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Ine For the Money...One More to Go?

Chancellor Tony Childress offered criticism and money in his ruling on the salary lawsuit brought by Hardeman County Sheriff John Doolen, but Doolen's response might lead one to think he is not done bringing his needs to a court of law.

"It appears that the judge's order will collectively increase deputies and correctional officers' pay by about \$242,000 per year," began Doolen. "That is over \$140,000 more per year than what was agreed to in the Consent Order that the mayor had set aside. While our office still needs more to be competitive, the judge's ruling proves the mayor's opposition to the initial \$102,000 was wrong."

Doolen's assertion of \$242,000 includes raises given to his employees since the lawsuit was filed in July of 2019. An amount between \$130,000 and \$145,000 is expected to be added to current salary levels beginning January 1, 2021. Doolen said it's a good start.

"We are grateful that the judge has ruled in favor of the men and women who put their lives on the line for Hardeman County," he continued. "The judge's ruling should for the sheriff's department. mean that deputies get pay increases that are 22% more than they were making before we had to file the suit. Correctional officers (guards) should make between 14% and 27% more than they were making before we had to file suit. Other law enforcement and correctional officers also will benefit significantly."

Doolen's gratitude though, stopped short of satisfaction with where it puts him now.

"Still, the men and women of the sheriff's office will be paid far less than other law enforcement officers in our area. We still will be way understaffed. And we believe Hardeman County's citizens deserve better. The mayor and his lawyer refused to wrap every thing up in one lawsuit. So now we will have to go forward with the other case and try to get enough deputies and enough pay for deputies and jailers for the county."

Chancellor Childress began his report by saying Hardeman County Mayor Jimmy Sain was open to an increase

"The mayor acknowledged at the ning of the trial and during various other hearings in this matter that the sheriff's department was in need of additional funding," wrote Childress. "The sum of \$102,000 was the amount of additional funding typically mentioned by the mayor."

Childress did not make his ruling without criticism of the application process by the sheriff and Doolen's attorney, Roy Herron of Dresden.

"The application did not contain all the specific information required, but was instead very general in nature, which left the court to wonder what it was specifically the sheriff was requesting."

Childress made observations about the Hardeman County Sheriff's Department losing employees over the past few

"The marketplace for the human resource element of law continued on B3



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False Report Leads to Bolivar PD Crash

A Bolivar man is in jail following his arrest for filing a false report that contributed to a two-car crash of Bolivar Police Department vehicles.

According to the report obtained from the Bolivar Police Department, officers responded to 310 Sydney Circle for a burglary in progress after the caller stated his brother and his brother's girlfriend were stealing his car.

Upon arrival at the residence, Mr. George Bonner of Bolivar stated that Mario Bonner and Robinette Anderson had stolen his white Cherolet Camero.

As the officers tried to recover the-thoughtto-be-stolen vehicle, officers spotted the car at the intersection of Stevens Road and Market

A subsequent attempt to turn around to conduct a traffic stop of the vehicle resulted in a continued on A10





New City Council Member to Be Chosen

The Bolivar City Council is expected to choose a new member of the council on December 14 to replace the departed Page Walley, who was elected to the Tennessee Senate in November.

The deadline for resumes to be submitted to the City of Bolivar was noon on December 9 and putting in for the West Bolivar spot were Barbara Fitzhugh, Dylan Hill, Brad Grantham, and Joyce McKinnie Woods. The replacement councilperson will serve until the May 2021 election.

The first business the new councilperson will have is to vote on the second reading of the proposed pay raise for council members.

In November, the Bolivar City Council passed a raise to \$6,000 per year for each member on the first reading by a 4-2-1 vote. Walley did not vote on the issue.

The second vote, scheduled for the December 14 meeting, will have a public hearing prior to the vote on the change. In November, Melvin Golden, Suzanne Rhea, Carol Spinks, and Todd Lowe voted for the raise while Larry Crawford and Jonathan Joy voted no. Councilman Larry McKinnie abstained from the vote.



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Sing Your Heart Out for the American Cancer Society

Auditions for Hee Haw 2021 will be held at the Hardeman County Arts Council on Thursday, December 17, 2020 beginning at 6:30 p.m. If you have always wanted to be in the most successful Hee Haw show in Tennessee, now is your chance to shine. We need singers and musicians for a limited number of spots. If you are interested or have questions, please send email to: hardemanheehaw@gmail.com.

Guidelines for Auditions:

- 1. Bring your track, instruments or sing acapella;
- 2. Temperatures will be taken at the door;
- 3. Masks will be required except during audition performance;
- 4. Social distancing will be in effect;
- 5. Sign up sheets will be available upon arrival;

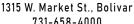
6. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

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Hee Haw in Hardeman County is scheduled to produce the show for a 42nd season, making it the longest continually running Hee Haw Show in the State of Tennessee, raising more than \$500,000 for the American Cancer Society.









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COMMUNITY NEWS

Toone
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Hello from Toone, where more and more of you are making your homes "Merry and Bright" with festive Christmas decorations and lights! Seeing such beautiful holiday decorations certainly helps uplift our spirits after what we all have been through during this crazy year 2020, that has been much less than festive. Thank to all of you who decorated your homes for everyone to enjoy.

More blue benches have been installed at Toone City Park. Natalie Sowder and Jackie Kelley have been quite busy in helping to get exercise and motivational

signs placed and installed in key areas throughout the park. When installation of the signs is completed at each station within the park you will find these signs with diagrams and instructions for low-impact exercises. The new lights, benches and exercise signs are all part of a grant that the town of Toone received to improve the park and help promote better health within our community. If you have not already done so, I urge you to visit our city park and utilize this nice facility.

Christmas break for all Hardeman County Schools begins, December 19, and students return to school, January 5. Students will go for only a half-day on December 18. I hope all of you kids and school faculty and staff enjoy this special time-off with your families during the holidays.

If you have not already noticed, we have a brand new business in Toone. Please join me in welcoming, "Rick's Lunch Box" food truck, located in the parking lot of Grantham's 100 Grocery at the intersection of Highway 100 and Highway 138. Ricky Grantham (who just happens to be Troy Grantham's nephew) is serving up a full menu of delicious sandwiches of all types, including burgers, hotdogs, Philly cheesesteak, BLT's, fried bologna and many, many more at very reasonable prices. I have already had a few of his sandwich creations, and they were quite tasty! So come on out to say hello and welcome Ricky to Toone, and while you are there, try one of his great sandwiches.

Attention all singers and musicians in Hardeman County. . . . Auditions for "Hee-Haw" 2021 will be held at the Hardeman County Arts Council Theater, Thursday, December 17, 2020, beginning at 6:30 p.m. If you have always wanted to perform in the most successful Hee-Haw show in Tennessee, now is your chance to shine. The show's music director, Jeff Shackelford says they needs singers and musicians for a limited number of spots. If you are interested or have any questions, please send an email to: hardemanheehaw@gmail.com.

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Happy Birthday go out to our Teague Community neighbor, Amy McCarver Eubanks, who celebrated her big day, December 5. From what I understand, Amy's husband, Brandon, her daughter, Amy, and her parents, Larry and Amelia McCarver all made sure her birthday was a very special time!

Our good friend and neighbor, Jerry Siler, celebrated his birthday, December 7. Jerry has served as Toone's Police Chief for many years, and is also the one responsible for obtaining many of the funding grants that the town receives. He is also responsible for the many pieces of military equipment that the Town of Toone has received through a special government program. These pieces of equipment are eventually sold and help fund the Toone Police and Fire Departments. If you see Jerry out and about, wish him a very happy birthday.

Happy Birthday to our good neighbor and town administrator, Sheila Meredith Lucius, who celebrated her big day, December 8. If you have a chance, stop by Toone City Hall and wish Sheila a Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday wishes also go out for our Cloverport Road neighbor, Jane Wright, who will celebrate her special day, December 12 Jane's husband, Bobby Wright, serves as our county commissioner from the Toone area. If you see Jane out and about around town, wish her a happy day.

