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ONE DOLLAR

From the Other Side of the Desk

Being as they are still not in their teenage years, I am still considered the source of all most information with the kids. Today my (in their estimation) superior intellect, which as I understand (from friends with teenagers) is nearing the end of the fourth quarter without much hope of overtime, was tested. "Dad," they asked, "What is kick the can?" I explained the concept of two teams, one guarding the can and one trying to kick it and how it wasn't a video game at all. We discussed strategy in trying to defend the can and how the time limit was key to how aggressive the offense would be in trying to succeed in kicking the can and winning the game.

I did manage to work in that when I was a kid we were so poor we couldn't afford a can, we had to use a paper sack or a big leaf instead of an official "kick the can" can.

We talked about it a bit more and about other games we kids played, like baseball, shocking them that we played ball without any adults around to yell and scream at encourage us as we played.

They said they thought the kick the can thing sounded pretty fun.

So now I know what I'm getting them for Christmas.

Darrell Teubner, Editor

Bolivar Mayor's Race Attracts Two (So Far)

Bolivar Mayor Barrett Stevens and Councilman Julian McTizic will kick off their campaigns for Mayor of Bolivar with events in the coming week.

Councilman Julian McTizic will officially kick off his campaign on Monday, December 5 at 7:00 p.m. from Maria's Restaurant, which is located on Highway 64 in East Bolivar, while Mayor Stevens will announce his intentions to run for a third term at the former Barrett and Stevens Building on 117 South Main Street in Bolivar on Thursday, December 8 at 5:30 p.m.

Also up for election are four seats on the Bolivar City Council, currently held by Suzanne Rhea, Randy Hill, McTizic, and Willie McKinie. The deadline for petitions to arrive at the Hardeman County Election Commission is February 16, 2017. Early voting is scheduled for April 26-May 11. Election Day is May 16. The last day to register to vote in the 2017 Bolivar City Election is April 16, 2017.



Barrett Stevens



Julian McTizic

HOPE HOLIDAY MART
December 2 (4:00-8:00 p.m.),
December 3 (9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.)
Bolivar Municipal Building

County Jobless Numbers Decrease

Hardeman County unemployment numbers dropped slightly in October of 2016 versus September and showed great improvement over the last years, according to the numbers from the Tennessee Department of Workforce Development released November 23.

The raw data shows Hardeman County with 9,580 in the workforce, with 600 of them unemployed, or a 6.3% percent rate. The September 2016 rate was 6.5%.

The rate is a vast improvement over October 2015, when the rate was 7.3%.

The 6.3% puts Hardeman County at 72nd in the state and ahead of McNairy (7.3%) County, but trailing Madison (5.0%), Chester (5.0%), Fayette (5.5%), and Haywood (6.2%) Counties.

County unemployment rates for October 2016 show the rates decreased in 80 counties, increased in seven, and remained the same in eight counties.

The lowest unemployment in the state belongs to Williamson County at 3.5%, while the highest is in Lake County at 8.0%.

Unemployment in Tennessee is listed at 4.6%, slightly lower than the United States rate of 5.0%.

The state and national unemployment rates are seasonally adjusted, while the county unemployment rates are not. Seasonal adjustment is a statistical technique that eliminates the influences of weather, holidays, the opening and closing of schools, and other recurring seasonal events from economic time series.

It's Beginning to Look A Lot Like...

Hardeman County will begin the Christmas season with events scheduled in the coming week.

The Hardeman County Arts Council presents the Broadway-style musical *One Bethlehem Night*, December 2-4 at the Arts Center. See A2 for more information.

The Hope Holiday Mart will be held on December 2-3 at the municipal center in Bolivar. The event, which benefits the American Cancer Society and Hope House, has dozens of vendors with Christmas treats and ideas.

The Whiteville Christmas Parade will be on December 2 at 6:00 p.m., with a Christmas Carnival following at 2130 Hwy 64 in Whiteville from 7:00-10:00 p.m.

The Friends of Middleton Library will host Santa Day on Saturday, December 3 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Sat the Middleton Boy Scout Hut to support the Middleton Library. There will be photos with Santa, and kids can decorate cookies and write letters to Santa.

Christmas on the Square in Grand Junction will be on December 3 beginning at 2:00 p.m. The tree lighting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Afterward, the Friends of the Grand Junction Library will gather at Bland Memorial Garden in Grand Junction for a Love Light Tree Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. The lights on the tree will be provided by donations to honor all those who are deceased. The tree will remain lit each evening until December 31. Refreshments will follow at the John Wilder Community Center in Grand Junction.

The City of Bolivar Christmas Parade will be held on Monday, December 5, at 6:00 p.m. This year's theme is a *Story Book Christmas*.



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Area Churches Combine for a Christmas Event

Local churches will join to present a living nativity, "The Way In A Manger" at Falcon Ridge Farm, December 16 and 17.

More than a dozen church congregations will participate in the event, which will be from 6:00-8:30 p.m. each night. The dress rehearsal on December 15 is open to the public as well. There is no charge to attend any of the performances.

The cast of dozens in traditional garb will bring alive the story of the first Christmas set in Bethlehem. The event organizers have asked for rinsed milk jugs, which will be used to help light the grounds. Jugs need to be taken to Dixie Hill Baptist Church.

"If you've ever been to a judgment house, we have kind of applied the theme to this," said Director Matt Boatwright. "We will have several scenes and about a four minute presentation at each scene."

The name of the program comes from the Bible, said Boatwright.

"John 14:6 says Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life," said Boatwright. "And the way God chose to present himself is through a baby in a manger."

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OUR COUNTY

“One Bethlehem Night” Opens in Bolivar



The Hardeman County Arts Council (HCAC) brings *One Bethlehem Night* to the stage on Friday and Saturday, December 2 and 3, at 7:00 p.m. and on Sunday, December 4, at 2:00 p.m.

Meet the young, expectant mother and her husband, as they come to Bethlehem for the census. Meet the innkeeper and his wife, who have the chance of a lifetime to make a bundle of money, but who find even greater blessings in the birth of a King. Meet the rabbi, who has anxiously awaited the promised Messiah all his life. It is a chance to be uplifted by this musical with its original music and drama as they consider what it might have been like on that “One Bethlehem Night.”

The cast of more than 20 will present the show as directed by longtime arts council veterans Wanda Young, Carrie Smalley, and Stephen Wood.

Tickets are \$10 and are on sale at the Arts Council. The box office will be closed on Thanksgiving day, Thursday, November 24. Call 731-658-2787 to purchase tickets and for more information. Opening in January

of 2005, the Hardeman County Arts Council seeks to provide the best in artistry, entertainment, and culture, hoping to inform, enchant, and inspire the community through the presentation of local groups, individual artists, and major art organizations, that will nurture and promote the arts. The 7,800 square foot building has seating capacity of 240. *Photo courtesy Jennifer Smeltzer*

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by Sara Vonderheide

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You can also check out our Facebook page, Hardeman Adoptable Animals, Inc. You can also come to the shelter. We are located inside the county landfill on Walton Road, and volunteers are there between 9-1 each day. HAA, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Adoption fees are \$125, and this includes all vaccines, spay/neuter,

and care while at the shelter. Cold weather is here! Please make sure that your pets have dry, warm places to sleep and have access to fresh water at all times. Winter can also be tough on the joints of older pets. Talk to the Vets at Old Hatchie to find out how to keep your pets comfortable and safe in the winter!

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Howdy from Toone. Well, Thanksgiving 2016 is now in the history books, and so we can now turn our full attention to Christmas 2016, although many of us already had our tress and other Christmas decorations up. Even though Thanksgiving is still one of my favorite holidays, I will admit that I jumped the gun and decorated for Christmas before Turkey Day even arrived. I suppose the corporate retail giants have been successful in focusing our attention toward Christmas earlier and earlier each year. I now do all of my Christmas shopping online, so I don't have to fight the crowds in the stores. It's a much more enjoyable shopping experience for me.

Remember, Toone Baptist Church will present, "Christmas in the Valley", a special Christmas musical program, Sunday, December 11, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited.

The always welcome "Christmas Break" for TES and all other Hardeman County Schools will be, December 19-January 2. This break allows the students plenty of time to enjoy the Holiday Season with family and friends.

Congratulations to our own, Miss Laura Ann Higgs, of Toone, for winning the title of, "Miss Soybean Festival", at the recent pageant held in Weakly County. This qualifies her to compete in the 2017 "Miss Tennessee" pageant.

Laura Ann competed in the 2016 "Miss Tennessee" pageant as, "Miss Queen City", and received the "People's Choice Award". She is the Daughter of, Bob & Lisa Higgs, of Toone, and the Granddaughter of, Mrs. Velma Higgs, and Joe & Rosemary Jones, all of Toone. Please join me in wishing her the best as she represents her home Town of Toone!

Mark your calendars now for Chickasaw State Park's, "Christmas In the Park", when Chickasaw will come to life with tens of thousands of lights and other wonderful Christmas decorations! Bring the entire family during the weekend of, December 9-11, and enjoy a spectacular light show as you drive through the park. It's definitely a "must-see" event!

The Yarbrough Family certainly had a wonderful time together on Thanksgiving. As always, we all gathered together here at the farm and enjoyed a delicious meal and lots of fun visiting with each other. I got a special bonus by having my Daughter and grandchildren stay with us over the weekend. It's always a real treat for "Grand Bubbie" when they are home for a visit!

Happy Birthday to, Amelia McCarver, on December 5. Amelia and Larry stay busy volunteering at their church and keeping up with their Granddaughter, Lily, and her activities! Until next time . . . talk to your neighbors!

