is offered via Zoom 9:30–10:30 a.m. For Zoom information please contact Jeannie Babb

at <formation@oteyparish.org> for link and password.

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

CAC continues its work of serving the needy with food and in other ways. Director David Goodpaster is staffing CAC, taking sensible precautions while serving people in need, 9–11 a.m., Monday through Friday. Please call (931) 598-5927.

Parish staff members are combining remote and in-person work (with masks and distancing) as best fits their duties. To meet with a staff member in person, please contact the staff member directly or call the office phone number (931) 598-5926 or send an email <admin@oteyparish.org>.

## St. Mary's Sewanee

On Thursdays at noon, join via Zoom for a “spiritual lunch break.” Bring your lunch, log in via Zoom, and enjoy a brief talk about spirituality and everyday life.

St. Mary's Sewanee hosts two Zoom-based Centering Prayer support groups. The Tuesday group gathers at 3:30 p.m. The Wednesday group meets at 4 p.m. For log-in information and other details, please email <admin@stmarys-sewanee.org>.

The season of Advent offers an opportunity to slow down and prepare for the celebration of the birth of Christ. In this day-long Centering Prayer Advent Retreat

on Dec. 12, there will be periods of deep silence, lectio divina, and worship focused on Advent.

The Blue Christmas–Hope Revealed service will be 6–7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 19. Join us in this service that recognizes the holiday time is not necessarily merry and bright for all of us. This is for those who have lost loved ones during holiday seasons past or present, for those whose family get-togethers are more stressful than joyful, and for those who the darkness of the season is overwhelming. The service is also

for those whose loved ones are not experiencing the joy of the season for some reason. With a global pandemic and COVID cases spiraling out of control among other challenges we are facing during this holiday season, the message of hope is needed more than ever. Rev. Amanda Diamond will lead us on the journey from despair to hope through readings and meditations. All are welcome to join in this service.

For more information go to <https://www.stmaryssewanee.org/>.

# Church Calendar

## Abundant Life Assembly of God, Cowan

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## All Saints' Chapel

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday (100 persons)

## Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Worship, Wednesday

## Chapman Chapel Church of the Nazarene, Pelham

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Bible study, Wednesday

## Christ Church, Alto (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Morning Prayer with

Sermon, Sunday

12:15 p.m. Noonday Prayer, Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study, until 2 p.m.,

Tuesday

4:30 p.m. Book Study, until 5:30 p.m., Wednesday

If you would like to attend, contact STEM Admin at <tec213@bellsouth.net>

## Christ Church, Monteagle

10:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

noon Service, Wednesday

## Christ Church, Tracy City (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Morning Prayer with

Sermon, Sunday

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Tuesday

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## Christ the King Anglican Church, Decherd

9 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

6:30 p.m. Healing/prayer service

## Cowan Fellowship Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Monteagle

9:30 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Sewanee

9 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

## Decherd United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:50 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Epiphany Mission, Sherwood (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Morning Prayer with

Sermon, Sunday

12:15 p.m. Noonday Prayer, Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study, Tuesday, until 2 p.m.

4:30 p.m. Book Study, Wednesday, until 5:30 p.m.

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## First Baptist Church, Cowan

9:15 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:25 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## First Church of the Nazarene, Cowan

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd

8 a.m. Mass, Sunday

10:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday

2 p.m. Spanish Mass, Sunday

5 p.m. Mass, Saturday

## Goshen Cumberland Presbyterian Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Grace Fellowship Church

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

## Harrison Chapel Methodist Church, Midway

## (FB Live service below)

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

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

## Hobbs Hill Community Church, Tracy City

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Wednesday

## Midway Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Midway Church of Christ

10 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

## Monteagle Church of Christ

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle First Baptist Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle Seventh-Day Adventist

11 a.m. Worship, Saturday

## Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

(service available online after noon Sunday, link is at <Mortonmemorialumc.com>)

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday (outdoors)

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Mountain of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

(online worship services via Zoom. Info: call (931) 924-5339 or go online, <www.WildfireOnTheMountain.com>)

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Prayer Service, Wednesday

## New Beginnings Church, Monteagle

10:45 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## New Beginnings Church, Pelham

9:45 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## New Creations Ministries, Rayburn Chapel

4 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Sunday

## New Hope Church of God in Christ, Cowan

11 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

## Otey Memorial Parish Church

8:30 a.m. Sunday service, available on Otey's Facebook page and afterward on the YouTube channel

9:30 a.m. Godly Play, via Zoom

9:30 a.m. Sunday Forum, via Zoom

11 a.m. Sunday service, at All Saints' Chapel; also available on Otey's Facebook page and afterward on the YouTube channel;

4 p.m. Fire on the Mountain, via Zoom

## Pelham United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## St. Agnes' Episcopal Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## St. James Episcopal Church

9 a.m. HE Rite II, also via Zoom, Sunday

6:30 p.m. Book Study, Wednesday 12/2, 9, 16, 23

## St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

(meeting at Good Shepherd, Decherd)

## St. Mary's Sewanee

noon Virtual Spiritual Lunch Break

3:30 p.m. Centering Prayer, via Zoom, Tuesday

4 p.m. Centering Prayer, via Zoom, Wednesday

## Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

## Tracy City First Baptist Church

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

## Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Morning Prayer with

Sermon, Sunday

12:15 p.m. Noonday Prayer, Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study, Tuesday, until 2 p.m.

4:30 p.m. Book Study, Wednesday, until 5:30 p.m.

If you would like to attend, contact STEM Admin at <tec213@bellsouth.net>

## United Pentecostal, Monteagle

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Worship, Wednesday

## Unitarian Universalist, Tullahoma

6 p.m. Tullahoma Sangha, Wednesday

*If your church is in our print circulation area and would like to be listed in the Church Calendar, please send service times, church address and contact information to <news@sewaneemessenger.com> or phone 598-9949.*



# Obituaries

## Lessley Oliver Hynson

Lessley Oliver Hynson of Laurel, Miss., and Birmingham, Ala., died on Dec. 1, 2020, at University of Alabama Birmingham Highlands Hospital. She was born on Feb. 6, 1945, in Centerville, Miss., to Eva Belle Lessley Oliver and Thurman Berry Oliver. She graduated from John Rundle High School in Grenada, Miss., and The University of Mississippi with B.A., M.Ed. and Ed.S. degrees. She was an instructor at St. Andrew's Episcopal Day School in Jackson, Miss., from 1970 to 1978. She served on the boards of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation of Mississippi and the Crosby Arboretum. As a 14-year survivor of pancreatic cancer, she served on the Advisory Board of the O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center at University of Alabama Birmingham. In 2011, she was the recipient of the inaugural Lessley Oliver Hynson Award from the Robert E. Reed Foundation. She was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church of Laurel, the Garden Club of America in Laurel and the Junior League of Jackson. Among many interests and accomplishments, she will be gratefully remembered as a superb cook, a splendid hostess, a lifelong lover of animals and a tireless advocate for pancreatic cancer treatment and research. In Sewanee, she will be remembered for bringing friends together, hosting festive dinner parties, reunion luncheons, and spectacular gatherings in their beautiful Gailor Cabin. She was preceded in death by her parents; and sister, Jo Oliver.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Gardiner Hynson; daughter, Lessley Elizabeth Casteel; sister, Bertha Jane Smith; grandson, Joseph Robert Cunningham; stepson, Robert Clendening Hynson II; and step-granddaughter, Madeline Davey Gardiner Hynson.

