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Local author Joe Nunley lives in Gruetli-Laager with his wife, Ann, and their beloved golden retriever, Knox. His newest novel, *Walk the Dark Hills*, set in Tracy City in the 1890s, is now available on Amazon.

## Joe Nunley: Walk the Dark Hills

Local author Joe Nunley drew from his experiences working in Grundy County mines to write his newest novel, which debuted on Amazon in early December.

*Walk the Dark Hills* is historical fiction set in the bustling Tracy City of the 1890s before convict labor was abolished.

A lifelong Grundy Countian, Nunley took up writing as a hobby after his retirement as superintendent of Grundy County Schools in 2003.

Nunley grew up in Coalmont, graduated from Grundy County High School in 1972, and did a three-year stint in the Navy on the USS Independence before returning home.

"I love Grundy County, and I love the people of Grundy County, especially the original people who settled it and the descendants of those people," Nunley said. "I'm really a part of it, and that's where my heart is."

His love of history prompted him to major in it at Tennessee Temple University in Chattanooga after he left the Navy. In between college semesters and during the summers, he worked in two mines on Daus Mountain near Palmer.

"I ran what was called a motor to pull coal out of the mines to where we loaded it," he explained. "It was a heavy steel construction, low to the ground, with multiple batteries that had to be recharged after the shift. There's an example of one in Whitwell at a mining equipment display near the highway."

He combined his knowledge of mining with his historian's keen interest in Tracy City, once the largest town between Murfreesboro and Chattanooga because of the coal industry, to develop the plot for *Walk the Dark Hills*.

The 282-page novel follows the story of Cade Schild, wrongfully convicted of embezzlement and sentenced to work for life in a coal mine in Grundy County. He lives in the stockade—a place that Nunley's mother recalled hearing about from her grandparents when she was a little girl.

"They would hear the screams when they beat the convicts," Nunley said. "They had what was called a task—each convict had to load so much coal each day. If they didn't get their task, they were beaten. It was terrible. She said they would go into their houses because they would hear the screams."

Although the book is fiction, Nunley took care to keep it historically accurate.

"The people who know the history will tell you it's pretty accurate," Nunley said, "but it's all fiction—everything, both the narrative and the dialogue."

Nunley began writing the book shortly after retiring but found himself putting it aside to work on writing and other projects.

"Almost three years ago, I got it out, dusted it off, and went to work on it," he said. "I rearranged it and did all kinds of stuff to it, and then I submitted it to this publisher, and they accepted it."

The publisher, Moonshine Cove Publishing based in South Carolina, accepted the novel last summer, but it was not published until December because of their schedule. Published under the name B.J. Nunley, *Walk the Dark Hills* is available on Amazon—it's \$7.99 for Kindle or \$21 for paperback.

Nunley is already hard at work doing research for his next novel, which will focus on the union struggles in Grundy County during the 50s and 60s.

—Reprinted courtesy of the Grundy County Herald

## Coffee Shop, Feed Store Coming to Monteagle

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the March 25 meeting, the Monteagle Council approved business permits for Wander Brew coffee shop and Black Creek Feed and Supply. In a split vote, the council voted down a proposal for resealing the city hall and library parking lot. The council approved credit cards for department heads.

Wander Brew owner Harley Cross previously operated a mobile coffee trailer that docked at Oakes and Olivers Mercantile. Searching for a permanent location, Cross opened a shop in Cowan in February. Wander Brew, located in the "red, blue, and yellow" building on Main Street, will open June 1.

Black Creek Feed and Supply, on Highway 41 next to Summerfield Market, will sell animal feed and medications, farm supplies, pet food and supplies, some apparel, and crafts by woodworkers and other local artisans. Owners Jennifer and Jason Meeks plan to open May 1. They hope to offer a bin pickup option for after-hours customers who order in advance.

Mayor Greg Maloof presented a proposal to sealcoat and stripe the city hall and library parking lot with money from the road paving budget. The lowest bid, \$20,940, came from Nance Sealcoating and Striping. Maloof said a Nance "test patch" sealed an area that was "breaking up." Alderwoman Dorraine Parmley said she preferred using the money for road repair. Alderwoman Jessica Favaloro concurred. Maloof said the roads would be "chopped up" when upcoming I&I sewer rehab was done. "It [the road repair] doesn't need to be done now," Parmley said. Alderman Nate Wilson said the areas where I&I work would occur were identifiable. "I'm a big fan of the crack sealing, that's \$2,500 of the bid. My experience with seal coating is it's cosmetic, but it doesn't do a lot to preserve the longevity of what's there." Alderman Dan Sargent commented city hall and the library were "in the central part of the city, and we should be mindful of the appearance and upkeep." Favaloro, Parmley, and Wilson voted against the parking lot resealing.

The council voted unanimously for the police, fire, and utility department heads to have credit cards with a \$5,000 maximum limit. The city currently has two credit cards, Maloof said. The administration will continue have its own card. Maloof cited frequent online purchases as the reason department heads needed credit cards. Fire Chief Travis Lawyer said when a truck broke down recently, and he could not get the city's card, he was forced to pay for the repair cost out of pocket and seek reimbursement.

In a discussion about how best to communicate Monteagle events, Maloof said he intended for the Mayor's Memo page on the website to serve this purpose, but he

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Work on the Community Garden at the St. Mark's Community Center. Photo by Allie Cahoon

## New St. Mark's Community Garden

Something wonderful is happening at St. Mark's Community Center, 481 Alabama Avenue — the construction of a Community Garden. This collaborative project between St. Mark's Community Association (SMCA), Growing Roots, Mountain T.O.P., the Roberson Project, and the University Farm is largely funded by the South Cumberland Community Fund.

Last Spring, Evelyn Patton, the President of SMCA, said she would love to see a community garden for Sewanee's historic African American neighborhood, especially since incorporating fresh produce in home cooked meals is not easy for some of the St. Mark's Community members. Fresh produce can be expensive, has a short shelf life, and requires planning and preparation. What if making fresh produce available was a community effort? Evelyn's idea started a series of developments that has led to a nearly completed raised-bed garden that will be ready to plant at the beginning of this growing season.

At the same time we were discussing Evelyn's idea, we became aware of a collaborative grant available from the South Cumberland Community Fund, so we brought together partner organizations with overlapping goals.

Woody Register and the staff and students with The Roberson Project have been involved in the St. Mark's Community for several years, and provided much of the initial structure that made this project possible. The Roberson Project is continuing its support of SMCA with funding, staff, student, and volunteer time.

Growing Roots, led by Stephanie Colchado Kelley, has provided expertise, resources, connections, and sustainability plans for managing the garden. Growing Roots is in the process of hiring a gardening team that will manage the garden

and support workshops around food preparation and garden related health.

Annabel Hines, Service Area Manager with Mountain T.O.P., has led the construction aspect and provided much of the skilled volunteer labor, tools, and equipment needed. Mountain T.O.P. has also been able to start building the relationships necessary to identify how they can help neighborhood residents with home repairs and improvements.

