

56th Annual Festival of Lessons & Carols

The 56th annual Festival of Lessons and Carols at the University of the South will be celebrated at three services, at 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, and at 5 and 8 p.m., Sunday, December 6.

At once solemn and joyful, the Festival of Lessons and Carols evokes the meaning of the Advent season through the radiant music of the University Choir and selected readings by members of the University and Sewanee community. The service is based on one that has been sung annually since 1918 at King's College Chapel in Cambridge, England. It features the University Choir under the direction of University organist and choirmaster Robert Delcamp.

As part of the University mission and the program of education and formation of All Saints' Chapel, the Festival Service of Lessons and Carols offers students, faculty and staff the opportunity to experience one of the oldest traditions of Anglican music and Advent expectation.

As part of the University's outreach to others, the public is also welcome to attend; tickets were available by reservation in November. All available spaces were reserved quickly, but it still may be possible to attend a service without a reserved seat. The University expects that some people with tickets will decide not to attend, and will distribute those tickets in advance of each service.

There will be a sign-up sheet in Convocation Hall beginning at noon Saturday and Sunday. People who wish to attend a service may add their names to the list for a service that day.

Thirty minutes before each service (4:30 p.m. Saturday, and 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday), people from the sign-up list will be seated with tickets that were not picked up by those who reserved them. Tickets will be distributed in the order in which people signed up.

Guests must be present in Convocation Hall 30 minutes before the service in order to receive a ticket. While there are no guarantees, all walk-ups have been seated during the last two years in which the ticketing system has been used.

Guerry Auditorium will be open and will live-stream each service for anyone who cannot be seated in All Saints' Chapel, or who is sensitive to the incense used in the Chapel.

Guests with reservations should pick up their tickets in Convocation Hall
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Lighting of the candles before Lessons and Carols. Photo by Lyn Hutchinson



Cheryl Lankhaar's painting "Winchester Farm" (above) was selected as the best 2-D piece in the Studio Tour Exhibition in the St. Andrew's-Sewanee School Gallery. The full story is on page 10.

SUD Seeks Commissioner; Approves 1% Rate Increase

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the Nov. 24 meeting, the Board of Commissioners of the Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties announced plans to seek nominations for a commissioner representing Franklin County to serve a three-year term beginning in February 2016. The board also passed the 2016 budget, which includes a 1 percent rate increase, discussed adopting a customer leak insurance program, and reviewed proposed revisions to the travel expense policy.

Candidates for the open commissioner's seat must be SUD customers and must reside in Franklin County. Prospective nominees should contact the SUD office by phone (598-5611). The deadline for declaring candidacy is Dec. 15. Art Hanson currently holds the seat and will seek re-election.

The 2016 budget passed by the board allocated \$233,000 to the capital improvement program (CIP), which includes the Midway pressure-boosting station, repair to the sewer lines, lift station rehabilitation, leak detection, the constructed wetlands research project and painting the water tank. The \$1,483,000 budget reflects a \$62,000 deficit compared to anticipated revenue for 2016, because projects not completed in 2015 like the Midway pressure-boosting station were moved to the next year. Unspent funds in the 2015 CIP totaling \$100,000 will be used to cover the deficit.

The 2016 budget projects operating expenses and revenue comparable
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Festive Music on the Mountain

The Sewanee Symphony Orchestra (SSO) will present its annual holiday concert at 7:30 p.m., today (Friday), Dec. 4, in Guerry Auditorium. Under the leadership of César Leal, SSO will perform audience favorites including Rebecca Van de Ven performing Mozart's Oboe Concerto, as well as the world premiere of "The Forest Through the Trees" by Jeremy Crosmer. Commissioned by SSO, this work was inspired by David Haskell's book, "The Forest Unseen."

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School will host the MTSU Guitar Quartet at 7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 4, in McCrory Hall for the Performing Arts on the SAS campus. The MTSU Guitar Quartet will perform music from Renaissance and Baroque to contemporary American and Latin Music, including the music of Praetorius, Telemann, and more. The quartet members—Brad Poe, Ryan Jerzak, Alex Saber and Jacob Miears—are four of the finest classical guitarists in the state.

The Sewanee Praise Gospel Choir will have a Christmas concert at 6:30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 6, in St. Luke's Chapel on campus. Come hear this amazing group of talented college students and community members sing praise and gospel music. A reception will follow in the Bishop's Common.

At 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 8, John Bordley will perform a carillon concert in Shapard Tower.

The Sewanee Folk Music Collective will have its winter concert at 7:15 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 8, in St. Luke's Chapel.

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee School Winter Concert will be at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 9, in McCrory Hall for the Performing Arts on the school's campus. Join the middle and upper school choruses and the upper school chamber ensemble for an evening of music, including tunes from Lennon and McCartney, Tchaikovsky and more. The choirs and ensemble are under the direction of Katherine Anderson.

The eighth annual Jazz on the Mountain concert, featuring the Little Big Band and Friends will be at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 10, in the Ayres Multicultural Center at the corner of Alabama Avenue and Willie Six Road in Sewanee.

Under the direction of Gary Sturgis, the Sewanee Chorale will perform its annual Christmas concert at 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 13, in All Saints' Chapel. Ruth Cobb will accompany the Chorale.

All of these events are free and open to the public.

Lyndhurst Foundation Awards Major Grants to Local Organizations

Mountain Goat Trail Alliance Receives \$90,000 for Acquisition and Construction

The Mountain Goat Trail Alliance (MGTA) has been awarded a \$90,000 grant from the Lyndhurst Foundation of Chattanooga. The grant will be used to support the MGTA's programs of railbed acquisition and trail construction in Grundy County.

"The Lyndhurst Foundation has been a supporter of the Mountain Goat Trail since the MGTA's beginning. We are heartened to know that our efforts to connect communities along the Mountain Goat Trail have engendered such a strong vote of confidence as we plan our next steps," said Nate Wilson, MGTA board president.

"The Lyndhurst trustees are very excited about the expansion of the Mountain Goat Trail," said Bruz Clark, president of the foundation. "This project incorporates all of the elements we look for in a trail or greenway investment, including connectivity, conservation, physical activity, economic development, an enhanced sense of community and creative place-making. We are especially pleased that schoolchildren will be able to benefit from the next phase of trail development."

The Lyndhurst Foundation identifies and invests in initiatives, institutions, people and programs that contribute to the long-term livability and resilience of the greater Chattanooga region. For more information go online to <www.lyndhurstfoundation.org>.

The Mountain Goat Trail is a rail-to-trail community outdoor recreation project to convert an abandoned railroad right-of-way into a multi-use recreational corridor between Grundy and Franklin Counties on the Cumberland Plateau in Middle Tennessee. To learn more visit <mountaingoattrail.org>.

Friends of South Cumberland Receives \$25,000 Grant for Fiery Gizzard Trail

The Lyndhurst Foundation of Chattanooga recently announced the awarding of a \$25,000 grant to the Friends of South Cumberland (FSC) to assist in the Fiery Gizzard Trail reroute that began in August.

Although the park originally said the trail would close to through hikers on Dec. 1, the ranger-led volunteer effort has been so successful that Interim Park Manager George Shinn announced that the trail was passable by that date. "We are so glad not to have to post any 'Trail Closed' signs as we had feared." The reroute was necessitated when a private owner withdrew permission for the trail to continue to cross his land.

"We are very thankful to the Lyndhurst Foundation for recognizing the high value of the Fiery Gizzard Trail and to the Friends for making this grant happen," said Shinn. "We are also pleased that the rerouted trail is far enough along that we will be able to keep it open for through hikers. The \$25,000 will help us finish the rugged 25 percent of trail remaining and provide materials to build the first bridge. The progress made this fall has been phenomenal and the volunteer support amazing, so we feel sure we will continue to find funds and workers going forward." Fiery Gizzard Trail is ranked as one of the top 25 hiking trails in the United States and is credited with enhancing tourism and the local economy in one of Tennessee's most rural areas.

"The interest of the Lyndhurst Foundation shows the importance of South Cumberland State Park in the region," said Latham Davis, FSC president. "Lyndhurst is always alert to key environmental and conservation issues and the importance of outdoor recreation." Davis

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Lighting Sewanee's Christmas Trees

Today (Friday), Dec. 4

4 p.m. Snacks and music in the University Quad
4:30 p.m. Quad tree lighting
5:30 p.m. Angel Park tree lighting
Cookies, cocoa and caroling at Angel Park will follow.

Santa and the Grinch will be available for photos. Everyone is encouraged to bring nonperishable food items and/or unwrapped new toys. All donated items will go to the Community Action Committee or Operation Noel.

P.O. Box 296
Sewanee, TN 37375

Sewanee Operation Noel Application

Mail completed application by Friday, Dec. 11, to
Tracie Sherrill, 138 Lake O'Donnell Rd., Sewanee, TN 37375 OR
email all information to <tsherril@sewanee.edu>.

FAMILY NAME _____
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Attach additional sheet if necessary.

Help Provide Holiday Joy for Others

Operation Noel Accepting Applications until Dec. 11

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

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

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

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

Every family needs to fill out a new application, even if they have received from Operation Noel before. An application ensures that organizers have all the pertinent information so they can provide for everyone in need. The application can be found above. The deadline for returning applications is Friday, Dec. 11.

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

We must be willing to get rid of the life we've planned, so as to have the life that is waiting for us. —Joseph Campbell

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Letter

QUESTIONS ABOUT RUSSIA To the Editor:

In the small hamlet of Sewanee, I feel the need to address the questions raised by the president's remarks in France. The following appeared in the Dec. 1, 2015, issue of the New York Times:

"Russians Unlikely to Attack ISIS in Syria, Obama Says"

"By Gardiner Harris and Somini Sengupta

"Le Bourget, France — President Obama said Tuesday that despite repeated meetings with President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia on efforts to defeat the Islamic State, no one should be 'under any illusions' that Russian forces would now start attacking the extremist group's positions in Syria."

Can anyone say that the Russians are not? Or are they unaware the United States continues to supply weapons to those inside Syria other than the Syrian government?

Are they unaware the United States continues to fly combat missions in Syrian air space? Or haven't they heard of or seen photos of the Russian air campaign in Syria? Have they not heard of Turkey shooting down a Russian Jet?

Have they not heard about oil refineries and oil fields stolen by ISIS in Syria and the crude being sold to finance ISIS operations?

Seriously, is it any wonder defense intelligence analysts have said their reports to the White House have been skewed?

So we can agree: Winter can be uncomfortable enough in Sewanee, and if one fool decides to shoot down a plane for a 17-second violation halfway around the world, we are all committed to support this lunacy, and risk nuclear winter?

