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SUD Commissioner Candidates

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

The three candidates who seek election to the Sewanee Utility District Board of Commissioners have shared information with the Messenger about themselves and why they want to serve on the board. Read on to learn more about Randall Henley, Tracy McBee, and Charlie Smith. Voting is underway at the SUD office during regular business hours and will continue through Jan. 23.



Randall Henley

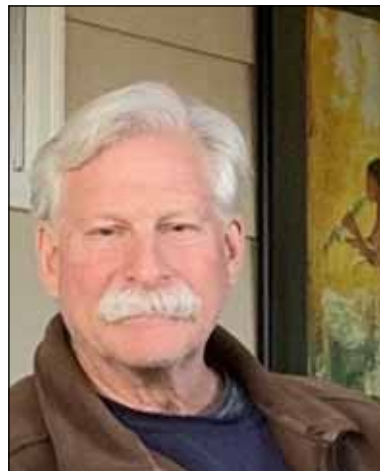
"I'd like to finish things I started," Randall Henley said when asked why he sought election to the SUD board of commissioners. Henley previously served two terms and stepped down when term limited. A rules change enabled him to seek reelection. Born and raised in Sewanee, Henley volunteered for the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department for more than 40 years. His Sewanee based business, Henley's Electric and Plumbing, has given him first-hand knowledge about installing, maintaining, and servicing water and sewer works. During his previous tenure as a SUD commissioner, Henley successfully lobbied for locating a booster pump in the Midway community to increase the low water pressure. As a commissioner, Henley would strive to keep water rates down and to lower tap fees. He sees water availability and deterioration of aging pipelines as the biggest challenges facing SUD. Henley would like to see SUD apply for grants to replace pipelines and equipment and to do as much work as possible "in house" to keep customer costs down and competitive with neighboring utilities.



Tracy McBee

Tracy McBee sees supply and infrastructure demands from the expansion of housing in Sewanee and questions arising from sup-

plying water to the proposed Jump Off sand plant as SUD's biggest challenges. "SUD's primary concern should be how these changes will affect our community as well as individual families," McBee insisted. McBee has lived in Sewanee for more than 45 years and has family members from Sherwood to Jump Off. In her position as a graphic designer at the University, she interacts regularly with faculty, staff, students, and community members, just as she did during her 25 years of service for the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department as a firefighter, financial officer, and administrative assistant. For more than 20 years, McBee has volunteered as a primary organizer for David Green's Operation Noel. No stranger to making financial decisions and collaborating on multi-voice projects, McBee hopes to bring the critical thinking and decision-making skills honed in her employment and volunteering to service as a SUD commissioner committed to the task of "being a voice for the people."



Charlie Smith

Current SUD commissioner Charlie Smith has served two terms, all eight years as president. During Smith's tenure SUD took measures to protect employee retirement; weathered COVID revenue loss and unplanned expense from the highway project; paid for extensive waterline improvements without borrowing money; and installed a new headworks screen to safeguard employees from hazardous sewage waste. Looking to the future, Smith cited the challenge posed by the retirement of long-time employees with critical knowledge of SUD's operations. He also stressed University and residential development would tax SUD's wastewater treatment capacity, calling for careful "planning and budgeting." A longtime Sewanee resident, Smith graduated from the University in 1974. After employment as a state and University forester and manager at the Monteagle Assembly, Smith started CW Smith Construction, in business now 37 years. His volunteer service for the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department spanned 41 years. Encouraging residents to vote in the commissioner election, Smith said, "This is one of very few local offices where your vote has a direct impact on your wallet. I hope you take the time to cast your ballot."

Three Candidates Vie for SUD Commissioner Seat

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the Dec. 19 meeting, the Sewanee Utility District Board of Commissioners approved the nomination of three candidates for the commissioner seat coming open in January. The board also decided to again retain the MG Group to serve as SUD's auditor.

To qualify as a candidate for the open commissioner seat, an individual must be a SUD customer in good standing residing in Franklin or Marion County. The three candidates, Randall Henley, Tracy McBee, and Charlie Smith, all formerly served on the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department, Commissioner Johnny Hughes pointed out. Henley formerly served as a SUD commissioner and stepped down when term limited. Smith is the current SUD board president and seeks reelection. McBee will vie for a commissioner seat for the first time. [see "SUD Commissioner Candidates" to learn more about Henley, McBee and Smith.] Commissioners serve a four-year term.

Voting began Jan. 2 and will continue through Jan. 23, at the SUD office during regular business hours. The next meeting has been moved forward a week to Jan. 23 to allow more time for voting. Votes will be counted at the meeting. In February, the new commissioner will be sworn in, and officers will be elected.

SUD has struggled with finding an auditor for 2024. "The MG Group were the only ones who expressed an interest," said SUD manager Ben Beavers. "I'm surprised no one wants to take on the auditing job for a utility," Smith commented. According to Beavers, all the firms he contacted "said they had too much business." Beavers speculated the reason was SUD's fiscal year coincided with tax season, when accounting firms had a large number of customers. SUD could consider changing their fiscal year, Beavers suggested.

Reporting on operations, Beavers said "all known leaks, no matter how small, have been repaired" resulting in SUD needing to produce less water. Holiday usage when people were out of town had decreased from an average of 220,000-230,000 gallons per day to 180,000-195,000 gallons per day. Looking at year-end finances, SUD was overbudget in some areas. "Chemicals and electricity are what's killing us," Beavers said, "especially chemicals." Beavers stressed, however, SUD was "ahead on sales" and "would finish the year well above net zero." Beavers may prepay insurance and some other expenses for next year since the 2024 budget will be "tighter" due to capital projects.

Franklin County Schools: Lower Graduation Credit Exception

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the Jan. 8 meeting, the Franklin County School Board approved a Graduation Requirements policy change reducing the required credits from 28 to 22 as a special exception on a case-by-case basis for students transferring into the district. The state minimum requirement is 22 credits.

"We're losing a few graduates because of the 28-credit requirement," said Human Resources Supervisor Linda Foster who proposed the change. "It's an extreme commitment for students who come in as juniors or seniors."

"Students transfer into the district [as a junior or senior] from different states or different districts with different credit requirements," Director of Schools Cary Holman explained. "There's no way they can get 28 credits in their time remaining in high school."

Board member Sarah Marhevsky concurred, pointing to the high school where she formerly taught where students took six courses a year for six credits per year, making the 28-credit standard unachievable for a student transferring from there.

"We don't want to punish students [for transferring]," said board Vice Chair Lance Williams.

"This is to keep them from dropping out," said board member Sandy Shultz.

Foster stressed the "intent" was not to allow students with 22 credits to graduate early, but rather

to meet the "needs" of transfer students. Williams insisted the "case-by-case" criterion strictly adhere to need-based circumstances.

In other business, the board voted to terminate the Bus 15 contract and to reassign the contract to Jesse Sells who has been running the route since Dec. 14. Transportation Director Jeffery Sons cited a November 23 "accident and subsequent issues" as the reason for the contract termination.

Updating the board on state legislature business, Marhevsky said in meetings with Representative Iris Rudder and Senator Janice Bowling the congresspersons advised against calling Governor Lee's proposed Freedom Scholarships "vouchers." The Tennessee legislature returned to session January 9. "There's probably backing for the Freedom Scholarship Act to go through," Marhevsky said. At the December

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TRHT National Day of Racial Healing: a Virtual Conversation with Clint Smith

In partnership with Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation Centers at Mt. Holyoke College and Spelman College, and with community partners, the Joseph and Evelyn Lowery Institute for Justice and Human Rights and the Andre Young Center for Global Leadership of Atlanta, the Sewanee Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation Center is pleased to announce a virtual collaboration, A Conversation with Clint Smith, from 6-7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 16, National Day of Racial Healing.

Smith is the No. 1 New York Times bestselling author of "How the Word Is Passed: A Reckoning With the History of Slavery Across America," winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award for Nonfiction, the Hillman Prize for Book Journalism, the Stowe Prize, the Dayton Literary Peace Prize, and selected by the New York Times as one of the 10 Best Books of 2021. He is also the author of two books of poetry, the New York Times bestselling collection "Above Ground and Counting Descent," which won the 2017 Literary Award for Best Poetry Book from the Black Caucus of the American Library Association and was a finalist for an NAACP Image Award. He is a staff writer at The Atlantic.

Clint has received fellowships from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, New America, the Emerson Collective, the Art For Justice Fund, Cave Canem, and the National Science Foundation. His essays, poems, and scholarly writing have been published in The New Yorker, The New York Times Magazine, The New Republic, Poetry Magazine, The Paris Review, the Harvard Educational Review, and elsewhere. He is a former National Poetry Slam champion and a recipient of the Jerome J. Shestack Prize from the American Poetry Review.

Previously, Clint taught high school English in Prince George's County, Maryland, where he was named the Christine D. Sarbanes Teacher of the Year by the Maryland Humanities Council. He is

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Power line down on Roarks Cove Road in Sewanee during the storm on Jan. 8. Photo by Laura Willis


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December 2023 Lease Committee Summary

The following items were approved: November minutes: request to transfer Lease No. 328-A, located at 144 Willie Six Road to Adam Hawkins and Melody Lehn; request to repair exterior of home from Lease No. 151, located at 47 Poplar Lane.