The assistance of Carolyn Hoagland, University Farm manager, has been invaluable. She has provided expertise and resources at every step of the process, from improving the garden design to providing heavy equipment, as well as delightful young workers connected to Farm programs.

Over the many weeks of meetings, a surprising dynamic has developed. Bringing our various organizations together has created an energy centered on the needs and desires of the St. Mark's Community members. Community members are able to feed workers, make supply runs, and tell stories about the history of the neighborhood. University students are finding a place where they enjoy "hanging out" as are other volunteers from the neighborhood and the wider Sewanee community. Individuals from the surrounding area with ties to the St. Mark's Community are thrilled to see this garden program developing and want to be involved. There is now something going on at the Center several days each week making it a center for community relationships to take root and grow.

The finished garden will enable plans for a sustainable year-round garden program that includes choosing what to plant, working with a garden team to grow and

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## Summary of the March 2024 University Job Lease Committee Meeting Opportunities

The following items were approved: February minutes; request to transfer Lease No. 1029, located at 277 Florida Avenue; request to transfer Lease No. 669-A, located at 41 Sherwood Road to Ashley and Nicholas Nichols; request to approve new construction for Lease No. 1074, located on Faculty Circle; request to replace gutters and replace siding on Lease No. 949, located at 1340 University Avenue; request to install new sidewalk and patio for Lease No. 912, located at 141 University Avenue; request to install shed for Lease No. 548, located at 776 Georgia Avenue.

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

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

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

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

### Local Food Available

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# Upcoming Meetings

## Coffee with the Coach

Coffee with the Coach, an opportunity to learn more about Sewanee's sports teams, will live stream the meeting at 9 a.m., Monday, April 1, with Felix Mann, men's and women's tennis. The livestream will be available at <sewanee.tigers.com/watch>. The meeting will also be in-person at the Blue Chair.

## Sewanee Fourth of July Planning Meeting

It is time to start planning for Sewanee's 38th annual Fourth of July celebration. The Fourth of July Planning Committee invites everyone in the community to help in preparing for the best celebration yet.

The first meeting is at 5 p.m., Monday, April 1, online via Zoom. There will be a discussion of this year's theme, overall year goals and plans. Volunteers are needed. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Dylan McClure at <jdmccclure@sewanee.edu> or attend the meeting. If we don't have volunteers, we cannot offer events.

Join Zoom Meeting, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88205604176?pwd=OVkrZEExEK0o5V0N1bVnSmNXbtZCZz09>

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## Town of Monteagle

The Monteagle Regional Planning Commission is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, in the conference room at City Hall.

## Sewanee Eastern Star Cemetery Association

The annual meeting of the Sewanee Eastern Star Cemetery Association will be at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, at St. James Episcopal Church in Midway. Everyone interested in the business of the cemetery is encouraged to attend.

## Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club is scheduled to meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, April 4, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Richard Collins will discuss the benefits of Zen Meditation for the program.

## EQB Club

Members of the EQB Club will gather at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 10, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Lunch will be served at 11:50 a.m. At about 12:25 p.m., we will have the pleasure of a Lead on "Refugees, Asylum and the Southern Border" by Abby Colbert. Interested non-members are welcome to arrive at 12:25 p.m. and sit in on the presentation.

## Franklin County Commission

The Franklin County Commission is scheduled to meet at 7 p.m., Monday, April 15, at the Franklin County Courthouse Meeting Room.

# Sewanee Community-Wide Yard Sale, April 13

The Sewanee Community Center is sponsoring the community-wide yard sale from 8 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 13. Registration is required by April 4, and the fee is \$15. and an official yard sign will be available. Please go to page 11 for the registration form.

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. Space is limited in 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,

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# Sewanee Woman's Club to Meet April 8

Janie and John Lovett will treat the Sewanee Woman's Club to a riveting virtual tour of an important historic site in Franklin County. The Lovetts are the owners of Falls Mill and Museum. Falls Mill was built in 1873 and is located on Factory Creek in Belvidere, in the Franklin County community of Old Salem. The mill has a 32 foot water wheel that can still power machines on four levels. The grounds of Falls Mill also includes an old school house lovingly furnished with a potbelly stove and antique desks as well as other school house furnishing all circa 1890's. For the tasting pleasure of the ladies, Janie will bring a dish of prepared grits which were milled from local corn at the mill.

Please join us for a scrumptious lunch and a virtual tour of one of the special attractions in Franklin County. Social time begins at 11:30 a.m., with lunch and program following. Please make reservations for the Monday, April 8, meeting of the Sewanee Woman's Club before noon, Sunday, March 31, with Michele Freeman by phone, (931) 636-1904 or email <mfree4691@icloud.com>.

# Vaccine Clinic

Stephanie Walker BSN, RN, Southeast Community Registered Nurse Navigator, is partnering with Health Hero's and the Beersheba Springs Medical Clinic to bring a vaccine clinic for Kindergarten and seventh grade vaccines to Grundy County. There will also be COVID vaccines available to adults. The event will be from 1-5 p.m., Tuesday April 9, 2024, at the Beersheba Springs Medical Clinic, Beersheba Springs.

For questions email <swalker46@utk.edu> or call (865) 974-0286.

# 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 April 8-12, and then deliver from 1-3 p.m., Friday, April 12, to the CAC at 216 University Ave., Sewanee. Individuals may also take their nonfood donations between April 8-12, to donation bins around campus at the SPO and duPont Library, and Taylor's Mercantile in Sewanee. You may also take donations to the CAC, Monday through Friday, 9-11 a.m.

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.

This is part of the Sewanee Civic Association Treasures for the Chest initiative, a campaign to help promote community-wide service of giving time, support and donations. The event is sponsored by the Community Action Committee, the Office of Civic Engagement, the Sewanee Civic Association, and the Sewanee Community Chest.



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**Church** (from page 4)

Liturgy at All Saints' Chapel, 1 p.m.; Solemn Liturgy at St. Mark and St. Paul, 5 p.m.

Easter Day, March 31, Festival Holy Eucharist at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Easter Egg hunt at 10:30 a.m.; Celebratory coffee hour following the 11 a.m. service.

**Sewanee Cumberland Presbyterian Church**

Sewanee Cumberland Presbyterian Church, located on Bob Stewman Rd., will have an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, March 31, after the 9 a.m. service for area children. All are invited. Come celebrate Easter with us.

**Sisters of St. Mary**

All are invited to join the Sisters of St. Mary for their Easter service on Sunday, March 31, at 5:30 a.m. The service begins outside in front of the chapel and involves a procession into the chapel space.

"Ever faithful, Ever New: Lessons from Celtic Monasticism for Today"

In places like Iona and Lindisfarne, monastic life shaped the Christian experience. Join current School of Theology student Nolan McBride to explore how the legacy of these monastics lives on today. His presentation will be on Saturday, April 6, from 10-11:30 a.m. at St. Mary's convent chapel. This event is free and open to the public.

**STEM Churches**

Good Friday, March 29, Christ Church, Tracy City, 7 p.m.; Epiphany, Sherwood, 7 p.m.; Trinity, Winchester, 6 p.m.

