



# THE SEWANEE MOUNTAIN MESSENGER

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## Franklin County Schools: Teacher Dress Code; Conferences

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Writer

"The policy slants toward discrimination of female employees," said board member Sara Liechty commenting on the amended Personnel Dress Code Policy proposed at the Sept. 8 meeting of the Franklin County School Board. "A lot of the content is directed toward female employees." The board approved the proposed policy with further revisions. The board also approved changing the dates for parent teacher conferences to allow for longer visiting hours.

In response to Liechty's concerns about the dress code policy, Board Chair CleiJo Walker said, "That's why I proposed striking [forbidding] high heels and sandals. We have people that are wearing heels and wearing sandals in every building in this county."

The other change to the policy allowed wearing leggings with a top "ideally knee-length or longer." Human Resources Supervisor Roger Alsop said school principals "wanted leggings addressed." "I'm okay with the leggings [provision]," Liechty said, "but specifics are asking for trouble." She recommended decisions about personnel dress fall to the school principal. She pointed to the difference in circumstances between a high school teacher and a teacher crawling on the floor with kindergarten-age children.

"I want butts covered," said Cowan Elementary Principal Cynthia Young. Huntland School Principal Lisa Crabtree concurred. Crabtree said she had "a few conversations" with teachers about dress. "I don't like jeans with holes." The policy allows jeans "only on

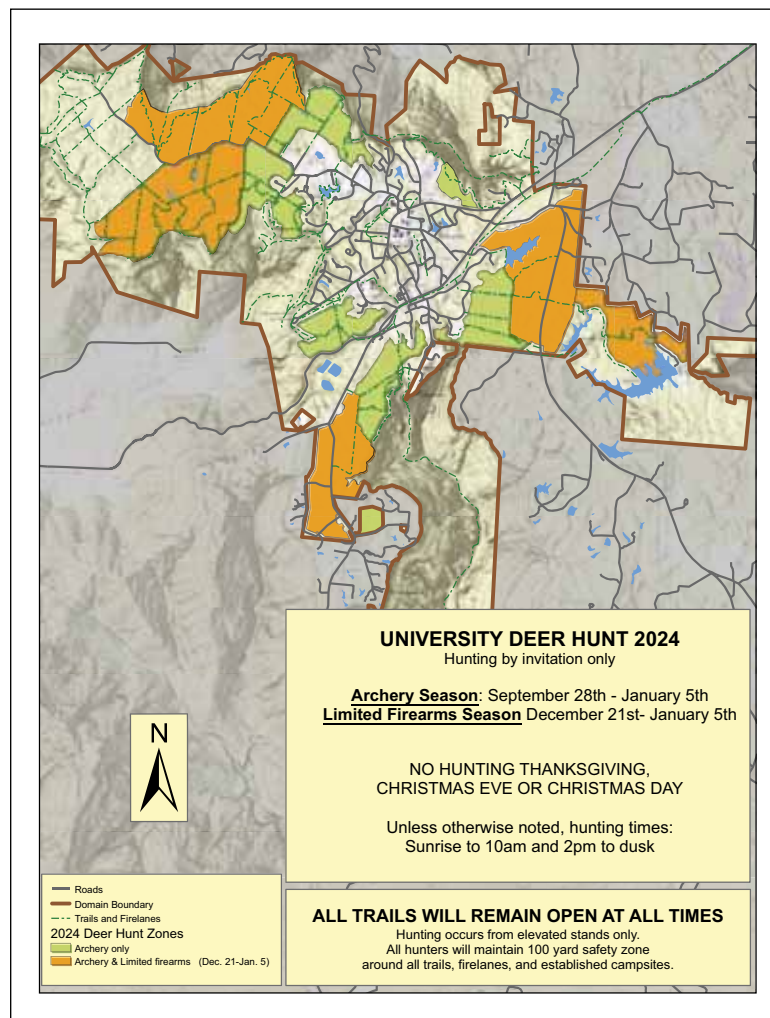
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## 12th Annual Fall Heritage Festival

The Fall Heritage Festival is a celebration of life in the foothills of the Cumberland Plateau, engaging regional communities through the educational and inspirational experience of history, music, arts, and civic involvement. The Festival is free to the public, and made possible by the generous donations from regional businesses and individuals. The festival includes arts & crafts vendors, food, and music. The schedule is 5-9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 19, 2025; fireworks at 9 p.m.; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 20, 2025; fireworks at 9 p.m.; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 21, 2025. The Festival will be on Tennessee Avenue and Front Street, on either side of the Railroad Tracks in Cowan. For more information, (931) 563-3868, email <info@fallheritagefestival.org> or go to <https://fallheritagefestival.org>.



SES students were treated with high 5's and a cookie treat Sept. 8, during arrival! This was to celebrate SES earning a 5 on Tennessee's TVAAS. A 5 is the highest score possible and indicates that students at SES have exceeded statewide expectations, showing that they are learning more each year than the statistical models project for their growth trajectory. Go Tigers.



Beginning on Sept. 27, the regular University archery season will begin. This invitation-only hunt is generally open to all approved University faculty and staff, as well as their direct relatives (spouses, adult children, and parents). The hunt is also open to approved students. All participants must complete the Tennessee Bowhunter Safety Course (or other state equivalent) and ia TWRA Bowhunter Safety Field day. Hunters must also undergo a background check by the Sewanee Police Department, and participate in all mandatory meetings. All hunters are required to possess valid TN type 94 or sportsman's license and follow all TWRA rules and regulations at all times. Hunting areas in 2025 will remain unchanged from 2024. For more information go to the Environmental Stewardship & Sustainability website <https://new.sewanee.edu/offices/university-offices/environmental-stewardship-sustainability/the-domain/ecosystem-management/deer-huntin/>.

## SACA Arts and Crafts Festival, Sept. 13

The Sewanee Arts and Crafts Association will host its Fall crafts fair from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 13, in Shoup park on University Avenue.

Exhibitor's include: Alessandro's bakery, baked goods; Jim and Jody Gadra, wood. Danny Phifer, etchings; Full Circle Candles, candles; Dennis Jones, jewelry; Sisterhood of St. Mary's, candles, rosaries; Susan Parry, jewelry; Susan Cordell, pottery;

Sherry Brock, baskets; Bow Ties by Emily, sewing; Laurel York, felt, block prints; Mike & Mary McElwain, jewelry; Pate Sisters, jewelry, cards, vests; Connie Hornsby, fiber; Loraine Bennett, baskets; Bill Mauzy, wood;

Polly Wells, sculpture; Jeanie Stephenson, bronze sculptures; Pearl Campbell, wax, statues; Marcus Hilden, iron and copper; Ryan Ghertner, pottery; Terrie Ponder Watch, clay; J. Denise Miller, prints; Ben Pary, wood;

Sam Prickett, collage; Amber Clarkson, jewelry; Melissa Holloway, soap; Faith Vaughn, jewelry; Claire Nolan, pottery, sewing; Alkris Delgado, paintings; Emily Armentrout, textiles; Bob McGuire, wood.

## 'Moving Toward Community Health' with the SCCF

We hope you will save the date to join South Cumberland Community Fund on Saturday, Oct. 4, for our annual fall fundraiser. This year's event, "Moving Toward Community Health," will feature speaker Morgan McDonald, the National Director of Population Health Leadership at Milbank Memorial Fund and the former interim commissioner for the Tennessee Department of Health.

Dr. McDonald is a nationally recognized expert in maternal and child health policy and rural health policy. She describes herself as an "effective creator and manager of systems of care that work with and for disadvantaged populations."

The event will be in Cravens Hall on the campus of the University of the South, with cocktails at 5:30 p.m. and dinner following at 6:30 p.m. You can purchase tickets now at this link <https://wl.donorperfect.net/weblink/WebLink.aspx?name=E329962&id=34>.

Go to <https://www.southcumberlandcommunityfund.org/> for more information.

## Community Chest Applications Available

Sponsored by the Sewanee Civic Association (SCA), the Sewanee Community Chest (SCC) is pleased to announce the beginning of the 2025-26 grant cycle. The purpose of the Sewanee Community Chest campaign is to raise funds for local organizations that serve the common good. An important function of the campaign is to minimize the need for excessive area fundraising by many groups; therefore, organizations receiving funds are expected to acknowledge support from the Sewanee Community Chest in other area fundraising efforts.

The Sewanee Community Chest does not allocate funds to those organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, creed, sex, or national origin.

The 2025-26 funding application is available on the website <www.sewanee.org> in a Word document. The application deadline is Friday, Sept. 12, 2025. This year, organizations can apply online with this form <https://forms.gle/yGvkotRneYaAgAw76>. It does require you to have a Gmail email account.

The SCC is a nonprofit organization and relies on funding from the community in order to support programs throughout the greater Sewanee area. As the 2025-26 grant cycle begins, the SCC is also kicking off its yearly fundraising campaign.

The SCA urges everyone who benefits from life in this community, whether you live, work, or visit, to give generously. Donations are tax deductible. Contributions, payroll deductions and pledges are accepted at any time at P.O. Box 99, Sewanee, TN 37375. You can also make a donation through PayPal Giving <https://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/119597>.

P.O. Box 296  
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## Letter

### THANK YOU FOR THE SUPPORT

#### To the Editor:

Thanks to the enthusiastic support of the community, the Sewanee Community Fire Support nonprofit made \$2,487.08 at the pancake breakfast this past Saturday. The board of SCFS is so grateful for everyone who turned out for the event, and for those who sent donations. The purpose of SCFS is to support our firefighters and our fire department (Station One in Sewanee, Station Two in Jumpoff, and in the future, Station Three, which will be located between Station Two and Jackson Point Road). The board would also like to thank the South Cumberland Regional Land Trust for their donation of tables and chairs to the Jumpoff Firehall.

*Elizabeth Koella, Sewanee*



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## Paint the Town Purple 5K Color Run

Join us for Sewanee's second Annual Paint the Town Purple 5K Color Run, happening on Oct. 4. The 5K Color Run also welcomes walkers, rollers, and the like. Feel free to walk, or just come and watch the fun of seeing everyone get splashed with purple color. The purpose of this Title IX event is to raise awareness and show support for those affected by domestic violence.

Sign up now at <<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/paint-the-town-purple-2025-5k-color-run-tickets-1559498996479?aff=oddtcreator>>. Whether you're a seasoned runner or just looking for a fun day out, everyone is welcome, including community members, students, staff, and faculty. The Greek organization, Student Organization, or Athletic team that gets the most people registered will get a special shoutout.

For more information on ways to get involved, go to <<https://new.sewanee.edu/title-ix/paint-the-town-purple-5k-color-run/>>.

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Please keep the following individuals, their families and all those who are serving our country in your thoughts and prayers:

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If you know of others in our Mountain family who are serving our country, please give their names to American Legion and Auxiliary member Shirley M. Lawson at <[slawson@sewanee.edu](mailto:slawson@sewanee.edu)>.



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## Upcoming Meetings

### American Legion

The American Legion Post 51 is scheduled to meet at 9 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 13, in the Legion Hall, Sewanee.

### Franklin County Commission

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Monday, Sept. 15, at the Franklin County Courthouse in the Courtroom, Winchester.

### 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, Sept. 16, with Men's Soccer. The livestream will be available at <sewaneetigers.com/watch>. The meeting will also be in-person at the Blue Chair.

### Sewanee Utility District

The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties Board of Commissioners is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 16, at the utility office on Sherwood Road. If a customer is unable to attend but wishes to bring a matter to the board, call (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.

### EQB Club

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

The Sewanee EQB Club will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at St. Mary's Sewanee. A social half hour begins at 11:30 a.m., followed by a delicious lunch at noon. At about 12:25 p.m., the very timely Lead will be given by Professor Nicholas E. Roberts on "The struggle to control the Middle East: Iran, Israel, and Saudi Arabia." Professor Roberts received his B.A. in Religion from Carleton College, his M.A. in Middle Eastern Studies from the University of Chicago, and a Ph.D. in Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies/History from New York University. He has published a book and several articles about the history of British Mandate Palestine, Islamic politics in Palestine, Palestinian nationalism, and urban planning in Jerusalem. He has received several academic awards including a James D. Kennedy III fellowship from Sewanee and a Fulbright fellowship to conduct research in Israel.

Members are asked to contact Susan Horton, C'73, Membership Coordinator, at <sshorton22151@aol.com> for a luncheon reservation (\$20/lunch). Non-members or prospective members are always welcome to come at 12:25 p.m. to hear the presentation.

### Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club is scheduled to meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 18, at St. Mary's Sewanee. Martha Pierce will present the program on Mountain T.O.P.