Leasehold information is available online at <leases.sewanee.edu> or by calling the lease office at (931) 598-1998.

Please be sure and contact the Franklin County Planning and Zoning for any needed permits as well as the local utility companies to ensure there are no issues before beginning your project.

Planning and Zoning office, (931) 967-0981; Duck River Electric Membership Corporation, (931) 598-5228; Sewanee Utility District, water and sewer, (931) 598-5611; Elk River Public Utility District, natural gas, (931) 967-2110.

Agenda items are due by the fifth of each month for Lease Committee meetings. If the fifth falls on a weekend, then items are due the following Monday. Lease Committee meetings are normally the third Tuesday of the month.

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Franklin County Commission

Franklin County Board of Commission will meet at the Franklin County Courthouse in the Courtroom at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 16.

EQB Club

Members of the EQB Club will gather at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 17, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Lunch will be served at 11:50 a.m. At about 12:25 p.m., we will have the pleasure of the Lead on "Blue Monarch's healing impact" by Shakia Craig. Interested non-members are welcome to arrive at 12:25 p.m. and sit in on the presentation.

Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club will meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 18, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Guest presenter will be Dr. Arden Chao, Fulbright Scholar in Residence, History department.

Marion County Commission

The Marion County Commission meets regularly on the fourth Monday of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m., Monday, Jan. 22, at the Lawson Building, 300 Ridley Ave., Jasper.

Sewanee Community Council

The next meeting of the Community Council is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 22, 2024, at 7 p.m. Items for the agenda should have been submitted by Jan. 10.

Sewanee Utility District

The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 23, 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 Doug Cameron, Johnny Hughes, Donnie McBee, Charlie Smith, and Clay Yeatman.

Monteagle Planning Commission

Notice is hereby given of a Special Called Workshop of the Monteagle Planning Commission to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2024, at 4 p.m. (Central) in the Monteagle Town Hall. The purpose of this special called workshop is to go over the agenda for the subsequent Planning Commission meeting.

U.S. Postal Service Proposes New Prices for 2024

The United States Postal Service filed notice with the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) of mailing services price changes to take effect Jan. 21, 2024. The new rates include a 2-cent increase in the price of a First-Class Mail Forever stamp, from 66 cents to 68 cents.

The proposed adjustments, approved by the governors of the Postal Service, would raise mailing services product prices approximately 2 percent. If favorably reviewed by the commission, the price changes would include:

Letters (1 ounce), 66 cents, increase to 68 cents

Letters (metered 1 ounce), 63 cents, increase to 64 cents

Domestic Postcards, 51 cents, increase to 53 cents

International Postcards, \$1.50, increase to \$1.55

International Letter (1 ounce), \$1.50, increase to \$1.55

There will be no change to the additional-ounce price, which remains at 24 cents. The Postal Service is also seeking price adjustments for Special Services products including Certified Mail, Post Office Box rental fees, money order fees and the cost to purchase insurance when mailing an item. As inflationary pressures on operating expenses continue and the effects of a previously defective pricing model are still being felt, these price adjustments are needed to provide the Postal Service with much needed

revenue to achieve the financial stability sought by its Delivering for America 10-year plan. The prices of the Postal Service remain among the most affordable in the world.

The PRC will review the changes before they are scheduled to take effect. The complete Postal Service price filing, with prices for all products, can be found on the PRC website under the Daily Listings section at <prc.arkcase.com/portal/home>. The mailing services filing is Docket No. R2024-1. The price tables are also available on the Postal Service's Postal Explorer website at <pe.usps.com/PriceChange/Index>.

Call for SCA Board Nominations

The Sewanee Civic Association invites nominations for open positions on the 2024-25 Board of Directors. Experience working in fundraising and for nonprofits is a plus, but any adult who resides in the area and shares concerns of the community is welcome.

Nominations are due by Monday, Feb. 12, 2024. The slate will be presented at the March 4, 2024 membership meeting. Voting will occur at the annual membership meeting on May 6. For more information, email at <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com>.

Hospitality Shop Operating Changes

The Hospitality Shop will open again on Saturday, Jan. 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will only be open on Saturdays for the month of January.

The Board has voted to close the children's section at the Shop. To that end, all children's clothing and toys are half price from now until the first of February. We will no longer take donations of children's toys and clothing but will accept children's books. Donors can take children's clothing to Good Samaritan or Life Choices in Winchester.

If the Board can recruit enough new volunteers in January, it has also voted to expand working hours by adding Fridays in February from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., in order to better match student non-class hours. The Board hopes that these hours will be an added convenience for all customers.

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MMUMC Curbside Food Distribution

Morton Memorial United Methodist Church will have its monthly community food distribution from 8–10 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 13. Please arrive at the back of the church and parking lot attendants will direct you. All are welcome. We shall load your car for you so please be aware of volunteers in the parking area. Morton Memorial United Methodist Church is located at 322 West Main St., Monteagle.

Local Food Available

The South Cumberland Farmer's Market has breads, fruits, vegetables, eggs, coffee, meats and more available. Ordering takes place each week online from Friday at 9 p.m. to Monday at 10 a.m. Curbside pickup is on Tuesdays, 4:30–6 p.m., at the Sewanee Community Center. To order go to <https://southcumberlandfarmersmarket.com>.

Join Us for Body Recall Exercise in Monteagle

A weekly exercise program meets on Thursdays from 9:30–10:30 a.m., at the Monteagle City Hall in the large meeting room. Participants are encouraged to do a leisurely warmup walk in the hall. Then we'll do chair and standing exercise for stretching, flexing and a few easy balance exercises to help us deal with aches and improve mobility. These exercises are gentle and no impact. Optional floor exercise will be at the end of the class for those who would like a little more challenge.

Do wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Bring a yoga mat, camping mat, or large towel if you plan to try floor exercises.

This program is free, although a small donation to the May Justus Library will be appreciated.

Questions? Contact Judy Magavero, <msjmagoo@gmail.com>.



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MLK Day Closings

Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday is observed as a national holiday on Monday, Jan. 15. Federal, state and local government offices will be closed, as will public schools, banks and post offices. The Franklin County convenience centers are closed.

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Obituaries

Martha Sue Barnes

Martha Sue Barnes, age 77 of Sherwood, died on Dec. 20, 2023. She was a daughter of Joe and Claudia Hill. Before her retirement, she was employed at the Winchester Hat Corporation for more than 40 years. She was a lifelong member of Sherwood Emmanuel Apostolic Church. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of 28 years, George H. Barnes Jr.; brothers Jack (Minnie) Ray Hill and James (Pat) Hill; and sisters-in-law Dorothy Barnes, Geraline Garner, and Joyce Jackson.

She is survived by her children, Bryan (Donna) Barnes and Angela Arnold, both of Winchester; brother Franklin (Ethylene) Hill; sisters, Mary Jo Hill, and Ruth Ray; and brothers- and sisters-in-law, Kenneth (Marilyn) Barnes, Ronald Barnes, Michael Barnes, Carter Barnes, and David (Patricia) Jackson; three grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews, relatives, church family, and friends.

Funeral Services were on Dec. 23, 2023, at Sherwood Emmanuel Apostolic Church. Interment followed in Mt. View Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

Paul Christopher Cahoon

Paul Christopher Cahoon, age 83 of Monteagle, died on Dec. 18, 2023. He was born on June 22, 1940, in Stamford, Conn., and spent his childhood in Connecticut and Florida. He was educated in Georgia, graduating from Oxford College and later Emory University in 1962. He worked in community mental health and as an insurance adjuster before developing a carpentry business in Atlanta which he continued for 20 years. In 2003, Paul, Suzanne, and Allie moved from Atlanta to Monteagle, where he worked as an independent residential carpenter for 15 years. He completed Education for Ministry (EfM), a theological education extension program administered by the School of Theology, University of the South, in 2009. He volunteered countless hours sharing his creative problem-solving approach to woodworking, including projects with students at both Sewanee Elementary School and St. Andrew's-Sewanee School. He was preceded in death by his parents; nephew Adam Cahoon, brother Gordon Cahoon, and sister-in-law Jan Cahoon.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Suzanne Ramseur Cahoon; daughters, Cathie McClure and Allie Cahoon; brothers Sumner Cahoon and Joe (Jan) Cahoon; sister-in-law Mavis Cahoon; four grandsons, six great-grandchildren, and seven nephews and nieces.

A Memorial Service was on Jan. 6, 2024, at The Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to St. Mary's Sewanee, which sponsors Centering Prayer retreats. For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

Wiley "Tommy" Campbell

Wiley "Tommy" Redwine Campbell, age 94 of Tracy City, died on Dec. 24, 2023, at STRHS Sewanee. He was born on May 22, 1929, in Viola, to Robert Campbell and Bertie Cox Campbell. He was a family man who loved spending time with his son Tommy and loved his family dearly. He was preceded in death by his son Timmy Campbell; brothers, Watt Campbell, Nell Campbell, and Mel Campbell; and sister Cleo Sanders.

He is survived by his son Tommy Campbell; daughter, Sophie

Sanders; sister, Jessie Campbell, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services were on Dec. 27, 2023 from the Chapel of Cumberland Funeral Home with Bro. Yancy Layne officiating. Interment followed in Summerfield Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneral-home.net>.

