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TCAP Scores Show Franklin County in Trouble

Sewanee Elementary on Track

by K.G. Beavers, Messenger Staff Writer

The 2010–11 Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP) Achievement Test scores recently released to individual school systems by the Tennessee Department of Education (TDOE) shows the Franklin County school system as a "target status" district because the school system as a whole did not make adequate yearly progress.

See related story about the Franklin County school system's budget on page 6.

In a School Board work session earlier this month, Franklin County Director of Schools Rebecca Sharber said that if all Franklin County schools perform this year as they did on last year's TCAP, North Lake Elementary and Sewanee will be the only schools to meet the yearly progress requirements. If the trend continues for the next three years, Sewanee Elementary would be the only school in

Franklin County deemed making adequate progress.

According to the 2002 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) law, schools must meet increasingly higher annual goals of student achievement. By the end of the 2013–14 school year, all schools must meet these criteria: 95 percent of all students in the district must be tested; 100 percent of all students in each student subgroup must be proficient (at grade level) in reading/language arts and math or make sufficient progress toward reaching the benchmark; and schools must meet a 93 percent attendance rate for elementary and middle schools and a 90 percent high-school graduation rate.

According to the TDOE website, adequate yearly progress is the measure of whether a school system or school is making progress in academic achievement based on student performance on annual tests. Each state, school district and school must meet the specified progress benchmarks as a whole and for each of nine student subgroups. The student subgroups are: white, black, Hispanic, Native American, Asian/Pacific Islander, economically disadvantaged students, limited English proficient students and students with disabilities.

The state also identifies schools that fail to meet their adequate yearly progress goals for the first year as "target schools," and it provides technical assistance to these schools to address the areas where they fall short.

For the 2009–10 school year, the Franklin County elementary/middle schools performance goals were for 32 percent of students to be proficient in reading/language arts and a 20 percent proficiency in math. Sewanee Elementary surpassed those benchmarks in reading/language arts with 54 percent and math with 73 percent.

Performance goals for 2010–11 in elementary/middle schools were 49 percent for reading/language arts, a math target of 40 percent and an attendance

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Monteagle

Rotary

Expanding to

Sewanee

programs, youth leadership, support

for the Sewanee Summer Music Festi-

eradicate polio worldwide. And now,

the Rotary Club of Monteagle hopes to

establish a satellite club in the Sewanee

For more than 25 years, the Rotary

Wildflower Walk on Saturday

Enjoy the late summer wildflowers with Jean Yeatman and Mary Priestley at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 20. Meet at Club of Monteagle has provided scholthe Meadow Trail at the Visitors' Center at South Cumberland State Park. The trail is unique: it winds through a former golf course that has been val, clean water systems and worked to converted to a flower-studded grassy meadow. Come see what's blooming; learn some names, ecological information and tidbits of lore about these plants. The Visitors' Center is located on Highway 41 South between Monteagle and Tracy City. Phone (931) 924-2980.

Nature journaling continues in August. Meet at 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays at the gazebo in Abbo's Alley. Priestley has been practicing nature journaling for close to 10 years. This is not a workshop. Rather, it is an invitation to set aside time for nature journaling. Bring a notebook (preferably small and unlined), a pen or pencil and something to sit on, if you wish. Come as early or as late as you like and stay for however long you like.

For more information on future Sewanee Herbarium events, contact Yolande Gottfried at 598-3346 or by email at <ygottfri@sewanee.edu>.

University Welcomes New Faculty Members

The University of the South is pleased to announce five new tenuretrack faculty members in the college, as well as the Brown Foundation Fellows for 2011–12. New faculty members are Haroldo Fontaine, Sarah C. Sherwood, Jessica Ann Siegel, Emily M. White and Kevin Wilson. Brown Foundation Fellows are Prakash Wright and Jessica Wohl. David Roby, who was the Tennessee Williams Playwright-in-Residence last year, has been renewed for that appointment for 2011–12.

Haroldo Fontaine, assistant professor of education, was appointed to serve the needs of students enrolled in Sewanee's teacher education program. His previous appointments include

field experience coordinator and associate of the Center for Teaching and Learning at Florida State University, an instructor at FSU, and



Haroldo Fontaine

as a consultant to the Florida Department of Education. His academic extends beyond the usual bounds of teacher education to include both philosophy and music, including playing the trombone!

Sarah C. Sherwood, assistant professor of environmental studies and

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Food Hub Pledges Deadline on Monday

Grant Would Expand Options for Local Growers

The Cumberland Farmer's Market is hoping to expand local food options with the help of a USDA grant and donations from individuals in the community. CFM is applying for a USDA grant to establish a "food hub" in the greater Sewanee community that would provide locally grown food to restaurants, businesses and institutional kitchens in the area.

Jess Wilson, the CFM's organizer, said the food hub would be similar to the current local market (which would continue to operate as it does today). The new project would include a refrigerated truck, insurance for growers, a website, a bank account and a part-time employee. This infrastructure would help farmers gain access to institutional markets. In the future, Wilson said, the food hub might include storage space and light processing facilities (a flash freezer or a cannery) that would make it possible for farmers to increase their seasons.

"We know that the supply of local food may be limited right now, but the demand is real," Wilson said. "If we create the infrastructure to begin to meet that demand, the supply will catch up and our community will prosper."

The University of the South could be one of the largest of the food hub. In its request for new service providers, the University now gives preference to locally produced products, organic foods and area vendors.

As part of the grant application, CFM must demonstrate the commitment of the community in the form of matching funds. USDA will match dollar-fordollar up to \$300,000. Pledges must be received by Monday, Aug. 22.

"We also received a challenge grant from the Benwood Foundation for an extra \$5,000, which we have met," she said. "Currently, we have raised around \$50,000 in in-kind and cash donations toward the match. This is enough to get this project started. Additional donations will help to ensure that this project will be able to sustain itself while the market adjusts and local farms begin selling through the hub.

No pledge is too small, Wilson said. To donate or to become involved in this project, email the Cumberland Farmer's Market at <cumberlandfm@gmail. com> or call Wilson at (931) 924-4539. If the USDA makes the grant, pledged donations will be collected after December 2011.

CFM started after a small group of farmers gathered in 2006 and dreamed of creating an online farmers' market in Sewanee. When the market started in March 2007, it could barely supply its eager customers.

'The demand was high and everyone wanted the single pound of asparagus that was available each week," Wilson said. In the years to follow, the supply and demand adjusted to the point that now customers can purchase the majority of their groceries through the market. Last year, the market provided farmers with \$80,000 in sales.

'That means there is good food on the table and money is going directly to farmers in our community," she said. "Thank you for your continued support of our local farms and of our community."



St. Andrew's-Sewanee School junior Jimmie Joe Boone of Hillsboro at the Georgia/Tennessee State Water Ski Challenge. Read all about his winning performance on page 13.

community this fall, according to Bill Davis, club president. Rotary International has a pilot program that will allow the Monteagle lub to conduct membership recruit-

ment across the 🛴 plateau and 🤿 conduct a separate meeting the same week, at a different time and place. Davis

said the intention is to accommodate a different demographic, to appeal to a larger professional segment in the area nounced in September. and to add some younger members to its current and loyal membership.

was chartered in December 1984, and call Davis at (931) 924-4465. focuses on the Rotary "Avenues of Ser-

d u r i n g vice:" club service, vocational service, community service and international service.

Before establishing the satellite club in Sewanee, there will be an informational meeting. The time, date and place of this meeting will be an-

The Monteagle Rotary Club meets at 7 a.m., Wednesdays, at the Smoke The Rotary Club of Monteagle House. For more information, please

P.O. Box 296 Sewanee, TN 37375

THANKS TO WELL-WISHERS To the Editor:

I want to thank all of you who have shown such concern and support to me during my recent surgery and its aftermath. In particular I would like to send my heartfelt appreciation to the Ramseurs, the Keeles and Louise Irwin. Let me also thank the Senior Citizens' Center for their support as members to become involved. well. I am very blessed to know all of you and count you as my friends. With much love.

> Irene Hamer Sewanee 🗌

CCJP'S FALL RETREAT: YOUARE INVITED! To the Editor:

Committed to the mission of thinking globally while acting locally to promote justice and peace in the region of the Cumberland Plateau, the Peace will hold its annual retreat on Saturday, Aug. 27, 4–8 p.m.

and encouraged. The retreat is a brainstorming and strategizing event geared to determining where CCJP

year. There will be an opportunity for participants to pitch their issue to the group and encourage those attending to join with them in formulating an action plan. Action topics are determined by the level of interest demonattend. Each year new initiatives grow out of the retreat, with energy building and activities inspire other community

Action topics suggested for the 2011 retreat include hosting a weekend camp for area young people to address bias, bigotry and racism; documenting the history of school desegregation in Franklin County; the local food move-As always, we anticipate that other topics will be introduced at the event.

The retreat will be held at the home Cumberland Center for Justice and of Cathyand Harry Clark. The evening will conclude with a potluck feast. For directions or more information Guests and visitors are welcome contact me at 598-9979 or email to <sllytle@blomand.net>. In peace.

Leslie Lytle, Executive Director Cumberland Center for Justice and Peace

will focus its energies over the coming CONCERNS ABOUT VOTING To the Editor:

The Voter Confidence Act required that every Tennessee voter machine have a paper trail and passed almost unanimously in 2008 by Republicans and Democrats. But by 2010, things strated at the retreat. Those who want that once seemed reasonable no longer help in pursuing an issue are urged to did, and the newly elected GOP majority swiftly repealed the Act.

Shortly after, Republicans (the over the course of the year as programs folks who want to keep government off your back) passed a law mandating that all Tennesseans bring a government-issued photo identification card to vote. This new law will cost the state money because driver's license bureaus must offer photo IDs free of charge. Potential voters must get a ride to the DMV, maybe taking ment and sustainable consumerism; a day off work. They must bring their promoting world peace; nonviolent original birth certificate (or a certified communication; and the inequity of copy), their Social Security card, and TVA rate hikes for low-use customers. two proofs of Tennessee residency. This will also cost the state in terms of inevitable lawsuits because some citizens, even veterans, who have voted for years have been unable to secure an ID. Students can no longer use student IDs either.

In just one legislative session, Republicans have made voting less secure by eliminating the requirement for a paper trail and less representative by throwing obstacles in the way of people who are not their usual constituents: students, the poor, disabled and elderly. Please make sure everyone you know who doesn't drive has the proper papers well before voting day. The Franklin County Democratic Party is offering free rides and assistance to anyone who needs to get a photo ID. Call chairman Raymond Council at 967-7077.

