



Lessons and Carols. Photo by Lyn Hutchinson

Changes for Lessons & Carols

The 54th Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols will take place at 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, and at 5 p.m. and 8 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8, in All Saints' Chapel.

This year, in an effort to improve the experience for everyone who attends Lesson and Carols at Sewanee, the University encouraged guests to reserve seats for their preferred service. The new process was announced in August. Based on the number of seats reserved, all three services are expected to be at or near capacity.

People who do not have reservations but who would like to try to attend a service in the event that any seats are available should go to Convocation Hall 45 minutes before the start of the service in order to check ticket availability. Convocation Hall is located at the corner of University and Georgia avenues on the Sewanee campus.

Tree Lighting and Santa's Visit Rescheduled for Friday, Dec. 13
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MGTA Gets New Challenge Gift for Land Acquisition

Doug Ferris of Memphis and Monteagle has made a challenge gift of \$12,000 to the Mountain Goat Trail Alliance for its capital campaign.

"I have been a proponent of the Mountain Goat Trail, and of what I think will become its positive economic impact, since the beginning. I hope that others will join me in supporting the trail by matching my challenge gift and donating \$24,000 to take this campaign to the top," Ferris said.

This is the second major challenge gift of this type, following the Cammack Family Foundation's \$10,000 donation earlier this year. Both donations are for the Alliance's Phase III Capital Campaign, in collaboration with the Land Trust for Tennessee. The campaign has a goal of \$83,000 for property acquisition between Monteagle and Tracy City, as well as for ongoing programs of the MGTA. To date, only \$13,900 remains to complete the project.

"We are honored and thrilled by Doug's challenge gift to the Mountain Goat Trail. We are sure that it will move others to express their support for the Trail and its mission—to bring economic and recreational benefits to all the communities of the South Cumberland Plateau," said Janice Thomas, MGTA board president.

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. For more information, visit <www.mountaingoattrail.org>.

Tour Artists' Studios on Saturday & Sunday Across the Mountain

The 2013 annual Holiday Tour of Artists' Studios and Galleries, sponsored by the Craft Artists of Southern Tennessee and Tennessee Arts and Crafts Association, will be Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 7–8, at locations across the Mountain. Thirty-five artists will show work for sale at 13 locations around Sewanee and Monteagle. The tour includes clay, metal, fiber, jewelry, painting, wood and soap.

The tour is open 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, and noon–5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8. Student-designed art, cards and gift items (some of which benefit outreach efforts), will be for sale in the St. Andrew's-Sewanee School art studio, adjacent to the Gallery.

As part of the event, the St. Andrew's-Sewanee Gallery's "Full CAST" exhibit features the work of artists on tour, as well as SAS faculty and staff.

Greg Pond was the juror for the exhibit. Winners of the Merit Awards (\$100 each) were Archie Stapleton,



Pottery by Archie Stapleton

Merissa Tobler and Susan Church. Honorable Mention was awarded to Ollie Durant, Claire Reishman and Sanford McGee.

In reviewing the works, Pond said, "This year's Full CAST exhibition showcases a diverse range of techniques, media and ideas. It contains many impressive works of very high quality. After surveying the exhibition, I determined that the merit

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Council Approves Speed Limit Changes in Sewanee

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the Dec. 2 meeting of the Sewanee Community Council, the Council approved a speed limit reduction on two streets and passed a resolution thanking the Sewanee Civic Association for its work to commemorate the desegregation of the Franklin County Public Schools. Domain Manager Nate Wilson reported on the success of the deer cull to date.

The Council passed a resolution of gratitude drafted by council member John Flynn thanking the Sewanee Civic Association for its work to commemorate the 1960s desegregation of the Franklin County Public Schools with a historical marker at Sewanee Elementary School. A lawsuit brought by a coalition of 16 local African-American and white citizens led to the realization of desegregation in the county. Council members plan to attend the Sunday, Jan. 19, commemoration ceremony at SES set to coincide with the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday on Jan. 20.

Police Chief Marie Eldridge proposed reducing the speed limit on Green's View Road from 20 mph to 15 mph and lowering the Kentucky Avenue speed limit from 25 mph to 20 mph. Eldridge cited the absence of sidewalks and shoulders on these streets, making travel potentially perilous for pedestrians. The day-care facility on Kentucky added to the risk, Eldridge said.

Eldridge also recommended crosswalk markings on Georgia Ave. at Stirling's to accommodate high pedestrian traffic due to the library. Crosswalk markings painted on a road indicate pedestrians have the right of way.

Vice Chancellor John McCardell recommended a trial period of four to six months to gauge the effect of the speed limit change. The Council approved the speed limit reduction on both streets and the addition of crosswalk markings on Georgia Ave. Eldridge said the next step was to seek approval from the County Commission and sheriff.

Plans call for speed limit signs at the beginning and end of both streets as well as "Pedestrians Present" and "Slow, Children at Play" postings.

Domain Manager Nate Wilson

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Sgt. James Bell with his family: daughters, Isa and Lottie, and wife, Trish.

Local Soldier Surprises Family With Reunion

Special to the Messenger

A Grundy County native serving in the U.S. Army in Afghanistan was reunited with his family on Thanksgiving during a celebration event in Kansas City, Mo. Sgt. James Bell, a UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter crew chief, surprised his wife and youngest daughter during a Plaza Lighting Ceremony on Nov. 28 by greeting them onstage after returning home early from Afghanistan for the event.

Bell is a soldier with Company C, 2nd General Support Aviation Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment, 1st Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division. He is a graduate of Grundy County High School and Tennessee Technology Center in Shelbyville. Before going into the military, he and his brother owned and operated South Cumberland Collision Center.

Before coming on stage to meet his wife, Bell waited in a nearby tent set up to appear as if he was making an internet phone call from Afghanistan. Bell greeted his wife and then said, "I wish I could be there on the stage with you."

When Bell said that, the camera zoomed out revealing that Bell was not actually alone, but was with actor Rob Riggle, who is also a Kansas City native, and Dustin Colquitt, punter for the Kansas City Chiefs.

"Wish granted," Riggle said. He and Colquitt then escorted Bell onto the stage where the Bell family was reunited in front of more than 100,000 people

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Operation Noel Providing Abundant Holidays for All

In just a few weeks, it will be Christmas. While many are already planning ahead about the gifts to buy and the 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 are delivered Christmas Eve morning by the SVFD and FROST.

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

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

Every family needs to fill out a new application, even if they have received from Operation Noel before. An application ensures that organizers have all the pertinent information so they can provide for everyone in need. The application is on page 6 of this week's issue of the Messenger. The deadline for returning applications is Monday, Dec. 9.

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, located in the Sewanee Police Department building or Print Services in Van Ness Hall.

For more information call 598-3400 and leave a message.

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Letters

CHEST NEEDS \$46,000

To the Editor:

Thanks to the whole community, at the end of November the Sewanee Community Chest reached \$62,000 in donations. We still have to raise \$46,000 to help reach this year's goal of \$108,000 for 28 local organizations.

If you have not done so, donate to the Community Chest today. Your donation does matter and helps to improve the quality of life for all.

For example: \$25 will help feed one child for eight weekends with the Campora Backpack Program; \$50 will help to buy camping gear for two Scouts; \$75 will help pay one month of maintenance expenses for the Sewanee Community Center; \$100 will help defray the cost of fireworks for the annual 4th of July celebration; \$250 will help pay for four days worth of food at the Sewanee Senior Citizens Center; \$500 will help five Tigershark swimmers with registration fees; and \$1,000 will help to pay for Sewanee Elementary teachers' professional development.

The Community Chest is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and donations are tax-deductible. Send your donation to Sewanee Community Chest, P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375. For more information, or to make a donation through PayPal, contact <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com> or go to <www.sewaneecivic.wordpress.com>.

Thank you for your continued support.

Theresa Shackelford
Kiki Beavers
Community Chest Stewards ■

MESSENGER Break Ahead

It is hard to imagine, but Christmas is around the corner. There will be two more issues of the newspaper after this—Dec. 13 and Dec. 20—before we take a break.

The staff will take a two-week hiatus and return to the office on Monday, Jan. 6, with the first issue of 2014 on Friday, Jan. 10.



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OBAMACARE “DEATH SPIRAL” To the Editor:

A recent letter defending Obamacare started by saying catastrophes within Obamacare don't exist. The fact is Obamacare is full of catastrophes. The website was a \$500-million disaster. It was more than a few glitches. After three years developing it, it still crashed. Millions have had their insurance cancelled and replaced with policies that have much higher premiums and deductibles, but less coverage. I personally know of one family that was paying \$300 a month in premiums. When the wife got a job she was dropped from her husband's insurance and forced to take insurance offered by her employer. This is costing them an additional \$700 a month. I have a family member who has just seen her premium go up 21 percent. She can't afford paying \$400 a month for a vital medicine not covered.

Companies are replacing full-time employees with part-timers. Many full-timers lucky enough to keep their jobs are being cut to work under 30 hours. Every day, more devastating stories are being revealed.

This law was forced down our throats even though the majority of Americans didn't want it. Since 2010 the estimated cost of funding Obamacare has risen 45 percent. Recently it was announced insurance companies will get subsidies if they don't make enough money. It will come from the tax payers.

Remember this statement, “If you like your health insurance you can keep it, period.” This was a blatant lie, and Obama knew it. Obama and his administration are without doubt the most incompetent, arrogant and corrupt politicians in modern history. Yes, Obamacare is a catastrophe.

Stephen Cardwell
Sewanee ■

A DIFFERENT VIEW OF ACA To the Editor:

I found Charles “Buzz” Sienknecht, MD's letter entertaining. It's a good one having straw men, personal attacks and the required poignant examples of people without insurance (I'm fully aware these people exist). Even the old “your cancelled insurance was substandard anyway” type of line is there.

The straw men are the “catastrophisers” and the personal attacks are the implication that anyone opposed to the PPAHA is evil (“prefer chaos and failure,” etc.). These techniques generally indicate a lack of cogent



Pets Photos with Santa

Pet Pictures with Santa will be 10 a.m.–4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14, and 1–4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 15, at Tractor Supply in Winchester. One 4 x 6 print is \$10; three 4 x 6, or one 8 x 10, or one sheet of wallets are \$25.

Remember this holiday season with a professional portrait of your furry family members with Santa. All profits will be used to care for the homeless cats and dogs at Animal Harbor.

argument and appear often in the defense of Obamacare.

The disastrous website is minor. This overreaching law will be the real problem, thus the unconstitutional delay of so many parts until after next November's elections. It was sold using lies and the unreasonable expectation that working people will gladly pay more for insurance features they don't need. Claiming young, healthy people will pay money for an unneeded product was part of the sales job, too.

Obamacare isn't just about insurance, it's about control, expansion of government (and its dependents) and redistribution via health insurance. We'll be charged for features we don't need to pay for added bureaucrats and to subsidize coverage for others. Yes, our insurance system needed major improvements, and there are many people who need help, but this law moved things the wrong way.

I expect my family to be one of millions who lose coverage and must pay more for what someone else says is “better” insurance. All thanks to the Affordable Healthcare Act.

Bill Kershner
Sewanee ■

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Holiday Garbage Schedule

Joe B. Long reports the following plans for garbage pickup for the holidays. There will not be garbage pickup on Christmas Day, Wednesday, Dec. 25. Garbage pickup will resume on Thursday, Dec. 26, and the crews will be picking up both Wednesday and Thursday garbage on that day. There will be garbage pickup on New Year's Day, Wednesday, Jan. 1.

University Job Opportunities

Exempt Positions—Programmer/Analyst.

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Letters to the Editor are welcome at the Sewanee Mountain Messenger and are a vital part of our community's conversation. Letters need to be no longer than 250 words and may be edited for space and clarity. 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 daytime telephone number with your letter. Mail it to Sewanee Mountain Messenger, P.O. Box 296, Sewanee TN 37375, or come by our office, 418 St. Mary's Ln., or send an email to <news@sewaneemessenger.com>.—LW

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If you know of others in our Mountain family who are serving our country, please give their names to American Legion and Auxiliary member Louise Irwin, 598-5864.

