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The St. Andrew's-Sewanee Class of 2024.

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School Class of 2024

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School celebrated the 2023-2024 school year with a weekend of ceremonies culminating in the graduation of the Class of 2024.

The 32 members of the St. Andrew's-Sewanee School Class of 2024 were accepted to 56 colleges and universities and will enroll in 19 different schools, including Cedar Crest College in Allentown, Pa.; Motlow State University in Tullahoma; Westminster University in Salt Lake City; Chattanooga State and UTC; East Tennessee State University in Johnson City and UTK; Middle Tennessee University in Murfreesboro; Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vt.; University of Mississippi and Mississippi State University; Haverford College in Haverford, Pa.; Lafayette College in Easton, Pa.; Maryville College in Maryville; Miami University in Oxford, Ohio; Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, N.Y.; William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va.; Tennessee Technological University, and Sewanee: The University of the South. Three students will take a gap year before matriculating.

SAS is currently accepting applications for Fall 2024. For more information, go to www.sasweb.org.

Monteagle: 'Positive Policing,' Budget, and Tree Board

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

Prior to approval of the budget at the May 20 meeting, Vice Mayor Nate Wilson offered a snapshot overview of revenue, expenses, and capital reserves over the past 10 years. Noting increasing expenditures for the Police Department, Wilson commented, "we've got good results to show for it. Chief William Raline's report is telling us we're moving in the right direction." Raline attributed the low crime rate and citations to "positive policing, putting citizens first and safety first."

Monteagle police recently resolved a year-long case working with the Grundy County Sheriff's Department to "make the situation better for the town and the children in the home." From April 15 to May 15, statistics on crime were "basically zero," Raline said. There was only one drug arrest, thefts were down, and speeding had significantly decreased. The department had issued very few citations, issuing warnings to first-offense speeders. The few vehicle crashes were minor, Raline observed, mostly "18 wheelers backing into 18 wheelers."

In other highlights from the 10-year budget overview, Wilson also cited increasing expenditures for the Fire Department, again with good results. The ISO rating had dropped, meaning lower insurance premiums, and volunteer participa-

tion had increased. Wilson stressed the importance of increasing wages for police and fire department employees, not just to retain them, but because, "they do a hard job." Mayor Greg Maloof pointed out the cost for police and fire protection was not just salaries, but also equipment and training.

On the revenue side, Occupancy Tax revenue had increased since the COVID pandemic, Wilson said. He expressed concern about the decrease in the capital reserve account created when Monteagle sold the natural gas service to Middle Tennessee Natural Gas. Initially regulations required the town replace withdrawals from the capital reserve, but the rule was rescinded when Monteagle built a new fire hall. Wilson recommended the town strive to "rebuild the capital reserve so we have the ability to replace things as they wear out."

The 2024-2025 budget passed unanimously.

In other business, Wilson brought to the council's attention the opportunity for grants from the state forestry division. Establishing a "tree board" composed of citizens and officials would increase the town's chance of receiving the 50:50 match grant money. Meetings of the tree board and time city

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SUD Declines 'Goodwill Gesture' Grant Partnership

*by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff
Writer*

At the May 20 meeting, the Sewanee Utility District Board of Commissioners discussed at great length an invitation to enter into a grant partnership with St. Mary's Sewanee. The board received updates from manager Ben Beavers on the Forestry Survey at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) spray fields, the billing software transition, and SUD's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant.

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's (TDEC) Brownsfield Redevelopment Area Grant (BRAG) was established with \$5 million in funding from the EPA to remediate government owned abandoned buildings containing hazardous substances such as lead paint. Beavers said St. Mary's sought BRAG funding to remediate the St. Joseph's building for use as a conference center. However, only government entities qualify for the grant. All water utilities are government entities, Beavers said. St. Mary's proposed SUD purchase the building for one dollar, apply for the grant, and resell the building to St. Mary's for one dollar, after the remediation was completed. If SUD was awarded the BRAG grant, the grant would pay \$312,000 for the remediation. St. Mary's would handle all contractual arrangements and grant related details. "It would be a goodwill gesture on our part," Beavers said, but he expressed concerns about liability if a worker was injured. "There needs to be more justification for us to enter into it," said commission Donnie McBee. "The cost-benefit ratio isn't right," observed Commissioner Clay Yeatman. Board President Charlie Smith questioned the rationale of only allowing government entities to apply for the grant. "I vote a hard 'no,'" Smith said. His reasons reflected the concerns noted by the other board members and Beavers: the project was outside the scope of activities SUD was chartered to engage in; there was no financial benefit; and there was tremendous liability potential. The commissioners decided against entering into the partnership.

Turning to regular business, Beavers said Nate Wilson would conduct a survey of SUD's WWTP spray fields and created a timeline for tree harvest and planting. Smith speculated replanting in a grass with high biomass could be cost effective. Beavers concurred, but said the grass variety would need to have a high transpiration rate to avoid runoff. Beavers anticipates SUD will receive the survey results in July.

Commenting on the billing software transition, Beavers said, "The transitions is painfully slow, but the system is still better than what we had." SUD has been engaging in

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School of Letters to Offer Public Events

The Sewanee School of Letters will host a series of public events during its summer session in June and July. You are invited to attend these conversations and readings with visiting faculty and guest authors.

Readings are at Gailor Hall in the newly-named Naylor Auditorium at 4:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted, with a reception following in Gailor Atrium. Most readings are on Wednesday. Go to <https://letters.sewanee.edu/literary-community/guest-lectures/> for more information and the complete schedule.

On Monday, June 3, at 5:30 p.m., at the University Bookstore, there will be a reading and book signing with Ryan Chapman and Justin Taylor.

Ryan Chapman's latest novel "The Audacity" was released April 2. Described as "a bracing satire about the implosion of a Theranos-like company, a collapsing marriage, and a billionaire's philanthropy summit," this book is perfect for fans of Hari Kunzru and The White Lotus. School of Letters Director Justin Taylor's new book, "Reboot" was released April 23. Penned as "a raucous and wickedly smart satire of Hollywood, toxic fandom, and our chronically online culture, following a washed-up actor on his quest to revive the cult TV drama that catapulted him to fame." Join the School of Letters for a public reading and book signing.

The first faculty reading will be at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 5, at Naylor Auditorium. Reception to follow in Gailor Atrium.

Adam O'Fallon Price is the author of two novels: "The Grand Tour" (Doubleday, 2016) and "The Hotel Neversink" (Tin House Books, 2019). "The Hotel Neversink" won the 2020 Edgar Award for Best Paperback Original. His short fiction has appeared in the Paris Review, Granta, Harper's, VICE, the Iowa Review, the Kenyon Review Online, LitHub, Joyland, and many others. He also writes essays and criticism, which appear in many places including Ploughshares, Electric Literature, Paris Review Daily, The Millions, where he is a staff writer, and many more.

Meera Subramanian is an award-winning independent journalist whose work has been published in national and international publications including the New York Times, The New Yorker, Nature, Virginia Quarterly Review, and Orion, where she serves as a contributing editor. Her book "A River Runs Again: India's Natural World in Crisis, from the Barren Cliffs of Rajasthan to the Farmlands of Karnataka" was short-listed for the 2016 Orion Book Award.

