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*Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. Photo by Lyn Hutchinson*

## Sewanee Fourth of July Planning Meeting April 14

In preparation for the 40th Sewanee Fourth of July Celebration, and the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, volunteers are needed to make this the best celebration possible.

The first planning meeting is at 5 p.m., Tuesday, April 14, via Zoom. If you would like to be involved with planning for the parade, children's games, Almost World Famous Mutt Show and more, email <sewaneejuly4th@gmail.com>.

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## Sewanee Community-Wide Yard Sale

The Sewanee Community-wide Yard Sales will be from 8 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 11. Multiple sales will be at various locations throughout Sewanee, including many at the Sewanee Community Center. Expect to find clothing, toys, books, furniture, art, antiques, and much more!

Maps are available on the Community Center porch at 39 Ballpark Rd. Maps pinpoint the location of each sale and the categories of items available there.

## Electronics Recycling Event

The Cumberland Center for Justice and Peace (CCJP) will be hosting an electronics recycling event from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, April 25, at the Sewanee Community Center.

Recycling consumer electronics conserves our natural resources and avoids air and water pollution, as well as reducing greenhouse gas emissions caused by manufacturing virgin materials.

All electronic items will be accepted with the exception of old televisions that use tube technology and/or are built into wooden cabinets.

For more information email <cumberlandjusticeandpeace@gmail.com>.

## 'Vote' for Favorite Tennessee State Park in Annual Fundraiser

Tennessee State Parks and the Tennessee State Parks Conservancy will host their 6th annual fundraising drive throughout April, encouraging park lovers to "vote" for their favorite parks through contributions.

The My TN State Park Fundraiser lets you show your support in a simple but powerful way: each dollar donated equals a vote for your favorite park. Every donation directly benefits the park. The contributions directly benefit the protection and preservation of each park through various projects.

Last year, the parks received 1,305 donations totaling \$109,394. The top fundraising park was Seven Islands State Birding Park in Knox County with \$8,655.

"This fundraising drive gives visitors an opportunity to contribute toward projects tailored for each park and creates a friendly competition among the loyal visitors of our Tennessee State Parks," said Brian Clifford, deputy commissioner for Conservation at the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. "We invite everyone to participate, and we look forward to advancements at the parks that our visitors will love."

"Tennessee State Parks Conservancy is honored to partner with Tennessee State Parks in this important moment for our state parks," said Alex Wyss, executive director of the Conservancy. "This is more than a fundraiser – it's an invitation for people to be part of something lasting and to help protect and elevate the parks we all love."

Citizens are encouraged to vote for their favorite park in the My TN State Park Fundraiser by going online at the Tennessee State Parks Conservancy web page <<https://tennesseestateparksconservancy-bloom.kindful.com/my-tn-state-park-fundraiser-2026/>>.

Two additional ways to contribute are for the statewide Kids in Parks program <<https://tnstateparksconservancy.org/kids-in-parks/>> and the Trail Pack <<https://tnstateparksconservancy.org/tennessee-state-parks-trails/>>. The Kids in Parks program supports Title 1 public schools with funds to cover transportation, making educational field trips to neighboring state parks possible. The Trail Pack donations go directly toward protecting, enhancing, and developing trails across Tennessee State Parks and natural areas. Donations to both programs can be made year-round at the links above.

Projects from past My TN State Park Fundraisers include historic preservation, wildlife care, trail and habitat restoration, and educational enhancements. Contributions helped rebuild cabins, restore

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*Mooney's art and antiques.*



*Mooney's organic foods.*

## Finding a Home for the Mooney's Legacy

*by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer*

"Mooney's has always told me what to do," said Joan Thomas, Mooney's Market and Emporium owner and mother. "Mooney's is my child." Thomas, soon to be 71, is retiring, but the 'why' behind that decision and what it means is as complex and nuanced as the market's origin story.

The same year Raymond and Hazel (Goodman) Sanders built a home there, the mud-rut road passing their house was transformed into the legendary Dixie Highway, a road most people now refer to as Highway 41A. The Sanders sold gas, lived in the back, and out-front sold a miscellany typical of a general store. Thomas describes the location then as "in the middle of nowhere" between Sewanee and Monteagle. To put her observation into perspective, Monteagle did not officially incorporate until 1962.

Transfer of ownership of the Sander's property over the next several decades followed matriarchal lines. Hazel hailed from the Goodman family who long ran the University farm. The next owners, Ward (Hazel's brother) and Francis Goodman, claimed kinship to a woman who married into the Mooney family. Enter Paul and Georgia Mooney, namesakes of the present market.

The couple had a huge garden and sold vegetables. On the side Paul did lawnmower repair, while Georgia advertised her passion with a hand-lettered wooden sign out front, "African Violets for Sale."

"I wish I could find that sign," Thomas reminisces. Age caught up with the Mooneys, and they sold the property. Unoccupied for decades, the building fell into disrepair, the door standing ajar welcoming in rain.

In 2011, Thomas broke her leg, a complex fracture requiring steel to rebuild her stability and months in a wheelchair. Her then husband drove her around the property one afternoon. A few days later she was at the bank. "I wanted to save the building," she said. "It came on me like a mission. I didn't know what I was going to do with it." She credits carpenter Paul Cahoon for thinking "outside the box" and insisting, "We can fix this." Cahoon pressure washed the interior, banishing black mold, and did major carpentry rehabilitation, reinstalling the original stucco exterior on a replaced wall. Freed from her wheelchair, Thomas was there every day painting and scraping. "It became obvious to me what was in every room," she said, recalling the

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P.O. Box 296  
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## Local Food Available

The South Cumberland Farmers' Market has breads, fruits, vegetables, eggs, coffee, meats and more available. Ordering is online from Friday at 9 p.m. to Monday at noon. Pickup is on Tuesdays, 4-6 p.m., at the Sewanee Community Center. To order go to <https://openfoodnetwork.net/south-cumberland-farmer-s-market/shop>.

Three Seasons Market will be open the first Friday of each month, April through October, 3-6 p.m., at the Old Roundhouse Park, 366 Railroad Ave., Tracy City. We offer fresh homegrown seasonal produce, plants, crafts, small livestock, food trucks, music, kid activities, and much more.

## Hospitality Shop News

The Hospitality Shop is located at 574 Georgia Ave., Sewanee. Regular hours for the Shop are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday.

The donation bins are on the side of the new Shop. We ask that all donations are in good resale condition and come bagged or boxed when placed in the bins.

## Sewanee Community Chest Needs You

The 2025-26 Sewanee Community Chest Fund Drive is \$4,500 away from the \$118,500 goal to support 19 local organizations providing essential services — quality of life programs, community aid, children's initiatives, and more.

The Sewanee Community Chest is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and donations are tax-deductible. Send your donation to Sewanee Community Chest, P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375. For more information go to [www.sewaneecivic.org](http://www.sewaneecivic.org). to give through PayPal Giving go to <https://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/119597>.

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## Voting Information

Tuesday, May 5, 2026, is the State and County Primary Election. Early Voting Period is Wednesday, April 15 through Thursday, April 30, 2026. Absentee Ballot Request Deadline Saturday, April 25, 2026.

All voters must present a federal or Tennessee state ID containing the voter's name and photograph when voting at the polls, whether voting early or on Election Day unless an exemption listed below applies.

Any of the following IDs may be used, even if expired:

Tennessee driver license with your photo.

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Photo ID issued by the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security.

Photo ID issued by the federal or Tennessee state government.

United States Military photo ID.

Tennessee handgun carry permit with your photo.

For first time voters who register by mail or using Online Voter Registration <https://ovr.govote.tn.gov>, if the ID is expired, the voter must also present one of the following :

a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the voter's name and address.

The following IDs are not acceptable:

College student IDs.

Photo IDs not issued by the federal or Tennessee state government are not acceptable. This includes county or city issued photo IDs, such as library cards, and photo IDs issued by other states.

The following individuals are exempt:

Voters who vote absentee by mail (view requirements here <https://sos.tn.gov/elections/guides/guide-to-absentee-voting>)

Voters who are residents of a licensed nursing home or assisted living center and who vote at the facility.

Voters who are hospitalized.

Voters with a religious objection to being photographed.

Voters who are indigent and unable to obtain a photo ID without paying a fee.

For more information go to <https://sos.tn.gov/govotetn>.

For more information, sample ballots, and polling locations, go to Franklin County Election Commission [https://www.franklincotn.us/election\\_commission.html](https://www.franklincotn.us/election_commission.html); phone (931) 967-1893. In Grundy County <https://www.grundycountyttn.net/officials/index.html#election>; phone (931) 692-3551. In Marion County <https://marionvotes.com>; phone (423) 942-2108.

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If you know of others in our Mountain family who are serving our country, please give their names to American Legion and Auxiliary member Shirley M. Lawson at [slawson@sewaneedu.edu](mailto:slawson@sewaneedu.edu).

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Contact the Fourth of July Committee at  
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## Upcoming Meetings

### American Legion

The American Legion Post 51 is scheduled to meet at 9 a.m., Saturday, April 11, at the Legion Hall in Sewanee.

### FCDP Event

Meet the candidates from 3–5 p.m., Saturday, April 11, at the Franklin County Annex, Community Room, 839 Dinah Shore Blvd., Winchester. Meet candidates for governor, U.S. Rep, and other offices. All are welcome.

### Franklin County School Board

The Franklin County School Board is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Monday, April 13, at 215 S. College St., Winchester.

### Sewanee La Leche League

La Leche League meets at 10:30 a.m., on the second Tuesday of the month to support and share information about breastfeeding. All mothers and mother-to-be are warmly welcome. Please contact Pippa (931) 636-5317 to check on the venue and to request a Zoom option if needed.

### Coffee with the Coach

Coffee with the Coach, an opportunity to learn more about Sewanee's sports teams, will meet at 9 a.m., Tuesday, April 14, with women's golf coach Taylor Mottern at the McGriff Alumni House. Coffee with the Coach will be livestreamed on <sewaneetigers.com/watch/>.

