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Rage Fabrications holds grand opening

By COREY CLAIRDAY
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Trumann Director of Economic Development Neal Vickers said he was first approached by Ronnie Samuel in December of 2016 about expanding a new business he and his son Ian had started. And Monday morning a year and a half later, Rage Fabrications held their grand opening with Governor Asa Hutchinson in attendance.

The family business, Samuel's Auto Sales and Service, has been in Trumann for 50 years. When Ian started there, he ended up making a custom bumper for his UTV. After he posted a picture to Facebook, interest took off, and they ended running Rage Fabrications as a side

business out of some of the vehicle bays at the auto shop. They make custom doors, hoods, roofs, and other parts for ATVs and UTVs and ship parts around the world. As demand grew, they quickly outgrew their location and started looking for a separate facility for Rage Fabrications.

With the help of resources from the the Trumann Industrial Development Commission and a \$250,000 matching grant from the Delta Regional Authority, they were able to get new electrical lines and a sprinkler system put into a 15,000 square foot facility on Firestation Road.

DRA Federal Co-Chair Chris Caldwell said the DRA was excited to invest in economic development by expanding an existing business.



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The ribbon is cut to mark Rage Fabrications opening in its new facility. (inset) Governor Asa Hutchinson speaks during the grand opening of Rage Fabrications.

"This is a family business selling worldwide right here in Trumann," Caldwell said. "That's something we like to brag on in Washington."

"This day represents entrepreneurship," Governor Hutchinson said, adding that the business rep-

resented a commitment to community and innovation. Speaking of creating new jobs in the state, Governor Hutchinson said, "We don't want to just support new industry coming in. We also want to support industries that already exist."

Samuel said the business helped create 10 new jobs and they expect to bring that number up to 20 in five years.



Pearce talks hospice with Lions

By COREY CLAIRDAY
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Sherry Pearce, with Legacy Hospice, was guest speaker at last week's Trumann Lions Club meeting.

The Legacy Hospice branch based out of Osceola serves Crittenden, Mississippi, and Poinsett Counties. Pearce's role is to educate communities about hospice.

Hospice provides support and care for people in the last phases of terminal illness to ensure they can live as comfortably as possible. Pearce said they typically accept people with a life expectancy of six months, though she noted they have had patients on hospice for four years and others who have improved and gotten off hospice.

Pearce said that when a patient is on hospice, "that hospice is your 911." They can help with pain medi-



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Sherry Pearce spoke to the Trumann Lions about Legacy Hospice.

cation and are able to get needed medication quicker. They set up any needed equipment in the home, or in the nursing home if the patient needs to go there. As schedule is set up for how often they see the patient, and as the illness progresses, they can see the patient every day if needed. They also have a chaplain and a social worker.

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Roach honored for military service

By COREY CLAIRDAY
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Roach Manufacturing employees, family, community members, and even the governor showed up Monday to honor Kathy Roach for her service in the U.S. Navy.

First Class Petty Officer Kathy Roach served in the Navy from 1979-2000, serving during the Cold War and First Gulf War as one of the first female sailors to serve on a Navy Warship, the USS Norton Sound AVM1 Missile Test Ship. Roach has written a soon to be published memoir called "Anchored: My Sea and Air Days" about her experiences. She referred to the title "Anchored" as representing how she had been all over the world before meeting her husband, G.W. Roach Jr., and finding a place to be anchored with him.

During a presentation Monday, Veterans Helping Veterans presented her with a framed certificate recognizing her years of service in the Navy. Several spoke during the presentation, including her husband, who said she was very proud of her military history. "She lost her parents at an early age," G.W. said.



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Mayor Barbara Lewallen and Kathy Roach hold up a copy of the cover to Roach's memoir, "Anchored."

"Six years later, she was adopted by the Navy. At 38, she ended her military history because she met me." G.W. added that she was "a very loving, caring wife and a very big asset to the Roach family."

Governor Hutchinson thanked Kathy for her service and continued inspiration through her book. Of Roach Manufacturing, the gov-

ernor said, "You continue to give opportunities to veterans, and that means a lot to the state," adding that "when they come back, they show—like Kathy—that they have more service left."

Kathy said the presentation was originally going to be a small affair,

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Trumann veteran receives Quilt of Valor

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Phillip Long received a surprise when he went out to eat with family last Thursday. His sister, Shirley Long, presented him with a Quilt of Valor honoring his military service. The quilt is extra special because she handmade it for him.

Phillip Long is a Vietnam veteran who served in the U.S. Army from 1969-1971 and served in Vietnam from 1969-1970. He was a combat engineer with the 18th Brigade 84th



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Phillip Long, right, holds up a Quilt of Valor his sister made for him.

Engineer Battalion.

Long said he felt honored to receive the quilt. "It's a lot different from the reception we got when we

came home," he said. "It's a surprise. It's humbling that people still think

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Lepanto Council discuss annexation following meet

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Before this month's Lepanto City Council meeting, a public meeting was held to discuss annexation. The proposed annexation would bring in property north of the city limits between Ditch 51 and the Left Hand Chute of Little River as well as property east of city limits in the area of Didemma Street and J. Martin Road.

Several of those in attendance during public meeting spoke out against the annexation. During the council meeting, Mayor Dale

Dunlap said that those who showed up to the public meeting were all against annexation. Dunlap said he had been hoping to help the city of Lepanto by increasing the population before the next Census. After some discussion, he told the council he would have to check with the Election Commission to see when they could have an election, should they decide to have one, and would let them know what he finds out.

The council adopted a resolution authorizing the sale of property that

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Perspective

The U.S. should be a force for good

I've often attended discussions of American policy, in both government and non-government settings, at which representatives of other nations were present. Sometimes I've gone in hoping to sit and listen. But almost invariably, foreigners would turn to me, as an American, to explain and to lead. Many Americans have told me they have had similar experiences.

These experiences suggest that the United States and its citizens could not really avoid global engagement even if we wanted to. We are, after all, citizens of a pre-eminent world power, politically, economically, technologically and militarily.

Today, America's role in the world is at the center of our national dialogue. It's the underlying question in every foreign policy debate.

We do have a few voices calling for disengagement from world affairs, but those voices are really on the margins. The U.S. has played a leading role in shaping the current global order, and America's role in the world has been a central part of our identity through our history as a nation.

Abraham Lincoln spoke of preserving the "last best hope" for freedom. John F. Kennedy vowed we would "pay any price, bear any burden" to secure the success of liberty. Ronald Reagan evoked a vision of America as a "shining city on a hill," an example to the world. And, most importantly, in our Pledge of Allegiance, we pledge to provide "liberty and justice for all" — not just for Americans but for all.

Overall, my view is that we have a good story to tell about America's role in the world. Sometimes we go overboard. We make mistakes - and have our faults, of course. Occasionally, in our efforts to engage and to lead, our actions are tinged with arrogance.

But, I do not agree with those who say we should step back and focus on our own problems, letting the world spin on and allowing others to carry the responsibilities of leadership.

As a nation, we should do what we can to make the U.S. and the world safer, freer and more prosperous. As citizens, we should try to help this effort whenever and wherever we can.