Helen Stapleton

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University Job Opportunities

Exempt Positions:

Construction Project Manager; Director of Field Education and Lecturer in Contextual Education; Interim Director of Field Education and Lecturer in Contextual Education.

Descriptions of these positions are available on the website at: <www. sewanee.edu/personnel/jobs>.

For more information, contact Teresa Smith, human resources coordinator, by email at <tersmith@sewanee. edu> or by calling 598-1381.

Hospitality Shop Reopens Tuesday

The Hospitality Shop will reopen on Tuesday, Aug. 23, with lots of new items. Volunteers hope that everyone $comes in to shop when it reopens. \\ Hos$ pitality Shop hours are 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 10 a.m.-noon on Saturdays.

Greg Rinkes

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.

CAC Director Applications Available at Otey Parish

 $The \ Community \ Action \ Committee, an$ outreach ministry of Otey Memorial Parish Church, is seeking a new director. For more than 35 years, CAC has fed and cared for persons in need in the greater Sewanee community.

Interested persons can pick up the job description and the application from the parish office. Completed applications are due by Friday, Sept. 2. The parish office is open 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and closed for lunch 12:30-1:30 p.m. The materials are

also available by request by sending an email to <oteyparish@bellsouth.net>. CAC's current office hours are 9–11 a.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays and by appointment. For more information call 598-5927.

COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE

Civil War Sesquicentennial Events

As Tennessee marks the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, events are being held throughout the state in commemoration of the Sesquicentennial. Numerous events are sponsored by the Tennessee Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission and the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area. Go to <tncivilwar150.com> for a complete schedule of events.

As part of this commemoration, the Tennessee State Library and Archives 150th anniversary of the war in Tennessee.

For more information about the guidelines for participating in the archival project, go to <www.tn.gov/tsla/cwtn/events.htm>.



and Archival Work Across the State

will send teams of professional archivists and conservators to communities across Tennessee. Residents may schedule an appointment, and the team will digitally copy and help preserve Civil War era manuscripts, artifacts and photographs. Digital copies of these items, representing the rich Civil War heritage of Tennessee families, can become part of a virtual exhibit commemorating the Sherwood Road.



(Open by appointment Tuesdays for pedicures only)

Please keep the following individuals, their families and all those who are serving our country in your thoughts and prayers:

James Gregory Cowan Roger Fox **Tanner Hankins** Kimberly Jacobs Holen Brian Jackson Robert S. Lauderdale Dakota Layne Byron A. Massengill **Alan Moody** Brian Norcross **Christopher Norcross** Dustin "Dusty" Lee Parker **Brandon Parks** Michael Parmley Charles Schaerer Melissa Smartt J. Wesley Smith **Charles Tate** Jeffery Alan Wessel

SUD Agenda for Tuesday

Meeting The agenda for the upcoming board meeting of the Sewanee Utility District is as follows:

Approval of July minutes (as distributed), the general manager's report and a financial report (including plan for sewer improvement and approval of final costs for the water treatment

Unfinished business that will be onsidered at the meeting is the timetable for new commissioner elections, discussion of initial connection rates and rewrite of the cutoff policy.

New business will include the evaluation process for the general manager and the beginning of the budgeting process. There will also be time for visitor comments and announcements.

The meeting will be at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 23, at the SUD office on

CORRECTION

In last week's article about a new $chapter of The rapy Dogs \, International, \\it \, was incorrectly \, described \, as \, being \, lo$ cated in Sewanee. The chapter is active across the South Cumberland area, with team members from Franklin and prospective teams from Franklin and Grundy counties. To find out more information about the chapter and therapy dogs in the Franklin County schools, contact Doyi at (931) 636-8893 or by email at <hendrix mom1997@yahoo.com>.

The Sewanee Mountain Messenger has numerous gifted columnists

who are familiar to readers and provide the paper with some of its most distinctive writing: Jean and Harry Yeatman, Phoebe and Scott Bates, Pat Wiser, John Bordley and John Shackelford.

In the spirit of adding more voices to the paper and bringing in new viewpoints, please meet the Messenger's newest columnists. They will each write every four to six weeks, leaving plenty of space for news and events. Many of these writers seek your input, so correspond with them (or me) and enjoy their good words.

Our Sewanee—Annie Armour has restarted the historical columns of Elizabeth Chitty, but adds her own twist. Annie focuses on topics that bring the Town and the Gown together for common purposes. Annie serves Sewanee as the University Archivist. She has a book coming out in October about Bishop Quintard and the 1878 yellow fever epidemic in Memphis; her book of Sewanee ghost stories is currently under revision. Her third column appears this week.

Angel with an Attitude—Virginia Craighill begins her next career as an advice columnist to the Messenger. Though she may be best known as the emcee of the Sewanee Fourth of July cat show, she also teaches English at the University and directs the Writing-Across-the-Curriculum program. Virginia is an alumna of the University (C'82) and has lived on the Mountain with her husband and two children since 2001. She welcomes a wide range of queries and quandaries from readers about life on the Mountain. Please write her at <messgr@bellsouth.net>.

Killing Thyme—Buck Gorrell returns as a gardening columnist to the Messenger after a brief hiatus. He has a degree in ornamental horticulture from University of Tennessee, as well as a degree in political science from Sewanee. He welcomes questions, comments and suggestions from readers about their gardens; write him at <buckgorrell@ gmail.com>. When he's not in the garden, he is a writer, conservationist and dad to his son, Myers. Buck's first column is in this week's issue.

Bookmarked!—After 24 years of telling her homeschoolers what to read, Margaret Stephens has recommendations to spare for young adults and those who help choose their books. Homer to Harry P., Tolkien to Tolstoy (with a pause at "Twilight"), we read them all. Join Margaret as she reviews old and new books you may have overlooked. She graduated from Harvard with a degree in history and literature and earned a master's degree in literature from the University of North Carolina. She welcomes your suggestions via email, <govols516@gmail.com>.

The Village Idiot—Peter Trenchi will offer his perspective about living in community, looking at the complex layers of life in our Village. He attended the University of the South, 1971–73, and has degrees from the University of Tennessee and Auburn. He returned to the Mountain in 2005 and is an attorney and a writer. —Laura Willis

PILATES CLASSES

Come learn the fundamentals of this amazing exercise system. Develop strong, lean abdominals and back muscles, better posture, increase flexibility and find relief from back pain, neck and shoulder tension.

New Five-Week Beginner Session Starts Sept. 6 at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday & Thursday at the Fowler Center in Sewanee (open to nonmembers)

Class is \$80 for the five weeks (See instructor about prorating for absences.) Ongoing Intermediate/Advanced Class at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday

Private and duet sessions on Pilates equipment and personal training in Cardio and Weight Training also available Fridays by appointment. Contact Kim Butters, AFAA Personal Trainer,

(Must have previous Pilates experience).

PMA Pilates Instructor, (423) 322-1443

Madison Grace Layne

Madison Grace Layne was born Aug. 14, 2011, at Southern Tennessee Medical Center to Donna and John A. Layne of Monteagle. She weighed 6 lbs., 10.1 oz., and was 19.5 inches long. She joins her brother, Jacob.

Maternal grandparents are Sherry Patterson and the late Michael Cummings. Paternal grandparents are Rhonda and Kelly Layne.

CCJP Annual Planning Retreat and Potluck

The Cumberland Center for Justice and Peace (CCJP) will hold its annual retreat on Saturday, August 27,4–8 p.m., at the home of Cathy and Harry Clark. Guests and visitors are welcome to attend and encouraged to introduce ideas for projects. CCJP is a nonprofit organized exclusively for educational and charitable purposes.

Among its many success stories, CCJP founded the Sewanee Community Center, hosted Sewanee's first Earth Day and helped launch Housing Sewanee to provide homes for the economically disadvantaged. The retreat is CCJP's main planning event to determine where to focus its energies over the course of the coming year. The evening will conclude with a potluck feast.

For more information contact Leslie Lytle via email at <sllytle@blomand. net> or 598-9979.

2011–12 Lifelong Learning **Academy Programs Set**

The Academy for Lifelong Learning at St. Mary's Sewanee is pleased to announce its third season of "lunch and learn" programs. The 2011–12 schedule begins in September with University of the South Vice-Chancellor John Mc-Cardell. There are a total of 11 lectures this year and a field trip. Programs will be on the second Thursday of each month at noon, with the exception of October, when the program will be on the third Thursday.

Annual dues remain at \$10 per person. Luncheon prices continue at \$10; guests may bring their own lunch if they prefer. Reservations are only necessary to purchase a box lunch. Lunch reservations for the September 8 program are due by Friday, September 2. For lunch reservations, call St. Mary's Sewanee at 598-5342 or e-mail <stmaryssewanee@bellsouth.net>.

Anne Davis and Elaine Goleski, program coordinators, have planned a year of interesting and diverse programs.

Sept.8: John McCardell, "Legal Age 21: Mend It or End It"

Oct. 20: Susan Thomas, "The Brainerd Mission: Tennessee's Sacred Acre" Nov. 10: Susan McGrew, "Basics of Autism: Cause, Diagnosis, Treatment" Dec. 8: Anderson Spickard Jr., "What You Need to Know about Addiction" Jan. 12: Field trip to the Clifftops Lake Clubhouse with Ben Beavers, "The

Mountaintop Water Supply"

Feb. 9: Gayle McKeen, "Visions of Constitutional Order" March 8: June Mays, "Jane Austen and the British Landscape" April 12: Nick Roberts, "Contemporary Issues in the Middle East" May 10: Bob Bernhardt, "If on a Desert Island ... Music I Can't Live With-

June 14: Kelly Oliver, "Women as Weapons of War: Iraq, Sex and the Me-

July 12: Carroll Young, "The Meaning of Caring: Caregivers and Those They Care For"

Áug. 9: Bill McKee, "Tennessee's Six U.S. Supreme Court Justices" For more information, contact Davis at (931) 924-4465 or Goleski at (931) 924-3227.

STHP Kicks Off Fall Meetings

The Sewanee Trust for Historic Preservation will begin this year's programs at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 25, with a program by Doug Seiters. Gather in the Common Room of Elliott Hall for a brief introduction to the Trust and to hear Seiters, retired professor of classics, tell the story of the house that he and his family have lived in for more than 30 years. Following Seiters' remarks, the group will walk next door to the Seiters home for refreshments.

