

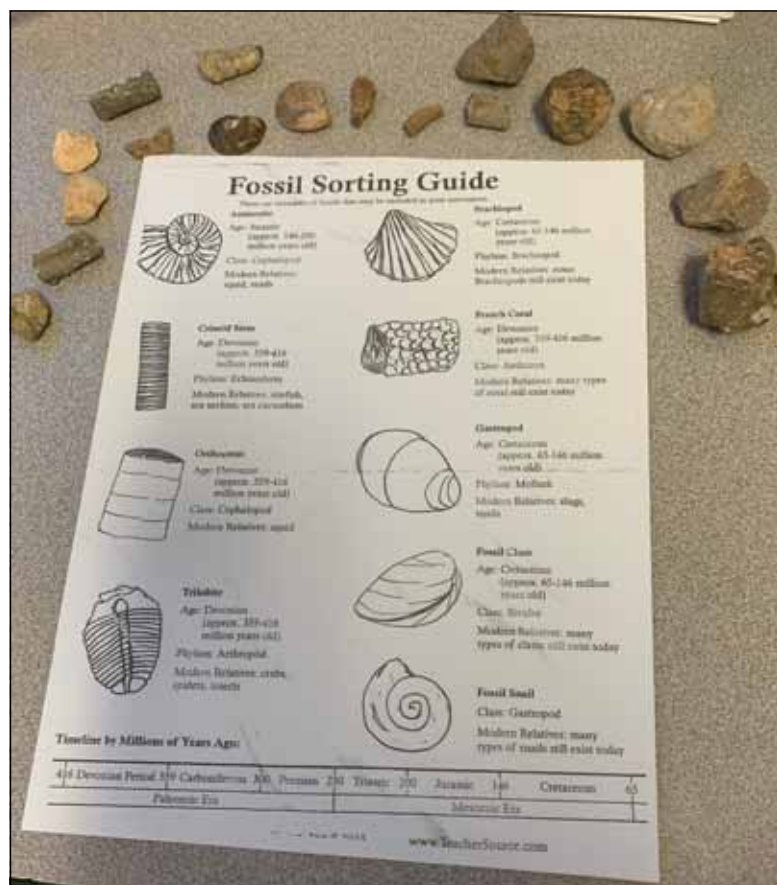


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Fifth grade students in Laura Beth Merrell's class at Sewanee Elementary were able to learn about fossils with Sarah Rundle. Sarah provided fossils for all students to sort. Students thought it was amazing that they were touching items that were around when dinosaurs were walking on the earth.

Monteagle Council Requests Planning Commission to Consider Rezoning Requests

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the Jan. 25 Zoom format meeting, the Monteagle City Council approved on second reading a new zoning map and new comprehensive zoning ordinances. Adopting the new map, based on the 2016 map, resulted in several properties not having the requisite zoning, including a portion of the proposed RBT Enterprises travel center.

In discussion prior to approval of the comprehensive ordinances, Monteagle resident Will Foehring asked the council to consider providing "for conditional use versus permitted use" to give the council and planning commission more authority. Foehring pointed out the 2016 comprehensive ordinances addressing C-3 commercial zoning stipulated conditional use which "allows a determination to protect the public health safety and welfare."

City attorney Sam Elliott recommended consulting the town planner on adoption of a "conditional uses" clause.

Resident William Best took issue with the accuracy of the 2016 map. "It's not good," Best said. "There are changes that need to be made to that map...There are some admitted errors in that map, as well."

"We're not admitting to any errors on the 2016 map," said Mayor Marilyn Campbell Rodman. "Because of the codification consultants through MTAS is the reason we chose to go back to 2016. That was a map we know was good. We found 34 errors [since 2016], plus four properties we're going to have to address individually, three properties plus the RBT that have been done incorrectly."

"If we're adopting a new map,"

Best said, "I would like the council to take into consideration the preservation of the character of the existing development...The houses are already here, the homes are here."

The council passed a resolution asking the planning commission to proceed with rezoning two properties on the new map. Alderman Nate Wilson explained the council previously changed the property of a collision repair business from residential to commercial, but adequate public hearing notice was not given. Elliott said the other property owners, RBT Enterprises, had already applied for rezoning to bring the disputed residential tract into compliance with commercial zoning requirements for the travel center.

Following the Feb. 2 meeting where the planning commission would take up the two requests, a public hearing with two weeks noticed would need to be scheduled, Elliott stressed.

Rodman said, in keeping with the new comprehensive zoning ordinances, courtesy letters would be sent to adjacent property owners and signage posted on the properties proposed for rezoning.

Addressing a chat question, Elliott replied the planning commission would not take up the travel center site plan until the April 6 meeting.

In regular business, the council approved a resolution to apply for a Community Development Block Grant to remedy inflow and infiltration into the sewer system. City engineer Travis Wilson said the city was also applying for an ARC (Appalachian Regional Commission) grant for the same purpose. Asked

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Historical marker next to Sewanee Elementary School, which was placed on Jan. 19, 2014 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the desegregation of the Franklin County Public School System.

SES Students Revisit 1960s School Desegregation

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

Sewanee residents Robin Bates and Doug Cameron recently joined Sewanee Elementary School fifth-graders for a virtual conversation about the desegregation of the Franklin County Schools. As students at the time of the historic lawsuit leading to desegregation, Bates and Cameron offered a first-person perspective.

Setting the stage, the two men recounted stories from a very different time. Commenting on the significance of segregated drinking fountains and theaters, Cameron noted there was no bottled water and no watching movies on TV. Bates recounted how when alternate swimming days for African-American and whites became a problem at Lake O'Donnell, the white community built a segregated swimming pool for black residents use to keep them away from the lake.

Driving home awareness separate schools were not equal, Cameron pointed out the white Sewanee Public School had eight teachers, a gym, and cafeteria. The black Kennerly School had two teachers and two rooms. Both schools educated students through the eighth grade, but the black school offered no instruction in Algebra and other areas according to Bates.

After integration, to remedy unequal education practices, Otey Parish operated a summer school and afterschool study hall, Bates said. The flush toilets came as a surprise to African-American learners with no indoor plumbing at home. Cameron credited substandard wages for the substandard living conditions of many African-Americans.

The historic lawsuit, with eight Sewanee families as plaintiffs, four black and four white, was the first integrated group of plaintiffs in the South, Cameron noted. Bates told how Ronnie Staten, a black student from one of the plaintiff families responded to being called "the N word" by smiling at his tormenters. The nonviolent strategy recommended by Ronnie's mother Sarah worked. "All the aggression went out of the bullies," Bates observed.

Talking about how he and his brother dealt with harassment of his black friends, Cameron admitted, "We harassed them back. We

were counter bullies. I feel bad about that."

Significantly, the four black families named in the lawsuit were all from Sewanee. "Sewanee was a bit of a bubble," Bates said. "The KKK wasn't as active on the mountain."

Cameron related the experiences of black Sewanee student Juliette Taylor during the early days of integration. Taylor was an elementary school basketball star, but required to change in a separate room. The Tracy City team refused to play the Sewanee team and forced them to get back on the bus. Facing even worse harassment in high school, Taylor moved to the north to live with her aunt and finished high school there.

Franklin County Director of Schools Stanley Bean offered additional insight about the difficult times. In fifth grade when desegregation took place, Bean went on to become a teacher and coach. The practice of playing Dixie after touchdowns and waving the Confederate flag led black team members to boycott a game, Bean said. The players ultimately rejoined the team. Head coach Red Roberts took down all the Confederate flags.

"Our students are also living in a time where there is unrest," said fifth grade teacher Laura Beth Merrell. "What advice can you give them?"

"We need to listen to one another, to acknowledge other people are valid. People are not just their opinions, not one dimensional. You need to try understand the whole of who they are," Cameron said. "Sometimes you need to confront anger with being kind and continuing to listen...to smile."

MMUMC Receives Grant for Equipment

Morton Memorial United Methodist Church in Monteagle received a \$2,500 grant from the Golden Cross Foundation, a ministry of the Tennessee Conference of The United Methodist Church. The grant was used to help purchase equipment needed for outdoor and online worship services.

In the early months of the pandemic, congregation members formed a COVID Task Force, staying up-to-date on pandemic-related numbers and recommendations by federal and state agencies.

"We have not met in our sanctuary since March 2020," said Morton's senior pastor the Rev. Jodi McCullah. "We realized we needed to come up with alternative ways to connect."

