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## From the Other Side of the Desk

Having thought about it for almost a minute or two, I've decided New Year's is my favorite holiday.

It's about new things, forgetting the old and pressing on to new stuff.

But that's not my only reason. The other reasons it's my favorite are below:

1. No one complains you ran out of Snickers bars or turned off your porch light at 6:15. Costumes are optional.

2. You can give your significant other a crock pot or a vacuum cleaner and not have to hear about it for the rest of your life. And if you don't want to buy gifts at all, no one cares.

3. No one pinches you if you forget to wear green.

4. Planting a tree is optional. No one cares if you think the earth is doing just fine without the government to save it, thank you. *Hint: It is.*

5. If you hate the whole thing, fall asleep and miss it, or forget it all together, no one is insulted. No one calls you Scrooge. Or the Grinch.

6. You don't have to call people and wish them a Happy New Year right when it happens. You have like a month or two to get it done. And if you forget to tell someone, they don't accuse you of forgetting about them.

7. You can't buy the wrong color flowers or a card that sends the completely wrong message. Or buy a box of chocolates without a grid to tell your receiver of the box where the caramels are versus the orange cream (ugh) filled ones.

8. There are no meals involving Cranberry Sauce or Green Bean Casserole. Gravy is not a beverage.

9. On New Year's you can shoot off firecrackers if you want. And you're off work the day AFTER you celebrate it. Happy New Year, y'all.

*Darrell Teubner, Editor*

# Bolivar Elects McTizic

## Story of the Year

Bolivar City Councilman Julian McTizic led by thirty votes through two weeks of early voting and held on to win the city of Bolivar Mayor's race by 73 votes over two-time incumbent Mayor Barrett Stevens.

"I'd like to thank the citizens of Bolivar. Thank you, thank you, thank you. You believed in a change. You believed in me. You believed in us working together to make Bolivar better. I won't let you down. I look forward to working with the council and the citizens to make a Better Bolivar. I cannot individually thank all the people by name without forgetting someone, so I'll just say a tremendous thank you to everyone on my campaign. Thank you to all my family, my mom, my dad. Demetria and my boys, these past six months have tested me. Tested us. But that's just it. It was all a test to see if we were ready and we are."

McTizic, who at 30 became the youngest mayor in Bolivar history, got his margin of victory in the East Bolivar precinct, where his 229-128 difference was enough to overcome Stevens' 452-424 margin in West Bolivar. Mayor Stevens, who served for years as a Bolivar City Councilman and for eight years as mayor, said his disappointment won't diminish his love for the city.



## More Stories We Covered in 2017

by Jessica Simmons and Bulletin Times Staff

**January 26-** It took 16 rounds and 186 words, but Jace Allen of Hornsby Elementary came out on top in the Hardeman County Spelling Bee for the second year in a row.

"I was kind of scared all year," he said in describing his preparation to defend his title. "But my mom and I studied hard." Allen added that his toughest word was "Phrenologist," but his final word, the title clincher, was "Malacca" which is the stem of a rattan palm, used for making canes and umbrella handles.

Allen won his local qualifier at Hornsby Elementary. Second place Shelby Smith of Hornsby missed the word "outré" a word derived from French. Smith also finished second in the Hornsby qualifier. Kaylee Bryant of Bolivar Middle School finished third and Jaliyah Woods of Bolivar Elementary was fourth.

*Photo of the winners with Hardeman County Superintendent of Schools Warner Ross III by Jessica Simmons*

**February 2-** Hardeman County Mayor Jimmy Sain kicked off the Hardeman Adoptable Animals eventual move from the Hardeman County Landfill to a location off Cliff Road near the Bolivar-Hardeman County Airport. The facility, set on five acres, will include a veterinary room and a metal building for kennels.

*Photo by Jessica Simmons: Madden, Hardeman County Mayor Jimmy Sain, and Brenda Johnson of Hardeman Adoptable Animals.*

**March 2-** The Tennessee College of Applied Technology honored a local Living Legend for their Black History Program at their Whiteville location on February 23. Mr. Evelyn C. Robertson Jr. is a native of Whiteville, and is a 1959 graduate of Allen-White School, as are his two brothers, wife, and aunt.

He obtained his Master's Degree in Administration and Supervision and a B.S. Degree in Political Science and History from Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN. Seven of his twelve years in education as a teacher, coach, and principal were spent at his beloved Allen-White High School. From his time at Allen-White, he went on to write the book: Education and the American Dream: The Allen-White

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## Music on the Square Celebrates Ten Years

### Arts Group of the Year

The preparation for the Smithsonian Institutes "New Harmonies" traveling exhibition that featured four events in 2008 will see ten years of existence this coming year thanks to the Hardeman County Music Commission and the Bolivar Downtown Development Corporation.

Four acts agreed to do the first year for free: SmallShack, The 10-O-C Band, Brian Lee Howell as Elvis and Billy Kennedy.

The following year featured 24 weeks of music ending with the first Hardeman County Music Festival in October.

Music on the Square begins in late April and runs until mid-October, featuring local and regional artists at the Bolivar Downtown Amphitheatre.

*Photo: Brian Lee Howell and friend on stage in 2014. Photo courtesy Ken Savage.*



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Story 1905-1970 which coincides with the fiftieth anniversary of his graduation. The book presents a historic and inspiring chronicle that describes the struggles, challenges, sacrifices, and triumphs of one Tennessee community in search of a common vision in education and achievement. In addition, Mr. Robertson has forty years as a Psychiatric Hospital Director, Mental Health Commissioner for the State of Tennessee, Superintendent of the Nat T. Winston Development Center, and as an Economic and Community Development Executive Director for a Regional Economic Development Agency. In 1986, Mr. Robertson co-authored the book "Grains of Sand- A History of Western Mental Health Institute".



Retiring in 2007, Mr. Robertson continues to give back as a life member of the NAACP, TN State Alumni Association, The National Education Association, Ancient Egyptian Arabic Noble Mystic Shrine Temple 169, King Solomon Consistory 132, 100 Black Men of West TN, the Deacon Board of El Canaan Baptist Church in Whiteville, and he Chairs the CMRA Board in Nashville. Mr. Robertson has been married for 53 years to his wife Hugholene Ellison Robertson, with whom he shares two children, Jeffery and Sheila.

Photo: Mr. Evelyn C. Robertson with wife of 53 years Hugholene Ellison Robertson. Photo by Jessica Simmons.

**March 9-** The 38th annual Hee Haw and Howdy began its seven-night run March 10 at the Hardeman County Arts Center.

The show featured country music #1 hits from the 1980s. The show, conceived by Bertha Vaughan, Don Shackelford, and Bunny Orr in 1980, is directed by Bobby Sain, with musical direction by Jeff Shackelford. A cast and support staff of more than 60 people produce the live stage production that is representative of the TV show by the same name that ran from 1969- 1971 and in syndication for 21 more years.



Photo of Tim Moss and Mike Smalley by Jimmy Sadler

**March 16-** It was announced that former Bolivar Central Basketball Coach Marvin Williams would be inducted into the TSSAA Hall of Fame in early April. Williams coached boys and girl's teams beginning in 1959; coached at Morris Chapel, Ramer, McNairy Central, and Bolivar Central; coached seven teams to the TSSAA State Tournament; Bolivar girls finished runner-up in 1976 and were state champions in 1977 (Class AA), and in 1978 (Class AAA); nominated for National Coach of the Year in 1978; coached on collegiate level at Jackson State Community College and Austin Peay State University; retired in 1990.



Marvin Williams began his athletic career at Whiteville High School where he averaged 25 points per game. He was educated at Freed-Hardeman College, Bethel College and Murray State University. In January of 2016, the Hardeman County Commission voted unanimously to honor former Bolivar Central Coach Marvin Williams by naming a two-mile portion of Old Highway 64 in Hardeman County "Marvin Williams Highway."

Photo by Jessica Simmons

**May 4-** Relay for Life teams in Hardeman County rolled out their booths for the annual Relay for Life Celebration on May 5.

Teams raised money for the American Cancer Society through booths and activities that reflected the theme "Give Cancer the Boot." The headlining entertainment for the night was the Ramblin' Gamblin' Blues Band. Other entertainers who performed included Chase Antwine and several churches performed gospel numbers. The official welcome took place at 6:00 p.m. and the survivors and caregivers completed the first lap. Each year, more than 5,000 Relay for Life events take place in over twenty countries. Events are held in local communities, campus universities and in virtual worlds.



Photo: Event Chair Kathy Weaver and Event Co-Chair Brandon Burvee.

**June 8-** Bolivar Fire Department Training Officer Tommy Breeden was named the 2017 Lewis Baker Service Award Recipient by the Tennessee Firemen's Association (TFA) on June 3. The Tennessee Firemen's Association selects one recipient for the award each year and presents the award during its annual firefighter training conference. Tommy has 17 years of experience in the Tennessee Fire Service and has been the departmental training officer for the Bolivar Fire Department for nine years. "It is Tommy's dedication to our department and our community which earned him the nomination. We are extremely proud that the Tennessee Firemen's Association has chosen to honor him with the 2017 Lewis Baker Service Award," said Chief Lynn Price. Tommy has served in the United States Navy and is currently a Staff Sergeant active in the Tennessee Army National Guard. Tommy is the son of Mr. William Breeden



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and Mrs. Retta Sasser. He is married to Dr. Kerri Ann Kimery-Breeden and has two children, Kayla and Remington. Color photo Photo: Chief Price and Breeden.

**June 15-** It was a city council meeting full of tearful thanks and goodbyes for exiting Bolivar Mayor Barrett Stevens and Council Members Willie McKinnie and Randy Hill on June 13. "At this time, I want to thank all the citizens of Bolivar and my fellow council members for having me these last eight years as your mayor. I particularly want to thank the staff, department heads, and the employees of the City of Bolivar.



Our success can be laid in this board and in the hands of these valued employees. In a few days, I'll end my term as mayor," began Stevens. "And we've had a good transition, our mayor-elect is working real hard. He's doing a great job. He helped put this new budget together and worked hard at it. He's met with all our employees and department heads and I support him 100%."

Mayor Stevens was overcome with emotion as he took a moment before turning to Mayor-Elect Julian McTizic and going on to say, "Bolivar's success depends upon what you do in the future. I support you and I'm going to do everything I can to continue to support Bolivar. Thank you and God bless you." Willie McKinnie fought back tears, stating, "I do appreciate being the representative for Chief (Pat) Baker and all the policemen and Chief (Lynn) Price and all the firemen. It was a great honor to represent you all. I want to say I thank God for blessing me to serve the citizens of Bolivar. It's just been an honor. But most of all, it's been a pleasure and a great honor to me to serve under Mayor Stevens. And I appreciate the work we have done together and the things that are still in the works.

And I'm praying that God will use Mayor McTizic to carry forth and keep the progress going and that he will lead and guide you in everything you do." During the meeting, the council passed the 2017-2018 budget on the first reading.

*Photo: All members of the city council and many who attended the meeting gave Mayor Stevens a standing ovation at the conclusion of his remarks. Photo by Jessica Simmons.*

**June 22-** The Hardeman County Commission voted 9-6 to keep the county tax rate at \$2.55 for another year at their meeting on June 20 in the Hardeman County Courthouse. Voting against keeping the tax rate at \$2.55 were Anthony Pulse, Bobby Doyle, Elvis White, Major Wilburn, Connie Young, and Chandra Lake. The 9-6 margin was more decisive than the vote on the first reading. In May, Hardeman County Mayor Jimmy Sain broke an 8-all tie to pass the 2017-2018 Hardeman County Budget. Mayor Sain broke the May 16 tie after the debate that centered on the county schools funding. Sain wanted to shave four cents off last year's school budget due to a decrease in students in the county, but the schools asked that the county only cut two cents to bring the rate back to \$1.48 from \$1.50. The commission eventually voted to reduce the schools down to \$1.46, a four-cent cut as well.

"I'm very pleased that our county has passed a budget for the third year with no tax increase. The County General Fund took a four-cent cut and will be operating on 39.6% of the revenue, but our conservative elected officials balanced their budgets as requested. I'm very proud to serve with them," said Sain. Breaking down the \$2.55 tax rate, it gives the County General Fund \$1.01 (39.6%), Debt Service receives \$0.08 (3.1%), and the School Fund gets \$1.46 (57.3%) of the total monies that are expected to be collected. The Hardeman County Budget Committee consists of chairperson Jerry Watkins, Junior Jimmerson, and three county commissioners: Elmer Cobb, Jackie Sain and Jim Daniel.

