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## Sewanee Council Grapples with Dog Control

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

"We need to take a good look at enforcement of the dog policy and mechanisms for following up," insisted Vice-Chancellor Rob Pearigen at the March 23 Sewanee Community Council meeting responding to a lengthy discussion prompted by a recent dog attack on campus. Council members also raised questions about upkeep of the Sewanee Market and proposed University apartments.

"The dog control policy was updated to be in line with Tennessee state law in September 2020," said Superintendent of Leases Sallie Green. Prior to that, the most recent revision was 2014. Provost Scott Wilson summarized the policy: dogs were not required to be on a leash, but must be responsive to verbal command; owners of dogs posing a hazard may be issued a warning or citation and incur fines; victims of aggressive dogs should notify the owners, police, and animal control. (See the Lease Office or Provost's webpages to view the policy.)

Council representative Marilyn Phelps cited a Feb. 28 Messenger story about a child chased and a person attacked by a dog. "People felt endangered and nothing was done," Phelps said.

"The victim did not want to pursue it," said Sewanee Police Captain Calem Knight, day shift. After being notified, the Sewanee police contacted Franklin County Animal Control, and the agency issued a warning.

"Why do we need to pivot to Animal Control?" Phelps asked.

"For a vicious dog, one that would be a safety concern, we have to rely on Animal Control because we don't have the proper equipment, nor the proper training," said night shift Police Captain Justin Smith. "We contain the dog the best we can until animal control arrives."

In the past, Sewanee had a pound in the vicinity of the Equestrian Center, but Wilson said the structure needed repairs. If the facility was renovated, Wilson suggested the barn staff could care for the dogs. Green said funding could come from the Community Services budget.

Phelps also took issue with the policy wording, which stipulates the consequences for the owner of a vicious dog, "may happen," not "will happen." "The responsibility lands on the victim," Phelps said, citing the requirement the victim should notify the dog owner.

Green argued things could often be resolved by people having a conversation with their neighbor.

"If someone was sexually assaulted on campus, we would not say go talk that out with the rapist," said resident Brooks Egerton.

Council representative Katie Gohn asked, when a victim declined to press charges, could the

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## WMTN-LP 93.1 & 103.1 Named Best in Nation

Seven St. Andrew's-Sewanee School students and faculty sponsor J.R. Ankney traveled to New York City to attend the Intercollegiate Broadcasting Radio Conference on March 1 and 2. In addition to attending radio broadcasting workshops with industry professionals, the St. Andrew's-Sewanee radio station WMTN, 93.1 & 103.1, also was nominated for 15 best in the nation awards.

In the annual award ceremony competing against vastly larger schools across the nation, WMTN emerged with a Best In the Nation Award in the Best Foreign Language Show category. They beat Carmel High School with 5,400 students and New Albany High School with over 2,000 students!

The other nominations included Best Radio Drama, Best Documentary, Best Public Affairs Program, Best Morning Show, Best Spot News Interview, Best Show Promotional Poster, Best Website, Best Podcast, Best Station or Event Promo, Best Show Promo, Best Public Service Announcement, Best use of Sound Effects, Best Liner/Sweeper and Best Station ID!

Faculty Sponsor J.R. Ankney, who will be turning over the faculty sponsor job to faculty member Stephen Brehm next year, said, "I'm beyond thrilled to have been part of the meteoric rise of WMTN, and I am so proud of every student who has contributed to our successes over the past two years. I cannot wait to see where WMTN can go under Brehm's capable leadership, and I am excited for the next chapter for the station!"

Headmaster Karl Sjolund had this to say about the successes of the radio team: "It's always great when the students' hard work pays off in such visible ways. SAS is a small school that does big things, and I couldn't be more proud of the WMTN crew for everything they've accomplished this year!"

For more information about WMTN, the VOICE of the mountain visit <sasradio.org>, or tune us in at 93.1, & 103.1 on the FM dial.



The Ladybug Class from the Sewanee Children's Center visited the University Art Gallery and Archives on March 19, 2025. Dr. Shelley MacLaren led the group on a tour of the exhibit by RaMell Ross. The Sewanee Tiger also greeted the children.

## Third Annual April Fool Fest and Crawfish Boil, April 5

After the devastating flood during the hard freeze in December 2022, the oldest restaurant in downtown Sewanee had to close for three months, for renovations. It was during that time that Bill Elder, the seventh owner of Shenanigans, had a thought.

"What holiday should Shenanigans just 'own?' Well, considering the definition of the word, Shenanigans, it was a no-brainer!" And April Fool Fest began to take shape. Elder recalls he turned and saw the New Orleans Jazz Fest poster hanging in the dining room, and everything just clicked. "That was the first Jazz Fest I saw as a child. I wanted to bring that type of festival and energy to Sewanee. I wanted to do what I could to get as close to the Jazz Fest's loose vibe for a good time as I could."

The inaugural April Fool Fest at Shenanigans was on April 1, 2023, which coincided with the grand reopening of the downstairs dining area.

This year, the third annual April Fool Fest and Crawfish Boil will be from 3-11:30 p.m. CDT, on Saturday, April 5. Tickets are available on eventbrite at <<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/april-fool-fest-crawfish-boil-2025-tickets-1254637768339?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>>. The menu consists of crawfish, andouille sausage, corn and potatoes. Boiled shrimp may be added to the menu Elder hinted, and other, well, shenanigans up his sleeve. Elder recommends getting your tickets early.

In addition to games on the lawn, there will be four bands this year. Live music starts at 4 p.m.

Easy Honey is the headliner. An on-campus favorite, Easy Honey started playing in Sewanee. The band honed their live show at college parties and took their batch of songs to record in Nashville. The group has since blossomed, infusing its singer-songwriter folk roots with an original blend of East Coast surf-rock, catalyzed by the band's relocation to the up and coming Charleston, S.C. music scene.

Rounding out the line up are The Criticals, a Nashville based rock band; the Diamond Street Players from Atlanta, featuring boogaloo music with organ and bass; and the Aces Brass Band, composed of members from the Dynamites, with New Orleans style music.

Come for the food, play the games, enjoy the music and expect other Shenanigans style April Foolery.

Lunch will be served that day until 2:30 p.m. The regular dinner menu will not be offered that day.

Shenanigans is located at 12595 Sollace M. Freeman Hwy., Sewanee. For more information go to <<http://www.shenanigans1974.com>>.

## RaMell Ross: Seeing Through Eyes Not Yours

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

"Art is being in what you don't understand. Something easily understood is like propaganda," said RaMell Ross during a March 20 conversation with the community about his sculpture, photography, and work as a director and producer of the award winning documentary "Hale County This Morning, This Evening" and the historical drama, "Nickel Boys." Among other honors, including a Sundance Film Festival Special Jury Award for "Hale County," the two films received several Academy Awards nominations. How does Ross take the viewer from witnessing menace and joy in a culture not their own to experiencing from the inside? Ross's strategy takes the form of single-point perspective, a way of seeing that is about both what he wants the viewer to see and his own evolution as an artist.

"Basketball was my life," Ross said of his years as a college basketball star at Georgetown University where he earned degrees in English

and Sociology. "When I lost basketball and my mother in the same year, I turned to photography as a way to understand the world and myself." After earning a Master of Fine Arts in photography from the Rhode Island School of Design, he aspired to a career as a photojournalist for a nationwide publication, only to be shot down by the observation about his portfolio, "Why should I pay you to do what anyone can do?" But a glimmer of light followed. A few photographs at the end of the portfolio where the image in some way involved him earned the remark, "These are interesting."

Ross soon found himself in Hale County, Ala., as a social worker, teacher and coach in a culture of poor, Black southerners. "I became aware of the way I had been programmed to be aware," Ross said. A breakthrough as a photographer came in the comparison of two photographs he took: one, a formerly

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## Letters

### RALLY FOR MEDICAID AND MEDICARE

#### To the Editor:

Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP) and the Franklin County Democratic Party (FCDP) will rally on Saturday, April 5, at 12:30 p.m., near Winchester Square to inform the public about government plans for severe cuts to Medicaid and significant changes to Medicare. Thousands of Tennesseans will be affected. The designated location is the parking lot at the corner of South College Street and Second Avenue. There will be speakers and handouts to make our community aware of these planned measures.

*Sandra Rice, Sewanee*

### OPPOSE SB0836 AND HB0793

#### To the Editor:

State Sen. Bo Watson and State Rep. William Lamberth, both Republicans, propose to deny public education to undocumented immigrant children in their bills, SB0836 and HB0793. Not only are these bills mean-spirited and unfair, they will end up hurting Tennessee schools and communities.

Our society decided long ago that having an educated population is important to our country and that education was for everyone, regardless of income, class, race, ability, and other factors. In 1982, the Supreme Court upheld the importance of universal education in the U.S. and ruled that all children regardless of documentation deserve a public education under the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment.

It benefits all of us to have an educated population and workforce. Not just now, but well into the future as the children of today will be caring for us in the future.

So why are these Republican legislators proposing to deny children of undocumented parents an education?

Is it about money? Public schools are funded through sales taxes and property taxes. Anyone who buys anything in the state of Tennessee, whether or not they are U.S. citizens, pays sales taxes. In fact, poor families pay a higher proportion of their income in sales taxes than wealthier families.

Anyone who owns or rents property in Tennessee pays property taxes to their county, regardless of citizenship status. Despite the oft-repeated myth that undocumented people don't pay taxes, the families of undocumented students pay their share of sales taxes and property taxes just like everyone else.

One might argue that the children of undocumented workers cost our school systems more because of the language barrier. Yes, we may have to hire a few ESL teachers, but we hire extra staff for those who are gifted and have disabilities. And, again, these children's parents pay taxes to support their children's education.

The Franklin County school system would be burdened with verifying each student's citizenship status. Furthermore, the more students enrolled in Franklin County schools, the more money we get from the State of Tennessee to run our schools. So, for every student denied an education, our public school system would lose roughly \$5,000. This combined with the money siphoned away from our public schools from the Republican's newly passed voucher bill could bankrupt our public schools. How will the county make up the lost money from the state? Property tax increases! Or perhaps a new wheel tax on vehicle owners?

One might argue that these children's parents have broken the law by sneaking into the country or overstaying their visa. Yet, do we deny education to the children of citizens who break the law in far more harmful ways than this? Do we deny services to poor people who may not own as much property or pay quite as much sales tax? Do we deny an education to those children who incur extra expenses to the school system because they have learning disabilities?

No, we do not.

So why should we deny an education to the undocumented who are here doing necessary and difficult work and paying taxes?

If having undocumented people in our communities is the problem, then deport them all. However, until our government finds an effective, fair, and workable deportation solution and the families remain in our communities, their children must — and deserve to be educated.

Please contact our State Representative, Iris Rudder (615) 741-8695, <rep.iris.rudder@capitol.tn.gov> and State Senator, Janice Bowling (615) 741-6694, <sen.janice.bowling@capitol.tn.gov> and ask them to oppose SB0836 and HB0793.

Sincerely,

*Helen F. Stapleton, Sewanee*

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## CORRECTION

In the March 21, 2025 issue, "Food Distribution Confirmed for Altamont Free Health Fair," it stated "The health fair will provide a free food distribution by the Grundy County Food Bank in conjunction with the Chattanooga Food Bank." Neither Grundy County Food Bank nor Chattanooga Area Food Bank are involved in this food distribution.

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## Upcoming Meetings

### Town of Monteagle

The Monteagle City Council will have its regular meeting at 5 p.m., Monday, March 31, 2025, in the conference room at City Hall. The Monteagle Planning Commission is scheduled to meet at 4 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, in the conference room at City Hall.

### Coffee with the Coach

Coffee with the Coach, an opportunity to learn more about Sewanee's sports teams, will livestream the meeting at 9 a.m., Tuesday, April 1, with Keenan Hickton, Men's Golf. The livestream will be available at <sewaneeetigers.com/watch>. The meeting will also be in-person at the Blue Chair.

### Eastern Star Cemetery

Eastern Star Cemetery annual meeting will be at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at St. James Church in Midway.

### Housing Hub

The Housing Hub, a nonprofit addressing affordable home ownership for working families on the plateau, will have a board meeting Wednesday, April 2 at 8 a.m., at their office at the Littell-Partin Center, Suite 230, in Tracy City. Interested community members are welcome to attend. More information is available at their website, <housinghubtn.org>.

### EQB Club

The Sewanee Ecce Quam Bonum (EQB) Club, founded in 1870, is Sewanee's oldest organization in continuous existence. The Club meets weekly during the Academic Year at noon on Wednesdays at St. Mary's Sewanee for lunch followed by a talk (called a "Lead") which is given by a variety of very talented speakers.