Great Vigil of Easter, March 30, (Joint Service at Epiphany), Epiphany & Trinity at Sherwood, 7 p.m.

Easter Day, March 31, Christ Church, Tracy City, 11 a.m.; Epiphany Mission, Sherwood, 10 a.m.; Trinity, Winchester, 10:30 a.m.

**It's Time for the Mountain Goat Trail Race**

The 10th annual Mountain Goat Trail Race will be on Saturday, March 30.

The half-marathon begins at Mountain Outfitters in Monteagle at 8 a.m. Central, and will run on the Mountain Goat Trail to Sewanee, returning to finish the run at Mountain Outfitters.

The five-mile run starts at 9:30 a.m. on Reed's Lane, between Shenanigans and Woody's Bicycles in Sewanee. The course will loop through downtown Sewanee on Lake O'Donnell Road, Bob Stewman Road, Hat Rock Road and Hawkins Lane, before joining the Mountain Goat Trail to finish the run at Mountain Outfitters.

The two-mile walk begins at 10:15 a.m. Central at LaBella Pearl's Restaurant in Sewanee.

Packet pickup is noon to 5 p.m., Friday, March 29, at Tower Community Bank in Monteagle, or 6:45-7:30 a.m., Saturday, March 30, at Mountain Outfitters.

Online registration closes at 6 p.m., Friday, March 29. Go to <<https://www.mountaingoattrail.org/race>> to register. For more information contact <[info@mountaingoattrail.org](mailto:info@mountaingoattrail.org)>. All entrants will receive a race T-shirt and some other goodies as well.

**SCA Asks Sewanee Council for Funding Assistance**

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

"The Mountain Goat Trail Welcome and Heritage Center will serve both as a trailhead and a resource offering historical and current information for visitors and community members alike," said Sewanee Civic Association President Kiki Beavers appealing to the Sewanee Community Council at the March 25 meeting for financial help with operating costs to enable the Center to realize its full potential as "a source of community pride and site for social interaction." The council also heard an update on the proposed Arcadia senior living facility and a report on the Traffic Safety Committee's research on speed cushions as a traffic calming tool.

Now in its 115th year, the SCA's most recent big project was Elliott Park. The SCA sponsors Sewanee Classifieds and three programs enhancing quality of life on the Plateau, the Non-Food Supply Drive, the School Supply Drive, and the Sewanee Community Chest. Beavers estimated completing the Welcome and Heritage Center project would cost an additional \$128,000. Located at the former Hair Depot site, the Center currently features bike racks and benches, with information kiosks on the way (total cost of Phase 1, \$17,000, with the South Cumberland Community Fund contributing \$8,500). Phase 2 improvements to the building will include an ADA compliant restroom and deck, HVAC, and utility upgrades. When the doors open, the Center will serve as the permanent home of the Historical Downtown Sewanee exhibit, as well as other exhibits telling the story of the Plateau, its people and places. The Sewanee Class of '73 had donated \$63,000 to Phase 2, with additional Class of '73 donations and grants a possibility.

What needs to happen for the project to move forward? "We need to raise the money," Beavers said, "the University needs to 'ok' the renovation, it's their building, and the SCA needs to show we can pay for ongoing monthly expenses." The basics — janitorial services, WiFi, and utilities — will cost approximately \$20,000 annually. The SCA's only revenue source, \$10 annual dues from the 700 members, is not meeting current expenses for insurance, software for the Sewanee Classifieds, and other related costs, Beavers stressed. Dues will need to increase to at least \$15 and would need to increase to \$20-\$24 to pay operating expenses for the Center. Beavers said the SCA was reaching out to community partners for help paying the operating costs, suggesting the council's Community Project Funding program as a source.

Superintendent of Leases Sallie Green said the Community Project Funding initiative received \$10,000 annually from lease fees to distribute as grants. Potential grantees needed to apply each year. Project Funding committee member June Weber concurred, "Other people have [ongoing needs] as well. We have to spread the wealth." Council member Lynn Stubblefield proposed a portion of lease fees be allocated to pay the Center's operating expenses, as was the case with fire and police protection. "It's something we would have to discuss," Green said. Vice Chancellor Rob Pearigen asked for a project analysis on the Welcome Center "showing what the costs are, what we've pledged, and where the gap is."

Updating the council on the proposed Arcadia senior living facility, council member John Solomon said a recent site evaluation pointed to an Alabama Avenue/Kennerly Avenue location as "optimal" based on access to the Village and Highway 41A. Plans call for 100 units, cottages, row houses, and an apartment building with 60 units offering Assisted Living and Memory Care. Solomon noted "financers institutions were skeptical" when market analyses showed high reliance on alumni. Council member Laura Willis commented the high number of alums who purchased homes on the domain suggested alums would find a senior living facility in Sewanee attractive.

Traffic Safety Committee chair Michael Payne related what he had learned about speed cushions from his research and consultation with a Chattanooga traffic engineer. Nationwide speed cushions have become a popular traffic calming tool, slowing traffic to 20-25 mph and costing approximately \$750 each. Speed cushions were not allowed on state highways, Payne said, and not suitable for curves and steep inclines. Acting Provost Scott Wilson said an investigation was underway to determine what was "permissible" and which streets were "eligible" candidates for speed cushions. Payne suggested a possible "test" on several streets to determine speed cushions' effectiveness.

Green reminded council members about the Community Cleanup scheduled for April 27. Meet at the Welcome Center at 9 a.m.

The council meeting dates for the 2024-2025 academic year are Sept. 23, Oct. 28, Jan. 27, March 24, and May 19. The following dates have been set aside as reserve dates if business needed addressed: Aug. 26, Nov. 25, Feb. 17 or 24, April 28, and June 23.



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**Monteagle** (continued from page 1)

could only post events he was made aware of. People used Monteagle Community News, Facebook, and other sites to post events. A resident commented part of the responsibility fell to residents to seek out information, "It's a two-way street." Another resident suggested Monteagle host a "Google groups" email account similar to Sewanee Classifieds for posting event information. Wilson suggested identifying a single location to post information or a Google Calendar as possible solutions. Wilson and Maloof will explore alternatives.

Police Chief William Raline cautioned residents about phone scams, with the caller claiming to be the IRS and demanding money. The IRS never contacted individuals by phone, Raline said. He also warned about a Publishing Clearing House scam, with the caller requiring money before the Publishers Clearing House prize could be awarded.

Wilson announced the American Institute of Architects group enlisted to help Monteagle draft a growth plan would visit April 25-27. April 25, 5-7:30 p.m., AIA representatives will host information tables at city hall to talk with residents and collect information. The meet-and-greet event will feature music, free food, and a bounce house for kids. April 27, 5 p.m., at city hall, the AIA group will present their recommendations to the town.

Monteagle's Easter egg hunt will be March 30, at 11 a.m., at Hannah Picket Park, with the fire department providing free hot dogs for children.

**St. Mark** (continued from page 1)

harvest produce, and holding workshops on food processing and other health-related topics — all of which are open to anyone who wants to be involved. The garden beds are raised with wide, level walkways to make them easily accessible to people of all abilities.

