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Hospitals waiting to set a merger date

Mountain States, Wellmont marriage held up by Federal Trade Commission concerns about monopoly

By Sue Guinn Legg PRESS STAFF WRITER slegg@johnsoncitypress.com

With the Federal Trade Commission's 30-day review now complete, the only thing separating Mountain States Health Alliance and Wellmont Health System from merging is an official closing date.

Hospital officials expect the merger to close sometime before Jan. 31, at which time the Tennessee Department of Health will grant the merged system, to be called Ballad Health, a Certificate of Public Advantage

that protects it from antitrust scrutiny.

Early during the process, hospital executives Alan Levine and Bart Hove said they reached an agreement with FTC officials that if the

officials that, if the merger was approved in Virginia and Tennessee, the deal would not close until the FTC cordially conducted a 30-day review.

Tennessee approved its Certificate of Public Advantage in September, followed by Virginia Department of Health Commissioner Marissa Levine approving a Cooperative Agreement on Oct. 30, the day the FTC review commenced.

Thirty days later, on Nov. 29, is when the review concluded, and although FTC officials remain tight-lipped about their findings, the merger still appears to be on track.

"The investigation is still open, and we are aware that the state of Tennessee has yet to officially issue the COPA certificate. That's about as much as we have to say right now," FTC Senior Public Affairs Specialist Betsy Lordan said in an email to the Johnson City Press.

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East Tennessee State researchers have learned one big thing about our eight-legged friends

Spiders have rhythm

By Brandon PaykamianPRESS STAFF WRITER
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Do spiders dream of arachnid sheep? Two East Tennessee State University researchers don't have that answer, but their groundbreaking work studying orb-weaving spiders' body clocks led to new discoveries related to the cycles governing life.

By looking at spiders' natural habits, Drs. Darrell Moore and Thomas Jones, professors in the ETSU Department of Biological Services, found the shortest and longest circadian rhythms — biological cycles that tell organisms when to sleep, rise and eat — currently known to science.

The study started when Jones' arachnology class set out to learn more about spiders' patterns of aggression and passivity, which are necessary for survival.

Noting a peak in their behavior every 24 hours, Jones turned to Moore, a neu-

robiologist

Dr. Thomas Jones with Nephila clavipes, the American golden orb weaver spider.

who primarily studies the behavior of honeybees, to map the spiders' circadian rhythms.

"In order to get a precise idea about the biological clock on the spiders, we ran more experiments where they were put in a tube with an infrared emitter system so we could find out when they were inactive and active,"

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TUESDAY TRIVIA

1. Spiders eat as many as ___ insects in a year.

A. 10,000 B. 100 C. 2,000 D. 1,000

2. Jumping spiders can jump how many times their body length?

A .50 B. 100 C. 250 D. 300

3. Spiders eat other spiders.

A. True B. False

4. The most poisonous spider in North America is:

A. Brown Recluse. B. Wolf Spider. C. Daddy Longlegs. D. Black Widow

5. About how many species of spiders are there in the U.S.?

A. 35,000 B. 10,000 C. 800 D. 3,000 **6. Spiders produce how many kinds**

6. Spiders produce how many kind of silk?

A. Five B. Seven C. 100 D. 200

7. A spider can have as many as

____ **eyes.** A. 20 B. 8 C. 6 D. 12

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DEAR SANTA, FOR CHRISTMAS, I'D LIKE A LAPTOP COMPUTER.

Dec. 12 13 shopping days to Christmas

Niswonger patients to get special gifts

By Jessica FullerPRESS STAFF WRITER

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Patients of Niswonger Children's Hospital will have a special and unique gift waiting for them on Christmas morning. Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church's men's club spent about 3,000 hours cutting, sanding, painting and assembling almost 200 wooden toys for children in the region. Monday afternoon, Jim Stouffer, one of the men in the club who churned out the wooden toys in the span of about 10 months, donated 110 of them to the hospital so they can be gifted as presents to patients on Christmas. All the designs have moving parts. One toy is a gorilla that can be tugged along on a string and another is a duck with wings that flap when it's pushed around on the

ground. "It has definitely been a labor of love for the children here at Niswonger Hospital," Stouffer said. "I think anytime you can do anything for chil-

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Jim Stouffer holds one of the toys the men's club of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church built for children at Niswonger Children's Hospital.

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REDESIGN

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Parts of the redesign process have actually been implemented over the last few months. Some of you noticed the changes and knew what they were. Some noticed, but couldn't quite put your fingers on

One of those changes has been a focus on a different way of writing headlines. In an effort to make the headlines speak to you, our goal has been to make them more personal. The use of 'you' and 'your' was - and still is forbidden in many newspapers. The same with headlines that end with a question mark. But headlines with those elements speak directly to our readers. They strike a chord and feel much more personal.

Another change has been in the way we present our stories, especially those produced by the Johnson City Press team. While some still are in traditional style, others are in Q&A format, grids, vignettes, fast facts, pro-con, and more. Why the change? These alternative story forms give you quicker reads and stories that are easier to digest than traditional

Another significant change is our new weekday comics lineup (Sunday hasn't changed). Comics come and go, but the classics are classics for a reason. While the Johnson City Press has carried many of the classics for literally decades, others have been replaced or have never appeared on our pages. So the goal of the new lineup was to bring you a classic assembly of comics that represents the best of the best. Comics are one of the best ways to brighten your day and we believe Herman, Beetle Bailey, Frank & Ernest and the rest will do just that.

There's more in store as you go through the week, so you will see more improvements each day. Today, we simply wanted to point out some of the major changes and explain the thinking behind those changes.

Thank you for reading

the Johnson City Press and enjoy. It really is New for You.

TENNESSEE LOTTERY

TUESDAY

Morning Drawing Cash 3: 1-1-2 Cash 4: 6-6-8-7

Day Drawing

Cash 3:3-4-2 Cash 4: 8-1-5-0

Night Drawing

Cash 3: 3-7-7 Cash 4: 3-0-5-4

CORRECTIONS

The Johnson City Press strives for accuracy in all its reports. Readers who notice factual errors in the newspaper should call News Editor Sam Watson or Night Editor Robert Pierce at (423) 929-3111.

Park land purchased despite protest

By John Thompson

ELIZABETHTON BUREAU CHIEF jthompson@johnsoncitypress.com

ELIZABETHTON — After a heated debate from Commissioner Charles Von Cannon, the Carter County Commission voted 19-2 to approve the transfer of \$44,000 for the purchase of 9.2 acres of land for a new park just off the Old Gap Creek Highway. The county's Park and Recreation Commission proposes to use the property to build two softball fields, a playground and a dog park.

The Elizabethan/Carter County Animal Shelter also resurfaced as point of controversy as a result of the release of a report from the state comptroller's office, citing management and administration problems and a storage of \$9,500 in funds.

GAP CREEK PARK

The purchase of the park was recommended by the Budget

Committee. The park is inside the city limits of Elizabethton and near the Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail and the Tweetsie Trail.

Von Cannon raised questions about the value of the deal. He said access to the ball fields would require a bridge, plus the construction of a road to the place where the ball fields would be located. He said there was not enough room for parking.

Carter County Planning Director Chris Schuettler addressed each of Von Cannon's objections. He said access would not be from the Mary Patton Highway but from the old Gap Creek Road. He said that access would lead to a parking area for about 40 cars.

Schuettler said the park is on the opposite side of the creek, but only a pedestrian bridge would be

Randall Jenkins said committees have examined the property and found it suitable. This is our chance to be proactive." Jenkins said.

He said it was obvious the development of the park would take a lot of money, but he said grant money would be available for the project, but only if the county owned the property.

Schuettler said the property has been assessed by Randal Birchfield Real Estate and Auction at \$112,000. He said one of the property owners wanted to trade his half for a \$50,000 tax credit. He said the other half could be acquired for \$50,000.

The Carter County Parks and Recreation Department will provide \$6,000 from its funds toward the purchase, leaving the county with a requirement to transfer \$44,000 from the General Fund to the Parks and Rec. Department to complete the purchase. The city of Elizabethton may provide \$4,000 toward the purchase.

The fund transfer to Parks and Rec was approved, with only Von Cannon and Ronnie Trivett voting against it.

ANIMAL SHELTER

The Animal Shelter was discussed during the time for citizens to speak. Robin McKamey, a former volunteer at the shelter said the comptroller's report had "14 issues with management," and criticized leadership of the shelter over the last year when it was directly supervised by Carter County Mayor Leon Humphrey.

McKamey said she had felt harassed and intimidated when she had spoken out about the mayor's decision to end the use of volunteers to the shelter. She said the investigation had been used as harassment of the former volunteers.

Humphrey did not address McKamey's comments when he provided the mayor's report to the commission later in the meeting.

SPIDERS

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Jones said. Even with lights off, the spiders continued to cycle between the two states, which Moore said meant their internal clocks were dictating the pacing.

To further study the phenomena, Moore and Jones sought the help of students to find other species to study in their

Out of 32 different types of spiders, most showed cycles of about 24 hours a true circadian rhythm but some, like those in the genus Cyclosa, a common group of orb-weavers, had a rhythm of 18.5 hours.

Moore said it was probably the "shortest circadian rhythm that anybody's ever found



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An ETSU researcher examines a gasteracantha.

before."

Before the team's discovery, it was thought that the shortest and longest circadian rhythms were found in labgenerated mutant species, which often had 19 or 20 hour cycles.

"It's been shown many times that if you've got a far off from the 24-hour solar day, those animals have trouble surviving, and yet our spiders survived like crazy," Moore said. Jones said evidence

suggests an evolutionary event, something in their lineages, led to the spiders' unusual rhythms. Continuing their

research, Moore and Jones discovered other species similar to those in Cyclosa with short rhythms of 17.4 and 19 hours. They also found that

black widow spiders are arrhythmic, meaning they have random cycles of activity and inactivity.

"They didn't seem to have a true circadian rhythm, and that surprised the hell out of us," Moore said. "What you see with black widows is a burst of activity and then a fivehour burst of nothing, and these bursts are kind of random."

Moore said the research has opened new doors in researching natural circadian rhythms.

"I think since we've relied so much on a small number of model systems, what me and Jones are finding is that nature has a whole lot to offer, we just haven't sampled enough to see the diversity of what all is out there," Moore

Since sharing their research, Jones and Moore have been featured in the Washington Post, Scientific American, Science News and New Scientist.

ANSWERS

1) C. 2,000. 2) A. 50. 3) A. True. 4) D. Black Widow. 5) D. 3,000. 6) B. Seven. 7) D. 12

circadian clock that is that Stouffer said the men's see the reaction to them,

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To date, Mountain States spokeswoman Teresa Hicks said the FTC has yet to take formal legal action against the merger.

If the FTC does ch take the matter to court, Levine, Mountain States CEO, said last month that the attorney generals' offices would defend the state health departments' approval of the merger.

During the 30-day window, Hicks said the FTC did not provide any feedback or recommendations regarding the merger's review.

"The (COPA) certificate will be issued at closing. We are still preparing for closing, but it will occur no later than January 31," Hicks wrote in a message to the Press. "The lack of a certificate being issued to this point has nothing to do with the FTC, but rather to the fact that Tennessee tied issuance to the closing date of our merger. We have no concerns related to the current posture of the FTC or the issuance date of the COPA certificate."

Meanwhile, in Virginia, the Technical Advisory Panel is working diligently to construct index measures to evaluate the merger before the Cooperative Agreement certificate can actually be issued.

Appointed by Commissioner Marissa Levine the 15-member Technical Advisory Panel has already met twice in December and once in November to determine evidence-based quality, cost and access measures to objectively track the merger's advantages and disadvantages.

That panel is scheduled to meet again on Thursday.



