



The new Sewanee Elementary School principal, Kim Tucker, leads the Pledge of Allegiance during the first Friday morning assembly. She was assisted by fifth-grade students Emily Bailey and Spears Askew. Tucker also offered words of welcome to SES students, teachers and staff.

Fiery Gizzard Trail in South Cumberland State Park Threatened

Key Campground to Close as Park Loses Access to Private Property

The mid-point section of the popular Fiery Gizzard Trail in South Cumberland State Park will soon close to hikers, thus closing the 12.5-mile trek between Grundy Forest Trailhead and Foster Falls.

Interim Park Manager George Shinn has announced that the owner of the property near Raven Point, which the trail has crossed for decades, has asked for the removal of the park trail from his property by Dec. 1.

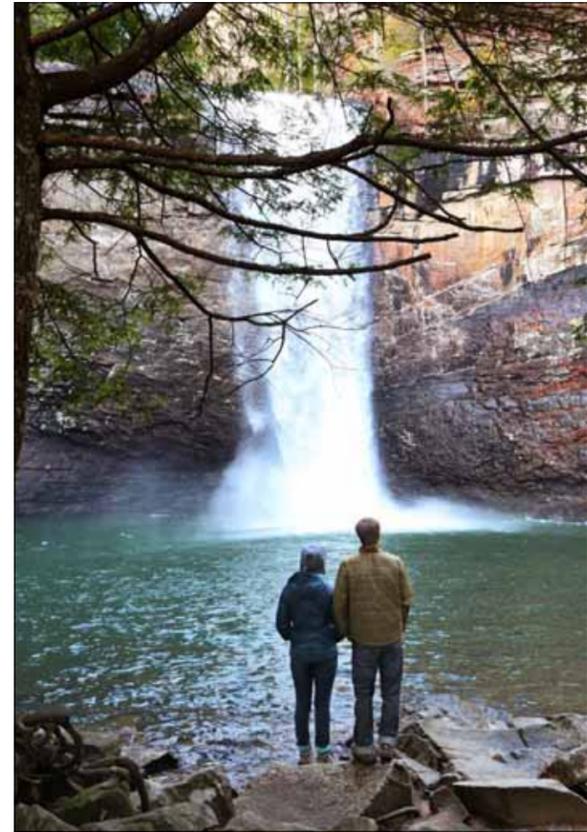
"The only practical solution," Shinn said, "is to reroute that section of the trail into the cove. But the solution is not easy to accomplish and will significantly increase the difficulty for hikers in the future."

Similar land issues have forced the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) to order the closing of Raven Point Campground, located along the Fiery Gizzard Trail, on Sept. 7.

On Aug. 15, the news broke about threats to the popular trail. Shinn and Friends of South Cumberland (FSC) President Latham Davis were interviewed on a Nashville news station about the trail that put South Cumberland in the national spotlight. Backpacker Magazine voted the Fiery Gizzard Trail among the top 25 hiking trails in the U.S. and in 2014, ranked it sixth on the list of Best Fall Foliage Hikes in the nation. The trail is credited with drawing visitors to South Cumberland and enhancing tourism and the local economy in one of Tennessee's most rural areas.

"Since the '70s, the park has operated this trail in partnership with numerous private owners," Shinn said, "and we have worked hard to maintain strong relations. However, as land is sold or passed on to heirs, these long-standing verbal agreements can change overnight."

"Because of safety and liability issues, the state can not operate without formal agreements," he added. "We are hopeful that we can persuade those involved to agree to a partnership based on a conservation easement or a memorandum of understanding that will allow the trail and campground to remain open."



Foster Falls. Photo by Rick Dreves

Shinn said that purchasing the land is not always necessary. "We just need agreements and committed partnerships in order to save forever the few miles of trail that cross private property."

"This is clearly an emergency," said Mack Prichard, Tennessee State Naturalist Emeritus, who has been involved with the trail for decades.

"To lose a trail like Fiery Gizzard and this key campground is unthinkable," Prichard said, "We need to mobilize

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Civic Association Calls Special Meeting on Elliott Park for Wednesday

A special called business meeting for the Sewanee Civic Association (SCA) will be held at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 26, in St. Mark's Hall, Claiborne House, at Otey Parish.

The meeting will consist of discussing and voting on a memorandum of understanding between the Civic Association and the University of the South for the Elliott Park playground. Specific details include a five-year term for the agreement, site preparation, installation and contingency planning, should the site be needed for other purposes.

The memorandum of understanding with the University also addresses issues such as maintenance, drainage control and parking lot improvements. The SCA Parks Committee will be the point of contact for Elliott Park moving forward. This project will be a collaborative effort with the University's Physical Plant Services, neighboring organizations and community volunteers to maintain and enhance the park, creating a sense of ownership to ensure the long-term care and upkeep of this important part of the community.

Lemonade Stand and Bake Sale

Local parents and children will host a lemonade stand and bake sale to raise money for the new Elliott Park playground, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 22. They will be selling drinks and treats to support the fundraising for the plan to build a new playground at the site.

This is a project in partnership with the Sewanee Civic Association and the University. There will also be a donation jar for those who don't need treats but would like to donate.

The stand will be set up on the sidewalk near the University Book and Supply Store; this coincides with the move-in date for University students.

Because this is a community project, organizers want to ensure that the broader community can participate.

This is a good time to take a peek at the current Elliott Park and to remind the community just how great it will be to have the new playground in place.

The plans for redeveloping Elliott Park include swingsets, a balance beam, bridge, climbing structures, spinning elements and a musical component. Other criteria met by the approved design include use of natural and local materials. The park will be Americans with Disabilities Act compliant and accessible, with access ramps at the adjoining sidewalk and parking lot.

Originally designated in 1870, Elliott Park has a history of community support with much of its playground equipment built by the community or purchased with donations. A swing set, chin-up bars, wooden step structure, and sandbox (now removed) were installed under the leadership of Sandy Baird and Yolande Gottfried in the 1980s. In 1998, community member Dana Lesesne spearheaded the addition of a pirate ship constructed by the Sewanee chapter of Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji), with support from various sources, including the Kaj Krogstad Memorial Fund.

In 2012, several wooden play elements were in disrepair and removed from Elliott Park, leaving behind little more than an aging swing set in what was once a vibrant place for the children to play.

The For the Parks project will benefit the whole community and its many visitors by reminding all that Sewanee is not only a place where families live, but is a place where families are valued.

For more information go to <www.sewaneecivic.wordpress.com>.



Sewanee residents listen to a presentation at Cravens Hall. Photo by TPUDC

Planning Workshops Elicit Community Participation

Town Planning and Urban Design Collaborative (TPUDC), planning consultants working with the University of the South, held a series of open design workshops Aug. 10-13 to develop a plan for the Sewanee downtown area. TPUDC has been charged with finalizing a downtown master plan and overseeing design and development. They expect to have the development plan completed by the end of the year.

Two previous studies, the Sewanee Village Vision Plan (2012) and the Sewanee Village Action Plan (2014), were intended to gather ideas and demonstrate what might be possible downtown. The TPUDC plan will acknowledge and integrate existing

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EMT Class Registration Begins

A Sewanee emergency medical technician training (EMT) class begins on Monday, Aug. 31. People interested in taking the course should attend to complete an application.

The course is open to community members (10 spots available) and University students (24 spots available). Students will be considered for admission on a first-come, first-served basis.

At the meeting, there will be time to ask questions and learn more about expectations, schedules and requirements.

For more information contact the program director and instructor, Sherrie Releford, at (931) 235-4876.

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LETTERS

ROOTED HERE UPDATE

To the Editor:

The South Cumberland Food Hub is a network that provides food from local farms to wholesale customers in Sewanee. The food hub received a USDA grant and generous matching donations from individuals and foundations in our community in order to begin operation in 2012. After three years, we would like to share what we have learned. (A longer, more detailed version of this letter is available on our website: <www.rootedhere.com>.)

We learned that the supply of, and demand for, local food in our area is highly unstable. Stability in the marketplace is what we need in order to grow and for local food to be a viable option for our institutions and small businesses. The infrastructure that the food hub provides—easy access for farmers and institutions—is essential to beginning to create stability. Because of the instability in supply and demand, the food hub was not able to break even over the three-year grant period, although we came very close. Additionally the organization, Rooted Here (which oversees the food hub), has been greatly hindered by its for-profit status and inability to find answers to legal structural questions.

Given these circumstances, we intend to combine our operations with the Harvested Here Food Hub in Chattanooga. We intend to work with Harvested Here in whatever way we can in order to help them build a successful and lasting food hub.

Additionally we hope to collaborate with our largest and most stable purchaser in the area, the University of the South, to find new ways to coordinate the University's local purchases. University food purchases have made a huge difference to local farms over the last three years, and we hope to find additional ways that we can collaborate in order to continue to serve our smaller farms and local restaurants. This collaboration has already begun, as the University has shifted some of its local purchasing to the South Cumberland Farmer's Market.

We are sharing this information so that we can start a dialog about how we can continue to support our local farms and maintain an infrastructure that allows easy access into markets. We welcome your thoughts. Email us at <cumberlandfarmersmarketboard@gmail.com> or go online to <www.rootedhere.com> to learn more.

Jess Wilson
President, Rooted Here ■

KING FAMILY THANKS

To the Editor:

We want to thank the people and organizations who helped us when our home burned in July. We are so grateful to the Sewanee Fire Department, which tried to save the house, and to our neighbor Mr. Singleton, who called the fire department when he saw the house on fire.

Courtney Hudson took us in directly after the fire; Rusty Leonard provided us with a place to stay; and Sarah Gunn worked hard to help get our new place ready.

Joe David McBee and Grace Fellowship Church helped us so much. Leonard and Anita King also helped us to be able to start over. All the people who contributed to the GoFundMe campaign helped us be able to go on.

We are so thankful for the Sewanee community. There is no better place to be. Thank you, all of you, so much.