Watching this project develop has been almost magical — there is a new pride about the improvements in and around the Center, a welcoming and inclusive culture, and a valued social space with new and reconnected friendships. Looking back, the progress since the St. Mark's Community Association was reconstituted a year ago is a bit stunning. And plans for programming related to the garden and enhancing the daily lives of community members and anyone who wants to be included are already being realized.

Keep an eye out for planned landscaping, outdoor seating areas, and planters of pollinators and herbs. See people playing Pickleball on the old basketball court and look for development of other recreational spaces. Check out the Association website at <[stmarkssewanee.org](http://stmarkssewanee.org)> and consider renting St. Mark's Community Center for your next event. Let us know if you would like more information by contacting <[stmarkscommunityassoc@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkscommunityassoc@gmail.com)> or pop in to see for yourself.

## April Fool Fest Returns to Shenanigans

The second annual April Fool Fest will be on Saturday, April 6, at Shenanigans. Tickets are available at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/april-fool-fest-2024-tickets-856206004207?aff=erelpanelorg>.

The April Fool Fest 2024 Cajun Boil starts at 4 p.m. Arrive around 3:30 to claim your table.

Bands on all stages will start around 4 p.m.

Full fest ticket includes access to all shows and a full plate of crawfish and/or shrimp boil with all veggies and fixings. A la carte menu will be available as well if you're not attending the inside venues. Alternatively, music only tickets are available if you are not partaking in the boil.

Confirmed lineup:

Featuring members of Widespread Panic and The Dynamites, and of course Bill from Shenanigans, Slim Wednesday returns from a very long post-Covid hiatus to ring April Fool Fest proper NOLA-style. The day after Fat Tuesday is Slim Wednesday. Full of funky, slinky vibes and New Orleans goodness.

From just down the way in Chattanooga, The Afternooners have graced the upstairs stage at Shenanigans several times, and is one of the only bands ever to sell it out. Rock, soul, jam and jazzy vibes galore await you when The Afternooners take the late slot and power you through that dance floor.

Shenanigans is proud to welcome Diamond Street Players from Atlanta, a primo retro-soul, organ boogaloo outfit that has served as house band for a ton of indie vintage soul powerhouses over the last ten years. Getting them on the same stage outside of Atlanta is indeed a challenge because these cats are everywhere. So we're so very psyched to get this vintage but oh-so-fresh soul groove as part of this awesome day of music.

Well it wouldn't be April Fool Fest without a brass band. You can't eat crawfish or shrimp proper without a second-line to work it off. Wild Iris was founded by Jeff Coffin (sax player in Dave Matthews Band and so many others) and he assembled what can only be referred to as a super-group of horn players.

## 'The Sacredness of Water' Lecture

Guest speaker Dr. Miguel A. De La Torre will lecture at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, in Convocation Hall (760 University Ave.) located on the campus of the University of the South. In his lecture titled "The Sacredness of Water," De La Torre will compare indigenous and eurocentric worldviews of water, exploring damaging consequences as well as opportunities for change.

De La Torre is on campus as part of the "Transforming Climates: Preaching Environmental Justice" conference taking place at St. Mary's Sewanee, April 2-4. Though registration for the conference is now closed, De La Torre's lecture is open to the public. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The lecture begins by exploring the global indigenous worldviews of water, specifically how water has its own spirit and its own agency. This indigenous worldview will then be compared with a eurocentric worldview which, De La Torre argues, is based on the commodification of water. The lecture explores the damage done to water and presents opportunities for change.

"Dr. De La Torre is a creative and challenging thinker," said Dr. Andrew Thompson assistant professor of theological ethics at the School of Theology. "We are very excited for him to share his liberative theological approach to the crucial environmental issue of water."

Dr. Miguel A. De La Torre is an international scholar, documentarian, novelist, and activist. The focus of his academic pursuit is social ethics within contemporary U.S. thought, specifically how religion affects race, class, and gender oppression. Since obtaining his doctorate in 1999, De La Torre has authored over one hundred articles and published forty-five books. He serves as professor of social ethics and Latinx studies at the Iliff School of Theology in Denver, CO.

The "Transforming Climates: Preaching Environmental Justice" conference and "The Sacredness of Water" are hosted by the School of Theology, the Center for Religion and Environment, and the Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation Campus Center. For more information visit <https://theology.sewanee.edu/events/>.

## SENIOR CENTER NEWS

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

**Monday, April 1:** Philly steak sandwich, chips.

**Tuesday, April 2:** Greek grilled chicken salad.

**Wednesday, April 3:** Stuffed peppers, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll.

**Thursday, April 4:** Loaded potato soup, ham & cheese sandwich.

**Friday, April 5:** Lasagna, salad, garlic bread.

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

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

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## Arcadia at Sewanee

Arcadia at Sewanee is making steady progress toward bringing a Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC) to Sewanee. Recent developments include Janet Cooper joining as program director; LiveWell on the Mountain – the aging-in-place program introduced by Arcadia and managed by Blakeford Senior Life – increasing its membership to 15; and engaging the services of ARCH Consultants last fall to evaluate the feasibility of developing a CCRC on an approximately 12.5-acre site between Kennerly Road and Alabama Avenue. Of the potential sites considered by Arcadia and the University, this location appears to be the best suited based on access to the campus via existing roadways and the new Heritage Trail, proximity to the Sewanee Village (including the possibility of a walking bridge), and ease of access from Highway 41A. Given this progress, where does Arcadia stand today?

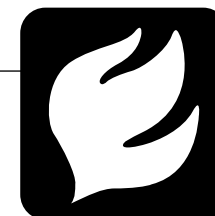
After evaluating a variety of density maps for the preferred site, Arcadia's board of directors is currently considering a CCRC of up to 100 units based on existing residential leasehold lines. The CCRC would include cottages, row houses, and a central apartment building that would include independent living, assisted living, and memory care units.

In addition, based on further input from ARCH, Blakeford, and HJ Sims (investment bankers), the Board has interviewed three nationally recognized companies to perform a market study that would delineate the CCRC's primary and secondary markets, analyze the demand for this type of facility based on demographics of the area, make recommendations for the pricing of units, and determine its financing feasibility. Part of this process will include confirmation that the Alabama site is the optimal location for the CCRC. It is expected that this study will help reduce potential lender concerns regarding Sewanee's rural location and the CCRC's reliance on a higher than typical percentage of residents coming from a secondary market. Arcadia expects the CCRC to be considered a destination location based on Sewanee's natural beauty and the appeal of a university-based environment.

For more information, please contact Janet Cooper at [admin@arcadiaatsewanee.org](mailto:admin@arcadiaatsewanee.org).

## MES Spring Arts and Crafts Show

Monteagle Elementary will host a spring bazaar. On Friday, April 12, the Arts and Crafts Festival begins at 3 p.m. There will be more than 30 vendors inside and outside of the school. Food trucks will also be available. At 5 p.m., the Spring School Festival begins with games, face painting and a dance, until 8 p.m. From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, April 13, the Arts and Crafts Festival continues. All are welcome.