A service will be conducted by Victor Dobbin, retired Chaplain General of the British Army and the Queen's Chaplain, in Paddy McShane's field overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, a service will be held at St. John's Episcopal Church in Laurel, Miss., at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center at UAB, 1824 6th Ave. South, Birmingham, Ala. 35233; Lauren Rogers Museum of Art, 565 North 5th Avenue, Laurel, Miss. 39440; The University of the South, 735 University Ave., Sewanee, TN 37383, or a charity of your choice. For complete obituary go to <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/birmingham-al/lessley-hynson-9926458>.

## H. Wayne VanHooser

H. Wayne VanHooser, age 73, of Tracy City, died on Dec. 6, 2020. He was born on Dec. 3, 1947, to J.B. and Mary Ledbetter-VanHooser. He had been a truck driver for more than 47 years. He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother Lewis Coleman VanHooser.

He is survived by children, Clint (Holly) VanHooser and Julia (Danny) Christensen; brothers Nathan (Carole) VanHooser and Gerald (Brenda) VanHooser; two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

At this time, no services are scheduled due to the COVID-19 pandemic; however, the family plans to hold a memorial service at a later date.

For complete obituary and to share memories and condolences go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

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14 Browbend Dr., 1.5 ac	2130051		\$54,000
8 Jackson Pt. Rd. <del>RENTING</del>	2115740		\$36,000
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**Gladu (from page 1) – SCLDC (from page 1)**

Taking up new efforts, Gladu called attention to a recent conceptual look at the three-and-a-half-acre lot where the mixed-use building will be located. Plans call for additional commercial buildings as well as residences and multi-family homes. Gladu confirmed access to the lot would be from Lake O'Donnell Road, citing state highway restrictions posing a barrier to access from Highway 41A. Resident Chris Colane expressed concerns about possible congestion on Lake O'Donnell Road. Gladu speculated Lake O'Donnell Road might need to be "enhanced." Gladu also noted the conceptual plan for the lot included parking below some of the buildings.

Gladu touched on numerous past Sewanee Village milestones and initiatives, among these, Wi-Fi in Angel Park, enhanced parking downtown, and multiple studies ranging from storm water mitigation to housing demand.

Gladu stressed that Shippo would have a far broader palette and was tasked with "looking at development and economic opportunities throughout the Domain in order to create revenue streams for the University."

In closing, attendees commented on how readily accessible and "communicative," Gladu had been. "You've been a great partner," said resident Ed Hawkins. "Conversation with the University is essential, and you've been a great conduit."

Resident Jerre Hookey agreed. "I wish more departments of the University followed your example."

## Special Greening of the Chapel

At 10 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 22, members of the Sewanee community are invited to join in a mini-version of the Greening of All Saints' Chapel, in preparation for the Otey Memorial Parish Christmas services. All levels of experience are welcomed and very much needed. Decorating include making gingko roses and wreaths, hanging garlands, and placing poinsettias. Ken Taylor, of Taylor's Mercantile, will direct the day's activities.

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Nurturing the Next originated as a Prevent Child Abuse Tennessee initiative. The program begins working with parents during pregnancy and continues with home visits until the child is school age.

Partin shares her renovated classroom office space with the American Job Center, and Growing Roots. The American Job Center links families to good paying jobs, focusing on unemployed youth ages 16-24 and dislocated workers who have lost their jobs. Strategies include helping young people receive vocational training and subsidizing employers during the new employee training period when the cost and risk to employers is greatest.

Growing Roots founders Stephanie Kelley and Emily Ricks embrace the practice of using gardening as a learning tool to teach math, science and literacy to promote food sovereignty and whole-person quality of life of enrichment.

Growing Roots has partnered with Partin, who directs Discover Together, in an After School Initiative offering tutoring services and scholastic STEAM activities Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 4-6 p.m. "Grundy high schoolers can catch the bus to Tracy City Elementary and walk with an ASI representative from the elementary school to SCLDC," Kelley said. For information on receiving tutoring services or volunteering as a tutor, contact her at <stephanie@growhealthyroots.org>.

Partin emphasized the importance of tutoring at the high school and community college level, citing the high community college dropout rate. A large first floor classroom doubles as a conference room and tutoring center, with two rooms on the second floor earmarked for a student center and library. To open second-floor space to the public, ADA compliance required an elevator. An anonymous donor has stepped forward to bridge that hurdle. Painting is underway. To help, contact Partin at <emilypartinfarm@gmail.com>.

What's next? With funding in place, drying in and sealing the gym will begin in January with a new roof, windows, and doors. Plans call for the space to serve as a community center. The Alma Mater Theater stopped showing films a few years ago, lacking digital projection equipment. A donor has supplied a digital projector. Partin hopes rehabilitation of the auditorium will include a drop-down screen so the stage can also be used for live performances.

Motorists driving by the SCLDC in the next few weeks will notice garland and wreaths decorating the building. Partin bought the decorations, originally used at a large department store, for \$1. The seller, an old GCHS alum, drastically reduced the price when he learned why she wanted them.

Championing the whole-person approach to overcoming generational poverty, Partin said, "People walk through the door and feel comfortable here. It's a place for everyone and anyone. Never give up."

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*Sewanee Elementary's November Students of the Month, front row, left to right: Daylin Kaluzny, Imogene Latham, and Hank Bornemann; back row, left to right: Fred King, Ayden Allen, and Mason Milner.*



*The 61st Festival of Lessons and Carols is available digitally this year at <http://lessonsandcarols.sewanee.edu/>. Photo by the University of the South*

## Give for a Good Cause

There are numerous organizations and programs across the Mountain that need financial support, especially at this time of the year.

### Community Action Committee

In this season of giving, the Community Action Committee continues to see its client list grow. The needs of people in the greater Sewanee community are vast. CAC depends on the generosity of others, so it can offer assistance to those who need it.

The CAC is an outreach ministry of Otey Parish, with generous support from the Sewanee Community Chest and individuals across the Mountain. For more than 46 years, the CAC has provided food, financial assistance and educational support for persons in the greater Sewanee community. For more information contact the CAC at 598-5927.

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

Contributors can select what food bank they want to donate to and determine the amount. To donate, log in to the account at [www.sewanee.locallygrown.net](http://www.sewanee.locallygrown.net), open the Market, and choose "Food Bank Donations." There, customers can choose which food bank to donate to and the amount. Payment is also accepted by Venmo (Rooted-Here), or send a check to the South Cumberland Food Hub to 974 Old Sewanee Rd., Sewanee, TN 37375. Food banks include the Grundy County Food Bank, the Morton Memorial UMC Food Pantry, the Community Action Committee, and the Little Free Pantry at Hallelujah Pottery.

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

## Silent Auction for Library

The May Justus Memorial Library in Monteagle is having a Silent Auction to raise funds for the Children's Summer Reading Program. There are many unique gifts that are sure to be wonderful Christmas gifts. Bidding continues until noon, Friday, Dec. 18. Pictures are posted on the library's Facebook page.