Mark W. Lovett
Sewanee ■

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MESSENGER Holiday Schedule

Christmas and the New Year are just around the corner. The Messenger will be on hiatus during the holidays.

We will publish two more issues in December: Dec. 11 and Dec. 18. The staff will take a two-week break and return to the office on Monday, Jan. 4, with the first issue of 2016 on Friday, Jan. 8.

Please remember that the Dec. 18 issue, affectionately known as the "coffee table issue," will contain three weeks worth of news and calendars. Plan accordingly if you have information to submit.

Our deadlines: 5 p.m., Monday, for display advertising; 5 p.m., Tuesday, for news and calendar information; and noon, Wednesday, for classified advertising.

Letters to the Editor Policy

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

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



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(usually mid-afternoon)

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Greening of All Saints' Chapel Today

Members of the Sewanee Community are invited to join in the greening of All Saints' Chapel today (Friday), Dec. 4, in preparation for the 56th annual Festival of Lessons and Carols. Work begins at 9 a.m. All levels of experience are welcome. Coffee and pastries are served throughout the morning, and a light lunch will be offered at noon. Ken Taylor of Taylor's Mercantile will direct the day's activities. Child care will be provided.

Deadline Today for Woman's Club Reservations

The deadline for lunch reservations for the December meeting of the Sewanee Woman's Club is today (Friday), Dec. 4. The meeting will be on Monday, Dec. 14, in the DuBose Conference Center in Monteagle.

To make a reservation for lunch (\$13.25), call Pixie Dozier at 598-5869 or email Marianna Handler at <mariannah@earthlink.net>. The December menu is: green salad, half Cornish hen, wild rice with cranberries, broccoli and gingerbread with lemon sauce.

Bill McKee, vice president for academic affairs and professor of public service management at Cumberland University (Lebanon, Tenn.), will present the program about how Tennessee and Tennesseans celebrate Christmas. Social hour begins at 11:30 a.m.; lunch is served at noon; programs begin at 12:30 p.m., with club business following around 1 p.m. Vegetarian meals and child care are available; please request these when making a reservation.

Grundy County Republicans Meet Saturday

The Grundy County Republican Party will meet at 10 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 5, at the Grundy County courthouse in Altamont. All are welcome at this gathering that features lively political discussion. For more information call (931) 871-6040 or go to <grundygop.org>.

Coffee with the Coach on Monday

Coffee with the Coach will meet at 9 a.m., Monday, Dec. 7, at the Blue Chair Tavern. The guest will be Sewanee women's softball coach Merritt Yackey. Come and enjoy good conversation and free coffee.

Toastmasters Meet on Monday

Sewanee Toastmasters meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 7, in the Torian Room of duPont Library. The mission of Toastmasters is to help folks develop oral communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth. All are welcome.

La Leche League Meets on Tuesday

La Leche League will meet for breastfeeding support and information at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at the Sewanee Community Center, 39 Ball Park Rd. All pregnant women, mothers and babies welcome. For information call Pippa at (931) 463-2050.

Area Rotary Club Meetings

The Grundy County Rotary Club meets at 11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, at Dutch Maid Bakery in Tracy City.

The Monteagle Sewanee Rotary Club meets 8-9 a.m., Thursdays, at the Sewanee Inn. On Dec. 10, University Vice-Chancellor John McCardell will present the program.

EQB on Wednesday: China in Conflict

Using conflict in Chinese history as its theme, the EQB Club is hosting a two-part presentation (12:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 9 and Feb. 3, at St. Mary's Sewanee) that will examine China's historical experiences in the 19th and 20th centuries, in order to explain China's continuing distrust of the West.

Professor Harold Goldberg, the David Underdown Professor of History, will present this lead. In addition to Chinese history, he teaches Russian history and the history of World War II. Lunch is served at noon. Membership in EQB is not required to attend leads.

Garden Club Gathers on Wednesday

The next meeting of the Sewanee Garden Club will be at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 9, in the home of Ken Taylor. Members are encouraged to bring their favorite cookies to share. There will be a collection of canned goods for the Community Action Committee. For more information contact Flournoy Rogers at 598-0733 or email <semmesrogers@gmail.com>.

Academy of Lifelong Learning Meets Thursday

The Academy of Lifelong Learning at St. Mary's Sewanee will meet at noon, Thursday, Dec. 10, for a presentation by professor Gerald Smith on the "Rebel's Rest Excavation."

Smith is the Robert Ayres Distinguished Professor in the department of religious studies and has been teaching in Sewanee since 1969. He will retire in June, 2016, after 47 years of teaching. In addition to his academic responsibilities, he has 40 years of service with the Sewanee fire department, has served as secretary to the University board of trustees and as University marshal.

To order a box lunch (\$12), email <reservations@stmaryssewanee.org>; three-day advance notice is requested. For more information contact Stephen Burnett at 598-5479 or Anne Davis at (931) 924-4465.

Bloodmobile in Monteagle Dec. 11

Blood Assurance will have its Bloodmobile at CVS Pharmacy from 1:30 to 6 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 11. People with all blood types are welcome to participate in this essential community activity. No appointment is necessary. For more information call Pam Hanson at Blood Assurance, (423) 779-2233.

Lease Committee Report

The following items were approved at the November meeting of the Lease Committee: October minutes; request to transfer Lease No. 621 (Mulloy), located at 231 North Carolina Ave., to Forrest and Lorraine McClain.

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

Agenda items for the December meeting are due in the Lease Office by Dec. 8.



Dalton Mcelroy (center) a native of Jasper, Tenn. was one of 72 sailors and marines chosen to participate in the U.S. Navy Morale, Welfare and Recreation ThanksGathering holiday event on Nov. 25 in Norfolk, Va. His brother and sister, Houston and Georgia Mcelroy, were flown in from South Pittsburg to spend the holiday with him.



Everyone at Sewanee Elementary School dressed as their favorite book character or author to celebrate books and the love of reading recently. Many of the teachers (above) went all-out with their costumes.

Please join us for the
Sewanee Symphony Orchestra's
winter concert

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Obituaries

William Kenneth Brewer

William Kenneth Brewer, age 72 of Gruetli-Laager, died on Nov. 27, 2015, at his home. He was a director of Big Creek Utility District, a past president of the Grundy County Democratic Party, and had served as a county commissioner. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest Grady and Edna Marie Crabtree Brewer; brother Dwain Brewer; great-grandchild Emmitt Andrews; and nephew Chris Brewer.

He is survived by his daughter, Rhonda (David) Andrews; brother Terry (Vanessa) Brewer; sister-in-law, Glenda Brewer; and two grandsons, one granddaughter, a niece, a nephew, a step-niece and a step-nephew.

Funeral services were on Nov. 29 with Allen Joslyn officiating; honors were provided by the Sewanee Lodge F&AM and the Order of Eastern Star. Interment followed in Browns Chapel Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.laynefuneralhome.com>.

Emily D. Cameron

Emily D. Cameron, age 33 of Atlanta, died on Nov. 11, 2015, in Atlanta, Ga. She was born on Sept. 28, 1982, in Jackson, Miss. She was a graduate of St. Andrew's-Sewanee School, Atlanta College of Art, and Parsons School of Design, New York City. She was a professional photographer.

She is survived by her parents, Mary and Alan Cameron of Oxford, Miss.; sister, Adeline Cameron (Nick) Howard of Spring Hill, Tenn.; brother, Ben Cameron; cousin, Doug Cameron of Sewanee; aunts, Polly Cameron, Jane Dalrymple and Martha Dalrymple; and two nieces.

A memorial art show will be at St. Andrew's-Sewanee in the spring on a date to be announced. Donations in her name may be sent to St. Andrew's-Sewanee School, Development Office, 290 Quintard Rd., Sewanee, TN 37375.

Marjorie M. Jackson

Marjorie M. Jackson, age 90 of Cowan, died on Nov. 24, 2015, at The Willows of Winchester. She was born on June 17, 1925, to John and Etta Hargess Moore. She was retired from Genesco Shoe Factory in Cowan, and Jackson's Greenhouse, where she planted and raised the flowers she loved. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lawrence Jackson; and siblings, John Moore Jr., Cyril Moore, and Mercedes Wright.

She is survived by her daughter, Marian (Robert) McDonald of Cowan; sisters, Barbara (Shirley) McDonald of Winchester, and Lenora Hall of Chattanooga.

Funeral services were on Nov. 25 in the funeral home chapel with Bro. Ray Gardner officiating. Interment followed in Cowan Montgomery Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.moore-cortner.com>.

Elsie June Miller

Elsie June Miller, age 91 of Sewanee, died on Nov. 25, 2015, at Memorial Hospital in Hixson. She was born on Feb. 29, 1924, in West Virginia, to Arnold Jacob Bonafield and Elsie Lippen-cott Forrester Bonafield. She enjoyed rock hunting, lapidary and gardening.

She is survived by her daughters, Jeanne Jansenius of Sewanee and Pam Newman of Calhoun, Tenn.; brother, Joseph Bonafield of West Virginia; and five grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

There will be a private family service. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be sent to the American Diabetes Association, <www.diabetes.org>, in her memory. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Frank Rogers Thomas

Frank Rogers Thomas, age 59 of Monteagle, died on Nov. 23, 2015, at his home. He was born on Oct. 2, 1956, in Chattanooga, to Robert Reece and Emma Lockert Rogers Thomas, and grew up in South Pittsburg. He attended Richard Hardy Memorial School, the McCallie School and University of Tennessee-Chattanooga. He was an owner of Sequatchie Concrete Service. He was preceded in death by his mother; and his daughter, Shanna Ruth Thomas.

He is survived by his father, Bob (Susan) Thomas of Monteagle; two sons, Stephen (Lyra) Thomas of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Allen (Monica Soto) Thomas of Boynton Beach, Fla.; brothers, Reece (Jenny) Thomas and David (Terri Lynne) Thomas, both of Chattanooga; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were on Nov. 25, at Christ Church Episcopal in South Pittsburg with the Rev. John H. Bonner and the Rev. Kim Hobby officiating. Interment followed in Cumberland View Cemetery, Kimball.

Memorial donations may be made to the Emmy Thomas Memorial Fund at Christ Church, P.O. Box 347, South Pittsburg, TN 37380; or the Jimmy V. Foundation for Cancer Research, 106 Towerview Ct., Cary, NC 27513. For complete obituary go to <www.rogersfuneralhome.com>.

