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## Changes to Garbage and Curbside Recycling Services

The Office of Leases and Community Relations has announced changes in garbage and recycling services for University of the South leaseholders.

Richardson Waste Removal, based in Fayetteville, Tenn., recently acquired the garbage service business following the death of longtime provider Joe B. Long. As a result, changes in service for leaseholders will be effective Jan. 1, 2021:

All garbage routes will be picked up on Thursdays.

Curbside recycling will be discontinued.

Moving to one pickup day will allow Richardson Waste Removal to keep costs low and offer a sustainable service to the community. It will also be easy for Domain residents to remember the schedule. Residents who forget to put out their trash for Thursday pickup may take it to the Franklin County Convenience Center on Missouri Avenue or wait until the following Thursday pickup. The new service provider will not pick up garbage on major holidays. That week's schedule will be adjusted and leaseholders will be notified in advance.

Only a limited number of residents had participated in the recycling service. Curbside recycling was not sustainable long-term, due both to the cost of pickup and handling and to residents' attempts to recycle unacceptable items.

Beginning Jan. 1, residents should take recyclable items (plastic bottles and jugs, paper, aluminum, and cardboard, in addition to metals and waste oil) to the Franklin County Convenience Center, located at 132 Missouri Ave. Glass recycling is still available at 191 Kennerly Avenue. There is no change in the glass recycling process, which is entirely supported by local funds.

Richardson Waste Removal has been in business since 1963. The University has used their services for many years, such as for dumpsters during student move-out. They will work with the University Lease Office to keep the cost of garbage service in line with other nearby communities.

## 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 includes making ginkgo roses and wreaths, hanging garlands, and placing poinsettias. Ken Taylor, of Taylor's Mercantile, will direct the day's activities.

## SUD Unaccounted Water Decreases; Employee Holiday Bonus

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

Reporting on operations at the Dec. 15 meeting of the Sewanee Utility District Board of Commissioners, SUD manager Ben Beavers cited two circumstances resulting in a substantial decrease in unaccounted for water loss. Board business included appointing an auditor for 2021 and voting to approve a commissioner's suggestion to give SUD employees a small holiday bonus.

Unaccounted for water loss is the difference between water produced at the plant and water passing through customer meters, meaning SUD is not paid for the water. Beavers' report showed unaccounted for water loss decreased by almost half, from an annual average of 28.1 percent to 15.6 percent for November. Beavers attributed a large portion of the change to finding and repairing a water-main leak in Sewanee Summit. Zone metering had been showing a 1.25 gallon per minute (gpm) loss, which for a five-day period jumped to 25-30 gpm. Beavers walked the rugged terrain and eventually found the leak by observing surface water. Leaks in the area are difficult to locate because the water line is buried 6-8 feet underground. Beavers speculated the line had been leaking for some time. With repair of the leak, the zone meter registered a water loss decrease to 0.5 gpm.

Beavers also attributed decrease in unaccounted for water loss to replacement of three residential meters and one residence hall meter that "quit working." He estimated the residence hall used 100,000 gallons per month.

The board appointed the MG Group to perform SUD's audit again in 2021. The board has also retained the MG Group to generate a series of reports to assist SUD in long-range planning.

Commissioner Randall Henley introduced the discussion about giving SUD employees a small holiday bonus. SUD has eight employees. Henley suggested \$100 per employee. "It's not much," Henley said. He pointed out SUD

usually treated employees and their families to a holiday dinner, but the event was canceled due to the pandemic. Commissioner Doug Cameron observed the dinner would have cost more than the \$800 in bonuses. "It would be a show of good faith," said SUD Board President Charlie Smith. Smith suggested the bonuses could come from the board's Planning and Governance budget. Commissioner Ronnie Hoosier pointed out SUD did not replace an employee in 2020 due to difficult financial constraints, and SUD employees covered for the employee's absence uncompensated. Likewise, due to financial constraints, SUD employees will receive no raise in 2021. After discussion, the board voted to give all employees a \$250 holiday bonus.

Addressing finances, Beavers said revenue was 5 percent below budget at the end of November. "We'll finish the year with a net loss of position, but it's not horrible." In May, Beavers had speculated SUD could suffer a 28 percent decrease in anticipated revenue due to the absence of students and cancellation of summer programs. The water sales revenue loss has been somewhat offset by higher-than-expected new water tap revenue, 20 new taps for the year to date. "Land sales are hopping," Beavers observed.

The board approved the nomination of Smith as a candidate for the January commissioner election. SUD customers interested in serving on the board can become a commissioner candidate by submitting a petition with the names of 10 SUD customers by Jan. 4. For more information, contact the SUD office. Voting for the SUD commissioner election begins Jan. 4 and will continue through Jan. 19 at the SUD office, 150 Sherwood Rd., Sewanee, during regular business hours, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The SUD office will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

## SCCF/OCE Community Development Director Nicky Hamilton Moving to New Role at the University of the South

As of Jan. 1, 2021, Nicky Hamilton will take on the position of assistant vice president, government & strategic partnerships, as a member of the University of the South's economic development and community relations efforts.

In this new role, Hamilton will be responsible for partnering with public and private organizations to form collaborations and partnerships that advance the University's agenda concerning responsible economic development of the Domain, and sustained, productive community relations with local, city, and state governments. Hamilton will also be a resource to collaborate across departments and help develop innovative partnerships supporting student success and other institutional priorities.

Known for her many contributions to the University of the South, Hamilton has served in various roles during her 16-year career in higher education. At Sewanee she has held the positions of assistant director of admissions and director of residential life, and co-created the University's Intergroup Dialogue Course and 213-A Leaders Program. Currently Hamilton serves as director of community development in a joint position for the University's Office of Civic Engagement (OCE) and South Cumberland Community Fund (SCCF), the latter of which is the first philanthropic organization to serve the South Cumberland Plateau. Hamilton has had a significant impact on advancing the missions of the OCE and SCCF, including building one of the largest, award-winning AmeriCorps VISTA programs in the state of Tennessee; establishing the USDA Summer Meal Program in collaboration with the University's McClurg Dining Hall; and creating the Philanthropy Internship Program which invests \$30,000 through a student-led grant-making process. Together with SCCF's grants and community development programs nearly \$200,000 is invested annually in community initiatives led by nonprofits and public agencies. Hamilton also directed SCCF's grants process, and, most recently, engaged the Plateau community in conversations about future priorities for the region.

In response to this change, Jim Peterman, director of the Office of Civic Engagement, said, "In her work as director of community development, Nicky helped move forward the University's innovative partnership with SCCF, and through that supported nonprofits and government entities throughout the South Cumberland Plateau. We look forward to working with Nicky in her new role, which will enhance and grow the University's focus on community relations with local, city, and state government entities."

"For the past six years Nicky has held a unique role as liaison between the University's Office of Civic Engagement and South Cumberland Community Fund," said SCCF Chair, Sheri Lawrence. "We are deeply grateful for her service, as the knowledge and experience that she has brought to her role as community development director has allowed both organizations to successfully collaborate with numerous nonprofits and community organizations across the Plateau."

Hamilton graduated from Sewanee in 1999 as a Desmond Tutu Scholar with a degree in psychology, and in 2012 earned a Master of Public Service from the University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service. Her work there included a collaboration with the Desmond Tutu Peace Centre in South Africa, the establishment of an educational nonprofit, and work in fundraising.



Nicky Hamilton



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# Letters

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS

### To the Editor:

Has anyone taken a walk or a drive through the “new” village (Bobtown community) lately? In just the few short blocks where I take my daily walks along Lake O’Donnell Road, Prince Lane, Bakers Lane, and Bobtown Circle, there is wide-spread clear-cutting around electric lines by Duck River Electric that defaces the environment of our community. While my phone conversation with Duck River informed me of the necessity of keeping lines clear for safety reasons, I feel we all need to raise our voices and demand that Duck River find a balance between the need for cost-effective safety and responsible stewardship of our environment.

Also, the recent University announcement that curbside recycling will no longer be available to leaseholders is just not acceptable. What price is “cost-effective” for being responsible stewards of our “priceless” and irreplaceable environment? I think we are intelligent and creative enough to come up with a reasonable, sustainable plan to provide a necessary service to our community members and our environment.

Please take the time to be a voice and express your concerns to both Duck River Electric and the University of the South Office of Leases and Community Relations.

*Chris Colane, Sewanee*

## THANKS FROM THE SBA

### To the Editor:

On behalf of the Sewanee Business Alliance (SBA) and its 42 members, we want to thank the entire Sewanee community for all of its kindness to us and partnerships alongside us—past, present, and future. It’s been our privilege to work with you over the past decade as we strive to make Sewanee a little bit better every day, every month, every year.

We are deeply grateful to everyone in the community and at the University of the South. We have had no greater ally than Frank Gladu who represented the University with great distinction and class. Frank is beloved and cherished by the members of SBA, and we wish him the best in his retirement.

Ten years ago this fall, the Sewanee Business Alliance filed legal “document of incorporation” papers with the State of Tennessee. Leading that effort was the late Louis W. Rice Jr. Assisting Louis 10 years ago were John Goodson, Ed Hawkins, and Jimmy Wilson.

Right now, the Sewanee businesses are dealing with the worst public health and economic crisis to ever hit the Mountain. All businesses are focused on providing products and services to our fellow residents in the safest manner possible. To ride out the storm, a General Relief Fund was started nine months ago. It has been supported by generous donations from residents and friends who believe, as we do, that a lively and diversi-

fied commercial district is vital to the economic and social sustainability of both the community and the University. Funds are being used by SBA member businesses to pay urgent expenses ranging from rent payments to utility bills so that our businesses can get through this crisis. A three-person committee of town residents confidentially reviews the applications and authorizes payments.

Our friends and neighbors all over Sewanee have noticed all the many good things that the SBA has done for the community over the past ten years. As we have helped the community during its times of need, so too are the residents coming out to support us in our time of need. Together we can make it.