We should inform ourselves about the world we live in. We should welcome foreigners to our communities, read the international press, visit other countries, if we can, and engage with their citizens. We should learn a foreign language, and immerse ourselves in a foreign culture. We should read a novel set in a foreign land, written by an author who is not an American. The principal point is empathy: we should put ourselves in the place of citizens of other countries and try to understand what they want and why they want it, rather than limit ourselves only to the American perspective on every problem.

My hope is that America should be a benign power, acting to improve the quality of our lives, and the lives of others as well. From my perspective, we should be first in line to respond to humanitarian disasters and lead the outcry over the mistreatment of innocent people and advocate for their recovery from suffering and hardship. We should make every effort to lessen tensions between nations and groups, to reduce conflict and improve the quality of life for all.

I want to see my country as a force for good. We can't solve all the world's problems, and we can't pour unlimited resources into every conflict and crisis. Whatever we do to alleviate the world's problems, we will need help from others.

If we list the biggest international problems we face — war and peace, climate change, world hunger, nuclear proliferation, and so on — we can't solve them by ourselves. We should welcome help whenever and wherever we can get it.

We also have to be smart in how we use our power. We should not reach for the gun too quickly, but we should be prepared to use force as a last resort.

As American citizens, we should insist that development and diplomacy are our preferred tools. While diplomacy cannot solve every conflict, it is the right place to start; far better to "jaw, jaw, jaw" than to "war, war, war," as Churchill said. Development cannot make everybody prosperous, but it can reduce poverty and improve the quality of life for millions.

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Lee H. Hamilton



John Boxley

Not that you asked

Maybe its time for another American Revolution. We don't need to get rid of the Constitution or the system it created. They aren't the problem. What needs to change are the people currently given the power to run that system. It's time to get rid of every office holder on the state or national level who put party or one issue above the people.

When you cut through all of the talk we hear from Washington, and all of the real and not so real news outlets, you will realize that the majority of us agree on much more than we disagree on. We all want clean air and water. We all want good public schools. We all know that there are people in poverty, and we want to help them. We want low taxes. We want secure borders. We want a military strong enough to defend us.

Most of us aren't on the far left or far right. We are moderates. Take guns for example. Most of us want law-abiding, sane people to own as many guns as they want. At the same time, we want to do everything we can to keep guns out of the hands of people who would use them to harm us either because of criminal intent or mental illness. That being the case, it shouldn't be hard for reasonable politicians to get together and come up with laws that could do that. But that isn't what's happening.

The reason that doesn't happen is because the extremists on both sides of the issue make so much noise that the politicians hear them instead of us. The result is that we are still trying to solve a problem that should have been taken care of years ago.

You can go down the list of every issue before us and see the same thing happening. Politicians listen to those loud voices, and like children afraid of noises in the night, hide until they go away.

Another problem we have with current office holders is that they are more loyal to their political party than the people they represent. I know that you have to run from one of the parties to get elected, but it's not like you have to take a blood oath to one of them. Once in office, party labels shouldn't matter. The only thing that should matter is doing the best job you can. Legislation should only be thought of as whether it will do more good than bad, not whether the sponsor is a Democrat or Republican. They should remember that they answer to the people of their state or district, not Nancy Pelosi or President Trump.

Speaking of Ms. Pelosi and the President, it's time to stop tying every Democrat to her and every Republican to him. Political operatives won't stop using that tactic until we stop letting them get away with it. There are plenty of Democrats who wish Pelosi would retire and plenty of Republicans who feel the same way about Trump.

A final reason we need to clean house in Washington is to get rid of the Freedom Caucus. This former Tea Party bunch only numbers about 30

Debates about immigration older than the United States itself

Finally, after agonizing procedural wrangling that is only a preface to even more agonizing floor debate, the House in the next several days will take up the immigration issue.

But the truth is that debates about immigration are even older than the United States itself, built as it was by 17th-century Colonial immigrants who, when they landed on these shores, encountered Native Americans who were likely the original immigrants.

From the earliest debates on the issue, the character and content of the American immigration discussion has changed little. Many want to come in; some want to keep them out. They refresh American culture; they alter American culture. They are the engine of economic growth; they are the enemy of the worker.

Pulitzer Prizes have been won on the immigration issue (Oscar Handlin, "The Uprooted," 1952); reputations have been soiled by immigration (Sen. Pat McCarran of Nevada, whose legislation was passed by Congress over Harry Truman's veto); a political party was formed around immigration (the Know Nothings of the mid-1850s).

Throughout all of this, what

often is missed is an unusual congruence of opinion by two men with the same initials, one a Democrat now identified with the liberal wing of his party (President John F. Kennedy) and the other a Republican once considered to be on the leading edge of conservatism in his party (Rep. Jack F. Kemp).

Kemp, who represented the area around Buffalo, New York, a center of 19th-century immigration from southern and eastern Europe, worried that the Republican Party was veering from its roots and embracing immigration restrictions that could, in his words, "turn the party away from its historic belief in opportunity and jobs and growth and ... inward to a protectionist and isolationist and more xenophobic party."

Kennedy, in a small book written in 1958 as Congress was considering immigration legislation, took a similar view, arguing that:

(T)he interaction of disparate cultures, the vehemence of the ideals that led the immigrants here, the opportunity offered by a new life, all gave America a flavor and a character that make it as unmistakable and as remarkable to people today as it was to Alexis de Tocqueville in



David M. Shribman

the early part of the nineteenth century.

That book was reissued a few years ago under the title "A Nation of Immigrants," and though the 35th president was serious about protecting American borders — one of his last acts in the White House was to propose a major overhaul of the country's immigration policies — he also believed that much of the heroic nature of America was based on the immigrant experience:

They huddled in their hard, cramped bunks, freezing when the hatches were open, stifling when they were closed ... Night and day were indistinguishable. But they were ever aware of the treacherous winds and waves, the scampering of rats and the splash of burials.

That was part of the Kemp creed as well. He argued that "immigrants are among the most hard-working and industrious of all persons who re-

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Politics is women's work

Some names to remember as the political year unfolds: Abby Finkenauer, Debra Haaland and Mary Gay Scanlon.

Finkenauer, a 28-year-old state legislator, is the Democratic nominee to take on Rep. Rod Blum in Iowa's first district. The race is considered a toss-up, and if she wins, Finkenauer would be the youngest woman ever elected to Congress.

Haaland, a member of the Laguna Pueblo and a solid favorite in New Mexico's first district, would be the first Native American woman to serve in the House.

Scanlon, a lawyer specializing in education issues, should win an open seat in suburban Philadelphia and integrate Pennsylvania's congressional delegation, which is currently all male.

These three pioneers reflect a critical storyline in this year's elections. Democrats need a net gain of 23 seats to take control of the House, and their hopes rest heavily on the energy and enthusiasm of women.

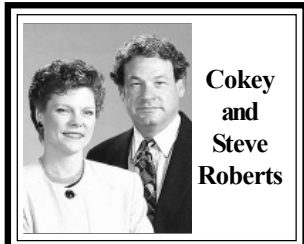
The primary season is not finished, but political scientist David Hopkins of Boston College concludes, "It's apparent enough by now that we are witnessing a dramatic and historic change in the

gender distribution among Democratic congressional nominees."

