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Boy's 7th birthday made special

When police officers, firefighters attend

ByLACYMITCHELL **Courtesy of the Batesville Daily**

When Christian Tatum came home from school with a lot of invitations left over to his upcoming birthday party, Heather Shrader felt discouraged and nervous.

It broke her heart to think some of Christian's classmates and even their parents might be afraid of her son who has autism. So she turned to Facebook, hoping a mother's plea might be heard and the open invitation to an indoor pool party at the Batesville Community Center on Sunday might be met.

Members of the Batesville fire and call, making it a birthday that seven-

forget.

When Lt. Donald Richardson told Fire Chief Brent Gleghorn about his plans to attend, Gleghorn wanted in, and with help of the on-duty crew, the men turned out, even presenting Christian with a fire department T-shirt, fire helmet, and junior firefighter badges for guests, along with tours of the fire truck they drove to the party.

"That was awesome!" Christian said just hours after the party that included even more than the two dozen or so invitations Shrader first

Shrader said guests came from not only the Batesville area, but police departments answered that Jonesboro, Paragould, and Trumann, where Shrader, husband

year-old Christian likely won't soon Brandon, Christian and his younger sister, Alice Shrader, lived until about a year ago. An order of five large pizzas had to be increased to eight to feed the many family, friends, police officers, first responders, firefighters, and some 15 children.

> "People called and asked if they could bring their cousins and grandkids. We ended up with a pretty good turnout," she said.

Gleghorn told the Guard that the party was one of the fun parts of the job, and he makes a point to encourage his guys to be involved. "We're fortunate to get to be able to do things like that. We try to be good citizens and public partners,"

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Christian Tatum, 7, blows out the candles on his Jumanji cake while wearing his Batesville Fire Department fire helmet.

Poinsett County Judge Bob Cantrell was joined by Poinsett County Historical Society President Curtis Sanders and Director Sylvia Evans recently when he signed the Proclamation declaring May as Preservation Month 2018 in Poinsett County.

Co. Commemorative Day Memorial events planned

The Poinsett County Judge's Office and Poinsett County Historical Society (PCHS) have teamed together to host a County Commemorative Day on Friday, May 25, around Court Square in downtown Harrisburg.

The events for the day will begin at 10 a.m. on the east side of the Poinsett County Courthouse.

PCHS Executive President Curtis Sanders and County Judge Bob Cantrell began working together several weeks ago to find the right time and days for several events that needed to take place, according to Sanders. "We (PCHS) have had a new Civil War Historical Marker that needed to be placed at the courthouse for more than a year now, and timing has just been bad to have it placed," said Sanders.

County Judge Bob Cantrell applied to get a WWI memorial tree early this year, and the county received confirmation from the state that it would receive the tree early in May, according to Cantrell. This tree needed a dedication ceremony

Cantrell has also been working to get the courthouse grounds cleaned and looking nice for more than two years in preparation of having a 100th year celebration of the courthouse.

"I suggested instead of having three different events, why don't we find a day that we can do them all together and make it a big downtown party?" said Sanders, and Cantrell was in agreement. So Sanders, PCHS Director Sylvia Evans, Judge Cantrell, and the Judge's Assistant Tina Price began planning all three events to happen on the

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City council approves to sell properties

By ANTHONY COSSEY **DT News Staff**

The Trumann City Council voted to approve a resolution to put seven properties up for sale on the open market with sealed bids to be submitted to 225 Highway 463 N. by 2 p.m. on May 14. The properties up

acre), 408 West Speedway (0.15 acre), 201 Diamant Street (0.37 acre), 201 Cross Street (0.15 acre), 301 Locust (0.30 acre) and 115 South Ozark $(0.12 \, acre)$.

In other new business, the council voted to condemn a house at 441 Harrison, voted to allow the disfor sale are as follows: 0.7 acre lot posal of a Brother copier by the off Highway 463 S. (formerly Smith Trumann Library, and agreed to a

acreage), 520 West Main Street (0.21 lease with between Trumann Waterworks and Trumann Street Department for consideration of rents, covenants, and agreements. The lease is for 99 years. Trumann Mayor Barbara Lewallen also told the council the audit report for Trumann Water Works was good, and that Public Works Director Scotty Jones

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Tyronza gets new vests for police

By COREY CLAIRDAY DT News Staff

During Tyronza's City Council meeting Tuesday night, the council heard from Police Chief B.J. Carter about new vests the police departthe need for a new fire truck.

were expired, and the department Carter said. was able to get new ones thanks in part to a donation from Dead Timber, a business owned by Chris McCorkle. The new vests are outer vests, which Carter said were more

lifespan. They were \$317 a piece, as opposed to around \$900 for an inner vest, and have a 20 year shelf life. Four were purchased for the city, one for each officer, and Carter said they didn't have any issue with ment recently acquired and heard the weight of the vests during a refrom Fire Chief David Wood about cent active shooter training they are only able to use it on the highparticipated in. "They're a little The police department's old vests heavy, but it's worth the protection,"

> Carter said the active shooter training, which took place in both Tyronza and Lepanto recently, went well. The only problem they had was with communication because

cost effective and have a greater Tyronza's radios are on an analog channel while the other departments in the county are on digital. Carter said Tyronza will need to go digital in the future.

> Fire Chief David Wood spoke to the council about the fire department's big truck. He said they way because it is too big to maneuver well on Tyronza's streets. Specifically, he said there are no streets in Tyronza it is able to turn around

Wood said he has looked at a

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Johnny Cash Boyhood Home placed on National Register of Historic Places

The Johnny Cash Boyhood Home, an Arkansas State University Heritage Site, has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the nation's official list of historically significant properties.

"Recognition by the National Park Service through this listing is a tremendous honor that requires exhaustive research and documentation," said Dr. Ruth Hawkins, executive director of A-State's Heritage Sites program. "We are grateful for the additional opportunity to make



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Perspective

Democrats and the Trump impeachment trap

George W. Bush was in terrible political shape in the spring of 2006. The Iraq war was going disastrously, and voters were tired of the president, whose job approval rating in



RealClearPolitics average of polls was around 35 percent. (Bush's disapproval rating was around 60 percent.) The upcoming November '06 midterms were shaping up as a debacle for Republicans, who seemed likely to lose control of both houses of Congress.

Things were so bad that a part of the Democratic base looked toward the midterms openly hoping to impeach Bush on the charge that he had lied the country into war. One leader of that movement was Rep. John Conyers, who stood to become chairman of the House Judiciary Committee if Democrats won. Convers' committee would originate articles of impeachment.

The problem, for Democrats, was voters. No matter how much they wanted to make changes on Capitol Hill, and no matter how much they disapproved of Bush, they didn't want to impeach the president. Democratic candidates were stuck between their anti-Bush base and the larger elector-

The impeachment talk was so worrisome to party leaders that Rep. Nancy Pelosi, who stood to become speaker if Democrats won the House, told her conference in May 2006 that "impeachment is off the table."

Pelosi would repeat that at various times during the campaign, and in November, on the day after Democrats won a smashing victory and she was poised to become speaker, she said in her first news conference, "Democrats are not about getting even; Democrats are about getting results. I have said before and I say again, impeachment is off the

Indeed, impeachment was off the table, as Bush served his last two years with a Democratic House and Senate. And then Democrats won everything in 2008.

Now, it is again spring in a midterm year, and there is again talk of impeaching a Republican president if Democrats win the House. Pelosi is still around and hopes to become speaker again. What's not clear is whether her 2006 impeachment strategy will work with today's Demo-

In a new Quinnipiac poll, 71 percent of Democrats say they would like to see President Trump impeached if Democrats win the House. Just 21 percent oppose the idea, while 8 percent aren't sure. By way of contrast, 38 percent of independents support impeachment, while 54 percent

So where does that leave Pelosi and other Democratic leaders? Her instincts are as cautious as they were in 2006 - and at this moment, Trump's job approval rating in the RealClearPolitics average, around 42 percent, is higher than Bush's was when Pelosi declared Bush impeachment

But 71 percent — those Democrats who want to see is a big number. It suggests that Pelosi, or whoever leads House Democrats if the party wins in November, might not be able to overrule the base and simply declare impeachment a non-starter.

"Many Democrats in D.C. don't want to move forward on impeachment and think they can avoid it," tweeted National Review's Ramesh Ponnuru recently, after release of the Quinnipiac results. "I suspect they're wrong."

While Republicans have plenty of problems of their own, they are keenly aware of the Democrats' impeachment dilemma. And GOP strategists want to use that dilemma to make Democrats more uncomfortable and to juice up the Republican base. The argument to Republican and independent voters is easy: The economy is strong, Trump is enacting a conservative wish list, America is showing strength abroad — and all Democrats want to do is impeach the president.

"It's a base motivator," says a GOP strategist working to keep control of Congress. "We have to remind (voters) that the things Democrats want to do are not mainstream. There are a lot of Americans who can't stand Trump, but they don't think he should be impeached."

The president himself is already raising the specter of his own impeachment as a way to fire up GOP voters. "We have to keep the House, because if we listen to Maxine Waters, she's going around saying, 'We will impeach him," Trump said April 28 at a campaign-style rally in Washington, Michigan.