Chris Mario Blanton Colston

Chris Mario Blanton Colston, age 62, died January 1, 2024, at St. Thomas Rutherford. He was born Aug. 24, 1961, in Chattanooga to George Colston and Virginia Davis Colston. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son Christopher Lee Colston.

He is survived by his son Kyle Nathaniel Colston; grandchildren, Kyla and Chanten Colston; brother, Jeff (Susan) Colston; sister, Elisa Colston; three nephews; and four grand nieces.

Funeral services were on Jan. 2, 2024, with Bro. Paul Tittle officiating. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Sheila Sargent Flynn

Sheila Sargent Flynn, age 77, died on Dec. 13, 2023. She was born on Oct. 4, 1946, in Portland Ore., to Sam and Mary Sargent. She moved as a teen with her family to Grundy County and graduated from GCHS. She later lived in Indiana, Ohio and North Carolina before returning to Tennessee to care for both her parents in the last years of their lives. She was currently living in the Kingwood Arms Apartments in Manchester, where she enjoyed a host of neighbors and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; infant daughter, Jessica Dawn Flynn and infant grandson, Tyler Dean Flynn.

She is survived by her sons, Keith (Cheryl) Flynn of Rushville, Ind. and Frank Flynn of Clinton, Tenn.; brothers, Sam A. Sargent of Morrison, Tenn., Dan (JoAnn) Sargent and Ben (Kim) Sargent, both of Monteagle; sisters, Myra (Sam) Merckle of Belvidere, Tenn., Sibyl Partin of Morrison, Tenn., and Rebecca (Tim) Taylor of Monteagle, one granddaughter, one step-granddaughter, one great-granddaughter, and many nieces and nephews. No services are planned at this time.

James "Bo" Ingle

James (Bo) Larry Ingle, age 60 of Cowan, died on Dec. 28, 2023, at his home. He was born on July 31, 1963, in Winchester, to Jackie Dowell Ingle and Bobbie Lee Rogers. Bo dedicated his life to the craft of carpentry, starting at a young age when he assisted his father. He was a master carpenter who specialized in repairing and remodeling homes within the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly (MSSA). He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother Jackie Dowell Ingle Jr.

He is survived by his wife, Wendy Ingle; daughters, Amanda (Greg) Thompson and Kelley (Johnathan) Moon; stepdaughters, Robin (Michael) Urrutia and Jade Betts; brother Mike (Tammy) Ingle; sister, Deborah (Steve) Russell, four grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were on Dec. 31, 2023, from the Chapel of Moore-Cortner Funeral Home. Interment followed in Cowan Montgomery Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

Sherman Lee King

Sherman Lee King, age 70 of Sewanee, died on Dec. 23, 2023, at his home. He was born on Nov. 5, 1953, in Sewanee, to Elvin and Barbara O'Dear King. Before his retirement, he was employed by the University of the South as a maintenance electrician. He was preceded in death by his parents; and brothers, Harold King and Houston King.

He is survived by his children, Lori (Frank) Quigley of Iron City, Joe King of Sewanee, Isaac (Barbara) King of Sewanee, and Tanner King of Sewanee; siblings, Caroline Bennett, Jasper King, Leonard (Anita Marie) King, Lois (Fred) Bramlett, Peggy Cash, and Sarah Gunn; 11 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services were on Dec. 26, 2023, from the Chapel of Moore-Cortner Funeral Home with Pastor Kenny Green officiating. Interment followed in

O'Dear Cemetery in Sewanee. For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

Anthony J. Laurino

Anthony J. Laurino, age 68 of Sewanee, died on Jan. 1, 2024, at Tri-Star Centennial Hospital, Nashville. He was born on Nov. 1, 1955, in Newark, N.J., to Gerard and Philomena Falcetano Laurino. He worked for the Post Office for 42 years, where he retired as a city letter carrier in Union, N.J. and had night gigs working as a musician. He was proceeded in death by sister, Melinda Laurino; and brother, Gerard Laurino.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Ann Marie Laurino; daughter, Laurén Marie Laurino (Jason Thomas) Heydweiller; sister-in-law, Adeline Laurino, one grandson, and several nieces, nephews and other relatives. Funeral services were on Jan. 8, 2024, from the Chapel of Moore-Cortner Funeral

Home For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

Forrest David Hamp" Nunley Sr.

Forrest David "Hamp" Nunley Sr., age 88 of Pelham, died on Dec. 30, 2023, at his home. He was born on Feb. 23, 1935, in Burroughs Cove, to Webster Nunley and Mamie Lee Givens Nunley. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Mary Lee Sanders and Willie Mae Parks; brothers, Silas, Webster Felix, Leo, J.B., and Randil Nunley; and granddaughter, Lisa Nunley.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Marie Nunley; children, Nadine Myers, Forrest (Melody) Nunley Jr., and Kevin Nunley; sister Pauline Bonner, three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were on Dec.

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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, 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 (STEM)

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

City Light Church, Monteagle

10:45 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

Epiphany Mission, Sherwood (STEM)

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

service available online after noon Sunday, link is at <https://www.mortonmemorialumc.com> on FB

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

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

Mountain of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

online worship services. Call (931) 924-5339 or go to <https://www.tdworldministries.org>

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 Rite II, (and Facebook livestream), Sunday

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8 a.m. Mass, Sunday

St. Mark & St. Paul

8:30 a.m. Nursery, basement of Kennerly Hall (Sewanee Children's Center), Sunday

Holy Eucharist, indoors, livestream

Facebook, YouTube later, Sunday

9:45 a.m. Godly Play, Sunday

9:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School, Brooks Hall

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, Kennerly Hall

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

St. Mary's Sewanee Retreat Center

3:45 p.m. Centering Support Group, Thursday

Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

Sisters of St. Mary Convent Chapel

7 a.m. Morning Prayer, Tuesday-Friday

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Saturday

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

Tracy City First Baptist Church

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

12:30 p.m. Noonday Prayer and Lectionary Bible Study, Tuesday, <tec213@bellsouth.net>

Unitarian Universalist Church, Tullahoma

10 a.m. Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Tullahoma Sangha, Wednesday

Valley Home Community Church, Pelham

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

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31, 2023 from the Chapel of Cumberland Funeral Home with Bro. Andy Lockhart and Bro. Brett Meeks officiating. Interment followed in Bethel Cemetery, Pelham. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Violet Nunley

Violet Nunley, age 91 of Tracy City, died on Dec. 23, 2023. She was born on Dec. 19, 1932, to Silas and Lona Branham Akers. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Alvin E. Nunley Jr.; sons Tim and Mark Nunley; and infant granddaughter, Nicole Nunley.

She is survived by her children Rita Fults, Geneva (Bill) Broyles, Nila Fults, Marlene (Michael) Tate, and Greg (Nancy) Nunley, 15 grandchildren, and several great- and great-great grandchildren.

Funeral Services were on Dec. 27, 2023, from the Foster and Lay Chapel of Cumberland Funeral Home, in Tracy City with Bro. Larry Campbell and Bro. Ernest Lockhart officiating. Interment followed in Orange Hill Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Vernon Eugene Rollins

Vernon Eugene Rollins, age 71 of Sewanee, died on Dec. 20, 2023. He was born on June 21, 1952, in Sewanee, to George and Alma Thomas Rollins. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Beverly Rollins; brothers Roy and Tommy Rollins; and sisters Thelma Fann and Sandra Cantrell.

He is survived by his sons, Melvin (Karen) Rollins and Tommy Rollins; brothers Robert (Judy) Rollins and Jimmy Rollins; sisters Barbara (Larry) Dykes, Nina Layne, and Brenda Murray; one grandson, and several nieces, nephews and loved ones.

A Celebration of Life was on Dec. 23, 2023 from the Chapel of Cumberland Funeral Home. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Edward "Big Ed" Sanders

Edward "Big Ed" Sanders, age 56, died on Dec. 12, 2023. He was born on July 16, 1967, to Herschel Sanders and Lucretia Fultz Sanders. He was preceded in death by his father; grandmother, Hester "Granny" Fultz; mother-in-law, Mary Kilgore; and father-in-law, Carl David Smartt.

He is survived by his wife, Krystal Sanders; mother, Lucretia Sanders; children, MaryKate (AJ) Cunningham, Justus Smartt, Neal Sanders, and Logan Smartt; siblings, Lisa (Steve) Mansfield, Clint (Becky) Sanders, and Jerry Wayne (Dana) Sanders; three grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service was on Dec. 14, 2023, from the Foster and Lay Chapel of Cumberland Funeral Home, Tracy City, with Bro. Ernest Lockhart officiating. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Winfield James Sinclair

Winfield James Sinclair, age 69 of Sewanee, died on Dec. 20, 2023. He was born to James Edward and Pauline Shoemaker Sinclair of Sewanee. He graduated from the University of the South with an honors degree in Religion, and a law degree from the Cumberland School of Law. He was a life-long public servant, working nearly 44 years as a special agent for the F.B.I., an assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama, an Assistant District Attorney in the Fourth District of Alabama, and an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Alabama. He was very excited to oversee restoration of his family's 1930s cottage on the Sewanee campus for his retirement, where he planned to host many parties on the 40-foot deck, and to continue his patronage of the University Choir, a special passion of his. He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Julie (nee Williams); brothers, Mark Edward (Thea), Scott Gambrell, and Craig Andrew (Debra Carol) Sinclair; and 20 nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

A Memorial Service was on Jan. 6, 2024, at All Saints Episcopal Church, 625 Coliseum Blvd., Montgomery, Ala. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Sewanee University Choir or to the animal rescue of your choice.