On the federal level, these women candidates are largely Democrats, but on the state level, Republican women are also making inroads. Rep. Kristi Noem is poised to become South Dakota's first female governor, and two GOP governors who replaced departing male predecessors — Kim Reynolds of Iowa and Kay Ivey of Alabama — should win full terms.

Statistics reinforce the "dramatic and historic" nature of this election. According to the Center for American Women and Politics at Rutgers, a total of 455 women have filed as candidates for Congress, easily topping the old record of 298 in 2012. Fifty-one women have entered Senate races, compared to 40 who set the previous standard in 2016. Gubernatorial candidates are even more striking: 60 this year, far exceeding the 34 women who ran in 1994.

Women are not just running; they're winning. Congressional expert David Wasserman examined 65 Democratic primaries pitting a man against a woman with no incumbent. Women enjoyed a "gender bonus," running ahead of their male rivals by an average of 15 points



Cokey and Steve Roberts

and posting 45 victories. Just this week, Virginia Democrats nominated female candidates to challenge Republican incumbents in that state's four most competitive districts.

This influx of women in public roles is matched by a rising tide of females behind the scenes who are running campaigns themselves, not just serving male bosses. "For years, women were the fundraisers and the communications people," Anita Dunn, a veteran Democratic strategist told The New York Times. "But when it was the big-boy decisions, there weren't women in the room."

There were always women in the voting booth, however — they made up 53 percent of the electorate in 2016, and there was a huge gender gap, with men favoring President Trump by 11 points and women backing Hillary Clinton by 13 points. Democratic hopes this November depend heavily on maintaining or even expanding that gap, especially among college-educated white women, who traditionally tilt Republican.

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The Wickedness of Joash
II Chronicles 24

Following the death of Jehoiada the priest, the officials of Judah came and paid homage to the king, and he listened to them. They soon abandoned the temple of the LORD, the God of their fathers, and worshiped Asherah poles and idols. Because of their guilt, God's anger came upon Judah and Jerusalem. The LORD sent prophets to the people to bring them back to him but they would not listen. The Spirit of God came upon Zechariah son of Jehoiada and he told them that because they had disobeyed the Lord they would not prosper and because they had forsaken the LORD, he had forsaken them. They plotted against him and as ordered by the king, they stoned him to death in the courtyard of the LORD's temple. King Joash had forgotten kindness Zechariah's father Jehoiada had shown him. As Zechariah was dying he said, "May the LORD see this and call you to account." Soon the army of Aram invaded Judah and Jerusalem and killed all the leaders of the people and sent the plunder to their king in Damascus. The Aramean army came with only a few men, the LORD delivered into their hands a much larger army. Because Judah had forsaken the LORD judgment was executed on Joash and he was severely wounded. His officials conspired against him for murdering the son of Jehoiada the priest, and they killed him in his bed. So he died and was buried in the City of David, but not in the tombs of the kings.

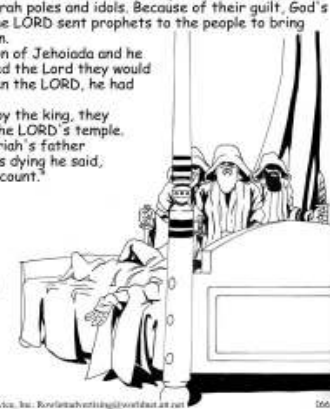


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The Flip phone costs \$100, with monthly service plans that start at \$15 for 200 minutes. Or, you can get the 5Star service with 50 minutes of monthly talk time for \$25.

Free Phones

If your income is low enough, another option you should check into is the federal Lifeline program, which provides free or low-cost cell phones and plans through numerous wireless providers.

To qualify, your annual household income must at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines — which is \$16,389 for one person, or \$22,221 for two. Or, you must be receiving Medicaid, food stamps/SNAP, SSI, public housing assistance, veterans pension or survivor's pension benefit, or live on federally recognized Tribal lands.

To find out if you're eligible, or to locate wireless companies in your area that participates in the program, visit LifelineSupport.org or call 800-234-9473.

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.

Arkansas

A poem by SHIRLEY LONG

Arkansas, with green fields, and rolling hills, The land of my birth. I've never seen, a more beautiful state, Anywhere on this earth. With the great Crowley's Ridge, with its Mountains and its lakes, We are very fortunate, to have such a state.

Everythings natural and heaven sent, And now it's the home of our President. Arkansas, as your beauty unfolds, We'll sing your praises, as the ages roll. Arkansas, from you I'll never roam, And I'm very glad, that I can call you, My home.



Obituaries

Larry Morris

TRUMANN - Mr. Larry David Morris, 67, departed this life on Thursday, June 7, 2018, at the family residence. He was born Friday, April 6, 1951, in St. Louis, Mo., to the late Junior "J.B." and Annie Ruth Jones Morris and lived most of his lifetime in Trumann. He owned and operated Morris Service Station and was of the Baptist faith.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Della Meyers Morris; one brother, Jeffery Morris; and his parents.

He is survived by three daughters, Mary Morris Vest of Camby, Ind., Sherry Young Morris of Ohio, and Vicki Blessing of Anderson, Ind.; two sisters, Judy Roberson and husband Steve of Indianapolis, Ind., and Margaret Blasingame and husband Dave of Florida; and one



Larry Morris

brother, Jerry Morris and wife Shirley of Greenfield, Ind.

Funeral services were held June 15 in the chapel of Thompson Funeral Home in Trumann with Rev. Tina Jordan officiating. Burial followed in Jonesboro Memorial Park Cemetery in Jonesboro.

Pallbearers were Tim Cooper, Jack Layton, Ricky Jones, Shorty Jones, Pete Qualls, Ronnie Qualls, Tony Blake and Dan Scott.

An online register book can be signed at www.thompsonfuneralhome.net.



William Whitmire

Ill.; brother, Edward "Pete" Whitmire of Bradenton, Fla.; and sister, Royce Thompson, of Machesney Park, Ill. William also leaves behind grandchildren Samuel, Mary-Emma, Larkin and Will Whitmire, all of Jonesboro, and Henry and Rachel Spires of Washington, Ill. In addition, he will also be leaving behind many nieces and nephews who were very precious to him.

Funeral services were held June 20 at Nettleton Baptist Church with Pastor Stan Ballard officiating. Burial was private at Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery at Birdeye.

Honorary pallbearers for the service were the children of William's Sunday school classes over his years of service at Nettleton Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, anyone wishing to leave a lasting memorial may contribute to the children's programs at Nettleton Baptist Church or may contribute to funding student school lunches for the underserved in their local community.

An online register can be signed at www.thompsonfuneralhome.net.