The programs have been set for the fall. In September, members of the Trust will carpool to the Grundy County Museum in Tracy City. Ward Cammack will be host for a talk about the history of Shenanigans at the restaurant in October. In November, the Rev. Bill Wade will speak about secondary education on the mountain at the chapel at St. Andrew's-Sewanee.

The Sewanee Trust for Historic Preservation meetings are free and open to the public. The Trust's purpose is "to advocate and perform comprehensive historic preservation and stewardship activities," celebrating "archaeological resources, historic structures, and cultural landscapes" in Sewanee and the surrounding area.

Franklin County Fair **Continues This Weekend**

The Fifth Annual Franklin County Fair continues through the weekend at the Southern Middle Tennessee Agricultural Pavilion in Winchester. This year's theme is "Farm Fed, Country Bred."

The carnival opens each night at 5 p.m. On Friday, the demolition derby begins at 7 p.m., followed by music by the band Four Miles Gone.

On Saturday, there is a cattle show, horseshoe pitching tournament and cow milking contest during the day.

at / p.m., with fireworks at the event intermission (about 9 p.m.).



Mon-Fri 7:30am-midnight; Sat & Sun 9am to midnight Georgia Avenue, Sewanee 598-1885

Thurs 7:30am to 6pm;

full time beginning

Friday. Aug 26

square the chicken will poop on, and if at 967-6788. they are correct, they win cash prizes.

Daily fair admission is \$5 per person or \$15 for an armband. For the full schedule and map of events, go to <www.franklincotnfair.org>.

Leadership Program Seeking Participants for New Class

Leadership Franklin County is cur-A truck and tractor pull begins rently accepting applications for the Class of 2011–12. Sponsored by the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce, the program is for adults who work or live in Franklin County and for eleventh-grade students who attend school in the county (the student deadline has passed).

Leadership Franklin County consists of an orientation in September

On Friday night (at 6 p.m. and 8 and six topic-oriented, day-long sesp.m.) and through Saturday (every two sions from September to February. hours, starting at 10 a.m.), the fair will Adult applications are due by Wedneshave a "chicken squat." Fair guests can day, Aug. 31. For more information or purchase a chance on guessing which an application, call the Chamber office

Polly Crockett Festival in September in Cowan

Planning is moving ahead for the 29th Annual Polly Crockett Festival in Cowan on Sept.17–18. The arts and crafts festival is a yearly event that celebrates the spirit of Polly Crockett, wife of frontiersman Davy Crockett. The event will also include live music, horse and buggy rides, a petting zoo, an antique car show and children's games. A new addition this year is the Miss Polly Crockett Pageant, with divisions for girls ages six months to 19 years old. Vendor registrations are still beings accepted. For more information go to <www.franklincountychamber.



Upcoming Meetings

Community Council Meeting on Monday

The Sewanee Community Council will meet at 7 p.m., Monday, Aug. 22, at the Senior Center. The following items are on the agenda: the dog park; a report from the Natural Resources Advisory Committee; a report from County Commissioner Arthur Knoll; the community warning system; a walking trail crossing for Lake O'Donnell Road; the issue of amplified music; the deer cull; possible speed limit adjustments; and discussion of the transfer fee.

Franklin County Democrats Meet Tuesday

The combined monthly business meeting of the Franklin County Democratic Party and the Franklin County Democratic Women will take place at at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 23, at the Oasis Restaurant at 708 S. College St. in Winchester. All are welcome. Please arrive at 6 p.m. if you are planning to order dinner. For more information call Raymond Council at 967-7077.

Monteagle Rotary Club Gathers on Wednesdays

The Rotary Club meets every Wednesday at the Smoke House Restaurant in Monteagle. Members and their guests are encouraged to come at 6:50 a.m. for coffee. The breakfast meeting begins at 7 a.m. and is finished by 8 a.m. Go to <monteaglerotary.org> for information about the weekly program.

Peace Fellowship Meets on Thursdays

The Episcopal Peace Fellowship meets at 12:30 p.m. on Thursdays for prayer, study and work directed toward reconciliation and peace. The fellowship meets in the Quintard Room in Otey parish hall.

Area Republicans Gather on August 27

The dinner of the South Middle Tennessee Republican Leadership Group planned for Saturday, Aug. 27, has been canceled so that members may attend Coffee County's Reagan Day Dinner that evening. The Reagan Day Dinner begins at 6 p.m. at the Manchester/Coffee County Conference Center. Tickets are \$40 per person; to purchase call (931) 235-1904.

See virtual tours for some and pictures for all of these homes at www.monteaglerealtors.com

SEWANEE, CLIFFTOPS AND MONTEAGLE AREA



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MLS#1251991	252 Summerfield Pointe	Brow Rim	4/3.5	\$995,000
MLS#1295102	1000 Winterberry Dr.	Clifftops Lake	4/4.5	\$965,000
MLS#1252982	2140 Clifftops Ave.	Clifftops Brow	3/3.5	\$797,000
MLS#1289338	2022 Clifftops Ave.	Clifftops Brow	4/3.5	\$739,000
MLS#1276746	1323 Overlook Dr.	Clifftops Brow	4/3.5	\$695,000
MLS#1248121	2241 Sarvisberry Place	Clifftops Brow	3/2.5	\$524,000
MLS#1233767	1613 Laurel Lake Dr.	Brow Rim	3/2.5	\$445,000
MLS#1183432	1884 Highland BlipENDIN	G3row Rim	4/2.5	\$339,000
MLS#1244044	611 Huckleberry Place	Clifftops	3/2	\$314,000
MLS#1201630	1142 Tulip Tree Court	Clifftops	3/2.5	\$297,500
MLS#1274471	1117 Laurel Circle	Clifftops	3/2	\$285,000
MLS#1285614	389 N. Scenic Rd.	Ponds	3/2.5	\$279,000
MLS#1250558	727 Basswood Court	Clifftops	3/2	\$264,900
MLS#1247130	1131 Tulip Tree Court	Clifftops	2/2	\$249,000
MLS#1246975	2405 Clifftops Ave.	Clifftops	2/2	\$249,000
MLS#1213077	900 Dogwood Dr.	Clifftops	3/2	\$229,000
MLS#1274061	225 Shadow Rock Dr.	Wooded	3/2.5	\$195,700
MLS#1245267	35 Wildwood Lane	Behind SAS	4/2	\$189,000
MLS#1274059	215 Shadow Rock Dr.	Wooded	2/2	\$172,000
MLS#1268529	1620 Laurel Lake Dr.	Wooded	2/2	\$139,900
MLS#1208341	779 Georgia Ave.	Univ. Domain	4/2	\$139,000
MLS#1071975	66 Bennett Ave.	Open	4/2.5	\$129,900
MLS#1266386	256 Forrest Point Rd.	Open	5/2	\$ 99,000
MLS#1208360	412 Lake O'Donn PENDIN	GJniv. Domain	4/2	\$129,000
MLS#1257374	314 N. Central Ave.	Near Assembly	3/1	\$116,000
MLS#1258271	12721 Sollace Freeman	Univ. Domain	2/1	\$108,000
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Obituaries

Luther Leibensperger

Luther Leibensperger, age 83, died Aug. 11, 2011, at Sheltering Arms Home in Palmer, Tenn.

He was a graduate of Columbia University, New York. In 1984, he retired from his engineering career and moved to Sewanee to be closer to his family. He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church, Tracy City.

He is survived by a sister, Caroline Shoemaker of Sewanee, and two brothers, Elmer (Maxine) Leibensperger of Timonium, Md., and Howard (Sylvia) Leibensperger of Stephentown, N.Y.

A memorial service is planned for a later date.

Gale Link

Gale Link, age 75, of Nashville, died Aug. 13, 2011, after a car accident. Link was a founder of the Jump Off Community Land Trust and South Cumberland Regional Land Trust. She lived in Sewanee until 1989. A memorial service will be at 4 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 23, at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Nashville, 1808 Woodmont Blvd.

Betty Janice Oliver

Betty Janice Oliver, age 76 of Monteagle, died Aug. 14, 2011, at Emerald-Hodsgon Skilled Care in Sewanee. She was born in Coalmont, a daughter of Albert P. Ross and Nancy Dykes Ross. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother Albert Larry Ross; sisters Lloyd G. Rogers II; sons, Lloyd (Sha-Rosemary Durham, Iris Christine ron) Rogers III and Paul (Christy) Richards and Nancy Carole Johnson; and former husband, Jim.

Grundy County High School and worked as a bookkeeper, owning and operating several successful local businesses, including the Bee Hive Restaurant, Monteagle Diner lowed in Franklin Memorial Gardens, and Smoke House Restaurant with Winchester. For complete obituary her former husband. She was a past visit <www.moorecortner.com>.

president of the Monteagle Garden Club and was active in many charitable organizations.

She is survived by her children, James David (Betty) Oliver; daughters, Betsy Oliver and Nancy Oliver (Kevin) Sweeton, all of Monteagle; brothers Jerry (Judy) Ross of Clyde, N.Y., and John Jacob "Hunky" Ross of Chattanooga; and several nieces and

Funeral services were held Aug. 17 in the funeral home chapel with the Rev. Clayton Jones and Minister Ray Winton officiating. Interment followed in Coalmont Cemetery. In lieu of $flowers, the family \ requests \ memorial$ donations be made to the American Diabetes Association, Animal Alliance South Cumberland or the charity of one's choice. Online condolences may be made at <www.cumberlandfuner alhome.net>.

Linda F. Rogers

Linda F. Rogers, age 67 of Winchester, died Aug. 15, 2011, at Southern Tennessee Medical Center in Winchester. She was born Feb. 14, 1944, in Sewanee, daughter of Henry L. and Mary Louise (Rivers) Chitwood.

She worked as a nurse at Southern Tennessee Medical Center for 19 years. She was active in the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club.

She is survived by her husband, Rogers, both of Winchester; daughter, Janet (Chad) Rogers Schnarr of Hills-She was an honors graduate of boro, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Aug. 18 in the funeral home chapel with Bro. Ed Boggess officiating. Interment fol-

Day-Long Retreat on Spiritual Reflection and Nature

The Center for Religion and Environment will offer a free, day-long program, "Opening the Book of Nature," on Saturday Sept. 3. The focus of the day is on spiritual reflection and contemplation through nature.

"Opening the Book of Nature" will offer participants an opportunity to discern spiritual lessons and experience God in creation.