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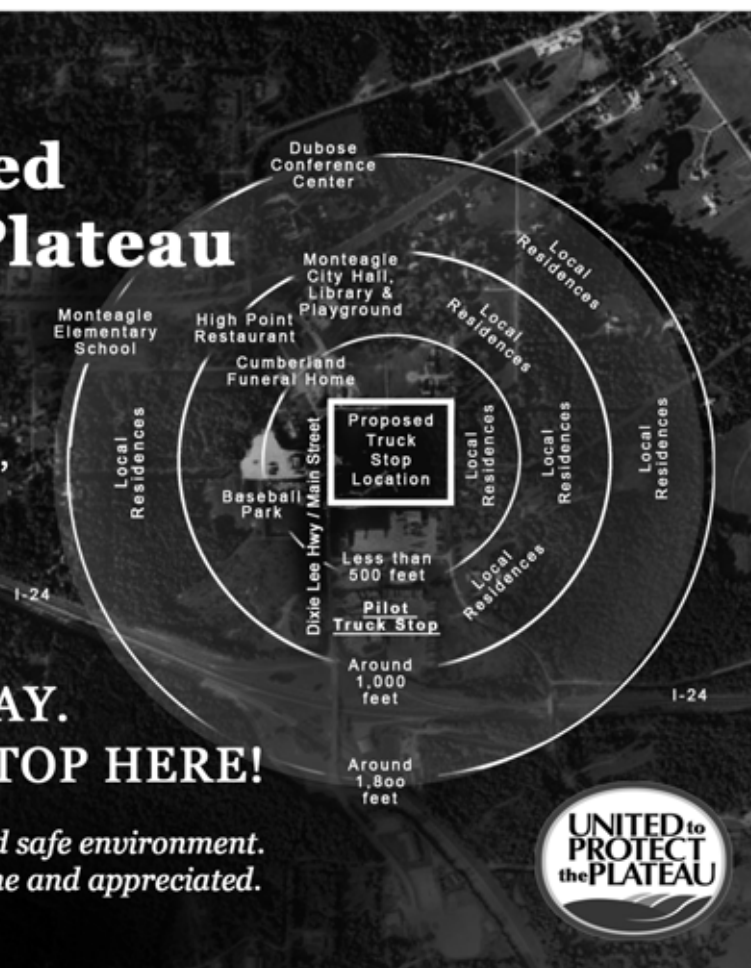
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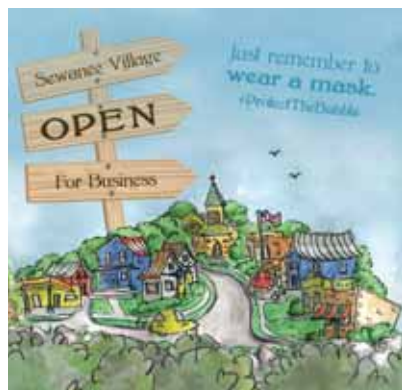
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Brimming with local history, Sewanee became a self-sufficient economic entity by 1868, when the University of the South reopened. By all accounts, downtown Sewanee, during its heyday, was a self-sufficient business district anchored by the train depot, and included a bakery, a butcher shop, a livery stable, an insurance agent, a physician's office, a hotel, and tailor shops, to name a few.

Downtown Sewanee today boasts two restaurants, a custom frame shop, a local art gallery, a mercantile, an antique store, a gift shop, a full-service bicycle shop, and much more. Spend the day in the town, and take advantage of the Mountain Goat Trail, miles of trails for hiking and biking at the state park, and the scenic overlooks at Green's View and the Cross Memorial. There is even a driving tour of Sewanee historic homes available at <<https://arcg.is/P4mSn>>.

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## Blue Chair Cafe and Tavern

Located in the Sewanee Village, The Blue Chair is both a restaurant/bakery and bar serving comfort food, house-made pastries and craft beers. The Cafe (35 University Ave.) serves breakfast sandwiches, pastries, and Mike's Grill and Meat and Three on weekdays, with a full breakfast on weekends. The Cafe is open 9 a.m.–3 p.m., with the deli and meat and three available from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday, come for the full breakfast menu from 8 a.m.–noon.

The Village Tavern (41 University Ave.) is known for its award winning burgers (Garden and Gun Magazine) chicken strips, wings, fish and chips and its exclusive Jackalope craft beers. The Tavern is open 4–8 p.m., Monday–Friday, and 11 a.m.–8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.

Popular ongoing events bring diverse patrons in weekly, including trivia, community poetry, Sewanee Business Alliance weekly meetings, student organization gatherings, and Coffee with the Coach where community members can show up for free coffee and conversation with one of the University's coaches. The outdoor seating area is a nice spot to kick back and listen to bands performing across the street in Angel Park.

Jimmy and Sarah Wilson bought the building and the Blue Chair business in 2010. The cafe side was built circa 1912, and was used as a post office, the City Cafe, and then a health food store. The tavern side was built circa 1908, and formerly housed Tupper Saussy's office, the Sewanee Mountain Messenger office, and finally Sweet Cee Cee's. In 2012, the Wilsons purchased the tavern side.

To place orders to go or curbside pick up, call (931) 598-5434. Find out more at <<http://thebluechair.com/>>.

## Hallelujah Pottery - Home of Full Circle Candles

Debbie Blinder, originally from New Jersey, moved to Tennessee more than 10 years ago and happily creates for Full Circle Candles and Gifts inside of Hallelujah Pottery. Hallelujah Pottery has been in operation for 30 years. Full Circle Candles has been in operation for 10 years.

The store is known for beautiful handmade local pottery and local gifts featuring Tennessee and regional artists, and a growing global free trade section, which supports crafters across the globe. Handmade candles from soy to beeswax and other handmade household goods are made at the store. The Little Free Food Pantry and Library has been helping some local families keep food on the table, have important household items, and books to take and enjoy, especially for children.

Hallelujah Pottery/Full Circle Candles hopes to continue the goals for pop-up craft markets and small fairs, educational classes for youth and adults, summer camps and community outreach, especially with the Youth Entrepreneur Program. This year, the Youth



Entrepreneur Program raised \$300 and recycled 150 pumpkins to benefit the Elephant Sanctuary in Hohenwald, Tenn.

A new room in the store is opening soon with more gifts and used/new books where customers can enjoy some coffee or tea and homemade baked goods.

Hours are 11 a.m.–4 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, and 11 a.m.–5 p.m., Friday and Saturday. The store is located at 1202 W. Main St., Monteagle. There are options for online, curbside and local delivery services. Go to <[www.fullcirclecandles.com](http://www.fullcirclecandles.com)> for more information.



## Bodyworks Youniversity

Bodyworks Youniversity is a Pilates and Wellness Studio offering a variety of group classes, highly personalized individual and duet sessions, and massage therapy.

The mission is to educate people—from college students to those well into their twilight years—about how the body works and to enable them to move with ease and strength. Bodyworks Youniversity wants your experience to be a “tiny vacation” from your busy life, to learn how to destress and unwind your body and soul.

Bodyworks offers private and duet sessions that use heat and stretching on Pilates equipment to release and align your body before taking you to core strengthening exercises. Pilates mat classes are also available in person and via Zoom, to strengthen and tone your body, as well as to educate you about what each exercise is designed to achieve. During the COVID pandemic, there is a free Stress Relief Session on Friday evenings via Zoom as well as observing all masking and sanitizing protocols.

A woman owned business, Bodyworks has been operating in Sewanee for 13 years, first in the University's Fowler Center and now in the American Legion Hall, 36 University Ave., next to Angel Park. Open Monday-Friday; visit the website, <[www.bodyworksyouniversity.com](http://www.bodyworksyouniversity.com)> for scheduling. Paypal, Venmo, cash or checks are accepted. Contact owner Kim Butters through the website or (423) 322-1443.