### EQB Club

During the Academic Year, the EQB Club meets weekly on Wednesdays at St. Mary's Sewanee for lunch after which a talk (called a "Lead") is given by a variety of very talented speakers.

The Sewanee EQB Club will meet from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, April 15, at St. Mary's Sewanee. A social half hour begins at 11:30 a.m., followed by a delicious lunch at noon. At about 12:30 p.m., the Lead, "Dance in Sewanee" will be given by Phoebe Pearigen. Members and guests will hear about her exploration of dance on the Mountain.

Phoebe Pearigen was the former director of the Sewanee Dance Conservatory and Perpetual Motion and taught dance for the Sewanee Theatre and Dance department. She has degrees from Birmingham-Southern College and Southern Methodist University and served on the board for the USA International Ballet Competition.

Members are asked to contact Susan Horton, C'73, Membership Coordinator, at <sshorton22151@aol.com> for a luncheon reservation (\$20/lunch). Non-members or prospective members are always welcome to come at 12:25 p.m. to hear the presentation.

### Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club will meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, April 16, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Mario Torres with the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra will present the program.

### Sewanee Utility District

The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, April 21, at the utility office on Sherwood Road. If a customer is unable to attend but wishes to

bring a matter to the board, call (931) 598-5611, visit the office, or call a board member. The board members are Amanda Bailey, Chris McBee, Donnie McBee, Charlie Smith, and Clay Yeatman.

### Duck River Electric Hosts Free Home Energy Workshop in April

Join Duck River Electric for their free Home Energy Workshops and learn how to: boost your home's energy efficiency; lower your energy bills; create a more comfortable home; learn about rebates for efficiency upgrades offered through TVA's EnergyRight program. The workshop includes a light supper. Each participating household will receive a free home energy starter kit.

The Decherd workshop is set for 6 p.m., Tuesday, April 21, at DREMC's office, 1738 Decherd Boulevard. Seating is limited, so reserve your seat soon. For more information and to register online, visit <dremc.com/workshop> or call (931) 680-5880.

### Franklin County Commission

The Franklin County Commission is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Monday, April 27, in the Franklin County Courthouse.

### SCA Membership Meeting, May 4

The Sewanee Civic Association will meet at 6 p.m., Monday, May 4, in Kennerly Hall, St. Mark and St. Paul. Social time with wine begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner, a brief business meeting, and the presentation of the 43rd annual Community Service Award. Reservations for dinner are due by Friday, May 1, via email <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com>. The SCA is celebrating 117 years of social and service opportunities for the community. The SCA is the sponsoring organization for the Sewanee Classifieds, and the Sewanee Community Chest. Any adult who resides in the area and shares concerns of the community is invited to participate and become a member. Go to <www.sewaneecivic.org> for more information.

### Sewanee Community Council

The next meeting of the Community Council is scheduled for Monday, May 18, 2026, at 7 p.m.

We have reserved Monday, April 27, 2026, as a possible meeting date and will meet then if there are urgent concerns. If there are any items for discussion that cannot wait until May, please submit them to the Provost's office by noon, on Wednesday, April 15.

## Belvidere Firemen's Fish Fry

The Belvidere Fire Department's annual Fish Fry is 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, April 25, at the Belvidere Community Center, 349 Belvidere Rd.

Tickets are \$15, adults; \$5, children 4–12; and free for children under 4. The menu is fish, barbecue chicken, chicken strips, hush puppies, fries, baked beans, cole slaw, drinks and homemade desserts. All seating is indoors, and there will be bluegrass music. For information on the fish fry, call Ed Burns at (931) 636-4488.

The Belvidere Valley Lawn and Garden Pullers Association will also be having a Pulling-in Competition at noon. To enter, call Mike Moore at (931) 273-9314.

## Broadview Firemen's Fish Fry

The Broadview Fire Department's annual Fish Fry is noon to 5 p.m., Saturday, April 18, at the Broadview Volunteer Fire Department, 5253 Lynchburg Rd., Winchester.

Tickets are \$15, adults; \$5, children 4–12. The menu is fish, chicken, hush puppies, fries, beans, cole slaw, drinks and desserts. There will be a raffle with a chance to win one of five \$100 Walmart gift cards. Tickets are \$5 each or six for \$20. For information call Brooke Boswell at (615) 218-9051.

## Pancake Breakfast

A Pancake Breakfast, sponsored by the Sewanee Community Fire Support, will be from 8–11 a.m., Saturday, April 18, at Camp Mont-Milner, 3375 Jumpoff Rd., (Hwy. 156), Sewanee. The cost is \$10. The menu is pancakes, syrup, sausage patties, orange juice, coffee, and bananas.

## Community Council Meetings for 2026-27

The Sewanee Community Council meeting dates for 2026-27 are as follows:

2026: Aug. 24, on reserve; Sept. 21; Oct. 26; Nov. 23, on reserve.

2027: Jan. 25; Feb. 15, on reserve; March 22; April 26, on reserve; May 24; June 28, on reserve.

All meetings are scheduled for 7 p.m.

## MMUMC Food Distribution

Morton Memorial United Methodist Church located at 322 W. Main St., in Monteagle, will be distributing food on Saturday, April 11, from 8–10 a.m. All in need are welcome to come. Drivers should enter the line from behind the church and park where our helpers will guide you. Volunteers will load your car for you. Expect several bags of groceries, so please make room for these shelf stable items, some frozen items, and produce before you come. Morton Memorial distributes food the second Saturday of every month come rain or shine.

## Worm Castings Sale

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee boys Troop 14 and girls Troop 141 are conducting their annual spring worm castings sale. We will be set up at Trails and Trilliums all day Saturday, April 11, and are also accepting online orders <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc9n\_xKAg-7Klw3S8sBRKtOS-V5efVko-kVauLhZ7gN9CeUYqw/viewform?pli=1>.

All proceeds will go to supporting scout access to summer camp and for an extended canoe trip this summer to the Boundary waters.

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# Church News

## All Saints' Chapel

Services during the Academic Year: Sunday, All Saints' Chapel, 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite 1; 11 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite 2; and 6:30 p.m., Growing in Grace.

Monday-Friday, St. Augustine's Chapel, 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer; 4 p.m., Evening Prayer. All Saints' Chapel, noon, Quiet Hour.

Wednesday, Meditation Chapel, 7 a.m., Christian Meditation. All Saints' Chapel, 5:45 p.m., Choral Evensong, sung by The School of Theology Schola Cantorum. Choral Evensong services will take place on April 15, and April 22, and then resume on Sept. 2.

## Christ Church Monteagle

At Christ Church Monteagle we keep two Easters. Within a few days of our first service in the Monteagle Seventh Day Church years and years ago someone told us that there was a family who lived near Tracy City where the wife and mother in the family was Orthodox. We invited the family only to be told in humor, "You people don't even know when Easter is." We said, "We will keep two Easters and you can bring the Red Eggs and the Easter Bread!" We have had many visitors over the years, from Russia, Greece, Egypt, Ukraine, Rumania and other countries. We received, as a gift from a Ukrainian Orthodox Monastery, a full set of Gold Vestments.

So on April 12 we will have another Paschal Feast beginning at 10:45 a.m. We use the greeting in

Greek on both celebrations.

## Christ Episcopal Church

Christ Episcopal Church of Tracy City is beginning a study of the Lectionary readings for each Sunday before the service. The study is at 10 a.m., Sundays, in the Parish House which is next door to the Church. The study will be hosted by the Rev. Marion Rectenwald. Marion is a retired priest who served for many years on a Lakota Indian reservation in South Dakota. Our regular service hour is 11 a.m. each Sunday with Eucharist and organ music.

## City Light Church

City Light Church in Monteagle exists to see people changed by the love of Jesus and fulfill their purpose. We are located at 841 W. Main St., Monteagle, and offer services at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Sundays. Our children's ministry offers a safe and exciting environment for children newborn to fifth grade. Find out more at <[www.citylightchurch.cc](http://www.citylightchurch.cc)>.

## Draw Near

Draw Near is a new church at 301 Montgomery St., Cowan, that is all about becoming disciples of Jesus one person at a time through real relationships. Come as you are and experience authentic worship at 10 a.m., Sunday. Classes for 2 years through fifth grade.

## Monteagle First Baptist

There will be a sanctuary dedication on April 19. The open house

will be 2:30-3 p.m., followed by the dedication, and refreshments. Monteagle First Baptist Church is located at 239 First St., Monteagle.

## Monteagle SDA

Weekly prayer meeting is at 9 a.m., Wednesday, and Sabbath school is at 10 a.m., Saturday, followed by worship service at 11 a.m. A vegetarian potluck takes place each week after the worship service. Please join us. Monteagle SDA Church is located at 497 College St., Monteagle.

## Morton Memorial United Methodist

We are pleased to have Rachael

Jorstad leading us in worship this Sunday. She will be preaching on John 20:19-31. This text tells the story of Jesus appearing to the disciples on Monday in resurrected form and a special, later encounter with Thomas.

Children are welcome at Morton! There is a set-apart time for them to hear a message designed for them. Following their worship experience, children will leave together to share activities.

To learn more, accept this invitation to worship with us. Morton is located at 322 West Main St., in Monteagle. Worship begins at 11 a.m. In addition to a thought-provoking message, there is always inspirational music. If you are un-

able to attend and want to sample worship, the service is live streamed at Morton's Facebook page and is available on YouTube in the week following the service.

## St. James Episcopal

St. James Episcopal Church celebrates The Holy Eucharist each Sunday at 9 a.m. We have a Parish Potluck the first Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. Our Daughters of the King chapter meets the second Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. The Men's Breakfast Group meets the first Saturday of the month. We gather each Sunday after church for refreshments and fellowship. St.