At the time, the church had a website but nothing else in terms of an online presence. Because some members were unable to attend outdoor services due to illness or self-isolating, and newcomers wanted to check out sermons and worship services before attending, church leaders began learning about recording worship and posting it online.

"The pandemic nudged us, pushed us off the ledge actually, to get serious and figure out how to offer online worship," said McCullah. "We have learned how to plan, film, and edit worship services. Thanks to cell phones, members can record themselves reading Scripture, offering prayers, leading liturgies, and even singing from their own home. These recordings are then edited into weekly worship services."

To help cover the cost of equipment needed for outdoor and online worship services, the church's Trustees Chair Janet Miller-Schmidt applied for a Golden Cross Foundation grant. Money from the grant was used to help purchase items such as microphones, a digital keyboard, PA system, tripod, and a computer and smart phone for recording and editing.

"We are grateful for the opportunities to meet outdoors, weather permitting, and to offer online worship services," said McCullah. Thanks to the grant, we now have the technology needed to be seen and heard by folks both in person and online."

Post pandemic, when in-person worship resumes in the sanctuary, church members plan to continue online services. This will allow those who are unable to attend to be able to worship and feel connected with the congregation.

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Letters

TWO THANK-YOUS FOR ONE WEEK

To the Editor:

Since the new day for garbage pickup changed to Thursdays, we forgot to put it out two weeks in a row. On the second week, the driver went out of his way to go to the back of the house and get the garbage anyway. A special thank-you for this. We really appreciated it. That happened on Thursday.

On Friday afternoon, fire completely destroyed our workshop and equipment storage buildings. Our thanks go out to our fire department, police department, and to all those who helped or came by to lend their support. We are most grateful to each of you. There are too many of you to name, but we want to specially thank Sheena Curtis and John McBea. They were the first to arrive, and helped save what they could.

We are also thankful no one was injured, although the animals are confused because they lost their home, and Bobby also lost his place to hang out with them.

Both of these incidents remind us again what a great place Sewanee is. Thanks again!

Bobby, Olline and Ronald Summers

(P.S. Thanks Ken Taylor for coming by to check on me.-O)

DIOCESAN CONVENTION APPROVES NAME CHANGE

To the Editor:

On Jan. 23, the 189th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee approved the resolution presented by our Vestry to change our name to the Episcopal Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul on the Mountain. The margin of the vote was 95 percent to 5 percent. The change becomes effective on or about the date of our next Bishop's Visitation, May 2, 2021.

The vote came after a process here in the parish that included learning more about Bishop Otey, reviewing Biblical texts on slavery, digging into the historical context of Bp. Otey's life, contacting two individuals descended from people held in slavery by the Otey family, inviting feedback from the congregation, and prayer.

This change does not mean we will be forgetting Bp. Otey. I expect the plaque noting the church building's dedication to his memory to be ready by May 2, and, I hope, the second marker planned to include additional historical information might be as well.

Faithfully yours,

Robert C. Lamborn, Rector, Otey Memorial Parish (Episcopal)

CLARIFICATION

To the Editor:

The Messenger quoted me (accurately) as stating during the last Community Council meeting that SHPO had "approved" the proposed cell tower site. My use of the word "approved" was meant to indicate that SHPO has determined that Vogue's proposed tower site location is in fact the most viable location. Technically, SHPO's role under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act is neither to approve or disapprove proposed cell tower sites. As I stated during the Council's meeting, the next stage is for the consulting parties to agree upon a mitigation strategy that will compensate for the adverse effect on the historic setting.

Sincerely,

Doug Williams, Treasurer, The University of the South

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Summary of the January Lease Committee Meeting

The following items were approved: December minutes; request to transfer Lease No. 644 (Garland Estate), located at 181 Kirby-Smith Rd., to Carl Bardi and Sherry Hamby; request to demolish two dilapidated homes on lot on Lease No. 720, located at 12785 Sollace Freeman Hwy.; request to pave driveway at Lease No. 1060, located at 41 Girault Jones Dr.

Leasehold information is available online at <leases.sewanee.edu> or by calling the lease office at 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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Town of Monteagle

The Monteagle Regional Planning Commission is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 2. All meetings for the Town of Monteagle will be held virtually until further notice. To get the Zoom link, email <monteagleinfo@blomand.net> or go to Town of Monteagle - Office of Mayor Facebook page.

EQB Club Meeting

At noon, Wednesday, Feb. 3, members of the EQB Club will have the pleasure of a Zoom lead by Dr. Stephanie Smith and Richard Boeth, on their Monarch butterfly waystation creation titled "Visit to Smith-Boeth Monarch Waystation." As avid amateur hobbyists in science and nature studies, Rich and Stephanie took their first steps toward building a certified Monarch Waystation near their home in the Assembly three years ago. This is definitely a lead to not be missed as you accompany them with outstanding photography and information. Non-EQB members interested in attending should contact Chuck Morget by email at <chuckmorget@gmail.com> for the Zoom link.

Rotary Club Meeting

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club will meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 4, via Zoom, for a club assembly. For the Zoom link, email Woody Deutsch <woodybike@mac.com>.

Sewanee Civic Association

Since in-person Sewanee Civic Association (SCA) meetings are still not a reality at this point, the SCA Board will be having an open Zoom meeting at 4 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 4. SCA will be providing an update on Sewanee Community Chest fundraising effort and discussing fundraising strategy through the rest of the 2020-2021 Chest campaign. As part of our mission, we would like to encourage community members to join us if they would like to engage in discussion on other topics related to the Sewanee community. To join the meeting please email us at <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com> for the Zoom login information.

Franklin County School Board

The Franklin County School Board is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Monday, Feb. 8, at the Franklin County Board of Education building, 215 S. College St., Winchester.

Sewanee La Leche League

The La Leche League breastfeeding support meeting is at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 9. Email <LaLecheLeaguesewanee@gmail.com> for a Zoom link to the meeting.

Sewanee Utility District

The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the utility office on Sherwood Road. If a customer is unable to attend but wishes to bring a matter to the board, call 598-5611, visit the office, or call a board member. Your board members are Doug Cameron, Randall Henley, Ronnie Hoosier, Charlie Smith and Paul Evans.

Hospitality Shop Accepting Donations

In anticipation of a limited Spring opening, the Hospitality Shop is now taking donations of clothing, household goods, jewelry and knickknacks. Please leave your clean and well-maintained items in the bin at the rear of the building. The Hospitality Shop cannot take large pieces of furniture, mattresses or electronics.

Beginning Saturday, Feb. 6, the Shop will open for business on Saturdays only until further notice. Hours for business are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Safety and social distancing rules will be observed and enforced. Masks are required, and a limited number of people will be allowed in the building at one time. Please help the Hospitality Shop stay open for business by adhering to the limitations during this time.

SWC Club to Meet Feb. 8

The Sewanee Woman's Club will meet at noon, Monday, Feb. 8, for A Valentine Extravaganza! We will endeavor to put our heart and soul into our program. Getting to the heart of the matter, the program, "A Woman Under Construction," will be presented by Tina Huggins. Tina is passionate about teaching, technology, and creativity. She began as an elementary educator and found her love in technology education. Apple Computer selected her as one of 16 prestigious national trainers, which encouraged her to complete an M.A. in Educational Technology. Her unique insights into early literacy contributed to the successful launch of Leap Frog, School Division. As an entrepreneur, she designed a piece of furniture for the classroom, which was sold across the country. She had a successful cookie business, Swap Thoughts. She lives in Nashville with her husband, Mark. She has three children, two bonus daughters, and two grandchildren. She loves to write about wonderful recipes that she cooks and writes life stories, which appear in her blog, <appolutelyoucan.com>.

Members are encouraged to dress up and bring a Valentine(s). Although we will not be eating, please let Janet or Susan know if you will be attending, so we can set up according to the social distancing guidelines to protect our hearts and lungs.

Please make reservations no later than Feb. 1, at noon. To make reservation, contact Janet Miller-Schmidt by email <jrms2777@gmail.com> or cell phone (504) 858-5221, or Susan Peek by email <susan.peek@gmail.com> or by phone (615) 504-5404.

Please note the location change. The meeting will be at St. James Episcopal Church in Midway. St. James is located on Midway Road, between Sewanee and Monteagle. From Monteagle, turn left at blinking light at St. Andrews-Sewanee; left at the airport; go straight up the hill. St. James is on the right. From Sewanee: turn right at blinking light at St. Andrews-Sewanee; left at the airport; go straight up the hill. St. James is on the right.