Peggy King, Barbara King and
Makayla Cash
Sewanee ■

MES Substitute Training

Monteagle Elementary will be having substitute training sessions that are required before teaching in the school. The sessions will be 4–5 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 25, and on Thursday, Aug. 27, in the school library.

For more information or with questions, contact Janet Layne at (931) 924-2136 or email <jlayne@mctns.net>.

Wedding

Putnam–Winton

The families of Cynthia Sandborn Putnam and Calhoun Winton, C'48, are pleased to announce their nuptials. They were married in a private ceremony in judge's chambers in Covington, La., on Aug. 7, 2015. Present as witnesses were the couple's children and grandchildren. Their future residence is uncertain, but for the present the couple will continue to maintain residences in both Covington and Sewanee.

Area Job Bank Begins Email List

Living on the Plateau, where jobs are few, makes finding employment extra challenging. The Job Bank of Tracy City sends out a weekly job list to organizations, churches and groups on Monday mornings (individuals cannot be served by the list presently). These are job listings available within a 25-mile radius of Tracy City. This list also goes to the Grundy County Adult Education Center and Grundy County libraries, where computers are available.

The job list is interactive. Click on a job listing, and more information will open. For assistance, make an appointment with the Adult Ed Center or a Grundy County local library. Bring your Social Security card, driver's license, a list of former employers, work experience and email address.

Computer-savvy volunteers are needed to help. Please visit your local library to sign up. If your organization helps with employment and wants to be added to the list, send an email to <Tracy.Tn@hotmail.com>.



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Upcoming Meetings & Events

Herbarium Walk on MGT on Sunday

Join Yolande Gottfried of the Sewanee Herbarium for a stroll along a short section of the extended Mountain Goat Trail. Meet behind Pearl's restaurant at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 23, for this easy walk. There will be an optional side trip afterward to the airport area if flowers of interest are in bloom there.

Cowan Commercial Club Meets Monday

Cowan Commercial Club's first meeting is at 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 24, at Cowan Center for the Arts, in the new Cowan Library section. The community is invited to attend and join one of Tennessee's oldest civic organizations. Cowan Commercial Club's mission is to promote Cowan's local economy and community spirit. Annual dues are \$40 per year. For more information email <visitcowan@gmail.com>.

Franklin County Democratic Women Meet Monday

The Franklin County Democratic Women will meet at 6 p.m., Monday, Aug. 24, at Fiesta Grill in Cowan. Members and guests are welcome.

Toastmasters Sewanee Meets on Monday

A new chapter of Toastmasters International is forming and will meet at 6:30 p.m., Monday, Aug. 24, at the Blue Chair. Toastmasters, the world's largest and oldest organization dedicated to helping people improve their public speaking and leadership skills, is forming a Toastmasters Club in Sewanee. The group is open to everyone over the age of 18 in the community, regardless of public speaking skill level or experience. For more information email <sewanee.toastmasters@gmail.com>.

EQB on Wednesday

EQB will meet for lunch at noon, Wednesday, Aug. 26, at St. Mary's Sewanee.

Area Rotary Club Meetings

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

The Monteagle Sewanee Rotary Club meets 8-9 a.m., Thursdays, at the Sewanee Inn. On Aug. 27, the program will be presented by Jeff McMahan, White's Professor of Moral Philosophy at the University of Oxford, and author of "The Ethics of Killing."

"Downton Abbey" Garden Program on Aug. 30

Garden designer June Mays will present a program on "The Gardens of Downton Abbey: What You Have Always Wanted to See," at 3 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 30, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Admission is \$20, part of which will be a donation to St. Mary's Sewanee. For more information contact Mays at 598-9014 or email <junemays@bellsouth.net>.

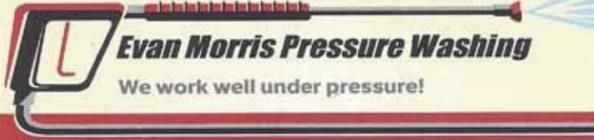
Sewanee Community Council Meets on Aug. 31

The Sewanee Community Council will meet at 7 p.m., Monday, Aug. 31, at the Sewanee Senior Center.

Tennessee Birders Meet on Sept. 1

The Highland Rim Chapter of the Tennessee Ornithological Society will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 1, at the First Presbyterian Church in Tullahoma. The business meeting will begin at 6 p.m.; light refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m.; Lisa Trail will give a talk on wild turkeys at 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 5, at 7 p.m., is Swift Night Out at the Tullahoma High School parking lot. Bring a chair and binoculars and watch chimney swifts dive by the thousands into the school's chimney. Visitors are welcome to both the club meeting and the Swift Night Out. For directions or carpool information contact Trail at (931) 728-6045.



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Representatives of the organizations that received grants from the South Cumberland Community Fund gathered on Aug. 2 for a reception and celebration. Attending were (standing, from left) Jarrett Schoerer, Daniel Crabtree, Kiki Beavers, Jeff Sholey, Heath Winton, Keith Nunley, Nancy Allsbrooks, Preston Miller, Kathy Hill, John Ross Jones, Renee Corlee, Oliver Jervis, Clint Shrum, Janelle Taylor, Carley Warner and Peggy Bonds; (seated, from left) Brandon Parson, Sue Walberger, Harriet Runkle and Julie Keel.

Franklin County Fair Opens Tuesday

The 2015 Franklin County Fair, with its theme "Cowboy Boots & Country Roots," begins on Tuesday, Aug. 25, and continues through Saturday, Aug. 29. A pre-fair 5K run/walk will be at 7 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 22. Registration starts at 6 a.m. at the Southern Middle Tennessee Agricultural Pavilion/Franklin County Fairgrounds, 1041 Wilton Circle, in Winchester. Also before the official opening of the fair is a horse show at 2 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 23.

The fair officially opens with a tractor parade at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 25. At 6 p.m. is the Boots, Bows and Bling pageant. Wednesday, Aug. 26, is Emergency Services Night. Thursday, Aug. 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. is Special Needs Day with free admission for special needs families. Friday, Aug. 28, is Kids' Day at the Fair, with \$1 admission, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. There is an ice cream-eating contest at 6 p.m.

Activities on Saturday, Aug. 29, include the 4-H chicken sale, a mud bog (with an obstacle course and mud volleyball) horseshoe and cornhole tournaments and livestock shows. For more information go to <www.franklincountyfairtn.com>.



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Obituaries

Johannes Johannsson

Johannes "Joi" Johannsson, age 61, died on Aug. 14, 2015, at his home in Roarks Cove. He was born on Aug. 24, 1953, in Hvammstangi, Iceland, to Johanna Jonsdottir and Johann Helgason.

He was a teacher of Icelandic grammar when he met his future wife as she toured Iceland. After a summer together, they married and came to the United States. He received a master's degree in computer science from Middle Tennessee State University and worked for many years at the University of the South Information Technology Services department. He was an avid singer and sang with the Sewanee chorale and the First United Methodist choir in Winchester. He was preceded in death by his father.

He is survived by his mother; his wife, Jeanie Stephenson; son, William Johannsson; daughter, Johanna Johannsson; eight brothers and sisters; and a multitude of nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held on Aug. 19 in All Saints' Chapel; his ashes will be scattered in Roarks Cove and Midfjordur, Iceland.

Lynn Chapin Patten

Lynn Chapin Patten, age 89, died on July 23, 2015, at her home in Chattanooga. She was born on Nov. 10, 1925, to Edward and Dorris Chapin. She was the widow of the Rev. William Thomas Patten. She grew up in Chattanooga and graduated from Hollins University. She and Billy moved to Sewanee in 1968, when he was called to the Episcopal ministry. She served on the board of directors of the Cumberland Mountain Learning Disabilities Center, Inc., and was instrumental in the founding of the Sewanee Learning Center. She was a devoted member of the Society of the Companions of the Holy Cross. She and her husband served several churches in the state before retiring to Sewanee.

She is survived by her children, Mary (Mac) Priestley, George (Shana) Patten, Tom (Kathy) Patten, Anne Patten, and Dorris (John) Shober; and 13 grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Orange Grove Center, 615 Derby Street, Chattanooga, TN 37404, or the charity of your choice. For complete obituary go to <www.heritagechatanooga.com>.

Nancy Jane Haney Taylor

Nancy Jane Haney Taylor, age 62 of Sherwood, died on Aug. 13, 2015, at her residence. She was a homemaker. She was preceded in death by her parents, Gifford Haney Jr. and Virgie Mae Simmons Haney; sisters Jerlene Floyd and Jenny Devino; and brothers J. D., Joe and Terry Haney.

She is survived by her children, Lois Lorraine Young and Rocky Lee Jo Davis, both of Huntsville, Ala.; sisters Vickie Etherton of Sherwood and Sherry Haney of Las Vegas, Nev.; brothers James (Mary) Haney of Huntsville and Houston Haney of Sherwood; and special friend, Berlin Perry of Sherwood.

Funeral services were on Aug. 15 at Sherwood Emmanuel Apostolic Church with Bro. Michael Hill officiating. Interment followed in Mt. View Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Lucinda Howard Hawks

A memorial celebration of the life of Lucinda Howard Hawks, who died on July 22, 2015, will be at noon, Saturday, Aug. 29, at St. James Episcopal Church, Midway. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

Death Notice

Jean Anderson Yeatman

Jean Anderson Yeatman died Thursday, Aug. 20, 2015, at her home in Sewanee.

Funeral arrangements were not available at press time.

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Church News

All Saints' Chapel

All Saints' Chapel will have a service at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 23, as part of the University's orientation weekend. The 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist services begin on Sunday, Aug. 30.

Catechumenate will begin on Sept. 4; Growing in Grace will begin on Sept. 6. For more information contact the Chapel office at 598-1274.