Jo Ann Ivy Willis

Jo Ann Ivy Willis, age 76 of Sewanee, died on Dec. 1, 2015. She was born on June 6, 1939, in Vicksburg,

Miss., to Wilma Henry Ivy and William Addison East Ivy. She attended Millsaps College. She pursued a variety of interests during her life, playing women's professional football for the Dallas Bluebonnets, helping form the North Texas Women's Soccer Association, where she was inducted into its Hall of Fame; and singing with the Greater Dallas chapter of Sweet Adelines. She was a retired head resident at the University of the South. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, William Rodger Willis; and her half-brother, Clyde Ivy.

She is survived by her sons, John (Laura) Willis of Sewanee, and Will Henry (Lisa Moore) Willis of Minneapolis, Minn.; her brother, Charles (Ellen) Ivy of Charlotte, N.C.; and four grandsons.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the University of the South's Rainbow Fund, 735 University Ave., Sewanee TN 37383. For complete obituary go to <www.laynefuneralhome.com>.

Church News

Christ Church, Monteagle

On Sunday, Dec. 6, Christ Church, Monteagle, will have two baptisms at its 10:30 a.m. service, as well as the stories of St. Nicholas and John the Baptist. A special lunch will follow.

Community Action Committee Pantry Sunday

Pantry Sunday for the Community Action Committee (CAC) is Sunday, Dec. 6, for participating churches: St. James, Otey, Cumberland Presbyterian and All Saints' Chapel. Please bring your food offerings to Sunday services. The typical bag of groceries includes: rice, beans, pasta, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, and cans of vegetables, fruit, and soup. The cost for a complete bag is less than \$15. For more information contact the CAC at 598-5927.

Daughters of the King

Daughters of the King will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 8, in the parish hall of St. James Episcopal Church in Midway. All women are invited to attend to learn more about the organization.

Live Nativity Dec. 5-6

Chapman's Chapel Church of Nazarene, located in Pelham, is hosting a live nativity, "Walk the Road to Bethlehem," 5-8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 5-6. Admission is free.

Otey Memorial Parish

At 9:30 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 6, Otey Parish will have its Annual Parish Meeting in St. Mark's Hall, Claiborne Parish House. There will be one service at 11 a.m. on this date. Nursery care is available for children 6 weeks to 4 years old.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Weekday Services, Dec. 4-11

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

Saturday, Dec. 5

7:30 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary's
10:00 am Sabbath School, Monteagle 7th Day Adventist
11:00 am Worship Service, Monteagle 7th Day Adventist
3:00 pm Shabbat, Sons of Tzadok, Monteagle
5:00 pm Mass, Good Shepherd Catholic, Decherd
5:00 pm Lessons and Carols, All Saints' (with ticket)

Sunday, Dec. 6 • CAC Pantry Sunday

All Saints' Chapel

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I
11:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
5:00 pm Lessons and Carols (with ticket)
8:00 pm Lessons and Carols (with ticket)

Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle

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

Christ Church, Monteagle

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

Christ Church Episcopal, Alto

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

Christ Church Episcopal, Tracy City

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

Christ the King Anglican Church, Decherd

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

Church of the Holy Comforter, Monteagle

9:00 am Holy Eucharist

Community Harvest Church of God, Coalmont

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

Cowan Fellowship Church

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

Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Sewanee

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

Decherd Mission Church

11:00 am Worship Service

Decherd United Methodist Church

9:45 am Sunday School
10:50 am Worship

Epiphany Episcopal Church, Sherwood

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

First United Methodist Church, Winchester

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

Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd

10:30 am Mass

Grace Fellowship

10:30 am Sunday School/Worship Service

Harrison Chapel Methodist Church

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

Midway Baptist Church

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

Midway Church of Christ

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

Ministry Baptist Church, S.R. 50, Pelham

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

Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

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

New Beginnings Church, Jump Off

10:30 am Worship Service

Otey Memorial Parish Church

9:30 am Annual Parish Meeting
10:00 am Godly Play

11:00 am Holy Eucharist

Pelham United Methodist Church

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

St. Agnes' Episcopal, Cowan

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

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St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8:00 am Mass

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8:00 am Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm Evensong

Sewanee Church of God

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

Society of Friends

9:30 am Meeting, 598-5031

Tracy City First Baptist Church

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

Valley Home Community Church, Pelham

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

Wednesday, Dec. 9

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



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Friends of South Cumberland volunteers chip stone into steps for steep portions of the rugged Fiery Gizzard trail.

Lessons & Carols (from page 1)

on the day of the service between noon and 30 minutes prior to each service. Tickets not picked up by 4:30 p.m. (for Saturday and Sunday 5 p.m. services) or 7:30 p.m. (for the Sunday 8 p.m. service) will be released for walk-up guests.

For guests who wish they could take the service with them, the University Choir's CD release from December 2014, “A Festival Service of Nine Lessons and Carols—A 10-Year Retrospective,” is being re-released this weekend. The two-CD set, which sold out last year, is a complete recording of the beloved service of Lessons and Carols heard in All Saints' Chapel each year since 1959. It contains music and readings drawn from 2003 to 2013 and represents the work of more than 300 choristers, with readers drawn from faculty, administration, staff, clergy, students and members of the Sewanee community.

SUD (from page 1)

to 2015 figures. Health insurance costs decreased 4.8 percent for 2016, Beavers said. Last year the board approved a 2.5 percent rate increase. SUD's consulting firm, Raftelis Financials, Inc., recommends consistent, incremental increases in rates for water and wastewater services over time to meet SUD's annual increases in costs and to develop reserves for future capital needs. The 1 percent rate increase for 2016 will increase the average customer's bill by less than \$2 per month.

The board discussed adopting a customer leak insurance program that would cost customers an estimated \$24 per year for protection from paying for water lost due to leaks between the meter and their residence. By the current adjustment policy, the customer is liable for half the cost of water lost due to leaks of this type. In 2015, the 12 customers with meter-to-residence leaks paid over \$1,800 for lost water. If SUD adopts the program, customers will have the option of declining the insurance, but for customers without insurance, no adjustments will apply in the case of water leaks.

SUD Chair Karen Singer said, “SUD benefits very little from the program. The biggest bonus is to customers, especially in cases where the meter is a long way from the house, where leaks can go undetected.”

Commercial customers would not be eligible for the leak insurance program. Beavers will send for educational literature, which will be made available for customers to review.

Beavers presented a revised travel expense policy for the board's consideration. The revised policy more clearly defines when SUD employees and commissioners qualify for travel reimbursement. The board asked Beavers to add a meal allowance for day travel and to define circumstances when an unanticipated overnight stay would be reimbursed. Beavers will make the changes and present the policy for a vote at the December meeting.

In December, the board will meet a week early, on Dec. 15.

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Trail (from page 1)

also expressed thanks to the scores of volunteers who have been working on the trail and to the park rangers, in particular Ranger Jason Reynolds, the leader of the trail rerouting project. “This is rough work in steep, rugged terrain,” Davis said. “The trail remains open because of those people and because of the support of the Lyndhurst Foundation and our members.”

Ranger Shinn also thanked Sequatchee Valley Electric for donating telephone poles to be used in the Fiery Gizzard bridges. Shinn said, “Our trails and park affect our community, and our community affects our park. This is the kind of partnership I have dreamed of having ... with local businesses and leaders supporting the park efforts.”

The \$25,000 grant monies are designated for materials needed in the construction of the trail, notably stone for steps and lumber for bridges that will span Fiery Gizzard Creek. Ranger Jason Reynolds, who has worked on the trail section almost daily since August, reported that the reroute around Raven Point Farm is 75 percent complete, though he stresses that the trail is rough in some places. The Foster Falls to Fiery Gizzard (or vice versa) 12.5-mile hike will remain open with new signage to direct hikers along the rerouted portion of the trail. According to Ranger Jason, the bridge has not yet been built, so the trail may close in spring, when the creek is too high to wade across.

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Eighth-grade South Middle School student Aiden Rung of Sewanee recently won first place in the science competition at the National Beta Club State Convention in Nashville.

SES Menus

Dec. 7-11
LUNCH

MON: Chicken tenders, steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green peas, cooked carrots, roll.

TUE: Taco, cheese, yogurt, cheese stick, refried beans, buttered corn, lettuce and tomato cup, salsa, Doritos.

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

THU: Breakfast for lunch: steak, eggs, potato wedges, vegetable juice, biscuit, gravy.

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

BREAKFAST
Each day, students

select one or two items.

MON: Pancake or French toast sticks, syrup.

TUE: Biscuit, steak, gravy, jelly.

WED: Cinnamon toast or breakfast bun.

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

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

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

Menus subject to change.



Stephen Alvarez will sign copies of the new National Geographic book, "Rarely Seen," at 5 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 10, at the University Book & Supply Store. Alvarez, a Sewanee native, is the author of the book's introduction, as well as contributor of a number of photographs to the best-selling book. Photo by Gay Alvarez

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by Kevin Cummings
Messenger Staff Writer

A few stacks of Jon Meacham's latest New York Times bestseller sit to his left, not far from his perspiring glass of Diet Coke. This interview started late and in less than 15 minutes, he has a conference call with National Public Radio.

"What was your favorite childhood toy or game?" I ask the Pulitzer-prize winner.

"That I still use?" He responds with an echoing laugh. "I was a great believer in cap guns, which are very unfashionable now."

Jon signs copies of his book, "Destiny and Power: The American Odyssey of George Herbert Walker Bush," and peers up occasionally as I rattle off questions.

"The most remarkable hour or so I've ever spent professionally was when I had lunch once with (President) George H. W. Bush and (Soviet Union leader) Mikhail Gorbachev and interviewed them both about each other," he says.

That interview took place in a hotel suite in Philadelphia. After signing four of five books, he puts the pen down and turns his full attention to the current interview.

The renowned political historian, author and frequent guest on TV shows like "Morning Joe" on MSNBC, "Charlie Rose" on PBS, and "Real Time with Bill Maher" on HBO is a 1991 Sewanee graduate. He primarily lives in Nashville but has a home in Sewanee, where his family stays during holidays and in the summer.

Jon sips diet soda; the NPR call gets closer.

"Sewanee's been a vital part of our family's lives," he says. "We bought our house here when our son was very young, explicitly so our kids would be able to experience what I think is a remarkable town with remarkable people."

He actually got the phone call about winning the Pulitzer Prize for "American Lion," his book on Andrew Jackson, while sitting on his porch on Mikell Lane.

"I always thought that it was poetic

Jon Meacham

that I was here" when I found out I won, he says. "I don't think I'd be doing what I'm doing if I hadn't gone to school here."

What the former Newsweek editor-in-chief is doing in addition to speaking engagements, TV appearances and writing best sellers is serving as executive editor and executive vice president of publishing giant Random House. He says he usually only edits about two books a year for the publisher and does most of his work remotely.