Community calendar on the go!

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County-specific Pages Simplify Use on COVID Website

The Tennessee Department of Health and Tennessee's Unified Command Group have added new features to the COVID19.tn.gov website to make it easier for users to find county-specific information and request an appointment for COVID-19 vaccination.

The COVID19.tn.gov website provides a simple tool for Tennesseans to find their phase in Tennessee's COVID-19 Vaccination Plan. Updates to this tool make it easier for eligible users to request a vaccination appointment with their county health department. Find the tool at <https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/eligibility/>.

The website also offers an interactive map where Tennesseans can select their county to learn the risk-based and age-based phases currently eligible for COVID-19 vaccination and how to request a vaccination appointment. New county-specific pages offer information including current local vaccine availability. Find the map at <https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/county-vaccine-information/>.

The COVID19.tn.gov website also offers dashboards and daily reports with state and county-level information including case counts, hospitalizations and tests conducted. This site serves as a resource Tennesseans can use in making decisions about activities for their families, businesses and communities as the COVID-19 pandemic evolves.

COVID-19 vaccine supplies remain limited, and availability of vaccines varies by county. Tennessee counties may progress through COVID-19 vaccination phases at different times depending on supplies of vaccines. Tennesseans can learn their phase for receiving vaccine at <https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/vaccine-phases/>.

COVID-19 Testing Sites

The Tennessee Department of Health has COVID-19 assessment sites available across the southeast region. A full list of sites can be accessed <https://covid19.tn.gov/testing-sites/>. This information is subject to change.

There is free drive-thru testing available, Monday through Friday, at the health departments in Franklin and Grundy counties. Residents in Marion County may also call their local health department during regular business hours for assistance in getting tested. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday, traditional testing is not available and only self testing is available to adults.

Franklin County Health Department, 266 Joyce Lane, Winchester (931) 967-3826, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Grundy County Health Department, 1372 Main St., Altamont, (931) 692-3641, 8:30-10:30 a.m. Call ahead for an appointment.

Marion County Health Department, 24 East 7th St., Jasper, (423) 942-2238. Call ahead for an appointment.

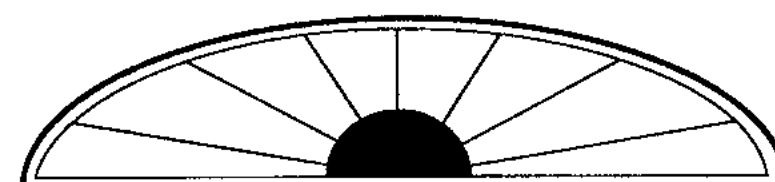
Those with general questions about COVID-19 may call the COVID-19 Public Information Line at (877) 857-2945 or (833) 556-2476 between 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday-Friday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.

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Virtual Program on Racial Healing

The Sisters of St. Mary will continue their virtual program series with a Jan. 30 event titled “Racial Healing in the Era of Multiple Pandemics” on Zoom.

Racial healing requires us to engage our heads and hearts as we work to liberate ourselves from the stories and structures that cause us to focus more on differences than what we hold in common. This presentation will challenge the audience to explore what they are willing to let go of in order to be racially healed and to help in healing our country as well as exploring concrete practices that can help in exploring the inner community.

Catherine Meeks, Ph.D., is Executive Director of the Absalom Jones Center for Racial Healing. A sought-after teacher and workshop leader, Catherine brings four decades of experience to transforming the dismantling racism work in Atlanta. The core of her work has been with people who have been marginalized because of economic status, race, gender or physical ability as they pursue liberation, justice and access to resources that can help lead them to health, wellness and a more abundant life. This work grows out of her understanding of her call to the vocation of teacher as well as her realization that all of humanity is one family which God desires to unite.

The virtual event will be held Saturday, Jan. 30, from 9–11 a.m. The cost of the session is \$25. Register at <www.communityofstmarysouth.org>. Those interested but unable to attend the live event should still register. All registered participants receive access to the event recording afterwards.

Obituaries

Kimmell “Houston” King

Kimmell “Houston” King, age 69 of Sewanee, died on Jan. 20, 2021, at Vanderbilt Medical Center, Nashville. He was born on Sept. 10, 1951, to Leonard and Barbara King. He was a stone mason by trade. He enjoyed wood working, specializing in making stocks for gun barrels. He was preceded in death by his parents; son Jeffery King; daughter Faith King and brother Harold King.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Sandra Bennett-King; sons Houston “Kim” (Jessica) King Jr., Chris (Melissa) King, and James Ray “J.R.” (Tracy) King; daughter Stephanie (Joey) Marshall; brothers Sherman King, Jasper King and Leonard (Anita) King; sisters, Lois (Fred) Bramlett, Caroline (Joseph) King, Sarah Gunn, and Peggy Cash, and 15 grandchildren.

Memorial services were on Jan. 26, 2021, from the Chapel of Cumberland Funeral Home, Monteagle with Bro. Victor Tiller officiating. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Ford Nelson Layne

Ford Nelson Layne, age 71 of Tracy City, died on Jan. 18, 2021, at his home. He worked after school in a grocery store, was a diligent student and was salutatorian of his senior class at Grundy County High School. After high school, he worked one summer on the surveying crew for Tennessee Consolidated Coal, helping map out new coal seams. He attended Tennessee Tech in Cookeville for two years. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education in 1972 and a Master of Education in 1974, both from UT–Chattanooga. He taught at Grundy County High, and then at Marion County Schools, where he was also a guidance counselor. After teaching for several years, he pursued further training to become a lawyer. He continued his teaching while attending night classes at the Nashville School of Law, received his Doctor of Jurisprudence in May 1981, and set up a law office in Tracy City. He served as an attorney there from 1981–2020. He was a teacher and truancy officer for Grundy and Marion County Schools throughout the 1970s and 1980s, also serving as a Juvenile Court referee from 1982–1990 and as a Juvenile Court judge from 1998–2006. He was elected Grundy County General Sessions judge, serving from 1990–1998. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ruby Edna Shrum Layne and Ford Ray Layne; and grandparents, Della Mae Gross Shrum and William Leonard Shrum, all of Grundy County.

He is survived by his son, Rhys Nelson Layne; sister, Leslie (Michael) Copping; brother, Keith (Jackie) Layne; niece, Stella (Levi) Lantz; and former wife, Joan and her parents, Frank and Rose Spithaler. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Stephanie Leigh Ann McGee

Stephanie Leigh Ann McGee, age 38, of Tracy City, Tennessee, died on Jan. 21, 2021. She was born on June 3, 1982, in Altamont. She had been a volunteer with the Grundy County Food Bank and Grundy Outreach Programs for more than a decade. She was preceded in death by her mother, Maria Gibbs; paternal grandfather, “Munk” Hall; aunt, Joy Hall and uncle, Tim Hall.

She is survived by her husband of six years, Josh McGee; father, Michael Hall; sons, Johnathon McFalls, Ethan Hall and Jeremiah Brawley; daughter, Kaitlyn McFalls; brothers, Marcus (Beth) Irvin and Kyle Hall; sisters, Cheyenne Nolan and Emily Hall; paternal grandmother, Willie Mae Nunley, and one grandson.

Funeral services were on Jan. 24, 2021, from the Chapel of Foster-Lay Funeral Home with Pastor Mack Hampton officiating. Interment followed in Clouse Hill Cemetery, Tracy City. For complete obituary go to <www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net>.

Betty Phillips

Betty Phillips, age 78, formerly from Tracy City, died on Jan. 14, 2021, in hospice care at Cheshire Medical Center, Keene, N.H. She was a Licensed Mental Health Counselor for 35 years. She established three Counseling Centers during her career, two in Florida, and Stillpoint Counseling Center in Sewanee in 2002. She moved back to her New England birthplace in 2011. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, reading, decorating, and sitting with friends. She was a loving, compassionate person, with a good sense of humor, and will be missed.

She is survived by Neil, her husband of 33 years, many cousins, nieces, and nephews, and two dogs.