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dren, it's just an unbelievable benefit, both for the person (giving) and for the person receiving the toy."The club donated 110 of the the Boys and Girls Club, 21 to the Haven of Mercy and 19 to the Southern Appalachian Ronald McDonald House.

club was looking for a project, and since several craftsmen are part of the club, they decided making toys were the way to go. While the whole men's

club had their hands in the project, Stouffer said it took about six people to do all the cutting, sanuing, pamung and assembling to get the toys ready for the holidays. Earlier this year, Stouffer said he brought a couple of toys to the hospital to

and Child Life Program Manager Amanda Ward said they were a big hit because of their uniqueness.

"There's so much nostalgia behind these toys," she said Mondav.

"Electronics have their attention nowadays, but it was interesting to see how many kids gravitated toward these because there's just nothing else like them on the toy shelves."



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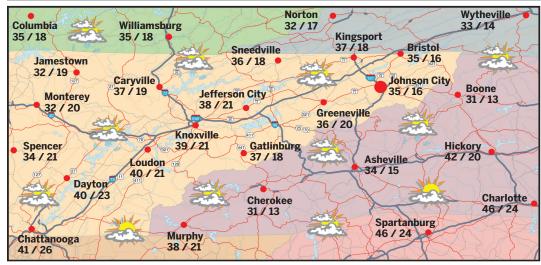
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LOCAL FORECAST

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 40% chance of snow showers, high temperature of 35°, humidity of 78%. West wind 11 to 15 mph. Snow accumulation of less than one inch possible. The record high temperature for today is 75° set in 1949. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 40% chance of snow showers, overnight low of 16°. West wind 9 to 14 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 5°. The record low for tonight is -5° set in 1962. Wednesday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 31°, humidity of 47%. West wind 3 to 9 mph. Wednesday night, skies will be partly cloudy with an overnight low of 24°. Southwest wind 5 mph.

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REGIONAL WEATHER FORECAST



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Temperature	
High yesterday	51°
Low yesterday	21°
Normal high	49°
Normal low	30°
Record high	78° in 2008
Record low	4° in 1937
Precipitation	
Past 24 hours	0.00"

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Watauga	1,975.0	1,951.7	0.0
Boone	1,385.0	1,352.3	+0.1
Henry	1,263.0	1,259.5	-0.1
Cherokee	1,075.0	1,045.7	-0.2
Douglas	1,002.0	954.7	-0.1
Fontana	1,710.0	1,653.1	-0.4
Norris	1,020.0	999.1	-0.2

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Sunset tomorrow	5:15 p.m.
Moonrise tomorrow	3:05 a.m.
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Teresa Ann Brooks

PINEY FLATS - Teresa Ann Brooks, 64, of Piney Flats passed away Friday, December 8, 2017 in the Vanderbilt University Medical Center. She was a native of Kingsport and was a daughter of the late Robert and Audrey Godsey Brock. Teresa was a Medical Assistant for many years and was a member of the Concordia Lutheran Church. She was also a member of the AAMA. Teresa was a 1971 graduate of Ketron High School in Kingsport. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She loved going to her grandkids ball games. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by a brother, Gerald Brock.

Survivors include her loving husband, Jimmy Brooks; a son, Sam Henry and wife, April; a daughter, Amanda Reed and husband, Jonathan; a brother, Bobby Brock and wife, Donna; four grandchildren, Christian and Jaiden Henry and Hailey and Rylan Reed; several nieces; also special friends, Tommy,

Funeral services for Teresa will be conducted at 7:00 PM Wednesday, December 13, 2017 in the East Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Home, 800 E. Watauga Avenue, Johnson City with Rev. Joe Hill officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5:00 PM until the service hour. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 AM Thursday in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Truxton Drive, Kingsport. Pallbearers will be selected from the family and friends. For those attending this service you are asked to meet at the cemetery by 10:45 AM.

The family would like to give special thanks to Natasha Kanipe, FNP and staff of Vanderbilt Medical Center and Holston Valley Medical Center.

Condolences may be made online at www.wadugger .com. Arrangements by Woodall-Anderson and Dugger Funeral Home, 108 W. Watauga Avenue, Johnson City. 423-928-2245



Juanita "Sue" Rittner

JONESBOROUGH -Juanita "Sue" Rittner, 83, Jonesborough, TN, went to be with the Lord on Friday morning, December 8, 2017 at the Life Care Center of Gray. When Sue passed away, she left us with snow.

Sue was a Navy wife for 52 years and she loved to travel. She volunteered her time and actively participated in the

National Association for Family and Community Education (F.C.E.), the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society (N.M.C.R.S.), and also volunteered in many different Veteran's homes and hospitals all over the country. Her volunteer work took her to almost every state in the USA and in her travels she acquired many dear and lifelong friends from all over the country.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Sarah Foxx; daughter, Dorothy Rittner; and her sister, Marguerite Greene with her husband, Robert.

Those left to cherish Sue's memories are her loving husband of 52 years, Gilbert Rittner; daughter, Maxine Mehne and her husband, Dallas of Indiana; son, Clarence Rittner of California; brother, Leo Foxx and wife, Becky of North Carolina: five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

SPECIAL THANKS to neighbors, Judy and David Rust, for all of the love and support you have given. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to Alzheimer's Tennessee by mail to Alzheimer's Tennessee Northeast Tennessee Office, 3212 Hanover Rd. Ste. 5, Johnson City, TN 37604 or online at www. alztennessee.org/give/donate-now.

It is the family's wish for Sue to be cremated and will not have any services at this time.

Memories and condolences may be shared at www. tetrickfuneralhome.com. Tetrick Funeral and Cremation Services, 3001 Peoples Street, Johnson City, TN 37604 (432) 610-7171 is honored to serve the Rittner family.







John Robert **Brinkley**

GRAY - John Robert Brinkley 78, of Gray went to be with the Lord Saturday December 9, 2017.

Arrangements are incomplete at this time and will be announced later by Gray Funeral Home. grayfuneralhome.net



Carl "Cotton" Miller

JOHNSON CITY - Carl Cotton" Miller, 90, of Johnson City, passed away Sunday, December 10, 2017 at Johnson City Medical Center.

Carl was a life-long resident of Washington County. He worked in freight transportation for much of his life and was a member of Johnson City Baptist Temple. He loved to fish, bowl, and coach

n't a Iohnson City Cardinals game to be watched.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Ethel Miller; his wife, JoAnne Greene Miller; five brothers, Paul Miller, John D. Miller, Jim Miller, Maynard Miller, and Roy Miller; four sisters, Stella Davis, Kate Sauls, Kathleen Kinley, and Edith

Survivors include: five daughters, Ella Elam, Brenda Privette, Mary (John) Ault, Teresa Miller, and Marsha (Gary) Johnson; one brother, R.C. (Bonnie) Miller; one sister, Ruby Christian; ten grandchildren, including Joshua Miller, Ashley Wilson, Buddy Miller, Jessica Elam, Greg Privette, Brian Privette, and Larry Privette. Jr.; as well as eighteen great grandchildren.

The family of Carl Miller will receive friends from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at Morris-Baker Funeral Home. Graveside services will follow on December 13, 2017 with Carl Bowman officiating. Friends and Family are asked to meet by 1:45 PM at McCarty Cemetery in Telford, Tennessee. Pallbearers will be: Greg Privette, Brian Privette, Larry Privette, Jr., Joshua Miller, Buddy Miller, and Austin Elam.

Memorial Contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Memories and condolences may be shared with the Miller family via www.morrisbaker.com.

Morris-Baker Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2001 E. Oakland Ave., Johnson City, is serving the Miller family. (423) 282-1521



Lois Ramey Wright

ELIZABETHTON -Lois Ramey Wright, 87, of Elizabethton, passed away on Sunday, December 10, 2017, at the Hillview Health Center. Mrs. Wright was the daughter of the late Hobart Paris Ramey and Ibbie Garnet (Adkins) Ramey and was born in Coeburn, VA. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, whom she married in 1948, John

Wayne Wright in 1985; siblings, E.L. "Buddy' Ramey; Ruby Meagher; Barnette Blevins; Charlotte Bruner, William "Bill" Ramey; and a son, Younger Wright.

Mrs. Wright was a 1948 graduate of Elizabethton High School and a member of First Christian Church where she was also a member of the Fidelis Sunday School Class. Mrs. Wright was an Assistant Vice-President at the Bank of Tennessee (Carter County Bank) where she worked most of her career before her retirement from the bank at the age of 75. She worked for 10 years at Burgie Drug Store prior to starting her career in banking. She was formerly in the Red Hat Society and she loved to square dance.

Those left to cherish her memory include a son, Philip Wright (Rhonda Reeves) of Johnson City; a daughter, Karen Wright, (Charlie Hughes) of Elizabethton; two grandsons, Travis Hughes, Elizabethton; Wes Wright (Nikki), of Elizabethton; a granddaughter, Chelsey Kirkland, (Ashton) of Johnson City; and three great-grandchildren, Braxton Wright, Julian Wright, and Nash Kirkland. Her sister, Jackie Pannell, of Elizabethton, as well as several nieces and nephews, also survive.

A service to honor the life of Mrs. Wright will be conducted on Wednesday, December 13, 2017, at 2:00 PM in the Chapel of Peace, Tetrick Funeral Home, Elizabethton, with Mr. Michael Klaus, minister, fficiating. The family will receive friends in the funeral home chapel from 1:00 - 2:00 PM on Wednesday prior to the service.

The committal service will follow the funeral service at Happy Valley Memorial Park on Wednesday. Active pallbearers will be selected from

family and friends.

Those who prefer memorials in lieu of flowers may make donations to First Christian Church, 513 Hattie Avenue, Elizabethton, TN 37643 or to the charity of their choice.

The family wishes to express a special thank you to the staff of Hillview Health Center for the love and care given to Mrs. Wright during her five years there. Online condolences may be shared with the family

on our website, www.tetrickfuneralhome.com. Mrs. Wright and her family are in the care of Tetrick Funeral Home, Elizabethton, office 423-542-2232,

service information and obituary line 423-543-4917

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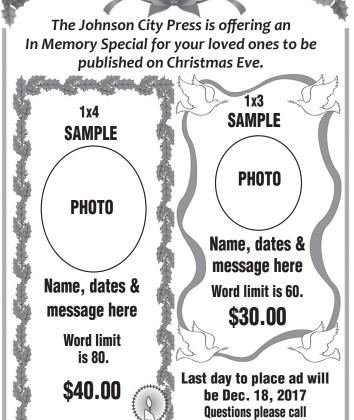
Holiday Deadlines for Obituaries are as follows:

Our offices will be closed on Christmas Day and we do not publish a Christmas Day paper.

Deadline for obituaries to run on Christmas Eve, Sunday, 12/24 and Tuesday, 12/26, will be 4:00 p.m. Saturday, 12/23.

Deadline for obituaries to run on New Year's Day is noon on Sunday, 12/31.

Deadline for obituaries to run Tuesday, 1/2, is noon on Monday, 1/1.



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Pipe bomb attack hits in NYC subway

By Colleen Long ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — A would-be suicide bomber inspired by Islamic State extremists strapped on a crude pipe bomb, slipped unnoticed into the nation's busiest subway system and set the device off at rush hour Monday in a scenario that New York has dreaded for years, authorities said.

In the end, the only serious wounds were to the suspect identified as Akayed Ullah, a 27-year-old Bangladeshi immigrant and former cab driver. But the attack sent terrified commuters fleeing through a smoky passageway, and three people suffered headaches and ringing ears from the first bomb blast in the subway in more than two decades.

"This was an attempted terrorist attack," Democratic Mayor Bill de Blasio said. "Thank God the perpetrator did not achieve his ultimate goals."

The suspect had looked as Islamic State propaganda online and told investigators he acted alone in retaliation for U.S. military aggression, law enforcement officials said.