Sewanee obviously shaped Jon, but his career path is rooted in his childhood in Chattanooga. An only child, Jon spent a lot of his youth around older people, especially his grandparents.

"I think it had a direct impact on my interest in history and politics. My grandfather was a judge, so I was around local politicians and had an early introduction to politics."

His late grandfather, Chattanooga Municipal Court Judge Ellis Meacham, was a major influence on Jon, and wrote three books himself — a nautical trilogy set in the early 19th century.

Jon and his wife of 19 years, Keith, have three children, ages 13, 11 and 7. He jokes that driving kids to sporting events is one of his hobbies because of how much time it consumes. The couple met when Jon was a Sewanee student and Keith, the daughter of a Sewanee alumnus, was considering what college to attend.

"She was a candidate for a Wilkins Scholarship," Jon says. "I was assigned to try to talk her into coming to Sewanee, but failed."

Jon and Keith stayed in touch by writing letters for the next five years, until he finally landed a movie date. They saw "The Age of Innocence" at a theater in Washington, D.C.

It's almost time for the NPR call,

immediately followed by a public conversation with University Vice-Chancellor John McCardell about the new book, in front of the hearty crowd gathering now in Convocation Hall. But we still have a few more minutes, so I ask him about his dream project.

"You know, this book was it. Being able to write a narrative about President Bush that was well-received and gave him his due was something I've been thinking about for years and years — longer than any other project I've done."

The NPR conference call moment has arrived, and he tells a joke as we get ready to leave the Regents Room in Walsh-Ellett Hall. Over in Convocation, people stand in line to buy his book on the 41st president. There are tiny sandwiches, two or three different cheeses and melon for anyone who wants a snack before Jon takes the stage.

He engages the crowd, losing them a little when he makes a Jimmy Carter joke, but regaining their favor with intimate Bush family insights and a few Bill Clinton impersonations. At the end, there are lots more books to sign.

UPCLOSE

Jon Meacham

Age: 46

Hobby: Tennis

Guilty pleasure: Watching "Sons of Anarchy"

Favorite Sewanee activities: Walking the Perimeter Trail and porch-sitting

Community Chest Spotlight

Sewanee TigerSharks

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

This week we shine the spotlight on the Sewanee TigerSharks.

The TigerSharks swim team is a local club that provides an organized athletic experience for children ages 4–18 in the spring and summer, develops strong swimmers, builds self-esteem and encourages youth of all ages to work together as a team. The TigerSharks contribute significantly to a safer community by providing excellent swim instruction to children of all ages, regardless of their ability to pay the registration fee. Approximately 90 local youth participated in the swim program last year.

The TigerSharks swim team is requesting \$500 to help support scholarship swimmers. The team also raises funds through bake sales, t-shirt fund-raisers and parent donations, in order to break even.

Registration fees of \$160 per child are paid directly to the University of the South to cover pool use, insurance, and stipends for the coaches. Expenses last year totaled \$16,500, and included eight scholarships awarded. Community Chest funding is approximately 3.5 percent of the gross income for the TigerSharks.

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Area Holiday Activities

Cowan Christmas Market and Parade

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The 51st annual Cowan Christmas Parade will begin at 1 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 5, at Cookie's Corner and proceed down Cumberland Street through the downtown area to end at Cowan Elementary School. The parade will include marching bands, colorful floats and the Shriner's Tin Lizzie Unit.

Monteagle Christmas Parade and Open House

Monteagle's Christmas parade lineup will be at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 5, at the Smoke House. The parade will begin at 5 p.m. Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Gazebo in Harton Park after the parade for the traditional tree-lighting ceremony and fun treats for the kids.

Monteagle's annual Christmas Open House is from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 7, at Town Hall. Stop by and enjoy refreshments, visit with the Town team, and shop for Christmas gifts from talented local artisans and businesses in the conference room.

Grundy Area Arts Council Dinner

The Grundy Area Arts Council will have its annual holiday feast, meeting on Monday, Dec. 7, at Simply Southern in Pelham rc6t3c. Social hour starts at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6 p.m., and holiday entertainment plus caroling at 7 p.m. with dessert.

German Christmas Service and Party

The 2015 German Christmas service will be at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 9, in St. Augustine's Chapel. The service offers traditional German Christmas songs and readings, followed by the Weihnachtsfest or Christmas party at the German House. As is the custom, a Feuerzangenbowle or flaming punch will be served along with German Christmas cookies and stollen. The German House is at 29 Louisiana Circle in Sewanee. Everybody is welcome.

Jump Off Fire Hall Holiday Party

Join neighbors and the firemen at the Jump Off Fire Hall for cookies, cider and hot cocoa, 2–4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 13.

Santa will make an appearance on a special fire truck, so bring the kids to see him and to sound the siren. There will be a craft table set up for kids, big and small, to make ornaments, and donations will be accepted for Operation NOEL at the gathering.

St. Andrew's-Sewanee Students' Host Pop-up Café at Art Gallery

Under the guidance of art teacher Osei Hill, the St. Andrew's-Sewanee School seventh-grade art and design class is launching a Pop-Up Café that will debut this weekend during the Tennessee Craft-Southeast 2015 Holiday Tour of Artists' Studios and Galleries. The Pop-Up Café will be located in the SAS Art Studio, in Simmons Hall on the SAS campus, and open during the Gallery's hours, 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 5, and 11 a.m.–4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 6.

Students have been working diligently for the past several months developing a variety of interdisciplinary projects to raise awareness and support in the community to assist a young Syrian refugee. Projects have included discussion and assignments in graphic design/information graphics, photo journalism, art installation, entrepreneurship/nonprofits and culinary arts.

"Students will have an array of tasty treats for purchase, ranging from Hot Chocolate Cupcakes to our 'Extra Muddy Double Buddy' Crunch," said Hill. All profits and donations will be used to directly aid the educational needs of a refugee the same age as the SAS students.



SAS seventh-graders preparing baked goods to sell during the Tennessee Crafts-Southeast Studio Tour.

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THE INSATIABLE CRITIC

by Elizabeth Ellis



The Sewanee Union Theatre is back with a flurry of big-screen flicks to blow us into the holiday season! We start out with the unique take on the life of Jesus as told through the eyes of African culture, mellow into the sanguine silliness of Monty Python, and finish off with the smoothness of a smart slice-of-life comedy starring powerhouses Robert De Niro and Anne Hathaway.

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



Son of Man

7:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 4–Sunday, Dec. 6
2006 • Unrated • 86 minutes

Many of us are familiar with the story of the life and death of Jesus Christ, but this film gives the tale a brand new spin, setting the tale in Africa amidst bloody civil wars. This highly politicized version gives audiences insight into the conflicts of the African people, as well as the rich cultural history of the continent, and will have viewers looking at their faith in a very different way. Nominated for the Grand Jury Prize at the Sundance Film Festival and with an 83 percent "fresh" rating on RottenTomatoes.com, the timeless source material combined with the window into another world culture is clearly a recipe for success. Though unrated, scenes of violence amid the African people, as well as the ultimate crucifixion, would caution parents against bringing the very young to this tour de force.

Monty Python and the Holy Grail

7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 9
1975 • Rated PG • 91 minutes

And now, for something completely different! Join in the fun as our favorite British non-sequitur comedians gather their nerve and charge forth on a quest for the Holy Grail—being sidetracked by something else every five minutes, of course. This particular viewing will feature quote-along prompts, so the newbies can cheerfully join in with the most devoted of fans with enthusiastic exclamations of "It's just a flesh wound!" and "She turned me into a newt! ... I got better." This cult classic developed from a sketch comedy TV show that became known for its off-the-wall humor and launched the careers of British actors John Cleese and Eric Idle. While there are several films in the Monty Python lineup, this particular one was the basis for the wildly popular Broadway musical "Spamalot," which debuted in 2005. Due to some rude humor and some suggestive material, this film is appropriate for older children, adults and anyone up for a fun evening to take the edge off of holiday prepping.

The Intern

7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 10–Sunday, Dec. 13
2015 • PG-13 • 121 minutes

You're never too old to learn something new. In the latest charming installment by director Nancy Meyers, Robert De Niro stars as Ben, a man who is widowed, retired and utterly bored with his life. He decides to become an intern for an online fashion site, and his new boss is 30-something Jules, played by Anne Hathaway, her sparkling optimism strained by the demands of running her company. While the film is too Pollyannaish to convey the true complications of working for a large start-up enterprise, the chemistry between De Niro and Hathaway is warm and inviting. Meyers, who is known for such hits as "It's Complicated" and "The Holiday" specializes in creating films with compelling character-driven plots that draw audiences in like a hot cup of cocoa, shutting the door, if only temporarily, on cold reality. The ever-classy Rene Russo also has a very funny turn as the corporate "masseuse," who happens to catch De Niro's eye. Rated PG-13 for some suggestive content and brief strong language, this one is a crowd-pleaser for the young or just the young at heart.

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

Holiday Studio Tour This Weekend; Award Winners Chosen

Tennessee Craft-Southeast is having its 20th annual Holiday Studio Tour on the Mountain 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 5, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 6. Tennessee Craft-Southeast is the regional branch of Tennessee Craft, the statewide organization that supports and promotes all handmade crafts in Tennessee.

Thirty local and regional artists will show their work, ranging from textiles, sculpture, jewelry, pottery and glass to paintings, cast bronze, metal work and wood work.

As part of the event, there is a Studio Tour exhibition in the St. Andrew's-Sewanee Art Gallery, located in the center of the Simmonds Building at SAS. Peggy Townsend, the guest juror, reviewed the submissions and made awards in a number of categories.

Townsend selected three major awards for the show: Michael and Louise Kelley received the Best in Show award for their Dragonfly Tea Set. Cheryl Lankhaar received the Best 2D Piece award for her painting "Winchester Farm" (see page 1), and Claire Reishman received the Best 3D Piece award for her Porcelain Bowl.

She also selected several awards of merit. The recipients for these awards were Sanford McGee, Nancy Wallace, Ursula Vann, Merissa Tobler and Mary Lynch.

Townsend has been an arts admin-



Best in Show: Michael and Louise Kelley's Dragonfly Tea Set

istrator since 1989. She has degrees in art history from Rhodes College in Memphis and arts administration from the University of Cincinnati in Ohio. She currently serves as Director of Public Art for the City of Chattanooga and is co-owner of Townsend Atelier art school and studio in Chattanooga.

