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## Marked Tree Council hears from citizens

By COREY CLAIRDAY  
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The Marked Tree courtroom was packed Monday night with some people standing or sitting on the floor as citizens addressed the city council about various issues.

Tom Rhoads addressed the council regarding two fences put up at a property on Brigance Avenue. One was a backyard fence made of livestock wire, which Rhoads said was put up without a permit. The other was a tall wooden fence along the side and front yard. Rhoads said the fence was over six feet tall and claimed it obstructed the view of

Brigance Avenue, was a safety hazard, and devalued property. She said the fence was a spite fence—which American property law refers to as an overly tall fence or structure placed between adjacent lots to annoy a neighbor or obstruct the view—and had a petition signed by several Brigance Avenue residents calling for removal of the fence.

According to City Clerk Pam Wright, the only thing she could find about fences in city ordinances was a section of an ordinance saying “fences, walls and hedges shall be permitted in any required yard,

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## In Memory of Gary



DT photos/Corey Clairday

Family members of Gary Anderson presented a memorial plaque to the Trumann Country Club during the Fourth of July golf scramble in Anderson's memory. The plaque reads, "In Loving Memory of Gary L. Anderson, dedicated 15 year member of the Trumann Country Club and lifetime commitment to Trumann, Arkansas. 'His service to those he loved will serve our memories forever.' 'Woop Woop.'"

## Countywide one cent sales tax proposal to be on November ballot

By ANTHONY COSSEY  
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The Poinsett County Quorum Court voted unanimously to approve an ordinance to place a proposed one-cent sales and use tax on the November ballot for the voters of Poinsett County to vote on. The new tax will be allocated for use to run the county detention center and sheriff's office.

The ordinance placing the sales tax proposal on the ballot was the main item on the agenda, and after its passage Poinsett County Sheriff Kevin Molder spoke briefly. "I have a Power Point presentation set up explaining about the need for the tax. I'm going to set up a town hall meeting in each of the cities and show the presentation to show them the need for this tax. I'll also be happy to meet with any other groups who have interest," Molder said.

In other news, Appropriations and Transfers Ordinance 2018-07 with transfers in the amount of \$1,373.36

was passed as was Appropriations and Transfers Ordinance 2018-08 with appropriations of \$26,078.77 and transfers of \$1,200, totaling \$27,278.77.

Before the meeting was adjourned, County Judge Bob Cantrell was asked about the grant for a new civic center at the fairgrounds. He told the court that Harrisburg Mayor Randy Mills was going to seek financing of the center.

Cantrell was also asked about the new roof for the Trumann Health Department. Cantrell said a Lowe's grant in the amount of \$12,000 was applied for, and he should know in August if it was granted.

Poinsett County Treasurer Tammie Stanford told the court that Three Trees Cowboy Church in Wynne is going to open a Cowboy Church in Harrisburg. She also informed the court they will work on the arena at the fairgrounds in hopes of having a rodeo at next year's fair. She did say they would have some events for the kids at the fair this year.



Friends and family release balloons in memory of Gary Anderson prior to the golf scramble Wednesday, July 4.

## Trumann Council approves reclassifying annexed properties

By ANTHONY COSSEY  
DT News Staff

The Trumann City Council approved an ordinance to establish zoning classification for newly annexed areas to the city at the monthly meeting Tuesday night.

In new business, the council approved an ordinance to change the classification from R-1 to A-1 on ten pieces of property and classified two other pieces of property to R-1. All council members voted in favor of the change with alderman David Thompson abstaining, as he owned

a piece of property named in the ordinance.

In other new business, the council approved a resolution to remove inventory from the Trumann Public Works department that will be sold at auction with private bids being accepted once the items are published that are for sale.

The council also approved a resolution to waive competitive bidding on the installation of new equipment for the new water well not to exceed \$70,000. Public Works Director Scotty Jones spoke on this resolution. "Jones Hydro Services has

done all the testing for us on this and have done all the work we have had done until now. I feel we have a great working relationship with them and would like to see them finish this stage of the process," Jones said. The council approved the resolution. (Note: It was made clear that Jones is not related to this company.)

The council also approved to accept the bid of \$1,000 for the property at 201 Cross Street from David LaPiro. In the last new business,

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## Harrisburg Council discusses community building estimate

By COREY CLAIRDAY  
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Harrisburg City Council's main item of business Tuesday night was discussion of an estimate to construct a community building.

Mayor Randy Mills presented the council with a rough plan for the community building, which came to a total of around \$838,000. Though he pointed out the actual cost should be much lower due to several factors. "I think the \$800,000-

plus is a lot more than it's going to be," Mayor Mills said.

One of those factors was the air conditioning system. The system in the proposal calls for an air conditioning capacity of 60 tons. Mayor Mills said the main part of the building will be about 85x80 feet. He said that was about the size of Calvary Baptist Church and noted their air conditioning system runs about 15 tons, so that part of the estimate will

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### Your Local Weather

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# Perspective

## What the Pledge means

You know the Pledge of Allegiance, probably by heart. You may recite it only occasionally, or get the chance several times a week. Sometimes, I'm guessing, you say it mechanically, and other times filled with deep meaning.



Lee H. Hamilton

I hope it's more often the latter, because here's what's remarkable about the Pledge: in a few short phrases, it lays out the fundamentals of what our country represents and strives to achieve.

Let's start with these words: "and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible." It's not just talking about any nation or form of government; it's talking about a republic - a unified nation, under divine Providence, with three fully equal branches that are strong, independent, and each entrusted with limited and defined powers within their constitutional boundaries.

The meaning goes even deeper than that. Really, we're talking about power being dispersed across a large number of people and institutions. We're talking about a system that was designed by people who were so wary of concentrated power that they made it difficult for any one person or institution to wield it.

They created a republic that to its core rejects autocratic political leadership and authoritarianism. It sees them as a threat to our democracy, and depends upon a system of elections in which ballots are counted fairly and citizens have equal voting rights.

This, in turn, provides a system that has the capacity to reform and renew itself, because its institutions rest on the political involvement of our citizens. Elected representatives make the laws, but government is bound by the electoral process, an independent judiciary, and constitutional guarantees of freedom of speech, assembly, religion and the press.

This brings us to the final words: "with liberty and justice for all." These are crucial to understand. They represent what some pundits have called a framework of decency: a system built on individual dignity and respect for each person. This is a monumental achievement - a country that seeks liberty and justice for all within its borders, and often beyond them, with no limitations or caveats. Liberty and justice are not reserved for white males, or even for citizens only.

In all this, we recognize and tolerate our differences. We may not always measure up to our ideals, but we certainly know what they are. We expect differences in race, religion, and political beliefs. We don't try to demonize those who are different.

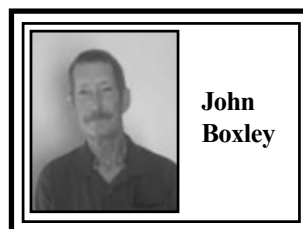
At heart, then, this is a system based on a core belief that we're all in this enterprise together, and all connected to one another. Everyone has the right to enjoy the promise of America.

Put these two parts of the Pledge together, and what it's telling us is that we live in a system that binds us together by adherence to rules of political engagement, respect for the rule of law, and belief in our democratic institutions.

We may disagree about all kinds of issues, but we firmly believe in equal political rights and equal opportunity. "Liberty and justice for all" means giving individuals the space to make choices in their own lives that will enable them to flourish. What the country expects in return is that most individuals will live a life of honor, excellence and responsibility. The system demands hard work on the part of its citizens if it is to succeed.

So the next time you stand as the Pledge is recited, think about what you're saying. It's deceptively simple. But it packs a powerful message.

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John Boxley

## Not that you asked

By the time you read this, the President will have named his next choice for the Supreme Court. The only thing that is certain is that whoever is named will be hailed by Republicans as the next coming of Oliver Wendell Holmes and criticized by Democrats as the next coming of Darth Vader. Both will be wrong.

The truth is, you never know how someone will act once he or she joins the Supreme Court. Sometimes they act as expected, as in the cases of Scalia and Thomas, although nobody really knows what Thomas thinks because he rarely speaks. In fact, sometimes they stick a mirror under his nose to see if he's still breathing. Other times, the choice can turn out to be a surprise to the Presidents that choose them.

Earl Warren, a former Republican Governor of California, seemed like a safe conservative choice when President Eisenhower picked him for Chief Justice. He ended up leading the Court through one of its most liberal eras. Eisenhower often said later that choosing Warren was the worst decision of his Presidency.

Harry Blackmun, a Nixon choice, looked like another conservative pick. He ended up writing the majority opinion in *Roe v. Wade*, the decision that legalized abortion. Justices Stevens and Kennedy, picks of Ford and Reagan, became swing votes on many liberal decisions.

If anything, Justices tend to become moderates once they join the Court. They may still hold strong liberal or conservative beliefs, but being on the Court seems to change them. It may be that they realize the decisions they make now will be permanent. There's no higher court to fix things if they make a mistake.

That's enough talk about boring people who come to work in their robes. Let's concentrate on someone who is never boring—the President of the United States. Whether you love him or hate him, he'll never bore you. For the first time since the end of the Cold War, you can go to bed at night unsure of what the world will be like in the morning.

If there's one thing this President loves about his job, it's those rallies he goes to. Because of the mid-term election, he has an excuse to hold one every week, and boy, does he have a good time. Where FDR used "Fireside Chats" to calm a nation's fears, Trump uses his rallies to whip his followers into a frenzy. While the supposed reason of a rally is to support some state and local candidates, the real point of the show is to give the President an hour or so to rant and rave about whatever happens to be on his mind that night.

While the rallies aren't really newsworthy, they are great entertainment. The President just recycles the same applause lines that have been working for him since he started running for the office. He insults anyone who dares to disagree with him. He insults his opponents and calls them names. He blames the

## A nation of many, represented by few

Assuming that the White House errs on the side of sanity, Democrats may be unable to prevent President Trump's Supreme Court pick from being confirmed. But if they play their cards right, they may be able to highlight the single most important issue now confronting American democracy: increasingly unrepresentative minority rule.