Law enforcement officials work following an explosion near New York's Times Square on Monday. Police said a man with a pipe bomb strapped to him set off the crude device in an underground passageway under 42nd Street between Seventh and Eighth

In Washington, President Donald Trump said the explosion highlighted the need to change immigration policies, including the type of family-based visa

Ullah obtained to come to the U.S. in 2011. Such visas are "incompatible with national security," the Republican president said in a statement.

"America must fix its lax immigration system, which allows far too many dangerous, inadequately vetted people to access our country," said Trump, who

campaigned on cracking down on immigration.

The attack near Times Square came less than two months after eight people died near the World Trade Center in a truck attack authorities said was carried out by an Uzbek immigrant who

admired the Islamic State group.

Law enforcement officials said Ullah was inspired by IS but apparently did not have any direct contact with the group. Gov. Andrew Cuomo said there was no evidence, so far, of other bombs or a larger plot. He said officials were exploring whether Ullah had been on authorities' radar, but there was no indication yet that

Cuomo said there was reason to believe the attacker looked at bomb-making instructions online. Investigators described the

bomb as a low-tech explosive device attached to Ullah with 'Velcro and plastic ties." It was ignited with a Christmas light, matches and a nine-volt battery. The short pipe was packed with explosive powder but did not work as intended. It was not powerful enough to turn the pipe into deadly shrapnel, the officials

Alabama foes get in final licks before Tuesday's big vote

By Jay Reeves ASSOCIATED PRESS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Facing voters at last after the year's most bitter U.S. campaign, Alabama Republican Roy Moore cast himself Monday as the victim of a national barrage of unjust allegations of sexual misconduct with teenagers. Rival Doug Jones, hoping to become the state's first Democratic senator in two decades, declared their race was Alabama's referendum on "who we are and what we're going to tell our daughters.

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said in a robocall to Alabama voters that he badly needs Moore's own vote in the U.S. Senate. Former President Barack Obama and his vice president, Joe Biden, recorded calls for Jones seeking to break the GOP's lock on statewide office in Alabama. Whether the calls

President Donald Trump

would sway anyone so late in such a highly publicized campaign was an open question. So was the impact of a rash of false news stories that have appeared on social media spreading misinforma-

Always nice: Boys and Girls Club provides gifts, smiles to kids

By Brandon Paykamian PRESS STAFF WRITER

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Santa made a stop in Johnson City Monday afternoon to visit the Boys and Girls Club of Johnson City, where the organization held its annual afterschool Christmas Celebration.

With the help of community members, including Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church, Jubliee World Outreach and Cornerstone Church, organizers were able to provide each child with a Christmas meal, free presents and school supplies following a Christmas music performance from Kaylee Reining, Aubrey Sutphin and Jayden Morrisey.

Robin Crumley, president and CEO of the Boys and Girls Club of Johnson City, said the annual event started years ago to help serve the community while spreading Christmas cheer – a sure way to stay off Santa's

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"naughty list."

"Around Christmas time, you always think about what you can do for the people you serve, so the event has evolved throughout the years," she said. "Minimally, we want to provide each child with at least one gift of a value of about \$25 or more. We ask them for some special wishes, so they give us an idea of what they want.'

As with many after-school events at the Boys and Girls Club, free books were also made available.

"We always try to give out books because literacy is important to us, and we always try to give some gifts to the family and caregiver," she said. "And of course, we brought Santa and 'Elf on the Shelf' this year to keep the excitement of the season."

For more information on the Boys and Girls Club and how to get involved in future holiday events, visit the club's website at www.gokidz.org.

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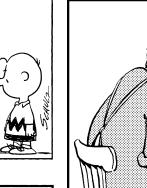
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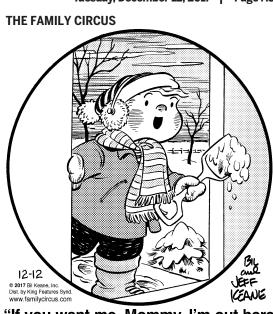
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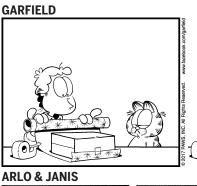
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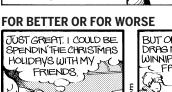
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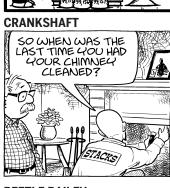






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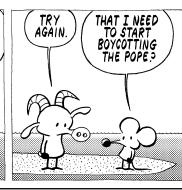














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DEATHS

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Thomas "Tommy" W. Altman

JOHNSON CITY -Thomas "Tommy" W. Altman, age 77, of Johnson City, went to be with the Lord following a lenthgy illness. Mr. Altman born on February 15, 1940 in Greene County to the late T.D. and Earlene Altman. He was a member of Oakland Avenue Baptist Church. Mr. Altman was formerly employed at Interstate

Foundry, Johnson City Foundry, and Kingsport Foundry. Tommy was an avid fisherman and hunter. He was a maintenance man and a great mechanic.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Kathy Dugger; brother, Jerry Atman; sister, Jean Deloach.

Survivors include his wife of 30 years, Becky Gillette Altman, Johnson City; a daughter, Teri Vines and husband Tim, Johnson City; two grandchildren, Andrew Dugger and Audrey King, both of Johnson City. Several great grandchildren also survive.

The funeral service for Mr. Altman will be conducted at 7:00 P.M. Tuesday, December 12, 2017 in the East Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Home with Rev. Roy Yelton officiating. The family will receive friends Tuesday from 5:00 until 7:00 P.M. in the East Parlor of the funeral home.

The graveside service and interment will be conducted at 1:00 P.M. Wednesday, December 13 at Monte Vista Memorial Park. Active pallbearers will be selected from family and friends. Honorary pallbearers will be Rocky Gillette, Dr. Jeff Farrow and Dr. Frank Forbush.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the funeral home to assist in the funeral expenses. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.appfh.net. Appalachian Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 800 E. Watauga Ave., Johnson City, is serving the Altman family. (423)

Alma Turnmire

Alma Dickerson Turnmire, 90, passed away Monday (Dec, 11, 2017) at her home. She lived in this area all her life and was the

co-owner of Turnmire Grocery.

Mrs. Turnmire was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Rev. John Turnmire, daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Kevan Hite, granddaughter, Wanda Turnmire, grandson, Michael Anderson, and great-grandchildren, Charity and

Surviving are her sons, Marvin Turnmire and wife Betty and Jerry Turnmire and wife Peggy; 9 grandchildren, Melissa Rush, Rhonda Turnmire, Jason Turnmire, Marvin Turnmire, Jr., Brandy Thompson, Matthew Turnmire, Eric and Brian Turnmire, and Freddie Provan, Jr.; 18 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Tuesday (Dec. 12, 2017) from 5-7 p.m. at the Fall Branch Chapel of Hamlett-Dobson Funeral Home.

Services will follow at 7:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Richard Tittle and Rev. Steve Wilson officiating.

Graveside services will be Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. at Cherry Hill Freewill Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers are grandsons and great-grandsons, Matthew Turnmire, Brian Turnmire, Marvin Turnmire Jr.. Eric Turnmire, Dakota Turnmire, and Silas Turnmire. Honorary pallbearers will be Jason Turnmire, Aron Singleton, Ralph Martin, and Ray

A special thanks to Mountain States Hospice for help and loving care of Alma.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be

made to Cherry Hill Freewill Baptist Church, 460 Ducktown Road, Limestone, TN 37681.



REGIONAL DEATHS

AZALEA LUCY ALLEN, 81, Blackwater, VA VIVIAN ANN BLEDSOE, 58, Duffield, VA JOHN ROBERT BRINKLEY, 78, Gray TERESA ANN BROOKS, 64, Piney Flats V.R. (VANDUIS) COURTNEY, Rogersville JOHN DAVID DAVIS, JR. SHARON RUTH DAVIS, 62, Church Hill

MARY ELIZABETH FULLER, 94, Hot Springs,

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CHARLES DONALD "C. DON" SMITH, Gate City, VA LOIS ANN WADEWITZ

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These obituaries may be read in today's edition of The Kingsport Times-News or online at www.timesnews.net



The hottest show in town?: A busy agenda brought a larger-than-normal crowd to Town Hall for Monday evening's Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting.

Tax breaks set

Erwin sweetens incentives for new, expanding industries

> By Sue Guinn Legg **Press Staff Writer** slegg@johnsoncitypress.com

ERWIN — On Monday, the Erwin Board of Mayor and Aldermen joined the Unicoi County Commission and the county's Industrial Development Board in authorizing a tax incentive package for new and expanding industries.

In other business, the board reviewed a very clean town audit of its fiscal year 2016-17, opted for a linear trial construction plan that will close Harris Hollow Road for approximately six weeks, and approved a \$25,000 land purchase to keep the linear trail entrance road and parking lot at the Highway 107 railroad overpass open.

The board's unanimous vote to approve the tax-incentive package was the final hurdle for an industrial recruiting tool that has been more than a year in the making.

Modeled after a payment in lieu of taxes plan used successfully by the city of Johnson City, the Capital Improvement Program was approved earlier in the day Monday by the Unicoi County Industrial Board, which will administer the plan, and by the Unicoi County Commission on Nov. 27.

The plan will allow the Joint Economic Development Board of Unicoi County and others working to recruit new and expanding industry to offer companies a five-year abatement of land taxes on any improvement they make to their property.

In order to qualify, new or existing industries must make a \$500,000 investment that will create a minimum of 10 new jobs paying at least 140 percent of minimum wage, or \$10.15 per

In his presentation of of the town's 2016-17 audit, Curtis Morrison, with the accounting firm Rodefer Moss & Co., told the board the "unmodified audit is an clean as you can get.'

The audit summary includes a breakdown of \$4.2 million in revenues, \$4.8 million in expenditures and an undesignated fund balance that came in approximately \$17,000 higher than the previous audit year.

Representatives of Summers-Taylor Construction presented the board two options for the linear trail expansion project, including one that would limit traffic on Harris Hollow Road to one lane from April 10 to July

Board returns from 3-year slumber

By Sue Guinn Lega **Press Staff Writer** slegg@johnsoncitypress.com

The Unicoi County Industrial Development Board reconvened Monday afternoon for the first time since 2014.

Up for the board's consideration was the proposed tax incentive package for new and expanding industries approved by the Unicoi County Commission on Nov. 27 and approved by the Erwin Board of Mayor and Aldermen later Monday evening.

Joint Economic Development Board of Unicoi County Director Tyler Engle presented the IDB with the Capital Investment Program plan and the set of minimum requirements under which its land-tax incentive may be offered.

Companies meeting those criteria will be eligible for abatement of tax on any improvements they make with annual, stepped tax increases over a 5-year period starting at zero and rising to 100 percent.

24, during which traffic backup would also result on two nearby feeder roads and the Interstate 26 ramp at Exit 36.

The second option, which was selected by the board, will close Harris Hollow Road entirely from April 10 to May 15 and save approximately \$45,000 in construction costs. Traffic will be rerouted around a mileand-a-half detour during the road closure.

Andrew Paduch presented the board with a request for the purchase of a linear trail entrance road and parking lot located on property he purchased between Highway 107 and the McDonald's restaurant.

Paduch told the board he had purchased the property with the intention of developing a \$500,000 ministorage facility and discovered the temporary easement while researching the deed for that purchase.

He said the easement includes a stipulation that it can terminated at any time with six months' notice from the owner, and while he did not want to close the road, he could not afford the liability of owning it.

Since the purchase, Paduch said the assessed value of the property has doubled, but he is willing to sell it to the town at the same price he paid for it in order to avoid shutting the

Town attorney Tom Seeley Jr. noted that Paduch has indicated he would exercise his option to close the road if the town did not buy the property,



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Woman charged with stealing car from McDonald's

From staff reports

A Virginia woman was charged with vehicle theft in Johnson City after police said she was found in Jonesborough with a car taken from a Boones Creek restaurant.

