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Delights of spring! Photo by Sally Hubbard

Franklin County Commission Appointee Holmes Seeks Election

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

On March 23 the Franklin County Commission voted unanimously to appoint Seawanee resident Susan Holmes to fill the commission's District 5, Seat B. "Spike Horsch and his wife Anna moved out of the county and his seat automatically became vacant," explained Seat 5A Commissioner Bruce McMillan. McMillan nominated Holmes. District 5 commissioners represent Seawanee, Keith Springs and Sherwood. Holmes will serve as an appointee until the term ends. She hopes to seek election to Seat 5B in the Aug. 6 General Election. But due to the timing of the circumstances, the qualifying procedure is atypical.

Normally, to appear on the ballot, a would-be candidate would have needed to submit a nominating petition signed by at least 25 voters in his or her district by Feb. 19. With the petition deadline past, in order to appear on the ballot in August a would-be candidate must receive write-in votes from 5 percent of the district residents in the May 5 primary.

Holmes needs 87 District 5 write-in votes on May 5. The county schools top Holmes' priorities list. "Our county schools are vastly improving their grades and are receiving better marks with every passing grading period from the State Board of Education. But our loss of student enrollment through population decline and vouchers has had a huge impact on our funding. Sixty-six percent of the Franklin County Education revenue is derived from the state," Holmes stressed. "Franklin County schools have lost 1,004 students since 2011. Each student accounts for \$7,300/year in revenue. That is equal to \$7 million plus annually." The new school voucher program exacerbates the problem, Holmes insisted. "We must resist the expansion of school vouchers which cost us millions of tax-payer dollars and will cost us more with each passing year."



Susan Holmes was appointed to fill the Franklin County Commission District 5, Seat B. With the petition deadline past, in order to appear on the ballot in August a would-be candidate must receive write-in votes from 5 percent of the district residents in the May 5 primary. Holmes needs 87 District 5 write-in votes on May 5.

Holmes holds a master's degree in Leadership and Organization from Vanderbilt University and pursued a career that gave her keen insight in funding and finance. "I have used my degree working in colleges, universities, and nonprofits to raise funds for their missions," she said. "Local government is where our common life happens. Roads, schools, and community health all begin at the local government level. The county should be creative in seeking ways for small rural communities like ours to find funding for infrastructure and the services we depend on such as police and fire protection." Likewise, Holmes strongly endorses the county's continuing efforts "to seek out and procure new industry that will increase the jobs base and help keep property taxes low."

Early voting in the primary election continues through April 30. People wanting to vote for a write-in candidate need to request a write-in ballot. Holmes election advice: "Important: Vote for me so I can represent you! Most important: Please vote!"



Sewanee Police Chief Jeremy Thomas and Officer Brian Wiley with two new Trek Service Bikes, provided by Robert McKee (center), owner of Woody's Bicycles and funded by the Mountain Goat Trail Alliance, the Seawanee Office of Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability, the Seawanee Community Chest and Seawanee Integrated Programs for the Environment.

MGTA Provides Patrol Bikes for Seawanee Police Department

The Mountain Goat Trail Alliance recently spearheaded an initiative to give the Seawanee Police Department two e-bikes for patrolling the campus and the Mountain Goat Trail.

The Trek Service Bikes, designed specifically for law enforcement officers, were provided by Robert McKee of Woody's Bicycles and were funded by the MGTA, the Seawanee Office of Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability (OESS), the Seawanee Community Chest and Seawanee Integrated Programs for the Environment (SIPE).

"We've always hoped to have safety patrols on the Mountain Goat Trail, and we're delighted that the Seawanee Police Department are willing to utilize these bikes to make the campus and the Trail safer places for cyclists and pedestrians," MGTA Executive Director Patrick Dean said. Seawanee professor Deb McGrath added, "We at SIPE appreciate how using these e-bikes instead of cars models sustainability for the community."

Save the Date for the Spring Arts & Crafts Fair

The Seawanee Arts and Crafts Association's (SACA) Spring Fair will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, May 9, at Shoup Park on University Avenue in Seawanee. This event is free and open to the public and is sponsored by SACA

Sewanee In Print Blooms Again

Come to downtown Seawanee this weekend for the second annual SEWANEE IN PRINT, a celebration of print culture on the Cumberland Plateau and beyond, featuring author readings from the Seawanee Review, SWING, and the book series, Seawanee 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 at 5:30 p.m., Friday, April 24 at with a conversation on fiction between Oliver Munday and Adam Ross (editor of the Seawanee Review). Return downtown Saturday, April 25, at 10 a.m., 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 2 p.m. 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 3:30 p.m. followed by a reception (from LUNCH) and the celebration finale, the Seawanee Poetry reading by Chelsea Whitton and Jonathan Farmer at 5 p.m.

If you are interested in displaying or selling your zines or your small press book, please get in touch with Leigh Anne Couch at <leighannecouch@gmail.com>.

Franklin County Schools: ESP, BLC, Public Comment

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

"It's really hard to get employees to work for what we're paying them," said Extended School Program Director Kathy Elder in her appeal to the Franklin County School Board at the April 13 meeting, proposing a wage and fee increase. The board also heard from Richard Boyd, Engineering Supervisor with Ben Lomand Connect (BLC), requesting permission to locate a small 8' by 12' equipment building at Decherd Elementary School. Taking up policies, the board approved a policy change which relaxed restriction on public comments at board meetings.

Elder said the Tullahoma Schools had the only comparable self-supporting extended-school program in the area. She proposed increasing the wage to that earned by Tullahoma ESP employees, the same hourly wage Educational Assistants earned in Franklin County, \$15.40 per hour. Currently, Franklin County ESP employees earn \$14.42 an hour. Many Franklin County ESP employees work two jobs, Elder said, also employed as educational assistants in the district. "We're never fully staffed," she acknowledged. "We can't keep people. I looked back over the past eight years. We only have four employees who are still with us. You can't get childcare for what we charge or what we will charge if we go up." Presently the cost is \$10/day for three hours. Elder proposed increasing the cost to \$15 per day. "Children typically get a snack and help with homework," said Board Chair Clejjo Walker, pointing to the program's benefits over non-school-affiliated childcare services. Childcare in the area costs an average of \$17 per hour according to Elder. She also proposed increasing the cost of the summer program from \$100 a week to \$125 a week. Board member Sara Liechty expressed concern the fee increase could pose a hardship for some families and asked about the possibility of financial assistance. Director of Schools Cary Holman observed that while financial assistance opportunities existed, "The [ESP's] paperwork and mandates would increase dramatically putting an additional burden on the program." The board approved the fee and wage increase sched-

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CORRECTION

In the "Finding a Home for the Mooney's Legacy" story in the April 10, 2026 issue, the homespun yarn vendor that supplied Mooney's for its opening was Claire Cabe, not Claire Reishman. We regret the error.