On issue after issue, majority views are stifled. Regarding the Supreme Court, Republicans have become precisely what they have long pretended to abhor: a party relying upon unelected "elitist" judges to win political disputes in the courts that they can't win at the ballot box.

As New York's Jonathan Chait trenchantly points out, Democrats have received more votes than Republican nominees in six out of the last seven presidential elections — starting with Bill Clinton in 1992.

Yet four of the eight Supreme Court justices whose judicial activism has dominated American politics since *Bush v. Gore* — the nakedly partisan decision handing the presidency to George W. Bush, Lion of Baghdad — have been appointed by Republicans.

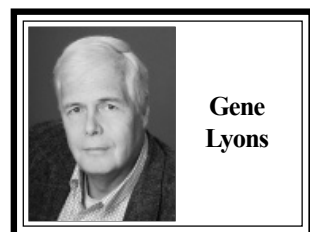
The results have been damaging to our democracy, none more than the 2010 Citizens

United decision, in which the Supremes essentially ruled that corporate money is speech, rendering virtually all campaign finance laws toothless on First Amendment grounds. This has corrupted our politics almost beyond measure. In his dissent to the 5-4 decision, Justice John Paul Stevens wrote that the ruling "threatens to undermine the integrity of elected institutions across the Nation ... (a) democracy cannot function effectively when its constituent members believe laws are being bought and sold."

Who could now believe anything else?

Then there's *D.C. v. Heller*, the 2008 decision invalidating gun control laws based upon an absolutist reading of the Second Amendment at odds with the plain text, which includes the phrase "well-regulated." Over 200 years, such an interpretation never occurred to anybody until Justice Antonin Scalia dreamed it up. In view of the subsequent carnage, even Scalia had second thoughts, telling a Colorado audience after a grisly mass murder committed by a mental patient wielding an AR-15 that the right to keep and bear arms was not absolute.

The brilliant jurist gave us an example of a weapon that might be forbidden — I am



Gene Lyons

not making this up — a handheld rocket launcher capable of bringing down an airplane. A real card, Justice Scalia.

Although the great majority of gun owners (myself included) would favor laws taking military weapons out of civilian hands and imposing strict background checks, a Republican Party completely in thrall to the National Rifle Association — whose money, even Russian money, is speech, after all — resists sensible legislation. In consequence, mass shooting incidents have become an increasingly common feature of American life, rendering the sane majority helpless and fatalistic — a bad state of mind in a democratic republic.

Should a Republican Senate jam through yet another cookie-cutter Federalist Society ideologue before November's congressional elections, Jeffrey Toobin predicts some rulings we can expect.

The Supreme Court, he writes, "will overrule *Roe v.*

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## Centrists must take center stage

It's time for the centrists in the Senate to take center stage.

As President Trump prepares to name a replacement for retiring Justice Anthony Kennedy, The Washington Post issued this challenge: "If the centrists stick together, they can force the selection of a reasonable, mainstream judge in the mold of Mr. Kennedy or Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, who were both appointed by President Ronald Reagan. If the senators fail to use their leverage now, the result will be more politicization of the bench and a more extreme court for a generation."

This is a worthy and winnable goal. Trump has 2 1/2 years left in his term, and blocking all his nominees to the court — even if Democrats regain a majority in the Senate next fall — is totally unrealistic.

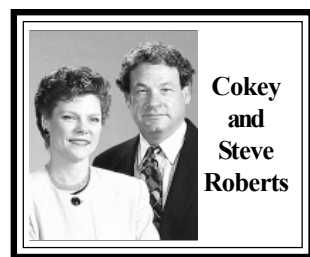
But the centrists have a chance to deter a sharp lurch to the right by the court, which could undermine basic safeguards: for women seeking abortions, gay couples yearning to marry, minorities wanting to vote and attend elite colleges. They would also be protecting the credibility of the court itself, which was designed to mitigate swings toward the ideological edges, not amplify them.

The real question is whether the centrists, few as they are, have the fortitude to defy Trump if he picks a justice outside the "reasonable mainstream" model of Kennedy and O'Connor.

The numbers give them some leverage. Republicans control only 51 Senate seats — and John McCain, gravely ill with brain cancer, is unlikely to vote. So if all 49 Democrats stick together, a very big "if," one Republican defection could doom Trump's choice.

The odds are stacked strongly against the centrists, however. The steady polarization of the last generation has produced something close to a European model in this country: two parties defined by ideological orthodoxy. Moderates in both parties have been severely weakened, especially Republicans, who have long played a critical role in thwarting the more extreme judicial nominations made by GOP presidents.

During the Nixon administration, 17 Republicans voted against the nomination of Clement Haynsworth to the high court, and 13 opposed G. Harrold Carswell. Both were Southerners with questionable civil rights records, and both failed to win the seat. In 1970, the seat went to Justice Harry Blackmun, who would



Cokey and Steve Roberts

author the *Roe v. Wade* decision legalizing abortion three years later.

In 1987, six Republicans helped defeat President Reagan's choice of Robert Bork, who they considered too rigidly conservative. That seat was eventually occupied, for 30 years, by Justice Kennedy.

So far, the only centrist to warn Trump against picking a hardliner is Sen. Susan Collins of Maine. "I would not support a nominee that demonstrated hostility to *Roe v. Wade*, because that would mean to me that their judicial philosophy did not include respect for established decisions, established law," she said on CNN.

Collins has been pretty lonely in her resistance. Lisa Murkowski of Alaska, the only other pro-choice Republican senator, says she will consider many issues, not just abortion. Two outspoken Trump critics who are not running again, Jeff Flake of Ari-

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# Father of murdered infant arrested

By DT News Staff

As part of an investigation that involved the murder of a one month old infant in May, the Poinsett County Sheriff's Office and the Arkansas State Police executed a search warrant at a residence on Ritch Road in Cash.

According to a press release from the Sheriff's Office, due to the conditions inside the house, it was determined that the residence was not a safe place to live for the three other children who were living there. The Arkansas State Police Crimes Against Children Division and the Arkansas Department of Human Services were called. They responded that day and took custody of the children.

After an investigation was completed, a warrant for four counts of endangering the welfare of a minor in the third degree was issued on Cody McKellar, 24, of Cash. He was arrested on July 3. Cody McKellar and his brother, Jason Lee McKellar, were both in possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia at the time of the arrest.

In addition to his charge of four counts of endangering the welfare of a minor, Cody McKellar was also charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth) and felony possession of drug paraphernalia. His bond was set at \$75,000. Jason Lee McKellar, 30, of Cash, was charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth) and felony possession of drug paraphernalia. His bond was set at \$25,000.

The investigation stemmed from a case in May where Tyra Neal, 25, of Cash, was arrested and charged with second degree murder and abuse of a corpse in the death of an infant. The Arkansas Crime Lab ruled that thermal injuries were the cause of death, and during a probable cause hearing a detective said Neal told investigators she may have put the one-month-old infant in scalding water because she had diarrhea and that she became scared afterward and put the child in the dryer, which is where investigators found the body.



## Trumann Public Works

Members of the Trumann Public Works committees recently met to discuss upcoming projects. Discussion included the status of the new water well, upgrades to the water treatment facility, and road and drainage improvements to Pecan Grove and North Willow streets. New restroom facilities for the splash pad area at the recreational complex, the possibility of a community fishing pond, and future growth of the city and how it will impact infrastructure were also discussed. (Photo provided)

# Trumann holding public meeting July 31

The City of Trumann invites its citizens and other interested persons to a public meeting to be held at 5:30 p.m. at the Trumann Recreational Complex on Pecan Grove Road in Trumann on Tuesday, July 31.

The purpose of this meeting is to identify potential outdoor park and recreation needs and priorities for 2018. Following the identification process, city officials will select those priorities to be submitted to the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism for a grant application.

Ethnic minorities, persons with special needs, elderly persons over 55, and special interest groups are encouraged to attend and participate.

For those unable to attend the meeting, contact the City of Trumann at 870-483-5355 for more information or to provide comments. Written comments may be submitted to City of Trumann, P.O. Box 120, Trumann, AR 72472. Comments will be received until 9 p.m. July 31, 2018.

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along the periphery or edge of any yard, provided that no fence, wall, or hedge along the sides or front edge of any required front yard shall be over four (4) feet in height. Fences, hedges or walls may project into or be located along the side yard from the front building line of the lot to the rear lot line, provided such fences and walls (not hedges or trees) do not exceed a height of eight (8) feet." Wright said the council could amend it.

Rhoads argued that the rear fence should be taken down as there was no permit for it and that the side fence should be lowered to four feet.

When asked by the council for his take, City Attorney Jobi Teague said he could see Rhoads' point about the non-permitted rear fence and that it should be taken down. However, he said his interpretation of the second sentence in the ordinance section mentioned above was that the side fence was allowed since it does not exceed eight feet.

Mayor Steve Craig recommended letting the property owner keep the fences, coming up with a more complete fence ordinance, and the city be more strict about permits moving forward. After some discussion, the city council voted to require the property owner to taper the side fence down to four feet at the front, and they voted to allow the rear fence to stay as long as the black mesh along the fence is taken down.

The Mitchells addressed the council about getting reimbursed following damage caused to their home after sewer drainage was improperly unclogged by the city earlier in the year. After the damage was caused, the city did some work cleaning and repairing the house. Eddie Mitchell began by asking for \$1,655 for personal money he had been out of while the house was being worked on. Mayor Craig mentioned a letter from the Municipal League, which Alderman Ja-

son Gilbert later read aloud, which stated that cities in Arkansas have tort immunity from any and all general liability claims and the city is not held liable for the damages sustained. "The city is not accountable," Craig said. "We did a lot of work we didn't need to do, and we're getting into nitpicky stuff that I think your insurance needs to do."