Cheryl Marie Anderson, 26, 116 Dogwood Terrace, Big Stone Gap, was arrested Sunday when a Tennessee Highway Patrol Trooper reported finding her at a McDonald's restaurant in Jonesborough in possession of a stolen car.

According to information released by the Johnson City Police Department, the vehicle was taken from Poblano's Mexican Grill & Bar, 2697 Boones Creek Road. Anderson was charged with motor

vehicle theft and booked into the Washington County Detention Center, where she is being held in lieu of \$5,000 bond. She was set to appear in Washington County Sessions Court on Monday.

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GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Johnson steps down at Elizabethton

Coach said resigning was 'difficult decision' with team off to 2-6 start

By Douglas Fritz

PRESS STAFF WRITER dfritz@johnsoncitypress.com

Elizabethton High School's girls basketball program moved into a new direction Monday.

Head coach Barry Johnson resigned. He will be replaced by interim coach Lucas Andrews. Taking over a program that

made four consecutive trips to the Class AA state tournament — but graduated four-year standouts Kayla Marosites and Kelci Marosites — Johnson led the Lady Cyclones to a 13-16 finish last season.

This year the Cyclones were off to a 2-6 start with an 0-2 mark in the Three Rivers Conference.

Johnson said the decision was a

"This was a difficult decision, especially the timing of it," said Johnson. "Personal things don't happen on a set time. I appreciate the support from (director of schools) Dr. Corey Gardenhour, principal Josh Boatman, and athletic directors Mike Wilson and Eddie Pless.

"I love our basketball team,



Johnson

coaches, and will miss them. Go Cyclones!"

Elizabethton athletic director Eddie Pless said Johnson made the decision Monday.

"He basically said he had prayed over it for quite a while," said Pless. "He said it was time for him to resign as girls head coach.'

Pless said part of Johnson's reasoning for making the decision during the season was having Andrews on his staff.

"He said there are people in place who are solid," said Pless. "He said he wasn't just leaving the program empty handed. There are solid basketball people there. He said it was in the best interests for him personally and the best interests of the program."

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DOUGLAS FRITZ HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Cyclones preparing for holiday tourney

Elizabethton moved up the dates for its Chick Fil-A Holiday Classic this year, so it won't be going head to head with the Arby's

It's an eight-team basketball tournament with games scheduled Dec. 20-22 at Treadway Gymnasium.

"That is a down time usually in the high school basketball schedule," said Cyclones athletic director Eddie Pless. "We just wanted to test the waters and see if the basketball purists wanted to come see quality basketball. And we won't be butting heads with the Arby's, which we know is established as the premier tournament in the area.'

Pless said this year's field is a good one.

"I think this is the best we've had," he said. "We're looking forward to seeing the type of athletes coming into our gym, and the different styles we will get to see."

Included in the mix is Ridgeway from the always tough Memphis area. Concord (N.C.) First Assembly and Antioch's Lighthouse Academy are also strong, said Pless. University School of Nashville is also in the mix along with local teams Sullivan Central, Chuckey-Doak and Happy Valley.

"Concord has seven kids who are 6-foot-4 or taller," said Pless. "They play in a league with Providence Day and Christ School. Lighthouse is a prep school that has a 6-foot-10 kid and a good guard that makes them go.'

The opening round on Dec. 20 will have Sullivan Central taking on University School of Nashville (3:30 p.m.), followed by Chuckey-Doak and Concord First Assembly (5). Elizabethton plays Lighthouse at 6:30, and Happy Valley battles Ridgeway at 8 p.m

The championship is Dec. 22 at 8 p.m.

Pless said Elizabethton appreciates Chick Fil-A for being the main sponsor of the tournament.

Football all-star game

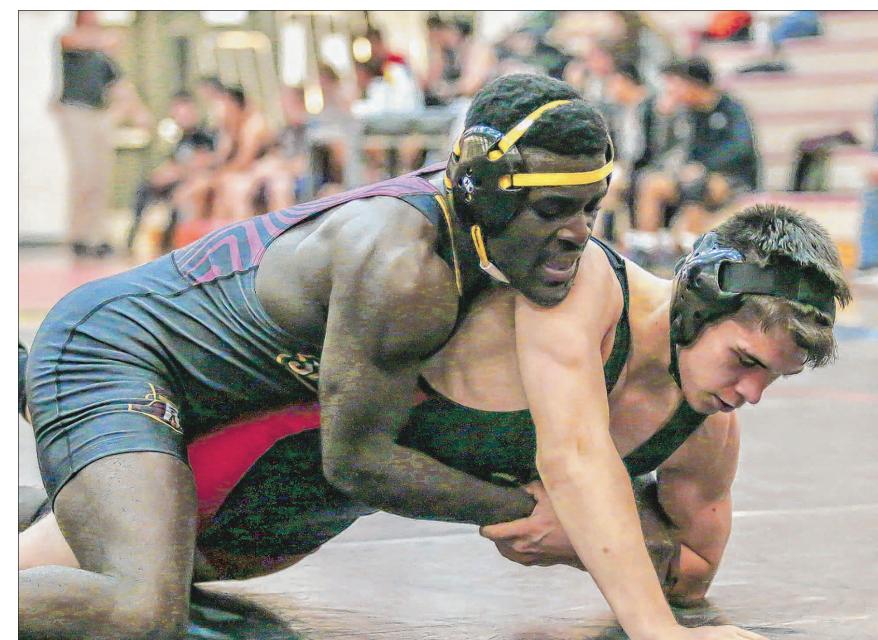
Science Hill's Jaylan Adams helped the East squad earn a 16-10 win over the West in the Toyota East vs. West Tennessee All-Star Classic on Friday in

Clarksville. Adams had a 20-yard

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HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

'No easy matches'



Science Hill's Arthur James is the state's top-ranked wrestler at 145 pounds.

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Relentless hard work has Science Hill wrestlers off to fast start

By Joe Avento PRESS STAFF WRITER

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A pretty special season is taking shape for the Science Hill High School wrestling team.

The Hilltoppers are ranked second among public schools in the Tennessee High School wrestling poll, and Coach Jimmy Miller says his team works for everything it gets. That's just the way he likes it.



Miller

"We're ranked high, but our kids are just kids, bluecollar kids," Miller said Monday. "They work hard. We may not have the best talent across the state, but our kids are

going to outwork other kids." The Hilltoppers are 9-1 and coming off a fourth-place finish in the Cleveland Duals, a meet that

boasted nine teams ranked in the

state poll. Among the wins in Cleveland were a 32-31 decision over defending state champion and third-ranked Bradley Central, a 31-30 victory over Baylor, ranked No. 3 in Division II, and a 49-18 thrashing of Knox Halls, ranked sixth among public schools. The Hilltoppers' only loss was a 36-21 setback to Christian Brothers, ranked second in Division II.

"It was a rough weekend, a

bloodbath down there," Miller said. "You're banging with a lot of good teams, battling for every point you get. There's no rounds off, no easy matches. Our schedule is tough and we're going to keep putting our kids in bad situations and see how we respond. We keep challenging them each and every week.'

On Monday, a day before a home meet with Jefferson County

See WRESTLERS, Page B2

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Indians dominate Crockett

Big second-half run helps D-B take control in win

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Physical and hard-nosed defense was the common factor between Dobyns-Bennett and David Crockett.

In a game that was a makeup from Friday's snow postponement, the Tribe took the lead early and never relinquished it in a 72-49 deci-

The Indians (7-4, 1-1) quickly jumped out to a 19-12 lead at the end of the first quarter thanks to a flurry of three straight steals in the backcourt that led to a pair of

3-pointers. Dobyns-Bennett opened up the second quarter with another barrage of steals as the Pioneers struggled to handle the

Despite the steals, Crockett (6-3, 1-1) remained in the game behind sharp shooting and good defense. The Indians led at the half 32-25 as both teams had 13 points in the second quarter.

The second half opened up the flood gates for the Indians as everything was going into the basket. They scored 11 straight points and led by 18, 43-25.

See **CROCKETT**, Page B3



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Crockett's Camara Bradley (11) skies for a layup.

BASKETBALL High school Science Hill David Crockett Dobyns-Bennett Daniel Boone Cherokee Tennessee High Unicoi County Sullivan Central Iohnson County 8 6 4 2 0 Happy Valley Elizabethton Watauga Valley All W North Greene

University High Cloudland Hampton Sullivan North Dobyns-Bennett 72, David Crockett 49 Hampton 75, Unicoi County 68 Tennessee High 68, Sullivan Central 49

Cocke County 80, Cherokee 64 Happy Valley at Unaka Unicoi County at Science Hill Elizabethton at Dobyns-Bennett Happy Valley at Cloudland Sullivan East at Volunteer

Sullivan South at Sullivan North North Greene at University High Thursday Johnson County at Unaka Volunteer at Sevier County Morristown East at Sullivan Central Hampton in Virginia High tourney

Science Hill in Cleveland Shootout Elizabethton at Happy Valley Unicoi County at Johnson County Union, Va. at Sullivan East Eastside, Va. vs. Tennessee High at Sullivan East, 5 p.m. Greeneville at Dobyns-Bennett Sullivan South at Cherokee
Hampton in Virginia High tourney
Cloudland at Sullivan North
North Greene at Chuckey-Doak Saturday Science Hill in Cleveland Shootout

Science Hill in Cleveland Shootout David Crockett at Elizabethton Eastside, Va. at Sullivan East Union, Va. vs. Tennessee High at Sullivan East, 6:30 p.m. Morristown West at Cherokee Hampton in Virginia High tourney Avery County, N.C. at Cloudland Hampton 75, Unicoi 68

HAMPTON (3-1) Livingston 3, Owens 17, Jones 12, Ma. Hughes 2, Bentley 13, Davenport 23, UNICOI COUNTY (7-2)

Thompson 6, Casey 2, Lingerfelt 5, Hensley 16, Podvin 18, Lowery 2, Simpson 17, O'Dell 2

Hampton 16 24 15 20 Unicoi Co. 17 12 19 20 3-point goals—Hampton 6 (Jones 3,
Owens 2, Hardin); Unicoi County 5 (Thomson 2, Hensley 2, Lingerfelt) GIRLS

Science Hill

Cloudland

Daniel Boone

Darlier Doorie	_	•			
Cherokee	1	1	5		
Dobyns-Bennett	1	1	5		
Volunteer	1	1	1		
Tennessee High	0	1	3		
David Crockett	0	3	1		
Three Rivers Confe	rence				
	Co	Conf.		II	
	W	L	W		
Sullivan South	2	0	4		
Sullivan East	1	0	5		
Johnson County	1	0	2		
Sullivan Central	1	1	3		
Unicoi County	1	1	5		
Happy Valley	0	2	3		
Elizabethton	0	2	2		
Watauga Valley Cor	nferen	ce			
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Sullivan North Hampton University High Monday
Dobyns-Bennett 74, David Crockett 46
Daniel Boone 79, Sullivan Central 60 Unicoi County 55, Hampton 43

Unaka 63, Happy Valley 43 Cocke County 43, Cherokee 34 Providence 55, Sullivan North 40 Unicoi County at Science Hill

Happy Valley at Cloudland Sullivan East at Volunteer Sullivan South at Sullivan North North Greene at University High Johnson County at Unaka

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and Lee County, Virginia,

Miller took his wrestlers

their matches from the

rected.

me wrong."

into the film room to watch

weekend. Then it was into

the gym to get things cor-

better," Miller said. "The

know what to expect. I

didn't know if our kids

could handle five tough

"We keep working to get

weekend was tough. I didn't

matches. I keep challenging

them and they keep proving

Peaking at the right time

"That's a hard one to pin

is the key, but that's not as

easy as it sounds in such a

physically and mentally

down," Miller said. "We

demanding sport.