I want to see more and more Christmas lights and decorations go up around town. Enjoy your holiday activities, but please be safe and follow all COVID-19 safety regulations. Until next time. . . talk to your neighbors!

Silerton
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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in Silerton! A big thank you goes to Jean Morris for letting us utilize her electricity to light up the park for Christmas. The playground fence is scheduled for installation next week.

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Mary Lynn Lambert shares "Brenda Cooper was admitted to West Tennessee Transitional Care in Jackson for 21 days. Prayers are appreciated. Joie (Cupples)

Freeman is suffering from a broken bone. She would appreciate prayers as well.

Steve and Linda (Hatch) Russell traveled to Gatlinburg with their son, Greg, and family on November 19-24. Linda reported they enjoyed driving through the mountains and going out to eat. She said the Christmas lights were beautiful and Gatlinburg was packed with tourists. The highlight of the trip was driving through Maggie Valley and seeing elk and the most bears they had ever seen.

Sarah Chandler, Silerton's oldest citizen, will celebrate her 98th birthday on December 19th. Let's help her celebrate by sending her birthday cards." Sarah Chandler, 22195 Highway 125 North, Bolivar, TN 38008.

Here are a few holiday recipes to get everyone in the holiday spirit:

The first recipe is from Linda Beshires. Linda shares the anecdote behind this family favorite. She writes, "when I worked at the Hardeman County Board of Education, ladies from St. James Episcopal Church in Bolivar were selling cook books. I worked with one of the members, Eleanor Sollmann and bought the cookbook from her. The pages are well worn from use after many years."

Chocolate Chess Pie: ½ Stick Butter, 1½ cups of sugar, 3 tablespoons cocoa, 2 beaten eggs, 1 small can pet milk, 1 tsp vanilla, 1 pinch of salt. Directions: Melt butter and set aside. Mix sugar and cocoa. Add eggs, milk, vanilla and salt. Mix well and stir in melted butter. Pour into unbaked pie crust and bake at 350 degrees until thick, 35 to 45 minutes.

This next recipe comes from Mary Lynn Lambert. The story behind the recipe is Frankie and Mary Lynn enjoyed this as a late night snack as they watched Hallmark Christmas movies with the lights blinking as they decorated their Christmas tree. Micro-Wane Cheese Dip: ½ lb lean ground beef, ½ lb sausage, 1 lb velveeta cheese, ½ onion, ½ c picante relish (mild) ½ c cream of mushroom soun ½ t garlic powder.

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I would love to print some more Silerton holiday recipes. If you have a special one to share please call or email!

Hornsby
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Hello to all! Hoping everyone is doing well! I was glad I got to watch a couple of games with the Hornsby basketball teams. I have several special children who play or cheer who hold a special place in my heart. I am so very proud of each one of them. Would love to hear from people in the community of any news that they would like to share. Please reach out to me and I will be happy to place it in the

The children are practicing for their Christmas program, I pray all goes well and they get to perform. This past Sunday night after practice, the youth and children delivered fruit baskets to people in the community. We will be doing the food boxes this coming Sunday night. We are happy the children take part in these missions, we pray they will always have serving hearts. The adults practice specials after bible study on Sunday nights, we would love to have more people come join. Remember to check the church app for any community news they might share.

Prayer is a powerful thing and I know there are a lot of wonderful folks who are happy to pray for you or someone you know. If you have a prayer request please let us know. Please continue to lift the following people up in your prayers: Lynn Allen, Mimi Anderson, Hugholene Barnes, Ricky Bass, Sue Day, Matthew Dorris, Norma Emerson, Rich Emerson, Nancy Foote, Robert Gibson, Beckett Gray, Thomas Green, Sue Hall, James Hanna, Marilyn Hanna, Richard Hazelwood, Justin Hodge, Sue Hodge, Willis Hornsby, Jo Edna Howell, Charley Johnson, Aubrey King, Lucy King, Wanda King, Debbie Laster, Bobbie McBride, Betty McMahan, Orville McMahan, Evan Nield, Ruth Parchman, Gay Pierce, Gail Pope, Melanie Ross, Stacy Spence, Ronna Spoon, Martyn Venuti, Tommy Warner, Eddie Webb, Joe West, Jennifer Wheeler, Piper Williams, the men and women who serve our country, the families of the ones who are fighting cancer, all the health care workers, those with COVID-19, the leaders of our country and especially the ones who are lost. His Word for the week, John 1: 9-14 "The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him. But to all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelled among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." Praise God!!!

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Continue to remember the sick and shut-ins in your prayers. Those I know of are: Helen Coffman, Linsey Parmley, Johnny Matthews, Betty Matthews, Clara Jones, Ray Jones, Margaret Brumbelow, Isla Rose McAlpin, Liam Cruz McAlpin, Cheryl Russell, Foy Norwood, Zack Wilson, Drew Wilson, Brian Clifton, Lauren Clifton, Rickey Bass, Tina Luttrell McKelvey,

Dale Wyman, Bill West, Dorris Medlin, Barbara Hamilton, Buddy Vickers, Marion Shearon, Shelly Tranum, Kay Curtis, Jimmy Thompson, Keesha Lamberth, Teresa Mynott, Patsy Bell, Anna Hopper, Gail Powers, Patricia Hodoe, Nadine Ford, Leon Campbell, Emma Haddix, Ruby Spencer, Vernon Spencer, Randy Antwine, Connie McCarter Jackson, Ray Rixie, Linda Rixie, Barb Senzig, Robert Thearp, Jack Russell, Shirley Russell, Charlene Hawkins, Rev Cecil Robinson, Fagin Smith, Marshall Mullins, Michael White, J W McMillin, Jimmy Jordan, Jenny Sederum, Bo Bodiford, Berniece Isom, Paula Pulse, Billy Joe Allison, Imogene Stacy, Ramona Spencer, Carmon Stringfellow, Steve Matthews, Bobby Holland, Bill Cruse, Bobbie Cruse, Linda Peterson and Paige

Let us all be in prayer for our president, governors, mayors, health care professionals, police and fire fighters and any others that may be involved in this dilemma. Keep the prayers going for those that are fighting COVID-19.

There will be wrestling at 108 Henderson St., Friday night, December 11 at 8 p.m. bell time. There will be lots of wrestlers, including for the first time: J J Fuller and Kid Wrestling, Rickey Smith, Caleb Dakota, K-Swiss, Steven Styles, Alex Ramsey, Brandon Savage, Dakota Riley, Tony Lane, Billy Ron Badd, Kevin and more. Come on out and enjoy the fun. Great concessions stand!

Let's keep our children, teachers and all those that work at the schools in prayers.

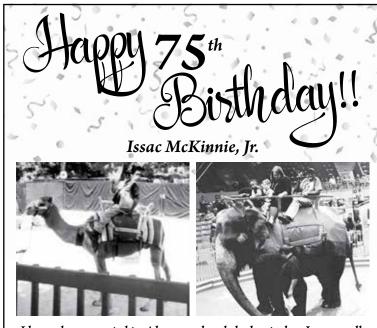
Joan Henderson submitted funny for the week: Sunday after Church, a mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson was about. The daughter answered, "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilt." Needless to say, the mom was perplexed. Later in the day, the preacher stopped by for tea and the mom asked him what that morning's Sunday school lesson was about. He said, "Be not afraid, thy comforter is coming."

Please continue to deposit your Best Choice labels in the container at Food Giant service desk. This helps with the Middleton Woman's Club fund raising for community projects especially since we have had to cancel two bake sales due to COVID-19.

Thanks to those calling and giving me people that are sick and/or news. Call 731-376-8202 or email at bonnieshealthyliving@comcast.net with any news.







I have always wanted to ride a camel and elephant when I was small, so God brought it to pass. Thank God he did it.