Alderman Cleo Johnson said the city had no business doing work on the Mitchells' house and made a motion the city pay them the \$1,655. The motion failed with three for and four against. Alderman Danny Johnson said he felt the best thing for Mitchell to do was get an attorney.

Mike McCullar addressed council regarding a handicap ramp. McCullar purchased a property next to his business, Poinsett Cafe, two years ago with the agreement from Mayor Mary Ann Arnold that she would have a handicap ramp put in and would help clear the concrete out of the way so he could add a parking lot. He said the sidewalk needs to be cleared back and the work was supposed to have been done two years ago. The council approved putting a handicap ramp in and doing what was needed to fix the area.

In other business, the council:

- \*voted not to pay the bill for work done at a condemned property at 607 Home Street because the council had originally approved paying only if the concrete was torn out too, but the concrete was not torn out.
- \*approved paying the code enforcer for his expenses.
- \*approved hiring a full-time police officer and a full-time sanitation worker.
- \*approved reinstating Anquion Williams to the police department following a closed hearing.
- \*approved doing away with a contract with Grace Communications.

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probably come down. He also said there are already utilities in the area and there is a lot of work the city can handle itself. "Those costs would be substantially less than what's here (in the estimate)," Mayor Mills said. "There's a lot of stuff we're going to do, and we've got people in the community who will help do some of the work."

When the project goes out for bids, they should have a better idea of the cost. The city has also been working on several grants to help pay for the project, including a \$15,000 grant awarded last month. The council will discuss the matter more at next

month's council meeting.

In other business, the council:

- \*Heard the first reading on an ordinance amending the zoning code to delete a section requiring a front door facing the street, and amending a section on mobile home replacement.
- \*Passed an amended ordinance, along with emergency clause, allowing retiring city employees to keep their health insurance coverage.
- \*Heard information on mosquito spraying.
- \*Approved using economic development funds to allow Alderman Nacole Sweeney to attend the Lead-

ership Arkansas program, put on by the state chamber, if she is accepted into the program. Tuition is \$3,000 plus lodging.

\*Approved allowing the mayor to use \$100,000 from economic development funds to go toward enlarging the waste water plant, which is estimated to cost around \$200,000. Economic development funds can be used for infrastructure improvement.

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Wade, allowing states to ban abortions and to criminally prosecute any physicians and nurses who perform them. It will allow shopkeepers, restaurateurs and hotel owners to refuse service to gay customers on religious grounds. It will guarantee that fewer African-American and Latino students attend elite universities. It will approve laws designed to hinder voting rights... It will invoke the Second Amendment to prohibit states from engaging in gun control, including the regulation of machine guns and bump stocks."

None of these outcomes is favored by the majority of American voters. Not even close in most cases. Take Roe v. Wade, for example. Recent polls show that two-thirds of voters nationwide favor keeping government out of people's bedrooms and doctors' offices. The conservative in me, for example, sees it as a straight-up Fourth Amendment privacy issue.

Regardless of your own or your church's view that abortion is a terrible sin, how does the government even KNOW when a woman becomes pregnant? It's simply nobody's business. Nothing could be more private or personal. Where does anybody, much less a government, get off making so intimate a decision

for anybody else? It's not a matter of being pro-abortion, but pro-liberty.

So are we headed for a New York, California and other highly populated places have dramatically different personal freedoms from those in what H.L. Mencken called the "cow states"? Could be.

Indeed, much of the nation's political paralysis derives from the outsized power the Constitution gives to about 30 thinly populated states in the U.S. Senate and the Electoral College. As things stand, the average citizen of Wyoming has approximately 70 times more power than a Californian. Exacerbated by an authoritarian president and enshrined in a Supreme Court dominated by partisan ideologues, this undemocratic division of power is tearing at the nation's foundations.

Senate Democrats can make a great show of resisting a Trump nominee, but the only long-term solution lies in voters' hands.

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zona and Bob Corker of Tennessee, remain timidly silent.

In truth, it's very difficult to be a centrist in today's Republican Party, which was moving sharply to the right long before Trump came along. Look what happened to some of the GOPers who opposed Bork in 1987: John Chafee of Rhode Island was dumped from his Senate leadership post in 1990 because fellow Republicans considered him too progressive. Lowell Weicker also left the Republican party and became an independent governor of Connecticut. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania was challenged from the right when he ran for re-election in 2010. He switched parties, became a Democrat, and lost the Democratic primary. John Warner of Virginia never left the GOP, but did endorse Hillary

Clinton over Trump.

The Senate's Democratic leader, Chuck Schumer, wrote in The New York Times that "Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement has created the most important vacancy on the Supreme Court in our lifetimes." He's right, but Democrats are largely powerless to influence Trump's choice.

The key lies with a handful of Republican centrists, heirs to a long and noble tradition of pragmatism but decimated by years of polarization and defeat. Their forebears defied Nixon and Reagan, and helped save the country from Haynsworth, Carswell and Bork. Can Collins and her allies summon the courage to emulate their example and stand up to Trump?

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country's problems on everyone but himself. And of course, he attacks the media (except for Fox News) and claims they aren't covering the rally, even when he knows that they are.

The things that Trump does and says really aren't news anymore. What is news is the fact that so many people still approve of it. Then again, teenagers usually love bad-boy rock stars, and there are plenty of people who think pro wrestling is real. One thing that the rise of a man

like Trump is proof of is that our educational system is deeply flawed.

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Amaziah King of Judah  
II Chronicles 25

Amaziah became king when he was twenty-five years old. He did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, but not wholeheartedly. When the kingdom was firmly in his control, he executed the officials who had murdered his father. He did not put their sons to death, keeping the Law written in the Book of Moses, where the LORD commanded that fathers should not be put to death for their children, nor children put to death for their fathers but that each is to die for his own sins.

Amaziah found there were three hundred thousand men twenty years old or older and ready for military service. He hired a hundred thousand fighting men from Israel. A man of God informed him that the troops from Israel must not march with him for the LORD was not with Israel.

Amaziah sent the troops from Israel home. They were angry with Judah and left for home in a great rage. Amaziah's army killed ten thousand men of Seir in the Valley of Salt. They captured ten thousand men alive, took them to the top of a cliff and threw them down so that all were dashed to pieces. The troops from Israel that Amaziah had sent home raided Judah towns from Samaria to Beth-Horon. They killed three thousand people and carried off great quantities of plunder. Amaziah returned from slaughtering the Edomites and brought back the gods of the people of Seir. He set them up as his own gods bowed down to them and burned sacrifices to them. The anger of the LORD burned against Amaziah and He sent a prophet to tell him that God was determined to destroy him because he did not listen to His counsel.

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# Obituaries

## Jack Foote

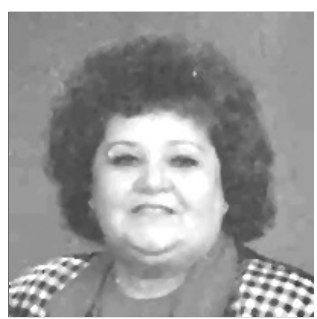
LEPANTO - Jack Foote, 88, of Lepanto, departed this life Wednesday, July 4, 2018, in Jonesboro. He was born Sept. 29, 1929, to Oscar and Ara Tart Foote. He was a member of The First Baptist Church in Lepanto, where he served as a deacon; a United States Army veteran during the Korean War; worked at Murphy Funeral Home and then Delancey-Murphy Funeral Home for 73 years, he has been a licensed funeral director since September 1957; served on the Lepanto Fire Department for 20 years, many of those years a chief; served as grand marshal for the Terrapin Derby in 2001 and 2012; and was a member of the National Funeral Directors Association. He enjoyed camping, fishing, going to Mountain View, and listening to Johnny Cash. He loved his family and spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was pre-

ceded in death by his parents and eight brothers. Jack is survived by his wife of 58 years, Sadie Foote of Lepanto; two daughters, Karen Foote Horton (David) of Lepanto and Sherri Foote of Lepanto; two granddaughters, Ashley Horton and Alyssa Horton; two great-grandchildren, Jaylen and Layla; two granddogs, Ellie and Sam; and a host of family and friends.

Funeral services were held July 7 at Delancey-Murphy Funeral Home in Lepanto. Interment followed at Potter Memorial Cemetery in Lepanto.

Pallbearers were Chad Smith, Chandler Daniels, Dakota Davidson, Daniel Vaughn, David Simmons, Earnie Hill, Pat Murphy and Ricky Gibbs. Honorary pallbearers were Ben Williams, Cordell Laden and Raymond Oakes.

## Edna Staten



JONESBORO - Mrs. Edna Mae Staten, 79, passed away Thursday, July 5, 2018, in Jonesboro at the Jonesboro Health & Rehab. She was born Sunday, Sept. 11, 1938, in Marked Tree, had lived the majority of her life in Trumann, and lived in Richland, Wash., as well. She was a homemaker and a member of the Viva Drive Church of Christ.

Mrs. Staten was preceded in death by her husband Earnest Staten, Sr.; one daughter, Lorie Lynn Sheppard; one son, Paul Edward Staten; five sisters, four brothers and her parents, James Clarence and Mildred Allred Savage.

She is survived by two daughters, Debra Ann (Mark) Covey of Trumann and Kimberly (William) Stevens of Bono; one son, Earnest

### Edna Staten

Staten Jr. (Barbra) of Phoenix, Ariz.; one sister, Eloise Duvall of Trumann; 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held July 9 in the chapel of Thompson Funeral Home in Trumann with Gary Hill officiating. Burial followed at Jonesboro Memorial Park Cemetery in Jonesboro. Pallbearers were her grandsons.

Online guest book can be signed at [www.thompsonfuneralhome.net](http://www.thompsonfuneralhome.net).

## Barry Tinker



TRUMANN - Mr. Barry Lynn Tinker, 49, departed this life Monday, July 2, 2018, at St. Bernards Medical Center in Jonesboro. He was born in DeKalb, Ill., grew up near Walnut Ridge, and moved to Trumann 22 years ago. Mr. Tinker was a fork lift driver for Quad Graphics and a member of Pleasant Valley Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Phyllis Ballard Tinker.