Of course, there's a huge wild card in any discussion of Trump, the midterms and impeachment, and that is what

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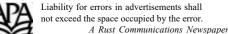
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Neighbors accomplish what government can't, or won't

Another spring, another stock and burying them in in the high plains. This year it was Oklahoma, where winddriven flames consumed more than 350,000 acres of pasture, killing thousands of cows and destroying barns, homes and fences. New York Times reporter Mitch Smith described the scene around Vici, Oklahoma (population 700), a ranching community in the western part of the state:

"The fire's timing was especially cruel, coming in the midst of an extreme drought. Dead cows appear along roadsides, hooves pointed to the sky. Driveways lead to piles of rubble. When the wind blows, it smells a bit like a campfire."

Last year it was Kansas — 400,000 acres ruined, an area larger than metropolitan New York and Chicago combined, and the largest prairie wildfire in Kansas history. Eastern Montana and the Texas panhandle also experienced disastrous blazes in 2017 — a million acres consumed in all.

The Times' Jack Healy described Angus "stagger(ing) around like broears. Young calves lay dy- lengths to help each other.

shooting their stricken live- the Oklahoma scene last

catastrophic wildfire season mass graves with a backhoe, heartbroken and facing financial ruin.

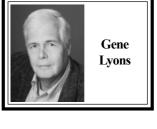
You can get to love cows when you know them, each with a personality as singular as any domestic animal's. Having once had to shoot a horse to spare him needless suffering, I can't even imagine euthanizing an entire herd. It's a bitter, hard thing.

Not to mention that every

cow that goes into the ground represents a \$1,500 to \$2,000 loss, and a whole lot of labor. Rebuilding a herd takes years.

"This is our Hurricane Katrina," one Kansas rancher told Healy. Yes, there's insurance money and assistance from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, but it's often too little and too late. What's worse is that whether or not the region's politicians — in thrall to energy producers and science-denying religious fundamentalists choose to acknowledge it, global climate change is causing bigger and more frequent prairie wildfires all the time.

Ranchers tend to be fatalis-Reporters described great Ranchers spent days convoys of trucks arriving at



week from all over middle America, laden with tons of free, life-saving hay.

It's a classic American story of ingenuity and self-reliance, powered by social media, word-of-mouth and a regionwide honor system. Reporter Mitch Smith interviewed two brothers named Levi and Blake Smith, who loaded a couple of semi-trailers with 64 round bales of hay — each weighing about 1,200 pounds and worth at least \$2,000 altogether. The brothers drove 100 miles west and donated the whole load to rancher Rhett Smith, enough to feed his and his neighbors' cows for several weeks until the pastures green up.

Assuming it rains, that is.

The Smiths are no kin and hadn't previously met. The brothers explained that donated hay saved their ranch after the 2017 fire, and they felt compelled to pay it forward. It's become a tradition throughout the high plains, along with thousands of volken toys, unable to see or tic about the weather. You unteer firefighters who drive breathe, their black fur and would be, too. Meanwhile, hundreds of miles and sleep dark eyes burned, plastic iden- however, livestock producers in churches and school gym tification tags melted to their are going to extraordinary nasiums to save all they can from the flames.

There's also a fair amount

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No Catholics need apply

The historian Arthur M. Schlesinger Sr. once said that anti-Catholicism was "the deepest bias in the history of the American people." We were reminded of his comment when Paul Ryan, the Speaker of the House, fired the Rev. Patrick Conroy, a Jesuit priest who's been serving as House chaplain since

As an interfaith couple — Cokie is Catholic; Steve, Jewish — we have always been reluctant to see religious bias as a motive for political actions. Ryan himself is a practicing Catholic and we don't know all the reasons behind his decision. But we do know this: Terminating Father Conroy unveiled an ugly strain of anti-Catholicism infecting some House Republicans.

"The controversy," reported the New York Times, "exposed long-simmering tensions between Roman Catholics and evangelical Christians over who should be the lawmakers' religious counselor."

If there's any doubt on this point, listen to Rep. Mark Walker, a North Carolina Republican and Southern Baptist minister who was heading the search for a new chaplain until he withdrew under

"I'm looking for somebody who has a little age, that has adult children," he told The Hill newspaper, thus ruling out any celibate pastors. In the mid-19th century, "help wanted" ads routinely specified, "no Irish need apply." Now the House of Representatives is saying, "no Catholics need apply.'

"We, on its face, would consider such a remark to be anti-Catholic — on its face," fumed Rep. Gerry Connolly, a Virginia Democrat. "So you're eliminating anyone who's a Catholic priest — a Catholic nun from being the chaplain of the House. ... Now I don't know if Walker knows that's what he really said. But to any Catholic ears, that's what we

They heard right. By Walker's yardstick, "Jesus wouldn't qualify, either" for the House post, cracked the Rev. James Martin, editor-at-America.

large of the Jesuit magazine But Conroy's sin went beyond his lack of a family. He also believes in Christian teachings about helping the poor, and offered a prayer last fall that infuriated conservatives because he urged Congress to pass a tax bill that provided "benefits balanced

and shared by all Americans." Conservatives are delighted



with Catholic precepts that oppose abortion and samesex marriage, but are appalled at the church's calls for wider immigration and social justice. (Liberals are equally inconsistent, embracing Catholic concerns for the needy but denouncing their pro-life and anti-gay positions.)

There's a much larger issue here than one man's job. "This is about religion in America," says Rep. Walter Jones, a North Carolina Republican, and he is correct. It's about the climate of intolerance fostered by a president who expertly exploits the fears and prejudices of his followers.

Trump first entered politics as a prime exponent of the "birther" movement, which espoused the thoroughly fictitious theory that Barack Obama was neither a Christian nor an American, but rather a Muslim born in Kenya. In December of 2015, Trump called for "a total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United

His demagoguery targets foreigners of all kinds, not just

Not that

you asked

John

Boxley

I have to agree with the President and conservatives that the speaker at the White House Correspondents Dinner did a poor job. I don't agree with them, however, on the reasons why. They are upset because she made fun of the President and his staff. I didn't like it because the jokes lacked class, and they just weren't that funny.

First of all, the idea of being offended because she insulted the President is ridiculous. The dinner is like a celebrity roast. The guest speaker gets up and makes insults about the President, and then the President gets the chance at the end to return the favor. Granted, it's a little hard to follow that formula when the President refuses to come to the dinner, but that's on him and no one

Second, if you stood by this President when he has hurled insults and lies with abandon, you have no right to suddenly be offended when someone does the same thing to him. He is a man who, as a private citizen, once claimed that laziness was a characteristic of African Americans. As a celebrity, he claimed that he had the right to sexually assault women. As a Presidential candidate, he made fun of a disabled man, insulted Megan Kelly for reminding him of his own words, and attacked a Gold Star family. He auestioned John McCain's heroism as a POW, saying he liked heroes who didn't get captured.

One of the people who walked out of the dinner to protest the speaker was asked his reaction when Trump mocked the disabled reporter. His answer was, "Well, I don't think we really know what he meant by that." All I can say to that man, and the others who now seem to have developed a sense of moral outrage is, what took

you so long? As I wrote above, one of my problems with the speaker was her delivery. Off-color jokes and profanity work in a club or concert. Richard Pryor and George Carlin were masters at using them. However, that dinner was in a classier setting where that kind of material was out of place and clearly made the audience uncomfortable. In that place, you should try to be clever and make pointed strikes at your target instead of using the meat cleaver she employed.

Also, her jokes just weren't that funny, which is the greatest offense a comedian can commit. The funniest one I heard was more a shot at Anderson Cooper of CNN instead of a politician. Also, her delivery was not good, which may be because her expertise is writing jokes, not telling them. It was clear on this night that even that talent had eluded her. Lastly, I felt badly for the

White House Press Corps. These folks have the toughest jobs in Washington. They report what the President said in the morning, only to have to report something completely different in the afternoon. A Cabinet member de-

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happens in the Russia investigation. If some new, devastating evidence comes to light new revelations. Unless from special counsel Robert Mueller, the entire dynamic could change, and Trump could lose some support in the GOP and find himself in real danger of impeachment.

ready to impeach Trump right now. They don't need any something big changes, they could be a bigger problem for their own leadership than for

(Byron York is chief political correspondent for The But all those Democrats are Washington Examiner.)

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of grumbling about the inefficiency and uselessness of government in such emergencies. Coming from states that have elected Republican politicians who have cut taxes and reduced government services while promising magical economic growth that somehow never materializes, that may strike metropolitan readers as a bit rich.

"The people in this region would vote for Satan himself if there was an 'R' behind his name," wrote one caustic commenter to the Times. "Reality bites.

Smug much?

Having lived in cattle country the last decade, however, I'm inclined to cut the ranchers some slack. When I think Oklahoma, I think Garth Brooks, not Scott Pruitt. Also, it's simply a fact that government can rarely act as efficiently and humanely as the brothers Smith.

Will the hay-donating sysknows? It's working now. Somebody ought to make a

the president.

In my experience, cattle and horse people are an admirable lot. Take my Perry County hay guy, C.J. Gunther. Once, a few years back, a terrible drought had Texans driving over to buy Arkansas hay, bidding it up to a rumored \$100 a bale. So when I went to settle up

for the winter, I braced my-

How much did I owe him? Same as last year, he said: \$35 a bale. For this, I should add, he loaded my truck and trailer weekly, saving me the expense of a tractor. I said I knew he could easily have sold his high-quality, Ber-

C.J. looked a little shocked. "I reckon so," he said. "But you're my neighbor."

muda grass hay for a lot more.