Charles David Stines

Charles David Stines, age 69 of Cowan, died on Dec. 29, 2023, at Memorial Hospital, Chattanooga. He was born on July 5, 1954, in Winchester, to Charles and Elizabeth Jean Garner Stines. He was a 1972 class graduate of Franklin County High School, and the owner and operator of Cowan Woodworking, former manager and foreman for Tennessee Valley Ready Mix, and currently a foreman for Tinsley Asphalt. He was a devoted member of Cowan First Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; and sister, Melba Hill.

He is survived by his sons, Chuck (Tabitha) Stines and Harley (Kati) Stines; daughter, Tonya Partin; special companion, Gail Wimley; three grandchildren, two nieces, and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral Services were on Jan. 3, 2024, at Cowan First Baptist Church with Bro. L.Z. Johnson officiating. Interment followed in Cowan Montgomery Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to Cowan Elementary School Library for new books. For complete obituary go to <www.moorecortner.com>.

Death Notice**Rhonda Hoopingarner**

Rhonda Hoopingarner, age 67, died on Dec. 25, 2023, at Manchester Center for Rehabilitation and Healing. She was born in Clinton, Ind. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas J. Hoopingarner.

She is survived by siblings, Priscilla Stewart of Morgantown, Ind., Naomi Hoopingarner of Monteagle, Karen (Keith) Wilson of Greenwood, Ind., and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. No services are planned at this time.

Church News**Christ Church**

We have just begun the Season of Epiphany. The Magi have gone "home by another way," but we are still on our journey and we invite others to join us in learning about why this season is so important. One of our hymns states "In Epiphany we trace all the glory of God's grace." Our Sunday service begins at 10:45 a.m. We also have a service on Wednesdays at noon.

St. James Episcopal

St. James, located at 898 Midway Rd., is a thriving, growing, and warmly welcoming church. Our weekly service is on Sundays at 9 a.m. followed by a time for fellowship. These services are also live streamed on our Facebook page.

From 9:30–10:30 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 27, there will be a Men's Breakfast. To let us know you're coming please email <vicar@stjamessewanee.org>.

St. Mark and St. Paul

The 8:30 a.m. Sunday Holy Eucharist is in the church and is also livestreamed on our Facebook page and remains available there afterward. The second service is at 11 a.m.

At the Jan. 14 Sunday Forum, Jeannie Babb will speak on "Singing as Nonviolent Resistance." Continuing the 2023-2024 theme of Creating in God's Image, she will consider historical and more modern examples of this use of song. Participants will be invited to share examples from their own memories as well.

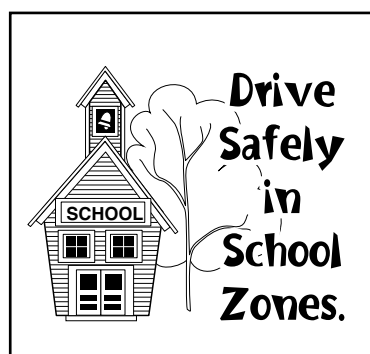
Jeannie Babb is the Director of Christian Formation at the Parish of St. Mark & St. Paul. She holds two masters degrees from the School of Theology. Sunday Forum meets in Kennerly Hall behind the church each week during the school year, from 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Community Chest Sets Goal

The 2023-24 Sewanee Community Chest (SCC) Fund Drive is underway. Sponsored by the Sewanee Civic Association, the SCC raises money yearly for local organizations serving the area. This year's goal of \$120,000 will help 16 local organizations that have requested basic needs funding for quality of life, community aid, children's programs, and those who are beyond Sewanee but still serve the entire community.

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 or to give through PayPal Giving, go to <www.sewaneeccivic.org>.

**SAS Receives 15 Nominations at the 2023-24 National Intercollegiate Broadcast Media Awards**

WMTN radio station, 103.1, the "Voice of the mountain" at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School, scored another major set of national radio nominations this past week. Since its establishment in 1940, the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System has been a driving educational force in high school and college broadcasting. In addition to the educational component to society, they also recognize excellence in radio broadcasting at the yearly national convention, this year held in New York City on March 1-2, 2024. Several of the DJ's and faculty sponsor J.R. Ankney will be attending the conference and presenting an interest session titled "Reviving the Airwaves: A High School Radio Station's Renaissance." The talk will focus on the process of growth, imagination, and hard work necessary to create award winning radio in a small town, and at a small, independent day and boarding school in the mountains of Tennessee.

WMTN radio was nominated for 15 awards in a wide variety of categories. Nominations include: Best Radio Drama for "The Lodger," Best Documentary for "Salute to Veterans Day," Best Public-Affairs Program for "The Nashville Shooting," Best Morning Show to "Angels of the Morning," Best Foreign Language Program for "Explorando Nuestra Herencia Espana-Parte 1," Best Spot News Interview for "Sun & Moon interview Dagwood from The BUZZ," Best Show Promotional Poster for "Sun and Moon Show," Best Website for <www.sasradio.org>," Best Podcast for "Sun & Moon-episode 2," Best Station or Event Promo for "WMTN Sung Jingle!," Best Show Promo for "Deep Cuts Jazz," Best Public Service Announcement for "Vaping ISN'T Cool," Best Use of Sound Effects for "Little Heathen OVOX," Best Liner/Sweeper for "The Youngest DJ on the Mountain!," and Best Station ID for "Sung WMTN Station ID."

In addition to the impressive number of nominations received by St. Andrew's-Sewanee school and WMTN, it is important to note that SAS Disc Jockeys were competing against significantly larger schools, some with student populations as vast as 4,000. Earlier this year WMTN students received several nominations and secured two wins from the John Drury High School Radio Awards Competition hosted by WONC radio and North Central College in Illinois.

WMTN radio has been broadcasting great music and serving up great programming since 2004. They now offer 24-hour programming, with a wide range of programs and music styles available. For more information go to WMTN contact: <jankney@sasweb.org>, <wmtn@sasradio.org>.



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the host of the YouTube series Crash Course Black American History. Clint received his B.A. in English from Davidson College and his Ph.D. in Education from Harvard University. Born and raised in New Orleans, he lives in Maryland with his wife and two children.

To attend virtually, please register at <https://mtholyoke.zoom.us/join/join/WN_oNBEejyqS2uXIrJ3_8Qs7Q#/registration>. You may also join us in Naylor Auditorium, 6–7 p.m. CST, for an in-person “Viewing Party” with light refreshments.

University Convocation

The University’s Winter Convocation will be at 4:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 19, in All Saints’ Chapel.

The University will begin a “new tradition” at the Opening Convocation of the Easter semester this year. In addition to inducting the newest members of the Order of the Gown, the teaching and scholarship of our faculty will also be recognized and honored by having one of our faculty colleagues deliver the convocation address.

This year, Professor of Classical Languages Stephanie McCarter, Sewanee’s 2023 Faculty Excellence in Scholarship recipient and an award-winning scholar and translator, will speak at the convocation.

In focusing our attention on our students being inducted into the Order of the Gown and the address by a faculty member, we will not bestow honorary degrees at the upcoming convocation. We will reserve conferring these honors for two other times in the year—at the opening of the school year Advent Convocation in September and at the end of the academic year in May at the University Baccalaureate and the School of Theology Commencement.

The livestream is available at <<https://new.sewanee.edu/parents-families/convocation-live-stream/>>.

Sewanee Community Blood Drive

The Red Cross has issued a critical need for blood donors across the nation, and we need your help to meet this need. Please consider giving blood from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 24, at St. Mark and St. Paul, 216 University Ave., Sewanee. You can pre-register and schedule an appt at <<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive>> (type in 37375, and you’ll find our blood drive). For specific question or to volunteer, reach out to Alane Osborne at <Osborae0@sewanee.edu>.

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meeting the board passed a resolution opposing the scholarship plan [See Messenger, December 15, 2023]. Marhevsky urged concerned community members to contact their legislators.

Foster announced the district still had an opening for an art teacher at Broadview and North Lake Elementary, as well as openings for three custodians, a special education assistant and a Title 1 assistant.

The board meets next on Thursday, Feb. 15 instead of on the regular meeting date.

Round Up for Project Help

The Sewanee Utility District’s billing software has the ability to round up your bill to the nearest dollar with the difference going to the Project Help fund. Project Help collects donations from SUD customers and passes them on to the Community Action Committee, where it is used to pay folks’ water and sewer bill when they need a bit of help.

Please consider rounding up your bill for this worthy cause – it really makes a difference in our community.

Call the office at (931) 598-5611 to enroll or if you have any questions.

SCCF Seeks Community Volunteers

South Cumberland Community Fund (SCCF) has been awarded a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to conduct a planning study for the towns adjacent to the planned Mountain Goat Trail. The \$50,000 project will start this winter and conclude in the fall of 2025.

The Community Fund is seeking volunteers to lead participatory design sessions, with training for the work starting this fall. Volunteers will receive design facilitation training and a generous cash honorarium for work that they will do over the next few months. Get in touch with the Community Fund at (931) 954-9116 or <talk@southcumberlandcommunityfund.org>.