## Folks at Home

Folks at Home in Sewanee coordinates services to empower individuals to live at home with dignity in the community they love. Folks at Home is in its 11th year of operation. Although Folks at Home is membership based, a substantial portion of the services each year are provided pro bono to community members in the service area. Folks at Home tries not to say no to anyone that needs help.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday–Friday. The office is located at 141 University Ave. Note: Folks at Home is currently working from home during the COVID crisis, but staff can be reached by phone (931) 598-0303 or by email <[folksathomesewanee@gmail.com](mailto:folksathomesewanee@gmail.com)>. For more information go to <<http://folksathome.org>>.

## The Hair Depot

The Hair Depot, located at 17 Lake O'Donnell Rd., has been in operation since 2011. It is open 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Wednesday–Friday, and 9 a.m. until the last appointment on Saturday. Karen Throneberry and Cissi Lancaster have been licensed since the mid 1980s. They offer haircuts, colors, highlights, perms, shampoo sets, waxing, and basic mani/pedis.

During this pandemic, they pride themselves on being super diligent with cleaning and disinfecting. They also wear masks and take temperatures at the door.

The Hair Depot accepts Venmo, PayPal, checks and cash, but not credit cards. Call 598-0033 to schedule an appointment. They also sell Redken, Matrix, Kenra and many other products, and can bring your retail order to your car curbside. Gift certificates are also available.

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## 1866 Revival

1866 Revival has a charming selection of eclectic antiques, home decor and decorations curated for the most discerning. 1866 Revival features work from more than 15 local makers and creators. Inventory is sourced from all over, including estates sales and antique auctions. There are a variety of styles and time periods throughout the store including early American primitives to industrial and mid-century modern decor. Prices can range from low-end to high-end to accommodate all shoppers.

The store is decked out for the holidays and every season. There is always home decor, unique lighting, antique furniture and rugs, jewelry, drink wear, a selection of vinyl records, and a collection of gemstones. Do not miss the Sewanee swag inventory of shirts, masks, tea towels, locally made Sewanee gifts, stickers, cards, and Sewanee souvenirs.

1866 Revival is located at 24 University Ave. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday and Friday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. There are curbside and local delivery options. 1866 Revival ships from their Instagram or Facebook @1866Revival. Phone number is (931) 463-5001.



## Beauty by Tabitha

Tabitha Stines started the business at 21 years of age. For 15 years, Beauty by Tabitha has become known for quality women's, men's, and children's haircuts, colors, and all beauty needs. Tabitha has a real gift for what she does and is also known for her southern charm. Working with her for the last five years is Courtney Stevens, who is a very valuable employee and is known for her dependability and sweet personality.

Beauty by Tabitha is located at 91 University Ave., and is open 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Tuesday-Friday, and Saturday, 9 a.m. until the last appointment. Call to schedule an appointment at 598-5800. Beauty by Tabitha accepts cash, checks and all major credit cards.

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## Fine Arts at the Mountain

The “Fine Arts at” instructional and retail programs were established with Fine Arts at the Beach in 2008 for the purpose of providing the highest quality instruction available in the fine arts disciplines. Through this arts education program, students gain the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively utilize their creativity in music, performance, and visual fine arts disciplines. Our focus also provides students with an appreciation of how the arts affect and reflect our history and culture. Students are trained to use their artistic talents to inspire, teach, and encourage others, and to enjoy the art of making/playing music as a soloist or in an ensemble to benefit the worship life of their local church, and to enrich their community.

Our “Fine Arts at” instructors are all proven professionals with outstanding credentials and strong commitments to the art of teaching. Our comprehensive instructional programs are age-specific and tailored for each individual.

Fine Arts at the Mountain is located at 91 University Ave. For more information on private instruction, instrument sales, repairs, instrument layaway and rental options, go to <[www.fineartsatthemountain.com](http://www.fineartsatthemountain.com)>.



## The Lemon Fair

Established in 1972 and located in an old general store, The Lemon Fair is a Sewanee landmark featuring local and handmade art alongside toys, bath and body products, jewelry, chocolate and snacks, clothing, tapestries, accessories, fine paper and cards.

Brands include Thistle Farms, Rifle Paper Company, Scout Bags, Blue Q, Divine Chocolate, Savannah Bee, and Melissa & Doug toys.

Home of the original Sewanee Angel Legend, it carries a large selection of original design Sewanee- and Angel-themed items.

It has an eclectic, international, and original feel with great customer service, some local history, daily shipping, and free gift wrapping.

The Lemon Fair is located at 60 University Avenue, and is open Tuesday–Saturday, 11 a.m.–4 p.m. Online shopping is available at <<https://www.thelemonfair.com>>.



## Locals

Locals is an art gallery featuring artisans and craftsmen from around the region. Locals features works in glass, salvaged metals, local woods, copper, bronze and canvas.

Locals 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, Locals is a place where life around the Mountain is reflected in art. Some of the artists use regional wood, inks made from walnuts or leaves gathered to be etched into copper in their works.

Locals is on 49 University Ave. Shop online at <<https://localsatsewanee.com/>>.



## Mooney's Market & Emporium

Mooney's Market & Emporium is both a natural foods market and an emporium. The market features organic, local when possible, specialty food items, natural medicines and supplements, health and beauty and household supplies. The Emporium features a full yarn shop, house plants, locally made craft items, rocks and crystals, incense and candles, African baskets and lots more cool stuff.

The structure housing Mooney's was built in 1939 by Raymond and Hazel Goodman Sanders, the same year the Dixie Highway project came through with road improvements like grading and a solid layer of gravel. It was known as Sanders Grocery when they opened. The Sanders operated a general store in the front room and the other rooms were their home. Paul and Georgia Mooney were the last inhabitants of the building, living there for decades, hence the name Mooney's.

Mooney's is located at 1265 W. Main St., Monteagle. Mooney's offers curbside pickup and delivery can often be arranged. Hours are 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Monday through Sunday. All major credit cards are accepted. Follow them on <[www.facebook.com/mooneysmarket](https://www.facebook.com/mooneysmarket)> or call (931) 924-7400.

## Natural Bridge Events

Natural Bridge Events offers creative and professional catering services. Since 1997, Natural Bridge Events' reputation has been earned through attention to detail and unforgettable meals. What started with a backyard brick oven has grown into Sewanee's premiere event designer with all the staff, services, and amenities for any scale event. Executive Chef Weatherly Taylor brings her classical training to Jayne Slagle's signature styling. Whether it's an intimate dinner party or a bustling reception, Natural Bridge Events can design an experience that is personal and distinctive.

Visit the kitchen and gardens and you'll see that for Natural Bridge Events, entertaining is not just a special event; it's a way of life. Serving food everyone loves to eat with special touches transforms a meal into an experience. The dishes are inspired by old family recipes, exotic travels and fresh local ingredients, and then artfully presented in some of Tennessee's most enchanting settings.

Go to <[www.naturalbridgeevents.com](http://www.naturalbridgeevents.com)> to be inspired for your next event or call (931) 598-5566 to schedule an appointment.



## Shenanigans

Shenanigans, the beloved restaurant, pub, gathering place and community landmark housed in the oldest building in Sewanee, serves casual grilled fare, dynamite made-from-scratch pizzas, feel-good-southern comfort food, and kicked-up deli love. A rotating lineup of regional, award-winning craft beers rounds out the menu.

Since 1974, Shenanigans has been a “happy place” for generations of diners, conversationalists, revelers, mountain and valley personalities, University students and faculty, families from near and far, I-24 sojourners, and any number of outdoor aficionados.

Samuel Hoge built the building in 1872, to be used as a general store. In its long and varied past, the building has been a laundry facility for the ROTC during WWII, a shoe shop, a tin shop, and a wagon repair shop. Most people remember Winn's General Store as the last business before Shenanigans opened.