The retreat will connect participants to the early Christian tradition of learning spiritual lessons from nature. These explorations use periods of private prayer and reflection alternating with discussion to produce a blend of low-key instruction, personal experience and group sharing.

Participants should meet at 9 a.m. at the Lake Cheston pavilion. The program will end at 4 p.m. Participants should bring a lunch (preferably a "sustainable" one), water, a journal, and rain gear if the weather is threatening. The program will be held rain or shine.

Contact Joyce Wilding, program director, at < joycewilding@comcast.net> by Saturday, Aug. 27, if you plan to attend, although last-minute attendees are

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Sheridan **Anniversary** Reception

The Sisters of St. Mary will host a reception to honor Martina and Joe Sheridan on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary from 2 to 4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 21, at St. Mary's Convent. For more information contact Sr. Elizabeth at 598-0046.

Couple To Wed in Sewanee

Jamie Sue Simunaci and Derek Deane Akin, both of Buffalo Grove, Ill., will be married at 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 3, at Rivendell in Sewanee.

The bride is the daughter of Donna Simunaci of Buffalo Grove. The groom is the son of Joan Luecki and the grandson of James W. Singleton, both of Sewanee.

Good Samaritan Seeking **Kid's Clothes**

Good Samaritan Ministries of Franklin County in Decherd is in need of children's clothing. They are currently accepting summer clothing that is clean and gently used.

Good Samaritan is open 10 a.m -2 p.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. It is located at 1725 Decherd Blvd., next door to CVS in Decherd. For more information, call 967-9336.

Eco-Service Lecture at Gailor

Frederick W. Krueger will describe why eco-service is more than just protecting nature and wilderness during his lecture at 4:30 p.m., Thursdsay, Sept. 15, in Gailor auditorium. Krueger will discuss how eco-service includes restraint from activities that defile the earth, is a "bond of kinship with all creation" and the responsibility to act for the general welfare that leaves the earth a better place.

The lecture is free and open to the oublic, hosted by Center of Religion and Environment at Sewanee.

on Creation Care. He also directs the sacred healing effects. Orthodox Fellowship of the Transfiguration, the national environmental fellowship of the Eastern Orthodox Christian Churches, that provides environmental educational materials and conferences on Christianity and the environment.

He is the founder of "Opening the Book of Nature" (OBN), a project of the Religious Campaign for Forest the University of the South. She and Conservation, a coalition of churches, her husband live in Monteagle and synagogues and para-religious organizations that support conservation and wilderness as religious issues.

Church

STEM Celebration Sunday

Southern Tennessee Episcopal Ministries (STEM) will celebrate its mountain ministries at a picnic Sunday, Aug. 21, at the DuBose Center in Monteagle. The event begins at 10 a.m. with Holy Eucharist in the pavilion.

Among the churches participating are St. James Midway and Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester.

Because of the celebration, St. James will not have a celebration of the Eucharist or Children's Church School on this date.

Christ Church, Tracy City, will not be able to attend the STEM event; it will offer Morning Prayer at 11 a.m., officiated by senior warden Jim Parrott.

Guests to the picnic are asked to bring a covered dish for the potluck. It is a casual gathering, and the pool will be available for swimming. All are welcome to attend.

Midway **Baptist** Church

Midway Baptist Church in Sewanee will host homecoming services on Saturday, Aug. 27, and Sunday, Aug 28. The Saturday service will begin at 6 p.m. There will be a singing with the Cavaliers from Perry, Fla. Sunday's activities will start with Sunday School at 10 a.m., followed by a worship service with guest preacher, former pastor Tom Watson, at 11 a.m. A potluck meal will follow the service. The Cavaliers and local singers will continue singing into the afternoon. Pastor Mike on Sept. 9. Johnson welcomes and encourages

Otey Parish

Otey Parish will celebrate the Holy Eucharist at 8:50 a.m. and 11a.m., Sunday, Aug. 21.

Between services, there will be a meeting to discuss the proposed plans for a new Parish Hall and answer questions. Similar informational meetings will also be held Sunday, Aug. 28, at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Childcare is available from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. each Sunday. Coffee hour follows the second service.

All Saints' Chapel

All Saints' Chapel, located on University Avenue in Sewanee, announces its service schedule for the fall.

The Holy Eucharist service at 8 a.m. on Sundays will resume on Aug. 28. The service on Sunday, Aug. 21, will be at 9 a.m. for college orientation.

The 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist service resumes on Sunday, Aug. 28.

Morning Prayer, (8:30 a.m.) and Evening Prayer (4 p.m.) resume on Thursday, Aug. 25. Both services take place Monday-Friday in St. Augustine's Chapel, inside All Saints'.

Choral Evensong typically takes place at 4 p.m on the first Sunday of each month while school is in session. The first Choral Evensong service will

Catechumenate will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 31, in the Mary Sue Cushman Room of the Bairnwick Women's Center. Subsequent meetings begin at 7 p.m. each week.

Taizé worship services take place at 7 p.m. on the second Friday of each month that school is in session in St. Luke's Chapel; the first service will be

For more information call All Saints' Chapel, 598-1701.

Allen Publishes Book on Reiki and the Holy Spirit

Sewanee seminary graduate Ruth Allen has just published "The Holy Spirit and the Spirit of Reiki" which describes her journey from a practicing scientist, researcher and teacher to a spiritually based healer in the practice of Reiki.

Reiki, a Japanese technique used to reduce stress and encourage healing, is based on the idea that life force energy keeps one alive. Allen explains that she is a Christian who practices Reiki Krueger is executive coordinator and integrates theology and science or the National Religious Coalition—to detail the technique's holiness and

Allen's book discusses the connection of the practice of Reiki to the healing ministry of Jesus, though it focuses on his healing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Allen began practicing Reiki in 1997 and became a Reiki master and teacher in 2001. In 2009, she earned her master's degree in theology at Mandeville, La. Allen is a hospital chaplain.



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Rebecca Betancourt, first-grade teacher at Sewanee Elementary, and her class of eager students in their first days of school.

TCAP Scores

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rate of 93 percent. In Franklin County, in grades three through eight, 47.8 percent of students were proficient in reading, and 39 percent were proficient in math. Individual test scores and attendance rates for elementary and middle schools for 2010–11 have not been released yet, nor have high school test scores and graduation rates.

Individually, North Middle School is at corrective action status because this is the fourth year the school did not meet the yearly progress goals. Decherd Elementary, Rock Creek Elementary, South Middle School and Franklin County High School are target schools because these schools did not meet their yearly progress goals for 2010-11.

Corrective action for North Middle School, as mandated by the state, includes replacing or reassigning staff, mandating a new research-based cur-

riculum, reorganizing internal organization and public school choice. These corrective actions are part of the No Child Left Behind legislation.

Schools in good status for 2010–11 in Franklin County are Broadview, Cowan, Clark Memorial, Huntland, North Lake and Sewanee.

The State of Tennessee is asking the federal Department of Education for a waiver from the No Child Left Behind law. Tennessee is just one of many states asking for an alternative annual accountability plan. Tennessee's proposal includes using letter grades to demonstrate yearly progress in math and reading. The alternative accountability plan also includes the Race to the Top reforms. A decision on the waivers will be decided in September.

Complete test scores and more information are available at <tn.gov/

Emergency Messaging Options

Anyone in the Sewanee community can now be contacted by the Sewanee Police Department in case of emergency or severe weather. By registering at the alert system website, people can be contacted by email, voice mail, text message to a cell phone

To sign up, go to <www.sewanee. edu/alert>. Participation is voluntary, and there is a clearly stated privacy policy as part of the sign-up procedure.

Phones on the University system and Sewanee email addresses do not need to sign up, as they are automatically sent a messages in emergencies.

County Budget Approved

More Changes to School Board Budget

by K.G. Beavers, Messenger Staff Writer

The Franklin County Commissioners met Monday, Aug. 15, in a special called session to vote on the entire 2011–12 county budget.

The commissioners had previously approved the county budget with no tax increase during several work sessions. They cut several thousands of dollars from most departmental budgets and used approximately $\$600,\!000$ out of the

county's savings to balance the budget.

Before the vote on the entire budget, Chairman Eddie Clark explained that more changes were made to the school board budget.

The commissioners had previously approved the school board budget on July 29, when cuts of \$300,000 were made.

At a special called finance committee meeting, more money was moved around to make sure that the maintenance of effort was being met to help fund the school system. Currently, the county owes the school system \$1.1 million dollars. If the current school system budget were approved as amended, the county would be even further behind by \$375,000.

Clark proposed to move \$425,000 from the school's general-purpose school fund and have that amount added to educational debt service. He then proposed that if any interest comes in it would go into the educational debt service. The county would also take out 0.045 cents of the tax rate from the educational debt service and move it into the current property tax revenue for

The school system would then know what amount it will be funded each year, and the county would also not be behind on its maintenance of effort. The school system would also be able to make the \$500,000 bond payment, which would go into the debt service.

There was no motion put forward to pay back the \$1.1 million dollars to the school system at that time. Clark stated that repayment would probably not happen during any one budget year.

All commissioners voted to approve the amended school board budget. The commissioners then voted to approve the entire county budget with no tax levy increase. They also voted to amend the reserve fund policy by reducing the reserve fund from 5 percent to 2.5 percent and the debt service payment from one-and-a-half years to half-a-year on the principal.

The county budget still has to be presented to the State Comptroller's Office for approval.

Domestic Livestock Policy Guidelines

mestic Livestock Policy for University leaseholds.

Leaseholders are able to keep birds and mammals weighing less than 10 and animal welfare requirements set email at <mpate@sewanee.edu>. forth by the policy. No more than six adult animals will be allowed. Noisy sewanee.edu/leases/policies>.

This is a reminder about the Dosestic Livestock Policy for University roosters of the Phasianidae family, are forbidden.

Leaseholders interested in submitting a proposal to keep small livestock pounds (like chickens or rabbits) in should contact Marvin Pate, coordinaan enclosed area that meets space tor of the Livestock Subcommittee, by

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Employee Recognition

Emerald-Hodgson Hospital (EHH) selected Angeline Stockwell as the employee of the month for July. Angeline is a registered nurse and has been a member of the EHH nursing staff since 1998. She and her husband, Jerry, live in Palmer. Angeline has three children and one grandchild. In her leisure hours, she enjoys painting, quilting and spending time with her family. Angeline was chosen for recognition in a random drawing among all EHH employees having July birthdays. Her award included use of a close-in parking space for the month and a gift basket with movie tickets and other goodies. Congratulations!