“We know that when the trail is complete that it will be a big boon for visitors that will boost the local economy,” said Tom Sanders, executive director of the Fund. “We wanted to make sure that it brings just as big a benefit to the folks who live here in terms of opportunity for healthy living.”

The grant will allow the towns along the trail from Tracy City to Palmer to host design meetings, to think about access to the trail, amenities such as affordable housing that could be located near the trail, and other ways that people in Grundy County can benefit from this recreational asset.

“Grundy County was once the least healthy county in Tennessee,” said Sanders, “but we’ve been moving up in the rankings. One factor that holds us back is that fewer than 40 percent of the population has easy access to recreational facilities, even though we have some of the best parks and trails in the state. We think changing that fact is going to take good participatory design, where the needs and wishes of the public are taken into account.”

After the initial planning meetings take place this spring, planners at the Civic Design Center in Nashville will develop a Health Equity Plan, which will present how Grundy citizens believe the best development can take place to take their health into account. That plan will then inform the development of a “Design Your Neighborhood” curriculum in local schools.

The “Design Your Neighborhood” phase of the project will be developed by Dr. Katy Morgan, Sewanee professor, and teachers and administrators in the schools. Through Design Your Neighborhood, a three-week civic project for 6th through 8th grade students, Grundy County’s youngest citizens will learn about health equity in the built environment, design connectivity plans for their communities, and engage in creative placemaking that reflects their communities’ identity. In April of 2025, students will host a Community Design Exhibition to share their art, design ideas, and priorities for community connectivity. At the exhibition, youth will engage community stakeholders, local elected officials, and other leaders in an effort to elevate youth voices in long-term community planning. The grant will then conclude with a revised Health Equity Plan that includes youth priorities for healthy development.

Anyone wishing to be part of this project should contact the Fund at <talk@southcumberlandcommunityfund.org>.



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MLS 2539919 - 684 Jump Off Mtn. Rd., Sewanee. 19+ac. \$540,000



MLS 2551836 - 215 Shadow Rock Rd., Monteagle. \$289,500



322 Chase Circle, Fox Run Phase II, Winchester. \$290,000



MLS 252194 - 244 Rattlesnake Springs Rd., Sewanee. \$435,000



MLS 2487987 - 18546 S. Pittsburg Mountain Rd., Sewanee. 150 ac. \$1,800,000



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SENIOR CENTER NEWS

The Sewanee Senior Center serves lunch at noon Monday through Friday. The suggested donation is \$4, regardless of your age. Please call (931) 598-0771 by 9 a.m. to order lunch. Menus follow:

Monday, Jan. 15: Goulash, Mexican cornbread.

Tuesday, Jan. 16: Country-fried steak, mashed potatoes, green pea salad, roll.

Wednesday, Jan. 17: Pork roast, red potatoes, carrots, cornbread.

Thursday, Jan. 18: Italian tortellini soup, garlic biscuits, dessert.

Friday, Jan. 19: Stuffed peppers, mashed potatoes, mixed veggies, roll.

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

Chair exercise with Ruth Wendling is from 10:30–11:45 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

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Monday, Jan. 15: No School - Dr. MLK Jr. Day.

Tuesday, Jan. 16: Pizza bagel, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 17: Breakfast sandwich, fruit, juice, milk.

Thursday, Jan. 18: Breakfast crescent or cinnamon pull-apart, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Friday, Jan. 19: Bacon, egg & cheese biscuit, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

LUNCH

Monday, Jan. 15: No School - Dr. MLK Jr. Day.

Tuesday, Jan. 16: Pulled pork barbecue, crinkle-cut fries, tossed salad, Great Northern beans, HB bun, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 17: Chicken fillet, fresh veggie cup, buttered corn, waffles, fruit, milk.

Thursday, Jan. 18: Walking taco, tossed salad, pinto beans, salsa, fruit, milk.

Friday, Jan. 19: Quesadilla, emoticons, marinara sauce, fresh broccoli cup, fruit, milk.

A variety of fruit, fruit juice and milk is offered daily for breakfast. Daily offerings for lunch may include yogurt bag, sandwich, wrap, Bento box or pizza munchable. Menus subject to change. Go to <<https://www.fcstn.net/menus-mealpricing>>.



Congratulations to Monteagle Elementary teacher Mika Harris for being awarded the Marion County School Middle School Teacher of the Year. Graduating from college in 1994, Harris has spent the last 30 years as an educator in the Grundy and Marion County school districts. She taught at Tracy City Elementary for 13 years and has spent the last 17 years of her career as a regular education and exceptional education teacher at Monteagle Elementary School. Harris is currently serving as the school's lead exceptional education teacher for students in grades K-8th. Pictured are Mika Harris and Veronica Rogers-Horton, Monteagle Elementary Principal

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Sewanee Elementary first grade students completed their reading unit on early world civilizations by creating and selling items at a Holiday Market. They made ornaments, reindeer food, Christmas crafts, and hot chocolate bags to sell. They collected \$950 in proceeds and donations went to Chief David Green's Operation Noel. Mr. Green's son, Russell Green, and Tracy McBee, fundraiser organizer, accepted the money to help with Christmas for children in the Sewanee area.



First and second grade had a wonderful time caroling around Sewanee. Mrs. Seiter, a former Sewanee Elementary teacher, was kind enough to accompany the students with her piano skills.

Voting Dates and Voter Registration Information

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 Presidential Preference Primary and County Primary; Voter Registration Deadline: Monday, Feb. 5, 2024.

Thursday, Aug. 1, 2024 State/Federal Primary and County General Election; Voter Registration Deadline: Tuesday, July 2, 2024.

Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2024 State/Federal General Election; Voter Registration Deadline: Monday, Oct. 7, 2024.

For more information, go to Franklin County <<http://franklin-county.us>>, phone (931) 967-1893. In Grundy County <<http://grundy-countytn.net>>, phone (931) 692-3551. In Marion County <www.marionvotes.com>, phone (423) 942-2108.

Contact information for election offices, samples ballots and more can also be found at <<https://sos.tn.gov/elections>>.

Tennesseans voting should remember to bring valid state or federal photo identification with them to the polls. For information about what types of ID are acceptable, visit <GoVoteTN.com> or call (877) 850-4959.

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Carlos to Present ‘Bending History’

Ed Carlos will present an exhibit, “Bending History” at the Tibbott Gallery in University School of Nashville, located at 2000 Edgehill Ave., Nashville. The exhibit will be present Monday, Jan. 15, until Thursday, Feb. 29. An opening reception will be from 4–6 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 18. Parking is available at the 19th Avenue parking lot.

These china marker drawings, each 8 feet by 4 feet, paradoxically intermingle and intercept each other while given unique emotional stance. As mythological portraits from different sanctions of spiritual endeavor, each emblazes light and enters the perception of history, influenced by the encounters of light as in the Old Testament a la Ezekiel. The individual images chosen inhabit the moving, non-static grasp of incarnations and reincarnations, amplifying their resonances. The images of the persona involved are imagined, altered as historically considered, therein revitalized. Each is a congruence that changes history and bends possible expectations of reality.

Words, akin to images, resonate, assume, their presences being essential, metaphorical. They are black holes of gravity, each image an avatar of reality, thereby daring a viewer to plunge into the meanings they embody. They provide vitality and are willing to face being enfaced enough to collapse in their energy. Hence each is a promising significance. The materials alter the imagery as they age, more so than in the past.



From the “Bending History” exhibit.

‘Craft a New Year’ Workshop Series

The Tennessee State Museum’s “Craft a New Year Workshop Series,” presented in collaboration with Tennessee Craft, returns in January 2024 with classes in Choctaw beadwork, crocheting, and calligraphy. For three Saturdays in January, we’ll offer introductory classes in traditional craft mediums taught by some of the top artists and teachers in their fields. Each class is a one-day, seven-hour course designed to get you started in the offered Tennessee crafts. Think of it as an opportunity to learn something new by learning something traditional. All skill levels are welcome, but classes are designed for beginning adults with little or no experience.

The classes are: Choctaw Beading with Sally Wells, Jan. 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Crocheting with Martha Baird, Jan. 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Calligraphy with Ann Cobb, Jan. 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The course fee is \$120. The course fee is non-refundable. If you have any questions, please contact Morgan Byrn at <Public.Programs@tn.gov>. To register, go to <https://tnmuseum.org/calendar-of-events>.

‘Blank Canvas: Make Your Mark!’ at In-Town

Charge into the new year and make it yours! In-Town Gallery will open 2024 with “Blank Canvas: Make Your Mark!”, a month-long interactive experience for visitors. A large canvas will be provided on the front wall with various art supplies: stamps, pens, markers, etc., free for visitors to use. People can draw, write, doodle — whatever they want — to express themselves. We all have something we’d like to say, wish, or dream, and now is the time to share it. Anything that’s not rude or hurtful is welcome. Over the course of the month this collaborative work will just grow and grow, becoming whatever it becomes. It’s art for the whole community!

And this January there’s even more going on at ITG!

On Saturday, Jan. 20, you’ll want to see, “Playing with Fire.” Sean Price will give an all-day demonstration, showing how he makes his incredible flame worked glass figures. This fascinating demo involves glasses of different colors worked in their molten state. Price, a long time resident of Hawaii, has mastered a difficult technique and creates sensuous portrayals of natural creatures of astonishing life and delicacy.