The School of Letters offers an MFA in creative writing. Please visit the School's website for more information on the program.

University Avenue Re- Design; Speed Calming Devices

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At the May 20 meeting, the Sewanee Community Council learned about plans to reconfigure bike lanes and parking on University Avenue and plans for speed-calming devices on several streets. The council also heard an update on the University apartments slated for construction on Highway 41A.

University Avenue will be "re-marked," said acting Provost Scott Wilson. There will continue to be bike lanes on both sides, although narrower in some places. There will be no parking from the Wellness Center to Georgia Avenue, except for three ADA compliant spots. Two ADA compliant parking spaces already exist next to Biehl Commons, Wilson noted. The bike lanes will run from Hall Street (the Sewanee Inn) to downtown. On the Chapel side there will be parking from downtown to the Wellness Center and from Georgia Avenue

to the Sewanee Inn with the bike lane on the outside. The University has retained a civil engineer for the project.

Addressing related concerns, Wilson said first-year student parking would largely be in peripheral lots with central campus lots reserved for employees and visitors. The University plans to establish a "trolley service" similar to the former Baccus service offering nighttime on-campus transportation. In addition, the University has acquired two ADA compliant vehicles to facilitate student transportation to and from peripheral lots and to nearby off-campus commercial sites, such as CVS.

Traffic Committee Chair Michael Payne said the University received grant funding for "speed cushions" on Green's View Road, Tennessee Avenue, and South

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Local Food Available

The South Cumberland Farmer's Market has breads, fruits, vegetables, eggs, coffee, meats and more available. Ordering takes place each week online from Friday at 9 p.m. to Monday at noon. Walk-in pickup is on Tuesdays, 4-6 p.m., at the Sewanee Community Center. To order go to <<https://openfoodnetwork.net/south-cumberland-farmer-s-market/shop>>.

The Franklin County Farmer's Market is open 7 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 803 Dinah Shore Blvd., Winchester. Locally grown vegetables, fruit, meat, eggs, plants and more is available. Follow them on Facebook <<https://www.facebook.com/FranklinCountyFarmersMarket>>.

The Tracy City Farmer's Market is open every first and third Saturday, 7 a.m. to noon, at the Old Fair Barn, Fairgrounds Street. Local fresh honey, bread flowers, produce and more is available. For vendor registration call Tracy City Hall at (931) 592-6213.

The Sewanee Gardener's Market is open 8-10 a.m. every Saturday until September at Hawkins Lane. Locally-produced fruits and vegetables, baked goods, plants and flowers will be available.

Summary of the May 2024 Lease Committee Meeting

The following items were approved: April minutes: request to transfer Lease No. 245, located at 767 Sherwood Road, to Jarod Wright and Caroline Ronaldi; request to transfer Lease No. 791, located at 117 Oak Street, to Austin and Victoria McAnally; request to transfer Lease No. 549, located at 92 Castleberry Drive, to Sarah G. Murray; request to transfer Lease No. 847, located at 479 Kennerly Road, to Dawn and William Fitzgibbon; request to transfer Lease No. 719, located at 143 Oak Street, to Sonya Robinson; request to revise previously approved deer fence at Lease No. 1081, located at 93 Oak Street; request to replace deck for Lease No. 151, located at 47 Poplar Lane; request from Lease No. 837, located at 620 Georgia Avenue, to paint the exterior of the house.

Leasehold information is available online at <leases.sewanee.edu> or by calling the lease office at (931) 598-1998.

Please be sure and contact the Franklin County Planning and Zoning for any needed permits as well as the local utility companies to ensure there are no issues before beginning your project.

Planning and Zoning office, (931) 967-0981; Duck River Electric Membership Corporation, (931) 598-5228; Sewanee Utility District, water and sewer, (931) 598-5611; Elk River Public Utility District, natural gas, (931) 967-2110.

Agenda items are due by the fifth of each month for Lease Committee meetings. If the fifth falls on a weekend, then items are due the following Monday. Lease Committee meetings are normally the third Tuesday of the month.

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Pelham United Methodist Church: 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Beersheba Springs Library: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Palmer Library: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Cowan Community Center: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
TUESDAY	THURSDAY
Grundy County Food Bank: 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Gruetli-Laager City Hall: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Grundy County Housing Authority: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	May Justus Memorial Library: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Altamont Library: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Coalmont Library: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
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The Cumberland Center for Justice and Peace will meet for a quarterly board meeting at 9 a.m., Saturday, June 1, at the Sewanee Senior Citizens Center, 5 Ball Park Rd. Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84545215225>.

If you are able, please bring a non-perishable food item to donate to CAC, Sewanee's food pantry. RSVP to <cumberlandjusticeandpeace@gmail.com> if childcare is needed.

Eastern Star Cemetery Association

The Eastern Star Cemetery Association will meet at 5:30 p.m., Monday, June 3, at St. James Episcopal Church in Midway. Everyone interested in the Cemetery is encouraged to attend.

Get Ready for the Sewanee Fourth of July

Volunteers are needed to help with the annual Sewanee Fourth of July. The Fourth of July committee is seeking volunteers for the parade, children's games, and arts and crafts show. These events cannot be offered without community help. For more information and to volunteer, contact Dylan McClure at <jdmclure323@gmail.com> or Tracie Sherrill at <tlsluvsut@gmail.com>. The next planning meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m., Tuesday, June 4, via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88205604176?pwd=OVkrZExEK0o5V0N1bVBNSmNXbTlZCZz09>.

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Town of Monteagle

The Monteagle Regional Planning Commission is scheduled to meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday, June 4, in the conference room at City Hall.

Monteagle City Council will have a workshop Monday, June 10, 2024 at 4 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall.

There will be a special called meeting of the Mayor and Alderman at 9 a.m. on Wednesday June 12, 2024 in the conference room at the Town Hall. The only agenda item will be to evaluate bids for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club

The Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Club is scheduled to meet at 8 a.m., Thursday, June 6, at Kennerly Hall, for a club assembly.

American Legion Meeting

American Legion Post 51 is scheduled to meet at 9 a.m., Saturday, June 8, at the Legion Hall in Sewanee.

Franklin County School Board

The Franklin County School Board is scheduled to meet at 6 p.m., Monday, June 10, at 215 S. College St., Winchester.

Hospitality Shop News

Regular hours for the Shop are Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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The children's clothing section is closed. Children's clothing can be taken to Good Samaritan in Winchester or to Goodwill in Kimball. We do accept children's books and puzzles.

Friends of Abbo's Alley Needs You

Once again, the Friends of Abbo's Alley is looking for young men and women (16 and older) to maintain the Alley for the summer months June 3 through Aug. 16. This is a paid position.

Contact Louis Rice at (678) 613-5576 or <louisrice51@gmail.com> for more information.

CAC Pantry Sunday

Pantry Sunday for the Community Action Committee (CAC) is scheduled for the first Sunday of the month. All are welcome to contribute. Please bring your food offerings to St. James Episcopal in Midway, the Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul for collection, or deliver directly to the CAC located at 216 University Ave., Sewanee.

The typical bag of groceries includes beans, pasta, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, vegetables, fruit, and soup.

The CAC is an outreach ministry of the Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul, with generous support from the Sewanee Community Chest, other organizations and individuals across the Mountain. For more than 50 years, the CAC has provided food, financial assistance, and educational support for persons in the greater Sewanee community. For more information contact the CAC at (931) 598-5927.