### PLANNING ON BURNING BRUSH?

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

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## Spring Classes at Cumberland Folk School

The Cumberland Folk School, located at Sequatchie Cove Farm, is a place to celebrate and commune around traditional crafts and skills, offering weekend workshops taught by skilled craftspeople. Our classes are built upon the inherent connection between traditional skills, sustainable land management, and farming to teach self-reliance and the use of natural materials to create beautiful utilitarian objects. Go to <[www.cumberlandfolkschool.com](http://www.cumberlandfolkschool.com)> for more information, detailed class listings, and to sign up for upcoming classes.

**Birding by Ear, April 27,** Join local birder Richard Candler, author of "Birding Sewanee," on a morning bird walk around Sequatchie Cove Farm. A class for both beginners, who will learn some ID basics, and also advanced birders to gather with others and bird Sequatchie Cove Farm's property.

**Indigo Dyeing and Katazome printing, May 5,** In love with indigo? In this class, Katazome and Indigo dyeing, you will explore the centuries-old Japanese technique of using stencils and a rice paste resist to make patterns on fabric then dipped into an indigo vat.

**Mushroom Foraging, May 11,** Learn essential mushroom biology and romp through the woods in search of choice edibles with this hands-on, half-day program with Midway Mushrooms.

## SCC Fern Sale

To support the Sewanee Children's Center (SCC), we are selling beautiful spring ferns again this year for \$20/each.

Please fill out the form <<https://www.sewaneechildrenscntr.org/annual-ferns-sale>>, and return it with cash or a check made payable to the Sewanee Children's Center, PO Box 268, Sewanee, TN 37375, by Friday, April 5, at 3 p.m. Payments can also be made through VENMO (@SewaneeChildrensCenter). In the message section, please provide the exact same information as required on the form. The form is also available on page 8 of this issue.

Pick-up instructions will be provided during the second week of April.

## FC Preschool Application Process

Register your child at the Franklin County school you wish your child to attend during the 2024-2025 school year if accepted. Applications are accepted 1-5 p.m., Thursday, April 4, 2024.

Child must be 4 years old by Aug. 15, 2024 to apply for Preschool for the 2024-2025 school year.

Documents required: certified

birth certificate; immunization record and current physical report (on TN Dept. of Health form); proof of residence (utility bill, rent receipt, etc.); proof of income required for eligibility, (2023 W-2's or tax return preferred, or last three consecutive pay stubs showing gross income, or Letter of Food Stamp Proof).

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

## Franklin County Kindergarten Registration

You must register your child at the school that your child is zoned to attend during the 2024-2025 school year, between 1-5 p.m., Thursday, April 11, 2024.

A child must reach the age of 5 years by Aug. 15, 2024, to enroll in Kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year.

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

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



Kindergarten students at Sewanee Elementary have learned about what daily life was like for the people in America hundreds of years ago and how it is very different from students' own present-day experiences. During colonial times (1700s), people made most of what they needed at home. Living back then meant doing a lot of work. Even the children had to help by doing chores every day. Students learned about the different tradespeople (millers, bakers, spinners, weavers, dressmakers, tailors, hatters, cobblers, bricklayers, masons, carpenters, the blacksmith) who provided goods and services during this time and created their own Colonial American Town.

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**Wednesday, April 3:** Breakfast pancakes, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

**Thursday, April 4:** Canadian bacon, egg & cheese sandwich, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

**Friday, April 5:** Breakfast waffles, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

### LUNCH

**Monday, April 1:** No School.

**Tuesday, April 2:** Hot dog & bun, French fries, baked beans, fruit, milk.

**Wednesday, April 3:** Breakfast for Lunch: meat, eggs, Tennessee tots, salsa, biscuit, gravy, fruit, milk.

**Thursday, April 4:** Corn dog, tossed salad, buttered corn, crinkle-cut fries, fruit, milk.

**Friday, April 5:** Pizza, green beans, seasoned wedges, fruit, milk.

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



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## Performing Arts Series: Violinist Randall Goosby

The Sewanee Performing Arts Series presents violinist Randall Goosby, performing with pianist Zhu Wang, at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 3, in Guerry Auditorium.

Purchase tickets online: <<https://www.showpass.com/goosby-sewanee/>> or in Guerry 129, 9–11 a.m., 1–3 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or at the door.

Students, faculty, and staff get one free ticket with a valid Sewanee ID (redeem in Guerry 129 or at the door).

Signed exclusively to Decca Classics in 2020 at the age of 24, American violinist Randall Goosby is acclaimed for the sensitivity and intensity of his musicianship alongside his determination to make music more inclusive and accessible, as well as bringing the music of under-represented composers to light.

Goosby has performed with orchestras across the United States including the New York Philharmonic, Cleveland Orchestra, Nashville Symphony and New World Symphony. Recital appearances have included the Kennedy Center, Kravis Center and Wigmore Hall.

Goosby made his debut with the Jacksonville Symphony at age nine. At age 13, he performed with the New York Philharmonic on a Young People's Concert at Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall and became the youngest recipient ever to win the Sphinx Concerto Competition. He is a recipient of Sphinx's Isaac Stern Award and of a career advancement grant from the Bagby Foundation. A graduate of the Juilliard School, he continues his studies there, pursuing an Artist Diploma under Itzhak Perlman and Catherine Cho. An active chamber musician, he has spent his summers studying at the Perlman Music Program, Verbier Festival Academy and Mozarteum Summer Academy among others.

He performs on the Stradivarius violin "Strauss" Cremona, 1708, on loan through the generous efforts of The Samsung Foundation of Culture of Korea.

## Easy Honey at Shenanigans

Join Easy Honey for their 2024 Headline Tour. Known for their catchy tunes and infectious energy, Easy Honey will perform at Shenanigans at 8 p.m., Wednesday, April 10. Tickets are available at <<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/easy-honey-live-at-shenanigans-april-10-2024-tickets-861669826647?aff=oddtcreator>>.

The tour supports their latest EP, "Oooo," which received multiple playlist placements and accolades by both Spotify and Apple Music. The band's first headline tour follows up sold out shows in NYC, DC, Atlanta, Boone, and Charleston.

## Edible Book Festival

Jessie Ball duPont Library will celebrate the International Edible Books Festival with a contest scheduled for Monday, April 15. The entries for the contest will be accepted from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. and the reception will take place from 2–4 p.m. in the Main Lobby of the Library. Please go to <<https://library.sewanee.edu/ediblebooks/>> for complete information.

The Edible Books Festival is where the worlds of books and food collide in creative and delicious ways. Create an edible work of art inspired by your favorite book or author. Let your creative juices flow! Have fun with puns, or create something in the shape of a book.

Entries may be made from anything that is edible (cake, bread, crackers, gelatin, fruit, vegetables, candy, etc.) as long as it can be displayed for a few hours without spoiling or melting.

Participation is open to all members of the Sewanee community. 2024 Edible Books Festival Categories: Punniest; Literary Theme; People's Choice (voting by Sewanee community); Best Team Entry; Best Entry by a Child (under 12).