On Wednesday, April 2, 2025, the Lead will be presented by Dr. Patricia Gibson Heck, a professor of Anthropology who taught at the University of the South beginning in 1986. But Pat won't be speaking on Anthropology. She and her husband, Ken Heck, have a home in northern California, close to the many wildfires of which we read. Pat is going to tell us about these wildfires ... their impact to those who live close-by, the etiologies, the fire-fighting protocols, the attempts at prevention. For those of us who are now hearing about forest fires in nearby Tennessee, we can learn a lot. Pat Heck is an excellent presenter, and this is a new subject for many of us.

Everyone in the community who would like to hear Dr. Heck's presentation is invited to come at 12:25 p.m. to learn about wildfires in California, more than what we read in the news.

### Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club is scheduled to meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, April 3, at St. Mary's Sewanee, for a club assembly.

### Caving Presentation at SWC Meeting

A fascinating program on Tennessee caves will be presented at the Sewanee Woman's Club on Monday, April 14. Joey Favaloro, who has been caving for more than 60 years, will tell us about the wonderful world of Tennessee caves.

There are more than 10,000 caves in Tennessee with new caves being discovered every year and Joey has discovered many of them. He notes that within a 30-mile radius of where Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia meet there are more caves than anywhere else in the world. We will see some amazing slides of his caving adventures. Joey began caving as a boy when he visited Monteagle Sunday School Assembly. He and his friends began by seeking horizontal caves and later graduated to vertical caves which require more sophisticated rigging for climbing and rappelling.

All are welcome to attend Sewanee Woman's Club meetings especially the ladies in the Plateau area. You don't have to be a member to enjoy the informative programs and connect with other very intelligent ladies of the mountain. Members, guests and interested women will gather at St. Mary's Sewanee at 11:30 a.m., for social time. Lunch is served at 11:50 a.m., with the program following. Please make reservations by 6 p.m., Sunday, April 6, by emailing Hilary Goodman at <reservations.swc@gmail.com>.

### Franklin County School Board

The Franklin County School Board is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Monday, April 14, at 215 S. College St., Winchester.

### Sewanee Utility District

The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, April 15, 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 Johnny Hughes, Chris McBee, Donnie McBee, Charlie Smith, and Clay Yeatman.

## Hospitality Shop News

Regular hours for the Shop are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday.

As you consider donations for the Shop please evaluate your gifts using the following criteria. Donations can be left in the bins by the back door if the Shop is closed. Good donations are: fully assembled, working, and clean with all parts and pieces; free of mold, mildew, and smells; free of chips, breakage, food residue, grease, rust; free of rips, tears, stains, missing buttons, broken zippers or excessive wear.

The children's clothing section is closed. Children's clothing can be taken to Good Samaritan in Winchester or to Goodwill in Kimball. We do accept children's books and puzzles.

## Sobriety Checkpoint

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office will conduct a multi-agency Sobriety Checkpoint on Saturday, March 29, 2025. The Checkpoint or Checkpoints will be conducted between 6 p.m. and 12 a.m. Location or locations can be Hwy 41A at the Hwy. 156 intersection, Hwy. 127 at Monroe Floyd Rd., and Old Tullahoma Rd., (Hwy. 130) in the area of North Lake Elementary.

## 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 noon. Walk-in pickup is on Tuesdays, 4-6 p.m., at the Sewanee Community Center. To order go to <https://openfood-network.net/south-cumberland-farmer-s-market/shop>.

## Sewanee Community-Wide Yard Sales, April 12

The Sewanee Community Center is coordinating the community-wide yard sales, from 8 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 12.

You can participate by either having a sale at your home (feel free to combine your efforts with a friend) or by reserving a space at the Community Center (limited availability.)

A registration form and \$25 fee is required to participate. The fee will be used to print maps highlighting the sale locations, provide an official yard sign for your location, and to place advertisements in local papers.

The deadline to submit your registration form and payment is March 31. See page 15 in this issue for the registration form.

## CAC Pantry Sunday

Pantry Sunday for the Community Action Committee (CAC) is scheduled for the first Sunday of the month. All are welcome to contribute. Please bring your food offerings to St. James Episcopal in Midway, the Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul for collection, or deliver directly to the CAC located at 216 University Ave., Sewanee.

The typical bag of groceries includes beans, pasta, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, vegetables, fruit, and canned soup.

The CAC is an outreach ministry of the Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul, with generous support from the Sewanee Community Chest, other organizations and individuals across the Mountain. For more than 50 years, the CAC has provided food, financial assistance, and educational support for persons in the greater Sewanee community. For more information contact the CAC at (931) 598-5927.

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# Church News

## All Saints' Chapel

Sundays during the Academic Year, services at All Saints' Chapel will be at 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite I and 11 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II.

The Lenten Daily Eucharist. A Eucharist will be celebrated Monday through Friday, beginning at 12:25 p.m. in St. Augustine's Chapel, which is located in the rear hallway of All Saints'. The service is designed to last about 20-25 minutes, so that you can take part and still make it to a 1 p.m. class or appointment.

## Christ Church

This Sunday in the liturgical year has many names. Today it often goes just as "Mid Lent Sunday." In England it was called "Mothering Sunday" and this was a day that people made an effort to visit their mother if she was still living. Young people, far too many in the view of our time, who worked in the Manor Houses, were given the day off to go visit their mothers. In other countries this Sunday was known as "Rejoice Sunday" from one of the Readings of the day. Churches where flowers are not on the Altar during Lent often have Roses on this particular Sunday. We will follow this beautiful tradition.

We rejoice at Christ Church with Baptism and Confirmation and a special lunch after the service. This also provides an opportunity for all to reaffirm their own vows. Please consider this notice as an invitation.

## Cowan First Church of the Nazarene

Cowan First Church of the

Nazarene will host a Singspiration on Sunday, March 30, at 6 p.m.

Singspirations represent a joyful tradition rooted in Appalachian culture. We will sing a variety of hymns and gospel favorites. Bring your singing voice and invite a friend.

Cowan Nazarene is located at 221 W. Cumberland St.

## Goshen Cumberland Presbyterian Church

The Goshen Cumberland Presbyterian Church, at 1262 Williams Cove Road, Winchester will have the annual Bean Supper from 5-7 p.m., Saturday, March 29. All proceeds benefit the maintenance of the cemetery. All are invited.

## Morton Memorial United Methodist

This Sunday, we will welcome Diantha McLeod to deliver the message at the 11 a.m. worship service. The title of her talk will be "My Past is Not My Future." She is the founder and executive director of Healing Broken Vessels, Inc., which provides educational services to uplift, equip and empower women in Wilson County. She also serves as Pastor to Burton's and Wright Chapel and Kynett United Methodist Churches. The text for her message is 2 Corinthians 5:16-21.

Children are welcome at Morton! They are invited to interact with our pastor during worship. Following worship, children will have time together in activities with Ms. Margaret in Children's Church.

This Sunday in our sanctuary at 10:20 a.m., prior to the worship service, we will also include the gift

of Holy Communion. It's a time of sharing in the mystery of the life, death and resurrection of our Savior and is offered to all persons regardless of age or church affiliation. All are invited, even if it's the first time a person has visited Morton. It's an open table, meaning a person of any age doesn't have to be a baptized believer or a member of any church.

To learn more about life in our community of faith, accept this invitation to worship. Morton is located at 322 West Main St., in Monteagle. Our service begins at 11 a.m., following coffee and refreshments in our Fellowship Center. If you are unable to attend but want to sample worship at Morton, the service is live streamed at Morton's Facebook and YouTube pages and is available there in the week following the service.

Morton continues providing

GriefShare on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. and hosts a weekly open AA meeting on Sundays at 6:30 p.m. Both are held in the Wesley House located between the church and CVS.

## St. James Episcopal

St. James celebrates Holy Eucharist every Sunday at 9 a.m. We gather after the service for conversation and coffee.

Our Lenten study continues on Wednesday, at 6 p.m., and goes through the next Wednesdays minus Holy Week (April 16). The book we will study is "Why Church?: Christianity as It Was Meant to Be" by Scott Cowdell, Ph.D. The book explores the marginalization of the church, seen more as providing support rather than being indispensable to the Christian life and argues for the

centrality of the Eucharistic church in an increasingly tribal world. St. James is located at 898 Midway Road. All are welcome.

## St. Mark and St. Paul

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

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

Godly Play continues this Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for children (3 years old through 5th grade).

Youth Sunday School: Students in 6th-12th grade are invited to gather with friends upstairs in Brooks Hall for games, prayer, and Bible study.

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# Church Calendar

## Abundant Life Assembly of God, Cowan

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## All Saints' Chapel

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

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Sunday

## Bible Baptist Church, Monteagle

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

5:30 p.m. Evening Worship, Wednesday

## Calvary Baptist Church, Winchester

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

4 p.m. Evening Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday

## Chapman Chapel Church of the Nazarene, Pelham

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Bible study, Wednesday

## Christ Church Monteagle

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion, Sunday

## Christ Church, Tracy City

10 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## Christ the King Anglican Church, Decherd

9 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

6:30 p.m. Healing/prayer service

## 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

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Sunday

## First Baptist Church, Cowan

9:15 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:25 a.m. Worship, Sunday

## First Church of the Nazarene, Cowan

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Decherd

5 p.m. Mass, Saturday

10:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday

12:30 p.m. Spanish Mass, Sunday

## Goshen C. P. Church, Winchester

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Grace Fellowship Church

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

## Harrison Chapel Methodist Church, Midway

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Sunday Morning Service

5 p.m. Sunday Evening Service

## Highpointe Apostolic Church, Monteagle

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship, Sunday

7 p.m. Worship, Wednesday

## Hobbs Hill Community Church, Tracy City

10 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Wednesday

## Marble Plains Baptist Church, Winchester

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:30 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

5 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Mid-week Service, Wednesday

## Midway Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Midway Church of Christ

10 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

## Monteagle Church of Christ

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle First Baptist Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle Seventh-day Adventist Church

10 a.m. Bible Study, Saturday

11 a.m. Worship, Saturday

7 p.m. Prayer and Study, Tuesday

## Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

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

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

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11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Prayer Service, Wednesday

## New Creations Ministries, Rayburn Chapel

4 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Sunday

## New Hope Church of God in Christ, Cowan

11 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

## Pelham United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## St. Agnes' Episcopal Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## St. James-Midway Episcopal Church

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8 a.m. Mass, Sunday

## St. Mark & St. Paul

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

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

9:45 a.m. Godly Play

9:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday, livestream Facebook

## St. Mary's Sewanee Retreat Center

4 p.m. Centering Prayer Group, Thursday

## Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Sewanee Zen, Stone Nest Dojo

7 a.m. Zazen, Tuesday-Thursday

10 a.m. Zazen and Ceremony, Sunday

## Sisters of St. Mary Convent Chapel

7 a.m. Morning Prayer, Tuesday-Friday

5 p.m. Evening Prayer, Tuesday-Friday

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Saturday

5 p.m. Evensong, Saturday

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

5 p.m. Evensong, Sunday

## Tracy City First Baptist Church

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

## Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

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

## Unitarian Universalist Church, Tullahoma

10 a.m. Service, Sunday

## Valley Home Community Church, Pelham

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

# Obituaries

## Anne Farquhar Griffin

Anne Farquhar Griffin, age 94, died on Dec. 9, 2024. She was born on April 17, 1930, in New York City, to Roger Vereker Farquhar and Mary Katherine Blagden Farquhar. She attended The Nightingale-Bamford School and graduated from The Westover School and Briarcliff College. She worked for Spadea, Inc., a fashion reporting newspaper syndicate and advertising firm for three years before marrying The Rev. Julian Rumsey Ellis in 1952. After Julian's death in 1956, she returned to New York City and worked in the Strang Cancer Prevention Center at Memorial-Sloan Kettering Cancer Center until 1963, when she married The Rev. William Augustin Griffin, Professor of Old Testament at the School of Theology in Sewanee.

Funeral Services will be at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 5, 2025, in All Saints' Chapel, followed by committal in the University Cemetery and a reception.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Andrew's-Sewanee School's William S. Wade Fund for Financial Aid, the William A. Griffin Scholarship for Study in the Holy Land at the University of the South, The Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul (formerly Otey), Animal Harbor, or to a charity meaningful to you. For complete obituary go to <[www.moorecortner.com](http://www.moorecortner.com)>.

## Suel Sanders

Suel Sanders, age 83, died on March 23, 2025. He was born on July 23, 1941, in Gruetli-Laager, to John W. and Maggie Sweeton Sanders. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, James "Sham" Sanders and Willie Carl Sanders; and sister, Lillie Mae Caldwell.

He is survived by daughters, Sherry (Johnny Ray) Fults and Sandy (Lee Mitchell) McFarland; four grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral Services were on March 26, 2025, from the Foster & Lay Chapel of Cumberland Funeral Home, Tracy City with Bro. Danny Cofelt officiating. Interment followed in Plainview Cemetery. For complete obituary go to <[www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net](http://www.cumberlandfuneralhome.net)>



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During Lent, Holy Eucharist will be celebrated every Thursday at 12:15 p.m. in the church.