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The contact person for this project is <u>Kelvin A. Massey</u>, <u>Managing Member</u> who may be reached at: <u>Managed Solutions</u>, <u>LLC</u>, 1255 <u>Lynnfield Rd</u>, <u>Suite # 137</u>, <u>Memphis</u>, <u>TN</u>, <u>38119</u>, (901) 207-1568 <u>kelvin@managedsolutionsllc.net</u>

Upon written request by interested parties, a local Fact-Finding public hearing shall be conducted. Written requests for hearing should be sent to:

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The published Letter of Intent must contain the following statement pursuant to T.C.A. § 68-11-1607(c)(1). (A) Any health care institution wishing to oppose a Certificate of Need application must file a written notice with the Health Services and Development Agency no later than fifteen (15) days before the regularly scheduled Health Services and Development Agency meeting at which the application is originally scheduled; and (B) Any other person wishing to oppose the application must file written objection with the Health Services and Development

Agency at or prior to the consideration of the application by the Agency.

Insertion Date: December 9, 2020



FAITH

Advent Week 3 by Jeff Capshaw

Last week's column started this Advent series with week two. Advent pertains to Christ's birth, but there is also a sense of Advent related to Messiah's Second Com-

As noted, the Scriptures in the series are taken from the Revised Common Lectionary: a three-year cycle of weekly lections used to varying degrees by mainline Protestant churches in Canada and the United States.

Last week's reading was Mark 1:1-8, a passage introducing John the Baptist as the messenger of Yahweh. He burst on the scene as an enigmatic, prophetic figure saying, "prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Moreover, he claimed, "after me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit" (Mark 1:1-8, ESV).

This week's suggested reading (John 1:6-8, 19-28) continues with the Apostle John's presentation of the Baptist and his message. The Apostle summarizes the Baptist's

Isolation Effects by David Cov

ministry. "There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light" (1:6-8, ESV).

Both Evangelists make clear, in their narratives about and the words on the lips of John the Baptist himself, that he isn't the focus. Instead, the Baptizer is a testifier to the prominent one Jesus. This fact is more vivid in the second part of this week's Gospel reading.

It says, "and this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." So they said to him, "Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said"

Hardeman County Church Services on the Air

Sunday Morning

8:00-8:30 Middleton church of Christ, WMOD (96.7 FM) 8:30-8:45 Power of the Gospel, WMOD (96.7 FM) Searching the Scriptures, Steve Gibson, WMOD (96.7 FM) 9:00-9:30 10:00-11:00 First Baptist Church, Bolivar, WMOD (96.7) Parrans Chapel Baptist, Bolivar, WMOD (96.7) 11:00-12:00 12:30-1:30 Porters Creek Baptist, Middleton, WMOD (96.7)

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(John 1:19-23).

The Baptist denies that he is the Christ. Further, just as Mark did in last week's reading, the Old Testament Prophet Isaiah is cited as proof that the forerunner must appear before the Messiah. The Jewish leaders, who should have known their Scriptures, continue to press the Baptist for answers. To paraphrase, they asked how was he qualified to baptize, if not the Messiah, if not Elijah, and if not the Prophet?

The Baptist answered, "I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie" (1:27). In other words, if Jesus is missed, the light is missed, and the whole point is missed. Don't fall into that Christmas trap.

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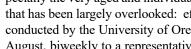
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No one would deny that we are living through extraordinary life circumstances and experiences. This has been a life changing year to say the least. Though there truly has been dangerous risks involved for many people especially the very aged and individuals with co-morbidity issues, there is one change to a particular demographic that has been largely overlooked: effects of forced isolation or quarantine. As an example let us look at a study conducted by the University of Oregon that sent a digital questionnaire, at first weekly, and then, beginning in August, biweekly to a representative group of a thousand American families with young children. They were curious about how they and their kids were doing. They learned some alarming and troubling information.

Parents observed regressive behavior in their children, behavior that they had learned previously in their life had now been unlearned. The University learned that children were wetting their bed, other kids who previously slept soundly were difficult to become restful the whole night through. They also discovered a very sudden increase in separation anxiety, while others took a long time to go to sleep. Children were becoming fussy and defiant, more fearful or anxious, more frequent tantrums and incessant, escalating sibling fighting, etc. One young mother worried over extended isolation was devastating to her child's mental health.

Is this a relevant danger or risk that we as a global society should be worried about with our children and grandchildren? News reports abound from all over the world with the rise in mental health issues among adults. Yet, adults are not the only group affected. Let us show concern for all of us. This is Sunrise Aftercare, sunrise@ sfdcares.com



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Hardeman County Community Calendar

The Hardeman County Arts Council (HCAC) is holding auditions for The Curse Thursdays starting January 14, 2021. 10 of the Cobra's Kiss Murder Mystery Dinner week lesson: ASL level 1, 5:30-7 p.m. \$50 Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, December person/\$100 per family donation to purchase 14 and 15, at 6 p.m. Auditions will be held at the HCAC, 1580 West Market, Bolivar, Tennessee 38008. The production dates are Thursday through Saturday, February 11-13, 2021. The show is an Egyptian theme with a cast that includes older teens (17 and older) and adults; eight males and 13 females. Face masks/coverings are not required, but are encouraged to be worn. Call the HCAC at (731) 658-2787 for more information.

Hardeman County Citizens Cleanup meeting in Silerton on Ebenezer Road and Pine Top Road Saturday morning, December 12. Together, as a community, we can help to beautify our roadways. Join us on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 9-11 a.m. to help clean up our city, county, and home! For more information visit us on facebook.

Due to the Coronavirus this year's event will now be home delivery of Christmas meals, gift cards and goody bags to the MHDS clients living in Hardeman County. Woodrun POA and the Wheeler family will deliver a full Christmas meal with turkey, sweet potato, vegetable dressing, mashed potato, rolls, desserts, cookies, lemonade and sweet tea to all the of the residential facilities in Hardeman County, along with gift cards and goody bags. With gift cards and goody bags going to MHDS clients living with family in the county. For more info email or call Bob Wheeler, robert.wheeler. jr@gmail.com

American Sign Language Classes at Water Street needs donations of men's

Sara B's Shakes and Teas in Middleton. badminton equipment for the Bolivar Municipal Center. Contact Brittney at 731-609-5765. Follow facebook group for class updates, "ASL Classes Bolivar, TN"

Be More Hardeman VLOG. Need motivation for healthier eating and physical activity? Check out Be More Hardeman's video log hosted by Dr. Amy Elizer that premieres the first of each month. Find them on Facebook @BeMoreHardeman on YouTube https://tiny.utk.edu/ bemoreyoutube.

TnAchieves Mentors are needed for TN Promise students for the Class of 2021. To learn more contact Graham Thomas at 615-604-1306 or visit tnachieves.org

Loaves and Fishes Food Bank needs all non-perishable food items. Call 609-2397 to drop off your donations. Canned fruit and protein items are most needed.

The Hardeman County Republican **Party** will meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at 100 South Main Street

in Bolivar. The HCAC is seeking volunteers for Tech Crew. Tech Crew is responsible for sound, special effects, lighting, and other technical areas of productions. Experience is not required, the HCAC will provide the necessary training. If you are interested or would like more information please call or text Technical Director, Brandon Burvee, at (731)518-6404.

The Warrior Center in Bolivar on North

hygiene products like bar soap, body wash, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes; Men's clothing like shirts, pants, shoes, socks, and underwear; cleaning supplies like dish soap, multipurpose cleaners, bleach, laundry soap, fabric softener, window cleaner, air fresheners, Lysol disinfectant, Comet, Ajax, paper towels, and Pine sol; Vehicles in good running condition, preferably multipurpose vans (a receipt will be provided with tax id for donation purposes) Notebook paper, spiral notebooks, ink pens, Bibles, computers, tools, and other household items. For more

information, call 731-212-0259. **Disciples Embracing** Christian Education Bible College asks, "Do you want a deeper understanding of the Work of God?" The Bible College is in Whiteville, TN and they offer a three-year study of the Bible. Contact 731-225-3114 or register for the Whiteville or Grand Junction campus at www.fbiclass.com Intercessory prayer hotline at 731-608-9593.