Church Calendar

Abundant Life Assembly of God, Cowan

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday

All Saints’ Chapel

8:30 a.m. Sunday Service, campus community only

Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Worship, 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, Alto (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Morning Prayer with Sermon, Sunday

12:15 p.m. Noonday Prayer, Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study, until 2 p.m., Tuesday

4:30 p.m. Book Study, until 5:30 p.m., Wednesday

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Christ Church, Monteagle

10:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, Sunday

noon Service, Wednesday

Christ Church, Tracy City (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Morning Prayer with Sermon, Sunday

12:15 p.m. Noonday Prayer, Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study, until 2 p.m., Tuesday

4:30 p.m. Book Study, until 5:30 p.m., Wednesday

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Christ the King Anglican Church, Decherd

9 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

6:30 p.m. Healing/prayer service

Cowan Fellowship Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Monteagle

9:30 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Sewanee

9 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

Decherd United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:50 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

Epiphany Mission, Sherwood (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Morning Prayer with Sermon, Sunday

12:15 p.m. Noonday Prayer, Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study, Tuesday, until 2 p.m.

4:30 p.m. Book Study, Wednesday, until 5:30 p.m.

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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

8 a.m. Mass, Sunday

10:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday

2 p.m. Spanish Mass, Sunday

5 p.m. Mass, Saturday

Goshen Cumberland Presbyterian Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

Grace Fellowship Church

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

Harrison Chapel Methodist Church, Midway

(FB Live service below)

8 a.m. Radio Show, Sunday (WSGM 104.7 FM)

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday (FB Live)

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

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

11 a.m. Worship, Saturday

Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

(service available online after noon Sunday, link is at <Mortonmemorialumc.com>)

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday (outdoors)

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

Mountain of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

(online worship services via Zoom. Info: call (931) 924-5339 or go online, <www.WildfireOnTheMountain.com>)

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Prayer Service, Wednesday

New Beginnings Church, Monteagle

10:45 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Worship Service, Sunday

New Beginnings Church, Pelham

9:45 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

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

Otey Memorial Parish Church

8:30 a.m. Sunday Service, available on Otey’s Facebook page and afterward on Otey’s YouTube channel

9:30 a.m. Godly Play, via Zoom

9:30 a.m. Sunday Forum, via Zoom

11 a.m. Sunday Service online only; available on Otey’s Facebook page and afterward on the YouTube channel

4 p.m. Fire on the Mountain, via Zoom

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 Episcopal Church

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, in-person & via Zoom, Sunday

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

(meeting at Good Shepherd, Decherd)

St. Mary’s Sewanee

3:30 p.m. Centering Prayer, via Zoom, Tuesday

4 p.m. Centering Prayer, via Zoom, Wednesday

Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

Tracy City First Baptist Church

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester (STEM)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Morning Prayer with Sermon, Sunday

12:15 p.m. Noonday Prayer, Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study, Tuesday, until 2 p.m.

4:30 p.m. Book Study, Wednesday, until 5:30 p.m.

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United Pentecostal, Monteagle

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Worship, Wednesday

Unitarian Universalist, Tullahoma

6 p.m. Tullahoma Sangha, Wednesday

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MLS 2223569 - 632 Tram Rd., Tracy City, 7.8 acres. \$425,000



MLS 2112396 - 1020 Sherwood Rd., Sewanee. \$189,000



MLS 2181633 - 181 Kirby Smith Rd., Sewanee. \$269,500



MLS 2194313 - 197 Midway Rd., Sewanee. \$298,000



MLS 2223572 - 110 Depot St., Tracy City. \$59,900



MLS 2105112 - 250 Jackson Point Rd. 12.66 acres.
\$149,000



Browbend overlooking TN River. \$54,000



MLS 2166468 - 10879 US 41, Monteagle. \$289,000



MLS 2207353 - 4196 Browns Hollow Rd., Tracy City.
\$259,000



Buck Church Rd., Monteagle. 22 acres. \$275,000



MLS 2209977 - Popular Springs Rd. Barn and 500 plus
acres. \$419,000



MLS 2211012 - Pryor Ridge Rd. 43 acres. \$134,000



MLS 2211014 - 1978 Pryor Ridge Rd., Tracy City.
\$179,000



MLS 2193131 - 56 Poplar Ln., Sewanee. \$368,000

BLUFF TRACTS			
15 Saddletree Ln., PENDING	12 ac	1978549	\$68,000
36 Longview Ln., SOLD		2073074	\$65,000
250 Jackson Pt. Rd., PENDING		2105112	\$149,000
16 Laurel Lake Dr., PENDING		1989467	\$82,000
14 Jackson Pt. Rd., SOLD		1803643	\$129,500
0 Eagle Rock Rd., SOLD	lot 34	2163623	\$25,000
LOTS & LAND			
57 Edgewater Ct., Lot 57		2184847	\$28,000
Cooley's Rift, Lot 57	4 ac	2180573	\$47,500
0 Wilderness Bridge Lot RC11		2178470	\$59,000
Savage Bluff Lot RC11, 5.09 ac		2178470	\$59,000
Deepwoods Rd. Lot 10, 8.46 ac		2152060	\$49,000
Cooley's Rift Lot 57, 1.63 ac		2151255	\$99,000
Bear Ct., .51 ac, #18		2130056	\$29,000
Bear Ct., .5 ac, #19		2130059	\$29,000
Bear Ct., .58 ac, #20		2130058	\$29,000
13 Browbend Dr., 1.9ac		2130040	\$54,000
14 Browbend Dr., 1.5 ac		2130051	\$54,000
8 Jackson Pt. Rd., 5.09 ac		2115740	\$36,000
1159 Sassafras Ct., SOLD		2072615	\$59,000



MLS 2145687 - 72 Maxon Ln., Sewanee. \$479,500



191 Girault Jones, Sewanee. \$410,000

Monteagle (from page 1)

if the town had adequate capacity for the travel center project, Wilson said any new development would use industry standards to determine if the capacity was sufficient to allow for connection to the system.

The council also approved an ordinance calling for establishing an updated occupational health safety program and a resolution to pursue applying for a Fire Prevention Safety grant.

In response to a request from Mountain Goat Trail Alliance Executive director Patrick Dean, the council approved a letter of support for an \$80,000 grant project extending the trail from Main Street to North Scenic Road paralleling Dubose Street. The nonprofit Growing Roots will partner with the MGTA in a \$3,500 project to create a Native Plant Garden along the new section.

The council appointed Alvin Powell to serve as alderman, replacing Jessica Blalock, who resigned. Powell previously served more than 6 years as alderman.

Rodman announced volunteers will manage the youth baseball program. A link to register will be posted on the city Facebook page. The booster club will run the concession stand.

To facilitate communication and conveying information, the council plans to vote on a plan for updating and maintaining the city website at the next meeting, Feb. 22.

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VISTA Member Katie Cole participating virtually in the service project.

Plateau VISTAs Honor MLK Legacy

VISTAs investigate historical civil rights abuses at Tracy City stockade

Local VISTAs joined thousands of volunteers across the nation on Jan. 18, to participate in the national MLK Day of Service. Inspired by the Roberson Project at the University of the South, the VISTA project began by examining the practice of convict leasing in the state of Tennessee and throughout the South. VISTAs then transcribed records from Tracy City's historical Lone Rock Stockade, where thousands of African American convicts were leased to the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company for forced labor in coal mines between 1872 and 1896.

As background, VISTAs attended presentations by professor Woody Register, Director of the Roberson Project, and by visiting assistant professor Camille Westmont, Director of the Lone Rock Stockade Project. VISTAs additionally viewed the PBS documentary titled "Slavery by Another Name," which is based on Douglas A. Blackmon's Pulitzer Prize winning book of the same name.

VISTAs subsequently transcribed handwritten records for 913 prisoners incarcerated at the Lone Rock Stockade. Using FromthePage online transcription software, participants transcribed scanned-in, handwritten documents into easy-to-read typed text. "We accomplished an incredible amount today," said Westmont of the event.

Participants in the virtual event included South Cumberland Plateau VISTAs, the VISTA management team, and VISTAs serving elsewhere in the U.S. "I commend you for making the most of a difficult situation and am grateful," said Register, in reference to the VISTA cohort's ability to adapt and serve meaningfully despite pandemic conditions.

The 913 completed transcriptions contribute to Westmont's research of the Lone Rock Stockade, ultimately helping Westmont and her team to determine just how many convicts labored in Tracy City's coal mines. "It is too early in the transcription effort to know, but I expect to find the numbers lie between 5,000 and as many as 10,000 convicts forced into unpaid labor over the course of the stockade's nearly 25-year history," said Westmont of the record transcription effort.

Westmont's research has already revealed that between 70 percent and 90 percent of stockade convicts were of African-American descent, while only an estimated 25 percent of Tennessee's total population was of African descent at that time. "The stockade—one of several convict leasing prisons in Tennessee and throughout the South—was a blatant continuation of slavery under inhumane prison conditions. Leased labor greatly benefited the local economy and continues to, indirectly, even today. I suspect as a society we will struggle to reconcile these conflicts for generations to come," said Westmont.