### Select Gardens of Southern England

A beautiful slideshow of Select Gardens of Southern England will be presented by Jane Flynn for the Monday, Sept. 22 meeting of the Sewanee Garden Club. Everyone is invited to attend the 1:30 p.m. meeting at St. James Episcopal Church Parish Hall in Midway. Light refreshments will be provided after the meeting. Please RSVP Chris Lotti, President of the Garden Club, at <howardlotti@gmail.com> if you plan to attend or if you have questions about the club or the meeting.

### Town of Monteagle

The Monteagle City Council will have a workshop at 4 p.m., Monday, Sept. 22, 2025, in the conference room at City Hall.

### Sewanee Community Council

The next meeting of the Community Council is scheduled for 7 p.m., Monday, Sept. 22. Items for the agenda should have been submitted to the Provost's office by Sept. 10.

### Sewanee Civic Association

The Sewanee Civic Association will meet at 6 p.m., Monday, Oct. 6, in Kennerly Hall, St. Mark and St. Paul. Social time with wine begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner and a brief business meeting. Dr. Amy Patterson and Robin Hille Michaels will present the program on the Office of Civic Engagement, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary.

Items for the business meeting include the Sewanee Community Chest goal for 2025-26, news on the Sewanee Welcome Center, and updates on service projects. Reservations for dinner are due by Friday, Sept. 26, via email <sewaneecommunitychest@gmail.com>.

This year, the SCA is celebrating 117 years of social and service opportunities for the community. Any adult who resides in the area and shares concerns of the community is invited to participate. For more information go to <https://sewaneecivic.org>.

## Drive Well: Maintaining Safe Driving for Longer

Aging Well is presenting another interesting health/independence related talk coming up at 4 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 18, in Kennerly Hall. Let us know if you'd like to attend: email: <folksathomese-sewaneegmail.com>.

As we age, changes in our bodies and brains can impact safe driving. In this presentation, our Brain Health and Independent Living experts will explore how these changes affect driving and what you can do to stay safe on the road. We'll discuss strategies to recognize areas of weakness, improve training, and use adaptive tools in your vehicle to support independence.

Aging Well has recently launched the Drive Well Program, designed to assess your current driving skills and create a personalized plan to strengthen your abilities. The goal is to help you maintain your driving confidence and extend your years of safe, independent driving.

Join us to learn practical ways to enhance your driving skills, understand age-related changes, and discover how Aging Well can support you in continuing to Drive Well for as long as possible.

## Local Food Available

**The South Cumberland Farmers' Market** has breads, fruits, vegetables, eggs, coffee, meats and more available. Ordering takes place 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>.

**The Franklin County Farmers' Market** is open 7 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 803 Dinah Shore Blvd., Winchester. Locally grown vegetables, fruit, meat, eggs, plants and more are available. Follow them on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/FranklinCountyFarmersMarket>.

**Three Seasons Market** is open 3–6 p.m., every Friday, through Oct. 24. The Market is located at 14399 US Hwy. 41, Tracy City. The Market offers homemade and home grown products. For updates, follow them on Facebook and Instagram.

**The Sewanee Gardeners' Market** is open 8–10 a.m., every Saturday until September at Hawkins Lane. Locally produced fruits and vegetables, baked goods, plants and flowers will be available.

**The Fresh Mess Farmers' Market** takes place every Thursday, from 3–6 p.m., at Harton Park, 123 College St., Monteagle. Stop in to buy, sell, or barter fresh produce, crafts, clothing, jams, candles, boutique goods, flowers, and other creative products from local artisans.

## Sewanee Welcome Center Open House and Ribbon Cutting

The community is invited to attend an Open House and Ribbon Cutting for the Sewanee Welcome Center. The event will be from 2–4 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 1, at 17 Lake O'Donnell Road, Sewanee. Remarks will begin at 3 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP by Monday, Sept. 22 via the link at <https://sewaneecivic.org>. This event is co-hosted by the Sewanee Civic Association, the University of the South, the Mountain Goat Trail Alliance, and the Sewanee Business Alliance.

## MMUMC Food Distribution

Morton Memorial United Methodist Church regular monthly food distribution takes place the second Saturday of the month. Distribution will be from 8–10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 13. In order to maintain social distancing, drivers should enter the food distribution line from behind the church where they will be directed to the loading area. If you are unable to load your own vehicle, volunteers will be there to assist. Morton Memorial is located at 322 W. Main St., Monteagle.

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# Church News

## All Saints’ Chapel

Sundays During the Academic Year: 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, and 11 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite 2.

6:30 p.m., Sunday, Growing in Grace, in All Saints’ Chapel.

Monday-Friday at St. Augustine’s Chapel, 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer; 4 p.m., Evening Prayer. At All Saints’ Chapel, noon, Quiet Hour.

Tuesday, at 7 a.m., Christian Meditation in the Meditation Chapel.

Wednesdays, in All Saints’ Chapel, 6 p.m., Choral Evensong, sung by The School of Theology Schola Cantorum.

## Christ Church

When Sept. 14 falls on a Sunday it gives a special opportunity to recount both a bit of Church history and the focus on the Cross of Jesus as a triumphant sign of victory.

Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine, went to Jerusalem and ordered the destruction of a Temple of Aphrodite which was said to be over the site of the Crucifixion of Jesus and the two malefactors. Many translations use the word “thieves,” but to some of the local population they were patriots who had tried to throw off the Roman Empire. In any event it is said that Helena found three crosses under the rubble. The nails were also said to be there.

Pieces of “the true Cross” were sent throughout the Empire. So many that even some bishops questioned how there could be so many relics which were authentic. In our time a new hymn “Lift high the Cross” has helped many express their faith.

Christ Church will celebrate Holy Cross Day beginning at 10:45 a.m.

If you are closer to Nashville we invite you to Holy Cross Anglican Church in Franklin, where this is their special Feast Day. They have two services on Sunday morning at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

## Draw Near

Draw Near is a new church at 301 Montgomery St., Cowan, that is all about becoming disciples of Jesus one person at a time through real relationships. This means you matter! Come as you are and experience authentic worship at 10 a.m., Sunday. Classes for 2 years through fifth grade.

## Morton Memorial United Methodist

Luke 15:1-10 is the scripture for Pastor Melisa Derseweh’s sermon this Sunday. It is titled “Joy In Heaven!” and is based on the joy of God over the lost becoming found.

Children are welcome at Morton! Pastor Melisa will have a children’s time during worship, it will include the imagining of the unexpected moments of finding, and the surge of emotion within lost/found scenarios. Following their worship time, children will leave for time together in activities.

To learn more, accept this invitation to worship with us. Morton is located at 322 West Main St., in Monteagle. Worship begins at 11 a.m. In addition to a thought-provoking message, there is always inspirational music. If you are unable to attend and want to sample worship, the service is live streamed at Morton’s Facebook and YouTube pages and is available in the week following the service.

Morton has many active min-

istries. This Saturday, from 8–10 a.m., our Food Mission team will offer substantial food baskets to approximately 250 families. To receive food, drivers should enter the food distribution line, which begins behind the church. Volunteers are also welcome, should arrive before 7:45 a.m., and are asked to park in the CVS lot next door.

## St. James Episcopal

St. James celebrates Holy Eucharist every Sunday at 9 a.m. We gather after the service for conversation and coffee. St. James is located at 898 Midway Rd., Sewanee. All are welcome.

## St. Mark and St. Paul

Services are 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 fifth grade.

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

Adult Choir rehearsals are Sundays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Children’s choir rehearses on Wednesday after school. To enroll your child contact Wyatt Poe at: <music@stmarkstpaul.org>.

Centering Prayer Group: Mondays at 7 p.m., and Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m., both in the sanctuary.

Lectionary Bible Study, Tuesday, at 3:30 p.m. The group is convened and the conversation moderated by the Reverend Scott Lee.

The Sewanee chapter of the Society of the Companions of the Holy Cross will meet Saturday, Sept. 13 at 9 a.m., in the Hethcock Room of the parish hall. All women are invited. This year, the group will be using Julia Cameron’s book on spirituality and creativity, “The Artist’s Way.” The Society is a group of women, known as Companions, committed to prayer, spiritual growth and simplicity of life. For more information, contact Susan Holmes <susanbholmes54@gmail.com> or Mary Priestley <mpriestley0150@gmail.com>.

During September, the Evangelism Committee is offering a “Ministry Spotlight” at each of the Sunday services. We know it takes many hands working together as we strive to live into the mission of SMSP. Each Sunday after the 11 a.m. service, come to Kennerly Hall to hear the stories of how God is at work in this community, and explore opportunities for engaging in the life of SMSP.

Dr. Becky Wright will address the question of “Justice and the Torah and Writings” for the St. Mark and St. Paul Sunday Forum on Sept. 15. This year’s theme is taken from the prophet Micah’s instruction to “do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly before your God.” The talk will take place 9:45-10:45 a.m., in the parish hall.

Before retiring this past year, Dr. Wright was the C. K. Benedict Professor of Old Testament and Biblical Hebrew at the Sewanee Theological Seminary. She continues to teach Hebrew as a tool for interpreting the Bible. Dr. Wright has a B.A. from American University, an M.Div. from Wesley Theological Seminary, and a Ph.D. in Old Testament from Yale.

Rite-13 and J2A: Young people in grades 6-10 are invited to participate in Rite 13 and Journey to Adulthood (J2A) on Sunday afternoons. Casual gatherings are beginning Sept. 14; please contact Aaron Elrod <aelrod@sewanee.edu> for details.

Education for Ministry (EfM)

is a four year seminar (Year 1- Hebrew Bible, Year 2- New Testament, Year 3- History of Christianity, Year 4- contemporary theology of the Episcopal tradition, and this year includes a new Wide Angle study from the perspective of all 4 year viewpoints in one year) with all class year participants meeting in one seminar group. Seminar participants reflect upon various concerns from their readings, the relationship of those themes between each of the studies, and the implications of the theme in today’s world. Reflection on these themes is guided by utilizing four different perspectives from experience, society (culture), tradition (Episcopal Church), and personal beliefs. The goal of EfM is to deepen faith and to discover expressions of that faith in service to others.

The Sewanee EfM seminar group meets on Monday nights from 6:30–9 p.m., in the Hethcock Room. Registration is currently open. Please view <https://theology.sewanee.edu/education-for-ministry/> for more information about the program. Please contact Wendy at <wendyprothrohoward@gmail.com> for registration information.

## Unitarian Universalist

The service begins Sunday at 10 a.m., followed by refreshments and a discussion period. The church is located at 3536 New Manchester Hwy., Tullahoma. For more information call (931) 455-8626, or visit the church’s website at <www.tullahomauu.org>.

## Winchester First United Methodist Church

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Worship services are on Sundays at 10 a.m., and on the first Sunday of each month, our service is followed by a free lunch.

For more information, please get in touch with the senior pastor, Eric Bronkala, at (865) 591-8823, or visit us on Facebook.

# Church Calendar

6 p.m. Mid-week Service, Wednesday

## Midway Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

10:45 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Midway Church of Christ

10 a.m. Bible Study, Sunday

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Evening Service, Sunday

## Monteagle Church of Christ

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle First Baptist Church

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday

## Monteagle Seventh-day Adventist Church

10 a.m. Bible Study, Saturday

11 a.m. Worship, Saturday

7 p.m. Prayer and Study, Tuesday

## Morton Memorial United Methodist, Monteagle

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

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Mountain of God Tabernacle, Monteagle

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

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Prayer Service, Wednesday

## New Creations Ministries, Rayburn Chapel

4 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Sunday

## New Hope Church of God in Christ, Cowan

11 a.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

6 p.m. Sunday Service, Sunday

## Pelham United Methodist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Sunday

11 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## St. Agnes’ Episcopal Church, Cowan

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## St. James-Midway Episcopal Church

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

## St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Alto

8 a.m. Mass, Sunday

## St. Mark & St. Paul

8:20 a.m. Nursery, basement of Kennerly Hall (Sewanee Children’s Center), Sunday

Holy Eucharist, Sunday

9:45 a.m. Godly Play

9:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum

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

## St. Mary’s Sewanee Retreat Center

4 p.m. Centering Prayer Group, Thursday

## Sewanee Church of God

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday

## Sewanee Zen, Stone Nest Dojo

7 a.m. Zazen, Tuesday-Thursday

10 a.m. Zazen and Ceremony, Sunday

## Sisters of St. Mary Convent Chapel

7 a.m. Morning Prayer, Tuesday–Friday

5 p.m. Evening Prayer, Tuesday–Friday

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Saturday

5 p.m. Evensong, Saturday

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

5 p.m. Evensong, Sunday

## Tracy City First Baptist Church

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, Sunday

## Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Sunday

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

## Unitarian Universalist Church, Tullahoma

10 a.m. Service, Sunday

## Valley Home Community Church, Pelham

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Morning Service, Sunday

## Winchester First United Methodist

9 a.m. Worship, then at 11 a.m., except for first Sunday of the month, which is 10 a.m.