**June 29-** A disagreement over equipment and purchases for the Whiteville Fire Department triggered a walkout of 16 firefighters on June 27. Newly-elected Mayor Aubrey Phillips said his statement in a June 26 meeting where he would "write up" Whiteville Fire Chief Ernie Burkeen and volunteer firefighter Jonathan Swarey for making unauthorized purchases was the catalyst for the walkout. The purchases in question were for turnout equipment last year (the order for which he asked to be canceled when he took office) and the most recent order of Motorola pagers and radios. Phillips says both times, he only knew of the expenditures when the bill and purchase orders arrived. "We have to abide by the rules," said Phillips. "Orders need to go through the city administrator. By state law, anything over \$4,000 has to be bid out." Swarey, who had volunteered with the department for 14 years, said he was unsure why he was called in, explaining by purchasing radio equipment that, "I was only doing what I was told to do by the chief," adding that he was given a purchase order number for the radios by Burkeen and that his frustration with being denied what he termed "proper equipment" triggered his resignation. "The Town of Whiteville gets so many medical related calls, especially ambulance calls, it justifies a full department," said Swarey. "The town of Whiteville has been getting full-time services on a volunteer budget." Phillips said that at the Town of Whiteville City Council meeting on June 26 the council asked Phillips to ask for the resignation of both Burkeen and Swarey. Phillips said he wouldn't ask Burkeen to leave, but Swarey was no longer welcome to serve as a volunteer firefighter or first responder for Whiteville. "He quit and then tried to get others to quit with him. As far as I'm concerned, he's not welcome anymore," added Phillips.

**July 13-** A raid by the Hardeman County Sheriff's Department on June 23 resulted in nine arrests and the seizure of marijuana, vehicles, guns, and cash from 209 Martindale Cove in Bolivar. Eight of the arrested were listed on the report as under 26 years of age. They are: Reginald Dewayne Matthews, 23, of Whiteville; Ray Cordale Brown, 26, of Bolivar; Quinterrius Deontray Stewart, 20, of Bolivar; Donmarrius Trevonte Coby, 19, of Bolivar; Christopher Davlon Reaves, 25, of Bolivar; Dimitics Quinntius Whitehorn, 25, of Bolivar; Ivan Chris Joy, 21, of Bolivar; and Xavier Alex Jones, 21, of Bolivar. A ninth,



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### Black Eyed Peas with Ham Hocks and Greens

#### Ingredients

- 2 pounds black-eyed peas, soaked overnight if possible
- 2 pounds smoked ham hock, meaty ham bone or slab bacon
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt
- 1 large onion, peeled and stuck with 2 cloves
- 1 bay leaf
- ½ teaspoon black pepper
- ½ teaspoon allspice
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 2 pounds collard greens (or desired greens), cut in 1-inch ribbons (about 8 cups)
- 1 bunch scallions, cleaned and chopped, for garnish

#### Directions

1. Drain peas and put them in a large Dutch oven or heavy-bottomed soup pot. Add ham hock or bone (if using slab bacon, cut it into 2-inch chunks), cover with 10 cups water and turn heat to high. Add salt, onion stuck with cloves, bay leaf, black pepper and allspice.
2. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to a gentle simmer. Skim off and discard any foam that rises to the surface. Simmer for 1 1/2 to 2 hours, until peas are tender. Throughout cooking, add water as necessary, always keeping liquid level 1 inch above surface, stirring with wooden spoon occasionally. Turn off heat. Check broth for salt and adjust seasoning. Mixture should be fairly frothy. With a pair of tongs, remove ham hock, ham bone or bacon. Chop meat and skin in rough pieces and set aside.
3. Put a large wide skillet over medium-high heat. Add vegetable oil and heat until wavy. Add garlic and red pepper and let sizzle without browning. Add collard greens and stir to coat. Season with salt and add 1 cup water, stirring to help wilt greens. Add chopped ham and reduce heat to medium, then cover with lid slightly ajar and cook until greens are soft, about 20 minutes. Check seasoning. To serve, put greens and meat in low soup bowls, then ladle over hot black-eyed peas. Sprinkle with scallions.



*You can buy all the ingredients in this recipe at Maxwell's Big Star, 200 North Main Street, Bolivar*



# OBITUARIES

## JEWELL GATES

OCTOBER 3, 1938 ~ DECEMBER 18, 2017

Jewell Gates, age 79 of Bolivar, passed away Monday, December 18, 2017, at Bolivar General Hospital.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, December 21, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. at Shackelford Funeral Directors of Bolivar. Visitation will be Wednesday from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Thursday before the service beginning at 9:00 a.m. Burial will follow the service at Ebenezer Cemetery in Middleton.

Jewell Laverne Gates was born on Monday, October 3, 1938, to the late Robert E. Gates and Mae Rixie Gates in Tippah County, MS. In July of 2017, he retired from his own business, Gates Tractor, after twenty plus years of service, and had previously worked for Stallings Tractor for over thirty years. He grew up in Middleton and Serles, TN, and lived over the past fifty years in Bolivar.

Jewell is survived by his son, James Gates(Janice) of Bolivar; his two daughters, Jackie Mills(Jimbo) and Dollie Henry(Anthony) of Bolivar; three brothers, Clarence Gates(Sandra) of Henderson, Eugene Gates(Maybelle) of Corinth, MS, and Robert Lee Gates(Ann) of Middleton; a sister, Mildred Bates of Selmer; eight grandchildren, Johnnie Satas, Billy Satas, Trent Gates, Colton Richie, Cody Mills, Lane Mills, Elena Mills, and Breanna Henry; five great-grandchildren, and his dog "Little Boy." He is preceded in death by his parents, Robert E. and Mae Rixie Gates; and a sister, Allene Jacobs.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association([www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org)) or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital([www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org))



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## SUE PETERS MURRAY

MARCH 10, 1937-DECEMBER 21, 2017

Funeral services for Mrs. Sue Peters Murray, 80 of Bolivar, were held Sunday, December 24, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel of Shackelford Funeral Directors in Bolivar. Burial was in Bolivar Memorial Cemetery. Mrs. Murray passed away Thursday, December 21, 2017 in Jackson, TN.

Born on Sunday, March 10, 1937, the daughter of the late Ernest and Mae Ella Sipes Brooks, she was a life-long resident of Bolivar. Mrs. Murray was retired from Hardeman Garment and also had been owner/operator, along with her husband, of Murray's Grocery in Medon. The widow of Mr. Charles Murray, she was a member of Faith Tabernacle in Medon. Her family describes her as a wonderful mother and grandmother. Mrs. Murray was especially fond of all her pet dogs.

She is survived by her daughter, Gladys M. (James) Sipes of Jackson; her son, Jimmy (Gam) Peters of Salt Lake City, UT; five grandchildren, Brandy Collins of Jackson, Bryan (Samantha) Davis of Jackson, Crystal (Dwayne) Porterfield of Memphis, Anatasia Peters of San Diego, CA and Kabron Peters of Illinois; and 16 great-grandchildren, Kyle and Kylee Collins, Naomi, Kaitlyn, Elisa and Joshua Davis, Kildon and Kierra Lowrance, Noah, Malache, Abigail and Tyler Porterfield, Joshua, Christopher and Sonja Sipes and Zayden Reed.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her son, James Peters; and grandchildren, Chris Reed, James Allen Sipes and Jim Peters.



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## MABLE ALICE WILBURN COCHRAN

FEBRUARY 25, 1938-DECEMBER 8, 2017

Mable Alice Wilburn Cochran was born February 25, 1938 to the late Major Wilburn Sr. and Lethia Williams Wilburn in Hardeman County, Tennessee. God called Mable home to receive her crown of righteousness on December 8, 2017 at Jackson -Madison General Hospital in Jackson, Tennessee.

Her funeral service was held on Saturday December 16, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at Greater Springfield MB Church in Bolivar, TN with Pastor Robert Parham in charge and burial in the Bolivar Community Cemetery. Dixie Funeral Home was in charge of the professional service.

Mable was one of seven children. Three brothers and one sister preceded her in death: George Washington, Jasper, Ernest Wilburn, and Annie Louise Wilburn Justice.

At an early age in life, Mable accepted Christ as her personal savior at Clover Chapel MBC, and later joined Greater Springfield Missionary Baptist Church, where she remained a faithful member until her departure. She attended school in Hardeman County where she was the Valedictorian of her ninth-grade class.

Mable worked at several establishments to provide for her family, but her main place of employment was Western Mental Health Institute where she was employed for thirty years.

Mable was a loving mother, sister, grandmother, and gran-gran, she was a watchful neighbor and friend to many. She was a giving person, a person who had a passion for taking care of those that were unable to take care of themselves. Even during her sickness, she continued to encourage others.

Mable was a member of the choir, the usher board, kitchen committee, and served on the Mother Board until her health failed her.

Mable married Charles Gatlin Sr. of Hardeman County, Tennessee and to this union three children were born: Charles Jr., Evelyn, and Debra. She later married Albert Cochran of Forrest City, AR., and to this union two children were born: Karen and Rodney.

Albert also raised her three older children as his own.

She leaves to cherish her memories two sons Charles (Carrie) Gatlin Jr. and Rodney Cochran of Bolivar, TN; three daughters Evelyn (Anthony) (Smith) of Oakland, TN; Debra (Jerry) Griffin of Bolivar, TN, and Karen (Joel) Mandujano of Brighton, CO, and a great-grandson Keyon Bills Jr., whom she raised as her own son. She also leaves one brother Major Wilburn and one sister Ophelia (Willie) Parks Sr. both of Bolivar, TN. She assisted in raising two other young women as her own as well: Judy and the late Jane Knuckolls; twelve grandchildren Shay Gatlin Murden, Natassa Gatlin Powell, Shanay Griffin McMillian, Tekelae Gatlin Tucker, Charles Gatlin III, Jerry Griffin II, Jermel Griffin, Terrell Cochran, Taylor Cochran, Tenille Cochran, Joel Mandujano II, and Soraya Mandujano; seven great-grand children Carlos Perry, Darion Williams, Keith Murden Jr., Malaney Gatlin, Katilyn Powell, Jerry Griffin III, and Astin Gatlin; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

She will be known as a Queen of Queens!!

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CEMETERY  
MONUMENTS



## BOB R. MAYES JULY 11, 1940-DECEMBER 9, 2017

Mr. Bob R. Mayes, age 77 of Memphis, Tennessee, died Saturday, December 9, 2017 at MidSouth Health and Rehabilitation in Memphis.

Funeral service were held Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at Shackelford Funeral Directors of Bolivar with Ricky Watkins officiating. Interment followed in Saulsbury City Cemetery.

A native of Hickory Flat, MS, he was the son of the late Bilbo and Pauline Mayes and lived most of his life in the Saulsbury community of Hardeman County. He had been a resident of Memphis for 20 years. Mr. Mayes was a 1958 graduate of Grand Junction High School and worked as a farmer and mechanic. In the early 1960's, he served his country as a member of the US Army stationed in Germany. He was Baptist in belief and in his leisure time enjoyed gardening and crossword puzzles.

He leaves his son, Marc (Sheila) Mayes of Saulsbury; two grandchildren, Robert Marcus Mayes, Jr. and Shelby Renee' Mayes, both of Saulsbury; two sisters, Bonnie Johnson of Saulsbury and Paula (David) McAlpin of Grand Junction; one brother, Ralph (Barbara) of Saulsbury; his companion of over 20 years, Tommie Bryson of Saulsbury; two nieces and three nephews.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by two brothers, J. C. and Harold Mayes.

Charitable contributions made in Mr. Mayes's memory may be sent to The Kidney Foundation ([www.kidney.org/donate](http://www.kidney.org/donate)).

## DOROTHY LOUISE JACOBS MCCOLLUM

OCTOBER 17, 1939-DECEMBER 23, 2017

Mrs. McCollum passed away Saturday afternoon, December 23, 2017 at the Jackson-Madison County General Hospital. Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, December 30, 2017, at Shackelford Funeral Directors of Middleton. Visitation will begin Saturday at 11:00 a.m. and burial will follow the service at Ebenezer Cemetery in Middleton.

She was born Tuesday, October 17, 1939 in Pocahontas, TN, the daughter of the late Henry Gordon Jacobs and Mary Ettie Brumbelow Jacobs. She moved to Memphis in 1955 where she graduated with the class of 1957 of Southside High School. Mrs. McCollum worked in accounting with ThyssenKrupp (Dover) Elevators in Horn Lake, MS, retiring in 2004 after 24 years. She was a member of Getwell church of Christ in Memphis.

Survivors include two sons, Alex M. McCollum, III (Belinda) of Memphis; and Michael McCollum of Arlington; step-son, David McCollum (Kathi) of Benton, AR; three sisters, Ettie Virginia Miller of Searcy, AR, Bonnie Jacobs Veach of Middleton and Connie Cornelius of Pleasant View, TN; half-sister, Grace Robinson of Pocahontas; brother, Henry Jacobs (Linda) of Finger, TN; two grandchildren, Garrett and Dalton McCollum, both of Heber Springs, AR; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Elizabeth Pickard of Memphis and Martha Marie Greene of Pocahontas.

Memorials may be sent to either the American Heart Association (<http://www.heart.org>), the American Cancer Society (<http://www.cancer.org>) or the American Diabetes Association (<http://www.diabetes.org>)

## OPAL SIPES JANES MAY 28, 1921-DECEMBER 22, 2017

Services for Opal Sipes Janes will be held Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in the Shackelford Chapel with burial in Hebron Cemetery. Visitation is Monday, January 1, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. and Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. until service time.

Mrs. Janes, age 96 of Bolivar, Tennessee, departed this life Friday morning, December 22, 2017 at Pine Meadows Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Bolivar.

She was born Saturday, May 28, 1921 in Bolivar to the late William Thomas Fish and Cora Mandonia Donaldson Fish and lived her whole life in Hardeman County. On Thursday, February 22, 1940, she was united in marriage to John Calvin Sipes, who preceded her in death, Sunday, August, 14, 1988. Also preceding her were two sons, J. T. and Jerry Sipes; a grandson, J. T. Sipes, Jr.; three sisters, Cleo Harbin, Neola Wiggs and Vadine Booth; and three brothers, Wesley, Raymond and Lavern Fish.