Wednesday evenings in Lent, through April 9, the parish is offering a soup and learning series called "Lord Let Me Know My End: Facing Mortality with Wisdom and Grace." A simple healthy meal will be served at 5:30 p.m., with the discussion 6-7 p.m.

Dr. Andrea Sanders will present "Reflecting on the Sabbath and This Fragile Earth with Wendell Berry and Other Writers" on Sunday, March 30. The event, which is part of the Sunday Forum series, will take place at Kennerly Hall from 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Wendell Berry, renowned writer and environmental activist, is a long-time friend of and favorite poet in Sewanee. Since 1979, Berry has written what he calls "Sabbath poems," which he writes while taking a quiet walk on the land around his farm in Kentucky. Guided by poems from Berry's collection "This Day," Sanders will look at the idea of the sabbath as an occasion for pausing to reflect on our intimate and sacred connections to nature and how we can nurture that bond in our daily lives.

Sanders grew up in Red Bank, went to college in Knoxville, and lived in South Carolina and Illinois before returning to Tennessee. She and her husband, Tom, have lived in Sewanee since 2002. She earned her B.A. and M.A. at UT Knoxville and her Ph.D. at The University of Chicago. She taught English for more than 40 years in the state college system, most recently at Chattanooga State, and

retired in December.

Rite-13: Rite-13 meets from 4-6 p.m. in Brooks Hall. If you have any questions, please email Hilary <hbwchurch@gmail.com>.

Centering Prayer Groups: The Tuesday Centering Prayer group meets at 2:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Our Monday Centering Prayer group continues to meet at 7 p.m.

Adult Choir rehearsals are Sundays 12:15-1 p.m. The choir warms up at 10:30 a.m., prior to the second service.

Children's Choir rehearsal for grades K-5 takes place in Kennerly Hall Wednesdays at 2:45 p.m. If you have questions email Wyatt Poe at: <music@stmarkstpaul.org>.

Lectionary Bible Study: Brooks Hall, Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.

**Sisters of St. Mary**

Fridays during Lent, the Sisters of St. Mary will have a Stations of the Cross service at noon. Please meet inside the convent.

**Winchester First United Methodist Church**

Winchester First United Methodist Church, at 100 S. Jefferson St (just off the Winchester town square), is an inclusive and loving community dedicated to breaking the cycles of poverty and marginalization in our world. Worship is on Sundays at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., except for the first Sunday of each month, when the service is at 10 a.m., and is followed by lunch. For more information contact the senior pastor, Eric Bronkala, at (865) 591-8823, or check us out on Facebook.

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stately Southern home in disrepair and the other, a photograph of his hand holding his phone with the Southern home displayed both on the screen and in the background. "The photograph of the house alone says nothing about my perspective," Ross observed. "The other photo asks 'What is the relationship of a Black northerner to the historic house?' It says everything about my perspective. The photo time stamp, the iPhone technology, my [black] hand which is in authorship of the image on the phone."

"Perception is coterminous with memory and coterminous with history," Ross said. "To see anything, you have to draw on your memory and your relationship to it." For Ross, the challenge became, "how can you engage someone in a person, a town, a culture, and give them an experience of it?" The answer: "What does the image look like in a movie? What is the human process of the experience in that moment of viewing the image?"

Ross confesses, "I'm not happy with the way my people exist in images across time. I want to make images that are ecofriendly ... about what belongs in history. What's inside your head is prompted by the image." He conceives of his art as "using blackness as a Rorschach Test for one's relationship to blackness, inviting you to project your relationship to blackness on the image."

Taking this concept to his work in film, Ross conceives of "the camera as an extension of the conscience, of taking the camera into the body to get to the truth of the single point perspective as an access point ... there is a film in every frame." For Ross, every image has a "teleology" — a design and purpose that challenges the viewers' expectations.

In his advice to aspiring artists, Ross points out that his award-winning documentary "Hale County This Morning, This Evening" grew out of his work in Hale County not as a photographer, but as a social worker, teacher and coach who also happened to take pictures. "There is a difference between being an outsider trying to get to know them and making a film and trying to get others to say what you want them so say," Ross insisted. "Hale County forces the viewer into a relationship with the people in the film."

Ross's art asks simultaneously "What does it mean to look" and "What does it mean to be looked at?" His photography and sculpture are on display at the University Art Gallery through March 30.

**Community Council** (continued from page 1)

police "take action?"

"We can issue a criminal summons if we feel we have probable cause," Knight said. He pointed out people frequently did not report dog aggression incidents. Adding to the problem, the owner was often unknown, Smith said.

Egerton said there were police reports of dog attack incidents where the owner was known, but never questioned. "I'm not aware of the police issuing any citations," Egerton stressed.

Another resident speculated the University could be sued if a person was attacked and no action was taken.

"A lot of the burden of responsibility is falling on the victim. This often involves power disparities. I can't imagine a student [victim] would reach out to individuals of the community [who owned the dogs and were their superiors]," said Classics Professor Stephanie McCarter, whose child was chased and husband was bitten by a neighborhood dog. "We don't want to worry about our kids being hurt. But it's hard to say, 'I want to press charges against my neighbor.' Why wasn't a citation issued? I would like to see more proactive intervention."

"I'm sorry, Stephanie," Pearigen said, "especially about your children." Green, council representative Michael Payne, and Phelps will serve on a committee to tackle the dog policy question.

In discussion about upkeep of the Sewanee Market, Gohn remarked, "It was good to see a new roof, but there are still upkeep is-

sues." Gohn observed the building had long been in disrepair and, as a short-term lease, upkeep fell to the University. Vice President for Economic Development and Community Relations David Shipps confirmed that the future of the property was uncertain. "There have been lots of recommendations and studies about rethinking the area of the market and adjacent spaces," Shipps said. "It boils down to a funding program to create the outcomes."

Shipps likewise cited "funding" difficulty for delay in construction of the proposed University apartments. Shipps emphasized employee housing was "a priority. The plan, desire, outcome, and need remain the same."

Updating the council on the investigation into lighting on campus, Pearigen said he, Wilson, and President of Facilities Management Robert Benton met with Duck River Electric. The utility will provide a map of all lighting on campus to facilitate further research about both over and under lighting concerns.

In the coming academic year, the council will meet on the following dates with reserve dates as noted if needed for urgent business: Aug. 25 (reserve), Sept. 22, Oct. 27, Nov. 24 (reserve), Jan. 26, Feb. 23 (reserve), March 23, April 27 (reserve), May 18, June 22 (reserve).

The annual Community Clean-up scheduled for April 26 begins at 9 a.m. Meet at the Mountain Goat Trailhead. Trash bags provided.

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## Color Run for Literacy Mountain Goat Trail Race Set for April 19

Early Literacy Ambassadors (ELA) invites you to participate in their second annual color run fundraiser. This family-friendly event will take place at Cove Creek Farm on Saturday, April 12, from 10 a.m. to noon. Run, walk, roller skate, etc., along the Mountain Goat Trail from the farm to Mooney's and back. There will be color splash stations along the 3-mile loop. Come for the run and stay for a hayride or a picture with the Easter Bunny! Registration is free for ages 0-12 and \$15 for ages 13 and up. T-shirts are included with registration while supplies last. Pre-registration is recommended. Check-in starts at 9:30 a.m. Visit <https://forms.gle/EmdzasnSRSD1EAd6> for registration and information.

Founded in 2021, ELA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides free, evidence-based reading interventions to children in Franklin and Grundy counties in order to break the cycle of poverty through literacy. During the 2023-2024 school year, ELA provided 140 hours of instruction to 144 students with the help of 7 college student Ambassadors. 120 books were read to Story Time students, and 100 percent of Reading Group students met or exceeded their reading goal. ELA is currently supported by private donors and the following organizations: United Way of Franklin County, South Cumberland Community Fund, Sewanee Community Chest, Community Foundation of Middle TN, Lodge Cast Iron, Louie M. and Betty M. Phillips Foundation, and Sewanee's Office of Civic Engagement.

The color run is ELA's primary fundraiser for the year. Their goal is to raise \$25,000, which will ensure the continuation of this vital service. Please join the following event sponsors: Theta Kappa, TKP alumni, Megan Hart, Mildred Wakefield, Katie Ward, Parrin Patterson, Sarah Wallace, Cornelia, Caroline, Anne-Marie, Margaret, Wren, Julia, Leigh Ann, and Romy. Become a sponsor here: <https://givebutter.com/ELAcolorrun>. ELA is thankful for all the community support and hopes to see you at the Color Run.

The Mountain Goat Trail Race, sponsored by Mountain Outfitters, returns for the 10th time on Saturday, April 19.

The day features a 5-mile run, a 2-mile walk, and a half marathon, all ending at Mountain Outfitters. All proceeds will go to the Mountain Goat Trail Alliance (MGTA) to support Mountain Goat Trail construction.

"We're thrilled that it's time to work once more with our longstanding sponsor, Mountain Outfitters, on the annual race. Entrants can expect the fun and the great drawings for gear that we've had pretty much every year it's been run," said Patrick Dean, executive director of the MGTA.

The 5-mile run will begin at 9:30 a.m. in downtown Sewanee; the 2-mile walk will begin at 10:15 a.m. at La Bella Pearl's. Both will finish at Mountain Outfitters in Monteagle. Prizes will be awarded for the fastest men's and women's 5-mile finishers. Drawings for outdoor gear from Mountain Outfitters and presentation of awards are planned after the finish of the run & walk.

The half-marathon (13.1 miles) will begin at 8 a.m. at Mountain Outfitters and follow the Mountain Goat Trail to Sewanee, looping on side roads before returning to the finish at Mountain Outfitters. Drawings for outdoor gear from Mountain Outfitters and presentation of awards are planned after the finish.

To learn more or to register, go to [www.mountaingoattrail.org/race/](http://www.mountaingoattrail.org/race/).

## Local Community Gears Up for the 21st Annual Trails & Trilliums Festival

The much-anticipated Trails & Trilliums festival returns to Beer-sheba Springs Assembly from April 4-6, 2025, offering residents and visitors a weekend filled with nature-centric activities and educational opportunities.

**What's New This Year:**

**Expanded Activities:** With over 80 scheduled hikes, workshops, and exhibits, there's something for everyone—from seasoned hikers to those curious about local flora and fauna.

**Engaging Panels:** New this year, panel discussions will delve into topics like creating biodiverse habitats at home and the role of conservation in community development.

**Local Entertainment:** Friday night's Hootenanny will spotlight local musicians, while Saturday's Wine and Wildflowers event promises an evening of music and dancing.

**Join the Celebration:**

Residents are encouraged to participate in this community event. Register by March 30, 2025, at [trailsandtrilliums.org](http://trailsandtrilliums.org) to ensure your spot.

**About the Festival:**

Trails & Trilliums, now in its 21st year, has become a staple in our community, celebrating the natural beauty of the South Cumberland Plateau and fostering a love for the outdoors.

For more information and a detailed schedule, visit [trailsandtrilliums.org](http://trailsandtrilliums.org).

## Mahjong Players Wanted

Are you a Mahjong Player or do you want to learn how to play? Mahjong Madness happens the first and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 1 p.m. We meet at St. James Church located at 898 Midway Rd., Sewanee.

## SENIOR CENTER NEWS

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

**Monday, March 31:** Chicken strips, baked potato, broccoli salad, egg roll.

**Tuesday, April 1:** Chef salad.

**Wednesday, April 2:** Steak + gravy, broccoli + cheese, roll.

**Thursday, April 3:** Cabbage Patch soup, Mexican cornbread.

**Friday, April 4:** Pork chop, scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll. Menus may vary. For information call the center at (931) 598-0771.

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

The Center is in need of kitchen volunteers, and regular and substitute drivers.

The Sewanee Senior Center does not charge any membership fee. All persons 50 or older who take part in any of the activities are considered members.

## Nonfood Supply Drive to Benefit the CAC

The Sewanee Civic Association is inviting individuals, local groups and businesses to help collect donations of nonfood items for the Community Action Committee (CAC). This collection will augment the services provided by the CAC food pantry. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits cannot be used to purchase any nonfood items, which includes pet food, cleaning supplies, paper products, household supplies, detergent, menstrual products, diapers, or other personal care items.

This is where you can help. Collect nonfood items March 23-28, and deliver them to the CAC at 216 University Ave., Sewanee. Individuals may also take their nonfood donations to Taylor's Mercantile in Sewanee.

There is an Amazon wish list from the Sewanee Community Chest for those who want to order nonfood items. These will be delivered to the CAC. The Amazon link is <https://a.co/f6TXKX4>.

The CAC will oversee the distribution of the donations to those in need. The CAC is an outreach ministry of the Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul, with generous support from the Sewanee Community Chest, other organizations and individuals across the Mountain. For more than 50 years, the CAC has provided food, financial assistance, and educational support for persons in the greater Sewanee community.