Showcasing the creativity of local artists, In-Town Gallery is located ‘Between the Bridges’ on Chattanooga’s North Shore at 26A Frazier Ave. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday–Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m., on Sunday. Visit us at <www.intowngallery.com>, Facebook and Instagram.



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Members of the Sewanee Herbarium-sponsored nature journaling group with their show at Stirling’s.

All Things Bright and Beautiful—A Salute to the Perimeter Trail and Its Environs

Of “all things bright and beautiful” about this place that we call Sewanee, the sights and scenes along our trails are among the best. Members of the Sewanee Herbarium-sponsored nature journaling group have hung an exhibit at Stirling’s Coffee House highlighting some of their favorites -- the quiet “sit spots,” the overlooks, the waterfalls, and the creatures and plants that inhabit these haunts.

The trails of the Sewanee Domain — all 65 miles of them — are steeped in the “wow factor,” things that take our breath away, including the sunsets at the Cross, the view from Piney Point, and the lovely spring wildflowers in Shakerag Hollow. And experiences: a cookout at the Forestry Cabin, bike ride to Dotson Point, a climb at Armfield Bluff, or a peaceful afternoon at Lake Audubon.

Coffee House patrons are invited to jot down a favorite trail memory on one of the post-its provided and put it up along the trail to share. The exhibit will hang for the month of January.

Branding Yourself: A Tennessee Craft Workshop

Tennessee Craft, is pleased to announce Branding Yourself, a professional development workshop to help artists and arts and culture professionals grow and brand their business. The daylong workshops will be on Jan. 19, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and again Jan. 20, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Frist Art Museum in Nashville. Kelly Porter, design educator and Associate Professor of Graphic Design at East Tennessee State University, will walk participants through the process of defining your brand and creating consistency that will differentiate you and attract your target audience. You’ll be learning the process that experts go through, such as establishing your brand voice, creating a compelling brand story, using color theory and typographic choices to express your brand’s personality, best practices in design, and building brand assets for marketing yourself. Additionally, Kelly will walk you through her favorite free and affordable design resources including Canva.

Tickets for sale: member \$70; non-member \$100; student \$50.

For more information on the workshop and to register, go to <www.tennesseecraft.org/events/workshops/brandingyourself>.

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Mountain Pickle Ball News

Mountain Pickle Ball formed in April 2023 with four aspirants. They are now at 47 players, half of who are regulars.

The University has been very supportive — new nets, new paddles, spotless floors etc. Only fee to play is a \$7 entry fee.

There are now three courts at Fowler, expandable to six as needed. Two more seasonal courts are available, including one at the South Cumberland State Park Visitors Center in Monteagle. A grant request is in the works for six new courts in Monteagle.

There is an app available for scheduling, communicating and announcing pickle ball news. For more information and to join the roster, contact Stephen Burnett at <burnett434@bellsouth.net>.

Community Bike Rides

The Sewanee GoGirls MTB rides are regularly scheduled on the first Sunday of every month, starting at 2 p.m. from the Lake Cheston parking lot. Rides are accessible for anyone with basic trail experience, with adjustments for age, duration, and skill level as appropriate. Mountain bikes are recommended for all trail rides.

For families, new riders, and anyone interested in biking a short distance, there is a monthly Community Bike Ride on the paved Mountain Goat Trail (MGT) every first Saturday of the month starting at 3 p.m. from Hawkins Lane in Sewanee. This is a great ride for younger children and families. Riders who prefer biking on dirt trails also have the option of riding a short MGT section before exiting and riding to Lake Dimmick and back. For more information contact Beth Pride Ford at <bethprideford@gmail.com>.

HOME GAMES

6 p.m., Friday, Jan. 12, Women's Basketball vs. Oglethorpe University

8 p.m., Friday, Jan. 12, Men's Basketball vs. Oglethorpe

1 p.m., Friday, Jan. 13, University Swimming and Diving, Quad Meet

1 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 14, Women's Basketball vs. Berry College

3 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 14, Men's Basketball vs. Berry College

5 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 18, SAS Varsity Boys' Basketball vs. Boyd Buchanan

7:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 18, SAS Varsity Swimming vs. Quad Meet

5 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 20, University Swimming and Diving vs. Rhodes

6 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 20, Women's Basketball vs. Rhodes

8 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 20, Men's Basketball vs. Rhodes

1 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 21, Women's Basketball vs. Hendrix

3 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 21, Men's Basketball vs. Hendrix

10-0 Run to End Game Sends Tigers Past BSC

Sewanee scored the final 10 points of the game, including six by Cydney Wright and two free throws from Faith Humphrey with 21 seconds to play, helping the Tigers to a 68-65 victory over Birmingham-Southern in women's basketball action Sunday afternoon in Birmingham, Ala.

The Panthers took a 65-58 lead with 3:30 remaining after two foul shots from Sheridan Foster, but the home team did not score the rest of the way, missing eight consecutive shots along with three turnovers and two missed free throws.

That opened the door for the Tigers, with Humphrey's layup starting the 10-0 spurt to end the contest. Wright made a layup with 1:44 to go and after two missed foul shots as well as an offensive rebound and a missed jumper from BSC, she connected on two free throws with 1:03 remaining.

Wright's basket in the lane with 41 ticks on the clock put Sewanee ahead for good and Birmingham-Southern posted a turnover on the other end. Humphrey's final two free throws with 21 seconds remaining provided the final margin.

The Panthers got four chances in the final 20 seconds but could not score, giving Sewanee its first conference win of the season and ending a four-game losing streak overall for the Tigers.

Humphrey led the club with 17 points, including three 3-pointers, along with seven assists while Wright added 16 and Olivia Falvey netted 15 with five assists and Lilly Phillips made four 3-pointers for 12 points, all in the first half.

Humphrey made the first of two 3-pointers in the first quarter to open the scoring for the Tigers and Phillips followed with a triple. Kayla Antoine's basket tied the game at eight and Humphrey made another three on the next possession for Sewanee.

Antoine added consecutive field goals in the middle of the period and Falvey's basket put the Tigers ahead, 16-13, with 2:50 left in the quarter. Phillips made her second 3-pointer late in the period, but the Panthers tied the game at 19 with buckets from Sheraton Foster and Maya Cable.

Phillips opened the second quarter with her third triple of the half and two free throws and a layup by Wright extended the Sewanee lead to 26-19, but the Panthers scored nine of the next 11 points, including four points by DeKerriya Daniel and a 3-pointer from Lauryn Towns.

Back-to-back triples by Phillips and Humphrey late in the quarter put the Tigers ahead, 38-33, and a field goal and then an old-fashioned 3-point play from Falvey gave Sewanee a 43-37 advantage at the half.

Sewanee scored just five points in the third quarter, making 2-of-9 from the field and committing seven turnovers. Birmingham-Southern took advantage, netting the final 10 points of the period, including two baskets by Towns and a 3-point play from Foster. Summer Killin's basket in the paint in the final five seconds put the Panthers in front, 53-48.

Ajailah Ogiemwonyi's basket with 6:46 remaining in the game stretched the BSC advantage to 61-52, but Wright answered with a basket and then two foul shots at the 4:09 mark. Foster's field goal with 3:56 to play were the final points for the Panthers, setting up the 10-0 run to end the game for Sewanee.

The Tigers return home next week, hosting Oglethorpe on Friday at 6 p.m. and Berry on Sunday at 1 p.m.

SAS Goes 6-5 on Season

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee boys' varsity basketball team defeated Boyd Christian School Jan. 9, 62-33. SAS was led by Elijah Stark's 17 points, including 5-for-5 from the arc. Raulston Barnett had a strong game at point guard, 12 points, and Pete Gotsiridze came off the bench to add 10 points. Other scorers: Hatch McNabb nine; Sam Goodpaster five; Alijandro Miranda four; Harper Thompson three; Gabin Mugisha two. SAS is 6-5 on the season.

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## Slow Start Sends Tigers to Road Defeat

Tre Corrigan and Russ Marr each netted 17 points but Sewanee fell into an early hole and never recovered, dropping an 89-70 decision at Birmingham-Southern in men's basketball action on Jan. 7, in Birmingham, Ala.

The Tigers (5-9, 1-2 SAA) took their only lead of the game thanks to an 8-0 spurt three-and-a-half minutes into the contest, but the Panthers (9-6, 3-1) answered with a 13-1 run and never looked back from there, leading by double figures for most of the last 10 minutes of the first half.

Sewanee shot just 30 percent from the field (10-for-30) overall in the opening 20 minutes, though the Tigers made 5-of-12 from behind the arc. Defensively Sewanee struggled to stop Birmingham-Southern, which connected on 59 percent on field goals in the opening period. Sewanee also committed 10 turnovers in the first half, which led to 17 points for the Panthers.

Birmingham-Southern scored the first seven points of the game, including an old-fashioned 3-point play by Jay Gillispie and field goals from Brandon Garrido and Brandon Copeland, but Sewanee answered with eight consecutive points.

Marr connected on a 3-pointer before a basket by Rashaun Williams and then another triple from Marr, but the Tigers netted just one point over the next four-plus minutes and BSC took advantage.