When the pandemic subsides, we will return our focus to the many civic engagement and beautification projects which became our hallmark during the past 10 years.

Recent accomplishments in just the past year include:

Placed the new Welcome to Sewanee banner on the side of Taylor’s Mercantile;

Joined with the Sewanee Civic Association in support of the 37375 Campaign, raising \$24,000 for COVID-related health and safety items for area churches, schools, nonprofits, and businesses;

Supported the University’s moving and building of the new University Book & Supply Store;

Held weekly SBA teleconference calls with information sharing on how the business district can stay united and safe; and,

Purchased and distributed masks and hand sanitizer, put up signage telling people they must wear a mask, and installed plexiglass shields for everyone that sees the public from the Post Office up and down the street.

Other accomplishments over the years include:

Built the Angel Park alongside dozens of community partners;

Produced free community-wide concerts, plays, and chorale groups for Friday Night in the Park during the summer;

Helped the University raise funds for Village improvements during the annual Tiger Tuesday events (example: \$24,000 in 2020);

Designed and sponsored two billboards on I-24;

Purchased multi-colored Ad-

ironclack chairs for the town and park;

Facilitated the installation of free Wi-Fi in Angel Park;

Produced the annual AngelFest children’s event and free concert;

Purchased, installed, and removed LED Christmas lights for all the businesses and the Post Office;

Produced a Light Up the Village tree ceremony at Angel Park with Santa, carolers, hot chocolate and cookies;

Raised money for Housing Sewanee and Angel Park through a reverse raffle every year;

Donated funds to Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary’s Hunger Walk, and Mountain Goat Trail Alliance;

Provided Angel Park to many nonprofits for free;



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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 daytime telephone number with your letter. You may mail it to us at Sewanee Mountain Messenger, P.O. Box 296, Sewanee, TN 37375, come by our office, 418 St. Mary’s Ln., or send your email to <news@sewaneemessenger.com>. —KB



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9 a.m.—noon

Friday—Circulation Day  
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## Upcoming Meetings

### Rotary Club Meetings

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary will not meet on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 or New Year's Eve, Dec. 31. The club will meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 7, via Zoom. Emily Green, the Rotary Scholarship recipient will present the program. On Thursday, Jan. 14, the club will meet at 8 a.m., via Zoom. The program will be on the World Polio Rotary Program, presented by Jason Day. For the Zoom link, email Woody Deutsch <woodybike@mac.com>.

### Monteagle City Council

The Monteagle City Council is scheduled to meet on Monday, Dec. 28, at 6 p.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall.

### Monteagle Regional Planning Commission

The Monteagle Regional Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, Jan. 5, at 6 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall.

### Franklin County School Board

The Franklin County School Board is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Monday, Jan. 11, 2021, at the Board of Education Building, 215 S College St., Winchester.

### Sewanee Community Council

The next meeting of the Community Council is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 11, 2021, at 7 p.m. Items for the agenda should be submitted to the Provost's office by noon on Wednesday, Dec. 30.

### Sewanee Utility District

The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2021, 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.

### Franklin County Commissioners

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2021, in the Franklin County Annex Building.

## The Changing Landscape of U.S. Immigration Policy

In a noon webinar on Monday, Jan. 4, the Academy for Lifelong Learning will host Abby Colbert in a presentation of U.S. immigration policy. During the last four years, the Trump administration has greatly altered the U.S. immigration system, even in the absence of Congressional action on immigration. The president-elect's agenda includes a reversal of these Trump-era policies, and other ambitious immigration reforms. We'll discuss this changing immigration landscape and its impact on our community.

Abby Colbert is the Assistant Counsel for Global Affairs at the University of the South, where she also teaches in the Politics department. She received her B.A. from Haverford College in Pennsylvania,

and a J.D. and an M.A. in International Relations from Boston University. She has practiced immigration law for more than fifteen years, and has represented a wide variety of immigrants as the Managing Attorney of the nonprofit Rian Immigrant Center in Boston and as a volunteer with a number of immigration organizations, including the Political Asylum/Immigration Representation Project and the Legal Aid Society of the Cumberland and Eastern Tennessee.

The Academy is part of the Sewanee Seminar Series. Those wishing to attend this webinar should email <academyforlifelong@sewanee.edu> no later than Friday, Jan. 1. There is no charge for participation.

## Food Distribution and Mobile Health Unit

On Saturday, Jan. 9, the Morton Memorial UMC monthly curbside food distribution will be from 8–10 a.m. Drivers should enter the food distribution line from behind the church where they will be directed to the loading area. Please wear a mask and remain in your vehicle. If you are unable to load your own vehicle, volunteers will be there to assist. The volunteers wear masks and gloves. All are welcome. If this is your first time, you will be asked to complete a short form.

The St. Thomas Mobile Medical Unit will be present from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 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.

## University Job Opportunities

**Exempt Positions:** Associate Dean of Health and Wellness, Wellness Center; Deputy Title IX Coordinator, Title IX; Senior Research Associate, Roberson Project on Slavery, Race, & Reconciliation; Vice Provost, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, Provost's Office.

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For more information call (931) 598-1381. Apply at <jobs.sewanee.edu>.

## Messenger Break

This is the last issue of 2020. 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.

Continue to share your news during this break by email <news@sewaneeemessenger.com> or call the office at 598-9949. Updates will be posted on the Messenger website and Facebook page.

The Messenger staff wishes all happy holidays, a very Merry Christmas, and a safe New Year.

## Letters (from page 2)

through no fault of their own. The development will overwhelm the roads and stress the vulnerable water supply. It will pollute the area with fumes, noise, and light around the clock. Dixie Lee Highway will have literally hundreds of trucks entering and exiting I-24 day and night, changing our quiet community forever.

There is a better way to bring economic development to our region. United to Protect the Plateau is a local nonprofit created to promote economic development that will enhance rather than detract from our beautiful natural landscape and small-town culture. We hope to collaborate with national, regional and local organizations to meet this end. The first order of business must be to stop the TA-Petro plan at the proposed location. We implore local organizations and citizens to join forces to prevent this travesty, while collaborating to develop alternative plans for economic development that are more aligned with the spirit and nature of the South Cumberland Plateau.

Sincerely,  
Lucy Keeble and Susie Lipscomb,  
United to Protect the Plateau

### 37375 THANKS

#### To the Editor:

On behalf of the Sewanee Civic Association and the Sewanee Business Alliance, we want to update the Sewanee community on the status of the SCA/SBA joint effort, the 37375 Campaign, which raised funds for COVID-related health and safety products.

This campaign was devoted to helping to make Sewanee's nonprofit organizations, day care centers, small churches, schools, and SBA member businesses as safe as possible during this terrible pandemic. We all know that Sewanee is one of America's most wonderful small towns, but with this campaign, our aim was to also make Sewanee one of America's safe as possible small towns. More than \$24,000 was raised to purchase safety and health improvements for

these organizations.

Campaign organizers are now purchasing and distributing health and safety items across the town. An earlier letter to the editor thanked the many people who worked so hard in phase one to raise the funds. With this letter, we want to salute those who have moved this campaign to the next level and are now getting health and safety items into the hands of local businesses, schools, and churches.

Seven community leaders representing the University, Sewanee Civic Association, Sewanee Business Alliance, the Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club, and the community confidentially and privately reviewed applications and awarded grants to local organizations. Kate Reed with the Sewanee Community Council Funding Project was a key ally in helping us to find the smartest path forward to meet our common goals. To purchase the items and find the best prices and vendors, we turned to the experts in the business and purchasing divisions of the University. Special thanks to Jimmy Davis and the team at the purchasing department. Shipments of all these products are arriving from vendors all over the USA. Handling the final steps in the process with the actual delivery of the health and safety items directly to the organizations has been the Beavers family. Finally, we want to salute Wall Wofford and the Folks at Home team for organizing a flu shot day. The 37375 Campaign was pleased to be an underwriter. Thank you to everyone.

The 37375 Campaign will have one final round of applications in January 2021. Watch the Sewanee Mountain Messenger for details.

We are proud to be a part of such a special community. And, we are now also proud to be a part of a safer community!

Sincerely,

Brandon Barry, President,  
Sewanee Civic Association  
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# Obituaries

## David Ray Anderson

David “Ray” Anderson, age 35 of Tracy City, died on Dec. 10, 2020, at his home. He was born on June 10, 1985, to Floyd and Patricia Anderson. He was preceded in death by brother Ray Anderson; and sister, Inez Anderson.

He is survived by his parents; and brothers John Anderson, Jeffery Gregg, Jimmy Anderson and Billy Anderson.

Graveside Services were on Dec. 15, 2020 at Plainview Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

## George Parker Butler

George Parker Butler, principal at North Lake Elementary School and life-long resident of Cowan, died of complications of COVID on Dec. 14, 2020 at the age of 73 at Southern Tennessee Regional Medical Center in Winchester. George was born on April 11, 1947 to Claude Butler and Pauline Novak. He graduated from Franklin County High School in 1967. He and his brother then went on to Trevecca Nazarene University. They later received their Master’s Degree in Administration and Supervision from Tennessee State University in 1984. In 1990, he was recognized as a Career Ladder III teacher. George was well known for his dedication to educating children and adults. He began his 49-year career in education teaching and later serving as principal at Belvidere School 1971-1974. In August 1974, he began teaching fifth grade at Clark Memorial School until June 1991. During the 1991-1992 school year, George was appointed as the only principal to serve at North Lake Elementary for 29 years. He was currently serving at North Lake School at the time of his death. In addition to his role in the elementary schools, for many years he taught GED classes in the Adult Basic Education Program at night.

Along with his parents, George is also preceded in death by his sister, Evelyn Lewis. George is survived by his former wife and mother of his children, Sharon Butler; daughter, Lynde (Jimmy) Davis; son, Rhett (Noelle) Butler; twin brother, John (Sandra) Butler; sister, Joyce (Pat) Parrelli; half-sister, Regina (Scott) Robertson; half-brothers, Jeff Butler and Kenneth (Janice) Butler; three grandchildren; and many nieces and nephew.