State of the Hospital

Reporting on July's utilization of EHH's facilities, hospital administrator Ralph Underwood said the summer months were always "slow," with utilization of the hospital's facilities declining compared to the rest of the year. General admissions and observation visits dropped 31 percent and 20 percent, respectively, compared to July of 2010.

The total number of emergency room visits, outpatient visits and skilled care admissions were very close to last year's levels. Commenting on another trend, Underwood said some insurance companies had raised the co-pay amount and, as a consequence, patients were choosing not to have elective treatment like physical therapy.

Looking at the first 10 days of August, Underwood said utilization of EHH seemed to be "picking up with people back in town."

--Reported by Leslie Lytle

DesJarlais on Listening Tour

Congressman Scott DesJarlais announced the launch of a "Listening to Tennessee" tour. The tour will be composed of public listening sessions with residents across Tennessee's Fourth Congressional District. This tour is part of an ongoing effort by the congressman to solicit ideas and opinions from his constituents on important policy issues being debated in Washington, D.C.

"Having a chance to meet with and hear from constituents is a critical part of being a member of Congress and is a top priority of mine," said Rep. DesJarlais.

Among his stops will be in Dunlap on Wednesday, Aug. 24, and Manchester on Friday, Aug. 26.

For the full list of events, times and specific locations, or for more information go to <www.DesJarlais.house.gov>

Senior Center News

Covered-Dish Luncheon Saturday

The senior center will host its monthly covered-dish luncheon at noon on Saturday, Aug. 20. Jim Peters, who teaches philosophy at the University, will entertain us with humorous anecdotes and photographs of his lifelong pursuit of bird watching. Please join the group and bring a dish to share.

Upcoming Programs

Mary Anne Stansbury of Home Health Care of East Tennessee and Hospice will give a talk at the center at 11:15 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 31.

Christmas Bazaar Planning

The center needs broom handles to make stick horses for the Christmas Bazaar in December. In addition, if you like to sew or knit, please come at 10 a.m. on Wednesday mornings to make items for the bazaar.

Senior Menus

The Sewanee Senior Center serves lunch at noon Monday through Friday. The suggested donation is \$3 (50 or older) or \$5 (under 50). Please call by 10:30 a.m. to order lunch.

Aug. 22: Taco salad, dessert.

Aug. 23: Fried chicken, corn, pinto beans, cornbread dessert.

Aug. 24: Salmon patty, beans, turnip greens, cornbread, dessert.

Aug. 25: Baked ham, fried okra, mac/cheese, roll, dessert. Aug. 26: Cabbage rolls, potatoes, pinto beans, cornbread, dessert.

Menus may vary. The center is located at 5 Ball Park Road (behind the Sewanee Market). To reserve a meal or for more information, please call the center at 598-0771

Please note: The center will be closed on Monday, Sept. 5, for Labor Day.

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I am thrilled the Messenger invited me to contribute a gardening column! I hope we will all learn from each other about how to grow things in our community. Sewanee and its environs offer some interesting challenges, from bizarre micro-climates (I write this on an exceptionally cool mid-August day) to deer predation to some of the worst soil I have ever seen. I have learned a few tricks gardening on the mountain since 1998, and I'm sure there are many good tips from others who have been at it far longer.

Let me tell you a bit about myself and my passion for gardening. I graduated from the University of the South in 1989 with a degree in political science, intent on changing the world. My first job was with a plant rental service in Atlanta. (Yes, the renting and maintaining of interior plants is big business in the city—think mall plantings and corporate office buildings). Through a friend from Sewanee, I found a job as a gardener at the Atlanta Botanical Garden.

Finding myself frustrated when pursuing "real" jobs during the next few years, I decided to consider horticulture as a career. Once the dirt was under my fingernails, I would never get it out. While living in Knoxville, I earned a bachelor's degree in ornamental horticulture and landscape design. The coursework spanned the plant sciences, garden design and plant identification. As part of the degree program, I was required to have an internship, some of which were at the world's finest gardens.

After pursuing several options, my dream job came through. Rosemary Verey, one of England's premier garden designers and authors, invited me to work in her garden. Along with providing me a cottage in the tiny village of Barnsley, Gloucestershire, I had a daily routine of gardening and spending time with her. Rosemary also sent me far and wide to study gardens, give tours of her garden to guests, and meet with head gardeners at estates such as Prince Charles' Highgrove.

I realized how closely the Cumberland Plateau and the Sewanee area resembled Gloucestershire and set my sights on returning here to garden. For years here, I have grown cut flowers and developed private gardens.

Now, I am excited to share my experiences with Messenger readers and to learn some tricks from the great reservoirs of gardening knowledge in the community. This column will be a place where we can exchange ideas and suggestions, tackle new problems and make the world a more beautiful place.

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Po the Panda (voiced by Jack Black) is living his dream in this humorous and harmless animated sequel. Po is now the "Dragon Warrior," protecting the Valley of Peace alongside his friends and fellow kung fu masters. Outstanding voices by Angelina Jolie, Dustin Hoffman, Gary Oldman, Seth Rogan and Lucy Liu make this a great family film. As one reviewer said, "The animation is elegant, the story is much more involving than in the original, and there's boundless energy." Rated PG for sequences of martial arts action and mild violence.

Sewanee Union Theatre Next Week Thursday–Sunday, Aug. 25–28 at 7:30 p.m.; Bridesmaids

125 minutes • R • Admission \$3

Kristen Whig stars in this very funny look at the bizarre and ridiculous rituals of weddings, especially the complicated role of bridesmaids. The movie captures the ugly dresses, the jealousies among the women and ultimately, the intimacy of women's friendships. Produced by Judd Apatow, "Bridesmaids" sometimes bears the imprint of Apatow's scatological humor, but terrific performances by Whig and Maya Rudolph make it worth seeing. Rated R for some strong sexuality, and language throughout.—LW

Coming up later this fall: "Black Swan" and "Super 8"

Cinema Guild will be announcing its Thursday night movies soon. They are expected to begin on Sept. 1.

Sewanee Angel Festival **Set for October**

The first annual Sewanee Angel Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 8th from 5 to 11 p.m. in the new Sewanee Angel Park. The festival will include music, food and dance. Local vendors and art exhibitors will be on hand to

"We are in the process of finishing the park so that it can be the focal point of the festival," said John Goodson, president of the Sewanee Business Alliance. The musical entertainment will be announced closer to the festival.

The alliance has raised close to \$30,000 already toward the park and is still

looking for corporate sponsors, as well as individuals to purchase bricks and benches for the park. Etched paver bricks are available starting at \$75 and etched names in the stone floor foundation are available for a \$500 dona-



tion. Gifts of \$1,000 are acknowledged with a name etched in the stone base of the pavilion, while park benches around the park can be named for gifts of

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Five nights of poetry at IONA: Art Sanctuary begins Wednesday, Aug. 31, and continues through Sunday, Sept. 4. Each night's readings begin at 7 p.m.; at 7:45 p.m. each night, audience members who would like may share a favorite poem or read a poem of their own.

Wednesday, Aug. 31, will showcase poetry by Peter Trenchi, Jeannie Babb, Kevin Cummings and Don Shannonhouse, as well as readings by George

Leigh Anne Couch shares her poetry on Thursday, Sept. 1. Her poems have appeared in the Western Humanities Review, Shenandoah, Salmagundi, Gulf Coast Review, Cincinnati Review, Carolina Quarterly and other journals.

On Friday, Sept. 2, poetry with a theological theme will be presented by Robert MacSwain, Peter Trenchi and Jeannie Babb.

Bennett Bridgers-Carlos will read on Saturday, Sept. 3. She has published her poetry in a number of journals, including the Massachusetts Review, the New England Quarterly and 13th Moon and served as an assistant editor for the Iowa Review.

The final poetry reading will be Sunday, Sept. 4, by Jesse Clower of Knoxville and Murfreesboro. He has been writing poetry and short stories for more than 10 years, publishing his first poem at age 15.

The public is welcome at this series of free events; guests are encouraged to bring their own folding chair.

IONA: Art Sanctuary, is the studio-gallery of Edward Carlos and Adam Carlos, located at 630 Garnertown Rd., Sewanee. In good weather, there is plenty of parking in the open field from the lower entrance at the foot of the hill; with rain, park behind the barn using the upper level of the hill near the

Conservatory Open House Sunday

The Sewanee Dance Conservatory at the University of the South will hold an open house for registration, 2-4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 21, in the dance studio at the Fowler Center. There will be a placement class for ages 7-11 from 1 to p.m., and for ages 11 and above from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. (with an additional 15 minutes for those en pointe.)

The Sewanee Dance Conservatory at the University of the South will begin fall classes the week of August 29 and is continuing to register students.

David Herriott is the director of the conservatory. He is the artistic director for Alabama Youth Ballet Theatre in Huntsville and will be teaching the dance classes at the University of the

Registration and placement levels may be made during the open house or any time, provided space is still available. Contact Herriott by email at <deherriott@gmail.com>.Classes begin the week of August 29, and registration will continue throughout the fall.

New Website for **Frist Center**

The Frist Center for the Visual Arts has launched a new website that offers visitors a dynamic platform from which to explore the exhibitions, programs and activities and learning oportunities both on site and online.

The site, <www.fristcenter.org>, accommodates mobile browsers, including iPhone, Android and Blackberry. The new website also includes the ability to share any page on Facebook and Twitter and provides email link functionality on every page.

Through the Calendar+Exhibitions area, visitors may access detailed information about past, present and future exhibitions. The calendar area of the site invites visitors to filter by date and categories, including exhibitions, lectures and gallery talks, educator workshops, performances, tours, films and music.

The Frist has two new shows opening in September: Tracey Snelling's "Woman on the Run" and "A Divine Light: Northern Renaissance Paintings from the Bob Jones University Museum and Gallery."

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A scene from "Beehive"

"Beehive" Musical on Stage in **Cannon County**

bring your can of AquaNet when you come to see 'Beehive,' a musical celebration of the girl groups who left their mark on 1960s music and on many of our lives," said Carol Reed, director of the Arts Center of Cannon County. The musical runs through Aug. 27.

Through the hits of Aretha Franklin, Janis Joplin, Tina Turner, Diana Ross and the Supremes, the Shirelles and others, six energetic women and one great band take a journey through

"Dust off your go-go boots and the look, the sounds and the electricity of the 60s.