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# Church Calendar

## Abundant Life Assembly of God, Cowan

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## All Saints' Chapel

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, Sunday

11 a.m. Holy eucharist, Rite 2, Sunday

6:30 p.m. Growing in Grace, Sunday

## Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Worship, Wednesday

## Calvary Baptist Church, Winchester

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

4 p.m. Evening Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday

## Chapman Chapel Church of the Nazarene, Pelham

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Bible study, Wednesday

## Christ Church Monteagle

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion, Sunday

## Christ Church, Tracy City

10 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## Christ the King Anglican Church, Decherd

9 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

6:30 p.m. Healing/prayer service

## Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Winchester

9 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## City Light Church, Monteagle

9:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Cowan Fellowship Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Monteagle

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Sewanee

9 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

## Decherd Presbyterian Church

11 a.m. Worship (Sunday)

## Decherd United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:50 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Draw Near (non-denominational), Cowan

10 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## Epiphany Mission, Sherwood

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Sunday

## First Baptist Church, Cowan

9:15 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:25 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## First Church of the Nazarene, Cowan

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd

5 p.m. Mass, Saturday

10:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday

12:30 p.m. Spanish Mass, Sunday

## Goshen C. P. Church, Winchester

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Grace Fellowship Church

10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Worship Service

## Harrison Chapel Methodist Church, Midway

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Sunday Morning Service

5 p.m. Sunday Evening Service

## Highpointe Apostolic Church, Monteagle

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Worship, Wednesday

## Hobbs Hill Community Church, Tracy City

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Wednesday

## Marble Plains Baptist Church, Winchester

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:30 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Mid-week Service, Wednesday

## Midway Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Midway Church of Christ

10 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

## Monteagle Church of Christ

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle First Baptist Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle Seventh-day Adventist Church

10 a.m. Bible Study, Saturday

11 a.m. Worship, Saturday

7 p.m. Prayer and Study, Tuesday

## Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

10 a.m. Sunday School, until 10:45 a.m.

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Mountain of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

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11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Prayer Service, Wednesday

## New Creations Ministries, Rayburn Chapel

4 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Sunday

## New Hope Church of God in Christ, Cowan

11 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

## Pelham United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## St. Agnes' Episcopal Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## St. James-Midway Episcopal Church

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8 a.m. Mass, Sunday

## St. Mark & St. Paul

8:20 a.m. Nursery, basement of Kennerly Hall,

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

9:45 a.m. Godly Play

9:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday, also available

livestream Facebook

## St. Mary's Sewanee Retreat Center

4 p.m. Centering Prayer Group, Thursday

## Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Sewanee Zen, Stone Nest Dojo

7 a.m. Zazen, Tuesday-Thursday

10 a.m. Zazen and Ceremony, Sunday

## Sisters of St. Mary Convent Chapel

7 a.m. Morning Prayer, Tuesday-Friday

5 p.m. Evening Prayer, Tuesday-Friday

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Saturday

5 p.m. Evensong, Saturday

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

5 p.m. Evensong, Sunday

## Tracy City First Baptist Church

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

## Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

12:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study, Tuesday

## Unitarian Universalist Church, Tullahoma

10 a.m. Service, Sunday

## Valley Home Community Church, Pelham

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

## Winchester First United Methodist

10 a.m. Worship, Sunday

# Obituaries

## The Right Rev. Craig Barry Anderson

The Right Rev. Craig Anderson, age 83 of Odessa, Minn., died on Jan. 17, 2026, at Avera McKennan Hospital. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, April 11, 2026, at All Saints' Chapel. For complete obituary go to <<https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/right-reverend-craig-anderson>>.

## Barbara Fittz Carden

Barbara Fittz Carden, age 79 of Sewanee, died on March 17, 2026. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, April 18, at St. James Episcopal Church. Committal of ashes will follow at the University Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: MARC (Marion Animal Resource Connection) <<https://marc4change.org/>> or SSMF (Sewanee Summer Music Festival) <<https://ssmf.sewanee.edu/>>. For complete obituary go to <[www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net](http://www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net)>.

## Theresa Lynn Jernigan

Theresa "Lynn" Jernigan, age 61 of Winchester, died on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, at TriStar Centennial Hospital in Nashville. A native of Franklin County, she was born on April 16, 1964, in Winchester to William "Bill" T. Sisk Jr and the late Linda Ann (Snell) Sisk. After 25 years of service, Lynn retired from the Franklin County Board of Education, where she had been employed as a secretary in the Special Education Department. Lynn was a member of Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Decherd and most recently attended Little Hurricane Baptist Church in Winchester. She is survived by her husband of 42 years, Ed Jernigan; father, Bill Sisk; children, Chasity (Russell) Green, Courtney (Mark) Winland, and Cody (Taylor) Jernigan; five grandchildren; brother, Gary (Annette) Sisk; and several nieces, nephews, and extended family members.

Funeral Services were on Saturday, April 4, 2026, in the Chapel of Moore-Cortner Funeral Home. Interment followed at Franklin Memorial Gardens. For complete obituary go to <[www.moorecortner.com](http://www.moorecortner.com)>.

## Michael Christopher Mullin

Michael Christopher Mullin, age 33 of Winchester, died on April 2, 2026, at Vanderbilt Tullahoma. He was born on July 27, 1992, at Camp LeJeune, N.C., to Casey Mullin and Anna Lazzarino Mullin. He attended Franklin County High School, where he was an all-district soccer player. He was preceded in death by his brother, AJ Mullin; grandparents, Joe and Ernestine Lazzarino, Betty and Tom Dietz, and Marge Perkins; uncles, Drew Mullin and Tom Bryan; and his cousin, Jonathan Vasta.

He is survived by his son, Mason Mullin; father, Casey Mullin; mother, Anna Mullin; sister, Rachael Mullin; grandparents, Bill Mullin and Pat McGill; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

A Memorial Service will be at 5 p.m. on Friday, April 10, 2026, at Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Winchester. In his memory the family welcomes donations in lieu of flowers, which will go toward future education expenses for his son, Mason. Donations may be made to the Venmo account <[https://venmo.com/u/Anna\\_Mullin-9](https://venmo.com/u/Anna_Mullin-9)> or at Ascend Federal Credit Union in Mason's name. For complete obituary go to <[www.moorecortner.com](http://www.moorecortner.com)>.

## Church (from page 4)

James is located at 898 Midway Rd., Sewanee. All are welcome to experience love, hope, and joyful fellowship at St. James.

### St. Mark and St. Paul

This Sunday the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. The 11 a.m. service will be livestreamed on our Facebook page and remains available there.

Honoring God's Creation—April 12 at both services we will celebrate and honor God's Creation in the month of Earth Day. Our Hildegard Guild is busy planning ways to give thanks for the gift of the earth we inhabit, including a new banner by Mary Priestley. We will have special prayers of the people, creation-themed music, and a Sunday Forum on the topic.

Morning and Evening prayer services: are at 8:30 a.m., and 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday in the sanctuary.

Nursery Services: Infants and toddlers through three years old are invited to gather downstairs in Claiborne Hall.

Centering Prayer Group: Mondays at 7 p.m. and Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m., both in the sanctuary.

Lectionary Bible Study meets every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m., in Brooks Hall.

Adult Choir: Adult choir practice is Sundays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Children's choir rehearses on Wednesday after school. To enroll your child contact Wyatt Poe at: <music@stmarkstpaul.org>.

Godly Play continues this Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for children (3 years old through fifth grade). Youth Sunday School meets upstairs in Brooks Hall.

Young people in grades 6-10 are invited to participate in Rite-13 and Journey to Adulthood (J2A) on Sunday afternoons. Please contact Hilary Bogert Winkler <hbwchurch@gmail.com> for details.

April Book Study: "Falling Upward" by Richard Rohr: Tuesday nights, 5:30-6:30 p.m., through April 28, in Brooks Hall. Led by the Rev. Scott Lee.

Bishop's Visit Sunday April 19: The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt will make the final visitation of his episcopate on Sunday, April 19. He will preside and preach at both services, and will administer Confirmation at the 11 a.m. service. Bp. John will be the speaker at Sunday Forum, and will be present for a reception following the 11am service. The undesignated offering on April 19 will be for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.

## Parks (from page 1)

historic sites, upgrade aviaries and wildlife habitats, provide food and care for birds of prey, and expand pollinator and native plant gardens. The donations have also gone to new signage, bridges, staircases, safety equipment, playground upgrades, trail cameras, and improved visitor center features. Donors will have the option of having their contributions listed online by name or as anonymous. Visitors can follow along with weekly campaign results each Wednesday starting April 8 at <mytnstatepark.com>. Final results will be shared online May 4 at 8 a.m.

The Tennessee State Parks Conservancy, established in 2016, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, working with donors and the state to raise funds and support programs at the state parks.

As always, admission to Tennessee State Parks is free.



Literary Theme Honorable Mention: "The Tale of Peter Rabbit" by Deanna Dunleavy

## Edible Books Festival Results

Many thanks to all who participated and joined in the festivities of our Edible Books Festival on March 30, in duPont Library. Below is our list of winners and honorable mentions, along with the book title and creator of the entry.

**Literary Theme**  
 Winner: "Amelia Bedelia" by Sarah Edmonds  
 Honorable Mention: "The Tale of Peter Rabbit" by Deanna Dunleavy  
**Punniest**  
 Winner: "Heated Rivalry" by Margaret McGuire  
 Honorable Mention: "The Old Man in the Sea" by the Rhetoric Bakers: Aidan Jones and Mary Webster Burke  
**Showstopper**  
 Winner: "The Nine Tailors Breslin" by the Bell Tour: Cerelia Lesko, Rev. Dr. Ray Gotko, Mike Keen, John Solomon  
 Honorable Mention: "Popcorn" by Everest Kitzrow  
**Best Team Entry**  
 Winner: "A Deadly Development" (An Odd Job Annie Mystery) by the Culinary Criminals: Beth Riner & Linda Brookhart  
 Honorable Mention: "A Window to Heaven" by Susan and Patrick Dean  
**Best Entry Submitted by a Child/Youth (12 and under)**  
 Winner: "Amulet" by Wesley Carpenter  
 Honorable Mention: "How to Catch a Mermaid" by Emilie Asiedu-Acquah  
**People's Choice**  
 Winner: "Green Eggs and Ham" by the riley it okay i joy: Gray Leal, Riley Watkins

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## Mooney's (continued from page 1)

mystical transformation she began to envision.