Volunteer at Sevier County

SPORTSWAVES

Television

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

7 p.m. on ESPN2 — Mississippi St. at Cincinnati **7 p.m.** on ESPNU — Fordham at Rutgers **7 p.m.** on FS1 — St. Peter's at Seton Hall **9 p.m.** on ESPN2 — Michigan at Texas 9 p.m. on ESPNU — Albany (NY) at Memphis

7 p.m. on ESPN — L.A. Lakers at New York 9:30 p.m. on ESPN — Philadelphia at Minnesota

8 p.m. on NBCSN — Tampa Bay at St. Louis

SOCCER

12:20 p.m. on FS2 — Bundesliga, Wolfsburg vs. Leipzig **2:30 p.m.** on FS1 — Bundesliga, Mainz vs. Borussia Dortmund **2:30 p.m.** on FS2 — Bundesliga, Hamburg vs. Eintracht Frankfurt **3 p.m.** on NBCSN — Premier League, Huddersfield Town vs

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

7 p.m. on BTN — North Florida at Michigan

BOYS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

8 p.m. on WKPT (AM-1590, FM-97.7): Unicoi County at Science

8 p.m. on WBEJ (AM-1240, FM-107.9): Elizabethton at Dobyns-Bennett 8 p.m. on NASH ICON (FM-104.9): Sullivan South at Sullivan

GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

6:30 p.m. on WBEJ (AM-1240, FM-107.9): Elizabethton at Dobyns-Bennett

Philadelphia

Washington

Charlotte

Milwaukee

Central Division

Atlanta

Brooklyn **Southeast Division** 13 13 10 15

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Morristown East at Sullivan Central Friday
Science Hill in Cleveland Shootout
Elizabethton at Happy Valley
Unicoi County at Johnson County
Greeneville at Dobyns-Bennett
Sullivan South at Cherokee
Cloudland at Sullivan North
North Greene at Chuckey-Doak
Saturday
Science Hill in Cleveland Shootout
David Crockett at Elizabethton
Facteido Va at Sullivan Fact

Hampton in Virginia High tourney Avery County, N.C. at Cloudland Unaka 63, HV 43

HAPPY VALLEY (43)
Long 4, Green 11, Heneger 12, Absher 3,
Roberts 11, Lunceford 2. UNAKA (63) Sar. Tipton 7, Lexie Garland 12, Forney 2,

Sav. Tipton 11, Markland 8, Mayah
Parlier 21, Potter 2. **Happy Valley**8 11 16 8 - 43 **Unaka**18 15 17 13 - 63 3-point goals — HV (Henegar 4, Roberts), Unaka (Garland 4, Markland 2, Sar. Tipton, Sav. Tipton).

Dobyns-Bennett 74, David Crockett 46

DOBYNS-BENNETT (74) Waye 1 0-0 3, Ayers 2 3-4 8, Potts 2 0-0 4, L. Griffith 4 3-3 11, Whitson 10 1-1 21, Wallace 4 3-6 11, White 3 3-4 9, Lane 1 0-0 2, Domby 2 1-1 5. Totals 29 14-19 74. DAVID CROCKETT (46) Whitson 2 0-0 6, Palomino 0 2-4 2, Love 4 2-6 13, Scott 2 1-2 5, Gouge 8 4-5 20, Day

2-6 15, Scott 2 1-2 5, Goulge 6 4-5 20, Day 0-2 0, Totals 16 9-19 46. **Dobyns-Bennett** 13 15 20 26 - 74 **David Crockett** 8 20 8 10 - 46 3-point goals: D-B 2 (Waye, Ayers); David Crockett 5 (Lowe 3, Whitson 2). **Daniel Boone 79, Central 60**

SULLIVAN CENTRAL (60)
Sanders 14, Sams 9, Robinette 5,
Lemmin 11, Crawford 21. DANIEL BOONE (79) Culbertson 31, Sizemore 12, Jenkins 3, Carmichel 9, Carroll 3, Kosinski 6,

 Sullivan Central
 14
 13
 11
 22
 —
 60

 Daniel Boone
 22
 13
 18
 26
 —
 79

 3-point goals
 —
 Central
 4
 (3, Robinette
 12)

 Unicoi 55, Hampton 43 HAMPTON (1-7)
Campbell 13, Royston 2, Collins 2, Tuelle
21, Brumitt 2, Guinn 1, Hill 2
UNICOI COUNTY (5-3)

Hendrickson 9, Powers 6, Padgett 23, King 6, Street 2, Bailey 9 **Hampton** 8 5 19 11 - 43 **Unicoi Co.** 18 13 7 17 - 55

3-point goals—Hampton 1 (Campbell);

Unicoi County 3 (Powers 2, Hendrickson) **NBA** standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE GB Boston

WRESTLERS: Science Hill off to 9-1 start

getting better each and

have to really work hard on

every week, knowing there

is room for us to get better,

best we can be in February,

take a shot at this thing and

The Hilltoppers have six

classes. The latest rankings

It all starts with Arthur

James, who is ranked No. 1

James, who made the semi-

ment last year, is 15-3 so far

Chase Diehl is ranked

second at 160 with a 17-0

in the state at 145 pounds.

finals in the state tourna-

pray we stay healthy and

wrestlers ranked among

the top 10 in the state at

their respective weight

see what happens.'

came out Monday.

this season.

cations?

room to grow. We have to

figure out how to be the

Indiana 11 .593 Detroit Chicago 5
WESTERN CONFERENCE Southwest Division Houston .833 San Antonio New Orleans .704 Memphis 8 18 7 20 .308 .259 Northwest Division 16 11 14 12 13 12 13 14 12 13 .593 .538 .520 Minnesota Portland Utah .481 Oklahoma City
Pacific Division .480 **W** L 21 6 10 15 Golden State .400 L.A. Clippers 9 15 .375 9 19 .321 Phoenix 9 19
Sacramento 8 18
Sunday's Games
Toronto 102, Sacramento 87 .321 Boston 91, Detroit 81 Indiana 126, Denver 116, OT Minnesota 97, Dallas 92 New Orleans 131, Philadelphia 124 New York 111, Atlanta 107 Monday's Games Boston at Chicago Charlotte at Oklahoma City Miami at Memphis New Orleans at Houston Portland at Golden State Toronto at L.A. Clippers Tuesday's Games
Atlanta at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Denver at Detroit, 7 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at New York, 7 p.m. Washington at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m. San Antonio at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. Philadelphia at Minnesota, 9:30 p.m. Phoenix at Sacramento, 10 p.m. **Wednesday's Games** L.A. Clippers at Orlando, 7 p.m.

Memphis at Washington, 7 p.m.

Oklahoma City at Indiana, 7 p.m. Denver at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Portland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

Milwaukee at New Orleans, 8 p.m.

Charlotte at Houston, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Detroit at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

New York at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Cleveland, 8 p.m. Sacramento at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Toronto at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

Utah at Chicago

Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

College

Men's Associated Press poll The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 10, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

Pts Pvs

1. Villanova (41)	10-0	1598						
2. Michigan State (19)	9-1	1561						
3. Wichita State	8-1	1402						
4. Duke	11-1	1362						
5. Arizona State (5)	9-0	1316	1					
6. Miami	8-0	1272	1					
7. North Carolina	9-1	1237	1					
8. Kentucky	8-1	1227						
9. Texas A&M	8-1	1072						
10. Xavier	9-1	1044	1					
11. West Virginia	9-1	972	1					
12. Gonzaga	8-2	805	1.					
13. Kansas	7-2	760						
14. TCU	10-0	718	2					
15. Seton Hall	8-1	704	1					
16. Virginia	8-1	690	1					
17. Purdue	10-2	568	2					
18. Notre Dame	8-2	564						
19. Florida State	9-0	452	-					
20. Tennessee	7-1	342	2					
21. Baylor	7-2	281	2					
22. Florida	6-3	261						
23. Arizona	7-3	252	-					
24. Texas Tech	7-1	191	-					
25. Cincinnati	7-2	145	1					
Others receiving votes								
Oklahoma 72, Texas 52								
Arkansas 17, Virginia Tech 15,								
Minnesota 15, Nevada 13, Mississippi								
State 8, UCLA 6, SMU 6, Loyola of								
Chicago 5, Alabama 4, Georgia 3,								
Houston 3, Northern Iowa 3, Towson 3,								
Syracuse 2, Boise State 2, Middle								

Tennessee 1, Rhode Island 1. Women's Associated Press poll
The top 25 teams in The Associated
Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 10, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

	Rec	Pts	Pvs								
1. UConn (32)	8-0	800	1								
2. Notre Dame	9-1	749	3								
3. Louisville	11-0	736	4								
4. South Carolina	9-1	685	5								
5. Mississippi State	9-0	664	6								
6. Baylor	8-1	625	8								
7. Tennessee	10-0	620	11								
8. Texas	7-1	593	2								
9. Oregon	8-1	519	9								
10. West Virginia	9-0	504	10								
11. UCLA	7-2	459	7								
12. Florida State	10-0	443	13								
13. Ohio State	9-2	439	12								
14. Duke	8-2	390	14								
15. Maryland	9-2	354	15								
16. Missouri	9-1	293	17								
17. Oregon State	6-2	226	19								
18. Stanford	5-4	221	18								
19. Texas A&M	8-2	180	21								
20. Villanova	9-0	177	22								
21. Green Bay	8-1	147	23								
22. South Florida	7-2	141	16								
23. Michigan	8-2	116	24								
24. California	7-2	98	25								
25. Iowa	10-1	55	_								
Others receiving votes: Oklahoma State											
54, New Mexico 39, Syracuse 22,											
Oklahoma 12, Arizona State 10,											
Marquette 8, Southern Cal 8, Kentucky											
7 Courtly Dollars Chata											

7, South Dakota State 3, Rutgers 1, Florida Gulf Coast 1, Ball State 1. FOOTRALL

	FUUTBALL										
NFL standings AMERICAN CONFERENCE East											
		W	L	т	Pct	PF	PA				
	New England	10	2	0	.833	348	223				
	Buffalo	7	6	0	.538	240	290				
	Miami	5	7	0	.417	209	298				
	N.Y. Jets	5	8	0	.385	266	311				
	South										
		W			Pct						
	Jacksonville		4								
	Tennessee		5								
	Houston		9								
	Indianapolis	3	10	0	.231	212	343				
	North										
		W		Т	Pct	PF					
	y-Pittsburgh	11		0							
	Baltimore	7			.538						
	Cincinnati	5									
	Cleveland	0	13	0	.000	197	335				
	West			_							
		w		T		PF					
	Kansas City	7			.538						
	L.A. Chargers	7	-	-							
	Oakland	6		0	.462						
	Denver	4	9		.308	229	315				
NATIONAL CONFERENCE											

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Tampa Bay North Pct PF PA .769 309 235 Minnesota .538 338 329

Green Bay

record, while Tyler Seeley

Freshman Braxton Mann

(11-2) is fourth at 113, Luke

Science Hill starts at 6 p.m.

The Hilltoppers will put on

the Tony Farrace Duals on

play host to top teams from

Schools joining Science

Saturday, when they will

Tennessee, Alabama and

Hill in Saturday's event,

be Brentwood Academy,

Parkersburg South (West

Virginia), Riverside (West

Maryville, Morristown

Virginia) and Grissom

(Alabama).

West, Independence

which starts at 9 a.m., will

Story (20-1) is fifth at 138

and Joseph Frye (16-5) is

Tuesday's meet at

(19-1) is third at 120.

sixth at 132.

West Virginia.