The Hardeman County Boxing Club is accepting applications from people ages 8-80. Call Obie Beard at 402-1078 for more information.

For Meals on Wheels assistance, please call the Southwest Human Resource Agency at 658-9292.

Avalon Hospice is seeking compassionate volunteers to work with patients in your community! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jasmine Lee at 731-658-6812 or jasmine.lee@southerncareinc.com.

Celebrate Recovery a Christian-based recovery from hurts, habits, and hang-ups every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. Hardeman

County Baptist Association, 755 Vildo Rd., Bolivar. Contact: Shirley at 731-609-4182

The Tennessee Department Agriculture Division of Forestry reminding citizens of the online burn permit system, that is free, fast and simple at BurnSafeTN.org or at Bolivar City Hall. Call 658-2020.

AA Meetings are held on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. at the HC Baptist Association on 755 Vildo Rd. Contact Denelle at 433-8266.

Bolivar AA Meetings Mondays and Fridays 8:00-9:00 p.m., FUMC in Bolivar. Call 609-9679.

Middleton AA Group meets every Thursday and Saturday at 7:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church on Main St., in Middleton. Call 609-9697 for details.

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 **Bipolar/Depression** Support Group will meet each Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Horizons Peer Support Center on 428 Market Street in Bolivar. For more information, call Shirley Kelley at 609-

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OBITUARIES

ROBERT EDGAR COX

JANUARY 5, 1937 - DECEMBER 4, 2020

Mr. Robert Edgar Cox, age 83, of Cloverport, passed away on Friday morning, December 4, 2020 at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital.

He was born in Hardeman County, the son of the late William Preston Cox and Myrtle Sipes Cox Yarbrough. Mr. Cox proudly served his country in the U. S. Navy for four years stationed in Pearl Harbor, HI. A member of the Cloverport Baptist Church, he frequently shared his



love of the Lord through song and special music. Mr. Cox proudly served and retired from Union University as a Grounds Supervisor in Facilities Management. He was an avid UU Bulldog fan.

Funeral Services for Mr. Cox were held on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at Cloverport Baptist Church. Burial was in the Cloverport Baptist Cemetery. Pastor Dylan Wilson officiated with Seth Wade, Peter Brown, Preston Brown, Luke Wood, Keith Pitman and David Taylor serving as pallbearers.

Mr. Cox leaves his wife of 44 years, Bonnie Daniel Wade Cox; eight children, Robin Cox Brown (Steven) of Rancho Palos Verdes, CA, Danny Wade (Anita) of Henderson, Vickie Wade Clayton (Mike) of Henderson, John Wade (Gary) of Nashville, Marsha Wade Wood of Medina, Michael Cox (Ruth) of McHenry, MS, Julie Cox Jones of Huntsville, AL and David Cox (Kim) of Biloxi, MS; one sister, Shirley Cox Pitman (Austin, Jr.) of Millington; 14 grandchildren, Bethany Burnett, Taylor Clayton Record, Seth Wade, Luke Wood, Lily Wood, Peter Brown, Preston Brown, Jude Brown, Chelsea Cox Charlton, Megan Cox Newgent, Kyle Jones, Kelsie Jones Parra, Kaleb Cox and Devon Pattingill; and one great-grandchild, Griffin Kelley. In addition to his parents, Mr. Cox was preceded in death by a son, William (Bill) Cox; and two brothers, William Cox and Jerald Cox.

Memorials may be sent to Cloverport Baptist Church, 7595 Highway 138, Toone, TN 38381 or the Union University Athletic Department. [http://www.uuathletics.com]

VEDA MAE WILLIAMS

NOVEMBER 17, 2020 - NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Baby Veda passed from this life on Sunday, November 29, 2020 at Baptist Memorial Hospital for Women.

She was greatly loved by those she leaves behind, her mother, Haylee Williams and, her father, Cordarvan McNeal, both of Bolivar; her brother, Correon McNeal of Bolivar; her maternal grandfather, Ben Williams of Bolivar; her paternal grandparents, Jimmy and Sheila McNeal of Whiteville; maternal great-grandparents, Johnny and Gayle Vickers; maternal aunts, Amanda Williams and Courtney Baker; maternal uncle, Ryder Vickers; and other numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandmother, Janice Williams of Bolivar; and maternal great-grandfather, Tony Hooten.

Memorial contributions may be sent to "Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep" Photographers [https://www.nowilaymedowntosleep.org/donate/]

DENNIS RAY MULLINS

APRIL 2, 1941 - NOVEMBER 27, 2020

Mr. Dennis Ray Mullins, age 79, of Hollister, MO and formerly of Pocahontas, TN, passed from this life on Friday night, November 27, 2020 at Cox Medical Center in Branson, MO.

Memorial Services will be held 1:00 p.m., Saturday, December 12, 2020 at Essary Springs Baptist Church. A "pass through" memorial visitation will take place beginning at 12:00 p.m. Those wishing to visit should enter the



front door of the church and exit through the designated door in the rear. A private, immediate family only, burial will take place in Essary Springs Cemetery following the service.

Mr. Mullins was born on Wednesday, April 2, 1941 in Corinth, MS to the late Dennis F. and Blanche Margaret Hurst Mullins and spent his early life in Alcorn County, MS. He attended Middleton (TN) High School until 10th grade, at which time, his family moved to Memphis. There, he graduated from Whitehaven High School in the class of 1960. He married the former Judieth Gale Bennett on Friday, September 10,

He worked 30 years for International Harvester/Navistar in both Memphis and Springfield, OH (where he lived for 10 years) retiring in 1998. A member of the Essary Springs Baptist Church, he also was a Mason (Scottish Rite and College) for over 50 years with joint membership in the Adams Lodge #264 in Middleton and the Jonesboro Lodge #250 in Walnut, MS.

Mr. Mullins is survived by his wife of 55 years, Judieth Gale Mullins of Hollister, MO; one daughter, Angelia (Keith) Huels of Branson, MO; two sons, Michael Ray (Angel) Mullins of Memphis and Kenneth Mark Mullins of Walnut; a sister, Margaret S. (Chip) Reese of Maryville, TN; one brother, Randall (Sharon) Mullins of Tacoma, WA; five grandchildren, Kayla (Ryan) Watkins, Hunter Huels, Christian, Willow and Julie Mullins; four great-grandchildren, Wyatt Whitaker, Colby, Austyn and Layne Watkins; a brother-in-law, James Clayton Bennett of Fisherville, TN; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Mullins was preceded in death by a sister, Patricia L. Mullins; and a sister-in-law, Jan Bennett.

Memorials may be sent to one of the following: Samaritan's Purse, 1-828-622-1980, PO Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607; http://www.samaritanspurse.org; or The Gideons International, 1-866-382-4253, PO Box 97251, Washington, DC 20090-7251; http://www.gideons.org

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MARK W. THODA JANUARY 20, 1957 - DECEMBER 4, 2020

Mr. Mark W. Thoda, age 63 of Saulsbury, Tennessee, passed away at his home Friday, December 4, 2020.

Mark Thoda was born January 20, 1957 to the late Bill Thoda and Patricia A. Whitten in Bartlett, Tennessee.

He was married to Donna Thoda on June 30, 1995.

Mark was a jack of all trades. He was a maintenance member at Troxel Corporation.

Mr. Thoda is survived by his wife, Donna Thoda of Saulsbury; two sons, three daughters and 10 grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Bill Thoda and Patricia A. Whitten, and two brothers, David Thoda and Matthew Thoda.



You can listen to obituaries from Shackelford Funeral Directors each morning at approximately 8:30 a.m. on WMOD Radio (96.7 FM)

EMOGENE KING WALTON APRIL 19, 1934 - DECEMBER 5, 2020

Mrs. Emogene King Walton, 86, of Bolivar, passed away Saturday night, December 5, 2020, at her home.