Richard Green

TRUMANN - Mr. Richard Douglas Green, 70, departed this life Saturday, June 16, 2018, at the family residence. He was born in Winston County, Miss., and lived his lifetime in Trumann. He was a retired iron worker, veteran of the U.S. Army, and a member of the First Assembly of God in Trumann.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Polly Ann Abbott, one brother, James Lee Green, and his parents, Harmon Lee and Florrie White Green.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Vera Louise Green of the home; one daughter, Tracy Green of Trumann; four sons, Derrick (Hollie) Green, Charles "Brad" Whitaker and Scott Whitaker, all of Trumann, and Samuel Whitaker of Paragould; one sister, Wilsie Mae Clayton of Williford; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held



Richard Green

June 20 at the First Assembly of God in Trumann with Rev. Kenneth Duke officiating. Burial followed in Pine Hill Cemetery in Jonesboro under the direction of Thompson Funeral Home in Trumann.

Pallbearers were Joey Abbott, Dustin Green, Greg Green, Tim Depriest, Buck Raney and Scott Whitaker. Honorary pallbearers were Jimmy Green, Brian Gibbs, Jeremy Abbott, Larry Foreman, Cody Clayton, Darius Frazier, Dalton Trotter, Tyler Kenley, James Kenley and Steve Trotter.

An online register book can be signed at www.thompsonfuneralhome.net.

Jeffery West

BRENTWOOD, TENN. - Mr. Jeffery Wayne West, 53, went to be the Lord on Sunday, June 10, 2018. Jeff was the first born child of George Thomas and Shirley Hendrix West. He attended all 12 years of schooling at Trumann and graduated in 1983. Jeff was a member of the ROTC and lettered in football, basketball and track. He accepted the Lord as his Savior at the age of nine and was baptized and became a member of First Christian Church of Trumann. Jeff loved the Lord and sought to serve and honor Him all of his life. After he and Denice located to Nashville, they joined Grace Bible Fellowship in Mt. Juliet, Tenn. Jeff was active in planning and building the new church building. Even during his illness, Jeff continued to faithfully attend every Sunday. Jeff worked for Yellow Freight in Memphis and later in Nashville prior to forming his own business, Total Lawn Care, to help family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, George West; son, Jeffery Brett West; paternal grandparents, Avery and Vivian Poff West, and maternal grandfather, Carl Hendrix.

He is survived by his wife,



Jeffery West

Denice Harp West; mother, Shirley Hendrix West of Jonesboro; brother, Michael West of Nashville, Tenn.; sister, Dana West of Jonesboro; grandmother, Maggie Marie Hendrix of Trumann; four aunts, one uncle, a host of cousins, nieces and nephews; in-laws, James and Mary Harp, and a multitude of friends. Jeff was also the loving guardian of Coty Jake West and Chandler Brett West.

Funeral services were held June 15 at First Christian Church with Pastor Mark Mann officiating. Burial followed at Jonesboro Memorial Park Cemetery in Jonesboro under the direction of Thompson Funeral Home of Trumann.

Pallbearers were Tanner Miles, Mike Linton, Lynn Robison, Melvin Dycus, Carl Holt and Blake Wright.

An online register book can be signed at www.thompsonfuneralhome.net.

Church clothing giveaway

Industrial Street Church of Christ, located at 306 Industrial Street in Marked Tree, will have a clothing giveaway from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 23.

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Lifestyles

UCA announces spring scholars

The University of Central Arkansas has announced the Presidential Scholars and Dean's List for the spring 2018 semester.

Presidential Scholar and Dean's List honors are based on grades earned during each semester of the regular academic year.

Students must achieve a 4.0 GPA with a minimum course load of 12 credit hours to qualify for recognition as a Presidential Scholar. Recognition on the Dean's List requires at least a 3.5 GPA with a minimum course load of 12

credit hours.

A total of 1,040 students were recognized as Presidential Scholars and 1,365 students were named to the Dean's List.

Below is a list of scholars from Poinsett County.

***Presidential Scholars:** J'me Eddinger-Lucero, Weiner; and KateLynn Benson, Trumann.

***Dean's List:** Alexandra Laden, Harrisburg; Bobby Adams, Harrisburg; Kennedy Neely, Weiner; Micah Cheek, Harrisburg; and Taelor Gartman, Trumann.

July 4 golf scramble to honor Gary Anderson

The Trumann Country Club is planning a Fourth of July golf scramble in memory of Gary Anderson.

Food will be served beginning at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 4, and golf will start at 1 p.m. Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., there will be a time for club members, friends and

family to visit and share memories of Gary. There will also be a balloon release in Gary's memory.

The entry fee for golf, which includes lunch, is \$10. For anyone wanting to eat lunch and not play golf, the fee is \$5.

Municipal League conference

Over 800 state, county, and city officials attended the Annual Arkansas Municipal League Conference in Little Rock June 13-15. Those attending from Trumann were, from left, (front) Tammy Riley, Linda Smith, Debbie Cook, (back) Mayor Barbara Lewallen, Rep. Johnny Rye and City Clerk Marlene Hancock. (Photo provided)



Protecting from horse and deer flies

ByCRAIGALLEN
County Extension Agent,
Staff Chair

Have you been experiencing the annoyance of biting flies the last few weeks? As if we haven't had enough to worry about with the wet/hot weather and all the bugs and mosquitoes that accompany it. Now the flies have jumped on the band wagon. These pests aren't only nuisances; they're a threat to the health of animals and people alike.

"Horse and deer flies are large, blood-feeding insects that can be serious pests to cattle, horses and humans," says Dr. Kelly Loftin, entomologist with the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service. "These aren't like ordinary flies, and Arkansans should know how to recognize them so they can take proper precautions to protect themselves from these painful biters."

Both horse and deer flies are larger than house flies, hav-

ing large heads and heavy bodies. Deer fly wings possess patterned marking while horse fly wings are uniform with either transparent or dark coloration.

Horse and deer flies will feed on almost any warm-blooded animal, including humans. They can occasionally carry disease, such as anaplasmosis and tularemia, so its vital people understand what they look like and where they frequent.

"The flies are attracted to the carbon dioxide we and other animals exhale," Dr. Loftin says. "They also hone in on movement, shiny surfaces and warmth, so they are usually found in open, sunny areas like pastures and fields rather than inside barns or stables."

To protect yourself and your family, wear light colored clothes while working or playing outdoors. If you notice these flies around you and you're caught without insect repellent, go inside or find a

shelter such as a shaded area. Because flies prefer bright light, they're less likely to follow you into a dimly-lit area.

"There also are some repellents you can apply that will protect against bites from these insects," Dr. Loftin says. "Insect repellents that contain DEET will offer a few hours of protection, and you can also apply specific permethrin formulations to clothes. Follow all label directions and precautions closely before using any repellent or insecticide."

Permethrin also can help relieve livestock from the bites of horse and deer flies. These flies often avoid the areas on the animal that have been treated by the insecticide and bite the untreated areas, such as the underbelly and legs. To protect the animal, make certain it is covered thoroughly and repeat the treatment as needed.

For more information contact your County Extension office at 870-578-4490.

Marked Tree Sr. Center Happenings

By Joan Campbell



We are having fun at the Marked Tree Senior Center.

Please come to see us. I'm sure you will have fun doing something we do. Our numbers are going up.

People who were eligible received commodities on June 13. This food helps a lot.