Most sites host several different artists showing their work, while the SAS Art Gallery presents an exhibition from all members of the group, in addition to SAS faculty and students. Most works featured in the Studio Tour

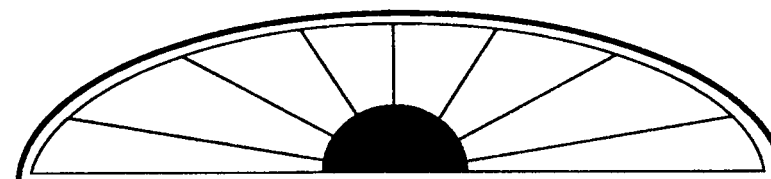
Exhibition are for sale at the Gallery.

Sewanee artists who will open their studios to the public during the tour include Bob Askew, Claire Reishman, Archie Stapleton and Merissa Tobler.

Other Sewanee locations displaying work are the Potter home, the Greenspace Art Collective, the American Legion Hall, Locals Gallery, Claiborne House (Otey's parish hall), Shenanigans and the Spencer Room at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School.

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

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



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LOOKSATBOOKS

by Pat Wiser for Friends of duPont Library

Children's Books for the Holidays

For this year's holiday gift ideas, I consulted experts on children's books: Sewanee Elementary School students and their librarian, Kathryn Bruce.

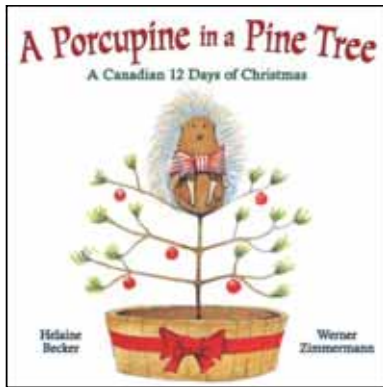
First-grader Harper Thompson recommended the perfect family Christmas book, "A Porcupine in a Pine Tree." No partridges or pear trees appear in Canadian Helaine Becker's adaptation of the old favorite. New to me, this exuberant romp depicts puffins piping and hockey players leaping. Not all ages will get the Stanley Cups or donut munching Mounties, but the ubiquitous porcupine in a pine tree will captivate everyone who reads and sings it. (Also in French)

Other SES children want Messenger readers to know that they love "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" and "The Night before Christmas." These preferences to glittering newer offerings serve as reminders that they still make great gifts.

For more ideas for ages 5 and up, Kathryn suggests sharing the joy of laughter. For younger children, our librarian guide directs us to "The Day the Crayons Quit" and "The Day the Crayons Came Home" by Drew Daywalt.

"Crayons have feelings and express them in a series of letters in both of these charming books. You may never look at your box of Crayolas the same again!"

Daywalt's creative crayon grievances get our attention; a timely example is Red's objection to working on holidays—all those Santa suits and Valentines! The sequel depicts woeful runaways. One snapped when Dad sat on it; another stuck to a smelly sock in the dryer. Any survivors at your house might enjoy being put to work on post-holiday art projects.

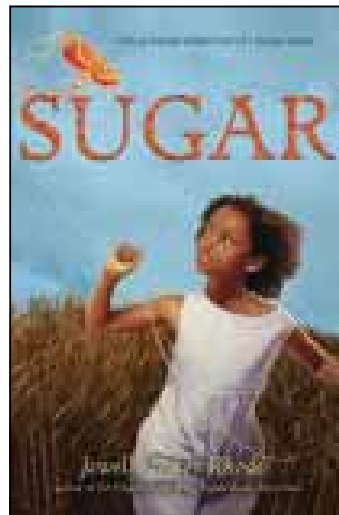
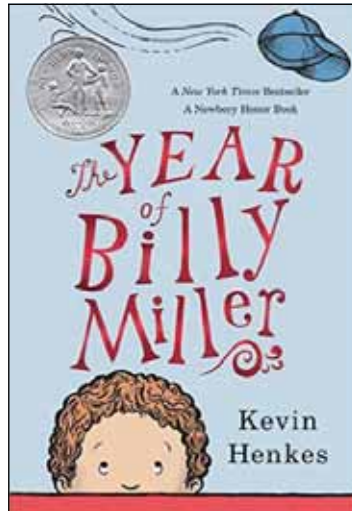


Also for younger kids is B.J. Novak's "The Book with No Pictures." Kathryn warns, "Parents, your children will ask you to read this book again and again. A great book to ask visiting aunts, uncles and grandparents to read aloud; laughter guaranteed." Giggling children checking out this book reinforce their librarian's review; they are captivated by the rule that readers must say every word, including nonsense words ("bluurf") and hilarious statements ("My head is made of blueberry pizza.")

Next, Kathryn takes us to choices for beginning and later readers. Another new book is "The Year of Billy Miller" by Kevin Henkes, which she terms "a wonderful first read-alone chapter book, but equally enjoyable as a read-aloud with young beginning readers." I found 7-year-old Billy's fears and triumphs to be realistic and engaging.

For older elementary students, our helpful expert proposes "Sugar" by Jewell Parker Rhodes, which "offers older elementary students a glimpse into life in the South immediately after emancipation through the story of friendship between a former slave child and a plantation owner's son and the introduction of Chinese workers to fill in for the former slaves." I sent this award-winner to a granddaughter (who loved it) and donated it to her school library. Upbeat, brave Sugar is a role model for us all.

Happy holidays, happy reading, and a thank-you to Kathryn and her merry SES readers.



Anonymous 4

St. Paul's Presents Vocal Quartet Anonymous 4

Music at St. Paul's presents Anonymous 4, the internationally renowned early music vocal quartet, in their first-ever concert in Chattanooga, 7:30 p.m. (EST), Tuesday, Dec. 8. The acclaimed a cappella ensemble's concert, "The Last Noël," is a special celebration of music for Christmas across the centuries, including songs and carols from medieval England from their debut recording, "An English Lady Mass"; songs, hymns and conductus from their very first concert program, "Legends of Saint Nicholas"; and traditional tunes from early America, including "The Cherry Tree Carol" and William Billings' joyous "Bethlehem."

Hailed for their unearthly vocal blend and virtuosic ensemble singing, the four women of Anonymous 4 (Ruth Cunningham, Marsha Genensky, Susan Hellauer, Jacqueline Horner-Kwiatk) combine historical scholarship with a contemporary performance sensitivity to create their magically pure and distinctive sound. Anonymous 4 has performed for sold-out audiences on major concert series and at festivals throughout North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

Anonymous 4 will perform at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 305 W. Seventh at Pine Street, in Chattanooga. Tickets are \$50, reserved seating; \$25, general admission (\$30 at the door); \$10, students (\$15 at the door). For reservations and more information, call (423) 266-8195 or go to <www.stpaulschatt.org>.



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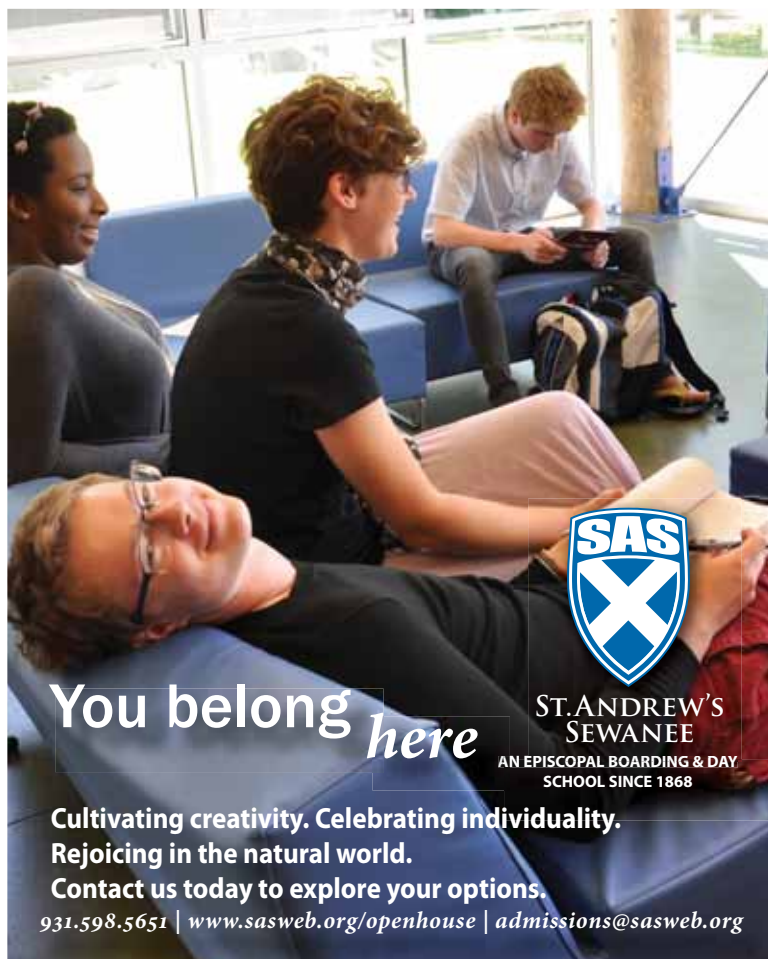


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TINTINNABULATIONS

by John Bordley



What IS a carillon?

Two weeks ago, four Sewanee carilloners took a field trip to visit the 27-bell carillon at St. Francis Episcopal Church in Ooltewah, Tenn. Sewanee's carillon has 56 bells. Breslin tower hosts the 8 bell Bentley change ringing bells. When is a collection of bells a carillon and when is it not?

A carillon is a musical instrument consisting of at least two octaves of carillon bells arranged in chromatic series and played from a keyboard permitting control of expression through variation of touch. A carillon bell is a cast, bronze cup-shaped bell whose partial tones are in such harmonious relationship to each other as to permit many such bells to be sounded together in varied chords with harmonious and concordant effect.

from the Articles of Incorporation of The Guild of Carilloners in North America

The words used here are something like the words chosen for the creeds—they respond to various questions that existed when the words were chosen and written down. The controversies that gave rise to the chosen words are not stated, and they are probably not remembered by most people; however, they lurk in the background.

Often the definition of a carillon is stated as an instrument with at least 23 bells. The GCNA website has:

A carillon consists of a series of at least 23 tuned bells, played from a keyboard that allows expressiveness through variation in touch, and on which the player, or carillonneur, can play a broad range of music—from arrangements of popular and classical music to original compositions created just for the carillon.

A full two octaves would be 25 notes; the 23-note designation allows for two missing semitones, often two of the lower notes, e.g., Sewanee's bells start with a Bb and then move to a C and D and then are chromatic up to the highest G—the



The carillon at St. Francis Episcopal Church. Photo by Charlene Williamson

low B natural and C# are missing.