The widow of John William Walton who preceded her in death in 1986, she was born in Chester County, the daughter of the late David Dossie King and Rosa Elizabeth Evans King. Mrs. Walton grew up in Toone and had lived in Bolivar since 1951. In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, John Walton, Jr.; three sisters, Deborah Faye Trainum, Irene Vinson and Katherine McClarty; and three brothers, David, Roy Daniel and Paul Howard King.

A homemaker all of her life, she liked yardwork, crocheting and Atlanta Braves baseball in her leisure time. Mrs. Walton had a hard life but, her family describes her as a "survivor" who never met a stranger and loved to offer friendly, honest advice to others. Quick-witted and a lover of the



simple things in life, she looked forward to daily meeting her friends at the local McDonald's restaurant. Even the doctors and nurses who cared for her made friends quickly and often referred to her as "their favorite patient".

She leaves two daughters, Mone Welton of Mamphis and Nancy (Tim) Corter of Arlington, TN: one son

She leaves two daughters, Mona Walton of Memphis and Nancy (Tim) Carter of Arlington, TN; one son, Richard Walton and his wife, Paula, who was a large part of her care giving, of Bolivar; one sister, Margie Arnold of Parsons; 12 grandchildren; and 30 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at Parrans Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery. Shackelford Funeral Directors of Bolivar were in charge of services.

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Edna's Page



- 1. Mosi Tatupu, a special-teams standout for the New England Patriots from 1978-90, played football for what college team?
- 2. A state park in Wyoming's Laramie and Albany counties is named after what sportscaster?
- 3. What Pittsburgh Pirates legend was named NL MVP and World
- Series MVP in 1979? 4. What basketball Hall of Famer is
- the NCAA Division I all-time leading scorer with 3,667 points? 5. Name the silver medalist from Australia who stood on the podium with U.S. sprinters Tommie Smith
- and John Carlos at the 1968 Summer Olympics. 6. Throughout the 1960s, Los Angeles Rams defensive linemen Rosy Grier, Lamar Lundy, Merlin Olsen and Deacon Jones were collectively
- known by what nickname? 7. Parminder Nagra and Keira Knightley starred in what 2002 British sports romantic comedy film?



- 1. Is the book of Herod in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. Which "Caesar" ordered all the world to be taxed, causing Mary to travel to Bethlehem while expecting the baby Jesus? Julius, Tiberius, Claudius, Augustus
- 3. Where in the Bible (KJV) does it inform of the Christ Child being born in a December? Does not, John 1:14, Romans 6:23, Galatians 4:4
- 4. With seemingly two different New Testament answers, who was the father of Joseph? Jacob/Heli, Gideon/Ishmael, Solomon/Nahum, Samuel/Pilate
- 5. Where did the angel Gabriel appear to Mary saying, "Blessed art thou among women"? Nazareth, Tyre, Ninevah, Gazi
- 6. For the journey to Bethlehem, how did Mary and Joseph travel? Bible not specific, Cart, Rode donkey,

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by Linda Thistle

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- facture its products? 4. TELEVISION: What was Marge's
- maiden name on the animated comedy "The Simpsons"?
- 5. FOOD & DRINK: What are the main ingredients in a modern mince pie? 6. U.S. STATES: This city has two prominent nicknames, and one of them is The Crescent City. What is the city and state?
- 7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a baby puffin called?
- 8. ADVERTISING MASCOTS: What product did Mr. Whipple represent for more than 20 years?
- 9. GEOGRAPHY: What is an old name for north China?
- 10. MATH: What Arabic number is the equivalent of the Roman numerals



- 1. What was the title of the Beatles? first movie?
- 2. Who was the Wrecking Crew? 3. Name the first rock 'n' roll group to play Carnegie Hall.
- 4. What was the phone number in the Marvelette's song in 1962?
- 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "She didn't see me creep down the stairs to have a peep; She thought that I was tucked up in my bedroom fast asleep.

EDNA'S PAGE Answers on B3

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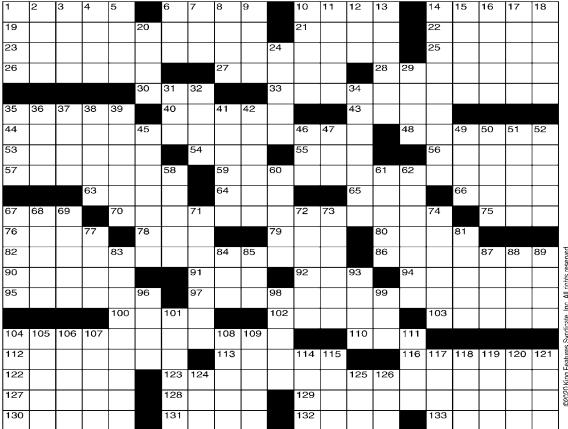
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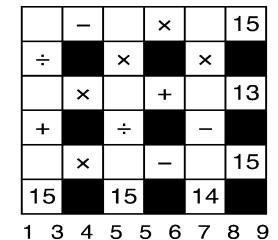
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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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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Food Giant Big Star Stay-at-Home Gourmet

Rudolph's Christmas Sugar Cookies

Ingredients

1 (16.5-oz.) package refrigerated sugar cookie dough

36 pretzel twists 36 semisweet chocolate mini morsels

18 red cinnamon candies

Directions Step 1 Freeze dough 15 minutes.

Step 2 Roll dough to a 1/4-inch thickness on a floured surface. Cut dough with a 3-inch round cutter, and place 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Using thumb and forefinger, pinch opposite sides of each slice about two-thirds of the way

down to shape face. Step 3 Break curved sides away from center of each pretzel twist to form antlers. Press bottom of 1 set of antlers on each side at top of each reindeer face.

Step 4 Bake at 350° according to package directions or until lightly browned. Remove from oven; press in 2 chocolate mini morsels for eyes and 1 red cinnamon candy for nose. Let cool 1 minute on baking sheets. Remove to wire racks; cool 20 minutes or until completely cool.

Step 5 Christmas Tree Sugar Cookies: Omit pretzels, chocolate mini morsels, and cinnamon candies. Freeze dough 15 minutes. Roll dough to a 1/4-inch thickness on a floured surface, and cut with a 3-inch Christmas tree-shaped cookie cutter. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 350° according to package directions or until lightly browned. Remove from oven, and cool as directed. Frost tops of cookies with ready-to-spread vanilla frosting, and sprinkle with red and green colored sugars and sprinkles.



You can buy all the ingredients in this recipe at Food Giant Big Star, 200 North Main Street, Bolivar

LEGALS/GOVERNMENT

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on January 26, 2021 on or about 1:00 PM local time, at the main door of the Hardeman County Courthouse, Bolivar, TN 38008, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by INIZE CHESHIER, to Arnold M. Weiss, Trustee, on December 3, 2002, at Record Book 582, Page 207-218 as Instrument No. 34789 in the real property records of Hardeman County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee f/k/a Norwest Bank Minnesota. National Association, as Trustee for Renaissance HEL Trust 2002-

The following real estate located in Hardeman County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

A certain lot or parcel of real estate situated in the Town of Toone, Tennessee, 8th Civil District of Hardeman County, Tennessee and described as follows to wit:

Bounded on the North by Bradford; on the South by Vernon; on the East by Bradford and on the West by Toone, and Cloverport Road, it being the same property formerly owned by Gabe Polk and sold to Anderson Merchantile Company by virtue of an Order of the Circuit Court of Hardeman County, Tennessee and shown in Minute Book 13, Page 342, Office of said Clerk.

Being the same property conveyed to Mance Cheshier and wife, Inize Cheshier by deed from Mrs. A.S. Anderson, sole owner of Anderson Mechantile Company dated February 16, 1953 and

being of record in Deed Book V-3, Page 576, in the Register's Office of Hardeman County, Tennessee. said Mance Cheshier predeceased his wife thus vesting her as the owner of the above described real property as the surviving tenant by the entirety.