We were supposed to play bean bag baseball with

Osceola on June 14, but they had to reschedule to play later.

If you would like to come to the Marked Tree Senior Center, call Carol Crum at 870-358-3751 or drop by and talk to her.

Trumann Senior Life Center "On the Go"

ByHAZELRILEY

The fishing rodeo at Wynne was a lot of fun. Ms. Cindy caught a nice blue catfish, while Ms. Kathy dragged in the smallest perch in the pond (lol), but she did finally get a nice size catfish. Ms. Magnolia M. said that she "enjoyed the trip, and the fishing wasn't too bad." It wasn't enough fish to fry, but we had a fish supper with all the trimmings on Tuesday night.

On Monday, we had Wii bowling, exercise, and Ms. Trenisha Hendrix was our guest speaker. Tuesday was brain teasers, dominoes,

newspaper day, and food pantry giveaway. Speaker for the day was Ms. Bianca Burges plus fish supper. Thursday is power walk, bingo, and puzzle club. Friday is point derby and bargain hunt.

Get well wishes to Ms. Brenda Blagg, Ms. Ruth Smith, Ms. Helen Chaffin, and Ms. Willisteen Norris. We miss you all here at the center.

Next week: Drums alive trip to the Nature Center, birthday party, and Wii bowling with Jonesboro.

Stay cool and have a great weekend!

Friday concert

An Elvis concert to benefit the youth group of First Baptist Church in Trumann will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, June 22, at the TIS Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Elvis will be portrayed by Billy Elvis Lindsey of Florida. For tickets, contact Gaylon Brooks at 870-483-3260 or Marsha Phillips at 870-219-7418. (Photo provided)



Speaker of the House

On Friday, June 15, the Arkansas House of Representatives elected Matt Sheppard (right) of Union County as the Speaker of the House. State Rep. Johnny Rye is pictured congratulating the incoming speaker. (Photo provided)

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Sports

Malik Monk visits local youth basketball camp

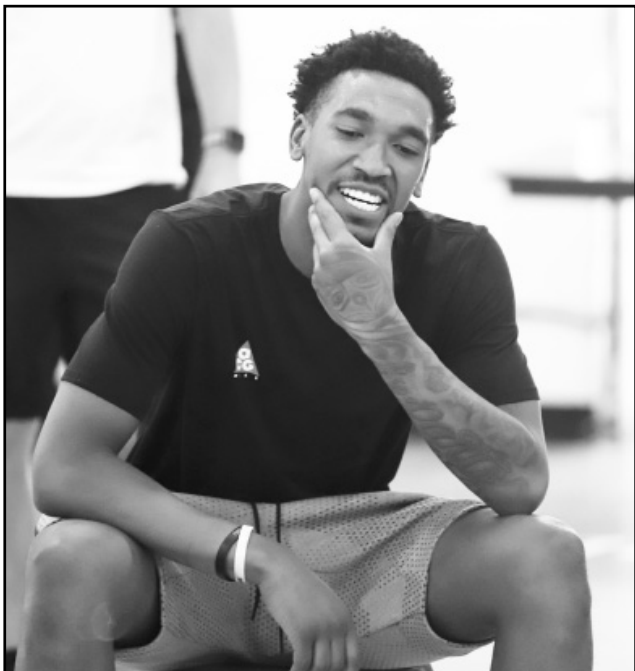
By ANTHONY COSSEY
DT Sports Staff

Not many kids have a chance to meet a professional athlete. The hundreds of kids that attended the High Five Camp this past Monday at Valley View got to do just that. Lepanto native and current Charlotte Hornets basketball player Malik Monk visited with each age group for a question and answer session before having pictures made and signing autographs for the kids.

“It’s always good to come back home and to be able to spend time with the kids. I was in their place just a few years ago. It’s great to be able to give back and possibly help the next kid follow their dream,” Monk said.

Monk averaged 22 points a game his freshman year, leading the Warriors to the Class 2A state finals and a runner-up finish in 2013. Monk played his sophomore, junior, and senior years of high school basketball at Bentonville High School, where he helped lead the Tigers to back-to-back state finals appearances his junior and senior seasons, finishing as runner-up both times. Being recruited by several colleges, Monk chose to play ball at Kentucky for coach John Calipari.

After helping lead the Wildcats to the NCAA tournament, Monk declared for the NBA draft in hopes to see his dream come true. Monk’s dream did come true as the Hornets selected him with the 11th pick in the draft. Monk played in 63 games this past season but did not see a start all season. He averaged 6.7



Malik Monk ponders a question during the seventh-ninth-grade session of the High-Five Basketball Camp. (DT Photo/Anthony Cossey)

points, 1.4 assists, and 1 rebound a game while averaging 13.5 minutes per game. Monk shot 36 percent from the floor and 34.2 percent from the three-point line. Monk has a season high 26 points in a 137-100 win over Orlando in April. “The NBA experience is great and crazy. It was nothing like I expected. I learned a lot over the year,” Monk said.

Monk’s game steadily improved down the stretch and has him looking forward to next year. “I’m ready to hit the gym and get ready for my second season,” Monk said.

Monk said the thing he needs to work on the most during the off season is strength conditioning. “The guys are so strong in the NBA. I had an ankle issue that kept me from full workouts, but now I’m healthy and ready to get stronger,” Monk said. When asked what the biggest difference from col-

lege to pro ball, Monk replied, “These guys are grown men who have played for years. I just turned 20 and still have the body of a kid. I’ll get to where I need to be.”

Managing his time is something Monk says he has to work at constantly too. “I get pretty early every morning and work out. My day is done by noon, so I have to manage my time wisely the rest of the day. I’ve had several of the league veterans help me with this,” Monk said. Monk said Kyrie Irving has been the hardest to guard so far. “He’s Kyrie! He can shoot, dribble, and pass. He’s the best I’ve played,” Monk said.

Asked what it’s like playing against players he grew up watching, Monk smiled and said, “It’s unreal. It’s a dream come true to be on the same court with the players I watched on television growing up.”

Area players set to participate in high school all-star games

By ANTHONY COSSEY
DT Sports Staff

Four Poinsett County athletes are gearing up to play in their respective all-star games as one assistant coach gets to coach her player one last time.

EPC’s Madison Wiggins and Trumann’s Olivia Greenwell will lace up the cleats one more time as they play in the high school all-

star softball game, Trumann’s Cade Gartman will don the pads for the East team in the high school all-star football game as Markel Perry will fill the stat book one more time as Marked Tree head basketball coach Barbara Wilburn gets to coach Perry one final time in the high school all-star basketball game.