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.

Sewanee Community Chest Needs You

The 2025-26 Sewanee Community Chest Fund Drive is \$3,800 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>. 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 through Thursday, April 30, 2026. Absentee Ballot Request Deadline Saturday, April 25, 2026.

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>, 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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Upcoming Meetings

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 21, with men's tennis coach Hamza Khan at the McGriff Alumni House. Coffee with the Coach will be livestreamed on <sewaneetigers.com/watch/>.

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.

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 hold its last luncheon meeting of the Spring Semester from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, April 22. 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, "Worm Farm Rewrites the Rules of Business" will be given by Coalmont business owner Bruno Durant. His company, Silver Bait LLC, is best known by its Wormville tradename. As Mr. Durant states, "From starting in a chicken house to becoming the world's largest worm farm, our journey has been defined by innovation, dedication, and a commitment to excellence. Today, we continue to lead the industry by investing in research, sustainability, and long-term growth."

Durant grew up on a dairy farm in France and initially attended college to become a teacher. However, he developed a strong interest in agriculture and fertilization, which led him to begin researching the use of worms for composting. To expand his knowledge, he traveled to the United States to learn more about worms and composting, and during that time, he recognized an opportunity to industrialize the fish baiting market. Following his visit, he decided to move to the United States in 1993. He started his business raising and growing worms in a chicken house in Georgia and, as he continued

researching the fishing industry and market opportunities, he later relocated to Coalmont to further grow the business.

Members are asked to contact Susan Horton, C773, 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 23, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Emily Holden/Dori Thornton Waller with Voice for a Safer TN will present the program.

Franklin County Commission

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

Plateau Party Meet & Greet at Shenanigans

Democrats from Franklin, Grundy, Marion, and other surrounding counties are invited to join us for an evening of food and fellowship at Shenanigans from 5:30-7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 28. The first round of pizza is on us! The rest is on you. This meeting is in lieu of our monthly meeting at the annex because our meeting space is unavailable due to early voting at the Annex.

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. There will not be a meeting on Monday, April 27, 2026.

Town of Monteagle

There will be a Public Hearing at 4:45 p.m., Monday, April 27, in the conference room at City Hall. The purpose the meeting is to discuss Ordinance 3-26 an ordinance to add site plan review checklist and site plan staff checklist.

The regular City Council meeting will be at 5 p.m., Monday, April 27, in the conference room at City Hall.

The regular Monteagle Regional Planning Commission will meet at 4 p.m., Thursday, May 7, in the conference room at City Hall.

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.

Volunteers Needed for the Sewanee Fourth of July

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 next planning meeting is at 5 p.m., Tuesday, May 12, via Zoom. Volunteers are needed for the parade, children's games, Almost World Famous Mutt Show and more. Please email <sewaneejuly4th@gmail.com>.

Food truck vendor registration is open! For more information go to <http://www.sewaneefourthofjuly.org>.



Electronics Recycling Event

The Cumberland Center for Justice and Peace 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>.

Messenger Break Ahead

The Messenger will be on break May 18-25. There will not be an issue on Friday, May 22. We will be back in the office on Tuesday, May 26, and back in print on Friday, May 29, to officially welcome summer. Important updates will be available on the website <www.sewaneemessenger.com> or on our Facebook page.

If your organization or church has a different schedule during the summer than we normally post, please send the updates to <news@sewaneemessenger.com> or call the office at (931) 598-9949.

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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 22, and then resume on Sept. 2.

Christ Church

Good Shepherd is the name given to The Second Sunday after Easter. While many hymns and lessons have a connection to this theme, perhaps "The King of Love, my shepherd is" remains among the best known.

Both The Epistle, from 1st Peter 2, and The Gospel, from Chapter 10 of The Gospel

According to St. John use the shepherd theme. Our Sunday Service begins at 10:45 a.m. Lunch follows.

On Wednesday we have a noon service. We know that people are busy with planting gardens and other Springtime activities so this is a very brief service. We welcome those who can stay longer as well.

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>.

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

Of course, Easter Sunday is a logical high point in the Christian year. There are, however, more high points. Experiences with the resurrected Jesus continue. Consider Luke 24:13-35, when two unnamed disciples shared a walk to Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. Perhaps, we, like them, may encounter the Lord in unexpected ways.

Children are welcome at Morton! This Sunday, they will have

time during worship with Rev. Derseweh. All God's Children Time will include music about creation as we emphasize Creation Justice. Following that, children will have time in activities with Ms. Margaret in Children's Church.

Morton has many active ministries. A special Mission Moment will be heard during worship by Green PEAS (Persons for Environmental Awareness and Sustainability). They will provide testimonials.

To learn more about life in our community of faith, accept this invitation to worship. Morton is located at 322 West Main St., in Monteagle. Our service begins at 11 a.m., following coffee and refreshments in our Fellowship Center. If you are unable to attend

but want to sample worship at Morton, 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. 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

Sunday the Holy Eucharist is 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.

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

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

Sunday Forum: This Sunday, Bishop John Bauerschmidt will be

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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

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

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

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

Hobbs Hill Community Church, Tracy City

7 p.m. Worship, Wednesday
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

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>.

James Ed Collins

James Ed Collins, age 60 of Huntland, died on April 12, 2026. He was born on Feb. 26, 1966, in Dickson County, to Bessie Collins and Charles Collins, and was raised in Huntland. He was a graduate of Bethel University. He dedicated his professional career to serving others as a Juvenile Probation Officer with the Southeast Tennessee Human Resource Agency. He also served as a Presbyterian minister. In addition to his ministry and professional service, he was honored to serve as a board member of the Sam H. Werner Military Museum. He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by Vivian Whitaker Collins, who will forever cherish his memory and the legacy he leaves behind.

Funeral Services were on April 16, 2026, from the Chapel of Moore-Cortner Funeral Home with Bro. Bruce Shockley officiating. Interment followed in Eastern Star Cemetery with family and friends serving as pallbearers. For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

William H. Nunley

William H. "W.H." Nunley, age 96 of Monteagle, died on April 10, 2026. He was a U.S. Army veteran. He was preceded in death by his wife, Grace Josephine Nunley; son Jimmy Allan Nunley; and son-in-law, Dennis Cleek.

He is survived by his children Timmy (Gwen) Nunley, Tammy Cleek; Tommy (Sharon) Nunley; eight grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services were on April 14, 2026, from the Chapel of Cumberland Funeral Home Chapel, Monteagle with Pastor Bradley Cook officiating. Interment followed in Plainview Cemetery, Tracy City. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

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the speaker at Sunday Forum.