He is survived by his wife of 23 years, Dana Wells Tinker of the home; two daughters, Emily Tinker and Natalie Tinker, both of Trumann; his father, Donnie Tinker of Wisconsin; and two brothers, Scott Tinker and Randy Tinker, both of Alicia.

### Barry Tinker

Funeral services were held July 6 at Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Trumann with Rev. Larry Loggins officiating. Burial followed at Pine Hill Cemetery in Jonesboro.

Pallbearers were Rick Guimond, John Miller, Jeff Miller, Rodney Higdon, Phillip Higdon and Chris Higdon.

An online register book can be signed at [www.thompsonfuneralhome.net](http://www.thompsonfuneralhome.net).

## Willistine Norris



TRUMANN - Mrs. Willistine Kaler Norris, 94, passed away Sunday, July 8, 2018, at Flo & Phil Jones Hospice House in Jonesboro. She was born Saturday, June 21, 1924, and was a lifetime resident of Trumann, a retired factory worker, and a member of The Church of God in Trumann.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Marion Norris; four sons, Donald Norris, Marion Norris, Billy Norris and Jerry Norris; one daughter, Armeta Whitman; one brother, J.D. Kaler and sister-in-law Flora Kaler; and her parents, John and Priscilla Elnora Rhodes Kaler.

She is survived by two daughters, Beady Lou Ragsdale of Jonesboro and Mildred Ann Delaney of Northport, Fla.; five sons, Danny Norris of Kenosha, Wis., Eddie Norris of Payneway, Greg Norris of Jonesboro, Bobby and Dean Norris both of Trumann; 14

### Willistine Norris

grandchildren and many great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and a host of church families and senior citizen friends.

Funeral services were held July 11 at The Church of God in Trumann with Rev. Michael Jernigan officiating. Burial followed at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery in Jonesboro.

Pallbearers were Zack Norris, Devin Norris, Curt Norris, Ralph Guthrie, Bobby Hightower and James Evans. Honorary pallbearers were her Trumann Senior Citizens friends.

Online guest book can be signed at [www.thompsonfuneralhome.net](http://www.thompsonfuneralhome.net).

## Freddie Thompson

MARKED TREE - Freddie Lavell Thompson, 70, departed this life Friday, July 6, 2018. He was born Sept. 23, 1947, to Roland Oscar and Thelma Louise West Thompson. He was a member of Red Oak Baptist Church, an Air Force veteran, enjoyed hunting, fishing, and spending time with his grandchildren.

Freddie was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Eugene and Bobby Gene Thompson.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Faye Pitts Thompson; two sons, Jerome McFarland (Farrah) and Jamie McFarland (Dana); one daughter, Stephanie Tacker (Justin); six grandchildren, Connor McFarland, Piper McFarland, Austin McFarland, Carson

McFarland, Emma Kate McFarland and Caroline Tacker; three brothers, Roy Lee Thompson (Betty), Perry Thompson (Linda), Robert Thompson (Diane); and seven sisters, Joyce Kennedy (Bobby), Janie Deaton (Larry), Mary May (Bill), Becky Lawson, Joann Ott, Susan Kennedy (Dewayne) and Kathy Lee (Jerry).

Funeral services were held July 9 at Delancey-Murphy Funeral Home in Marked Tree. Interment followed at Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery in Cherry Valley.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Online registry: [www.delanceymurphyfuneralhome.com](http://www.delanceymurphyfuneralhome.com).

## Pet Talk

Dr. Norette Underwood



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\*83 degrees in the car is the

temperature at which your dog can begin to suffer from heat exhaustion.

\*150 degrees is the temperature it can feel like to a dog in a fur coat on a 75-degree day with 75 percent humidity.

\*100-102.5 is a dog's normal body temperature.

\*106 degrees is the core body temperature at which your dog can suffer a heatstroke that could be fatal.

These numbers are staggering. Please do not leave your animals in a parked car on a warm to hot day.

This information was obtained from the American Veterinary Medical Association and Veterinary Pet Insurance.

If you have questions about preventing heatstroke, contact Dr. Underwood of Trumann Animal Clinic and Best Friends Vet Mobile Service at [catdoc56@gmail.com](mailto:catdoc56@gmail.com).

## What's the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia?

Dear Savvy Senior, What's the difference between Alzheimer's disease and dementia?



Savvy Senior

Jim Miller

opathy (CTE), Huntington's disease and Korsakoff Syndrome. Some patients may also have more than one

My aunt has dementia, but they don't know if she has Alzheimer's disease, which is very confusing to me.

Trying To Understand Dear Trying,

Many people use the words "Alzheimer's disease" and "dementia" interchangeably, but they are not the same thing. In fact, you can have a form of dementia that is completely unrelated to Alzheimer's disease. Here's what you should know.

### Dementia versus Alzheimer's

Dementia is a general term for a set of symptoms that includes memory loss, impaired communication skills, a decline in reasoning and changes in behavior. It most commonly strikes elderly people and used to be referred to as senility.

Alzheimer's disease is a specific illness that is the most common cause of dementia. Though many diseases can cause dementia, Alzheimer's—which affects 5.7 million Americans today—accounts for 60 percent to 80 percent of dementia cases, which is why you often hear the terms used interchangeably.

But there are many other conditions that can cause symptoms of dementia like vascular dementia, which is the second most common cause, accounting for about 10 percent of dementia cases. Vascular dementia is caused by a stroke or poor blood flow to the brain.

Other degenerative disorders that can cause dementia include Lewy body dementia, Parkinson's disease, Frontotemporal dementia, Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, Chronic Traumatic Encephal-

opathy (CTE), Huntington's disease and Korsakoff Syndrome.

Some patients may also have more than one form of dementia known as mixed dementia.

Dementia is caused by damage to brain cells, but the symptoms can vary depending on the cause. In the case of Alzheimer's disease, protein fragments or plaques that accumulate in the space between nerve cells and twisted tangles of another protein that build up inside cells cause the damage.

In Alzheimer's disease, dementia gets progressively worse to the point where patients cannot carry out daily activities and cannot speak, respond to their environment, swallow or walk. Although some treatments may temporarily ease symptoms, the downward progression of disease continues and it is not curable.

But some forms of dementia are reversible, which is why it's important to be evaluated by a physician early on. Vitamin deficiencies, thyroid problems, brain tumors, depression, excessive alcohol use, medication side effects and certain infectious diseases can cause reversible forms of dementia.

Another treatable form of dementia is a condition known as normal pressure hydrocephalus, which is caused by a buildup of cerebrospinal fluid in the brain that can be relieved by surgically implanting a shunt to drain off excess fluid. This type of dementia is often preceded or accompanied by difficulty walking and incontinence.

To learn more about the different types of dementia, including the symptoms, risks, causes and treatments visit the Alzheimer's Association at [ALZ.org/dementia](http://ALZ.org/dementia).

## Above the Clouds

A poem by SHIRLEY LONG

Sometimes life gives us problems, and things that break our hearts.

It's hard to see above the clouds, because the sky is dark.

The storms of life that hide the sun,

Can sometimes bring us low.

But when life brings us down, there's only one place

to go.

And that's to look above the clouds, to the sun that's always there,

To give us light, and hope, and make worries disappear.

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# Wet Ink . . . . .

By DR. KEN WORTHINGTON

As we pick our study in Revelation chapter 2, this section of analysis is the second revelation, chapters 2 and 3, an earth-scene of "the things that are." It consists of the letters to the seven churches, and is a revelation of their condition in God's sight. How important for us to understand how God sees the churches and the ministries related to their mission.

In our last study, we were in the middle of God's instruction to the church at Ephesus. We pick up in the middle of verse 2, "and you put to the test those who call themselves apostles, and they are not, and found them to be false;" So we see from the earliest days in church history we find "false apostles." These false apostles want the authority and access to the mind and heart of the church.

As these false apostles wanted to remove the substitutionary work of Christ Jesus on the cross, the church would be left with "earning" its own justification before the Throne of God. Our merit versus the merit of Jesus, now that is not a hard choice is it? The person and work of Christ Jesus is attacked in every generation. Who He is and what He accomplished is the capstone of our spiritual intellect. Many false apostles and teachers have tried but none has been able to abolish this gospel of God as Paul calls it in Romans chapter 1. This is what Jesus meant in

John chapter 4 when He said, "they that worship me must worship in spirit and in truth."

The next verse, verse 3, we find, "and you have perseverance and have endured for My name's sake, and have not grown weary." Perseverance is steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success. This is indefatigability personified. Strength walking on two legs, courage living and breathing within our souls. Perseverance is our "staying power." If Jesus taught us anything, it was to do what we were meant to do. Fulfill our purpose. Keep the faith. An elder statesman in our Baptist communion once told me, "Just stay with son." And the next phrase, "endured for My name's sake," tells us the heart of the matter. Jesus' name and reputation is at stake here. Is He worth believing? Worth suffering for? Worth our time? Worth our talent? Worth our tithes and offering? This is answered with an unequivocally yes!

And the last phrase we will consider in verse 3 is, "and have not grown weary." Can we weary in our faith knowing the next generation is watching. What can we leave them as a lasting impression if not the fact the Jesus is worth it all? All we are, all we say, and all we do! Weariness attempts to make the impression that your labor of love might not be worth it all. And as Christians, we certainly know better.

## 4-H member serves at Arkansas Teen Star Banquet

Justin Jones, Poinsett County 4-H member from Marked Tree, recently served at the Arkansas 4-H Teen Star Recognition Banquet held at the C.A. Vines 4-H Center in Ferndale.

Jones was selected to serve with approximately 15 other 4-H members from across the state.

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



Justin Jones is pictured at the 4-H Teen Star Recognition Banquet. (Photo provided)

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From the Office of State Representative Johnny Rye

In a tenth grade language arts class last year, students at the DeQueen-Mena Education Service Cooperative spent time carefully studying the Anne Frank Chestnut Tree from the William J. Clinton Presidential Library. A sapling from the tree that stood outside Anne Frank's secret annex was donated to the library in 2015. Anne frequently wrote about the tree in her diary while hiding from the Nazis in World War II.