Otey Memorial Parish

Otey Parish welcomes its new rector, the Rev. Rob Lamborn, on Sunday, Aug. 23. He will preach and celebrate at both the 8:50 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. There will be a reception for the Lamborn family between the services at 10 a.m., in St. Mark's Hall, Claiborne Parish House. Otey's lectionary class will also meet at 10 a.m.

Children ages 3–11 can attend Godly Play at 10 a.m.; both classes meet on the first floor of Claiborne House. Nursery care is available for children 6 weeks old to 4 years old from 8:30 a.m. until after the coffee hour following the second service.

Otey Parish will celebrate the Feast of St. Bartholomew the Apostle with Holy Eucharist at 12:15 p.m., Monday, Aug. 24.

The annual Welcome Back Picnic will be at 5 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 30. The parish will provide burgers, hotdogs, and the fixings. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. This is a great opportunity to see friends who have been away during the summer, meet new families and learn more about Otey Parish. There will be activities for people of all ages.

Regional Ministry Celebration

A regional celebration of ministry and mission is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 23. Holy Eucharist will be at 10:30 a.m. at DuBose Pavilion in Monteagle.

Trinity Church Winchester, Christ Church Alto, Christ

Church Tracy City, Epiphany Church Sherwood, and St. James will be worshipping together at the DuBose service, so will not have their usual Sunday morning services.

A potluck picnic will follow. The swimming pool and other activities will be available. All are welcome.

Sunset Serenade at St. Mary's Sewanee

St. Mary's Sewanee will host its sixth annual Sunset Serenade, 5:30 to 8 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 6, at the center.

The event will include a lovely meal on the bluff, live music and a 50-item silent auction, including art from regional artists, local activities and dining, photo shoots and much more.

For 25 years, St. Mary's Sewanee has offered programs to meet the needs of individuals and groups looking for rest, renewal and reconnection.

For ticket information or to register call St. Mary's Sewanee at 598-5342 or email <reservations@stmaryssewanee.org>.

Unitarian Universalist

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Tullahoma will gather at 10 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 23. Doug Traversa will present a program on "UFOs, Aliens and the Search for a Savior."

The church is located at 3536 New Manchester Hwy., Tullahoma. For more information go to <www.tullahomau.org> or call (931) 455-8626.

Winchester Church of Christ

The final session of talks by author and editor Brad Harrub will be at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 26, at Winchester Church of Christ. The program will be "Is the Bible More than Just a Good Book?"

The church is located at 1230 S. College St., Winchester. For more information call 967-1441.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Weekday Services, Aug. 21–28

- 7:00 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary's (not 8/24)
- 7:30 am Morning Prayer, Otey
- 8:30 am Morning Prayer, Christ the King Anglican (8/25)
- 8:30 am Morning Prayer, St. Augustine's (8/26, 27, 28)
- 12:15 pm Holy Eucharist (St. Bartholomew), Otey (only 8/24)
- 12:30 pm Noon Prayer, St. Mary's (not 8/24)
- 4:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Augustine's (8/26, 27, 28)
- 4:30 pm Evening Prayer, Otey
- 5:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Mary's (not 8/24)

Saturday, Aug. 22

- 7:30 am Morning Prayer/HE, St. Mary's
- 10:00 am Sabbath School, Monteagle 7th Day Adventist
- 11:00 am Worship Service, Monteagle 7th Day Adventist
- 5:00 pm Mass, Good Shepherd Catholic, Decherd

Sunday, Aug. 23

- All Saints' Chapel**
- 10:30 am Orientation Sunday
- Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle**
- 10:00 am Morning Service
- 5:30 pm Evening Service
- Christ Church, Monteagle**
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist
- 10:45 am Children's Sunday School
- 12:50 pm Christian formation class
- Christ the King Anglican Church, Decherd**
- 9:00 am Worship Service
- 10:40 am Adults' and Children's Sunday School
- Church of the Holy Comforter, Monteagle**
- 9:00 am Holy Eucharist
- Community Harvest Church of God, Coalmont**
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 5:30 pm Evening Service
- Cowan Fellowship Church**
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Sewanee**
- 9:00 am Worship Service
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- Decherd Mission Church**
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- Decherd United Methodist Church**
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:50 am Worship
- DuBose Pavilion, Monteagle**
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, regional celebration of ministry and mission, potluck follows

- First United Methodist Church, Winchester**
- 8:30 am Traditional Worship
- 9:00 am Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd**
- 10:30 am Mass

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Grace Fellowship

10:30 am Sunday School/Worship Service

Harrison Chapel Methodist Church

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

Midway Baptist Church

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

Midway Church of Christ

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

Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

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

New Beginnings Church, Jump Off

10:30 am Worship Service

Otey Memorial Parish Church

8:50 am Holy Eucharist
10:00 am Godly Play
10:00 am Lectionary Class
11:00 am Holy Eucharist

Pelham United Methodist Church

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

St. Agnes' Episcopal Church, Cowan

11:00 am Holy Eucharist

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8:00 am Mass

St. Mary's Convent

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm Evensong

Sewanee Church of God

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

Society of Friends

9:30 am Meeting, 598-5031

Tracy City First Baptist Church

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

Valley Home Community Church, Pelham

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

Wednesday, Aug. 26

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

Theology Students Begin New Academic Year

The School of Theology welcomed its new residential students on Aug. 14 with a two-week-long series of orientation activities that include the distribution of Apple iPads, introductions to the faculty, canonically required workshops, and tours of the library and other facilities on the University campus.

On Aug. 15, students and faculty of the School boarded a bus to Hayneville, Ala., to participate in the 50th anniversary of the death of the martyr Jonathan Myrick Daniels, an Episcopal seminary student who died in Alabama in 1965 when he stepped in front of a shotgun blast aimed at black teenager Ruby Sales. Presiding Bishop-elect Michael Curry preached at the communion service in the courthouse.

Classes begin on Tuesday, Aug. 25; students will spend Monday, Aug. 24, in quiet retreat, followed by gowning and signing the book at the matriculation service later that evening. The Rt. Rev. Jake Owensby, bishop of the Diocese of Western Louisiana, will lead the quiet day retreat this year.

The new class of 2017 includes 27 new students enrolled in a variety of degrees including M.Div., M.A., and Diploma in Anglican Studies (D.A.S.), and represent 25 dioceses from all regions of the country including Hawaii. Two international students hail from Southern Malawi and Liberia. Fifteen percent report ethnicity other than Caucasian. Thirty-six percent of the class is female, and 64 percent is male. Forty-one percent of the new students are single, with 59 percent being married or partnered.

New to the faculty this year is the Rev. Benjamin Anthony who is the visiting assistant professor of preaching. The Rev. William Brosend, professor of homiletics, will be covering the New Testament courses during Paul Holway's sabbatical.

"We are pleased and excited to welcome our new students, friends, colleagues, and their family to Sewanee," said Bishop Neil Alexander, dean of the School of Theology. We are blessed to have an academically strong and richly diverse group of student from all across the nation and around the world. It is going to be a wonderful year!"



Incoming seminary students Elizabeth Langford Farr (left) and Amanda Stephenson serve as acolytes in the Chapel of the Apostles. Photo by Boyd Evans

ANGEL WITH AN ATTITUDE

by Virginia Craighill



Dear Angel,

It was brought to my attention recently that there was a Bigfoot sighting in Monteagle. I thought they only lived in the Pacific Northwest. Should I be concerned? What do you know about this?

Littlefoot

Dear Littlefoot,

I did some checking, and sure enough, there is a billboard in front of the used car dealership right before the Monteagle Flea Market that reads, "Caution: Bigfoot Sighting." Like the Bigfoot itself, the sign is hard to spot for a couple of reasons: 1) it is camouflaged in red and yellow, blending in Monteagle's traditional color scheme, and 2) it is right underneath a bigger sign welcoming new businesses to Monteagle. The connection between new businesses and Bigfoot sightings is somewhat hazy, unless the Monteagle Chamber of Commerce is trying to drum up companies that cater to Sasquatches, or believes that having Sasquatches in the area will lure entrepreneurs.

Though it's true that most Sasquatch sightings have occurred in the Pacific Northwest, you may have noticed that armadillos have recently migrated to the Mountain, so why not Bigfoots (or would the plural be Bigfeet?)? Sasquatch has no doubt heard about the excellent hiking trails, including the new addition to the Mountain Goat Trail, and probably finds having a 24-hour Waffle House nearby a bonus. If he (or she) goes in to order some hash browns smothered and covered at 3 a.m. on a Sewanee Party Weekend, no one is going to notice.

In case you need to identify a Sasquatch the next time you're at the CVS or the Piggly Wiggly, see the photo (at right). Be sure to give him/her a friendly welcome, and point it in the direction of the Mane Event.



Sasquatch

Dear Angel,

It's almost time for the arrival of new students to the Mountain, a time I always look forward to because it signals the beginning of fall. Will the freshmen find ways to be initiated to Sewanee's Domain this year?

Nature Lover

Dear Naturalist,

Indeed Sewanee continues its commitment to introducing our students to the natural environment in innovative ways. You may have noticed the addition of several Adirondack chairs sprinkled across campus in picturesque locales perfect for admission brochure photo opportunities. Besides this, there is now an outdoor classroom! It's not in the woods, or near the farm, or on the green grass of the quad, or at Lake Cheston. It is located in the lovely natural setting of the second-floor rooftop between Guerry, Carnegie and Walsh-Ellett.

Instead of comfy classroom chairs, students will perch precariously on black granite blocks set in a Stonehenge-like arrangement. The temperature of the granite's surface is about the same as the surface of the sun, assuring student's attentiveness, because anyone who dozes off risks a concussion or, at the least, third-degree burns.

Another unique aspect of this outdoor classroom is its retro-style blackboard acquired through dubious means from the mathematics department. If the granite seats do not entice students, professors will flock to use this blackboard, since almost every indoor classroom is fitted out with whiteboards that have no functional DryErase markers.