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.

CAC will host its final Community Meal of the spring semester at noon, Friday, April 24, in Kennerly Hall. The free lunch offering will be pork barbecue with many sides, all prepared by our student leaders. A meal you won't want to miss as we will also celebrate our graduating seniors and wish them well on their next adventure!

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 3:30 p.m. in Brooks Hall. The class begins with a brief prayer and a reading of the Gospel lesson appointed for the coming Sunday.

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.

Rite-13 and J2A: 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. "When you get your, 'Who am I?', question right, all of your, 'What should I do?' questions tend to take care of themselves." Everyone is invited to attend even if you have not opened the book at all.

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ule, with changes to go into effect beginning in the fall school term.

Compliance with a federal grant prompted BLC to request permission to locate an equipment building at Decherd Elementary, Boyd explained. The grant will enable BLC to expand broadband infrastructure in unserved and under served areas. The building would be located outside the playground fence, require only 16' by 20' easement, be entirely maintained by BLC, and presented no security risks. Boyd described the structure as a prefabricated hut. If approved, the facility would serve as a "connection point" enabling BLC to provide fiber optic internet service to 1,300 locations in northern Franklin County and parts of the city of Decherd. BLC previously identified five other connection points, and the school provided an optimal location for the final site. "We would like to give \$3,000 to the schools or board to use however you wish," Boyd said in his closing remarks. The board approved his request.

The change in the Appearances before the Board policy resulted from legislation recently signed into law by Governor Lee, noted Human Resources Supervisor Roger Alsop. The amended policy eliminates the requirement those wishing to make a public comment must sign up in advance, as well as eliminating the requirement that comments must pertain to that evening's agenda. Those commenting will still be limited to three minutes, with the total Public Comment period limited to 30 minutes.

Reporting on legislative action, board member Sarah Marhevsky said, in an unscheduled vote, the

legislature passed a bill requiring school districts to annually report to the Department of Education the number of students who fail to produce documentation of their legal status or who produced insufficient documentation. In March 2025 the board passed a resolutions in support of free public education, opposing the bill. Both Senator Janice Bowling and Representative Iris Rudder voted to adopt the new law.

Marhevsky highlighted pending legislation, as well. One bill would increase the number of vouchers awarded to students attending private school from 25,000 to 40,000 for the coming school year. The voucher program reduces the number of students enrolled in public schools, correspondingly reducing the amount of funding received from the state, and awards private schools more money per student than public schools receive. Another pending bill would minimize student screen time. "If they're going to be tested on technology [devices], they need to practice on it," insisted board member Casey Roberts.

Dr. Tom Smith with the Pen Foundation announced the foundation's Teacher of the Year awardees: Katelyn Williams, Sewanee Elementary School; Carla Avalos, Huntland Middle School; and Karen Mathews, Huntland High School. Novice Teacher of the Year awardees were April Green, Cowan Elementary School; Claire Henderson, North Middle School; and Amanda Modesitt, Franklin County High School. The Pen Foundation named Rock Creek Elementary's Barbara King Principal of the Year and Rachel Shields district-wide Supervisor of the Year.

Community Clean-up May 2

Mark your calendar and plan to join other community members for our annual Arthur Knoll Community Clean-up. Slated for Saturday, May 2, from 9-11 a.m. and sponsored by the Community Council, the University Office of Leases and Community Relations and Facilities Management, it's our chance to spruce up our roadsides and finally lasso the pesky trash that's accumulated over the winter. Meet at the Mountain Goat Trailhead at the Sewanee Welcome Center at 9 a.m. to fan out and do the deed. Got a spot you especially want to see cleaned up? Now's your chance! Garbage bags and other supplies will be provided. Afterwards, drop by Lunch for a free snack, then rendez-vous at Angel Park for presentation of the coveted Platinum Beauty Ring Award.

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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 20: Fish, baked potato, slaw, hush puppies.

Tuesday, April 21: Taco salad.

Wednesday, April 22: Barbecue sandwich, potato salad, slaw.

Thursday, April 23: Loaded potato soup, ham+cheese sandwich.

Friday, April 24: Shepherd's pie, salad, 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.

'Food Matters': Community Meal at St. Mary's Sewanee

Join us for a community meal, farm-to-table creation by our excellent culinary team from 5–7 p.m., Tuesday, April 21.

In collaboration with Deborah McGrath, Professor of Biology and Assistant Dean of the Environment at the University of the South, Southeast Tennessee Young Farmers, and the School of Theology & Creation Care Committee, we are teaming up to offer an evening of food, fellowship, and celebration of our bountiful earth.

All are welcome. Pay as you are able. Reservations are requested. Visit our website to register, <stmaryssewanee.org>, or call the Reservations Team, (931) 598-5342.



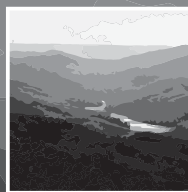
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Conductor David Sinden to Lecture: "Herbert Howells' Experimental Hymnody"

Join the School of Theology community at 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 22, when organist and conductor David Sinden will present "Herbert Howells' Experimental Hymnody." Among Herbert Howells's teachers, both Ralph Vaughan Williams and Charles Villiers Stanford composed innovative and enduring hymn tunes. A close examination of Howells's hymn tunes in *The Hymnal 1982*, as well as Howells's other tunes, reveals the creative ways in which he continued to experiment with the English hymn tune form throughout his career.

David Sinden is an organist and conductor noted for his leadership and musicianship. For the last decade, he has served as the Organist and Director of Music at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, St. Louis, Missouri, where he plays the church's 56-rank Mander organ and directs the St. Peter's Choir and a chorister program affiliated with the Royal School of Church Music. He also directs the church's professional choir, the St. Peter's Singers, which sings monthly services of Choral Evensong.

The lecture will be in Hamilton Hall at the Samuel Lloyd Forum on the campus of the University of the South (335 Tennessee Ave. in Sewanee). It will also be livestreamed for those who cannot attend in person. Livestream registration can be found at <www.theology.sewanee.edu>.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Collaborative Lecture Series

The Folks at Home 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 Wolford (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.

Lifelong Learning's April Program

We are excited to announce the Sewanee Center for Lifelong Learning's April program. The home base for the series will be the McGriff Alumni House (120 Georgia Avenue). Parking will be available along Georgia Avenue at that time. These events are open to all members of our community and promise to be a fascinating and educational experience.

Dr. Jennifer Cooley, Dean of the College will present the program at 5 p.m., Monday, April 20. The talk will be on "Artificial Intelligence and Liberal Arts College." Water, soft drinks, and snacks provided.