Private funeral services will be held at North Lake School with burial at Franklin Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to Cowan Church of the Nazarene, 221 Cumberland Street West, Cowan, TN 37318. For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

## Jane Bennett Bridgers-Carlos

Jane Bennett Bridgers-Carlos, age 54, died on Dec. 2, 2020. She was born at Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota, on April 5, 1966, to Sue Ellen and Ben Bridgers, and spent her early childhood in Chapel Hill, N.C., before moving to Sylva, N.C. in 1971. She grew up in St. John’s Episcopal Church.

She attended Fairview School and graduated from St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School in Sewanee. She received a B.A. degree from Hampshire College, Amherst, Mass., an M.F.A. from the Writers’ Workshop at the University of Iowa and a Master of Social Work from Tulane University, New Orleans, La. She

worked as a therapist for several organizations in New Orleans, including Elderly Protective Services and Volunteers of America. She also worked as a consular associate for the U.S. Department of State in Lilongwe, Malawi, and in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Returning to North Carolina, she was a therapist at Analenisgi Clinic in Cherokee. She was a poet, musician, and visual artist. Wherever she lived, she was present, kind, and beloved by all who knew her. At the time of her death, she had a private psychotherapy practice in Sewanee. She was preceded in death by son Quentin Moss; and father, Ben Bridgers.

She is survived by her mother, Sue Ellen Bridgers; son Sean Adam Bridgers-Carlos; daughters, Vanessa Ellen Moss, Sophia Bridgers-Carlos and Ava Bridgers-Carlos; husband, Aaron Bridgers-Carlos; sister, Elizabeth (John) Bridgers; brother, Sean (Rachel) Bridgers; five nieces and three nephews.

Memorial gifts would be gratefully accepted by Center for Domestic Peace, 26 Ridgeway St., NC 28779, or Spring Lake Ranch Therapeutic Community, 1169 Spring Lake Rd., Cuttingsville, VT 05738, or by a charity of your choice.

## Harold Lee Collins

Harold Lee Collins, age 77, died on Dec. 9, 2020, at Southern Tennessee Medical Center, Winchester. He was born on March 6, 1943, in Guntersville, Ala., to Eunice and Girlie Sims Collins. He was a U.S. Army veteran and a member of Airview Baptist Church in Skymont, Tenn. He was also a member of the Local Co-Op, having been a farmer and grower/seller of eggs for many years. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter Drema Gilliam Mann; brothers, Ed Collins, Bill Collins, Lionel Collins and Rufus Collins; sisters, Della Faye Evans, Lucille Rhodes and Dorthy Mae Sanders.

He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Linda “Sue” Collins; sons, Ted (Mary Ann Meeks) Gilliam and Fred Gilliam; daughters, Michelle (Bob) Andrews and Vicky Anderson; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services were on Dec. 12, 2020, from the Chapel of Foster and Lay Funeral home. Interment followed in Plainview Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

## Bobby McBee

Bobby McBee, age 71 of Stevenson, Ala., died on Dec. 14, 2020, at Huntsville Hospital. He was born on Oct. 2, 1949, in Anderson, Tenn., to Leonard and Linnie McBee. He was a 1968 graduate of Franklin County High School. He retired from CSX Railroad after 39 years of service. He is preceded in death by his parents; sister Juanita McBee; and his brothers, George McBee and Glenn McBee.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Brenda Reed McBee; daughter, Lisa (Jeff) Taylor; son, Robbie McBee; sisters Mary Lou McCarver, Betty Sue Rollins, and Carlyne Garner; sisters-in-law, Betty Shelton and Jane Creviston; brother-in-law, Cecil Reed; three grandchildren, many nieces, nephews and other relatives, and canine family members, Sam and Daisy.

Funeral services were on Dec. 17, 2020, from the Chapel of Scottsboro Funeral Home. Interment followed in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Special thanks to family and friends for prayers and the COVID unit at Huntsville Hospital. For complete obituary go to <www.

scottsborofuneralhome.com>

## Robert Roddy Jr.

Robert Roddy, Jr., age 63, of Coalmont, died on Dec. 10, 2020, at his home. He was born on Jan. 14, 1957, to Robert and Billie Ruth Roddy Sr. He loved being outdoors, hunting, fishing and hiking. He was the baseball MVP of Grundy County High School Class of 1975, and his passion for the game continued throughout his life. He was preceded in death

by brother Russell Roddy.

He is survived by son, Corey Roddy; daughter, Tiffany (Greg) Unger; brothers Bill (Doris) Roddy and Joseph Roddy; and sister, Rhonda Kay Roddy.

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, no services are scheduled at this time. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Tennessee State Parks at <https://reserve.tnstateparks.com/donate>. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

# 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. Morning Prayer, Sunday, Dec. 20 and 27

10:45 a.m. Epiphany Service, Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021

11 a.m. Christmas Day Holy Communion, Friday, Dec. 25

noon Service, Wednesday

5 p.m. Christmas Eve Holy Communion with Carols, Thursday, Dec. 24

## Christ Church, Tracy City (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

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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.

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

## 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

# 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 thanks viewers, as we count more than 500 views of our Service of Lessons and Carols since last Sunday. Facebook is controversial with some people, but we

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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. Holy Eucharist Rite II, in person & via Zoom, Sunday

6 p.m. Christmas Eve Eucharist, Rite II, in person & via Zoom, Thursday, Dec. 24

6:30 p.m. Book Study, Wednesday, Dec. 23

## St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

(meeting at Good Shepherd, Decherd)

## Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

## Tracy City First Baptist Church

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

## 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



## In Memory of Madeline Reynolds Adams

Madeline Reynolds Adams of Beersheba Springs passed away peacefully in Atlanta, Georgia on November 21, 2020, surrounded by family and with her devoted husband of 65 years by her side. She was born on February 3, 1934 in Nashville, Tennessee. The only child of Edith Horne Reynolds and John Rook Reynolds, she attended Parmer Elementary, Ward Belmont, and was a member of the first graduating class of Harpeth Hall School. She went on to Vanderbilt University, where she studied Psychology and English. She was an officer of Kappa Alpha Theta, a member of Mortar Board, and active at Westminster House, where she met the love of her life, Howell Elliott Adams, Jr. They married on June 2, 1955. Soon afterwards they moved to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where Howell was stationed as an officer in the U.S. Navy. Madeline had always dreamed of having a big family, and their first child was born in 1956 with four more to follow. In 1960, Madeline and Howell settled permanently with their young family in Atlanta.

Madeline's deep Christian faith and service to her community through her church were guiding principles of her life. She served as an ordained elder and taught Sunday School at Trinity Presbyterian Church. She was committed to congregational life, including serving as president of the Women of the Church, founding the Wedding Committee, and organizing both the Pastor's Aid Committee and the Young Couples Club.

In addition to serving as leader of her two younger daughters' Girl Scout troops, Madeline was honored to serve on the Board of the Northwest Georgia Girl Scout Council. She took great pride in the ways that the Girl Scouts was increasingly centering its mission on leadership opportunities for girls.

Madeline found great joy in the outdoors. She loved camping with her scout troops, gardening, going to the beach, and hiking near her family's beloved retreat in Beersheba Springs, Tennessee. She had a natural talent for flower arranging, color, and a deep appreciation of beauty in all its forms. Madeline had an exquisite sense of style and loved nothing more than finding great fashion at steep discount, thriving in the sociable setting of Loehmann's Back Room.

Madeline excelled at the piano as a child and was a lifelong lover of music. She was the driving force behind their avid and enthusiastic support of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra.

As Howell's steadfast partner in life and work, Madeline channeled her many talents into supporting the Georgia Trane business community. She directed their incentive travel program for customers and staff, including a trip to Paris for 240 people. Her warm and vivacious personality made Madeline a natural hostess.

As an only child, Madeline delighted in joining Howell's large and ebullient extended family and gathering together in Beersheba, where she loved to hike, picnic, and collect wildflowers. She cherished her many friendships, including those from Trinity Church, the "Potluck," Sewing Club, Garden Club, and the Grundy County Rotary Club.

One of Madeline's greatest acts of love was the care she devoted to her daughter Madeline Dabney, who was diagnosed with leukemia at the age of 21 and died at the age of 24.

In her later years, Madeline developed Alzheimer's, a journey she navigated with grace, courage, resilience, and good humor. The family is profoundly grateful for the skillful and incredibly loving care provided by the staff at Canterbury Court, who mirrored Howell's devotion to "my precious Madeline."

Madeline is survived by her beloved husband Howell; her children Edith (Don), Howell (Elizabeth), John (Anne), and Elizabeth (Alex); 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Madeline was predeceased by her parents and her daughter Madeline.

Madeline and Howell supported a great many charitable causes, but two in particular were especially important to Madeline: the Emory Alzheimer's Research Center and Blue Monarch, a residential recovery program for abused and addicted women along with their children. Through its God-centered approach, it has transformed the lives of hundreds of women and children.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a gift in Madeline's memory. The family suggests either: Blue Monarch <[www.bluemonarch.org](http://www.bluemonarch.org)>, P.O. Box 1207, Monteagle TN 37356, or earmarked for "The Adams Family Alzheimer's Research Fund" at the Goizueta Alzheimer's Research Disease Center; Office of Gift Records, Emory University, 1762 Clifton Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30322.



## Church (from page 4)–

have found it helpful in including home-bound people and making new friends around the globe.

On the Fourth Sunday in Advent, we will have a service of Morning Prayer. On Christmas Eve, our service is Holy Communion with traditional carols. It begins at 5 p.m. On Christmas Day there is a service of Holy Communion at 11 a.m., with music.

Due to precautions still needed in this pandemic, we have scaled back our Christmas Eve Feast, but we still will have food and fellowship following each service.