MMUMC Curbside Food Distribution

Morton Memorial United Methodist Church is scheduled to have its monthly community food distribution from 8-10 a.m., Saturday, June 8. In order to maintain social distancing, drivers should enter the food distribution line from behind the church where they will be directed to the loading area. If you are unable to load your own vehicle, volunteers will be there to assist. Morton Memorial United Methodist Church is located at 322 West Main St., Monteagle.

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employees spent on tree care could count as an in-kind contribution to meet the match. Alderman Dan Sargent expressed reservations about the grant. "Anytime the government offers us money, we're going to be responsible for how we spend that money," Sargent said, speculating, "Somebody will be standing in my yard telling me I can't cut a tree down." Wilson explained the grant money was for planting trees on public property and education about their care. The town currently had trees that needed replaced and the new interstate exit would offer landscaping opportunities for tree planting. The council passed a resolution authorizing the Beautification Committee to serve as a tree board.

During the comment period, resident Dean Lay objected to the Planning Commission's denial of a second Dollar General in Monteagle because C-3 commercial zoning did not allow that type of business in the proposed location. "A few years ago, the purposes and mission of C-2 and C-3 were reversed," Lay said. "City Hall is in C-3. Your own city hall is in violation. Twenty-five percent of the population live below the poverty level. Dollar General is vital to the poor to buy groceries."

Maloof responded, "I share some of your confusion." Maloof abstained from the planning commission vote. The planning commission will address the commercial zoning question at a July workshop. According to Maloof, the developer is considering asking the Board of Zoning Appeals to override the decision. Sargent said he voted against denying Dollar General's request. "We get bogged down in zoning," Sargent insisted. "I'm frustrated, too. We let another [business] go." Alderwoman Jessica Favaloro pointed out the town was engaged in the planning process but did not yet have a plan. "Healthy growth requires a plan ... before we start popping stores and businesses where they don't belong," she said. "I don't want another Dollar General," alderwoman Dorraine Parmley said, "but I don't want to tell someone what they can do with their land. We have too many rules." Wilson said the type of Dollar General proposed for the location was not a food market that carried groceries. He anticipates Monteagle should have the American Institute of Architects final planning recommendations for action steps by the June 24 meeting.

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twice a week Zoom meetings with the vendor CUSI to resolve issues. "I told them I wanted an adjustment," Beavers said. "They projected the transition would take six months, and it's been eight."

The TDEC administered ARPA grant requires SUD provide TDEC with detailed spreadsheet data in two areas: a listing of all assets by serial number and other identifying data and a listing by type and location of all lead and copper fittings in SUD's system. Beavers plans to hire college students on summer break to enter the data, suggesting a \$12 wage consistent with the wage of service workers in the area. Smith supported the idea, noting "It doesn't take our staff off of what they're doing." Once TDEC approves SUD's lead and copper inventory, SUD will have five years to replace all lead and copper fittings. SUD can use its matching-funds ARPA grant requirement to pay the temporary employees' wage.

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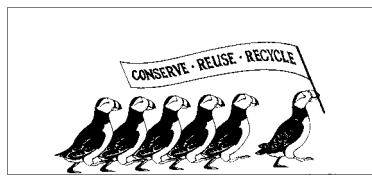
Carolina Avenue. Payne pointed out the speed cushions will have gaps in the middle and on the sides allowing for bicycles to travel unimpeded. The committee will continue to investigate solutions to traffic concerns on other streets, especially those without sidewalks.

Reporting on the apartments slated for construction by Sewanee Village Ventures (SVV), Vice President for Economic Development and Community Relations David Shipps said he expected construction to begin in August and estimated completion time at 12-13 months. The project calls for six buildings with eight units in each.

Shipps also announced another SVV project. Through a generous gift, the University recently acquired the former Lumière restaurant site. Plans call for "reanimating" the building with a restaurant projected to open in the fall.

A resident commented the on-campus cemetery was "unsightly and overgrown with weeds." Special Assistant to the Vice Chancellor Nicky Hamilton said she received an "inquiry" about the condition of the cemeteries and "would be looking into it."

Council representative Bill Harper will serve as the council representative on the Lease Committee. Council representative Ben Tarhan will serve as the election officer for the upcoming council representative election which coincides with the national election in November.



Franklin County Schools Art-Music Teacher Dilemma

by Leslie Lytle, Messenger Staff Writer

At a special called May 28 workshop, the Franklin County School Board grappled with an administrative decision about art and music instruction at Broadview, Cowan, North Lake and Sewanee elementary schools. By the proposed plan for the 2024-2025 school year, each school would have a Fine Arts/Discovery teacher to teach both art and music. Echoing experiences recounted by her board member colleagues, Sandy Schultz said she had been "bombarded" with phone calls from concerned parents.

Director of Schools Cary Holman said the decision was due to a teacher shortage and was suggested by the principals at the four schools. Cowan and Sewanee shared art and music teachers on a weekly rotation for the 2023-2024 school year. Broadview and North Lake had no art teacher, in spite of the district listing a posting for an art teacher throughout the year. Both schools filled the time slot with a substitute teacher.

"It's not just in art and music that teachers are leaving the profession," Holman explained. "It is not a Franklin County issue. It is a national issue."

North Lake Principal Sherry Sells said the art teacher previously assigned to the school on a shared basis "moved on." Sells cited how difficult it was for a shared teacher to "build community" at both schools. Other schools had full-

time teachers for both music and art, Sells commented.

"Having someone to share would be fabulous," said Broadview Principal Rhonda Stevens, but acknowledged the national teacher shortage made that unlikely. Explaining the proposal to hire a Fine Arts/Discovery teacher to teach both art and music, Stevens said, "Someone to nurture the love of art and music was our goal."

Board member Sarah Marhevsky pointed out the job description for the Fine Arts/Discovery position made no overt reference to teaching art or music.

Rebecca Van de Ven, who taught music at Cowan and SES, declined taking a position as a Discovery/STREAM teacher at Cowan position because she could not clarify to her satisfaction what the expectations were. "Maybe they didn't actually mean for me to do science experiments, maybe I only needed to connect music and art to science and math," Van de Ven commented when contacted by the Messenger. Van de Ven subsequently accepted a position teaching music at Clark Memorial.

Shultz said the vague job description could result in teachers with only a regular elementary certification taking the position "because they need a job. Teaching both art and music would be an astronomical undertaking."

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Wednesday, June 5

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Wednesday, June 12

Reading with author TRACY O'NEILL, 2024 John Grammer Fellow,
4:30 p.m., Naylor Auditorium

Wednesday, June 19

Faculty and alumni reading with NICKOLE BROWN
and LINDSEY HARDING, L '11, 4:30 p.m., Convocation Hall
Co-sponsored with the Friends of the Library

Thursday, June 20

Reading with author JILL McCORKLE
5:30 p.m., Sewanee Inn, Co-sponsored by Tower Community Bank

Wednesday, June 26

Faculty reading with TIANA CLARK, RYAN CHAPMAN,
and JAMIE QUATRO, 4:30 p.m., Naylor Auditorium

Wednesday, July 3

Faculty reading with Director JUSTIN TAYLOR and EMILY ADRIAN
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Wednesday, July 10

MFA candidate reading, 6 p.m., Shenanigans

Naylor Auditorium is located on the lower level of Gailor Hall

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“Taking art and music out of the job description says something not good about us,” said board member Sara Liechty. “We need to spread the message we support music and art.”