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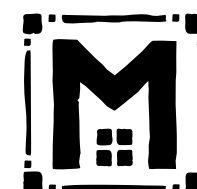
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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Greening of All Saints' Chapel on Friday

Members of the Sewanee community are invited to join in the Greening of All Saints' Chapel today (Friday), Dec. 6, in preparation for the 54th annual Festival of Lessons and Carols Dec. 7-8. Work begins at 9 a.m. Ken Taylor of Taylor's Mercantile will direct the day's activities.

Franklin County Democrats Meet Friday

The Franklin County Democratic Party will have dinner and a rally at 6 p.m., Friday, Dec. 6, at Red Roof Pavilion in Winchester City Park, 1561 Phillip Fulmer Pkwy. There will be a chili supper, live music and a chance to meet and hear from Roy Herron, chair of the Tennessee Democratic Party. For more information call 598-9731 or (931) 649-5662.

CCJP Winter Board Meeting Saturday

The Cumberland Center for Justice and Peace will have its fall board meeting at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Sewanee Senior Citizens' Center. Agenda items include planning for the Martin Luther King celebration and awards banquet. Susan Holmes will talk about the Cumberland Plateau Timebank and how to get involved. Those interested in becoming involved with the work of the Center or in serving on the board are encouraged to attend.

For more information or to address the board contact Leslie Lytle at 598-9979 or email <sllytle@blomand.net>.

Coffee with the Coach on Monday

Coffee with the Coach, an opportunity to learn more about Sewanee's sports teams, continues at 9 a.m., Monday, Dec. 9, with University's athletic director Mark Webb, who will give an overview of the University's athletic programs. Gather at the Blue Chair Tavern for free coffee and conversation.

Woman's Club Meets & Hosts Bake Sale on Monday

The next meeting of the Sewanee Woman's Club will be on Monday, Dec. 9, at the DuBose Conference Center in Monteagle. John Holleman and Robie Jackson from St. Andrew's-Sewanee School will present the program about the SAS Players' trip to the Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland. The Woman's Club will have a bake sale at this meeting, and Rachel Lynch will be selling her beautiful jewelry, ties and scarves. The sale will start at 11 a.m., before the meeting, so please bring items by 10:45 a.m.

Area Rotary Club Meetings

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

The Monteagle Sewanee Rotary Club meets at the Smoke House Restaurant on Wednesday mornings. Coffee begins at 6:50 a.m.; breakfast and the meeting begins at 7 a.m. and ends by 8 a.m. On Wednesday, Dec. 11, Sue Herrick will speak on "What is Happiness and Why in Vanuatu." The Monteagle Sewanee Rotary Club hosts a noon Thursday meeting at the Blue Chair Tavern. On Thursday, Dec. 12, the Rev. Canon Gideon Byamugisha will speak about "HIV in Sub-Saharan Africa."

Community Center Board Meets Wednesday

The Sewanee Community Center will have a board meeting at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 11, at the center. The agenda includes annual elections for new board members. Any member of the Community Center is invited to attend and vote.

EQB Club Gathers on Wednesday

EQB Club members will gather for social time at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 11, with lunch served at noon at St. Mary's Sewanee.

Garden Club Meets on Wednesday

The Sewanee Garden Club invites members and guests to its next meeting, 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, Dec. 11. Ken Taylor will present the program about decorating for the holidays. The group will meet at the home of Pixie Dozier, 133 Carriage Lane, Sewanee. Please bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Community Action Committee. For more information contact Judy Magavero, (931) 924-3118.

Academy of Lifelong Learning Gathers on Thursday

The Academy of Lifelong Learning will meet at noon, Thursday, Dec. 12, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Courtney Cowart will talk about her experiences in New York City on 9/11 and in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. A box lunch (\$10) is available by calling 598-5434 or by emailing <reservations@stmaryssewanee.org>. For more information call Anne Davis at (931) 924-4465 or Stephen Burnett at 598-5479.

Grundy Co. Historical Society Luncheon on Thursday

The Christmas luncheon quarterly meeting of the Grundy County Historical Society will be at 12 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 12, at the parish house of Christ Church Episcopal in Tracy City. Margaret Beaumont Zucker will give a story-telling presentation. Lunch is \$15 and must be reserved in advance; please send a check to Grundy County Historical Society, P.O. Box 1422, Tracy City, TN 37387, call (931) 592-6008, or email <history@blomand.net>.

Cookies & Hot Cider at Jump Off Firehall Dec. 14

The friends of Jump Off Firehall are hosting a reception, 2-4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14. There will be for cookies and hot cider and a chance to see Santa. This holiday event will also highlight the campaign to purchase a defibrillator unit for the Jump Off fire truck.

The Sewanee Fire Department is currently being certified as a first responding agency for medical and trauma emergencies, and having these units on the fire trucks is a tremendous benefit to the community.

Trivia Night to Benefit Community Chest

The Blue Chair Tavern will be hosting a Sewanee Trivia Night to benefit the Sewanee Community Chest on Tuesday, Dec. 10. Teams of four to five members can begin registration at 6:30 p.m.

There is a suggested donation of \$10, which is not required to play. All money donated this night will go to support the Sewanee Community Chest and the 28 organizations that receive funding.

Trivia questions for this evening will include everything a well-informed person should know about Sewanee, including social life, academia, traditions and historical fun facts. This will be the last Trivia Night of the semester.

For more information, email <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com>.

Help Available for Health Care Registration

Need help navigating the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) website to shop for affordable quality healthcare insurance? Come to Julia's Fine Foods on University Avenue in Sewanee between 2:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. each Sunday in December. There will be computers and volunteers who will help you find insurance opportunities. The volunteers are not insurance salespeople, just neighbors who can help you.

Sing-Along with Handel's "Messiah"

Join the "Messiah" Sing-Along at 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14, in All Saints' Chapel.

The Sewanee Chorale, under the direction of Gary Sturgis, will host the magical event. Come and bring your own score, or borrow one and sing with the Chorale.

If you are not a singer, come and be a part of the audience. Nothing will bring you the spirit of Christmas faster than to hear Handel's marvelous work performed in the splendor of the Christmas decorations at the Chapel.

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Obituaries

Frankye Stephenson Bright

Frankye Stephenson Bright died on Dec. 2, 2013. Born on Jan. 7, 1913, in the ByWy Community of Choctaw County, Miss., she was the daughter of John Tom and Ila Velma Daves Stephenson. She was preceded in death by her parents; and husband, Myrah Clinton Bright.

She lived in Avondale Estates, Ga., until 1995 when she moved to Sewanee where she attended Otey Memorial Church. She was a member of Columbia Presbyterian Church in Decatur, Ga.; she served as president of the Presbyterian Women and was given an honorary life membership.

She is survived by her children, Linda Carole Bright (Frank)Lanke-wicz of Sewanee and Harold Reed (Sherry) Bright of Elora; sister, Anna Fay Stephenson Guest of Madison, Ala.; and four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Dec. 7 at Enon Presbyterian Church in Ackerman, Miss., with interment in the Enon Cemetery. Arrangements were by Watson-North Funeral Home.

John Warren Causey

John Warren Causey, age 87 of Monteagle, died on Nov. 20, 2013, at home. He was born on Nov. 30, 1925, in Hadley, Ky., to Eugene Bradley and Mable Martin Causey. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II. He moved to Monteagle in 2006 and was a member of Tracy City First Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister Mattilene Goss; and brother William Causey.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Rose Causey; children, Debra (Thomas) Kandul of Monteagle, Susan (Daniel) Chitwood and Kathy Kinnaird of Louisville, Ky., and Amy (Wesley) Sights of Henderson, Ky.; sister Charlotte Meredith of Cullman, Ala.; brother Jay (Joann) Carl Causey of Arlington, Texas; and eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were on Nov. 23 at Tracy City First Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to: Tracy City First Baptist Church, 531 Altamont St., Tracy City, TN 37387, or to Gideons International, P.O.Box 140800, Nashville, TN 37214-0800. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Dominico Thomas Lotti

Dominico Thomas “Tom” Lotti, age 92 of Sewanee, died on Nov. 25, 2013, at Southern Manor in Winchester. He was born on July 8, 1921, in Swampscott, Mass. He served in the U.S. Army from 1940 to 1962 in World War II and Korea. He served as bursar of the University of the South from 1967 until his retirement in 1980. He was proceeded in death by his wife of 61 years, Katherine B. Lotti; and his son-in-law, Wiley C. Richardson.

He is survived by his daughter, Ann L. Richardson of Birmingham, Ala.; his son, Howard (Chris) Lotti of Sewanee; and two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were Nov. 29 in the University Cemetery, Sewanee. In lieu of flowers, the family requests you make a donation to the charity of your choice. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Nelma Dean McGee Sullivan

Nelma Dean McGee Sullivan, age 84 of McMinnville, died on Dec. 1, 2013, at NHC Nursing Home in McMinnville. She was a member of Philadelphia Baptist Church. She was born on May 18, 1929, in McMinnville to William Beecher and Ollie Coppinger Wanamaker. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband G.W. McGee; husband Horace Sullivan; brothers, Clifton Conard and Glen Wanamaker; and sisters, Beatrice Hillis, Hazel Argo and Pauline Campbell. She is survived by her sons, Sanford McGee of Sewanee and Greg McGee of McMinnville; and two granddaughters, two great-grandsons, and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside funeral services were on Dec. 4 at the Philadelphia Cemetery with the Rev. Battle A. Beasley officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Beersheba Springs Medical Clinic, P.O. Box 112, Beersheba Springs, TN 37305, <beershebaclinic.org>. For complete obituary go to <www.laynefuneralhome.com>.

Jeffery A. Welsh

Jeffery A. Welsh, age 52 of Pelham, died on Nov. 23, 2013, at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville.

He is survived by his wife, Teresa Arp Welsh of Pelham; and brothers, Shawn Welsh of Alto, Mark Welsh of Decherd, Mike Welsh of Winchester, and Ron White of Arizona.

Arrangements were by Central Funeral Home, Manchester.

Church News

Christ Church Monteagle

Christ Church Monteagle has many special activities planned for the season of Advent. On Sunday, Dec. 8, Christ Church will observe the Second Sunday in Advent at its 10:30 a.m. service, and will observe the Conception of Jesus’ mother, whose birthday is said to be Dec. 8. Since St. Nicholas Day comes on a Friday, he, too, will be honored on Sunday for his legendary giving and generous spirit.

Members of the Orthodox Church have given Christ Church blue vestments and a St. Nicholas’ Cope, which Christ Church will embrace during this beautiful liturgical season. Looking ahead, on Sunday, Dec. 15, the Rev. David Beckmann will be the guest preacher.

Morton Memorial Methodist

The Morton Memorial United Methodist Church’s Angel Tree is up at the Monteagle Piggly Wiggly. The tree provides residents the opportunity to give gifts to local children in need.

Otey Memorial Parish Church

Otey Parish will have its annual meeting at 10 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 8. New vestry members will be elected, and there will be a review of the past year, as well as discussion about future goals.

Children ages 3–11 will begin preparations for the Epiphany pageant during the meeting. Nursery care is available for infants six weeks to children 5 years old from 8:30 a.m. until the coffee hour.

After the 11 a.m. service, there will be a reception to celebrate the gifts and talents of the Rev. Canon Gideon Byamugishu during coffee hour.

St. James Episcopal Church

St. James hosts a monthly 4-F (First Friday Family Fun) Night, which will begin at 5:30 p.m., today (Friday), Dec. 6. Please bring something delicious to share and prepare to laugh, enjoy and experience fellowship with friends.

The fall cleanup will begin at 9 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, at the church. They will also celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas with a surprise.