Check out the upstairs' new 9-foot screen for watching big games all winter, socially distanced with tons of space.

Shenanigans is located at 12595 Sollace M. Freeman Highway. Currently open for dine-in, take-out, curbside, and delivery service, 11 a.m.–10 p.m. every day. Gift certificates available at <[www.shenanigans1974.com](http://www.shenanigans1974.com)>. The phone number is (931) 598-5774. Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted.



## Frame Gallery Custom Frames and Art

The Frame Gallery Custom Frames and Art opened its doors in 2018. Frame Gallery Custom Frames and Art is a full-service custom frame shop and art gallery. Owner Harriet Runkle is pleased to continue the years-long tradition of providing custom framing to the Sewanee community and beyond. With frames from traditional to contemporary, she provides personal assistance and custom solutions to highlight your favorites. From fine art to school art, heirlooms to collectibles, photographs to decorative pieces, and needlework to shadowboxes, there is a distinct frame to enhance your work.

The Frame Gallery brings framing ideas to life, no matter how unique. Among other treasures, the Frame Gallery has framed a Civil War surgeon's medical kit, antique purses, a number of silk fans, jerseys, and artifacts.

Do not miss the annual Holiday Pop-up Shop in November and December each year. There is local art, unique nativities, ornaments and upcycled decorations using recycled materials.

The Frame Gallery is located at 12569 Sollace Freeman Hwy. Hours are 10 a.m.–2 p.m., Tuesday–Saturday, and by appointment. Call (931) 463-2300.



## Sewanee Pilates

Sewanee Pilates began in 2016. Owner Bruce Manuel has a fully equipped studio. It is a home based studio specializing in private Pilates training. Manuel is certified to as Pilates Instructor specializing in training cyclists. Hours are by appointment by calling (931) 462-2095, and credit cards are accepted. Find out more about the benefits of Pilates at <[www.pilatessewanee.com](http://www.pilatessewanee.com)>.



## University Realty

With more than 35 years in the real estate business, agent Lynn Stubblefield specializes in representing clients in the purchase or sale of single-family residences, properties on which to build, properties with views of bluffs or lakes, farms, mountain land, gated communities, and commercial properties. At University Realty, the agents and the property manager take great pride in giving clients ethical and honorable service. In addition to selling and renting real estate, they also provide an extra community service by helping to find dentists, beauticians, plumbers, electricians, flooring people, rodent removers, chimney cleaners, handy men or women, doctors, maids, termite people, and even lost dogs.

University Realty, located at 91 University Ave., is open Monday through Saturday, and Sunday by appointment. They also offer

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virtual tours for clients who do not want to walk into multiple houses. Call (931) 598-9244 or go to <http://sewaneehouses.com> for more information.

**Taylor's Mercantile**

Taylor's Mercantile was established in 1984. Ken Taylor has built an outstanding reputation by offering exceptional gifts, decor and flower design. During the holiday season, the store is transformed into a Christmas wonderland and is reported to be the best Christmas store between Nashville and Atlanta.

In addition to the excellent selection of gift items and home decor, Taylor's offers floral arrangements and event design. As a floral designer with more than 36 years of experience, Taylor's Mercantile can make the special occasion truly memorable with a stunning arrangement. These arrangements are not just the ordinary, but the exceptional. Taylor's Mercantile event planning ranges from small gatherings to that all important wedding day. His work has been featured in Southern Living, Martha Stewart Weddings, The Knot, and Traditional Home.

The building was originally the



P.S. Brooks dry goods store circa 1915, and was purchased by William Hamilton in 1963 to be used as a hardware store.

Hours of operation are 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Customers can shop in store or online. There is free delivery locally. Follow them on Facebook @taylorsmercantile.

**Woody's Bicycles**

Woody's Bicycles has been in business for more than 25 years. Woody's is known for being a full service Trek Bicycle dealer. The shop features new Trek bicycles and offers various used bicycles when possible. Woody's specializes in bicycle repair, featuring one of the best mechanics anywhere, period. There is also a full range of bicycle gear, from helmets and clothing to bicycle computers, lights, tires, and tubes. Comfortable Trek bicycles are also available as rentals.

The owner, Woody Deutsch, started the shop as a bicycle enthusiast because he was fed up going into other bike shops who turned up their noses to the casual rider. His goal is to be helpful and respectful to all customers, while offering the best possible in sales and service.

Check out the website [www.woodysbicycles.com](http://www.woodysbicycles.com) for rates, trail maps, photos, bike club links, races and much more. Woody's Bicycles is located at 90 Reed's Lane. Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All major credit cards and Venmo are accepted

**Things to Explore**

The South Cumberland Plateau is home to some of Tennessee's most diverse and spectacular scenery. It is the largest remaining forested plateau in the continental United States. Some valuable resources to get you started on your exploration of the area include the Friends of the **South Cumberland State Park** <https://www.friendsofsouthcumberland.org/> and the Sewanee Outing Program <https://www.sewanee.edu/media/student-life/explore/Perimeter-Trail-Map.pdf>. **The Perimeter Trail** [https://www.sewanee.edu/media/student-life/explore/Sewanee\\_Ten\\_Best\\_Day\\_Hikes.pdf](https://www.sewanee.edu/media/student-life/explore/Sewanee_Ten_Best_Day_Hikes.pdf), located at the University of the South, also offers hikes and scenic views around the Domain.

**The Mountain Goat Trail Alliance** is committed to building a multiuse, multimodal walking and cycling trail connecting the communities along the path of the historic Mountain Goat Railroad. It gets its name from the Mountain Goat Railroad, constructed in 1853. At the time this was the steepest railroad incline from Cowan to Sewanee. The railroad line extended to Tracy City, Coal-

mont, Gruetli-Laager and Palmer. Plans are in the works to extend the Mountain Goat Trail. Go to <https://www.mountaingoattrail.org/> for more information.

**Natural Bridge** is a 3-acre natural area located in Sewanee. The Natural Bridge is a 25-foot high natural sandstone arch with a span of approximately 50 feet. From the bridge, there is a scenic overlook of Lost Cove. There is a wet weather spring by the rockhouse, which is behind the bridge. The natural area is part of the South Cumberland Recreation Area. Public access is allowed. There is parking and a short hiking trail.

**Abbo's Alley** is a ravine garden on the Sewanee campus. The name honors Abbott Cotton Martin, a professor of English at Sewanee for more than 40 years and a self-taught gardener who adopted the ravine. This is the sight of the first water sources found (springs) for Sewanee. The Friends of Abbo's Alley, a group of community volunteers, continue to provide equipment, supplies and labor to maintain the garden.

**University Facilities Open or Closed Status**

University offices will be closed for two weeks, from Dec. 21, 2020, to Jan. 4, 2021.

The access to and hours of many university facilities will be adjusted during the break.

During the semester break, hours of operation at the Fowler Center will continue as they are currently.

During the winter break, the Fowler Center indoor tennis courts will be available to Sewanee Tennis Association patrons with access through the exterior doors of the courts. The number of participants is limited to 12 at one time, and current members of the coaching staff must be present.

Access to all other areas of the Fowler Center will continue to be limited to students, faculty, staff, dependents of faculty and staff, and university retirees and their dependents throughout the break.

The Fowler Center will close during the university holiday from the end of the day Sunday, Dec. 20, until Monday, Jan. 4.

duPont Library will remain closed to the public, but books can be borrowed and picked up from the front porch. Closed Dec. 20 to Jan. 4.