Brody Davis collected three baskets and Kalib Thomas made a 3-pointer during the ensuing 13-1 spurt for BSC. Graham Smith ended the scoring drought for the Tigers with a three and Sewanee kept the deficit between eight and 11 points for the next four minutes.

Birmingham-Southern posted eight straight points over a little more than a minute, stretching its lead to 35-19, with seven minutes left in the period. Kaleb Green netted a 3-pointer plus the foul and Nolan Dean and Garrido added baskets for BSC.

Corrigan's 3-pointer for the Tigers briefly interrupted the run for the Panthers, but Garrido and Dean added field goals and a layup by Thomas in the final minute made it 45-26 BSC at the break.

Corrigan netted 14 of his 17 points in the second half and Luke Avaliani and Smith each finished with 10 points.

Sewanee is back at home next week, hosting Oglethorpe on Friday at 8 p.m. and Berry on Sunday at 3 p.m.

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## NATURENOTES

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The flower spike on *Billbergia decora*. Photo by Jonathan Ertelt

### From the Webb Greenhouse

Plants don't know anything about academic calendars. As a result, some of the things that we'd like students to see just don't happen when students are around. During the Thanksgiving break, the "Starburst Sansevieria," (*Dracaena pethera*) was blooming every evening for almost the entire break. The flowers are wonderful, but what's even better is the fresh-baked waffle cone fragrance the flowers emit after dark. Right now it's all about the visual show. A member of the bromeliad, or pineapple family, *Billbergia decora*, currently has a pendulous flower spike with large pink bracts advertising the green flowers. The pink bracts possibly attract hummingbirds from a distance who will visit the flowers once they're close enough that they see the tubular shape. The question is exactly how this might work – while the anthers and stigma maintain the shape somewhat, the petals coil up to the base of the flowers like tight party streamers. There might be nectar in the flower bases, which are also closer to the pink bracts. More research is needed, but there's no question this is a real show! Another current show is a candelabra-spiked Aloe, *Aloe dawei*, with many orange blooms.

One which will last longer is an Agave I have had more than 20 years. I moved it from my sunroom when I saw that it was starting to grow its flower spike. On Dec. 15, the spike was 7" tall. Three weeks later it's 34". Some Agaves grow spikes 15 feet+, but I suspect that this one will be closer to 4 feet. It's hard to predict when it will start to flower – but it's still better than two weeks off, since no secondary spikes or flower buds have started to emerge. These can be seen looking through the glass, or by coming in if I'm watering (Friday-Sunday, early to mid-afternoon). *Jonathan Ertelt, Herbarium Associate*

## State Park Offerings

Please note: To confirm that these events will occur as listed go to <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/south-cumberland>>, <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>> or call (931) 924-2980.

**Grundy Forest Day Loop Hike—South Cumberland State Park, Thursday, Jan. 18, 1–3 p.m. CST. Cost, \$10.** <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/south-cumberland>>. Meet at: Fiery Gizzard North: 131 Fiery Gizzard Road, Tracy City. Hike The Grundy Day Loop with Ranger Jessie while she tells you about the flora and fauna of the area, the history of the Fiery Gizzard (where did that name even come from?), and hopefully see some waterfalls. This 2 mile loop trail is rated as moderate due to the rocky terrain and exposed roots, so please wear appropriate footwear. Flip flops and slide in sandals will not be allowed. Please pack plenty of water and bring snacks if you would like. In the event of bad danger weather (heavy rain, high winds, lightning, hail), Ranger Jessie will make the decision to cancel and will notify everyone and then issue refunds.

**Night Hike at Stone Door—Savage Gulf State Park, Friday, Jan. 19, 5:15 p.m. CST. Cost, \$10.** <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>>. (This hike is limited to the first 10 people to register. Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please pre-register.) Join Ranger Spencer Baxter at Stone Door Ranger Station (Savage Gulf North), 1183 Stone Door Rd., Beersheba Springs, for a 2-mile roundtrip to Stone Door Overlook and several other overlooks. Experience the beauty of the night sky. Bring your own headlamp, sturdy hiking boots, and appropriate clothing for the weather. In the event of inclement weather the event will be cancelled and a refund issued.

**Full Moon Night Hiking at Stone Door—Savage Gulf State Park, Friday, Jan. 26, 5:30–8:30 p.m. CST. Cost, \$10.** <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>>. Join Ranger Spencer for a night hike to the Stone Door overlook that is sure to amaze. This hike is two miles long round trip and will take visitors to several overlooks to experience the night sky and the unseen wonders of night in the beautiful Savage Gulf State Park. Visitors are required to bring their own headlamp, sturdy hiking boots, appropriate clothing for the weather, and the spirit of adventure. This hike is limited to the first 10 people to register. Please meet the ranger at the Stone Door Station (Savage Gulf North, 1183 Stone Door Rd., Beersheba Springs) about 15 minutes before the start of the hike to check in. Please note that in the case of inclement weather (rain, high wind, snow, etc.) this program will be cancelled and a refund issued.

## Franklin State Forest Reclassifies Designated Use Areas

Following months of restoration of damaged roads and trails in Franklin State Forest, the Forest reopened three roads to motorized vehicles on Jan. 4, 2024.

In March of 2023, the Tennessee Department of Agriculture Division of Forestry instituted temporary restrictions to assess the damage caused by off-road vehicles driven in restricted areas. This practice jeopardized the health of the forest and the safety and welfare of visitors.

"As stewards of Tennessee's land and forests, we are dedicated to maintaining a balance among sustainable forestry practices, timber production, and recreational use," State Forester David Arnold said. "The temporary restrictions provided our staff time to address ecological, viewshed, and safety concerns caused by motorized vehicle use, particularly in non-designated areas of Franklin State Forest. We remain committed to reversing this damage, restoring the forest, and providing multiple recreation use opportunities to Tennessee residents and visitors."

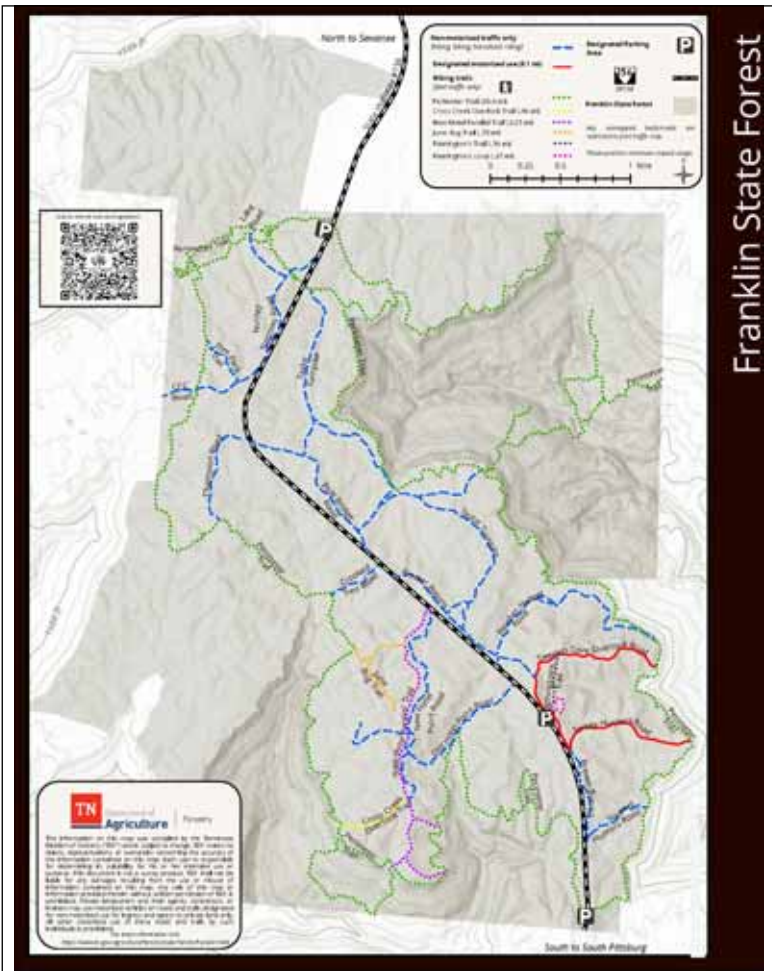
The Tennessee Department of Agriculture Division of Forestry has now completed rehabilitation of more than 23 miles in Franklin State Forest, which is located in Franklin and Marion Counties. Workers restored primary forest roads, drained and filled mudholes, sowed seed, and installed cables and gates to designate closed areas.

An updated Franklin State Forest Recreation Use map <<https://www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests/state-forests/franklin.html>> shows 30.7 miles of hiking (foot traffic only) trails, 11.5 miles of non-motorized (hiking, biking, horseback riding) use on unpaved roads, and 6.1 miles of motorized traffic on designated unpaved forest roads.

Newly designated motorized use is accessible from the parking lot off State Highway 156 adjacent to the old fire tower. It includes Brewer Bypass to and along junctions with Sweden Cove Overlook Road and Turkey Hunters Road, terminating at the Perimeter Trail. The Perimeter Trail is foot traffic only, so this route does not create a loop. Activity is restricted to daylight hours and motorized use in non-designated areas is prohibited. Motorized use is limited to vehicles and operators that are in compliance with Tennessee laws.