### Cowan Churches Invite All to Christmas Services

Christmas Service and Reception, 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 20, at **New Creation Ministries**. Come for a pleasant time of worship and fellowship. New Creation is located at Old Rayburn Chapel, 205 S. Sycamore St., Cowan.

Candlelight Family Communion Service, 6:15 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 20, at **Cowan First Baptist Church**. All are invited to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior in this special time of worship. First Baptist is located at 316 W. Cumberland St., Cowan.

Christmas Eve Service, 4 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 24, at **St. Agnes' Episcopal Church**. We will celebrate The Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord with a traditional evening service.

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service, 5 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 24, at **Cowan Fellowship Church**. Join us to celebrate the reason for the season. Cowan Fellowship is located at 609 E. Cumberland St., Cowan.

Christmas Eve Communion, 5 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 24, at **Cowan Cumberland Presbyterian Church**. Come and celebrate the birth of our savior Cowan C.P. is located at 206 W. Cowan St., Cowan.

### Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Good Shepherd Catholic Church will celebrate the Christmas Vigil Mass at 5 p.m., Dec. 24, Christmas Day Mass at 10 a.m., Dec. 25, and Mass on Jan. 1 at 10 a.m. The two 10 a.m. Masses will be available livestreamed on Zoom. See the website <[goodshepherdtn.com](http://goodshepherdtn.com)> for details. All services are at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Decherd.



One seat on the Sewanee Utility District's board of commissioners is up for election in January 2021.

Nomination is by petition. Prospective candidates should contact the Election Coordinator via the SUD office, 598-5611, or submit a petition with 10 SUD customer signatures by Jan. 4, 2021.

Voting for the SUD commissioner election begins Jan. 4 and will continue through Jan. 19 at the SUD office, 150 Sherwood Rd., Sewanee, during regular business hours, Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

For more information or to pick up a petition, go to the office at 150 Sherwood Rd. [www.sewaneeutility.org](http://www.sewaneeutility.org)

### 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. 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](mailto: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](mailto:admin@oteyparish.org)>. The office will be closed Dec. 23–25, and Jan. 1.

There will be Christmas Eve services at 4:30 p.m. and 10 p.m.

### St. Mary's Sewanee

St. Mary's Sewanee hosts two Zoom-based Centering Prayer support groups. The Tuesday group gathers at 3:30 p.m. The Wednes-

day group meets at 4 p.m. For login information and other details, please email <[admin@stmarys-sewanee.org](mailto:admin@stmarys-sewanee.org)>.

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.

The Full Day Centering Prayer Retreat will be Saturday, Jan. 9. Centering Prayer is a form of Christian silent meditation where one lets go of thoughts during periods of prayer typically lasting 20 minutes. It is rooted in the self-emptying love that forms the heart of Jesus' teaching and life. The effect on those who practice it is an ever-increasing awareness of God's action and presence in the course of ordinary life.

The Haiku Program will be offered Friday, Jan. 15 through Sunday, Jan. 17.

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



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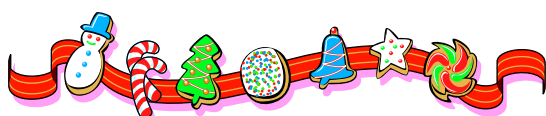
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## TDH Announces Testing Schedule Change

*Self-testing available as TDH prepares for vaccine administration*

Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) COVID-19 testing sites across the state will begin offering self-testing kits to adults three days a week starting Dec. 21, to allow staff members to transition to vaccination of frontline health care providers and first responders. Local county health departments will continue to offer COVID-19 testing five days a week at no charge for anyone who wishes to be tested.

"We're making this transition so our Department of Health staff can assist with administration of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines," said Tennessee Health Commissioner Lisa Piercey, MD, MBA, FAAP. "State-run health departments currently collect an average of only 16 percent of all COVID-19 tests statewide, and our change will not affect the wide availability of testing through private providers in Tennessee. While the arrival of vaccines is

welcome, it is imperative that we not let up on basic best practices and continue to protect each other by wearing masks, practicing social distancing and staying home when sick."

The new COVID-19 self-tests will be offered to adults on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays beginning Dec. 21. On these days, public health staff members at each TDH COVID-19 testing site will provide self-testing kits to adults who wish to be tested. Individuals will remain in their vehicles while completing paperwork and collecting their samples. Health departments will submit the samples for testing.

Adults tested with the new self-tests will register and receive their results online. The self-tests are not approved for use in children under age 18. Children and adults unable to register online can still receive the standard nasal swab COVID-19 tests on Tuesdays and

Thursdays.

Test results may be available within 72 hours of arrival at the lab, depending on the volume of tests the testing lab receives. Information will be provided to participants at testing locations on what they can expect after being tested. This information is also available online at <[www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/health/documents/cedep/novel-coronavirus/TestingGuidance.pdf](http://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/health/documents/cedep/novel-coronavirus/TestingGuidance.pdf)>.

COVID-19 testing is widely available in Tennessee from local health departments and other health care providers. To find a testing site go to <<https://covid19.tn.gov/testing-sites/>>. Hours of operation and contact information are provided for each site.

TDH county health departments will be closed and will not offer COVID-19 testing Dec. 24-25 and Dec. 31, 2020-Jan. 1, 2021 in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

### 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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Season's Greetings



## Sewanee Community Chest Spotlight: Animal Harbor & MARC

The 2021-21 Sewanee Community Chest (SCC) Fund Drive is underway. Sponsored by the Sewanee Civic Association, the SCC raises money yearly for local charitable organizations serving the area. This year's goal of \$98,390 will help 19 local 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. Currently, 35 percent of the goal has been raised in donations and pledges.

This week we shine the spotlight on the two animal rescue organizations, Animal Harbor and Marion Animal Resource Connection.

Animal Harbor is a limited-admission animal shelter facility serving Franklin County, Tennessee. It is operated by members of The Franklin County Humane Society, a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization.

The purpose of Animal Harbor 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. 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.

Animal Harbor is requesting \$3,000 to help them rescue and find homes for abandoned animals. The average direct and indirect cost of vetting and caring for (housing, feeding, and staff care, operation costs) a dog in 2019 was \$449, while the average cost of vetting and caring for a cat was \$470. The average animal stay at the shelter in 2019 was more than two months for dogs and more than three months for cats. This cost of additional stay guarantees these animals are protected, emotionally cared for, and provided medical treatment and preventions until the best fit adopter can be found.

Marion Animal Resource Connection (MARC) is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization of volunteer citizens concerned about the welfare of animals. MARC was created to assist people and animals live more humanely in Marion County, Tennessee, and to help ease the social burden of too many stray dogs and cats.

Through its directors and

volunteers, MARC provides education for children and adults about humane care and treatment of animals. MARC connects people with affordable spay/neuter procedures to begin decreasing the number of unwanted and costly litters. MARC works with county and town governments to prevent needless killing of impounded dogs and cats. MARC works with individuals and other animal groups to try to find good homes for unwanted dogs and cats.

MARC is not a shelter. MARC can only save the number of animals for which we have foster homes. MARC is a resource to help Marion County residents find safe places for strays, dumped, and unwanted animals. Residents who call MARC for help will be encouraged to foster the animals, while we work hard hopefully to find a place to relocate the animals. During 2019, MARC served 2,113 animals.

MARC is requesting \$7,000 to help offset the costs of spaying and neutering, vetting and rehoming animals from Sewanee and surrounding areas of Franklin, Grundy and Marion counties. The average cost for one animal to be spayed/neutered is \$70. To provide the rescue animals with other surgeries, usually orthopedic or teeth cleaning procedures, averages costs of \$300 each. To provide heartworm-treatment averages \$300 each.

Since 1908, the goal of the Sewanee Community Chest has been to help citizens by funding the community. The Sewanee Community Chest 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 give through PayPal, go to <www.sewaneeccivc.org>.

## Master Gardener Application Deadline is Jan. 11

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The Tennessee Master Gardener Program is a volunteer service program that serves state citizens with home horticulture information and trains and certifies volunteers who provide community service through county extension offices.

Topics include environmental stewardship, botany, soils, landscape design, woody ornaments, backyard fruits, insect pests, plant diseases, turf and weed management, vegetable gardening, and pollinators and wildlife. Presenters include University of Tennessee Extension specialists and area experts.

Applications and more information can be found at <tiny.utk.edu/MarionMGs>. Applications are due at the Marion County Extension Office by Jan. 11. Applicants will be notified of acceptance to the program by Jan. 22. The cost is \$150. Deadline for payment (online, mail or in-person) is Jan. 29.

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## Sewanee Operation Noel

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. Applications were due on Dec. 14.

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 to those who applied in the large parking lot beside Cravens Hall, 435 Kentucky Ave., on Wednesday, Dec. 23, from 9–11 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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by Grady Mangrum, age 9

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Nation.  
And social distancing isn't happy, but Covid is  
Violent.  
In times of Pandemic,  
Renovate happiness by  
Using love and joy.  
Sing with gladness.

It is tiring, but the best way is to  
Sing in harmony with each other.

Read books of joy,  
Even in the darkest times.  
All shall  
Let each other in when this is over.

Spelling  
Onomatopoeia is a good distraction.

Fight Covid by masking and social distancing.  
It will help.  
Giraffing around (Being Lazy) is appropriate.  
High on the Mountain of Sewanee.  
Take Covid and add love, the love banishes Covid.

## New Partnership and Grant Will Fund Internships, Address Rural Public Health Challenges

Earlier this year, Sewanee was accepted as one of only two liberal arts colleges in New America's Public Interest Technology University Network; other members of the network are primarily research universities in urban settings. Now Sewanee has been named as one of 25 winners of a 2020 Network Challenge grant, and the only liberal arts college to receive one of this year's grants.

Public interest technology (PIT) pulls knowledge from multiple fields—including engineering, data science, public policy, the social sciences, and the humanities—to help find solutions to society's most pressing issues in an equitable, inclusive way.