Individuals or teams may submit entries. All entries must be made entirely of edible materials. No metal, cardboard, plastic, etc. Entries must be inspired by a book, literary figure, book character, literary pun, or plot.

Please bring a copy of the book to display with your entry if you have it. Creations must survive at room temperature for several hours.

All entries will be photographed and added to duPont Library social media platforms.

duPont Library reserves the right to reject any entry that is unsuitable for a family-friendly festival.

All entries must be picked up by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 15 or they will be disposed of.

## Easter Exploration of Sound Bathing

Join Electric Arcadia on Sunday, March 31, from 2–6 p.m. for an Easter Exploration of Sound Bathing featuring visiting artists Taj Chander (Memphis) and Eve Maret (Nashville), with local Infanta Silhouette.

Taj Chander is an American musician, poet, and kundalini yoga teacher who will share his dharmic music practice. Eve Maret is an experimental artist who explores the possibilities of personal and communal healing through

sound, color, and movement. Infanta Silhouette is Linda Heck's field-recordings based electronics practice.

Weather permitting, we will be outdoors and under cover adjacent to the studio. Pay what you can — \$10 suggested donation. BYOB and snacks-coolers-blankets-chairs. There is street parking. Check our website <<https://www.electrarcadia.org/>> for more information and last-minute updates.

Electric Arcadia, 874 Lake O'Donnell Road in Sewanee, is a music & art studio and retreat on the Cumberland Plateau fostering exploration, community, discovery and healing through creative practices.

## Perpetual Motion

Perpetual Motion will be at 7 p.m., Friday, March 29, and 2 p.m., Saturday, March 30, in Guerry Auditorium.

Come for an evening of student-choreographed dance pieces, featuring diverse styles and skill levels.

## Spring Vocal Showcase

Join the Sewanee Voice Studios for the Spring Vocal Showcase. The concert will be at 7 p.m., Friday, April 12, at Guerry Auditorium. From musical theatre and opera to pop, rock, soul, and jazz, there is something for everyone in this popular semi-annual concert. The students of Kerry Ginger and Erik Gustafson will perform with Vicki Collinsworth, piano. Free admission.

## SCCF Benefit Concert

Join South Cumberland Community Fund for an exciting night of music at The Caverns featuring the Becky Buller Band and student musicians from Top of the Rock Chorus and Grundy County Strings.

The concert will be on Thursday, May 2. Doors open at 5 p.m., student musicians play at 6 p.m., and the Becky Buller Band takes the stage at 7:30 p.m.

This event supports local projects that help bring hope and prosperity to all those who live on the South Cumberland Plateau. Learn more about our work at <[southcumberlandcommunityfund.org](https://southcumberlandcommunityfund.org)>.



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 Grand total

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## SAS MS Volleyball Wins

On March 21, the St. Andrew's-Sewanee School middle school varsity volleyball team defeated North Elementary School, 3-0, bringing the team to 3-6 for the season. Outstanding performances included numerous great passes and serves from Lyrach Spake and incredible hits from Maggie Mayo. The team's next game will be Tuesday, April 2 at Tracy Elementary School.

## Community Bike Rides

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

For families, new riders, and anyone interested in biking a short distance, there is a monthly Community Bike Ride on the paved Mountain Goat Trail (MGT) every first Saturday of the month starting at 3 p.m. from 17 Lake O'Donnell Rd., in Sewanee. This is a great ride for younger children and families. Riders who prefer biking on dirt trails also have the option of riding a short MGT section before exiting and riding to Lake Dimmick and back. For more information contact Beth Pride Ford at <bethprideford@gmail.com>.

## SAS Middle School Tennis Opens Season with Victories

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee School middle school boys' and girls' tennis teams opened their season on the road March 21 with convincing wins over Westwood Middle School, 7-0 for the boys and 6-1 for the girls. Martin Brodsky (No. 1), Flynn Allen (No. 2), Jaxon Rudder (No. 4), and Logan Close (No. 5) collectively allowed their opponents only 4 games in singles play. Sixth grade newcomer, Mason Rudder, battled his opponent in a back and forth match at No. 3 singles before Rudder, demonstrating disciplined and determined play, finally outlasted his opponent 7-6 (7-2). SAS added two more wins in doubles play to secure the shut-out. Additionally, Asher Cavar (No. 6 singles) and Brodie Fricker (No. 9 singles) earned exhibition wins. Newcomers Jackson Evans and Harper Holt worked hard but came up a little short. On the girls' side, Catherine Barnett (No. 1), Ella Matthews (No. 2), Addy Knight (No. 3), and Leonora Pate (No. 4) demonstrated strong play and sailed to victories, dropping only 5 games total. Barnett and Matthews added another win at No. 1 doubles, while Knight and Pate earned a hard-fought 7-5 victory at No. 2 doubles to secure

the 6-1 team win. Newcomers Adeline Pond, Lucia Polansky, Elena Brodsky, Embry Davis, and Eva Gheesling played in their first competitive match; they worked hard and had positive attitudes.

On March 25, the middle school teams hosted Tullahoma Middle School. Both SAS teams captured victories, the boys' team 7-0 and the girls' team 5-2. The boys' team cruised to their win, giving up only two games in singles play. Tullahoma's number one boys' doubles team challenged the SAS duo of Brodsky and Jaxon Rudder, but SAS finally ended up the winner after a close battle. In addition, Logan Close, Asher Cavar, Harper Holt, and Brodie Fricker enjoyed exhibition wins. The girls' team earned wins at No. 1 singles (Barnett), No. 2 singles (Matthews), and No. 4 singles (Pate). Additionally, Barnett and Matthews and Knight and Pate teamed up at No. 1 and No. 2 doubles, respectively, to chalk up victories. Coach Kelley Black commented, "We have nice depth on both of our middle school teams. The players are working hard and improving quickly. They have great attitudes and love to compete. It's been an exciting start to the season."



Micah Moody.

## Moody Opens SAS Track Season with Record Breaking Performance

On March 21, the St. Andrew's-Sewanee varsity track team opened their season at Red Bank High School, facing off against a field of 15 teams. Sophomore Micah Moody led the team with a school-record-breaking performance in the 1600m, clocking in at a time of 4:41.51. He also claimed first place in the 3200m run. Classmate Kiran Malde also secured first place in the 800m run with a personal record performance. Other PR performances included: Charline Buckner, Maggie Desjarlais, and Jack Hale in shot put and discus; Aiden Crabtree and Korbin Helton in shot put; Arthur Glacet in the 800m; Lara Stahl in the 100m, Sarah Maleak and Alijandro Miranda in the 200m, and Stella Wilson in the 100 high hurdles and long jump.

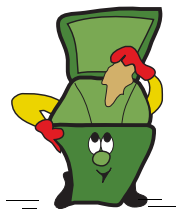
## SAS Hosts Second Meet of the Season

On March 25, St. Andrew's-Sewanee School track and field team hosted seven teams in their first home meet of the season. The girls' team was led by junior Maggie Desjarlais who took first place in the discus and second place in the shot put. Classmate Stella Wilson placed first in the 100m high hurdles, and the girls' 4x800m relay, consisting of Melanie Val, Caroline Neubauer, Arabella Mitchell, and Lillian Crigger, also finished first. Second-place finishes came from Caroline Neubauer in the 800m and the 4x800m relay, consisting of Caroline Neubauer, Arabella Mitchell, Lillian Crigger, and Taylor Wells.