A "carillon" with fewer than 23 bells is called a chime. The instrument at Ooltewah started out as a 19-bell chime that later had more bells added. The more common type of chime has about 8–12 bells that are played by a person standing at a chime stand. These bells are not necessarily carefully tuned and are only used to play single-note melodies, not chords. The McShane Chime at St. Paul's Church in Chattanooga is an example.

The Bentley change ringing bells in Sewanee are swinging bells, and they are played by pulling ropes so that the clappers hit the sides of the bells to produce sounds; they are not played from a keyboard, and they do not play melodies.

Arthur Bigelow taught engineering graphics at Princeton from the 1940s until his death in 1967. He was a world-renowned carillonneur and designed our Shapard Tower and chose the Paccard Foundry in France to cast our bells. Even though he did extensive research to tune 'real bells,' in the 1950s he was a controversial figure in the GCNA when he represented the Schulmerich Company that produced electronic, "carillonic bells."

Some people insisted that these instruments were indeed carillons, but according to the definitions above they certainly are not. Bigelow eventually severed that relationship and concentrated on installing carillons such as the one at Sewanee; interestingly, he thought our carillon was his best installation.

Our group enjoyed playing the Ooltewah carillon and rejoiced at being able to walk into the playing cabin at ground level rather than needing to climb the 124 steps here in Sewanee!

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Senior Center News

Senior Center Christmas Lunch

The Sewanee Senior Center's annual Christmas luncheon will be at noon, Tuesday, Dec. 15, at the Senior Center. The menu will be baked ham, green bean casserole, sweet potatoes, corn casserole, spiced apples, roll and dessert. The cost is \$8, and reservations should be made no later than 9:30 a.m., Monday, Dec. 14, by calling 598-0771.

Lunch Menus

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

Dec. 7: White bean and chicken chili, pimento cheese sandwich, roll.
Dec. 8: Sloppy Joe, French fries, dessert.
Dec. 9: Barbecue chicken, green beans, cauliflower salad, roll, dessert.
Dec. 10: Soup, salad, dessert.
Dec. 11: Roast beef, gravy, mashed potatoes, slaw, dessert.

Participation at the Center

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

Botanical Watercolor Workshop

A botanical watercolor workshop led by Chattanooga watercolorist Margaret Patten Smith will be from 9 to 11:30 a.m., on Saturday, Dec. 5.

The workshop gives people of all ability levels an opportunity to try their hand at capturing beauty in watercolors.

The focus will be on Christmas colors—evergreens and traditional Christmas flowers and fruits. Participants are invited to bring in their own objects to paint or choose from a variety provided. Bring your own painting materials, and meet in the Herbarium on the first floor of Spencer Hall, 64 Alabama Ave., Sewanee. The workshop is free, but space is limited, so reservations are necessary.

For more information on this event or to reserve a spot in the watercolor workshop, call the Herbarium at (931) 598-3346. Directions are available at the Herbarium website, <<http://lal.sewanee.edu/herbarium>>.

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by Margaret Stephens

Why now?

I've been wanting to start up my blog again. But had to waffle for awhile about whether its title—"my second freshman year"—still applied a year later.

I decided it did: who's to say when I've "gathered enough credits," so to speak?

Just when I'd resolved that, Paris happened. And I felt the need for silence. First, out of a kind of respect. Then out of a sense of overwhelm. How on earth to respond to that?

Which eventually translated into "what is the point of posting a tiny blog about small doings when there's so much big stuff happening out there?"

Then I read a Facebook post by a friend from my decades-ago FIRST freshman/sophomore years at Harvard. A summary doesn't do it justice, so here it is:

"I spent a lot of my birthday yesterday reflecting upon the violence in Paris the prior evening—its impact on lives, and the implications for our future. Like so many others, I searched for reasons to believe that we will reverse the current trajectory toward more of the same. (I'm still working on that.) But I was lucky yesterday. In the face of this horrific reminder that our lives can be taken at any moment and anywhere, I received birthday wishes all day long from friends who reminded me of my belief that love is what we are here for and just how rich I am in it. Thank you my Friends, who live with me in the One Percent of the love distribution, for all the love you have thrown in my direction. We have got to figure out more ways to spread it."

That post reminded me that it is the small things of our lives that make up life. Which most matter: cooking that Thanksgiving turkey, greeting a harried checker at Walmart, contacting a friend to wish him or her well on a birthday or any other day?

That's one way we fight the fear and confusion and cycle of hatred that terrorism creates.

To quote someone I WISH I'd known during my first freshman year, Mother Teresa, "None of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love."

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Tips for Handling Holiday Stress

The holiday season is a wonderful time of year. But it can also be a very stressful time! That is especially true for families with children. The additional cost of gifts, overscheduling of events, and overdoing it when it comes to food and drink can make us all stressed out. But did you know that, according to a report from the American Psychology Association, 91% of children are aware of and affected by parents' stress?

Here are some quick tips to keeping your family's holiday happy and bright.

Don't do the same thing and expect different results: Traditions are great, but if your family gathering is stressful, maybe you should try something new. If hosting and planning is taxing, maybe another family member could host a family gathering this year. If holiday travel and socializing is exhausting and expensive, then scale back. Keep your celebration small and local.

Don't expect perfection: No one is perfect. You shouldn't expect perfection from your children, family or yourself. This isn't the time to expect all conflict to disappear just because it is a

special time of year. In the midst of the hectic holiday season, it may be best to go a little easier on yourself and others. Focus on staying positive and patient.

Don't overdo it: The holidays are a time when many of us overdo it in a variety of ways, from eating too much to having one too many alcoholic beverages to overspending. It is easy to make compulsive decisions and then regret them later. Try to pace yourself and set limits instead.

Don't try to be and do everything: There is a lot of pressure during the holidays to live up to an idealized notion of the season that has become popular in our culture. There is no ideal holiday celebration and definitely no ideal family! Don't try to live up to something that doesn't exist. Also help kids understand what to expect. If shopping and long lines are going to be part of the day or if many family members will be visiting, be sure to talk about these things with children beforehand. Letting children know what to expect can go a long way in limiting meltdowns and misbehavior!

Do be realistic: Keep your expecta-

tions realistic for the holidays. In other words, keep it simple! Set realistic goals for yourself. Even go as far as actually writing these goals down. This will help you "see" if your holiday plans are manageable. Be realistic about what you can and cannot do. Do the same when it comes to deciding what the kids can handle. If your little one tends to melt down without a nap, then add some down time to your schedule each day during the holidays.

Do stay on schedule and stick to a budget: Speaking of schedules... You will have a better holiday season and a better new year if you set a schedule and a budget and STICK to it! Planning ahead and scheduling specific activities and chores can keep you from feeling overwhelmed. Set aside specific days for shopping, baking, visiting friends and other activities. Plan menus, make shopping lists and don't forget to line up help for party prep and cleanup. It may be difficult, but it is important to keep children on their normal eating and sleeping schedule even during the holidays. Children who are well-rested and not hungry will be better able to meet your expectations when it comes to behavior.

These same rules apply when it comes to your holiday budget. Decide how much you can afford to spend, create a gift list and then shop, based on your planning rather than impulse buying. For children, your time is always more valuable than a new toy. One suggestion is to enjoy free activities like looking at holiday lights or playing together in the snow! Just remember, overspending can lead to further stress and depression when the extra bills arrive after the holidays.

Do say no and ask for help: Don't feel obligated to say yes to every request and invitation. This will only leave you feeling resentful. Friends and family will need to understand if you cannot participate in every activity or function.

When you do feel overwhelmed, don't be afraid to ask others for help. No one person can do it all. This is where kids can make a difference and get a chance to feel useful. Children can help with decorating, cleaning, and even cooking and baking, when age-appropriate. Their work may not be perfect, but allowing your child to help and thanking them for their efforts can go a long way in building self-esteem.

Do take a deep breath: Make some time for yourself. Spending just 15 minutes alone, without distractions, may refresh you enough to handle everything you need to do. So step outside for a breath of fresh air or inhale deeply through your nose and exhale from your mouth. Try this five or six times when feeling overwhelmed or impatient. These deep breaths relax the body and can calm the mind. Get your children to try it! At the very least, it may work as a distraction when your child is tired or hungry.

Do have fun: When you stop to think about it, perfect usually isn't fun! Instead of trying to create the perfect holiday, why not focus on enjoying time with family and friends, even when things don't go exactly as planned. Break out singing your favorite Christmas carol while waiting in line with the kids. Wear your goofiest holiday sweater or a Santa hat. Of course this is your child's specialty! Let them show you how to have F-U-N! Encourage your child to sing a song or tell a silly holiday story. Watch your favorite holiday movies and specials together.

Do get help: Sometimes limiting stress during the holidays is easier said than done. If your negative feelings seem to have control over you, you may need to reach out for help. Talk to a trusted friend, mentor or religious advisor. Don't hesitate to seek professional help if stress is leading to anger, anxiety and depression.

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Three Tigers named NFHCA All-Region

After an outstanding season and earning All-Southern Athletic Association (SAA) awards, three Sewanee field hockey athletes have been named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) All-Region Team.

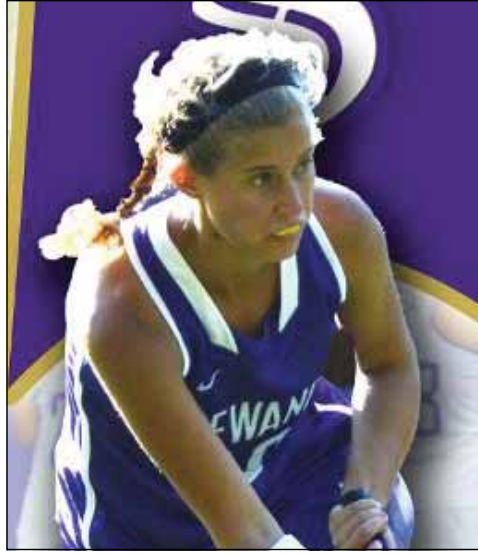
Senior Janie Spilman was named to the first team, while Catherine Estes and Katie Wilson earned all-region second-team honors. All three athletes were NFHCA All-Region Team selections in 2014.

Spilman capped off an outstanding career this fall. In fact, the Richmond, Va., native played and started in all 17 matches. The senior captain was the field general that led to a number of transition goals and key defensive stops.

After she earned a first All-SAA first-team honor a month ago, Wilson capped off her all-region award with five goals and five assists. Like Spilman, Wilson started and played in all 17 matches. The second-year midfielder fired 39 shots and had a .129 shooting percentage.

One of the best qualities for Wilson was her consistency. The Chapel Hill, N.C., native scored goals throughout the season. That included the game-tying goal against Centre in the SAA Tournament semifinals.