Unitarian Universalist, Tullahoma

At the 10 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 8, gathering at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tullahoma, Peter Solies will discuss “Quantum Physics and Why I Believe in Santa Claus.” Following the service, there will be refreshments and a discussion period.

If your church is in the Messenger’s circulation area and would like to be listed in the calendar, please send service times, church address and contact information to <news@sewaneemessenger.com> or telephone 598-9949.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Weekday Services

7:00 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary’s (not Mon)
7:30 am Morning Prayer, Otey
8:10 am Morning Prayer, Chapel of the Apostles
8:30 am Morning Prayer, St. Augustine’s
12:00 pm Eucharist, Chapel of the Apostles (not Thurs)
12:30 pm Noon Prayer, St. Mary’s (not Mon)
4:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Augustine’s
4:30 pm Evening Prayer, Otey
5:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Mary’s (not Mon)
5:10 pm Evening Prayer, Chapel of the Apostles
7:00 pm Worship Service, Mtn of God Tabernacle (1st Fri)
7:45 pm Sung Compline, St. Mary’s Convent (Tues–Fri)

Saturday, Dec. 7

All Saints’ Chapel
5:00 pm Festival of Lessons and Carols
Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd
5:00 pm Mass
Monteagle Seventh-day Adventist Church
10:00 am Sabbath School/Bible Study
11:00 am Worship Service
St. Mary’s Convent
8:00 am Holy Eucharist

Sunday, Dec. 8 • 2nd Sunday in Advent

All Saints’ Chapel
8:00 am Holy Eucharist
11:00 am Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm Festival of Lessons and Carols
8:00 pm Festival of Lessons and Carols
Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle
11:00 am Worship Service
5:30 pm Evening Service
Christ Church Episcopal, Alto
11:00 am Holy Eucharist
11:00 am Children’s Sunday School
Christ Church, Monteagle
10:30 am Holy Eucharist
10:45 am Children’s Sunday School
12:50 pm Christian Formation class
Church of the Holy Comforter, Monteagle
9:00 am Holy Eucharist
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
Epiphany Episcopal Church, Sherwood
10:30 am Children’s Sunday School
10:45 am Holy Eucharist
First Baptist Church, Monteagle
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Evening Worship
Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd
10:30 am Mass
Grace Fellowship
10:30 am Sunday School/Worship Service
Harrison Chapel Methodist
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
Holy Comforter Episcopal, Monteagle
9:00 am Holy Eucharist

Midway Baptist Church

9:45 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship 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

Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Christmas Musical Event

Mountain of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

11:00 am Worship Service

New Beginnings Church, Jump Off

9:00 am Worship Service
10:45 am Worship Service

Otey Memorial Parish

8:50 am Holy Eucharist
10:00 am Christian Formation
11:00 am Holy Eucharist

Pelham United Methodist Church

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

St. Agnes’ Episcopal, Cowan

11:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I

St. James Episcopal

9:00 am Bible story time for little ones
9:00 am Holy Eucharist

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8:00 am Mass

St. Mary’s Convent

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm Evensong

Sewanee Church of God

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

Sewanee Cumberland Presbyterian Church

9:00 am Worship
10:00 am Sunday School

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

Tuesday, Dec. 10

7:00 pm German Christmas Service, St. Augustine’s

Wednesday, Dec. 11

6:00 am Morning Prayer, Cowan Fellowship
12:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Christ Church, Monteagle
5:00 pm Children/youth, First Baptist, Monteagle
5:30 pm Evening Worship, Bible Baptist, Monteagle
6:00 pm Prayer and study, Midway Baptist Church
6:00 pm Worship, First Baptist Church, Monteagle
6:00 pm Youth (AWANA), Tracy City First Baptist
6:30 pm Prayer Service, Harrison Chapel, Midway
7:00 pm Adult Christian Ed., Epiphany, Sherwood
7:00 pm Evening Worship, Tracy City First Baptist



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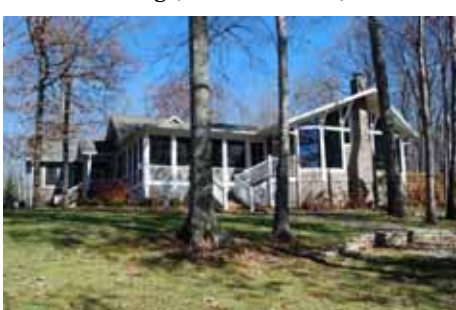
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First St., Monteagle	1325122	\$ 16,800
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Sgt. James Bell, on the big screen, talks to his wife via video conference prior to revealing that he is actually just offstage. Photo by Keven Parry

Reunion (from page 1)

who had come to the ceremony. Following the ceremony, the family was taken to a nearby restaurant that had been prepared to receive them. Bell said that he liked having a surprise to give to his family.

"I feel great about it," Bell said. "I'm grateful to be back in America and to be with my wife and my family." Bell, who deployed with the rest of the 1st CAB in August, said he was looking forward to being with his family again and that he expected his family to be excited to see him.

Bell's mother, Elizabeth Bell, said that he was hand-picked from among 8,000 soldiers for this event because of his outstanding service record, his deployments (he was on his second deployment in Afghanistan) and his medals (which include the Purple Heart from his first time in Afghanistan).

Bell enlisted six years ago. His first deployment sent him to the mountainous area surrounding the Korengal Valley. On Christmas that year, his outfit was attacked, and he was hit by a grenade. He recovered at a medical facility very close to his base, returning to his company after only a month of convalescence. After his tour was finished, he returned home with nine pieces of shrapnel and a Purple Heart. In addition to the Purple Heart, he has earned numerous medals and commendations. His current term will not be up until 2016, but he plans to make a career out of the military, his mother said. Elizabeth Bell is the humanities chairman and visual arts specialist at Grundy County High School.

Bell and his wife, Trish, make their home in Fort Riley, Kan., now. They have two daughters, Isa and Lottie, and a new baby girl expected in March 2014.

To see the reunion on video, go to <<http://youtu.be/M3ZwmgOsIKE>>.

—by Sgt. Keven Parry, 1st Combat Aviation Public Affairs,
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Council (from page 1)

reported the pre-cull was highly successful, citing the addition of designated "in-town" hunting zones; 171 does had been harvested and 195 deer total, surpassing the goal, the largest harvest since the cull began. In addition to reducing the total number of deer, the goal is to reduce the buck-doe ratio to 2–3:1. Last summer's assessment showed the ratio had decreased from 9:1 to 5.5:1.

Hunting has been called off until the main cull on Dec. 18–Jan. 5, Wilson said. Archery hunting will be allowed in all zones, but only approved hunters who have harvested at least two deer in "in-town" zones will be allowed to hunt with muzzleloaders and shotguns and only in the outer zones. Of the 65 approved hunters, only 15–16 hunt regularly, Wilson said. Hunting is not permitted in hiking trail areas.

Wilson predicted a decrease in the deer population next year, but cautioned that the challenge was to monitor migration from areas like Lost Cove, where the deer seek refuge.

The next meeting of the Sewanee Community Council is scheduled for Jan. 27.

IvyWild Offers Holiday Packages

IvyWild Restaurant and Catering is partnering with the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra this holiday season. Special goodie gift bags and box dinners will also be available for purchase at the Angel Park Tree Lighting on Dec. 13.

Each Christmas gift package includes a gift card to IvyWild Restaurant, a donation to the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra made in the name of the purchaser and free gift wrapping services.

A variety of gift package options are available, ranging in price from \$30 to \$200.

At the tree lighting, IvyWild will offer goodie gift bags (\$8) with six jumbo cookies, candy canes and a bag of flavored IvyWild-made hot cocoa mix, as well as holiday boxed dinners (\$10) with a choice of sirloin, chicken or pimento cheese sandwiches.

For more information go to <www.ivywildsewanee.com>.

Sewanee Operation Noel Application

Mail completed application by Monday, Dec. 9, to
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email all information to <tsherril@sewanee.edu>.

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NUMBER OF FAMILY MEMBERS _____
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Attach additional sheet if necessary.

Santa Claus Will Arrive for Tree Lighting on Dec. 13

Join with friends and family at 5:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 13, when Sewanee lights its Christmas Tree in the Sewanee Angel Park and ushers in the holidays on the Mountain with music and fun.

Santa Claus will be available for photos with the kids under the music pavilion. There will be cocoa and cookies. University Avenue will be closed to traffic so that children of all ages can enjoy the event safely.

To help families in need in Sewanee, participants are encouraged to bring unwrapped toys for Operation Noel, which will be collected by members of the Sewanee Fire Department for distribution on Christmas Eve.

The Community Action Committee will also be collecting gifts of money and nonperishable food for the families it serves across the greater Sewanee community.

The Sewanee Chorale will lead Christmas carols. Refreshments will be served, and Santa Claus will be available for pictures with the children.

This event is organized and sponsored by the Sewanee Business Alliance. In case of inclement weather for the tree lighting, refreshments and Santa will take place in the American Legion Hall, adjacent to the Angel Park.

CONVENIENCE/RECYCLING CENTER HOURS

The Convenience Center for household garbage, trash and recycling is located on Missouri Avenue. Its regular hours are: Monday, 1–6 p.m.; Tuesday through Friday, 3–6 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m.–4 p.m.; Closed Sunday. Closed on national holidays. There are blue recycling bins for metal (tin, appliances, etc.), newspapers/magazines, plastic, plastic bottles, cardboard and aluminum cans. Glass recycling is on Kennerly Avenue behind PPS.

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Area Holiday Parades

Cowan

The 49th annual Cowan Christmas Parade begins at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7. The theme, "Racing to Christmas," is in honor of this year's Grand Marshall, Ryan Gifford, Drive for Diversity and NASCAR Next driver from Winchester.

In conjunction with the parade will be the Cowan Christmas Market at Monterey Station on Friday, Dec. 6 and Saturday, Dec. 7. Vendors of all kinds will be selling their items, door prizes will be awarded on Friday night, and Santa will be available for photos. Parade Grand Marshall Gifford will be at the Market before and after the parade.

For more information go to <www.cowanparade.org>.

Monteagle

Monteagle Mountain Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Monteagle will have its 2013 Christmas Parade of Lights beginning at 4:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7. This year's theme is "Winter Wonderland."

Parade registration will be at 4 p.m. between the Smoke House/Best Western and Piggly Wiggly. Lineup and judging for the parade will be behind the Smoke House, where the parade will begin.

The parade will end at Monteagle City Hall. Meet Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus after the parade at Harton Park and enjoy hot chocolate and cookies.

The Town of Monteagle will also have an Open House, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 9, at Monteagle City Hall. Refreshments will be served.

Community Chest Spotlight Blue Monarch

The 2013-14 Sewanee Community Chest Fund Drive is underway. The power of people helping people makes a difference in the life of the 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 \$108,000. To date, 57 percent of the goal has been reached.

This week's recipient spotlight is on Blue Monarch.

Blue Monarch is a one- to two-year residential program where women can overcome abuse, unhealthy choices and emotional wounds, while restoring family bonds and independence. The goal is to break the cycle of drug

and sexual abuse, and change the life of the child by changing the life of the mother. Blue Monarch began in 2003 and has helped more than 500 women and children in 32 Tennessee counties.

Blue Monarch is requesting \$2,500 to help with the Effective Parenting and Reunification Program. This program helps women learn how to effectively parent their children as a sober parent. The program removes children from foster care or the homes of grandparents and family members, and places them back with mothers who have become better equipped to parent their children. Through this program, mothers are helped with custody issues in the court system and given hands-on coaching for specific parenting challenges. The program also seeks appropriate resources for each child's needs. Through this program, Blue Monarch strives to create a stable and loving environment that allows each family the freedom to recover, heal and thrive.

Blue Monarch is entirely supported through private charitable contributions from individuals, foundations, churches, fund-raisers and civic organizations. Expenses for one month total approximately \$22,000, which includes salaries, insurance, utilities and resident care.