On the boys' side, sophomores Micah Moody and Kiran Malde finished first and second respectively in the 800m run. The 4x400m relay consisted of Micah Moody, Kiran Malde, Arthur Glacet, and Tom Karanja. Freshman Arthur Glacet placed second in the 1600 with a new personal record. Nine varsity athletes set new PRs: Beckler Durst in the 100m, 200m; Arabella Mitchell in the 400m; Jack Hale in 100m and Discus; Dami Akinkugbe in the 100m and 200m; Triumph Maina in 200m and long jump; Alejandro Miranda in long jump; Micah Moody in 800m; Arthur Glacet in 1600m and 800m, and Aidan Crabtree set a PR in discus. Seven middle school athletes set new PRs: Elena Brodsky in 100m, 400m, 200m, and long jump; Nora Jane Elrod in 100m, 400m, 800m, and long jump; Ayden Allen, Cabell Thompson, Ruthie Sweeney all PRs in both the 100m and 200m; RH Benton in both the 400m and the 1600m; Timaeus Stefanut in 200m and long jump.

The Mountain Lions are back in action at Chattanooga Christian School on Saturday, April 6.

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## HOME GAMES

Saturday, March 30, Men's Tennis vs. Wallace State CC-Hanceville

4 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, SAS Varsity Tennis vs. Collegedale Academy

4:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, SAS Varsity Boys' Soccer vs. Middle Tennessee Christian School

2 p.m., Friday, April 5, Baseball vs. Oglethorpe

7 p.m., Friday, April 5, Men's Lacrosse vs. Hendrix

9 a.m., Saturday, April 6, University Tennis vs. Birmingham-Southern

11 a.m., Saturday, April 6, Baseball vs. Oglethorpe, DH noon, Saturday, April 6, Softball vs. Millsaps College, DH

noon, Saturday, April 6, Women's Lacrosse vs. Hendrix



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## NATURENOTES

by Yolande Gottfried



Morel. Photo by David Rowe

### March Notes

Reprinted from the March 25, 2022 issue.

David Rowe writes, "I would like to report that the 2022 morel season has officially started on the Cumberland Plateau."

John Palisano reported that a couple of weeks ago, he "saw two killdeer eating in a small, snow-free area on the rugby field located behind Quintard Dormitory this morning (Saturday) at 6:30 a.m. Before the University began mowing the grass on the rugby field every week, killdeer built nests in the grass of the current rugby field. The last year that I can remember a nest with babies was over 20 years ago and the last nest was built on the roof of Cravens. I often wonder if the babies survived their first flight from the roof. It was a joy to see the two killdeer on the field Saturday even though it was 20F and wind was blowing snow across the field." Killdeer are plovers, found in flat, open areas, often near water. The name comes from its loud, persistent call. This is the bird that will feign injury, hobbling and dragging its wing to draw predators away from its eggs or young.

Last Tuesday, March 22, 2022, was World Water Day. We often are not aware of the life in our rivers and streams, and little brown fish are not very "charismatic." Yet, Tennessee is in a global hotspot for aquatic biodiversity. In the waterways of the Southeast live two-thirds of the fish species in the U.S., half of the crayfish species in the world, and 90 percent of the mussel species in the U.S., 130 out of 300 here in Tennessee. Just a couple of examples: in the Duck River can be found the endangered Pygmy Madtom (a fish) and the endangered Birdwing Pearly Mussel, each found in only a very few other spots.



Nellie



Hercules

## MARC's Mountain Adoptables

### Meet Nellie & Hercules

Nellie is a lovely, around two and a half year old Saint Bernard who weighs about 100 pounds. She is a playful puppy and would really like to have another young large to giant breed playmate or people who will play with her. She is fostering in a home with senior dogs and people and thinks it is very boring. Nellie is houstrained and walks fairly well on a leash and would like to get more experience going on walks. She is food motivated and learns new commands easily. Nellie eats a lot and could stand to gain some weight. She does not slobber much. Nellie is a true gentle giant with some puppy spunk.

Hercules is a stunning guy. He is young, around two years old, weighs about 50 pounds and is ready to take on the world. Hercules loves to explore and would really like to go on some fun adventures. He loves to go walking or hiking and playing ball and gets along great with children. Although he is enthusiastic, he also likes to settle down to snuggle with his people. Hercules loves all other animals, especially other dogs, and has done fine around cats too. He does well on a leash, in a crate and is houstrained. Hercules would like to find his very own active family to be a faithful loving companion.

If you would like to learn more about Nellie and Hercules, please fill out an Adoption Application at this link <<https://form.jotform.com/240344297703052>> and/or contact Sue Scruggs, cell phone (423) 619-3845. These pets are fostering on the Sewanee-Monteagle Mountain and are easy to meet. All MARC animals ready for adoption are spayed or neutered and up-to-date on their vaccines and preventatives.

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## State Park Offerings

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

**Day Loop Hike—Savage Gulf State Park, Friday, March 29, 8:30 a.m. CDT. Cost, \$5/12+ and under, \$10/Adults.** <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>>. (Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please pre-register.) Join Park Ranger Spencer Baxter at Savage Gulf East Ranger Station, 3157 S.R. 399, Palmer, for a 5-mile (round trip, approximate) basic, introductory guided hike of the east side of Savage Gulf Day Loop. Bring desired water and food, and wear sturdy shoes and weather-appropriate clothing. The areas around overlooks can be treacherous in terms of keeping your footing. The potential to slip and fall exists, and extreme care is needed. Attendee cancellations must be made no later than 24 hours prior to the program's scheduled start in order to receive a refund. *This event will also take place on Monday, April 1.*

**Spring Waterfall Hike—South Cumberland State Park, Friday, March 29, 9:45 a.m. CDT. Cost, \$10.** <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/south-cumberland>>. (Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please pre-register.) Meet Park Ranger Jessie DeRight at Fiery Gizzard North, 131 Fiery Gizzard Rd., Tracy City, for a 2-mile, moderate-to-strenuous (due to the rocky trail and exposed roots) to see some of the beautiful waterfalls of South Cumberland, and learn some of the history of the area and the flora and fauna that call Grundy Forest home. Wear sturdy shoes, (no flip-flops or slides) and bring plenty of water. In the event of bad weather or dangerous trail conditions, the hike will be cancelled, and refunds issued. *This event will also take place on Sunday, March 31, at 8:45 a.m.*

## Nature Journaling at Trails and Trilliums

The Trails and Trilliums Festival is excited this year to offer four nature journaling workshops on Friday, April 19. First, spend your morning with two experienced Tennessee Naturalists and nature journalers. Laura Blackman will begin with a session on "The Joys of Nature Journaling" and will conduct a drawing exercise. Then Deb Tucker will demonstrate a circular approach to journaling, "Phenology Wheels." The two afternoon sessions include a workshop on "Three Phase Drawing Using Toned Paper" by Lendon Noe, a renowned artist and nature journalist. Here you will further develop your journal drawings with shading and the use of toned paper. Local artist and journalist Margie Gallagher's workshop titled "Tell Your Nature Story: Connecting Drawings and Words" focuses on how words can expand the meaning and context of your artwork. The workshops are for all levels and materials are provided.