Freshmen are also being taken on a Nature Hike during orientation in order to acquaint them with the "Greater Domain" (see University website for definition), its beauties and its innate dangers. Students will be warned about poison ivy, rattlesnakes, copperheads, Sasquatches and the likelihood of falling off the bluff while texting or intoxicated or both. Within an hour, all 485 freshmen will know all the risks and liabilities associated with our sustainable (yet life-threatening) environment and will never want to venture off the "Lesser Domain" or farther afield than the outdoor classroom.

Best wishes for a lovely Autumn.

Angel

Sixth Annual Sunset Serenade



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Sunday, September 6
5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Silent Auction Items include:

Artwork by: Mitzi Roess, Lenden Noe, Bill Mauzy, Mary Priestley, Bob Askew and Chet Bittner

Services: private art lessons, estate planning, landscape design, photo shoot, Sewanee Summer Seminar tuition, watercolor workshop with Bob Askew, woodworking class and pen with Alec Moseley, art lesson with Martha Keeble, monthly ice cream from Shelley Cammack, studio tour and wine with Bob Short, carillon demonstration and All Saints' tour with John Bordley, personal retreat at St. Mary's Sewanee, three-hour dream work session with Marsha Carnahan, songwriter session with Don Cook, flute and flute lessons

Adventures: aerial tour of Sewanee, dinner party or weekend stay at the Edgeworth Inn, stay at a Guntersville lake house, hike and picnic, Nashville getaway

Items: heirloom Batiste christening gown, double hammock and straps, case of Coppola wine, load of compost, jewelry

Reservations required—Call 931-598-5342 to reserve your ticket.
\$60.00 per person.

This year's proceeds will be used to enhance and expand St. Mary's Sewanee's retreat offerings.

Planning (from page 1)

features and infrastructure (streets, leaseholds, drainage areas, etc.) and move toward implementation.

The sessions were well-attended, with about 65 residents at the opening presentation describing the process, dozens attending separate sessions on topics such as pedestrian and bike connectivity, and more than 80 residents at the closing presentation of findings. In addition, the design studio was open each day for visitors to watch the process and ask questions. Rather than using a committee or focus groups, the process was public; there will be opportunities for additional input and feedback before the plan is finalized.

Brian Wright and other team members from TPUDC have spent time in Sewanee for several months, learning the landscape, meeting residents and beginning conversations with public

utilities and state agencies.

Some of the concerns and elements that were emphasized by residents during the week included noise and light pollution, parking, sustainability, biking and hiking options, and a mix of housing types. These will be considerations as the downtown master plan is refined. Highlights of the well-received preliminary plan include "civilizing" and narrowing Highway 41A to two lanes (without the previously planned roundabout), new leaseholds and neighborhoods, a "town commons" park across the highway from Shenanigans, and both a bike lane and a parking lane on University Avenue.

The final plan will emphasize walkability, integration of the campus community, increased housing options at a variety of income levels, and improved streetscape and architecture. The plan will serve as a road map for future development in the downtown district.

Beersheba Arts & Crafts Festival

The 49th annual Beersheba Springs Arts and Crafts Festival will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 22, and 10 a.m.–5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 23, at the Beersheba Springs Assembly Grounds. More than 100 exhibitors from several states will be present, offering a fine variety of arts and crafts. There will be entertainment at 7 p.m. on Saturday evening.

Proceeds from the festival are used for the Beersheba Springs library, rescue squad, community center, North Elementary School, Grundy County Exceptional Citizens Center and food baskets.

Beersheba Springs is on U.S. Hwy. 56, 25 miles from Monteagle. For more information contact Fran Holt, (931) 692-3733.



The Monteagle Sewanee Rotary Club meets at 8 a.m., Thursdays, at the Sewanee Inn
"Service Above Self"



Cub Scout Pack 152 is a recipient of Sewanee Community Chest funding.

Community Chest Funding Applications Available

The Sewanee Community Chest Fund Drive announces the beginning of the 2015–16 fund-raising campaign. Sponsored by the Sewanee Civic Association, the Sewanee Community Chest raises funds for local organizations that serve the common good. Funding applications are now being accepted. The deadline for submission is Saturday, Sept. 12. Please contact <sewaneechest@gmail.com> to have an application either emailed or mailed to your organization.

A downloadable request for funds form is available at <https://sewanee.org/wordpress/community-chest/funding-request/>.

Nonprofit organizations serving the Plateau are encouraged to apply. The Sewanee Community Chest does not allocate funds to those organizations discriminating on the basis of race, creed, sex, or national origin.

The volunteer-led Sewanee Community Chest has met the needs of the community since 1908, including those living in Franklin, Grundy and Marion counties. The Sewanee Community Chest strives to fund organizations who help those caught in the cycle of poverty, who improve lives through outreach and community initiatives, and who provide support for children. Through the generous commitment of the entire community last year, the Sewanee Community Chest was able to help 27 organizations and initiatives with a total of \$101,400. The money raised in the community went directly to organizations that supported the following: community aid, \$22,650; children, \$36,500; quality of life, \$35,000; and beyond sewanee, \$7,250. Last year's recipients included Housing Sewanee, the Community Action Committee, Grundy Area Arts Council, the Sewanee Elementary Parent Organization, the Grundy County Food Bank and Folks at Home.

The Sewanee Civic Association encourages everyone who benefits from life in this community—whether you live, work, or visit—to give to the Community Chest. The Sewanee Community Chest is a 501(c)3 organization, and donations are tax-deductible. Donations and pledges are accepted at any time at P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375. There are two online options to donate to the Sewanee Community Chest through PayPal and AmazonSmile.

For more information on how you can make a difference or to read about the organizations supported, go to <https://sewanee.org/wordpress.com/>.

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2436 LAKESHORE DR. Immaculate grounds, quiet retreat for family, guests. Walk across street to Clifftops Lake Clubhouse and sandy beach. 2774 sf, 4/3.5. MLS#1626836. \$579,000.



816 LAKE O'DONNELL RD. Sewanee. Walk to Mtn. Goat Trail. All-brick home, well-maintained. Screened porch. 1510 sf, 3/1. MLS#1564620. \$139,900.



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622 FIRST ST. WEST. Left at Assembly entrance. Dream renovation. 2016 sf, 3/2. MLS#1605342. \$249,900.



2130 LAKESHORE DR. Clifftops family retreat. Fireplace, walk-in shower, expansive decks. Bedrooms on main level. 3316 sf, 3/3.5. MLS# 1626328. \$489,000.



CLIFFTOPS LAKEFRONT. 2230 Westlake. 2 docks, ramp, gazebo, large deck, partial stone. Long water frontage. 3875 sf, 4BR, 3.5BA. MLS#1534145. \$595,000.



1205 CLIFFTOPS AVE. Outstanding kitchen, great room, wet bar, two fireplaces, screened porch, hot tub, 2-car garage. 2753 sf, 3/2.5. MLS#1601472. \$329,000.



LOG CABIN - 2351 CLIFFTOPS AVE. 5.09 acres. 1200 sf. 2BR, 1.5BA on main level. Plus half bath on garage level, w/addtl. 1200 sf, ready to expand. MLS#1637646. \$254,500.



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Senior Center News

Lunch Menus

The Sewanee Senior Center serves lunch at noon on weekdays. The suggested donation is \$3 (\$0 or older) or \$5 (under 50). Please call by 9 a.m. to order lunch. If you make a reservation for lunch but do not come eat, please be prepared to pay for your meal. Menus may vary.

Aug. 24: Chef salad, crackers, dessert.

Aug. 25: Shepherd's pie, salad, dessert.

Aug. 26: Barbecue sandwich, baked beans, potato salad, dessert.

Aug. 27: Baked spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, dessert.

Aug. 28: Tuna casserole, green beans, slaw, roll, dessert.

Daily Activity Schedule

The Senior Center has fun things to do each week: Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., the group plays bingo. Wednesdays at 10 a.m., the writing group gathers at 212 Sherwood Rd. Fridays at 10 a.m. is the time for games.

Participation at the Center

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



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Tea on the Mountain

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SAS Prepares for Opening of School

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School welcomes day and boarding students for a staggered orientation this year that began on Aug. 20 and continues through Sunday, Aug. 23.

School begins 8 a.m., Monday, August 24, with an all-school Chapel gathering, followed by a full day of classes. More than 167 returning students will be joined by 60 new students.

New student orientation for upper school students began on Aug. 20 and continues today (Friday) and Saturday. Orientation for returning upper school students begins on Saturday. Middle school orientation also starts on Saturday.

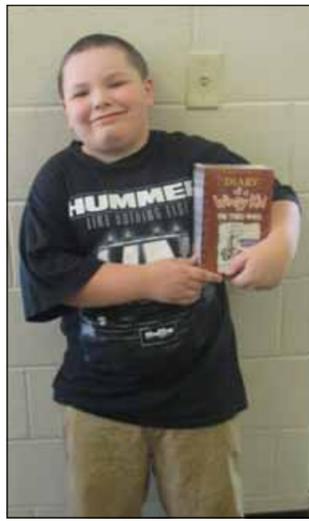
On Saturday, all students and parents of returning students will be on campus for registration, advisory meetings and class activities designed to ease students and parents into the school year.

Parents of seniors will attend a college counseling meeting facilitated by SAS college counselor Christine Asmussen and former SAS parent Denise Barry from the financial aid office at the University of the South. The afternoon is filled with activities and a cookout for the students.

The complete list of orientation and opening weekend events, including parent meetings, is available online at <www.sasweb.org/sassafras>.



New SAS student Sadie Hassman at Middle School orientation.



Chase Brown (above) was awarded the Sissy Stewart Memorial Reading and Literacy Award; he was a student in Beverly Smith's third-grade class. This is a special award honoring Stewart, a longtime former volunteer at Monteagle Elementary. Chase was selected because of his avid love for books and his self-motivation to read.