As part of a lesson titled "Looking at Adversity Through Objects," the students studied this tree, as well as paintings from Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art and the U.S. Department of State's Diplomatic Reception Rooms. They also studied essays written by high school students who were at the Rowher Relocation Center in the 1940s. The essays are part of the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies' collection. By studying artifacts and pieces of art housed right here in our state, students were able to examine the concept of adversity in a whole new way.

We highlight this example to show you what is possible through the Arkansas Declaration of Learning Program. Last week, the Governor recognized several teachers and mentors across the state who are helping to make this project a success.

Arkansas is the first state to participate in this national program. Through national and state partnerships, sixth through twelfth grade school librarians and art, English language arts, and social studies teachers use historic art and objects from partner museums and libraries to develop lesson plans that focus on the importance of stewardship and civic engagement. Since the program began in 2013, 110 educators have participated and more than 6,000 students have benefited from the program.

This program is giving our teachers a way to enhance our students' understanding of history and to encourage civic engagement.

Led by the Arkansas Department of Education, program partners are Crystal

Bridges Museum, the Clinton Presidential Library, U.S. Department of State's Diplomatic Reception Rooms, Central Arkansas Library System's Butler Center for Arkansas Studies and the Clinton Foundation.

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## Local students honored at Annual SkillsUSA Workforce Development event

Career and technical students in Arkansas won one of the nation's highest awards at the 2018 SkillsUSA Championships, held in Louisville, Ky., on June 27-28. More than 6,300 students competed at the national showcase of career and technical education. The SkillsUSA Championships is the largest skill competition in the world and covers 1.4 million square feet, equivalent to 20 football fields or 25 acres.

Students were invited to the event to demonstrate their technical skills, workplace skills and personal skills in 102 hands-on occupational and leadership competitions including robotics, automotive technology, drafting, criminal justice, aviation maintenance and public speaking. Industry leaders from 600 businesses, corporations, trade associations and unions planned and evaluated the contestants against their standards for entry-level workers. Industry support of the SkillsUSA Championships is valued at over \$36 million in donated time, equipment, cash and material. More than 1,900 industry judges and technical committee members participated this year.

Skill Point Certificates were awarded in 72 occupational and leadership areas to students who met a predetermined threshold score in their competition, as defined by industry. The Skill Point Certificate is a component of SkillsUSA's assessment program for career and technical education.

The following local students received Skill Point Certificates:

\* Cailey Hillis, from Jonesboro and a student at Arkansas State University at Marked Tree (Marked Tree), was awarded a Skill Point Certificate in Job Skill Demonstration A.

\* Bryan Hernandez, from Jonesboro and a student at Arkansas State University at Newport (Jonesboro), was awarded a Skill Point Certificate in Culinary Arts.

\* Ashlynn Davis, from Trumann and a student at Arkansas State University at Marked Tree (Marked Tree), was awarded a Skill Point Certificate in Cosmetology.

"More than 6,300 students from every state in the nation participated in the 2018 SkillsUSA Championships," said SkillsUSA executive director Tim Lawrence. "This showcase of career and technical education demonstrates our SkillsUSA partnership at its finest. Our students, instructors and industry partners work together to ensure that every student excels. This program expands learning and career opportunities for our members."

The SkillsUSA Championships event is held annually for students in middle school, high school or college/postsecondary programs as part of the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference. More than 360,000 students and advisors join SkillsUSA annually, organized into more than 18,000 sections and 53 state and territorial associations. The national, nonprofit partnership of students, instructors and industry is a verified talent pipeline for America's skilled workforce that is working to help solve the skills gap.

## Greenway Equipment provides additional scholarships

Arkansas State University announced that Greenway Equipment has established an additional two scholarships in the College of Agriculture. The scholarships were created following a commitment of \$115,000 from Greenway, the second such commitment from the company since 2014.

The gift creates additional Greenway Agriculture Systems Technology Scholarships, along with additional Greenway Crop Production and Agronomic Services Minor Scholarships, and will be used in the recruitment of students to attend Arkansas State University and major in agriculture.

"Crop production in the Arkansas Delta is an increasingly complex undertaking," said Dr. Timothy Burcham, dean for the College of Agriculture. "In addition to the traditional agronomic topics such as plants and soils, today's agriculture graduates must be increasingly knowledgeable in the area of digital agriculture, which encompasses precision agriculture and data analytics. The Greenway scholarships allow our college to recruit outstanding students that will be educated to thrive in the data-centric world that is modern agriculture."

The Greenway scholarships will assist A-State in attracting students with the math and science background necessary to be successful in the agriculture systems technology program, while providing low-income students better access to their educational and career goals.

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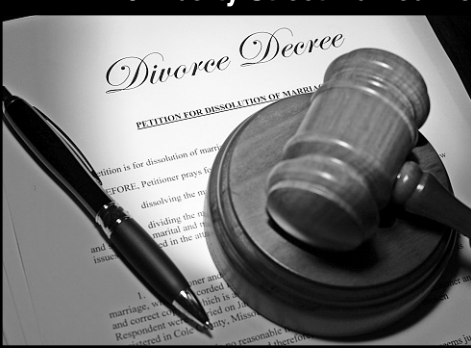
In a joint statement issued by Greenway President Marshall Stewart and Senior Vice President Rick Bormann, the pair said, "We are excited to continue our relationship with Arkansas State University and the College of Agriculture. We hope this will have a positive impact in all sectors of agriculture, as the college continues to produce graduates that have a greater understanding of the agriculture industry when they enter the workforce."

The Greenway Agriculture Systems Technology Scholarship, with a total amount of \$10,000 awarded over four years (\$8,000 from Greenway Scholarship Fund and \$2,000 from the College of Agriculture Endowments), will be awarded to incoming freshmen who plan to major in agriculture studies with an emphasis in agriculture systems technology. Transfer students are also eligible for this scholarship and may be awarded up to \$5,000. Students awarded the Greenway Crop Production and Agronomic Services Minor Scholarships will receive \$1,500 upon successful completion of the first nine hours of minor course work, and up to \$3,500 upon completion of all requirements for the minor.

The dean of the College of Agriculture will award the scholarships based on these criteria.

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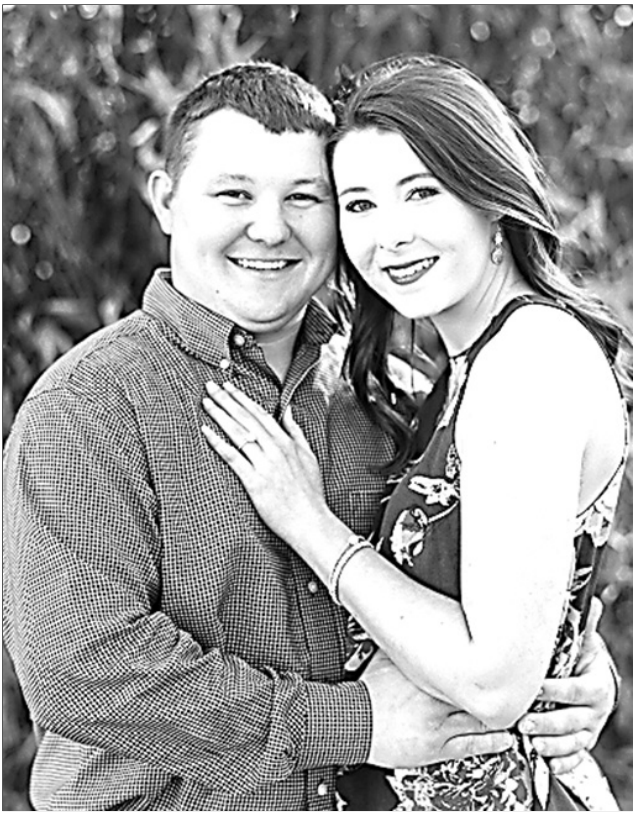
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# Lifestyles



William Garrett Grubs and Camille Lauren Clem will exchange vows on Aug. 4. (Photo provided)

## Clem and Grubbs to exchange August wedding vows

Camille Lauren Clem and William Garrett Grubs will exchange wedding vows at 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, 20510 Highway 158 in Harrisburg. She is the daughter of Michael and Jeanette Clem of Harrisburg. He is the son of Burt and Mindy Grubbs of Harrisburg. Only out of town invitations will be issued. All friends and relatives are invited to attend the wedding and the reception following the ceremony, which will be held at Cooper Alumni Center on the campus of Arkansas State University, Jonesboro.

## Class of 63 reunion is July 21

The Trumann Class of 1963 will be having their 55th class reunion from 12-8 p.m. Saturday, July 21, at the Community House on Poinsett Avenue in Trumann. Friends and other classes are invited to join in after 4 p.m. The gathering will be casual, and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 870-931-6605.

## Fisher Fire Department holding community lunch

The Fisher Volunteer Fire Department will hold a community lunch and fundraiser from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 14, at the fire department/city hall located at 105 N. Front Street. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be served, and a few items will be raffled. Everyone is invited. Donations are appreciated.

## Trumann Senior Life Center "On the Go"

By HAZEL RILEY

Monday was dominoes, brain teasers, and Wii bowling. Ms. Shirley Benson helped us go through our picture file for pictures of Ms. Willistine Norris. Tuesday was our trip to Pancho's at West Memphis. This is Ms. Cindy and the girls' favorite place to go. Wednesday was the funeral

for our beloved friend Ms. Willistine Norris. She loved puzzle books, playing dominoes, and a good cup of coffee. She always had a smile for you and a great outlook on life. She will be missed here at the center. Our condolences to the Norris family. Thursday is bingo at 10:30 a.m., and Friday is bargain hunt. Have a great weekend.