Tampering with posted signs or barricades, traveling on closed or restricted use roads, driving around or through signs or barricades, and traveling off designated roads is a Class A misdemeanor. Violators will be cited.

In all other state forests, the use of motorcycles, trail bikes, all-terrain vehicles, bicycles and other off-road vehicles in any area of the state forest is strictly prohibited, except on designated roads or trails maintained by the Division of Forestry. Damage to forest resources from motorized vehicles is not limited to Franklin State Forest, and the Division is monitoring and assessing measures to correct abuses across the state forest system, which includes 15 state forests totaling 168,000 acres.



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| Mon             | Dec 11 | 41    | 24 | Mon             | Dec 18 | 48    | 35 |
| Tue             | Dec 12 | 44    | 28 | Tue             | Dec 19 | 46    | 20 |
| Wed             | Dec 13 | 53    | 38 | Wed             | Dec 20 | 43    | 28 |
| Thu             | Dec 14 | 59    | 39 | Thu             | Dec 21 | 50    | 33 |
| Fri             | Dec 15 | 60    | 36 | Fri             | Dec 22 | 53    | 38 |
| Sat             | Dec 16 | 58    | 38 | Sat             | Dec 23 | 58    | 41 |
| Sun             | Dec 17 | 55    | 46 | Sun             | Dec 24 | 59    | 46 |
| Week's Stats:   |        |       |    | Week's Stats:   |        |       |    |
| Avg max temp =  |        | 53    |    | Avg max temp =  |        | 51    |    |
| Avg min temp =  |        | 36    |    | Avg min temp =  |        | 34    |    |
| Avg temp =      |        | 47    |    | Avg temp =      |        | 43    |    |
| Precipitation = |        | 0.29" |    | Precipitation = |        | 1.20" |    |

Reported by Sandy Gilliam, Domain Ranger



Foxy



Lana

## MARC's Mountain Adoptables Meet Foxy & Lana

Meet little Foxy girl. She is a sweetheart who is around three months old and weighs about 15 pounds. Foxy should grow up to be a medium size dog. She is house-trained and gets along with other dogs at her foster home. Foxy is very friendly and playful, perfect to play with children. She is so soft and a snuggle bug. If you are looking for a wonderful new family companion, check out Foxy.

Lana is a sweet, spunky girl who loves to play. She loves all kinds of toys and enjoys climbing on the cat tower and even to the top of her foster family's closet. Lana is full of energy but will cuddle up in your lap when she gets sleepy. She does well with other cats, but is still a little scared of dogs. Lana is looking for her forever home so if your looking for a kitten who loves to play and snuggle, then Lana is your girl.

If you would like to learn more about Foxy and Lana, please fill out an Adoption Application on the MARC website <[www.marc-4change.org](http://www.marc-4change.org)> and/or contact Sue Scruggs, cell phone (423) 619-3845. These pets are fostering on the Sewanee-Monteagle Mountain and are easy to meet. All MARC animals ready for adoption are spayed or neutered and up to date on their vaccines and preventatives.

MARC - Marion Animal Resource Connection is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit animal welfare organization. It is not a shelter and relies on foster homes to save animals. MARC also provides low cost and free spay/neuter procedures for animals and is available for teaching humane care of animals in schools and to community organizations.

MARC is in need of community volunteers. Please contact the office at (423) 240-9074 and leave a message with your name and phone number.



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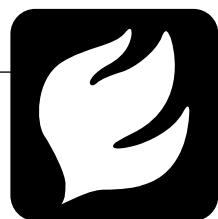
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### PLANNING ON BURNING BRUSH?

Go to <[www.Burn-SafeTN.org](http://www.Burn-SafeTN.org)> to obtain a permit, if you intend to burn brush between now and May 15.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE:** The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 23, 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 Doug Cameron, Johnny Hughes, Donnie McBee, Charlie Smith, and Clay Yeatman.

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL CALLED WORKSHOP:** Notice is hereby given of a Special Called Workshop of the Monteagle Planning Commission to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2024, at 4 p.m. (Central) in the Monteagle Town Hall. The purpose of this special called workshop is to go over the agenda for the subsequent Planning Commission meeting. Greg Maloof, Monteagle Mayor

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## GLASS - DROPOFF BOXES

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Glass recycling is supported with community and University funds, separate from Franklin County Solid Waste.

Boxes for separated glass are located at 191 Kennerly Avenue, at the rear of the University's Facilities Management (FM) Warehouse, under a carport. Drop off area is open 24/7



## RECYCLING - DROPOFF CENTER

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|     | WHEN Daylight Savings BEGINS | WHEN Daylight Savings ENDS |
|-----|------------------------------|----------------------------|
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| WED | 3:00 - 6:00                  | 2:00 - 5:00                |
| THU | 3:00 - 6:00                  | 2:00 - 5:00                |
| FRI | 3:00 - 6:00                  | 2:00 - 5:00                |
| SAT | 8:00 - 4:00                  | 8:00 - 4:00                |
| SUN | CLOSED                       | CLOSED                     |



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## FROM BARD TO VERSE

by Robin Bates

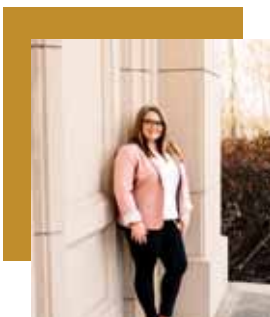
### A New Year

I thought my heart was death chilled,  
I thought its fires were cold;  
But the new love, the new love,  
It warmeth like the old.  
I thought its rooms were shadowed  
With the gloom of endless night;  
But the new love, the new love,  
It fills them full of light.  
I thought the chambers empty,  
And proclaimed it unto men;  
But the new love, the new love,  
It peoples them again.  
I thought its halls were silent,  
And hushed the whole day long;  
But the new love, the new love,  
It fills them full of song.  
Then here is to the new love,  
Let who will sing the old;  
The new love, the new love,  
'Tis more than fame or gold.  
For it gives us joy for sorrow,  
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## Community Calendar

### Friday, Jan. 12

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Yin Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. You Fit, Betsy, Community Center; and at noon; sign up required

### Saturday, Jan. 13

- 8 a.m. MMUMC monthly community food distribution, 322 W. Main St., Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m. Flow Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:45 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop re-opens, until 2 p.m.

### Sunday, Jan. 14

- 1 p.m. You Fit, Betsy, Community Center; and at 2:30 p.m.; sign up required
- 2 p.m. Knitting Circle, Mooney's, until 4 p.m.
- 4 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center

### Monday, Jan. 15 • Dr. MLK Jr. Day

- 9 a.m. Dr. MLK, Jr. Day of Service, Fowler Center
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Community Center, until 11:45 a.m.
- 4 p.m. Flow Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 5:15 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, intermediate, Bruce, 293 Ball Park Rd.

### Tuesday, Jan. 16

*First Day of Classes, University*

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, 114 S. Industrial Park Rd., Coalmont, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Flow Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginners, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 11:30 a.m. Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid Bakery, Tracy City
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 12:30 p.m. Caregivers' Group, Brooks Hall, St. Mark & St. Paul
- 4:30 p.m. S. Cumberland Farmers' Market pickup, Community Center, until 5:30 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Vinyasa Yoga, High Vibes, Country

Mart, Monteagle, until 6:15 p.m.

- 5:30 p.m. Gentle Flow Yoga, Pippa, 293 Ball Park Rd., until 6:30 p.m.
- 6 p.m. Social Dance (\$10), Firefly Ballroom, Cowan; Beginner, 6 p.m.; Intermediate, 7 p.m. Text Valerie, (931) 691 3168
- 7 p.m. Franklin County Commission, FC Courthouse, Winchester

### Wednesday, Jan. 17

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 10 a.m. Writers' Group, 212 Sherwood Rd., more info: (931) 598-0915
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Community Center, until 11:45 a.m.
- 11:30 a.m. EQB Club, St. Mary's Sewanee; lunch at 11:50 a.m.; Lead, "Blue Monarch's Healing Impact," Shakia Craig, at 12:25 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Mobility & Flexibility, (\$15), Camp, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center
- 6:30 p.m. Kundalini Yoga/Meditation, Pippa, (\$15) High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle

### Thursday, Jan. 18

- 8 a.m. Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, St. Mary's Sewanee, 770 St. Mary's Lane
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Flow Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m. Body Recall, Judy, Monteagle City Hall, until 10:30 a.m.; more info <mjsma-goo@gmail.com>
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginner, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 4 p.m. Movement to Music, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 5 p.m..

### Friday, Jan. 19

*Winter Convocation, University*

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Yin Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. You Fit, Betsy, Community Center; and at noon; sign up required

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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., the Wesley House, MMUMC

#### Monday

4 p.m., 12-Step Women's Study Group, Brooks Hall, (931) 327-5551, not on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1, resumes at 5 p.m., Jan. 8  
7 p.m., AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City

#### Tuesday

7 p.m., AA, open, First Baptist, Altamont  
7 p.m., AA, open, Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester

#### Wednesday

10 a.m., AA, closed, Cliff-tops, (931) 924-3493  
7 p.m., NA, Decherd United Methodist

#### Thursday

6 p.m., Life's Healing Choice, Grundy County Recovery Alliance, Coalmont  
7 p.m., Al-Anon, First UMC, Winchester