The event is sponsored by the Community Action Committee, the Sewanee Civic Association, and the Sewanee Community Chest.



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## SES MENUS

Monday-Friday  
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BREAKFAST

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

Monday, March 31: Cereal cup or muffin w/cheese stick.

Tuesday, April 1: Cereal cup or yogurt parfait.

Wednesday, April 2: Cereal cup or breakfast pastry.

Thursday, April 3: Cereal cup or meat biscuit.

Friday, April 4: Cereal cup or French toast sticks.

### LUNCH

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

Monday, March 31: Steak and gravy, steamed carrots, mashed potatoes, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 1: Asian chicken, fried rice, roll, steamed broccoli, smiles, fortune cookie, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 2: Beef taco, tortilla chips, salsa, pinto beans, buttered corn, trimmings, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 3: Roasted chicken, macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit, milk.

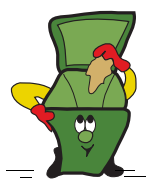
Friday, April 4: Pizza, carrot dippers, buttered corn, cookie, fruit, milk.

For meal pricing, go to <<https://franklincountyttn.schoolsites.com/menus-mealpricing>>.

## Lunch and Learn at UT Extension Center

The UT Extension Grundy County is hosting Lunch and Learn, at 7852 Hwy. 56, Coalmont. Times are 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and lunch is included. The cost is \$15 each. On Tuesday, April 1, the class will be on Invasive Insects. Call (931) 592-3971 to reserve a seat.

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## Local Youth Energized by Dynamic Speakers and Interactive Leadership Sessions

The walls of the University of the South echoed with enthusiasm and laughter as more than 300 students from across four counties participated in the Boing Youth Conference on March 7, 2025. Hosted by the Campora Family Resource Center, the event transformed an ordinary school day into an extraordinary opportunity for young minds to explore leadership, resilience, and personal growth.

Setting the tone for a day unlike any other, Dr. Cary Holman, Franklin County Director of Schools, broke traditional expectations by dancing on stage with students—demonstrating firsthand that authentic leadership begins with connection and engagement. This moment perfectly embodied the conference's spirit of breaking barriers and embracing new possibilities.

"What we witnessed today was more than just a gathering—it was a catalyst for change in our community's next generation," said Eric Vanzant, Director of the Campora Family Resource Center. "When students from different schools and backgrounds come together with this level of energy and purpose, the impact extends far beyond a single day."

The conference featured captivating sessions designed to inspire action. Nolan Crombie moved many to hearts with his powerful "Be the One" presentation, sharing his personal journey of overcoming adversity to become a positive force in his community. Meanwhile, Richard Reed transformed leadership theory into practice through interactive exercises that had students on their feet, collaborating and discovering their own leadership potential.

The day began with keynote speaker Jared Scott, who energized the audience with his motivational message. Scott then led three separate sessions throughout the conference, working directly with students to reinforce his message of resilience and positive action. The event culminated with Scott's performance of his original song "Boing"—which has been produced as a music video available on YouTube—that had students singing along by the final chorus. The song's themes perfectly encapsulated the conference's mission.

Students from across the region participated, including Huntland High School, Huntland Middle School, Franklin County High

School, South Middle School, and North Middle School from Franklin County, with Sewanee Elementary fifth-graders specially invited for the keynote address. Tullahoma's East and West Middle Schools and Manchester's Westwood Middle School added to the diverse gathering. Grundy County was well represented by Grundy County High School students and middle school students from Tracy City Elementary, Swiss Memorial Elementary, Pelham Elementary, and North Elementary.

This transformative event, now in its second year at the University of the South, continued a successful partnership initially established by Katie Goforth, who retired this year, and now led by Mandy Bouldin. Both served in the role of Director of Community Development at the University of the South and South Cumberland Community Fund through the Office of Civic Engagement at the University of the South. Partial funding for this conference was generously provided by the Franklin County Mayor's Office, making it possible for Franklin County students to attend without cost, while Grundy County students were able to attend without cost through the partnership with the South Cumberland Community Fund.

For information about future Boing Youth Conferences or how to get involved, contact Barbara King Ladd at Campora Family Resource Center: <[Barbara.kingladd@fcstn.net](mailto:Barbara.kingladd@fcstn.net)>.

## Franklin County Kindergarten Registration

You must register your child at the school that your child is zoned to attend during the 2025-2026 school year, between 1-5 p.m., Thursday, April 10, 2025.

A child must reach the age of 5 years by Aug. 15, 2025, to enroll in Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 school year.

Items to bring: child's certified birth certificate; child's immunization record and current physicians' physical report (on TN Dept. of Health form); proof of residency.

For more information contact Patti Limbaugh at (931) 967-0626.

## Franklin County Preschool Application Process

Register your child at the school you wish your child to attend during the 2025-2026 school year if accepted. Applications are accepted 1-5 p.m., Monday, April 3, 2025.

Child must be 4 years old by Aug. 15, 2025 to apply for Preschool for the 2025-2026 school year.

Documents required: certified birth certificate; immunization record & current physical report (on TN Dept. of Health form); proof of residence (utility bill, rent receipt, etc.); proof of income required for eligibility, (2024 W-2's or tax return preferred, or last three consecutive pay stubs showing gross income, or Letter of Food Stamp Proof, SNAP, or Families First Proof).

For more information contact Patti Limbaugh at (931) 967-0626.

## SCC Diamonds and Dedication

Everyone is invited to join the Sewanee Children's Center in celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Center and recognizing 38 years of dedicated service by beloved teacher Carrie Mauzy. The event will take place in Kennerly Hall and on the playground next to St. Mark and St. Paul from 2-4 p.m., Sunday, April 27. Fun activities include: a visit from Margaret Matens and her animal friends, face painting, animal balloon shaping, Go Fishing carnival game, a cookie walk, and an art naming competition. Please come and help us celebrate this vital organization in the Sewanee community, and the legacies that have made it possible.

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## Andrew McGowen to Lecture

Join the School of Theology Wednesday, April 2, at 4:30 p.m. for a lecture by the Very Rev. Dr. Andrew McGowen titled "True Bread: Missionaries, Luminaries, and the Magisterium on Wheat, Leavening, Gluten, and the Eucharist." The lecturer will be held in the Samuel Lloyd Forum within Hamilton Hall and livestreamed for those who cannot attend in person.

The Roman Catholic Church insists on the presence of gluten in eucharistic bread, despite the impact of celiac disease on some communicants, asserting this is essential to the character of bread. Yet this focus on a substance (gluten) only discovered in the West in the 18th century invites some further reflection. The origins of the modern Roman canonical requirement will be shown to lie less in ancient tradition than in the Enlightenment and colonialism, but raise important questions nevertheless about how wheat, fermentation, gluten, and other factors contribute to what constitutes bread, and hence the Eucharist itself.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Find more information and the livestream link at <sewanee.theology.edu>.

## Monteagle Arbor Day Celebration

Monteagle will host its first Arbor Day Celebration on Thursday, April 3, at 2 p.m., in front of the Monteagle Police Department. Mayor Greg Maloof will read a proclamation, and an October Glory Maple will be planted in the Greenway in front of the Police Department. Later in the day two other maple trees, a Redpointe and a Red Sunset, will be planted in the Greenway near Lee and King Streets.

Special thanks to United to Protect the Plateau, a nonprofit based in Monteagle, for donating the funds to purchase the trees being planted.

David O'Neill will give a brief explanation of the best methods of planting and maintaining a tree. David is a certified arborist and owner of High Canopy Tree Service in Sewanee.

Tyler Meroney, Urban & Community Forestry Partnership Coordinator with the Tennessee Division of the Forestry Urban and Community Forestry Program, will be present representing the Tennessee Division of the Forestry. He will be leading a workshop, "Roots to Shoots" in Monteagle in the coming weeks where he will present best practices in more detail. The date will be announced soon.

Everyone is invited to attend. This will be the first of several events sponsored by the newly instituted Monteagle Tree Advisory Council.

For more information contact Monteagle Town Hall (931) 924-2265.

## 2025 Edible Books Festival

Please join the Sewanee Community as we celebrate the International Edible Books Festival with a contest on Monday, April 7, 2025, in the Main Lobby of Jessie Ball duPont Library. Entries for the contest will be accepted from 7:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., and a reception will take place from 3-4:30 p.m. The Library's address is 178 Georgia Ave., Sewanee.

The Edible Books Festival is about creating an edible work of art inspired by a book or author. Draw inspiration from a book, literary figure, book character, literary pun, or plot. Think of it as representing the book or author through food—have fun with puns, make something in the shape of a book, or recreate a dessert or meal from the book. Past entries have included "The Wizard of Oz," "Toothless Wonder," "The Princess and the Pea," "The Little Ghost Who Was a Quilt," "A Farewell to Arms," and "The Hungry Caterpillar," among other literary greats. Take a look at duPont Library's website <https://library.sewanee.edu/c.php?g=920709&p=6772873> with some of these previous years' entries.

Need more ideas? Take a look at the International Edible Books Festival website <http://www.books2eat.beatricecoron.com/photos.html>. If you are a Pinterest user, go to <https://www.pinterest.com/penelk/edible-book-ideas/> for an Edible Books Ideas board which also includes some of our entries from previous years.

To find out all the details about the event and to register your entry, please go to <library.sewanee.edu/ediblebooks>. We have five categories and will be awarding prizes for each. Among the prizes will be \$25 gift cards for Shenanigans and library-themed gift bags. The categories are Literary Theme; Punnyest; Best Entry by a Child (under 12); People's Choice (this is the popular vote); and Best Team Entry (maximum of four team members).

This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Sewanee Dining, and Library and Information Technology Services. For more information about the 2025 Edible Books Festival, please contact Stephanie Borne at <sborne@sewanee.edu>.

## 31st Haines Lecture

This year, our Haines Lecturer will be Black Studies, Feminist, and English literary critic Hortense Spillers. She will deliver the 31st Haines Lecture, titled, "Tales Told Out of School: Race, History, and Public Relations," on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. in Convocation Hall.

Hortense Spillers is one of the giants of literary criticism, Black Feminism, and Black Studies. Currently the Gertrude Conaway Vanderbilt Professor (Emerita), and Distinguished Research Professor at Vanderbilt University, Dr. Spillers's most famous essay, "Mama's Baby, Papa's Maybe: An American Grammar Book" (1987) permanently changed Black Studies, and continues to be a touchstone in multiple fields. It is part of a collection of similarly powerful and influential essays, Black, White, and in Color: Essays on American Literature and Culture (2003). Her work continues to speak to wide audiences, inside and outside the academy.

## Free Health Fair in Grundy County

The Healthy Tennessee health fair is on Saturday, March 29, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Altamont Baptist Church located at 1440 Main St., Altamont.

Healthy Tennessee, a nonprofit health-focused organization founded by Vanderbilt orthopedic trauma surgeon Dr. Manny Sethi and his wife Maya, is hosting a free health fair in partnership with the South Cumberland Chamber of Commerce, Grundy County Health Department and Grundy County Food Bank on Saturday, March 29, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Altamont Baptist Church, 1440 Main St., Altamont.

Several free health screenings will be available to attendees, along with more than 20 local health-focused organizations offering valuable information at their booths. Healthcare professionals, including doctors and nurses, as well as wellness companies, will provide free health screenings, educational resources, and healthy living products to empower attendees to lead healthier lives.

Some of the featured offerings include: healthcare providers on-site; health focused exhibitors; mammograms (participants must schedule their mammogram at (423) 494-4040); blood pressure screening; height / weight screening; well child checks; bone / soft tissue injuries; basic dental exams.

For more information, please email <info@myhealthytennessee.com> or visit <myhealthytennessee.com>.

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## Department of Biology and the Babson Center Welcomes John Davies

As the global population rises, scientists are developing innovative solutions to combat food insecurity and create a globally sustainable agriculture. At the forefront of these advancements is Dr. John Davies, an agricultural biotechnology and business professional with over 30 years of experience in academia, the corporate sector, and consulting.

A principal at JP Davies Consulting and interim chief scientific officer of the Global Institute for Food Security (GIFS) at the University of Saskatchewan, Davies will be the Babson Center's Bryan Viewpoints Speakers for the 2025 Easter semester. During his visit to Sewanee, he will meet with students and give a presentation, "From Academia to Industry: Learnings from My Career in Biotechnology," at 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, in Naylor Auditorium, Gailor Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Davies received a B.S. in biology from the University of the South, where he hung up his swimsuit to dive into laboratory research, focusing on molecular biology. Concern over food insecurity in the 1970s, inspired him to pursue graduate studies in plant biology and its application to agriculture—increasing crop yields through plant breeding. He earned a M.S. in agronomy and soils from Auburn University and a Ph.D. in molecular biology from Vanderbilt University.