Jennifer Cooley joined Sewanee and started her role as Vice-Provost and Dean of the College on July 1, 2025. Before this, she served as Interim Dean of the College of Humanities, Arts and Sciences at the University of Northern Iowa, after having served as an Associate Dean and a Department Head. A professor of Spanish, she has published on 16th- and 17th-century Spanish literature and culture. She has also performed ethnographic research on 21st-century immigration in the Americas, leading to the creation of interactive theatre pieces and a two-act play. Dr. Cooley has worked extensively with students on numerous community engagement projects. She has also collaborated on faculty development projects related to inclusive teaching, and, more recently, on artificial intelligence and its impact on teaching and learning in the liberal arts.

Dr. Cooley earned her Ph.D. in Spanish Literature from the University of Iowa, her Master's in Spanish from Syracuse University, and holds undergraduate degrees in both Philosophy and Spanish from Lawrence University. She looks forward to building connections with faculty, students, and staff on the campus and in the community, where she might be spotted walking her dog!

There is no charge, but space is limited, so please register to save your space <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeeRav4X7-13-LAkPmOb_vuriRgXGv-1MxRmqFggHqDAX5EeQ/viewform>.

For more information, contact the Sewanee Center for Lifelong Learning (SCLL) at <sewaneelearning@sewanee.edu>.

Deborah Lawrence to Give McCrady Lecture at 33rd Annual Scholarship Sewanee Event

Deborah Lawrence, chief scientist at carbon credit rating agency Calyx Global, will present the McCrady Lecture, titled "Who Cares About Deforestation? Forests, Climate, and Why the World Needs All of Us," at the 33rd annual Scholarship Sewanee event. The event will be at 1:30 p.m., Friday, April 24, in Blackman Auditorium.

Lawrence holds a B.A. in anthropology from Harvard University and a Ph.D. in botany from Duke University. Prior to assuming her current role, she served as a professor of environmental sciences at the University of Virginia, and has more than 25 years of experience conducting field, laboratory and modeling research on forests and climate in Indonesia, Mexico, Costa Rica, Cameroon, and the Great Lakes region of East Africa. Lawrence also helped to establish SilvaCarbon, an interagency program of the US Federal Government on forest carbon measurement and monitoring, and served on the Technical Committee on Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use of the American Carbon Registry.

Festival of Speaking & Listening 2026

The Sewanee Festival of Speaking & Listening showcases student speakers from across the university engaging topics of political, legal, social, scientific, cultural, professional, and rhetorical significance.

The 2026 Festival will feature three events: a Keynote Address by a respected Rhetoric teacher/scholar, a public debate on a controversial topic led by the Sewanee Debate Union, and a Public Speaking Contest for "champions" selected by their classmates from sections of RHET 101: Public Speaking. The Festival's goal is to promote the arts of speaking and listening well for the campus as well as local community. All are invited to join us in this multi-day event.

Keynote Address: 4:30 p.m., Monday, April 20, in Naylor Auditorium

Sewanee Debate Union Debate: 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 21, in the Torian Room, duPont Library.

Public Speaking Contest: 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 22, in the Torian Room, duPont Library.

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New Math Teachers at SAS

After an extensive search and interview process, St. Andrew's-Sewanee School has hired two math teachers for the 2026-2027 school year: Miranda Callahan and Effie O'Neil.

Callahan is currently a mathematics instructor at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology in Virginia, ranked No. 1 in Virginia and No. 5 in the country. Graduating Magna Cum Laude from Sewanee: The University of the South, she has degrees in both chemistry and mathematics and has taught the full spectrum of math courses. She has extensive experience developing curricular materials, from class activities to formative and summative assessments to math labs, which invite students to use their knowledge to explore real-world problems and engage with the global and intercultural origins of mathematical ideas. She's also an avid hiker and camper.

A graduate of the University of New Mexico, O'Neil earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education (K-8) with a mathematics minor. She has more than 21 years of mathematics teaching experience in both public and independent schools, including boarding schools. A former cross-country coach, O'Neil has served as a residential life advisor and has mentored new faculty while teaching the gamut of math courses, and she previously led a chapter of the Mu Alpha Theta honors society. She recently received The Webb School's Parents' Association Faculty Enrichment Award. Her belief that every student can develop mathematical confidence and fluency inspires her to differentiate instruction no matter the course or a student's skill level.

"We look forward to welcoming these experienced, talented educators to the SAS community in August," said Head of School Karl Sjolund. "Their teaching expertise and philosophies represent what we value most in faculty members—a belief that all students can learn and the skills and creativity to inspire them along that journey."



Roman Belton, C'26, Awarded Watson Fellowship

Roman Belton, C'26, an art and theatre double major from Indianola, Mississippi, has been awarded a prestigious Thomas J. Watson Fellowship for 2026-27. Belton is Sewanee's 54th Watson Fellow.

Belton is one of 39 students who comprise this year's class of Watson Fellows. Selected from colleges and universities across the United States, winners of the fellowship receive a stipend of \$40,000 for 12 months of independent study and travel outside of the United States.

For their project, titled "Puppets as Gender-Neutral Storytellers," Belton will explore puppetry as a vessel for storytelling across cultures, engaging them as a medium for challenging gender standards. Over the course of their project year, Belton plans to travel to England, the Czech Republic, Japan, and Thailand.

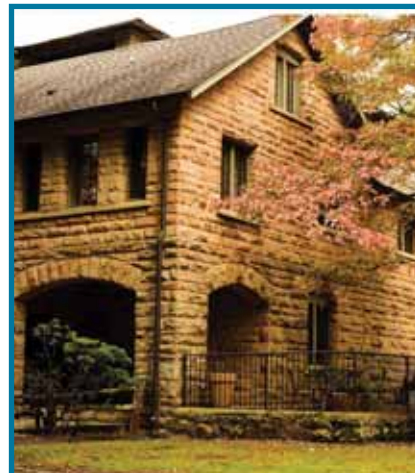
"The countries I chose for my project all have a rich history of puppetry. I plan to volunteer with puppetry organizations, take workshops in performance and puppet-making, and see as many puppet shows as I can," says Belton.

At Sewanee, Belton has had extensive involvement in the theatre and art programs. This year, they created the puppets for Theatre Sewanee's production of "A Puppet Play" in the fall and served as the costume designer for "The Moors" in the spring. Currently, Belton has several works on display in the University Art Gallery as part of the senior art majors' installation, "Weight of Fragility," which will be on view through May 9.

"I want to thank Professor Maha Jafri for her support as Sewanee's Watson liaison, Professor Jennifer Matthews for mentoring me the last four years, and Professor Jessica Wohl for always encouraging me to be as colorful as possible," says Belton. "I also want to thank all of my lovely close friends in Sewanee. I depend on their support and I would not have had the confidence to apply for the Watson Fellowship at all without them."