The transcription service project was inspired by the Roberson Project at the University of the South. Chartered in part with "shedding light on how slavery and its legacies have marked our local history," the Roberson Project is focused on the history of the University, the town of Sewanee, and its people. Still the history of the South Cumberland Plateau and the University are inextricably linked. "Dr. Register, spoke to the VISTAs in December. His presentation sparked curiosity about convict leasing in Grundy County where many of our VSITAs serve," explained VISTA Leader, Julianna McBee about how the project was developed. "Our MLK Day of Service was truly a success."

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Grant Awarded to Franklin County Educational Foundation for Excellence

The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee, a charitable organization dedicated to enriching the quality of life in the 40 Middle Tennessee counties it serves, announces \$2,246,667 in grants to 350 nonprofit organizations as part of the 2020 annual grantmaking process.

The Franklin County Educational Foundation for Excellence has received a \$5,000 grant to provide resources for the Franklin County High School choral program and its students.

"The work of our nonprofit partners has never been more important as we watch needs emerge and evolve in this community," said Ellen Lehman, president of The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee. "The Community Foundation is honored to connect generosity with need through these annual grants and other avenues throughout the year, but we couldn't have an impact without the array of quality nonprofits offering solutions to our community's needs and vital services to our neighbors."

The Community Foundation awards discretionary grants annually from its unrestricted and field-of-interest funds through an open application process to Middle Tennessee nonprofits organizations addressing community needs and benefiting the well-being of citizens through valuable programs and innovative services.

More information on the grant process is online at <www.cfmt.org>

The Franklin County Educational Foundation for Excellence was founded in 2017 with the vision to provide funding for unique educational opportunities for the students of Franklin County Schools. With a mission to invest in today's youth and tomorrow's leaders, The Foundation strives to inspire students to develop their talents and to enrich their educational experiences.

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'Ratified!' Extended at Tennessee State Museum

"Ratified! Tennessee Women and the Right Vote," the Tennessee State Museum's exhibition commemorating the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment will be extended through Sept. 26, 2021.

"The extension will allow visitors who have been unable to visit the museum extra time to explore Tennessee's historic role in the ratification of the 19th amendment," said Ashley Howell, Tennessee State Museum executive director. "Our COVID safety measures remain in place during this time, and we'll continue to follow CDC and local and state health official guidance as we move into the spring and summer months."

The stories of Tennesseans' roles within the women's suffrage movement – culminating with Tennessee's ratification of the 19th amendment 100 years ago – are at the heart of the 8,000 square-foot, two-gallery exhibition, which has received notice in the past year in The New York Times, the Associated Press, USA Today, AAALiving, TN Home and Farm, Tennessee Crossroads, Talk of the Town and more, and was a Writer's Poll winner for Best Historical Exhibition in the Nashville Scene.

"Ratified! Tennessee Women and the Right to Vote" explores the story of women's suffrage throughout the entire state of Tennessee in the decades leading up to the pivotal vote – and its impact on the century that followed.

"The ratification of the 19th Amendment was a major step forward in recognizing women as equal participants in American democracy and public life," said curator Dr. Miranda Fraley-Rhodes at the launch of the exhibition. "For Tennessee women, this was especially important. They continued to face discriminatory laws that limited their rights to their children and prohibited them from activities like serving on juries. With the power of the vote, women gained a critical tool to demand change

from state and local governments. It was a milestone in American and Tennessean women's ongoing search for equality."

Together with the stories of those women who represented the movement on the national stage, like Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Sojourner Truth and Susan B. Anthony in its earliest days, and Ida B. Wells, Carrie Chapman Catt and Alice Paul later, the exhibition highlights the stories of suffragists throughout Tennessee. Visitors will learn about the activities of the Maryville College Equal Suffrage Club, the Tullahoma Equal Suffrage League, and a suffrage parade in McKenzie that included "a column of young boys and girls afoot, waving balloons and banners..." Across the state in cities, towns, and rural communities, women like Abby Crawford Milton of Chattanooga, Juno Frankie Pierce and Anne Dallas Dudley of Nashville, and Lillian Perrine Davis of Lexington, among many others, worked to further the cause, despite much opposition. The exhibition also highlights women who served in public offices after ratification, including Willa McCord Blake Eslick the first woman from Tennessee to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives in 1932.

"Ratified! Tennessee Women and the Right to Vote" is told through six major sections. A final section provides an opportunity for visitors to watch a film culled from the Nashville Public Television (NPT) documentary, By One Vote: Woman Suffrage in the South, and reflect on the history of the suffrage movement. The exhibition uses artifacts, documents, archival photos, large-scale graphics, and additional videos from the NPT film to share the stories of the Tennesseans who came to have decisive roles in American women's struggle to gain voting rights. Further information about the exhibition and archived videos of virtual events are available at the Museum's website at <www.TNMuseum.org>.

TDH Updates COVID-19 Vaccination Plan

Vaccination Reporting Dashboard to be Updated Monday-Friday

The Tennessee Department of Health has updated Tennessee's COVID-19 Vaccination Plan as the state continues to prioritize Tennesseans most at risk of illness and death from COVID-19.

Protecting Medically Fragile Children and Adults

Tennessee has added people living in households with medically fragile children to Phase 1c of the state's COVID-19 Vaccination Plan. Vaccination of their parents, caregivers and other household residents will help protect these children, as at this time no COVID-19 vaccine has been approved for use in children under age 16. Phase 1c also includes people age 16 and older who have medical conditions that put them at high risk of severe illness and death from COVID-19. This group is further defined in the updated plan, and occurs earlier in Tennessee's plan than in federal vaccination recommendations.

Correctional Officers and Jailers in Phase 1a1

Tennessee correctional officers

and jailers have been added to Phase 1a1 of Tennessee's COVID-19 Vaccination Plan. These Tennesseans work in settings and roles that require frequent direct public exposure through close contact in confined spaces, placing them at high risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19.

Prioritizing Age-Based Risk

Age-based criteria run concurrently to the phases in age brackets beginning with those aged 75 and above.

The estimated timeline and phases of Tennessee's COVID-19 Vaccination Plan are preliminary and subject to additional changes pending further recommendations from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices and other federal and state partners.

Tracking COVID-19 Vaccination

Tennessee's COVID-19 Vaccination Reporting dashboard is available online at <www.tn.gov/health/cedep/ncov/covid-19-vaccine-information.html>.

This dashboard will be updated Monday – Friday each week.

COVID-19 vaccine supplies remain limited, and availability of vaccines varies by county. Tennessee counties may progress through COVID-19 vaccination phases at different times depending on supplies of vaccines. Tennesseans can learn what phase of the vaccination plan they're in and register for an appointment when they are eligible at <https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/eligibility/>.

Tennessee's COVID-19 Vaccination Plan is available online at <www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/health/documents/cedep/novel-coronavirus/COVID-19_Vaccination_Plan.pdf>. Find answers to frequently asked questions about COVID-19 vaccination at <https://covid19.tn.gov/data/faqs/>.

The mission of the Tennessee Department of Health is to protect, promote and improve the health and prosperity of people in Tennessee. Learn more about TDH services and programs at <www.tn.gov/health>.



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2021 SCCF Spring Cycle Grants Process Timeline	
January 25	Discuss grants process at SCCF board meeting
January 26	Schedule for grant information sessions sent to partner organizations
February 26: Noon March 1: Noon & 6:00 pm	Grant information sessions held (applicants must attend one of these sessions to submit a proposal in 2021) - all sessions will take place via Zoom
April 16	Application deadline
April 22	Grants committee decides which applicants will be interviewed; invitations for interviews extended
April 26 - 30	Interviews with selected applicants
Week of May 3	Grants committee meets to decide on slate of recipients to submit to SCCF board
May 17	Slate approved by board
May 28	2021 grant recipients notified; contracts sent
June 1	Press release submitted naming 2021 SCCF grant recipients
Month of June	Grant contracts and reports created
June 8 3:30 pm	Zoom grant awards ceremony
June 9	Signed grant contract deadline, grant funds released
Go to www.southcumberlandcommunityfund.org to access the 2021 grant application.	

SAS Honors Lists

The following students from Coffee, Franklin, Grundy, and Marion counties were named to the Honors Lists at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School for Quarter 2 of the 2020-21 school year. Overall, 84 students, including 27 boarding and 57 day students, achieved academic distinction for the second quarter.