Mrs. Janes worked in housekeeping at Bolivar General Hospital for many years and was a member of Abundant Life Christian Fellowship in Bolivar. A servant to many, she stayed busy caring for others. She was devoted to all her family and enjoyed sociable time with friends and family. In her leisure time, she enjoyed sewing, crocheting, hand crafts and listening to live music.

She leaves six grandchildren, Michelle (Matt) Rini of Southington, CT, Jason (Beverlee) Sipes of Newington, CT, Amanda (Rusty) Baker of Middleton, Candice (Andrew) Brown of Lufkin, TX, Charity Ragsdale of Wells, MS and Summer Crutchfield of Brownsville; and numerous great-grandchildren.

## NAHADA GUDGER NOVEMBER 2, 1968-DECEMBER 6, 2017

Nahada Gudger was born November 2, 1968 to Pastor Roscoe Gudger, Sr. and Carrie L. Gudger in Somerville, TN. He departed this life Wednesday, December 6, 2017.

His funeral service was held on Saturday, December 16, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Union Hill MB Church in Whiteville, TN with Pastor Jerry Crisp in charge and burial in the Union Hill Cemetery. Dixie Funeral Home was in charge of the professional service.

Nahada attended Hardeman County Schools where he graduated from Bolivar Central High School, class of 1987.

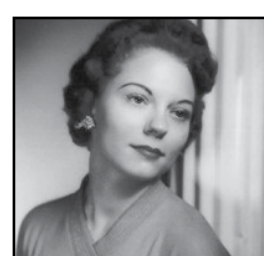
Nahada accepted Christ as his personal Lord and Savior at Lane Chapel CME Church.

Nahada was a dedicated employee of ThyssenKrupp Elevator Company in Middleton, TN for 19 years.

Nahada enjoyed driving race cars, fishing, and riding his ATV(4-wheeler).

Nahada accepted his calling into the ministry under the leadership of Pastor Jerry Crisp and served as Youth Pastor of Campbell Chapel MB Church.

Nahada leaves to cherish his memory a loving and devoted wife of 26 years, Eunice Gudger of Bolivar; two sons, Nahada Gudger II of Jackson and Keenen Gudger of Bolivar his parents, Pastor Roscoe (Carrie) Gudger, Sr. of Arlington, Tn, one brother, Roscoe (Benetta) Gudger, Jr. of Oakland, TN, two sisters, SHERECE (Larry) Williams of Bartlett, TN and Joaquina (Pierre) Burruss of Arlington, TN, his mother -in-law, Daisy Minter of Bolivar, TN, two brother -in-law's Jasper (Nancy) Jones of Hornsby, TN and Preston Minter, Jr of Bolivar, TN, and one sister-in-law, Tjuana (Fredie) Cross of Bolivar, TN, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.





# IN MEMORIAM

## THE FOLLOWING OBITUARIES APPEARED IN THE BOLIVAR BULLETIN TIMES IN 2017.

A. Dennis McClure, February 28, 1965- February 12, 2017  
 Adam Wayne Fawcett, July 27, 1974- March 12, 2017  
 Addie Lou Sain, August 20, 1920- November 20, 2017  
 Addie Wammack Sain, October 18, 1918- March 20, 2017  
 Agnes L. Noles, October 5, 1936- March 15, 2017  
 AJ Robertson, December 17, 1930- March 25, 2017  
 Alfred Norris, Lake July 28, 1947- October 20, 2017  
 Allen Richerson, September 1, 1938- April 28, 2017  
 Alma Jean Taylor, February 9, 1946- October 19, 2017  
 Angela Griffin-Wimberly, June 25, 1961- April 22, 2017  
 Annie B. Crawford, January 12, 1926- February 13, 2017  
 Annie Katherine Jestice, December 4, 1951- December 21, 2016  
 Annie L. Tims, June 24, 1939- April 9, 2017  
 Anthony Allen Blankinship, March 1, 1940- May 7, 2017  
 Anthony Anderson, July 20, 1956- December 31, 2016  
 Baby Dallas Jenkins Curry, October 6, 2017- October 6, 2017  
 Barbara J. Swanson, December 10, 1933- November 23, 2016  
 Benjamin Franklin Avent, March 15, 1925- March 17, 2017  
 Bethany Moore Wilson, November 11, 1980- July 15, 2017  
 Bette B. Richards, August 28, 1931- March 29, 2017  
 Betty Gerald Gardner, December 14, 1926- January 20, 2017  
 Betty Jean Foster Rogers, April 24, 1946- July 12, 2017  
 Betty Louise Welch Boggan, April 15, 1959- December 25, 2016  
 Betty Rose Bartlett, June 27, 1939- July 15, 2017  
 Bettye Jean Kirk, October 1, 1935- September 5, 2017  
 Beverly Denton Emerson, April 9, 1933- August 23, 2017  
 Beverly Gail Howell, November 19, 1955- June 21, 2017  
 Bill Warren, July 4, 1946- July 8, 2017  
 Billy Ray Leathers, November 14, 1945- February 2, 2017  
 Bland McKeown, May 16, 1926- October 6, 2017  
 Bob R. Mayes, July 11, 1940- December 9, 2017  
 Bobbie Jean Dyson, September 3, 1938- April 30, 2017  
 Bobby Gibson Hill, April 28, 1932- June 23, 2017  
 Bobby Lee Cannon, March 29, 1939- December 31, 2016  
 Bobby Lee Smith, December 9, 1940- November 28, 2017  
 Boyd Brown, August 23, 1948- October 28, 2017  
 Brad Weatherly, May 29, 1956- May 1, 2017  
 Bradley Hugh Arnwine, October 25, 1968- May 4, 2017  
 Brenda Joyce Parsons, September 17, 1956-October 12, 2017  
 Brooks J. Murdock, January 15, 1945- June 22, 2017  
 Bruce Redfean, February 3, 1951- March 6, 2017  
 Bubba Watson, January 2, 1962- November 4, 2017  
 Caden James Polk, February 17, 2017- February 17, 2017  
 Carl Eugene Perkins, June 6, 1936- September 28, 2017  
 Carnell Breeden, October 6, 1926- October 30, 2017  
 Carolyn Jeanette Howell, September 28, 1939- July 6, 2017  
 Carrie Morgan Lax Lane, December 13, 1923- February 27, 2017  
 Catherine Engelbrecht, July 11, 1930- November 24, 2017  
 Cedric Maurice Woods, September 2, 1964- July 8, 2017  
 Charlene Hodge, August 13, 1942- December 31, 2016  
 Charles "Tiny" Steward, July 3, 1937- December 18, 2016  
 Charles Hilliard, September 28, 1960- November 17, 2017  
 Charles McAlpin, March 4, 1953- May 24, 2017  
 Charles W. German, October 28, 1934- Septmeber 6, 2017  
 Charles Wayne Woods, November 9, 1955- January 11, 2017  
 Charlie Roy Dubose, March 7, 1945- October 27, 2017  
 Claudie Newman Cox, January 26, 1940- September 8, 2017  
 Clifton Polk, Jr., September 26, 1951- May 3, 2017  
 Coy R. "Bud" Ervin, April 16, 1938- January 4, 2017  
 Crawford Cossar, October 13, 1950- April 2, 2017  
 Curtis Demontay Owens, July 15, 1997- November 5, 2017  
 Cynthia Sullivan Young Neal, January 26, 1948- December 2, 2017  
 Daniel Brown, June 24, 1932- August 27, 2017  
 Daniel Swain, August 8, 1976- January 15, 2017  
 Danny Lane Graves, March 19, 1947- June 29, 2017  
 Darlene Berry, January 7, 1959- November 15, 2017  
 David "Randy" Grimes, March 19, 1952- May 11, 2017  
 David F. King, August 1, 1947- July 2, 2017  
 David Luker, June 25, 1947- November 21, 2017  
 Dawn Bellar Watson, November 12, 1971- April 2, 2017  
 Dean Howell, May 23, 1935- May 14, 2017  
 Della Gates Bryant, January 25, 1955- September 23, 2017  
 Delois Neely Jones, April 17 1953- November 2, 2017  
 Detric Dorell Pledge, April 23, 1985- December 26, 2016  
 Diana Isham, May 1, 1943- June 1, 2017  
 Donald Edward Jackson, July 26, 1938- March 12, 2017  
 Donald Gibbons, Jr., March 29, 1940- March 23, 2017  
 Donna Childers Braddock, April 18, 1938- October 20, 2017  
 Donna F. Woodyard, December 30, 1953- February 18, 2017  
 Donna Jean Kirksey Ferge, November 5, 1947- December 8, 2017  
 Donna Sue Shields, February 14, 1967- March 1, 2017  
 Donnie R. Houston, December 9, 1974- March 31, 2017  
 Dorothy "Mush" Jones, March 12, 1933- December 11, 2017  
 Dorothy Carolyn Barnett, January 8, 1935- August 16, 2017  
 Dorothy Ellison, June 30, 1931- September 4, 2017  
 Dorothy Louise Ellison, June 30, 1931- September 4, 2017  
 Dorothy McKinnie Martin, June 10, 1935- May 9, 2017  
 Dr. Ila (Andrews) Wells, June 1, 1916- November 18, 2017  
 Dr. Joe Shackelford, August 9, 1934- October 6, 2017  
 Dudley Kennedy, Sr., July 22, 1936- September 6, 2017  
 E.M. Dilworth, Jr., January 31, 1947- February 1, 2017  
 Earnest Frank Fentress, June 3, 1932- October 6, 2017  
 Earnest Ray Williams, January 22, 1943- October 10, 2017  
 Easter V Price, April 26, 1926- March 22, 2017  
 Edna Hussey, July 18, 1942 - November 18, 2017  
 Edward "Jerry" Harrison, February 24, 1931- July 7, 2017  
 Edward James Vaught, May 28, 1963- April 22, 2017  
 Edward King, March 17, 1929- August 13, 2017  
 Edward Lynn Barnes, August 13, 1933- October 24, 2017  
 Edwin Goddard, July 6, 2017- November 27, 2017  
 Elizabeth "Liz" Cherry Isbell, June 16, 1936- May 27, 2017  
 Elizabeth "Liz" McKinnie, March 22, 1939- March 2, 2017  
 Elmo Steven Dean, March 5, 1922- December 20, 2016  
 Eloise Odam Ferguson, December 7, 1924- June 23, 2017