## Town of Monteagle Announces Mountain Goat Trail Fall Bicycle Poker Run

The Town of Monteagle in collaboration with the Mountain Goat Trail Alliance (MGTA) and the Town of Tracy City is excited to announce the first annual Mountain Goat Trail Fall Bicycle Poker Run. This free, family-friendly event celebrates the new Monteagle-to-Tracy City stretch of the Mountain Goat Trail and will take place on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. CDT.

"The event is designed to be a fun and leisurely day on "mountain time," a chance for families, friends, and trail enthusiasts to enjoy the outdoors, visit local businesses, and celebrate community," says Imagine Monteagle Event Organizer Iva Michelle. "Participants will cycle the trail at their own pace, collecting playing cards at seven businesses along the way, with prizes awarded for the best hands at the end of the day."

Registration is from 9–11 a.m. in Monteagle behind the Depot Café located at 403 West Main St., Monteagle. The event will conclude with an awards party at Monteagle's Harton Park at 4 p.m., when the winning hand will be announced. The awards party will feature singing duo, Gypsy Rose, Sarah Douglas and Anna Sias, known for their covers of top popular music from the 60s, 70s and 80s.

To sign up to participate, visit Eventbrite for tickets. Advance registration required. Off-site free parking is available, and the event is scheduled to continue rain or shine. Helmets are required and e-bikes are welcome.

Additional Fun: A scavenger hunt along the trail, plus the Fiery Gizzard Festival in Tracy City, the same weekend.

For more information, email <monteagle tourism@gmail.com>, or call (931) 871-6040.

## School Board (continued from page 1)

days designated by the Principal" as "special occasions" and "never more than one day a week." "It's important we remember we are in a professional career," insisted Director of Schools Cary Holman.

The board deleted the clause forbidding high heels and sandals from the policy before approving it. Liechty suggested further review of the policy and voted against approval.

Holman recommended the change to the parent-teacher conference days, proposing "students would not attend school on the scheduled [fall and spring] parent teacher conference days. Two stockpile days [for inclement weather] would be used for these two days." With the change approved, for the 2025-2026 school year conference days are October 21 and March 10; for the 2026-2027 school year conference days are Oct. 20 and March 9. Conference hours will be from 9:30–11:30 a.m., and 1–6:15 p.m., instead of just 3:15–6:15 p.m., as it was in the past. Since the conferences will be on stockpile days, teachers will receive full pay. Teachers receive full pay for stockpile days whether they are used or not, Holman said. "This past year we had one stockpile day [for inclement weather] left over." Virtual days could be used for instructional days if the district ran short of stockpile days due to weather. Teachers and principals were surveyed and the majority agreed with the change. Provisions will be made so teachers with children can attend parent-teacher conferences with their children's teachers.

The board also approved Huntland School's request to construct an Ag Barn on property across the street from the football field purchased in 2015 for a soccer field but determined to be too wet. An ISM grant will pay for the construction. The barn will feature six

stalls, a chicken coop, a feed and tack room, a multi-use area, and a restroom. Annual expenses for insurance, water, and electricity are estimated to be \$2,600.

"There is nothing better than hands-on learning in education," said Jason Walker, CTE Agriculture instructor at Huntland. "Live animals have been the missing piece." Walker stressed the Ag Barn would foster integrating academic instruction in math and science from elementary school through high school. "This is an agricultural community," he observed, citing strong community support and offers to donate animals and feed. Walker proposed starting with chickens, goats, and perhaps a few cows. Asked who would care for the animals on the weekends, Walker said, "It can be done by the students." "A lot of those kids live on farms, so that's not new to them," agreed Board Chair Walker.

In other business, the board approved accepting the donation of a 2022 Nissan Frontier truck for use in the Franklin County High School Collision and Repair Program. The truck will be used as a stationary instruction tool and not operated on public highways, so no insurance is required. "We're very grateful for Nissan's continued support," said Board Chair Walker.

Holman brought to the board's attention a class action lawsuit against textbook companies for overcharging schools. School attorney Chuck Cagel will investigate whether there would be financial gain for the district to join the lawsuit. The district has purchased textbooks from all the companies named in the litigation.

## Smith to Be Honored with Sewanee Medal at Advent Convocation

The University's 2025 Advent Convocation will take place at 4:30 p.m. CDT on Friday, Sept. 12, in All Saints' Chapel. During the service, new members of the Order of the Gown will be inducted, and student recipients of awards and prizes will be announced. In addition, Gerald Smith, professor emeritus of religion, will be awarded the Sewanee Medal in recognition of his service to the University over four decades. Smith will also deliver the Convocation address.

Established in 2022 by the Board of Regents, the Sewanee Medal is awarded in recognition of rare and extraordinary service to the University of the South. The first Sewanee Medal recipient was Reid Funston, Jr., C'86, who served as chair of the Board of Regents during a critical period for the University that included both leadership transitions and unprecedented adaptations due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Smith will be the second recipient of the award.

Smith has dedicated his life to scholarship, service, and leadership within the Sewanee community. A graduate of the University of Richmond (B.A., English) and Duke University (B.D., Ph.D.), he served on the University of the South's Religion Department faculty from 1969 to 2016. In addition to his academic work, Smith was University marshal (1989–2016) and secretary of the Board of Trustees (1980–2021), roles that reflect his deep institutional commitment. He also served as chief of emergency services for the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department beginning in 1977, and continues to contribute as co-editor with Sam Williamson through the Sewanee Sesquicentennial History Project. A respected writer, his work has appeared in the Sewanee Review and other publications.

The Advent Convocation ceremony, including Smith's remarks and the presentation of the Sewanee Medal, will be livestreamed <<https://new.sewanee.edu/parents-families/convocation-live-stream/>>.

Community members are invited to join us this Friday, Sept. 12, at 3 p.m., in Convocation Hall, where Jerry Smith will be signing copies of his new book.

"Smokefall and Other Poems" is a collection of poetry written between 2010 and 2024 by Gerald Lafayette Smith, Robert M. Ayres Jr. distinguished university professor emeritus at the University of the South. The poems touch on themes of love, loss, beauty, and nature with a particular focus on the nostalgia of memories and how the past fades into history that is, more often than not, lost to time.

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## Good Shepherd Catholic Church Festival

Join your friends and neighbors for a festival at the pavilion behind Good Shepherd Church, 2021 Decherd Blvd, Decherd, for an international food extravaganza noon to 5 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 14.

Available for your taste buds' delight will be many Mexican flavors as tacos with home-made salsa, elotes Mexican style (corn on the cob) tamales of pork, and cheese, three leches cake, flan, chicharones with salsa and crema, gelatina and other delicious dishes. There will also be three or four special dishes from Kenya, and American favorites such as home-made ice cream and barbecue sandwiches.

Activities for the kids in your group will include face painting, musical chairs, basketball games. Prizes will be awarded for winners of various games. Accompanying all this activity will be music, dancing and even Zumba classes.

Don't miss out on this afternoon of gastronomical delights and fun for the whole family.

## Tickbush Festival, Sept. 27

Arts and crafts, food trucks, and music. All can be found at the Tickbush Festival, Sept. 27, 2025, at St. James Midway Community Park.

At 10 a.m., we will kick off the music with Kirk Fritz, from South Pittsburg followed by Sewanee Conglomerate. Up next is R. Gottfried and M. Cimino-Hurt. Around noon Final Crossing from Estill Springs will be on stage. A new group, Rainey Gray and friends, from Nashville, will entertain us about 2 p.m. Tickbush 3 is the next band to play followed by the Green Family singing their gospel favorites. We will end the music portion of Tickbush with Broad Mountain. Musical acts will pay 45 minutes to an hour.

Times are approximate.

Fifteen Arts and Crafts vendors will open at 10 and will remain open through out the day along with the food trucks.

At 2 p.m. we will have the drawing for the beautiful hand-made quilt by Rita Milner. Tickets can be purchased up to that point. Hats and T-shirts are available, too.

Come join the fun and have a fabulous day on the mountain at the Tickbush Festival.

St. James Midway Community Park is located at 898 Midway Rd., Sewanee. All proceeds are for the upkeep of the park. Please call Amanda Knight (931) 691-0962 or Karen Vaughan (931) 636-1468 for more information.

## Choral Evensong

The University Choir and All Saints' Chapel invites everyone to this reflective service of music, prayer, and scripture. Evensong will be at 4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 21, in All Saints' Chapel. Including music by Richard Ayleward, Herbert Brewer, and Herbert Sumsion sung by the University Choir under the direction of Organist and Choirmaster Dr. Geoffrey Harris Ward and accompanied by Stephanie Yoder, assistant organist. The service will be livestreamed for our alumni and friends unable to attend in person. Livestream here <<https://vimeo.com/event/167828>>.

## Friends of the South Cumberland State Park Fundraiser and Annual Meeting

Two big events, one weekend! Three parks, one big group of Friends. Help us celebrate our accomplishments and prepare for an amazing year ahead!

The Boots, Baubles and Bubbly Fundraiser will be 5-7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Clifftops home of Susan Thomas. As we launch our updated mission statement, new website, and exciting new goals for the next year, we invite you to join us in raising a glass to our beloved parks.

Purchase tickets now to indulge in delicious hors d'oeuvres, sip on handcrafted cocktails and mocktails, and enjoy live music as we celebrate our accomplishments and look ahead to an exciting future. Don't forget to dress to impress for our "Outdoor Couture" theme! The most creative combination of outdoor attire and elegance will win a special prize (think Patagonia and pearls, Boots and blazers, Chacos and Chanel)!

Your support is essential to our continued success in protecting and improving the plateau for generations to come. Thanks to generous sponsors, all proceeds from this event will directly benefit Friends of South Cumberland State Parks.

Tickets are limited and \$125 per person (100 percent tax-deductible). Go to <<https://friendsofscsra.app.neoncrm.com/nx/portal/neonevents/events#/events/6718>>.

We're excited to invite you to our Friends of the Parks annual meeting and picnic from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 21, at the Ayres Center at St. Mary's Sewanee. Join us and learn about the future of our parks. The free meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m.

Help us kick off our 32nd year of protecting the plateau by joining us for our annual meeting where you'll hear exciting updates about each of our three parks and the exciting goals of Friends of the Parks.

## Vanderbilt University Presents The Southern Festival of Books, a Program of Humanities Tennessee

The Southern Festival of Books: A Celebration of the Written Word is among the oldest literary festivals in the country, annually welcoming hundreds of authors and thousands of visitors to the Tennessee State Museum, Tennessee State Library & Archives, and Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park each October. The Festival is free and includes author readings and discussions, performance stages, food trucks, and dozens of publishers and booksellers. Among the scheduled events is the TN Writers TN Stories season closer with "Nothing to See Here" author and New York Times bestseller Kevin Wilson discussing his new book, "Run for the Hills." The event will be Oct. 18-19 We look forward to celebrating the written word with you this Oct. 18, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Oct. 19, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., in downtown Nashville at the Bicentennial Mall, Tennessee State Museum, and Tennessee State Library and Archives. For a full schedule and more information, please visit <[SoFestofBooks.org](http://SoFestofBooks.org)>.

## The Music of Gribble, Lusk, and York Performance

Please join us for the music of Gribble, Lusk, and York performed by fiddlers Earl White, Victor Furtado, and Tray Wellington. The event will be at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 17, in St. Luke's Chapel.

The Program will include music and discussion about the role of Black Americans in Appalachian Stringband Music. We will include music of Gribble, Lusk, and York of Warren County, Tennessee and other music in the Appalachian tradition. A panel discussion will follow the performance.

This event is made possible by the support of the Sewanee Department of Music, Office of Community Building and Connections, and The Roberson Project

## Emmett Till Interpretive Center Visits Sewanee

Join us for a conversation with Jessie Jaynes-Diming and Patrick Weems of the Emmett Till Interpretive Center in Sumner, Miss., an organization that is fighting to tell and remember the truth about Emmett Till's life and death. The event will be at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 18, in Convocation Hall.

Seventy years ago, a gang of men murdered 14-year-old Emmett Till in a barn in Drew, Miss. Why today does it take extraordinary effort and courage to remember this tragedy that took a child's life, left enduring damage to a community, and changed the course of American history?

The Emmett Till Memory Project is a response to the ongoing and often violent resistance to the commemoration and remembrance of the life and lynching of Emmett Till and the courageous Civil Rights legacies of his mother, Mamie Till-Mobley.

Please join us for this important and meaningful conversation. To learn more about the ETIC, please visit <[emmett-till.org](http://emmett-till.org)>.

## Crawford in 'Come from Away'

Sewanee Professor of Theatre & Chair of the Theatre & Dance Department Jim Crawford will be acting in a production of the musical "Come from Away" at the TPAC Polk Theatre.