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This week Sarah Chandler shares what she is thankful for. She was quick to comment that she has been blessed with a good life. She is thankful every day for life and is happy that she is able to be up and able to go to church. She is so thankful for her family which includes three daughters, six grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren and one great, great grandson. She appreciates Judy for taking good care of her. She is thankful that she enjoyed fifty four years of marriage with her late husband. She stated, "I am most thankful that my daughter, Donna, is doing well and continues to receive good feedback on her cancer issues. I appreciate everyone's prayers on her behalf."

Silerton welcomes Rebecca Gloyd to our community. She is renting the Methodist Parsonage. She moved here from Oak Grove, KY, a suburb of Clarksville, TN. She is employed at Hudson's Drug Store in Bolivar. Rebecca is a cat lover and enjoys her seven cats. She is also an artist. In her former church, she ran the camera. Her daughter met her husband at Austin Peay University in Clarksville. He was from Jackson so when they married they settled in Jackson. Rebecca is glad to be closer to her daughter.

Cody Naylor celebrated his 26th birthday at Catfish Cabin with wife and daughter, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. They enjoyed their time together very much.

On Saturday, December 3rd, at 5:00 p.m. the Ebenezer community invites you to attend an old fashion Christmas Sing-a-long at the old Ebenezer School. Some residents of the community have labored long hours to restore the building. If you would like to sing, participation would be deeply appreciated. Dress warmly and remember that there will be no modern conveniences. It will certainly be a time of reliving the olden days.

Donna Majors invited Dawn Boykin to drive with her to North Canton, OH for a business meeting. They were able to take in several tourist attractions including Lake Erie, Mammoth Cave and the Kentucky Downs. The attraction they enjoyed the most was definitely the Ark Encounter in Williamstown, KY. Both stated that it was a very overwhelming and humbling experience. They had numerous pictures to share. Dawn said even though the animals were replicas, a lot of research was done and they looked so authentic. They highly recommend it as a tourist stop.

Next month, let's share our Christmas wishes. Please call so I can share with our readers.

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There are many Christmas activities that are planned for our community for the upcoming week.

Christmas in Grand Junction will start off at the Wilder Center on Saturday, December 3 from 2:30-6:00 p.m. Parents bring your children so they will be able to participate in all the fun activities. The Love Light Tree Ceremony will follow at 6:30 at the Bland Memorial Garden. Refreshments will follow at the Wilder Center.

Ms. Wanza, Grand Junction Library Director, wants to remind everyone that the purpose of the Love Light Tree is to honor the memory of those who are deceased as well as to honor any others now living within our community.

The lights on the tree will be provided by donations as follows: \$20=red light, \$15=green light, \$10=yellow light. Open amount for military/public defenders =blue light. All funds may be given to Ms. Wanza or the City Clerk's Office by December 3.

The names will be read at the ceremony on December 3. The tree will be lighted each evening through Dec.=ember 31. All funds received will be used to enhance the services of our community library.

The Hope Holiday Mart will be held on December 2 (4:00-8:00 p.m.) and December 3 (9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.) at the Municipal Center in Bolivar. It will benefit the American Cancer Society and Hope House. Contact Andrea Young for more information at 731-609-9250.

Please make plans to attend Breakfast with Santa at the Middleton High School Cafeteria on December 10 at 8:00-10:00 a.m. Breakfast will cost \$5.00. Photos and crafts are extra. Proceeds benefit the MMS baseball team. Scripture verse for the week; Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved. Acts 16:31

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Our prayer request: Grace Bynum, Wilma Bynum, Cleo Snellings, Curtis and Marjorie Hines, Jack Hopkins, Thomas Daniel, Tate Daniel, Barbera and Junior Hensley, Paula and Ken Stanley, Richard and Elaine Hayslip, and all caretakers. May God heal the sick and bless them all. The town of Saulsbury will have a Christmas Celebration and Social for our seniors on Saturday, December 3 at 5:00 p.m. Santa will be there for the children and young at heart to give him their lists. There will be chili and hot dogs served. Come on out for a fun time and fellowship. Hope to see y'all there.

There will also be photos with Santa for everyone wanting one. The cost is \$10.00. Hope to see everyone there! Until next week! May God bless you all and keep you safe!

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Whiteville
Anna Alicia Sails
731-609-9671

Greeting from the City of Whiteville! The Creating Your Own Next Level for Personal and Professional Prosperity Workshop will be held on December 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the C. Elma Motley Senior Center. The next scheduled Whiteville City Hall meeting is December 5th at 7:30 p.m. The annual Whiteville Christmas Parade will be held on December 2 starting at 6:00 p.m. There will be a Christmas Carnival following the parade from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at 2130 Hwy 64.

Hornsby
Amber D. Moore
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Hello to all! I know it is a very busy time for everyone as people get prepared for the holiday season. Remember this Saturday at 6 p.m. at Hornsby Baptist Church the Hornsby Ruritan Club will be feeding the Senior citizens. If you know of someone who cannot get to the church please call me and we will be happy to take them a plate. The Ruritan Club will also meet on December 15th at the fellowship hall of Hornsby Baptist Church to have its Christmas party. We are always looking for new members so if you would like to know more information you can contact Willis Hornsby, Crawford Cossar, or myself and we would love to answer any questions you might have. The children and adults are working hard to get ready to perform their Christmas programs. The children's will be the morning of December 11th at 11:00 and the adults will be on December 18th at 11:00. Also on December 18th at 5 p.m. will be the candle light ceremony, this is one of my favorite things we do at church. On December 11th at 5:00 p.m. gift baskets will be delivered to individuals throughout the community. This is a very special time of the year so please remember the real reason we celebrate it.

Please remember to pray for the following: Patricia Baker, Terry Baker, Max Beck, Freddie Brown, Rick Brown, Ricky Chandler, Amanda Cornelius, Crawford Cossar, Kenneth Crawford, Elynor DeBerry, Leo Dodd, Bobbie Dorris, Shirley Emerson, Lee Gainey, Billy Hammons, Richard Hazelwood, Joe Hindman, Sue Hodge, Dewey Hopkins, Ann Hornsby, Carolyn Howell, Jo Edna Howell, Ann Kelly, Aubrey King, Roger King, Debbie Laster, Nell Maddox, Bobbie McBride, Evan Nield, Lockie Newman, Josh Overton, Terry Parchman, Gay Pierce, Prissy Poirier, Gail Pope, Tosha Powell, Paula Prince, Sandy Sanders Stacy Spence, Pat Plunk Spencer, Ronna Spoon, Eddie Webb, John Worley, the family of Jimmy Whitehurst, the men and women who serve our country, Clark and Morgan Davidson serving missionaries, and the families of the ones who are fighting cancer.

His Word for the week is: Joshua 1:9 "Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."

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Contact Name: _____

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Completed form should be submitted no later than Tuesday, December 6, 2016. They can be delivered to Middleton City Hall, or faxed to (731) 376-1396.

FAITH

The Indestructible Thread

by Jimmy Sadler

We often imagine God's love is somewhat like a person trying to pick up an insect without hurting it. There are things in our life all around us that we kill if we try to handle them. If God truly created the world by just speaking, then how can we expect to have a relationship with him and not be consumed by His power. The truth is, God's love is like a fine, indestructible thread. It is strong enough to lift anything, and fine enough to bind our most intimate frailties.

Don't get me wrong, there are certainly times we need God to exert his strength. To hold atoms in place whose center are opposing forces. We need God to move in when all else has failed in war, disease and natural disaster. We need God's sustaining power that created the world to keep all the intricacies in play. God is powerful, and He cannot be undone, unless He chooses to be. You have probably heard someone ask "Can God make a rock so big that He couldn't lift it?" My answer is always the same. "If He wanted to, yes." God has chosen to limit his power before. He chose to

hide Moses from his full glory. He chose us to see the fullness of His attributes in human form. He literally bowed down to our level to reach us in His Son.

There are times, though, when we find it hard to ask God to reach in. We are afraid that some problems are too small and that we are asking for a firehose to get a sip of water. So, when we struggle with some things that are personal or we feel too small for God, we are really missing out on the most elemental part of the Christian experience, God's intimate love for us. He cares for sparrows, how much more for us? We forget that the sum of all our little problems can be more devastating to our peace and well being than one big one.

Peter reminds us: "Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you" (1 Peter 5:7, NLT). "All" pretty much covers every single one of them. Jesus reminds us to take our yoke on Him, not just because He is strong and able to carry us, but because he is gentle and humble. God listened to a prophet who was belittled. He heard a need for lamp oil. He listened to soldiers and prostitutes

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and answered their prayers.

I sensed God's care in visiting a little church before the holidays. When most people were asking for expensive gifts, the people at this church in a poor section of the city asked for bus fare and money for science fair projects. The people walked past the offering plate and touched it if they had no money, showing God they would give Him their talents. They were praising God with all they had, and those problems that seemed so small to us were on God's heart. A breakup, job situation, a problem neighbor and daily struggles are all on God's radar. When you are overwhelmed. Remember God's power, but when you feel your problem is too delicate for God, remember His limitless patience to deal with your frailties and his laser fine empathy to know your struggle.



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Sunrise: Alzheimer

by David Coy

We all would agree there is so much more to walking with grief than losing someone by death. Actually, someone has well said, there are some things worse than death. I am in no way putting myself up as an expert on this topic I have chosen to discuss on this our next visit together via the written word, nor am I minimizing the pain that is loss through death. I know it is challenging if not altogether difficult to distinguish the difference between the age-related loss and the beginning changes that is Alzheimer disease. I can only attempt to imagine, never having experienced this disease with a family member, what agony, fear, frustration, and heartache the caretaker must go through when caring for a loved one who has been diagnosed with this disease.