Emma Inez Hill, July 24, 1933- October 4, 2017  
 Erma Dee Spencer Bishop, November 24, 1942- July 29, 2017  
 Eva Louise Doyle, July 3, 1940- August 24, 2017  
 Eva Yvonne Plunk, November 14, 1942- March 21, 2017  
 Evilee Baldwin Reid, June 4, 1945- July 17, 2017  
 Ferry Lewayne Glass, April 13, 1960- March 25, 2017  
 Forrest Doyle, June 13, 1950- May 23, 2017  
 Frances Joyner Brumley, July 23, 1935- January 3, 2017  
 Fred V. Haire, March 15, 1929- June 13, 2017  
 Fred V. Sterling, October 26, 1950- October 5, 2017  
 Freddie Lee Kiestler Coleman, October 27, 1931- March 2, 2017  
 Freeda Rister Crowley, December 3, 1919- June 1, 2017  
 Frieda May Brown, March 2, 1927- May 19, 2017  
 G.W. Wilson, March 31, 1948- April 25, 2017  
 George Daniel Sargent, April 29, 1936- January 16, 2017  
 Georgia Lue Morrow, October 28, 1941- August 10, 2017  
 Georgia Mae Brown Rivers, March 17, 1945- April 19, 2017  
 Georgie Lee Justice, June 9, 1931- February 7, 2017  
 Gerald Duane Pritchard, November 14, 1915- January 24, 2017  
 Gilbert Lawrence Tigner, February 14, 1948- April 19, 2017  
 Gladys Boyle Woods, October 28, 1926- October 24, 2017  
 Gladys Shearon Porter, August 29, 1922- August 30, 2017  
 Glen A. Watkins, Sr., August 27, 1940- October 20, 2017  
 Glen Jacob Kinney, December 7, 1930- November 10, 2017  
 Gola Jean Reaves, September 14, 1950- September 15, 2017  
 Guy E. Walker, April 27, 1941- May 4, 2017  
 Hal Thompson, Sr., July 2, 1940- April 2, 2017  
 Harold Lafred Moore, October 22, 1952- April 4, 2017  
 Hazel Bryan Yarbrough, August 22, 1922- March 9, 2017  
 Hazel L. Yopp, February 16, 1934- November 21, 2017  
 Helen Baker, July 5, 1938- November 21, 2017  
 Henry Madison Jacobs, March 6, 1935- October 7, 2017  
 Hilda Beatse, May 23, 1940- April 6, 2017  
 Jack Muncher, September 11, 1936- September 27, 2017  
 Jackie Howell, June 3, 1948- August 4, 2017  
 James Antwine, July 123, 1935- March 13, 2017  
 James Neal Nelms, January 14, 1958- January 8, 2017  
 James Perry, January 16, 1934- October 1, 2017  
 James R. Wilson, November 20, 1946- September 3, 2017  
 James Royce Brown, June 8, 1928- May 22, 2017  
 James Stack, October 25, 1928- August 11, 2017  
 James Steven Duncan, November 16, 1933- October 23, 2017  
 Jamie McKellar Porter, May 22, 1916- May 31, 2017  
 Janice Murphy Davis, January 27, 1949- March 10, 2017  
 Janice Teresa Bolden, February 27, 1959- August 3, 2017  
 Janie Veach, September 18, 1929- May 17, 2017  
 JC Harvey, May 2, 1938- September 7, 2017  
 Jean Greene, August 16, 1929- April 5, 2017  
 Jean Walter "Flip" Parker, February 4, 1928- January 9, 2017  
 Jeremy Daniel Anderson, July 3, 1980- June 14, 2017  
 Jerry Cumberland, March 30, 1931- September 8, 2017  
 Jerry Lee Barnes, January 15, 1955- February 17, 2017  
 Jerry M. Smith, January 4, 1939- February 19, 2017  
 Jerry N. Fulghum, December 6, 1932- December 9, 2017  
 Jerry Wayne King, July 9, 1946- June 5, 2017  
 Jessie James Lake, June 13, 1934- September 2, 2017  
 Jewell "Judy" Johnson, March 22, 1922- May 18, 2017  
 Jewell Gates, October 3, 1938- December 18, 2017  
 Jimmy Vaughn, June 20, 1963- April 9, 2017  
 Jo Ann Barksdale, July 23, 1943- March 1, 2017  
 Joe D. Siler, March 1, 1936- May 7, 2017  
 Joe David Casey, June 10, 1950- June 12, 2017  
 Joe Fulghum, July 17, 1931- January 18, 2017  
 Joe Roger Parham, July 24, 1942- February 27, 2017  
 Joe T. LaCroix, July 24, 1942- July 6, 2017  
 Joe W. Cofer, November 18, 1925- August 5, 2017  
 John "Pop" Blaylock, December 28, 1947- December 25, 2016  
 John Amos "Johnny" Jackson, April 25, 1936- June 23, 2017  
 John Butler Hinson, December 12, 1939- April 30, 2017  
 John Edwards Mathews, July 20, 1947- February 20, 2017  
 John Henry Morgan, January 25, 1936- February 5, 2017  
 John Howard Sandage, October 16, 1941- May 2, 2017  
 John Lambert, September 6, 1954- April 1, 2017  
 John Robert (Bob) Stevens, August 2, 1938- July 21, 2017  
 John Thomas Leathers, July 9, 1941- April 11, 2017  
 John W. Lowrance, January 31, 1967- October 7, 2017  
 John Wesley Browning, Sr., April 28, 1929- February 14, 2017  
 John William Walton, Jr., June 3, 1952- February 7, 2017  
 Johnnie Hyman, January 16, 1927- June 19, 2017  
 Jonathan Eric Brock, August 26, 1961- March 30, 2017  
 Jose Alberto Vazquez, Jr., July 23, 2017- September 27, 2017  
 Joseph H. Vincent, September 8, 1929- August 5, 2017  
 Joseph Luther Walton, March 31, 1939- September 16, 2017  
 Joyce Havens Shelly, July 27, 1937- December 21, 2016  
 Juanita Gaither, September 28, 1960- November 17, 2017  
 Juanita Vandiver Baker, September 9, 1940- August 2, 2017  
 Judy Ann (Petty) Wilson, February 21, 1945- June 8, 2017  
 Kaitlyn Marie Lambert, February 3, 2008- July 21, 2017  
 Kathleen Crowley Vincent, March 10, 1923- September 16, 2017  
 Katie May Sails, June 5, 1933- February 26, 2017  
 Kelly Eugene Jeter, January 16, 1972- February 11, 2017  
 Kenneth W. Stanley, September 28, 1943- May 21, 2017  
 Kevin Woods, March 1, 1958- May 21, 2017  
 Kristie Renee King, May 3, 1974- January 27, 2017  
 L. Vanessa Joy, October 29, 1962- October 6, 2017  
 Larry Carl Adkins, August 16, 1932- August 2, 2017  
 Larry Gene Tomlin, January 26, 1954- June 14, 2017  
 Lavelle Vickers Graves, December 24, 1942- June 4, 2017  
 Leah L. Ball, September 3, 1929- August 1, 2017  
 Lee Norris Wilkes, November 26, 1959- February 26, 2017  
 Lemonte Devoris Murphy, October 31, 1970- August 27, 2017  
 Leo Burnette McKinnie, November 28, 1955- April 20, 2017  
 Leroy Holloway, December 4, 1929- March 21, 2017  
 Lillie Jackson, July 21, 1926- December 7, 2017  
 Lloyd Ray "Pop" Kirby, September 15, 1940- July 13, 2017  
 Lorene "Callie" Polk, March 16, 1918- December 29, 2016  
 Lue Berta Woods Sain, May 4, 1927- August 29, 2017  
 Lukie Mae Humphrey, September 9, 1939- August 27, 2017  
 Lula Mae Bolden, January 29, 1947- August 3, 2017

Lynn Alan Sisco, March 24, 1962- August 15, 2017  
 Mable Alice Cochran, February 25, 1938- December 8, 2017  
 Marianne Martin, December 17, 1929- January 6, 2017  
 Marie Seever, September 26, 1922- March 18, 2017  
 Marion Thompson White, April 28, 1920- August 10, 2017  
 Marjorie Mae Clayton, August 26, 1926- June 18, 2017  
 Marjorie Sue Harris Lucht, January 1, 1936- October 8, 2017  
 Mark Wayne Moore, January 12, 1977- November 6, 2017  
 Martha Ellen "Mark" Vincent, October 2, 1933- June 28, 2017  
 Marvin E. Brown, February 18, 1963- June 29, 2017  
 Marvin Larry Sipes, Sr., February 25, 1943- July 22, 2017  
 Mary Alice Harris, December 10, 1960- November 26, 2017  
 Mary Ann (Sipes) Elder, August 22, 1939- November 24, 2017  
 Mary Bernice Daniel Brazil, December 15, 1926- February 13, 2017  
 Mary Charlene W. Morris, November 3, 1937- June 26, 2017  
 Mary E. Henson, May 17, 1924- November 12, 2017  
 Mary Elizabeth Beaty Wolfe, November 29, 1926- January 1, 2017  
 Mary Elizabeth Stewart Vincent, February 25, 1946- June 5, 2017  
 Mary Ethel Crisp Johnson, March 1, 1919- July 5, 2017  
 Mary Frances Mullen Campbell, April 29, 1944- April 8, 2017  
 Mary Gooch, September 23, 1915- February 24, 2017  
 Mary Lena Turner, February 2, 1942- April 18, 2017  
 Mary Lois Parks, March 30, 1930- November 19, 2017  
 Mary Louise Champion, February 2, 1962- January 27, 2017  
 Mary Virtue Herron, August 3, 1927- April 25, 2017  
 Mattie L. Stewart, May 20, 1928- June 6, 2017  
 Maxine Cardwell, September 23, 1930- March 5, 2017  
 Maxine Shearon Ross, October 9, 1927- January 6, 2017  
 Mildred L. Graves, April 4, 1936- August 10, 2017  
 Mildred Price Lake, May 22, 1932- January 16, 2017  
 Minnie Carolyn Isbell, November 9, 1941- August 12, 2017  
 Nahada Gudger, November 2, 1968- December 6, 2017  
 Nancy J. Smith, October 30, 1929- February 8, 2017  
 Nancy Stewart Siler, June 9, 1937- July 24, 2017  
 Nathan Vincent, March 14, 1991- April 28, 2017  
 Nell King, December 7, 1944- August 22, 2017  
 Norma D. Munn, December 12, 1930- May 2, 2017  
 Norman Hatch, July 15, 1933- August 21, 2017  
 Norman Rhodes, August 29, 1910- July 16, 2017  
 Orland Harriss Siler, September 2, 1969- March 22, 2017  
 Paige Dellinger, February 15, 1994- May 24, 2017  
 Patricia Jean Dubose, January 14, 1969- October 29, 2017  
 Paul R. Bozie DeLong, February 9, 1947- July 2, 2017  
 Pearlie Lee Lynum Wilson, January 25, 1933- May 12, 2017  
 Peggy Grantham Curlin, March 23, 1942- January 14, 2017  
 Peggy Hodgson Mask, October 27, 1929- February 24, 2017  
 Petzie Mae Jenkins, September 16, 1914- July 17, 2017  
 Price Dubose, September 10, 1935- September 22, 2017  
 Ralph Rickman, October 25, 1943- February 5, 2017  
 Randall Lynn Shields, February 9, 1964- November 2, 2017  
 Ray Forrest Wilburn, March 27, 1946- January 4, 2017  
 Ray Wilson, November 27, 1953- November 10, 2017  
 Raymond Parks, December 3, 1932- January 16, 2017  
 Rickey Chandler, January 11, 1948- August 21, 2017  
 Rickey Overton, August 13, 1958- January 8, 2017  
 Robbie Sipes, October 2, 1972- April 16, 2017  
 Robert "Bob" Wilson, September 28, 1943- February 28, 2017  
 Robert Donald King, May 24, 1929- January 29, 2017  
 Robert Harold Fletcher, July 7, 1943- October 3, 2017  
 Robert Wesley Wilson, May 1, 1927- April 10, 2017  
 Roberta Irwin Bryant, October 11, 1916- June 24, 2017  
 Roger D. Stallings, Sr., April 24, 1949- June 17, 2017  
 Roger D. Vandiver, April 24, 1956- February 8, 2017  
 Roger Dale King, March 24, 1949- March 3, 2017  
 Ronald "Ron" Lee Nield, July 10, 1947- April 2, 2017  
 Roscoe E. Hampton, November 25, 1927- May 9, 2017  
 Rosemary Haack Denton, October 9, 1937- July 8, 2017  
 Rosemary Tiler Turner, September 13, 1930- August 20, 2017  
 Rosie Lee Taylor, December 5, 1933- March 23, 2017  
 Roy Blaylock, January 16, 1942- November 17, 2017  
 Roy R. Hornsby, March 21, 1930- May 7, 2017  
 Ruby Nell Bryant, August 17, 1945- September 22, 2017  
 Ruth Bishop, October 3, 1936- October 30, 2017  
 Ruthie Bell Cremer, March 22, 1924- September 20, 2017  
 Sadie Marie Tackett, September 10, 1925- September 29, 2017  
 Sandra "Sandy" Maffett Sanders, September 25, 1946- April 26, 2017  
 Sandra Miller Brown, January 19, 1937- March 31, 2017  
 Sarah Alline Warf Fish, January 26, 1941- June 22, 2017  
 Sharell Djuan Crisp, November 28, 1988- January 15, 2017  
 Sherry Ann Thomas, March 22, 1958- September 10, 2017  
 Shirley Beauregard, May 17, 1938- January 21, 2017  
 Shridla Howell Stamey, March 13, 1919- June 2, 2017  
 Sue Gibson, January 24, 1942- May 20, 2017  
 Sue Peters Murray, March 10, 1937- December 21, 2017  
 Sue Sykes Russell, December 9, 1937- January 28, 2017  
 Sue Tull Hatch, December 19, 1922- November 15, 2017  
 Suzanne L. Covey, July 9, 1947- August 25, 2017  
 Ted Franklin Sneed, Jr., November 15, 1950- July 1, 2017  
 Teresa Fay Lambert, December 29, 1962- March 3, 2017  
 Teresa Lynn Deming, March 4, 1965- April 22, 2017  
 Terry "Duck" McDonald, August 25, 1968- December 8, 2017  
 Thomas Russell "Tom" Nolan, March 5, 1940- June 6, 2017  
 Thomas White, July 24, 1941- December 4, 2017  
 Tommy Parks, June 27, 1948- May 9, 2017  
 Vance E. Smith, Sr., September 25, 1943- February 20, 2017  
 Virginia Muriel Pettigrew, October 28, 1928- January 31, 2017  
 Virginia Rich Bryan, June 29, 1920- May 17, 2017  
 Wallis D. Grimes, October 29, 1923- May 4, 2017  
 Willard Tigner, February 2, 1932- September 2, 2017  
 William "Sonny" Vickers, June 16, 1945- July 26, 2017  
 William Bill Rush, June 25, 1944- June 28, 2017  
 William Brandon Lambert, February 2, 1975- July 21, 2017  
 Willie Dee Rivers, February 22, 1943- May 11, 2017  
 Willie Tobe McKinnie, April 13, 1948- July 12, 2017  
 Wilma Tidwell Hodges, June 27, 1931- October 31, 2017  
 Yulanda Louise Hendrix, September 18, 1973- September 15, 2017  
 Zilla Kate Hawkins, December 30, 1953- February 25, 2017



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**FOR RENT:** 3br/1bath \$650 month, \$650 move in fee, \$108 landfill fee. 422 Karen Dr. No Pets, No Section 8. Call 901-351-5257. For Rent: 2 br/1bath \$450 month, \$350 move in fee, No Pets, No Section 8, \$108 landfill fee. 132 N. Bass St. Call 901-351-5257.