On an academic track, Davies worked as a post-doctoral research associate at Carnegie Institution, and then as an assistant professor in the Botany Department at Iowa State University. He quickly realized the opportunities in the plant biotech industry and shifted to the corporate sector, working at Exelixis Plant Sciences, Dow Agro-Sciences, and a startup. Seeing how advancements in his field lowered costs in the agricultural industry, Davies went back to higher education, this time to earn an MBA at the University of Oregon.

In his current role at the GIFS, Davies applies genomic selection, a technology that combines plant breeding with molecular biology and quantitative genetics. "Enhancing sequencing technologies to address the real needs of growers and consumers is very gratifying," he said. GIFS collaborates with diverse stakeholders to develop innovative solutions for a resilient and sustainable food supply while maintaining ecological responsibility and economic growth.

An expert in plant genetics, genomics, and biotechnology, Davies has authored over 30 scientific articles and holds more than 35 patents. Join us to hear how his scientific and business acumen is paving the way for global food security.

This visit is cosponsored by the Department of Biology and the Department of Economics and Finance. The Bryan Viewpoints Speaker Series is made possible by a generous gift from Peggy and J.F. Bryan IV, C'65. For more information about the Babson Center for Global Commerce and our events, please visit <babsoncgc.sewanee.edu>.



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## 'Nature, Red in Bird and Bough' Exhibit Opens at Frame Gallery

Frame Gallery is proud to present the fifth annual art exhibit by the Nature Journaling Group, sponsored by the Sewanee Herbarium. The exhibit, titled "Nature, Red in Bird and Bough," will open with a reception on Friday, March 28, from 5–6:30 p.m., at the gallery. The show will run through Saturday, April 25. The public is invited to attend.

Mary Priestley, leader of the Nature Journaling Group, explains the inspiration behind the exhibit's title:

"In contrast to Tennyson's line 'Nature, red in tooth and claw,' which refers to the sometimes violent natural world, 'Nature, Red in Bird and Bough,' calls the viewer's attention to some of the more delightful occurrences of this beautiful color in the natural world. From red-headed woodpeckers to colorful autumn leaves and diminutive Amanita mushrooms, red surrounds us. It glows in the pale pink morning sky and vibrant sunsets. It serves as protection from bright sunshine or as a warning of inedibility. It also may attract pollinators, seed dispersers, or even mates. This show explores all of these features of the color red in nature and more."

A total of 13 artists from the Nature Journaling Group will display their art in the exhibit: Laura Blackman (oil), Lin Cameron (acrylic), Yolande Gottfried (ink, color pen) and Mary Davis, Margie Gallagher, Martha Lee McCarthy, Deb Partee, Mary Priestley, Andrea Sanders, Carol Stoney, Tisha Tiller, Deb Tucker, Marlene Wilkinson (watercolor).

Sewanee's Nature Journaling Group was formed nearly 25 years ago when former Sewanee resident Jill Carpenter wrote an article about the journaling practice for the Sewanee Herbarium's newsletter.

The Plant Press and several of her friends asked Carpenter to head up a nature journaling group. Calling themselves the Dead Plants Society, the friends met weekly at Jill's home to work in their journals and talk about nature-related occurrences. Some drew or painted; some wrote; and all gained an appreciation for nature and for documenting and reflecting on their observations.

After several years of crowding around Carpenter's kitchen table and drinking her coffee, the group came under the sponsorship of the Sewanee Herbarium, with Mary Priestley as the coordinator. People came and went, and presently, there are around 20 members. They meet on Thursdays from 9–11 a.m., usually somewhere on the University campus. In nice weather, if they're not on a field trip, the group enjoys gathering on the porch at Stirling's Coffee House.

Besides meeting and working in their journals, the group hosts workshops on various topics, including drawing, journaling, natural dyes, and making altered books. They exhibit their work twice a year: a show at Stirling's Coffee House in January and a second at Frame Gallery Gifts and Art in April, which is timed to coincide with Earth Day and the arrival of spring.

The group welcomes all newcomers. All it takes is pencil, paper, and an appetite for paying attention to and documenting happenings in the natural world that surrounds us.

## Broadview Firemen's Fish Fry

The Broadview Fire Department's annual Fish Fry is noon to 5 p.m., Saturday, April 19, at the Broadview Volunteer Fire Department, 5253 Lynchburg Rd., Winchester

Tickets are \$15, adults; \$5, children 4–12. The menu is fish, chicken, hush puppies, fries, beans, cole slaw, drinks and desserts. There will be a raffle with a chance to win one of five \$100 Walmart gift cards. Tickets are \$1. For information on the fish fry, call Brooke Boswell at (615) 218-9051.

## 'Here Lies Jimmie's Arm' Book Signing

A book signing for Jodi McCullah's book, "Here Lies Jimmie's Arm" will be from 10:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 5, at 301 Kirby Smith Rd., Sewanee.

Discover the inspiration behind these stories and meet the author. Join us for refreshments and a reading from Jodi's first book, "Here Lies Jimmie's Arm," a collection of essays based on her experience as United Methodist minister at her first church in 1996. Books will be available for purchase.

## Spring Vocal Showcase

Join the Sewanee Voice Studios for our Spring Vocal Showcase, at 7 p.m., Friday, April 4, in Guerry Auditorium. From musical theatre and art song to pop, rock, soul, and jazz, there is something for everyone in this popular semi-annual concert. With Vicki Collinsworth, piano. Free admission.

## Voice Recital at St. Luke's Chapel

Join soprano Arden-Grace Gipson, C'26, for "FYV: Finding Your Voice - Songs of Self-Discovery!" This junior voice recital is a collection of musical theatre songs that describe speaking up for yourself, especially when surrounded by people who want you silent. Each of the characters in the program has to fight to be heard; like many of us, they have to find their voice. The recital will be at 3 p.m., Sunday, April 6, in St. Luke's Chapel.

Come along on this musical journey about discovering who you are, who you want to be, and finding your voice in the process. With Vicki Collinsworth, piano.

## Choir of St. John's College to Perform, April 8

On Tuesday, April 8, at 7 p.m., the world famous Choir of St. John's College, Cambridge, will give a concert in All Saints' Chapel on the Sewanee campus. Known for their tours across Europe, Asia, and North America, the Choir draws large audiences wherever they perform. It has been nine years since the Choir's last USA tour, making this tour especially popular.

The St. John's Choir is part of a centuries-old tradition with a vibrant modern presence. It consists of around 20 boy and girl treble Choristers from St John's College School, alongside 18 mixed Choral Scholars and Choral Graduates singing the alto, tenor, and bass parts, and two Organ Scholars. Under the guidance of Director of Music Christopher Gray, the Choir continues to develop its world-renowned "St John's Sound," performing seven weekly chapel services during the University of Cambridge's Full Term.

Beyond enriching the liturgical life of St John's College, the Choir reaches a global audience of millions through performances, digital platforms, recordings, and radio broadcasts that consistently receive widespread recognition. The Choir also continues a tradition of radio and digital broadcasts, with regular appearances on BBC Radio 3 — most famously the annual Advent Carol Service.

With generous support from the Mr. Kenneth H. and Mrs. Frances S. Kerr Organ Endowment Recital Fund, the concert is presented by the University Choir, the Sewanee Performing Arts Series, and the School of Theology. Tickets are \$25, general admission, and available at <eventbrite.com>. Sewanee students, staff, and faculty receive one free ticket with Sewanee ID, available in the office of All Saints' Chapel during office hours.

## Westminster Abbey Organ Recital Preview

University Organist and Choirmaster, Dr. Geoffrey Harris Ward, has been invited to play an organ recital this summer at Westminster Abbey in London, England. The community is invited to enjoy a special preview of the program at All Saints' Chapel on Saturday, April 12 at 3 p.m. Organ composers to be featured in Dr. Ward's preview recital include: Alain, Bach, Duruflé, Messiaen, and Price. Admission to the recital is free.

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## National Cornbread Festival Set for April 26-27

The National Cornbread Festival Committee is excited to announce that the National Cornbread Festival will return for its 28th year this April 26 and 27, in South Pittsburg. More than 25,000 festival-goers from throughout the southeast are expected to gather here to enjoy the sights, sounds and tastes of the 28th National Cornbread Festival (NCF). Located 30 miles west of Chattanooga, this quaint southern town hosts a celebration of cornbread, often considered the cornerstone of southern cuisine.

Admission is \$10 (preschool & under free), with the option to purchase a 2-day pass for \$15. Tickets will be sold in advance at the National Cornbread Festival Office, online <https://www.nationalcornbread.com>, or at the festival gates.

The National Cornbread Festival is a haven for food enthusiasts and fun-seekers alike. Attendees can enjoy a variety of events including the much-anticipated cornbread cook-off, where talented chefs showcase their culinary prowess. The festival also features live music performances, providing a lively soundtrack as you explore the bustling vendor booths filled with unique crafts and delicious food. For those looking for a bit of adventure, there are carnival rides and scavenger hunts that promise excitement for all ages. Additionally, visitors can partake in cornbread sampling, cooking demonstrations, and historical tours, making the festival a perfect blend of tradition, entertainment, and community spirit.

## Legends & Ghosts Walking Tour

Sewanee Secrets Touring is shaking off the winter chill and bringing back the Legends & Ghosts Walking Tour.

Our Valentine's tour was a huge success, and now we're ready for two nights of spine-tingling storytelling this March. Join us as we wander Sewanee's historic streets, uncovering tales of restless spirits, eerie exorcisms, and legendary hauntings. Hear forgotten stories of Sewanee's earliest days, the hauntings that linger in its oldest residence halls, and mysteries hidden in plain sight.

Sierra and Tanya — both proud members of the community — created Sewanee Secrets out of their love for storytelling and the paranormal. And trust us, Sewanee is brimming with ghostly tales just waiting to be told.

The tour will be at 6 p.m., Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29. Limited spots available! Visit <sewaneesecretstouring.com> to book. (Tour content rated 13+; check our FAQs for details.)



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## Junk Jewelry Workshop

Join us for a Junk Jewelry Art Workshop on Saturday, April 12, at 2 p.m., where you'll transform vintage costume jewelry into stunning, one-of-a-kind artwork. Bring your cherished pieces or choose from my curated collection available for purchase. Learn creative techniques to repurpose old brooches, earrings, and beads into dazzling, textured designs. Perfect for all skill levels, this hands-on workshop is a fun and unique way to give forgotten jewelry a new, artistic purpose. We will be making a shadow box as our first project. Come, have some fun. A \$30 supply fee collected on the workshop day will cover a shadow box, glue gun, glue sticks, other adhesives, and tools for making crafting easier. The cost is \$15 if you bring your own jewels. Go to <https://www.franklincoarts.org/workshops.html> for more information.

The Artisan Depot is located at 204 E. Cumberland St., Cowan. Hours are noon to 5 p.m., Thursday through Sunday.

## David Newton Baker at Cowan Center for the Arts

At 6:30 p.m., Sunday, April 13, at the Cowan Center for the Arts, 301 Montgomery St., Cowan, you are invited to hear, witness, experience the latest musical stylings of our community poet and performer in residence, David Newton Baker.

David spent his first career writing and producing music for film and television, airing on ABC, PBS Kids, TLC and The Disney Channel. He also produced two studio albums as a singer-songwriter and played his music for many years in southwestern Colorado before embarking on a writing career in essay and poetry. He lives in Monteagle, and often reads his work at Sewanee Spoken Word.

Recently, David returned to music, performing original and classic country-folk in intimate venues throughout southern Tennessee. DNB and Friends is an evening of 70's hits with David and his virtual band of Nashville players, Jeff King, Brian Pruitt, Tammy Rogers King, Blair Masters, and Jim Ferguson, recently recorded just for this new set.

David's music is energetic, surprising, sincere, and moves a room full of people to sing along time and time again. You will enjoy the relaxed setting, the theatrics, the refreshments. Admission is free and donations accepted.

He will be signing copies of his new poetry book, "Haunting My Own House," also available on Amazon.



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## 'Overlooked: Art of Excess' by Katie Knight

The Carlos Gallery in the Visual Art Building at the University of the South is pleased to present "Overlooked: Art of Excess," an exhibition by Katie Knight. The exhibit will be on display through April 5. An artist reception will be at 4:30 p.m., Friday, April 4.

Sewanee Art Major Katie Knight's senior honors exhibition explores consumer culture and its effects in today's world primarily through acrylic paint, ink, charcoal, and oil pastel.

Through the use of found source material, layered imagery, and tactile handling of materials, Overlooked: Art of Excess inspects and shines a light on the mindless behaviors of today's consumer and mass media cultures. In past artistic movements, specifically Pop Art of the 1960s, artists glorified the mundane in their art in response to the new phenomenon of commercialization through the use of bright colors and hard lines. Today, Knight depicts discarded products and overabundant advertising in a tactile and crude way to draw attention to the negative habits that have developed since the beginning of the consumer age.