Her psyche battled her, though. Did she really want to open a store? Thomas was an accountant and bookkeeper by profession. "I always worked from home," she insisted. In May of 2012, she put a handwritten sign in the window that read, "goat cheese." "I had a little ice chest with some Humble Hearts goat cheese, a few antiques, and a tiny bit of Claire Reishman's homespun yarn," Thomas remembers. "Every week I started ordering more stuff and putting in more shelves." Before long Mooney's was selling a stellar array of organic groceries, ranging from grains to candy to organic lemons; fresh local produce, some raised on site in the garden and greenhouse she erected in back; natural health and beauty products and supplements; vintage and handcrafted art, especially creations by local artisans who would bring her pottery, furniture, glassware, and jewelry; yarn, yarn craft, and yarn art supplies; and, of course, by way of a nod to Georgia Mooney, African violets along with other plants and gardening tools.

"Georgia lived to be 103," Thomas said. "She loved the store's name, but not the sign." Yet the smiling yellow moon logo over the door fittingly radiates the whimsical enchantment visitors encounter within. "I love this place. Every room is magic," observed an interstate traveler who discovered Mooney's by accident. "We stop every time we pass through on our way to Chattanooga," said another.

But Thomas confessed, "In high school I had this vision of myself being an old lady with a backpack." An art major in college, with a special love for the fiber arts, Thomas recently built a studio in her home. "I haven't worked on a loom in 30 years," she acknowledged. "For the past 30 or 40 years I haven't had time for myself." She set a goal of transitioning out of running Mooney's over three years and working from home again by the time she was 70. When she opened Mooney's, Mooney's became her art, with bookkeeping on the side. Now her artist self is calling her to chart a different course.

Mooney's is open seven days a week, a schedule in part determined by the need to sell perishable products. For a number of years, Thomas was at the store every day. "When you have a new baby, you don't get any time off." Finally, Thomas was able to take one day a week off, then two, then three. "She's 14 now. She just started high school," Thomas joked about her "special needs child."

Thomas has two full-time employees and two part-time. "I struggle with giving up what Mooney's gives me," she admitted. "But me going away, doesn't mean Mooney's has to go away."

Thomas has talked with two people who expressed an interest when they learned of her plans to sell the store. "There are offers on the table. I'd give a really good deal to the right person," she insisted. "Obviously a new owner would want to make changes, but I want someone who will maintain the spirit of it. I wouldn't just disappear. I'd be there to advise them in the transition."

From the beginning, the small building on the Dixie Highway epitomized what a general store is — a place that caters to what the community wants and can't get anywhere else. Thomas's looms are waiting for her. Mooney's is waiting for that special someone to mother the magic.

Phone Thomas at (931) 924-7400 or stop by Mooney's to visit. "I'm there almost every day," Thomas said, "even on my day's off. Every day there is a joy."

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## SENIOR CENTER NEWS

The Sewanee Senior Center serves lunch at 11:30 a.m., Monday through Friday. The suggested donation is \$5, regardless of your age. Please call (931) 598-0771 by 9 a.m. to order lunch. Menus follow:

**Monday, April 13:** Chicken strips, mac and cheese, green beans, roll.

**Tuesday, April 14:** Reuben sandwich, chips.

**Wednesday, April 15:** Open-face roast beef, mashed potatoes, slaw.

**Thursday, April 16:** Chicken spinach gnocchi soup, garlic bread.

**Friday, April 17:** Tenderloin, scalloped potatoes, veggie blend, roll.

Menus may vary. For information call the center at (931) 598-0771.

Chair Exercise Class is 10:30–11:30 a.m., every Monday and Wednesday at the Community Center. Contact Susan Roberson at (516) 987-8440.

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.

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## ANGELWITH ANATTITUDE

by Virginia Craighill



Dear Angel,

I have been waiting with bated breath to discover what the new building near the Pig, between the Shell station and the Hardee's in Monteagle, will be. I've had so many dreams and hopes about what might go there, and I am eager to get back from Spring Break to see if any of my dreams will come true.

Signed,  
Looking for Novelty

Dear Novelty-Seeker,

I fear you have already had your dreams dashed as you pulled off I-24 on your way back to campus, unless you were dreaming of another gas station at an exit that already has three. Or maybe you were hoping for a Smoke Shop? It is not the Angel's job to guess what anyone hopes for these days.

For months the construction site provided no clues about what was coming – no signs, no structural hints - not even the Piggly Wiggly employees knew, or perhaps they'd been sworn to secrecy. So, everyone driving back and forth from Sewanee to Monteagle let their imaginations run wild. Could it be a nail salon? A Trader Joe's? A cosmetic dermatologist? A Starbucks? A gun and ammo shop? An Orange Theory? A build-it-yourself burrito joint? A jazz bar? A Chik-Fil-A (something devoutly to be wished)?

It's doubtful anyone wished for another place to fill up the car/truck. It's already hard enough to choose between the Circle K, the Shell, the BP, the other Shell, and the Pilot (all of which currently list the same price per gallon). One has to make lightning-fast decisions before taking the exit and not be taken in by the "cash only" price.

Now Misty's Market will get into the competition for your gas consumption, and the A-1 SmokeShop (be wary of using the word smoke for any Monteagle business) next door will offer you a scintillating variety of exotic vape flavors, cigarettes, and other tobacco products you didn't know you needed. The "Market" part of the title still holds out some mystery, as a market might sell anything from hand-crafted leatherwork to fresh produce to artisanal candles. Or it might sell beef jerky, lottery tickets, and Red Bull.

Someday, some other lot will suddenly become vacant and open up a world of possibilities again.

Keep those dreams alive!  
Angel

## Collaborative Lecture Series

Our 2026 Collaborative Lecture Series with AgeWell and LiveWell continues with an upcoming presentation at 4 p.m., Thursday, April 23, in Kennerly Hall, in Sewanee.

Our presenters will be Dubb Williams and Amy Boulware from Chambliss Elder Law in Chattanooga. The event will be hosted by Julie Hendley (Blakeford Live Well) and Wall Woford (Folks@Home).

Smart Planning for Life's Next Chapter: Whether you're planning for yourself or supporting an aging loved one, this session equips you with practical strategies, professional resources and a roadmap for making informed decisions that enhance quality of life while reducing stress and uncertainty. Leave with actionable steps and confidence to approach life's next chapter with clarity and preparedness.

Please register in advance: <folksathomesewanee@gmail.com> or (931) 598-0303.

## Centering Prayer Weekend Retreat at St. Mary's Sewanee

St. Mary's Sewanee is inviting the community to step away from the noise of daily life and enter into sacred silence at their upcoming Centering Prayer Weekend Retreat, April 17–19, 2026.

This weekend retreat offers participants the opportunity to practice Centering Prayer — a receptive method of Christian silent prayer that deepens one's relationship with God. As contemplative teacher Thomas Keating wrote, "Silence is God's first language. Everything else is a poor translation."

Throughout the weekend, guests will be guided in the practice of Centering Prayer, explore the teachings of Thomas Keating, spend time in sacred silence, and enjoy the natural surroundings of this peaceful mountain setting. The retreat begins Friday, April 17 at 3 p.m., and concludes Sunday, April 19 at 1 p.m.

Thanks to generous grant funding, St. Mary's Sewanee is pleased to offer this retreat at a reduced cost, making it accessible to all who feel called to come. Lodging packages begin at \$350 and include accommodations, meals, program fees, and materials. Additional discounts are available for clergy and seminarians, and scholarships are offered for those in need of further financial assistance.

This retreat is perfect for those who may be new to contemplative prayer as we will offer an introductory workshop led by Tom Ward. For more seasoned practitioners, this retreat offers a welcoming space to refresh your practice through rest, reflection, and reconnection with the Divine.

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The earlier application timeline allows students and families to begin planning for college sooner, including gaining earlier insight into admissions and financial aid opportunities early in their senior year.

**Apply Earlier:** High school juniors can submit the TN Promise application now, months ahead of previous years.

**Plan Ahead:** Students and families can begin exploring college options and financial aid opportunities earlier in the process.

**Stay on Track:** Completing the application early helps ensure students meet key deadlines during their senior year.

"Tennessee continues to lead the nation in expanding access to higher education," said Dr. Steven Gentile, THEC Executive Director. "By opening the TN Promise application earlier than ever, we are giving students more time to plan, prepare, and take the next step toward their future."

TN Promise covers tuition at community colleges, Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology (TCATs), and select private institutions. For more information, visit [CollegeForTN.org](http://CollegeForTN.org). Students can apply for TN Promise and other state financial aid programs in the TSAC Student Portal <<https://clipslink.tsac.tn.gov/studentsignon/>>



James Steffner (left) and Jackson Mayo try throwing the atlatl.

## Environmental Lit Class Visits Old Stone Fort

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School's Environmental Literature class, comprised of juniors and seniors, has been studying the human relationship with the land as well as the histories embedded in the American landscape. Faculty member Malia Carlos arranged a class field trip to Old Stone Fort State Archaeological Park, where the ranger discussed the Woodland Period indigenous people who lived there, the tools they employed to successfully gather materials, food, and undertake trade, as well as the history of the mill industry and its methods within the park. Students were able to throw an atlatl, which Woodland People used to hunt larger game. Their walk through the park allowed them also to identify spring wildflowers.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

- April 24, Last Day of Classes, School of Theology
- April 27–May 1, Final examinations, School of Theology
- April 29, Last Day of Classes, College
- May 1–7, Final examinations, College
- May 5, Staff Development Franklin County
- May 8, Commencement, School of Theology
- May 9, Baccalaureate, University of the South
- May 10, Commencement, College

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## SES MENUS

Monday–Friday

April 13-17

**BREAKFAST**

All reimbursable breakfast meals must include a minimum of three items with at least one being fruit or fruit juice. A variety of fruit, fruit juice & milk offered daily. All entrees = 2 items. Every effort will be made to follow the published menu; however, last minute changes may be necessary.