Board member Casey Roberts pointed out if she were a music or art teacher searching for a job, a position listed as Fine Arts/Discovery might not come across her radar screen. “You won’t catch what you aren’t fishing for.”

“The beauty of making music is that it activates more parts of your brain simultaneously than any other activity, including math,” said Van de Ven emphasizing the importance of music instruction

beginning at an early age. Liechty read an account written by a former student who credited his music instruction at Decherd Elementary with fostering “cultural awareness, empathy, creativity, collaboration with his classmates and academic excellence.” Shultz gave the example of a blind and autistic child who thrived as a consequence of his music instruction at Broadview Elementary.

Liechty suggested a semester-by-semester rotation for art and music teachers. Shultz said based on her experiences as principal at Broadview Elementary, semester by semester was too long, students would forget what they had

learned. Schultz also noted the semester-by-semester method meant a school with no music the first semester would have no Christmas program, disappointing to parents.

SES Principal Allison Dietz said she would love full-time music and art teachers, but she would be “willing to share.” Dietz suggested a nine-weeks rotation as an alternative.

“It was never the intent to make anyone feel art and music are not valued,” Holman insisted. “All four of those principals would love to have both music and art teachers.”

The Fine Arts/Discovery position would be reposted specifying a preference for art and music certification, Holman said. The district currently has no positions posted for art and music teachers, acknowledged Human Resources Supervisor Roger Alsup.

Holman said having both full-time music and art teachers at all four school would require hiring four more teachers.

Marhevsky proposed the district pursue making opportunities available for people skilled in teaching music and art to become certified.

SCCF Announces Collaborative Grant Orientation Session and Annual Celebration of the Plateau

The South Cumberland Community Fund board has directed \$50,000 for a special grant round during 2024, the Connecting for Lasting Impact Grant. With this grant round, first introduced in 2022, the Community Fund hopes to cultivate deeper and more meaningful lasting connections among non-profit organizations on the Plateau. In issuing this call for proposals, the goal of the Community Fund’s board is to foster connections between and among organizations on the Plateau to address big challenges we all face as a community.

A grant orientation session will be at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 8, at Kennerly Hall at the Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul, located at 216 University Ave., Sewanee. A representative from your organization must attend if you wish to apply. We will focus on program goals and methods for assessing your project. In addition, we will share a rubric that the grants committee will use to determine which applications best reflect the program’s goals. We hope that the orientation session will also be a place where collaborations between organizations can be formed and projects identified.

For more information about the Connecting for Lasting Impact Grant, visit <www.southcumberlandcommunityfund.org/grants-program> or email us at <director@southcumberlandcommunityfund.org>.

Directly after the orientation session on June 8, the Community Fund will host its annual Celebration of the Plateau at 11:30 a.m.,

also at Kennerly Hall at the Parish of St. Mark and St. Paul. We will celebrate the recipients of our spring grants cycle (listed below) and share a simple meal together. Please RSVP at <forms.gle/VVPc-sMkxkF3myujs5> or by emailing <grants@southcumberlandcommunityfund.org> so that we can have an accurate meal count.

Betty Carpenter, chair of the Community Fund’s grants committee, says of the spring grants slate, “To enhance the quality of life for all living on the plateau has always been the goal of South Cumberland Community Fund. The organizations receiving grants have shown a dedication to using the funds in ways that will make a difference. I don’t know of any other place where so many people work so hard to make things better for everyone.”

We hope you will join us to celebrate the spring grantees listed below and consider applying for your own grant if you are an organization that serves the Plateau. For more information about the Community Fund’s work, visit us at <southcumberlandcommunityfund.org>

South Cumberland Community Fund 2024 Spring Grant Slate:

Folks at Home to renovate the front entryway of the Folks at Home building for handicapped accessibility

Grundy County Food Bank for equipment racks and a commercial freezer

Grundy County Historical Society for expansion of the Grundy County Historical Society Heritage Center Outdoor Exhibit Area

Grundy County Mayor’s Office for handicapped accessible playground equipment at the Miracle on the Mountain Park

Housing Hub to establish a centralized office space for training and resources in support of safe, healthy, affordable housing

Housing Sewanee for infrastructure costs for Sherwood Spring Cul-de-Sac 2 in preparation for construction of home number four

Sewanee Community Chest to install a handicapped restroom and a new water heater for the Mountain Goat Trail Welcome and Heritage Center

Sewanee Mountain Grotto to purchase a trailer and trailer modifications for recycling efforts at the Caverns

St. James Midway Community Park to install electrical outlets and security lights at the park

Town of Tracy City to repair and refurbish the “Old Fair Barn”

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Cowan Center for the Arts Premier Poetry Night

On Friday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m., the Cowan Center for the Arts will be hosting its first monthly poetry reading, featuring Nashville poet Joshua Garcia and Lana Sain of Sewanee. Impromptu readings are welcome. The event is free and open to the public. The Cowan Center for the Arts is the theater building at 301 Montgomery Street.

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The University of the South Announces Fulbright U.S. Student Awards for 2024-2025

The University of the South is pleased to announce that three students have received Fulbright U.S. Student Program awards for the 2024-2025 academic year from the U.S. Department of State and the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. Cole Baker, C'24, was recognized with the English Teaching Assistant Award, which will provide support to him to teach in Mexico. Emma Ross-Sermons, C'23, was selected for the Hugh Lane Gallery Curatorial Award and will work with the gallery's education team on a project in Dublin, Ireland. Adri Silva, C'24, will teach in Peru with the support of an English Teaching Assistant Award. With these three awards, Sewanee now boasts 60 Fulbright winners.

"Having three Fulbright winners in a single year is a remarkable achievement for Sewanee and speaks to the outstanding caliber of our students and of the opportunities they have here," says Interim Dean of the College Betsy Sandlin. "We are extremely proud of Cole, Emma, and Adri, and know they will represent the University and the Fulbright organization well."

Baker is a history major from Decatur, Ga. Interested in working in educational policy, he hopes his teaching experience will help prepare him to advocate for informed policies that can truly benefit students. "Teaching in Mexico will be crucial to my journey as an educator, providing me with an opportunity to further advance my understanding of how schools relate to our communities," he says.

A 2023 graduate of the College, Ross-Sermons majored in art history at Sewanee. The Hugh Lane Gallery Curatorial Award will provide her with the opportunity to combine her passion for making art accessible with her interest in raising environmental awareness. "The Dublin City Arts Council supports experiential arts learning and promotes visual literacy among Dublin's youth. [In my work] with the Hugh Lane Gallery ... I hope to expand this practice to focus on the creation of art in tandem with the environment," says Ross-Sermons. "My project will explore the fluid intersections of art, social justice, and community engagement."

Silva is a politics major from Cleveland, Tenn. "In Peru, I want to do more than just teach

a language," she says. "Current social issues span beyond borders, and I want to share how learning a language means bridging divides by developing cultural appreciation, self-awareness, and innovative ways of thinking." Sewanee's Fulbright review committee adds, "Adri embodies the adage 'not for self but others.' In her years at Sewanee, she lived into EQB by valuing others, developing connections, and building relationships, and she will carry this zeal for engagement and involvement into her community in Peru."