Needle and Thread Update

Shirley Mooney has announced that she is closing Needle and Thread; she hopes to reopen it at a future date. Anyone who has items that they have not picked up should do so as soon as possible; please call 598-0766 before you go.

Mountaineer Days Vendors

The 2015 Mountaineer Days Festival, presented by the Mountain Heritage Preservation Society, will be Sept. 12-13, at the old Shook School property, 625 14th St., in Tracy City.

Saturday will include games for all ages, delicious food, the Appalachian Women's Guild Barefoot Boy auction and a street dance featuring music by Dry Gin and Whisky.

Sunday will focus on remembering and honoring veterans and first responders, with church at 11 a.m. and a flag ceremony at 1 p.m.

Vendors of crafts, food and direct sales are welcome and should contact Rhonda Myers at (931) 235-1513 as soon as possible.



Lauren Bordelon, a teacher at the Sewanee Children's Center, shows the students in her 2- and 3-year-old class the monarch caterpillars that the school has adopted. All of the students at SCC have monarch caterpillars in their classrooms and will learn about their life cycle and habitat. SCC will plant milkweed in its garden and become a Monarch Way Station for the butterflies. Milkweed is the only food source for monarchs; the monarchs are near eradication due to extensive use of potent herbicides.



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SES Menus

Aug. 24-28
LUNCH

MON: Pasta bake, grilled cheese sandwich, broccoli, baked potato, carrots, dip, garlic breadstick, cookie.

TUE: Chicken nuggets, chili cheese pie, green beans, potato smiles, fresh salad, roll.

WED: Corn dog, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, baked beans, ranch potatoes, fresh veggie cup, macaroni and cheese.

THU: Beef taco pie, chicken fajita, refried beans, buttered corn, roasted vegetables, salsa, tortilla shell.

FRI: No school—Franklin County Fair Day

BREAKFAST

Each day, students select one or two items

MON: Graham cinnamon crackers or pancake sausage stick; syrup.

TUE: Biscuit, steak; condiments: gravy, jelly.

WED: Buttered toast, jelly, egg patty, cheese or banana strawberry muffin.

THU: Cheese stick or breakfast bar.

FRI: No school—Franklin County Fair Day

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

Menus subject to change.

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MLS 1623837 - 5430 Greenhaw Rd., Decherd. \$224,900



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MLS 1576618 - 127 O'Dear Rd., Sewanee. \$99,500



MLS 1637317 - 109 Wiggins Creek Dr., Sewanee. \$439,000



BLUFF - MLS 1646170 - 3335 Jackson Point Rd., Sewanee. \$289,000



MLS 1618092 - 21 Mont Parnasse Blvd., Sewanee. \$349,000



MLS 1606906 - 21 Oak St., Sewanee. \$79,000



BLUFF - MLS 1659472 - 43+ acres, Can-Tex Dr., Sewanee. \$859,000



BLUFF - MLS 1626882 - 3442 Sherwood Rd., Sewanee. \$589,000



MLS 1647079 - 388 Alabama Ave., Sewanee. \$149,000



MLS 1651531 - 231 North Carolina Ave., Sewanee. \$417,000



BLUFF - MLS 1657852 - 1819 Bear Ct., Monteagle. \$259,000



BLUFF - MLS 1503907 - 1801 Bear Court, Monteagle. \$279,000

LOTS & LAND

111 Clifftops Dr. 5.25ac	1646127	\$75,000
Hwy 41 Monteagle 5.3 ac	1632373	\$64,000
Jump Off Rd. 37ac	1618636	\$196,000
29 Azalea Ridge Rd 8.4ac	1593095	\$27,500
34 Azalea Ridge Rd 5.4ac	1593097	\$18,500
Trussell & Wells 14ac	1590252	\$37,500
Jump Off Mt Rd. 11.52ac	1574877	\$98,000
Shadow Rock Dr. 1.01ac	1572176	\$23,000
Shadow Rock Dr. .99ac	1572178	\$23,000
Smith Rd. 6.12ac	1570390	\$80,000
5 ac Montvue Dr	1524683	\$59,000
Taylor Rd., Sew., 29ac	1470665	\$179,000
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New Reservation System at State Park

A new online reservation system will be in place in early September for guests visiting the South Cumberland State Park. The park website now offers an option to make back-country campsite reservations. Sept. 7 is the first available date for reservations.

Visitors and guests to South Cumberland State Park need to be sure to review the new policies and procedures that will apply to reserving a campsite at the park.

Beginning this fall, there will be a fee associated with back-country camping, and a reservation will be needed.

These new policies and campground rules are fully described on the South Cumberland State Park website, <tnstateparks.com/parks/about/south-cumberland>, and Friends of South Cumberland website, <www.friendsofscsra.org/>.

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OUTSIDEIN

by Patrick Dean

Spying what appeared on radar to be a break in the rain, I decided to get out for a trail run. The prospect of being out without getting soaked appealed to me; plus, I really needed to get away from the computer.

Among the stories I had just read was that of a man who died during the famous Leadville 100, a mountain bike race in Colorado. A year younger than me, he had ridden Leadville 19 times previous and had suffered an apparent heart attack on a steep climb, at altitude, in the Rockies. Today's world being what it is, the predictable conversation began across the internet: "He died doing what he loved..." versus, well, various negative things, including that the man was apparently selfish somehow for dying as he did.

Venturing out on my usual trail, I quickly learned that I had guessed wrongly. Not even a half-mile in, the world suddenly became dark and ominous. The white noise of water moving through trees ramped up, and the staccato dripping became continuous rain. The woods closed around me as thunder rolled out its casual menace overhead, and I began glancing around for lightning.

Being in the woods, I knew, was the best strategy for avoiding being struck—except, of course, sitting inside my dry house. I reached the opening where the Memorial Cross stood, high and solitary, a perfect lightning rod. Skirting around the parking area, I planned to avoid the overlook, until a dramatic visual caught my eye: a sharp, bright strip of white cloud stood out from the gloom behind the Plateau that extended away to the right, while at the same time, dark clouds swept up the side of the cove. I was tempted for a moment to take my phone out of its Ziploc bag for a photo, but thought better of it and turned back for the woods.

Pondering how foolish I would seem if I had gotten myself zapped, I headed back, dancing around puddles and keeping my weight balanced over my feet so I wouldn't lose traction. Seeing a thin straight crease in the orange sand of the trail at my feet, I wasn't totally sure—was it a tire track, or a rivulet cut by runoff?

Relaxing when the thunder rumbled far off to the south, and then tensing as it broke directly overhead, I hugged the wooded edge of the lacrosse field in a meager attempt to minimize lightning risk, and picked up the pace across the last open field on my route, before finishing back in my neighborhood.

Once I was back home, placing my dripping running stuff out to dry on my back porch, whatever risk there might have been instantly vanished as though it had never existed. A run in the rain had happened. End of story. If nothing happens, then there wasn't anything to worry about anyway, yes? Until there is. Until the 20th race becomes the last race. Until random lightning strikes on a trail, or at the Cross.

We're always dancing with risk. Sometimes it's just a little more obvious.

State Park Offerings

Today, Aug. 21

Grundy Forest Nature Hike—Meet Ranger Park at 5 p.m. at Grundy Forest parking lot for a moderate 2-mile hike to explore the exciting ecology of our area, with just over 600 plant species. Bring sturdy shoes and plenty of water.

Saturday, Aug. 22

Fiery Gizzard Trash Pickup—Meet Ranger Park at 2 p.m. at Grundy Forest parking lot. We will be walking up and down the creek picking up all sorts of trash, so please wear clothes you do not mind getting wet.

Sunday, Aug. 23

Hawkins Cove Off-Trail Hike—Meet Ranger Park at 9 a.m. at the Visitor's Center to carpool to the Hawkins Cove area of the park. This hike is off-trail, so dress accordingly. For more information contact Park Greer at (931) 924-2980.

Night Sky Watching—Meet Ranger Park at 9 p.m. at Grundy Lakes parking lot to explore the wonders of the night sky.

Friday, Aug. 28

Grundy Lakes Investigative Hike—Join Ranger Park at 2 p.m. at Grundy Lakes parking lot for an exciting off-trail experience exploring plants and animals you may not see, while following in the footsteps of others. Wear sturdy shoes and long pants.

The South Cumberland State Park Visitors' Center is located on Highway 41 South between Monteagle and Tracy City and is open 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. seven days a week. For more information call (931) 924-2980.



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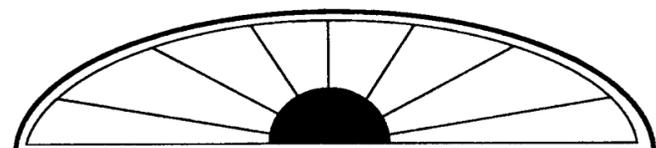
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THE INSATIABLE CRITIC

by Elizabeth Ellis

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



Sir Toby

Tomorrowland

7:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 22
2015 • PG • 107 minutes

Brad Bird is one of my favorite directors, because we share a particular fascination with the way the '50s and '60s were obsessed with sci-fi and "the future."