Also being the same property conveying an interest to Alvin E. Pirtle by Quitclaim Deed from Inize Cheshier to create a tenancy in common with the express right of survivorship dated may 13, 2010 and being of record in Deed Book 50, Page 530, as Instrument Number 113002 in the Register's Office of Hardeman County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 034 03400 000722 Current Owner(s) of Property: **INIZE CHESHIER**

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 2460 Hwy 138, Toone, TN 38381, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN **FURTHER** WITHOUT PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE

GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

INTERESTED OTHER PARTIES: ALVIN E. PIRTLE

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

If the U.S. Department Treasury/IRS, the State Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. §67-1-1433. This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 20-000381-671-1 Mackie Wolf Zientz & Mann, P.C., Substitute Trustee(s) COOL SPRINGS COMMONS, **SUITE 273** 7100 COMMERCE WAY Brentwood, TN 37027 TN INVESTORS PAGE: HTTP://MWZMLAW.COM/ TN INVESTORS.PHP

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Evan Mott, Mayor

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

PROBATE NO. P- 2301

ESTATE OF MARY FRANCES COX VAUGHAN late of Hardeman County, Tenness Notice is Hereby Given that on the 3rd day of December 2020, Letters Testal respect of the Estate of Mary Frances Cox Vaughan, deceased, who died October 7, 2020, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Clerk of Hardeman County, Tennessee. All perso 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:

(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior described in (1) (A); or

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

This 3rd day of December, 2020

THIS NOTICE WILL RUN TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS

JANICE M. BODIFORD, CLERK & MASTER P.O. BOX 45 BOLIVAR, TN 38008

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

PROBATE NO. P-2295

ESTATE OF MARY T. SUMLER late of Hardeman County. Tenne

Notice is Hereby Given that on the 3rd day of November 2020, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of Mary T. Sumler, deceased, who died October 16, 2020, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Clerk of Hardeman County, Tennessee. All persons 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:

(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first

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This 3rd day of November, 2020.

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HARDEMAN COUNTY ARREST REPORT

Nathaniel Verrett Bell, 36, Bethel Springs, Jovriding No drivers license bond \$15,000, court date 12/11 (held)

Lawrence Edward Bills, 32, Jackson, TN, Violation of probation (C), bond \$10,000, court date 1/7/21 (released)

Jerrold Bishop, Bolivar, TN, 2 counts Unlawful carry or poss of a weapon, Unlawful drug paraphernalia, Simple possession, Sch II drug violations, Sch IV hydro, Poss of stolen property, Violation of probation (C), bond \$65,000, court date 12/15 & 1/7/21 (released)

George Arthur Bonner, 31, Bolivar, TN, False report, no bond, court date 1/12/21 (held)

Kenyl Deon Bryant, 41, Somerville, TN, Child support, bond \$600, court date 12/3 (released)

Latrail Quontez Cross, 43, Whiteville, TN, Failure to appear, bond \$5,000, court date 12/8 (released)

Akheem Stephen Gibson, 20, Bolivar, TN, Speeding, Evading arrest by motor vehicle, Handsfree, bond \$20,000, court date 1/15 (released)

Betty Sue Harris, 55, Whiteville, TN, Poss cont subs w/intent, Into/poss contraband in penal inst., no bond, court date 12/15 (held)

Deontrea Devon Harvey, 28, Mason, TN, Theft from \$10,000-\$60,000, bond \$15,000, court date 12/8 (released)

Keagan Ryan Harvey, 21, Bolivar, TN, Violation of probation (GS), bond \$2,500, court date 12/15 (released)

Daniel Keith Henry, 46, Selmer, TN, Reckless driving, Reckless endangerment,

Evading arrest, Leaving scene of accident, Driv under influence, Reckless endangerment, no bond, court date 12/11 (held)

Cedricous Keshun Hoyle, 19, Saulsbury, TN, No drivers license, No insurance, Speeding, Simple possession, no bond, court date 1/5/21 (released)

Tamarcus Quintez Humphreys, 36, Bolivar, TN, Simple, Disorderly conduct (disturbing peace), 2 counts Failure to appear, bond \$12,500, court date 12/15 (held)

Cedric Jones, 40, Jackson, TN, Child support, Violation of probation, no bond, court date 1/7 (held)

Marquarious Kevion McNeal, 27, Bolivar, TN, Driv on rev/susp/can DL, 57 mph in a 40 mph, No insurance, bond \$10,000, court date 1/8/21 (released)

Caswvion DeShawn Pirtle, 17, Bolivar, TN, First degree murder, no bond (held) Danterrio Devonta Poplar, 26, Bolivar,

TN, Driv on susp 2nd offense, bond \$5,000, court date 12/15 (released) Key'von Tyrell Scott, 19, Brownsville,

TN, Trespassing, Contrib to deliq of minor, Vandalism over \$1,000, Theft of property \$1,000 less than \$2,500, Agg burglary, bond \$10,000, court date 12/15 (released)

Teiana Rajeigh Smith, 21, Oakfield, TN, Poss sch I w/intent, Poss sch II w/intent, Intro of contraband, Evading arrest/felony, bond \$100,000, court date 12/8 (released)

Latasha Renee Stanback, 35, Bolivar, TN, Driv under influence, Violation implied consent law, bond \$10,000, court date 1/8/21 (held)

Lois Michelle Woods, 38, Middleton, TN, Agg criminal trespass, Vandalism, Resisting stop/halt/frisk/arrest/search, bond \$60,000, court date 12/15 (held)

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE #1

The City of Middleton will hold a Public Meeting on December 30, 2020 at 1:00 p.m., at Middleton City Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to present information to the public on the FY 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program. Concerned citizens are encouraged to attend and comment on possible activities.

Face coverings will be required for attendance and physical distancing will be followed during meeting.

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE #2

The City of Middleton will hold a Public Meeting on December 30, 2020 at 1:00 p.m., at the Middleton City Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to present information on the completion of the City of Middleton Sewer System Project funded under the 2019 Community Development Block Grant Program.

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Establish the Salary of the Council Members of the City of Bolivar

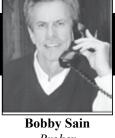
Said hearing will be held pursuant to the provisions of Section 13-7-203, Tennessee Code Annotated and will take place at the regular scheduled City Council Meeting or December 14, 2020, at 6:00 P.M. at the Bolivar Municipal Building.

Any interested party is invited to appear before the Board and be heard in objection or in favor of the adoption thereof. Said proposed ordinance is available for public examination in the Mayor's Office, Bolivar Municipal Building, 211 N. Washington Street, Bolivar TN 38008.

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COVID Threatens Bolivar Basketball

The Bolivar Central Lady Tigers Basketball team had two players test positive for COVID-19 and will not be able to play until at least December 16.

And with the girls not being able to play, three games for the boys suffered the same fate, as Jackson North Side, Jackson South Side, and Sacred Heart refused to come to Bolivar Central.

Only one team kept their date with Bolivar without a girls game as Arlington visited Bolivar on December 8, beating the Tigers 88-80. Toris Woods led Bolivar with 28 points and 7 rebounds.

The girls had come off their second win of the season, a 52-47 win over McNairy Central on December 1. Carly Daniel led Bolivar with 21 points and 7 rebounds, while Brionna Brooks had 15 points and 7 boards. The celebration, though, was short-lived as the news came to the team a day later that they would sit out 14 days.

The Lady Tigers are scheduled to begin playing again on December 18, beginning the district season against Millington.

"We won't be able to practice until two days before," said Bolivar Head Coach Rick Rudesill. "And our first game is a district game."

Rudesill said he hoped he could schedule a game between now and their scheduled games against Millington.

Photo by Heather Carlton.





Hardeman County Sports Notes

Three players, Thomas Stevens of Eastview, Bub Stevens of Eastview, and Jim Nuckolls of Bolivar, remain tied for the lead in the 10th annual SEC Football Pick'em Contest after eleven weeks of play.

The winner will get a Lazyboy chair from Weems Furniture.

Four players are one back and five are two off the lead with two official weeks left, but an extra week expected for games postponed by COVID-19.