Students who earn an average of 93 or above with no grade below 83 are named to the High Honors List for academic achievement. Students with average ranges between 83 and 92 and who have received no grade below 80 are named to the Honors List. Satisfactory completion of afternoon programs is required for students to be eligible for the Honor Roll.

High Honors

Porter Neubauer, Belvidere
Hannah Warmbrod, Belvidere
Hadlee Hale, Manchester
Riley Burnette, Monteagle
Will Hernandez, Monteagle
Ryan Ostrowski, Monteagle
Emily Bailey, Sewanee
Elliott Benson, Sewanee
Jenna Black, Sewanee
Alex Brewster, Sewanee
Sarah Grace Burns, Sewanee
Mac Croom, Sewanee
Anja Dombrowski, Sewanee
Lily Garner, Sewanee
Myers Gorrell, Sewanee
J.T. Jenkins, Sewanee
Nathan King, Sewanee
Maple Landis-Browne, Sewanee
Reese Michaels, Sewanee
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Iliana Pate, Sewanee
Verena Pate, Sewanee
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Kathleen Perkins, Sewanee
Tyler Rodgers, Sewanee
Justine Rogers, Sewanee
Shiv Patel, Tracy City
Michael Pongdee, Tracy City
Breezy Rollins, Tracy City
Adeline Smith, Tullahoma

Onawa Henson, Whitwell
Meredith Foster, Winchester

Honors

Libby Neubauer, Belvidere
Lucie Watch, Coalmont
William Barron, Manchester
Dimitri Sherrill, Manchester
Hannah Moss, Monteagle
Elijah Seavey, Monteagle
Lydia Andrews, Sewanee
Spears Askew, Sewanee
Drew DeLorme, Sewanee
Jackson Frazier, Sewanee
Rhys Fricker, Sewanee
Luke Garner, Sewanee
Nailah Hamilton, Sewanee
Huxley Hume-Allingham, Sewanee
Ellie Jenkins, Sewanee
Tanner King, Sewanee
Sara Knight, Sewanee
Zolon Knoll, Sewanee
Luca Malde, Sewanee
Isabella Randolph, Sewanee
Cecil Rodgers, Sewanee
Sean Willis, Sewanee
Payton Zeitler, Sewanee
Curtis Gill, South Pittsburg
Alex Waldrup, Tracy City
Ethan Drey, Whitwell

UT-Knoxville Dean's List Honors

The University of Tennessee—Knoxville has announced the dean's list for the Fall 2020 semester. To be eligible for the dean's list, students must complete at least 12 credit hours, not counting work taken on a satisfactory/no-credit basis. To qualify for the dean's list, an undergraduate student must earn a term grade point average of 3.80 to 4.00 (summa cum laude), 3.65 to 3.79 (magna cum laude), or 3.50 to 3.64 (cum laude). Local residents named to the dean's list include:

John H. Beavers, Sewanee, Summa Cum Laude.
Casandra G. Billington, Winchester, Summa Cum Laude.
Amanda R. Carson, Winchester, Cum Laude.
Lauren Courtney, Winchester, Summa Cum Laude.
Ivan Delgadillo, Decherd, Summa Cum Laude.
Abigail J. Dohrmann, Tullahoma, Summa Cum Laude.
William H. Duncan, Decherd, Cum Laude.
Andrew H. Harrison, Winchester, Cum Laude.
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Sewanee Masking Mandate

What Are the Rules for Wearing Masks on Campus?

All Sewanee residents and visitors are required to wear face coverings over their nose and mouth when in public or inside buildings other than private residences, with five exceptions:

When they are alone,

When they are asleep (such as in a residence hall room or hotel room),

When they are eating or drinking,

When they are maintaining a social distance of six feet or more from any other person, and

If they have a documented medical condition that precludes their wearing a face covering.

Certain events or facilities may have additional masking rules. You should always have a mask with you—and when in doubt, wear your mask. The cloth face coverings recommended are not surgical masks, PPE, medical face masks or respirators. Currently, those are critical supplies that should be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The University has set up a website with information on Sewanee's COVID-19 handling—including interim policies, campus updates, and plans for the current academic semester at <<https://new.sewanee.edu/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/>>.

University Facilities Open or Closed Status

Beginning Feb. 1, access to the Fowler Center will continue to be limited to students, faculty, staff, dependents of faculty and staff, and university retirees and their dependents. The Course at Sewanee and the Bruton-Guerry Tennis Center are closed to the public.

Jessie Ball duPont Library will remain closed to the public. The library will continue to provide contactless pick-up for community members. To request materials Monday-Friday, email <reserves@sewanee.edu> or call (931) 598.1664. For more information go to <<https://new.sewanee.edu/files/resources/covid19-library-access-03242020.pdf>>.

The Sewanee Inn will be closed to the public starting Feb. 1.

Shakerag at the Sewanee Inn is open to the public.

Stirling's Coffee House will be open for regular hours beginning Feb. 1. No walk-up orders; customers must call ahead or use the Toast Takeout app.

McClurg Dining Hall remains limited to students only at this time.

The University Bookstore is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The SPO will be open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

The Sewanee masking mandate is in effect. Go to <<https://new.sewanee.edu/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/>> for more information.

SES MENUS

Monday–Friday,

Feb. 1–5

LUNCH

Monday, Feb. 1: Hamburger or cheeseburger, sandwich choice, French fries, baked beans, fruit.

Tuesday, Feb. 2: Chicken spaghetti, beef ravioli, potato smiles, steamed broccoli, dinner roll, fruit.

Wednesday, Feb. 3: Hot dog or corndog, grilled cheese sandwich, sweet potato wedges, pinto beans, fruit.

Thursday, Feb. 4: Breakfast for lunch: peanut butter and jelly sandwich, breakfast steak, tator tots, biscuit, gravy, fruit.

Friday, Feb. 5: Chicken nuggets, fish, potato wedges, buttered corn, carrot dippers, cinnamon roll, fruit.

BREAKFAST

Each day, students select one or two items.

Monday, Feb. 1: Banana bread slice, juice, fruit.

Tuesday, Feb. 2: Meat biscuit, juice, fruit.

Wednesday, Feb. 3: Egg omelet, toast, juice, fruit.

Thursday, Feb. 4: Breakfast pizza, juice, fruit.

Friday, Feb. 5: Meat biscuit, juice, fruit.

Options available every breakfast: assorted cereal, assorted fruit and juice, milk varieties. Menus subject to change.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Feb. 1, First day of classes, University of the South

Feb. 15, No school, Presidents' Day, Franklin County, Grundy County

Feb. 17, Reading Day, School of Theology

March 3, Reading Day, University of the South

March 8–March 14, Spring Break, SAS

March 12, No school, Franklin County

March 26, Half-day, Grundy County

March 29–April 4, Spring Break, Franklin County, Grundy County

March 31, Reading Day, College

April 1–2, Spring Break, Marion County

QUICK LINKS

Schedules subject to change.
Franklin County <<https://www.fcstn.net>>

Grundy County <<http://www.grundycoschools.com>>

Marion County <<https://www.marionschools.org>>

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FROM THE HERITAGE CENTER

Grundy County Historical Society

Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company

E.L. Hampton, a railroad station agent at Tracy City, picked up pieces of the coal and coke operation left by Tennessee Coal and Iron Company (TCI) and formed, in 1905, Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company. In that same year, the Mountain Goat Railroad that had been acquired by Nashville, Chattanooga, and St. Louis Railroad (NC&St.L) in 1887 was extended to Coalmont. Mining and coke operations opened there. In 1917, the Mountain Goat was further extended to Palmer. Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company continued the mining of Sewanee Seam coal with its offices located in Tracy City until 1969, when the offices were moved to Jasper following a prolonged 9-year period of coal miner conflict. In 1972, the railroad removed the railroad tracts built in 1917 from Coalmont to Palmer, and in 1985 ceased train operations, and thereafter removed the remaining tracts. Trucks were used to haul coal from the mines, but coal mining in Grundy County was nearing an end and today no longer exists.