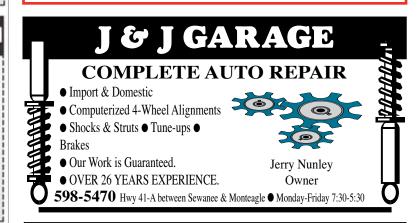
The performance schedule for all shows is Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12 per person, with discounts available for students, seniors and groups.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call (615) 563-2787.

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Joe Brown: Artist Blacksmith The functional and artistic ironwork sculptures of local artist, Joe Brown, are on display at the Arts Center of Cannon County until Sept. 12. The exhibit is free and open to the public. The Arts Center is located on 1424 John Bragg Highway, just west of the town of Woodbury.

Sweet Tooth Theater Hosts Fund-Raiser

The Sweet Tooth Theater will host Patton James and the Synchromatics on Saturday, Aug. 20, at the Cowan Center for the Arts.

The evening begins at 7 p.m. and also includes dancing, food, door prizes and a silent auction.

The Sweet Tooth Theater is sponsored by the Franklin County Arts Guild and is a fund-raiser for the FCAG Arts Scholarship, awarded each year to a talented Franklin County senior who intends to pursue art at a college or university level. The Franklin County Arts Guild is an organization of artists and friends who promote art awareness and education in Franklin County and the surrounding region.

Patton James and The Synchromatics will be playing jazz standards, 60s dance music and pop hits spanning from the 1940s through the 1990s.

Tickets are \$20 per person or \$35 for two and may be purchased at the Winchester Antique Mall, 122 1st Ave. NW, in Winchester and the Artisan Depot, 201 E. Cumberland St., in Cowan.

For more information, call (931) 691-1996 or go to <www.sweettooth-theater.org>.

Classes in Ar Modern Dance Begin This Fall

Debbie Welch will be teaching modern dance classes at the Sewanee Community Center beginning on Monday, Sept. 12. Offerings will include classes on technique, improvisation, choreography, self-esteem, expression and social action theater.

Classes for ages 12 and up will be at 5:45 p.m. Mondays. On Fridays, Welch will have a class for ages 7 and up at 4 p.m.; an adult class will be at 5:15 p.m. on Fridays. There is a \$5 registration fee for new students, and classes are \$7 per session. To register, call Welch by Sept. 8 at (423) 637-3849.

Arts & Crafts Fair in Beersheba Springs

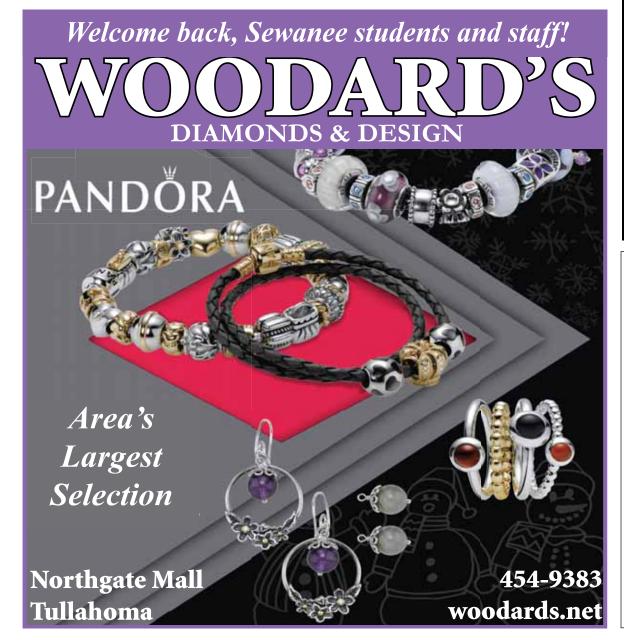
The 45th annual Beersheba Springs Arts and Crafts Festival will be held Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 27–28, at the Beersheba Springs United Methodist Assembly Grounds. The festival will be open 10 a.m.–6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m.–5 p.m. on Sunday. There will be entertainment at 7 p.m. Saturday as part of the festival. Events are free and all are welcome.

More than 130 exhibitors from across the area will have items for display and sale. Several new food booths will be on the grounds, and the hotel dining room will serve breakfast and lunch both days.

Proceeds from the festival are used to support the library, rescue squad and community center in Beersheba Springs, as well as the Grundy County Center for Exceptional Citizens.

 $\label{lem:members} Members of the Beersheba Springs \, Rescue \, Squad \, and \, Fire \, Department \, will \, be in charge of parking.$

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OURSEWANEE

by Annie Armour

Sewanee Public Schools

As school gets under way in Franklin County, it seems appropriate to talk about the community's involvement in public education on the Mountain.

In 1868 when the University opened its doors, there was no public school in town. In 1872, Sewanee citizen Jabez W. Hayes funded a building on the site of the current public school to be used as a parochial school and parish hall for the newly constructed St. Paul's Church. By 1875, 92 students attended grades one through eight. Hayes later gave his mansion and 100 acres of land to open the "School for Mountain Girls" that became St. Mary's.

The community raised the money in 1899 to build a new school on the hill behind the current Sewanee Market. Billy Goat Hill School opened in two classrooms for grades one through nine with 150 students and two teachers. Imagine that as a student-teacher ratio today! Later it grew to three classrooms, three teachers and 180 students. School was conducted with no electricity; the nearest water was down the hill at the depot. Most of the students' parents had never had the opportunity for a formal education. Some people around town still remember the school or first-hand stories of it.

In the 1920s the Civitan Club (now the Sewanee Civic Association) raised more than \$10,000 to build a new stone school at "Dog Row," the school's first and current location. The community and University provided everything down to the brooms and dish towels. Local contractor John Henry Castleberry supervised construction. He held a community dance in the building before the desks were installed. For many years, the community pitched in to provide coal, fix the roof, supply milk and hot lunches, teach enrichment classes, supplement salaries and even to extend the school year or add grades. Bus service was provided to those who lived away from town. Through its history, the Sewanee Public School has seen as many as 415 students and 11 grades in a school year.

The community funded additions to the building in the 1930s, the 1940s and one in 1965 specifically to make integration possible. In the 1930s and '40s, schools were built in the community for African-American children (such as the Kennerly School) before integration was allowed. The community donated the public school building to the county in 1955 in exchange for a gym and cafeteria, but has remained actively involved in many ways. Supplemental funds for the school still comprise the bulk of the Community Chest budget. Volunteers and college students help teachers, tutor and read to students.

Members of all sectors of the greater Sewanee community value education and are willing to go the extra mile to help provide it.





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First-grade teacher Barbara King shares her enthusiasm for learning with her students at Sewanee Elementary School.

SES Menus

Aug. 22–26 **LUNCH**

MON: BBQ pork sandwich, chicken nuggets, tossed salad, white beans, steamed carrots, chilled fruit.

TUE: Cheeseburger, meatball sub, baked beans, tossed salad, green beans, chilled fruit.

WED: Pepperoni hot pocket, sloppy joe, mixed vegetables, baked apples, tossed salad, chilled fruit. THU: Chicken sandwich, green beans, baked apples, tossed salad,

chilled fruit. FRI: Pizza, fish/hush puppies, oven baked fries, tossed salad, steamed

carrots, peach cobbler.

Options available every day: turkey and cheese, ham and cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwich and fresh fruit.

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SES-PTO Open House Thursday

The Sewanee Elementary School PTO will hold its annual Open House 4:30–6 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 25.

Parents are invited to come see their child's classroom, meet their child's teacher and classmates and enjoy a free hot dog dinner.

Teachers will be in their classrooms from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. Dinner will be served from 5 to 6 p.m.

The PTO also encourages you to take a stroll around the building's perimeter trail.

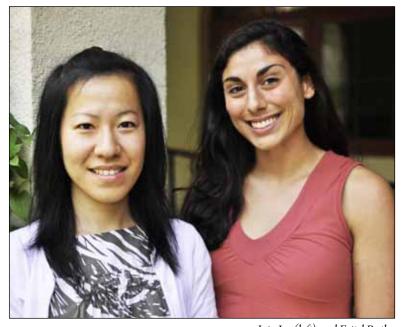
Please stop by the PTO table in the front lobby before you leave the building. PTO members will be on hand to answer any questions or hear concerns. There will also be sign-up sheets with volunteer opportunities.

Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve dinner and clean up at this event. If you would like to help, please email Leanne McCullough at <hlmc cullough@gmail.com>.

Clowdis Publishes First Novel

Monteagle author Charles W. Clowdis Jr. has published his first novel, "Rendezvous at Chateau de Candé," described as a fast-paced story of love, hate, deceit and nuclear weapons. With twists and turns along the way, the book takes readers from the mountains of Western North Carolina to France's Loire Valley.

While this is his first novel, Clowdis has written two books on transportation and other papers on logistics isbook, go to < Xlibris.com>.



Jojo Lu (left) and Fritsl Butler

SAS Welcomes New Faculty

When school begins at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School on Monday, Aug. 22, students will welcome two new faculty members, Xioayi "Jojo" Lu and Fritsl

Jojo Lu's primary responsibility will be to teach Chinese language. She is a graduate of Shanghai Normal University and held teaching positions at Houston's Gateway Academy and a language school in Guadalajara, Mexico. As a student, she was a cast member at Walt Disney World's International College in Orlando, Fla., and enjoyed student exchanges to Montclair State University in New Jersey and Manly, Australia. She has received awards in composition and Chinese calligraphy. Jojo and her husband, Jackie, a former Houston police officer, will live on the SAS campus.

Fritsl Butler joins the SAS faculty to teach Spanish and adventure education and provide assistant coaching for several sports, including soccer and basketball. Butler is a graduate of the University of the South, where she was a Chancellor's Merit Scholar, a member of the Delta Sigma Pi and Omicron Delta Kappa honors societies and an emergency medical service volunteer. Fritsl was co-captain of Sewanee's women's soccer team for three years and was named to the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference's First Team and the NSCAA Women's NCAA Division III all-South Atlantic Region Team. She is a certified Wilderness First Responder and a licensed Wilderness EMT. Fritsl will also live on the SAS campus.

Lu and Butler join a talented, experienced SAS faculty. Of the 58 members of the faculty, 64 percent hold advanced degrees, including two doctorates. Almost half the faculty live on campus, helping to supervise and mentor the school's sues. For more information about the boarding students. For more information about St. Andrew's-Sewanee School visit <www.sasweb.org>.