The Sewanee Inn is open to the public until Feb. 1, 2021.

Shakerag at the Sewanee Inn is

open to the public.

Green's View Grill is closed on Mondays, and will close from Dec. 21 through Jan. 1. Otherwise it is open with its current hours.

Stirling's Coffee House will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays from Nov. 30 through Dec. 18, and from Jan. 4 through Jan. 29. Stirling's will be closed on weekends, and during the university holiday Dec. 21 through Jan. 3. (No walk-up orders; customers must call ahead or use the app.)

McClurg Dining Hall remains limited to students only.

The University Bookstore is open Monday through Saturday; it will be closed Nov. 26 and 27 for Thanksgiving and Dec. 24 and 25 for Christmas.

The SPO will be open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. The SPO will close on Saturdays from Dec. 19 through Jan. 23, and will close for the Christmas, and New Year's holidays. Hours will be more limited during the university holiday from Dec. 21 to Jan. 4.

The Sewanee masking mandate will remain in effect. Go to <https://new.sewanee.edu/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/> for more information.

**Donate to the Community Chest**

The Sewanee Community Chest has announced its goal for 2020-21. Sponsored by the Sewanee Civic Association, the Community Chest raises money yearly for local charitable organizations serving the area. This year's goal of \$98,390 will help 19 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. A number of organizations did not submit their annual request this year due to their inability to operate at this time. A total of \$104,085 in funds were requested this year.

The Sewanee Community Chest is made possible by contributions. All donations are tax deductible. Donations can be made by credit, debit, or PayPal Giving at Sewanee Community Chest, either one-time or recurring. Checks may be mailed to Sewanee Community Chest, P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375. For more information, go to [www.sewaneecivic.org](http://www.sewaneecivic.org) or email [sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com](mailto:sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com).

**2020 Operation Noel Form**

*Please mail completed form to Tracie Sherrill by  
Monday, Dec. 14*

*138 Lake O'Donnell Rd., Sewanee TN 37375 or email all  
information to [sewaneeoperationnoel@gmail.com](mailto:sewaneeoperationnoel@gmail.com)*

FAMILY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Delivery Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

FOOD ONLY: \_\_\_\_YES \_\_\_\_NO

FOOD AND TOYS: \_\_\_\_YES \_\_\_\_NO

*Please fill out information below for each child age 16 yrs & under to  
receive toys.*

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*Attach additional sheet if necessary.*



*In Remembrance by J. Denise Miller*

## Two Shows at the Artisan Depot Gallery

The Artisan Depot Gallery and Gift Shop in Cowan is featuring two shows. The Community Show is “One Country” and the Member Show is “Tangents – a Journey” presented by Denise Miller. Both of these shows run until Dec. 20. The Franklin County Arts Guild Christmas Bazaar has also been extended through Dec. 20.

J. Denise Miller’s latest show “Tangents – a Journey” features work in a variety of styles and media that demonstrate the paths the artist has explored. The show will consist of acrylics, oils, collage with gel prints, and alcohol inks in styles from realistic to abstract.

The artist has studied with the late Ann Ford of Tullahoma for several years and has taken workshops with other local and regional artists. Her work is regularly exhibited at the Artisan Depot, and the Murfreesboro Art League gallery in Murfreesboro.

Miller teaches workshops and has been teaching art classes in Tullahoma and Shelbyville through the Healing Arts Project, Inc, since 2010. She is a member of the Franklin County Arts Guild and the Murfreesboro Art League.

The Artisan Depot is operated by the Franklin County Arts Guild and is located at 204 Cumberland St. East, Cowan. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m., Thursday through Sunday.

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## SES MENUS

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### LUNCH

**Monday, Dec. 14:** Hamburger or cheeseburger, corn dog, potato smiles, baked beans, fruit.

**Tuesday, Dec. 15:** Chicken spaghetti, sandwich choice, lattice potatoes, carrot dippers, fruit.

**Wednesday, Dec. 16:** Manager’s Choice: Pizza, grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, potato wedges, green beans, fruit.

**Thursday, Dec. 17:** Manager’s Choice: Corndog sack, carrots, apple, chips, cookie.

**Friday, Dec. 18:** Christmas Break! Merry Christmas!

### BREAKFAST

Each day, students select one or two items.

**Monday, Dec. 14:** Egg omelet, toast, juice, fruit

**Tuesday, Dec. 15:** Meat biscuit, juice, fruit.

**Wednesday, Dec. 16:** Manager’s Choice: muffin, juice, fruit.

**Thursday, Dec. 17:** Manager’s Choice: Mini donuts, juice, fruit.

**Friday, Dec. 18:** Christmas Break. Merry Christmas!

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

## Change to Merry Little Downtown Christmas

Lauren Martin, Executive Director of the Winchester Downtown Program, announced that the annual Merry Little Downtown Christmas celebration will be somewhat different in 2020. Originally scheduled on Saturday, Dec. 12, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., some events have had to be postponed due to COVID-19 considerations, she said. “The event isn’t really canceled, it’s mostly just shifting to a more open space,” she said.

The AM Rotary and Kiwanis service organizations will be giving away bicycles, basketballs, soccer balls, and volleyballs in a combined effort this year to children who register on Saturday, Dec. 12, at the James Douglas Stadium on Dinah Shore Boulevard from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. In case of inclement weather, the event will be shifted to the open air market adjacent to the stadium.

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## ABRIEFHISTORY

*by Sally Hubbard*

### EQB – 1870 to the Present, Part II

*Ecce Quam Bonum, Behold how good it is to dwell together in unity. (Psalm 133)*

EQB, again tired of the bother and expense of maintaining a property, gave up their second official EQB house and turned it over to a high school fraternity of the Sewanee Military Academy; only later did that house become home to the college’s Fijis. The EQB, meanwhile, went back to meeting in various available spaces such as the Professors’ Common Room in the pre-1958 Walsh Hall. Undoubtedly this cut down somewhat on the more social aspects of the club, but the serious delivery of papers and mutuality of sober discussion continued, with at least cocktail sandwiches for levity. And so it continued between the two World Wars.

In the 1940s the Colmore sisters provided the cocktail sandwiches for the meetings. When not catering, one of the sisters, Dora Colmore, was a superb wood carver. Her fine carving above the ATO fireplace still says “Haec Olim Meminisse Juvabit” (Virgil), “These things, one day, it will be good to remember.” One wonders whether she enjoyed the irony: the fraternity was thinking of “these things” as the good old fraternity life. In Virgil’s setting they were the pains and struggles of conflict. A different role for women posed new questions for the EQB in the 1940s, when Dr. Gertrude Van Zandt became a powerhouse professor in the Chemistry Department. She was busy with her determination that Chemistry should be harder than any other subject, but shouldn’t she be invited to join EQB? After all, she was a professor! But since Van Zandt expressed no interest in joining, the club remained entirely white and male without having to take action on the issue.

Laurence Alvarez contributed an example of how seriously leads were taken. When Mac Owen was secretary of the EQB, Economics professor Eugene Kayden (an immigrant from Russia) gave a talk. In those days the leads were summarized in the minutes of the meeting. In the files in the University Archives there is a letter from Kayden to Mac which sharply criticizes him for his summary, accusing him of distorting what was said and resigning from the Club.