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was praised for the work he his doing with the department. Mayor Lewallen also reminded the council members of the upcoming 84th Annual Municipal League meeting from June 13-15 in Little Rock if any were inter-

ested in attending. In department reports, Jones told the council that 365 tires, 250,000 pounds of debris, and 17 loads of limbs and mulch were picked up during

the spring clean. In committee reports, Parks and Recreation chairman James Baker said he had been to the sports complex several times and things have been smooth each time. "People have commented they like to

come here to play due to the lack of drama at the complex. Scott Shankle (Parks and Recreation Director) is doing a great job," Baker said.

In ward reports, ward three reported complaints about tall grass around new homes being built on South Ozark and no clean-up being done at Stepping Stone Sanctuary. Also in ward three, motorcycles and four-wheeler riding complaints have come from the Wayne Street area along with complaints from the apartments in that area. The police were reported to have been called out at least four times in one day for dis-

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clared to be doing a great job on Monday can be fired on Tuesday. And the way the President whips up anti-press feelings at his rallies, the reporters covering them should get hazard pay. Standard gear for every White House reporter should include a bottle of Jack Daniels and Valium.

This was supposed to be the one night of the year when they could have their work honored, plus have a nice evening. This was sup-

posed to be a night when the press and the President took turns making fun of each other. This year, the choice of speaker only focused attention on the President's claims on "fake news." As for the President's refusal to show up, there's nothing much they can do about that. I don't know why he doesn't. After all, as I am sure he would tell us, he could hire the "greatest" writers in the world to craft his remarks

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pumper rescue truck to replace it and found one the city could get for \$35,000 after trade-in. The truck has 185,000 miles on it, but Wood said it had been well taken care of and could see another 3-400,000 miles. The only other expense would be hoses and nozzles.

who serves with the fire department, said a pumper rescue would give the city an extra pumper and get rid of the need for a brush truck and an ambulance or squad truck,

Alderman Tyler Permenter,

meaning it would do the job of three vehicles in one. Wood said the truck was on hold with the dealer until the

next day while he awaited the

council's decision, but after some more discussion, the council felt they would need to look at the matter more closely and look and financing, so they would not be able to give an answer by the next day. Wood said he might be able to get another week, and after more discussion, the council moved on to other The council also approved

authorizing a third person to sign checks in the event of an emergency. Currently, the city needs two signatures, the mayor and city treasurer. Alderman Tyler Permenter was approved to be added to the account.

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same day. Price said the perfect day would be the Friday before Memorial Day week-

"We want this to be about

our veterans," Cantrell said. "That's why we waited until after the preferential election to have it. We do not want it to become a political event. Just a celebration and remembrance time for our veterans." The day will begin with the

tree planting and dedication at 10 a.m. east of the courthouse. The tree will be planted in the Courthouse Annex yard. Poinsett County Veterans Officer Terry Long will dedicate the tree and sprinkle special soil from the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetary in France around the tree. Following that dedication, the event will move to the northwest corner of the courthouse yard where a new Civil War Historical Marker will be unveiled and dedicated.

Following that dedication, Cantrell will have some other comments about the courthouse and the county's new designation as a Purple Heart Community.

First National Bank and Food Giant will provide food for the day, and David Owens from Unico Bank will be on hand to cook. The refreshments will be served at 11 a.m.

Everyone is invited to come out, help celebrate, remember county veterans, and dedicate these monuments to them.

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people aware of the significant impact that growing up in Dyess, Arkansas, had on Johnny Cash and his music."

The home, located in Dyess in Mississippi County, is listed as Farm No. 266 at West County Road 924 on the register. It was built in 1934 by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, a Depressionera federal relief agency, and was the home of the country music legend from 1935 until he graduated from high school in 1950.

"From the first time that I stepped on campus, I have been impressed with the work done by Ruth Hawkins and our Heritage Sites staff to preserve some of the precious historic treasures of the Upper Delta of Arkansas," said Dr. Kelly Damphousse, chancellor. "I became a fan of Johnny Cash when I was a lad, so visiting his boyhood home and attending last year's Johnny Cash Heritage Festival was breathtaking.

"Walking through Mr. Cash's boyhood home and the exhibits on the Dyess Colony with my children and my father allowed me to grasp the impact of the land and this New Deal program on Johnny Cash and his music. I am glad that this A-State Heritage Site is now listed on the National Register because it will encourage more people to experience Dyess Colony for themselves."

Dr. Edward Salo, assistant professor of history and historic preservationist, prepared the nomination for the registry as a class project with help from history and heritage studies students.

"It was good experience for the students to deal with such an important nomination, and we are all excited to see the home will be listed in the registry," commented Salo. "It tells the story of the Cash family and those who came to the colony to live during the Great Depression."

"Although there has not been an exhaustive search for properties associated with Johnny Cash in Arkansas or other states, Johnny Cash, many members of his close family, and a long list of biographers have referred to his time in Dyess and his home at Farm No. 266 as key to his later musical career," according to the National Register nomination.

"Johnny Cash even noted the importance of his early life in Dyess in various interviews and writings about his life and career, noting that, 'When we grew up... it was second nature that we wouldn't live in Dyess when we were grown. It was the aim of every person to get a better job. But if I hadn't grown up there, I wouldn't be what I am now. It was the foundation for what I became."

The A-State Heritage Sites program, working with the Cash family, restored the home through proceeds from an annual Johnny Cash Music Festival and through private donations. The project began in 2011 as A-State took possession of the shell of the original house. It is furnished based on recollections from family members and conveys the lifestyle of the Cash family. After four years, it opened to the general public on Aug. 16,2014.

For additional information about the Johnny Cash Boyhood Home, go to DyessCash.AState.eduhttp:// /dyesscash.astate.edu/>.

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he said.

"It would have been even more fun if I had brought along my swimming trunks," he added with a laugh.

However, it is his hope that the more interaction they can

have with younger generations, the better the relationships and opinion about law and emergency personnel will be if children see they are there to help. "We want to support and do anything to

help that," he said.

Many guests were those Shrader said they had never met, including three children whose families brought them because they live with autism every day.

In a study released last

week, ABC News reported that more children are being diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder, according to new data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The new numbers now show that autism affects one in 59 children, an increase from previously reported one in 68 children.

To be diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder, a child must have three key characteristics: delayed language development; abnormal, repetitive behaviors; and difficulty socializing. Children with autism can have stereotypical behaviors such as rocking, spinning, hand-flapping, and toe-walking. They can also have difficulty making eye contact or playing with other children.

Shrader said they noticed signs early on that Christian might have autism, particularly, when he would walk on his toes. But by all standards, Christian remains high-functioning today, which Shrader thinks can be credited to an early diagnosis before he started kindergarten.

"The earlier the diagnosis, the better it is to treat," she

The cause of autism is still unknown. There are associations between autism and prematurity, advanced parental age, and genetics—however, no evidence of causation, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics. There's also a lot of discussion about potential environmental causes, yet again, there's no science to support these claims.

Meanwhile, Shrader said, "This wasn't a situation where I wanted people to feel bad (if they couldn't attend).

Christian sometimes doesn't relate to some kids his own age. It can be so isolating.

"I don't blame parents or his peers for feeling this way because they either don't know he is a child with autism or don't understand what autism can look like. From the perspective of a seven-yearold, a child with autism having a meltdown probably does look scary.

"We're relatively new and still trying to figure out first grade and school, but Sunday showed us that this community can been so welcom-As for Christian, a Jumanji-

themed pool party with cake,

presents, and other goodies (including a new wallet to store all his birthday money), plus many new friends and getting to blow the firetruck siren, is enough to keep a smile on him for days, his mother said. This, in addition to all the

cards he received by mail from people he'll likely never meet. To that, Christian said, "Thank you, stranger friends!"

For Shrader, however, the best birthday gift anyone could give Christian—or any child with autism-is for adults, especially parents, to use every opportunity to teach their children about the

"Teach them that their peers on the spectrum aren't bad' or dangerous. They're just trying to understand and process the world around them the only way they know how, and having friends to help them through it can make all the difference."

As for the firefighters and officers of the Batesville fire and police departments, Christian said they have a standing invitation to all his birthdays.

"Totally!" he said, smiling. Christian is the grandson of Tonya and Shawn Blanchard and Gary and Carolyn Burgess of Trumann.

ROBERTS

Continued from page 2

nouncing for president, he havior. They're rapists." And last summer, he said that neo-Nazi Charlottesville included some

demonstrators 'very fine people," a comment that caused former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke to hail Trump's "honesty and cour-A president should be a

moral leader who unifies the country around its core values, but Trump is exactly the opposite. No wonder 67 percent of all voters, and 72 percent of women, say he's not a good role model for their children, according to a recent Quinnipiac poll.

An old friend of ours, a nun who runs Catholic schools in a northeastern city, has observed a sharp increase in schoolyard bullying in the age of Trump, and she blames the president for creating a cul-

religious minorities. In an- ture that encourages bad be-

"They're bringing drugs. League reported a 57 percent They're bringing crime. upsurge in anti-Semitic incidents last year. Jonathan A. Greenblatt, executive director of the ADL, agrees with our nun friend that Trump's fearmongering is part of the prob-

> "Kids repeat what they hear," he told the Times. "And so in an environment in which prejudice isn't called out by public figures, figures of authority, we shouldn't be surprised when we see young people repeat these same kind

> of tropes." This president sets a tone that justifies and even encourages intolerance and incivility. So no, we shouldn't be surprised when young people, and congressmen, follow his example.