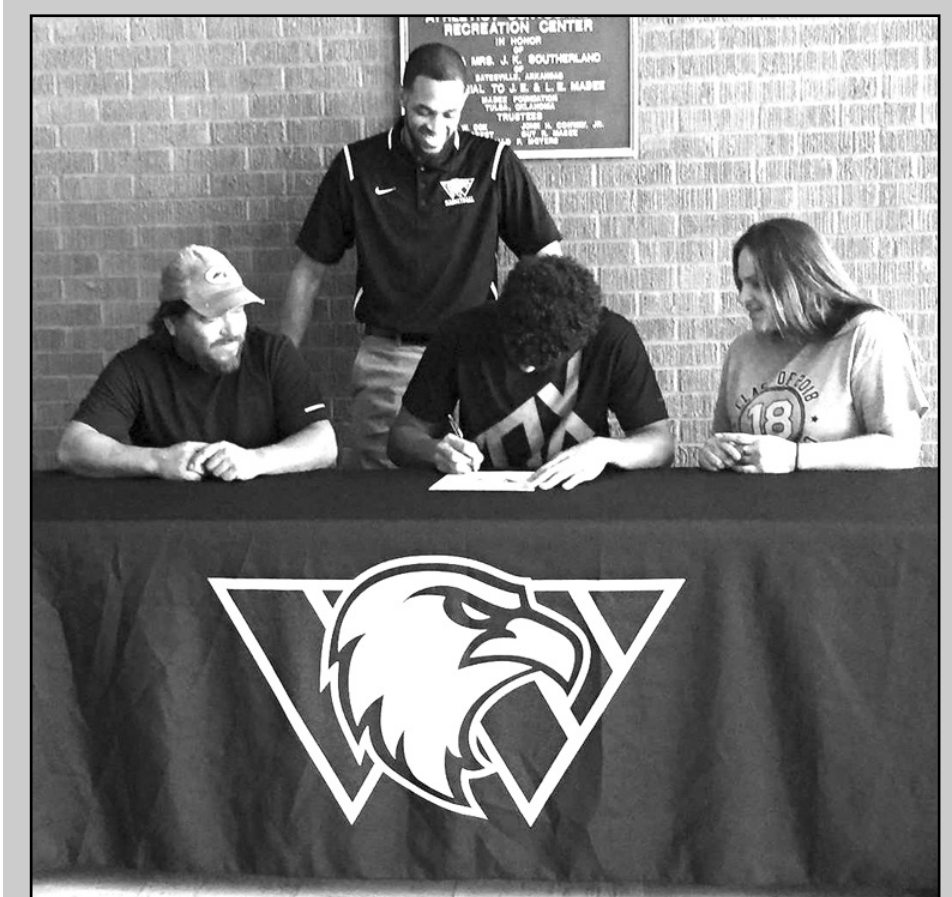
The all-star softball game will be played Friday, June

22, at 4 p.m. at Farris Field. The all-star baseball game will also be on Friday, June 22, at 4 p.m. at Bear Stadium. The boys’ all-star basketball game is set to tip-off at 3 p.m. on June 23 at Farris Center with the all-star football game to be played June 23 at 6 p.m. at Estes Stadium. All venues are on the University of Central Arkansas campus in Conway.



7 on 7 champs

The Harrisburg Junior High football team beat Brookland in the finals to win the 7 on 7 camp last week in Harrisburg. (Photo/Monica Moore)



Moses signs with WBC

Trumann’s Alex Moses signs his letter of intent to play basketball for Williams Baptist College. Pictured with Moses are Eduardo Lopez (dad) and Amanda Lopez (mom). Standing is WBC assistant coach Stanley Malcom. (Photo provided)

Trumann duo headed back to state fishing tournament



Trumann’s Cade Gartman (left) and Jay Morgan, seen doing an interview after last year’s state tournament, will once again head to Pickwick Lake for the 2018 high school state fishing tournament. (Photo provided)

By ANTHONY COSSEY
DT Sports Staff

The Trumann Fishing high school team of Cade Gartman and Jay Morgan finished tenth out of 332 boats last year in the state high school fishing tournament. After an impressive spring season, the duo are headed back to Pickwick Lake with their eyes on the top prize this year. The duo started the season

off with a fourth place finish out of 61 boats at Lake Maumelle and followed that up with a first place finish, beating 60 other boats at Greers Ferry Lake. The team took fourth place in their last two tournaments with 93 boats fishing at Lake Dardanelle and 48 boats participating at Lake Hamilton. Gartman, who was Angler of the Year in the NEA Fishing group, and Morgan were

instrumental in starting the Trumann Fishing team at Trumann High School. The duo capped their first year of competition with a 28th place finish in the World High School fishing tournament.

Jarrett Prince serves as the team’s boat captain again this year as the team heads to Pickwick Lake in Florence, Ala., for the tournament being held June 27-30.

Williams tabbed for all-state bowling team

By ANTHONY COSSEY
DT Sports Staff

Bailey Williams of Bay was recently selected to the Class 3A-2A-1A all-state bowling team.

Williams was the girls’ individual conference champion this past season after rolling a 550 series with games of 200, 134 and 216. Williams had a season average of 169.28 with a high game of 225. Williams also garnered all-conference honors while also being a 95.3 The Ticket Player of the Week selection.



Bailey Williams

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Devon Allen, pictured far right, won third place in the individual “overall” competition, senior division at the Youth Hunter Education Challenge. (Photo provided)

Poinsett shooters place in state championship

One of the most comprehensive youth shooting programs in Arkansas is the Arkansas Youth Hunter Education Challenge. This year the State Championship Match was held June 7-8-9 at the C.A. Vines 4-H Center near Little Rock and was attended by over 500 competitors, coaches, volunteers, and attendees. YHEC is a youth based shooting, hunting, and outdoor “challenge” competition where youth compete in four shooting and four non-shooting outdoor events. After all the shots were fired and the scores totaled the “Guns and Roses” Team from Faulkner County won First Place in the Senior Division, while the “Ozark Youth Shooting Team” from Benton County won first place in the Junior Division.

The Youth Hunter Education Challenge which is referred to as YHEC is best described as “Advanced Hunter Education.” YHEC takes the basic hunter education course which is taught and required in all states and transitions it into a program where youth are taught how to shoot a .22 rifle, shotgun, muzzle loader and bow. Youth are also taught outdoors skills

such as how to use a compass and map, wildlife identification, gun and outdoor safety, state hunting rules, first aid, and survival skills. All the subjects that are taught in a 10 hour Hunter Education class are developed in a year around youth outdoors training program. Now in its 22nd year in Arkansas there are over 25 counties/teams that are involved with YHEC.

In the Individual “Overall” competition, Senior Division, was won by Tommy Newsom of the Faulkner County “Guns and Roses” Team. Nick Myers of Cleburne County won second place, while Devon Allen of Poinsett County won third place. In the Junior Division, Hunter Stover of the “Ozark Youth Shooting Team”, Benton county won first place. Logan Tucker of the Faulkner County’s “Young Guns” team won second place, and Annie Downum also of the “Ozark Youth Shooting Team” won third place.

In addition to winning third place in “Overall Competition”, Devon Allen also won first place on Safety Trail and third place in Muzzle Loader event. The Senior team con-

sisting of Charlie Rowland, Dean Elmore, Devon Allen, Kaleb Morris, and Lawson Fielder won third place on Safety Trail. Other youth from Poinsett County that attended the 2018 YHEC Championship included James Dunman, Adam Morris, Kallie Rowland, Ethan Wark and Noah Lucas.