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Lecture on the **History of Estill Springs**

Jarod Pearson will lecture on "The History of Estill Springs" at 4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 28, at Cowan Center for the Arts.

The area known now as Estill Springs served as a river port for Franklin County in the early 1800s. Some years later, the adjacent community of Allisonia was home to one of the largest flour mills in the entire South. A large Confederate training camp was located there during the

Through the late 1800s and early 1900s, Estill Springs was one of Tennessee's largest resort areas. Several hotels and guest houses were built along the various mineral springs and welcomed "big city tourists" in search of rest and recreation.

The "History of Estill Springs" is part of the ongoing lecture series at Cowan Center for the Arts. For more information, log on to the website at <www.cowancenterforthearts.org> or call Pat at (931) 691-0722.



New Faculty

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university archaeologist, is no stranger to Sewanee, having taught previously in the College and at the Sewanee Environmental Institute. She has also taught at Dickinson College, MTSU and the University of Tennessee. In 2010, she received the C.B. Moore Award for Excellence in Southeastern Archaeology by a Young Scholar. As university archaeologist, Sherwood assumes primary responsibility for the management of our existing archaeological collection and for the stewardship of more than 200 prehistoric sites on the Cumberland Plateau.

Jessica Ann Siegel, assistant professor of psychology, brings to Sewanee an expertise in neuroscience that promises to become a welcome addition to the college curriculum. Her graduate research focused on the longterm effects of methamphetamine exposure during brain development on behavior and the brain acetylcholine system in adolescent and adult mice. At Sewanee, Siegel hopes to continue her research to examine the effect of exposure to other drugs of abuse during pregnancy, as well as study how drug exposure during brain development affects behavior and cognition

Emily M. White, assistant professor of chemistry, was previously at Colby College, where she was a faculty fellow in analytical chemistry. She has done research at the EPA, at Woods Hole, Mass., and at Ohio State University. Her research looks at the interactions among light, organic matter and bacteria in natural waters. She has conducted field studies at in the Delaware estuary, Miami and Puerto Rico. At the Tropical Research Laboratory in Florida, she has studied the effects of climate change on UV penetration over coral reefs.

Kevin Wilson, assistant professor of English, previously served as creative writing administrator for the Sewanee Writers' Conference and, before that, as a contingent faculty member at Sewanee. His just-released first novel, "The Family Fang," is receiving impressive reviews and publicity from national media outlets such as the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, the Washington Post, CBS and National Public Radio. Wilson's volume of short stories, "Tunneling to the Center of the Earth," published in 2009, earned favorable reviews and awards.



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Brown Foundation Fellow Appointments:

Prakash Wright, Brown Foundation Fellow and visiting instructor of music, is a pianist and has been a piano instructor, a jazz arranger and performer and a music educator. He was the music director of the New Hope AME Church in Waldorf, Md., and has also performed and recorded jazz arrangements with his own group, the Kash Wright Trio. At Sewanee, he will direct the jazz band, teach courses in jazz and music theory and assist with the Sewanee Praise vocal ensemble.

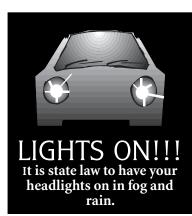
Jessica Wohl, Brown Foundation Fellow (Advent term) and visiting assistant professor of art and art history, returns to Sewanee this term as a Brown Fellow to offer students studio art classes, including painting, figure drawing and plaster and mold making. She has also taught at the University of Georgia and the Georgia Museum of Art. Wohl has participated in numerous solo and two-person exhibitions across the United States and abroad.

New contingent faculty appointments for the coming year were also announced. They are: Theodore Stewart Benice, visiting assistant professor of psychology; Erin C. Bradfield, visiting instructor of philosophy; William Jarrod Brown, visiting instructor of Spanish; Pamela D.H. Cochran, visiting assistant professor of religion; Jason Husser, visiting instructor of political science; David S. Johnson,

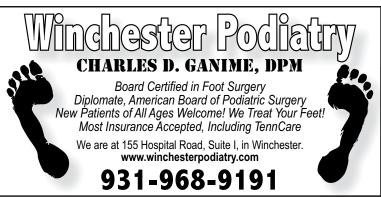


Prakash Wright

visiting assistant professor of biology; Matthew Keogh, visiting assistant professor of chemistry; Bernadette Lo, visiting assistant professor of music; Nathaniel D. Stogdill, visiting assistant professor of English; and Xiaohua Zhang, visiting instructor of Asian studies (Chinese).







St. Andrew's-Sewanee School Opening Weekend **Begins Today**

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School welcomes students for its opening weekend, today, Aug. 18 through Sunday, Aug. 21. Classes begin on Monday, Aug. 22.

This will be the first year for two new faculty members: Chinese instructor Jojo Lu and Spanish instructor Fritsl Butler (see adjacent story).

Middle school students and their parents begin opening weekend with a student-parent orientation and registration at 5 p.m., Friday in McCrory Hall. Upper school students begin their return to campus on Saturday. Registration for these students is 8:30-10:30 a.m. Orientation and advisory meetings, including a special college counseling meeting for senior parents and a meeting of the SAS Parents' Council, continue throughout the day.

At 1:30 p.m., Sunday, middle school and upper school students will meet for an all-school assembly and class meetings. The afternoon continues with advisor meetings, book distribution, and class activities. School will begin at 8 a.m., Monday, with an all-school Chapel gathering followed by a full day of classes.

The full schedule for opening weekend and the academic year is available

The Smithsonian is Coming to Cowan Railroad Museum

Cowan is among six Tennessee towns that will serve as hosts to "The tour in Dyersburg on Sept. 10, then Way We Worked," an interactive continue on to Memphis, Lexington, Smithsonian exhibit dedicated to how Americans worked in the early part of the 20th century. This tour is part of the cultural project known as Museum on Main Street that brings exhibits from the Smithsonian to small-town museums and residents of rural America.

"We are thrilled to partner again with Museum on Main Street to bring another great tour to Tennessee communities," said Melissa Davis, munity's workforce history. Humanities Tennessee's director of the Tennessee Community History sonian.cowanrailroadmuseum.org>. Program.

The traveling exhibit will begin its Elkton, Cowan and Jamestown.

From March 10 to April 21, 2012, the Cowan Railroad Museum and Cowan Center for the Arts will host the exhibit, which explores how everyday Americans worked on farms, factories, in homes and at desks to keep communities thriving. In addition to the main exhibit, each host site will be displaying a companion exhibit of community history about their com-

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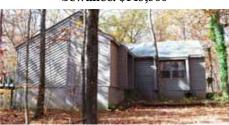
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Gymnastics Classes in Sewanee

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Mountaintop Tumblers is a recreational gymnastics program for all ages. It focuses on individualizing lessons so that each student gets one-on-one attention and has fun in the process. Lessons are held at the Sewanee Community Center, on Ball Park Road.

Classes will be 3:30–4:30 p.m. on Thursdays for beginning and intermediate tumblers; 4:30–5:30 p.m. for intermediate and advanced tumblers (ages 8 and up); and on Saturdays, 10:30–11:30 p.m. for beginning and intermediate tumblers, and 11:30 a.m. –12:30 p.m. for intermediate and advanced. Cost is \$75 for eight weeks of lessons. Class size is limited. Call Hewitt at 968-6295 for more information.



Today, Aug. 19 7 pm GCHS V Football v Marion Co HS Tuesday, Aug. 23 4:30 pm SAS V Girls' Soccer v Ćoffee Co Central HS 5 pm SAS V Volleyball v Riverside Christian Academy 6 pm FCHS Girls' Soccer v Webb School Thursday, Aug. 25 3:30 pm SAS Golf (multiple teams) 5 pm FCHS JV Volleyball v Tullahoma 5 pm GCHS V Volleyball v Signal Mtn 6 pm GCHS JV Volleyball v Signal Mtn 6:30 pm FCHS V Volleyball

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v Aaron Academy
5:30 pm SAS MS Girls' Soccer
v Community School
7 pm FCHS V Football
v Lebanon HS



The Sewanee Tiger football team, under the leadership of new head coach Tommy Laurendine, has been practicing all week. The 2011 season opens at home with a 1 p.m. kickoff Saturday Sept. 3, against Earlham College.

SAS Football Victorious

In its first eight-man football action, the SAS Mountain Lions were victorious over Lighthouse Christian and Webb School in the Lighthouse Jamboree, beating each team by the score of 6-0 in two 20-minute rolling clock quarters of action.

In the first quarter against Lighthouse, Kendall Kinslow found the end zone on a 15-yard run as the Mountain Lion offense moved the ball successfully both on the ground and in the air. In the second contest against Webb, after quarterback Evan Morris hit Alex Tinsley with a 30-yard pass to the one-yard line, Morris ran the ball in to score.

Kinslow and Morris were the leading rushers, while Morris hit receivers Tinley, Kinslow, Jonathan Jones and J. R. Clay with regularity.

The defense was stout in both quarters of action, led by Russell Mays with a sack and Edwin Ashcraft with a fumble recovery.

The Mountain Lions opened their season on the road at Tennessee School for the Deaf in Knoxville on Aug. 18. They play their first home game against Aaron Academy at 5 p.m., Friday, Aug. 26.

Boone Wins Water Ski Challenge

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School junior Jimmie Joe Boone placed first in jump for boys at the Georgia/Tennessee State Water Ski Challenge held at Callaway Gardens in July. He also qualified for the Southern Regional Water Ski Championship.

Callaway Gardens and Robin Lake was the site for the first-ever combined Georgia state and Tennessee state water ski tournament. For two-and-a-half days, more than 100 skiers competed for individual and overall titles by state in traditional three-event water skiing.

Jimmie Joe is the son of J. Wesley and Patricia Boone of Hillsboro. In addition to water skiing, Jimmie Joe is a member of the SAS swim team and received Most Improved and Coaches Award recognition. He is also on the school's Honors List for outstanding academic achievement.

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My new favorite lyrics are in a country song by Rascal Flatts. They tell me, "God blessed the broken road that led me straight to you." Like the comic book character Billy in Bill Keane's "Family Circus" comic, many of us take a circuitous route to end up at the place we were originally intended to be. Since I have never been described as the sharpest tool in the shed, lots of things don't make sense to me until they do, or as Yogi Berra instructed us, "If the world was perfect, it wouldn't be."