In the group at one back of the lead is 2012 Pick'em Champion Julia Bobbitt. Two-time champion Bobby Wright is in a group of fourteen players that are three off the lead.

Team Bo (Mike Nuckolls, Jim Nuckolls, Bub Stevens, and Thomas Stevens) increased their lead from thirteen to fifteen over Loaded with Laniers and the Four Horse People.

Any games not played in the week they are listed on the schedule will be tabulated in the week they are made up. Results are on A8.

Monday night's game in the Hardeman County Middle School Basketball championships saw Whiteville beat Hornsby 54-15 to advance to the final against Toone, who defeated Middleton 38-35. Thursday night's championship game is believed to be the first time Toone has played for the championship on the boys side.

The girls final will pit Whiteville, who beat Hornsby 37-19 against Middleton, who defeated Toone 45-17.

The tournament is being played without Bolivar, who are in a larger schools district and will play their tournament at a later date.

The entire tournament is being broadcast by WMOD (96.7 FM) Radio.

Hardeman County Sports Scoreboard

December 3

Middleton Middle School Boys Basketball 47 Hornsby 28 Whiteville Girls Basketball 30 Toone 17 Whiteville Boys Basketball 62 Toone 36

December 4

December 8

Adamsville 76 Middleton High School Girls Basketball 36 Middleton High School Boys Basketball 89 Adamsville 31

Dyersburg 43 Bolivar Middle School Girls Basketball 8 Bolivar Middle School Boys Basketball 52 Dyersburg 45 Whiteville Boys Basketball 54 Hornsby 15 Whiteville Girls Basketball 37 Hornsby 19 Toone Boys Basketball 38 Middleton 35 Middleton Middle School Girls Basketball 45 Toone 17

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For more information on Dolly's Imagination Library, visit www.imaginationlibrary.com, www.governorsfoundation.org or visit us on Facebook; Hardeman County Imagination Library

Pictured left to right; Monroe Woods, Chairman HCIL, Lora Moore, Bank Manager III, Dr. Dorrie Powell and Cathy Mayfield.

Christmas Came Early!

Remington Gage Collins, 15, the son of Craig and Candace Collins of Saulsbury, harvested his first deer recently.

He loves hunting, fishing, and well just about anything else outside. While hunting at his Uncle Leroy's, he missed this buck a few weeks ago. He told his Mom all about it, and that he was going to get it. On Sunday, December the 6, 2020 he did just that!

He shot his first deer and to make Christmas even better it was a 9 point!

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Submitted by Candace Collins.

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DECEMBER 10, 2020 False Report Leads to Bolivar PD Crash

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crash between the two responding police vehicles, one driven by Officer Tony Parham and the other by Chris Wilkerson. Both had minor injuries and were transported to the Bolivar General Hospital Emergency room for evaluation.

After further investigation, it was determined that the vehicle belonged to Anderson and it was determined that George Bonner had filed a false report.





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Kelly Named Top Firefighter for 2020 Bolivar Fire Chief Lynn Price announced that

William R. (Russ) Kelly of Bolivar has been named the 2020 Firefighter of the Year for the Bolivar Fire Department.

Russ joined the department on January 4, 2019, as a volunteer firefighter, and achieved certification through the Tennessee Fire and Codes Academy (TFACA) in February 2019. He was hired as a career firefighter with the department on May 2, 2019, and completed the Engineer course requirements in November 2019.

"During Russ' tenure with the department, he has excelled in all of his fire service operations courses and training. He has provided countless hours of service in fire suppression and operational support roles, and has demonstrated his commitment to our community by providing quality public fire safety education programs to the public. His willingness to serve in every facet of the department's operations has earned him this most prestigious honor," said Fire Chief Lynn Price.

The award was presented to Russ during a small, informal gathering on Friday, December 4, 2020, with his family and fellow firefighters present.

Photo left to right: Ann Kelly, Megan Madden, Bryce Madden, Cole Kelly, Mike Kelly, Erika Kelly, Jake Kelly, and Russ Kelly.



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Kelley Sworn-In as Mayor of Toone

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Jackie Kelley of Toone was swornin as the first female Mayor of Toone in the town's history on December 8, by Judge Charles Cary.

Kelley will begin her term as mayor under a cloud of uncertainty, as her 51-50 victory has been contested by runner-up David Wayne Williamson.

Williamson sued on November 24, after the results were certified by the Hardeman County Election Commis-

sion, asking for the race to be declared a tie as his wife was unable to vote for him on election day due to what he has said was an error at the polls.

The narrative in the lawsuit says while Williamson and his daughter received the proper ballot on election day, his wife, Darla J. Williamson, voting at a separate time, did not. Instead, she received a ballot that did not have the Toone Municipal Election included. According to the lawsuit, she asked an election official why she was unable to cast her vote in the Toone Election but did not get an answer or a resolution of her issue before leaving the polling place.

The suit concludes that since Mrs. Williamson would have cast her vote for her husband, but was not able to, the result of the election should have been a tie between Williamson and Kelley.

Election night ended with Kelley leading 51-50, but with a possible provisional ballot still unverified and uncounted and a certain recount to be done. After the provisional vote was not verified and a recount was done, the Hardeman County Election Commission certified the 51-50 win for Kelley on November 17.

If Williamson were to prevail, the Toone Board of Aldermen could call for a run-off election or have the Toone Board of Aldermen vote to decide the issue.

The remaining aldermen were sworn-in on December 8.

Photo: Former Mayor Joe Jones, Vice Mayor/Treasurer Keith Foote, Bedford (Duke) West, Johnnie Chism, Mary Ellison, Karen Lambert, Arthur Chism, and Mayor Jackie





2020 Hardeman County Imagination Library

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Are You Still Planning to **Retire Early?**

Have your retirement plans changed because of COVID-19? If so, you have plenty of company. Nearly 40 percent of those planning to retire say the pandemic has disrupted their intentions, according to the Edward Jones/Age Wave Four Pillars of the New Retirement study. You might have been thinking about retiring early - can you still do so?

Even without a crisis, it's not a bad idea to review your important life goals from time to time. So, in thinking about the possibility of early retirement, consider these factors:

Your retirement lifestyle - Your ability to retire early depends somewhat on what sort of lifestyle you're anticipating during your retirement years. If you think you'll be traveling extensively or pursuing expensive activities, you might not be able to afford to retire as early as someone with more modest ambitions. Of course, there's no "right" or "wrong" way of living in retirement - we all have our own dreams and preferences. But be aware that different lifestyles do carry different price tags – and have different effects on when you can retire securely.

Sources of retirement income - Obviously, a key factor in knowing whether you can retire early is the amount of retirement income you can rely on. So, you'll have to assess all your sources: Social Security, any other pensions you might receive, and your investment portfolio, including your 401(k) and IRA. The amounts you receive from these sources will depend on a variety of factors.

For Social Security, the longer you wait until collecting, the larger your monthly payments (although they will "top out" when you reach 70, excluding cost-of-living adjustments). In regard to your investments and retirement accounts, you'll need to establish a withdrawal rate that's appropriate for the length of time you expect to be retired. So, by adjusting these variables - taking Social Security earlier or later, taking more or less money from your retirement accounts – you can help determine if the retirement date you had in mind is viable.

Your feelings about work - Your goals are not static - they can change in response to any number of reasons, both external and personal. When you first decided you wanted to retire early, you might have been motivated by, among other things, a weariness of your current job. But has that changed over time? Have you found new challenges that interest you at work? Or, if you were forced by the pandemic to work remotely, did you actually enjoy the arrangement and want to continue it?

After all, many employers have found that their workers can be just as productive working at home, so, even when we've gotten past COVID-19, we might see a sizable shift in the geography of the workplace. In any case, if your feelings about work have changed in some way, leading you to think you could work longer than originally planned, you'd likely gain some financial advantages. You'd make more money, for starters, but you'd also keep building your 401(k) and IRA, and you could even possibly delay taking Social Security.