Artist Lendon Noe will provide instruction and materials for making a journal to record your Trails and Trilliums experience.



Family Adventures start at Trails & Trilliums, April 20-21. Spend the day building forts and fairy houses, meeting friendly wildlife, roasting marshmallows, going on guided nature hikes and more!

## Trails & Trilliums' Family Adventure Days

Bring your children or grandchildren to enjoy two full days of outdoor fun in Beersheba Springs, brought to you by the staff of Cumberland Forest School — 10 a.m.–4 p.m., Saturday, April 20 and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday, April 21. Bring a picnic and spend the day. A day pass is \$5 per person. Pre-register at: <[www.TrailsAndTrilliums.org](http://www.TrailsAndTrilliums.org)> or pay when you arrive. See details and register at: <[www.TrailsAndTrilliums.org](http://www.TrailsAndTrilliums.org)>.

Highlights include Ranger George Shinn as Davy Crockett — long rifle, buckskin and all. Hands-on wildlife programs with TWRA educators. Meet their friendly snakes, turtles, toads, salamanders and more. Guided Nature Hikes to the Vesper Point Overlook. Ropes course. Fort building in the woods. Make your own Fairy House. Marshmallow roasting.

**Weather stats on page 11 of this issue.**

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Tue	Mar 19	66	49	Avg min temp = 44
Wed	Mar 20	71	43	Avg temp = 54
Thu	Mar 21	64	54	Precipitation = 0.64"
Fri	Mar 22	56	44	
Sat	Mar 23	67	36	
Sun	Mar 24	64	44	

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Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 am – 12:00 pm



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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 4/4/24**

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

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

- art
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- computer/electronics
- exercise equipment
- furniture
- garden supplies
- housewares
- musical instruments
- tools
- other: \_\_\_\_\_
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## FROM BARD TO VERSE

by Robin Bates

### Easter

Far from this foreign Easter damp and chilly  
My soul steals to a pear-shaped plot of ground,  
Where gleamed the lilac-tinted Easter lily  
Soft-scented in the air for yards around;  
Alone, without a hint of guardian leaf!  
Just like a fragile bell of silver rime,  
It burst the tomb for freedom sweet and brief  
In the young pregnant year at Eastertime;  
And many thought it was a sacred sign,  
And some called it the resurrection flower;  
And I, a pagan, worshiped at its shrine,  
Yielding my heart unto its perfumed power.

--Claude McKay, *The Easter Flower*



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# Community Calendar

### Friday, March 29 • Good Friday

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Yin Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- noon MGT Race packet pickup, Tower Bank, Monteagle, until 5 p.m.
- 7 p.m. Dance Performance, Perpetual Motion, Guerry Auditorium

### Saturday, March 30

- Tenth Annual Mountain Goat Trail Race (MGTR)*
- 8 a.m. MGTR Half Marathon, starts at Mountain Outfitters
  - 9:30 a.m. MGTR Five-mile run, starts in downtown Sewanee
  - 9:30 a.m. Vinyasa Flow, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:45 a.m.
  - 10:15 a.m. MGTR Two-mile walk, starts at La Bella Pearl's
  - 2 p.m. Native American Sweat Lodge Ceremony, IAOMAI Retreat, 52 Lillypad Lane, Tracy City, until 10 p.m.
  - 7 p.m. Dance Performance, Perpetual Motion, Guerry Auditorium

### Sunday, March 31 • Easter Sunday

- noon Sewanee Woman's Club luncheon reservation deadline, (931) 636-1904 or email <mfree4691@icloud.com>
- 2 p.m. Knitting Circle, Mooney's, until 4 p.m.
- 4 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center

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

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Coffee with the Coach, Student Panel, in-person and livestream, Blue Chair Mart, Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Tai Chi, Shao-nian, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Community Center, until 11:45 a.m.
- 5 p.m. Sewanee Fourth of July Planning Meeting, online via Zoom; more info email <jdmclure@sewanee.edu>
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Flow, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6:45 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates Mat Class, all levels, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.

### Tuesday, April 2

- 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. Mixed Flow, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginners, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 11:30 a.m. Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid Bakery, Tracy City
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 4 p.m. Marion County Planning Commission, Lawson Bldg., 300 Ridley Dr., Jasper
- 4:30 p.m. S. Cumberland Farmers' Market pickup, Community Center, until 6 p.m.
- 5 p.m. GriefShare support group/weekly seminar, MMUMC Wesley House
- 5 p.m. Monteagle Regional Planning Commission, conference room, City Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Gentle Flow Yoga, Pippa, 293 Ball Park Rd., until 6:30 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Eastern Star Cemetery Association, St. James Episcopal Church, Midway
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates Mat Class, Bruce, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 3

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 9 a.m. Tai Chi, Shao-nian, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Writers' Group, 212 Sherwood Rd., more info: (931) 598-0915
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Community Center, until 11:45 a.m.
- 5 p.m. Mobility & Flexibility, Camp, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center
- 6:30 p.m. Kundalini, Pippa, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle
- 7:30 p.m. Performing Arts Series: Randall Goosby, violinist and pianist Zhu Wang, Guerry Auditorium; purchase tickets online: <https://www.showpass.com/goosby-sewanee/> or in Guerry 129, 9-11 a.m., 1-3 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or at the door.

### Thursday, April 4

- Registration deadline for Community Yard Sale*
- 8 a.m. Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, Richard Collins, Zen meditation, St. Mary's Sewanee
  - 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
  - 9 a.m. Herbarium Nature Journaling, more info email <mpriestley0150@gmail.com>
  - 9 a.m. Wild Card, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
  - 9:30 a.m. Body Recall exercise class, Judy, Monteagle City Hall, until 10:30 a.m.; more info <msjmagoo@gmail.com>
  - 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.
  - 1 p.m. FC Preschool Application deadline, at school your child will attend, until 5 p.m.
  - 5:30 p.m. Pilates Mat Class, Bruce Manuel, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle

### Friday, April 5

- Last Day of Sewanee Children's Center Fern Sale*
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
  - 9 a.m. Yin Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
  - 10 a.m. You Fit, Betsy, Community Center; and at noon; sign up required

### Local 12-Step Meetings

- Friday**  
7 p.m., AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City
- Saturday**  
7 p.m., NA, open, Decherd United Methodist
- Sunday**  
6:30 p.m., the Wesley House, MMUMC
- Monday**  
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, Decherd United Methodist
- Thursday**  
6 p.m., Life's Healing Choice, Grundy County Recovery Alliance, Coalmont
- 7 p.m., Al-Anon, First UMC, Winchester



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