Strikes and coal miner unrest have plagued the mining industry on the plateau. As early as 1905 the newly formed Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company resisted negotiations with United Mine Workers that had been organized in 1890 under the leadership of John L. Lewis. The union had been successful nationwide in organizing miners and conducting successful strikes for better wages and working conditions for miners. Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company failed to agree with the union on a contract and instead employed nonunion workers to mine the coal. On Aug. 24, 1905, nonunion miners under the supervision of Dick Henley and Jim Rust were cleaning the entrance of Reid Hill mine in Tracy City. Shots were fired and Henley and Rust were mortally wounded. Thereafter, homes of both union and nonunion miners were fired upon. Rumors circulated of a secret organization sworn to obedience and fraternal loyalty. Concerned with the violence, Tennessee Governor John I. Cox dispatched six companies of the National Guard to Tracy City. They bivouacked on the grounds of Shook School for two months. The encampment was called Camp Estelle after a daughter of Alfred Montgomery Shook. It was not until July 1906 that Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company entered into a contract with the union.

The coal reserves in and around Tracy City were fairly well depleted by the beginning of World War I. In January 1917, NC&St.L Railroad announced plans to extend its tracts into east Grundy County where there were vast coal reserves owned by Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company. NC&St.L Railroad announced that this was the first new railroad construction in Tennessee in years. Mines were opened in the east Grundy County area in 1918. The town of Palmer grew up around the operations of the mining company. Between 1918 and 1960, mining continued until disputes arose between United Mine Workers of America and Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company. The disputes led to bloodshed and finally a shutdown of the mines. At its peak, 700 miners had produced hundreds of carloads of coal per week.

Part of the dispute between United Mine Workers of America and Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company arose from the closing of mines and reduction of mine workers. Another part of the dispute arose from United Mine Workers of America position that wage demands and agreements be established by the union's national contract rather than be set locally by members of the union. Southern Labor Union developed as a rival union favored by the coal mining operators that included Grundy Mining Company, a subsidiary of Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company, and small truck mining companies that operated under mining leases from Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company.

Environmental issues relating to Sewanee Seam coal, diminishing market demand, as well as coal miner labor disputes led to continued reduction and finally elimination of mining activities in Grundy County. There remain substantial Sewanee Seam coal reserves still owned by Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company.

The foregoing is taken from a banner on display at the Heritage Center authored by Oliver W. Jervis, of the Heritage Center working from the following sources: Nicholson, James L. "Grundy County," Memphis State University Press (1982); National Labor Relations Board vs. Tennessee Consolidated Coal Company and Grundy Mining Company, 307 F 2d 374.

Readers are invited to visit the Heritage Center Monday–Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Two Shows at Artisan Depot

"Nature Speaks" is presented by long-time nature journalists Margie Gallagher, Mary Priestley, Teesha Tiller and Laura Blackman. This delightful and clever show is made up of art objects that are constructed from materials gathered from the wild or sometimes the semi-wild. This show will run through Feb. 28.

The Community Show "Fabric Art Postcards" presents pieces of art created and donated by Franklin County Arts Guild members and other local artists, ranging from the charmingly creative to the decidedly inventive that can be mailed as postcard in its own clear envelope. The Postcard show will be open through Feb. 7. Proceeds from postcard sales will benefit community art programs and keep the doors open to the public.

The Artisan Depot is located at 204 Cumberland St., Cowan. Gallery hours are Thursday, Friday and Sunday, noon–5 p.m., and Saturday, 11 a.m.–5 p.m.

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 598-0771 by 9 a.m. to order lunch. Menus follow:

Monday, Feb. 1: Chicken pot pie, dessert.

Tuesday, Feb. 2: Chili, peanut butter sandwich.

Wednesday, Feb. 3: Tenderloin, green bean casserole, mashed potatoes, roll.

Thursday, Feb. 4: Cheeseburger, French fries.


Friday, Feb. 5: Pork chop, scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll.

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

4th Annual Downtown Chocolate Walk

The Downtown Winchester Chocolate Walk is a sweetly-inspired family-friendly inspired event, centered in the heart of historic district of Winchester. With more than 20 participating businesses, Chocolate Walks are fun, engaging events designed to build a sense of community among merchants and families. This year's event is 10 a.m.–2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13. Pre-purchased tickets are required. Go to <<https://www.eventbrite.com/>>. This event will be rain or shine. All safety precautions are being taken into consideration, details will be released closer to date.

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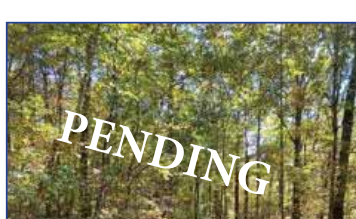
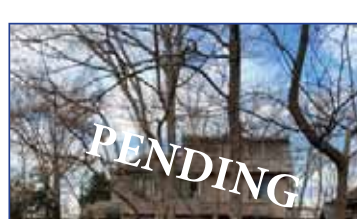
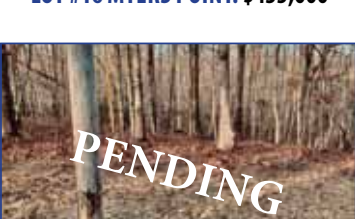

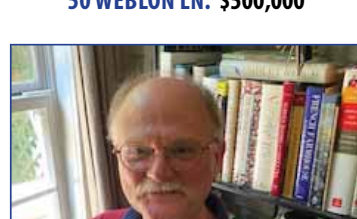


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NATURENOTES

by Yolande Gottfried



Snowdrops. Photo by Yolande Gottfried

Sure Signs of Spring-Salamanders and Snowdrops

On Jan. 25, we were privileged to see dozens of Spotted Salamanders congregating in our small pond. I have often been out at night in previous years to look for these when they are supposed to appear during the first warm rain of February—but have never had any luck. That day, I just happened to spot a small egg mass of the kind that spotted salamanders lay—large greenish-yellow gelatinous blobs. Aha! I thought. Though it is still early, we are definitely having a warm rain (60 degrees outside!). My husband and I went out after dark with flashlight and headlamp and there they were—dozens of them in the water at the shallow end of the pond. The Peterson Field Guide states, “the arrival of this amphibian at its vernal pools and ponds is a sure sign of spring.” Our pond used to be a vernal pool, and we saw salamander eggs in it in those early days. It is a more permanent pond now, but fish have never been introduced, so the salamanders must still believe it to be safe for their eggs and young. The Spotted Salamander is in the group called mole salamanders, because they spend most of their time underground. They may sometimes be found in damp spaces under a log or stone. It is our only salamander with two rows of large round yellowish spots on a dark back.

That same day, I noticed the first snowdrops flowering in the garden bed by our front door. There is tradition of snowdrops being in bloom by Feb. 2, Groundhog Day or Candlemas Day, which also coincides with the midpoint between the winter solstice and the spring equinox. Abbo's Alley is a good place to look for them if you don't have any in your yard. The scientific name, *Galanthus nivalis*, can be translated as Snowy Milkblossom, a nice description of the flower. Other old names are Fair-Maids-in-February and Candlemas Bells.

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Plant Native Trees on March 20

Tennessee residents are invited to beautify their properties and their communities by planting trees on “Tennessee Tree Day,” March 20, 2021. The effort is organized every year by Tennessee Environmental Council, a non-profit organization based in Nashville. This event typically draws thousands of volunteers who plant tens of thousands of trees at their homes, farms, businesses, neighborhoods, and other locations of their choosing.

Trees may be reserved at TEC's website <www.tec.org/TennesseeTreeDay2021>, now through March 7. Participants are asked to make a suggested donation of \$1.99 for every tree they reserve for planting on March 20.

The goal of this annual effort is to maintain a healthy tree canopy in communities across Tennessee. Native tree species available include bald cypress, eastern redbud, northern red oak, white oak, pecan, shortleaf pine, red mulberry, silky dogwood, tulip poplar, sweet gum, wild plum, and buttonbush. All trees reserved must be picked up on the dates and locations published on the event website. There are 112 volunteer-operated tree pick-up locations across Tennessee. The event is supported by the Tennessee General Assembly every year.

Tennessee Environmental Council's Tree Program was established in 2007 with a goal of planting one million native trees across the state by 2025 to increase the biological diversity of our state and to help replace trees lost to development and other causes. Since then, volunteers have planted more than 679,100 trees, fulfilling the mission of engaging individuals and communities to improve our environment and public health.