Finally, Estes was a true two-way player for Sewanee. The sophomore midfielder started and played in all 17 matches. The Fredericksburg, Va., native finished with two goals and an assist. Along with her 15 shots, Estes often raced into the midfield and disrupted opponents' possession.



Janie Spilman



The 2016 Sewanee Tigers softball team won't play their first game until February, but the team has been very active with off-season practices, coupled with the addition of two new coaches. New head coach Merritt Yackey and new assistant coach Michelle Thibodeaux, along with returning coach Mike Murrah, will try to revitalize a program that has struggled to find wins on the field in recent years. All three coaches are optimistic about the future of the program and encouraged by the team's character. Yackey is the former head coach of Lees-McRae College in North Carolina and the 2011 Conference Carolinas Coach of the Year. Thibodeaux is a 2014 Sewanee graduate and former Tigers' pitcher and utility player. Back row, from left: Merritt Yackey, Mike Murrah, Miranda Townsend, Amanda Watters, Allie Carr, Madi Bunderson, Sara Burklin, Caroline Holmes and Michelle Thibodeaux; front row: Ashley Fox, Courtney Saunders, MacKenzie Hobbs, Emily Taylor, Rachel Hoffman and Charley Shirey.

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Sewanee's SAA Football Honors

Led by sophomore defensive back and punter John Cleveland, five Sewanee football student-athletes were recently named to the All-Southern Athletic Association (SAA) Team.

Cleveland closed out his second season as one of the top punters in the nation. He averaged an SAA best 42.3 yards per kick. His 18 punts inside the 20 also led the league, while his 82-yard punt at Millsaps set a new SAA record for longest punt. Additionally, Cleveland finished the regular season ranked second nationally in punting, and his 82-yard punt was also the longest in NCAA Division III this fall.

Seniors Alex Kops and Lonnie Scott were named to the All-SAA second team. Kops wrapped up his last season with 58 tackles. That total was only one behind team leader Tony Dykes.

Kops ranked 14th in the SAA in solo stops with 37, while his 5.8 tackles per game ranked 24th. Kops finished 20th among league players in interceptions.

Scott closed out his career with 27 tackles, three sacks and four tackles for a loss. Scott ranked 20th in the SAA in sacks, while he was 30th in sack yards.

Additionally, freshman offensive lineman John Gaither, senior defensive end Brandon Campbell, and Cleveland, as a defensive back, were named to the All-SAA honorable mention team.



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Emory Scalds Sewanee

After a slow start, visiting Emory University used a balanced offensive attack to defeat the Sewanee women's basketball team, 71-48, on Dec. 1 in Juhan Gymnasium in Sewanee.

The loss snapped the Tigers' three-game home winning streak and dropped Sewanee to 4-3 overall. Emory is now 5-1 and has won four straight.

It was all Sewanee early. The Tigers took a quick 10-4 lead after back-to-back jumpers from Haley McDonough and Jamie Chauvin.

The Tigers then led by four, 13-9, with 3:24 left in the first quarter, when Chauvin made her first three of the night.

After a three by Fran Sweeney of Emory, the Tigers answered back to close the first, when freshman Sue Kim, who got her first career start, made a three with 33 seconds left.

Unfortunately, Emory answered back in the second. After Emory made only 29.4 percent of its attempts in the first, the Eagles went 7-of-13 (53.8 percent) in the second. That helped Emory build a 29-27 halftime lead after the Eagles outscored Sewanee 17-11 in the second 10 minutes of play.

Chauvin scored 17 of her game-high 22 points in the first half.

Like they did in the second quarter, Emory kept making shots in the second half. The Eagles made 53 percent of their attempts out of the locker room, which included 5-of-9 on three-point attempts.

After being down a possession to start the third, Sewanee took the lead twice in the first three minutes of the third quarter. After a pair of free throws by Corey Caulder and then a three by Kim, Sewanee briefly led by three, 32-29.

From there, it was all Emory. Another three by Sweeney sparked a 16-6 run by the Eagles over the next seven minutes. That would eventually lead to Emory outscoring Sewanee in the final 10 minutes of the game, 22-8.

Along with Chauvin's 22 points, Caulder had eight, while Hannah McCormack added seven. Dumebi Egbuna led Emory with 19.



St. Andrew's -Sewanee middle school basketball player Isaac Smith shoots a free throw, as teammate Brock Peterson watches. SAS won the game in November over Coalmont, 35-21.



The 2015-16 St. Andrew's-Sewanee girls' basketball team: (back row, from left) Coach John Hargis and Bre Torres; (fifth row) Abby Mainzer, Isabel Spinelli and Sarah Johnson; (fourth row) Elsie Uwera and Kate Butler; (third row) Elva Mi, Winnie Fang and Reagan Rhoton; (second row) Aoi Yoshizaki and Isabel Butler; (front row) Lea-Sophie Schiemann, Mariel Rinck and Sarah Simons.

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Tigers Break Covenant

Behind a career-high 19 points by senior Seth Brown, the Sewanee men's basketball team earned a big home win on Dec. 1 over regional rival Covenant College.

The 64-51 victory avenged the Tigers' only loss of the season, which came at Covenant on Nov. 17. Additionally, Sewanee extended its home winning streak to 13 straight games, dating back to December 2014.

Along with Brown, senior Keshonn Carter helped the Tigers dominate inside the paint with a 14-point, 10-rebound double-double. Junior guard Clay Born also played well, just missing a double-double. Born finished with 11 points and a season-high nine rebounds.

The Tigers made 56 percent of their attempts in the opening 20 minutes en route to a 10-point, 33-23, halftime lead.

In the second half, Sewanee stayed aggressive. A jumper by Carter opened a 9-2 run to start the half. During the first six minutes out of the locker room, Sewanee had points from Carter, Brown, Born and Brody Stone.

Facing its largest deficit of the contest, 17 points with 16:55 to play, the Covenant Scots chipped away. A jumper by Chris Boyd opened an 8-2 run by Covenant. However, with Covenant's offense finally clicking, Sewanee answered back when Born hit a three with 9:22 to play.

The Scots cut the Tiger lead to eight, 55-47, with 5:29 remaining after another layup by Boyd. But with the shot clock running down, junior Jorden Williams hit a deep three at the top of the key to push the Sewanee advantage back to 11.

Overall, Sewanee made 44.6 percent of its attempts. The Tigers also dominated the glass, outrebounding Covenant 42-27.

Sewanee outscored the Scots in the paint, 36-20. Covenant entered the game averaging more than 70 points per contest, but Sewanee limited the Scots to their lowest output this season. Guard Ben Phelps paced the Scots with 19 off the bench.

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Sewanee's Bella Taylor (No. 12) dribbles the ball at midcourt in the Nov. 24 victory over Agnes Scott. Photo by Lyn Hutchinson

Sewanee Women Trounce Agnes Scott

Bolstered by a season-high shooting percentage and plenty of forced turnovers, the Sewanee women's basketball team rolled past visiting Agnes Scott College on Nov. 24 by a 90-48 margin.

The Tigers made 60 percent of their attempts, which included a season-high 43.5 percent of their three-point shots.

The Scotties had 28 turnovers, which led to 46 points.

The win marked the first game this season in which Sewanee has made more than 35 percent of its attempts. In fact, the Tigers have now improved their shooting percentage in each of the past two games.

Along with the team success, individually all 12 players scored at least two points, with freshman Corey Caulder leading the way with a game-high 16.

Sewanee built its lead early in the contest, as the Tigers outscored Agnes

Scott, 27-12, in the first quarter. By halftime, the Tigers led by 21.

In the second half, Sewanee never let up. The Tigers outscored the Scotties by 14 in the third quarter and by seven in the final 10 minutes of the game.

Along with Caulder, four other players finished in double figures. Senior Jamie Chauvin finished with 13 points, while junior Savannah Rose and freshman Rebecca Lobach added 11 each.

Additionally, freshman Katie Wayne pitched in 10 points on 4-of-6 shooting. Wayne has now scored in double figures three straight games.

Overall, Hannah McCormack and Ali Chastenet also posted season-high points against Agnes Scott.

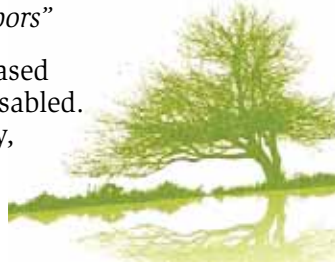
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Greening of All Saints' Chapel

The greening of All Saints' Chapel for Lessons and Carols this weekend uses many plant materials gathered locally on the Domain under the careful direction of the grounds manager, reports **Yolande Gottfried**. Among the plants used are a number of those mentioned in Nature Notes a couple of issues ago.

The ginkgo "roses" are one of Ken Taylor's signature decorations, and volunteers spend hours fashioning them from the distinctive yellow ginkgo leaves that just fell a week or so ago. The fan-like vein pattern in their leaves is unlike any other living tree. That and other features make it unique among "modern" plants, a living fossil.

Much of the greenery includes native evergreens, specifically white pine, Virginia pine and eastern red cedar or juniper. Arborvitae and the broad-leaf evergreen southern magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora*) are also used, collected from populations that are planted or escaped from cultivation, though they are part of native plant communities elsewhere in the United States.

Nandina is used for its red berries, which helps keep this potentially invasive exotic from spreading through seed dispersal. Another invasive exotic being used this year is Asian bittersweet, a vine notable for its orange-red fruits but classified as a severe threat by the Tennessee Exotic Pest Plant Council. Other greenery is gathered from campus plantings of spruce, fir, and cherry or skip laurel.

It has been suggested that the University consider creating a cutting garden for the purpose of having these greens available without having to collect them from other sources—an idea worth discussing as we admire the chapel's adornment this year.



Hubba Bubba



Riff Raff

Pets of the Week

Meet Hubba Bubba & Riff Raff

The Franklin County Humane Society's Animal Harbor offers these two delightful pets for adoption.

Hubba Bubba is one handsome little dog. This adult male Shetland Sheepdog is a great size for indoors without being a tiny fragile dog. He's used to the company of adults, cats and another dog, and seems to like children, too. Hubba Bubba is heartworm-negative, up-to-date on shots, micro-chipped and neutered.

Riff Raff is the cutest crystal-blue-eyed Siamese-mix kitten. So far he seems to enjoy playing more than cuddling, but you never know how kittens will be as they mature and get used to a new home and family. Riff Raff is negative for FeLV and FIV, house-trained, up-to-date on shots, micro-chipped and neutered.

Every Friday is Black Friday at Animal Harbor. On Fridays, adoption fees are reduced 50 percent for black or mostly black pets over 4 months old who have been at Animal Harbor for more than a month.