The Watson Foundation was created in the name of Thomas J. Watson Sr., best known for building IBM. Through one-of-a-kind programs, and more than 100 global partnerships, the foundation works with students to expand their vision, develop their potential, and build the confidence and perspective to be more humane and effective leaders in the world community.

Since 1985, when Sewanee was selected as one of the Watson institutions, the University has produced 54 fellowship recipients, including most recently Olivier Mbabazi and Angus Pritchard, both C'22. The Watson Foundation selects fellows based on qualities of leadership, imagination, independence, integrity, resourcefulness, and responsibility.



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April 20-24

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Monday, April 20: Peanut butter and chocolate sandwich, fruit, juice, milk.

Tuesday, April 21: Steak slider, fruit, juice, milk.

Wednesday, April 22: French toast sticks, fruit, juice, milk.

Thursday, April 23: Egg and cheese biscuit, fruit, juice, milk.

Friday, April 24: 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 20: BBQ sandwich, baked beans, French fries, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 21: Popcorn chicken, roasted potatoes, cheesy broccoli, roll, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 22: Asian chicken, green beans, tiny whole potatoes, rice, egg roll, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 23: Breakfast for lunch: egg patty, steak patty, gravy/biscuit, tater tots, veggie cup, fruit, milk.

Friday, April 24: Pepperoni breadstick, potato wedges, fresh carrots, fruit, milk.

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Tradition and New Voices

The Sewanee Symphony Orchestra and the University Choir showcase Sewanee's rich musical tradition and creative spirit in a joint concert led by Sewanee Symphony Orchestra Music Director Dr. Mario Alejandro Torres and University Organist and Choirmaster Dr. Geoffrey Harris Ward. The concert will be at 7 p.m., Friday, April 24, in All Saint's Chapel. The program features the symphonic choral works "I Was Glad" by Hubert Parry, "Te Deum" by Charles V. Stanford, and "Greater Love Hath No Man" by John Ireland. Sewanee's woodwind instructor and concert oboist Rebecca Van de Ven will perform Antonio Vivaldi's Concerto for oboe in A minor, R.V. 461 and organist Geoffrey Ward will perform Denis Bedard's Concerto for organ and strings. The orchestra will take center stage with the second movement of Pyotr Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 6, the "Pathétique," and the exciting premiere of a composition by a Sewanee student. Arrive early for parking and seating at this annual free concert at All Saints' Chapel.

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>.

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Kim Phillips to Speak at Heritage Center on May Justus

Kim Phillips will speak at the Grundy County Historical Society Heritage Center, 465 Railroad Ave., Tracy City, at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 18, 2026 on the life and times of May Justus. The public is welcome. Admission is free.

May Justus was recruited by Lilian Jonson to come to Summerfield in Montecagle as a teacher to enhance the education of the children of that community. Johnson had established an agricultural cooperative there known as Kin Co. Justus had grown up in Cocke County, Tennessee, where she experienced life in Appalachia. In addition to becoming a teacher she was the author of 76 children's books in which she created notable characters who reflected the culture of Appalachian life.

In 1932 Lilian Johnson turned her property in Summerfield over to Myles Horton and Don West to establish Highlander Folk School. May Justus stayed in Summerfield and became a significant part of the development of Highlander. She became a member of its Board of Directors and Treasurer. She was a witness for the school in the legal action of the State of Tennessee to revoke its charter.

Phillips is the leading researcher on May Justus. She was raised in Nashville where she attended public schools through her secondary education. She attended University of Tennessee, Knoxville, where she majored in languages. She has had a 40-year career in advertising and marketing after which she became a working artist. She moved to Grundy County in 2016.

'Notes from the Field' at Proctor Hill Theatre

Sewanee Department of Theatre and Dance presents "Notes from the Field," written by Anna Deavere 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., Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, and 2:30 p.m., Sunday, April 19, at the Proctor Hill Theatre at the Tennessee Williams Center. Co-produced by Southwestern University in collaboration with Sewanee's Office of Community Building and Connections and Troy University. Free tickets available on <eventbrite.com>.

Record Store Day at Electric Arcadia

Join us at Electric Arcadia for a Record Store Day celebration from 2-7 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, Em Chitty, 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, including a schedule closer to Saturday. <<https://www.electrarcadia.org>>.

Senior Recital: Kourtnei Hamilton and Graham Nystrom

Senior Music majors Kourtnei Hamilton (voice) and Graham Nystrom (jazz piano) invite you to Kaleidoscope, a combined senior recital! Each half of this eclectic program focuses on one student musician: Kourtnei's half explores popular, musical theatre, and classical songs with connections to her own story, and Graham's features spellbinding jazz standards with a live combo. Kourtnei and Graham are joined by guests Vicki Collinsworth, piano; Juan Segura and Kyle Copeland, drums; and Dr. Charlie Kirchen, bass. The recital will be at 2 p.m., Sunday, April 19, in St. Luke's Chapel.

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.

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'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. They will present their work at 9 a.m. to noon, Friday, 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.

Farm to Table

Farm to Table is a free, community-wide celebration featuring locally sourced food, a craft fair, live music, and yard games. This event brings together all corners of our community while highlighting the people and places that grow and produce the food that sustains us!

This event is open to everyone (all ages welcome)! Swing by for a few quick bites or stay the whole time. The event will be at 4 p.m., Friday, April 17, in Manigault Park on the Sewanee campus.

Arden Gipson: Senior Voice Recital

Join soprano Arden-Grace Gipson for Chiaroscuro: Love in the Dark, a senior recital exploring the complexities of love and death. With Vicki Collinsworth, piano. The recital will be at 4:30 p.m., Sunday, April 19, in St. Luke's Chapel.

SAS Varsity Soccer Grabs Another District Win

The Mountain Lion soccer team hosted district opponent Grace Baptist Academy last Friday afternoon. Samuel Briggs continued his scoring streak with a first-half goal off a beautiful through ball by Sam Goodpaster. The game ended with a score of 1-0, bringing the team's season record to 5-2 overall and 2-0 in district. A highlight of the game was a visit by SAS soccer alums and '25 graduates Russ Holland and Ben Gueikian.

Sewanee Powers Past Oglethorpe behind Price's 12-point day

Marlin Price recorded a career-high 12 points on two goals and 10 assists, while Sally Herrington scored five goals as Sewanee's women's lacrosse team defeated Oglethorpe, 20-6, on April 11, to remain unbeaten in conference play.

Price added three ground balls and two caused turnovers, while Herrington contributed an assist, two ground balls, and a caused turnover. Erika Bolcar and Katherine Clark each finished with three goals, while Elizabeth Muller and Sally Whitehead added two goals apiece. Clark also dished out two assists, and Bolcar tallied an assist in the win.