In July, the top six Arkansas YHEC teams will advance to the National YHEC Championship in Mansfield, Pa. Youth from all over the United States will attend and compete for top YHEC honors. Last year, Arkansas lead the competition with the top scoring Junior and Senior Individual competitors in the nation. Brothers Nick Myers won the junior division and Zach Myers won the senior division. Arkansas also won over a dozen other individual and team awards. The teams attending this years National YHEC competition will be sponsored by the Arkansas Friends of NRA, Safari Club International, Arkansas Gun and Cartridge Collectors Club, Arkansas Rifle and Pistol Association, and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. Other YHEC sponsors include Academy Sports and Out-

doors, Federal Ammunition and Henry Repeating Arms.

According to YHEC State Director Gary Jobe, “Many youth learn to shoot and compete with just a shotgun or bow or rifle and they become very good at it. At YHEC the youth compete in eight events. They shoot a .22 Rifle Course, A Shotgun Sporting Clays Course, a 3-D Archery Course, and a Muzzle Loader Course. In addition to these shooting events they must study to compete in a Compass and Orienteering Course, a Wildlife Identification Course, Shoot/Don’t Shoot Safety Course, and take a Hunter Responsibility Exam. To do all these events, and do them well, these young competitors must be very dedicated. It is one thing to shoot a shotgun well, but quite something else to be able to shoot and do all eight events well. These are Arkansas’s best of the best young shooters.”

YHEC is open to all boys and girls ages 10 to 18 that have an interest in shooting, hunting and the outdoors. For more information about YHEC contact Gary Jobe, state director, aryhec@hotmail.com.

How summertime car temperatures can soar and harm your pet

Many pets, especially our dogs, love to go for car rides.

Unfortunately, this favored activity can turn deadly when warmer temperatures arrive, especially when owners misjudge the amount of time they will be away from the car.

It’s probably common sense to most people that hotter days cause the inside of a car to heat up faster, but few people realize that even with outside temperatures as low as 65 or 70 degrees Fahrenheit, the inside of the vehicle will warm uncomfortably in just 30 minutes. In fact, on a 75 degree day, your car’s interior will be at 100 degrees in just about 10 minutes and a blistering 120 degrees in a half hour! Despite urban myths, cracking the windows has little effect on the rate of heating inside the car.

Your pet’s overall health status and behavior can also contribute to how quickly he will overheat in the car. Short-faced breeds, like pugs and bulldogs, as well as obese pets, heavy coated breeds and senior animals will have less tolerance for extreme temperatures. In addition, excitable animals and those with

Pet Talk

Dr. Norette Underwood



separation anxiety issues may work themselves into a frenzy, raising

their body temperature to dangerous levels.

When in doubt, it’s probably best to leave your pet at home. It’s far too easy for a quick trip to become complicated and take more time than you intended.

So, what should you, as an animal lover and Good Samaritan, do if you come across a pet confined in a car?

First, if you are in a store parking lot, consider contacting the management of the store or even security. It may be possible to page the pet’s owner and have them return to the vehicle.

Next, call 911 and try to get the local authorities involved. This action will help lessen your liability if the pet is injured during the rescue attempt or happens to escape. Allow the police or legally designated person open the vehicle.

If you have questions about your pet contact Dr. Norette L. Underwood of Trumann Animal Clinic and Best Friends Vet Mobile service at catdoc56@gmail.com.

Wet Ink

By DR. KEN WORTHINGTON

Today let us finish Revelation chapter one. Verses 19 and 20 find Jesus telling John the apostle to write the things which you “have seen,” the things “which are,” and “the things that will take place after these things.” John is to write leaving nothing out. The “have seen” is the beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, John was there at the beginning. As a young man reclining on the bosom of Jesus as the youngest of the twelve disciples. John’s gospel is not so much history as it is theology. It begins with John describing the theology of who Jesus is “The Word.” Every educated Greek or Roman would understand this concept of “Word.” To their mind it would bring the idea of “essence” or reality. Literally a real representation. John indicating Jesus being really God. The essence of God Himself. This would be abhorrent to the Jewish leaders in Palestine. It would be unthinkable for Jew or Greek or Roman citizen to imagine. Remember Paul would reiterate this statement by saying, “all the fullness of the Godhead bodily dwells in Him” (Colossians 2:9).

The phrase “the things which are” would lead us to see the church’s continued existence. The church IS! It exists and performs its functions day after day, year after year, century after century and millenia after millenia. The whole purpose of the Book of Revelation it to perpetuate

the doctrine of Christ, His Christological significance in the world. The imagery found in the Bible for the church is extensive. As the Revelation is unveiled we see a triumphant church ending with the marriage of the Lamb in chapter 19.

The phrase “the things that will take place after these things” represents what is coming at the church and the glorious victory at the end of the age with God’s judgment upon the wicked and the redeemed from the ages ruling and reigning with Christ Jesus. The book of Revelation is very clear about the outcome of world history.

Verse 20 begins with an explanation of a mystery. A mystery is something that takes special initiative on the part of the reader. He must either keep praying and studying or get special revelation to reveal the key to the mystery. Here John gets special revelation. John is told that the “seven stars in the right hand of Jesus “ are the seven angels (messengers) to the seven churches. The pastoral office is to bring the message of the Scripture from God Himself to the churches. And the “seven lampstands” are the churches themselves. The New Testament church is described here by Jesus Himself as a light bearing instrument to a dark and dying world. The great task of the church is to turn on the light, so men may see their dilemmas and flee to a resurrected Lord Jesus. This is what Jesus meant when He said “I am the Light of the World.”

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WARNING ORDER

TO: Delesa Walker

You are hereby notified that Southern Bancorp Bank, plaintiff, whose attorneys are Womack Phelps Puryear Mayfield & McNeil, P.A., has filed a Complaint herein against you, a copy of which Complaint and Summons shall be delivered to you or your attorney upon request. Southern Bancorp Bank does not seek a money judgment against you, but instead seeks to foreclose on property you pledged to the bank.

You are also notified that you must appear and defend by filing your answer or other responsive pleading within thirty (30) days of the date of the first publication of this Warning Order; and in the event of your failure to do so, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint as circumscribed by the laws of this State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal as Clerk of the Court on this 8th day of June, 2018.

MISTY RICHARDSON, CLERK

/s/Tomasina Rosa, D.C.