The goal of the Sewanee Community Chest is to help citizens by funding the community. The Community Chest is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and donations are tax-deductible. Send your donation to Sewanee Community Chest, P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375.

For more information, or to make a donation through PayPal, contact <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com> or go to <www.sewanee.org>.



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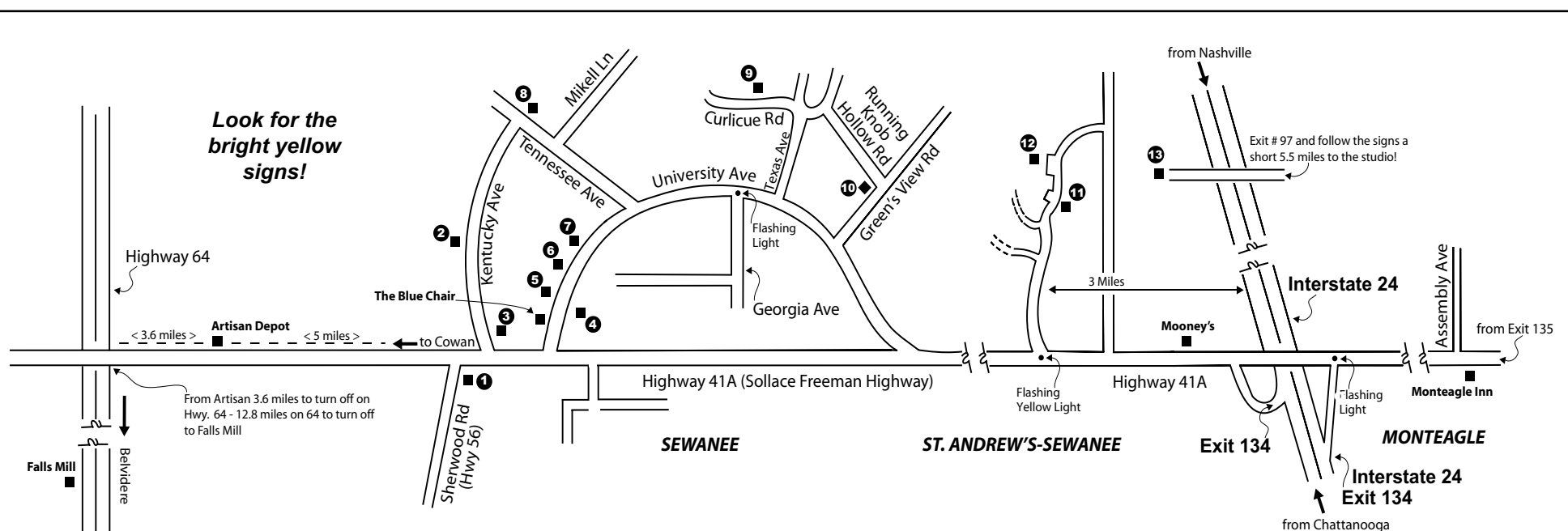
The melodies and music of Sewanee and the fine dining flavors of IvyWild will be very special gifts as you and your friends celebrate the joys and blessings of the holidays.

IvyWild Christmas Goodie Bags and Full Boxed Dinners will also be available at the IvyWild table to enjoy as you visit Santa and the Christmas Tree Lighting in Sewanee.

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The members of active and prospective teams in the Sewanee chapter of Therapy Dogs International (chapter 234) gathered at the Phil White Dog Park recently to wish everyone a joyous holiday season: (front row, from left) Lucia Dale with Star, Barbara Hart with Seamus O'Drool, Kathy Solomon with Mickey, Cameron World with Voodoo, Sylvia James with Weezy and Patricia Street with Goodness and Mercy; (back row, from left) Beth Charlton with Sadie and Sarah Doyi with Sabbath.

Tips and Ideas for a Safe Holiday Season

Holiday-related activities pose as threats to home security and safety for Tennessee residents during the holiday season. A new survey also highlights how holiday pressures and changes in activities, behaviors and routines can leave homeowners vulnerable to home perils.

Insurance claims data indicates that holiday-related activities can cause losses for Tennessee homeowners:

During the holidays, theft and fire claims increase by 10 and 14 percent, respectively, for homeowners. Compared to the national average, Tennessee theft claims are 50 percent more likely to occur. Nationally, claims information indicates that holiday-related activities can cause one of the biggest holiday home hazards—fire—and the losses can be quite large. Candles are the most likely to cause a holiday-related fire. In fact, Christmas week is among the top three weeks for candle-related claims. The median cost for candle-related claims is almost \$50,000. Around New Year's Eve, (last week of December through first week in January) there are nearly twice as many claims caused by fireworks. The median cost for fireworks-related claims is nearly \$14,000.

Christmas trees are another holiday-related hazard that may result in costly damages. The median cost for Christmas tree-related claims is more than \$100,000. Since 2008, the most costly holiday fire claim involved an artificial Christmas tree in the homeowners' living room. The total loss amount cost nearly \$2.4 million.

New Tennessee survey data shows that holiday pressures and changes in activities, behaviors and routines can leave homeowners more susceptible to home perils. According to the survey:

A majority (57 percent) of consumers say they are trying to do too many things at one time during the holidays. Sixty-one percent of consumers are trying

new techniques for cooking and decorating. Seven in 10 consumers leave delivered packages outside their home, drawing attention to valuable gifts and holiday spending. Forty-eight percent of respondents are traveling overnight during the holidays—leaving their homes more susceptible to risk.

Advance planning and precaution can protect your home and help make the holidays hazard-free. Consider these tips to secure your home during the holidays:

Before the holidays, install new batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors. Make sure that family members can locate and operate fire extinguishers. Test all fire prevention devices to make sure they function properly.

Be careful in the kitchen. The incorrect disposal of cooking grease, overuse of garbage disposals and improper or excessive disposal of waste can result in clogged drains and can cause sewer problems during this time of year.

Never leave burning candles unattended, and always place them out of reach of children. Make it a part of your routine to check that all candles are extinguished before you go to bed each night.

Check your holiday lights, throwing away any that are broken and don't overload the outlets. Only lights and extension cords specified for outdoor use should be used outside.

When shopping, don't leave purchases in the passenger compartment of your unattended vehicle. Store them out of sight, in the trunk.

When in plain view, piled gifts around a Christmas tree serve as an invitation to burglars. Close the shades or drapes if you're going to be away.



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Senior Center News

Christmas Bazaar Planning

The Center is preparing for its annual Christmas Bazaar Dec. 9-13. Items for sale will include baked goods (cookies, cakes, pies and candies), fried pies (orders will be taken on Monday and Wednesday and be available for pickup on Tuesday and Thursday); crafts, canned goods (jams and jellies), handmade items, and white elephant items will be for sale. Donations of any of these items will be greatly appreciated and can be brought in for sale Monday, Dec. 9-Friday, Dec. 13.

The Bazaar will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m., Monday and Friday only. Come and enjoy this once-a-year Christmas shopping adventure.

Senior Center Needs You!

The Senior Center is in great need of volunteers to help in the kitchen Monday through Friday during December. If you have a couple of free hours, learn more by calling 598-0771.

Daily Activity Schedule

The Senior Center has something fun to do each day of the week. Join them for any of these activities:

Mondays at 10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m., chair exercise is offered to help promote flexibility, mobility and range of motion by moving most of the joints in the body from head to toe.

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., the group plays bingo with prizes.

Wednesdays at 10 a.m., the writing group gathers at 212 Sherwood Rd. Members read short passages from their own work or from that of another author. For more information call Connie Kelley, 598-0915.

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m., there is chair exercise.

Fridays at 10 a.m. is the time for games. Play Scrabble, join the "Guy's Table" for a game of Sequence or make up a foursome to play bridge. For more information call Eileen Degen, 598-5643, or Ruth Wendling, 598-9517.

Inclement Weather Policy

The Senior Center follows the schedule of the Franklin County School System when the weather is bad. If the Franklin County schools are closed due to snow or ice, the Senior Center will be closed, and no meals will be cooked, served or delivered on that day.

Senior Menus

The Sewanee Senior Center serves lunch at noon on weekdays. The suggested donation is \$3 (\$5 or older) or \$5 (under \$50). Please call by 9 a.m. to order lunch.

Dec. 9: Hamburger, trimmings, onion rings, dessert.

Dec. 10: Stuffed shells, Italian sauce, salad, roll, dessert.

Dec. 11: Pork chops, white beans, turnip greens, cornbread, dessert.

Dec. 12: Turkey, gravy, scalloped potatoes, corn on cob, roll, dessert.

Dec. 13: Corn chowder, salad, dessert.

Menus may vary.

The center is located at 5 Ball Park Rd., behind the Sewanee Market. To reserve a meal or for more information, call the center at 598-0771.

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Community Fund Shortens Name, Adds Services For Nonprofit Organizations

The Community Fund of the South Cumberland Plateau will now be known as the South Cumberland Community Fund, and is adding a focus on providing organizations on the Mountain with technical expertise, as well as funding.

"The Community Fund's leadership decided that a shorter name would make it easier for us and our constituents to refer to the mission and work of our organization. It will enhance our ability to get our message out," said Scott Parrish, board chair of the Community Fund.

The Community Fund unveiled a new logo, Facebook page and website <www.southcumberlandcommunityfund.org>. In addition, the Community Fund announced new services for nonprofits and other groups on the South Cumberland Plateau.

"The Community Fund has learned that there are a number of factors that constrain the ability of organizations to fulfill their missions, and that one-time project grants alone will not solve those problems," said Jack Murrah, Community Fund board member, about the



capacity-building initiative. "We are working to secure the resources that will enable the Community Fund to develop longer-term strategies that will help organizations achieve better outcomes from their programs and do so in a financially sustainable way."

The resources to be offered are still being formulated, but initiatives being considered include training in grant-writing, long-term planning and strategy, staffing, and development.

The mission of the South Cumberland Community Fund is to improve the quality of life across the plateau by increasing philanthropic giving and providing community leadership to build on the strength of the area's people, communities and natural setting; enhance community capacity and collaboration; and support innovative ways to solve community problems.

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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

by Kevin Cummings
Messenger Staff Writer

The daughter of a legendary cartoonist and a psychiatric social worker, Dr. Joanne Filchick says her childhood was wonderful.

"Both of my parents were very loving and kind. They just always said the right thing, and they were never emotionally destructive. I hear horror stories sometimes from patients about the unkind treatment they received as children, both verbal and physical," she says.

That idyllic upbringing in Sarasota, Fla., riding horses and playing on the beach, gave the good doctor a healthy foundation for her career in healing.

"My mother was a very empathetic, well-adjusted human being — unlike me," she adds with a laugh.

That humility was the first thing I liked about Joanne Filchick when I met her a few months ago as a trivia teammate at the Blue Chair. She was fairly new to Sewanee, practicing family medicine in Monteagle at Mountain Medical Clinic, and it seemed a great idea to feature a new neighbor.

Turns out, Dr. Filchick is very familiar with Sewanee. I discovered this over coffee at Stirling's just before Thanksgiving. She attended college here during her freshman year, with the goal of being a veterinarian. After transferring to the University of Florida, her focus changed to people.

"I seemed to have a knack for being able to draw out information from people," she says while sipping straight black coffee. "I also have a scientific curiosity and I enjoy diagnostic challenges."

Her daughter graduated from

Joanne Filchick

Sewanee, and her son is now a senior at the college. Filchick says she always planned to retire here, but decided she didn't want to wait until retirement to move.

She practiced the bulk of her medical career in Knoxville, where she also helped care for her father. Martin Filchick, a lifelong cartoonist who drew comics like "Mighty Man" and "Fisherman's Luck" in the 1930s and 40s, died last year just before his 101st birthday.

"I was artistic when I was young but got interested in science and kind of let that go by the wayside," she says. "Science and math seemed to be the way for a good job."