The Fulbright Program is the U.S. government's flagship international educational exchange program. More than 2,000 U.S. students, artists, and early career professionals from all backgrounds and in more than 100 fields of study receive Fulbright U.S. Student Program awards annually to study, teach English, and conduct research overseas. Recipients of Fulbright awards are selected in an open, merit-based competition that considers leadership potential, academic and/or professional achievement, and record of service.

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program is administered at the University of the South by Associate Dean Alexander M. Bruce. A listing of previous Fulbright awards and other fellowships and scholarships won by Sewanee graduates is available via the Office of the Dean of the College.

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Patrons who purchase individual tickets will receive a confirmation email that can be used for admission. Patrons who purchase season passes online or in person will receive a confirmation via email. This confirmation may be used at each ticketed performance you attend.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

The Sewanee Senior Center serves lunch at noon Monday through Friday. The suggested donation is \$4, regardless of your age. Please call 598-0771 by 9 a.m. to order lunch. Menus follow:

Monday, June 3: Ham, pinto beans, fried cabbage w/peppers & onions, cornbread.

Tuesday, June 4: Chicken salad on croissant, chips.

Wednesday, June 5: Pork cutlet, mashed potatoes, peas, rolls.

Thursday, June 6: Meatloaf, macaroni & cheese, green beans, rolls.

Friday, June 7: Ham, roasted red potatoes, glazed carrots, rolls.

Menus may vary. For information call the center at 598-0771. Chair exercise with Ruth Wendling is from 10:30–11:45 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The Sewanee Senior Center does not charge any membership fee. All persons 50 or older who take part in any of the activities are considered members.

Supper in the Park & Jammin' Until Dark

Starting Friday, June 7, at 5 p.m. Altamont will be reopening Supper in the Park & Jammin' Until Dark at the Gazebo in the old Courthouse Square on Cumberland Street.

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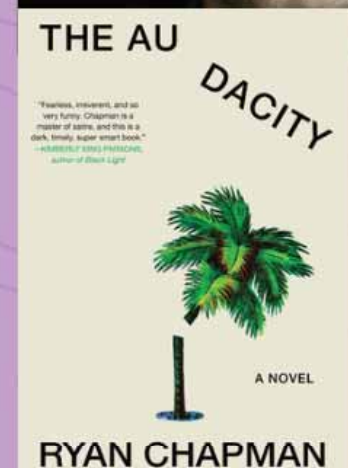
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From June 17–21 and July 15–19, campers will enjoy learning to make natural and organic household products, painting, clay pots, beeswax creations, essential oil lessons, tie dye fun, beaded jewelry making and more. On Saturday, June 22, and Saturday, July 20, there will be a craft fair where 50 percent of the craft fair proceeds go towards Habitat For Humanity of Tullahoma. We also will be doing a tool collection at the craft fairs to donate to the Habitat. During the week the kids learn about the organization and what they do for the community.

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South Cumberland Summer Meal Program

The University of the South is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, and reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service (not all prohibited bases apply to all programs). There will be no service on July 4 and July 5. Meals will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis at the sites and times as follows:

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Beersheba Springs Public Library, on Wednesdays, June 4–July 26, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 19683 State Route 56, Beersheba Springs.

Coalmont Public Library, on Thursdays, June 4–July 26, from 2–4 p.m., at 6650 SR 56, Coalmont.

Cowan Community Center, on Wednesdays, June 4–July 26, from 2–4 p.m., at 303 Montgomery St., Cowan.

Franklin County Public Library, on Wednesdays, June 4–July 26, from 10 a.m. to noon, at 101 S. Porter St., Winchester.

Gruetli-Laager City Hall, on Thursdays, June 4–July 26, from 9:30–11:30 a.m., at 27730 SR TN-108, Gruetli-Laager.

Grundy County Food Bank, on

Tuesdays, June 4–July 26, from 8:30–10:30 a.m., at 114 So Industrial Park Rd., Coalmont.

Grundy County Housing, on Tuesdays, June 4–July 26, from 9–11 a.m., at 187 Raulston Ave., Monteagle.

Grundy Safe Communities Coalition, on Mondays, June 4–July 26, from 8:30–10:30 a.m., at 14399 US 41, Tracy City.

May Justus Memorial Library, on Thursdays, June 4–July 26, from 10 a.m. to noon, at 24 Dixie Lee Ave., Monteagle.

Morton Memorial United Methodist Church, on Saturdays, June 8 and July 13, from 8–10 a.m., at 322 W. Main St., Monteagle.

Palmer Public Library, on Thursdays, June 4–July 26, from 1–3 p.m., at 2115 Main St., Palmer.

Pelham United Methodist Church, on Mondays, June 4–July 26, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at 2440 TN 50, Pelham.

SETHRA, on Monday, June 10, from 8–10 a.m., at 27 Phipps St., Coalmont.

Sherwood Community Center, on Fridays, June 4–July 26, from 10 a.m. to noon, at 10225 Sherwood Rd., Sherwood.

St. James Episcopal Church, on Wednesdays, June 4–July 26, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 898 Midway Rd., Sewanee.

University Child Care Center, on Mondays, June 4–July 26, from 7:30–9:30 a.m., at 574 Georgia Ave., Sewanee.

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Easy Flow Yoga with Pippa Browne on Tuesdays at 5:30 pm starting June 4. This class is appropriate for all levels.


You Fit cardio/strength class with Betsy Miller meets Fridays at 10 am and noon, Sundays at 1:30 and 2:30. You Fit meets at the Community Center. Sign-up Required.

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The Second Ever Farm Olympics

Southeast Tennessee Young Farmers will host the Farm Olympics at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 8, at Cove Creek Farm in Monteagle.

Southeast Tennessee Young Farmers works to support young and aspiring farmers through community-building, resource and knowledge sharing, and advocacy. While much of that work centers on building farmer networks and collaborations, we recognize that for many that leaves a deep competitiveness buried within. We must release it! That is why we are thrilled to host the second ever Farm Olympics where farmers and non-farmers (maybe you?) will compete for the Farm Olympics Cup, spread awareness about the serious challenges that young farmers face, and raise money to help our chapter address those issues.

This year's events include the Kubota of Chattanooga Transplant Race, the South Cumberland Regional Land Trust Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament; The American Farmland Trust Obstacles to Land Access Race; The Sequatchie Cove Farm Multigenerational Egg Toss; The Land Trust for Tennessee Plant Identification Quiz; the Shifted Strong Hay Bale Toss; the Cove Creek Classic Fence Race; the Cumberland Forest School Kids Water Trough Relay, as well as the Grace Frank Group Egg Juggle, and the Lupi's Pizza Pies Pie Judging event.

Competitive events will be followed by a farm to picnic blanket feast featuring Cove Creek pork and side dishes from Mac's Kitchen and Bar, and LUNCH as well as other local farms. After dinner there will be a silent auction with products from our farmers and supporters; and the Hungry for Community Hoe Down — a contra dance featuring fiddlin' Bob Townsend and his band.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for children, (discounts are available for members via email <setnyf@gmail.com>), available at <<https://southeasttennesseeyoungfarmers.com/events>>.