Despite the trailer for the film being a tad confusing, I was buoyed by Bird's successes of the past such as Pixar's "The Incredibles" and "The Iron Giant" and had high hopes. I ended up walking away unsettled, like eating at a restaurant highly recommended and still leaving hungry. "Tomorrowland" has the feel of something half-baked; there are a lot of good concepts and plain ol' sci-fi fun floating around, but it doesn't quite come together in a coherent way for adult viewers (although the kids sitting behind me had a total blast, and for them, I was happy). Unlike some of Bird's other features, there were two other writers involved in the screenplay on this one, and they all seemed to be competing against Bird for first place. The film begins with George Clooney playing Frank Walker, and his cohort, precocious teen Casey Newton (Britt Robertson), arguing over who is going to tell the story first. This becomes weirdly appropriate as the film trundles along on shaky tracks. It starts out as Frank's story and his childhood, captured in bright and buoyant colors, entering and growing up in Tomorrowland, which is simultaneously a nostalgic tribute to Disneyland's days of yore and full of wondrous little touches, such as large, imposing, but ultimately helpful and friendly robots and the rocket pack, a purposeful wink to adults in the audience who would remember one of the favorite Disney films of my childhood, "The Rocketeer." It then switches to being Casey's story, and this is the point where the plot unravels into the weird and convoluted. The main problem is that there are far too many things happening in the movie all at once, as well as too many things left on the table and never addressed again. We get a short glimpse at Walker's father and saw he wasn't a super nice guy, but did he ever mourn his son's loss when Walker chose to stay in Tomorrowland for 20 years? It is those things I wondered about on an adult level. I am not sorry I saw "Tomorrowland," but it left me sad knowing it could have been so much more. Rated PG for moments of sci-fi action, violence, thematic elements and language, it is wholly appropriate for families of young children who want to take in something that will be fun visually to watch, but not require too much thought to enjoy.

Check out Liz's blog at <<http://theinsatiablenicritic.blogspot.com>>.



Young performers at the Sewanee Community Center

Poetry Night Offers a Concoction of Talents

Ellen Boyette, one of the readers at the Tuesday, Aug. 25, Poetry Night at the Blue Chair Café & Tavern, says in her bio that poetry appeals to her because it challenges ideas about the purpose of language and makes most people uncomfortable. Community Poetry Night, since its inception in January, has made plenty of people uncomfortable and has challenged sensibilities, but it has also provided plenty of comfort and has spurred emotion.

Poets and listeners span age groups, beliefs and backgrounds, and Tuesday's mélange features four varied new readers, two crowd favorites, a stellar high school poet and Boyette, a Sewanee junior. Poetry starts at 7 p.m. and an open mic will follow. Here's the lineup:

Michael D. Gray is producer and emcee of "The River City Sessions," a monthly poetry and music event at the Camp House in Chattanooga. As a storyteller, he has performed on WUTC, WDVX, WLRH and at many regional festivals. Michael won the fourth-grade citywide poetry contest for a four-line poem titled "My Sister Made Some Biscuits." He hasn't won since, but has written the book "Life; Through a Child's Eyes," and his short stories and essays have appeared in numerous publications.

Virginia Ottley Craighill is an alumna of Sewanee (C'82), a professor in the English department here since 2001, and director of Writing-Across-the-Curriculum. She originally hails from Atlanta, but is much happier calling Sewanee home. Aside from teaching, she also becomes the "Angel with an Attitude" for the Sewanee Mountain Messenger every now and then [see page 5], and writes poetry and nonfiction essays. She has two children, a daughter, Katie, who is a rising junior at Bowdoin, and a son, Hunter, who is starting his college career at Sewanee as a freshman.

Anna Thomas lives in Sewanee and believes words are like children — you can never have enough. Anna went to 11 schools in 12 years, but considers Appalachia her home. She also has an uncanny ability to find four-leaf clovers, a talent she shares with her maternal grandmother, aunt, cousin and oldest son.

Jennifer Davis Michael is a Sewanee alumna (C'89) and a professor of English at the College, specializing in British Romanticism and especially William Blake. Her poetry seeks moments of insight in everyday experiences, whether at the supermarket, on a hike in Shakerag or on the back porch watching a spider weave its web. She has published poems in the online journal "Mezzo Cammin" and recently took part in the Sewanee Writers' Conference for the first time.

Darrylann Ferguson, a junior at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School, has written poetry for about three years. She was heavily inspired by SAS teacher Susan Core, and one of her favorite poets is Charles Martin.

Ellen Boyette is a poet from Asheville, N.C. She is a junior at the University of the South studying English. Poetry appeals to her because it challenges our ideas about the purpose of language, and, more importantly, makes most people really uncomfortable.

Jeannie Babb, a graduate of the School of Theology, returns to Poetry Night with new work. Jeannie uses poetry to give voice to the inner struggle, and to provide music for the dance between humanity and divinity. Drawing on a theological and literary background, she plays with spiritual and romantic themes, mythological constructs and raw emotion to tread notes that range from mournful to whimsical, but ultimately ring with redemption.

Peter Trenchi, a graduate of the Sewanee School of Letters and former forester, is an attorney who lives off the grid. A crowd favorite, some of Pete's past performances have included props and various inventive collaborations, including a piece that melded music, dance and spoken word.

Dance Classes with Debbie

Sign-ups are starting now for dance and performing arts classes at the Sewanee Community Center, taught by Debbie Welch.

In these classes, children learn all varieties of dance styles, including modern, ballet, jazz, musical theater and cultural dance. They also have the opportunity to learn acting, improvisation, diverse music, use of props, poetry with movement, storytelling and how to create their own dances. Children learn about technique, etiquette of dance performance, dedication and through the learning, encouraging them to believe in themselves through all they can create and accomplish.

Beginners with no dance background are welcome.

Classes will be on Friday afternoons, beginning today (Aug. 21). Ages 4-7 will meet at 3:30 p.m.; ages 8 and up will meet at 4:15 p.m.

Community performance dates will be announced later in the fall. The children in the past have had the opportunity to perform at the Bridge in Monteagle, for the women and children at the Blue Monarch, and at the Angel Park in Sewanee.

For more information or to register, email Welch at <debbie@fullcirclecandles.com>, call (931) 636-4717, or attend during the appropriate class time.

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Watercolor Exhibit Opens in Tullahoma

The 148th annual International Exhibition of the American Watercolor Society (AWS) opens on Saturday, Aug. 22, in the Regional Art Gallery at the Tullahoma Fine Arts Center. The exhibition runs through Sept. 20; admission is \$10.

The AWS Exhibition is one of the premiere watercolor exhibits in the world. More than 1,200 artists from throughout the United States and 27 foreign countries submitted their work to a panel of jurors. Of these submissions, 147 paintings were selected for the exhibition. Forty paintings from the show are selected for the Traveling Exhibition, which tours museums and galleries across the country.

While inclusion in this exhibition is itself an honor, participants also competed for the Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals of Honor, and 29 other awards and medals, with more than \$40,000 in prize money.

The American Watercolor Society is one of the oldest art societies in the world. Membership has included the great American Impressionist Childe Hassam, the well-known regionalists Edward Hopper and Charles Burchfield, virtually every member of the important "California School" of watercolorists, and everyone in between, up to and including the late Andrew Wyeth.

The center's regular hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Special gallery hours for this exhibit are: Saturday, Aug. 22, 3-5 p.m.; Sunday, Aug. 23, 1-3 p.m.; Sept. 3, 6-8 p.m.; Sept. 10, 5-8 p.m.; Sept. 19, 3-5 p.m.; Sept. 20, 1-3 p.m.

The Tullahoma Fine Arts Center is located at 401 S. Jackson St., Tullahoma. For more information go to < www.tullahomafinearts.wordpress.com > or call (931) 455-1234.



"Manifesto for a People's Republic of Antarctica" is part of Paul Miller's multimedia exhibit at the University Gallery.

"Ice Music" by DJ Spooky Opens at Gallery

The University Art Gallery will open its 2015-16 season with the multimedia exhibition "Ice Music" by Paul D. Miller (aka DJ Spooky). Inspired by his voyages to the Antarctic and Arctic, Miller remixes data of all kinds to forge connections between science, music, art, history, politics and film in a creative response to the urgent environmental and political challenges of climate change.

"Ice Music" pictures music as imaginary landscape in the "Notations" series; proposes a utopian panhumanist republic in the graphic design project "Manifesto for a People's Republic of Antarctica"; and explores the political claims made about voyages to the poles in the sound and video installation "North/South." "Ice Music" brings together music, graphic design, landscape and film to explore humanity's relationship with the natural world.

Miller will present his talk, "Sound Unbound," at 4:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 11, in Convocation Hall, with a reception to follow. As part of the Sewanee Performing Arts Series, Miller will perform a multimedia concert, "Arctic Rhythms," at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 12, at 7:30 p.m. in Guerry Auditorium. Tickets are available online at <www.sewanee.edu/performingarts>.

Originally commissioned by National Geographic and inspired by a Sierra Club Aichilik rafting journey, "Arctic Rhythms" is the latest piece composed in "Of Water and Ice," Miller's suite of music for the Arctic and Antarctica. "Arctic Rhythms" illuminates the environmental issues faced by the Arctic Circle through a multimedia trip to the Arctic landscape, juxtaposing images with live and recorded hip-hop, electronic and minimalist music.

This exhibition is made possible by support from the Tennessee Arts Commission, Friends of the University Art Gallery, University Lectures Committee, and the departments of art and art history, music and film studies.

Miller, aka DJ Spooky, is an established composer, disk jockey, multimedia artist and author. He travels around the world performing solo, with chamber groups and with orchestras, while giving talks at universities, museums and conferences. His DJ Mixer app has had more than 12 million downloads. In 2012-13, he was the first artist-in-residence at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. He is also the executive editor of Origin magazine. His book "The Imaginary App" was published by MIT Press in 2014. National Geographic named Miller a National Geographic Emerging Explorer 2014-15.

Sewanee's University Art Gallery is located on Georgia Avenue. The gallery is free, accessible and open to the public. For more information call 598-1223 or go online to <www.sewanee.edu/gallery>.

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The Sewanee volleyball team competing in a match last season

Sewanee Volleyball Team Earns Academic Award

The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) announced earlier this month that Sewanee was one of 756 teams to earn the AVCA Team Academic Award for the 2014-15 season.

This number once again breaks the previous year's total of 687 teams that were honored. The award, which was initiated in the 1992-93 academic year, honors collegiate and high school volleyball teams that displayed excellence in the classroom during the school year by maintaining at least a 3.30 cumulative team grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.