Defensively, Ella Townsend led the Tigers with five ground balls and four caused turnovers, while Whitehead added four ground balls and three caused turnovers. Lilly Jordan earned the win in goal with two saves.

Oglethorpe struck first with a free-position goal, but Sewanee responded quickly as Herrington tied the game off a feed from Price. The Tigers then took the lead on a man-up goal from Bolcar and added a man-down score from Sofia Bean to build momentum.

After Oglethorpe cut into the deficit, Sewanee answered with a 4-1 run to close the opening quarter. Bolcar and Herrington each scored during the stretch, while Muller added a goal in the final minutes to give the Tigers a 6-3 lead after one.

Sewanee controlled the second quarter, holding Oglethorpe scoreless while adding three goals. Price converted a free-position opportunity, and Herrington and Whitehead each found the back of the net in the final 1:30 to send the Tigers into halftime with a 9-3 advantage.

Oglethorpe opened the third quarter with back-to-back goals to trim the deficit to four, but Sewanee responded. The Tigers scored eight of the next nine goals in the period, highlighted by a balanced offensive effort. Kelly and Price scored in quick succession, while Whitehead added a free-position goal. Herrington netted two more during the run, and Clark and Muller each contributed goals as Sewanee extended its lead to 17-6 heading into the fourth.

Sewanee continued to build its advantage in the final quarter, as Clark scored twice, including a man-up goal, and Haley Price capped the scoring with a goal off an assist from Stella Birk to secure the 20-6 victory.

The Tigers outshot Oglethorpe 40-8 and held a 26-8 advantage in ground balls while forcing 28 turnovers.

Sewanee returns to action next weekend as it continues conference play.

Tigers Cruise Past Stormy Petrels, 23-1

Colin Bennett, Peter Gaudion, and Sam Ramberg each recorded hat tricks as Sewanee's men's lacrosse team rolled past Oglethorpe, 23-1, on April 11, to remain unbeaten in conference play.

Robert Freeman led the Tigers with five points on two goals and three assists, while Gaudion and Ramberg each added three goals. Bennett also finished with three goals, and Harrison Fuller chipped in two goals. Will Kennedy contributed two assists, while Henry Westfall added two assists and three ground balls.

Defensively, Sewanee controlled possession throughout, holding a 56-21 advantage in ground balls. Beau Burnette recorded four ground balls, and two caused turnovers, while Charlie Hanson and Gus Albright each added a caused turnover.

At the faceoff X, Max Bensing went 12-of-14 with five ground balls, while Benton Sullivan finished 12-of-13 with four ground balls as the Tigers dominated possession.

In goal, Flynn Bowman earned the win, while Jaser Amer and Hayden Regan combined for three saves over the final three quarters.

Sewanee wasted no time taking control, scoring the game's first 12 goals in the opening quarter. JM DuPree opened the scoring off an assist from Freeman, and the Tigers quickly built momentum with goals from Freeman, Charles Moran, and Sage Cookerly.

The run continued as Bennett, Gaudion, and Ramberg each found the back of the net, with Ramberg scoring twice during the stretch. Albright, Bennett, and Fuller added late goals in the quarter as Sewanee built a commanding 12-0 lead after one.

The Tigers extended their advantage in the second quarter, adding three more goals while holding Oglethorpe scoreless. Fuller opened the period, Burnette followed with a goal off an assist from Chris Rothenberger, and Bennett capped the half with his third goal to give Sewanee a 15-0 lead at the break.

Sewanee continued its offensive surge in the third quarter, scoring seven more times. Corbet Darden opened the period with a goal off a Freeman assist, while Rothenberger and Ramberg added goals shortly after. Aiden Feltman and Gaudion each contributed, and goals from Jake Greene and Hank Walsh pushed the lead to 22-0 heading into the final quarter.

Gaudion completed his hat trick early in the fourth quarter before Oglethorpe broke up the shutout with a late goal.

Sewanee outshot Oglethorpe 48-9 and won 25 of 28 faceoffs in the contest.

The Tigers return to action next weekend as they continue conference play.

Women's Tennis Rolls Past Oglethorpe

Sewanee's women's tennis team routed Oglethorpe to close out the conference slate on the road in Atlanta, Ga., on April 12.

The Tigers took care of business in doubles, collecting the doubles sweep in just 19 minutes without dropping a game. Mariella Congeni and Ivy Wilson defeated Taylor Glover and Luisa Gorgoll at one, 6-0. Natalie Pumpelly and Hanna Davis secured the doubles point at three, 6-0, and Lexi Barbee and Harper High completed the sweep at two.

In singles, Emma Foster rolled to a 0-0 win in 31 minutes at line two, and Lucy Lee followed, dropping just one game for a 6-0, 6-1 decision at line one. Hanna Davis secured the win for the Tigers with a 6-1, 6-0, decision at three. Natalie Pumpelly dropped just one game en route to a 6-1, 6-0 win at four.

Lexi Barbee added a point for Sewanee with a 6-1, 6-1 decision at five, and Allison Bizub secured the sweep with a 6-2, 6-1 win at six in under an hour.

Sewanee returns home to face Piedmont and Mary Washington to close out the regular season at home.

Men's Tennis Finishes SAA play Undefeated

Lucas Wrigley clinched the match as Sewanee's men's tennis team defeated Oglethorpe, finishing its conference slate undefeated and improving to 17-1 on the season.

Sewanee took early control by sweeping all three doubles matches. Ben Lammert and Drew Rukavina opened the scoring with a 6-3 win at No. 2 doubles. Andre-Remi Jakobi and Samuel Schroerlucke followed with a 6-4 victory at No. 1 to secure the doubles point, and Wrigley and Max Verellen completed the sweep with a 6-3 decision at No. 3, giving the Tigers a 1-0 advantage entering singles play.

Lammert carried that momentum into singles, earning a quick 6-1, 6-1 win at No. 3. Oglethorpe answered at the top of the lineup, as Kellen Simmons defeated Henry Hyden at No. 1 singles to trim the deficit to 2-1.

Schroerlucke moved Sewanee within one point of the clinch with a 7-5, 6-2 win at No. 2. Wrigley then secured the match for the Tigers at No. 5, posting a 6-0, 6-4 victory.

Verellen added an additional point with a 7-5, 6-2 win at No. 4. Rukavina rounded out the scoring at No. 6, winning the first set 6-3, dropping the second 3-6, and pulling away in the third for a 6-4 decision to complete the 6-1 win.

The Tigers will host Piedmont University and Cumberland University on April 19 to close out the regular season.

Baseball Takes Series Thanks to Big Innings

Zach Fortman posted three hits with six RBIs, including a grand slam, and Sewanee scored seven runs in the fourth and six in the fifth, defeating Millsaps College, 16-5, in seven innings in baseball action on April 12, at Montgomery Field.