Monday, April 13: Peanut butter and honey sandwich, fruit, juice, milk.

Tuesday, April 14: Breakfast chicken bites, fruit, juice, milk.

Wednesday, April 15: Pancake on stick, fruit, juice, milk.

Thursday, April 16: Egg and cheese biscuit, fruit, juice, milk.

Friday, April 17: Sausage pancake sandwich, fruit, juice, milk.

**LUNCH**

All reimbursable meals must include a fruit or vegetable on the tray. Students may decline 2 of the 5 meal components – meat/meat alternative; grain; fruit; vegetable; milk. Daily offerings may include Yogurt Fun Packs and/or PB&J Power Packs.

Monday, April 13: Barbecue riblet sandwich, green beans, French fries, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 14: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, steamed carrots, roll, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 15: Corndog, French fries, baked beans, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 16: Spaghetti, meat sauce, side salad, corn, cheezy breadstick, fruit, milk.

Friday, April 17: Hamburger/cheeseburger, trimmings, French fries, steamed broccoli.

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## Trails & Trilliums Weekend

Trails & Trilliums is April 10–12. Online registration has closed, but we’d still love to have you there!

If you don’t have your ticket yet, come to the event and buy an on-site pass at the registration table.

A limited number of meals will be available for purchase in the Beersheba Springs Assembly Gift Shop. The nearby Beersheba Springs Market serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner (8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday–Saturday, noon to 5 p.m., Sunday). Also, feel free to bring food from home.

Spring is blooming all around us. It’s a great time to get away for a while — for the entire weekend, ideally, or even for just a day.

Take a beautiful drive over to Beersheba Springs Assembly for Trails & Trilliums. For more information go to <<https://www.friendsofsouthcumberland.org/trails-and-trilliums>>.

## Tickets Available for CaveFest

Now in its fifth year, CaveFest returns to The Caverns on Oct. 10–11, 2026, for a two-day, boutique festival experience rooted in Americana, bluegrass, and roots music. This year’s lineup is led by Gillian Welch & David Rawlings, Peter Rowan & Sam Grisman Project, Rising Appalachia, and Keller & The Keels, alongside a wide-ranging group of collaborators, tribute performances, and artist-in-residence Lindsay Lou.

Blending music with a one-of-a-kind natural setting, CaveFest features performances both above ground at The Caverns Amphitheater and underground inside the cave. The weekend includes kids’ activities, cave tours, cave yoga, a sound bath, local vendors, open jam sessions, late-night shows, and more. A 2-day ticket costs just \$99 and includes camping, while kids 12 and under are free — making it easy for families to experience it all.

“CaveFest is my favorite weekend of the year. It’s such a communal weekend, with the camping and fall weather,” says The Caverns owner/founder Todd Mayo. “All the folks come together in celebration of great music—jam-friendly, family-friendly, hippy-friendly, happy-friendly—and there always seems to be such serendipity in the air.”

CaveFest 2-day tickets are available for just \$99 and include camping. Kids 12 and under are free.

The weekend begins early with the CaveFest Kick-Off Party on Friday, Oct. 9 — an add-on event featuring a cave concert with Lindsay Lou and Slap Dragon, that includes early access to the campground. A separate ticket is required.

For more information and to get tickets, go to <<https://www.thecaverns.com/cavefest>>

## ‘Weight of Fragility’ at the UAG

The University Art Gallery at the University of the South is pleased to present “Weight of Fragility,” an installation by the graduating senior art majors of 2026. Please join us at 5 p.m., Friday, April 10, for an opening reception. They will also present their work at 9 a.m. to noon, April 24, in Convocation Hall during Scholarship Sewanee.

“Weight of Fragility” examines contrasting ideas: heaviness and lightness, presence and absence, specificity and archetype. The works embody the complexity of these dichotomies through their material processes, both substantial and delicate in nature. Senior art majors Roman Belton, Sunny Bowers, Savannah Brister, George Handley, Audrey Hoffman, and Sally Whitehead explore the vulnerability of being human through tactile, deliberately crafted works.

Through painting, photography, and video, Handley and Whitehead investigate interpersonal relationships and the grounding of one’s mind from their personal perspectives. Handley’s figurative paintings reminisce on the people, personal objects, and spaces in his life, while Whitehead’s lens-based media examines mental health struggles and the duality of her identity as an athlete and an artist.

In their soft sculptures and paintings, Belton and Hoffman explore the materiality of preserving temporary, complex, and beautiful aspects of life, such as friendship and embodiment. Belton creates a soft, welcoming environment through their materials: beads, fleece, and foam. Hoffman investigates empathy, disgust, and physicality through animal portraiture, wax sculpture, and textiles.

Brister and Bowers reckon with narratives of presence and absence, responding to the intangible. Brister uses light colors and delicate media to process grief, while Bowers combines improvisational violin recordings with large-scale paintings to create an overwhelming, immersive experience.

Collectively, “Weight of Fragility” engages with its title concepts by coming together to recognize both the impermanence and importance of the world around us.

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## Spring Vocal Showcase

The Sewanee Voice Studios present our Spring Vocal Showcase at 7 p.m., Friday, April 10, in Guerry Auditorium, 68 Georgia Ave. From musical theatre to pop, rock, folk, arias, and art song, there is something for everyone in this popular semi-annual concert! With Vicki Collinsworth, piano. Free admission.

## 'Notes from the Field' at Proctor Hill Theatre

Sewanee Department of Theatre and Dance presents "Notes from the Field," written by Anna Deaver Smith, and directed by Dr. Durell Cooper, Visiting Assistant Professor of Theatre.

"Notes from the Field" explores America's struggle with systemic inequities in education and justice, drawn from over 250 interviews with students, educators, activists, and community leaders. Actors bring multiple real-life characters to life, embodying empathy and transformation.

Performances will be 7:30 p.m., Wednesday–Saturday, April 15–18, and 2:30 p.m., Sunday, April 19, at the Proctor Hill Theatre at the Tennessee Williams Center.

## Perpetual Motion

Sewanee's annual student dance festival, featuring a show-stopping variety of student-choreographed dance pieces. No reservations required. Free and open to the public.

Performances will be at 7 p.m., Thursday, April 16, Friday, April 17 and 3:30 p.m., Saturday, April 18, in Guerry Auditorium.

## Record Store Day at Electric Arcadia

Join us at Electric Arcadia for a Record Store Day celebration from 2–6 p.m., Saturday, April 18, outdoors under cover adjacent to our Garage Rock Atelier studio and the forest.

Featuring live music by Belly Full of Stars, Nick Belmas, Kat Carpenter, Paul Coffield, Mairyn McGilvray, Owlbranch and Infanta Silhouette (Linda Heck). Free admission, donations for artists welcome, and there will even be merch! Check our website for more info <<https://www.electrarcadia.org>>.

## University Choir Events

Save the date for Cathedral Masterworks at 7:30 p.m., April 24, in All Saints' Chapel. The University Choir and Sewanee Symphony Orchestra will present a thrilling program of time-honored, sacred anthems and works for choir, orchestra and organ.

Choral Evensong will be at 5:15 p.m., April 28, in All Saints' Chapel. The University Choir leads this worship service under the direction of Geoffrey Ward, organist and choirmaster, with Stephanie Yoder, assistant organist.

## 'Sewanee Purple Through the Year' Art Exhibit

A newly identified wildflower in Shakerag Hollow has inspired "Sewanee Purple Through the Year," the sixth annual art exhibit featuring the Nature Journaling Group at Frame Gallery Gifts and Art.

Director of the Sewanee Herbarium and University of the South Biology Professor, Dr. Jonathan Evans, says their discovery "underscores the incredible diversity right here at Sewanee on the southern Cumberland Plateau."

Artist and head of the Nature Journaling Group, Mary Priestley says, "the plant had literally been hiding in plain sight for as long as people have visited Shakerag Hollow to admire the spring wildflowers. Many have commented on the scorpionweed's two distinct colors — purple and blue."

Curious about the difference in Phacelia flower colors, Dr. Evans and his research team studied the differences in the plants' habitat preferences, blooming times, and — most importantly — distinct genetic profiles to confirm that this purple-flowered scorpionweed variation was, in fact, a new species.

"For years, people thought there was only one species of Phacelia in Shakerag Hollow," the blue-colored Phacelia bipinnatifida, explains Dr. Evans. "But thanks to detailed ecological and genetic research over the last four years, we've confirmed that the purple-flowered variety is actually a separate species."

The common name of Phacelia sewaneeensis is Sewanee scorpionweed, because of the plant's location and its early purple flower cluster, tightly coiled like a scorpion's tail. Admirers of the plant should know that, despite its name, it does not sting.

"The Sewanee Purple Through the Years" exhibition features Priestley's original watercolor drawing of Phacelia sewaneeensis, along with works by the Nature Journaling Group that explore the purple hues of spring — larkspur, hepatica, violets, and other blooms — found across the Sewanee Domain. The other artist-members in the exhibit include: Laura Blackman (oil), Lin Cameron (oil and acrylic), Mary Davis (watercolor), Margie Gallagher (watercolor), Joni Gordon (watercolor), Yolanda Gottfried (watercolor), Deb Partee (watercolor), Mary Priestley (watercolor), and Deb Tucker (watercolor).

"The Sewanee Purple Through the Years" art exhibit will remain open to the public through April 25, 2026.

Prints of Priestley's Phacelia sewaneeensis will also be available for purchase, in addition to other artists' original works and prints. To learn more about the exhibit and the Sewanee scorpionweed discovery on the Sewanee Domain, visit: <<https://framegals.com/events/sewanee-purple-through-the-year>>.

## 'Assassins' the MAC

Step up to the dark side of the American dream in Stephen Sondheim's bold and disturbing look at America's obsession with celebrity and its complicated political history. Millennium Rep presents the musical "Assassins," beginning April 10 at the Manchester Arts Center. It's dark, funny, and unforgettable.