The works of "Overlooked: Art of Excess" use bold images and vibrant colors to depict trivial objects, such as trash, in a way that is overstimulating and powerful. This way of representation replicates the feeling of overwhelming advertising and consumerism that is experienced today. However, the paintings are realized in a tactile way that clearly shows the artistic process and materials of the work itself. By showing the work as carefully handmade through the inclusion of drips and exposed canvas, the menial images are deemed as "art," thereby elevating them to objects worthy of examination. As the eye slows down and looks at the disordered painted surface, the question of the value and lack thereof that consumers place on these items becomes important to consider. By bringing the overlooked to attention through artistic glorification, this work acts as a mirror to reflect on one's own habits as they move through today's consumer age.

Kathryn "Katie" Knight was born in Chattanooga, in 2002. She grew up in Baton Rouge, La., and currently lives in Highlands, N.C. Knight is working as a student and artist at the University of the South and anticipating degrees in both Art and Art History in May of 2025. Her artistic career began in 2019 as her works were exhibited in shows across Baton Rouge, Louisiana such as the Kiwanis Art Festival, the Baton Rouge Gallery, and the LSU Gallery. Throughout her education, Knight developed interests in consumerism, popular culture, and the Pop Art movement, and these ideas and themes can be seen throughout her work. She works primarily with acrylic paint on canvas, and her artwork demonstrates a clear artistic process and tactile handling of materials.

The Carlos Gallery Visual Art Building is located on 105 Kennerly Rd. Gallery hours at 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday–Friday, and 1–5 p.m., Saturday.

## 'Black in the Box' Performance, March 30

Guest artist Marlon Burnley brings his one-person show "Black in the Box" to Sewanee on Sunday, March 30. There will be two performances in the Proctor Hill Theater at the Tennessee Williams Center at 2 p.m., and 7 p.m. Each performance is 40 minutes long, and will be followed by a conversation with the audience about Black history and how it's been reflected in American performance traditions.

Reserve your free tickets at this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/black-in-the-box-tickets-1271729470079?aff=oddtcreator>.

"Black in the Box" has been featured at several Fringe Theatre Festivals across the country. It was awarded the Critics' Choice Award for Best Male Performance at the International Orlando Fringe Festival, and the Outstanding Male Performance at the Indianapolis Fringe Festival. Marlon Burnley is currently on the faculty of Kennesaw State University in Georgia.

"Adrift in a liminal space outside of time, a man confronts the history of Black America, bearing witness to its fear, resilience, and joy—embodying key archetypes from each era. Through movement, music, and mask work, actor and creator Marlon Burnley takes audiences on an abstract, panoramic journey through generations of Black oppression, seen through the eyes of those who lived it. This stunning and innovative devised theatre piece offers a deeply insightful story of struggle, brought to life by Burnley's transcendent performance."



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## Art and Science Show at Stirling's

Science and art, pursuits that share creativity and observation, are sharing space in the current show at Stirling's Coffee House, on exhibit from now until April 16. The display includes botanical illustration, focused on a study of sunflowers by the Sewanee Herbarium, and fanciful fish and jellyfish decorated by children in the Sewanee Children's Center.

The aquatic animals, sporting patterns from the children's imaginations, were created prior to a study of the ocean that was prepared and taught to the children by college students in Eric Ezell's Environmental Education class.

The botanical illustrations communicate primarily a unique characteristic of sunflowers and other members of the Aster Family of plants: each "flower" is a composite "head," consisting of several to many tiny flowers or florets that can be of two types, ray or disk, that have different shapes. Sunflower heads have both types. And the illustrations are beautiful.

Science inspires art, and vice versa. Art can help communicate science, and science can serve as a basis for beautiful — even whimsical — art. We hope that Stirling's patrons will be inspired to add their own fish or flowers to the Flower Patch or School of Fish on display.

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## Morrison Places Fourth in 100m Hurdles

The Sewanee track and field team put together a solid showing over the weekend, highlighted by multiple personal bests and top finishes across sprints, middle-distance, and field events.

On March 22, the Tigers saw a trio of competitors in the men's 100m, with Holmes (11.72), Jacob Heilpern (11.74), and Jackson Knoll (11.83) finishing back-to-back in 37th, 38th, and 39th, respectively. On the women's side, AJ Shirak (13.56) and Grace Potter (15.52) placed 17th and 26th.

Journey Morrison led the Tigers in the 100m hurdles, finishing fourth in 15.59, while Emory Rhodes placed 10th in 16.89.

The 200m saw more personal bests, as Knoll ran 23.52 and Heilpern posted a 23.91. Holmes finished in 23.89. Morrison (27.35), Shirak (28.20), and Jocelyn Covaney (29.58) rounded out the women's 200m performances.

In the 400m, Brandon Christ (55.09) and Jenkins Darbney (57.09) both set personal records, placing 27th and 30th. The women's 400m saw Laney Kalsu lead the Tigers in 12th place (1:03.62), followed by Abigail Armstrong (15th), Page Wells (17th), and Blanton (18th).

In the 1500m, Tallman came in 17th with a time of 4:03.52, while Eleanor Graham, on the women's side, ran a 5:42.71. Declan Oberlies ran the 5000m with a time of 16:36.84.

In field events, Cydney Wright

finished 12th in the discus (91-4), while Hannah Cleveland placed 15th (86-9). Potter finished 10th in the high jump (4-3.25) and added a 20th-place finish in the long jump. Owens placed 18th in the shot put with a mark of 34-9.5.

On March 21, Parker Tallman set a new personal record in the men's 800m, clocking 1:56.73 for 21st place, while Henry Zanone finished in 2:23.11. On the women's side, Page Wells also recorded a personal best, running 2:31.22 to place 24th, while Josie Blanton crossed the line in 3:08.55 for 36th.

In the men's 200m, Jimmy Holmes recorded a time of 23.89.

In field events, freshman Brayden Owens placed 19th in the hammer throw (90-6), and Stephen Goetze secured a 12th-place finish in the javelin with a mark of 117-1.

The 4x100m women's relay team of Shirak, Rhodes, Covaney, and Morrison placed fifth in 52.43. The men's 4x100m relay team (Heilpern, Holmes, Knoll, and Lane Gamble) finished seventh in 44.10.

In the men's 4x400m relay, Knoll, Gamble, Holmes, and Heilpern clocked 3:31.17 to place fifth, while Shirak, Kalsu, Rhodes, and Armstrong ran a 4:21.46, for the women.

Sewanee will return to action next weekend as they travel to Atlanta, Ga., for the Emory Thrills in the Hills two-day event starting on Friday, March 28.

## Burch Cards Final-Round 78 for Sewanee Women

Sophomore Payton Burch carded a final-round six-over 78 and sophomore Olivia Bentley shot 80 for Sewanee women's golf on March 23, in the third round of the Jekyll Island Collegiate at King and Prince Golf Course in St. Simons Island, Ga.

Burch improved with each round during the tournament and netted 12 pars on Sunday. The Elgin, S.C., native made four bogeys on the front nine and two more on the back, finishing with a 78 and a 54-hole score of 244, tied for 56th.

Bentley posted her best score of the weekend on Sunday as well with an eight-over par 80. The Nashville, Tenn., native started the round with a double bogey at No. 1 and had another at No. 8 along with three pars and four bogeys. She played the back nine even with two bogeys and birdies on holes 16 and 17 for a three-day total of 248, tied for 68th.

Senior Sabrina Nesbitt carded an 81 in the final round, starting the day at No. 1 with a bogey and then a double at No. 2. The Newport Beach, Calif., native came back with birdies on holes three and eighth for one-over on the front nine. She recorded one bogey, two doubles and a triple bogey on the back side and tied for 44th overall with a 54-hole score of 237.

Senior Mary Browder Howell registered a second consecutive 86 that included five bogeys, a double and three pars on the front nine. The Murray, Ky., native collected five pars with two bogeys, a double and one triple on the back for a three-day total of 255, tied for 84th.

Junior Mary Elizabeth Jackson shot 98 in the final round. The Hartwell, Ga., native posted only three pars for a 54-hole score of 272.

Sewanee finished 17th in the team standings, remaining in that spot all three rounds, among the 24 teams, which included SAA foes Rhodes College (tied for fifth), Oglethorpe University (21st) and Berry College (22nd).

The Tigers play their final regular season tournament April 13-14 at the Emory Invitational at West Pines Golf Club in Douglasville, Ga.

## Tigers Tie for Fourth at Jekyll Island

Freshman Turner Chiles eagled the final hole for a two-under 70 and sophomore Logan Johnson shot one-under 71, helping Sewanee to a fourth-place finish in the team standings on March 23, in the third round of the Jekyll Island Collegiate in Jekyll Island, Ga.

Huntingdon College won the team event with a 10-under 278 in the final round, winning by three strokes over Washington and Lee, which shot 13-under 275 on Sunday. Emory University was third and the Tigers tied with Methodist University for fourth, five shots back of Huntingdon.

Chiles played more up-and-down on Sunday than the first two rounds when he registered 26 pars over 36 holes. The Houston, Texas, native birdied holes one and seven, both par-5's, but bogeyed two, four and eight for one-over on the front nine. He tallied birdies on 10 and 13 with a bogey at No. 11 on the back before ending the day with an eagle on No. 18, his third eagle of the tournament, most in the field.

Chiles placed solo sixth individually with a three-day total of five-under par 211, five strokes behind Washington and Lee's Jonathan McEwen who carded a final-round 68 for a one-shot victory over Illinois Wesleyan's Griffin Pohl.

Johnson rebounded with a one-under 71 in the final round. The Dallas, Texas, native was even on the front nine with seven pars, a bogey at No. 2 and a birdie on the par-4 eighth hole. He birdied holes 10 and 18 and recorded a bogey on No. 11 on the back side, posting a 54-hole total of 224, tied for 66th.

Junior Elias Becker registered 10 consecutive pars to start his round before making a bogey at No. 11. The Mexico City, Mexico, native followed that with six more pars with a bogey at No. 18 for a two-over 74 and a three-day score of 222, tied for 50th.

Junior Colin Edwards recorded a double on the par-3 third hole but made three straight birdies on holes five, six and seven before a bogey at eight left him at even-par at the turn. The Brookhaven, Ga., native netted seven pars on the back nine with bogeys on Nos. 13 and 17 for a two-over 74. He recorded a 54-hole total of 221, tied for 44th.

Senior Pearce Lucas collected seven pars on the front nine with a bogey at No. 4 and a birdie on the par-5 seventh hole. The Charlotte, N.C., native bogeyed holes 10 and 17 and had a double bogey on No. 14 but finished the day with a birdie on the par-5 18th hole for a three-over 75. He posted a three-day total of 217, tied for 22nd.

## Men's Tennis Tops Scots

Sewanee men's tennis team headed to Lookout Mountain, Ga., to face Covenant on March 21, collecting a 6-1 win.

The Tigers swept the doubles point as Drew Rukavina and Max Verellen didn't drop a game at three doubles, while Jordan Theron and Quinn Wicklund won at one 6-3, and Andre-Remi Jakobi and Gil Weston also picked up a 6-3 win to two.

Weston picked up the first singles win with a 6-4, 6-3 decision at three, followed by a 6-3, 6-2 win at one from Theron. George Thomas Alexander clinched the match with a 6-2, 6-3 win at six, before Liam Selvido and Charlie Pizzuti added points for the Tigers at four and five. Selvido collected a 6-3, 6-0 win at four while Pizzuti won 6-2, 6-3 at five. Covenant collected their lone point at two as Jakobi fell 6-4, 6-4.

Sewanee will open conference play on March 29, against Rhodes at 9 a.m. and will play Piedmont at 1 p.m.

## Tigers Pick Up Conference Opener Against Oglethorpe

Marlin Price scored five goals, and Ella Townsend added two goals, six ground balls, and three caused turnovers as Sewanee's women's lacrosse team opened conference play with a 13-7 win over Oglethorpe in Atlanta.

The Tigers dominated possession, outshooting the Petrels 39-13 and winning 18 of 23 draw controls. Alex Kelly led the draw with 11 control wins, while Kennedy Harcourt added four and Sally Whitehead contributed two. Winnie Pajcic anchored the defense with six caused turnovers and two ground balls, while Townsend and Claire Dillard each caused three turnovers.

Sewanee struck first as Price scored with 9:50 on the clock, setting the tone early. Kelly added a man-down goal off a Brooke Sigmon assist, and Elizabeth Muller extended the lead to 3-0 just two minutes later. Sigmon connected with Kelly again before Oglethorpe responded with a man-up goal late in the first quarter.

In the second, a key caused turnover by Pajcic and a ground ball pickup by Mallory Magee set up another Sewanee goal, as Morgan Boylan found Townsend for the finish. Oglethorpe quickly responded, but Herrington converted a man-up free position shot to extend the lead. The Petrels closed out the half strong with two unanswered goals, cutting Sewanee's advantage to 6-4 at the break.