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Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS

SUBTERRA INVESTMENTS, LLC PLAINTIFF
VS. CASE NUMBER CV-2018-181(BH)

ESTATE OF WANDA L. TURMAN, SPOUSE, HEIRS AND ASSIGNS; JOHN DAVID LITTLEJOHN, SPOUSE, HEIRS AND ASSIGNS; REGIONS BANK, FORMERLY KNOWN AS UNION PLANTERS BANK, N.A., SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS; and, any person, entity, or organization, claiming any right, title, interest or ownership or claim in and to: LOT FIVE OF THE CHAMBER SUBDIVISION OF A PART OF TRACTS OR LOTS “A” AND “D” OF THE O. M. BRADFORD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WEINER, ARKANSAS, AS SHOWN IN PLAT ENVELOPE #S26-B, MAP #1485, FILED OCTOBER 28, 1992, SUBJECT TO BILL OF ASSURANCE, FILED OCTOBER 28, 1992, AS RECORDED IN MISCELLANEOUS RECORD “42”, PAGE 266, PARCEL # 777-00389-0005 DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF TAX SALE AND QUIET TITLE ACTION

Notice is hereby given that a Complaint has been filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Poinsett County, Arkansas, to confirm the tax sale(s) and quiet title in and to the following described property in Poinsett County, Arkansas:
LOT FIVE OF THE CHAMBER SUBDIVISION OF A PART OF TRACTS OR LOTS “A” AND “D” OF THE O. M. BRADFORD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WEINER, ARKANSAS, AS SHOWN IN PLAT ENVELOPE #S26-B, MAP #1485, FILED OCTOBER 28, 1992, SUBJECT TO BILL OF ASSURANCE, FILED OCTOBER 28, 1992, AS RECORDED IN MISCELLANEOUS RECORD “42”, PAGE 266, PARCEL # 777-00389-0005

The property described herein were conveyed to **ARNOLD PROPERTIES, LLC** via Limited Warranty Deed, issued pursuant to a tax sale conducted by the Arkansas Commissioner of State Lands, after the property remained unredeemed and the time period for redemption having expired. The property was subsequently conveyed to **SUBTERRA INVESTMENTS, LLC** by Special Warranty Deed by **ARNOLD PROPERTIES, LLC**. The last person, firm or corporation assessed to pay taxes on the above described real property was: Wanda L. Turman.

All persons, firms, corporations, or improvement districts that can establish any right to the real property conveyed and forfeited is hereby notified to appear herein, asserting his/her/its title or interest in said property and to show cause why the tax sale of the real property should not be confirmed, and title quieted in the name of Plaintiff, in fee simple.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 14th day of June 2018.

POINSETT COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK

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Marked Tree Business of the Month

Delta Charm was named Business of the Month by the Marked Tree Chamber of Commerce. (DT Photo/Corey Clairday)

Author to headline symposium at Johnny Cash Heritage Festival

John Alexander, author of the recently released biography of Johnny Cash that explores the music legend's life through his songs, will headline the list of symposium speakers at the Johnny Cash Heritage Festival scheduled for Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 18-20, in Dyess.

"I am thrilled beyond words to be speaking at the Johnny Cash Heritage Festival this year," said Alexander. "So much of Cash's incredible body of work is steeped in his Arkansas childhood in Dyess. I'm looking forward to visiting the house that he grew up in that inspired songs he wrote such as 'Five Feet High and Rising,' and chose to record like 'Mississippi Delta Land.'

"The restoration of the Cash family home acknowledges the significance of his Arkansas roots. I can't think of a better place to talk about Cash's legacy."

Alexander, a music journalist and historian, released "The Man in Song: A Discographic Biography of Johnny Cash," published by the University of Arkansas Press in April. He has spent years studying the life and music of Cash from his Arkansas childhood through his 2003 death.

He began his career as an assistant professor of English at St. John's University before moving on to a role as the senior music editor and producer for Reader's Digest. In 2013, he joined Time Life Music as an artist and repertoire consultant. Currently, he is a songwriter, music producer and senior editor at The Brooklyn Daily Eagle in New York.

Noted entertainment journalist Jim Bessman describes Alexander's book as a "breakdown of chapters focusing on

autobiographical, geographical, societal, and story songs and historic periods like Cash's breakout Sun records years and final American Recordings output." In addition, the publication takes a look at songs influenced by Cash's personal life, including prison recordings, gospel songs and songs written by people who Cash admired and respected.

Alexander's presentation is scheduled for 3:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 19.

The deadline for other symposium presentations is Friday, June 29. An abstract of 150 words as well as a brief biography, two-page curriculum vitae and technology needs should be submitted to adamlong@AState.edu. The theme for the festival is "The Ties that Bind." Presentations that appeal to general audiences are especially welcome.

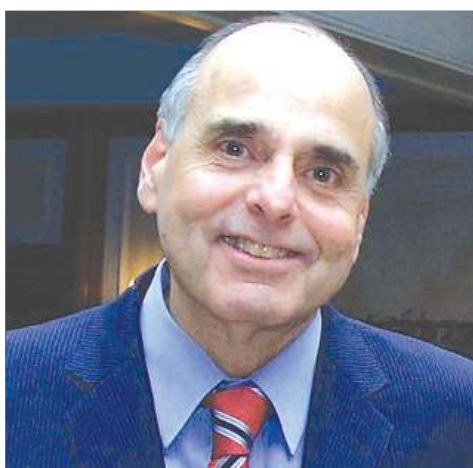
Topics might include (but are not limited to):

*Ties of History—factors such as the Great Depression, the New Deal and agricultural programs that brought colonists together.

*Dyess in Its Time and Place—the cultural touchstones that tied Dyess to other communities or to the 1930s-40s.

*Ties of Influence—impact of earlier artists or contemporaries on Johnny Cash, or the influence of Johnny Cash on contemporaries or later artists.

*Preserving the Ties—preservation of New Deal



John Alexander

colonies or the stories of colonists through restoration projects, oral histories, museums, etc.

The Johnny Cash Heritage Festival will feature other activities in addition to the academic panels, including free regional music concerts from 5-9 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 18-19, in the Dyess Circle and a world-class ticketed concert on Saturday afternoon in the field adjacent to the Johnny Cash Boyhood Home.

The concert features award-winning singer/songwriter Jamey Johnson; Grammy record-holder Alison Krauss; Grammy Award-winning record producer, singer-songwriter, author and festival host John Carter Cash; and pop/soul/country artist Ana Cristina Cash.

All reserved seating at the Saturday afternoon concert will be \$100 plus applicable fees, and general admission seats are \$35 plus fees. To purchase online, visit the festival website, JohnnyCashHeritageFestival.com, and click on Buy Tickets, or contact the box office at 870-972-2781 or 800-745-3000.

The Johnny Cash Heritage Festival is licensed through the John R. Cash Revocable Trust.



Marked Tree Yard of the Month

The Marked Tree Chamber of Commerce awarded Yard of the Month to Jimmy and Annessa Thompson. (DT Photo/Corey Clairday)



Poinsett County joined with 4-H members from across the state to answer phones for the AETN Telethon. (Photo provided)

4-H members volunteer at AETN telethon

Three Poinsett County 4-H members recently volunteered during the Arkansas Educational Television Network's June telethon.

Over \$3,500 was raised to

support educational programming across Arkansas and surrounding states. The three Poinsett County 4-H members who volunteered were Hunter Kimbrell, Parker Carroll and

Dixon Carroll.

To learn more about 4-H in Arkansas, contact the Poinsett County Extension Service at 870-578-4490 or email lhelms@uaex.edu.



Meet Pierce

Pierce is the newest member of the Trumann Fire Department and is an accelerant detection "arson" K9. Pierce will also be trained to track lost and missing persons. BlueStreak K9 is donating Pierce to the department, and Jeremy Winkles has been chosen to handle Pierce. They will start training and work hard to prepare for certification. Pierce will be a huge asset to Trumann and the surrounding areas. (Photo by BlueStreak K9)

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