Pets adopted from Animal Harbor qualify for a free post-adoption wellness exam by local veterinarians. Animal Harbor is now open at its new shelter at 56 Nor-Nan Rd., off AEDC Road in Winchester. Call 962-4472 for information, and check out other pets at <www.animalharbor.com>.

State Park Offerings

Saturday, Dec. 5

Grundy Lakes Hike—Join Ranger Jessie at 1 p.m. at Grundy Lakes parking lot, 587 Lakes Rd., Tracy City, for a moderate 2-mile hike around Main and Lone Rock lakes. Dress for the weather. Bring water.

Sunday, Dec. 6

Grundy Forest Hike—Join Ranger Jessie at 10 a.m. at Grundy Forest parking lot, 131 Fiery Gizzard Rd., Tracy City, for a moderate 2-mile hike on the northern terminus of the famed Fiery Gizzard Trail. Rocky terrain;

wear sturdy footwear.

Friday, Dec. 11

Laurel Gorge Hike—Join Ranger Park at noon at Foster Falls parking lot, 498 Foster Falls Rd., Tracy City, for a moderate 5-mile hike to the amazing Laurel Gorge. Bring a camera, wear sturdy shoes, and dress for the weather.

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.

Santa Sits with Pets for Photos

Animal lovers can have a photo of their furry friends taken with Santa from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 12, at Tractor Supply in Kimball. Each photo costs \$5, and proceeds will go to benefit the Marion Animal Resource Connection.

Weather

| DAY | DATE | HI | LO |
|-----|--------|----|----|
| Mon | Nov 16 | 60 | 41 |
| Tue | Nov 17 | 63 | 52 |
| Wed | Nov 18 | 65 | 58 |
| Thu | Nov 19 | 61 | 44 |
| Fri | Nov 20 | 65 | 39 |
| Sat | Nov 21 | 63 | 42 |
| Sun | Nov 22 | 62 | 28 |

Weekly Averages:

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| Avg max temp = | 63 |
| Avg min temp = | 43 |
| Avg temp = | 53 |
| Precipitation = | 1.34" |

| DAY | DATE | HI | LO |
|-----|--------|----|----|
| Mon | Nov 23 | 41 | 25 |
| Tue | Nov 24 | 49 | 19 |
| Wed | Nov 25 | 60 | 20 |
| Thu | Nov 26 | 65 | 26 |
| Fri | Nov 27 | 67 | 20 |
| Sat | Nov 28 | 69 | 20 |
| Sun | Nov 29 | 50 | 31 |

Weekly Averages:

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| Avg max temp = | 59 |
| Avg min temp = | 43 |
| Avg temp = | 51 |
| Precipitation = | 2.80" |

November Monthly Averages:

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Avg max temp = | 62 |
| Avg min temp = | 47 |
| Avg temp = | 55 |
| Total Precipitation = | 6.13" |

November 57-Year Averages:

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Avg max temp = | 57 |
| Avg min temp = | 39 |
| Avg temp = | 48 |
| Precipitation = | 4.86" |
| YTD Avg Rainfall = | 55.25" |
| YTD Rainfall = | 57.81" |

Reported by Elizabeth Tilly,
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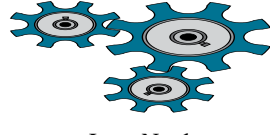
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Carol

Villagers all, this frosty tide,
Let your doors swing open wide,
Though wind may follow, and snow beside,
Yet draw us in by your fire to bide;
Joy shall be yours in the morning!

Here we stand in the cold and the sleet,
Blowing fingers and stamping feet,
Come from far away you to greet—
You by the fire and we in the street—
Bidding you joy in the morning!

For ere one half of the night was gone,
Sudden a star has led us on,
Raining bliss and benison—
Bliss to-morrow and more anon,
Joy for every morning!

Goodman Joseph toiled through the snow—
Saw the star o'er a stable low;
Mary she might not further go—
Welcome thatch, and litter below!
Joy was hers in the morning!

And then they heard the angels tell
"Who were the first to cry Nowell?
Animals all, as it befell,
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—excerpted from "Wind in the Willows" by Kenneth Grahame

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Today, Dec. 4

Curbside recycling, before 7 a.m.

Last day of School of Theology classes

- 8:30 am Yoga with Carolyn, Comm Center
- 9:00 am Greening of All Saints', volunteers welcome
- 9:00 am Sewanee Senior Bazaar, Senior Center, until 3
- 12:00 pm Sewanee Woman's Club lunch reservation deadline, 598-5869 or <mariannah@earthlink.net>
- 4:00 pm Cowan Christmas Market, Monterey Station, until 9 pm
- 4:30 pm Campus tree lighting, Quad
- 5:00 pm Bible study, Mtn of God Tabernacle, Monteagle
- 5:30 pm Angel Park tree lighting
- 7:00 pm MTSU guitar quartet, McCrory Hall, SAS
- 7:30 pm Sewanee Symphony Orchestra, Guerrey Auditorium
- 7:30 pm Movie, "Son of Man," SUT

Saturday, Dec. 5

- 8:30 am Yoga with Richard, Comm Center
- 9:00 am Herbarium watercolor workshop, Spencer Room 177
- 10:00 am Cowan Christmas Mkt, Monterey Station, until 4 pm
- 10:00 am Grundy Co. Republicans, Courthouse, Altamont
- 10:00 am Hospitality Shop open, until noon
- 10:00 am Thurmond Library holiday book sale, Otey, until 5 pm
- 10:00 am TN Craft-Southeast Holiday Studio Tour, until 4 pm
- 1:00 pm Cowan Christmas parade, Cook's Corner to CES
- 5:00 pm Lessons & Carols, All Saints' Chapel (by ticket)
- 5:00 pm Monteagle Christmas parade, refreshments at Harton Park following parade
- 7:30 pm Movie, "Son of Man," SUT

Sunday, Dec. 6

- 9:30 am Otey Parish annual meeting, St. Mark's Hall
- 11:00 am Thurmond Library holiday book sale, Otey, until 4 pm
- 11:00 am TN Craft-Southeast Holiday Studio Tour, until 4 pm
- 4:00 pm Yoga with Helen, Comm Center
- 5:00 pm Lessons & Carols, All Saints' Chapel (by ticket)
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible study, Midway Baptist
- 6:30 pm Sewanee Praise, St. Luke's Chapel
- 7:30 pm Movie, "Son of Man," SUT
- 8:00 pm Lessons & Carols, All Saints' Chapel (by ticket)

Monday, Dec. 7

School of Theology final exams, through Dec. 11

- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:00 am Coffee with Coach, Yackey, Blue Chair
- 9:00 am Monteagle Open House, Town Hall, until 6 pm
- 9:00 am Pickle ball with John, Fowler Center
- 9:00 am Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 10:30 am Chair exercise with Ruth, Senior Center
- 5:30 pm GAAC Holiday meeting, Simply Southern, Pelham
- 5:30 pm Yoga for healing with Lucie, Community Center
- 5:30 pm Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 6:00 pm Karate, youth @ 6; adults @ 7, Legion Hall
- 7:00 pm Centering Prayer, Otey sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Sewanee Chorale practice, Hargrove Auditorium
- 7:00 pm Toastmasters, Torian Room, duPont, until 8:30 pm

Tuesday, Dec. 8

Lease agenda deadline, <palsup@sewanee.edu>

- 8:30 am Yoga with Carolyn, Comm Center
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:30 am Hospitality Shop open, until 2 pm
- 10:30 am Bingo, Senior Center
- 10:30 am La Leche League, Comm Center
- 11:30 am Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid, Tracy City
- 12:00 pm Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Center
- 12:30 pm Carillon concert, Shapard Tower
- 3:30 pm Centering Prayer support, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 5:00 pm Acoustic Jam, water bldg. next to old GCHS
- 5:30 pm Daughters of the King, St. James parish hall
- 6:30 pm Prayer and study, 7th Day Adventist, Monteagle
- 7:15 pm Folk Music Collective concert, St. Luke's Chapel

Wednesday, Dec. 9

Last day of College classes

- 9:00 am CAC office pantry day, until 11 am
- 9:00 am Pickle ball with John, Fowler Center
- 10:00 am Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Center
- 10:00 am Senior Center writing group, Kelley residence
- 10:30 am Chair exercise with Ruth, Senior Center
- 12:00 pm EQB luncheon, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 12:30 pm EQB lead, Goldberg, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 1:30 pm Sewanee Garden Club, Ken Taylor home
- 5:30 pm Yoga with Helen, Comm Center
- 7:00 pm Bible study, Midway Baptist Church
- 7:00 pm Catechumenate, Women's Center
- 7:00 pm SAS Winter Concert, McCrory Hall, SAS
- 7:30 pm Movie, "Monty Python & Holy Grail," (free), SUT
- 7:45 pm German Christmas Party, 29 Louisiana Circle

Thursday, Dec. 10

- 8:00 am Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, Sewanee Inn
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:00 am Nature journaling, <marypriestley@bellsouth.net>
- 9:00 am Yoga with Becky, Comm Center
- 9:30 am Hospitality Shop open, until 2 pm
- 11:00 am Tai Chi with Kathleen, advanced, Comm Ctr
- 12:00 pm Lifelong Learning, Smith, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 12:00 pm Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler
- 12:30 pm Episcopal Peace Fellowship, Otey
- 1:30 pm Folks@Home support group, 598-0303
- 2:00 pm Knitting circle, Mooney's, until 4 pm
- 6:00 pm Karate, youth@6, adults@7, Legion Hall
- 7:00 pm Survivors' support group, Morton Memorial
- 7:30 pm Jazz on the Mountain, Ayres Center
- 7:30 pm Movie, "The Intern," SUT

Friday, Dec. 11

Operation Noel application deadline, 598-3400

College final exams, through Dec. 16

- 8:30 am Yoga with Carolyn, Comm Center
- 12:00 pm EQB Christmas Banquet, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 1:30 pm Bloodmobile at CVS, Monteagle, until 6 pm
- 5:00 pm Bible study, Mtn of God Tabernacle, Monteagle
- 5:00 pm Winchester Downtown Christmas party begins
- 5:30 pm World healing meditation, Comm Ctr
- 7:30 pm Movie, "The Intern," SUT

LOCAL 12-STEP MEETINGS

Friday

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

Saturday

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

Sunday

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

Monday

- 5:00 pm Women's 12-step, Claiborne Parish House, Otey
- 7:00 pm AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

- 10:00 am AA, closed, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493
- 4:30 pm AA, "Tea-Totallers" women's group, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493
- 7:00 pm NA, open, Decherd United Methodist
- 7:30 pm AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle

Thursday

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



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