On Sept. 11, 2001, the world stopped. On Sept. 12, their stories moved us all. "Come From Away" tells the incredible true story of 7,000 stranded passengers and the small Newfoundland town that welcomed them. As cultures clash and tensions run high, uneasy alliances turn into lifelong friendships in this moving and inspiring musical about the power of kindness in the face of tragedy.

Show times are 7:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 12, Saturday, Sept. 13, Thursday, Sept. 18, Friday, Sept. 19, and Saturday, Sept. 20. Matinees at 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 13, Sunday, Sept. 14, Saturday, Sept. 20 and Sunday, Sept. 21.

To reserve tickets and for more information go to <<https://nashvillerep.org/comefromaway>>. The Nashville Repertory Theatre is 505 Church St, Nashville.



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## 11th Annual Hunger Walk

The 11th Annual Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club Hunger Walk takes place at 9 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 20, starting at Angel Park, Sewanee. This year's Walk is held in memory of William (Bill) Booth Davis who died in October 2024. Bill worked relentlessly to make our club, community and world a better place. The Hunger Walk raises funds to combat food insecurity in Tennessee's South Cumberland Plateau region by supporting its local food organizations. Nationally, food banks report that recent cuts to federal assistance programs have resulted in the following:

Reduced food supply: Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee saw 21 scheduled tractor-trailer loads of food cancelled, impacting the food they distribute to their network.

Fewer nutritious options: Food Banks are reporting emptier shelves and potentially fewer nutritious options like protein, dairy and produce.

Impact on local farmers: The loss of funding for local food purchases hurts local farmers who rely on these contracts for incomes hunger rates rise, and cuts exacerbate this challenge.

Significant cuts to programs: In Tennessee, \$12.6 million of funding allocated to the Local Food for Schools program and \$7.6 million to the Local Food Purchase Assistance Cooperative Agreement Program have been cut.

Increased need: Morton Memorial Food Pantry, Grundy County Food Bank, and the Community Action Committee all report that need is increasing.

You can help. Give online at <[www.givebutter.com/hunger-walk2025](https://www.givebutter.com/hunger-walk2025)> or mail your contribution to Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Foundation, PO Box 336, Monteagle, TN 37356.

Levels of sponsorship – signage and print recognition for sponsors and partners: Gold Title Sponsor - \$2500; Silver Title Sponsor - \$2000; Bronze Title Sponsor - \$1000; Partner - \$300.

The cost of a meal is \$3.60. Donations of any size change lives! No gift is too small or too large.

For more information on Hunger Walk 2025, please visit <<https://www.monteaglesewanee Rotary.org/hunger-walk>>.

## Sewanee Pediatrics Seeks Book Donations

Sewanee Pediatrics is taking donations of new or gently used children's books for an upcoming event in October, where we hope to give out books to the children in our community. The goal is to have 1,000 children's books donated.

Donations may be dropped off now through Oct. 15, at Sewanee Pediatrics. Any donation will be greatly appreciated. Sewanee Pediatrics is located at 1318 University Ave., Sewanee.

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## SCA Membership Dues

It is time to join or renew your Sewanee Civic Association (SCA) membership! Much like a fishing license, your SCA membership expires each year on Oct. 1, regardless of when you joined. We open the renewal period on Sept. 1 to ensure that there is plenty of time for everyone to renew.

Annual membership dues also give you access to Sewanee Classifieds, the SCA email list-serv.

Sewanee Classifieds is provided as a service to SCA members. The purpose of the Sewanee Civic Association is to foster a well-informed, harmonious, and dynamic greater Sewanee community by providing a forum for community issues and social interaction, by managing the Sewanee Community Chest and the Sewanee Classifieds, and by sponsoring projects deemed by the membership to be beneficial to the community. The association brings together community members for social and community awareness.

To pay your dues you may use PayPal <[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=FXA397ARXXVZ8](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=FXA397ARXXVZ8)>, the preferred method of payment. You may also mail a \$20 check to Sewanee Civic Association, PO Box 222, Sewanee, TN 37375.

If you have a question or comment, it is best to send a new email to us at: <[sewanee civic@gmail.com](mailto:sewanee civic@gmail.com)>. Sewanee Classifieds is managed by a group of volunteers, and we do our best to not disrupt anyone's use of the service. As always, you can find dues payment information on our website: <<https://sewanee civic.org/sewanee-classifieds/#renew>>.

## Sewanee Herbarium Calendar of Events

Turkey Hollow Trail — Saturday, Sept. 20, 10 a.m., Yolande Gottfried. Celebrate the first weekend of fall with a hike on the Turkey Hollow Trail at St. Mary's Sewanee Ayres Center for Spiritual Development on Saturday, Sept. 20, led by Yolande Gottfried. Her newly published guide to the trail will be available for purchase for \$5. (St. Mary's Sewanee will also be carrying the guide.) Meet at 10:00 a.m. CDT in the parking lot in front of the main building for this moderate one-hour walk below the bluff. There is a short, somewhat steep section going down below the bluff and another coming back up plus a rocky section, but this is still an easier trail than Shakerag Hollow. Facilities will be available in the conference center.

Coyote Cliffs Trail — Saturday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m., Mary Priestley. St. Andrew's-Sewanee School welcomes all to its 13 miles of hiking trails, which wind through the oak-hickory forest of the plateau top. It will probably be too late in the season to see flowers, but the trees, ferns, mosses, rocks, and creeks in these woods will make up for it. Meet at 10 a.m. CDT in the parking lot at the intersection of Firetower and Deepwoods Roads, behind St. Andrew's-Sewanee's academic buildings, for this two- to three-mile moderate walk, with a 200-foot elevation change.

Homecoming/Reunion Greenhouse Open Hours — Friday-Saturday, Oct. 31, Nov. 1, 3-5 p.m., Jonathan Ertelt. Continuing a tradition started just two years ago, the Webb Greenhouse will have open hours for visitors and alumni to come and see the diverse collection within. Jonathan Ertelt C'78 will be on hand to point out special plants and answer questions.

Nature journaling continues at 9 a.m., Thursdays. All are welcome. Contact <[mpriestley0150@gmail.com](mailto:mpriestley0150@gmail.com)> for specifics.

Wear appropriate shoes on all walks. Risks involved in hiking include physical exertion, rough terrain, forces of nature, and other hazards not present in everyday life. Picking flowers and digging plants are prohibited in all natural areas.

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## Help the Community Action Committee

The Community Action Committee (CAC) is serving more neighbors each day and we desperately need your help to keep our shelves stocked before our next food delivery. Currently, CAC is in need of chicken noodle soup, canned tuna, macaroni and cheese, cereal, canned vegetables, and peanut butter. Any food donations are greatly appreciated.

Donations can be placed in the cabinet located on the porch outside the CAC doors, or the bin located inside the church doors at St. Mark & St. Paul. Both buildings are located at 216 University Ave., Sewanee.

We appreciate your support in helping serve our neighbors. Amazon Wish List available for those who prefer to shop online <<https://a.co/f6TXKX4>>.

## Acrylic Painting Class by Cheryl Lankhaar at Cowan Center for the Arts

Art Instructor Cheryl Lankhaar, Illustrator of the children's book "The Monteagle Assembly, Kinsley's Story," is offering an Acrylic Painting Class this fall for six classes on Sunday afternoons from Oct. 12 to Nov. 16, 2025. The classes will be from 1-4:30 p.m., at the Cowan Center for the Arts, 303 Montgomery St., Cowan.

We will learn to create vibrant paintings building upon concepts learned in the class series: drawing exercises, color values and theory, composition principles, and edge and brush technique. Seasoned artists will also strengthen their painting and composition skills in this class series. All skill levels are welcome!

The cost will be \$210 for all six classes and includes ALL painting supplies, instructor and facility fees.

Please contact <[cheryllankhaar@gmail.com](mailto:cheryllankhaar@gmail.com)> by Tuesday, Oct. 4, if you wish to reserve a place in this class.

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## SENIOR CENTER NEWS

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

**Monday, Sept. 15:** Chicken salad on croissant, chips.

**Tuesday, Sept. 16:** Pork chop, mac and cheese, green beans, fried apples, roll.

**Wednesday, Sept. 17:** Taco salad.

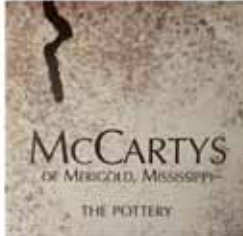
**Thursday, Sept. 18:** Vegetable beef soup, pimento cheese sandwich.

**Friday, Sept. 19:** Cracked chicken, rice, salad.

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.

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by Annie Armour

### The Cowan Tunnel

From the July 1, 2011 issue

Nearly all major advancements are the result of more than one person's idea. Usually a diverse group of people are involved. Space travel and gene-mapping come to mind. The University is a great example of one such endeavor. But before the University was more than a seed of an idea in Bishop Orey's mind, brilliant planners and strong, determined men were at work together building a major transportation connection to the wider world right in Cowan.

The railroad tunnel from Cowan to Sherwood was a risky venture, but was nevertheless embraced by investors and by the hundreds of people who worked on it, many of whom died in the dangerous process. Three engineers, with advice from others, first plotted the route from Nashville to Chattanooga using crude surveying instruments and hand calculations. Then A. E. Barney determined the exact placement of the 2,200-foot tunnel that bored through the tough limestone.

Beginning in 1849, workers dug the tunnel from both ends at the same time, and from three intermittent shafts, removing more than 80,000 cubic yards of rock by hand (more than 200,000 tons). The tunnel was completed in 1852, before the rail line from Nashville to Cowan was finished.

These men walked to work with picks, ropes and other tools, sometimes walking the eight miles down the Mountain to the site. Then they spent the day chipping stone in a dark tunnel in close quarters and hauling the loose rock out to waiting mules. Imagine walking home again at night after that "hard day at the office."

To make the shafts, the men first had to "drill" three feet down into the rock. One man held the giant drill bit while the other hit it with a sledge-hammer. As one hit the bit, the other turned it a little, like a screw. Once they got down the initial three feet, they used blasting powder (dynamite had not been invented) to take the shaft to 150–170 feet down and make a hole large enough for two men to stand. They moved up and down the hole by hemp rope, removed rock piece by piece. There were no hard hats or hiding places for protection from flying debris.

If you walk down the trail where the rail lines were and peer into the tunnel (which is still in use and is too dangerous to go inside, as you might have to flatten yourself against the wall for a passing train), remember the intense work it took to get the tunnel as long and as wide as it is. Be glad that people worked together as a team to create such an enormous tunnel and were progressive enough to risk so much for a fledgling technology.

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## Fire Safety Tips

As students return to school, it's a great time to refresh fire safety practices—whether in dorms, apartments, classrooms, or at home. Fire safety awareness helps prevent emergencies and keeps everyone safe. We must also take time this month to remember and reflect on the events of Sept. 11, 2001. We must never forget the bravery and sacrifice of the men and women of the FDNY and NYPD on that day, and the thousands of innocent lives lost. The Sewanee Fire Department stands with them during September, and promises to never forget.

**Dorm & Off-Campus Housing Fire Safety.** Check smoke alarms: Test alarms monthly and replace batteries as needed. Know the escape plan: Identify at least two exits and practice an evacuation route. Use power strips safely: Never plug one power strip into another power strip, or known as "daisy chaining" powerstrips. Do not overload outlets or use damaged cords. Keep cooking supervised: Most dorm fires start from unattended cooking. Never leave food on the stove or in the microwave unattended. No candles or prohibited appliances: Use flameless candles and approved cooking devices instead.

**Classroom & School Fire Safety.** Know the evacuation plan: Schools and classrooms should have clear fire exit plans posted. Keep fire exits clear: Do not block doors or hallways with furniture, backpacks, or supplies. Report hazards: Frayed wires, overloaded outlets, and damaged equipment should be reported immediately. Participate in fire drills: Fire drills save lives! Always take them seriously and follow instructions.

**Fire Safety for College Students.** Cooking safety. Never cook under the influence or while tired. If a fire starts, don't use water on a grease fire — cover it with a lid and turn off the burner. Be smart with space heaters: Keep heaters at least 3 feet away from flammable materials and turn them off when leaving the room. Know how to use a fire extinguisher: Remember PASS: Pull, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep.

**What to Do in a Fire Emergency.** Get out immediately: Don't waste time grabbing belongings. Stay low to avoid smoke inhalation. Use stairs, not elevators. If trapped, signal for help from a window.

Did you know in August the Sewanee Fire Department responded to 18 calls? 12 - Automatic Fire Alarms; 3 - Air Evac Landing Zones; 2 - Lift Assists; 1 - Motor Vehicle Accident (MVA).

If you're interested in learning more about becoming a firefighter, please contact Nathan Stewart at [ncstewar@sewanee.edu](mailto:ncstewar@sewanee.edu). The Fire Department trains at 6:30 p.m., on Tuesdays at Sewanee Station (111 Alabama Avenue), and potential new members are invited to attend before making a commitment to join.