Made possible with generous support from American Farmland Trust, Kent Ballow, Cove Creek Farm, Grace Frank Group, Hungry for Community (a project of the Grundy County Arts Council), Kubota of Chattanooga, Lupi's Pizza Pies, Patagonia Nashville, Sequatchie Cove Farm, Shifted, The Land Trust for Tennessee, The South Cumberland Regional Land Trust and Jumpoff Community Land Trust, Cumberland Forest School, Furnish Me Vintage, Mac's Kitchen and Bar, Niedlov's Bakery and Cafe, Stewards Unlimited, Alter Eco Farms, Art of Wellness, Bread and Butter, Calliope Restaurant, Cumberland Folk School, Lodge Cast Iron, LUNCH, Rooted Here / the South Cumberland Farmers Market, Sequatchie Cove Creamery, Spice Trail, Summer Fields, The Marugg Company, Yip Fitness, Growing Roots, and Yoga with Helen.



New Mountain-Themed Artwork Comes to Palmer

After six days in Grundy County, muralist Britt Flood completed Palmer's first mural, "Allegory of Hope," on the side of RISE UP Grundy, which occupies the town's former post office built by the local coal mining company in 1946. Tennessee's South Cumberland Tourism Partnership (TSCTP) has embarked on a multi-year oral history project, which includes narratives about the mountain's cultural heritage and natural assets like the Mountain Goat Trail. This is the second mural attached to the program.

TSCTP engaged Tullahoma nonprofit DMA-events, Inc. to implement this mural, funded by the Tennessee Arts Commission. After accepting location applications from the community last fall, the tourism partnership selected RISE UP Grundy as the canvas for the new artwork. RISE UP Grundy provides services, education and training to underserved families, in addition to running free summer STEM- and outdoor-focused youth programs.

Flood drew inspiration from the nonprofit's initiative to help local youth "rise up" to their full potential through character-building. This original piece she designed for the center "abstractly visualizes building blocks that lead to the blooming of oneself," she says.

"Each design has a figurative element that blends in or becomes part of their background, referencing the importance of community within each of us," the artist explains. "The 'blooms' are inspired by native plants, colors, and trail views found in Grundy County like mountain laurel, Eastern tiger swallowtail butterfly and Eastern

redbud wildflower. The goal of the mural is for any child or person to be stopped in their tracks and overcome with inspiration and hope from the vibrant colors—as well as overcome with a desire to be curious, to learn, to ask questions, to help oneself and to help others."

The beating heart at the center of the Grundy County nonprofit is to provide students with a program outside of school to gain skills, abilities, and other leadership qualities through mentorships and apprenticeship, while offering exposure to new experiences. Deborah Frost, co-founder of RISE UP Grundy, says the youth in her program were fascinated to watch the progress of the mural installation as it unfolded and interact with the artist herself.

"They are drawn to it and quite proud that it is on 'their' building," she says. "We have a couple of very talented artistic kids in the program, and they want to try their hand at creating their own miniature mural design."

Frost and her husband Loren, with whom she runs the nonprofit, have big plans for its future: The next steps are the addition of a landscaped skate park, benches for reading and stops along the path for youth art displays. They will host a motorcycle ride from Chattanooga up Suck Creek Mountain to the mural in the fall to help raise funds for the next phase of the project. The center will also be a trailhead terminus for the 35-mile Mountain Goat Trail that will eventually link Cowan and Palmer.

"We talk about hope frequently with the youth, and this amazing new mural couldn't have a more perfect title," Frost says. "That's what the youth program is all



Britt Flood's "Allegory of Hope" is the newest mural installed on the mountain.

about: inspiring them to dream big and work hard and empowering them to shoot for the stars. The colors remind us of the bright future ahead for this wonderful community and brings a vibrant energy to the landscape."

"Allegory of Hope" was funded by a Rural Arts Project Support grant from the Tennessee Arts Commission. Last year's "Lantern Light" by Megan Lingerfelt was supported by TSCTP and a Creative Placemaking grant from the arts commission.

Britt Flood is a North Carolina-based muralist and fine artist who creates moments of tenderness in the public realm. Her work aims to cast a spell of connection and big feelings within the viewer through large-scale painting and mark-making. Flood's paintings visualize heightened instances of realization and the ephemeral, and her works of public art—which can be found in Alabama, Arizona, North Carolina, Louisiana, Iowa, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Michigan, Virginia

and Tennessee—give inactivated spaces visual poetry.

Journalists Kristin Luna and Scott van Velsor started 501(c)(3) DMA-events in May 2018 as a catalyst to provide free access to art to rural communities throughout the South, with more than 50 large-scale murals successfully completed to date in Tullahoma, Manchester, McMinnville, Viola, Lawrenceburg, Tracy City, Knoxville, Maryville, Sweetwater, Madisonville, Centerville, Columbia, Nolensville, Nashville and Palmer. All murals DMA has produced can be found here: <<http://bit.ly/DMA Murals>>.

The Tennessee Arts Commission offers a variety of distinct funding opportunities to encourage participation in arts activities in communities across all 95 counties. By purchasing the arts Tennessee Specialty License Plate, you are supporting organizations, schools, communities and public art projects like these across Tennessee.

The Sewanee School of Letters presents a reading with

Adam O'Fallon Price & Meera Subramanian



4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 5

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For more information visit letters.sewanee.edu

Town of Monteagle Water Quality Report 2023

Is my drinking water safe?

Yes, our water meets all of EPA's health standards. We have conducted numerous tests for over 80 contaminants that may be in drinking water. As you'll see in the chart on the back, we only detected 11 of these contaminants. We found all 11 of these contaminants at safe levels.

What is the source of my water?

Your water, which is surface water, comes from Laurel Lake. Our goal is to protect our water from contaminants and we are working with the State to determine the vulnerability of our water source to potential contamination. The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) has prepared a Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Report for the untreated water sources serving this water system. The SWAP Report assesses the susceptibility of untreated water sources to potential contamination. To ensure safe drinking water, all public water systems treat and routinely test their water. Water sources have been rated as reasonably susceptible, moderately susceptible or slightly susceptible based on geologic factors and human activities in the vicinity of the water source. The Town of Monteagle's sources rated as slightly susceptible to potential contamination. An explanation of Tennessee's Source Water Assessment Program, the Source Water Assessment summaries, susceptibility scorings and the overall TDEC report to EPA can be viewed online at <https://www.tn.gov/environment/program-areas/wr-water-resources/water-quality/source-water-assessment.html> or you may contact the Water System to obtain copies of specific assessments.

Why are there contaminants in my water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

How can I get involved?

The Monteagle City Council usually meets at 6:00 p.m. on the last Tuesday of each month, in the conference room at city hall, 16 Dixie Lee Avenue. Please feel free to participate in these meetings. Decisions by the Board of Commissioners on customer complaints brought before the Board of Commissioners under the District's customer complaint policy may be reviewed by the Utility Management Review Board of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation pursuant to Section 7-82-702(7) of Tennessee Code Annotated.

Is our water system meeting other rules that govern our operations?

The State and EPA require us to test and report on our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. We have met all of these requirements. Results of unregulated contaminant analysis are available upon request. We want you to know that we pay attention to all the rules.