First, let us give some warning signs that are given by the Alzheimer's Association. The first warning sign on their list is memory loss that disrupts their daily life. I have known people who would ask the same question every few minutes because they did not remember the answer given. As I understand it, this is very common, especially in the early stages. I have been informed that certain medications may increase the risk of developing this disease if taken over long periods of time. Second, challenges in planning or solving problems. This is clearly a skill we learn early in life and use throughout our routine that is life. Third is the difficulty in completing familiar tasks. This would be extremely frustrating. Fourth, is the confusion that exists with time or place. This involves the losing track of dates, and or seasons. Our loved one may forget where they are, why they are there and how they got there or even how to return. Fifth, is the difficulty or challenge understanding visual images and things relating to space. If we have a good memory regarding the way a location is laid out and the amount of room it takes up, it is believed a person has a good spatial memory.

If we perceive a loved one may possess these warning signs, please consult a physician and alz.org for guidance and support. This is Sunrise Aftercare, sunrise@sfdcares.com



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THE SALVATION ARMY NEEDS YOU as a Christmas Red Kettle Bell Ringer for Hardeman County. Make it a family church or friend affair and ring as a group. They will pay minimum wage and are in critical need of volunteer and paid bell ringers. Please call Major Joe May at 731-293-9062. And remember, all donations given in Hardeman County will stay in Hardeman County.

The US Marine Corp Reserve's Mid-South Toys for Tots is asking for your donations this Christmas season. Ms. Nikki Williams, 731-616-8942 will spend all funds received in Hardeman County. Please make checks out to Mid-South Toys for Tots.

The Middleton Lions Club has pecans for sale! All proceeds go to supply glasses for the needy and supports Lions Sight services for those with serious eye problems and schools for the blind. Mascot crop 16 oz. bags are \$11. Whole, halves, pieces and chocolate covered. Buy from any Lion or Middleton branch banks.

You Are Invited to join with over 12 local churches to present a living nativity, "The Way in A Manger" at Falcon Ridge Farms. Performance dates are December 16 & 17 with dress rehearsal on December 15. There are many different roles available for all ages. Don't miss out on a wonderful way to share Christ with the community. Call Matt Boatwright at 267-5004. Empty, rinsed milk jugs are needed. Take them to the Dixie Hills Baptist Church Gym.

The Hardeman County Arts Council presents the Broadway-style musical One Bethlehem Night, December 2-4 at the Arts Center. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:00 p.m. and a matinee on Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the box office from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Call 658-2787.

The Christmas Cantata "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year," will be presented at 2:00 p.m. on December 4 at First Baptist Church in Whiteville at 203 E. Main Street.

It's Time to Fill the Fire Truck! On December 2 bring your new or unwanted toys, coats, and canned foods from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 413 W. Market St in Bolivar to help local families this Christmas season. All donations are welcome.

The Bolivar Fire Department will be at Walmart on December 2 from 10:00 to 2:00 p.m. to collect toys and donations.

The Hope Holiday Mart will be held on December 2-3 at the Municipal Center in Bolivar. Small vendor spaces are still available. Contact Andrea Young if you are interested at 609-9250. Make plans to attend this shopping experience that benefits the American Cancer Society and Hope House and get a jump on holiday shopping and enjoyment.

The Whiteville Christmas Parade will be on December 2 at 6:00 p.m., with a Christmas Carnival following at 2130 Hwy 64 in Whiteville from 7:00-10:00 p.m. There will be a Christmas Carnival from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m., at 2130 Hwy 64.

A FREE Creating Your Own Next Level Personal and Professional Prosperity Workshop will be held on December 3 at the C. Elma Motley Senior Center, 136 Mitchell Ave., in Whiteville from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Register online at eventbrite.com and like them on facebook at createyournextlevel

The Friends of Middleton Library will host Santa Day on Saturday, December 3 from 1:00-3:00 p.m., at the Middleton Boy Scout Hut to support the Middleton Library. Have your picture made with Santa, decorate cookies and write letters to Santa.

Christmas on the Square in Grand Junction will be on December 3 beginning at 2:00 p.m. The tree lighting will begin at 5:30 p.m.

The Friends of the Grand Junction Library will gather at Bland Memorial Garden in Grand Junction for a Love Light Tree Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. The lights on the tree will be provided by donations to honor all those who are deceased. All funds will benefit the library, call 731-764-2716

for light/donation categories. The tree will remain lit each evening until December 31. Refreshments will follow at the John Wilder Community Center.

The City of Bolivar Christmas Parade will be held on Monday, December 5, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. This year's theme is a Story Book Christmas. Call 658-2020 for more details and to enter.

The Hardeman County Veteran Ceremony will be held on December 9 at 9:00 a.m. at the Whiteville Elementary School. This is the 75th Anniversary of the Bombing of Pearl Harbor. The Jackson ROTC Choir will be singing the National Anthem. Lunch will be served to all Veterans.

Tennessee State University-Hardeman County Alumni Chapter will host its second annual Holiday Gala and silent auction at the Hope House building, 208 Hope St., in Bolivar on December 9 at 7:00 p.m. The attire is festive/semi-formal and advance donations are \$20 and \$25 at the door. All proceeds will benefit the Alumni Chapter's Scholarship Fund. Call 731-254-8508 or 731-609-2550 for ticket information or any alumni member.

Breakfast with Santa at the Middleton High School Cafeteria will take place on December 10 from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Pancakes, sausage along with juice or milk will be served for \$5. Photos and crafts are extra. Proceeds benefit MMS baseball team.

Hardeman County Community Health Center announces Health Insurance Marketplace open enrollment now through January 31, 2017. If you enroll by December 15, 2016 your new plan can start as early as January 1, 2017. For more information, contact Robert Davis, Jr., or Davina Crum at 658-3388 or stop by HCCCHC at 629 Nuckolls Road in Bolivar.

Become A Certified Recovery Congregation. The State of TN Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services has launched a mission partnering with faith based communities in Bolivar to reach out to those struggling with addictions and connecting them to vital substance abuse

services. If you or your congregation would like to be a part of this recovery ministry email Steve Robinson at recoverybeginning@gmail.com or call 731-609-7234.

The GED (HiSET) Prep class meets every Monday at 1:30 p.m., at the Grand Junction Library. It's FREE! Call 731-764-2716 for more info.

Bolivar General Hospital is hosting an Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group on the second Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. For more details call Sara Skinner at 659-0216.

Hardeman Adoptable Animals Shelter needs volunteers to socialize with these wonderful animals while they are waiting for their permanent and forever homes. Non-committal volunteer hours are daily from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Pedigree dog food, blankets and money donations are always welcome. The shelter is located within the Hardeman County Landfill on Walton Road west of Bolivar. For more information, contact one of the HAA volunteers: Charla Cooper 234-4421; Jennifer Smallwood 609-0408; or Sheila Wiggins 658-5944.

New Bethel Baptist Church Services will begin each Sunday with Sunday school at 10:00 a.m. followed by worship service at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and on Wednesdays nights at 6:30 p.m. with Brother Robert Buse preaching. Everyone is welcome and invited to attend.

The Hardeman County Exchange Club/Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse is a program that can help if you suspect child abuse call the Hardeman County office at 659-2373 or the 24-hour hotline at 1-877-237-0004. Your call will be kept confidential.

The Brown Bag Book Club will meet on the second Monday of every month at 11:30 a.m. at the Bolivar-Hardeman County Library.

You can keep up to date with Community Events by checking the Chamber of Commerce website at hardemancountytn.com

OBITUARIES

MARY SISCO

APRIL 24, 1939 - NOVEMBER 21, 2016

Mrs. Mary M. Sisco, age 77 of Humboldt, passed away early Monday morning, November 21, 2016 at NHC in Milan.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at Shackelford Funeral Directors in Bolivar with Rev. Walter Manley officiating. Interment followed in Harris Cemetery.

She was the daughter of the late John James and Alice Lorena Harbin Tillmon. She was also preceded in death by a son, Ronald Wayne Sisco. A native of Bolivar, she was raised

here and attended Hardeman County Schools before moving to Gadsden, where she lived over 25 years. Her last few years were spent in Humboldt. On May 19, 1956, she married Mr. Cecil Burnell Sisco. Mr. Sisco passed away December 18, 1997. Additionally, she had two sisters and two brothers, Elizabeth Rogers, Kathleen Borders, Richard Tillmon and John T. Tillmon, who died before her.

Mrs. Sisco was a member of the Church of Christ and enjoyed reading and cooking. A loving wife and mother, she raised her children to be strong.

Among her survivors are three daughters, Judy Ann Sisco of Humboldt, Mary Alice Walker (Richard) of Atwood and Tammie Marie Roberson of Gadsden; four sons, James William Sisco of Humboldt, Donald Lee Sisco of Gadsden, Cecil Lynn Sisco of Humboldt and Thomas Lewis Sisco of Humboldt; a sister, Carol Rixie of Middleton; a brother, Grady Tillmon of Middleton; four grandchildren, David Lynn Grace, Susan Elizabeth Capps (T. J.), Amber Marie Sisco and Celine Marie Roberson; and one great-grandchild, Jada Lynn McMillan.



TERRENCE CORTEZ NEWBLE

JANUARY 18, 1979-NOVEMBER 8, 2016

Brother Terrence Cortez Newble "Boom" was born on January 18, 1979 to Rev. Willie D and Teresa Newble of Jackson TN. He departed this life on Tuesday, November 8, 2016.

Terrence accepted Christ at an early age and was a member of Temple of Faith Church until the day God called him home.

His funeral service was held on Saturday November 19, 2016 at 12 p.m. at Union Hill MB Church-Whiteville with Reverend Willie D Newble in charge. Burial was in the Temple of Faith Church Cemetery and Dixie Funeral Home was in charge of the professional service.