Sigmon and Price linked up early in the third, but a turnover led to an Oglethorpe goal on the other end. Herrington tallied her second man-up free position goal, and with 44 seconds left in the quarter, she found Townsend to push the lead back to four.

Oglethorpe opened the fourth with a man-up free position goal, but Sewanee answered immediately as Price netted her fourth goal just 43 seconds later. The Tigers kept their foot on the gas as Erika Bolcar recorded two quick assists—first finding Herrington and then setting up Price for her fifth goal of the day. Oglethorpe tacked on a late free-position goal, but Price sealed the game with her fifth tally in the final seconds for a 13-7 final score.

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## SAS Track and Field Update

On March 24, the St. Andrew's-Sewanee School varsity track & field team competed at the Eli Cramer Early Bird Championship at Riverdale High School, showcasing strong performances and setting multiple personal records.

The girls' team was led by junior Lilly Crigger, who placed third in all four of her events: the 800m, 1600m, 4x800m relay, and 4x400m relay. Junior Micah Moody delivered an outstanding race, winning the 800m and setting a new personal record with a time of 2:06.57.

Several other SAS athletes also achieved PRs (personal record): Aubrey Blosser (100m, discus); Keely Kendrick (discus, shot put); Sarah Maleak (long jump, added 1 foot); Leonora Pate (long jump); Arthur Glacet (400m); Jack Hale (shot put); Fletcher Hassan (shot put, added 6 feet; discus, added 13 feet; 200m, dropped 2 seconds); Mason Sparacio (1600m, dropped 20 seconds).

Season-best performances were recorded by: Ayden Allen (100m); Arabella Mitchell (800m); Ruthie; Sweeney (100m); girls' & boys' 4x400m relay teams (Lilly Crigger, Caroline Neubauer, Stella Wilson, Arabella Mitchell, Arthur Glacet, Toby Van de Ven, Thomas Kes- sen, Micah Moody); girls' & boys' 4x800m relay teams (Lilly Crigger, Beatrice Pate, Caroline Neubauer, Arabella Mitchell, Arthur Glacet, Mason Sparacio, Timi Stefanut, Toby Van de Ven).

It was an impressive early-season showing for the SAS squad, with strong efforts across the board. With this momentum, the team looks forward to continued progress and even faster times in the meets ahead.

## HOME GAMES

7 p.m., Friday, March 28, Men's Lacrosse vs. Southwestern University

9 a.m., Saturday, March 29, University Tennis vs. Rhodes  
noon, Saturday, March 29, Baseball vs. Millsaps, DH

noon, Saturday, March 29, Women's Lacrosse vs. Rhodes

1 p.m., Saturday, March 29, Uninversity Tennis vs. Piedmont

9 a.m., Sunday, March 30, University Tennis vs. Hendrix  
noon, Sunday, March 30, Baseball vs. Millsaps

2 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, Baseball vs. Covenant

3 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, Men's Lacrosse vs. Randolph-Macon

3:45 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, SAS Varsity Tennis vs. Coffee County Central High School

5 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, SAS Varsity Boys' Soccer vs. Collegedale Academy

5 p.m., Wednesday, April 2, SAS MS Boys' Soccer vs. Webb School

4 p.m., Thursday, April 3, SAS MS Tennis vs. Winchester Christian Academy

5 p.m., Thursday, April 3, SAS Varsity Boys' Soccer vs. Silverdale Baptist Academy

4 p.m., Friday, April 4, SAS Varsity Tennis vs. Moore County High School

5 p.m., Friday, April 4, Women's Lacrosse vs. Berry

## Tigers Take Series Finale Against Rhodes

Behind five scoreless innings from Taj Donald and a relentless offensive attack, Sewanee rolled past Rhodes in the series finale, securing an 18-5 victory in seven innings. The Tigers plated at least one run in every inning and turned two double plays to set the tone defensively.

Sewanee wasted no time getting on the board, capitalizing on a Rhodes fielding error in the first. With two outs, Tyler Pinson delivered an RBI single to left center, and Will Jennewein followed with a two-RBI double to give the Tigers an early 3-0 advantage.

The offense kept rolling in the second. Luke Thompson led off with a triple to center field, and Aidan Petrocco drove him in with a sacrifice fly. After a Teel double, Pou tripled to extend the lead before Fortman added an RBI single, pushing Sewanee ahead 6-0. Meanwhile, Donald made quick work of the Rhodes lineup, facing the minimum through two innings as the Tigers turned double plays to end both frames.

Jennewein opened the third inning with a solo home run, and the Tigers weren't done. Thompson singled before Owen Andress launched his first career home run, a two-run shot that stretched the lead to 9-0.

Pinson added an RBI single in the fourth, scoring Pou to make it 10-0, and Sewanee broke the game open in the fifth with a six-run outburst. Petrocco led off with a single, and after a Pou double, Fortman drove in two with a double to center. Jennewein kept the pressure on with a two-RBI double, plating Pinson and Fortman. Later in the inning, Petrocco capped the scoring with a two-RBI double, giving the Tigers a commanding 16-0 lead.

Rhodes broke through in the sixth with a two-run homer and another run on a fielder's choice, but Sewanee responded with two more in the bottom half as John Bagwell's two-RBI single brought home Jude Wascom and Luke Short.

The Lynx added two more runs in the seventh, but the deficit was too much to overcome as the Tigers closed out the victory in seven innings.

Donald earned the win with a dominant performance, allowing just five hits over five shutout innings while striking out two and walking none.

Jennewein led the Tigers' offense, going 3-for-4 with four RBIs and two runs. Petrocco, Pou, Fortman, Pinson, and Thompson each recorded two hits. Petrocco finished with three RBIs and two runs, Pou scored three times, Fortman drove in three and crossed the plate twice, and Pinson tallied two RBIs and two runs.

## Tigers Dominate Conference Opener Against Stormy Petrels

Robert Freeman recorded two goals and three assists as the Sewanee men's lacrosse team dominated its conference opener with a 26-2 victory over Oglethorpe on March 22, in Atlanta.

Jake Greene registered a hat trick and an assist, while seven Tigers scored twice, and nine others added a goal each. In total, 21 Sewanee players contributed either a goal or an assist.

The Tigers controlled possession from the X, with Asa Nischwitz going a perfect 18-for-18, Max Bensing finishing 7-for-7, and Clay Upchurch winning 6-of-7 faceoffs. Nischwitz also led the team with 13 ground balls, followed by Bensing with seven and Upchurch with three.

Defensively, Gus Albright, William Hooker, Shay Dotterer, and Devon Root each forced two turnovers and collected two ground balls. Carter Cole and Charles Moran added four ground balls apiece, while Bowman, Cole, and Charlie Hanson also added a caused turnovers.

Sewanee wasted no time getting on the board, as Nischwitz secured the opening faceoff and Manoli Loupassi scored less than a minute in. A turnover forced by Albright and a ground ball pickup from Corbet Darden set up Charles Moran's goal at the 12:41 mark, sparking an 11-goal run that gave the Tigers a commanding 13-0 lead after the first quarter.

The offensive onslaught continued in the second. Huden Gregory opened the period with a goal off a Freeman assist after another Nischwitz faceoff win. Shortly after, Hank Walsh connected with Griffin Peterson following an Oglethorpe turnover. A ground ball from Colin Bennett ignited a four-goal stretch in just 90 seconds, fueled by three consecutive faceoff wins from Nischwitz and Bensing. Walsh netted an unassisted goal before assisting Gregory, and Bennett followed with back-to-back scores. Greene capped off the half with two straight goals, sending Sewanee into the break with a commanding 22-0 lead.

Greene struck again to open the third, converting a feed from Sage Cookerly. Walton Sullivan's ground ball set up David Powell for an unassisted goal, while Woods McCormick found JM DuPree for another score late in the quarter.

Oglethorpe broke through with two goals in the fourth, but Sewanee answered as Hooker forced a turnover and scooped up a ground ball to set up another Powell goal.

Sewanee returns home for its conference home opener against Southwestern on March 28 at 7 p.m. The Tigers will then wrap up non-conference play against Randolph-Macon on April 1 at 3 p.m. at Harris Stadium.

## Softball Falls in Series Finale at Millsaps

Abbie Buckner recorded three hits and reached base five times and Hannah Wilson drove in a pair of runs, but Millsaps College scored six runs in the fourth inning and three more in the fifth in a 12-6 win over Sewanee, taking the series in softball action on March 23, in Jackson, Miss.

The Tigers fell behind 3-0 before scoring five times in the top of the fourth, including a two-run double by Wilson and RBI singles from Maggie Barker and Ansley Giffin. Another run came across on a wild pitch.

The Majors answered with a six-run bottom of the fourth that included a two-run single by Brynn Arena and RBI hits from Ella Morgan Sears, Kodi Jimmie and Kirsten Gilchrist as well as a sacrifice fly by Alli Nolen.

Taylor Gonzales drove in a run with a single while the other two runs came across on a wild pitch and a bases loaded walk in the three-run fifth inning for Millsaps.

Christian Cain, Sophie Nolen, Reagan Huskey and Giffin all collected two hits for the Tigers, who stranded 12 baserunners in the loss. Huskey suffered the loss, giving up nine runs on 11 hits in three innings.

Hailey Peterson picked up the win for Millsaps, tossing 3.1 innings of relief, scattering six hits and allowing one unearned run.

Sewanee left the bases loaded in the top of the first after a leadoff walk to Buckner. Barker was hit with two outs and Cain walked before Giffin popped out to end the threat.

Sears belted a solo homer to leadoff the bottom of the first for the Majors and Peterson singled before an RBI triple from Alanna Vasquez.

The Tigers loaded the bases again in the second inning after singles by Nolen, Huskey (bunt single) and Buckner, but Parker grounded into a fielder's choice and Wilson popped up.

Arena singled with one out and Hannah Briscoe followed with an RBI double in the bottom of the inning, giving Millsaps a 3-0 edge.

In the fourth inning Nolen led off with a double and Buckner walked with one out. Pinch-runner Sadie Meachum moved up on a wild pitch and Buckner stole second before Wilson's two-out, two-run double to leftcenter.

Barker singled to center, plating Wilson, and Cain followed with a double to right, chasing Vasquez from the game in the circle. Barker scored on a wild pitch and Giffin's single to the leftside pushed across Cain for a 5-3 Sewanee advantage.

Millsaps answered in the bottom of the inning, starting with a single by Kadence Cannon and an RBI double from Sears. Peterson walked and Vasquez grounded to the pitcher, but Huskey's throws to third was errant, loading the bases.

Jimmie singled to right, scoring a run and chasing Huskey from the circle. Nolen plated a run with a sac fly and Gilchrist pushed across another with a single. Arena then singled to leftcenter, scoring two more runs for a 9-5 Majors lead.

The Tigers tried to answer in the fifth thanks to leadoff singles from Huskey and Buckner, with Madilyn Parker's sacrifice bunt moving the runners to second and third. Huskey scored on a passed ball but Wilson lined out to second and Barker grounded out to end the inning with Sewanee still trailing, 9-6.

Sears led off the bottom of the fifth with a single and Peterson walked before Vasquez was hit, loading the bases. Two runners came across on wild pitches and a two-out RBI single by Gonzales pushed the Millsaps advantage to 12-6.



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### Spring Ephemerals

The abundance and diversity of spring wildflowers in our deciduous forest are a delight each year. They are especially evident on north-facing slopes which generally have more moisture in the soil due to less exposure to the sun. The deciduous trees have not yet leafed out so more light reaches the forest floor and the temperature can be warmer than even later in the year, when it is shaded by tree foliage. Moisture is also high because the trees have not yet started transpiring. And nutrients are high due to the decomposition of the previous fall's leaves. A group of flowers called spring ephemerals take particular advantage of these conditions to flower and fruit early, then let their foliage die back until the following spring. They are able to emerge early due to energy from a high photosynthetic rate stored the previous spring in underground structures, such as tubers, corms, bulbs, and fleshy rhizomes. Then in the current season they can transfer energy-rich compounds directly to reproduction, unlike plants that bloom later in the season. Another plus is taking advantage of seed dispersal by ants, whose preferred food is other insects, which are not yet abundant in early spring. Many of these spring bloomers have seeds with a fatty body that is attractive to ants. The ants carry the seed to the nest, feed the fatty body to the larvae, and discard the seed with its hard coat in an underground chamber where it is protected and provided with nutrients until it is time to sprout. Not all spring-flowering wildflowers are true ephemerals, however. Bloodroot leaves persist through the summer, as do Trilliums, for example. The true spring ephemerals are Spring Beauties, Dutchman's Breeches, Rue Anemone, Trout Lily, Virginia Bluebells, Harbinger-of-Spring, and a few others. One needs to get out on the trail to see them early before they fade away until next year.

## Dig Safe This Spring – Call 811 Before You Dig

Spring is here, and as the warmer weather sets in, many of us are eager to start outdoor projects. Whether you're planting trees, installing a fence, or updating your landscaping, remember to call 811 at least three business days before digging.