> (Steve and Cokie Roberts can be contacted by email at stevecokie@gmail.com.)

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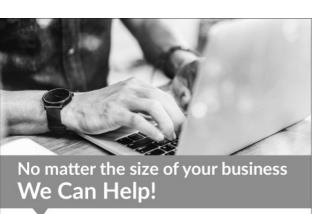
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doing so God would avenge the blood of His servants the prophets and the blood of all His servants shed by Jezebel. After the prophet departed, his fellow officers insisted on knowing what the prophet had told him. Jehu told them that the Lord had anointed him king over Israel.

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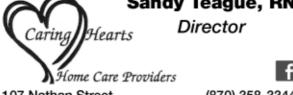




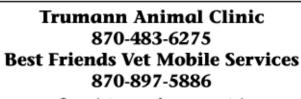


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Obituaries

Juanita Higgins

TYRONZA - Juanita Higgins, 80, died May 2, 2018, at Three Rivers Nursing Center in Marked Tree. She was born May 25, 1937, in Nettleton, Miss., to Ted Hood and Annie Cantrell. Mrs. Higgins was a CNA and a member of Upper Room Pentecostal Church in Tyronza.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ted Hood and Annie Tucker; one son Gary Crow; one brother, Charles Hood; one sister, Inez Shackleford.

She is survived by her husband, John Higgins of Tyronza; two sons, Jimmy (Debra) Crow of Maumelle

and John Higgins, Jr. of Tyronza; one daughter, Sandra Lucas of Tyronza; two stepdaughters, Bonnie Cox of Lepanto and Debbie Higgins of Texas; one brother, Billy Hood of Tyronza; two sisters, Mary E. Grodi of Tyronza and Ann Martin of Marked Tree; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 5 at Wilson Funeral Home in Tyronza with Bro. Gary Andrews officiating. Burial followed at Tyronza Cemetery in Tyronza under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home in Tyronza.

William Thayer

JONESBORO - William Scott Thayer, 42, died April 30, 2018 in Jonesboro. He was U.S. Navy and a retired poand Trumann. Mr. Thayer and Kathy Richards of Bay. was born Jan. 24, 1976, in Mi-Hulsey Haynes.

He is survived by his wife, David Busby officiating.

Valerie Thayer of Jonesboro; three daughters, Allison Plunk of Paragould, Emily Plunk and Paisley Thayer of lice officer from Pocahontas Jonesboro; in-laws, James

Funeral services were held ami, Fla., to Carl and Connie May 4 at Wilson Funeral Home in Tyronza with Bro.

Wet Ink . .

By DR. KEN WORTHINGTON

Let us remember why we use the term "wet ink." We intend to keep our teaching of Holy Scripture in its historical context. We simply mean what the author intended to teach his original first century audience.

In verse 10 of Revelation chapter one, we see John stating, "I was in the spirit on the Lords day." What does John mean when he says I was in the spirit? John means that he was in the custody of a vision the Holy Spirit was revealing. He reassures the reader that this is not something human but is given as direct revelation from God. So being in the spirit on the and praise to God. Lords day we understand the day as opposed to the Jewish Sabbath. Isn't it interesting Jesus arose from the dead on Sunday morning and institutes His worship on the Christian Sabbath we know as Sunday?

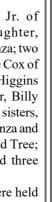
The second part of verse 10 John tells us that he heard an audible voice behind him like a trumpet. The meaning here is a vision and a voice charging with a blast of a trumpet charge. Every schoolboy would recognize the soldiers marching trumpet blast in the first century. This blast always brought the conquering Romans upon a helpless village or city. So John wants us

to understand these visions of truth about Jesus blast forth in this book of Revelation with a truth that con-

In verse 11, the voice of the Lord Jesus that is blasting instructs John to "write on a scroll what you see and send it to these specific seven churches." Notice our Lord Jesus corresponding directly with specific churches. God uses churches to reach the world. Every Christian is birthed with a purpose of operating under the protection of God's church. If you are a Christian, you should be imprinting upon a church. Your family should be nurtured upon the word of God and the fellowship of the saints prayer

In verse 12, John turns to concept of the Christian Sun- see what he is hearing, and golden seven Golden lampstands. lampstands, what a beautiful image. Gold always means something valuable, and the value of gold is its pliability. God's church is golden, which means it is pliable. Pliable means God can form and fashion each one in the church into an image of Himself. The church is to be Christ-like, constantly being changed for the better. This is the purpose of our preaching, our praise, and our worship. May God continue to change us all.

> Till next time, may we see clearly.



National Day of Prayer

Pictured are Bro. Daniel Nooner along with students and state and community leaders who helped lead Lepanto's National Day of Prayer observance. (Photo provided)

Trumann observes **National Day** of Prayer

Approximately 75 joined in Trumann's observance of the National Day of Prayer at First Baptist Church's Christian Life Center. After Rep. Johnny Rye sang "The Star-Spangled Banner," prayers were said for seven centers of influence for the nation including: family, church, education, business, media, military, and government.

Rev. Ken Worthington prayed for family, Robin Foster prayed for church, Trumann Elementary School Principal Michael Allen prayed for education, David



Pictured, from left, are: (front) Rev. Ken Worthington, Glenda Anderson (organizer of events), Sheila Stephan, Rev. John Maley, (back) Michael Allen, Robin Foster, Kathy Roach, David Bridges, Senator Dave Wallace, Rep. Johnny Rye, and Rev. Terry Tacker. (Photo provided)

Rev. Terry Tacker prayed for McClung prayed for local all prayed that there would be media, Kathy Roach (retired government, and Senator a spiritual awakening in the Navy) prayed for military, Fire Dave Wallace prayed for state country.

Bridges prayed for business, Department Chaplain Alan and federal government. And

Pet Talk



Brown recluse spider bites and your pet

The brown recluse spider loves to come into our homes this time of year. They are a source of fascination for our pets. They love to pursue them and play with them, but if your pet is bitten a reaction could occur.

cluse spider will probably mean several weeks of pampering for your pet while they heal. Although the wound may appear nasty, your pet will usually recover fully, though you may want to take a trip to the veterinarian to be

A brown recluse spider is a half-inch to two inches long. They are usually identified by a distinctive fiddle-shaped mark on their back. Although usually residing in the Midwestern United States, the brown recluse spider (Loxosceles reclusa) often travels with people as they move, hiding in boxes or other dark, secluded areas.

While not aggressive, these spiders will bite if they feel threatened. The bite itself does not cause much pain, and your pet may not even know she was bitten. After a while, a reddened area develops, with fever and nausea. The underlying tissue may die, and bleeding may occur. With or without treatment, the wound may take weeks to heal. Sometimes the pet may have an autoimmune reaction to the venom and serious systemic signs may appear.

The best way to prevent a bite is to limit your pet's access to places where spiders may reside. This means checking dark areas, like dark basement corners or rarely One bite from a brown re- used closets, for evidence that spiders are also residing in your home.

The diagnosis is based on the appearance of the skin wound and whether the brown recluse spider is present. Although the wound may heal on its own, it's better to be safe and have your pet checked out by a veterinarian. This may prevent further tissue damage and infec-

If you have questions regarding spider bites, please contact Dr. Norette L. Underwood of the Trumann Animal Clinic and Best Friends Vet Mobile Service at catdoc56@gmail.com or 870-483-6275.

School lunch menus

May 14-18 Harrisburg

broccoli, carrots, fruit, crispy treat and milk.

Tuesday-scrambled eggs/ gravy, sausage, tater bites, biscuit, fruit and milk. Wednesday-soft taco,

pinto or refried beans, salsa, lettuce/tomato, fruit and milk. Thursday-country steak w/

gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, fruit and

Friday-bbq rib sandwich, oven crispy fries, lettuce/tomato, pork and beans, fruit, cookie and milk.

EPC

Monday-spaghetti and meatballs w/italian bread, turbeans, salsa, corn, apple dekey club sub, strawberry chicken salad, Italian bread, cheesy cauliflower popcorn baby carrots, lettuce/tomato, and peaches.

Tuesday-smothered burrito, bbq pork on bun, taco salad, cornbread, cowboy beans and orange pineapple

Wednesday-chicken patty, ketchup, apple and milk.

spicy chicken patty, hamburger steak, mashed pota-Monday-pizza, steamed toes w/gravy, corn, mandarin orange salad, pears and hot

> Thursday-bacon cheeseburger, egg, ham and cheese breakfast sandwich, tater tots w/ketchup, cobb salad, blueberry muffin and applesauce.

> Friday-Tony's pizza, Thai sweet chili chicken wrap, chicken bacon ranch salad, pineapple muffin, baby carrots w/ranch and strawberry banana mix.

Marked Tree

Monday-sloppy joe, diced potatoes, black-eyed peas, ketchup, apple and milk.

Tuesday-crispitos, pinto

light, applesauce and milk. Wednesday-turkey wrap,

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William S. Fulton was ap- served as such until his death. pointed by President Jackson He died at his family residence on Feb. 23, 1835, as secretary. at Little Rock, Aug. 15, 1844, Fulton was born in Cecil at the age of 50.

upon being appointed secretary in April 1829 from Florence, Ala., where he resided. He served as secretary until Feb 1835 when he was appointed governor, and served until 1836, when the Territory United States Senator and

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Tyronza Stars and Stripes Festival



The crowd visits vendor booths at Tyronza's Stars and Stripes Festival. (Photos by Children pick up candy during the parade. Corey Clairday)





The EPC marching band performs during the parade.