He attended Barbour Elementary, Whiteville Elementary and Bolivar Central High schools. Terrence also had some college education at Lane College and Bethel University. He received his certification in Computer Technology at Tennessee Technology Center in Whiteville, TN.

Terrence was preceded in death by his grandparents: Leander Sr. and Flora Mae Newble; Timothy Sain and Ozella Franklin; six uncles: Leander Newble Jr., Ozell Newble, Leaster Newble Sr., Larry Franklin, Charlie Jones and O.C. Motley; one aunt; Tina Franklin and four cousins; Devie Brown, Timothy Robertson, Demetrius Jarret, Jr. and Leaster Newble, Jr.

Terrence leaves to cherish his memories: his loving and devoted parents; Rev. Willie D and Teresa Newble; three brothers; Timothy Newble, Willie (Antoinette) Newble, Jr. and Deuntria (Sharhonda) Traylor, Sr.; one sister; LaShandra "Shante" Newble; four nephews; Willie Newble III, Avionne, Deuntria Jr. and De'Undre Traylor; one great nephew, Kaeson Sharpe; seven nieces; RaeDedra Brown, Dakaya Sain, Arrianna and Dakedra Traylor, Katelyn, Eden and Lauren Newble and Honesti Elise McKinnie, who he named "Chunky"; fifteen aunts; Bernice (Peter) Dunn, Dorothy Newble, Lila Robertson, Ora Jean "T-Ma" Jones, Janice (Willie) Woods, Brenda (Ed) Polk, Carolyn (Larry) Bolden, Mary Helen Franklin, Hulene (Joe) Hudson, Martha (Richard) Arnold, and Rosie Motley all of Tennessee, Ophelia (Lawrence) Moss, Lillie Mae (Jodie) Woods, Pastor Shirley (Gaston) Murphy and Warddine Roundtree all of Illinois; seven uncles; Victor (Sandra) Franklin, Gaston Mike Newble, Charles (Lana Joe) Newble all of Illinois and Wayne (Shelia) Motley, Robert (Ora) Motley, Jessie Jr Motley, and Jessie Motley all of Tennessee; a very close friend and cousin; Cheriyo Sain and a host of cousins and friends.



JAMES THEODORE WHITEHURST

MAY 29, 1941-NOVEMBER 22, 2016

James Theodore Whitehurst, 77, of Hornsby, TN passed away Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at Bolivar General Hospital in Bolivar, TN. Graveside services for Mr. Whitehurst were on Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at Forrest Memorial Park Cemetery in Corinth, MS. Bro. Dennis Smith will officiate the service. He was the owner of Whitehurst Lumber Company in Hornsby, TN. He was of the Baptist faith and was a member of Hornsby Baptist Church. Mr. Whitehurst loved fishing, woodworking and spending time with his family and friends. He is survived by his daughter Nicole Whitehurst Howard and husband Eddie of Corinth, MS; his three grandchildren, Bo Howard, Brittanie Howard Brown and husband Eric and Baylee Howard; his nieces, Debbie Whitehurst, Teri Whitehurst Morin, Sharon Whitehurst Nichols and Janceen Spies McGlinchey; his sister-in-law, Judy Whitehurst; other relatives and a host of friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Theodore Aldolphus Whitehurst; his mother, Ruby Lee Brumlow Whitehurst; his brother Billy Whitehurst; his sister, Nancy Whitehurst Spies; and his niece, Marianna Whitehurst. Magnolia Funeral Home is entrusted with the arrangements.

PAUL DAVIS MCKINNIE

JANUARY 26, 1950-NOVEMBER 17, 2016

Paul Davis McKinnie of Bolivar died suddenly on Thursday November 17, 2016 in Jackson. Paul was born on January 26, 1950 to the late Bernice McKinnie Turner and raised by the late Willie D. Turner, Sr. of Hardeman County.

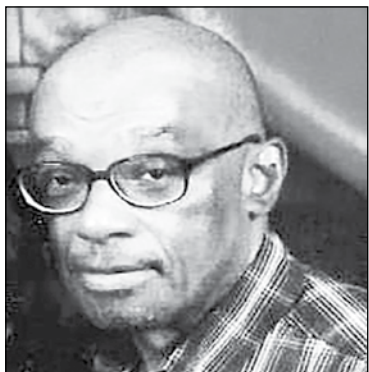
His funeral service was held on Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at 10 a.m. at Jerome Boyd Chapel at Dixie Funeral Home in Bolivar with Reverend Robert Lee Williams in charge. Burial was in the National Cemetery (Corinth, MS).

Paul confessed his faith in Christ at an early age at New Hope Baptist Church in Hickory Valley, TN. He graduated from Bolivar Industrial School in 1969. He joined the United States Air Force during which he deployed to Vietnam. When he returned home to take care of his beloved mother, he also met the love of his life and soulmate Ammie Strickland. Throughout this 42 year union, one daughter Casandra McKinnie-Dawson and one daughter of his heart LaTonya-Jones Marsh was born.

Paul was such a humble and loving man he raised his brothers, sisters, nephews, and grandchildren as his own as he promised his mother who preceded him in death. He also was hardworking and dedicated. Paul worked at Harmon Automotive for 23 years and Jackson Madison County General Hospital for 18+ years where he worked in the Security Department until his untimely death on November 17, 2016.

Paul was preceded in death by his mother Bernice McKinnie Turner; step-father Willie D. Turner, Sr. (Pops); grandmother Ocie McKinnie; two brothers: Willie D. Turner Jr. (June) and Robert Turner (Bobby); two sisters: Marie Turner and Joyce Ann Hayes; and twin siblings who died at childbirth.

Paul leaves behind his wife, friend, and soulmate Ammie Strickland, two daughters: LaTonya Jones-Marsh and Casandra (Thomas) McKinnie-Dawson. Eight grandchildren that he was instrumental in raising: Felisha Jones, Quinnterious marsh, Nykolas Dawson, Keyuanna Marsh, Gerrika Jones, Martavious marsh, Tre-tavious Marsh, and Danterrious Jones-Marsh. He was very involved in Ammie's older children lives: Teresa Jenkins, Harold Jenkins and Fredrick Triplet. Five grandchildren (especially Arsenio Jenkins), one great grandson: Rubin Seymore Jr. Paul also had two nephews he raised Linnard (Crystal) Turner and Maderick (Kendra) Turner. Two brothers Donald Turner, Osie (James) Polk and Brenda Turner. One special Aunt whom he loved dearly Lou Willie Gills and mother-in-law Mary Jenkins. He also leaves to cherish his memories a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.



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LILLIAN VIRGINIA MOSS MARCH 22, 1945-NOVEMBER 18, 2016

Lillian Virginia Moss, 71, of Bolivar died on Friday, November 18, 2016 after a illness. She was born on March 22, 1945 to the late M.L. Moss and Frances A. Bradford Moss.

God in his infinite wisdom, dispatched an angel to Jackson General Hospital to retrieve the soul of Ms. Lillian V. Moss from her ailing body and carried her to a place of rest to await the return of our savior, Jesus Christ.

Her funeral service was held on Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Campbell Chapel MB Church-Bolivar with Pastor Jerry Crisp in charge. Burial was in the Church Cemetery and Dixie Funeral Home was in charge of the professional service.

Lillian entered this world the seventh child born to Mr. M. L. and Mrs. Frances Moss, three sisters, Beulah Woods, Margaret, and Mozella Moss preceded her in death.

Lillian was a lifelong resident of Bolivar, TN, and a graduate of Bolivar Industrial High School. She received spiritual nurturing as a child at Springfield M. B. Church. Later in life she rededicated her life to Christ and became a member of Union Hill M. B. Church under the leadership of Pastor Jerry Crisp. She remained a member until her demise.

Lillian was blessed with three children to nurture and train; one son and two daughters. She was a working mother, employed in food Service at Pine Meadows Healthcare. She retired after 20 years due to health problems. She taught her children the value of; love for God and one another, honesty, education and hard work. They grew up to be productive citizens, and are raising their children to be the same.

Lillian Virginia Moss made her transition on Friday, November 18, 2016 leaving behind memories that will be cherished by her children: Mr. Victor (Tracy) Moss, Mrs. Patsy (Donnie) Allen, Bolivar, TN, and Ms. Tonia Moss, Jackson, TN; ten grandchildren, seven great grandchildren; two sisters: Mrs. Viril Shirley of Bolivar, TN, and Ms. Mamie Moss of Chicago, IL.; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. Special friends: Ms. Annie Buggs and Ms. Henrietta Walton will also cherish fond memories shared in the life of Lillian.

JONATHON WILBANKS MAY 25, 1998-NOVEMBER 6, 2016

Jonathon Auston-Hale Wilbanks, 18 of Pocahontas, TN passed way at his home on Sunday, November 6, 2016. Funeral services were on Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. at Oak Grove Independent Methodist Church - Pocahontas, TN with burial in Community Pentecostal Church Cemetery. Visitation was Monday, November 21, 2016 from 5 p.m.-9 p.m. and Tuesday, November 22, 2016 from 1 p.m. until service time at Oak Grove Independent Methodist Church.