The Tigers (16-13-1, 6-6 SAA) clinched the series with the win, recording 13 hits and taking advantage of 12 walks and one hit batter by six Majors pitchers.

Aidan Petrocco, Charlie Teel and Spencer Yu each homered in the seven-run fourth inning and Fortman's grand slam highlighted the fifth inning. Fortman added two more RBIs on a triple in the sixth. Petrocco, Max Kilburn and Owen Andress all collected two hits for the Tigers and Petrocco and Sebastian Leinberger each scored three times.

Jake Walling (2-1) tossed 2.1 innings of relief for the win, allowing one run on two hits with one strikeout. Sewanee starter Jack Merrill worked 2.2 innings, giving up no runs on two hits with two walks and three strikeouts.

Jackson Devey (0-2) suffered the loss, allowing three runs on three hits in 3.1 innings. He walked six and struck out three.

The Tigers stranded a pair of runners in the first inning and left the bases loaded in the second before exploding for seven runs in the fourth inning.

Will Jennewein walked with one out and Andress doubled to leftcenter. Wesley Grant fumbled the ball and Jennewein scored on the play. Andress then scored on a pair of passed balls.

Leinberger walked, ending the day for Devey, and Aidan Petrocco greeted reliever Jackson Woolley with a two-run homer to leftcenter. Teel followed with a solo shot to rightcenter and with two outs, after Tyler Pinson was hit, Yu's high fly ball to rightcenter got into the jet stream and sailed over the wall for a two-run homer and a 7-0 Sewanee advantage.

The Majors got on the board in the fifth when Kyle Veal, Jr., walked and Layne Cross singled to left before a long single to rightcenter from Carston Williams that scored a run, but Wes Carr grounded into a doubleplay to end the inning.

The Tigers added to the lead in the bottom of the inning, starting with a walk to Jennewein before a sacrifice bunt by Andress. Leinberger also walked before Petrocco singled through the six-hole, driving in a run. Teel walked and Fortman drilled a grand slam to left, extending the advantage to 12-1.

Pinson and Max Kilburn both singled later in the inning and Oliver Snell and Jennewein both walked, forcing in a run, for a 13-1 lead.

In the sixth Mason Morgan walked for the Majors and Connor Schell and EJ Ousley both drew free passes with one out. Christian Kretzer's single to leftcenter plated two runs.

Leinberger led off the bottom of the inning with a single to center and Petrocco walked before a two-run triple to rightcenter by Fortman. He later scored on a groundout by Pinson.

Millsaps tried to extend the game with two runs in the seventh, solo homers from Williams and Morgan. Schell singled and Ousley was hit with two outs before pinch-hitter Bo Garofalo struck out to end the contest.



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Please bring water as well as any snacks and sunscreen you might want. This hike is weather-dependent.

NATURENOTES

by Yolande Gottfried

Tarleton Valley

Trails and Trilliums this year included several walks along Savage Gulf Road in the Tarleton Valley. This easy walk, along a northeast-facing slope, boasts quite a few of the spring wildflowers that folks are hoping to see. This year the list included thirty-six species, including some flowering shrubs. Some of the earliest bloomers, the true spring ephemerals like Dutchman's breeches and trout lily, had already faded, of course, but bloodroot and hepatica foliage persisted. There are three species of toothwort on the walk—broadleaf, cutleaf, and fineleaf and four trilliums, all in bloom — little sweet Betsy, large-flowered white, prairie, and southern red. The prairie trillium is one that is not found in places on the plateau like Shakerag Hollow. It prefers calcareous woods and is a midwestern species. One participant from Memphis shared that it is the only trillium she sees there. Wild ginger (deciduous and not the same as little brown jugs) was widespread, with its maroon, cup-shaped flowers beneath the leaves. Some special treats to see were yellow mandarin, pennywort, and showy orchis, all plants of rich hardwood forests. And to top it all off, the northern parula was singing all along the way.

Lin Cameron reported several flowers from other habitats — hoary puccoon on the “power pole prairie,” paw-paws, fringe tree, and the southern pinxter azalea which has been conspicuous even from the roadside these last couple of weeks.



Southern Pinxter Azalea. Photo by Lin Cameron



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Tue	April 07	65	45
Wed	April 08	66	46
Thu	April 09	73	45
Fri	April 10	74	57
Sat	April 11	76	54
Sun	April 12	80	53
Week's Stats:			
Avg max temp =		72	
Avg min temp =		49	
Avg temp =		60	
Precipitation =		0.00"	
Reported by Sandy Gilliam Domain Ranger			



PUBLIC NOTICE

RESOLUTION NO. 2-26
INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCURRENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS BY THE TOWN OF MONTEAGLE, TENNESSEE, OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000, BY THE EXECUTION WITH THE PUBLIC BUILDING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE, OF A LOAN AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM PROJECTS

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the public interest of the Town of Monteagle, Tennessee (the "Town"), to incur indebtedness, through the execution with The Public Building Authority of the City of Clarksville, Tennessee (the "Authority"), of a loan agreement (a "Loan Agreement"), for the purpose of financing water and sewer system projects, as hereinafter more fully described.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Monteagle, Tennessee, as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of the extension, construction, improvement, and equipping of the water and sewer systems of the Town, including sludge removal equipment, upgrades to the system, including pumps and lines, and waterline extensions, the acquisition of all other property real and personal appurtenant thereto and connected with such work, and to pay all legal, fiscal, administrative, planning, and engineering costs incident thereto, and to pay costs incident to incurring the indebtedness (the "Project"), the Municipality is hereby authorized to incur indebtedness in the amount of not to exceed \$1,500,000, for the financing of the Project through the execution of a Loan Agreement with the Authority. The rate of interest payable pursuant to the provisions of a Loan Agreement shall be a fixed rate, which can be reset at certain intervals, and which rate shall not exceed the maximum rate of interest permitted under the laws of the State of Tennessee.

SECTION 2. The indebtedness evidenced by the Loan Agreement shall be payable from funds of the Municipality legally available therefor and to the extent necessary from all yalorem taxes to be levied for such purpose on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the Municipality, without limitation as to time, rate, and amount and for the punctual payment of said principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Loan Agreement, the full faith and credit of the Municipality will be irrevocably pledged. The indebtedness evidenced by the Loan Agreement shall be payable from, but not secured by, the revenues of the water and sewer systems, subject only to the payment of reasonable and necessary costs of operating, maintaining, repairing, and insuring such water and sewer systems and to a prior pledge of such revenues in favor of other obligations of the Town payable from revenues of the water and sewer systems.