With the 1958-59 renovations of Walsh Hall, the Professors’ Common Room was no longer available. EQB thought again of owning its own house and reviving some of its old social activity. Modern times gave the local faculty more choice of other things to do, and modern graduate school training emphasized higher degrees of specialization with less focus on broad liberal arts. There was increasing social pressure for less formality and more independence. The old Club was seeming stuffy and somewhat irrelevant, as well as homeless. There was likewise new interest in being contemporary in architecture and projecting a more up-to-date image. So James Patrick, an architect turned seminarian, was hired to design the new EQB house which was built in 1963 behind the Supply Store (now the Wellness Center). There was a real attempt to revive the sense of a gentlemen’s club, but with modernized vigor and individual lockers provided for members to store their alcoholic beverages.

The renewed emphasis on levity in the EQB inspired Flo Oates to refer in her “It Should Happen to a Dog” (1970) to an old-Sewanee ghost myth: “Then there is the Headless Dog. More than one professor, returning light-hearted from apocryphal merry-makings of the EQB has been startled by the sight of that nebulous shape, and struck at it with his cane ... and shrunk back, appalled when the result, instead of a normal whack, was a hollow swish.”

Laurence Alvarez joined EQB in 1964, its second year in its third house. He remembers that it was paying off the mortgage of the new house by renting out the downstairs and a small apartment on the main floor. The first downstairs tenant was the Southern Section of the College Board, and Arnie Mignery rented the apartment. After the College Board built their own building, Doug Cameron’s father rented the downstairs until a fire made renovations necessary in the basement. But while the modern architecture called for vigorous participation, modern academic lives did not. Postcards were regularly sent out to announce the meetings and encourage more membership participation. Leads were still always on a subject outside the presenter’s field and often had entertaining or mysterious titles which obscured the topic. The main rooms were used daily for coffee gatherings (and weekly lunches began a few years later). Laurence’s colleague in the math department, Sandy McCloud, advised him that the Clubhouse was the only place where one could get away from dogs and women.

*Part III will be in a future issue of the Messenger. Information is from Laurence Alvarez, selections from cited books, meeting minutes from 2009-2016, and Waring McCrady.*

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## LOOKS AT BOOKS

by Pat Wiser for Friends of duPont Library

### Books for a 2020 Christmas

Sales of live Christmas trees are higher than in the past several decades. So are sales of children's books. Dav Pilkey's "Dog Man" series (beloved by Sewanee Elementary School readers grades 2 and up) tops the sales lists. The newest graphic yarn, "Grime and Punishment," gives readers another silly story conveying a positive message -- with some potty language. As we find ways to celebrate this 2020 season with more time at home, books make exceptional gifts. Out of caution about the current climate of anxiety, I plan no gift books for children relating to the pandemic. The market is filled with titles such as "I Don't Want to Wash my Hands" and "Thank You, Helpers." Some may be helpful. I suggest consulting librarians, teachers, counselors, or judiciously researched bibliographies. One reliable source is the American Library Association: <http://www.ala.org/alsc/publications-resources/look-to-libraries>

Friend Sam, age 7, may find that Santa has left books by Mary Pope Osborne under the tree. He devoured her "American Tall Tales" of nine heroes from folklore including characters such as Davy Crockett's fictional wife Sally Ann Thunder Whirlwind, who could "outgrin, outsnort, outlift ... any varmint" and is now into the "Magic Tree House" adventures. Santa might deliver a boxed set; the first brings time travelers discovering dinosaurs, knights, mummies, and pirates. (ages 7 and up) First grade neighbor friend Lucy, recently helping unpack decorations, was pleased to find last year's book by Michael Shoulder, "The Legend of the Christmas Pickle" and a pickle ornament. On Christmas morning the finder of the pickle hiding in the tree branches gets a special gift.

The Sewanee Bookstore has the Christmas treat Katie Hines Porterfield's "The Sewanee Night Before Christmas," illustrated by Christi Teasley. Santa, whose sleigh is pulled by tigers, fills stockings with "Lemon Fair loot"; his farewell exclamation is embellished by "Yea Sewanee's Right." Sam's next "Magic Tree House" friends await in the extensive children's collection which offers other favorites of local kids such as Tui T. Sutherland's "Wings of Fire" dragon fantasies (ages 8-12) and boxed sets of books and their characters including "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and Sesame Street's Elmo. We're lucky to have first-rate, safe shopping right here in our Village.

For more ideas, we can consult, "Must Read before You Graduate" by last spring's SES graduating fifth graders. Consider Harper's vote for Gordon Korman's "Bruno and Boots" about boys

always in trouble; Theo's recommendation of Erin Hunter's animal fantasies, "The Survivors"; and Dayalana's choice for younger students, Stacy McNulty's lovable dog, "Excellent Ed." In this year of pandemic guidelines, I really miss the fun with children in the SES library.

Our teachers are doing double and triple duty, juggling in-classroom and remote teaching, videoing lessons, and compiling work packets, among other duties. A small percentage of SES students are virtual learners; all have Chromebooks (tablets) and most, not all, have access to Wi-Fi to "attend" lessons. They may check out books through the library Website. The E-book service EPIC offers books for all ages at no fee. Again, Wi-Fi is needed and should be treated as a basic utility by our state and county.

After learning at home since March, our California fifth grader has happily returned to her classroom with social distancing and masks, the same protocol observed at SES. Her Christmas book, a supplement for Zoom dance lessons, will be prima ballerina Misty Copeland's picture book, "Bunheads" wherein the self-doubting narrator learns how hard work can result in thrilling dance performance. (Ages 5 and up.)

Her Christmas book for me, the first installment of Barack Obama's memoirs, "A Promised Land," arrived early. It came with permission to open and read now, a break with tradition. I suspect a clever plot to avert the Pandemic Blues lurking since our wise decision to cancel the December visit. So far, so good; the package remains intact. On Thanksgiving I dined with Kamala Kat, new family member, age 8, recently adopted from Animal Harbor. Calls, texts, Face Timing, and a last-minute decision to bake pumpkin pie made a pleasant day of new approaches to old customs. (Why is it that pie crust turns out perfectly only when not cooking for company? I did share with a neighbor.)

These days I find myself re-reading Patricia Wentworth's mysteries. Set in England, published between 1928 and 1961, the novels present the era minus its harsh realities. I particularly enjoy retired governess turned private detective Miss Silver. Wentworth's books may be the literary equivalent of Mom's macaroni and cheese, cozy and comforting.

"A Promised Land" and a few other literary treats will be there later in this December of differences. I hope that everyone has such possibilities for a safe and book-filled holiday month.

## SENIOR CENTER NEWS

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. Menus follow:

**Monday, Dec. 14:** Fried cabbage and sausage, pinto beans cornbread.

**Tuesday, Dec. 15:** Pork roast, green beans, macaroni and cheese, roll.

**Wednesday, Dec. 16:** Chili, grilled cheese sandwich.

**Thursday, Dec. 17:** Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, veggie blend, roll.

**Friday, Dec. 18:** Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread.

Menus may vary. For information call the center at 598-0771.

Chair Exercise will be 10:30-11:15 a.m., Monday and Wednesday. Please wear a mask. Social distancing will be practiced.