In her job at Mountain Medical with nurse practitioner Rita Milner, Dr. Filchick says she strongly encourages patients to be proactive.

"Most of what I see is preventable through lifestyle," she says. "There isn't a magic bullet. Would you rather exercise and lose weight or end up with high cholesterol and diabetes and take 10 different medicines to try and control it?"

"I don't think I've had a patient have a heart attack in the last 10 or 15 years because I just micromanage their cholesterol," she adds. "That has been one of my frustrations — a lot of people aren't interested in immunizations or preventative health that I consider essential in preventing disease."

Occasionally someone stops by the table as we talk in the crowded coffee shop, or a child will pierce the noise with a squeal. Despite all the distractions, we push on, and Dr. Filchick graciously shares more details of her life.

Medicine is "all-consuming," but she does find time for Jazzercise, walking and reading — but much of her literature is about medicine and through books-on-tape while she travels.

By the end of the interview I'm even more impressed with her humility and character and wishing she were my doctor, but very glad to have her as a trivia teammate.

UPCLOSE

Joanne Filchick

Favorite movies: "Dances with Wolves," "A River Runs Through It," and "Avatar."

Favorite book: "The Kite Runner."

Favorite childhood activity: "Riding my horse, Zanzabar, a great palomino gelding with the most incredible trot in the world."

Favorite vacation spot: Cinque Terre on the western coast of Italy.

National heroes: Jimmy Carter, Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama. "Jimmy Carter is just a pure soul. I just really admire honesty and good intentions. Basically, all of those people are honest with good intentions."

Studio Tour (from page 1)

awards would go to the artists who matched high levels of technical skill and design with equal measures of ingenuity and experimentation. Each artist seemed to be pushing their own work forward while maintaining high standards for quality in both the craftsmanship and design."

About the winners, Pond said, "I found remarkable clarity in the formal relationships within each piece. Through their work, each artist displays a certain insight that allows them to exploit the potential of both form and material without the sort of effusive embellishment that often distracts from the essential qualities of both. A successful balance of mastery of technique and material/formal speculation is evidence of sustained and thoughtful attention with the hand and the eye. These works conveyed that their creators were continuing to experiment, and in doing so, contributing to their field."

"Creativity and innovation are born through a rigorous and sustained process of making. Getting your hands dirty breeds artistic invention if you are open to the possibilities your practice reveals and ambitious enough to pursue them. Each of these three artists seems to be sufficiently aware of his or her processes to be responsive to lessons learned while the work is being made. My hunch is that they allowed their intuition to guide them as much as their prior knowledge and experience."

The works that received honorable mentions possessed either exceptional formal qualities or novel approaches to working with the given media.

Follow the bright yellow signs across the Mountain to see the unique variety of artists and artwork on the tour, including works in pottery, jewelry, glass, wood, textiles, paintings, prints and much more. The following artists are part of the tour:

Bob Askew, watercolor and oil; Becky Braddock, pottery; Tom and Susan Church, wood; Lisa Dorney, fused glass; Olive B. "Lolly" Durant, marbling on paper and fabric; Anne Griffin, knitting; Shore Griffin, jewelry; Barbara Hughes, sculpture and painting; Sherri Warner Hunter, concrete and mosaic sculptures; Carol Kimmons, ceramics; Jasper King, chainsaw-carved wooden bowls; Marjorie Langston, glass; Cheryl Lankhaar, oil on canvas;

Mary L. Lynch, hand-built functional clay; Bill Mauzy, wood; Mary Beth McClure, glass; Mary McElwain, concrete and silver-plate flatware; G. Sanford McGee, etched copper and mixed media; Denise Miller, pastels, collage, watercolor; June B. Miller, lapidary, jewelry; Sherry Nickell, glass; Dan Pate, oil paintings; Ben Potter, cut copper figures; Jan Quarles, textiles and natural dyes; Claire D. Reishman, clay; Thomas Spake, blown glass; Archie Stapleton, ceramics; Jeanie Stephenson, bronze sculpture; Merissa Tobler, pottery; Connie Ulrich, jewelry; Sarah Vance, goat milk soaps; Ursula Vann, clay; Lynne Vogel, textiles; and Linda White, fiber.

November Lease Committee Report

The following agenda items were approved by the Lease Committee at its November meeting: October minutes; request to remove a deck and add a screened porch to Lease No. 983 located at 188 Bobtown Circle; and a fence on Lease No. 1015 located at 112 John Allin Drive.

Two items were discussed by members of the committee:

Domain Manager Nate Wilson has received reports that there are violators feeding deer, which is against lease policy. As a reminder, the policy is reprinted below. The committee had continuing discussion regarding services and fees.

Leasehold information is available online at <leases.sewanee.edu> or by calling the lease office at 598-1626. A county building permit is required for structures with roofs; call 967-0981 for information. The next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 17. Agenda items are due in the lease office no later than Dec. 10.

Policy on Supplemental Wild Animal Feeding

In an effort to protect the health and safety of Sewanee resident humans and wildlife, all supplemental wild mammal feeding on the Domain is prohibited. Supplemental feeding as intended for this policy includes, but is not limited to, providing feed or mineral supplement for deer, raccoons, or opossums, feeding of feral dogs or cats, or leaving food intended for domestic animals in an open and accessible location for wildlife. Use of seed in elevated bird feeders is not applicable to this policy, although bird seed has also been known to attract coyotes, raccoons and other animals.

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Throughout this week's issue of the Messenger, there are numerous organizations and programs that need financial support, especially at this time of the year. Here are a few others to consider:

Community Action Committee

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

The CAC is an outreach ministry of Otey Parish, with generous support from the Sewanee Community Chest and individuals across the Mountain. For more than 35 years, the CAC has provided food, financial assistance, and educational support for persons in the greater Sewanee community. For more information contact the CAC at 598-5927.

AASC Spay/Neuter Program

The Animal Alliance South Cumberland (AASC), a local spay/neuter program, is accepting donations for Christmas made in honor of a family member or friend. AASC will send a Christmas card to the pet lover. Donations can be made to AASC, P.O. Box 627, Tracy City, TN 37387. AASC provides low-cost spay and neuter services to pets on the Mountain. For more information call AASC at (931) 235-9006 or go to <www.AnimalAllianceSouthCumberland.org>.

Paws for Pennies

The annual "Paws for Pennies" campaign at Sewanee Elementary School is now taking place. "Paws for Pennies" began more than 25 years ago at SES. This campaign is a project of the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department and F.R.O.S.T. (Fund Raising Operation Support Team) to support Operation Noel. Donations will be accepted until Tuesday, Dec. 17.

"Light Up Lives" Cards

The Community Fund of the South Cumberland Plateau is offering holiday cards as a creative alternative to empty holiday gift giving. For a \$10 donation, folks will receive a "Light Up Lives" card that reads: "A gift to the Community Fund of the South Cumberland Plateau has been made in your honor." The person who purchased the card fills in the name of the family member or friend they want to remember and mails the card in the envelope provided. Light Up Lives cards are available for purchase at businesses across the Plateau.

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by John Bordley



'Twas the Night of Lessons and Carols

'Twas the night of Lessons and Carols and all through the tower,
Not a bell was ringing, not even the correct hour,

'Cause Marlan was singing songs in his head
While Gregarious was home all snuggled in bed.

Food and drink aplenty, by the students were hauled up;
Cookies and grapes and little peanut butter cups.

Watching over her little ones, Mrs. Whipple with her watchful eye
Being honest and earnest gave encouragement by and by.

Batons a clackin' the carols went well;
Not a student messed up, nary missing a bell.

Our carols being finished, we all settled in,
And waited impatiently for the service to end.

From the intercom came the songs of Christmastide;
We were waiting for the signal for which we must abide,

When what to our wondering ears should we hear,
But Gregarious approaching! he finally got here.

And with the final hymn came the signal at last,
I sprang to the ringer and flipped the switch fast;

No one was ready for what they soon would hear
With all the bells ringing, the best peal of the year!

And Mrs. Whipple exclaimed, as she was feeling rather antsy,
'Now Marlan, now Greg, now Megan and Nancy!' (Beth)

To the Yuletide visitors on the ground below
The sound of the bells made the night seem aglow;

And the bells seemed to say as they (visitors) drove out of sight,
"Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night!"

—by Marlan Green, C'94

Green wrote this poem, circa 1992, when he was a student of Laura Hewitt Whipple, who was carillonneur at the University, 1984–1992, and continued to teach carillon until 2003. The poem still hangs on the wall of the carillon studio.

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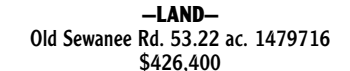
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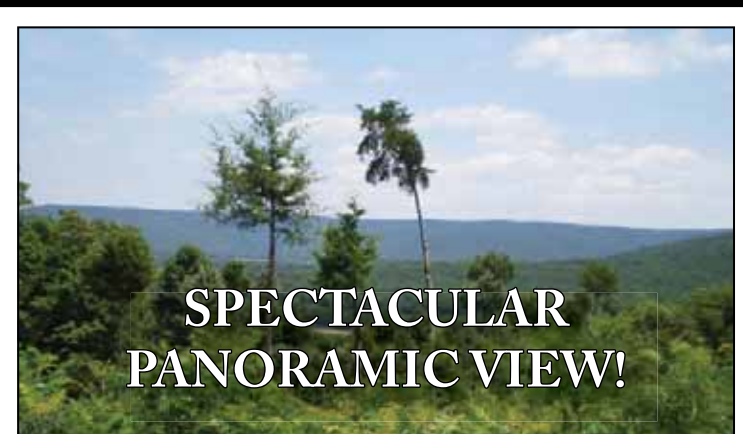


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State Park Offering

Sunday, Dec. 8

Greeter Falls Hike—Meet hike leader Emily Herman, Tennessee Naturalist Program participant, at 1 p.m. at Greeter Falls parking lot for this 2.8-mile round trip hike. The first mile is an easy plateau-top walk; the last half mile is a moderate gorge walk. At this time of the year, the falls should be flowing.

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.

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School Winter Concert

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee School Winter Concert will be at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 11, in McCrory Hall for the Performing Arts on the school's campus. The Middle School and Upper School choruses will perform, as well as the Upper School Chamber Ensemble and the new singing group "Take Note!" The evening will include seasonal music, classical, jazz and rock performances. Admission is free and open to the public.

Eighty-seven students will participate in the Winter Concert, including all middle school students. The concert offers a wide selection of music, including tunes from the Beatles, Michael Bublé, Johann Sebastian Bach and more. The choirs and ensembles are under the direction of Katherine Anderson.

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Last year's sixth-grade choir performs in the Winter Concert.
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or Flights makes two trips each year. Each costs approximately \$17,000, which comes from generous individuals, companies, churches and organizations.

Donations may be sent to Southern Middle Tennessee Honor Flights, P.O. Box 1926, Tullahoma, TN 37388.

Wheelchairs are provided on an "as-needed basis," and guardians are assigned to provide assistance during the day for each veteran. Anyone interested in volunteering as a guardian for the day, contact Lana Woodard at (931) 455-3488.

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TUE: Ham and cheese wrap, mozzarella cheese sticks, pinto beans, salsa, vegetable juice, fruit, baked Doritos.

WED: Chili, sandwich, yogurt, cheese stick, fresh carrots, dip, vegetable juice, potato smiles, fruit, crackers, cinnamon roll.

THU: Hamburger or cheeseburger with trimmings, tuna chef salad, baked beans, fries, fruit.

FRI: Pizza, chicken and rice, roasted vegetables, corn, white beans, fruit, cookie, roll.

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WED: Biscuit, egg patty, condiments (gravy, jelly).

THU: Mini muffins, breakfast pretzel super stick.

FRI: Biscuit, chicken patty, condiments (gravy, jelly).

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

Menus subject to change.

Tutoring in County Schools

Free tutoring is being offered at Franklin County schools.

At Sewanee Elementary, tutoring in math is available 3:15–4:15 p.m., Mondays and Tuesdays.