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.538 285 302

Chicago 4 9 0 .308 224 274 West

W L T Pct PF PA 9 4 0 .692 396 265 8 5 0 .615 314 252 L.A. Rams Seattle Arizona 7 0 .462 231 317 3 10 0 .231 228 314 San Francisco y-clinched division

Dec. 10 Dallas 30, N.Y. Giants 10 Carolina 31, Minnesota 24 Chicago 33, Cincinnati 7 Kansas City 26, Oakland 15 Detroit 24, Tampa Bay 21 Buffalo 13, Indianapolis 7, OT Green Bay 27, Cleveland 21, OT San Francisco 26, Houston 16 Denver 23, N.Y. Jets 0 Arizona 12. Tennessee 7 L.A. Chargers 30, Washington 13

Jacksonville 30, Seattle 24 Philadelphia 43, L.A. Rams 35 Pittsburgh 39, Baltimore 38 New England at Miami Thursday's Game Denver at Indianapolis, 8:25 p.m. Saturday's Games Chicago at Detroit, 4:30 p.m. L.A. Chargers at Kansas City, 8:25 p.m.

Sunday's Games Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m. Cincinnati at Minnesota, 1 p.m. Houston at Jacksonville, 1 p.m. Arizona at Washington, 1 p.m. N.Y. Jets at New Orleans, 1 p.m Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.m. Green Bay at Carolina, 1 p.m. Baltimore at Cleveland, 1 p.m. L.A. Rams at Seattle, 4:05 p.m. New England at Pittsburgh, 4:25 p.m. Tennessee at San Francisco, 4:25 p.m. Dallas at Oakland, 8:30 p.m. Monday's Game Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 8:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

		GP	w	L	OT	Pts	GF	GΑ	
Ta	mpa Bay	29	21	6	2	44	110	74	
To	ronto	31	20	10	1	41	106	88	
Bo	ston	27	14	9	4	32	78	75	
M	ontreal	31	13	14	4	30	85	99	
De	troit	29	11	13	5	27	80	97	
Flo	orida	29	11	14	4	26	88	104	
Ot	tawa	28	9	12	7	25	77	98	
Bu	ıffalo	30	7	17	6	20	64	102	
Metropolitan Division									
		GP	W	L	ОΤ	Pts	GF	GA	
Co	lumbus	30	19	10	1	39	86	73	
W	ashington	30	18	11	1	37	94	88	
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 New Jersey
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 N.Y. Islanders
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 Pittsburgh
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 93
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 N.Y. Rangers
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 Central Division .. GP W LOTPts GF GA

31 21 8 2 44 104 78 29 18 7 4 40 95 84 30 17 8 5 39 102 86 29 15 11 3 33 87 87 Winnipeg Minnesota Dallas 30 16 13 1 33 89 89 30 14 11 5 33 90 82 28 13 13 2 28 90 94 GP W LOT Pts GF GA

31 20 8 3 43 97 68 29 19 9 1 39 103 91 29 16 10 3 35 79 69 30 16 12 2 34 88 94 30 14 12 4 32 81 85 30 12 11 7 31 80 89 Los Angeles Anaheim Edmonton 30 12 16 2 26 86 99 33 7 21 5 19 75 114 Sunday's Games Chicago 3, Arizona 1

St. Louis 3, Buffalo 2, OT Toronto 1, Edmonton 0 Minnesota 4, San Jose 3, OT Monday's Games
Colorado at Pittsburgh Dallas at N.Y. Rangers Washington at N.Y. Islanders Florida at Detroit Vancouver at Winnipeg Carolina at Anaheim Tuesday's Games Edmonton at Columbus, 7 p.m. Ottawa at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Washington, 7 p.m. Calgary at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Los Angeles at New Jersey, 7 p.m. Tampa Bay at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Florida at Chicago, 8:30 p.m. Carolina at Vegas, 10 p.m. Wednesday's Games Dallas at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m N.Y. Rangers at Ottawa, 7 p.m. Boston at Detroit, 8 p.m. Nashville at Vancouver, 10 p.m Thursday's Games Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. Washington at Boston, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Columbus, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Montreal, 7:30 p.m. Chicago at Winnipeg, 8 p.m Anaheim at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Toronto at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Florida at Colorado, 9 p.m. Tampa Bay at Arizona, 9 p.m. Nashville at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

San Jose at Calgary, 9 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Vegas, 10 p.m.

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Pless said he was surprised at Johnson's decision, but added he fully understood his reasoning.

As far as decision to turn things over to Andrews, Pless said it was an easy choice.

"He has the support of the other assistant coaches," said Pless. "He has been named the interim head coach for the remainder of the season. During that time, we will make a decision on how to handle things at the end of the season."

Andrews has previous head coaching experience, compiling a 34-27 record from 2015-17 with the Lady Highlanders at Cloudland.

The Lady Cyclones will get a quick opportunity to find out how their new coaches does things as they will travel to take on Dobyns-Bennett on Tuesday.

FRITZ: Girls basketball top 10 gets shuffled

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scoring run in the first quarter to give East a lead it would not relinquish. The Hilltoppers' senior carried five times for 24 yards while also completing 2 of 6 passes for 63 yards.

Defensively for the East squad, Elizabethton's Cameron Coleman had two tackles, one for loss.

Boys Games of the Week

• Unicoi County at Science

- North Greene at University High **FRIDAY**
- Elizabethton at Happy Valley • Unicoi County at Johnson
- County Starting as strong as any team in the area, Unicoi

County will get a test to see if

it can hang with the area's top-ranked team. ...

Where does UH fit in the Watauga Valley hierarchy? The home game against the

Huskies should provide some Does Friday's game between the Blue Devils and Longhorns have major Three Rivers Conference title impli-

Girls Games of the Week

• Elizabethton at Happy

- Valley • Unicoi County at Johnson
- County

With both the Lady Cyclones and Lady Warriors standing 0-2 in league play, only one of them can escape the cellar and try to get a

rough start ironed out. ... The Lady Longhorns have already opened some eyes.

Can they take another unexpected step?

Wrestling update Science Hill remained at

No. 4 in this week's state rankings. The Hilltoppers are still second among public schools. Cleveland is No. 1, followed

by Chattanooga McCallie and Memphis Christian Brothers. Chattanooga Baylor rounds out the top five.

Basketball rankings Everything remained the

same in this week's Top 10: Team (W-L) — Prv 1. Science Hill (8-2) - 1

2. David Crockett (6-2) - 23. Unicoi County (7-1) - 34. Daniel Boone (5-3) - 45. Dobyns-Bennett (5-4) - 5

7. Sullivan East (6-4) - 7

6. Johnson County (8-4) - 6

8. Sullivan Central (5-3) - 89. Cherokee (5-3) - 910. Tennessee High (2-4) - 10

After the top two teams, it's a jumbled mess in the girls' rankings. That has allowed Class A Cloudland to jump to No. 3, but there doesn't appear to be a lot of distance between the Lady Highlanders and 10th-ranked teams Unicoi County and North Greene. Team (W-L) — Prv

1. Daniel Boone (7-1) -1

2. Science Hill (9-0) - 23. Cloudland (8-1) - 54. Cherokee (5-3) - 4

5. Dobyns-Bennett (4-5) - 86. Sullivan South (4-5) — NR 7. Sullivan Central (3-2) - 3

8. Unaka (7-3) — 6 9. Sullivan East (5-6) — 9 10. Unicoi County (4-3) - 7

(tie) North Greene (7-1) - 10

BRIEFLY

ETSU ATHLETICS

Baseball releases 2018 schedule

First-year ETSU head baseball coach Joe Pennucci announced the 2018 baseball schedule Monday afternoon.

The Bucs will face non-conference opponents from eight different leagues, including the SEC, AAC, Conference USA, ASUN, Big South, OVC, CAA and the Horizon league.

ETSU will open its Southern Conference schedule on the road at Samford on March 23. Nonconference contests with Tennessee, Northern Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky and

Winthrop highlight the home schedule. "We are extremely excited about this schedule," Pennucci said. "Our early nonconference games will prepare for a tough SoCon schedule. This schedule gives our players a

compete against some elite opponents. The Bucs open the season Feb. 16 against Northern Kentucky for the ETSU's earliest opening game since 2015. Following a fourgame series with the Norse, ETSU will travel to reigning ASun champion Florida Gulf Coast

chance to see different parts of the county and

Feb. 23-25 for a three-game series. Beginning March 2, the Bucs will join three other Tennessee schools in the Smokies Tournament in Kodak. The three-day tournament includes contests with Tennessee, Middle Tennessee State and Memphis.

GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Culbertson powers Lady Blazers

Macie Culbertson cut loose for 31 points to pace Daniel Boone to a 79-60 win over Sullivan Central on Tuesday in Gray.

Sydney Pearce added 15 points and Emily Sizemore chipped in with 12 for Boone, which improved to 8-1.

Unaka runs past HV

Unaka's Maya Potter cut loose for 15 firsthalf points and finished with 21 in a 63-43 win over Happy Valley on Monday at Snavely Gym.

Teammate Lexie Garland added 12 points, connecting on four 3-pointers for Unaka (8-3). Savannah Tipton totaled 11 points. For Happy Valley, Adrienne Henegar had 12 points, Kaitlyn Roberts totaled 11 and Haley

Green added 11. **AUTO RACING**

Gragson to appear at BMS

Noah Gragson, driver for Kyle Busch Motorsports in the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series, will be visiting The Pinnacle Speedway in Lights and the Ice Rink on Tuesday. In addition to media hits and social opportunities, Gragson will also participate in a meet-and-greet with fans from 7:15 to 8 p.m. The appearance will take place at the Christmas Village in the infield.

Gragson is a rising star in the racing world and picked up his first NASCAR national series win this past season. He will be one of the title favorites for the 2018 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series championship. Gragson also competed at the inaugural Short Track U.S. Nationals at BMS and is an accomplished Super Late Model racer.

GOLF

Tours to eliminate penalty for reviews

Players no longer will be penalized two shots for an incorrect scorecard if they were not aware of a rules violation when they signed

The USGA and R&A also will no longer respond to most TV viewers' calls during the tournament. Rescinding the scorecard penalty, famously

applied to Lexi Thompson at the LPGA Tour's first major last April, is part of a broader standard for using video. Thompson had a three-shot lead in the final

round of the ANA Inspiration when a TV viewer noticed she had improperly replaced her golf ball on the green during the third round. She was penalized two shots for the infraction. Because that would have made her score two shots higher, she received an additional two-shot penalty for the scorecard error.

That became a four-shot penalty in the final hour of the tournament. Thompson rallied, but eventually lost to So Yeon Ryu in a playoff.

NL MVP Stanton joins Yankees

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Now slugging for the Bronx Bombers, Giancarlo Stanton. The New York Yankees announced Monday

they'd acquired Stanton from the Miami Marlins, getting the NL MVP and cash from Miami for Starlin Castro and two minor leaguers, right-hander Jorge Guzman and infielder Jose Devers.

The 28-year-old outfielder is still owed \$295 million over the final decade of his record \$325 million, 13-year contract.

Stanton led the majors with 59 home runs and 132 RBIs last season. Once he puts on the pinstripes, Stanton will pair with Aaron Judge, the 6-foot-7 rookie who was second in the majors with 52 homers.

Eagles' Wentz out for season PHILADELPHIA — Eagles star quarterback

Carson Wentz has a torn left ACL and will miss rest of the season and playoffs, coach Doug Pederson confirmed. Wentz, a favorite in the NFL MVP race, had

an MRI on Monday that revealed the severity of the injury. Wentz was hurt late in the third quarter Sunday at Los Angeles. Backup Nick Foles rallied the Eagles (11-2) to a 43-35 win over the Rams that secured the NFC East title and put them in first place in the conference with three games remaining. After starting all 16 games as a rookie, Wentz

made a giant leap this year. He passed for 3,296 yards and set a franchise single-season record with 33 touchdown passes while only tossing seven interceptions.

- from staff & wire reports

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Hampton fights off Unicoi County

PRESS STAFF WRITER jbirchfield@johnsoncitypress.com

ERWIN — Hampton raced out to a 14-point, first-half lead and then took Unicoi County's best shot in the second half in a 75-68 nonconference boys basketball win Monday night at the Devils Den.

Hunter Davenport led the way for the Bulldogs (3-1) with a game-high 23 points. Eight of them came in a decisive final quarter.