New America has partnered with 37 universities to develop the academic field of public interest technology, working with communities and social change organizations to develop a new generation of undergraduates who have a passion for social change and seek careers in public interest technology. "Sewanee is delighted to be a member of this innovative network addressing the urgent challenges in our society," said Jim Peterman, the University's director of civic engagement.

Sewanee has an established program in public interest work, with dozens of civic engagement internships funded each year, and plans to add PIT internships to this existing collection. The University has a record of distinction and effective partnerships in public interest work in a rural setting.

The grant will be used to build data analytics and technology capacity to address public health challenges in underserved communities of Tennessee. Assistant Professor of Biology Clint Smith and Professor of Politics Amy Patterson will head up this program that will leverage existing faculty expertise, current relationships with community organizations, and an institutional partnership with Meharry Medical College in Nashville. Sewanee faculty and students will gain new skill in biostatistics and epidemiology through study at Meharry, and then will design a research project that involves researchers from both schools to address a public health challenge in both rural and urban areas.

The University also will pilot a data analysis institute for College faculty and students. It will follow a model created by Rayid Ghani, C'99, and implemented at the University of Chicago and Carnegie Mellon's "Data Science for Social Good" programs. The Sewanee Public Interest Data Analysis Institute will be led by Associate Professor of Mathematics Matthew Rudd, and will identify four public interest projects to be addressed by student and faculty teams.

The Public Interest Technology University Network is a partnership of colleges and universities convened by New America, the Ford Foundation, and the Hewlett Foundation. The PIT-UN is dedicated to building the nascent field of public interest technology through curriculum development, faculty research opportunities, and experiential learning programs, in order to inspire a new generation of civic-minded technologists and policy leaders.

## Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccination Arriving in Tennessee, Next Steps Announced

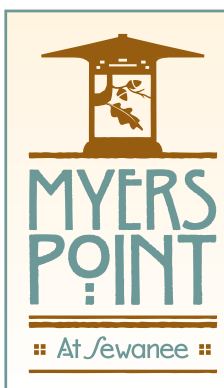
The Tennessee Department of Health announced the state has received its first shipment of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine ahead of statewide shipment on Dec. 17. The state obtained an early shipment of 975 doses to hold as an emergency backup supply should any receiving hospital's supply be damaged.

With the Emergency Use Authorization issued by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and recommendations released by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or ACIP, Tennessee anticipates receipt of 56,550 doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine this week. Vaccines should be shipped on Dec. 16 for delivery to 28 sites covering 74 Tennessee hospitals on Dec. 17. Tennessee expects a second shipment of 56,500 doses of this vaccine approximately three weeks later.

"We have been preparing for months to distribute approved vaccines and we believe this will be a safe and effective tool in the fight against COVID-19," said Tennessee Health Commissioner Lisa Piercey, MD, MBA, FAAP. "Our initial supplies of this vaccine are limited, but we are in constant contact with hospitals to prepare administration for our front-line health care workers and long-term care facility residents and staff who choose to receive it."

The first and second Pfizer vaccine shipments will be used to provide first and second vaccine doses to individuals qualifying for Phase 1a1, as detailed in the COVID-19 Vaccination Plan for Tennessee <[https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/health/documents/cedep/novel-coronavirus/COVID-19\\_Vaccination\\_Plan.pdf](https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/health/documents/cedep/novel-coronavirus/COVID-19_Vaccination_Plan.pdf)>. This plan was last updated Dec. 2 and will be modified as more is learned about the vaccines Tennessee will receive.

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## 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. 21:** Cheeseburger, onion rings.

**Tuesday, Dec. 22:** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, corn salad, roll.

**Wednesday, Dec. 23:** Grilled chicken salad, crackers.

**Thursday, Dec. 24 & Friday, Dec. 25:** Center Closed.

**Monday, Dec. 28:** Sweet and sour chicken, rice, egg roll.

**Tuesday, Dec. 29:** Black bean chili, grilled cheese.

**Wednesday, Dec. 30:** Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, green beans.

**Thursday, Dec. 31:** Chicken casserole, salad, roll.

**Friday, Jan. 1, 2021:** Center closed.

**Monday, Jan. 4:** Pork chop, macaroni & cheese, green beans, roll.

**Tuesday, Jan. 5:** Yellow split pea soup, salad.

**Wednesday, Jan. 6:** Chicken pot pie, salad.

**Thursday, Jan. 7:** Roast beef, mashed potatoes, broccoli/cheese, roll.

**Friday, Jan. 8:** Creamed chipped beef on toast, green beans.

**Monday, Jan. 11:** Chili, pimento cheese sandwich.

**Tuesday, Jan. 12:** Salmon, pinto beans, macaroni & tomatoes, cornbread.

**Wednesday, Jan. 13:** Ham, mashed potatoes, veggie blend, roll.

**Thursday, Jan. 14:** Vegetable soup, ham & cheese sandwich.

**Friday, Jan. 15:** Stuffed pepper, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll.

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

The Sewanee Senior Center does not charge any membership fee. All persons 50 or older who take part in any of the activities are considered members.

## University Academic Calendar

The University of the South has announced changes to the Easter term schedule. These dates are subject to change. There are plans to hold in-person Commencement exercises; the decision will be finalized in the spring as we assess the health situation at the University, in the local community, and beyond.

For the college:

Feb. 1, 2021: First day of classes

May 12: Last day of classes

May 14-20: Final exams

May 23: Commencement for the Class of 2021

May 30: Commencement for the Class of 2020

Three reading days have been built into the schedule—March 3, March 31, and April 28—when no classes will be held. However, there will be no spring break in order to minimize the risk to campus associated with increased travel.

For the School of Theology:

Feb. 1, 2021: First day of classes

May 5: Last day of classes

May 6-12: Final exams

May 16: Commencement for the Class of 2021 (Sunday)

Reading days will be held on Feb. 17 (Ash Wednesday) and March 31 (Wednesday in Holy Week).

## SAS Academic Calendar

St. Andrew's-Sewanee has decided to make two changes to the Spring Calendar. Christmas Break will be one week longer and Spring Break will be one week shorter.

Sunday, Jan. 10, Boarders (who have left campus) return to quarantine

Monday, Jan. 11, Classes resume online

Tuesday, Jan. 12 COVID-19 testing for boarders/athletes

Wednesday, Jan. 13-Friday, Jan. 15, COVID-19 testing for day students

Monday, Jan. 18, Classes resume in-person

Monday, March 8-Sunday, March 14, Spring Break

Sunday, March 14, Boarders return to quarantine

Monday, March 15, Classes resume online

Tuesday, March 16, Testing for boarders/spring athletes

Wednesday, March 17-Friday, March 19, COVID-19 testing for day students

Monday, March 22, Classes resume in-person

Thursday, May 13 Classes end

Saturday, May 15-Sunday, May 16, Commencement Weekend

## ABRIEF HISTORY

by Sally Hubbard

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

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

In 1968 there was an Open Session, with women invited, to discuss whether to admit female students to the college. There were of course objections that to do so would change the character of the college. Waring McCrady remembers Chaplain David Collins' mother, Mrs. Moise, arguing seriously in opposition to admitting women. She thought it would be unfair to the women because of the inevitable frustration when they left academia and returned to domesticity. A different argument, that women don't like the segregated life and artificiality of being on a pedestal, was mystifying to James Avent, retired Head of Buildings and Lands, who insisted that his wife loved being on a pedestal and that women would not want to come and suffer the trials of men's lives. Nonetheless, women arrived in 1969, putting an end to 60 years of discussing a possible special college for them.

For EQB's centennial year, 1970, my father, Edward McCrady agreed to preside, and he worked hard to bolster interest in the Club. It was increasingly harder to get young professors to take time from their serious professional paper writing to come up with serious presentations in other fields. He wanted to stimulate Sewanee's liberal arts breadth and also to promote inter-departmental contacts, yet the faculty who did come to the luncheons tended to sit at tables with other faculty from their own departments. Rules were loosened so that a biology professor was allowed to give a paper on mice. Some still went by the old tradition but the intellectual levels of learned research and critical discussion slowly sank to more popular subjects (an English professor did give a paper on Mozart, but a physics professor gave a paper on fire-fighting, a botanist gave a paper on life in New Zealand, and a sabbatical returnee showed slides of his boat tour of Alaska, etc.). When my brother, Waring, was president he convinced the Vice-Chancellor and the college Dean to credit EQB papers as publications to be counted towards getting tenure, but that local incentive never really caught on. A new head of the Student Post Office (SPO) applied the literalism of his master-sergeant personality and decreed that the EQB, not being an official University organization, could not have free usage of the SPO and must put stamps on every notice. Waring arranged to have Vice-Chancellor Bennett proclaim the EQB to be an official faculty club, which at least solved that one problem.

Transitions proved easy. When black professors came, they were admitted, as were later women professors (with ironic awareness that the University had accepted black students before it accepted girls and the club took in black members before women, and just as the church had long ordained black men before it did any woman, and the nation later had a black President before having a female one). Memberships were no longer voted on, and minutes of meetings no longer included the content of the previous meeting's presentation.

More and more guests were allowed to attend, and eventually owning its own building and paying all the bills proved once again too much for the club. At the time of the basement fire, the EQB took the insurance money and transferred both the funds and the building to the University, which used the downstairs as a dorm and French House for a few years. The understanding was that as an official Club of the University it would have use of the upstairs for a meeting place in perpetuity. But shortly after the EQB House was sold to the University, meetings moved to the Sewanee Inn Hearth Room, where there was better parking. By this time membership swelled with retirees and spouses, and the "faculty club" idea had almost completely faded away, leaving only the popular speeches, the luncheons, and occasional seasonal parties (especially the annual Kentucky Derby gala which had grown steadily since its adoption in the late 1970s. There was increasing controversy and confusion about who would set up tables and chairs at the Inn. Although the club was still a University event, support was minimal and unpredictable. Many times the members had to set up the tables and they always brought the silverware and table cloths and took them home to be washed. Such meetings continued regularly at the Sewanee Inn until 2012.