At Cowan Elementary, tutoring in math is offered 7:15–7:45 a.m. and 3:15–4:15 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays. Tutoring in English/language arts is 3:15–4:15 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays.

At South Middle School, tutoring in math is available 6:45–7:45 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and 3:15–4:15 p.m., Tuesdays.

At Franklin County High School, tutoring in English/language arts is 3:15–4:15 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays.

For more information or for the schedule at other county schools go to <<http://fcstn.net/Tutoring%20Schedules/Tutoring%20Schedules.html>>.

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by Virginia Craighill



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Tiny Tim

Dear Tiny,

On the first day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the second day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Two Roundabouts, and New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the third day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Three Cute Pigs, Two Roundabouts,
And New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the fourth day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
Two Roundabouts, and New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the fifth day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
FIVE NEW PARKING LOTS!
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
Two Roundabouts, and New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the sixth day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Six Deans-a-Dancing,
FIVE NEW PARKING LOTS!
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
Two Roundabouts, and New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the seventh day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Seven Hunters Hunting, Six Deans-a-Dancing,
FIVE NEW PARKING LOTS!
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
Two Roundabouts, and New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the eighth day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Eight Deer-a-Breeding, Seven Hunters Hunting,
Six Deans-a-Dancing,
FIVE NEW PARKING LOTS!
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
Two Roundabouts, and New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the ninth day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Nine Alumni Golfing, Eight Deer-a-Breeding,
Seven Hunters Hunting, Six Deans-a-Dancing,
FIVE NEW PARKING LOTS!
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
Two Roundabouts, and New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the tenth day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Ten Frat-Lords Leaping, Nine Alumni Golfing,
Eight Deer-a-Breeding, Seven Hunters Hunting,
Six Deans-a-Dancing,
FIVE NEW PARKING LOTS!
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
Two Roundabouts, and New Owners for Shenanigans.

On the eleventh day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Eleven Dogs-a-Roaming, Ten Frat-Lords Leaping,
Nine Alumni Golfing, Eight Deer-a-Breeding,
Seven Hunters Hunting, Six Deans-a-Dancing,
FIVE NEW PARKING LOTS!
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
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On the twelfth day of Christmas, Sewanee gave to me,
Twelve Land's End Catalogues, Eleven Dogs-a-Roaming,
Ten Frat-Lords Leaping, Nine Alumni Golfing,
Eight Deer-a-Breeding, Seven Hunters Hunting,
Six Deans-a-Dancing,
FIVE NEW PARKING LOTS!
Four Theme Houses, Three Cute Pigs,
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***Disclaimer**—Just as the speaker in the original “Twelve Days of Christmas” probably did not receive “eight maids a milking,” “ten lords a leaping,” or any of the other items listed in that song, this list is in no way to be taken as factual, with the possible exceptions of the lines about deer, dogs and catalogues.

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The World's End

Rated R • 109 minutes

Twenty years after attempting a marathon pub crawl, a group of friends reunites to give it another shot. Their ultimate destination is the World's End pub, whose name turns out to be rather literal as they unwittingly become humankind's only hope for survival. Rated R for pervasive language, including sexual references.

CINEMA GUILD

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m.

Superman

Rated PG • 143 minutes • Free

The 1978 blockbuster, "Superman," may not have the amazing special effects of its newer cousins in the comic book-superhero genre, but Christopher Reeve was the first modern actor who could seriously pull off blue tights and a red cape. Added by a strong cast (Gene Hackman, Margot Kidder and Ned Beatty, with a cameo by Marlon Brando as Jor-El), this version still holds up pretty well. And, in case you have been living in a cave for the past 75 years, Superman tells the story of an alien orphan sent to live on Earth, where he becomes a superhero. Rated PG for peril, some mild sensuality and language.

SEWANEE UNION THEATRE

Thursday–Sunday, Dec. 12–15, 7:30 p.m.

Man of Steel

Rated PG-13 • 143 minutes

The latest iteration of the Superman franchise (see above) features Henry Cavill as Clark Kent and Amy Adams as Lois Lane. Strong supporting characters are played by Russell Crowe, Diane Lane and Michael Shannon. Reviewers were generally mixed about this version, most noting that it lacked the charm of the 1978 film. As one wrote, "The movie can't decide if it wants to be a particularly thoughtful brand of superhero saga or a deafeningly generic summer action movie. So it ends up being both, to the detriment of it and us." Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of sci-fi violence, action and destruction and for some language.

Makris Publishes New Books about Sewanee

Patricia Short Makris has published her fourth book about Sewanee history, "Sewanee: The Big Mountain."

This is the first of two books about Sewanee that Makris has written this year. "Sewanee: The Big Mountain" begins millions of years ago when the Cumberland Plateau was an inlet sea. The book travels through the prehistoric period on into the early 1800s, where she finds Sewanee as part of the Cherokee Indian nation. Makris details a place called "Red House Indian Settlement" located in the Jump Off community, including a story about a family who lived there and talked about this Indian settlement.

Makris also writes about a man named Leslie Kennedy, known as the wandering Irishman, who helped shape Sewanee and the Cumberland Plateau into what it is today.

Her fifth book, "The People That Made Sewanee," will be coming out soon. It includes a discussion about Bishop Charles Quintard and how he worked to obtain funds to pay for the magnificent buildings. She also focuses on the mountaineers and other laborers who actually built the University of the South. Together, the Episcopal bishops, trustees and local laborers became a team, and a magnificent place was created out of a forest.

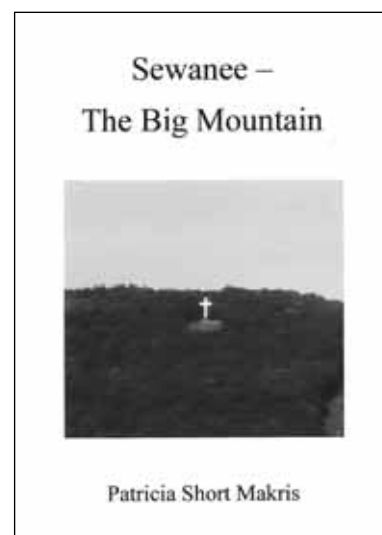
In this volume, Makris has worked carefully to include the names of people involved in these issues. There are also stories about the Sisters of St. Mary, who wrote their own history through pamphlets in the 1890s and early 1900s to generate donations. Sewanee's surrounding communities of Midway, Jump Off, Bob Town, and Sherwood Road are written about in the book, as well.

"There are many things that I have learned about these communities that have never been written about before," Makris said. She also transcribed and included the 1940 Sewanee census records, including people living in the Marion County part of Sewanee. Census records are always helpful for people researching their family's history.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed writing books about Sewanee and its people. It is the most unique place that I have seen on this planet, and it's where my roots began and will always remain," she said.

Makris was born and raised in Sewanee. She attended Sewanee Public School, Jump Off Public School and graduated from Franklin County High School.

The books, \$20 each, are available at online retailers. Makris is offering signed copies for purchase; contact her at (618) 236-9548, email <sewaneehistory@att.net>, or write to her at 3262 Hunter's Way, Belleville, IL 62221.



Music Events on Campus

The University Jazz Band will perform at 7 p.m., today (Friday), Dec. 6, in the Bishop's Common Hearth Room.

The Sewanee Praise Choir will present their Fall Concert at 6 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8, in St. Luke's Chapel. A reception will follow.

German Christmas Party Tuesday

The annual German Christmas celebration will be on Tuesday, Dec. 10.

The festivities will begin at 7 p.m., with a short service in St. Augustine's Chapel featuring German students reading from the Luther Bible and the singing of well-known German carols.

The group will go at 8 p.m. to the German House, at the corner of University Avenue and Louisiana Circle, for a celebration featuring baked goods, other snacks and the famous flaming punch, Feuerzangenbowle.

All are welcome.

FCHS Presents One-Act Play

The Franklin County High School Thespian Society presents "The Actor's Nightmare," a 35-minute one-act play by Christopher Durang, at 7 p.m., today (Friday), Dec. 6; 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7; and 3 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8.

"The Actor's Nightmare" is a short comedy about an accountant named George Spelvin, who is mistaken for an actor's understudy and forced to perform in a play for which he doesn't know any of the lines.

Tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased at the door.

Winery Open House & Book Signing

Beans Creek Winery is having a weekend open house, 10 a.m.–7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, and 1–5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8, at the winery in Manchester. Jane Banks Campbell and Lori Jill Smith, the authors of "Postcard History Series—Manchester," will have a book signing, 2–4 p.m., as part of the festivities on Sunday.

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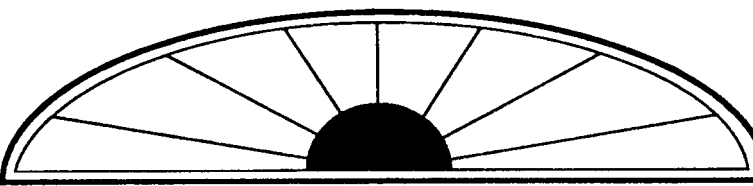
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He will also appraise antique weapons onsite before and after the talk.

Beard was born and raised in Columbus, Miss. A lifelong interest of researching and collecting arms of the Confederacy began there, fueled by stories told to him by his maternal grandmother, whose father had served as a physician in the 4th Tennessee Cavalry and the 5th Alabama Cavalry. A building in Columbus that had been used as a wholesale grocery by Beard's great-grandfather, J.L. Walker, had previously housed the Confederate Briarfield Arsenal and the firm of Leech & Rigdon.

There is no charge to attend this talk. All are welcome.

Carlos Sends Haiku to Mars

Sewanee artist and writer Edward Carlos recently received word that a haiku he wrote is traveling to Mars on a NASA spacecraft.

The haiku Carlos submitted is:

conscious expansion
verging, wind sweeps and dust
storms
soul orbits vary

The Mars Atmosphere and Volatile Evolution mission (MAVEN) launched on Nov. 18 and is on track to arrive at Mars on Sept. 22, 2014.

The mission's goal is to explore the planet's upper atmosphere, ionosphere and interactions with the Sun and solar wind.

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In addition to its scientific missions, MAVEN is carrying selected art and haiku entries from the Going to Mars campaign.



Margaret Matens (left) and Beth Charlton with their new book.

“Sewanee Angels” Book Events

Book readings and signings for “The Adventures of the Sewanee Angels” are scheduled during the next two weeks, culminating in a children's Christmas party at Ivy Wild on Sunday, Dec. 15.

In the book, colorful childlike angels make nocturnal visits to all the beloved sites around campus — All Saints', Abbo's Alley, downtown, the Cross, Shakerag Hollow and many more. They go rock climbing at Morgan's Steep, ride horses at the Equestrian Center and read books at Sewanee Elementary School using lanterns of fireflies for light.

Beth Charlton and Margaret Matens, authors and illustrator, will autograph books at the events; and a percentage of the money from books purchased directly from the authors will be donated to Sewanee's Angel Park.

Upcoming events include:

10 a.m.–5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, at Locals gallery.

Noon–5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8, at Locals gallery.

6–7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 13, after the downtown Tree Lighting in the Angel Park, at the Blue Chair.

Noon–5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14, at Locals gallery.

On Sunday, Dec. 15, there will be a reception and party, 4–6 p.m., at Ivy Wild restaurant in Sewanee for children and adults. The authors will have special readings at 4 p.m. and 5 p.m.

“The Adventures of Sewanee Angels” is available at area stores and at online booksellers. To contact the authors, email <infosewaneangels@gmail.com>.

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SAS senior Marisa Wilson (foreground) on the block waiting to start her leg of the 200-yard medley relay.

SAS Swimmers Qualify for Regionals

St. Andrews-Sewanee School hosted its first swim meet of the season on Nov. 21 at the Fowler Center. SAS swimmers competed against Franklin County High School and Franklin County middle schools. Franklin County bested SAS overall.