Sewanee will open its 2015 season at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 1, with a match against regional rival Covenant inside Juhan Gymnasium.

Goodhue Named NCAA Postgrad Scholar

Former Sewanee women's tennis scholar-athlete and Southern Athletic Association (SAA) Woman of the Year Bronte Goodhue, C'15, has been named the 32nd Tiger student-athlete to receive a prestigious NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship.

Over her career, Goodhue embodied a true scholar-athlete. She garnered three consecutive SAA Player of the Year awards, the only scholar-athlete in league history to do so. She also piloted the Sewanee women's tennis team to four consecutive top-20 finishes in the national rankings, while garnering All-America status the past three

seasons. Goodhue was also a five-time Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) All-American.

In the classroom, Goodhue graduated at the top of her class with a 4.08 grade point average. The 2015 valedictorian was a four-time Intercollegiate Tennis Association National Scholar-Athlete. In 2014, she was awarded the ITA Regional Arthur Ashe Sportsmanship and Leadership award for her selfless and admirable contributions to the game. Additionally, Goodhue dedicated much of her time in volunteer opportunities while serving on the Alumni Leadership Council.

Women's Tennis Tapped for National Tourney

After winning its third straight Southern Athletic Association (SAA) title and finishing the season No. 12 in the 2015 ITA rankings, the Sewanee women's tennis team has been selected to play in the 2016 ITA National Indoor Championship.

The prestigious tournament will take place Feb. 26-28 in Greencastle, Ind. This is the second straight season Sewanee has received an invitation.

All eight teams in the women's championship finished the 2014-15 season inside the top 15 of the national rankings, including four in the top 10. Johns Hopkins has won the ITA Division III National Championship each of the past three years, and the team concluded the 2015 season ranked 11th nationally.

The Tigers head into the 2015-16 season with a number of key student-athletes returning. Despite losing SAA Woman of the Year and multiple All-American Bronte Goodhue, Sewanee returns All-American rising senior Lindsey Liles. Along with Liles, starters Maggie Crumbliss, Clementina Davila, Annie Veron and Christina Merchant are also back.

After winning its third straight SAA title, Sewanee finished with a 19-6 record and two victories in the NCAA Tournament. In fact, Sewanee has NCAA Tournament match wins in each of the last three seasons.

In addition to all the talented returners, three-time SAA Coach of the Year Conchie Shackelford's



Clementina Davila is one of the returning starters for Sewanee women's tennis.

team added a number of top national recruits this summer. The Tigers' 2015 class was ranked 16th nationally.

Sewanee will welcome freshmen Mary Jane McCaghren (Memphis), Haley Tucker (New Orleans), Maura McCrary (Dallas), Beatriz Benavides (Laredo, Texas) and Sara Thompson (Boerne, Texas) to the campus this fall.

Seeding for the draw will be based on the November 2015 Oracle/ITA Preseason Rankings. All participants will play three matches, and each dual contest will be played to completion, starting with doubles and ending with singles.

Sewanee Soccer Team to Host Camp

The Sewanee women's soccer team announced that it will host a recruiting weekend and ID camp on Oct. 2-3.

The Tigers are encouraging prospective student-athletes to attend. The itinerary is as follows:

Friday, Oct. 2

Meet at Puett Field at 4:30 p.m., and be introduced to the team, and watch the match vs. Maryville with kickoff at 6 p.m.

After the game there will be an informal cookout. All current high school seniors will be set up to stay overnight with a current host player if interested (limited to 20).

Saturday, Oct. 3

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Attend a training session with current team, and then participate in ID camp. Showers will be available, and lunch provided after the session.

1:15 p.m. Coaches and current players will talk with recruits about the Sewanee soccer program.

2-3:30 p.m. Tour the University of the South with an admissions counselor.

4 p.m. Meet at Puett Field for pre-game.

5 p.m. Kickoff versus Oglethorpe. After the match, coaches Patrick Johnston and Kempess Villafana will be available to answer any questions.

For questions, please contact Kempess Villafana via email at <ktvillaf@sewanee.edu>.



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6:00 pm FCHS V Volleyball v Shelbyville

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SAS Earns Volleyball Victory

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School's varsity volleyball team defeated Grundy County High School on Aug. 18 in their home opener, 25-21, 25-14, 25-19.

SAS was led by Sierra Mushett's 16 assists, eight aces and three kills. Lexie Laurendine had seven kills, four blocks and eight assists; Lydia Angus had six kills and two aces; Carolyn Bruce had four kills and one block; Skylar Moss added eight digs; Madison Gilliam had one ace; Sophie Swallow had two kills. SAS plays at Lincoln County on Aug. 24.



Isabel Spinelli, left, and Margaret Wilson watch the action in the SAS home opener against Grundy County. Below: Lexie Laurendine, right, prepares for the rally. Photos by Sherri Bergman



St. Andrew's-Sewanee School fall sport athletes came to campus early for preseason practice. The teams included middle school girls' soccer, varsity girls' soccer, football, volleyball and mountain biking. Above: Sarah Grace Burns, left, and Jenna Black work on defensive footwork. Below: Girls' varsity soccer players include (from left) Rachel Alvarez, Kate Butler, Reagan Rhoton, Katie Giltner and Sarah Johnson.



OVERTIME

by John Shackelford



When families get together in the summertime, brothers-in-law often debate the most meaningful and perplexing topics of the day. One beach day this summer, Conchie's youngest brother, Johnny, asked me which I preferred: college football or pro football. He didn't believe my answer when I said that it really didn't matter to me. I told him that it didn't matter who was playing or what sport I was watching. For me it is the unknown outcome, that moment of unexpected joy, that keeps me coming back.

Not long after we retired to our corners, I stretched out in my beach chair with nothing but sand and waves as far as I could see. A paperback novel was resting on my chest and a nap was not far off, when suddenly a game of father-son football broke out right in front of me. A large clan of aunts, uncles, grandmothers and children had gathered in a tent behind me and up the beach a bit on the north side. Two father-son tandems broke from the crowd and took center stage on the wide expanse of sand. At first the game appeared to be a mismatch. One dad was husky with arms of a former All-American tight end. His son was about 14 years old and looked like he could clear the way with some road-grading blocks. Their opponents obviously got the brains, not the brawn, in the family gene pool. This dad appeared to be able to run a marathon if needed, and his glasses were thicker than his biceps. His son was likely three or four years younger than his cousin and came packaged with his father's lithe build.

Early in the game, an argument broke out over exactly where a "tackle" had been made. The larger man was insistent, and his testosterone-filled voice was the dominant factor in ensuring that his team got the ball and the advantage. The younger, thinner boy was crestfallen that his dad had given in and let the other team have the early lead. Tears were welling up, and as he shook his head vigorously, I could tell that defeat did not come easily for this young man. He seemed certain that the earth had tilted on its axis at that moment, and all of life was clearly unfair. On the next play, the large, muscular father took the ball and began sprinting for the goal line. His son was in front, paving the way; he threw off would-be tacklers easily with one hand. As the big dad ran, he faked and spun with grand bravado to let everyone on the beach know it would be impossible to bring him down. His nephew kept up the chase despite the mismatch and tried his best to penetrate through his blocker. Just as he reached the goal line marked by a lifeguard stand, superstar dad decided to finish with a flourish and do a 360-degree pirouette to glory. As he spun about, the football popped loose from his massive forearm and bounced directly into the little boy's hands. The quick boy sprinted in the opposite direction untouched and scored seven points for his team.

Within minutes the big guys were back on the attack and headed toward the goal line once more. My favorite little guy had forgotten his moment of stardom and had returned to the point of teary frustration, as his dad appeared helpless to stop the assault. With just a few short yards to go, the dad (who looked like Apollo Creed on steroids) called a play with his son as a passing quarterback. This brawny collection of pectorals and triceps sprinted into the end zone and held his skinny brother (the other dad) off with just his left hand. He raised his right hand and called out for the game-winning pass. The big boy QB flinched for a brief second, unsure of his release in this pressure-filled moment of decision. His uncertainty directed the ball far short of his dad and squarely into the hands of his nimble cousin. Once again the grasshopper was off to the races, leaving the elephants in his rear-view mirror. From the brink of defeat to the joy-filled moment of sprinting unimpeded down a sandy beach in a reversal that took less than a second.

My answer to my brother-in-law had proven itself right in front of my eyes on a beachy summer day. That was all I needed to be reminded how certain I was about my response. I love the unexpected moments: the twist of fate from certain failure to the pure satisfaction of being able to call out to everyone under the family tent, "We won!"

And I had a front row seat and the rest of the afternoon to finish that nap.



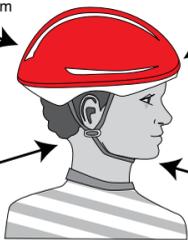
Justin Elgouhary and Max LaFrenier sprint during preseason football practice at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School.

Fitting a Bicycle Helmet

It should fit snugly and can be fine tuned by using thinner or thicker removable foam pads inside.

A bicycle helmet should sit low on the forehead, just above the eyebrow.

The two side plastic pieces on the straps should fit just under the ears.



The buckle should be just under the chin, with about one finger's width of space between the strap and the chin. The helmet must ALWAYS be buckled.

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NATURENOTES



Sandhill Crane. Photo by Yolande Gottfried

Sandhill Cranes

On a recent visit to southern Florida, reports **Yolande Gottfried**, they had an unexpected close-up view of sandhill cranes (just after the deadline for Nature Notes, of course!). "A pair of adults and a juvenile were feeding together in an open wetland area, which we crossed as we walked from the rental car return to the terminal at the Orlando-Sanford airport. I have never been so close to these birds, and they moved closer to us as they fed—perhaps they were used to getting handouts from humans. The juvenile was certainly getting 'handouts' from the adults. We see these birds in fields in our area as they migrate through to their summer range in the north. In Florida they can be year-round residents."