EQB found a new home at St. Mary's Sewanee in 2013. IRS forms were submitted in 2014 making EQB a nonprofit corporation. According to Frank Hart's meeting notes, EQB still had an official relationship with the University in 2015. Executive Chef Emily Wallace's menus and fresh colorful recipes, the Center's willingness to provide a projector and screen, and convenient parking, make St. Mary's Sewanee a most comfortable and pleasant home for the Club after its years of moving from pillar to post. Behold how good it is for EQB to meet in unity at St. Mary's! May the Retreat Center survive the Covid crisis and invite us back in 2021-22.

*Information is from Laurence Alvarez, selections from cited books, meeting minutes from 2009-2016, and Waring McCrady.*




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Cooley's Rift Lot 57	2151255	\$99,000
Bear Ct., .51 ac, #18	2130056	\$29,000
Bear Ct., .5 ac, #19	2130059	\$29,000
Bear Ct., .58 ac, #20	2130058	\$29,000
13 Browbend Dr., 1.9ac	2130040	\$54,000
14 Browbend Dr., 1.5 ac	2130051	\$54,000
8 Jackson Pt. Rd. 5.09 ac	2115740	\$36,000
1159 Sassafras Ct., Lot 5	2072615	\$59,000



## 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 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 Dec. 24 and 25 for Christmas. The Bookstore will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. They will be open the Saturday, Dec. 26 from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. They will be open on New Year's Eve and Day.

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.

## Sewanee Business Information

Downtown Sewanee is doing its part to protect the entire community. Businesses are following state and CDC guidelines. As a reminder, there is a mask mandate on the Sewanee Domain.

**1866 Revival** will be open until 3 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Closed Christmas Day. They will be open Dec. 26–27, and then closed Dec. 28 through Jan. 27. Call (931) 463-5001 for more information.

**Beauty by Tabitha** will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. The month of January will be by appointment only. Call for an appointment 598-5800.

**Bodyworks Youniversity** will be holding all regularly scheduled classes at the American Legion Hall in Sewanee. Zoom will also be used to participate in the class virtually. Bodyworks will be closed Dec. 24–Jan. 4. Regular schedule in January. Call (423) 322-1443 or email <[kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com](mailto:kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com)>.

**Fine Arts on the Mountain** in Sewanee will be continuing lessons at the store in a new socially distanced rehearsal room. Store hours are Monday–Friday 10 a.m.–6 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Fine Arts at the Mountain holiday hours: Christmas Eve, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.; closed Christmas; open Saturday, Dec. 26, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 27 closed; and closed New Year's Day. <<http://fineartsatthemountain.com>>.

**Frame Gallery** in Sewanee will be closed Dec 25-28. Open Dec 29–31 and closed Jan. 1–31.

**Hair Depot** be open Tuesday December 22, then closing Dec. 23 until Jan. 6. Call for an appointment, 598-0033.

**Mooney's Market & Emporium** will be offering curbside pickup at the store. Hours are Monday–Sunday, 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Mooney's is now only allowing two people in the store at one time. There is an option for delivery service. Mooney's closes at 2 p.m. on Christmas Eve, Closed all day Christmas Day, open New Year's Eve. Call at (931) 924-7400.

**Regions Bank** in Sewanee is open until noon, Christmas Eve, until 2 p.m. on New Year's Eve, and closed both Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

**Shenanigans** is open for dine-in, take-out, curbside, and delivery service. Shenanigans will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Call (931) 598-5774 for the holiday schedule. <<http://www.shenanigans1974.square.site/>>.

**Taylor's Mercantile** is open 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Tuesday–Saturday. They will be open Christmas Eve 10 a.m. until the last customer is served. They will be closed Christmas Day. Call 598-5893 for more information.

**The Blue Chair** will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Call ahead for takeout or curbside pickup, 598-5434. <<http://www.thebluechair.com>>.

**The Lemon Fair** is cautiously open Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.–4 p.m. Call (931) 598-5248 for local pickup and delivery. There is an option to shop online at <<http://thelemonfair.com>>.

**The Sewanee Market** carries an expanded range of foods, snacks, non-alcoholic beverages, beer, tobacco and vaping items, non-prescription health needs, fresh-baked pizza (call ahead at (931) 598-5700 or order in-store), and more. They are open 7 a.m.–8:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m.–8:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. The Market is located at 28 Lake O'Donnell Rd., across Hwy. 41 from Shenanigans. All credit cards are accepted.

**Woody's Bicycles** in Sewanee is open Tuesday–Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Woody's will be closed Christmas Eve until Tuesday, Jan. 5. Call 598-9793. <<https://www.woodysbicycles.com>>.

## CFMT Awards More Than \$2.4 Million in Grants to 350 Nonprofit Organizations

The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee, a charitable organization dedicated to enriching the quality of life in 40 Middle Tennessee counties and beyond, announces \$2,426,677 in grants to 350 local nonprofit organizations as part of the 2020 annual grant-making process.

The grants will benefit nonprofit organizations in 29 area counties: Bedford, Cannon, Cheatham, Coffee, Cumberland, Davidson, DeKalb, Dickson, Fentress, Franklin, Hickman, Houston, Humphreys, Lawrence, Lincoln, Maury, Montgomery, Moore, Pickett, Putnam, Robertson, Rutherford, Stewart, Sumner, Trousdale, Warren, White, Williamson and Wilson counties.

Grants will serve a wide range of causes, including: food security, arts and humanities, conservation and preservation, environment, education, employment and training, health and human services, housing, economic welfare, and community development.

The average grant size was \$6,933.

In January 2020, The Community Foundation marked \$1 billion in giving to nonprofits across the 40 counties of Middle Tennessee and beyond since its inception in 1991.

“The Community Foundation is honored to connect generosity with need through these annual grants and through other avenues throughout the year, but we couldn't have the impact we do without the many nonprofits offering solutions to our community's needs and vital services to our neighbors,” said Ellen Lehman, president of The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee. “Thanks to the generous support of our donors, and the work of dedicated and talented nonprofits, we are able to fund solutions which address Middle Tennessee's emerging needs and opportunities.”

Grant recipients in Franklin County are:

Franklin County Educational Foundation for Excellence. To provide resources to Franklin County High School's recently formed choral program and its enrolled students.

Franklin County Humane Society/Animal Harbor. To provide complete veterinary and emotional care for rescued homeless pets and find these animals new homes.

Good Samaritan Ministries of Franklin County, Inc. The primary mission is to provide food boxes and utility assistance for needy families in Franklin County.

Ziggy's Tree Wildlife Rehabilitation Center. To provide care for Tennessee's orphaned and injured native wildlife with the goal of returning them to their natural habitats.

For a complete list of 2020 grant recipients and more information on the grant process, go to <[www.cfmt.org/grantrecipients](http://www.cfmt.org/grantrecipients)>. And to learn about more than 1,900 of Middle Tennessee's nonprofits and the wonderful work they do, go to CFMT initiative <[GivingMatters.com](http://GivingMatters.com)>.

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# SEWANEENOW AND THEN

*Sewanee Trust for Historic Preservation*



Many will remember the feast that Scrooge sends to the hungry Cratchit family. Just as in the London of Charles Dickens, roast goose and plum pudding had a place at Christmas dinners in the South before the Civil War. The Christmas menus below are from the The Sewanee Cookbook (first edition, 1926) compiled and with an introduction by Marina Kirkman Woods known as "Miss Queenie" and illustrated with drawings by Charlotte Moffett Gailor, "Miss Charlotte."

The first menu is Mrs. Stephen Elliott's "Christmas Dinner in Georgia Before the War." The meal began with terrapin soup and zephyrinas (flat baked crackers). Next came baked sheephead in cream sauce followed by dressed turkey and baked ham. Both Irish and candied sweet potatoes were served, along with bowls of rice with salsify, a root vegetable not often seen today. Braised celery in cream and teal duck salad were on the menu. Desserts were many and lavish: plum pudding, fruitcake, almond custard, charlotte russe, and assorted figs, nuts, and raisins. Beverages were claret cup punch and champagne.

At Oak Hill Plantation, home of Jacob Thompson, later War Governor of Mississippi, the custom was to serve not just turkey and ham, but venison and "the festively decorated pig roasted with bright red apples in its mouth," in the words of Miss Queenie. "Every youngster at the Christmas feast was overjoyed to see the little piggy borne in on a platter, presented with much fanfare and placed in honor near the turkey." Desserts were elaborate: floating island, plum pudding, Lady Baltimore cake, fruitcake, pecan crusted pound cake, a huge bowl of eggnog, and country syllabub.

Readers of this article who might wish to make syllabub are directed to a Charleston recipe of 1839: "Mix a half pound of sugar, a pint of fine cider or white wine, and a grating of nutmeg in a large bowl. Take the mixture to the cow where three pints will be milked into it, stirring occasionally. Eat immediately, before the froth subsides, and add a little brandy to improve the mix."

A Christmas dinner in pre-War Virginia included wild Mallard duck, turkey, ham, and venison with currant jelly. Before dinner, every man was offered a hot toddy to take off the chill of the day. One wonders what was offered to the ladies present.

A special Christmas treat in Tennessee between 1849-1925 was spiced round, said to be invented in Davidson County. A round of beef was brined for several weeks, much like corned beef or pastrami. Spikes of fat were inserted into the meat before cooking, making a checkerboard pattern when carved. Leftover spiced round could be enjoyed for weeks after the Yuletide season sliced paper thin served on wheat bread with mustard pickle. In addition to spiced round, beaten biscuits with Tennessee country ham might be served. The finale would be a holly-topped plum pudding flamed with cognac. Citrus fruits and fresh coconut were rarities in the upland South, especially in winter. Ambrosia, a Christmas specialty, was a cold compote of oranges, grapefruit, cherries and coconut.