The men's and women's combined scores were 116 for FCHS to 65 for SAS. For the middle school, FCMS scored 111 to 17 for SAS MS.

With results from this first meet, the following swimmers have already qualified for the Middle Tennessee High School Regional meet in Nashville on Jan. 31:

Marisa Wilson, 200-yard freestyle and 100-yard breaststroke; Eliza McNair, 200-yard IM; Matthew Baranco,



Isaac Ahn competing in the breaststroke.

200-yard IM; Erin Berner-Coe, 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard fly; Sam Smith, 50-yard freestyle and 100-yard breaststroke; Ethan Evans, 100-yard fly and 500-yard freestyle; and Lucy Howick, 100-yard freestyle and 100-yard breaststroke.

Ariah Tucker also qualified in the 50-yard freestyle, but as an eighth-grader is unable to compete at the High School Regional Meet.

Middle School Boys' Basketball Update

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee middle school boys' basketball team fought valiantly against league-leading Monteagle on Nov. 14, challenging them in the first half 12-15, but falling short finally, 40-26. SAS was missing its two more formidable players due to injuries, so this game is viewed as something of a moral win. The following contributed to a balanced scoring effort: Joseph McDonough, eight points; four points each for Aubrey Black, Dustin Stensby, James Hudson and Aiden Smith; and John Grammer chipped in two points.

On Nov. 18, the Mountain Lions enjoyed a 26-18 lead against Coalmont at halftime, only to watch it dwindle to a nine-point loss at the final buzzer, 51-42. Ryan Toomey led all scorers with 23, but it was not enough to counter Coalmont's balanced attack in the second half.

SAS defeated an improved Pelham squad at Pelham on Nov. 21, 44-31. Toomey led all scorers with 16 points.

The Mountain Lions routed Tracy City at home on Dec. 2, 53-31. Constant pressing defense and unrelenting fast break baskets allowed SAS to dominate in every quarter. Grammer led all scorers with 17 on 8-for-9 shooting; Toomey had 16 points slashing inside; Stensby, 12; Aubrey Black, four; and Joseph McDonough and James Hudson, two points each.

SAS Basketball Now 4-1

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee School varsity boys' basketball team lost to Marion County High School on Dec. 3, 78-70. The Mountain Lions hit 11 three-point shots, but were unable to keep the Warriors off the boards.

SAS was led by James Beasley's 29 points, 10 assists and nine rebounds; Andrew Heitzenrater had 14 points; Eric Baynard scored eight points and had seven assists; Andres Nylander had seven points and eight rebounds; Pablo Ramos scored five points and had seven assists; Kenneth Thomas scored four points; and Levi Higgins had three points and four rebounds. SAS records for the season now stands at 4-1.

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3 pm Tigers Women's Basketball v Maryville, Tenn.

Monday, Dec. 9
5 pm FCHS V Wrestling v Smyrna and Riverdale

Tuesday, Dec. 10
4:30 pm SAS JV Boys' Basketball v Webb School
5 pm FCHS Swim Meet v Lincoln and Coffee County HS
6 pm SAS V Girls' Basketball v Webb School
6 pm Tigers Women's Basketball v Covenant

Thursday, Dec. 12
4:30 pm SES Girls' Basketball v Cowan at Cowan Gym
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6 pm FCHS JV Girls' Basketball v Giles County HS at North
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Friday, Dec. 13
3:30 pm FCHS JV Girls' Basketball v Coffee County HS
4:15 pm FCHS JV Boys' Basketball v Coffee County HS
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6 pm SAS V Girls' Basketball v Richard Hardy Memorial School
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Master swimmers (from left): Doug Alban, Nicole Noffsinger-Frazier, Allison Paterson, Jeff Frazier, Sam McNair and Rachel Obermiller.

Sewanee Master Swimmers Dominate Thanksgiving Meet

On Nov. 23 and 24, six Sewanee master swimmers competed in the Nashville Aquatic Club's Masters Sprinting Turkey Classic. Each swimmer competed in age-grouped races.

Doug Alban, assistant coach for the Sewanee swimming and diving team, placed first in the following events in his age group: 800-meter freestyle, 50-meter backstroke, 400-meter individual medley (IM), 100-meter backstroke, 200-meter IM and all the 25-meter sprints, earning him a Sprinting Turkey award. He placed second in the 1500-meter freestyle and the 50-meter freestyle.

Jeff Frazier had an impressive swim in a highly competitive age bracket, placing first in the 100-meter breaststroke, second in the 50-meter breaststroke, 50-meter freestyle and 25-meter breaststroke, and fourth in the 25-meter butterfly and freestyle.

Sam McNair swam well, placing first in his age group in the 50-meter backstroke, 100-meter breaststroke, 200-meter freestyle, 50-meter breaststroke, second in the grueling 800-meter freestyle and the 25-meter breast-

stroke, third in the 50-meter freestyle, and fourth in the 100-meter freestyle and 25-meter freestyle.

Nicole Noffsinger-Frazier placed first in all her events: the 200-meter freestyle, 100-meter IM, 100-meter butterfly, and the 50-meter butterfly.

Rachel Obermiller placed first in the 200-meter freestyle, 100-meter freestyle, 50-meter backstroke, 50-meter freestyle, 25-meter backstroke, 25-meter freestyle, and second in the 50-meter breaststroke, 25-meter breaststroke and 25-meter butterfly.

Allison Paterson, competing in her first competitive swim meet since the summer of 1992, placed first in the 50-meter breaststroke, 25-meter backstroke, 25-meter breaststroke, 25-meter butterfly and 25-meter freestyle. She placed second behind Noffsinger-Frazier in the 100-meter IM and 50-meter butterfly.

Both Obermiller and Paterson won Sprinting Turkey honors for their performances in the 25-meter sprints. Obermiller, Frazier, Paterson and McNair also competed in the mixed 200-meter medley relay.

Sewanee Women's Basketball Beats Agnes Scott in Atlanta

The Sewanee women's basketball team outscored host Agnes Scott by 11 points in the second half en route to a 46-35 win on Nov. 26.

Sewanee limited Agnes Scott to a 22.6 field goal percentage in the second half. That, along with 10 turnovers by Agnes Scott, helped the Tigers take command.

Sewanee started the second half on a 10-2 run. During that stretch, Haley Lyrerly, Casey Hassett and Kayla Sewell all scored.

Up by nine midway through the half, Jamie Chauvin pushed the lead to 11, 31-20, with 9:14 left. From there, a three by Paige Lowe and a layup by Hassett kept the lead in double digits with 4:49 to play. Agnes Scott would pull to within 15, 41-26. However, any comeback attempt by Agnes Scott was short-lived. Sewanee made three of five free throws to close the game.

Sewanee made 36 percent of its attempts. The Tigers also outscored Agnes Scott in the paint and off of second chance points.

Hassett led Sewanee with a game-high 15 points and nine rebounds. Lowe also played well with 11 points and two assists.

Behind a spirited defense, No. 12 Emory defeated the Sewanee women's basketball team, 63-42, on Dec. 3.

In the first half, the nationally-ranked Eagles used constant full-court pressure, which led to a number of Tiger turnovers to help Emory build a 28-11 halftime lead.

In the second half, Sewanee settled down. The Tigers made 47 percent of their attempts while limiting Emory to a 38.5 field goal percentage.

Emory took advantage of the Tiger miscues. The Eagles scored 39 points off of Sewanee turnovers.

Savannah Rose tied her career high with 10 points on a perfect 3-of-3 shooting. Sewell added six points, a game-high 10 rebounds and three blocks.

Sewanee Routs Toccoa Falls

After a dominant 17-0 run to start the game, the Sewanee men's basketball team rolled past Toccoa Falls, 82-63, on Nov. 26.

During the opening four minutes, Sewanee (3-2) built its lead by holding the Eagles scoreless while hitting all six of its field goals. That included three-point field goals by Jorden Williams, Leo Born and Seth Brown.

After Toccoa Falls finally got on the board with a free throw, the Tigers continued to roll.

Another three by Williams with 15:10 left in the first half sparked an 18-9 run over the next eight minutes.

That helped Sewanee build a 29-point lead, 52-23, at halftime.

Out of the locker room, the Tigers kept the pressure on. Sewanee would lead by as much as 35, 58-23, when Brown completed an old-fashioned three-point play at the 17:13 mark. Toccoa Falls would play better from there. The Eagles made 46.2 percent of their attempts in the second half, which set up the final 19-point loss.

As a team, Sewanee made 50 percent of its attempts while outrebounding Toccoa Falls by four, 36-32. The Tigers also forced 15 turnovers, which included eight steals. Born led the Tigers with 15 points on perfect 5-for-5 shooting. Williams added 13 points, while Brown finished with 10.

Sewanee continued to show its depth, as 14 players scored and all 16 players finished with at least one rebound. The Tigers also finished with 40 points from their reserves.

Frank and Jones Top All-Conference Selections

Led by All-SAA First-Team selections Atticus Frank and Quentin Jones, the Sewanee football team had 10 student-athletes earn Southern Athletic Association (SAA) postseason awards.

Offensive lineman Brandon Miller, linebacker Dave McKeithen and defensive back Alex Kops were all named to the All-SAA Second Team.

Receiver Charlie Powell, kicker Callum Wishart, linebacker Brandon Campbell, defensive lineman Lonnie Scott and defensive back De'Nard Ford were all recognized for their play on the All-SAA Honorable Mention Team.

THE VISITING TEAM

by Eric Roddy C'16



Since the beginning of this Advent semester, I have been giving weekly tennis lessons to Dolores Snowden. Many of you probably know Dolores as the first person to greet you upon entering Fullford Hall, Sewanee's admissions building. Her infectious smile has the power to change even the gloomiest moods, and her tenacity is uplifting. After Dolores informed me of her extended break away from the sport, I expected to start with the basics in our tennis lessons, going over basic form and technique, as I usually do with the younger children I teach. After reintroducing basic principles and doing a couple of simple warm-up drills, Dolores told me she thought she was ready for some forehands. I questioned her eagerness but decided to give her the benefit of the doubt and fed her the first fluffy green ball. Almost immediately after the ball left my hand it came shooting right back at me like a bottle rocket heading for space. I had to think fast and jerk my head out of the way in order to miss the screaming missile that shot by. I turned immediately and saw the ball land perfectly in the corner of the court. When I turned back to look at Dolores with my mouth agape, she simply smiled and waited for my next feed. I was not messing with a beginner. It was as if I was giving lessons to Grand Slam champion Margaret Court.

Since that first day, I have gotten to know Dolores as a tennis player and a person. I imagined scheduling our lessons would be relatively simple, because aside from the occasional intramural basketball game or homework assignment, my weeknights remained relatively open. I thought surely that Dolores would have plenty of time for a one-hour weekly tennis schedule on her relaxing and restful schedule. I was so wrong.

When Dolores is not playing tennis or working, she is shopping in Nashville with a friend, going to a dinner party or attending a wine tasting. Among the hundreds of students and people I have met during my time at Sewanee, Dolores is by far the most popular and the busiest. Her daily schedule would not only exhaust Rafael Nadal, but her ability to balance it is a miracle in itself. And yet, despite having millions of tasks and events both on her calendar and in her brain, she gives each lesson 110 percent on the tennis court. Every week without fail, she is five minutes early, dressed perfectly in her tennis attire, observing other players moving around the court. She never needs a warm-up, and we spend the entire hour hitting thousands of balls from different positions all over the court. To this day, through more than 20 lessons, Mrs. Snowden has yet to take a single water break. I (embarrassingly enough) have taken at least 10.

Perhaps my favorite part about my lessons with Dolores is the simplicity of my job. I have spent countless hours with people of all ages who can't seem to get the technique or footwork right. And then there is Dolores. I tell her something once, or tweak something by an inch, and the next time she does it perfectly, no questions asked, no reminders needed. Should she miss a shot or two (which is extremely rare), she corrects herself out loud and I simply nod my head and say, "You knew exactly what was wrong, here comes the next ball."