The pandemic may lead to a reevaluation of many financial goals - and taking early retirement might be one of them. By thinking carefully about your situation and your options, you can come up with a course of action that's right for you.

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The Editor's Inbox...Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor.

Our families moved to Bolivar about one year ago from California. As new citizens of Tennessee, we would like to say that this has been a wonderful experience. The people we have met have been very friendly, outgoing, and helpful.

We have not been able to enjoy too much sightseeing yet due to the COVID-19 virus as well as other personal things we needed to address first. However, the places we have had time to visit are very remarkable and lovely. Save one thing that we mostly noticed wherever we have gone - is the appalling amount of litter and trash we noticed along many of the highways and roadways and as such, a distraction to what otherwise is a beautifully green and lovely state.

When we arrived here last year, it was at nighttime and we did not notice the litter and trash along the roadways. Upon awakening and going to our newly acquired residence we were shocked to see the amounts of litter along the roads etc.

Apparently, perhaps the citizens of this fine State of Tennessee need to advocate the young to volunteer to help clean up the local town and county roadways. We have also been helping to clean up litter along some roadways. How much better it would be if folks would just stop randomly tossing litter and some trash from their car windows and making not only the roads and parks look bad but also the properties of home and landowners. Not only is it disgusting to see the litter and trash, but this problem is also detrimental to the environment as well as to the wildlife that depend on clean water and uncontaminated food sources. We notice signs regarding fines for littering but perhaps that is not being enforced.

Many towns and cities depend on tourism and new industries to improve their economies. How sad it is to think of all the business that might be lost here because of the littering eyesore prevalent throughout many areas of the state.

We hope this letter will serve to draw more attention to this problematic issue and instill some pride in people's minds and hearts, so Tennessee once again stays green and beautiful.

Sincerely Yours,

Nancy Korling

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Mood Swing::::

Emma's holding the total talley of the weekend hunt. Although the sloughs seemed to be stacked deep with woodies, very few flew by us. As for "Big Ducks," we saw a handful Saturday and the same Sunday. It's obvious acorns are not the preferred food their menu when they (ducks) enter our airways. With fingers crossed I can only hope my screams are being heard. Emma is the next generation of duck hunting. She hears constant stories of duck hunts from the past. We all know, "things" change, when I was her age the skies were full of migrating ducks. They were crammed packed full of acorns. Ducks Unlimited during my hay day spread the word "Ducks for the Future." I'm still waiting on my dividend of that investment. You can believe this, "if" ducks come through our area:::: I'll Be There!! As Always, SAFETY FIRST:::: HOOT



One for the Money...One More to Go? continued from A1

enforcement is competitive, and law enforcement agencies compete with one another for experienced and competent personnel. While it is not the only factor, salaries and benefits are a significant factor in being competitive in this marketplace. Roughly 130 to 140 employees left the employment of the sheriff's department during the time period that spanned 2014 through 2018. Salaries and work conditions are the two primary factors that affect retention of employees. Some pay scales of the employers in the area with whom this sheriff's department competes for human resources are higher and some of them are lower than the pay scales of this department."

Childress gave credit to the county for an attempt to raise salaries, but said pay was a big reason for turn-

"Over the past several years the leadership of Hardeman County has made great efforts and significant progress increasing the compensation it offers to its employees, and a sizable number of people who left their employment during this span of years left for reasons other than pay. However, during that span of years, pay/ benefits were the primary reason the majority of people left their employment sheriff's department and sought employment elsewhere."

Childress wrote the turnover has hurt the department's ability to do all they need to do.

"The sheriff's department has had an unacceptable number of legal papers, roughly 3,000, of various types that have not been served. The sheriff also has some difficulties covering court proceedings and transporting inmates and juveniles. There are several reasons why these papers have not been served and for the other and for the other difficulties the sheriff department has experienced, but lack of staffing is not one of those reasons. Instead, the principal reason behind these issues is employee turnover. Employee turnover results in a lack of experienced staff and frequent vacancies, and inexperienced personnel and frequent vacancies are hindering the sheriff's ability to carry out his statutorily mandated duties such as serving legal papers, providing court security, and transporting and housing inmates."

But Childress went back to his assertion more money is needed.

"The primary reason behind the employee turnover in this department is pay, and an adjustment upward in salaries is needed to remove these difficulties."

But it has a limit, according to Childress.

"A pay increase or pay schedule on the scale recommended by the parties' consultant in his testimony or requested by the sheriff in his testimony is not needed at this time."

Childress concluded with a few points.

"The issue the sheriff currently faces is not the number of staff he has in his employment, but is instead retaining employees," and "the sheriff did not establish that a pay increase or pay schedule on such a grand scale is needed at this time," and "the sheriff is prohibited from receiving more from this court than he requested be appropriated by Hardeman County's legislative body in the budget he presented to that body."

Childress then presented his finding that deputies be given from \$1,750-\$2,500 and those working as jailers be increased from \$.75 to \$1.47 an hour, depending on their current rate of pay.

Childress set the timing of the increase as well.

"While a salary adjustment to July 2019 could be made, these adjustments are to take place beginning January 1, 2021."

Childress' findings of fact and conclusions of law and order said he will rule on the attorney's requests for compensation at a later date.

"With the exception of the claims for attorneys fees, costs and expenses, which will be addressed in separate findings and conclusions, the sheriff did not establish by the required standard proof that he is entitled to any further relief on any other claim he may have brought."

Hardeman County Mayor Jimmy Sain commented on the ruling.

"After reviewing the court's finding of fact, conclusions of law and order, it is apparent that the Chancellor put much time and consideration into the order. As I have said before and during the proceedings, the county employees deserved additional funding, but the amount had to be sustainable by the County. The salary adjustments awarded are sustainable, and I am grateful that the financial condition of the County will allow the raises. It is my belief that, if the Sheriff would have presented these increases to the Budget Committee and Commission for the 2019 budget, they would have been approved without litigation. I sincerely hope, for the sake of our constituents, that we have learned that litigation is not the answer."

No information on a possible appeal of the ruling by either side was obtained.

Following the passing of the 2019-2020 budget, Hardeman County Sheriff John Doolen sued for more support in July of 2019. The issue was seemingly settled in October 2019 after then Hardeman County Attorney Chip Cary and Attorney Roy Herron came to an agreement. Cary presented it to the county commission in a special called meeting as the sheriff's department, who originally sought and sued for approximately \$1.4 million dollars, settled for \$102,000.

At the October 8, 2019 meeting, the vote went 13-1 in favor of ending the lawsuit with the settlement. While both sides claimed lack of adherence to the settlement terms, Attorney Amber Griffin Shaw filed a Motion to Set Aside the Consent Order on behalf of Sain on February 10, citing numerous problems with the consent order. Herron eventually gave up on the settlement, setting up trial dates over the next seven months, with some delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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EDNA'S PAGE ANSWERS FROM A5

SPORTS QUIZ

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Answers

- 1. The USC Trojans. 2. Curt Gowdy.
- 3. Willie Stargell.
- Pete Maravich.
- TRIVIA

Answers

- 1. "My Heart Will Go On" 2. A rope-soled canvas shoe3. Ford Motor Co.
- 4. Bouvier
- 5. Dried fruits and spices 6. New Orleans, Louisiana. The oth-
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FLASH BACK was tucked up in my bedroom

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Answers

- 1. "A Hard Day's Night," released in 1964. The film received Oscar noms for Best Original Screenplay and Best Adaptation or Treatment Score, but no mention at all of the songs, not even Best Original Song.
- 2. The Crew was a group of studio musicians in Los Angeles who provided backup for thousands of songs. Their work made many mediocre songs into hits, and they were much in demand.
- 3. Bill Haley & His Comets, in 1955, in a variety concert. They were followed, although not soon, by the Beatles and Rolling Stones in 1964 and Chuck Berry in 1965.
- 4. Beechwood 4-5789.
- 5. "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus," by Jimmy Boyd in 1952. Numerous others have covered the song, including the Ronettes (1963),

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