Veterans throw out candy.



Hunter Kimbrell, member of the Tyronza Elementary 4-H Club, casts his fishing pole during the Baitcasting and Fish Identification contest. (Photos provided)



Cruz Hardin, son of Josh and Laura Hardin, practices his bicycle safety skills as part of the 4-H Outdoor O'Rama skills contest.



Participants in the County 4-H Outdoor O'Rama, pictured from left, are: (front) Cruz Hardin, (middle) Riya Kimbrell, Kristopher Sfakianios, Caden Hardin, Jack Glover, Noah Lucas, (back) Justin Jones, and Hunter Kimbrell.

County winners selected during 4-H Outdoor O'Rama contests

O'Rama was held Thursday, April 26, at the Tyronza Senior Center. Youth competed in a variety of project-related skills contests targeted to teach and reinforce the concepts of environmental education, healthy lifestyle choices, problem solving, and decision making.

ior and senior categories earned the opportunity to represent Poinsett County at the District 4-H O'Rama scheduled for June 21 at the East Arkansas Community College in Forrest City.

A complete list of this year's participants and category winners include the following.

Cloverbud Participation— Riya Kimbrell, EPC Warriors Lepanto Elementary 4-H. First place Junior—Justin Jones, Great Clovers 4-H Club. Secplace Junior— Kristopher Sfakianos, Third place Junior—Hunter Kimbrell, Tyronza Elementary

ond Tyronza Elementary 4-H Club.

ASU-Newport's faculty adthe visers were also recognized has served for 20 years. Paula

> ASU-Newport received the Gold Chapter Award and placed third for the largest professional division membership in Arkansas.

Future Business Leaders of Wade of Jonesboro placed America-Phi Beta Lambda, fourth in Networking Con- Inc. (FBLA-PBL) is the largcepts, and hospitality student est career student organiza-Rachel Morgan of Jonesboro tion in the world. Each year, placed fourth in Human Re- FBLA-PBL helps over 230,000 source Management. Busi- members prepare for careers

The Poinsett County 4-H Winners in each of the jun- *Wildlife Identification: 4-H Club. Fourth place Jun- Kristopher Sfakianos, event. The Extension staff ior—Jack Glover, Tyronza.

> *Bait casting and Fish Identification: Cloverbud Participation—Riya Kimbrell, EPC Warriors Lepanto Elementary 4-H. First place Junior—Justin Jones, Great Clovers 4-H Club. Second place Junior— Caden Hardin, Tyronza Elementary 4-H Club. Third Junior—Hunter place Kimbrell, Tyronza Elementary 4-H Club. Fourth place Junior—Jack Glover, Tyronza. First place Senior—Noah Lucas, Poinsett County 4-H Shooting Sports Club.

*Firearm Safety and BB Gun Marksmanship: First place Junior—Hunter Kimbrell, Tyronza Elementary 4-H Club. Second place JuniorTyronza Elementary 4-H Club. Third place Junior—Caden Hardin, Tyronza Elementary 4-H Club. First place Senior— Noah Lucas, Poinsett County 4-H Shooting Sports Club.

*Crop and Weed Identification: First place Junior—Justin Jones, Great Clovers 4-H Club. Second place Junior-Caden Hardin, Tyronza Elementary 4-H Club.

*Bicycle Skills and Safety: Cloverbud—Cruz Harden, Tyronza. First place Junior-Caden Hardin, Tyronza Elementary 4-H Club.

The Poinsett County Extension Service staff would like to express appreciation to the City of Tyronza and Mayor Charles Glover for hosting the

would also like to thank the numerous parents for volunteering their time to help with

this year's event. The 4-H Youth Development Program, conducted through the University of Arkansas, Division of Agriculture, provides research based education and life skill development opportunities to youth ages 5-19 years of age, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, disability, or any other legally protected status.

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ASU-Newport students place at PBL Conference

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Business students Meghan Cantara of Jonesboro and Jessica Rucker of Bono came in first place in the Hospitality Management competition. Rucker also placed first in Desktop Publishing, and Cantara was recognized for Who's Who in Arkansas Rucker and Cantara's per-

formance makes them eligible for the national competition

versity-Newport students in South America, captured place in ture Business Leaders of Microeconomics competition for their continued service to America-Phi Beta Lambda while Kim Groom, a business Phi Beta Lambda. Janna Ellis Leadership Conference and student from Jonesboro, re-State Competition held earlier ceived second place in Morgan has completed 10 this month in North Little Microeconomics and Macroeconomics.

> Brandi Barksdale, a business student from Jonesboro, won second place in Spreadsheet Applications and third place in Computer Applica-

Business student Wesley held in Baltimore, Md., in ness student Jenny Tran of in business. June. Leydi Sherwood, a busi- Kennett, Mo., placed fifth in

years of service, and Kristina Taylor has five years of ser-

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*Marked Tree: (Valedictorian) Brittany Pharis. (Salutatorian) Cartiera Barnes. (Distinguished Honor Graduates) Makayla Johnson, Taryn McCuiston, Jayla Carter, and

Listed below are honor Carrington Brown. (Honor Graduates) Shinez Mitchell, Lanaysha Moore, Markel Perry, Cameron Willoughby, Asian Driver, and Brooke Deckelman.

> *East Poinsett County: (Valedictorians) Andrew Cavitt, Abigail Gatlin, and William Mott. (Salutatorian) Molly Pilgrim. (Honor Graduates) Zachary Maddox, Washington, Rochad Ramissa Acosta, Eric Driver, Matthew Brown, Kane Carpenter, Kurstin Brown, Seth Bachman, Emily Ainsworth, Hannah Tucker, Heath Cavitt, Hayden Malone, Brittany Wilson, and Tommy Byrd.

*Harrisburg: (Summa Cum Laude) Jared Duncan, Katie Hunter, Trevor Paulsen, and Augustus "Auggie" Wicker. (Magna Cum Laude) Ashton Hendrix, Emily Newcomb, and Daniel Parten. (Cum Laude) Claire Bass, Elliott Bender, Walker Brown, Natalie Johns, and Vannessa Rivera.

*Bay: (Graduates of Distinction) Hunter Lee Bond, Jacob Lane Bowman, Jimmy DuVall, Luke Brandon Hamilton, Cali Houston, Logan Morrison, and Jordan Taylor. (Honor Graduates) Preston Smith and Macayla Taylor.



Poinsett County Judge, Bob Cantrell, signs an official proclamation to signify May as Extension Homemaker Month in Poinsett County. Looking on are, from left: Carolyn Strange, Ann Parker, Marge Odom, Lois Sanders and Maxine Parker. (Photo provided)

Festival on the Ridge is this weekend

Harrisburg's 21st annual Festival on the Ridge will take place May 11-12 at the Poinsett County Fairgrounds. The schedule is as follows.

*Friday, May 11 5 p.m. Carnival opens.

5:30 p.m. Mother's Day trib-

(small stage) \$100 cash prize. *Saturday, May 12

7 a.m. 5K setup and registration (downtown).

8 a.m. 5K Walk/Run. 8:30 a.m. Parade setup (Food Giant parking lot).

9:30 a.m. Festival Parade. 10:30 a.m. Festival opening 6 p.m. Karaoke contest ceremonies (main stage).

11 a.m. Horseshoe tourna-

11:30 a.m. Bean bag baseball (main stage).

1-5 p.m. Free petting zoo. 3 p.m. Amber Dunn (Band). 5 p.m. Drive South (Band). 7 p.m. The Rhodes Show

9 p.m. Fireworks finale.

Lepanto Senior Life Center . . .

By GENEVA GODWIN

On Monday, we played bingo from 9:30 until 11 a.m. We were supposed to go shopping at Marked Tree and out to eat, but I think everyone had a touch of the sinus blues, so we didn't have enough to go. The afternoon card players played Phase 11 while me and another lady played dominoes.

On Tuesday, some went to Kylee's Cafe here in Lepanto for breakfast. After lunch, we had bean bag baseball practice. Wednesday was commodity day. We also had bingo, exercise, and Wii bowling practice.

Thursday morning we will discuss the latest news while enjoying coffee, and at 10 for ice cream! You know they weather. say you can't buy happiness,

urday, May 12.

leave nonperishable food

May 28, at the American Le-

gion Memorial Park located at

Letter Carriers' Food Drive is Sat.

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of Letter Carriers will hold in the bags they received in

their 26th annual Stamp Out the mail last week, or dona-

Hunger Food Drive this Sat- tions can be brought directly

Postal customers can either will go to local food banks.

Trumann Memorial Day observance set

American Legion Post 42 the corner of Highway 463

will hold a Memorial Day cer- and Main Street in Trumann.

emony at 10 a.m. Monday, Col. Clarence Overbay will be

the guest speaker.

but you can buy ice cream, and that's kind of the same

On Friday, we will have games, exercise, and after lunch a Mother's Day celebration. We would like to say Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers out there whether you are a past, present, soon-to-be, or someone who has played a role in raising a child. We hope your day is filled with love, joy, and laughter.

We would like to say get well soon to Mrs. Wanda. Hope you feel better soon, we miss you.