"Our kids played extremely hard from the bottom to the top, Hampton coach Ned Smith said. "Hunter played so hard for us. He's quick, he's got a quick first step and he took it to the basket.'

He certainly did as four Hampton players finished in double figures. Dru Owens had 17 points, followed by Jordan Bentley with 13 and Jonah Jones with 12. Javdon Livingston led Hampton with six rebounds and five assists.

The Blue Devils fell to 7-2 and the schedule doesn't get any easier this week with road games at Science Hill and Johnson County.



Unicoi County's Troy Podvin goes up for a shot against Hampton's Hunter Davenport. Podvin led the Blue Devils with 18 points.

Down 17-16 at the end of one quarter, the Bulldogs dominated the second quarter, taking a 14-point lead at one point and holding a 40-29 advantage at the half.

Unicoi County pulled within single digits (55-48) at the end of three quarters and Brock Thompson and Trevor Hensley knocked down back-toback, 3-point shots to cut Hampton's lead to a single point. Troy Podvin then used his left hand for a

layup off an assist from Hensley to give the Blue Devils their first lead since the first quarter. Davenport responded on

the other end for Hampton and the teams traded the lead two more times over the next minute. But, Davenport and the 'Dogs were tougher, making more plays down the stretch.

Podvin led Unicoi County with 18 points, followed by Clay Simpson with 17 and Hensley with 16.

Unicoi County 55, Hampton 43

Halie Padgett had 23 points and 10 rebounds as the Lady Devils (5-3) jumped on the Lady Bulldogs (1-7) early and withstood a pair of second-half rallies for the nonconference victory.

The Lady Devils led 18-8 at the end of one quarter and 31-13 at the half. Hampton clawed its way back into the game by scoring the first 10 points of the third quarter as part of a larger 17-1 run.

Kenedy King stemmed the tide with a 3-pointer, and Padgett scored off an old-fashioned 3-point play as Unicoi County led 38-32 after three quarters.

Unicoi County pushed the lead 13 points (49-36) in the final period before the Lady Bulldogs responded with seven straight points. King again turned the tide, this time with a bank shot with 1:43 left.

Kaylee Hendrickson and Kaitlin Bailey each contributed nine points in the Unicoi victory. Shyanne Tuelle led Hampton with 21 points and Stephanie Campbell scored 13.

TENNESSEE FOOTBALL

Vols' scrapped deal with Schiano was worth \$27M

Coach accepted 6-year contract before backlash caused AD Currie to back out

By Steve Megargee
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

 ${\tt KNOXVILLE-Former}$ Tennessee athletic director John Currie and Greg Schiano signed a memorandum of understanding to make the Ohio State defensive coordinator the new Volunteers football coach before the deal fell apart amid a public backlash.

The memorandum of understanding, obtained through a public records request, states Schiano would have received a sixyear, \$27 million contract. Tennessee officials say they believe the document isn't legally binding because it was never signed by the school's chief financial officer.

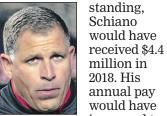
Tennessee Chancellor Beverly Davenport also didn't sign the document with Schiano.

Currie was suspended and replaced by Phillip Fulmer on Dec. 1, five days after the Schiano deal fell through. Fulmer took over the search and announced the hiring of Alabama defensive coordinator Jeremy Pruitt on Thursday.

The memorandum that accompanied Pruitt's hiring included signatures from Pruitt, Davenport, Fulmer and chief financial officer David L. Miller. Pruitt agreed to a six-year deal paying him \$3.8 million annually plus other bene-

Tennessee was seeking a coach to replace Butch Jones, who was fired Nov. 12 after going 34-27 in five seasons. Tennessee went 4-8 this year and set a school record for losses.

Under the terms in the memorandum of under-



million in 2018. His annual pay would have increased to \$4.45 million

in 2019, \$4.5 million each in 2020 and 2021, \$4.55 million in 2022 and \$4.6 million in When word got out on

Nov. 26 that Tennessee had contacted Schiano about its coaching vacancy, fans and state politicians wasted no time venting their frustrations. Four Republican gubernatorial candidates and at least three Tennessee state representatives issued tweets or statements criticizing the school for considering the former Rutgers and Tampa Bay Buccaneers coach. About 100 people participated in a

They said their complaints stemmed from Schiano's background as an assistant at Penn State during Jerry Sandusky's tenure as the Nittany Lions' defensive coordinator. Sandusky is serving 30 to 60years in prison for his conviction on 45 counts of sexual abuse.

protest on campus.

Court documents released last year of a deposition in a case related to the Sandusky scandal included hearsay testimony suggesting Schiano might have been aware of Sandusky's sexual abuse against children, though Schiano has said he never saw abuse or had any reason to suspect it while working at Penn State. The prosecutors involved in the case didn't investigate the Schiano's comments.

CROCKETT: Girls fall to Dobyns-Bennett

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The Pioneers slowly climbed back into the game with under five minutes left, trimming the deficit to 12 points, but they could not overcome the scrappy defense from D-B. The Indians led at the end of the third period, 51-37.

In the fourth quarter, the Indians stretched the lead to as much as 19 points.

Marae Foreman led the Indians with 13 points while Jordan Hensley led the Pioneers with 12 points. The Indians shot 52 percent (30-58) and the Pioneers shot just 41 percent (20-49).

Dobyns-Bennett 74, **David Crockett 46**

It was a tale of two halves for the Lady Indians.

The game was close for about two and a half quarters before Dobyns-Bennett finally seized con-

The Lady Pioneers started out well, forcing turnovers and bad shots. Near the end of the first quarter, Crockett was well within striking distance only trailing by a couple of possessions at 13-8.

The momentum started to swing more in the way of D-B as the second

Tribe built a seven point lead. Crockett fought back and erased the deficit to tie the game at 23 apiece with just over a minute left in the half. Emma Gouge and Kassie Lowe were big spark plugs for Crockett as they got all of the points in a 10-3 run to end the half.

quarter opened and the

The game was surprisingly tied at 28 at the half.

When the second half started, the Tribe quickly built a six point lead with over four minutes to play. The defense was also beginning to overwhelm the Lady Pioneers with fullcourt pressure and unforced errors.

The size advantage was

also taking a toll as Courtney Whitson took over for the Lady Indians in the low post in the third quarter. D-B was beginning to pull away in the third as they exited the quarter with a 48-36 lead.

Before the five minute mark in the fourth quarter, the lead had swelled to 20 points and a multitude of fouls had been called, including seven fouls in just a minute and fifteen seconds.

Whitson led all scorers with 21 for D-B. Caitlyn Wallace and Lily Griffith each had 11 for the Tribe.

Gouge led Crockett with points while Kassie Lowe chipped in with 13 points.

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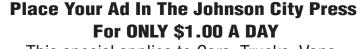
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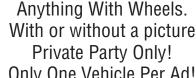
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Now I'm faced with a problem for which I see no solution. My husband refuses to learn to use a computer. He knows nothing about computers, not even how to turn one on!

As you know, computers are now key to even the most fundamental tasks. That means, as the only computer user in the house, all tasks are MY responsibility. Banking, bill paying, communication with family, friends, lawyers, financial advisers, arrangements for social events, business meetings, medical appointments, travel and other activities are totally up to me. He does NONE of it! He washes the dishes and takes out the trash, but any function that requires brains and technology are totally left to me.

I'm tired! Is this fair? I've asked many times for him to go to our public library and take lessons on computer use, but he adamantly refuses. How do I handle this?—*It's All On Me*

DEAR ALL ON YOU: After 40 years you are not going to change your husband, so appreciate the things he does do. I know you're tired and it may not seem fair, but grit your teeth and forge ahead

You have no idea how lucky you really are. Many wives know little or nothing about the family finances. If something unforeseen happens to their husbands, they are left scrambling to learn about realities for which they are not equipped.

DEAR ABBY: I am a widow, and I often dine out with my youngest son. Invariably, because I have a 25-year-old man with me and no husband, we are shown to an undesirable table in the restaurant. Usually, I say nothing.

This evening, we were escorted to a room way in the back of a large restaurant (two-thirds full). The only other occupants were a couple with two small children who looked to be about 2 or 3. When I requested a different table, my son was furious. He said what I had done was rude.

We were moved to another table. It was between the hostess station and the kitchen door. I sat there and said nothing. This was an expensive restaurant, and our bill was more than \$100. Was I rude? I would appreciate your opinion.— *New*

DEAR NEW SEAT: Your son was mistaken. To ask to be seated at a table in a different part of the restaurant was not rude; it was your prerogative. If you preferred a location in the front of the place rather than near the kitchen or a family with small children, you should have repeated your request. And if the host or hostess had a problem with it, you should have left and enjoyed dinner at a restaurant more accommodating than that

Prime Time Highlights

8 p.m. on 2 WETP **Finding Your Roots**

The title "Southern Roots" specifies the geography considered by this new episode — but it's also a clever play on words, since one of the personalities learning his genealogy from Professor Henry Louis Gates Jr. is Questlove, whose group The Roots is the house band on "The Tonight Show With Jimmy Fallon." Daytime-television staple Dr. Phil McGraw and veteran journalist Charlayne Hunter-Gault also learn portions of their family histories here.

8 p.m. on CW **Greatest Holiday** Commercials Countdown 2017

Seasonal ads from the past have been combined for specials before, and as with the 2016 edition of this offering, the newest edition takes "The 12 Days of Christmas" as its approach — with one commercial representing each of those days. "Entertainment Tonight's" Kevin Frazier and Keltie Knight reunited again to present the sales pitches in question — some of which are amusing, while others are heart-tugging. And some are domestic, and some are foreign.

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ON BRIDGE

There is one other inde-

pendently published maga-

zine in English: Australian

Bridge (australianbridge.

com). There are six issues

instructive articles for dif-

ferent levels of player and

East in this deal won a

brilliancy award for his

Today, I think East

double. South's jump to

two spades showed some

7-9 (maybe 10) points by a

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec.

21) - You'll thrive on being chal-

lenged. Your ability to take what-

ever is thrown at you and turn it

into something great will put you

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Choose your words wisely and

force, to get what you want. Trying

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) —

to pressure or manipulate others

use common sense, not brute

will result in a stalemate. Offer

Intellect, desire and a plan that

will help you stick to a strict

budget while still enjoying the

interests and pastimes that make

you happy will help you succeed.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -

You'll have to use common sense

when dealing with partners, col-

leagues and matters that could

interest

for romance.

influence your position, status or

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -

Make a change that will improve

your standard of living and ease

your everyday stress. Better life

choices will give you more time

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -

reputation. Honesty is in your best

positive suggestions.

in a leadership category

would have bid one heart

per annum, with tourna-

ment reports, quizzes,

bidding competitions.

defense 21 years ago.

over North's takeout

HOROSCOPE



9 p.m. on WJHL Bull

A youngster (quest star Annabelle Wachtel) who wants to be emancipated from her parents seeks Bull's (Michael Weatherly) help in the new episode "Home for the Holidays." He gets more than he bargained for when he's court-ordered to be her guardian, at least for the time being. Marissa (Geneva Carr) is alarmed by what she finds out about her boyfriend (guest star Gary Wilmes).

9 p.m. on **5** WCYB Gwen Stefani's You Make It Feel Like Christmas

Her voice has been missing from "The Voice" lately, but music superstar and three-time Grammy Award winner Gwen Stefani remains very much in business

The bridge story from down under

passed hand. Since South

might have had only four

spades, North might have

cue-bid three clubs, which

typically announces game-

going values but with only

three-card support. Note

also that three no-trump

would surely have made.

West led a low club.

Declarer won with dum-

trumps with the aid of a

discarded three clubs.)

diamond queen, which

Fruewirth (East) played

low smoothly. South con-

tinued with his diamond

Thompson (West) made

the excellent play of the

jack, declarer ducked in

the dummy. West exited

won and confidently

king out of his back

DECEMBER 12, 2017: Take what you've done in the past and find a way

to make it work for you now. Diversification will be in your best interest.