## Marked Tree Senior Life Center Happenings

By Joan Campbell



We are having a very good time at the Marked Tree Senior Center. We wish you were here. On July 2, we had our council meeting. Those in attendance were Mary Louise Smith, Inez Ivy and Carol Crum. On July 4, we were closed for the holiday. We all had a good day with our family and friends. We have been Wii bowling. Janet bowled 300 one day, and Joan bowled 300 the next day. Barbara and Inez are doing good too. If you would like to come to the center, call Carol Crum at 870-358-3751 or drop by and talk to her.



Steven Schoonover and Lynn Dowdy

## Schoonover and Dowdy marry

Steven Schoonover, son of Barbara Graves, and Michelle Dowdy were married recently in a lovely ceremony at the home of Lynn Dowdy, mother of the bride. Mrs. Lutrell wore a corsage of white carnations with blue accents and bright blue ribbon. Matthew Schoonover served as best man and Logan McGee was groomsman. The groom and his attendants wore boutonnieres of white carnations and greenery with stems wrapped in blue.

The bride chose to exchange vows with her groom in front of a cabinet of memorabilia accumulated by her father, the late Wayne Dowdy, during his years in the United States Air Force K-9 Division of the Strategic Air Command and his career in law enforcement with the Jonesboro Police Department. The bride is the granddaughter of the late Stanley and Leatrice (Talbot) Martin of Trumann, and the late John Everett Dowdy and Pauline (Murreh) McKay of Jonesboro. The groom is the grandson of the late Davie and Liddie Haun.

Reverend Vernon Lies led the assembled group of family and friends in a prayer for the couple and their marriage before leading them in their marriage vows. A reception followed their vows of love and commitment to each other. Shelle Lutrell, friend of many years, served as Ms. Dowdy's matron of honor.

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## Trumann PD to participate in statewide speeding enforcement blitz

Trumann Police Department will participate in a tough new speed enforcement blitz in the state of Arkansas dubbed: "Obey the Sign or Pay the Fine." The intensified enforcement effort against speeding drivers underscores the severity of the problem, both locally and across the nation.

The increased enforcement efforts will begin Monday, July 16, and conclude on the following Sunday, July 22.

"Speeding greatly reduces a driver's ability to safely navigate our roadways. Speeding drivers put themselves and others in a very dangerous and precarious situation," said Chief Chad Henson.

In 2015, speeding was a contributing factor in 27 percent of all fatal crashes in the U.S. and more than 9,500 lives were lost in such crashes, according to the latest data available from the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

"During the Obey the Sign or Pay the Fine blitz, officers will intensify enforcement of posted speed limits in Trumann, Arkansas. We'll stop and ticket anyone caught speeding," said Chief Henson.

A NHTSA research report, "Analysis of Speeding-Related Fatal Motor Vehicle Traffic Crashes," shows that a major proportion of fatal, speeding-related single-vehicle crashes occur on rural roadways.

Across America in 2015, speeding was a factor in 17 percent of all fatal crashes on dry roads, and in 21 percent of those occurring on wet roads.

Driving above the posted speed limit in bad weather conditions dramatically increases the probability that a motorist will be involved in a crash.

During this enforcement blitz, officers will be out targeting and ticketing speeding drivers," Chief Henson said.

"Our goal is to save lives, and we're putting all drivers on alert—the posted speed limit is the law. No more warnings and no more excuses. When it comes to speeding: Obey the Sign or Pay the Fine," Henson said.

NHTSA considers a crash speeding-related if the driver was charged with exceeding the posted speed limit or if the driver was driving too fast for conditions at the time.

For more information, visit <http://trafficsafety.gov/>.



Deputy Jason Thomas and K9 Janko

## Successful K9 deployment leads to McCrary arrest

By DT News Staff

A K9 officer tracked down a man with an active warrant who ran during a traffic stop.

According to the Poinsett County Sheriff's Office, Deputy Jason Thomas was patrolling the Tulot area on July 6 when he saw Aaron McCrary, 29, of Harrisburg, in the passenger seat of a car heading the opposite direction. McCrary had an active warrant for his arrest for being an absconder with the Parole Board. Deputy Thomas made a traffic stop on the vehicle on I-555 near the Glasgow Lane overpass.

During the traffic stop, McCrary ran across four

lanes of traffic and jumped a fence heading southbound on Glasgow Lane. Deputy Thomas requested backup to set up a perimeter to track McCrary with his K9 partner Janko.

Janko was deployed at McCrary's last known location. After a short distance, Janko gave a proximity alert that McCrary was close and began to enter some highly grown foliage. McCrary was instructed to come out, and McCrary yelled to let deputies know he was in the foliage.

McCrary was arrested, charged with fleeing, and served with the parole absconder arrest warrant.

## Yeager graduates UofA

Stephanie Lynne Yeager from Trumann graduated from the University of Arkansas with Master of Social Work

degree from the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences.

## Adult Ed center announces revised summer hours

ASUN's Trumann adult education campus, located at 212 S. Melton, has new summer hours. The new schedule, which is currently in effect, is as follows:

Monday: classes 4-8 p.m.

Tuesday: computer lab open 9-11 a.m., classes 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Wednesday: classes 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Thursday: computer lab open 9 a.m. to noon.

## TRUMANN

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Linda Shrader commended Jones for doing the work as promised on a ditch close to her property.

The house at 504 Harrison that has been on hold for condemnation was tabled again until the August meeting. Owner Bob Stotts said there is no way he can afford to have the house cleaned from the manufacture of methamphetamine in the house. The council voiced concerns of the hazards of city workers taking the house down. Jones said he would contact the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality and ask about the hazards. Jones also said he would contact landfills and see which is closest and the cost of disposal if the city does take the house down.

The house that was up for condemnation at 509 Harrison owned by Raymond Hill has had significant work done and could possibly be ready for rent by the end of the month. The council agreed to give Hill the time to finish the repairs.

In department reports, Trumann Police Chief Chad Henson gave a presentation to show that violent and property crimes are at the lowest they have been since he has been in office. He also told the council that due to the work they did on finding and bringing Arissa Farmer back home, the department will receive the Morgan Choice Award. The award is named

in honor of Morgan Nick who has been missing since 1995. "We are so honored to be receiving this award that was created by the Nick family," Henson said.

Parks and Recreation Director Scott Shankle told the council he will present his report of the summer programs at the August meeting.

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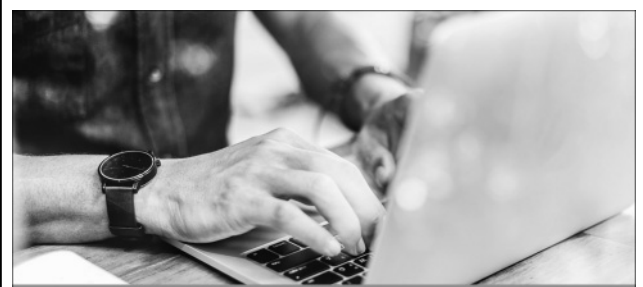


## Two arrested for drugs in Trumann

By DT News Staff

Two people were arrested July 2 after the Poinsett County Sheriff's Department and the Trumann Police Department executed a search warrant at a residence in the 100 block of Magnolia Drive in Trumann. According to the Poinsett County Sheriff's Office, meth and drug paraphernalia were found during the

search. Derek Scott Morrison, 47, and Dondra Morrison, 48, both of Trumann, were both arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth) with the purpose to deliver, felony possession of drug paraphernalia, and endangering the welfare of a minor in the third degree.



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## Notice

POINSETT COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2018-10

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF POINSETT, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS ON THE QUESTION OF LEVYING A COUNTY-WIDE ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES AND USE TAX; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court of Poinsett County, Arkansas (the "County") has passed on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018, Ordinance No. 2018-09 (the "Tax Ordinance") providing for the levy of a 1% sales and use tax within the County (the "Sales and Use Tax"); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Ordinance is to call a special election on the question of the levy of the Sales and Use Tax; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Quorum Court of Poinsett County, Arkansas:

Article 1. There is hereby called a special election to be held on November 6, 2018, at which election there shall be submitted to the electors of the County the question of the levy of the Sales and Use Tax.

Article 2. The question of levying the Sales and Use Tax shall be placed on the ballot for the election in substantially the following form:  
1% SALES AND USE TAX

Adoption of a 1% local sales and use tax within Poinsett County, the net collections of which remaining after deduction of the administrative charges of the State of Arkansas and required rebates will be distributed only to the County and used for the purposes of operating, maintaining and repairing County Detention Center facilities and operating the County Sheriff's Department.  
FOR.....  
AGAINST.....

Article 3. The election shall be held and conducted and the vote canvassed and the results declared under the law and in the manner now provided for county elections and only qualified voters of the County shall have the right to vote at the election.

Article 4. The results of the election shall be proclaimed by the County Court, and such Proclamation shall be published one time in a newspaper published in the County and having a general circulation therein, which Proclamation shall advise that the results as proclaimed shall be conclusive unless attacked in the courts within thirty days after the date of publication.

Article 5. A copy of this Ordinance shall be (a) filed with the Poinsett County Clerk at least 70 days prior to the election date and (b) given to the Poinsett County Board of Election Commissioners so that the necessary election officials and supplies may be provided. A certified copy of this Ordinance and the Tax Ordinance shall also be provided to the Commissioner of Revenues of the State of Arkansas as soon as practical.

Article 6. The County Judge and County Clerk, for and on behalf of the County, are hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to call and hold the special election as herein provided and, if the levy of the Sales and Use Tax is approved by the electors, to cause the Sales and Use Tax to be collected, and to perform all acts of whatever nature necessary to carry out the authority conferred by this Ordinance.

Article 7. All ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Article 8. The provisions of this Ordinance are separable and if an article, phrase or provision shall be declared invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of July, 2018.

APPROVED:  
Bob Cantrell,  
Poinsett County Judge

ATTEST:  
Teresa Rouse,  
County Clerk

(SEAL)



# Sports

## Allen named to all state softball team

By ANTHONY COSSEY  
DT Sports Staff

EPC sophomore Meagan Allen has been named to the Class 2A all-state softball team after a banner sophomore season for the Lady Warriors.