Wish you all could come and visit with us one week. If you are 60 or older, we would love to have you.

Hope you all have a good a.m. we will have a program—weekend and enjoy this beauabout senior safety. After tiful weather we are having. lunch, we are going to Sonic It's been good walking

to any post office. Donations

Trumann Senior Life Center "On the Go"

Attendance has been down this week at the center. Nothing much going on, except dominoes, puzzles, and power walking now that the weather is nice. Red Hats went shopping and had lunch on Tuesday. Happy Mother's Day from the seniors!

Marked Tree Sr. Center Happenings



By Joan Campbell

We are doing good at the Marked Tree Senior Center.

We are so proud that Mr. Meeks has joined our center. He is a very good person. Ann

For you people that are older and don't have a place to go or many friends to talk to, please come to our center. We play games, talk to each other and eat. I'm sure you will laugh many times while you are here and will want to come back. You will treated so nice you will have to like

(Headliner).

We wish you were here.

Martin's sister, Nina, passed away. Please pray for Ann and Nina's family.

something we do. If you want to come to the center, call Carol at 870-358-

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By HAZEL RILEY



3751 or just drop by and talk

May proclaimed Extension Homemakers Month throughout Arkansas County Judge Bob Cantrell rately, the clubs coordinate to Homemakers program. Con-

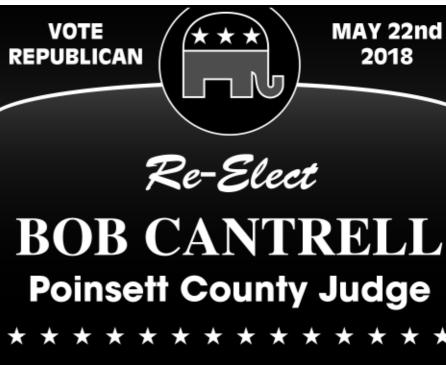
has officially proclaimed May as Extension Homemakers Month in Poinsett County. Poinsett County, along with 67 other Arkansas counties, are participating in the celebration.

Homemakers/Home Demonstration program began in 1912 and continues to provide its members and individual communities with education, leadership development and service. Poinsett County currently has two Extension Homemakers Clubs (EHC) the Whitehall EHC Club. Al-

plan monthly educational programs and countywide events such as social activities and county-outings. Members also work across club lines to complete quarterly service projects that The Arkansas Extension benefit a variety of worthy causes in the NEA area. Examples of these projects include fidget vests for local Alzheimer/dementia patients, shot dolls for the county Health Department, and pillows and turbans for area cancer patients.

though both clubs meet sepa- Poinsett County Extension portunity Employer.

tact the Poinsett County Extension Office at 870-578-4490, email lhelms@uaex.edu, or visit www.uaex.edu to learn more about the EHC program and other opportunities provided through the Cooperative Extension Service. The Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service offers its programs to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age, disability, marital or veteran status, genetic infor-Anyone ages 18 and older mation, or any other legally the Lucky 13 EHC Club and are welcomed and encour- protected status, and is an aged to become a part of the Affirmative Action/Equal Op-



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- Supervised major improvements to Courthouse, Detention Center and County Shop properties saving thousands
- Applied for and received grants for State and Federal aid

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- Updated and replaced Road Dept equipment at minimal taxpayer expense
- Improved County infrastructure with new ditches, bridges, culverts and state assisted road repair
- Implemented a new mapping system for the Road Dept, Assessor's Office and Sheriff's Dept for
- better record keeping and communication Cleaned up dump sites

dollars responsibly

in the rural areas and instituted a rural road plan for maintenance and repair Worked to stay within

budget and manage tax

Meet Bob Cantrell

- I've lived in Poinsett County most of my life. I lived for a time in Marked Tree and Harrisburg before settling in Payneway.
- My career as a pipeline welder has given me a wide range of skill in various construction projects. I taught welding and metal fabrication and now share my experience with my employees.
- My wife Janice and I have been married 52 years and are active members of Nettleton Baptist Church. Our daughter, Rebecca, and grandson, Gabe live in Trumann.
- Since I was elected in 2015, I've worked hard to take care of the County. I would like to continue that progress for another term as your County Judge.
- I will work hard for you and would appreciate your vote!



Sports

Yellowjackets down Hillcrest in regional consolation game

By ANTHONY COSSEY DT Sports Staff

Bay (8-14) scored in every inning during a 17-6 win over Hillcrest in the consolation game of the 1A-2 Regional Tournament this past Monday in Brockwell. Bay will be the third seed from the region and will play Woodlawn, the number one team in the state, in the opening round of the Class 1A state baseball tour-

Andrew Oster flied out to lead off the game for Bay as Trey Norris followed with a double. Norris stole third base and scored when Nathan Higgins reached on an error to make it 1-0 Bay. Higgins stole second base and scored when Jimmy DuVall reached on an error to make it 2-0 'Jackets. DuVall was thrown out trying to steal second base before Kyle McAdams singled. McAdams stole second base and scored when Brycen Thomas singled to make it 3-0 Bay. Thomas was thrown out trying to make it to third on play for the third out. Hillcrest went three up and three down in the bottom half of the inning to keep the score 3-0 Yellowjackets. Hunter Scott singled leading offing the top of the second inning for Bay as Paiton Hartley followed with a double putting runners on second and third. Scott and Hartley scored when Chance Arender reached on an error to make the score 5-0 Bay. the second only to strand him an error sending Arender to the seventh with a walk as ing error making it 17-6 Bay. stolen base, Higgins added a walks and one strikeout. when a pop out ended the in-

DuVall singled leading off the top of the third for the Yellowjackets and moved to second when the outfielder misplayed the ball. DuVall stole third base before McAdams was hit by a pitch. Thomas lifted a fly ball that scored DuVall and moved McAdams to third base making it 6-0 Bay. Scott struck out as Hartley legged out an infield hit that scored McAdams to make it 7-0 'Jackets. Arender grounded out for out number three. Hillcrest was retired in order in the bottom of the inning. Oster grounded out leading off the top of the fourth for Bay as Norris singled, stole second base and went to third base on a passed ball. Higgins walked before being caught and tagged in a rundown that allowed Norris to score making it 8-0 Yellowjackets. DuVall flew out for the third out. The Screamin' Eagles again went down in order in the bottom of the inning to keep the score 8-0 Bay.

Bay got a bunt single from McAdams leading off the top off the fifth as McAdams promptly stole second base. Thomas popped out and Scott struck out before McAdams stole third base and scored when the throw went into the outfield making it 9-0 Bay. Hartley struck out for out number three. Hillcrest got on the board in the bottom of the fifth with four runs to Oster grounded out, Norris make the score 9-4 Bay after 12-4 'Jackets. Hartley struck struck out and Higgins five innings of play. The outfor the third out. Hillcrest grounded out to leave Yellowjackets tacked on pushed two more runs across Arender stranded. The three more runs in the top of to cut the Bay lead in half at Screamin' Eagles got a two- the sixth as Arender walked 12-6 after six innings.



Kyle McAdams of Bay slides safely back into first base on a pick-off attempt this past Monday in 1A-2 Regional baseball action at Brockwell. (DT Photo/Anthony Cossey)

to load the bases. Higgins struck out before DuVall reached on an error that plated Arender and Oster making it 11-4 Bay. McAdams struck out, Thomas walked as Scott walked to bring in Norris making it

second as Norris drew a walk Oster also drew a walk. Norris walked before Higgins' single scored Arender making it 13-4 as Oster was out at home trying to score on the hit. DuVall singled to bring in Norris making the score 14-4 as McAdams looked at strike three. Thomas reached on an error that scored Higgins and DuVall making it 16-6 Yellowjackets. Thomas stole second base before coming

up and three down in the bottom half ending the game with Bay winning by a final of 17-6.

Thomas finished with a hit, a run scored, two RBIs and a stolen base for Bay as Norris had two hits, four runs scored and two stolen bases. McAdams had two hits, three out double in the bottom of leading off. Oster reached on Arender led off the top of around to score on a throw- two runs scored, a RBI and a runs on two hits with two

Scott grounded out for the hit, two runs scored, a RBI third out. Hillcrest went three and stolen base as Hartley had two hits, a run scored, a RBI and a stolen base. Scott had a hit and a RBI as Oster and Kai Cummins both scored a run. Arender picked up the win for Bay as he pitched four and one-third innings giving up three runs on hit while walking one and striking out three. Thomas runs scored and four stolen pitched the final two and twobases, DuVall had two hits, thirds innings allowing three

Gibson selected for Class 1A all-state basketball team

By ANTHONY COSSEY DT Sports Staff

Bay's Dax Gibson capped off his junior year by being selected for the Class 1A all-

state basketball team. Gibson helped lead the Yellowjackets to a 17-23 record playing both the point

and shooting guard positions season. Gibson shot 48 perthroughout the season. cent from field, 32 percent Gibson scored 477 points on season for a 13.6 points per game average to lead the throw line. team in scoring. He also averaged 4.3 rebounds, 3.3 assists and 1.9 steals per game ment, all-NEA tournament, while blocking 12 shots on the

from three-point range and shot 73 percent from the free

Other accolades for Gibson included all-WBC tournaand all-conference.