In Mobile, before the War, Christmas dinner might start with crab gumbo and oysters from Mobile Bay followed by baked striped bass in truffle sauce. In New Orleans, a Christmas dinner in 1881 featured oysters and pompano, as well as gumbo. Sweetbreads must have been more popular then than now: seven recipes for sweetbreads are found in the first edition of the Sewanee cookbook including one made with sherry and wild mushrooms. Special imports arriving at Southern port cities added delicacies to the local menu: Rhine wine, sherry, Spanish olives, fresh pineapples and kirsch for flavoring orange sherbet might be on the Christmas table in New Orleans, where fresh vegetables such as cauliflower, okra, cucumbers and spinach were available even in winter. For dessert French champagne would accompany elaborate biscuit glacé concoctions used as centerpiece for the table.

At the conclusion of her "Virginia Dinner in the Years Before the War," Miss Mary Buchanan, niece of President Zachary Taylor, offers these words: "Don't let the old life fade away for this makeshift of today."

We hope these treats from the long ago South will inspire your own Christmas and make your meal anything but makeshift. Blessings of the season to one and all!

*Graphic from the Sewanee Cook Book, New Edition, 1958*

## The Caverns Brings Joy to Grundy County Kids with Annual Toy Drive

The Caverns, a concert venue and cave tour attraction in Pelham, continued its annual Toy Drive tradition in partnership with the Pelham Valley Volunteer Fire Department.

Despite having a tough year along with music venues nationwide, countless small businesses and almost everyone, The Caverns remained committed to its annual effort to bring joy to local families no matter what else is happening around the world.

"For the last seven years we have been fortunate to facilitate an annual toy drive with support from our concert-goers to support local youth," says Joe Lurgio, The Caverns general manager. "In the last two years since we moved to Grundy County, we have partnered with the Pelham Valley Volunteer Fire Department to get the toys into the hands of local youth."

This year without concert-goers to donate toys, The Caverns asked people coming for cave tours at The Caverns to bring toys. Additionally, The Caverns made its own donation and received generous support from Sewanee Mountain Grotto, a local group of caving enthusiasts.

"Even being a pandemic year and all that has went on, our community and The Caverns patrons pulled together to see that 10 families involving 16 children ranging from nine months old to 6th graders will have a brighter Christmas," says Travis Lawyer, Fire Chief, Pelham Valley Volunteer Fire Department. "This is a very important annual operation the Pelham Valley Fire Department and The Caverns have taken on to give back to our community's youth during a very special time of the year. Without the help of The Caverns, we would only be able to serve a few families due to our budget, so The Caverns support definitely amplifies the effort and makes even more giving possible."

The Caverns is open 7 days a week for daily walking tours of two caves. No reservations required.

Live music will return to The Caverns in March of 2021 with socially distanced, outdoor concerts. Cave tours and concert tickets are on sale now at <www.thecaverns.com>

## SES MENUS

Monday-Friday, Jan. 4-8 and Jan. 11-15

### LUNCH

**Monday, Jan. 4:** No classes.

**Tuesday, Jan. 5:** No classes.

**Wednesday, Jan. 6:** Chicken nachos w/tortillas, pulled pork barbecue sandwich, battered potato bites, buttered corn, salsa, fruit.

**Thursday, Jan. 7:** Chicken spaghetti, vegetable beef soup, cheese sandwich, French fries, steamed broccoli, diner roll, fruit.

**Friday, Jan. 8:** Pizza, chili, potato wedges, buttered corn, fruit, crackers, cinnamon roll, fruit.

**Monday, Jan. 11:** Hamburger or cheeseburger, sandwich choice, French fries, green peas, fruit.

**Tuesday, Jan. 12:** Macaroni & cheese, chicken tenders, sweet potato wedges, green beans, twisted breadstick, fruit.

**Wednesday, Jan. 13:** Chicken & dumplings, corn dog, mashed potatoes, pinto beans, fruit.

**Thursday, Jan. 14:** Pizza, cheesy breadsticks, potato wedges, buttered corn, marinara sauce, fruit.

**Friday, Jan. 15:** Oven-roasted

chicken, Salisbury steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, cheesy broccoli, dinner roll, fruit.

### BREAKFAST

Each day, students select one or two items.

**Monday, Jan. 4:** No classes.

**Tuesday, Jan. 5:** No classes.

**Wednesday, Jan. 6:** Mini donuts, juice, fruit.

**Thursday, Jan. 7:** Egg omelet, toast, juice, fruit.

**Friday, Jan. 8:** Meat biscuit, juice, fruit.

**Monday, Jan. 11:** Banana bread slice, juice, fruit.

**Tuesday, Jan. 12:** Meat biscuit, juice, fruit.

**Wednesday, Jan. 13:** Egg omelet, toast, juice, fruit.

**Thursday, Jan. 14:** Breakfast pizza, juice, fruit.

**Friday, Jan. 15:** Biscuit sticks, gravy, juice, fruit.

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

## ST. MARY'S SEWANEES

### Upcoming Online Programs

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### Blue Christmas, FREE

Saturday, December 19th, 2020  
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### 2021 Registrations Now Open

### Full Day Centering Prayer Retreat

Saturday, January 9th

### Haiku Program

Friday-Sunday, January 15th, 16th, 17th

### Healing Workshop

Saturday, January 23rd

### Centering Prayer Workshop

Saturday, January 24th

### SoulCollage/Unleash Your Creativity

Friday-Sunday, January 29th, 30th, 31st



For more information and registration, go to  
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# NATURENOTES

by Yolande Gottfried



## Holly, Ivy and a Christmas Star?

Mary Davis reports an abundance of berries on her holly plants, which the bluebirds are defending from other birds as their own private food source. “The Holly and the Ivy” is a popular Christmas carol, with much ancient symbolism and superstition associated with both plants. Often, the holly was regarded as masculine and the ivy as feminine. Botanically, holly has both male and female plants, with male flowers and female flowers on separate plants. So, your female holly won’t have berries unless there is a male somewhere nearby to pollinate it. Holly was used by both Druids and Romans in their winter festivals, at least in part because they are evergreen, a sign of life and hope in the cold winter months.

The winter solstice occurs on Monday, Dec. 21, at 4:02 a.m. CST. This year it will be accompanied by a great conjunction of the planets Jupiter and Saturn. These planets are appearing nightly in the western sky after sunset, getting closer and closer, and on the 21st they will be at their closest since 1623 and their closest observable since 1226. A conjunction this close won’t occur again until 2080. There is some speculation that they will appear as one “star” and thus could be considered a “Christmas star,” but it is most likely that they will be seen as two planets, very close together—still a worthwhile spectacle to observe, since both planets are very bright. Jupiter is brighter than any star and Saturn, though less bright, is still as bright as a bright star. And perhaps, though not the Christmas star, we can still take this great conjunction as a sign of light and hope in these dark times.

John Wendling reports seeing a single female goldfinch in winter colors three times in the past month at his sunflower seed bird feeder. He also saw a male finch Saturday morning in full summer plumage (bright gold and black). These are only goldfinches he has observed in the last year. Also, two brown thrashers have been developing acrobatic skills, trying to stay on and get a few bites, at his free swinging suet feeder, 15 feet off the ground.

Share your news! <news@sewaneemessenger.com>

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# State Park Offerings

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

## Sunday, Dec. 20

**Sherwood Forest Trail Building (Free to attend; \$5–\$50 donation to help the cause)**—Meet Park Ranger Jason Reynolds at 8:45 a.m. (CST) at Sherwood Forest Parking Lot, (take Jump Off Road to Old CCC Camp Rd., turn right, go to just past Coyote Cove Lane) for a day of trail building at the Sherwood Forest area of South Cumberland State Park. Participants will learn trail-building skills from Master Trailbuilders and will get a chance to test new skills on the beautiful and ever-expanding trail system at Sherwood Forest. All tools are provided but be prepared with personal gear such as appropriate footwear/clothing, water, and snacks. Please print and fill out the volunteer waiver prior to arrival.

## Monday, Dec. 21

**Winter Weekday Waterfall Hike (\$5)**—Meet Park Ranger Jessie DeRight at 12:45 p.m. (CST) at Grundy Forest State Natural Area, 131 Fiery Gizzard Road, Tracy City, for 2-mile (rated as moderate, due to the rocky trail and exposed roots) hike around beautiful Grundy Forest, to see some of the beautiful waterfalls. Learn the history of the area and the resident flora and fauna. Please wear sturdy shoes on this hike, (flipflops and slide-in sandals will not be allowed). Bring plenty of water as well. In the event of bad weather, Ranger Jessie will make the decision to cancel the event and issue refunds to participants. CDC Social Distancing will be observed on this hike.

## Monday, Dec. 28

**Denny Falls After-Christmas Hike (\$10)**—Meet Park Ranger Ryan Harris at 8:45 a.m. (CST) at Denny Falls Parking Lot, 5949 Hwy. 150, Sequatchie, for a 3-mile out-and-back trek to Denny Falls featuring gorgeous overlooks, amazing rock features, and a stunning 35-ft. cascading waterfall. Come prepared by bringing water and snacks, dressing weather-appropriately, and wearing good sturdy hiking shoes. This trail is rated moderate to difficult due to the very rocky terrain. See you on the trail.

**Storybook Hike: Brother Eagle, Sister Sky (\$10/child; adults free)**—Meet Park Ranger Jessie DeRight at 1 p.m. at the picnic area of the SCSP Visitors’ Center, 11745 US. 41, Monteagle, for this 0.75-mile adventure as we read the story Brother Eagle, Sister Sky together. Each story book panel also have little activities that help with reading comprehension. Each child who is registered will receive a copy of this story to take home to read as often as she or he likes! Good walking shoes are suggested and all children must be accompanied by an adult. The trail starts in the picnic area at the Visitor’s Center in Monteagle. The cost to attend this program is \$10 per child and free for adults.