12/28P

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## New Year's - Time for New Year's Financial Resolutions

We've reached the end of another year – which means it's just about time for some New Year's resolutions. Would you like to study a new language, take up a musical instrument or visit the gym more often? All these are worthy goals, of course, but why not also add some financial resolutions?

Here are some ideas to think about:

Increase contributions to your employer-sponsored retirement plan. For 2018, you can contribute up to \$18,500 (or \$24,500 if you're 50 or older) to your 401(k) or similar plan, such as a 403(b), for employees of public schools and some nonprofit groups, or a 457(b) plan, for employees of local governments. It's usually a good idea to contribute as much as you can afford to your employer's plan, as your contributions may lower your taxable income, while your earnings can grow tax-deferred. At a minimum, put in enough to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered.

Try to "max out" on your IRA. Even if you have a 401(k) or similar plan, you can probably still invest in an IRA. For 2018, you can contribute up to \$5,500 to a traditional or Roth IRA, or \$6,500 if you're 50 or older. (Income restrictions apply to Roth IRAs.) Contributions to a traditional IRA may be tax-deductible, depending on your income, and your earnings can grow tax-deferred. Roth IRA contributions are not deductible, but earnings can grow tax-free, provided you don't start taking withdrawals until you are 59-1/2 and you've have had your account at least five years. You can put virtually any investment in an IRA, so it can expand your options beyond those offered in your 401(k) or similar plan.

Build an emergency fund. Try to build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money held in a low-risk, liquid account. This fund can help you avoid dipping into your long-term investments to pay for unexpected costs, such as a new furnace or a major car repair.

Control your debts. It's never easy, but do what you can to keep your debts under control. The less you have to spend on debt payments, the more you can invest for your future.

Don't overreact to changes in the financial markets. We've had a long run of rising stock prices – but it won't last forever. If we experience a sharp market downturn in 2018, don't overreact by taking a "time out" from investing. Market drops are a normal feature of the investment landscape, and you may ultimately gain an advantage by buying new shares when their prices are down.

Review your goals and risk tolerance. At least once in 2018, take some time to review your short- and long-term financial goals and try to determine, possibly with the help of a financial professional, if your investment portfolio is still appropriate for these goals. At the same time, you'll want to re-evaluate your risk tolerance to ensure you're not taking too much risk – or possibly too little risk – with your investments.

Do your best to stick with these resolutions throughout the coming year. At a minimum, they can help you improve your investment habits – and they may improve your financial picture far beyond 2018.

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

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# BUSINESS IN 2017

## Joe's Restaurant, Bolivar



Customers new and old poured into Joe's Restaurant in Bolivar on October 3 as part of owner Lisa Hodge's 10-year celebration at their location at 1410 W. Market Street in Bolivar.

Hodge came up with a menu especially for the day, with prices from 10-years ago.

The Hardeman County Chamber of Commerce is a valuable resource for any Hardeman County Business. One of the services of the chamber is ribbon cuttings to open new businesses or celebrate big changes.

For more on what the chamber can do, call Director Kandy Shackelford at 731-658-6554.

In addition to the businesses in photos on this page, the chamber welcomed Dollar General, Toone, Dollar General, Hornsby and Mid-South Health Savannah House.

## Anytime Fitness, Bolivar



Anytime Fitness of Bolivar held its ribbon cutting and grand re-opening event at their new location, 116 E. Jackson St. on February 23.

## Middleton Senior Apartments Plus, Middleton



The Middleton Senior Apartments Plus opened with a ribbon cutting on December 6 at 321 N. Main St. in Middleton.

## Miracle Healthcare, Bolivar



Patients, county and city officials, and well-wishers gathered at Miracle Healthcare's new location on Market Street in Bolivar for a ribbon cutting to celebrate their re-opening May 24.

## Unity Health and Wellness, Bolivar



The Hardeman County Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting Wednesday, May 10, to officially open Unity Health and Wellness at 107 Tennessee Street in Bolivar. Photo by Jessica Simmons.

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SUBSTITUTE  
TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on January 8, 2018 at 2:00PM local time, at the west door, Hardeman County Courthouse, 100 N. Main Street, Bolivar, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Tyler Cox and Carletta D. Cox, to Andrew C. Rambo, Trustee, as trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Community Mortgage, Inc. on November 3, 2010 at Deed of Trust 690, Page 652, Instrument No. 116527; conducted by Shapiro & Ingle, LLP, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Hardeman County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.

Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, its successors and assigns.

The following real estate located in Hardeman County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder:

Described property located at Hardeman County, Tennessee, to wit:

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This being the same property conveyed to Tyler Cox and wife, Carletta D. Cox by W. Jack Sain, Jr., by Warranty Deed for dated November 2, 2010 and of record in Deed Book 52, page 741 in the Register's Office of Hardeman County, Tennessee.

Street Address: 18525 Hwy 57, Middleton, Tennessee 38052

Parcel Number: 172 035.00

Current Owner(s) of Property: Tyler Cox and wife, Carletta Cox

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 18525 Hwy 57, Middleton, Tennessee 38052, 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 herein shall control.

This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and

any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: any judgment creditor or lien holder with an interest subordinate to the said Deed of Trust or any party claiming by, through, or under any of the foregoing. Such parties known to the Substitute Trustee may include: None.

Terms of Sale will be public auction, for cash, free and clear of rights of homestead, redemption and dower to the extent disclaimed or inapplicable, and the rights of Tyler Cox and Carletta D. Cox, and those claiming through him/her/it/ them.

Any right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are waived in accord with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to Shapiro & Ingle, LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy. The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title.

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SUBSTITUTE  
TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made in the terms, conditions, provisions and payments made and provided for in a Deed of Trust dated April 9, 2009, executed by David Wayne Roberts and wife, Kimberly Roberts, to Anthony R. Steele, Trustee, and recorded in Book 677, Page 628, and re-recorded in Book 683, Page 550, Register's Office for Hardeman County, Tennessee, to secure the indebtedness therein described, and the entire indebtedness having been called due and payable as provided in said deed of trust, and said

payment not having been made, and the lawful owner and holder of said indebtedness having appointed the undersigned, David G. Mangum, as substitute trustee by written instrument dated September 4, 2014, recorded in Book 722, Page 69, in the above mentioned Register's Office, notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned substitute trustee, or my designated agent, under the power and authority vested in me by said deed of trust, and having been requested to do so by the lawful owner and holder of said debt, will on Thursday, January 4, 2018 at 12:00 Noon at the front door of the Hardeman County Courthouse in Bolivar, Tennessee, sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, free from the equity of redemption, homestead and dower, and all other exemptions and rights of every kind, all of which are expressly waived in said deed of trust, the following described tract or parcel of land more particularly described as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at the intersection of the west ROW of Van Buren Road and the north ROW of Lake Hardeman Road, runs thence North 26 degrees 10 minutes East 409 feet with the west margin of Van Buren Road to a fence post; thence North 77 degrees West 332 feet to an iron stake; thence South 10 degrees 15 minutes West 379 feet to an iron pipe in the north margin of Lake Hardeman Road; thence South 73 degrees 30 minutes East 220 feet with the north margin of said road to the point of beginning, containing 2.5 acres.

DEED REFERENCE:  
BEING the same property conveyed to David Wayne Roberts and wife, Kimberly Roberts by deed from Gary S. Smith and wife, Peggy J. Smith of record in Book 21, Page 830, said Register's Office.

INCLUDED with this conveyance is a 2009 Southern Homes mobile home, Model A-12, VIN#DSDAL54220AB, which is affixed to this real property and permanently made a part hereof.

SUBJECT to any and all existing easements, setback lines and restrictive covenants of record in said Register's Office. This description was taken from the deed of trust being foreclosed on of record in Book 677, page 628, and re-recorded in Book 683, Page 550, said Register's Office.

TAX MAP-PARCEL NO.: 128-001.00  
PROPERTY ADDRESS 3375 Lake Hardeman Road, Hickory Valley, TN, as shown on the tax maps for the Assessor of Property for Hardeman County, TN.

This sale is subject to any and all unpaid real estate taxes; restrictive covenants, easements and setback lines; any and all redemption rights, including rights of redemption of any governmental agency, State or Federal, and any and all prior liens or encumbrances against said real property. Said sale is further subject to matters that an accurate survey of the property might disclose.

The property sold pursuant to this notice shall be sold "AS IS" and neither the Substitute Trustee nor the beneficiary of the Deed of Trust, nor any agent or attorney therefore, makes or shall make any warranty, whether express or implied, as to the condition, quality or quantity thereof, including, but not limited to, the enforceability of any lease affecting the property, the existence or absence of defaults under or the effect of this sale upon the rights of any party under such lease. The Substitute Trustee shall make no warranty of title, express or implied, and will sell and

convey the subject real property by Substitute Trustee's Deed only.

The substitute trustee may adjourn or postpone the aforementioned sale of real property by public announcement at such time and place of sale, and from time to time thereafter may postpone such sale by public announcement at the time and place fixed by the preceding postponement or subsequently noticed sale, and without further notice make such sale at the time fixed by the last postponement, or may, in its discretion, give a new notice of sale. If applicable, the Notice requirements of T.C.A. § 35-5-117 have been met.

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 47-9-604, this sale may also include the manufactured home described as one (1) 2009 South-

ern Homes mobile home, Model A-12, VIN#DSDAL54220AB.

The failure of any high bidder to pay the purchase price and close the sale shall, at the option of the Substitute Trustee, be cause for rejection of the bid, and, if the bid is rejected, the Substitute Trustee shall have the option of making the sale to the next highest bidder who is ready, willing, and able to comply with the terms thereof. The proceeds derived from the sale of the property will be applied as provided for in said deed of trust.

Terms of sale: Cash  
Substitute Trustee: David G. Mangum  
Substitute Trustee,  
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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-7-105 of public hearings to be held by the Hardeman County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hardeman County Courthouse. The hearings will be held respectively in order to receive public input on the following Zoning Map Amendment Resolution:

- 1) A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF HARDEMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO REZONE A TWO (2) ACRE PORTION OF TAX PARCEL 020.00, HARDEMAN COUNTY TAX MAP 098 DESCRIBED HEREIN, OWNED BY MR. AND MRS. GLEN SISCO FROM C- 2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TOR (RESIDENTIAL); and
- 2) A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF HARDEMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO REZONE A 3.14 - ACRE PORTION OF TAX PARCEL 020.00, HARDEMAN COUNTY TAX MAP 098 OWNED BY GLENN SISCO LOCATED ON STATE ROUTE 125 FROM I-3 (RURAL INDUSTRIAL) TO FAR (FORESTRY AGRICULTURE RESIDENTIAL); and
- 3) A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF HARDEMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO REZONE A 6.08 - ACRE PORTION OF TAX PARCEL 002.02, HARDEMAN COUNTY TAX MAP 027 OWNED BY VERNON BYLER FROM FAR (FORESTRY AGRICULTURE RESIDENTIAL) TO I-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL)

Copies of the proposed map amendment may be viewed at the Hardeman County Zoning Compliance Office or the Office of the Hardeman County Mayor located within the Hardeman County Courthouse Building.

James R. Sain  
Mayor

## NOTICE

The Hardeman Co. E.M.A. will be having the 2nd meeting on the renewal of the Mitigation Plan for the county. The meeting is January 9th at 6:00 PM at the Hardeman Co. Bolivar Airport, the public is encouraged to attend.

The Hardeman County Board of Education will meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, January 11th, 2018 at the District Office. A copy of the January Agenda is posted to the district website ([www.hardeman-countyschools.org](http://www.hardeman-countyschools.org)). In accordance with T.C.A. § 49-2-203 (para 14-C), business to be conducted during this meeting includes discussion and recommendations regarding the Director of Schools current contract. The public is welcome to attend.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions found within Title 13, Chapter 7, Section 203 (13-7-203) of Tennessee Code Annotated, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Bolivar Board of Mayor and Council on the adoption of the following ordinance to change the text of the Zoning Ordinance of Bolivar Zoning Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF BOLIVAR, TENNESSEE: CHAPTER 8, NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT T, SECTION 10-803, PRINCIPAL USES AND STRUCTURES PERMITTED AND 9, CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, SECTION 10-903, PRINCIPAL USES AND STRUCTURES PERMITTED TO INCLUDE PACKAGE LIQUOR STORES

Said hearing will take place at a regular session of said Board on Tuesday, January 8, 2018 BEGINNING AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE BOLIVAR CITY HALL.

Any interested party is invited to appear before the Board and be heard in objection or in favor of the adoption thereof. The proposed ordinance is available for public examination in the Mayor's Office, Bolivar City Hall.

Sheila Dellinger,  
City Administrator

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Keyon Joy, 34, of Bolivar, was arrested as well. The charges on the nine ranged from possession with the intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, unlawful drug paraphernalia possession to possession of a firearm in the attempt to commit a felony. According to Hardeman County Sheriff John Doolen, seized were 1,912 grams (approximately four pounds) of marijuana, two 9mm guns, two bottles of codeine syrup, three vehicles, and approximately \$3,000 in cash. One of the firearms was stolen, according to the report.

**August 3-** Members of the Tennessee Black Caucus presented the Allen White School with a grant to help further their goals to create a cultural and educational center at the school site. "It's a great thing for me personally," said Tennessee State Representative Johnny Shaw, who is an alum of the school. "It will be a neat museum and will bring visitors to Whiteville. I'm proud to be a part of this." The donation was a portion of the agenda at the meeting of the Tennessee Black Caucus held at Elcanaan Baptist Church in Whiteville.