Other Information

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
 - Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
 - Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
 - Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
 - Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Town of Monteagle's water treatment processes are designed to reduce any such substances to levels well below any health concern. FDA regu-

lations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Do I Need To Take Special Precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have under-gone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about not only their drinking water, but food preparation, personal hygiene, and precautions in handling infants and pets from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Lead in Drinking Water

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Town of Monteagle is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800-426-4791 or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>

Water System Security

Following the events of September 2001, we realize that our customers are concerned about the security of their drinking water. We urge the public to report any suspicious activities at any utility facilities, including treatment plants, pumping stations, tanks, fire hydrants, etc. to 931-924-2265.

Think before you flush!

Flushing unused or expired medicines can be harmful to your drinking water. Properly disposing of unused or expired medication helps protect you and the environment. Keep medications out of Tennessee's waterways by disposing in one of our permanent pharmaceutical take back bins. There are nearly 100 take back bins located across the state, to find a convenient location please visit: <https://tdeconline.tn.gov/rxtakeback/>

For more information about your drinking water, please call the Monteagle Water Plant at 924-2708.

Este informe contiene información muy importante. Tradúscalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Water Quality Data

What does this chart mean?

- **MCLG** - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **MCL** - Maximum Contaminant Level, or the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.
- **MRDL**: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for the control of microbial contaminants.
- **MRDLG**: Maximum residual disinfectant level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- **AL** - Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- **Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)** - explained as a relation to time and money as one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- **Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter** - explained as a relation to time and money as one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- **Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)** - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.
- **RTCR** - Revised Total Coliform Rule. This rule went into effect on April 1, 2016 and replaces the MCL for total coliform with a Treatment Technique Trigger for a system assessment.
- **TT** - Treatment Technique, or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

During the most recent round of Lead and Copper testing, only 0 out of 20 households sampled contained concentrations exceeding the action level.

100% of our samples were below the turbidity limit. Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system. Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask advice from your health care provider.

While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for trihalo-methanes, it does contain low levels. Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Public Notice:

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monteagle Public Utility Board recently violated a federal drinking water standard. Although this situation does not require that you take immediate action, as our customers, you have the right to know what happened and what we are doing (did) to correct these situations.

During the October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 compliance period the water system's Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA) at site #202, 700 Clifftop Avenue, for Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) has been calculated to be 0.06003 mg/L. This value exceeds the Maximum Contaminant Level of 0.060 mg/L set for this parameter.

During the October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 compliance period the water system's Locational Running Annual Average (LAAR) at site # 203, 1050 North Bluff Circle, for Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) has been calculated to be 0.06328 mg/L. This value exceeds the Maximum Contaminant Level of 0.060 mg/L set for this parameter.

Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Total Haloacetic Acids are disinfection byproducts resulting from our chlorination of the water to minimize risk of microbial life in the drinking water. The EPA considers microbial contaminants as the greatest risk to the public. We are evaluating the results of the required disinfection and will continue to make an effort to reduce the disinfection byproducts without increasing the microbial risk.

You do not need to boil your water or take other actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

For more information, please contact Wayland Stewart at the Monteagle Water Plant 931-924-2708.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by Monteagle Public Utility Board, PWSID # TN0000470.

Date distributed: 5/31/2024 (This notice is late, should have been distributed on 3/6/2024)

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During the January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 compliance period the water system's Locational Running Annual Average (LAAR) at site # 203, 1050 North Bluff Circle, for Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) has been calculated to be 0.0604 mg/L. This value exceeds the Maximum Contaminant Level of 0.060 mg/L set for this parameter.

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Contaminant	Violation Yes/No	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Date of Sample	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Coliform Bacteria (RTCR)	NO	0		2023		0	TT Trigger	Naturally present in the environment
Turbidity ¹	NO	0.081 AVG.	0.05 - 0.19	2023	NTU	n/a	TT	Soil runoff
Fluoride	NO	0.628 AVG.	0.25 - 0.94	2023	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Copper	NO	90%=0.131 ppm		2022	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead ²	NO	90%=2.87 ppb		2022	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) ³	NO	.164		3-22-23	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Sodium	NO	16.1		4-26-23	ppm	N/A	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits; used in water treatment
TTHM ⁴ [Total trihalomethanes]	YES	63.59 AVG.	14.5 - 106.0	2023	ppb	80	80 ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	YES	61.65 AVG.	50.1 - 76.3	2023	ppb	60	60 ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Chlorine	NO	1.52 AVG.	0.50 - 3.20	2023	ppm	MRDLG =4 ppm	MRDL=4 ppm	Water additive used to control microbes.
Total Organic Carbon	NO	1.46 AVG.	0.889 - 1.93	2023	ppm	TT	TT	Naturally present in the environment.



SAS Varsity Tennis Teams Chalk Up Winning Seasons

The St. Andrew's-Sewanee varsity boys' and girls' tennis teams capped off successful seasons with strong play in the postseason. In the Division IIA District 2 Individual Tournament, multiple players won their first rounds before facing top seeds in the quarterfinals. The doubles teams of Ketiah Inganji and Keziah Ingeli and Grayson Cleveland and Andrew Gallaway chalked up wins over teams from Grace Baptist and Silverdale Baptist, respectively. Singles players Carlota Diez Rosety, Vie Virkhaus, and Elijah Stark had first round byes as seeded players and advanced to the semifinal round. Stark and Diez Rosety fell to the district runner-up, while Virkhaus fell to the district champion. Diez Rosety then faced her teammate Virkhaus for the third place spot. Stark and Virkhaus finished fourth in the district and Diez Rosety finished third. Their finishes earned them All-District honors and qualified them for the East Region Individual Tournament, which took place two days later in Chattanooga where they faced the best players from Knoxville. Despite a strong effort and determined play by each, the Mountain Lion players fell in the quarterfinal round of the East Region.

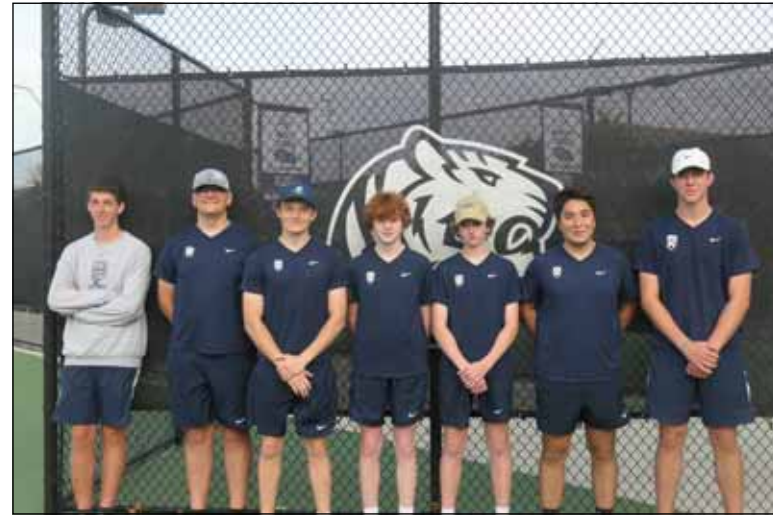
The boys' and girls' teams both enjoyed winning seasons at 5-4, and they both earned fourth place finishes in District 2, a feat the girls' team last achieved in 2022 and the boys' team in 2013. This finish qualified both teams for the Division IIA East Region Team Tournament, and they traveled to Knoxville for the quarterfinal round. The girls' team faced No. 1 seed Grace Christian Academy. From the first point of the match, the girls' team was determined to make this a battle, and a battle it was. Carlota Diez Rosety at No. 1 topped her opponent 7-6 (7-5), 6-1 with a variety of topspin and slice shots as well as precision. At the No. 5 spot, freshman Annabelle Close staged a comeback in the second set, falling just short of pushing the match to a third set. Ketiah Inganji at the No. 4 position showed impressive consistency in her 2 1/2 hour, three set marathon match. The girls' team ultimately fell 1-4 to the top-seeded Knoxville team but showed fight and competitiveness throughout the match.