Jonathon was born May 25, 1998 in Jackson, TN. He worked construction for Southern Construction and was of the Christian faith. Jonathon is survived by his mother: Autumn Richardson- Middleton, TN; step-father: Eddie Richardson - Middleton, TN; sisters: Ashley Kaitlyn Wilbanks (Jesse Collins) Pocahontas, TN; Madison Elizabeth Richardson - Middleton, TN; paternal Grandparents: Sissy Wilbanks- Pocahontas, TN; Johnny Hugh Wilbanks and wife Rita- Walnut, MS; maternal Grandmother: Mary Elizabeth Sanders- Saulsbury, TN; nephew: Jon Wesley Collins - Pocahontas, TN; aunts: Amy Agee(Jesse), Ann Baxter (Buddy), Machel Park (Tim), Patsy McMillan, Becky Doudy (Donald), Linda Durman(Walter); uncles: Shane Voyles, Brandon Wilbanks (Melanie), Bobby Taylor (Tiffany), Bob Taylor (Diane), Chris Taylor (Amy), Kenneth Sanders; numerous cousins, other relatives and a host of friends. he is preceded in death by his father: Johnny Hale Wilbanks; maternal Grandfather- Howard Leon Sanders and step grandparents: Billy and Julia Richardson. Pallbearers will be James Sanders, Andrew McAlpin, Cory Childress, Chase Vaughn, Scott Vaughn, Josh Feathers, Austin Burnette and Dillon Gibson
Bro. Jimmy Rich, Bro. Wayne Flake and Bro. Terrell Gatewood will be officiating the service.



THANK YOU

The family of Mabel Louise Andrews is grateful for your prayers and is touched by your love, concern, support and other expressions of sympathy during her time of illness and death. You have touched our hearts and made our spirits humble. Thank you to all of her church family and friends in the community.

LICIE JEANETTE WEST YORK OCTOBER 22, 1944-NOVEMBER 15, 2016

Licie Jeanette West York, 72 of Bolivar departed this life on Tuesday, November 15 at Jackson Madison County General Hospital. Mrs. York was born on October 22, 1944 in Serles, Tennessee to the late Newman and Sadie Sisco West.

Mrs. York is survived by her son, Michael Perry of Hickory Valley, Tennessee, daughter, Rhonda Hill (Charles) of Bolivar, Tennessee and daughter, Angela Watkins of Middleton, Tennessee.

She also leaves behind her grandchildren Kyle Bynum, Aaron Watkins, Morgan Hill, Rebekah Perry, Karra Watkins, Christian Perry, Dylan Hill, Noah Watkins, Andrew Hill, Ryan Perry and Daniel Hill and one great grandchild, Drake Stamey. Arrangements were provided by cremation and funeral services of Tennessee.

The family requests memorial donations in Mrs. York's name be made to the American Diabetes Foundation, www.diabetes.org/donate and also to the American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org/donate.



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EDNA'S PAGE

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Titus in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. What does Hebrews 9 say it will do when Christ appears for a second time? *Awake the Heavens, Start anew, Save those who look for Him, Cease all evil*
3. Where is the Codex Sinaiticus, the oldest complete Bible in existence? *Smithsonian, Hall of Jerusalem, British Museum, Vatican*
4. Which hour mentioned in the Bible means the last possible moment that something can be done? *First, Second, Eleventh, Twelfth*
5. From Revelation, the lion of the tribe of Judah will open which book? *Life, Everlasting torment, Death, Seven Seals*
6. What Philistine city was home to Goliath? *Jericho, Bethel, Gaza, Gath*

Sports QUIZ

by Chris Richcreek

1. Who was the last Kansas City Royals player before Kendrys Morales in 2015 to belt three home runs in a game?
2. Between 1970 and 2000, who hit the most triples in any one major-league season?
3. In 2015, QB Christian Hackenberg became the all-time passing yards leader (8,318) at Penn State. Who had held the mark?
4. When was the last time before 2014-15 (Kyrie Irving) that an NBA player had two games of 55 or more points in the same season?
5. Of the previous 10 NHL Hart Memorial Trophy winners (league MVP), five have been either Alex Ovechkin or Sidney Crosby. Name three of the other five.
6. In 2016, Christian Pulisic (17 years, 253 days) became the youngest player to score a goal for the U.S. men's national soccer team. Who had been the youngest?
7. How many times did Ken Norton go the distance in a heavyweight boxing match against Muhammad Ali?

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. FOOD & DRINK: What is another name for the filbert nut?
2. TELEVISION: What was Chandler's last name on the comedy series "Friends"?
3. ARCHITECTURE: Who designed the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C.?
4. LANGUAGE: Where did the term "the blind leading the blind" originate?
5. MYTHOLOGY: In one of Hercules' fabled labors, he had to slay a beast that kept sprouting new heads. What was its name?
6. U.S. CITIES: What city carries the nickname "Iron City"?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: The direction of starboard on a boat means what?
8. LITERATURE: What famous Latin American author wrote the novel "The General in his Labyrinth"?
9. MUSIC: Where did the Rolling Stones get their name?
10. MONEY: Prior to the euro, what was the name of Greece's currency?

FLASHBACK

POP ROCK & SOUL TRIVIA BY MICK HARPER

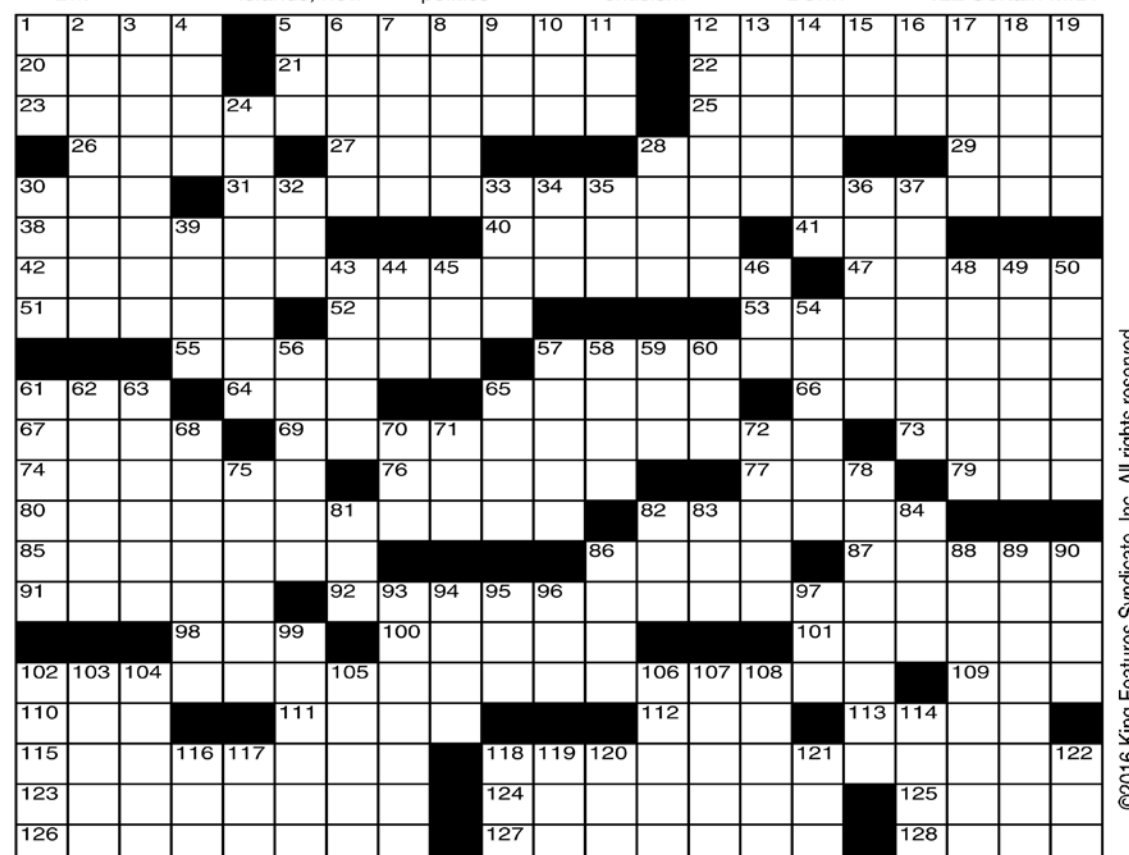
1. Which Chattanooga group was originally called The Roosters?
2. Name the Canadian group that netted its second gold record with "Laughing."
3. Who released "Tiger Feet" in 1974?
4. Which Heatwave song made it to the R&B charts in 1977?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "The old house is still standing tho' the paint is cracked and dry, and there's that old oak tree I used to play on."