Photo by Jessica Simmons

**August 10-** The Bolivar City Council presented a memorial proclamation during their regularly scheduled meeting at the Bolivar Municipal Center Courtroom to the family of former Councilman Willie McKinnie, who passed away on July 12, 2017.

McKinnie's first term as City Councilman was in 2002. During his last term, McKinnie served as City Commissioner of both the Bolivar Fire and Police Departments until June of 2017. Along with his responsibilities as councilman, Bishop McKinnie served on the City of Bolivar Budget Committee, the Imagination Library Committee and the Bolivar-Hardeman County Library Board.



Photo: McTizic and McKinnie Family.

**August 10-** The State of Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development announced the ThreeStar competitive Grant Awards for Fiscal Year 2017/18. Thirty-one counties will receive \$25,000.00 and Hardeman County is one of them. In the past, each ThreeStar County received \$10,000.00 upon application. This is the first year that the grant was raised to \$25,000.00 and made competitive. Hardeman County Mayor Sain stated, "I am very proud that we were chosen for the grant. I will utilize the funds to continue the Work Ethics/Workforce Development Classes, Workforce Clean Records program, Health and Welfare programs, updating and maintenance on the county's website. It is vital to our economy to have a trained available workforce ready to go to work. I would like to thank Governor Haslam, Commissioner Rolfe, Senator Gresham, Representative Shaw and Representative Gant for supporting Hardeman County and our efforts to prepare it for competitiveness and economic development."



Photo: Sain receiving ThreeStar Award from Governor Haslam

**August 17-** An almost seven-hour standoff involving close to 40 law enforcement personnel ended peacefully on August 14 as a hostage taker released his three children and was taken into custody. On site for the incident that began at 1:43 a.m. with a phone call to Hardeman County Dispatch describing a male subject outside of 385 Ferguson Street in Whiteville armed with a handgun holding three children against their will.

Upon arrival by four Hardeman County Deputies, three investigators, Sheriff John Doolen and Chief Deputy Billy Davis, it was learned that two shots had been fired inside the home, allegedly by Angel Bustillos. As other law enforcement came, Bustillos barricaded himself and his captives in the residence. Two squads from the Madison County Swat Team, including a translator were brought in and after negotiations, Bustillos was taken into custody and charged with three counts of Especially Aggravated Kidnapping, one count of Domestic Assault, and three counts of Reckless Endangerment. His bond was set at \$300,000. Bustillos' intake documents show him as a non-citizen of the United States and according to Sheriff John Doolen, Immigrations and Customs Enforcement was contacted and his status as a resident could be in jeopardy.

**August 17-** City officials along with City of Bolivar employees were present for the Grand Opening of Pleasant Run Creek Park on Friday, August 11. Mayor Julian McTizic began the ceremonies alongside former Mayor Barrett Stevens in front of the recently renovated old Hardeman County Jail Chapel that is now being used as restroom facilities at the park. Pleasant Run Creek Park has 170 acres of scenic views, walking trail, a small stocked fishing pond, and disc golf; with plans for expansions that include picnic tables and a possible arboretum walking trail. A covered plaque was presented by Mayor McTizic reads: "Pleasant Run Creek Park a city effort to establish Pleasant Run Creek Park August 4, 2017. Coordinated by and dedicated to Barrett Stevens, Sr. City of Bolivar Mayor July 1, 2009- July 1, 2017 who worked diligently with City of Bolivar employees to pursue the creations of this park for all citizens to enjoy." Ricky Watkins reads a tribute to Mayor Stevens while Mayor McTizic and former Mayor Stevens look on.



Photo by Jessica Simmons.

**August 31-** A joint investigation by special agents with the TBI and officers with the Hardeman County Sheriff's Department, the U.S. Marshals Service and the FBI has resulted in the arrest of two individuals, charged in connection to a 2016 double homicide in Toone. At the request of 25th District Attorney General Mike Dunavant, TBI Agents joined Hardeman County deputies on October 21, 2016, in investigating the homicides of Joe "Joe Duke" Robertson, 38, and his 13-year-old son Jarvarrie "Joe Joe" Robertson. The two were found shot to death at their Naylor Road home. As a result of that investigation, Andrian Bullock, Damein Hamer and Jeremy Hamer have since been indicted by the Hardeman County Grand Jury on charges of first degree murder, and are currently awaiting trial. During the course of this ongoing investigation, agents developed additional information that identified Marquenton Deandra Williams, of Lamar, Mississippi, and Erica Angria Beard, of Bolivar, as two individuals with connections to the deaths of the victims. Marquenton Williams (DOB 1/18/1989) was arrested on August 28 in Tippah County, Mississippi. Williams waived extradition and was brought to the Hardeman County Jail. He was charged with two counts of First Degree Murder and is being held without bond pending his arraignment.

The following day, Erica Beard (DOB 8/07/1975) was arrested and charged with one count of Criminal Conspiracy to Commit Aggravated Burglary and Aggravated Robbery and one count of Accessory After the Fact to First Degree Murder. She was booked into the Hardeman County Jail, where she was held on a \$1,000,000 bond.

**September 7-** Former Hardeman County resident Charles Larry Bates was sentenced to 21 years and 10 months for a scheme selling gold and silver to investors that netted the self-made radio host almost \$100 million. Bates made his pitch on Christian media outlets as well as his family's own Information Radio Network, Inc. During sentencing, Bates was ordered to pay restitution of \$21 million to 400 people defrauded in the scheme. In May, Bates was convicted of 46 counts of fraud and was tabbed as the ringleader in the grift and deemed responsible for the total amount gained in the scheme. Customers had given \$87 million to First American Monetary Consultants to buy precious metals. But prosecutors maintained, and the jury decided that the defendants kept the money for their personal use, including commodities trading and a 10,000-square-foot house. By 2009, the company had more than \$26 million dollars in unfilled orders, according to court documents. Bates was also in the Hardeman County spotlight in 2010, with his attempt to influence the outcome of the 2010 Hardeman County Sheriff's race against current Hardeman County Sheriff

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## Road and Bridge Dedications

In *Casablanca*, "Everybody Comes to Rick's."

In Hardeman County, *Everybody Comes to Leon's*. And when it comes to Leon's, there are few places that are as American as Hardeman County as his location near Hickory Valley.



*Everybody Comes to Leon's*. Just not all at once. It's not a big place with a dance floor and 423 brands of beer, no, in fact, more people attended the dedication of the Leon Fish Bridge in central Hardeman County last week than could actually fit inside his establishment.

And when the Hardeman County Commission recognized a business that has had almost everyone show up at one time or another, they confirmed that, *Everyone Comes to Leon's*.

It's a bar. And he runs it. But way more than that, Leon Fish was recognized for his fame outside his four walls off Lake Hardeman Road. He was recognized for his music, playing with the greats and bringing the greats home to play right here in Hardeman County.

In *Casablanca*, Rick said, "Your business is politics, mine is running a saloon."

But Leon did both. For 40 years. And I've heard more than once and from more than one person, that if you're going into politics in Hardeman County, you'd better go see Leon. And whether for superstition or just good politics, most of them have. If they wanted to win, that is.

Seating is limited, but nobody cares. The jukebox is a museum of music from times gone by but not forgotten. The walls have photos of the famous people that have passed through there and business cards of anyone who wants to leave one to let everyone know that they too, have been to Leon's.

Leon's Place is a testament to the American Dream, where someone with somewhat humble resources coupled with great hospitality and attitude, can be a bona-fide-famous-for-cool-reasons success. I'm just glad he didn't want to start a newspaper.

Yeah, I've been there. Why? Because *Everyone Comes to Leon's*. Reprinted from *From the Other Side of the Desk*, September 7, 2017



Hardeman County dedicated a stretch of highway in Bolivar to the honor of Bolivar native Major General Fred D. Robinson, Jr., on September 22 in Bolivar.

Robinson's military career spanned more than 30 years ending with his retirement as a Commanding General, US Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

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There is a touch of humor in asking God for patience and being impatient in the process. But patience is a very badly needed virtue for the Christian life (Luke 21:19; Gal. 5:22). God calls us to be patient and be long suffering in every area of our lives.



### IV. We Need Patience in Our Family Life.

One of the areas that we need patience the most is with those in our family. The people we are with all the time and love the most, yet can lack patience for. The husband and wife relationship definitely requires love & patience from both parties to make the marriage a happy home (Eph. 5:25-33). All those personality traits and peculiar habits that we found endearing at first, can become annoyances later on. They can even be a source of strife and bitterness, if we allow them to (Col. 3:19). We forget about the need to patiently forgive the other's faults and that we too have faults that require patience. We can forget the scriptures' teaching that, "Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." O, how we need that kind of love in our homes! And not to mention the greatest challenge in family life—the raising of children! Children are a great blessing from the Lord (Psalm 127:3), yet there are times when they can and will test our patience to the breaking point! It is in those times that parents need to hold fast to their discipline, yet show love & fairness to our dear ones (Proverbs 13:24). What a great challenge that is in the heat of the moment! May it never be said of us, that we are more patient with other people than the family we love. In our family life, Christians be patient!

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John Doolen. According to court documents, the timing of the funding for the political hit on then Whiteville Police Chief John Doolen was supplied with money from the Ponzi scheme.

**September 14-** The Bolivar City Council approved allowing alcohol to be consumed at special events in the city during their regularly scheduled meeting on September 11. The ordinance, labeled #17-006, amends the Bolivar Municipal code to “grant exceptions to the prohibition of drinking or consuming alcoholic beverages on public property.” The change, which passed unanimously at the August meeting, had a more difficult time in the final passage, as Page Walley, Tracy Byrum, and Larry McKinnie found the possibility that sales of alcohol might accompany the consumption as a point of discussion. Mayor Julian McTizic assured the council that the laws governing the sale of alcohol had not changed and that any selling in conjunction with an event would have to be approved through the Bolivar Beer Board. After a pause in the discussion, Councilwoman Suzanne Rhea made a motion to approve the change. The motion passed with four council people (Rhea, Jonathan Joy, Todd Lowe, and Melvin Golden) voting in favor, two (McKinnie and Walley) voting against, and one, Tracy Byrum, declining to vote on the issue. Groups or events wishing to have alcohol at an event or for a weekly event such as Music on the Square, will have to apply with the city council and pay a fee. The ordinance change will take effect in 10 days, according to McTizic.

**September 21-** The seven-week journey for the Luez Theatre sign saw the Bolivar icon come back home on September 15 after a restoration from Memphis Sign Erectors.

The Luez Theatre is a project of the Bolivar Downtown Development Corporation who purchased the circa 1947 theatre in 2013 with plans to restore it for use and approved \$250,000 to repair the facility in March. The sign restoration was done thanks to a grant contract with the State of Tennessee.

Photo by Ginger Tester.



**September 28-** Two escapees from the Western Mental Health Facility (WMHI) in Bolivar were captured Saturday, September 23, after a little more than thirty-six hours of freedom. Caught were 31-year old Joseph Bortz and 22-year old Matthew Inman, who plotted their escape from Western while incarcerated together in Gibson County, reasoning that it would be easier to escape from a mental facility than a jail, according to Bolivar Police Chief Pat Baker. Also, according to Baker, their run to freedom ran into some trouble after they overpowered a WMHI employee, took a key card and used it, leaving the grounds by scaling the fence. “They broke into a nearby cabin and got a coffee pot, some tea, a hot dog roaster, deer tent, and a roll of paper towels,” said Baker, adding they made a makeshift camp on the land that held the cabin. A tip from the landowner came when he checked his trail cameras, saw one of the escapees, and alerted police in Bolivar.

The presence of police in the area caused the pair to attempt to borrow a telephone from a nearby house to call for help. The homeowner allowed them use of the landline, but called the authorities on a cell phone at the same time.

Inman was captured when the authorities arrived and Bortz, who had fled across the road, was apprehended five hours later. Baker said the escapees were surprised to learn they hadn’t traveled more than about four miles from Western.

“They thought they were on the other side of Jackson,” he added. Baker said the department was grateful for the assistance of the Gibson County Sheriff’s Department as well as the Tennessee Highway Patrol, who lent a helicopter to the search effort.

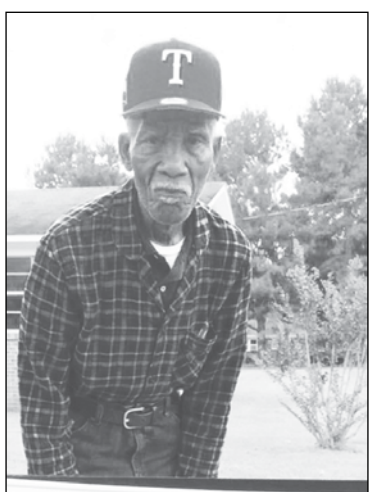
Photo: Officer Chris Williams, Inman, and Officer Craig Collins.



**October 5-** For the second time in two weeks, game cameras positioned in Hardeman County helped find missing persons. This time, however, the news was not good. A call from hunters checking game cameras led to the discovery of the body of James Perry, 83, of Bolivar, on October 1, ending the search for him that began on September 12 when he is thought to have walked away from his home at 110 Holly-wood Acres Lane in Bolivar.