The Sewanee Fire Department is now looking for volunteers for the future first responder program. These volunteers do not have to be firefighters to participate. If you have an interest in the first responder program, to provide basic medical care to the community, please reach out to Nathan Stewart [ncstewar@sewanee.edu](mailto:ncstewar@sewanee.edu). Please be on the lookout for information regarding the first responder program in the future.

If you have any questions about fire safety or need smoke alarm installation or checks, don't hesitate to reach out to the Sewanee Fire Department.



## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sept. 12, 4:30–6 p.m., Convocation, All Saints' Chapel  
 Sept. 12–14, Sewanee Family Weekend  
 Sept. 26–28, Upper School Family Weekend, SAS  
 Oct. 6–10, Fall Break, Franklin County  
 Oct. 13–17, Fall Break, Marion County  
 Oct. 18–21, Fall Break, SAS, and College. Reading Period School of Theology  
 Oct. 20–25, Fall Break, Grundy County

## Vaccination Clinic Rescheduled

The Folks at Home vaccination clinic has been rescheduled for Friday Oct. 10, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Legion Hall, 36 University Ave., Sewanee

Currently, per Walgreens, COVID vaccinations are available to those 65 and older and those with one or more high risk health conditions. (Consult CDC guidelines <<https://www.cdc.gov/covid/risk-factors/index.html>>).

Flu, RSV, and Pneumonia are available as before.

Per Walgreens, a high risk health condition will qualify you to receive the vaccine at the clinic, but it does not guarantee your insurance will cover the cost. They advise contacting your insurance company for confirmation of coverage. Let us know if you'd like to register and which vaccines you'd like to receive.

If you have already registered, you do not need to re-register unless there is a change in your vaccine selection.

Contact F@H for more information, (931) 598-0303, or <[folksathomesewanee@gmail.com](mailto:folksathomesewanee@gmail.com)>.

### WEAR WHITE AT NIGHT.

Walkers and bikers should wear light, reflective clothing after dusk. Don't assume drivers can see you — be on the lookout for your own safety.



## SES MENUS

### Monday–Friday Sept. 15–19 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, Sept. 15: French toast sticks, fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
 Tuesday, Sept. 16: Blueberry bread, fruit, juice, milk.  
 Wednesday, Sept. 10: Pancake on stick, fruit, juice, milk.  
 Thursday, Sept. 11: Sausage biscuit, fruit, juice, milk.  
 Friday, Sept. 12: Muffin/cheese stick, juice, milk.

### LUNCH

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

Monday, Sept. 15: Salisbury steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, cheesy broccoli, roll, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 16: Barbecue riblet sandwich, baked beans, sweet potato fries, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 17: Grilled cheese sandwich, corn, green beans, fruit, milk.

Thursday, Sept. 18: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, green peas, roll, fruit, milk.

Friday, Sept. 19: Hamburger/cheeseburger, trimmings, fresh carrots, Ranch French fries, fruit, milk.

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

## Pickleball Tournament to Benefit Housing Hub

Housing Hub will build a kitchen in its second home with proceeds from its first annual Pickleball Tournament set for Saturday, Sept. 27, at Clifftops in Monteagle.

Schedule for the tournament day includes an 8:30 a.m. arrival and warmup with round-robin play from 9–11:30 a.m., followed by lunch and awards at the Lake Club in Clifftops. Cost is \$100 to play and eat lunch or \$50 for lunch only. Registration deadline is Sept. 19.

Players may sign up for the tournament at Housing Hub's website at <[www.housinghubtn.org](http://www.housinghubtn.org)> under the events tab. There's also a link on the signup form to simply make a donation towards building the kitchen if you're unable to attend that day.

## SAS Outdoor Learning Complex Ribbon Cutting

Mark your calendars! We will host our ribbon cutting ceremony for our much anticipated Outdoor Learning Complex on Friday, Sept. 26. We hope that you will join us for this momentous occasion. God has blessed us with unparalleled outdoor resources, and now, thanks to our generous community, we have the facilities to match. The ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at 4:30 p.m. with a picnic dinner directly following at 5:30 p.m.

To RSVP, please contact Cassie Allen via email at <[callen@sasweb.org](mailto:callen@sasweb.org)>, or by phone at (931) 598-5651, Ext. 3233.

## Fall 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. Check us out at <[www.cumberlandfolkschool.com](http://www.cumberlandfolkschool.com)> for more information, detailed class listings, and to sign up for upcoming classes.

Earth Pigment Crayons, Sept. 20. Learn to make your own earth pigment crayons with artist Amanda Brazier in this 2-hour workshop designed for children (and their caregivers!).

Backyard Mushroom Cultivation, Oct. 4. Learn the theory and process of shiitake mushroom inoculation via log sawdust spawn & plugs with Adam Hobbs and Pledger Schaefer of Midway Mushrooms.

Rush Chair Seat Weaving, Oct. 5. Learn the techniques with Heather Ashworth to weave a chair seat from start to finish in this class designed to teach you to restore your own antique chairs at home.

Natural Dyeing 101, Oct. 11. Learn the basic building blocks of natural dyeing by learning about fabrics, preparation, scouring, mordants, tannins and dyes on cellulose fibers with artist Jan Quarles.

Dumplings, Oct. 25. Learn to make delicious dumplings with chef and author Sonoko Sakai. You'll learn how to make the wrapper, different fillings (vegetarian and meat options), and a variety of methods for wrapping and cooking your dumplings.

Tiny Quilts, Nov. 8. Create a sweet tiny quilt with quilt artist Zak Foster. In this intimate workshop, you'll master essential hand-stitching techniques that form the foundation of all quilting projects.

Market Basket Weaving, Nov. 9. Learn how to make a traditional market basket with a wooden handle and a variety of reed sizes and colors with Linda Moore and Cheryl Johnson.

Felted Wool Slippers, Nov. 15–16. Learn to make wet felted wool slippers with artist and craftswoman Laurel York. Each person will go home with a pair of warm comfortable wool slippers that fit them perfectly.



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## UAG Presents ‘Indigo Hallow’

The University Art Gallery presents Baggs McKelvey’s “Indigo Hallow,” a site-specific installation in the University Art Gallery, inspired by Shakerag Hollow, an ecologically significant area on the domain of the University of the South. The exhibition will be on display through Oct. 15. Please join us at 5 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 24, in Guerry Auditorium for an artist talk.

Maps and aerial photographs of the area, and — in the words of the artist — “the contours of the trail, the rushing of the creek, the steep incline of the ridge barring the sun’s full entrance, ... the sounds of the birds,” were McKelvey’s starting points.

In all of her installations, McKelvey explores her relationship with the land and the environment. Indigo Hallow is not a portrait of Shakerag Hollow, but an intuitive and poetic response to that place. Visitors are invited to share in McKelvey’s response, and also to consider the meanings and implications of materials, of process, and of the act of representation itself.

The immersive environment of the installation is rendered in a ubiquitous, mass-produced, and powerfully allusive material — denim from discarded used jeans, crowd-sourced from friends, family, and through social media.

Cutting, knotting, and spinning the denim rope onto electrical wire spools was a communal project undertaken with friends and family, and the installation was made possible by the assistance of Cumberland Scholar high school student volunteers from St. Andrew’s Sewanee-School. The denim will be respooled at the close of the exhibition, to be used again.

Baggs McKelvey lived and worked in Alaska for many years before returning to her childhood roots in the Southeast in 2012. Her recent solo exhibitions of the Indigo series include “Houston Indigo” at the Houston Contemporary Craft Center in Houston, Texas (2024), “Beyond Indigo” at the Gadsden Museum of Art in Gadsden, Ala., (2024), and “Indigo” at the Hunter Museum of Art in Chattanooga, (2020-22). McKelvey earned an MFA from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale. She now lives in Chattanooga, and teaches at Chattanooga State.

Dr. Jon Evans, Dr. Grady Wells, and Dr. John Willis all provided invaluable assistance with the research for this installation, and the University Lectures Committee, SIPE, Religious Studies, Humanities, and Art, Art History and Visual Studies lent indispensable support.

## Cumberland Community Dance to Host Square/Contra Dance in Monteagle

Lace up your dancing shoes because Cumberland Community Dance is hosting a lively traditional folk dance event from 6–8 p.m., Friday, Sept. 26, at the Monteagle Pavilion located behind the Monteagle Library. Following the success of the previous dance in June, we anticipate a good crowd and lots of fun. Light refreshments and snacks will be provided as well as sweets donated by Mountain Goat Market. Comfortable shoes and enthusiasm are recommended!

Open to all ages and experience levels, the evening will include traditional dancing such as square and contra dance styles along with live old-time music from The Stones River Reelers. Whether you’re a seasoned dancer or a complete beginner, everyone is encouraged to join in the fun. No partner is required. A live caller will guide dancers through every step.

Cumberland Community Dance is supported with funding from the Grundy Area Arts Council. Sponsors for the Sept. 26 event include The Monteagle Assembly and Mountain Goat Market. Attendees are encouraged make a donation to help cover the cost of the event — \$10 for adults, \$8 for students, \$5 for children under 10yrs, and no cost for children under 5 years.

Please come out and help Cumberland Community Dance in their mission to keep the ever-evolving, living tradition of Southern Appalachian music and dance alive.

For more information, visit the Grundy Area Arts Council webpage: <<https://www.grundyarea.art/community-dance>>.

## Getty Fabric Art Show at the Artisan Depot

The Franklin County Arts Guild is pleased to announce the opening of a fabric arts show presented by Diane Getty at the Artisan Depot located at 204 Cumberland St., in Cowan. The show is open through Nov. 2. There will be a Meet the Artists Reception on Friday, Sept. 19, from 5-7 p.m., at the Artisan Depot. Members of the public of all ages are cordially invited to attend the reception or visit this amazing show during open hours at the Depot, noon to 5 p.m., Thursday through Sunday.

Although a well-known artist, Diane Getty is a new member of the The Franklin County Arts Guild and has agreed to show some of her skilled work with us. She is a textile artist who paints and collages fabrics, adding details with free motion machine stitching and hand sewing. Though fabric is her primary medium, she is not a quilter in the traditional sense. “Fabric Collage” is the term she uses because she paints fabrics, ‘harvesting’ images, colors and patterns, combining them to create novel images or abstract designs. Both hand and machine stitching add details, textures, images and occasionally words.

Her degrees are in jewelry and metalworking, and she spent years as a jeweler specializing in designing and making custom jewelry and restoring antique heirlooms. When children came along she left metalwork to focus on her growing family. The need for patching clothes for her children and making gifts as friends had babies brought out the sewing supplies and she began to explore the magic of fabric. Getty says that she is inspired by the beauty, patterns and colors of her home on the South Cumberland Plateau. Experimenting with color, collage and stitching helped her to articulate and interpret the landscape and its flora. Every piece challenges and delights her.

Her studio is in Sewanee and she welcomes visitors by appointment as well as during the Tennessee Craft Studio Tour Dec. 6-7 this year. She accepts commissions and enjoys teaching her techniques. She firmly believes that everyone has creativity that can be discovered and nurtured. Stop by and enjoy meeting this special artist and viewing her special work (much of it prize winning).

## ‘Recent Work’ by Daniel Reidy

The Carlos Gallery in the Visual Art Building at the University of the South is pleased to present “Recent Work,” an exhibition by artist and educator Daniel Reidy. The exhibition is on display through Oct. 10. An artist talk and closing reception is at 5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 9.

Dan Reidy’s “Recent Work” frames large scale oil paintings, sculptures, video and poetry filled with imagery that references stories that become oddly familiar. Visual references ranging from art history to pop culture come along with objects and images from Reidy’s personal history. He is interested in overlapping narratives and how collision points between them speak to a shared humanity with fascination. Viewers engaging with the work become intellectual offspring of these collision points, for example, when we talk in movie quotes and make allusions to Greek mythology. Francis Bacon, Han Solo and Blanche Dubois become characters in his exhibition where their stories are shared out of context, asking the viewer to discover them anew in relation not only to each other, but to the mediums of traditional painting, sculpture and video.

Daniel Reidy is an artist/educator living and working in Cincinnati, Ohio. Reidy has taught undergraduate and graduate-level Painting, Drawing, and Art History in several institutions including the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, Corning Community College, Corning, New York, the University of Alabama Huntsville, and now the Art Academy of Cincinnati. He has presented recent solo and collaborative exhibitions at the Arnot Art Museum in Elmira, New York, The Zeitgeist Gallery in Nashville, Stove Works in Chattanooga, The Waters Gallery, located on the Campus of Elmira College and Flag Studio in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Carlos Gallery Visual Art Building is located at 105 Kennerly Rd. Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.