EDNA'S PUZZLES ANSWERS ON A11

Super Crossword

NOTED PHRASES

- ACROSS**
- 1 Neighbor of Chile
 - 5 Chemist's outerwear
 - 12 Some captives
 - 20 Copies
 - 21 Magic's city
 - 22 Fearmonger
 - 23 Centennial State
 - 24 pageant winner
 - 25 Start to chew
 - 26 Clinic fluids
 - 27 Enjoy a meal
 - 28 DVR biggie
 - 29 Baste, e.g.
 - 30 Text giggle
 - 31 Output of Tolkien
 - 38 Highly skilled people
 - 40 Prudential competitor
 - 41 "— found it!"
 - 42 Member of a noted racecar-driving family
 - 47 Surplus item
 - 51 Be a cast member of
 - 52 Oklahoma tribe member
 - 53 Placed in the middle, to a Brit
 - 55 The NBA's "King James"
 - 57 120-Down character
 - 61 Uru, neighbor
 - 64 Wildlife lair
 - 65 Proverb
 - 66 Add liberally
 - 67 Most August newborns
 - 69 Popular energy drink
 - 73 Anderson of "WKRP in Cincinnati"
 - 74 Rome's country, in French
 - 76 "Für —" (piano piece)
 - 77 Sun, e.g.
 - 79 — Moines, Iowa
 - 80 Prism, cone or sphere
 - 82 Beach shoe
 - 85 Stands for hot dishes
 - 86 Melody
 - 87 "Salud!" say
 - 91 Dutch genre painter Jan
 - 92 Port-au-Prince's land
 - 98 No. on a road sign
 - 100 Navigator Islands, now
 - 101 Cry upon release
 - 102 1991 Denzel Washington film
 - 109 Gave a meal
 - 110 Hubbub
 - 111 Chiang Mai native
 - 112 Johnny —
 - 113 Pool coverer
 - 115 Open ocean
 - 118 Parts of it appear at both the starts and ends of this puzzle's eight theme phrases
 - 123 Bel Air resident, e.g.
 - 124 Funicello of the screen
 - 125 Cry in church
 - 126 Nonclerical females
 - 127 "Possibly"
 - 128 Veg out, say
 - 7 Make swollen
 - 8 Magna —
 - 9 — par with
 - 10 Stick in
 - 11 Moreover
 - 12 Natural home
 - 13 With 84-Down, lunchmeat with pimiento
 - 14 Goal in Zen Buddhism
 - 15 Uno plus due
 - 16 French bud
 - 17 Knife of TV ads
 - 18 Oxalate, e.g.
 - 19 Vermont ski town
 - 24 Wearing a lounge robe
 - 28 Color a little
 - 30 Tibetan priest
 - 32 Ending for enzymes
 - 33 She sang "Smooth Operator"
 - 34 "— darn tootin'!"
 - 35 4G — (T-Mobile offering)
 - 36 Retaliate
 - 37 Like some criticism
 - 39 Singer Ochs
 - 43 Actor Greene
 - 44 — Z
 - 45 Luc's denial
 - 46 Chilling stuff
 - 48 Camera stand
 - 49 Fixed up
 - 50 Studmuffin
 - 54 West Germany's Ludwig
 - 56 Deprived
 - 57 Not genuine
 - 58 Wheel turner
 - 59 Little jerk
 - 60 Patients' gp.
 - 61 First groups of invitees
 - 62 Snappy reply
 - 63 Net minder
 - 65 California's — Woods
 - 68 Splinters
 - 70 MBA, say
 - 71 — ray Disc
 - 72 Feature of the word "go"
 - 75 — Kit (police tool)
 - 78 Tub traction aids
 - 81 Medit. land
 - 82 "Or — hear"
 - 83 From way back: Abbr.
 - 84 See 13-Down
 - 86 Shut angrily
 - 88 Structure of a plane without the engine
 - 89 Belfry locales
 - 90 Knotted
 - 93 Quarterback Boomer
 - 94 Spanish for "daddy"
 - 95 Ball caller
 - 96 "Sk8er —" (2002 hit)
 - 97 Chick — -A
 - 99 Hold dear
 - 102 Taj —
 - 103 Singer Menzel
 - 104 Drenched
 - 105 1953 Alan Ladd title role
 - 106 Disney mermaid
 - 107 Religious branches
 - 108 Die down
 - 114 Rent —
 - 116 Chop down
 - 117 — -mo
 - 118 Animal gullet
 - 119 A, in France
 - 120 '75 TV debut
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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DIFFICULTY: ★★
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The Maxwell's Stay-at-Home Gourmet

Spinach Stuffed Mushrooms

- Ingredients**
- 1-1/2 cups hot water
 - 1 pkg. (6 oz.) STOVE TOP Stuffing Mix for Chicken
 - 40 fresh mushrooms (2 lb.)
 - 2 Tbsp. butter
 - 2 cloves garlic, minced
 - 1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen chopped spinach, thawed, well drained
 - 1 cup KRAFT Shredded Low-Moisture Part-Skim Mozzarella Cheese
 - 1 cup KRAFT Grated Parmesan Cheese

- Directions**
- Heat oven to 400°F.
 - Add hot water to stuffing mix in large bowl; stir just until moistened.
 - Remove stems from mushrooms; chop stems. Melt butter in skillet on medium heat.
 - Add chopped stems and garlic; cook and stir 5 min. or until tender. Add to stuffing with spinach and cheeses; mix well.
 - Spoon stuffing mixture into mushroom caps; place, filled sides up, in shallow pan.
 - Bake 20 min. or until mushrooms are tender and filling is heated through



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GOVERNMENT

HARDEMAN COUNTY POLICE REPORTS

Walter Keith Adams, 59, 48 Church Street, Saulsberry, TN, Seatbelt law, DUI 1st offense, bond \$5,000, court date 01/20 (released)

Justin Aaron Burnette, 27, 1745 Airways Blvd, Jackson, TN, 2 counts Violation of Probation, no bond, court date 12/2 (released)

Donmarrius Trevonte Coby, 245 English St., Bolivar, TN, Poss of sch VI w/intent to resale, Poss of Drug paraphernalia, Driv on suspended 1st offense, Speeding, No insurance, no bond, court date 1/10 (held)

Scotty Dashun Edwards, 24, 206 Janice Rd., Bolivar, TN, Failure to appear, Theft of property, Aggravated assault, Poss of a firearm attempt felony, Aggravated robbery, 9 counts Aggravated assault, 5 counts aggravated robbery, bond \$165,000, court date 1/10 (held)

Markus Marcell Gibbs, 38, 373 W Clear Lake Dr., Nashville, TN, Refused to sign traffic citation, no bond, court date 1/27 (released)

Anna Belle Groah, 43, 395 Adams Way, Middleton, TN, 2 counts Identity theft, bond \$7,500, court date 12/6 (released)

Mark Anthony Harp, 28, 362 Washburn Dr., Memphis, TN, Driv on sus 2nd offense, Disregarding stop sign, Poss cont subs w/intent to man/sel/del, Sch II, Poss of firearm attempt commit felon, bond \$25,000, court date 1/10 (held)

Aldirva Durrane Herron, 29, 2210 Patriot Dr., Murfreesboro,

TN, Poss od sch VI w/intent to resale, Poss of drug paraphernalia, Driv while suspended 2nd offense, bond \$20,000, court date 12/16 (released)

Paul Anthony Herron, 47, 2100 Chapleau Rd., Bolivar, TN, Contempt of court, bond \$1,200, court date 12/15 (held)

Michael Kakoa Kuret, 28, 1220 Schoolhouse Rd., Selmer, TN, Theft from \$1,000-\$10,000, bond \$7,500, court date 1/10 (held)

Monterio Juan Luellen, 31, 245 Greenfield Ln., Grand Junction, TN, Driv on revoked 2nd, Evading by locomotion, Evading arrest, Disregarding stop sign, Railroad crossing stop reg, Commit insurance fraud, bond \$25,000, court date 12/9 (released)

Brandy Faye Lusk, 18, 442 Foxworth Dr., Saulsberry, TN, Theft of property less than \$500, Simple possession, no bond, court date 12/2 (released)

Gary Leon Mason, 55, 450 Jenkins Rd., Grand Junction, TN, Violation of probation, bond \$2,500, court date 12/2 (released)

Terry Wayne Maybury, 39, 1995 Hwy 64, Whiteville, TN, Contempt of court, bond \$300, court date 12/15 (released)

Yorvin Ronaldo Sol Morales, 522 Mifflin Ave., Henderson, TN, Driv under influence, No driver's license, seat belt law, Due

care pedestrians, No insurance, Reckless driving, bond \$20,000, court date 1/27 (released)

Eric West O'Neal, 29, 49700 Forrest Hill Rd., Bolivar, TN, Driv under influence, No license, Violation of registration, No insurance, bond \$10,000, court date 1/27 (held)

Tasha Shante Pruitt, 18, 1505 E. Chester St., Jackson, TN, Poss/drink of beer by minor, bond \$5,000, court date 12/9 (released)


Sidney Alvin Sims, 18, 175 Main St., Pocahontas, TN., Driv under influence, Reckless endangerment, Reckless driving, Unlawful drug paraphernalia, Failure to exercise due care, no bond, court date 1/20 (held)

Andrekus Rashad Tomlinson, 25, 103 Young Rd., Apt#2104, Bolivar, TN, Disregarding traffic sign, Driving on suspended, no bond, court date 1/27 (released)

Corey Allen Williams, 30, 85 Deberry, Savannah, TN, Violation of probation circuit, bond \$100,000, court date 12/2 (held)

JB LaFayette Williams, 48, 2995 Hwy 138, Toone, TN, DUI 3rd offense, Driv on revoked DL due to DUI 3rd, Open container, Expired tags, bond \$15,000, court date 12/9 (held)

Fontell Latrice Woods, 26, 511 Johnson St. #A, Bolivar, TN, Fraud, bond \$10,000, court date 12/6 (released)



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Not all Veterans return home in perfect condition. Some may call them disabled, but I call them heroes. For those who don't return home at all, I would like to send the biggest Thank You ever to heaven. I would also like to send a prayer to every one of you and your families.

This is my prayer for you, Veterans:
Dear God,
Thank you for providing these men and women with hearts so strong and brave. Thank you for always being with them on the battle field. Bless them with strong minds and even stronger hearts. Please continue to watch over and bless their families. Amen.
With great gratitude,
Chardasia Green

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BUSINESS

Simmons First National Buys First South Bank

Simmons First National Corporation announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement and plan of merger with Hardeman County Investment Company, Inc., headquartered in Jackson, Tennessee, including its wholly-owned bank subsidiary, First South Bank. According to the terms of the Agreement, Simmons First National Corporation will acquire all of the outstanding common stock of Hardeman in a transaction valued at approximately \$72.2 million (based on the Company's common stock ten-day average closing price as of November 15, 2016).

"The combination of First South Bank and Simmons Bank presents a great opportunity for additional growth with expanded products and services in markets very important to our company. The addition of First South Bank strengthens our presence in western Tennessee and gives us a partner that shares common goals,

First South Bank/Hardeman's Financial Highlights (as of September 30, 2016):

- Assets: \$464 million
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- Branches: 10 in western Tennessee, including Bolivar, Middleton and Grand Junction.