Allen was most dominant in the circle for EPC going 24-7 with a 1.57 ERA in

182.1 innings of work. She gave up 124 hits, 89 runs (41 earned) while walking 78 and striking out 354. She pitched one perfect game and one no-hitter to go along with an .854 fielding percentage and a .173 opponent's batting average. At the plate, Allen batted at a .454 clip collecting 44 hits (8 doubles, six triples and one home run) on the

year. She had 38 runs scored, 37 RBIs, six stolen bases along with a .530 on-base percentage and a .690 slugging percentage.

This is Allen's second all-state selection. She was also named 2A-2 all-conference as well as being named to the Max Preps National All-American sophomore team.



Meagan Allen of EPC, shown here throwing a pitch during an early season, was named to the Class 2A all-state softball team for the second year in a row. (DT Photo/Anthony Cossey)

## OC Batbusters Challenge



Stealth Elites' Caitlyn Adams (Harrisburg) is waved home by coach Ashley Allensworth during game action this past Saturday in West Memphis. (DT Photo/Anthony Cossey)

## Marked Tree NEAYFL sign-up dates set

Marked Tree's North-east Arkansas Youth Football League teams will have sign-ups for the 2018 football season

from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 7, and Wednesday, Aug. 8, at the Marked Tree Armory. This is for kids who will attend the

Marked Tree School District and are in grades 3-6. Practices will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 9.

## Hinson Selected to NCSA All-American Softball Team

Rachel Hinson, a member of Arkansas State University's 2018 World Series runner-up softball team, has been selected to the first team All-American squad by the National Club Softball Association.

This is the second consecutive year Hinson, who plays at third base for the Red Wolves, has been named an All-American by the NCSA. The right-hander from Vilonia is one of four players chosen following A-State's national championship run in 2017.

Hinson led her team with a .662 hitting average that included 65 times at the plate. She finished with 43 hits, also tops on the team, 15 doubles and three triples. Her four home runs led the team as did her 40 runs batted in. The junior finished the season with eight stolen bases.

She also was named to A-State's 2018 Spring Chancellor's List.

Arkansas State advanced to the 2018 NCSA World Series after claiming the Mid-America championship. It was the program's sixth straight title bid.

The World Series' top-seeded Red Wolves opened pool play, defeating Rutgers

(13-3), losing to Central Michigan (5-3) and rebounding with a win over San Diego State (8-5). Following pool play, all teams were re-seeded and Arkansas State went into bracket play seeded sixth, and knocked off 11th-seeded Iowa State (11-1), defeated James Madison (6-3), and beat Florida State (8-6), then lost to Navy (10-0),

during a game filled with frequent rain and lightning delays.

A-State knocked off James Madison (4-3) on the final day of the series and dropped an 11-5 decision to Navy in the championship game. The Red Wolves ended the season ranked No. 2 in the final Rawlings top 20 poll.



Rachel Hinson



Meagan Allen (Lepanto) of Fireball Xtreme fields a ball in left field during tournament action this past Saturday. (DT Photo/Anthony Cossey)



## Angler of the Year

Trumann's Cade Gartman was named angler of the year by the Northeast Arkansas Youth Fishing club. (Photo provided)

## Notice of Destruction of Records Marked Tree School District

### ATTENTION MARKED TREE SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENTS

State and federal guidelines require that all special education due process forms and records be destroyed within six years after a student leaves the special education or speech therapy program.

You have the right to review and pick up your child's due process records. The records will be available in the special education office at the high school on July 25, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The records not picked up will be destroyed on July 26, 2018.

THESE RECORDS ARE NOT YOUR CHILD'S PERMANENT SCHOOL RECORDS. THEY ARE ONLY SPECIAL EDUCATION AND DUE PROCESS FORMS AND RECORDS.

## Notice of Destruction of Records East Poinsett County School District

### ATTENTION EAST POINSETT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENTS:

State and federal guidelines require that all special education due process forms and records be destroyed within six years after a student leaves the special education or speech therapy program.

You have the right to review and pick up your child's due process records. The records will be available in the special education office at the junior high school on July 26, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The records not picked up will be destroyed on July 27, 2018.

THESE RECORDS ARE NOT YOUR CHILD'S PERMANENT SCHOOL RECORDS. THEY ARE ONLY SPECIAL EDUCATION AND DUE PROCESS FORMS AND RECORDS.

## Notice of Destruction of Records Trumann School District

Trumann School District Central Office, Special Education Department, 221 N. Pine Ave., Trumann, AR, 72472, will destroy special education records on August 1, 2018, of students who left the district more than six years ago. This includes students who graduated, moved, or became inactive during this time period. Records will be available for pickup July 23-27, 2018 from 1-3 p.m. Arrangements may be made by calling in advance, (870) 483-7269. An individual 18 years of age or older, unless adjudicated, must request his/her own records. Proper identification is required. ALL RECORDS dated prior to May 2012 will be destroyed on August 1, 2018.

## Notice

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF  
POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF  
DRAINAGE DISTRICT NUMBER EIGHT  
OF POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
APPOINTEMENT OF COMMISSIONER  
NO. CC-2018-04

### NOTICE

Notice is given of the appointment of the following person for the following term as Commissioner of Drainage District Number Eight of Poinsett County, Arkansas, by Order of this Court dated July 9, 2018:

Tim Covington – 6 year term.

A hearing on this appointment will be held on Wednesday, July 25, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. At the courtroom in the Poinsett County Courthouse in Harrisburg, Arkansas. At such hearing, objections to this appointment will be heard and the appointment will be either confirmed or other persons named.

All interested persons may appear and be heard.

DATED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018.

Bobby Cantrell  
County Judge

Published 7-12,19 2018

## Notice

APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS  
ORDINANCE 2018-07  
SPONSOR: ELIZABETH SCHWARZ

AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE 2017 POINSETT COUNTY BUDGET

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That there were unappropriated 2017 funds that could be appropriated for the 2017 budget, as well as additional funds that have been received in 2017 that can be used for unexpected expenditures for various accounts.

Section 2: It has come to the attention of the Court that some additional funds need to be appropriated to reconcile the 2017 budget year.

Section 3: Appropriations and transfers of funds in the 2017 budget are hereby made as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS 0.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$ 0.00

INTRA-FUND TRANSFERS

JAIL BOND REVENUE FUND

From Jail Bond Revenue Fund – Code 3400-418-1001 – Salaries Full-Time

To Jail Bond Revenue Fund – Code 3400-418-1002 – Salaries Part-Time \$1,373.36

TOTAL INTRA-FUND TRANSFERS \$ 1,373.36

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$ 0.00

TOTAL TRANSFERS \$1,373.36

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS & TRANSFERS \$1,373.36

Dated and approved this 9th day of July, 2018.

Bob Cantrell, County Judge

Attest:

Teresa Rouse, County Clerk

Published 7-12-18

## Notice

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF  
POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF  
DRAINAGE DISTRICT NUMBER EIGHT  
OF POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
REAPPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS  
NO. CC-2018-03

### NOTICE

Notice is given of the reappointment of the following persons for the following terms as Commissioners of Drainage District Number Eight of Poinsett County, Arkansas, by Order of this Court dated July 9, 2018:

Clay Hubbard – 9 year term; and  
Lloyd Ray Evans – 3 year term.

A hearing on these appointments will be held on Wednesday, July 25, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. At the courtroom in the Poinsett County Courthouse in Harrisburg, Arkansas. At such hearing, objections to these appointments will be heard and the appointments will either be confirmed or other persons named.

All interested persons may appear and be heard.

DATED this 9th day of July, 2018.

Bobby Cantrell  
Poinsett County Judge

Published 7-12,19 2018

## Notice

APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS ORDINANCE  
2018-08 SPONSOR: ELIZABETH SCHWARZ  
BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF  
POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS; AN APPROPRIATION  
ORDINANCE ENTITLED: APPROPRIATIONS AND  
TRANSFERS ORDINANCE 2018-08

The following Appropriations and Transfers are made to the 2018 budget previously approved.

APPROPRIATIONS  
COUNTY GENERAL

SHERIFF To Code 1000-400-1002 – Salaries Part Time (Quorum Court approved 6-4-18) \$15,000.00

To Code 1000-400-3100 – Other Miscellaneous (Money requested to fund the Drug Enforcement Fund) \$1,000.00

OEM To Code 1000-500-3100 – Other Miscellaneous (Multi-Hazard Mitigation Grant) \$7,653.00

COURT SECURITY GRANT FUND To Code 3401-400-3100 – Other Miscellaneous (Carry over from 2017) \$425.77

SHERIFF'S EQUIPMENT FUND To Code 3406-400-2006 – Clothing and Uniforms (From Donations) \$2,000.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$ 26,078.77

INTRA-DEPARTMENT TRANSFERS

COUNTY GENERAL From Code 1000-104-3040 – Advertising and Publications To Code 1000-104-2024 – Maint. and Service Contract \$1,200.00

TOTAL TRANSFERS \$ 1,200.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS

\$ 27,278.77

Dated and approved this 9th day of July, 2018.

Bob Cantrell, County Judge

Attest:

Teresa Rouse, County Clerk

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## Notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF  
POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
“MARKED TREE DIVISION”

DISCOVER BANK PLAINTIFF  
V. CASE NO. CV-17-23  
SAMMY C HATLEY JR DEFENDANT

### WARNING ORDER

TO: SAMMY C HATLEY JR

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IN WITNESS Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal as Clerk of the on this 6th day of June, 2018. (SEAL)

Ann Tarlton  
Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_ D.C.

Approved as to Form:

Gary J Barrett Lori Withrow (98069)

Gary J Barrett (2000071) Attorney for Plaintiff

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## Notice

POINSETT COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2018-09

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE  
COUNTY OF POINSETT, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN  
ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A  
ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN  
POINSETT COUNTY, ARKANSAS; AND  
PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING  
THERE TO.