For the past few weeks, my family and friends were kind enough to use this space to wish me a happy 50th birthday. Their overly generous stories help explain to me how I ended up still in love, living on a mountaintop in Tennessee with four wonderful daughters, coaching tennis at a great school and living a dream I never foresaw. Somehow I thought I would be running the world by the time I was 50, but if you know anything about living in a house with five women, you will understand that I am not the king of anything. My fill-in columnists—Conchie, Sadie, Jason and Whitt—are more than just four detours that took me straight to where I always wanted to be.

I often put things off until they are well overdue, and I was never much of an academic in high school. I didn't get to my high school guidance counselor's office to look for a college until the final week of my senior year. I was told that it was far too late but I was welcome to take a look at the brochures in the lobby. Sitting on top of the stack was a picture of a guy windsurfing with the caption "UNC by the Sea." Ding! This was going to be easy. With a quick and fortuitous phone call, I had a tennis scholarship to University of North Carolina Wilmington and was off to a college I had never seen before. The first day of practice, I saw a tanned, leggy brunette crushing a two-handed backhand and wearing shorts far too short for my daughters to wear today. A thunderbolt hit me and here I am, 32 years later, happily married to Conchie. That thunderbolt occasionally hits me when I forget to take out the recycling on Friday mornings.

I never did really learn where babies come from, but somehow in the 1990s it seemed like a new one showed up on our doorstep every two years. And each of them has been far more incredible than the happy "accidents" I originally perceived them to be. We all love our children whether their road is paved and straight or broken and crooked. I delight in this wild roller coaster ride that I can't remember buying a ticket for, but it is a joy. Now, my goal is just trying to get one of them to take out the recycling next Friday.

Jason Boxvisited Sewanee because of his connection to the Episcopal Church. He was interested in majoring in sports journalism and playing tennis. After explaining to him that we did not have sports journalism as a major or a program, and that he probably was not experienced enough or ranked high enough to play for the Sewanee Tigers, he proceeded to become one of the most loyal, successful and competitive players I have ever coached. He helps run my summer camp, just took over coaching the team at Millsaps College and is now ready for his revenge from my original assessment of his ability. How did I wind up here?

Several years back (more than I can remember), Conchie was at a tennis match down at University of Alabama in Huntsville. She called me (from a pay phone, if that gives you some idea how long ago it was) to tell me that two boys were applying to be counselors at our summer camp. One, she said, was nice and polite with lots of experience; the other she described as "thinking he was cooler than Elvis" and he wasn't sure if he had time in his schedule to work for us. We hired both of them, of course. "Elvis," also known as Whitt Taber, is still stuck to us like a tick you can't pull off and has been promoted to CFO (Chief Fun Officer) of camp.

All these unplanned detours and unexpected broken roads have led me straight to the pages of the Messenger to say thanks to all my family and friends for 50 years of love and happiness. Or, as Yogi Berra would say, "If you come to a fork in the road, take it."



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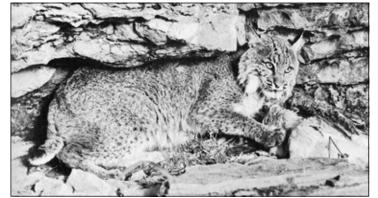


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Bobcat at Yeatmans

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Handsome Owen is a brown tabby with large gold eyes. He is a real snuggler with a little meow that will melt your heart. Owen is negative for FeLV and FIV, house-trained, up-to-date on shots and neutered.

Please note: Animal Harbor will be closed Friday, Aug. 26.

Call Animal Harbor at 962-4472 for information and check out their 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.



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SOCM Annual Meeting

Plan now to attend the annual membership meeting of Statewide Organizing for Community eMpowerment (SOCM) Oct. 15–16 in Murfreesboro. The deadline for registration is Sept. 15.

SOCM's annual membership meeting is a time when the organization celebrates its victories of the past year, plans for success in the upcoming year and elects members to its board.

In the past, SOCM has traditionally held its membership meeting at a state park—both to keep the costs down and to enjoy the natural beauty of the state. But this year, they were unable to secure enough space at a state park to accommodate the group, so it will be at the Embassy Suites hotel.

SOCM has always maintained a policy of covering the cost of this event for members to attend. A donation to help defray the cost is greatly appreciated, though. The cost for the two-day event, which includes food and overnight accommodations, is more than \$200 per person. Please consider making a donation of \$5-200 to help cover the costs. For more information call (865)

State Park Offerings

Today, Aug. 19

Stone Door Hike—Join Seasonal Ranger Andrea at 1 p.m. at Stone Door ranger station for an easy two-mile round-trip hike to the Great Stone Door. Wear sturdy shoes and bring

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Saturday, Aug. 20

Big Creek Gulf Hike—Meet Seasonal Ranger Aaron at 8:30 a.m. at Stone Door ranger station for a difficult eight-mile hike that goes through the Great Stone Door and past beautiful overlooks of Big Creek Gulf. Pack lunch, plenty of water, and wear sturdy shoes. For seasoned hikers only.

Volunteer Day at Grundy Lakes—Come at 10 a.m. to help Ranger James clean up the Grundy

Lakes' creekside trails. **Butterflies**—Join Seasonal Ranger Andrea at 1 p.m. at Stone Door ranger station to learn about the life cycle of butterflies.

Sunday, August 21

Sycamore Falls Hike—Join Ranger James at 10 a.m. at Grundy State Forest parking area to hike to Sycamore Falls. Bring snacks, sturdy shoes, water and a bathing suit.

Friday, August 26

Mountain Oak Loop Hike—

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Community Calendar

Today, Aug. 19

Curbside recycling by 7:30 am St. Andrew's-Sewanee School Opening Weekend 7:00 am AA (open), Holy Comforter, M'eagle 7:00 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary's 7:30 am Morning Prayer, Otey 9:00 am CAC open till 11, Otey 10:30 am Game day, Senior Center 10:30 am

12:00 pm Men's Bible study, Otey 4:30 pm Evening Prayer, Otey AA, Christ Church, Tracy City 7:00 pm "Kung Fu Panda 2," SUT 7:30 pm

Saturday, Aug. 20 New college students arrive; orientation begins Holy Eucharist, St. Mary's Sewanee Gardener's Market until 10 10:30 am Mtntop Tumblers, beg., Comm. Ctr Mtntop Tumblers, adv., Comm. Ctr 12:00 pm Senior potluck lunch, Senior Center NA, Decherd United Methodist 7:30 pm AA (open), Otey parish hall

Sunday, Aug. 21

STEM celebration, DuBose Center 10:00 am Dance Conservatory open house, Fowler Center dance studio, till 4 Sheridan receptn, St. Mary's Convent 2:30 pm V-C's welcome to parents, All Saints Carillon concert, Bordley Women's Bible study, Otey Yoga w/Helen, Community Center 4:00 pm 6:30 pm AA (open), Holy Comforter, M'eagle

All Saints' Chapel 9:00 am Holy Eucharist Cumberland Presbyterian 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am Sunday School Grace Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School/Worship Service

Harrison Chapel Methodist 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service

Jump Off Baptist 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Worship Service Midway Baptist 10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Morning Service 6:00 pm Evening Service Midway Church of Christ 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Morning Śervice

6:00 pm Evening Service

11:00 am Morning Service 6:00 pm Evening Service Society of Friends

9:30 am Meeting, 598-5031

Otey Memorial Church

8:50 am Holy Eucharist

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5:00 pm Evening Prayer

Sewanee Church of God

10:00 am Sunday School

St. Mary's Convent

10:00 am Christian Formation

Monday, Aug. 22

Food Hub Pledge Deadline 7:00 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary's 7:30 am Morning Prayer, Otey Chair exercise, Senior Center 10:30 am Evening Prayer, Otey Evening Prayer, St. Mary's 4:30 pm 5:00 pm Women's 12-step, Otey parish hall 5:00 pm 12-step meditation mtg, Stillpoint 5:15 pm 7:00 pm AA, Christ Church, Tracy City 7:00 pm Centering Prayer, Otey sanctuary 7:00 pm Community Council, Senior Center

Tuesday, Aug. 23 Hospitality Shop reopens, 9:30 am 7:00 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary's Morning Prayer, Otey 7:30 am Yoga w/Carolyn, Comm Center 8:30 am Bingo, Senior Center 10:30 am Beginning Tai Chi w/Kat, Comm Ctr 10:30 am 4:00 pm Centering Prayer, St. Mary's 4:30 pm Evening Prayer, Otey 5:00 pm SUD board meeting, SUD office 5:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Mary's 7:00 pm NA, Decherd United Methodist 7:30 pm AA (open), Otey parish hall 7:30 pm Al-Anon, Otey parish hall

Wednesday, Aug. 24

Student Activities Fair, Quad Lease Committee meets

7:00 am Monteagle Rotary, Smoke House 9:00 am CAC open till 11, Otey 10:00 am Sewing class, Senior Center 5:30 pm SofT Matriculation, All Saints' 5:30 pm Yoga w/Helen, Community Center 7:30 pm AA (open), Holy Comforter, M'eagle

Thursday, Aug. 25

SofT/College classes begin 7:00 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary's 7:30 am Morning Prayer, Otey



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12:30 pm Senior Center board meeting 3:30 pm Mtntop Tumblers, beg,,Comm Ctr

4:30 pm STHP, Seiters talk, Elliott Hall 4:30 pm Mtntop Tumblers, adv, CommCtr

4:30 pm Weight Watchers, Emerald-Hodgson

4:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Augustine's

4:30 pm Evening Prayer, Otey 4:30 pm SES-PTO Open House, SES

5:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Mary's

6:30 pm NA, Otey

8:10 am

5:45 pm Community Eucharist, COTA

6:30 pm Worship service, Church of God 7:30 pm "Bridesmaids," SUT

8:00 pm AA, (closed) book study, St. James

Friday, Aug. 26

7:00 am AA (open), Holy Comforter, M'eagle 7:00 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary's

Morning Prayer, COTA

8:30 am Morning Prayer, St. Augustine's 8:30 am Yoga w/Carolyn, Comm Center

4:00 pm V-C's opening address, All Saints'

4:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Augustine's

7:00 pm AA, Christ Church, Tracy City

7:30 am Morning Prayer, Otey

9:00 am CÃC open till 11, Otey

10:00 am Game day, Senior Center

12:00 am Holy Eucharist, COTA

12:00 pm Men's Bible study, Otey

4:30 pm Evening Prayer, Otey

5:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Mary's

5:40 pm Evening Prayer, COTA

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