According to Hardeman County Sheriff John Doolen, Perry was found within 1.5 miles of his home in a small creek behind the Old Granville Howell Sawmill near Highway 125 South. “At the time of his discovery, the creek had about a foot of water in it,” said Doolen. “But we think it was about four feet deep on September 12.” “Hunters checking their game cameras saw Mr. Perry walking around,” said Doolen, adding that the date stamp was September 12.

Doolen said an untold number of man hours and numerous agencies from outside Hardeman County lent labor and resources to the search, which lasted from September 12 to September 22, when the department began to investigate other leads.



**October 12-** The Bolivar Rotary Club had their annual chicken cooking, with 1,000 halves sold to raise money for Rotary Club events and scholarships.

See photo right.

**October 12-** The City of Bolivar hosted a job fair on October 5, attracting hundreds of job seekers and more than 30 businesses to the Bolivar Municipal Center. “We can talk about the numbers but if we can get one person to come today and get a job, this will be a success,” said Bolivar Mayor Julian McTizic. “And with that as a goal, we can certainly say this has been a success.” McTizic said the city wants to expand the job fair in 2018 and plans to use both the conference room and the Bolivar Municipal Gymnasium as well.

Photo by Sarah Rice.

**October 12-** The Bolivar City Council added a new councilperson for District A, Position 3 at their monthly meeting on October 9 as Tommy Woods of Bolivar was sworn in by Bolivar City Judge Cathy Frost. Woods, who is a Hardeman County Sheriff Department’s School Resource Officer in Middleton, won by a 4 to 3 vote by the council defeating Donnell Polk, who received the other three votes and two other candidates. Woods replaces Quantissia Hamer, who resigned from her District A Position 3 spot. The seat will be up for re-election in 2019.

Photo by Ginger Tester.

**October 19-** The Hardeman County Commission voted 12 to 4 to table a proposal by four members of the commission to increase the voting members of the Hardeman County Highway Committee from three to seven, adding the four-appointed commission voting members to the three elected officials.



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“They go before the county,” said Mac Vaughan, speaking of the three elected officials. “And now their votes might not count against the four commissioners.” Discussion ensued where all agreed three was too few, but few agreed with the plan put forth by Commissioners Chris Bell, Elmer Cobb, Jim Daniel and Vincen Morrow. “We need to have them all elected,” offered Elvis White. After discussion, a motion to table the issue was put forth by Mike Madden and seconded by Johnny Lanier. The only commissioners voting against tabling the vote were Bell, Cobb, Daniel, and Morrow. In November of 2016, Hardeman County Road Supervisors Kenny Pulse, John Mitchell, Jr., and Matt Knight floated, then withdrew a plan that would have sent a private act to the State of Tennessee that would have eliminated the Supervisor of Highways as an elected official, giving the supervisors power to hire and oversee the position. In response to the growing conflict within the department, the county commission this past March 21 voted to add Bell, Cobb, Daniel, and Morrow to the county highway committee for the remainder of 2017. The four joined Pulse, Mitchell, and Knight at meetings that are also attended by Highway Superintendent David Sipes. The non-vote from the commission leaves things as they were, a seven-member committee with only three voting members. Sipes said the addition of the four commissioners has made things better in the short term, but a long-term solution was needed. “It’s been saner, I’ll put it that way,” he said. “But if you leave it like it is, you’re going to regret it.”

**October 26-** Bolivar Central Football prepared to say goodbye to Woody Woods Stadium on October 27, as the final home game of the 2017 season was the last game played at the stadium which was first used in 1953.

“The last couple of years the Board of Education has been investigating new facilities for both high schools,” said Superintendent of Schools Warner Ross. “We’ve had to do a lot of belt-tightening, but we can now go forward without having to do any financing.” In addition to new home side seating, a new fieldhouse will be built to house the football facilities.

The field itself, named after R.A. Butler, will remain in the same place. “The old stadium has a lot of character, but a lot of flaws. We’ve repaired it over the years many times,” said Ross, adding that the locker rooms will be in the fieldhouse that will be situated near the south end of the field. In the spring, Hardeman County Schools plan to build a new gymnasium at Middleton High School, replacing Bailey Howell Gymnasium.

“With seventh through twelfth grades at Middleton, there are a lot of teams competing for floor time in addition to the P.E. classes,” said Ross. “We plan to build a spectator gym for Middleton High School.” Ross, hopes the Bolivar Central Stadium will be done in time for spring graduation ceremonies, the fieldhouse in time for summer, and the gym at Middleton ready in the fall of 2018.

**November 16-** With the opening of the 2018 Hardeman County Elections on November 17, the Hardeman County Democratic Party released their requirements and/or guidelines for allowing a candidate to affiliate with the party that has dominated Hardeman County politics for years, although perhaps in name only. To that end, the party formed a Democratic Party Primary Board with the purpose of determining if candidates for office are “bona fide” democrats. The party has crafted a letter to explain their process that will be sent to all candidates who pick up petitions to run as democrats. The letter says the primary board will use objective evidence to make the determination but will allow candidates to explain exceptions. The letter outlines the criteria and process as follows:

- The basic criteria are that Democratic candidates must have been shown to support state and federal Democrats the majority of the time.
- To meet these criteria, candidates should have voted in at least three of the last five state and federal Democratic Primaries or be prepared to present reasonable explanations why they did not.
- Candidates that do not meet the base criteria may meet with the Democratic Party Primary Board after the filing deadline and present reasons why they should be qualified as a Democratic Party candidate.
- Immediately after the deadline for fling for candidacy has passed, the Hardeman County Democratic Party Primary Board will hold a public meeting to consider whether candidates meet the qualification to run for office as a Democrat. All candidates that have fled to run as a Democrat will have the opportunity to attend and present at that time, if they so desire.
- The primary board will consider the candidates primary voting records and any other relevant evidence presented to it. There being no evidence contrary, the candidate will be deemed a Democrat and qualified to run as a Democrat.
- If a candidate is determined to not be a bona fide Democrat, the primary board shall refer the matter to the Hardeman County Democratic Party Executive Committee for review.
- The executive committee may either qualify the candidate as a bona fide Democrat or refer the matter with a recommendation to disqualify to the Tennessee Democratic Party Executive Committee for final decision. See also the letter from Hardeman County Democratic Party Chairman Randall Rice and Hardeman County Democratic Party Primary Board Chairman Evelyn Robertson on A5. According to Hardeman County Administrator of Elections Amber Moore, a candidate rejected by the Hardeman County Democratic Party or the State Democratic Party would not be eligible to refile and run as a Republican or an Independent if their petition had been turned in and certified by the

Hardeman County Election Commission. Last summer, the Hardeman County Democratic Party said they had identified seven Hardeman County Commissioners who ran as democrats in 2014 but were not, according to their criteria, bona fide democrats. In 2014, 23 of the 27 partisan offices in Hardeman County Government were won by those identifying with the Democratic Party, and 16 of those democrats ran unopposed in the general election.

**November 30-** A federal grand jury returned a 14-count indictment on November 20 charging five defendants with federal Hobbs Act Robbery in West Tennessee. D. Michael Dunavant, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, announced the indictment, which said from July 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016, Jenial Edwards, Scotty Edwards, Eddie Matthews, Zarius Norment and Johnny Cross were on a robbery crime spree. Separately and together, the defendants robbed seven different businesses in Bolivar, Whiteville, and Jackson, Tennessee. Some of the defendants possessed firearms in each of these robberies. The 14-count indictment charges each defendant with robbery affecting interstate commerce and carrying and/or brandishing firearms during the commission of the robberies. Jenial Edwards is also charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm. The defendants are: Jenial Edwards, 25, Bolivar, Scotty Edwards, 25, Bolivar, Eddie Matthews, 26, Bolivar, Zarius Norment, 21, Whiteville, and Johnny Cross, 54, Bolivar If convicted, each defendant faces up to 20 years imprisonment for each of the robberies and a \$250,000 fine. In addition, the defendants face a consecutive 7-year sentence for brandishing a firearm during the robberies. Jenial Edwards has an additional penalty of not more than 10 years for being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm. The United States also seeks criminal forfeiture of property involved in the crime This case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; Hardeman County Sheriff’s Office; and Bolivar, Whiteville and Jackson Police Department. The charges and allegations contained in the indictment are merely accusations, and the defendants are considered innocent unless and until proven guilty. Assistant U.S. Attorney Victor L. Ivy is prosecuting this case on the government’s behalf.

**December 7-** The Bobby Martindale Memorial Library in Grand Junction officially moved to their new location 530 Madison Ave. W. on Saturday, December 2. *See photo below.* A programming room for their continued GED/Hi-Set Education classes with a smart board, new computers, a complete kitchen, new windows, paint, updated book shelves, and a wonderful children’s area are just some of the renovations available to the eye. Grand Junction Mayor, Curtis Lane, expressed his gratitude to everyone who’s played a part in the process of this amazing new facility. Stressing the importance of libraries as being a “safe-haven” for many children he said, “One of my favorite quotes reads, “Today’s readers are tomorrow’s leaders”. What we’re doing here is giving children and adults the ability to change their lives. I just don’t know what I would do without Ms. Wanza Taylor.”

Hardeman County Mayor Jimmy Sain discussed the ways the new library came about, with fundraising efforts, and a grant from the state for \$100,000.

Expressing the important need for this new facility, Alex Beene, Lead Instructor for the Tennessee Adult Education Center, reviewed the success stories of their GED/Hi-set program out of the old library and couldn’t contain his excitement for the successes to come with the expansion of more computers and a bigger classroom in the new facility.

He spoke on the magnitude of Ms. Wanza Taylor within her community and said, “I just don’t know where this library, this community, or myself would be without her”. Grand Junction Library Director Wanza Taylor fought back tears as she thanked the “Friends of the Library”, Alex Beene, Curtis Lane, and everyone who had a hand in seeing this dream become a reality.

The Grand Junction “Friends of the Library” presented Ms. Taylor with a plaque of appreciation for all her efforts to make this library possible and within the community to help children learn to read no matter the means necessary. An amazing cake made to look like the book, “The Neverending Story”, punch, and other finger foods were available to patrons to wrap up the afternoon with a snack while they sat and enjoyed a book.

**December 14-** The City of Bolivar made \$1,750 from fines on sales of beer to minors as a result of a beer buy sting operation by the Bolivar Police Department. The fines were levied at the Bolivar Beer Board Meeting on December 11, following the regularly scheduled meeting of the Bolivar City Council. Fined for the first time in the past three years were Rassam H. Salah d/b/a M&R Food Mart, Bholabhai Patel d/b/a/Q-Mart, and Hay Yafai d/b/a/ Millenium Market. Each was told to pay \$250 to settle cases stemming from sales to minors. Fined for the second time in the past three years were Minaben Patel d/b/a Bolivar Tobacco and Yahya Ahmed Alsasri d/b/a Bolivar Ready Mart. They were asked

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# YEAR IN REVIEW

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**December 14-** The Bolivar City Council voted 6-2 to revise the Bolivar Municipal Code in regards to package stores in the city. The vote took place during the regularly scheduled meeting on December 18 in the Bolivar Municipal Courtroom. The first reading passed 5-2 with one abstaining (Tommy Woods) on November 13. Voting in favor of the change were city council members Melvin Golden, Larry McKinnie, Tracy Byrum, Jonathan Joy, Tommy Woods, and Page Walley. The successful vote was to remove any reference to the DevCo zone from the liquor ordinance, which established guidelines for liquor stores in Bolivar in June of 2015, and limited liquor stores to spots within the "footprint" of the Bolivar Downtown Development Corporation. The passage on the second reading included a public hearing where citizens were allowed to voice their concerns. After the public hearing closed, Melvin Golden made a motion to approve the new ordinance, seconded by Larry McKinnie. Against the change on both the initial reading and the final vote were Todd Lowe and Suzanne Rhea. The legality of package stores in Bolivar was passed by a referendum of the voters (71%-29%) in May of 2015, and the subsequent ordinance limited the area in which a store could be located to the Bolivar Downtown Development Zone (DevCo). Of the current council members, only Lowe and Rhea voted for the ordinance on the second reading in 2015.

In late December of 2016, Bolivar businesswoman Maria Howell filed a lawsuit against the City of Bolivar, asking that the 25th Judicial District overturn the denial of Howell's application to open a package store in the city. In the petition filed by Shari Danielle Elks of the Elks Law Firm in Burns, Tennessee, Howell (Top Shelf) asked for the petition to open a package store be approved and for all attorney fees and discretionary costs associated be awarded as well. The 22-page document outlined Mrs. Howell's requests to have her application approved and alleged that councilperson Suzanne Rhea "improperly participated in the discussion of and voted on Plaintiff's application without properly recusing herself based on a conflict of interest in violation of the Bolivar Municipal Code 1-603 directly affecting the outcome of the Defendant's vote." Named in the suit were the city of Bolivar, all eight Bolivar City Councilmembers and former Bolivar Mayor Barrett Stevens.

**December 14-** A ground breaking celebration for a new shooting range and education facility was embraced at Lone Oaks Farm on December 7. Hardeman County Mayor Jimmy Sain, commissioners of the TWRA, Director Ed Carter, TN State Representatives Johnny Shaw and Ron Gant, along with numerous other city and county leaders to see for themselves these first steps in the construction of the facility designed by Marty Fisher.