Shenandoah National Park

Yolande and Robin Gottfried spent a couple of days at Big Meadows in the Shenandoah National Park in mid-August, right at the time of the Perseid meteor shower. "It was interesting being at that latitude and around 3800 feet elevation, where striped maple and hemlock, among others, are part of the common forest components, rather than only in special places like the Fiery Gizzard, as they are here," she writes. "We did see a bear cub and (too) many deer, but the most notable fauna sighting, for me, was the only monarch butterfly I have seen this year, on common milkweed, of course. I also found out where some of the juncoes hang out, perhaps all year round. The herbaceous vegetation under the trees, I have to assume, is what the deer have left alone. There was tall milkweed with its erect pointed fruits standing above most everything else. Black cohosh was just past blooming, and baneberry had already set its eye-catching "doll's eye" fruits. The pink flowers of nodding wild onion were common, as well as southern harebell (blue) and yarrow (white). Fly poison appeared here and there, the flowering stalks rising from a tuft of linear basal leaves. The showiest flower, common along the roadside of the Skyline Drive, had us stumped for a while, but turned out to be the large, bright pink bloom of the purple-flowering raspberry."



Map by Rick Dreves

Park (from page 1)

miracles and pull rabbits out of hats. We are going to need some miracles here again."

FSC President Latham Davis said, "The Friends of South Cumberland have had many successes in acquiring key tracts of land and conservation easements, most recently this summer acquiring several hundred feet of bluff facing Stone Door in Savage Gulf Natural Area. We have good relations with many landowners adjacent to the park, which makes this event on the Fiery Gizzard Trail so puzzling and distressing."

Raven Point Farm is currently on the market for more than double the appraised value of the land. The owner recently rejected an offer by the FSC to purchase the land at its appraised value.

Mary Priestley, author of "Fiery Gizzard: Voices from the Wilderness" and past president of the FSC said, "We learned that when a Friends group, Land Trust, or other nonprofit buys land, you can't set the precedent of paying more than the appraised value, because going forward, this will cause other landowners to expect the same inflated prices. A major concern is that the tract could be sold to a developer, ruining the pristine nature of the trail forever."

At this point, Priestley said, "the Friends' best hope is for a conservation buyer to come in and purchase Raven Point Farm and establish easements on it. There are substantial tax incentives for doing this; easements would allow for the continued use of the original trail and give the park rangers the access they need."

The FSC is committed to raising awareness about this recent development at Fiery Gizzard and to partnering with others to find solutions.

Friends members and park rangers are working together to organize volunteers to help build a re-routed section of the trail. To skirt private land, the trail will have to plunge to the bottom of the gorge and back to the top, an 800-foot elevation drop, which will substantially increase the difficulty of the trail. Anyone willing to volunteer in the trail-building effort can go to the FSC website for details.

The FSC, one of the most active state park friends groups in Tennessee, has helped raise millions of dollars to purchase thousands of acres and protect miles of trail and view. Since the Friends began, the park has increased by 10,000 acres.

Weather statistics were unavailable at press time.

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Beezer is looking for a home where he can be an enthusiastic exercise companion. He enjoys the other dogs at Animal Harbor and looks forward to having visitors come to the shelter. Beezer is heartworm-negative, up-to-date on shots, micro-chipped and neutered.

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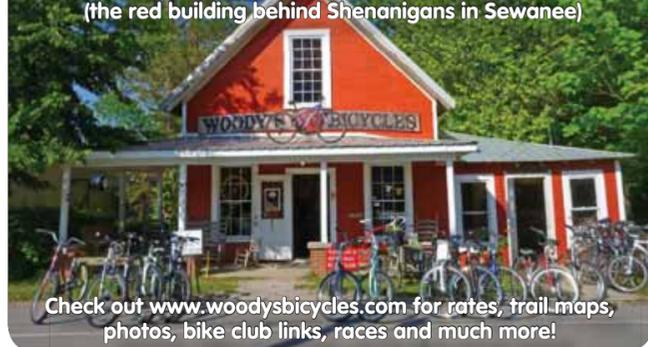
by Phoebe Bates

Back to School

A little learning is a dangerous thing;
 Drink deep or taste not the Pierian spring;
 There shallow draughts intoxicate the brain,
 And drinking largely sobers us again.
 Fired at first sight with what the muse imparts,
 In fearless youth we tempt the heights of arts,
 While from the bounded level of our mind
 Short views we take, nor see the lengths behind;
 But more advanced, behold with strange surprise
 New scenes of endless science rise! ...

—From Part II, "An Essay on Criticism"
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Community Calendar

Today, Aug. 21

- Curbside recycling, before 7 a.m.
- 8:00 am GC Clothing Bank open, until noon, old GCHS
 - 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
 - 10:00 am Game day, Senior Center
 - 12:00 pm Contract/release stretching with Kim, Fowler Center
 - 3:30 pm Dance with Debbie, 4–7, Comm Ctr, until 4:15 pm
 - 4:15 pm Dance with Debbie, 8/up, Comm Ctr, until 5:15 pm
 - 5:00 pm Bible study, Mtn of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

Saturday, Aug. 22

- College orientation, through 8/25
- 7:00 am Franklin County Fair 5K Run/Walk
 - 8:00 am Sewanee Gardeners' Market, until 10 am
 - 8:30 am Yoga with Richard, Community Center
 - 9:00 am Lemonade Stand & Bake Sale, Elliott Park, until 2 pm
 - 10:00 am Beersheba Springs Arts & Crafts Fair, until 6 pm
 - 10:00 am Hospitality Shop open, until noon
 - 10:30 am Tracy City Farmers' Market open, until noon
 - 7:30 pm Movie, "Tomorrowland," SUT

Sunday, Aug. 23

- 10:00 am Beersheba Springs Arts & Crafts Fair, until 6 pm
- 10:00 am Reception for Rob Lamborn & family, Otey
- 2:00 pm Herbarium Mtn Goat Trail walk, meet behind Pearl's
- 3:00 pm Knitting circle, instruction, Mooney's, until 5
- 4:00 pm Yoga with Helen, Community Center
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, Midway Baptist

Monday, Aug. 24

- First day of classes, St. Andrew's-Sewanee School
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
 - 9:00 am Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Center
 - 9:30 am Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee
 - 10:00 am Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Center
 - 10:30 am A Course in Miracles study group, Mooney's
 - 12:00 pm Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Center
 - 5:30 pm Yoga for healing with Lucie, Community Ctr
 - 5:30 pm Yoga with Sandra, St. Mary's Sewanee
 - 6:00 pm Cowan Commercial Club, Center for the Arts
 - 6:00 pm F.C. Democratic Women, Fiesta Grill, Cowan
 - 6:00 pm Karate, youth @ 6; adult @ 7, Legion Hall
 - 6:30 pm Toastmasters, Blue Chair
 - 7:00 pm Centering Prayer, Otey sanctuary

Tuesday, Aug. 25

- First day of classes, School of Theology students
 Franklin County Fair, through Aug. 29
- 8:00 am Grundy County Food Bank open, until 10 am
 - 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
 - 9:00 am Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Center
 - 9:30 am Hospitality Shop open, until 2 pm
 - 10:30 am Bingo, Senior Center
 - 11:00 am Tai Chi with Kathleen, intermediate, Comm Center
 - 11:30 am Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid, Tracy City
 - 12:00 pm Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Center
 - 3:30 pm Centering Prayer support group, St. Mary's Sewanee
 - 4:00 pm Substitute teacher training, MES library
 - 6:30 pm Prayer and study, 7th Day Adventist, Monteagle
 - 7:00 pm Acoustic jam, Water Bldg, next to old GCHS
 - 7:00 pm Community Poetry night, Blue Chair

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Wednesday, Aug. 26

- First day of classes, College students
- 9:00 am CAC office pantry day, until 11 am; and 1–3 pm
 - 10:00 am Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler Center
 - 10:00 am Senior Center writing group, Kelley residence
 - 12:00 pm EQB lunch, St. Mary's Sewanee, social time 11:30
 - 12:00 pm Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler Center
 - 5:30 pm Yoga with Helen, Community Center
 - 6:00 pm Civic Association meeting, St. Mark's Hall, Otey
 - 7:00 pm Bible study, Midway Baptist Church

Thursday, Aug. 27

- 8:00 am GC Clothing Bank open, until noon, old GCHS
- 8:00 am Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, Sewanee Inn
- 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
- 9:00 am Nature journaling, Trink's Terrace, Abbo's Alley
- 9:00 am Pilates with Kim, beginners, Fowler
- 9:00 am Yoga with Becky, Community Center
- 9:30 am Hospitality Shop open, until 2 pm
- 10:30 am Tai Chi with Kathleen, advanced, Comm Center
- 12:00 pm Pilates with Kim, intermediate, Fowler
- 12:30 pm Episcopal Peace Fellowship, Otey
- 1:30 pm Folks@Home Support Group, 598-0303
- 2:00 pm Knitting circle, Mooney's, until 4 pm
- 4:00 pm Substitute teacher training, MES library, until 5
- 4:00 pm Tracy City Farmers' Market open, until 5:30
- 6:00 pm Karate, youth@6, adults@7, Legion Hall
- 7:00 pm Survivors' support group, Morton Memorial

Friday, Aug. 28

- No school in Franklin County—Kids' Day at County Fair
- 8:00 am GC Clothing Bank open, until noon, old GCHS
 - 8:30 am Yoga with Carolyn, Comm Ctr
 - 9:00 am CAC office open, until 11 am
 - 10:00 am Game day, Senior Center
 - 12:00 pm Contract/release stretching w/Kim, Fowler Ctr
 - 3:30 pm Dance with Debbie, 4–7, Comm Ctr, until 4:15
 - 4:15 pm Dance with Debbie, 8/up, Comm Ctr, until 5:15
 - 5:00 pm Bible study, Mtn of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

LOCAL 12-STEP MEETINGS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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