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If you reserved a tree for Tennessee Tree Day 2025, don't forget to pick it up this Friday, March 28. SVEC's Pikeville and South Pittsburg offices are official pickup locations. For more details, contact our Senior Arborist, Roy Harver at (423) 837-5060.

Stay safe, plant smart, and always know what's below before you dig! For more safety tips, visit <svalleyec.com>.

## Nature Journaling Continues

The Nature Journaling group, sponsored by the Sewanee Herbarium, meets Thursdays, 9-11 a.m. Grab a pencil and paper and plan to join us. Email <mpriestley0150@gmail.com> for more information and meeting location.

## Household Hazardous Waste Mobile Collection Service

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) mobile household hazardous waste collection service will be in Franklin, Lawrence, and Weakley counties on Saturday, March 29.

Tennesseans are encouraged to bring household hazardous waste – including cleaning fluids, pesticides, swimming pool chemicals and more – to the designated drop-off locations. A person does not need to live in the county to participate.

"This collection service provides an excellent way to responsibly dispose of household hazardous waste, and we want to make it as convenient as possible," said TDEC Commissioner David Salyers. "We welcome all Tennesseans to take advantage of this opportunity to show their commitment to environmental protection."

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Lawrence County – Lawrence County Transfer Station, Baler Dr., Lawrenceburg, 8 a.m.-noon. The contact is Gary Wayne Hyde at (931) 766-4469.

Weakley County – Weakley County Convenience Center, 608 County Maintenance Rd., Dresden, 8 a.m.-noon. The contact is Michelle Nichols at (731) 364-6798.

Since the program's inception in 1993, more than 373,000 Tennessee households have properly disposed of more than 25 million pounds of material. There have been over 1,500 one-day collection events.

Household hazardous waste materials are considered flammable, toxic, reactive and/or corrosive and should not be placed with regular garbage. Typical items to dispose of include cleaning fluids, pesticides, mercury thermometers and thermostats, fluorescent lamps, lithium and button batteries, aerosols, adhesives, medications, brake fluid, swimming pool chemicals, paint thinner and used needles in sturdy containers. Items not accepted include ammunition, explosives, alkaline batteries, paint, electronics, and any empty containers that should be disposed in normal trash. There is no cost or appointment necessary for household hazardous waste collection.

While household hazardous waste may be disposed for free, there is a cost for disposal of Very Small Quantity Generator Waste (i.e., wastes from non-household sources such as businesses, schools, farms, churches, etc.). An appointment is also necessary. Call (615) 643-3170 to request a price quote and schedule an appointment.

Many counties and municipalities meet the needs of local residents by providing collection of batteries, oil, paint, antifreeze and electronic scrap – or BOPAE, as it is sometimes called. When handled correctly, these BOPAE materials are minimally hazardous, but inappropriate for collection at household hazardous waste events. Tennesseans are encouraged to contact their local city or county solid waste department to find BOPAE collection sites in their area.

When transporting materials to the site, place containers in sturdy boxes lined with newspaper or plastic to prevent spills and cross-contamination in the trunk of a car or back of a truck. Be sure to keep materials away from children and pets.

For more information on the household hazardous waste mobile collection service, please call 800-287-9013 or visit the TDEC Household Hazardous Waste Program page <<https://www.tn.gov/environment/sw-mm-household-hazardous-waste-program.html>>.



Tebow



Sid

## MARC's Mountain Adoptables Meet Tebow & Sid

Tebow is a playful puppy who loves to be with other dogs and with his people. He is white with black spots, is around five months old, and weighs about 27 pounds. Tebow is almost house trained, is crate trained, and is refining his leash walking skills. He would really like to find an active family who will take him on fun adventures like hiking or running and then snuggle with him to relax. Come meet Tebow and see if you might be the family or person for whom he has been looking.

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If you would like to learn more about Tebow and Sid, please fill out an Adoption Application found on our MARC website <[www.marc4change.org](http://www.marc4change.org)> and/or contact Sue Scruggs, cell phone (423) 619-3845. 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 spay/neuter procedures for animals and is available for teaching humane care of animals in schools and to community organizations.

## WEATHER

DAY	DATE	HI	LO	Week's Stats:	
Mon	Mar 17	55	36	Avg max temp =	63
Tue	Mar 18	72	49	Avg min temp =	41
Wed	Mar 19	72	49	Avg temp =	52
Thu	Mar 20	71	38	Precipitation =	0.3"
Fri	Mar 21	47	27		
Sat	Mar 22	60	46		
Sun	Mar 23	65	44		

Reported by Sandy Gilliam  
Domain Ranger

### GLASS - DROPOFF BOXES

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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



## State Park Offering

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.

**Gas Lantern Night Hike at Stone Door—Savage Gulf State Park, Friday, March 28, 6:45 p.m. CDT. Cost, \$25.** <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>>. **This hike is limited to the first 10 people to register.** Join Ranger Spencer at Savage Gulf North Pavilion, 1183 Stone Door Rd., Beersheba Springs for a 2-mile roundtrip gas lantern night hike to the Stone Door and several other overlooks that is sure to amaze. Experience the night sky and the unseen wonders of night in beautiful Savage Gulf State Park with the warm glow of a gas lantern lighting the path. Bring sturdy hiking boots, appropriate clothing for the weather, and the spirit of adventure. In the case of inclement weather this program will be cancelled and a refund issued.

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S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	X	X	X	X	X	X

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WED	3:00 - 6:00	2:00 - 5:00
THU	3:00 - 6:00	2:00 - 5:00
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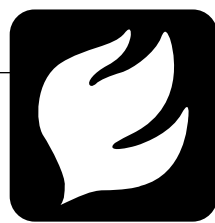
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### PLANNING ON BURNING DEBRIS?

Between now and May 15, you need a burn permit. Burn permits are free and can be obtained at <www.BurnSafeTN.org>.

## LOCAL SERVICES

**GARMENT HEMMING:** Call Bonnie Gilliam, (931) 691-4629.

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**Fog Happens.**  
It is state law to have your vehicle headlights on in fog and rain.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA)** was completed for the Franklin County-Sewanee Airport Obstruction Clearing project. The airport proposes to remove trees from the runway approaches that are currently obstructing the western and eastern approaches to the airport. The purpose of the proposed project is to clear the runway approaches of obstructions, and this action will meet the airport's need to improve safety for the airport and the surrounding community. The EA is available for review at the Franklin County, Tennessee, County Mayor's Office, 855 Dinah Shore Boulevard, Suite #3, Winchester, Tennessee 37398. Comments about this project can be directed to the County Mayor's Office, at (931) 967-2905. The EA will be available for 30 days for review from 3/28/25 until 4/29/2025. A public meeting will be held on April 29th at 5:30 pm at the Franklin County Annex Building, 855 Dinah Shore Boulevard, Winchester, Tennessee 37398 for comments from the community.

**THE SEWANEE SENIOR CITIZENS, INC.:** located at 5 Ballpark Rd. is soliciting bids for repair of its building foundation and floor. For more information, contact Dan Sargent at (931) 212-2585 or <stihltech1954@gmail.com>. Proposals must be submitted by April 16, 2025.

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### 2025 Sewanee Community-Wide Yard Sales – Registration Form

Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

You can participate by either having a sale at your home (feel free to combine your efforts with a friend!) or join up with others at the Community Center. All participants will be listed on the official map that will be distributed that day. Advertising will be in local papers in the surrounding areas.



Maybe you don't have many items for sale, live further from town, or would rather be in a larger group. You can reserve space inside the Center too.

**Yes! I want to participate in the Sewanee community-wide yard sales. Entries due 3/31/2025**

- I will have a sale at my home and want to be included on the official map.
- I want to have booth space at the Sewanee Community Center (limited tables available)

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location of Sale, if different than mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fee included: \$25 (for advertising, map printing, official yard sign)

Check all items that will be available – these will be highlighted on the map listings.

- art
- antiques
- appliances
- baby/children clothes
- teen clothes
- adult clothes
- baby furniture
- bicycles, toys
- books
- computer/electronics
- exercise equipment
- furniture
- garden supplies
- housewares
- musical instruments
- tools
- other: \_\_\_\_\_
- other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Mail form and \$25 to:

Sewanee Community Center  
39 Ball Park Road  
Sewanee, TN 37375

Contact Sewanee Community Center Board for more information – <sewaneecc@gmail.com>

The Sewanee Community Center is generously supported by the Sewanee Community Chest.

## FROM BARD TO VERSE

by Robin Bates

### Robert Frost's Birthday (March 26, 1874)

I have been one acquainted with the night.  
I have walked out in rain—and back in rain.  
I have outwalked the furthest city light.

I have looked down the saddest city lane.  
I have passed by the watchman on his beat  
And dropped my eyes, unwilling to explain.

I have stood still and stopped the sound of feet  
When far away an interrupted cry  
Came over houses from another street,

But not to call me back or say good-bye;  
And further still at an unearthly height,  
One luminary clock against the sky

Proclaimed the time was neither wrong nor right.  
I have been one acquainted with the night.

# Community Calendar

### Friday, March 28

Last day for Nonfood Supply Drive to benefit CAC; deliver items to 216 University Ave., or Taylor's

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Yin Yoga, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. YouFit, Betsy, Community Center; also at noon
- 5 p.m. Nature Journaling Group Art Reception, "Nature, Red in Bird and Bough," Frame Gallery, 12569 Sollace M. Freeway Hwy, until 6:30 p.m.
- 6 p.m. Sewanee Legends & Ghosts Tour, tickets <sewaneesecretstouring.com>

- noon Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 4 p.m. Monteagle Regional Planning Commission, conference room, City Hall
- 4 p.m. S. Cumberland Farmers' Market pickup, Community Center, until 6 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m. Haines Lecture, Hortense Spillers, "Tales Told Out of School: Race, History and Public Relations, Convocation Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Eastern Star Cemetery annual meeting, St. James Episcopal Church, 898 Midway Rd.
- 5:30 p.m. Easy Flow Yoga, Pippa, 293 Ball Park Rd.

### Saturday, March 29

- 8 a.m. FC Solid Waste Management Annual Hazardous Household Waste Day, 419 Joyce Lane, Winchester, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Health Fair, Altamont Baptist Church, 1440 Main St., Altamont, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 2 p.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Yoga Flex, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 11:30 a.m.
- 6 p.m. Sewanee Legends & Ghosts Tour, tickets <sewaneesecretstouring.com>

### Wednesday, April 2

- 8 a.m. Housing Hub board meeting, Littell-Partin Center, Suite 230, Tracy City
- 9 a.m. Qi Gong, High Vibes, Country Mart, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Intermed Pilates, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Art Wednesday, (free), Artisan Depot Gallery, 204 E. Cumberland St., until noon
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Susan, Community Center, until 11:30 a.m.
- 11:30 a.m. EQB Club, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 12:25 p.m. EQB Lead, Dr. Patricia Gibson Heck, Wildfires, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 5 p.m. Mobility, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center
- 6:30 p.m. Kundalini, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 7:30 p.m.

### Sunday, March 30

Registration closes for Trails and Trilliums <trailsandtrilliums.org>

- 1 p.m. YouFit, Betsy, Community Center
- 2 p.m. Knitting Circle, Mooney's, until 4 p.m.
- 2 p.m. Performance, "Black in the Box," Marion Burnley, Tennessee Williams Center
- 4 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center
- 7 p.m. Performance, "Black in the Box," Marion Burnley, Tennessee Williams Center

### Thursday, April 3

- 8 a.m. Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, club assembly, St. Mary's Sewanee
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Nature Journaling, email <mpriestley0150@gmail.com> for details/meeting location
- 9:30 a.m. Body Recall, Judy, conference room, Monteagle City Hall, until 10:30 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginner, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 2 p.m. Monteagle's First Arbor Day Celebration, in front of Monteagle Police Department
- 4 p.m. Movement to Music, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 5 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Vinyasa Flow, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6:45 p.m.

### Monday, March 31

- 9 a.m. Tai Chi, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Susan, Community Center, until 11:30 a.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Flow, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6:45 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 5 p.m. Monteagle City Council regular meeting, conference room, City Hall

### Tuesday, April 1 • April Fools' Day

- 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. Coffee with the Coach, Keenan Hickton, Men's Golf, livestream <sewaneetigers.com/watch>, in-person Blue Chair
- 9 a.m. Mixed Flow, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginner, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 11:30 a.m. Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid Bakery, Tracy City

### Friday, April 4 • Trails and Trilliums Weekend

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Yin Yoga, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 4:30 p.m. Art Reception, Katie Knight, "Overlooked: Art of Excess," Carlos Gallery
- 7 p.m. Sewanee Voice Studios Spring Vocal Showcase, (free) Guerry Auditorium



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**Sunday**  
6:30 p.m., AA, open, the Wesley House, MMUMC

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

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

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

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

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

7 p.m., NA, Dechard United Methodist

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

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

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