When I asked Dolores why she was making her comeback after almost 16 years away from the game, her answer was simple, yet encompassing of her entire being. "I figure if I can, why not go for it?" She does not show up each week to prove anyone wrong or to impress anyone. She plays tennis simply because she enjoys it and is able. After each lesson, I find myself asking myself the same question repeatedly: Have I taught Mrs. Snowden as much as she has taught me today? My answer is almost always, "No."

Dolores Snowden recently celebrated her 82nd birthday and yet is doing things that people half her age have never even imagined. Game, Set and Match, Dolores.

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NATURENOTES

By Jean Yeatman

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White-breasted Nuthatch

Tufted Titmice, Chickadees, White-breasted Nuthatches and a Downy Woodpecker on the feeder together. On the ground there are Mourning Doves, Cardinals, Juncos and Goldfinches, which are eating chicken scratch feed and black oil sunflower seed.

"A Pileated Woodpecker has been attracted by all this activity," she continued. "He has flown in and is sitting on the trunk of the ginkgo tree; it's not finding any food, so it flies away with that 'swimming through the air' motion. A Red-bellied Woodpecker flies into the suet cake, frightening away the male Downy Woodpecker, but I see the female Downy in a nearby tree waiting her turn. On a yew tree a Yellow-bellied Sapsucker has stripped off the outer bark and is eating the cambium layer; if it does this on too large an area, it can damage the tree.

"On a recent foggy day," she concluded, "I heard the Sandhill Cranes fly over. It is always a thrill to hear their call, which is a trumpeting-rattling 'gar-oo-oo' that is audible for more than a mile. They will be around our area for the winter. In the valley you might see them feed in fields around swampy land. Last winter they landed in the Midway area near the lakes behind the sand plant."



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Yoda

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Call Animal Harbor at 962-4472 for information and check out the other pets at <www.animalharbor.com>. Please help the Humane Society continue to save abandoned pets by sending your donations to the Franklin County Humane Society, P.O. Box 187, Winchester, TN 37398.

Shinn Named Acting Park Manager at So. Cumberland

Ranger George Shinn was recently named acting park manager of the South Cumberland State Park, after longtime manager John Christof took leave to care for his wife.

Shinn, who has been stationed at Savage Gulf for 13 years, was named Park Ranger of the Year in Tennessee in 2013. The park staff also announced that Kevin Duncan has been selected to replace Sharon King, who retired after 27 years as park secretary.

"We will be counting on the Friends [of the South Cumberland] to assist this spring while John is out," said Shinn. "We were already short one ranger because of Bill Knapp's transfer. Now we only have four rangers to cover the whole park. Hopefully by this summer we will be fully staffed."

Totaling over 24,000 acres, the South Cumberland State Park is comprised of ten districts scattered over 100 square miles in Franklin, Marion, Grundy and Sequatchie counties, but is managed as a single park. A popular destination for hikers, numerous miles of trails and a number of primitive campgrounds service the area. In addition to hiking and camping, the park offers opportunities for picnicking, swimming, fishing, caving, visiting historic ruins, rock climbing and rappelling, viewing spectacular rock formations, wildlife and waterfalls.



George Shinn

Hike Perimeter Trail Segment on Saturday

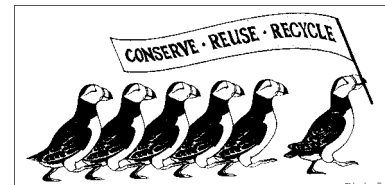
If your bucket list includes walking the Perimeter Trail, members of the Tennessee Trails Association are hosting a hike of the second leg of the trail, 9 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 7.

Gather at the Blue Chair in Sewanee to carpool to the three- or four-mile section for the day and eat lunch together after the hike at a local eatery.

This is a monthly event. On Jan. 18, the group will have completed the 22 miles of the trail in eight increments. Local hikers of any age are welcome.

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The University's weather station is down, and stats are not available this week.



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little tree

little silent Christmas tree

you are so little

you are more like a flower

who found you in the green forest

and were you very sorry to come away?

see i will comfort you

because you smell so sweetly

i will kiss your cool bark

and hug you safe and tight

just as your mother would,

only don't be afraid

look the spangles

that sleep all the year in a dark box

dreaming of being taken out and allowed to shine,

the balls the chains red and gold the fluffy threads,

put up your little arms

and i'll give them all to you to hold

every finger shall have its ring

and there won't be a single place dark or unhappy

then when you're quite dressed

you'll stand in the window for everyone to see

and how they'll stare!

oh but you'll be very proud

and my little sister and i will take hands

and looking up at our beautiful tree

we'll dance and sing

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Community Calendar

Today, Dec. 6

Curbside recycling, before 7:30 am

- 8:30 am Yin yoga with Carolyn, Sewanee Comm Center
- 9:00 am Greening of All Saints' Chapel, until 3 pm
- 9:30 am Bake sale, Piggly Wiggly, Monteagle, until 3:30 pm
- 12:00 pm Contract/release stretching with Kim, Fowler
- 3:30 pm Creative movement, age 4–6, Comm Center
- 4:00 pm Cowan Christmas Market, Monterey Station
- 4:30 pm Creative movement, age 7 & up, Comm Center
- 6:00 pm FC Dems dinner, Red Roof Pavilion, Winchester
- 7:00 pm Bible study, Mtn of God Tabernacle, Monteagle
- 7:00 pm University Jazz Band, Bishop's Common
- 7:00 pm Film, "Hunger Games 2," Alma Mater, Tracy City
- 7:30 pm Film, "The World's End," SUT

Saturday, Dec. 7

- 8:30 am CCJP board meeting, Senior Center
- 9:00 am Hike a Piece of Perimeter Trail, meet at Blue Chair
- 10:00 am Book signing, Sewanee Angels, Locals, until 5
- 10:00 am CAST-TACA Holiday Tour, until 5
- 10:00 am Cowan Christmas Market, Monterey Station, until 4
- 10:00 am Hospitality Shop open until noon (reopens 1/7/14)
- 1:00 pm Cowan Christmas parade
- 4:30 pm Monteagle Christmas parade
- 7:00 pm Film, "Hunger Games 2," Alma Mater, Tracy City
- 7:30 pm Film, "The World's End," SUT

Sunday, Dec. 8

- 10:00 am Otey Parish Church annual meeting
- 10:00 am Book signing, Sewanee Angels, Locals Gallery, until 5
- 12:00 pm CAST-TACA Holiday Tour, until 5
- 2:30 pm Affordable Care Act assistance, Julia's, until 5
- 3:00 pm Film, "Hunger Games 2," Alma Mater, Tracy City
- 4:00 pm Bible study, Otey Parish
- 4:00 pm Yoga with Helen, Community Center
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible study, Midway Baptist
- 6:00 pm Concert, Sewanee Praise, St. Luke's Chapel
- 7:30 pm Film, "The World's End," SUT

Monday, Dec. 9

Operation Noel applications due

- 8:00 am Town of Monteagle open house, until 5 pm
- 8:30 am Senior Center Christmas Bazaar, until 2, and 4–6 pm
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:00 am Coffee with the Coach, Mark Webb, Blue Chair Tavern
- 9:00 am Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee, until 10:30 am
- 10:30 am Chair exercise, Senior Center
- 11:00 am Woman's Club Bake & Gift Sale, DuBose, Monteagle
- 11:30 am Sewanee Woman's Club, DuBose, Monteagle
- 5:30 pm Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee, until 7 pm
- 6:00 pm Karate, youth, American Legion Hall; adults, 7 pm
- 7:00 pm Centering Prayer, Otey sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Sewanee Chorale rehearsal, Hamilton Hall "Pit"

Tuesday, Dec. 10

Last Day of College Classes

- 8:30 am Senior Center Christmas Bazaar, until 2
- 8:30 am Yin Yoga with Carolyn, Sewanee Comm Center
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:30 am Pilates with Kim, inter/adv, Fowler
- 10:00 am Crafting Ladies, Morton Memorial, Monteagle
- 10:30 am Bingo, Sewanee Senior Center
- 10:30 am Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Center
- 11:30 am Grundy Co. Rotary, Dutch Maid, Tracy City
- 12:00 pm Lease Agenda deadline, Lease Office
- 12:30 pm Pilates with Kim, inter/adv, Fowler
- 6:00 pm Civil War History talk, Beard, May Justus Library
- 6:30 pm Prayer/Study, 7th Day Adventist, Monteagle
- 6:30 pm Trivia Night, benefit Community Chest, Blue Chair Tavern
- 8:00 pm German Christmas party, German House

Wednesday, Dec. 11

School of Theology Reading Day

- 8:30 am Senior Center Christmas Bazaar, until 2 pm
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 10:00 am Senior Center writing group, 212 Sherwood Rd.
- 11:00 am Community Center board meeting
- 11:30 am EQB Club, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 1:30 pm Duplicate bridge, Templeton, call 598-9344
- 1:30 pm Garden Club, Ken Taylor, 133 Carriage Court
- 5:30 pm Yoga with Helen, Community Center
- 7:00 pm SAS Winter Concert, McCrory Hall
- 7:30 pm Film, "Superman: The Movie," Cinema Guild, SUT

Thursday, Dec. 12

- 8:30 am Senior Center Christmas Bazaar, until 2
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:30 am Pilates with Kim, inter/adv, Fowler
- 10:30 am Chair exercise, Senior Center
- 10:30 am Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Center
- 10:30 am Tai Chi with Kathleen, adv, Comm Center
- 11:00 am Body Recall, Monteagle City Hall
- 12:00 pm Academy of Lifelong Learning, Cowart, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 12:00 pm Grundy Co. Historical Society meeting, Christ Church parish house, Tracy City
- 12:30 pm Episcopal Peace Fellowship, Brooks Hall, Otey
- 12:30 pm Pilates with Kim, inter/adv, Fowler
- 1:30 pm F@H support group, Brooks Hall
- 3:30 pm Mountaintop Tumblers, beg/inter, Comm Ctr
- 4:30 pm Mountaintop Tumblers, adv, Comm Ctr
- 5:00 pm Weight Watchers, St. Joseph's Hall, St. Mary's, weigh-in 4:30 pm
- 6:00 pm Karate, youth, American Legion Hall; adults, 7 pm
- 7:00 pm Film, "Hunger Games 2," Alma Mater, Tracy City
- 7:30 pm Film, "Man of Steel," SUT

Friday, Dec. 13

- 8:30 am Senior Center Christmas Bazaar, until 2 pm
- 8:30 am Yin yoga with Carolyn, Sewanee Comm Center
- 12:00 pm Contract/release stretching with Kim, Fowler
- 3:30 pm Creative movement, age 4–6, Comm Center
- 4:00 pm Senior Center Christmas Bazaar, until 6 pm
- 4:30 pm Creative movement, age 7 & up, Comm Center
- 5:30 pm Tree lighting and Santa, Sewanee Angel Park
- 5:30 pm World healing meditation, Community Center
- 7:00 pm Bible study, Mtn of God Tabernacle, Monteagle
- 7:00 pm Film, "Hunger Games 2," Alma Mater, Tracy City
- 7:30 pm Film, "Man of Steel," SUT

LOCAL 12-STEP MEETINGS

Friday

- 7:00 am AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle
- 7:00 pm AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

Saturday

- 7:30 pm NA, open, Decherd United Methodist
- 7:30 pm AA, open, Brooks Hall, Otey

Sunday

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

Monday

- 5:00 pm Women's 12-step, Brooks Hall, Otey
- 7:00 pm AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

Tuesday

- 7:00 pm AA, open, First Baptist, Altamont
- 7:30 pm AA, open, Brooks Hall, Otey

Wednesday

- 10:00 am AA, closed, 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, closed, Big Book study, St. James
- 7:30 pm ACA, Brooks Hall, Otey

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