**December 21-** After more than a few months of hoping, Hardeman County and Chemring Countermeasures USA (Kilgore) announced the world leader in design, development and manufacture of countermeasures and countermeasure suites will remain in Toone. At a ceremony on December 13 at the Hardeman County Courthouse, County Mayor Jimmy Sain told some of the story. "With the successes of Kilgore, growth is requiring the need for new technology, new facilities and additional employees," Sain began in his address.

"The Chemring Board of Directors decided approximately twelve months ago to hire InSight Consulting to make a recommendation on moving forward. This process has required a lot of hard work on behalf of a lot of people, not to mention 12 other states that wanted Kilgore to replant on their soil. Moving forward with the recommendations of InSight, and with the great help from Governor Haslam, Commissioner Rolfe and the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development, this week, construction trailers have moved on site in Toone." "We look forward to the ground-breaking ceremony in early spring."

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*Hardeman County Community Calendar*

**The Kingsmen Quartet** will be at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church on Saturday, December 30 at 6 p.m. Pleasant Grove Baptist Church is located at 4050 Lake Hardeman Road in Saulsbury. Pastor Ray Lovelady invites you to join.

**Walk with the Mayor** will resume on Friday, December 29 at noon at the Bolivar Municipal Building Gymnasium.

**The City of Bolivar Sanitation Department** New Year's Day sanitation pick up will have a one-day delay: Tuesday, January 2, Wednesday, January 3 and Thursday, January 4.

**The 12th Annual Snowflake Ball** will be held on February 3 at 208 Hope St., in Bolivar. Tickets can be purchased by calling Sara at 659-0216. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m., with dinner beginning at 6. This year's theme is the 70's.

**The City of Middleton** will hold a public meeting on January 4 at 2:00 p.m. at Middleton City Hall regarding the FY 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program. All Middleton citizens are encouraged to attend.

**The Whiteville City Council** will meet on January 8 and 6:30 p.m. Whiteville residents are invited and encouraged to attend.

**The Hardeman County UT Extension Office** will sponsor a Farmland Legacy Workshop at the Bolivar Municipal Building on January 8-9 from 6-9 p.m. \$25 single, \$35 couple with the registration deadline is January 4 and includes workbook and meal. Call 658-2421 to sign up or contact Lee Sammons at [lsammons@utk.edu](mailto:lsammons@utk.edu)

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**The Bobby Martindale Memorial Library in Grand Junction** host a GED (HiSET) Prep class Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. It's free, call 731-764-2716 for more information.

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**Bolivar General Hospital** hosts an Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group on the second Monday of each month (January 15) at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. For more details, call Sara Skinner at 659-0216 before 4:00 p.m.

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**New Bethel Baptist Church** Services 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. All are always welcome and invited to attend.

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**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 609-9318.

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# SPORTS

## Teams That Made Us Proud in 2017

The Middleton Lady Tigers Volleyball team won their first district title under Zeke Craft, beating Trinity in the district final.

The Lady Tigers finished 18-10 for the year after bowing out in the region versus Summertown.

The Lady Tigers broke Trinity's seven year hold on the district title, but failed to make the TSSAA state tournament for the first time in four years.

Photo by Heather Pulse.



The Bolivar Middle School Girls Softball team came into the Hardeman County Softball Championship as the #3 seed, but beat the #2 and #1 teams to win their first title in many years.

Brooke Hickey pitched both games for the Lady Tigers, who beat both Toone and Middleton for the first time after going 0-4 against them during the regular season, being outscored 40-6 in the process.

It was Bolivar's first win in the Middle School Softball tournament since 2011.



The Bolivar 8U All-Stars won four games over two days at Greenbrook Park in Southaven, Mississippi in the Dizzy Dean Softball World Series, eventually falling 6-4 to Harrison.

Photo front row: Hallee Childress, Aubrey Kate Wells, Makynlee Campbell, Kyleigh Street, Kadence Griffin, Kedriunna Woods, Libby Smith, Lauren Wells. Back row: Bryan Smith, Marissa Overton, Addyson Smith, Joslyn Phillips, Katie Lax, Mollie Nuckolls, Kadea Bolyard, and Justin Campbell.



The Bolivar 12U All-Stars won three tournaments during all-star play, taking two tournaments at Horn Lake, and winning the Tennessee State title by beating Germantown in a best of three series.

In the Dizzy Dean World Series, the 12U team got one of only two wins for Bolivar in the tournament, beating the Germantown All-Stars 12-2 in the first round of the consolation bracket. The 12Us then advanced to the championship game of the consolation bracket, but fell to Winthrop Park.



The Middleton Tigers won the District 15A title for the second year in a row, beating host Decatur County Riverside 67-56 on January 21.

After a pair of wins in the region tournament, Middleton advanced to the region final, where they fell to Memphis Mitchell, 50-39.

In the sub-state, Middleton fell 86-80 to Humboldt. The Tigers ended the year with a 23-8 record.

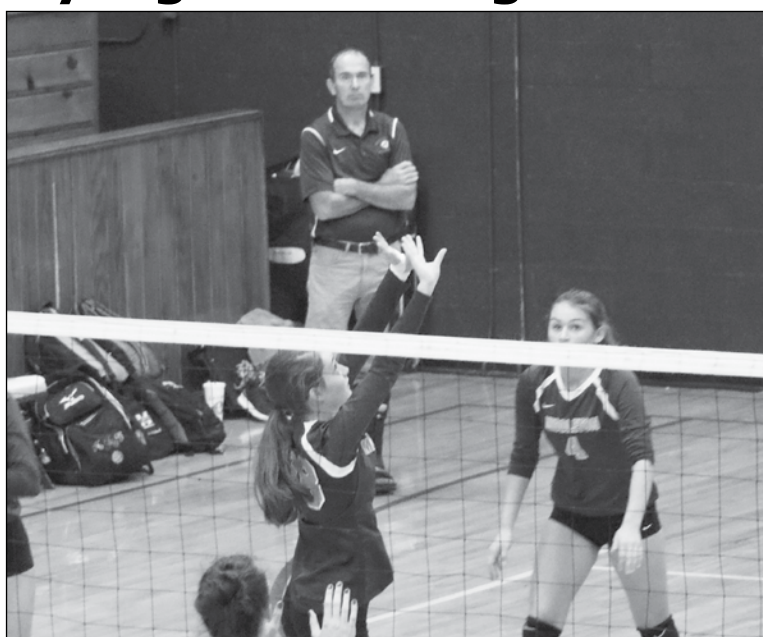
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## Bulletin Times Coach of the Year Craft Keeps Lady Tigers Winning

Middleton Volleyball Coach Zeke Craft brought his Lady Tigers to their first ever district championship in 2017 to earn the Bulletin Times Coach of the Year for 2017. Craft, who saw his team fall short of their fourth consecutive state championship appearance, had a record of 18-10 and broke Trinity Christian's seven year run at the top spot in the district.

Honorable mention: Middleton Basketball Coach James Burkley, Toone Girls Basketball Coach Dee Thornton, Bolivar Central Football Coach Woodrow Lowe, and Bolivar Middle School Basketball Coach Demetric Beaugard.



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# SPORTS

Bulletin Times Boys Athletes of the Year

## Mays and Lowe Earn All-State Honors

Bolivar Central Football players Briason Mays and Trey Lowe are the Bolivar Bulletin Times Male Athletes of the Year for 2017.

Both Lowe and Mays signed football scholarships with West Virginia University last summer and earned first team all-state honors with their play in the fall of 2017.

Mays, the son of Brian and Tina Mays, played both offensive and defensive line for the Tigers.

Lowe, the son of Bolivar Central Head Football Coach Woodrow and Zaneta Lowe, threw for 5,432 yards and 52 touchdowns over his career, including completing 107 passes in 168 attempts for 1,731 yards and 16 touchdowns.

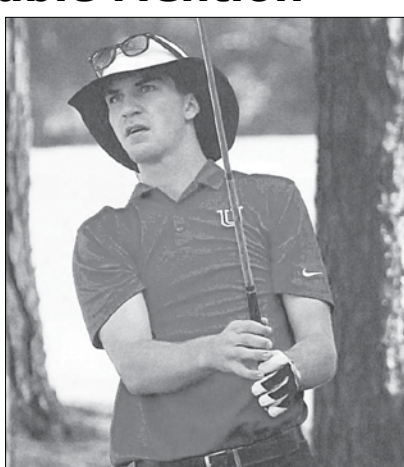
A two-sport star, Lowe was also named to the All West Tennessee Baseball team in 2017 after posting a .471 average with 22 RBI, and four home runs for Bolivar Central.

Both Lowe and Mays graduated early from Bolivar Central and will enroll at West Virginia for the spring 2018 semester.



## Boys Athlete of the Year Honorable Mention

Football players Austin Agee of Middleton and C.J. McMahan of Bolivar Central both earned First Team All-West Tennessee status. Agee, a senior lineman and McMahan, a junior defensive back were named to the team in addition to Briason Mays and Trey Lowe (see above).

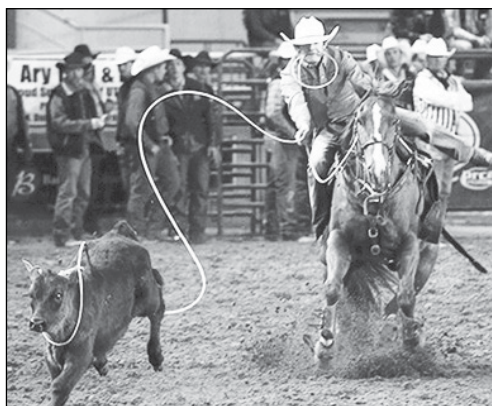


**Jon Sain** of Bolivar (right) and Union University, was named a Division II Srixon/Cleveland Golf All-America Scholar. To earn the award, a golfer must have at least a 3.2 GPA and a scoring average under 78.0. Sain averaged 77.0 for his 22 rounds and was one of two Union golfers to play in each round of the season.

Bolivar Central Football player **Correy Brown** rushed for 1,476 yards on 191 carries and scored 22 touchdowns for the Tigers in 2017. On the receiving end, the senior caught 30 passes for 469 yards and four touchdowns.

Middleton Senior basketball player **Tylandarius Parks** eclipsed the 1,000 point mark for his career against USJ on November 21. Through three and a half years (December 28, 2017), Parks has 1,239 points.

Rodeo Cowboy **Ross Mitchell** of Bolivar (right photo) joined partner Ethan Wheeler of East Mississippi to finish second in the national standings at the 69th annual College National Finals Rodeo. Mitchell's efforts came at the end of his freshman season at Tennessee-Martin.



Bulletin Times Girls Athletes of the Year

## Warren and Hardaway Eclipse 1,000 Points



Middleton senior guard Sequoia Warren and Bolivar Central junior guard Hailey Hardaway both passed 1,000 points for their career in 2017.

Warren, who was part of the 2015 state championship team for Middleton, got to 1,000 points on February 27 against Riverside and currently has 1,287 points in her career.

Hardaway reached 1,000 points on December 16 against Chester County and now has 1,044 points in her two and half seasons.

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## Where No Toone Team Had Gone Before

The Toone Girls team qualified for the Middle School Sectional tournament for the first time in their history by winning their semifinal game in the Area 6 Middle School Basketball tournament in Whiteville on January 25.

Toone, who bowed out against Fayette West in the semifinals a year ago, came back from three down in the final minutes to win 35-32 against the Wildcats. Carly Daniel led Toone with 12 points.

Toone, coached by Dee Thornton, advanced to face St. Mary's in the final, where they fell 33-29. Toone's appearance in the West Tennessee Sectional tournament saw them fall to Bellvue Middleton school in the first round.

**2017 Bulletin Times Team of the Year: Toone Lady Bobcats Basketball**



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# SPORTS

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### More Teams That Made Us Proud in 2017

Bolivar Middle School defeated Fayette East 58-40 on January 26 to win the Area 6 Middle School Basketball Championship for the third consecutive year.

Bolivar reached the finals with a 35-13 win over Hornsby in the first round, and a 50-29 win over St. Mary's in the semifinals.

Bolivar advanced to the sectionals, where they fell to Paris Inman, 45-37, in the first round, ending their season at 18-2.

Middleton Middle School won their second Hardeman County Middle School Baseball championship in three years on April 8 as they outlasted Bolivar Middle School 3-2 in extra innings.

Middleton's Blake Massey pitched two scoreless innings in relief for the win after Luke Turner threw five innings, allowing two runs on two hits and striking out nine hitters.

For Bolivar, Tyler Rice went 4<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings, allowing two runs on five hits and striking out three batters before giving way to C.J. Spain.

Middleton, coached by Terry Mills, scored the winning run in the top of the seventh on a Massey single and stolen base. He made his way to third before Andrew Glis-



sen sacrifice fly scored him. The championship game was the fourth game of the day. Hornsby, the defending champions, were eliminated from the tournament losing 16-4 to Bolivar and 15-2 to Middleton.

Middleton and Bolivar began the day with an 8-1 victory for Bolivar. A double-elimination format was used until two teams remained. At that point, the two remaining teams played for the title.

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