SECTION 3. The indebtedness evidenced by the Loan Agreement shall be incurred pursuant to the provisions of Title 9, Chapter 21, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended (the "Act"), and Title 12, Chapter 10, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended.

SECTION 4. After the adoption of this Resolution, the Town Recorder is directed to cause Resolution, with the notice prescribed by the Act, to be published in full once in a newspaper published and having general circulation in the Town.

NOTICE
The foregoing Resolution has been adopted. Unless within twenty (20) days from the date of publication hereof a petition, signed by at least ten percent (10%) of the registered voters of the Town of Monteagle, Tennessee, shall have been filed with the Town Recorder of the Town of Monteagle, Tennessee, protesting the incurrence of the indebtedness by the execution of the Loan Agreement, such Loan Agreement will be executed, as proposed.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Municipality requiring it.

Adopted and approved this 30th day of March, 2026.

ATTEST:
Debbie Taylor
TOWN RECORDER

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTIES OF FRANKLIN, GRUNDY, AND MARION)

I, Debbie Taylor, hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Town Recorder of the Town of Monteagle, Tennessee (the "Municipality"), and, as such official, I further certify as follows: (1) that attached hereto is a copy of a resolution excerpted from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (the "Board"), of said Municipality held on March 30, 2026; (2) that I have compared said copy with the original minute record of said meeting in my official custody; (3) that said copy is a true, correct, and complete transcript from said original record insofar as said original record relates to, among other matters, the borrowing of funds and the incurring of indebtedness in the amount of not to exceed \$1,500,000 by said Municipality; (4) that the actions by said Board including the aforementioned, at said meeting were promptly and duly recorded by me in a book kept for such purpose; and, (5) that a quorum of the members of said Board was present and acting throughout said meeting.

WITNESS my official signature and the seal of said Municipality this 30th day of March, 2026.

Debbie Taylor
Town Recorder

(SEAL)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE: There will be a Public Hearing at 4:45 p.m., Monday, April 27, in the conference room at City Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Ordinance 3-26 an ordinance to add site plan review checklist and site plan staff checklist.

NOTICE: The regular City Council meeting will be at 5 p.m., Monday, April 27, in the conference room at City Hall.

NOTICE: The regular Monteagle Regional Planning Commission will meet at 4 p.m., Thursday, May 7, in the conference room at City Hall.

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Saturday, May 2, 9-11 A.M.
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FROM BARD TO VERSE

by Robin Bates

Earth Day (April 22)

“From too much love of living,
Hope and desire set free,
Even the weariest river
Winds somewhere to the sea —“

But we have only begun
To love the earth.

We have only begun
To imagine the fullness of life.

How could we tire of hope?
— so much is in bud.

How can desire fail?
— we have only begun

to imagine justice and mercy,
only begun to envision

how it might be
to live as siblings with beast and flower,
not as oppressors.

Surely our river
cannot already be hastening
into the sea of nonbeing?

Surely it cannot
drag, in the silt,
all that is innocent?

Not yet, not yet —
there is too much broken
that must be mended,

too much hurt we have done to each other
that cannot yet be forgiven.

We have only begun to know
the power that is in us if we would join
our solitudes in the communion of struggle.

So much is unfolding that must
complete its gesture,

so much is in bud.

--Denise Levertov, *Beginners*

Community Calendar

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. Performance, “Notes from the Field,” Proctor Hill Theatre

Saturday, April 18

- 8 a.m. Pancake Breakfast, Sewanee Community Fire Support, (\$10), Camp MontMilner, 3375 Jumpoff Rd., until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Grief Recovery Group, Wesley House, MMUMC, 322 W. Main St., Monteagle
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 2 p.m.
- noon Broadview Firemen’s Fish Fry, (adults/\$15, children 4-12/\$5); 5253 Lynchburg Rd., Winchester
- 2 p.m. Electric Arcadia Record Store Day, 874 Lake O’Donnell Rd. until 6 p.m.
- 3:30 p.m. Perpetual Motion, Guerry
- 7:30 p.m. Performance, “Notes from the Field,” Proctor Hill Theatre

Sunday, April 19

- 1 p.m. Knitting Circle, Mooney’s, until 3 p.m.
- 2 p.m. Senior Recital, St. Luke’s Chapel
- 2:30 p.m. Performance, “Notes from the Field,” Proctor Hill Theatre
- 4 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center
- 4 p.m. Senior Voice Recital, St. Luke’s Chapel

Monday, April 20

- 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.
- 4:30 p.m. Festival of Speaking & Listening, keynote address, Naylor Auditorium, Gailor Hall
- 5 p.m. Lifelong Learning talk, Cooley, McGriff Alumni House

Tuesday, April 21

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, 114 S. Industrial Park Rd., Coalmont, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Coffee w/Men’s Tennis Coach Hamza Kahn, McGriff Alumni House; livestream <sewaneetigers.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.
- 11 a.m. Social Fabric Group, Kennerly Hall, St. Mark & St. Paul’s, 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’s until 2 p.m.
- 4 p.m. S. Cumberland Farmers’ Market pickup, Community Center, until 6 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m. Sewanee Debate Union Debate, Torian Room, duPont Library
- 5 p.m. Food Matters Community Meal, St. Mary’s Sewanee, until 7 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Sewanee Utility District board, Utility Office, Sherwood Rd.
- 5:30 p.m. Yoga, Pippa, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 6 p.m. DREMC Home Energy Workshop (free), 1738 Decherd Blvd., Decherd

Wednesday, April 22 • Earth 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 p.m. Public Speaking Contest, Torian Room, duPont Library

Thursday, April 23

- 8 a.m. Monteagle/Sewanee Rotary, Emily Holden/Dori Thornton Walker, Voice for a Safer TN, 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.
- 3:30 p.m. SoT lecture, Sinden, “Herbert Howells’ Experimental Hymnody,” Hamilton Hall
- 4 p.m. F@H Collaborative Lecture Series, AgeWell/LiveWell, Kennerly Hall

Friday, April 24

- Last Day of Classes, School of Theology*
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- noon CAC Community Meal, Kennerly Hall
- 1:30 p.m. McCrady Lecture, “...Why the World Needs All of Us,” Deborah Lawrence, Kennerly Hall
- 5:30 p.m. SEWANEE IN PRINT celebration, University Bookstore, American Legion Hall and Angel Park
- 5:45 p.m. Kundalini Yoga, Breathwork, Meditation, Nati, Sewanee Community Center, until 7:15 p.m.
- 7:30 p.m. University Choir/Sewanee Symphony Orchestra concert, All Saints’ Chapel

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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
7 p.m., Serenity in Sewanee AA, open, Brooks Hall, Sewanee
7 p.m., Al-Anon, First UMC, Winchester

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