## ‘Upcycled Art and Wearables’ Event

Join us for the “Upcycle Art & Wearable “Show! This is the perfect stage to showcase your incredible creations. Artist reception, 2–5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 20.

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The Artisan Depot is located at 204 Cumberland St., in Cowan.

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## APOLLO5 in Concert

The University Choir and All Saints' Chapel of Sewanee are pleased to present APOLLO5 in concert. The concert will be 7–9 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 23, in All Saints' Chapel. Tickets, \$25, are available on Eventbrite <<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/apollo5-in-concert-at-all-saints-chapel-ticket-s-1368045192999?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>>.

Celebrating its 15th year in 2025, APOLLO5 continues to thrill, move and inspire audiences as one of Britain's smallest but most impressive vocal groups. Comprising a soprano, mezzo-soprano, two tenors and a bass, the ensemble – which takes its name from the ancient Greek god of music – has become known for its ability to connect with intimacy and directness, showcasing with rich, dynamic and distinctive sound how powerful five voices alone can be. With a versatile approach to music programming, and a repertoire spanning renaissance, classical and contemporary choral works to folk, jazz and pop, the group's five voices bring the music of five centuries to life.

APOLLO5's busy touring schedule has taken the group to Europe, the USA and Asia. In addition to performing at prestigious UK venues such as the Wigmore Hall, Cadogan Hall, St. John's Smith Square, the Royal Albert Hall and the Barbican Centre, the group has toured extensively across France, Germany, and other European countries, including recent appearances with an orchestra and a brass band in Lisbon (PT) and Prague (CZ) respectively. The group is a regular guest on BBC Radio 3's In Tune, and often receives airplay from the national broadcaster, as well as other UK stations Classic FM, Magic Classical and NTS Radio. Tour highlights include a three-week trip to the USA under new agency representation, appearances at European festivals such as Common Ground (NL), La Folle Journée (FR), and Koorfestival Vlaanderen (BE), and a performance at the Barbican Hall as part of sister group VOCEs8's 20th Anniversary celebrations in June.

The group is signed to VOCEs8 Records and has released seven solo studio albums under the label. "Haven," which explores the music of troubled, displaced and persecuted composers and features a full setting of William Byrd's "Mass For Five Voices," was released in 2023 to critical acclaim. Other albums include "Where All Roses Go" and "O Radiant Dawn" (both of which charted in the top 5 of the UK Classical Charts), winter disc "A Deep But Dazzling Darkness," and "Invocations," a piano-accompanied treasury of favourite songs recorded with composer and arranger Fraser Wilson. In January 2025, APOLLO5 released their seventh album, "Anam," a Gaelic-tinged programme of "music to move the soul." During the pandemic, APOLLO5 was part of the launch of LIVE From London, a series of live broadcasts from many of the world's leading vocal ensembles and orchestras. These online concerts brought music to the homes of millions during the pandemic, and raised funds for more than 500 artists, composers and production teams in the process; the festival continues to thrive online in today's post-pandemic world.

Staff, faculty, and students of Sewanee receive one free ticket with Sewanee ID. Sewanee ID tickets should be picked up at the All Saints' Chapel office, not purchased through Eventbrite.

## SAS Gallery Show: Rebecca Palacio, 'Tea Time: A Ceramic Exploration' Exhibition

For artist Rebecca Palacio, both tea and clay have always represented something healing and restorative, together building a connection that both warms the soul and brings communities together.

In "Tea Time: A Ceramic Exploration," Palacio explores the boundaries between the classic tea set and something more sculptural, and her work is on display in the gallery at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School.

Her tea vessels are designed with function in mind, recognizing that a significant part of enjoying pottery comes from using it. Palacio designs her work with a consideration for its decorative purpose, yet the pieces are still functional, thus blurring the lines between sculpture and everyday objects. Community members are invited to meet and talk with Palacio from 4:30–6 p.m., Friday, Sept. 19, during a reception in the school's gallery.

Palacio enjoys making mugs as a highly functional and intimate form and exploring the chemistry behind the glazes. Much of her work features numerous shades of handmade blue glazes. She finds additional inspiration in pottery from all over the world, specifically in the simplicity of Japanese pottery.

Palacio was first introduced to pottery while attending high school at SAS. After studying the sciences at University of Colorado in Boulder, she returned to ceramics and now creates work in her home-based pottery studio, the Palacio Pottery Lab, in Huntsville, where she resides. Her passion for the sciences led to a spirit of experimentation in her personal pottery lab. Palacio also teaches classes at her local pottery studio, including a tea set creation class. She finds deep satisfaction in watching students of every skill level discover their passion for pottery. Beyond her adult classes, she works with teenagers, hoping to share the same transformative joy that pottery brought to her own adolescent years.

## Annual Arts, Crafts, Trash & Treasures Sale

Come shop for the delightful crafts made by people in our community. And see what treasures you can find in the Trash and Treasures Yard Sale. Come on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 19–20, to Morton Memorial United Methodist Church in Monteagle from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., both days. The event is a fundraiser for Morton's missions, including the church's monthly food distribution, Isaiah 117 House, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Housing Hub and Monteagle Elementary School.

There will be gifts galore, plus Fall and Christmas Crafts – a great time to get some Christmas shopping done. And a chance to find a treasure among your neighbors' down-sizing cast-offs. Some of the items you will see will include: angels, wreaths, candles, soaps, deodorants, baked goods, sewn goods, throw pillows, pillow cases, monogrammed towels, jewelry, plants, pottery, wooden bowls, and much more! Something for everyone!

Start with coffee and muffins, shop the bake sale for after lunch and take home some frozen soups for dinner.

The event will be in front of and inside the church's Fellowship Center, which is to the right of the sanctuary, 322 West Main St., Monteagle.

## CaveFest at The Caverns

The CaveFest schedule is available. Single day tickets have been released for CaveFest at the Caverns on Oct. 10–12.

We're almost exactly a month out from CaveFest, and we're pleased to reveal the full schedule for the fest. Use it to help plan your weekend so you don't miss any of your favorite bands above or below ground. It's not too late to go all-in and snag a 2-day GA Festival pass with free camping included for just \$99.

Can't commit to the whole weekend? Single day tickets with free camping included are on sale now. Act fast, there's limited availability!

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## Christmas in The Caverns: Symphony & Sing Off Coming Dec. 5

A unique holiday event is coming this December as Christmas in The Caverns: Symphony & Sing Off brings orchestral music and local voices together in a one-night-only celebration underground.

Presented in partnership by The Caverns, the University of the South, and the South Cumberland Community Fund (SCCF), the event will feature a live performance of Christmas and holiday music by the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Sewanee Assistant Professor of Music Mario Alejandro Torres.

The evening also includes a regional Sing Off, a vocal competition inviting local talent of all ages from across the South Cumberland region. The concert will take place on 7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 5, 2025, inside The Caverns' underground concert hall and is free to the public with advance RSVP required for limited seating for residents of Tennessee's South Cumberland region. Doors open at 6 p.m. Free tickets will be available to community members to reserve starting Oct. 15 at <[TheCaverns.com](http://TheCaverns.com)>.

The Sing Off is open to residents and community members of the South Cumberland region, which consists of Altamont, Beersheba Springs, Coalmont, Gruetli-Laager, Monteagle, Palmer, Pelham, Sewanee, and Tracy City or those with strong ties to the area. Three finalists will be selected to perform live with the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra during the Dec. 5 event at The Caverns. A panel of judges will select the winner, and the audience will select a crowd favorite.

This competition is open to all: from those who sing in the shower and have never performed in public to those professionally trained – and from young to old.

Prizes include: First place: \$1,000 cash award, a performance with the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra, two tickets to an upcoming show at The Caverns with overnight yurt accommodations, venue merchandise, and a professional video of their performance with the orchestra. Second place: \$500 cash award, a performance with the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra, two tickets to an upcoming show at The Caverns, venue merchandise, and a professional video of their performance with the orchestra. Third place: \$250 cash award, a performance with the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra, two tickets to an upcoming show at The Caverns, venue merchandise, and a professional video of their performance with the orchestra.

Crowd favorite: In addition to one of the prizes above, the crowd favorite will win a package consisting of goods and services donated by local and regional businesses.

To audition for the Sing Off, the submission window is through Sept. 15, 2025. Submit at least two vocal performances via MP3, video links, or TikTok links. Submit entries at: <[TheCaverns.com/SingOff](http://TheCaverns.com/SingOff)>.

At least one submission must feature one of the required songs that the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra will be performing during the concert: "Santa Baby," "Santa Dear," or "It Wouldn't Be Christmas Without You."

Judging panel includes representatives from Sewanee, The Caverns, and SCCF.

Finalists will be announced in October, and will have an opportunity to rehearse with the orchestra before the Dec. 5 event.

This special evening offers a rare opportunity to experience the magic of live orchestral holiday music deep underground while supporting and celebrating local singers from across the South Cumberland region. Community members are encouraged to audition for the Sing Off or reserve seats early for this unforgettable seasonal event.




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## Beasley, Mixon Combine for Five TDs

Cam Beasley passed for 226 yards and two touchdowns and rushed for 132 yards, Barton Mixon scored three rushing TDs and the Sewanee defense allowed just 168 total yards in a season-opening 41-6 victory over Bethany College on Sept. 6, in Bethany, W.Va.

The Tigers (1-0) scored three times in the third quarter, including TD passes of six and 25 yards to AJ McLemore and Dyer Barnes, respectively and a one-yard run from Barton Mixon, taking a 14-6 halftime edge and extending it to 34-6. Dallas Grooms picked off a pass for a touchdown midway through the fourth quarter for the final Sewanee TD.

Sean Johnson finished with seven catches for 73 yards while McLemore and Barnes both posted 58 receiving yards and one score. Beasley carried 10 times for 132 yards, including a 51-yard run on the first scoring drive of the game, and Mixon collected 51 yards on 10 carries and two touchdowns.

The Tigers rushed eight straight plays on their opening drive, marching 96 yards for a touchdown. Walker Robinson gained 10 yards for a first down before a 51-yard scamper by Beasley. AJ McLemore picked up 16 yards and Beasley got another 13 before a two-yard TD run from Mixon gave Sewanee a 7-0 advantage.

Bethany's Brett Phillips ripped off a 46-yard run near the end of the first quarter and gained another eight on a fourth-down play in Sewanee territory. He then hit Jkobe Jones for a 21-yard touchdown pass but the PAT was missed for a 7-6 Tigers edge.

Beasley connected with McLemore for a 43-yard completion down the middle on 3rd-and-long on the ensuing Sewanee possession and Mixon posted an 11-yard scoring run two plays later, pushing the Tigers advantage to 14-6.

Sewanee drove 67 yards on 11 plays on their next possession, with Beasley rushing 10 yards for a first down and completing a 10-yard pass to Robinson before a 19-yard completion to Johnson. Beasley gained 11 more yards on the ground but the drive stalled inside the 10 and Levi Dorsey missed a 21-yard field goal.

Jaylen Mack intercepted a Phillips pass on the following drive for the Bison but the Tigers turned the ball over on downs at the Bethany 35-yard line.

Dorsey pinned the Bison inside their own five-yard line early in the third quarter and Sewanee got the ball back after a punt on the Bethany 45. Beasley rushed for 15 yards and Mixon gained 12 yards on three straight carries. Beasley picked up nine yards on the ground to the one and after a false start, connected with McLemore for a six-yard TD. The PAT was blocked and Sewanee led 20-6.

The Tigers drove 70 yards on 12 plays on their next drive, adding another TD.

Mixon rushed for 10 yards and Beasley completed a 17-yard pass to Johnson and a 13-yarder to Trevon Garden. Mixon picked up the final three yards, the TD run from a yard out, and the PAT pushed the lead to 27-6 with 35 seconds remaining in the third quarter.

Logan McGinnis recovered a fumble on the ensuing kickoff and after a holding call, Beasley tossed a 25-yard TD pass to Barnes, stretching the advantage to 34-6.

Grooms' INT and touchdown with 6:21 remaining in the game sealed the win for the Tigers.

## Cooper Shoots 73 in Both Rounds at SAA Preview

Senior William Cooper posted two rounds of one-over par 73 while seniors Cam Simons and Teddy Sotsky each carded one round of 73 for Sewanee men's golf at the SAA Preview on Sunday at Greystone Golf Club in Dickson, Tenn.

Cooper began his rounds at No. 14 with a bogey, alternating bogeys and birdies over the first four holes. He made par on 10 of the next 12 holes with only two bogeys before a birdie at No. 12 to finish the opening round at one-over 73.

The Charlotte, N.C., native posted two bogeys but also an eagle on the par-5 17th hole to open the second round. He collected birdies on holes three and five with one bogey on the front nine and tallied two bogeys over the last four holes for a second straight one-over 73, tying for fourth with a two-round total of 146.