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"We at Hardeman are thrilled about the merger of our company with Simmons," said C. Edward "Ed" Woodside, Hardeman's Chairman. "Simmons' roots in similar markets and commitment to meeting the financial service needs of its customers give me every confidence that we have found the perfect strategic partner. We are excited about the additional products and services Simmons brings to the table for our customers, and we have no doubt that our associates will benefit from being a part of a fast-growing, top-notch banking organization."

Under the terms of the Agreement, each outstanding share of

common stock and equivalents of Hardeman will be converted into the right to receive 4.8393 shares of the Company's common stock and \$181.47 in cash, all subject to certain conditions and potential adjustments. Completion of the transaction is expected in the first quarter of 2017 and is subject to certain closing conditions, including approval by Hardeman's shareholders and customary regulatory approvals. After closing, FSB is expected to continue operations as a separate bank subsidiary of Simmons for an interim period until it is merged into Simmons Bank.

Simmons is a financial holding company, headquartered in Pine Bluff, Ark., with total assets of \$8.2 billion conducting financial operations throughout Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Tennessee. The Company, through its subsidiaries, offers comprehensive financial solutions delivered with a client-centric approach. The Company's common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "SFNC."



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Feeding the Hungry for the Holidays

by Jessica Simmons



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MABEL LOUISE ANDREWS MARCH 7, 1922-NOVEMBER 11, 2016

Mabel Louise McKinnie Andrews, the oldest child of Jeff Edward and Ruby Duncan McKinnie was born March 7, 1922 in Hardeman County near Hickory Valley, Tennessee. At the age of seven Mabel's mother died and her father married Ms. Rachel V. Cook who became her loving stepmother. Mabel grew up in a happy and loving home with her four sisters and one brother. Her parents, sister Dorothy and brother Jeff preceded her in death. She made her transition on Friday, November 11, 2016 at her home surrounded by her family.

Her funeral service was held on Saturday November 19, 2016 at Greater Springfield MB Church-Bolivar with Reverend Robert Parham in charge. Burial was in the Bolivar Community Cemetery and Dixie Funeral Home was in charge of the professional service.

Her parents were strong believers in education in spite of all the work to be done on the farm. Mabel and her siblings were never prevented from attending school. She received her education in the public schools of Hardeman County, graduating in 1940 as Valedictorian of her class from Allen-White High School. In 1944 she received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Lane College, and subsequently earned her Master of Library Science degree from George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee.

Upon the completion of her Bachelor's degree Mabel was inspired to serve others through teaching. She began her teaching career in 1944. Her first teaching jobs were at Hillfield and Bishop. She then returned to Allen-White as a first grade teacher. After ten years at Allen-White, she moved to Bolivar and taught English at Bolivar Industrial High School. Her last years in the school system were spent at Bolivar Elementary School as a librarian, and as a classroom teacher until her retirement in 1988.

Her service to mankind was exemplified through her efforts in the church, community and sorority. She dedicated her life to Christ at an early age. While growing up, Mabel and her family were faithful members of Mays Hill Baptist Church in Hickory Valley. After relocating to Bolivar, she joined Greater Springfield Missionary Baptist Church and served faithfully as a Sunday school teacher, a member of the choir, Building Fund Committee, and the Mothers Board. In 2010 the church dedicated the "Mabel Andrews Fellowship Hall" in her honor.

Over the years Mabel was affiliated with a number of professional civic and service organizations. These included; The Board of Directors of the Bolivar Library and Southwest Area Agency on Aging and Disability, The Committee for the Preservation of the Bolivar Community Cemetery, The NAACP, The Hardeman County Retired Teachers Association, Girl Scouts, and Fishes and Loaves. In 1942 she was inducted as a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated at Lane College. She was an active and dedicated member for seventy four years. She served as Gamma Alpha Omega Chapter President (1964-1965), was voted Most Precious Pearl (1996), known as a Golden Soror for more than fifty years of service and served in many other leadership roles.

On June 6, 1944, Mabel was united in holy wedlock to Gaston Herbert Andrews Jr. To this union two children were born, Ruby Elizabeth and Gaston Jeffrey. She was known for her love and devotion to her family. She was a caring and dedicated mother who continuously showered her family with love, advice, and caring support. She also enjoyed a wonderful relationship with her siblings, and being the matriarch of her family. Mabel was well known and respected for being a kind-hearted and generous person who didn't hesitate to help others.

Mabel was loved and cherished by her family. Left to hold dear her memory is her husband of seventy-two years, Gaston Herbert Andrews, Jr. her two children Ruby Elizabeth (Douglas) Pleasure, Pacifica, CA; Gaston Jeffrey (Jo Etta) Andrews, Montgomery, AL. Mabel was also blessed with beautiful grandchildren: Marcie (Rodney) Ivy, Okolona, MS; Melissa Andrews, Antioch, TN; Nicholas (Sarah) Pleasure, Wilsonville, OR; Melody Andrews, Greensboro, NC; Michelle Andrews, Huntsville, AL; and two great grandchildren, Donovan and Jamilla Ivy, one great great-grandchild, Royce Amir Ivy; three sisters, Ruby G. Kennedy, Bolivar, TN; Anna Hodges, Upper Marlboro, MD; Ruth Strahom, Cincinnati, OH; three sister-in laws, Dr. Ila Wells, Elizabeth McKinnie, Bolivar, TN; Nancy Clemons, East Saint Louis, MO; one brother-in-law, Dr. Fred Lofton, Memphis, TN; and a host of nieces, nephews, friends, relatives and a loving church family.



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Time for a Year-end Investment Review

With the holiday season upon us, you may well be busier than usual. However, by spending a few minutes reviewing your investment scenario of this past year, you can see where you've been, where you might be going, and what you need to do to keep moving forward toward your long-term financial goals.

So, as you look back at 2016, pay close attention to these elements of your investment picture:

- Performance – Reviewing your investment performance over time is important in helping you determine if you're on track to achieve your financial goals. So, in evaluating how your investments did in 2016, ask yourself some key questions: How did your investments do relative to their performance in past years? If there was a big difference, what might have accounted for it? Were your returns relevant to your long-term goals? In other words, if you have already established a return rate you'll need to reach your goals – and you should indeed set such a rate – were your actual returns "on track" to help you make progress toward your objectives? And, just as importantly, were your return expectations realistic, based on your investment mix and the market environment?

- Investment mix – If you are a diligent investor following a well-designed strategy, you probably started out in 2016 with an investment mix that reflects your risk tolerance, time horizon, and short- and long-term goals. But over time, your investment mix can change, even without your having done so on purpose. If you owned a certain percentage of an asset, such as growth stocks, and those stocks appreciated in price substantially, they could take up a larger percentage of your portfolio than you had intended, thereby exposing you to a higher risk level than that with which you are comfortable. So now that the year is coming to a close, examine your investment mix to see if it needs "rebalancing."

- Contribution levels – Are you taking full advantage of your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan? Specifically, if you got a raise this past year, did you boost your contributions to your plan? The more you invest now, and throughout your working life, the less likely it will be that you have to play "catch up" in the years immediately preceding your retirement.

- Mistakes – We all make mistakes in every walk of life – including the way we invest. In looking back over 2016, can you spot some investment mistakes you might have made? Did you temporarily "bail out" on investing immediately after the "Brexit" vote, only to find, a few weeks later, that the markets had soared to record highs? Did you act on impulse and buy a so-called "hot" stock that turned out to be inappropriate for your needs and risk level? While mistakes like these might be costly in the short term, they can ultimately prove invaluable – if you learn from them.

We're just about ready to turn the page on the 2016 calendar. So, as you review your investment decisions for the past year, try to determine what worked, what didn't – and what you can do to improve your results in 2017.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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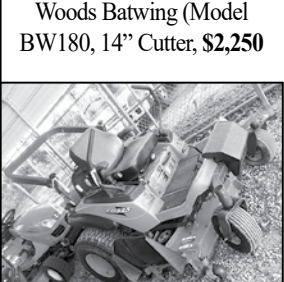
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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HARDEMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

PROBATE NO. P-2048

ESTATE OF GORDON EVERETT SMALLEY late of Hardeman County, Tennessee

Notice is Hereby Given that on the 15th day of November, 2016, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of Gordon Everett Smalley, deceased, who died November 2, 2016, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Clerk of Hardeman County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required by law to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

All persons indebted to the above Estate must come forward and make proper settlement with the undersigned at once.

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- Review the subdivision plat for Mr. Ben Rudd. This property is zoned Forestry, Agricultural, and Residential. The property address is Hwy 18 N; Toone Tn. and identified on Tax Map 034 Parcel 15.02.
- Training
Geneva Cossar, Zoning Compliance Officer

Tippah Electric Power Association Annual Meeting Notice

Tippah Electric Power Association will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2016, at the Tippah Electric office building, 109 East Cooper St., Ripley, MS at 6 p.m.

NOTICE

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HARDEMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

PROBATE NO. P-2050

ESTATE OF JERRY GREEN JAMES late of Hardeman County, Tennessee

Notice is Hereby Given that on the 22nd day of November, 2016, Letters Of Administration in respect of the Estate of Jerry Green James, deceased, who died August 21, 2016, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Clerk of Hardeman County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required by law to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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This 22nd day of November, 2016.

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Week Three: Randi Smith, Bolivar
Week Four: Tony Kirk, Bolivar
Week Five: Lindsey Maxwell, Bolivar
Week Six: Carly Weems, Bolivar
Week Seven: Pam Fawcett, Bolivar
Week Eight: Chase Garrison, Selmer
Week Nine: Butch Ross, Bolivar
Week Ten: Susan Madden, Bolivar
Week Eleven: Ben Hyman, Bolivar
Week Twelve: Greg Vaughan, Bolivar
Week Thirteen: LaDuante Parham, Whiteville

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score for weekly winners.

Table with 2 columns: Team Competition and Total score.