## Friday, Jan. 1

**New Year’s Day Stone Door Hike (\$0–\$20 donation)**—Join the Ranger at 8:45 a.m. at Stone Door Ranger Station, 1183 Stone Door Rd., Beersheba Springs, to herald the new year with a pleasant 2-mile guided hike to the best overlook in the Park. Wear suitable footwear and weather-appropriate clothing, and bring water.

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.

# Good Ideas for a Green Christmas

If you’re looking to do some good this holiday season, why not have a green Christmas by making a few simple substitutions? There are lots of places where you can make greener choices. Here are a few.

**Recycle:** Look for recycled gift wrap and cards. If you really want to go green, send an ecard to family and friends. And if you’re feeling crafty, make your own gift boxes out of cereal boxes. Make sure you recycle gift wrap materials from Christmas morning. Save bags, bows and ribbon for next year.

**LED lights:** Use LED Christmas lights this year. LED lights are

up to 90 percent more efficient than incandescent bulbs. LED lights are also safer because they do not produce heat, and they last much longer than incandescent bulbs.

**Meals:** Buy local and organic. Reduce burning of fossil fuels by supporting local farmers and businesses.

**Use non-disposable:** Think less trash. By using plates and cloth napkins for gatherings, you can reduce the amount of trash your household produces.

**The tree:** Recycle your tree. It can be ground up for mulch or composted and help to make many more green things grow. Or buy a live tree with roots. Keep it watered, and it will be less of a fire hazard because the needles won’t dry out. Then plant the tree in your yard. It can shade your house from the hot sun in summer and block the cold winds in winter.

## WEATHER

DAY	DATE	HI	LO
Mon	Dec 07	32	29
Tue	Dec 08	40	38
Wed	Dec 09	56	39
Thu	Dec 10	66	43
Fri	Dec 11	61	50
Sat	Dec 12	56	34
Sun	Dec 13	57	34

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Avg max temp = 53  
Avg min temp = 38  
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Precipitation = 1.70”

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Domain Ranger

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Christmas



Leon



Delia

# Pets of the Week Meet Leon & Delia

Leon is a seven-month-old brown tabby kitten with a wildly affectionate personality! If you are looking for a loving kitten that loves affection and attention, then he is the one for you. Leon is a social kitten that would do well in a variety of homes, and would love it if you would consider also adopting one or two of his siblings, Lisa and Ox, who look exactly like him. These kittens are very exotic in appearance, growing bigger by the day, and are outgrowing their stay here at the shelter. Leon is up-to-date on vaccinations, litter trained, FIV/FeLV negative, neutered, and microchipped. If you think your family would be a good fit for Leon and/or his siblings, please submit our adoption contract at <www.animalharbor.org>.

Delia is a small two-year-old blue heeler mix with a lot of spunk and fun energy. After being surrendered to animal control by no fault of her own, we decided to take her into our facility for a chance at a better life than that she had before. Delia is very smart and can follow commands. She is very treat and toy motivated, which tells us she will be easy to continue well into her training. The heeler breed can be very alert and in tune with their environment. Because Delia is easily stimulated, we do not want her to go into a home with young children, but she will do great in a home with adults. If you are looking for a dog to be your loyal companion and have the energy to keep up with a spunky, fun girl then she is the one for you! Delia is up-to-date on vaccinations, heartworm-negative, spayed, and microchipped. If you think your family would be a good fit for Delia, please submit our adoption contract at <www.animalharbor.org>.



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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE:** The Monteagle City Council will meet for the regular monthly meeting on December 28, 2020 at 6 p.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall.

**NOTICE:** The Monteagle Regional Planning Commission will meet for the regular monthly meeting on January 5, 2021 at 6 p.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall.

## YARD SALE

**INSIDE/OUTSIDE YARD SALE:** Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m.–3 p.m. Everything inside half price! Apparel for men/women/children, games, DVDs/VHSs, household goods, you name it! Tables outside \$1/bag (weather permitting). 969 Midway Rd., Sewanee. (931) 308-3159.

## RESOLUTION of APPRECIATION ERIC E. HARTMAN

Whereas Eric E. Hartman has dedicated his entire professional career; nearly 25 years, to the students of the University of the South;

Whereas he always was guided by the needs of the University and its students as he traveled his own professional path, for example by responding to the call of the University to serve as Dean of Students even after he and his family had taken steps to depart;

Whereas he had the vision to initiate the office of risk management, thereby helping Sewanee be proactive instead of reactive to scenarios and crises;

Whereas he was the voice of empathy and care for the University, the one called upon to express loss and vulnerability in our gravest moments;

Whereas he was instrumental in bringing the Posse Scholars program to Sewanee, thereby enriching the experience for all students and advancing the college's commitment to diversity;

Whereas, having succeeded Phoebe Pearigen as the advisor of Perpetual Motion, he provided such leadership and dedication that the program grew into the single largest student-run event on campus;

Whereas he was a patient teacher and mentor; ready to assist students and colleagues alike, ever leading by example;

Whereas he has served as a healthy model of masculinity for thousands of male students, demonstrating how to embrace and express emotions and thereby live, love, and laugh more fully;

Whereas he gave tirelessly of his compassion and care to year after year of Sewanee students, guiding them through their darkness, holding them up lest they fall, crying with them in their sorrow--and with the same spirit encouraging their growth, celebrating their successes, and amplifying their triumphs;

Whereas he always embodies the joy of dance, with optimism, exultation, and a laugh that cheers all;

Whereas he welcomes with open arms, quick to hug friends both old and new;

Whereas he has given freely of himself to this entire community, whether coaching youth soccer, timing at a Tigersharks meet, walking in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, serving on the board of the local hospital, bringing dance to the Mountain, or daily being a positive presence throughout Sewanee;

Whereas we know he will continue to be a pillar of the community, as that is his given nature;

Whereas he had the good sense to marry Lisa, his beloved partner in all things, and with her raised two inspiring and delightful young adults, Sophia and Harrison; and through his roles as husband and father has made manifest the love and commitment that is at his core;

Whereas he has by both word and example lived out the words of Psalm 133: "Behold how good and pleasant it is for us all to dwell together in unity";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, as friends, neighbors, and colleagues, hereby express our genuine and most sincere gratitude and appreciation—indeed, our love and admiration—to Eric E. Hartman.



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## BARDTOVERSE

by Phoebe Bates

### Christmas

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,  
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him, nor earth sustain;  
Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign.  
In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed  
The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim, worship night and day,  
Breastful of milk, and a mangerful of hay;  
Enough for Him, whom angels fall before,  
The ox and ass and camel which adore.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,  
Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;  
But His mother only, in her maiden bliss,  
Worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give Him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;  
Yet what I can I give Him: give my heart.

--Christina Rossetti, *In the Bleak Midwinter*

### Christ Church Monteagle

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Christmas Blessings  
and a  
Good New Year.



December 20 at 10:45 am:  
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Christmas Eve at 5 pm:  
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December 27 at 10:45 am:  
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# Community Calendar

## Friday, Dec. 18

**No Covid Testing at any health department, Dec. 24-25, or Dec. 31-Jan. 1, 2021**

- 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. 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., Al-tamont
- 9 a.m. CAC Office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. COVID testing, Franklin County (931) 967-3826, until noon, Monday through Friday, 266 Joyce Lane, Winchester
- 9 a.m. Pilates, for Athletes, Zoom, email <eliza-bethlsweeting@gmail.com> for link
- noon Stretch/Strengthen, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

## Monday, Dec. 21 • First Day of Winter

*U of S Offices closed, until Jan. 4, 2021*

*COVID-19 testing changes at health departments. See page 6 for more information.*

- 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.

## Tuesday, Dec. 22

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, Tracy City, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Operation Noel toy and food pickup, large parking lot beside Cravens Hall, 435 Kentucky Ave., until 11 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Greening of All Saints' Chapel, all day
- 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.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

## Wednesday, Dec. 23

- 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. 24 • Christmas Eve

*SAS Offices closed, through Jan. 1, 2021*

## Friday, Dec. 25 • Christmas Day

## Saturday, Dec. 26 • Kwanzaa Begins • Boxing Day (Canada)

## Monday, Dec. 28

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.
- 6 p.m. Monteagle City Council, City Hall

## Tuesday, Dec. 29

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, Tracy City, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 4:30 p.m. South Cumberland Farmers' Market, curbside pickup, Community Center, until 6:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, Dec. 30

*Community Council agenda item deadline*

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.

## Thursday, Dec. 31 • New Year's Eve Day

- 10 a.m. Kundalini Yoga, Pippa, via Zoom; for invitation, <pippabrowne64@gmail.com>

## Friday, Jan. 1, 2021 • New Year's Day

*Deadline to attend Academy of Lifelong Learning webinar Jan. 4, <academyforlifelonglearning@sewaneedu>*

## Sunday, Jan. 3 • CAC Pantry Sunday

## Monday, Jan. 4

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.
- noon Academy for Lifelong Learning, Colbert

## Tuesday, Jan. 5

*Lease agenda deadline*

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, Tracy City, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

- 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.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 6 p.m. Monteagle Regional Planning Commission, City Hall

## Wednesday, Jan. 6

*Classes Resume, FC and MC Schools*

- 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, Jan. 7

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

## Friday, Jan. 8

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

## Saturday, Jan. 9

- 8 a.m. Morton Memorial UMC monthly food curbside food 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, Jan. 11

*Messenger Office open*

*SAS Classes resume online*

- 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.
- 6 p.m. Franklin County School Board, 215 S. College St., Winchester
- 7 p.m. Sewanee Community Council

## Tuesday, Jan. 12

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, Tracy City, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>
- 10:30 a.m. La Leche League, Zoom; for link email <LaLecheLeaguesewaneedu@gmail.com>
- 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.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

## Wednesday, Jan. 13

- 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, Jan. 14

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

## Friday, Jan. 15

*First Messenger of 2021*

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

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