Freshman Grant Caldwell started his rounds at No. 15, netting four straight pars to make the turn. He posted one birdie on the front nine, at No. 2, but recorded a double bogey on one and four more bogeys. He made another bogey at 10 before registering birdies on Nos. 12 and 13 for a four-over 76.

The Charlotte, N.C., native recorded one bogey in the first four holes and recorded seven pars and two bogeys on the front nine. He stumbled on the final five holes with two doubles but then birdied his last hole at No. 14 for a second-round 78 and a 36-hole score of 154, tied for 18th.

Senior Cameron Simons began his rounds at No. 13 with a bogey and birdied Nos. 14 and 16, but a quadruple bogey nine at No. 17 side-tracked the opening round. He posted birdies on holes two and eight on the front nine with three pars and four bogeys and ended the round with two bogeys and a triple for an 82.

The San Antonio, Texas, native came back strong in the second round, though, making a bogey with a birdie at No. 17. He shot even-par on the front nine with two bogeys and back-to-back birdies on Nos. 6-7 before a bogey on his last hole at No. 12, carding a second-round one-over 73. He finished with a two-round score of 155, tied for 23rd.

Junior Logan Johnson started his rounds at No. 14 with a par before a bogey at No. 15 and a triple bogey on 18. He netted six pars with a bogey and one double along with a birdie on the par-3 third hole on the front nine and posted three consecutive pars before a bogey at No. 13 to finish the opening round with a seven-over 79.

The Dallas, Texas, native opened the second round with five straight pars but registered three bogeys, a double and a birdie at No. 5 on the front nine. He added four more pars to finish the round at four-over 76 for a 36-hole score of 155 as well.

Senior Teddy Sotsky began his rounds at No. 17 with a birdie but then bogeyed No. 18. He collected six pars with one bogey and birdies on holes two and nine on the front nine. Sotsky added birdies on Nos. 11 and 13 but recorded a double bogey on 12 and bogeys on 15 and 16 to complete the first round at one-over 73.

The Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., native had another bogey at No. 18 in the second round and posted four pars, three bogeys, a double and a birdie at No. 9 on the front nine. He struggled over the final seven holes with three bogeys, a double and a triple for a second-round 85 and a two-round total of 155, tied for 29th.

Senior Will Brookby started his rounds at No. 13 with a birdie before a double on 16 and a bogey at 18. He played the front nine in one-under with birdies on holes one, four and nine along with four pars and two bogeys. He shot four-over 76 thanks to a bogey at No. 10 and a double on 12.

The Houston, Texas, native made five pars with a bogey to open the second round. He collected five pars with three bogeys and a double on the front nine before two more bogeys and a double to complete the day with an 82 and a 36-hole score of 155.

## First-half Goals Send Tigers Past Southern Virginia, 4-1

Tyler Scott netted the game winning goal and Edward Kennedy, Harper Satterfield, and Noah Bjorkman added on a piece as the Tigers defeated Southern Virginia on Saturday afternoon 4-1, in men's soccer action on Sept. 6, at Puett Field.

The Tigers controlled possession and outshot the Knights 24 to 7. Sewanee put 12 shots on goal, compared to two from Southern Virginia.

The Tigers started fast, capitalizing on a corner as Grayson White found the head of Edward Kennedy for his first career goal, eight minutes into the game.

Southern Virginia found the equalizer on a breakaway as Jacob Lee played a through ball for Tate Hickman, who beat VanHoeve to get the Knights on the board with a shot in the right corner with 20 minutes left in the half.

However, the Tigers answered six and a half minutes later when Isaac Rasheed found Tyler Scott open at the back of the net as Scott tapped the ball in for a 2-1 lead.

Sewanee tacked on another goal with four and a half minutes left in the half, Harper Satterfield converted on a 50 yard free kick, as the ball deflected off a Southern Virginia defender and found the back of the net for a 3-1 lead.

In the second half, Bjorkman beat the goalie on the near post, finding the back of the net from Alpha Bah for a 4-1 game. The final 32 minutes of the game saw seven yellow cards, as both teams played a physical game with 35 fouls called.

The Tigers move to 3-0-1 while the Knights move to 0-4 on the season.

## Crane Strikes Twice As Tigers Secure First Win Under Coach Overstreet

Catherine Crane delivered in overtime to lift the Sewanee field hockey team to a 2-1 victory at Bridgewater on Sept. 7, securing both the Tigers' first win of the season and the first career victory for new head coach Haley Overstreet.

Sewanee (1-3) wasted little time getting on the scoreboard, as Catherine Crane tallied her first goal of the day just two minutes into the contest. Shepard Ramsey provided the assist to give the Tigers an early advantage. Bridgewater (0-3) responded minutes later to even the score at 1-1, where it remained through regulation.

Goalkeeper Miriam Hussaini anchored the Sewanee defense, posting four saves while holding the Eagles scoreless over the final 57 minutes of play.

In overtime, Crane delivered the decisive moment, netting her second goal of the match in the 63rd minute to lift the Tigers to the 2-1 win.

Sewanee will return to action on Friday, Sept. 12, with a non-conference matchup against Denison on the road.

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## HOME GAMES

8:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 13, University Cross Country, Water Tower Open

10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 13, Women's Volleyball vs. Asbury University

1 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 13, Football vs. Brevard College

5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 13, Men's Soccer vs. Talladega College

5/6 p.m., Monday, Sept. 15, SAS JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Grundy County High School

5:30 p.m., Monday, Sept. 15, SAS MS Girls' Soccer vs. Lincoln County

4/5 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 16, SAS JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Franklin County High School

4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 16, SAS Varsity Girls' Soccer vs. Notre Dame High School

6 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 16, Women's Volleyball vs. Wesleyan College

7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 16, Men's Soccer vs. Covenant College

4 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 18, SAS Golf vs. Notre Dame High School

4/5 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 18, SAS JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Notre Dame High School

10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 20, ISHA Equestrian vs. Zone 5 Region 1

noon, Saturday, Sept. 20, Women's Soccer vs. Greenville University

3 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 20, Field Hockey vs. Wittenburg University

## Gann Leads Tigers Past Maryville in Four Sets

Savannah Gann tallied 15 kills to lead the Sewanee volleyball team to a four-set victory over Maryville, 25-12, 20-25, 25-16, 26-24, on Sept. 9, in Juhan Gymnasium.

Gann, Suna Merkle, and Anna Ellison all finished in double figures, with Ellison hitting 0.563 with 10 kills and a block assist, while Merkle added 11 kills and a match-best five service aces. Sophia Caruso anchored the defense with 16 digs and a service ace, and Emma Meyer directed the offense with 36 assists, two aces, and three digs.

The Tigers hit 0.306 as a team while limiting the Scots to 0.197. Maryville's Kylie Wilhelmi led with 17 kills.

Sewanee dominated the opening set, swinging at a .455 clip while holding Maryville to just .048. Merkle and Gann each posted four kills, while five different Tigers, Caruso, Maria Kennedy, Meyer, Mollie White, and Merkle, contributed a service ace. Meyer also handed out nine assists, and Caruso led the defense with four digs as the Tigers pulled away late for a 25-12 win.

The Scots bounced back in the second, racing out to a 5-1 lead. Despite a late push from Sewanee, Maryville evened the match at one set apiece with a 25-20 decision. The Tigers struggled offensively, hitting just 0.100 with six errors, while the Scots hit 0.259.

Sewanee cleaned things up in the third, committing only one error and hitting 0.500 as a team. Gann powered the attack with six kills, while Kennedy opened the frame with an ace. After a tight start, the Tigers used a 4-1 run to gain control and closed the set on an eight-point surge, capped by three Gann kills and one from Charlotte Lee, to win 25-16.

The fourth set proved to be the closest of the night, featuring nine ties and two lead changes. Maryville built a four-point cushion midway through, but Sewanee answered with a 5-1 run to knot the score at 19. From there, the teams traded points. With the score tied at 24-24, the Scots' fourth service error of the set gave Sewanee match point, and White delivered the match-clinching kill for a 26-24 win.

The Tigers return to action Saturday morning, hosting Asbury in a doubleheader at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

## SAS Volleyball Update

St. Andrew's-Sewanee lost to Marion County Sept. 5, 25-18, 26-24 and 25-18. Strong performances were turned in by Keely Kendrick with five kills; Aubrey Blosser two blocks; and Savannah Blosser three aces; Briley Meador five digs. SAS will honor their four seniors Sept. 16, after the JV game versus Franklin County.

## Bentley Posts Two-Over, Stilz Places Sixth for Women's Golf

Junior Olivia Bentley carded a two-over par 75 while freshman Natalie Catapano shot 76 and senior Jane Stilz posted a 77 for Sewanee women's golf on Sept. 8, at the Transylvania Kickoff Classic on the Big Blue Course at the University of Kentucky in Lexington, Ky.

The Tigers finished third among 12 teams, recording a 309 in the second round to place eight strokes ahead of Huntingdon College and nine in front of Piedmont University and Oglethorpe University.

Bentley started her round at the fourth hole and registered a bogey on No. 5 before a birdie at the ninth. She added another birdie on No. 13 but posted back-to-back bogeys at 16 and 17. The Nashville, Tenn., native double bogeyed No. 2 but came right back with a birdie on the third hole, her last hole of the round, for a two-over 75 and a 36-hole score of 157, tied for 20th. Bentley recorded 11 pars for the day.

Catapano opened her round at No. 2, netting seven pars with a birdie at No. 6 to make the turn. The Pacific Palisades, Calif., native added six more pars on the back nine with bogeys at Nos. 10 and 15 along with a double bogey on 16. She made a par at No. 1 to finish the round at three-over 76 for a two-day total of 153, tied for 14th.

Stilz bogeyed her first hole of the round, No. 1, but then registered eight consecutive pars. The Lex-

ington, Ky., native started the back nine with a birdie at No. 10 and she made four pars and four bogeys over the last eight holes, shooting a four-over 77 for a 36-hole score of 148, solo sixth.

Freshman Rachel Waters also began her round at No. 2 with a par and netted a birdie on the third hole before three bogeys and a double to finish the front nine. The Nashville, Tenn., native collected birdies on holes 12 and 18 on the back nine along with three bogeys and a double before ending the day with a bogey at No. 1 for an eight-over 81 and a two-day total of 161, tied for 24th.

Junior Payton Burch, playing as an individual, made a par at No. 18, her first hole of the round, and recorded three pars with five bogeys on the front nine. The Elgin, S.C., native added four more pars and her only birdie of the day at No. 15, carding an 84 for a 36-hole score of 171, tied for 41st.

Freshman Anna Claire Gibson posted three pars in the first four holes after starting at No. 1 but then collected four bogeys and two doubles over the next six holes. The Knoxville, Tenn., native tallied four more pars with a birdie at No. 13 on the back nine, finishing with an 85 and a two-day total of 161.

Sewanee plays again Sept. 21-22 at the Montgomery Women's Intercollegiate at Montgomery Country Club in Montgomery, Ala.



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Elephant's foot. Photo by Lin Cameron



Snowberry Clearwing. Photo by Lin Cameron

### This and That

Kim Butters has reported a pair of Pied-billed Grebes on Lake Cheston, the first time she has seen them there. They do have a white bill with a black band in breeding plumage. Their habit of slowly sinking underwater and then emerging out of sight among pond side vegetation has earned them the name of "Hell-diver" and "Water Witch." They are fairly common year-round residents in our area.

Lin Cameron wrote "The time of Elephant's Foot has arrived". They are a plant of dry woods and disturbed areas and are certainly blooming all around our property (dry and disturbed). I really enjoy the scientific name, Elephantopis, clearly meaning elephant's foot, for the leaves which lie flat on the ground. It is also called Devil's Grandmother. There is another species in which the leaves are mostly on the stems, appropriately called Leafy Elephant's Foot. Interestingly, for the botanically inclined, the head of flowers consists of 5-lobed disc flowers which look like ray flowers. Most of their leaves around our property are now infected with a pine needle rust fungus (Coleosporium elephantopidis) which does spend part of its life cycle on pines and part on flowering plants. The leaves are covered with yellow spots.

Lin also sent the photo of the Snowberry Clearwing, a type of sphinx moth which looks like a bumblebee and acts like a hummingbird. As with all sphinx moths, the caterpillar is a hornworm, in this case a lovely light green with black spots along the side. It feeds on honeysuckles, viburnum, and, of course, snowberry.

## 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.

## WEATHER

DAY	DATE	HI	LO	Week's Stats:	
Mon	Sept 01	81	60	Avg max temp =	78
Tue	Sept 02	73	61	Avg min temp =	59
Wed	Sept 03	82	64	Avg temp =	69
Thu	Sept 04	82	61	Precipitation =	0.93"
Fri	Sept 05	84	63		
Sat	Sept 06	71	51		
Sun	Sept 07	75	53		

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## State Park Offerings

To confirm that these events will occur as listed and to register, go to South Cumberland State Park <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/south-cumberland>>, Savage Gulf State Park <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>> or call (931) 924-2980. All times are central.