Director Jason Griffey's cast features Tyler Plumley as John Wilkes Booth, Roy Adams as the Balladeer, and Jonathan Higdon as the Proprietor, with Jordan Colwell (Leon Czolgosz), Jordan Romero (Charles Guiteau), Alex Torrejon (Sara Jane Moore), Eliza Griffey (Squeaky Fromme), Michael Higdon (John Hinckley), Edgar Guzman (Giuseppe Zangara), and Rick Ruiz (Samuel Byck). The ensemble includes Rachael Parker, Leah Swarts, Ryan Clanton, Robin Throneberry, Elijah Castaneda, Anna Brockman, and Sawyer Luneack.

Assassins runs April 10–12 and April 17–19, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$17 for adults, \$15 for seniors and military, and \$10 for students, and are available at <[millenniumrep.org](http://millenniumrep.org)> or by calling (931) 570-4489. The Arts Center is located just off Manchester's historic square at 128 E. Main St.

"Assassins" contains adult situations and potentially offensive language, and is recommended for ages 16 and up.

## Sewanee In Print

Come downtown on April 24–25 for the second annual SEWANEE IN PRINT, a celebration of print culture on the South Cumberland Plateau and beyond, featuring author readings from the Sewanee Review, SWING, and the book series, Sewanee Poetry, as well as a panel on magazine design, an open mic, receptions galore, and the Zine & Small Press Book Fest. Events will be held at the University Bookstore, the American Legion Hall, and Angel Park.

SEWANEE IN PRINT opens Friday at 5:30 p.m., with a conversation on fiction between Oliver Munday and Adam Ross (editor of the Sewanee Review). Return downtown Saturday morning at 10am for a panel in the Legion Hall with Munday and Anna Lena Phillips Bell from the Atlantic and Ecotone respectively, discussing magazine design. When you emerge, the Angel Park lawn will be decked out with zine makers and local authors for the Zine & Small Press Book Fest from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Don't forget to sign up with Kevin Cummings before 1 p.m. for the Open Mic on the Angel Park Stage. Then at 2pm Bell returns with a reading at the Bookstore from her new collection. Grab a coffee, because SEWANEE IN PRINT continues with the Voices of SWING reading back at the Legion Hall at 3:30pm followed by a reception (from LUNCH) and the celebration finale, the Sewanee Poetry reading by Chelsea Whitton and Jonathan Farmer at 5pm.

If you are interested in displaying or selling your zines or your small press book, please get in touch with Leigh Anne Couch at <[leighanecouch@gmail.com](mailto:leighanecouch@gmail.com)>.

## South Cumberland Shindig

Join us for SCCF's annual shindig at the Caverns celebrating music education on the South Cumberland Plateau. Hear from Grundy County Strings, Grundy JAM, Top of the Rock Choir, and Sewanee Elementary Music, with square dancing by Cumberland Community Dance and a talk by special guest Nicholas Ma. This is a free event, but a ticket reservation is required. <<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/k6f64c9>>.

Doors open at 5 p.m., and the show begins at 5:30 p.m. Additional gifts made when reserving your ticket help SCCF continue to support these programs and fund even more music education opportunities on the plateau. We appreciate your support.

## School of Theology Hosts Smithsonian Exhibition

The traveling exhibition from the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History will be in Sewanee through May 15, 2026. The School of Theology is hosting the traveling exhibition "Exploring Human Origins: What Does It Mean to Be Human?" The exhibit can be found in room 126 of Hamilton Hall, 335 Tennessee Ave., in Sewanee. The exhibition is self-guided, free, and open to the public weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment. For more information or to schedule group tours, contact the director of the School of Theology Library, Dr. Romulus Stefanut, at (931) 598-1267 or <[rdstefan@sewanee.edu](mailto:rdstefan@sewanee.edu)>.

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SAS Seniors Ketiah Inganji and Keziah Ingeli, twins and doubles partners

## SAS Varsity Girls' Tennis Clinches District Win

The SAS varsity girls' tennis team scored their first district win on Thursday, April 2, with a 4-3 victory over visiting Boyd-Buchanan. After losing both doubles matches to the Buccaneers, the Mountain Lions swept the first four singles matches to claim the win. Singles winners were Vie Virkhaus, 9-7; Catherine Barnett, 8-6; Ketiah Inganji, 8-4; and Keziah Ingeli, 8-5. SAS's Savannah Blosser lost her No. 5 match, 4-8.

In doubles, Barnett/Virkhaus began their match ahead, but their opponents overcame them to claim the 4-8 win, while Inganji/Ingeli lost in a tiebreaker 8-8 (5-7). Blosser and Clara Brodtkorb also lost 4-8 in an extra match.

Following the match, Head Coach Al Clark recalled that the girls team had been so close to winning over other District opponents Notre Dame (3-4) and Collegedale (2-4).

"I was really glad for them to get by Boyd-Buchanan for their first district win of 2026," he noted. "Vie had to come from behind to overcome her opponent and earn the 9-7 victory, and it went down to the wire with Kez pulling away from Adkins in the No. 4 match. When Adkins hit the ball into the net, our team erupted in a huge way because we had our first district win of the season after being so close in those losses.

"This was no fluke," he added, "Boyd had a talented and well-coached group." The SAS girls are now 4-2 (1-2).

In varsity boys' play, the doubles team of Jaxon Rudder and Henry Boyle scored the only win. The team is now 3-3 (0-3).



SAS during play at home with Tyner Academy.

## SAS Varsity Soccer Going Strong at 3-1

The SAS Mountain Lion soccer team is off to a terrific start for the 2026 season with a current record of three wins and one loss. Last week, the team traveled to Chattanooga to take on Tyner Academy. A scrappy, physical match against the Tyner Rams with back and forth scoring demanded resilience and perseverance from the Mountain Lions, but the Mountain Lions prevailed 3-2 with a remarkable shot from 30 yards out in the waning minutes of the game by sophomore Max Goodpaster, assisted by his brother senior Sam Goodpaster. Previous goals were scored by Samuel Goodpaster, whose well-placed free kick led to a Tyner own goal, and sophomore Samuel Briggs on an assist from Max Goodpaster. Sophomore keeper Konrad Knoll posted nine saves for the match.

In previous games this season, the Mountain Lions were victorious over Community High School 2-0 and Middle Tennessee Christian School 2-0 while falling to Tullahoma High School 0-2. The next chance to cheer on the team at home is Friday, April 10, when they host Grace Baptist Academy at 5 p.m.

## Collins Wins 3000; Ude, Graham Place Third for Tigers at Dooley Elite

Freshman Jack Collins won the 3000-meters while junior Eleanor Graham placed third in the event, senior Sam Ude finished third and freshman Austin Colvin was fifth in the steeplechase and sophomore Elliott Allen placed third in the pole vault for Sewanee track and field on Saturday at the Dooley Elite hosted Emory University in Atlanta, Ga.

Collins won the 3000 in 8:59.83 while Graham completed the event in 10:56.86. Ude finished third in the steeplechase in 12:28.25 and Colvin was fifth in 10:34.01. Freshman Christian Myers posted the ninth-best time in school history in the 1500-meters in 4:06.07.

In the field events, Allen cleared 13-feet, 9.25-inches (4.20-meters), 0.03 meters (1.25-inches) from his career-best, placing third. Senior Gavin Potter finished fifth and senior Stephen Goetze was seventh in the javelin, posting marks of 145-4 and 139-2, respectively.

In the hammer throw, Potter (123-2), seniors Lukus White (116-8) and Brayden Owens (109-8) and freshman Joshua Locklear (105-8) registered four of the seven best marks in program history. Potter ranks second, followed by fourth for White, sixth for Owens and seventh for Locklear.

Sewanee competes again next Friday at the Lee Fast Break Athletics Invitational in Cleveland, Tenn., and will host the Mountain Laurel Open on April 18 before the SAA Championships set for April 24-25 in Mount Berry, Ga.

## Women's Lacrosse Rolls to a 19-7 Win at Berry

Ellen Lewis tallied eight points on four goals and four assists, while Alex Kelly added four goals, and Sally Herrington reached the 200-career goal milestone as Sewanee's women's lacrosse team defeated Berry, 19-7, on the road to improve to 12-1 overall and 3-0 in conference play.

Lewis added four draw controls, a caused turnover, and a ground ball to her performance, while Marlin Price collected six points on four assists and two goals. Kelly also recorded an assist and a draw control, while Herrington finished with four goals and an assist.

Sally Whitehead led the Tigers with five draw controls and three ground balls. Kennedy Harcourt added a goal and an assist along with two draw controls and three ground balls. Ella Townsend contributed two goals, a game-high five ground balls, and three caused turnovers, while Izzo Palmer totaled four ground balls and three caused turnovers.

Berry opened the scoring just 37 seconds into the contest after winning the draw control. Sewanee responded immediately, as Harcourt controlled the ensuing draw and Erika Bolcar found the back of the cage to even the score. Berry regained the lead with another quick goal, but the Tigers answered once again, as Palmer caused a turnover and Lewis converted a free-position opportunity.

Following the early back-and-forth, Sewanee took control, scoring five unanswered goals to close the first quarter and build a 6-2 lead. Herrington sparked the run with a caused turnover and ground ball before assisting on a Lewis goal. Whitehead secured the draw control, and Price quickly connected with Townsend for another score. Lewis and Price teamed up again for Sewanee's fifth goal, before Herrington added a free-position goal to cap the period.

Kelly opened the second quarter with a man-up goal off an assist from Bolcar. Berry responded midway through the period, but Sewanee extended its lead as Lewis caused a turnover, collected the ground ball, and found Herrington for a goal with 3:44 remaining in the half.

The Tigers closed the half with a flurry, scoring three goals in the final minute. Lewis struck first off a feed from Kelly, then Kelly finished a pass from Harcourt. With just 12 seconds remaining, Herrington netted a man-up goal off an assist from Lewis to send Sewanee into halftime with an 11-3 advantage.

Sewanee continued its momentum into the third quarter, scoring three more unanswered goals to extend the run to seven straight. Kelly opened the scoring, Price connected with Herrington for a man-up goal, and Price later found Townsend for another score. Berry added a free-position goal, but Harcourt answered with one of her own to give Sewanee a 14-4 lead heading into the final period.