Bay's Dax Gibson, seen here high-fiving Bay head coach Brad Brannen after winning the regional title, was selected to the Class 1A all-state basketball team. (DT Photo/Anthony Cossey)

Area Sports Roundup

By ANTHONY COSSEY **DT Sports Staff**

Harrisburg (22-4) downed Lonoke 9-2 this past Saturday to take the third seed from the 4A-East Regional into the Class 4A State tournament. Kloey Harlson shined at the plate and on the mound as she three hits, a run scored a RBI and a stolen base while allowing two runs on four hits with one walk and 14 strikeouts in the circle. Lacey Lambright had a hit and two RBIs, Caitlyn Adams had three hits and a RBI, Ansley Wixson had a two runs scored and a RBI, Gretchen Morgan had two hits and three runs scored, Hayden Hopkins had a hit, a RBI and stolen base, Jayden Roark had a hit and a RBI, Cassie Armstrong and Kelsey Criswell each had a hit as

Marcy Wallace scored a run. The Lady Hornets beat Baptist Prep 3-0 in the opener last Thursday to qualify for the Class 4A State tournament. Wixon had two hits and a run scored to lead the offense as Harlson, Roark and Hopkins each had a RBI. Morgan and Adams both scored a run. Harlson got the win allowing only one hit with 14 strikeouts. In the semi-finals Harrisburg could only muster three hits on offense as the Lady Hornets fell to Stuttgart 2-0. Wixson had a hit and stolen base as Harlson and Roark each had a hit. Harlson took the loss as she pitched six innings allowing two runs on two hits with one walk and nine strikeouts.

softball season come to an end last Thursday as the Lady

Wildcats lost to 11-7 to Lonoke in the opening round of the 4A-East Regional Tournament in Batesville. Sydney Callahan led Trumann in batting with one hit (home run), two runs scored and two RBIs as Anna Waleszonia had two hits and a RBI. Lexi Jackson had a hit, a run scored and a stolen base, Olivia Greenwell had a hit and a stolen base as Hannah Craig, Mya Chandler, Maddi Payne and Hannah McClaughlin all scored a run. Waleszonia took the loss for the Lady Wildcats as she pitched one and one-third innings giving up six runs on six hits with one walk and one strikeout. Craig pitched the final four Trumann (13-8) had their and two-thirds innings allowing five runs on five hits with one walk and one strikeout.

Trumann Ducks Unlimited golf tournament to tee off Saturday

The 6th Annual Trumann person or \$140 per two-per- and Texas Tee's in the above Country Club will tee off Saturday, May 12 at 8 a.m. This will be a one-day, 27-hole, two-person scramble.

Ducks Unlimited Golf son team. This year's tourna- stated price. Lunch of ham-Scramble at the Trumann ment will be limited to 36 teams, so contact the committee soon to insure you have a position in the field. The contact Jason Stewart at 870-The entry fee is \$70 per in One Chance, Mulligans, mation.

burgers and hot dogs will be

Anyone interested should committee has included Hole 219-0782 for further infor-

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Lady Warriors punch ticket to state with win over Carlisle

By ANTHONY COSSEY DT Sports Staff

EPC (23-6) beat Carlisle 5-3 in the opening round of the 2A North Regional softball tournament last Thursday, punching their ticket to the Class 2A state tournament to be held at Pangburn. The Lady Warriors will be the third seed from the 2A North regional.

Carlisle went scoreless in the top of the first inning as EPC scored a run to take the early 1-0 lead. Keragan Gordon led off with a double before stealing third base. Meagan Allen's groundout scored Gordon to make it 1-0 Lady Warriors. Madison Wiggins popped out as Emili Mangrum struck out to end the inning. The Lady Bison tied the game in the top of the second inning and had bases loaded before a strikeout and groundout got EPC out of the inning with the score 1-1. The Lady Warriors added two more runs in the bottom half as Jordyn Brewer walked leading off with Kaylee Hood following with a bunt single. Bre Ward moved the runners up a base with a sacrifice bunt before Brewer scored on Taylor Hannah's groundout makout to end the second inning. The Lady Bison again



Lady Warrior Emili Mangrun awaits the throw at first base to get Salem's Beth Humphries out as umpire Anthony Renshaw readies to make the call. (DT Photo/Anthony Cossey)

threatened to score in the top runners on base keeping the Gordon struck out to end the Lady Warriors. EPC went

of the third but a tag out at score 3-1 EPC. Mangrum the plate kept them off the struck out leading off the botboard to keep the score 3-1 tom of the fourth for the Lady Warriors as Brewer and Hood three up and three down as followed with back to back Gordon grounded out, Allen singles. Ward beat out a bunt flew out and Wiggins popped single to load the bases being it 2-1 EPC. Hood made it out. Carlisle got runners on fore Hannah struck out. 3-1 scoring on a passed ball first and second with two outs Bryan roped a two-run before Kurstin Bryan struck in the top of the fourth only double scoring Brewer and to see a strikeout leave the Hood to make it 5-1 before out to keep the score 5-3 EPC still up 5-3.

Carlisle pushed two runs across in the top of the fifth inning to make the score 5-3 Lady Warriors. Allen lined out leading off the bottom half of the inning as Wiggins grounded out. Mangrum and Brewer both singled only to be left on base as Hood struck

after five innings of play. The Lady Bison got a runner to second but left them stranded in the top the sixth keeping hits and a RBI as Wiggins the score 5-3 EPC. Ward had a hit and a RBI in leadpopped out leading off the ing the EPC offense. Bryan bottom half for the Lady Warriors as Hannah followed with a single. Bryan popped out and Gordon grounded out with a complete game perforto end the inning with EPC

The Lady Bison got a runner on base with two outs before a strikeout ended the game with the Lady Warriors

Bryan had a hit and two RBIs to lead EPC at the plate as Brewer and Hood both had two hits and two runs scored. Hannah had a hit and a RBI, Gordon had a hit and a run scored, Allen had a RBI as Ward and Mangrun each added a hit. Allen got the win for EPC as she pitched seven innings allowing three runs on six hits with eight walks and 11 strikeouts.

EPC had to face Palestine-Wheatley this past Friday in the second round falling 4-1 to the Lady Patriots. Bryan again led the Lady Warriors offense with a hit and a run scored as Allen had two hits with Hannah getting a hit and a stolen base. Allen took the loss as she pitched six innings giving up four runs on six hits with three walk and 15 strikeouts. EPC held on for a 2-1 win over Salem in the third place game this past Saturday. Brewer had two had a hit and a run scored, Allen scored a run as Gordon added a hit. Allen got the win mance giving up one run on five hits with eight strikeouts.

Lady Indians fall in 2A North Regional opener

DT Sports Staff

Marked Tree (12-13) had trouble with the rain and a good McCrory team as a ten run second inning from the Lady Jaguars spelled doom for the Lady Indians as they fell 14-1 last Thursday in the regional tournament in Lepanto ending their season.

Ally Byers led off for the Lady Indians with a single and went to third when the ball got pas the outfielder. Brittany Pharis reached on a fielder's choice as Byers was tagged out in a rundown for the first out. Harley Daniels doubled putting runners on second and third only to see Pharis get thrown out at the plate trying to score on a passed ball. Cameron Willoughby and Sydney Rotscheid both walked to load bases before Katherine Hobbs' fielder's choice grounder forced Willoughby out at third base for the third out. McCrory plated three runs in the bottom of the first inning to take an early 3-0

lead. The Lady Indians went make the score 14-3 before three up and three down as Savannah Swink struck out number three. McCrory looking, Alana Williams added another run in the botgrounded out and Naysha tom of the inning to make it Moore looked at strike three 15-3. to keep the score 2-0 Lady Jaguars. McCrory took advantage of four walks, one hit batter and two Marked Tree errors to score 10 runs in the rain to go up 13-0 at the end of two innings of play.

out for the first two outs of the top of the third inning 15-4 McCrory. Swink looked before Daniels blasted a solo at strike three to end the game home run to make it 13-1 McCrory. Willoughby followed with a two-out single as Rotscheid grounded out for the third out. Two more errors by the Lady Indians let the Lady Jags add another run in the bottom half of the inning to make the score 14-1. Hobbs grounded out leading off the top of the fourth inning as Swink reached on an error. Williams doubled to put runners on the second and third before Moore struck out. Byers laced a double to score Swink and Williams to

Pharis grounded out for out

Daniels singled leading off the top of the fifth inning before being forced out at second base on Willoughby's fielder's choice grounder. Rotscheid grounded out moving Willoughby to sec-Byers and Pharis both flew ond before Hobbs' single plated Willoughby making it via the run rule with the Lady Jaguars winning 15-4.

Daniels led Marked Tree at the plate with three hits (one a home run), a run scored and a RBI as Byers had two hits and two RBIs. Hobbs had a hit and a RBI, Willoughby and Williams both had a hit and a run scored as Swink scored a run. Daniels took the loss for the Lady Indians as she pitched four innings giving up 14 runs on six hits with five walks, four strikeouts and three hit batters.