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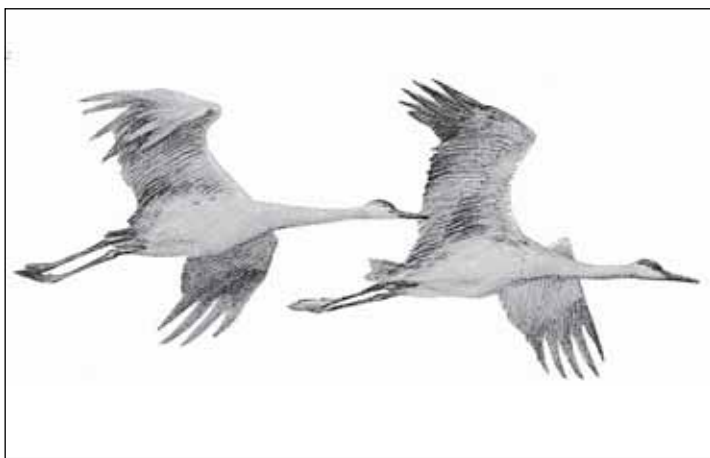
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## NATURENOTES

by Yolande Gottfried



### Sandhill Cranes

One of the pleasures of these cold winter days is the serendipitous opportunity to hear the call of the sandhill cranes. It is a distinctive, wild-sounding, rolling, bugled "garoo." When I hear them, I usually can't see their lines or Vs, like geese, flying low and hidden by trees. They may be flying down to Stevenson where they hang out at the City Park in the wetland areas there, for they winter in the southern U.S. and northern Mexico. The may be coming from feeding on harvested fields, for their diet is heavy on seeds and cultivated grains, but they are omnivorous, eating other plant material and small vertebrates and invertebrates. They are called sandhill cranes because each year they congregate by the hundreds of thousands on the Platte River on the edge of Nebraska's Sand Hills to fatten up in the cornfields on their way north to their arctic and subarctic breeding grounds.

These cranes are large, long-legged, long-necked birds, but they are not herons. Herons fly with necks folded, while cranes fly with necks extended. They are some of the oldest birds on the planet, with fossils dating back 2.5 million years. Their closest relative in this country is the rare whooping crane, which is sometimes seen in flocks of sandhill cranes, causing much excitement to birdwatchers. They mate for life, which can be twenty years or more, and usually raise one chick a season, which stays with the parents for about a year. They are famous for their elaborate courtship "dance," involving wing-stretching, bowing, and leaping. A good place to view the cranes is the Hiwassee Wildlife Refuge during the winter months.

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**Sunday, Dec. 13**

**Mountain Meander Loop Hike (\$20)**—Join Park Ranger Mark Greenwood at 8 a.m. (CST) at Savage Gulf Ranger Station, 3157 SR 399, Palmer, for a 9.1-mile intermediate distance/difficulty guided hike of the Mountain Oak Loop, the east side of Savage Gulf. Be sure to bring along water and food. Wear sturdy shoes in which to hike. A flashlight is also recommended in case we are delayed until nightfall.

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**Tuesday, Dec. 15**

**Grundy Day Loop Trail Work (\$0-\$20 donation)**—Join Ranger Dan Wescoat at 8:30 a.m. at Grundy Forest Trailhead, 131 Fiery Gizzard Rd., Tracy City, to assist in some much-needed trail improvement projects on the Grundy Forest Day Loop. Work will include digging new trail tread, moving and breaking rock, and some swinging of tools, so make sure to wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes and bring a pair of work gloves and eye protection. Also bring plenty of water and snacks to get you through the day and dress appropriately for the weather that day. This opportunity repeats at the same time on Wednesday, Dec. 16, and Thursday, Dec. 17.

**Wednesday, Dec. 16**

**Rock Hop from Greeter to Boardtree Falls (\$6)**—Meet Park Ranger Spencer Baxter at 2:45 p.m. (CST) at Savage Gulf West Parking lot, 550 Greeter Falls Rd., Altamont, for a rock-hop hike in the bottom of the Gulf, going from Greeter Falls to Boardtree Falls. Expect to get wet on this hike. Wear appropriate footwear and clothing, water and some sun/bug protection. Children must be 15 or older to attend this hike.

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Mon	Nov 30	34	23
Tue	Dec 01	34	22
Wed	Dec 02	35	30
Thu	Dec 03	54	40
Fri	Dec 04	46	32
Sat	Dec 05	50	31
Sun	Dec 06	54	29

Week's Stats:

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**NOTICE:** The special called meeting of the Monteagle Regional Planning Commission for December 16, 2020 has been canceled.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING:** In accordance with TCA 13-7-203, notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held on January 5, 2021 at 5:45 p.m. in the conference room at Monteagle City Hall. The purpose of this hearing is to receive public comments on a proposed CDBG grant for sewer upgrades. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

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## BARDTOVERSE

by Phoebe Bates

### Moving Toward Christmas

"To the Universe belongs the dancer."  
--words of Jesus in *The Acts of John*

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Sir Ivy Goode

Dance an  
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Of the God of Wine . . .

With Diane, Goddess  
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Moving in the  
Winter wind,  
Engarlanded  
With ivy vine

And drops of  
Hollyberry blood,  
In the moonlight  
In the dark greenwood,

They dance to the  
Music of the moon  
In our quiet wood  
Before the dawn.

--Scott Bates, *Dance of the Holly and the Ivy*

# Community Calendar

### Friday, Dec. 11

- 8 a.m. COVID testing, Marion County Health Department, until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, call ahead, (423) 942-2238, 24 E. 7th St., Jasper
- 8:30 a.m. Drive-thru COVID testing, Grundy County (931) 692-3641, Health Departments, until 10:30 a.m., and 1-3 p.m., Monday through Friday, 1372 Main St., Altamont
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, for Athletes, Zoom, email <elizabethsweeting@gmail.com> for link
- noon Stretch/Strengthen, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Drive-thru COVID testing, Franklin County (931) 967-3826, until noon, Monday through Friday, 266 Joyce Lane, Winchester
- 9 a.m. Pilates, for Athletes, Zoom, email <elizabethsweeting@gmail.com> for link
- noon Stretch/Strengthen, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

### Saturday, Dec. 12

*SAS Christmas Break, through Jan. 10, 2021*

- 6:30 a.m. Advent Centering Prayer Retreat, Ward/Paluzzi, via Zoom, until 5 p.m.; to register go to <www.stmaryssewanee.org> or call 1-800-728-1659
- 8 a.m. Morton Memorial UMC monthly food curbside distribution, 322 W. Main St., Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. St. Thomas Mobile Medical Unit, 322 W. Main St., Monteagle, until 1 p.m.

### Monday, Dec. 14

*Deadline for Operation Noel application*

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Coffee with Coach, live-stream <facebook.com/SewaneeTigers> or <www.sewaneetigers.com> and on U of S YouTube channel by midday
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.
- 11:45 a.m. Sewanee Woman's Club, Taylor, DuBose; Monteagle; lunch at noon
- 6 p.m. Franklin County School Board, 215 S. College St., Winchester

### Tuesday, Dec. 15

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, Tracy City, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 4:30 p.m. South Cumberland Farmers' Market, curbside pickup, Community Center, until 6:30 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Sewanee Utility District board, Utility office
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

### Wednesday, Dec. 16

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.

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

### Thursday, Dec. 17

- 8 a.m. Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, via Zoom; for link email <woodybike@mac.com>
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Kundalini Yoga, Pippa, via Zoom; for invitation, <pippabrowne64@gmail.com>
- noon Pilates, intermediate, via Zoom, email <elizabethsweeting@gmail.com> for link
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

### Friday, Dec. 18

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, for Athletes, Zoom, email <elizabethsweeting@gmail.com> for link
- noon Stretch/Strengthen, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

### Local 12-Step Meetings

#### Friday

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

#### Saturday

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

#### Sunday

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

#### Monday

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

#### Tuesday

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

#### Wednesday

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

#### Thursday

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

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