Berry scored twice to open the fourth quarter, but Price halted the run with a free-position goal. Kelly added her fourth goal of the game shortly after. Following another Berry goal, Price found

Lewis for a score with 3:42 remaining, and Lewis later assisted Haley Price for the final goal in a 19-7 Sewanee victory.

Sewanee returns home to face Oglethorpe on April 11 at 2 p.m.

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## Tigers Roll Past Millsaps for 14th Straight Victory

Silas Montana clinched the match as Sewanee's men's tennis team defeated Millsaps, 4-0, for its 14th straight win, moving to 16-1 on the season and staying unbeaten in conference play.

Drew Rukavina and Ben Lamert rolled to a 6-1 win at two doubles to get the match started for the Tigers, and Max Verellen and Lucas Wrigley secured the doubles point at three with a 6-2 win. Andre-Remi Jacobi and Samuel Schroerlucke secured the doubles sweep with a 6-4 win at one.

The Tigers played to clinch as Wrigley finished his match first at line two, dropping just two games for a 6-2, 6-0 win. At one, Lamert posted a 6-4, 6-3 result to get Sewanee within one point of the match, and Silas Montana secured the win at five, 6-1, 6-1.

The Tigers will head to Berry and Oglethorpe to close out conference play before returning home for a doubleheader against Piedmont and Cumberland on April 19.

## Women's Tennis Rolls Past Millsaps

Sewanee's women's tennis team defeated Millsaps College on April 5, in Jackson, Miss., 7-0.

At two doubles, Harper High and Lexi Barbee did not drop a game en route to a 19-minute, 6-0 win. At one, Lucy Lee and Emma Foster posted a 6-1 win to secure the doubles point.

In singles, Mariella Congeni collected a 6-1, 6-2 victory at line one. At two, three, and five, the Tigers dropped just three games combined. At two, Ivy Wilson won 6-0, 6-1; at three, Hanna Davis clinched the match with a 6-1, 6-0 win; and at five, Allison Bixub added a 6-0, 6-1 win. At four, Natalie Pumpelly also collected a 6-1, 6-2 victory.

The Tigers head on the road again next weekend, taking on No. 37-ranked Christopher Newport at Emory on Friday, before returning to conference play against Berry and Oglethorpe on Saturday and Sunday.

### HOME GAMES

- 5 p.m., Friday, April 10, SAS Varsity Boys' Soccer vs. Grace Baptist Academy
- noon, Saturday, April 11, Baseball vs. Millsaps, DH
- 1 p.m., Saturday, April 11, Softball vs. Millsaps, DH
- 2 p.m., Saturday, April 11, Women's Lacrosse vs. Oglethorpe
- 11 a.m., Sunday, April 12, Baseball vs. Millsaps
- noon, Sunday, April 12, Softball vs. Millsaps
- 5 p.m., Tuesday, April 14, SAS Varsity Boys' Soccer vs. Boyd Buchanan
- 4 p.m., Thursday, April 16, SAS Varsity Tennis vs. Community School

## Centre Sweeps Softball

Madilyn Parker posted two hits and one RBI in the opener and Abbie Buckner collected two hits and scored a run in the second game, but Sewanee stranded 17 combined runners on base, dropping 3-2 and 6-3 decisions to Centre College in softball action April 4, in Danville, Ky.

The Tigers (12-19, 1-8 SAA) play their final home games of the season next weekend, hosting Millsaps College for a 1 p.m. doubleheader Saturday and a Noon single game Sunday.

In game one, Centre scored three times in the third inning and held off the Tigers in the opener, 3-2. Sewanee trailed 3-0 before an RBI triple by Sydney Tackett in the fifth inning, scoring Christian Cain, and a run-scoring single from Parker, which plated Buckner.

In the seventh Reagan Huskey led off with a single and KK Wadkins reached on an error by the pitcher. Tackett bounced into a fielder's choice, putting runners on the corners, and Grace Black walked, loading the bases. Buckner grounded to short and Huskey was forced out at home and Maggie Barker flied out to center to end the game.

Huskey (7-9) suffered the loss, allowing two earned runs on eight hits in six innings. She walked two and struck out one. Ashley Howard (3-4) picked up the win for Centre, giving up two runs on nine hits with two strikeouts. Sewanee stranded eight runners on base, including two runners in the second and three more in the seventh.

Ansley Giffin and Parker both singled in the second inning but Cain struck out and Huskey lined out to end the threat.

In the third Cheney Floyd singled and reached third after a ground-out by Baylee Estes. Brinley Muller plated a run with an infield single and after Rylee Sandifer reached on an error, with two outs Layne Ogle doubled to rightcenter, driving in two for a 3-0 Centre lead.

Cain doubled to rightcenter to start the fifth and came across on a two-out triple to center from Tackett. Buckner led off the sixth with a single, moved to second and third on a wild pitch and scored on Parker's two-out single to center.

In game 2, Sewanee scored twice in the first inning on RBI singles from Black and Barker and Cain hit a solo homer in the sixth, but the Colonels plated two runs in the bottom of the first and four more in the second to complete the series sweep.

Both teams scored a pair of runs in the first inning, with Tackett leading off the game with a double and taking third on a wild pitch. Black's bunt turned into a single and Tackett scored on the play. Buckner then singled to left, but Black was thrown out trying to take third. Barker singled to center, scoring Buckner, for an early 2-0 Sewanee lead.

Estes singled to start the bottom of the inning and went to second on a groundout by Muller. Sandifer then singled to left, scoring a run, and Emily Lammers followed with an RBI double to rightcenter, tying the contest at two.

In the second Jada Challiss and Floyd both singled with one out and Estes reached on a fielder's choice, loading the bases. Muller grounded out, scoring a run, and Sandifer tripled down the leftfield line, plating two more. After a walk, Ogle drove in the final run of the inning with a single for a 6-2 Centre advantage.

Cain hit a solo homer with one out in the sixth for the Tigers, her first of the season, but Sewanee stranded runners in every inning in the contest, including two in the third, in the loss.

Buckner (4-5) suffered the loss, giving up five runs on five hits in 1.2 innings. Kennedy Caudill (6-2) tossed four innings of relief for the win for Centre, allowing one run on one hit with five strikeouts.

## Five-run Second Sends Maryville Past Sewanee

Charlie Teel went 3-for-5 with a two-run home run, and Sewanee outhit Maryville 13-8, but a five-run second inning proved too much to overcome as the Scots secured a 9-5 victory on Tuesday afternoon.

Maryville (19-10) broke the game open early, capitalizing on a combination of walks, wild pitches, and a Sewanee error to plate five runs in the second inning. The Scots added another run in the third on an RBI single from Lucas Mendoza to take a 6-0 lead.

Sewanee (14-12-1) chipped away in the fourth, as Zach Fortman walked and later scored on an RBI single from Spencer Yu. John Bagwell followed with a run-scoring single to cut the deficit to 6-2.

After Maryville extended its lead with two runs in the sixth, Sewanee responded in the bottom half. Fortman singled and came around to score on an RBI knock from Will Jennewein, trimming the margin to 8-3.

The Tigers made their biggest push in the seventh inning. Ethan Williams was hit by a pitch and Sebastian Leinberger followed with a single before Teel launched a two-run home run to right center, bringing Sewanee within three at 8-5. The Tigers continued to threaten, loading the bases later in the inning, but were unable to push across additional runs.

Maryville added an insurance run in the eighth on an RBI double by Det Dettwiller to make it 9-5.

Teel led the Tigers with three hits and two RBIs, while Fortman added two hits and two runs scored. Leinberger and Jennewein also recorded multi-hit performances as Sewanee finished with 13 hits on the afternoon.

Layton Bilderback (1-1) took the loss, allowing four runs, two earned, while issuing four walks in 1.1 innings. Cody Boisvert (3-0) earned the win for the Scots, allowing five runs on 10 hits over 6.2 innings, while Xavier Resto recorded the final seven outs for his second save.

Sewanee hosts Millsaps this weekend for a conference series on Saturday with a double header at noon and 3 p.m.

## Men's Lacrosse Rolls Past Southern Virginia

Charles Moran recorded five points on three goals and two assists, while Hank Walsh and Will Kennedy each added a hat trick as Sewanee rolled past Southern Virginia, 15-4, on April 6.

Kennedy's three goals marked a milestone, as he recorded his 100th career point in the victory.

Gus Albright led the Tigers defensively with seven ground balls and two caused turnovers. At the faceoff X, Max Bensing went 8-of-12 with six ground balls, while Benton Sullivan finished 7-of-11 with four ground balls.

Moran added three ground balls to his stat line, and Robert Freeman chipped in an assist and two ground balls. Jack Jarrell, Sam Ramberg, Tyler Clary, and Henry Westfall each contributed two ground balls.

In goal, Flynn Bowman made eight saves in 30 minutes of action. Jaser Amer followed with seven saves over 24:30, and Hayden Regan added three saves in the final 5:30.

Sewanee wasted little time getting on the board, as Moran opened the scoring after collecting a ground ball. Southern Virginia answered two minutes later, but a caused turnover by Charlie Hanson and a ground ball from James Bogusky set up a long-range goal from Kennedy to regain the lead.

Moran then found Kennedy on a man-up opportunity just 1:37 later. After the Knights responded with a man-up goal of their own, Sewanee closed the opening quarter strong with two goals. Sage Cookerly scored the fourth goal, and following a faceoff win by Sullivan, Freeman connected with Moran to make it 5-2.

The Tigers took full control in the second quarter, scoring five unanswered goals. Moran struck just 41 seconds into the period, and a save from Bowman led to a goal from JM DuPree. Walsh added another following a Bowman stop, and later capitalized again after Bensing won the faceoff to extend the lead to eight. Harrison Fuller also found the back of the net during the run.

Walsh completed his hat trick early in the third quarter after another caused turnover and ground ball by Hanson. Moran and Kennedy connected once more following a failed clear, and a save by Amer paired with a ground ball from Clary led to a goal by Jake Greene, pushing the lead to 13-2.