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court of Poinsett County, Arkansas (the “County”) has determined that there is a great need for an additional source of revenue to be used to operate, maintain and repair County Detention Center facilities and to operate the County Sheriff’s Department; and

WHEREAS, Title 26, Chapter 74, Subchapter 2 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated (the “Authorizing Legislation”) provides for the levy of county-wide sales and use taxes at the rate of 0.125%, 0.25%, 0.5%, 0.75% or 1%, or any combination thereof; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Ordinance is to levy a new county-wide sales and use tax at the rate of 1%, the net collections of which will be distributed only to the County and used to operate, maintain and repair County Detention Center facilities and to operate the County Sheriff’s Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Quorum Court of Poinsett County, Arkansas:

Article 1. Under the authority of the Authorizing Legislation, there is hereby levied a 1% tax on the gross receipts from the sale at retail within the County of all items which are subject to the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of 1941, as amended (A.C.A. §§26-52-101, et seq.), and the imposition of an excise (or use) tax on the storage, use, distribution or other consumption within the County of tangible personal property subject to the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, as amended (A.C.A. §§26-53-101, et seq.), at a rate of 1% of the sale price of the property or, in the case of leases or rentals, of the lease or rental price (collectively, the “Sales and Use Tax”). The Sales and Use Tax shall be levied and collected on the gross receipts, gross proceeds or sales price in the maximum amount allowed from time to time under Arkansas law, subject to rebates and limitations as from time to time required by Arkansas statutes for certain single transactions.

Article 2. The Sales and Use Tax shall be levied, and the net collections received after deduction of the administrative charges of the State of Arkansas and required rebates (the “Net Collections”) shall be used to operate, maintain and repair the County Detention Center facilities and to operate the County Sheriff’s Department.

Article 3. The Net Collections shall be distributed only to the County and not to the municipalities therein.

Article 4. All ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Article 5. This Ordinance shall not take effect until an election is held on the question of levying the Sales and Use Tax at which a majority of the electors voting on the question shall have approved the levy of the Sales and Use Tax.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 9th day of July, 2018.

APPROVED:

Bob Cantrell,  
Poinsett County Judge

ATTEST:

Teresa Rouse,  
County Clerk

Published 7-12-18

## 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

BY: Tomasina Rosa, DC

Stephen E. Whitwell  
AR Bar Number: 78-166  
HURLEY & WHITWELL, PLLC  
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### VBS donation

Order of Eastern Star, St. Matthew Chapter #351 in Marked Tree, decided to make a donation to a small town church offering Vacation Bible School in their community. On June 25, a donation was made to the Union Grove Baptist Church in Gilmore to help provide snacks to the children attending their Vacation Bible School. Pictured are some of the children attending VBS at Union Grove Baptist Church along with OES St. Matthew Chapter #351. (Photo provided)



Lori Hutton, Assistant Professor of English at ASUN-Jonesboro. (photo provided)

## ASUN professor writes first textbook

### Teaches students through her own experiences

It's important for teachers to build relationships with their students. Many teachers will say it's one of the defining characteristics of student success. One assistant professor at ASUN-Newport goes beyond just building a relationship with her students. She literally uses parts of her life to teach, all they have to do is open their textbook.

Lori Hutton is an Assistant Professor of English on the ASUN-Jonesboro campus. She's been with ASUN for five years but has been in the teaching profession for 23 years. This summer, her students will open their textbook to find a surprise—a textbook written by the woman standing in front of them.

Hutton has edited and contributed chapters to many textbooks, but White's "12 Components of Composition" is the first she wrote entirely on her own. With the help of her colleague and ASUN Assistant Professor of Speech, Bruce Smock, Hutton got in contact with KONA Publishing to create the book.

"Smock was very supportive and helped me get this opportunity," Hutton said.

The textbook is very conversational in tone. Hutton said that is key to her teaching style and in helping students actually learn.

"These writing skills are so important to learn because you are going to write in every single class," Hutton said. "I kind of see myself as a mama hen to these students because I'm teaching them how to be college students. It's about teaching study skills, being your own support system, knowing you can do what you set your mind to."

One of the ways Hutton is teaching with this textbook is by including many personal experiences and examples involving her family. She said it can be intimidating at times to teach through her own words. She finds it to be very personal, but it's a way she can keep all of her instructions conversational.

Her personal life gave her inspiration, but it's also something that can be difficult to balance when trying to write a book. It took her 10 months to write the 12 chapter book. She's a mother of three. Hutton said she finds balance by prioritizing time to write. On weekends the kids may be away, she would write. Every night she set aside an hour just to write. To have the family together, everyone would gather around the kitchen table and work on individual projects, and she would write. Why give up so much of her time to write a textbook considering there are many out there to choose from? She loves it.

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"I think I've known since first or second grade I wanted to teach and write," Hutton said.

She loves encouraging students. She said having students come back and thank her is beyond satisfying.

"I'm making a difference," Hutton said. "From teaching English as a Second Language courses to GED courses and all the ones in between, my job makes all other jobs possible."

Hutton has no plans of slowing down. She turns 49 later this year and feels this time in her life is extremely significant.

"It's finally coming together," Hutton said. "I think 50 is my magic number. I'm beginning to come into my own. I'm starting to see my work thrive, and I'm really just looking forward to the future."

As for the future, expect to see more work under her pen name L.M. White. In fact, she's working on a novel she hopes to complete and get published soon. She's already been contacted to work on another textbook as well.

Hutton sees this is not just a great opportunity for herself but also ASU-Newport. She said her relationship with KONA has opened many doors that could lead to the college's involvement in more books being published. There is no doubt Hutton contributes greatly to the success of students and in turn the success of ASU-Newport.

## ASUN promotes Robert Burgess to Dean for Applied Science

Arkansas State University-Newport is pleased to share Robert Burgess is the new Dean for Applied Science. Burgess has been with ASUN since 2013 serving as Master Instructor-Computer Networking Technology, Assistant to the Dean for Applied Science, Associate Dean for General Education-STEM, and now Dean for Applied Science.

Burgess is originally from Chicago, Ill., but moved to Jonesboro at the age of 10. He started his educational journey by earning a Basic and Advanced Certificate in Electronics in 1997 and 1998 from Delta Technical Institute. He then earned an Associate of Applied Science in Digital Electronics Technology and Associate of Science, both from Arkansas State University.

Burgess graduated Magna Cum Laude from Arkansas State University with a Bachelor of Science in Technology

and received a Master of Science in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Mangement also from A-State.

Applied Science encompasses many programs at ASUN including Advanced Manufacturing, Agriculture Technology, Automotive Service Technology, Business, Collision Repair Technology, Commercial Driver Training, Computer Networking Technology, Diesel Technology, Energy Control Technology, High Voltage Lineman Technology, Industrial Maintenance and Welding.

Burgess said he's excited to learn more about the Applied Science programs he is less familiar with. His goal is to see each program grow.

"I plan to put each of our Applied Science programs in the best possible position to succeed and to help each program and faculty member be a little better than they were last year," Burgess said.

Dr. Holly Smith, Vice Chan-



Robert Burgess, Dean for Applied Science

cellor for Academic Affairs, said Burgess is the right person to lead this department.

"We are excited that Mr. Burgess has accepted the position of Dean for Applied Science, and we are eager to move forward with building and strengthening our many workforce and industry partnerships through our academic programs," Smith said. "Mr. Burgess brings to this position a strong knowledge of ASU-Newport's mission

and a great deal of experience having served as the Associate Dean for General Education, Assistant to the Dean of Applied Science, and Master Instructor of Computer Networking Technology at ASUN. He has demonstrated a clear passion for teaching and student success, and I firmly believe he will continue to exhibit the record of excellence that ASUN and our faculty are known for."



The Community House received a \$10,000 grant recently from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program. (DT Photo/Corey Clairday)

## Historic preservation grant received for Community House

By COREY CLAIRDAY  
DT News Staff

The Community House in Trumann will have some needed work done thanks to a \$10,000 grant from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP).

According to Community House Foundation Vice President Donnie Taylor, they plan to match the grant with another \$10,000 and use it to redo the bathrooms and heat-

ers in the Community House. The grant application was written by Mayor Barbara Lewallen.

"This is the second grant Barbara has written for us," Taylor said. "We not only have a great leader. We have a great grant writer." Back in 2015, the Community House received a 2:1 matching grant in the amount of \$39,460 from AHPP, which was used for several things, including a new roof. That grant application was written by Lewallen

when she was director for the Trumann Chamber of Commerce.

The Community House, which is on the National Register of Historic Places, was originally built in 1927 by the Poinsett Lumber and Manufacturing Company, later the Singer Company. The Singer Company closed in 1982, and in the mid 1980s the new owners donated the building to the Community House Foundation, a group of citizens

who have worked to maintain it as a historic community center.

The AHPP, which is a division of the Department of Arkansas Heritage, offers grants in an effort to preserve the state's historic resources. Their grant programs are financed through proceeds of the Real Estate Transfer Tax and/or federal funds received from the National Park Service.

## NEA Food Bank receives grant from Community Foundation

The Food Bank of Northeast Arkansas announced Tuesday that a \$500 grant it received from the Community Foundation of Cross County, an affiliate of the Arkansas Community Foundation, will be used to conduct a Cooking Matters at the Store Pop-Up event. The event will take place at the Cherry Valley Food Pantry in Cross County,

a partner agency of the Food Bank. It will be held on the same day as a regular pantry distribution, so that community members will have access to both.

A pop-up format is a unique way of conducting a Cooking Matters at the Store tour event outside of a grocery store. The tour allows participants to learn how to shop

for healthy foods on a budget in a workshop, as opposed to in a store. Cooking Matters at the Store provides families with hands-on education as they shop for food, giving them skills to compare foods for cost and nutrition. Participants learn how to plan and budget for healthy, affordable, and delicious meals for their families.

"The Food Bank of Northeast Arkansas is excited to offer the Cooking Matters at the Store Program. This program allows us to teach families how to stretch their food budget while still making healthy choices," said Christie Jordan, CEO of the Food Bank of Northeast Arkansas.

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