**Creek Critters — South Cumberland State Park, Saturday, Sept. 13, 3–4 p.m. Donations accepted. Register for event.** Meet at Grundy Lakes Main Lot, 587 Lakes Rd., Tracy City. Join Ranger Ben on a journey down to the creek to look at its ecosystem. This will include opportunities to explore the different macroinvertebrates in the creek. Participants should bring water shoes, sunscreen, and water. We will be meeting in the main parking lot of Grundy Lakes by the restroom facilities at 3: p.m. Registration is required to attend this program and closes 24 hours prior to the event. If you are not registered, we will not be able to accommodate you.

**Hike to Savage Falls — Savage Gulf State Park, Wednesday, Sept. 17, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. \$5. Register for event.** Join Ranger Spencer on a hike down to Savage Falls. Meet at Savage Gulf East Trailhead, 3157 SR 399, Palmer, to begin the hike. This is a 3 mile round-trip hike that is mostly moderate in nature. Accessing the base of the falls will be strenuous, and extreme care is needed in footing to get to the bottom of the falls. Please wear appropriate footwear and bring water and snacks of your choice, as these items will not be provided. The terrain at the park can vary based on the topography and 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.

**Trail Run — Savage Gulf State Park, Thursday, Sept. 18, 8:30–9:30 a.m. \$5. Register for event.** Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please preregister. Join us on a 3(ish) mile (round trip, approximate) trail run on the Savage Day Loop. We will be doing a combo of running/walking. The anticipated pace will be between 10-15 minute miles. We may go slower as needed, but not faster (typically towards the slow end of the pace scale). Bring along desired water and food, as these are not provided. Wear sturdy shoes that can handle running off road! Weather permitting. The areas around overlooks and waterfalls can be treacherous in terms of keeping your footing. The potential to slip and fall still 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. Events outside the park's control may necessitate program cancellation (weather, illness, park emergencies, etc). You will receive a text, email, or call with as much advance notice as possible, depending on the situation. Refunds will be processed for such canceled programs. Allow up to 7 business days for refunds.

**Three Forks Lake Canoe Float — Savage Gulf State Park, Friday, Sept. 19, 5:30–7:30 p.m. \$15. Register for event.** Meet at 1183 Stone Door Road, Savage Gulf North. Witness the beauty of Three Forks Lake in a canoe. Canoes, paddles, and life jackets will be provided. Guests should wear weather appropriate clothing with comfortable shoes that may get wet. Sunscreen and hydration are a necessity. This will be an excellent opportunity to see new park addition prior to development. Guests will meet at the Savage Gulf North pavilion ready to walk (2-mile round trip) out to the lake.

**TN Serves & National Public Lands Day — Savage Gulf State Park, Friday, Sept. 19, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free. Register for event.** Meet at 550 Greeter Falls Rd., Altamont. Savage Gulf State Park is hosting a beautification project at Greeter Falls for National Public Lands Day on Friday, Sept. 19. This project day will work to improve multiple areas in the Savage West area of the park, from trash clean-ups to removal of invasive species. Volunteers will need to be able to travel through steep and uneven terrain for up to 2.5 miles while carrying trash bags or trail tools as a part of this project. Volunteers will need to bring water, food, boots, and weather appropriate clothing. The meeting area will be the Savage West entrance. Volunteers are required to register via Galaxy Digital at <[https://tnstateparksvolunteer.galaxydigital.com/need/detail?need\\_id=1122432](https://tnstateparksvolunteer.galaxydigital.com/need/detail?need_id=1122432)>.

**Stone Door Hike — Savage Gulf State Park, Saturday, Sept. 27, 9–10:30 p.m. \$5. Register for event.** Meet at 1183 Stone Door Road, Savage Gulf North. Join Ranger Todd on a walk exploring around the Stone Door. Guests will meet at the Savage Gulf North Ranger Station ready for a moderately easy 2.5-mile hike. Guests should wear weather appropriate clothing with walking shoes and bring an adequate water supply. The areas around overlooks and waterfalls can be treacherous in terms of keeping your footing. The potential to slip and fall still 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. Events outside the park's control may necessitate program cancellation (weather, illness, park emergencies, etc). You will receive a text, email, or call with as much advance notice as possible, depending on the situation. Refunds will be processed for such canceled programs. Allow up to 7 business days for refunds.

**TN Serves & National Public Lands Day Trail Cleanup — South Cumberland State Park, Saturday, Sept. 27, 9–11 a.m. Free. Register for event.** Meet at Fiery Gizzard South Trailhead, 498 Foster Falls Rd., Sequatchie. Join Park Ranger Ben to keep our trails beautiful by collecting trash along the Climber's Loop by Foster Falls at the Fiery Gizzard South Trailhead. We will meet in the parking lot. Registration is required in order to ensure equipment is provided for all volunteers, please follow the Galaxy Digital link in the description. Volunteers are asked to wear long pants and shoes that they can get dirty with no sandals/flip flops/open-toed shoes. Be prepared to hike up to 2 miles over steep terrain. Gloves will be provided, but volunteers are encouraged to bring their own if they prefer.

**New Moon Night Hiking at Stone Door — Savage Gulf State Park, Sunday, Sept. 21, 7:30–9:30 p.m. \$15. Register for event.** Join Ranger Spencer for a new moon night hike to the Stone Door overlook that is sure to amaze. This hike is two miles long round trip and will take visitors to several overlooks to experience the night sky and the unseen wonders of night in the beautiful Savage Gulf State Park. Visitors are required to bring their own headlamp, sturdy hiking boots, appropriate clothing for the weather, and the spirit of adventure. This hike is limited to the first 10 people to register and is \$15 per person. Please meet the ranger at the Stone Door Station (Savage Gulf North) about 15 minutes before the start of the hike to check in.



Goldie



Rascal

## MARC's Mountain Adoptables Meet Goldie & Rascal

Goldie is a beauty. She and her siblings were found on the side of the road by a kind person who rescued them and contacted a local rescue. Goldie is in a foster home with her siblings. She is a Tortoiseshell colored Domestic Short Hair kitty who is around 20 weeks old and weighs about six pounds. Goldie likes to play and then to nestle in for a nice nap. She is litter box trained and ready to find her furever home. Welcome this sweet little girl to be part of your family.

Rascal is such a stunning looking boy. He is so regal. He is around 11 months old, his short hair is white and black, and he weighs about 45 pounds. Rascal and his brother were stray wandering around for several weeks looking for food and a safe place to stay. Thankfully some good people gave them refuge and are caring for them while each finds his forever family. Rascal likes to play and to be near his people. He is a smart boy and is starting to learn some basic obedience skills and to polish up on his leash walking. He and his brother, typical young fellows, can find all sorts of things to explore. Just say the word and you can learn more about Rascal and how you can make him part of your family.

If you would like to learn more about Goldie and Rascal, 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.

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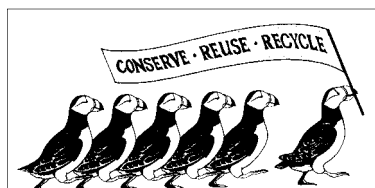
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FROM BARD TO VERSE

by Robin Bates

Hug Your Hound Day (Sept. 14)

There is sorrow enough in the natural way  
From men and women to fill our day;  
And when we are certain of sorrow in store,  
Why do we always arrange for more?  
*Brothers and sisters, I bid you beware  
Of giving your heart to a dog to tear.*

Buy a pup and your money will buy  
Love unflinching that cannot lie  
Perfect passion and worship fed  
By a kick in the ribs or a pat on the head.  
*Nevertheless it is hardly fair  
To risk your heart for a dog to tear...*

When the body that lived at your single will,  
With its whimper of welcome, is stilled (how still!),  
When the spirit that answered your every mood  
Is gone – wherever it goes – for good,  
*You will discover how much you care,  
And will give your heart to a dog to tear!*

We’ve sorrow enough in the natural way,  
When it comes to burying Christian clay.  
Our loves are not given, but only lent,  
At compound interest of cent per cent,  
Though it is not always the case, I believe,  
That the longer we’ve kept ‘em, the more do we grieve;  
For, when debts are payable, right or wrong,  
A short-time loan is as bad as a long –  
*So why in – Heaven (before we are there)  
Should we give our hearts to a dog to tear?*

--Rudyard Kipling, The Power of the Dog

Community Calendar

Friday, Sept. 12 • Sewanee Family Weekend

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10 a.m. YouFit, Betsy, Community Center; also at noon
- 3 p.m. Three Seasons Market, 14399 US Hwy. 41, Tracy City, until 6 p.m.
- 3 p.m. Book Signing, Smith, Convocation Hall
- 4:30 p.m. University Advent Convocation, All Saints’ Chapel

Saturday, Sept.13

- 8 a.m. MMUMC monthly food distribution, 322 W. Main St., Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 8 a.m. Sewanee Gardeners’ Market, Hawkins Lane, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. American Legion Post 51, Legion Hall
- 9 a.m. SACA Fall Craft Fair, Shoup Park, until 4 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 2 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 14

- 1 p.m. Knitting Circle, Mooney’s, until 3 p.m.
- 1 p.m. YouFit, Betsy, Community Center
- 4 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center

Monday, Sept. 15

Deadline to submit auditions for The Caverns Sing Off, via MP3, video links, or TikTok links, to <TheCaverns.com/Sing Off>

- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Susan, Sewanee Community Center, until 11:30 a.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates, beginner, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 6 p.m. Franklin County Commission, Court-room, Winchester Courthouse

Tuesday, Sept.16

- 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 w/Coach Tony Pacella, Men’s Soccer, in person Blue Chair, livestream <sewaneetigers.com/watch>
- 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
- noon Pilates, intermed, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 4 p.m. S. Cumberland Farmers’ Market pickup, Community Center, until 6 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Sewanee Utility District board meeting, Utility office, Sherwood Road

- 6 p.m. Yomassage, (\$40), Lauren, Franklin House Firefly Gala, until 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 17

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Art Wednesday, (free), Artisan Depot, 204 E. Cumberland St., until noon
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Susan, Sewanee Community Center, until 11:30 a.m.
- 11:30 a.m. Sewanee EQB Club, lunch at noon; lead at 12:25 p.m., Prof. Nicholas E. Roberts, “The Struggle to Control the Middle East...” St. Mary’s Sewanee
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center
- 7:30 p.m. Performance, music of Gribble, Lusk & York, St. Luke’s Chapel; panel discussion follows

Thursday, Sept. 18

- 8 a.m. Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, Martha Pierce, Mountain T.O.P., 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, intermed., Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 3 p.m. Fresh Mess Market, Harton Park, 123 S. College St., Monteagle, until 6 p.m.
- 7:30 p.m. Emmett Till Interpretive Center presentation and conversation, Convocation Hall

Friday, Sept. 19

- 9 a.m. Annual Arts, Crafts, Trash & Treasures Sale, MMUMC, Monteagle, until 5 p.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 10 a.m. YouFit, Betsy, Community Center; also at noon
- 3 p.m. Three Seasons Market, 14399 US Hwy. 41, Tracy City, until 6 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m. Reception, Rebecca Palacio, “Tea Time: A Ceramic Exploration” SAS Gallery, 290 Quintard Rd., until 6 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Getty Fabric Art Show Meet the Artist Reception, Artisan Depot, until 7 p.m.
- 5 p.m. 12th Annual Fall Heritage Festival, Tennessee Ave. & Front St., Cowan, until 9 p.m. (Festival continues through 9/21)

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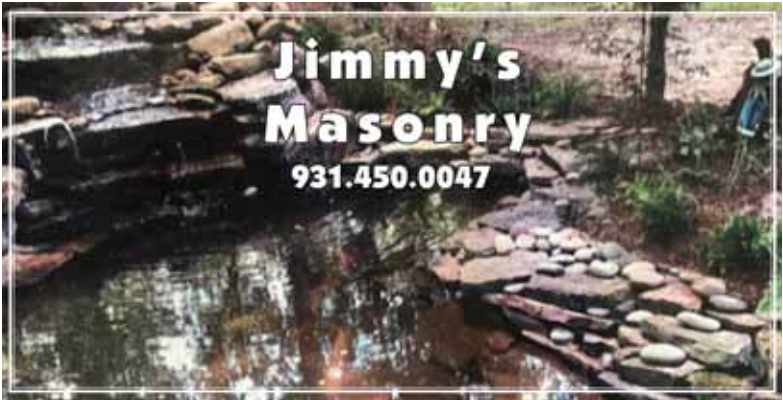
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Saturday

7 p.m., NA, open, Decherd United Methodist

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, Decherd 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., Serenity in Sewanee AA, open, Brooks Hall, Sewanee

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

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