Bring about change that will keep you up to date with the latest tech-

nology and methods so you can remain competitive and gain respect.

inevitable.

my's 10. However, sud-

denly East produced the

Take care of personal finances,

health issues and any pending

settlements before it's too late.

Let go of the past and accept the

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) —

make changes that someone

You'll face opposition if you try to

doesn't want. Expect a rival to use

tactics that can undermine you

and your plans. Have alternative

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -

Don't let your emotions take the

Keeping the peace is in your best

f LEO (July~23-Aug.~22) — Fix up

something with the youngsters in

interest. Be ready and willing to

your place. Add to your home

your family that will get them

excited about upcoming events.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) —

Use your intelligence and insight

to get others to see things your

tics are not recommended; per-

Taking a day trip or doing some-

suasion is the way to go. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) —

way. Manipulative or forceful tac-

entertainment system or do

reins. Avoid getting into a spat

with anyone at work or home.

possibilities in place.

compromise.

with the club king. South

played a diamond to dum-

nine, and after Ben

finesse through East. (West

Now declarer ran the

won the trick when Robert

my's queen and drew

with NBC, as proven by her headlining of this new offering that offers many favorite songs of the season ... with her distinctive twists. Guests include Blake Shelton — the title star's significant other — as well as Seth MacFarlane, Chelsea Handler, Ne-Yo and former "Dr. Ken" star Ken Jeong.

The Mayor

"It's a Wonderful Life" for Courtney (Brandon Micheal Hall), who follows in the footsteps of many other television characters who have sampled that movie's theme, in the new episode "Grey Christmas." He becomes determined to help the city's needy and homeless, though he doesn't have the budget to do what he wants to accomplish. David Spade continues his recur-

Yvette Nicole Brown also star. 10 p.m. on **5** WCYB Chicago Med

ring guest role. Lea Michele and

The new episode "Naughty or Nice" adds a major wrinkle to the shooting of Dr. Charles (Oliver Platt), given a discovery he makes about his assailant. A cheating husband's medical condition puts Will and Natalie (Nick Gehlfuss, Torrey DeVitto) in a tough spot. A patient's death escalates the discord between Goodwin (S. Epatha Merkerson) and the hospital board.

A 10 8 7

♠ Q 10 5 4 2 ♥ 10 7

South

♦ Q 9 3 ♣ A 8 6

Vulnerable: Both

Opening lead: 4 5

pocket. Then, after a heart

to the ace, West cashed the

club jack to defeat the con-

played for West to hold the

have hurt South to take the

heart ace. So it could not

diamond jack with dum-

my's ace and play a third

round of the suit. Still, if

your opponents never err,

you will have trouble win-

..showing all the symptoms

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thing to help your community will

be enlightening. If you share your

thoughts with a friend or sibling,

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -

addressed. You may want to make

finances or documents before the

some changes to your personal

year's end. Look for alternative

Horoscopes are for amusement

only and have no scientific basis.

ways to live that will be more

together you can make some

one's dream come true.

Money matters should be

declarer should have

Great defense, but surely

West North

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Dealer: South

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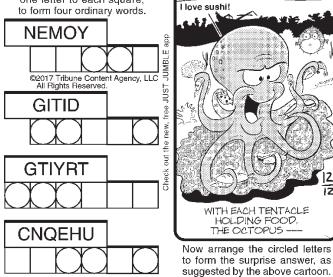
Previous Solution: "I loved my role on 'Who's the Boss?' There's always some of me in every character I play." - Judith Light

TODAY'S CLUE: 9 SIENDO M

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square,

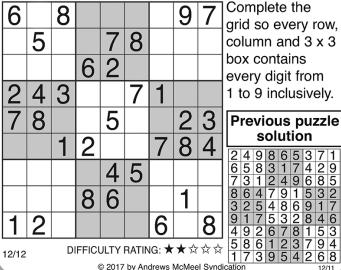


(Answers tomorrow) DOILY FORGET ROTATE

Yesterday's

Jumbles: MANLY Answer: They spent the day with their daughter's children and had a - GRAND TIME

SUDOKU



CROSSWORD



11 Peak for Heidi 12 Seaweed derivative 13 Miff 15 Wary

17 Pale and brown, for two 18 Disguises 19 Travel papers 20 Pasture 22 Hogan or

23 Elongated circle 26 Weight deduction 28 State-ofthe-art

candy 32 Have bills

abbr. 36 Zip 37 Chatty

alien of TV 38 Balmy

no-no (hyph.) 46 Throbs 50 Disco dancer 51 Saying from memory

55 Trip 56 — to

31 Foilwrapped

to pay 33 Pitcher's 34 French monarch

35 Calendar

54 Cuddled around

the sun be tied 57 Coloring 58 House shaders 59 Badges

and such **DOWN** 1 Composer 2 Asian

range 3 Tater 5 Vanity 6 T, in Athens

7 Pause

fillers

8 Tiny particle

4 Employee's hope

40 Wash away 42 Split — 9 Fixes a squeak 10 Tearful (nitpick) 43 Gross! request 44 Having digits 45 Hideous

14 Double curve 16 Notifies 19 Sweater 21 Nuclear 22 Starr of

player (hyph.) 48 Oklahóma the comics town 23 Slimy 49 Cpls. vegetable 24 Fat fiddle 25 Get real!

bosses 51 Ham on 52 Electric (2 wds.) 27 Àrmy 53 Trippet

47 Record

no-show 28 Fastidious

29 Sea eagle 30 Wits 36 Piece of land 38 Atlas abbr.

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• Unclear on the Concept: In Iowa, autumn is breeding season for deer, when the animals can get a little wacky and try to cross roadways. It's also the time of year when the Iowa Department of Transportation begins fielding questions from drivers asking why deer crossing signs aren't erected at safer spots for deer to cross. "This sign isn't intended to tell deer where to cross," the Iowa DOT helpfully posted on its Facebook page on Oct. 24, according to the Des Moines Register. "It's for drivers to be alert that deer have

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been in this area in the past." State Farm Insurance reports that Iowa drivers have the fourth-highest likelihood in the U.S. of hitting a deer. Coincidence?

GRIZZWELLS



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IN 1787, Pennsylvania became the second state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

IN 1901, the first trans-Atlantic radio transmission was received by inventor Guglielmo Marconi in Newfoundland.

IN 2012, North Korea successfully launched Kwangmyongsong-3 Unit 2, its first satellite.

Jay (1745-1829), first chief

justice of the United States; William Lloyd Garrison (1805-1879), journalist/abolitionist; Gustave Flaubert (1821-1880), novelist; Edvard Munch (1863-1944), artist; Edward G. Robinson (1893-1973), actor; Frank Sinatra (1915-1998), singer; Bob Barker (1923-), TV personality: Dionne Warwick (1940-), singer; Bill Nighy **TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS** – John (1949-), actor; Royce Gracie (1966-), mixed martial

artist; Jennifer Connelly (1970-), actress; Mayim Bialik (1975-), actress.

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By: <u>.Jim R. Williams</u> Attorney for the Estate 324 Cherokee Street Kingsport, TN 37660 (423) 230-0006

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PROBATE # P170183 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of December 2017, Letters of Testamentary in respect of the Estate of John R. Graybeal, who died December 8, 2017, were issued to the under signed by the Probate Court, of Carter County Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

1. (A) Four months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication as described in (1) (A): or 2. Twelve months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 11th day of December, 2017

G. Richard Johnson Personal Representative for the Estate

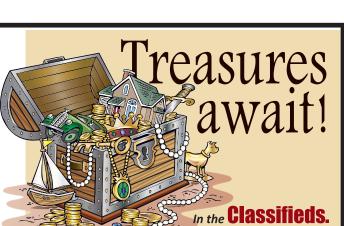
John R Graybeal

Deceased

David Bush Norris, Bush and Byrd Attorney for the Estate 110 South Main Street Elizabethton, TN 37643 (423) 543-6050

> Melissa Moreland Clerk and Master

Pub 2T: 12/12/2017 & 12/19/2017



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INVITATION TO BID

Separate sealed bids for the 2018 Morristown-Hamblen High School West Batting Cage, Morristown, TN 37813 will be received at the office of the Supervisor of Maintenance at 353 Boyd School Road, Morristown, TN 37813, until 10:30 a.m. local time on January 2, 2018, at which time they will be opened. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the type of bid clearly marked on the outside of the envelope.

Project consists of construction of a new Batting Cage building adjacent to the baseball field on the campus of Morristown-Hamblen High School West. Questions shall be directed, in writing, to the project engineer, T. Clint Harrison, P.E. by emailing to charrisoneng@gmail.com. Bid packets and contract documents may be examined at the following:

Supervisor of Maintenance Office 353 Boyd School Road Morristown, TN 37813 Office Hours: 7:30 – 3:30 M-F

Hamblen County Board of Education reserves the right to accept / reject

Bid packets may be obtained by purchasing desired number of sets at the office of Rix Copies located at 369 East Economy Road, Morristown, TN 37814 (423) 317-0011. You may also email T. Clint Harrison, P.E. at char isoneng@gmail.com to obtain PDF copies via email. (no phone calls places)

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

Sealed bids for Re-roof Meadowview Middle School, located in Hamblen County, Tennessee will be received until 10:00 A. M. local time, on January 30, 2018 at the Hamblen County Schools Facility Maintenance Department Office, 353 Boyd School Road, Morristown, TN, 37813 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Mark plainly on the Bid Envelope: **RE-ROOF MEADOWVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Lester Digital Reprographics, LLC 1633 West Main Street, Suite 900 Lebanon, TN 37087-3375 Telephone: 615-443-3033 www.ldrplanroom.com

Contract Documents will be available for the cost of reproduction at:

5% Bidders Bond is required.

Hamblen County Board reserves the right to accept / reject any / all

Performance Bond and Payment Bond in the full amount of the bid All bidders must be licensed Contractors as required by the Con-

tractors Licensing Act of 1976, as currently amended. Late Bids will not be accepted

A mandatory prebid conference shall be held 10:00 A. M. January 9, 2018 at the Meadowview Middle School, 1623 Meadowview Lane, Morristown, TN, 37814

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **January 4, 2018 at 10:00AM local time,** at the front door on Main St, Carter County Courthouse, 801 East Elk Avenue, Elizabethton, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Allison Cornett and Justin Cornett, to John J. Owens, Trustee, as trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Ameritrust Mortgage Company on November 21, 2006 at Book T788, Page 452; conducted by Shapiro & Ingle, LLP, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Carter County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable

Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: The Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-1, its successors

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

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

SITUATE in the 151th Civil District of Carter County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows: BEING all of Lot 1 of the Darrell Bowers and Jerry Bowers Tract as shown on map or plat of record at Plat Book B, Page 248, in the Register's Office for Carter County, Tennessee to which reference is herein made and incorporated herein for a more complete description of the

BEING a part of the property conveyed to Allison Cornett and husband, Justin Cornett by Warranty Deed fron Darrell C. Bowers and Jerry L. Bowers dated November 2006, and recorded in Deed Book 507, Page 442 Register's Office for Carter County< Tennessee.

Street Address: 1561 Southside Rd, Elizabethton, Tennessee 37643 Parcel Number: 049 037.00

Current Owner(s) of Property: Allison Cornett and Justin Cornett The street address of the above described property is believed to be 1561 Southside Rd, Elizabethton, Tennessee 37643, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the

This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any appli-

event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control.

cable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced prop-

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

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

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

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

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

This office may be a debt collector. This may be an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose

Shapiro & Ingle, LLP Substitute Trustee 10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400 Charlotte, NC 28216 Phone: (704) 333-8107 Fax: (704) 333-8156 www.auction.com

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