WEATHER

DAY	DATE	HI	LO
Mon	Jan 18	48	32
Tue	Jan 19	48	31
Wed	Jan 20	45	39
Thu	Jan 21	42	34
Fri	Jan 22	47	26
Sat	Jan 23	52	40
Sun	Jan 24	50	48

Week's Stats:
Avg max temp = 47
Avg min temp = 36
Avg temp = 42
Precipitation = 2.00"
*Reported by Sandy Gilliam
Domain Ranger*



Badger



Constance

Pets of the Week Meet Badger & Constance

Badger is a 7-month-old kitten found in the Domino's parking lot. Badger has the most interesting light silver/grey coat that is soft as rabbit fur. He has the most unusual voice that sounds like an old smooth bluesy singer. He loves to be held and have his head caressed, when you are doing it just right he will reward you with a lovely deep purr! Badger is negative for FIV/FELV and is scheduled to be neutered this week. He is a playful kitten that will bring joy and laughter to any home. If you are interested in adopting Badger, please go to <www.animalharbor.org> and complete the application. This kitten is so special, whoever adopts him is going to be a very lucky person.

Constance is about 1 year old, weighing around 35 pounds. She has the most beautiful fawn colored coat that shines in the sun. She was so fortunate that a group of construction workers, who witnessed her being dumped, rescued her. She has not yet learned manners, but with time and training, she will have no problem being a well-mannered young dog. Constance is heartworm-negative, spayed, microchipped, and up-to-date on all her vaccines. She will make a very loyal and loving pet for the person who can show her the same. If you would like to adopt Constance into your loving home, please go to <www.animalharbor.org> and fill out an application.

Call Animal Harbor at 962-4472 for more information and check out the other pets at <www.animalharbor.org>.

State Park Offerings

Please note: To confirm that these events will occur as listed go to <<http://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/southcumberland/#/?park=southcumberland>> or call (931) 924-2980.

Saturday, Jan. 30

Rock Hop from Greeter to Boardtree Falls (\$6)—Meet Park Ranger Spencer Baxter at 2:45 p.m. CST at Savage Gulf West Parking Lot, 550 Greeter Falls Rd., Altamont, for a rock-hop hike in the bottom of the gulf going from Greeter Falls to Boardtree Falls. You'll get to see the way water has reshaped the gulf, showcasing rushing cascades and stunning cliffs. This hike will be in the creek system so expect to get wet; please wear appropriate footwear and clothing, bring water and some sun/bug protection. Children must be 15 or older to attend this hike.

Monday, Feb. 1

Volunteer Trail Maintenance (or Donation) at Savage Gulf (\$0-\$20)—(Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please preregister.) Join Park Ranger Mark Greenwood and other folks who love the Park at 12:15 p.m. CST at Savage Gulf Ranger Station, 3157 SR 399, Palmer, for a day of trail repair and maintenance at Savage Gulf State Natural Area. Bring work clothes, sturdy footwear, gloves, plenty of water, and food for the trail. Work implements (hand tools only) will be provided, but you may bring your own, if desired. Weather permitting.

Duties will most likely consist of one or more of the following: carrying excess fuel and oil for chainsaws and/or string for weed eaters and/or moving cut tree limbs/trunks after staff have sawed them. We might also pick up trash or work on erosion control. The staff usually does all this by themselves in addition to

tools, gear, etc. Please be flexible, as needs are constantly evolving.

If you wish to contribute support to the Park, but cannot volunteer, there is now an option to give a donation, which may be selected as one of the “donation but not attending” options. (Please do not bring chainsaws or other power implements. Only staff will use such implements.)

Saturday, Feb. 6

Mountain Meander Loop Hike (\$20)—(Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please preregister.) Meet Park Ranger Mark Greenwood at 8:15 a.m. CST at Savage Gulf Ranger Station, 3157 SR 399, Palmer, for a 9.1 mile (round trip, approximate) guided hike of the Mountain Oak Loop, to include both sides of the Day Loop, the North Plateau and North Rim trails as far as the Mountain Oak trail and, of course, the Mountain Oak Trail itself. Be sure to bring along water and food. Wear sturdy shoes in which to hike. Weather permitting. A flashlight is also recommended in case we are delayed until night fall. This is an intermediate distance/difficulty hike. The challenge lies mostly in the overall distance. We will pause briefly to take in some of the overlooks on the North Rim trail. The areas around overlooks can be treacherous in terms of keeping your footing. The potential to slip and fall exists, and extreme care is needed. Cancellations must be made no later than 48 hours prior to the program's scheduled conclusion in order to receive a refund.

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



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NOTICE: The Town of Monteagle is taking applications for a Crossing Guard. This is a 40 hour a month position and will be paid once a month. A drug test and background check will be required. Applications may be picked up at City Hall during working hours. This job will post until Feb. 2, 2021 at 4 p.m.

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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, Morton Memorial, Wesley House porch, Monteagle
- Monday**
5 p.m. Women's Recovery, Otey Parish on Zoom, call (606) 275-9562 for link
7 p.m. AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City
- Tuesday**
7 p.m. AA, open, First Baptist, Altamont
- Wednesday**
10 a.m. AA, closed, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493
7 p.m. NA, Decherd United Methodist
7:30 p.m. AA, open, Holy Comforter, Monteagle
- Thursday**
7 p.m. Al-Anon, First UMC, Winchester



BARDTOVERSE

by Phoebe Bates

February – Black History Month

Well, son, I'll tell you:
Life for me ain't been no crystal stair.
It's had tacks in it,
And splinters,
And boards torn up,
And places with no carpet on the floor --
Bare.
But all the time
I've been a-climbin' on,
And reachin' landin's,
And turnin' corners,
And sometimes goin' in the dark
Where there ain't been no light.
So boy, don't you turn back.
Don't you set down on the steps
'Cause you finds it's kinder hard.
Don't you fall now --
For I'se still goin', honey,
I'se still climbin',
And life for me ain't been no crystal stair.

--Langston Hughes, *Mother to Son*

Community Calendar

Friday, Jan. 29

8:30 a.m. COVID testing, Franklin Co. Health Dept., 266 Joyce Lane, Winchester (931) 967-3826, until 10:30 a.m.; traditional testing on Tuesday and Thursday; self testing M-W-F

8:30 a.m. COVID testing, Grundy Co. Health Dept., 1372 Main St., Altamont, (931) 692-3641, until 10:30 a.m.; call ahead for appointment; traditional testing on Tuesday and Thursday, self testing M-W-F

8:30 a.m. COVID testing, Marion County Health Dept., 24 East 7th St., Jasper, (423) 942-2238; call ahead for appointment; traditional testing on Tuesday and Thursday; self testing M-W-F

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.

9 a.m. Pilates, for Athletes, Zoom; email <elizabethsweating@gmail.com> for link

noon Stretch/Strengthen, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

curbside pickup, Community Center, until 6:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

6 p.m. Monteagle Regional Planning Commission, via Zoom; email <monteagleinfo@blomand.net> for link, or go to Town of Monteagle - Office of Mayor Facebook page

Wednesday, Feb. 3

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.

9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.

noon EQB Lead, Smith/Boeth, via Zoom; <chuckmorgret@gmail.com> for link

5:30 p.m. Pilates Specialty Class for Cyclists, Bruce Manuel, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com> to register

Thursday, Feb. 4

8 a.m. Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, via Zoom; for link email <woodybike@mac.com>

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.

9 a.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

10 a.m. Kundalini Yoga, Pippa, via Zoom, <pip-pabrowne64@gmail.com>

noon Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

4 p.m. Sewanee Civic Association, via Zoom; <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com> for link

5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom, <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

Friday, Feb. 5

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.

9 a.m. Pilates, for Athletes, Zoom; email <elizabethsweating@gmail.com> for link

noon Stretch/Strengthen, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

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9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Senior Center, until 11:15 a.m.

noon Sewanee Woman's Club reservation deadline

5:30 p.m. Pilates Specialty Class for Cyclists, Bruce Manuel, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com> to register

Tuesday, Feb. 2 • Groundhog Day

8 a.m. GC Food Bank, Tracy City, until 10 a.m.

9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.

9 a.m. Pilates, beginners, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

noon Pilates, intermediate, Legion Hall/Zoom; <kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com>

4:30 p.m. South Cumberland Farmers' Market,

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Classes meet MW at 5:30 p.m., attend in person or via Zoom. Class is \$15 per class. PayPal (via website) Venmo (Kimberly Butters) check or cash accepted. Contact Kim Butters, 423-322-1443 or kim@bodyworksyouniversity.com to register.

Massage Therapy January Special
Matthew Sias LMT, located downstairs in the Legion Building, is offering an introductory massage special of \$50 per hour session, \$75 per 90 minute session through January. Matthew specializes in Deep Tissue, Sports Massage, Swedish Massage, Myofascial Release, Stretching/Range of Motion Techniques. Contact mountainmassage.matthew@gmail.com, 615-397-8348

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