Southern Virginia scored twice early in the fourth quarter, but Sewanee answered twice as Corbet Darden finished an assist from Peter Gausion and John Openshaw had the final word, tallying the Tigers' last goal with 10:18 remaining.

## Tigers Tie for Fifth

Turner Chiles fired a one-under 71, and Colin Edwards added an even-par 72 to lead Sewanee on the final day of the Capital City Classic at the Robert Trent Jones Capitol Hill Course in Prattville, Ala., as the Tigers climbed into a tie for fifth place.

Sewanee surged up six spots in the final round, posting a two-over 290 to finish in a three-way tie for fifth alongside Kenyon and Huntingdon.

Chiles opened his round with a birdie on hole 10 and recorded five pars with three bogies on the back nine. The sophomore found his rhythm on the front, tallying three birdies and six pars to card a one-under 71. He finished the tournament tied for 30th at eight-over 224.

Edwards delivered a steady round, beginning on hole eight with a par before birdieing nine. The senior added five pars and two bogies on the back nine, then notched birdies on holes two, five, and seven on the front. With pars on four and six, Edwards signed for an even-par 72 and tied for sixth overall at even-par 216.

Elias Becker also turned in an even-par 72. Starting on hole nine, the senior opened with five straight pars and added birdies on 14 and 15. After pars on 16 and 17, a double bogey on 18 slowed his momentum. Becker added five more pars to begin the front nine, then closed with a bogey on seven and a birdie on eight. He finished tied for 57th at nine-over 225.

Niel Phillips carded a three-over 75, highlighted by two birdies on holes 15 and 16 and six pars on the back nine. The sophomore struggled on the front, recording five bogies over his first six holes before adding a birdie on eight. He finished 51st at 12-over 228.

Aidan Tudor opened with a birdie on eight and added another on 13 to go along with four pars on the back nine. The freshman, however, ran into trouble on the front with three bogies and a double bogey on six, finishing with a five-over 77. Tudor tied for 37th at nine-over 225.

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by Yolande Gottfried

### Hummingbirds

Hummingbirds are back! Some reports came in just as Nature note was going to press last week, right at the end of March and beginning of April. According to eBird, the online citizen science ornithology project out of Cornell University, this is right on schedule for the species which usually arrives in Franklin County the last week of March. These birds have just made a 500 mile journey from their winter grounds in Mexico, Panama, or the Caribbean. This is just one of the incredible statistics associated with them, such as a heart rate of 1260 BPM and a breathing rate of 250 per minute, consuming ten times as much oxygen per minute as the most powerful human athlete. The males usually arrive first-these are the ones with the "ruby" throats. The females are less conspicuously colored.

Hummingbirds are native only to the New World. The early European observers were amazed by hummingbirds. At first they thought they were a cross between an insect and a bird, since they hover in mid-air and can even fly backwards. The Europeans met Aztec kings who wore cloaks made entirely of hummingbird skins. In the latter part of the 19th century, hundreds of thousands of hummingbird skins were shipped from South America to Europe for use in the millinery trade, for collections, and for other uses. It is hard to imagine bales of hummingbird skins, or how they survived to be among us still after such a slaughter.

There are over 300 species, but the ruby-throated hummingbird is the only hummingbird that breeds east of the Mississippi River. It lays two eggs the size of pearls in a nest made of thistle or dandelion down held together with spider silk. The inside is the size of a thimble, but the walls are stretchy to accommodate the growing chicks. The adults are indeed attracted to red tubular flowers like those of the red buckeye. Some of the western species, such as the rufous hummingbird, are rare visitors to the East in fall and winter.



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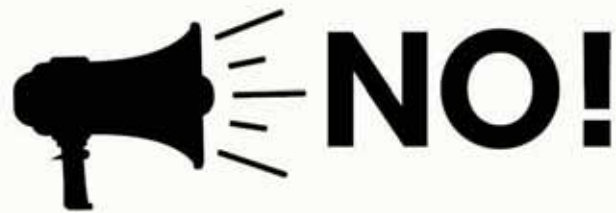
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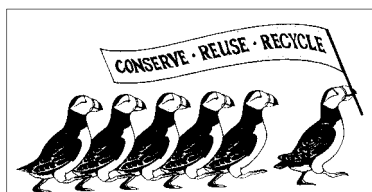
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# FROM BARD TO VERSE

by Robin Bates

## April

Oh, to be in England  
Now that April's there,  
And whoever wakes in England  
Sees, some morning, unaware,  
That the lowest boughs and the brushwood sheaf  
Round the elm-tree bole are in tiny leaf,  
While the chaffinch sings on the orchard bough  
In England—now!

And after April, when May follows,  
And the whitethroat builds, and all the swallows!  
Hark, where my blossomed pear-tree in the hedge  
Leans to the field and scatters on the clover  
Blossoms and dewdrops—at the bent spray's edge—  
That's the wise thrush; he sings each song twice over,  
Lest you should think he never could recapture  
The first fine careless rapture!  
And though the fields look rough with hoary dew,  
All will be gay when noontide wakes anew  
The buttercups, the little children's dower  
—Far brighter than this gaudy melon-flower!

--Robert Browning, Home-Thoughts, from Abroad

# Community Calendar

## Friday, April 10 • Trails & Trilliums Naturalist Rally, through April 12

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 5 p.m. Senior Art Majors, University Art Gallery, reception
- 5:45 p.m. Kundalini Yoga, Breathwork, Meditation, Nati, Sewanee Community Center, until 7:15 p.m.
- 7 p.m. Sewanee Voice Studios Spring Vocal Showcase, Guerry

## Saturday, April 11

- 8 a.m. Sewanee Community-wide Yard Sales, until noon
- 8 a.m. MMUMC monthly food distribution, 322 W. Main St., Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. American Legion Post 51, Legion Hall
- 9 a.m. Grief Recovery Group, Wesley House, MMUMC, 322 W. Main St., Monteagle
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 2 p.m.
- 3 p.m. FCDP Meet the Candidates for governor, U.S. Rep. and other offices, FC Annex, Community Room, 839 Dinah Shore Blvd., Winchester, until 5 p.m.

## Sunday, April 12 • Orthodox Easter

- 1 p.m. Knitting Circle, Mooney's, until 3 p.m.
- 4 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center

## Monday, April 13

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermed, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Susan, Sewanee Community Center, until 11:30 a.m.
- 11:30 a.m. Sewanee Woman's Club; lunch at 11:50 a.m.; program, Norman Jetmundsen, C'76, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 6 p.m. FC School Board, 215 S. College St., Winchester

## Tuesday, April 14

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, 114 S. Industrial Park Rd., Coalmont, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Coffee w/Women's Golf Coach, Taylor Mottern, McGriff Alumni House; livestream <sewanee.tigers.com/watch/>
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginner, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 10:30 a.m. Sewanee LaLeche League, for location call Pippa, (931) 636-5317
- 11 a.m. Social Fabric Group, Kennerly Hall, St. Mark & St. Paul, until 1 p.m.
- 11:30 a.m. Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid Bakery, Tracy City
- noon Pilates, intermed, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 1 p.m. F@H Caregivers Support Group, Brooks Hall, St. Mark & St. Paul until 2 p.m.
- 4 p.m. S. Cumberland Farmers' Market pickup, Community Center, until 6 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Sewanee Fourth of July Planning meeting, via Zoom
- 5:30 p.m. Yoga, Pippa, 293 Ball Park Rd.

## Wednesday, April 15 • Tax Day

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermed, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.

- 10 a.m. Art Wednesday, (free), Artisan Depot, 204 E. Cumberland St., until noon
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Susan, Sewanee Community Center, until 11:30 a.m.
- 11:30 a.m. EQB Club; lunch at noon; lead, at 12:30 p.m., St. Mary's Sewanee
- 5 p.m. Yoga to Release Myofascial Tension, Tom Camp, 293 Ball Park Rd., until 6:15 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center
- 7:30 p.m. "Notes from the Field" performance, Proctor Hill Theatre

## Thursday, April 16

- 8 a.m. Monteagle/Sewanee Rotary, Mario Torres, Sewanee Symphony Orchestra, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Nature Journaling, email <Mpriestley0150@gmail.com> for details/meeting location
- 9:30 a.m. Body Recall, Judy, conference room, Monteagle City Hall
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginner, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- noon Pilates, intermed, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 7 p.m. Perpetual Motion, Guerry
- 7:30 p.m. "Notes from the Field" performance, Proctor Hill Theatre

## Friday, April 17

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 4 p.m. Farm to Table Supper, Manigault Park
- 5:45 p.m. Kundalini Yoga, Breathwork, Meditation, Nati, Sewanee Community Center, until 7:15 p.m.
- 7 p.m. Perpetual Motion, Guerry
- 7:30 p.m. "Notes from the Field" performance, Proctor Hill Theatre

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### Local 12-Step Meetings

**Friday**  
7 p.m., AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

**Saturday**  
7 p.m., NA, open, Decherd United Methodist

**Sunday**  
6:30 p.m., AA, open, the Wesley House, Morton Memorial United Methodist Church

**Monday**  
5 p.m., 12-Step Women's Study Group. Call (931) 327-5551 for information and for the Zoom link

7 p.m., AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

**Tuesday**  
11 a.m., Grundy Recovery Alliance Community Endeavor Open Narcotics Anonymous Meeting

7 p.m., AA, open, First Baptist, Altamont

7 p.m., AA, open, Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester

7 p.m., AA, open, the Wesley House, Morton Memorial United Methodist Church

**Wednesday**  
10 a.m., AA, closed, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493

6 p.m., NA, community room at 187 Raulston Ave., Monteagle

7 p.m., NA, Decherd United Methodist

**Thursday**  
6 p.m., Life's Healing Choice, Grundy County Recovery Alliance, Coalmont

6 p.m., Celebrate Recovery, City Light Church, Monteagle

7 p.m., Serenity in Sewanee AA, open, Brooks Hall, Sewanee

7 p.m., Al-Anon, First UMC, Winchester