Grand Prize: La-Z-Boy Recliner from Weems Furniture



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EDNA'S PAGE ANSWERS FROM A6

BIBLE TRIVIA

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Save those who look for Him; 3) British Museum; 4) Eleventh; 5) Seven Seals; 6) Gath

FLASH BACK

- 1. The Impressions. The group was inducted into the 1998 Grammy Hall of Fame for their hit "People Get Ready."
2. The Guess Who, in 1969. It came out first on their "Canned Wheat" album.
3. Mud. The song played a part in the 2012 Summer Olympics opening ceremony in London.
4. "Boogie Nights," later covered by KC and the Sunshine Band.
5. "Green, Green Grass of Home," by Tom Jones in 1966. In the song, a man dreams that he's back at his childhood home, but awakes to find himself a prisoner on death row. The song was first released on the country charts in 1965, but it was Jones who made it a worldwide No. 1 hit.

SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. Danny Tartabull, in 1991 versus Oakland.
2. Willie Wilson (1985, Kansas City) and Lance Johnson (1996, New York Mets) each hit 21 in a season.
3. Zack Mills, who passed for 7,212 yards (2001-04).
4. Kobe Bryant, during the 2006-07 season (he had three such games).
5. Henrik Sedin, Corey Perry, Evgeni Malkin, Carey Price and Patrick Kane.
6. Juan Agudelo was 17 years, 359 days old when he scored a goal in 2010.
7. Three times, with Norton winning one of them.

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

Sudoku grid with numbers 1-9.

Go Figure!

answers

Arithmetic problems and answers: 5x4+6=26, 9div1+4=13, 2+7x3=27, 28, 21, 27

TRIVIA TEST

- 1. Hazelnut
2. Bing
3. Architect Maya Lin
4. Hindu texts, the Upanishads. The phrase also appears in the Bible.
5. Hydra
6. Pittsburgh
7. The right side of a boat when looking forward
8. Gabriel Garcia Marquez
9. From a Muddy Waters blues song
10. The drachma

Super Crossword

Answers

Crossword grid with answers filled in.

SPORTS

Star PT Hardeman County Sports Notes

LaDuante Parham of Whiteville was one of five players who picked seven of nine games correctly in the final week of the 2016 SEC Football Pickem Contest. Parham won the drawing and was the weekly winner in the 6th Annual SEC Football Pickem Contest.

Jessica Malone of Saulsburly picked five correct and edged out five other players to win the overall contest.

Her total of 87 was one better than Steve Whitten of Ramer, Eva Reynolds of Bolivar, Tim Malone of Saulsburly, Tommy Sain of Bolivar and Hayden Lanier of Middleton. Jessica wins a La-Z-Boy recliner from Weems Furniture in Bolivar.

The contest, which has players pick every SEC football game prior to the season, has weekly winners courtesy of Home Run Pizzeria and the *Bulletin Times*, and this year, the contest included an optional team competition. Stacked with Moores (Ken Moore, Megan Moore, Chris Moore and Jordan Stack), who led since week two, beat www.weemswillwin (Johnny, Laura, Darby, and Carly Weems) by a single game.

The team competition winner receives a dinner for eight at Home Run Pizzeria.

See A11 for final standings.

The Delta Waterfowl Banquet will be December 2 at 6:00 p.m. at 10000 Lake Hardeman Road. There will be dinner, live and silent auction, and door prizes supporting the Hatchie Town Chapter. For more information call 731 439-3470.

The Bolivar Parks and Recreation Department is holding sign ups for youth basketball leagues.

The deadline for players 6-10 years of age is December 15, with an entry fee of \$25 per player.

Sign-up for all leagues can be done at the Bolivar Municipal Center weekdays from 3:00-4:30 weekdays. Call 658-PLAY for more information.

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Hardeman County Sports Scoreboard

November 28

Whiteville Girls 36 Middleton 13
 Whiteville Boys 61 Middleton 42
 Savannah Christian 40 Toone Girls Basketball 17
 Savannah Christian 60 Toone Boys Basketball 54

November 29

Middleton High School Girls Basketball 61 Liberty 34
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 Bolivar Central Girls Basketball 69 Jackson North Side 46
 Jackson North Side 70 Bolivar Central Boys Basketball 58



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When: Thursday, December 8th, 5:30 p.m.

Where: Bolivar Central High School Library

Who: For current seniors and their families

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Lady Tigers Move to 4-0

Bolivar Central went on a 13-0 run in the second quarter to fuel their 69-46 victory of Jackson North Side on November 29 at Bolivar Central High School.

Kamya Brown had 28 points, 8 rebounds and 5 assists lead the Lady Tigers, who are undefeated in their first four starts for the first time since 2007-2008.

"She is aggressive and doing great things for us," said Rudesill. "She has come a long way since last year."

Bolivar trailed 26-24 late in the first half, but a defensive surge pushed the Lady Tigers to a 37-28 halftime lead. The Lady Indians got within seven in the second half, but Bolivar pulled away for the win.

In the nightcap, Bolivar's boys team led 21-20 at the half, but gave up 12 offensive rebounds in the second half and fell 70-58 to drop to 0-4 on the season. Paris Taylor led Bolivar with 12 points, 10 rebounds, and 4 blocked shots.

In Middleton, the Lady Tigers and Tigers swept Liberty, winning the girls (2-1) game 61-34 behind 17 from Sequoia Warren and the boys game by a 77-66 count. Montez Jones scored 23 points for the boys, who also improve to 2-1.

Photo: Alexius Futrell had 20 for the Lady Tigers.

Photo by Nicka Smith.



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Free Throw Sharp Shooters Wanted

The Jackson area competition for the 41st Annual Elks National Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest will be Saturday, December 3. It will be held at Northside United Methodist Church, 2571 N. Highland Ave. in Jackson. Signups will begin at 8:00 and the competition will begin at 9:00 a.m.

The competition is open to all boys and girls ages 8 to 13. The contestants will compete in the age division they would be in, as of April 1, 2017. They will be competing in age groups as follows: 8-9; 10-11 and 12-13. The winners in each age group, three boys and three girls will be named Area Champions and will go on to compete in the District Hoop Shoot in Trenton.

Winners continue to advance through three tiers of competition for a chance to go to the National Finals in Chicago, IL on April 22, 2017. National Champions will have their names permanently inscribed in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

The Hoop Shoot is the largest sports program like it in the country. An estimated 2.5 million youth from across the country, ages 8 to 13, will enter the competition.



Whiteville Elementary Sweeps Middleton

Whiteville Elementary and Middleton Middle Schools showed their skills to the students in an 11:00 a.m. doubleheader on November 28 in Whiteville.

The Lady Lions began with a 36-13 victory over the Tigers and Whiteville continued their good fortune with a 61-42 victory in the boys game.

Whiteville will host the 2017 Area 6 Middle School Basketball tournament January 19-26.

Area 6 includes all Hardeman County teams plus Fayette East, Fayette West and St. Marys of Jackson. Photo by Jessica Simmons.



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PEARL HARBOR DAY

Hardeman County Remembered by Lisa Coleman

In just a few days, we will remember the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 – the 75th anniversary of that day. If you are ever in Hawaii, you really must go to the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument; it is one of the most moving places I have ever visited. On the day I was there, there happened to be a group of gentlemen from all over New England who had been stationed somewhere or the other in Hawaii in December 1941.

Part of that group was on the same boat I rode on over to the Arizona Memorial, and I found myself sitting next to a gentleman from the group. I introduced myself and thanked him; he gave me a big hug and whispered a tearful “thank you for remembering”. I asked him if this was the first time he had been back and he said he had been back once before; I asked him where he was that day; this was his story.

“Me and some of my buddies actually had a day of liberty that day. It was an especially beautiful day and we had met some local girls and we were all going to go on a picnic on the beach – a real treat for some guys a long way from home. We were just leaving to drive to the other side of the island when one of the guys said, “those



planes sure are coming in close”. We found a radio and heard that there was some sort of attack going on; we took the girls back home, and headed back to the ships. What we saw when we got there was indescribable; it looked like the whole world was coming to an end. I could see those big, beautiful ships with all of that smoke coming out of them; I will never forget the noise of those planes overhead, one after the other. We just reported to the first officer we saw and spent the rest of the day trying to do whatever we could to help out. It was hard to believe it was happening.”

Just as he finished his story the boat pulled alongside the Memorial and we started to disembark. He gave me a big bear hug and said,

“please, always remember what happened here.” I didn’t see him again during the trip, but I never have forgotten his story or being on that hallowed spot with their group. Most all of them are gone now, many took their stories with them. At least one survivor of that day shared his story with me, and now I’ve had the chance to share it with all of you. I always remember all of them on each December 7.

It’s not every day of your life that you have a hero recount history on the very spot where it happened, but I did. Hug a veteran; say a prayer for those on active duty (and for their families too); and most of all, do what this gentleman asked me, “please always remember what happened”.

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City of Bolivar to Honor Fallen Soldier

The City of Bolivar and Bolivar Mayor Barrett Stevens will hold a memorial service for a soldier who died at Pearl Harbor that is buried in Hardeman County.

Seaman Second Class Luther Elvin Cisco is buried at Cearley Cemetery, located on Highway 18 North of Bolivar. The cemetery is located between Ebenezer Road and Pine Top Road.

Cisco, who was 20 years old when he died on December 7, 1941, was one of the 2,335 men killed during the attack that catapulted the United States of America into the Second World War.

The memorial, scheduled for December 7 at 10:00 a.m., will include with a color guard and playing of TAPS.

According to his obituary published at the time, Cisco was born and raised in Medon, Tennessee, and was a member of the Mercer Baptist Church.

He entered the U.S. Navy on January 9, 1940.

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