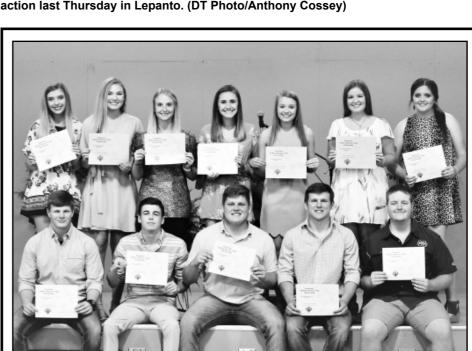


Marked Tree's Katherine Hobbs crushes a base hit during 2A North Regional softball



Fishing competition

Trumann's Jay Morgan (left) and Cade Gartman finished fourth out of 90 boats his past weekend at the Arkansas State High School Fishing Championship on Lake Dardanelle. The team's catch was 14 pounds and eight ounces. Gartman had the fish bass of the day with a 5.01 pound lunker. (Photo/Jarrett Prince)



Booster Club scholarships

The Trumann Athletic Booster Club gave out 12 scholarships at the recent Trumann Sports Banquet. Those receiving scholarships are, from left, (seated) Drake Evans, Chandler Weitkamp, John Dunman, Cade Gartman, Rives Henderson, (standing) Alex McKemie, Livia Moye, Anna Waleszonia, Maddi Payne, Misty Moye, Olivia Greenwell and Hannah Craig. (Photo provided)



Savvy Senior Jim Miller

Dear Savvy Senior,

A good friend of mine got a bad case of shingles last year and has been urging me to get vaccinated. Should I?

Suspicious Susan Dear Susan,

Yes! If you're 50 or older, there's a new shingles vaccine on the market that's far superior to the older vaccine, so now is a great time to get inoculated. Here's what you should know.

Shingles, also known as herpes zoster, is a burning, blistering, often excruciating skin rash that affects around 1 million Americans each year. The same virus that causes chickenpox causes shingles. What happens is the chickenpox virus that most people get as kids never leaves the body. It hides in the nerve cells near the spinal cord and, for some people, emerges later in the form of shingles.

In the U.S., almost one out called

of every three people will develop shingles during their lifetime. While anyone who's had chickenpox can get shingles, it most commonly occurs in people over age 50, along with people who have weakened immune systems. But you can't catch shingles from someone else.

Early signs of the disease include pain, itching or tingling before a blistering rash appears several days later, and can last up to four weeks. The rash typically occurs on one side of the body, often as a band of blisters that extends from the middle of your back around to the breastbone. It can also appear above an eye or on the side of the face or

In addition to the rash, about 20 to 25 percent of those who get shingles go on to develop severe nerve pain (postherpetic neuralgia, or PHN) that can last for months or even years. And in rare cases, shingles can also cause strokes, encephalitis, spinal cord damage and vision loss.

New Shingles Vaccine The Food and Drug Administration recently approved a new vaccine for shingles Shingrix

Shingrix.com), which provides much better protection than the older vaccine, Zostavax.

Manufactured GlaxoSmithKline, Shingrix is 97 percent effective in preventing shingles in people 50 to 69 years old, and 91 percent effective in those 70 and

By comparison, Zostavax is 70 percent effective in your 50s, 64 percent effective in your 60s, 41 percent effective in your 70s, and 18 percent effective in your 80s.

Shingrix is also better that Zostavax in preventing nerve pain that continues after a shingles rash has clearedabout 90 percent effective versus 65 percent effective.

Because of this enhanced protection, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that everyone age 50 and older, receive the Shingrix vaccine, which is given in two doses, two to six months apart.

Even if you've already had shingles, you still need these vaccinations because reoccurring cases are possible. The CDC also recommends that anyone previously vac-(see cinated with Zostavax be revaccinated with Shingrix.

You should also know that Shingrix can cause some adverse side effects for some people, including muscle pain, fatigue, headache, fever and upset stomach.

Shingrix—which costs around \$280 for both dosesis (or will soon be) covered by insurance including Medicare Part D prescription drug plans, but be aware that the shingles vaccines are not always well covered. So before getting vaccinated, call your plan to find out if it's covered, and if so, which pharmacies and doctors in your area you should use to insure the best

Or, if you don't have health insurance or you're experiencing medical or financial hardship, you might qualify for GlaxoSmithKline's Patient Assistance Program, which provides free vaccinations to those who are eligible. For details, go GSKforyou.com.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

Florida arrest stems from Trumann investigation

By DT News Staff

A Florida man was arrested in connection with a case the started investigated earlier this year.

Milton Sumrell, 43, of Tallahassee, Fla., was arraigned after a federal grand jury returned an indictment charging him with production of child pornography, enticement of a minor to perform illegal sex acts, and possession of child pornography. The indictment was announced by Christopher P. Canova, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida.

The indictment alleges that, in October and November 2017, Sumrell persuaded a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing child pornography and persuaded someone under age 18 to engage in sexual activity. The indictment further alleges that, between January and March 2018, Sumrell possessed child

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pornography. The trial is scheduled for June 11.

Sumrell's arrest stemmed Trumann Police Department from a Trumann Police Department investigation in which Craig Gillum, 52, of Shelbyville, Tenn., was arrested on trafficking of persons, computer child pornography, and other charges after a missing Trumann teen was found with him in Nebraska on Feb. 1.

Sumrell faces a minimum of 15 years and maximum of 30 years in prison for the production charge, a minimum of 10 years and a maximum of life in prison for the enticement charge, and a maximum of 10 years in prison for the possession charge.

The case is being investigated by the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations, the Leon County Sheriff's Office, and the Trumann Police Depart-

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION IN MARKED TREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 OF POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS

In accordance with the requirements of Ark. Code Ann. Section 6-14-109, notice is hereby given that the annual school election in the above named school district will be held on May 22, 2018 for the following purposes:

For Zone Four (4) to elect one (1) member to the Board of Directors for a term of (5) years

To submit the question of voting a total school district levy of 39.5 mills on the dollar of the assessed value of taxable property located in this school district. This total tax levy includes the uniform rate of 25.0 mills to be collected on all taxable property in the State and remitted to the State Treasurer pursuant to Amendment No. 74 to the Arkansas Constitution to be used solely for maintenance and operation of schools in the State. As provided in Amendment No. 74, the Statewide Uniform Rate replaces a protion of the existing rate of tax levied by this School District and available for maintenance and operation of schools in this District. The total proposed school tax levy of 39.5 mills includes 25.0 mills specifically voted for general maintenance and operation and 14.5 mills for debt service previously voted as a continuing levy and pledged for the retirement of existing bonded indebtedness. The surplus revenues produced each year by debt service millage may be used by the District for other school purposes.

The total proposed school tax levy of 39.5 mills represents the same rate presently being collected.

The polls will open at 7:30 a.m. and will close at 7:30 p.m. at the following polling places:

Zones Zone Four (4)

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In accordance with the requirements of Ark. Code Ann. §6-14-109, notice is hereby given that the annual school election in the above named school district will be held on May 22, 2018, for the following purposes:

To elect 3 members to the Board of Directors for a term of 5

To submit the question of voting a total school tax rate (state and local) of 35.2 mills on the dollar of the assessed value of taxable property located in this School District. The proposed tax includes the uniform rate of tax (the "Statewide Uniform Rate") to be collected on all taxable property in the State and remitted to the State Treasurer pursuant to Amendment No. 74 to the Arkansas Constitution to be used solely for maintenance and operation of schools in the State. As provided in Amendment No. 74, the Statewide Uniform Rate replaces a portion of the existing rate of tax levied by this School District and available for maintenance and operation of schools in this District. The total proposed school tax levy of 35.2 mills includes 25.0 mills specifically voted for general maintenance and operation and 10.2 mills for debt service previously voted as a continuing levy pledged for the retirement of existing bonded indebtedness. The surplus revenues produced each year by debt service millage may be used by the District for other school purposes.

The total proposed school tax levy of 35.2 mills represents the same rate presently being collected.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EAST POINSETT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14 OF POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS

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WARNING ORDER

There is presented to the court the motion by the Petitioner, James Hart, through his attorneys, requesting the court to issue a warning order for the following potential Respondents: the UN-KNOWN HEIRS OF C.M. TURNER, deceased, the, UN-KNOWN HEIRS OF W.L. HUGHES, deceased, the UNKNOWN HEIRS OF F.H. MICKLISH, deceased; and the UNKNOWN HEIRS OF J.B. SMITH, deceased. The court finds from the motion filed and the affidavit that Petitioner has exercised due diligence and made a diligent inquiry and at present does not know the identity and whereabouts of the above-mentioned potential Respondents.

The court directs this Warning Order to be published one time per week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper having a general circulation in Poinsett County, Arkansas.

It is further ordered that the above named Respondents are hereby warned that they shall appear and file a written response to the Petition with the Poinsett County Circuit Clerk, 401 Market Street, Harrisburg, Arkansas 72432 within thirty days from the date of publication of the Warning Order or face entry of judgment by default against them and be otherwise barred from asserting his or her interest in this cause. In such an event, the Petitioner shall be entitled to proceed with his claims as set out in the Petition regarding the existence of the current members of the Hood Lake Hunting Club who is the alleged owner of land in Poinsett County, Arkansas, to-wit:

Fractional Northeast Quarter (63.97 acres); Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (40 acres); Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (40 acres); and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (40 acres), all in Section 6, Township 12 North, Range 2 East.

If a potential Respondent claims to be a member in the Hood Lake Hunting Club or an alleged owner of the above land, the person or that person's agent or attorney should contact not only the Clerk of the Court but Dennis Zolper, Attorney for the Petitioner whose address is 603 S. Madison Ave., Jonesboro, Arkansas 72401. His telephone is 870-336-6437. His email is dmzlawyer@gmail.com

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Melissa Richardson Circuit Judge Dated Feb. 12, 2018

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