The boys' team traveled to

Thank you for reading the Messenger.



Left to right: Carlota Diez Rosety, Ketiah Inganji, Annabelle Close, Keziah Ingeli, Vie Virkhaus, and Sydney Brown



Left to right: Grayson Cleveland, Andrew Gallaway, Lowell Brainerd, Bryce Archambault, Brody Scales, Will Hernandez, and Elijah Stark

Knoxville the next day to face No. 1 seed Christian Academy of Knoxville. As usual, the boys' team played hard, made adjustments on court, stayed focused, and maintained composure, but the Knoxville team proved too strong, and the boys fell 0 - 4. The leadership of 7-year player Grayson Cleveland and 4-year player and 3-time captain Will Hernandez is greatly appreciated and contributed significantly to the team's success. They've set the example for hard work, dedication, and sportsmanship.

Head Coach Kelley Black commented, "We are really proud of the effort that both teams put forth this season. They set clear goals at the beginning of the season and showed determination to meet them with steady, focused, and consistent play. Both teams achieving winning records and qualifying for the region tournament is a huge accomplishment and a milestone in SAS tennis. We appreciate the leadership that our seniors and captains demonstrated and the way our younger players stepped up. It was an exciting season!"



Senior Melanie Val finished off her SAS athletic career at the TSSAA DII-A State Track Meet with a stellar performance in the 400m race. She placed third and broke the school record (which she had set earlier this year) with a time of 59.77 seconds.

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NATURENOTES

by Yolande Gottfried



Luna moth. Photo by Cara Kitzrow

They're still here! The 13-year periodic cicadas that emerged this spring are known as Brood XIX, the Great Southern Brood. They are a different species from the annual cicadas that we have every year and their chorus is different, more of a continuous buzz or hum. The annual cicadas are a number of different species and sing at different times of day and in different seasons. They are more green and brown and larger than the periodic cicadas which have red eyes and orange wings. Many folks are asking how long these periodic cicadas are going to be with us. The prediction is that the male cicada chorus (singing to attract the females) will continue into early June. The females will continue to lay eggs on thin new growth tree branches until around mid-June. Then nearly all the periodic cicadas will die before the end of June and there could be a strong odor as they decay — oh, joy! The annual cicadas will continue to be with us until the weather turns cooler. All cicadas spend a large part of their life cycles as nymphs underground, feeding on the roots of woody plants. Annual cicadas spend just two or three years doing this, allowing emergence of some in any given year, while periodic cicadas spend thirteen or seventeen years, depending on the species, and emerge all at once as a brood.

On another insect note, from Cara Kitzrow: "While gleaning mulberries at the Sewanee Elementary School, Lewenhart and Everest Kitzrow found a beautiful Luna moth on the side of the building."



Lilly



Sebastian

MARC's Mountain Adoptables

Meet Lilly & Sebastian

Hi, my name is Lilly. My brother and I had been on our own trying to find food and water and shelter from storms until this nice couple took us in and are taking care of us until we can find fosters or forever homes. We are probably around six months old and weigh about 35 pounds. I am black with some white markings. My brother, Rusty is brindle. We may be Lab/Mountain Cur mixes but we don't really know. We are just fun loving puppies looking for families to love and who will teach us all the good puppy manners we need to know to be good dogs. I am very friendly and happy to meet new people. We are getting spayed/neutered and our little cherry eyes repaired soon. But we are definitely ready to go to our forever homes or possibly a foster mom and dad are not able to keep us secure and the neighbors are

complaining. Mom is sick and that makes it hard for them to watch us. Please come meet me and Rusty.

Hi! Sebastian here. I am so ready to find my forever inside home with a neat fun family. I would really like to play and to go on hikes or fun walks exploring all the smells. I am told that I am at least part Blue Heeler/Australian Shepherd because that is what my mom is. Not sure what my dad is. I am around eight months old and weigh about 30 pounds. I am black and white with very small brown markings and I have two beautiful blue eyes. Wouldn't you like to share some fun with me? I will be getting neutered in several weeks but I would love for you to foster me to see if we work out and then you could adopt me. How does that sound?

If you would like to learn more about Lilly and Sebastian, please fill out an Adoption Application at this link <<https://form.jotform.com/240344297703052>> and/or contact Sue Scruggs, cell phone (423) 619-3845. These pets are fostering on the Sewanee-Monteagle Mountain and are easy to meet. All MARC animals ready for adoption are spayed or neutered and up-to-date on their vaccines and preventative.

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State Park Offerings

Please note: To confirm that these events will occur as listed go to <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/south-cumberland>>, <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>> or call (931) 924-2980.

Three Forks Lake Evening Hike—Savage Gulf State Park, Friday, May 31, 4:45 p.m. CDT. Cost, \$10. <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>>. (Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please pre-register.) Join Park Ranger Todd Childress at Savage North (Stone Door) Ranger Station, 1183 Stone Door Rd., Beersheba Springs, for ranger-led off-the-beaten-path look at the newly-acquired lake and future park site. This moderate hike goes mostly along the lake shore, through the trees, around the creeks, and by many beaver dams. Guests will need to be comfortable moving in soft soil, through dense brush and making short jumps at times. Bring water, snacks, bug spray, hiking shoes and weather-appropriate clothing. Program is weather-dependent.

National Trail Day Hike to Savage Falls—Savage Gulf State Park, Saturday, June 1, 8:45 a.m. CDT. Cost, \$0-\$20. <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/eventssavage-gulf>>. Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please pre-register.) Meet Park Ranger Jamie Owenby at Savage Gulf East Trailhead, 3157 SR 399, Palmer for a 3-mile (round trip, approximate) mostly moderate hike down to Savage Falls. Accessing the base of the falls will be strenuous, and extreme care is needed in footing to get to the bottom of the falls. Wear appropriate footwear and bring water and snacks.

Day Loop Hike—Savage Gulf State Park, Tuesday, June 4, 8:30 a.m. CDT. Cost, \$5. <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/savage-gulf>>. (Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please pre-register.) Join Park Ranger Mark Greenwood at Savage Gulf East Ranger Station, 3157 SR 399, Palmer, for a 5-mile (round trip, approximate) basic, introductory guided hike of the east side of Savage Gulf Day Loop. Bring desired water and food, and wear sturdy shoes and weather-appropriate clothing. The areas around overlooks can be treacherous in terms of keeping your footing. The potential to slip and fall exists, and extreme care is needed. Attendee cancellations must be made no later than 24 hours prior to the program's scheduled start in order to receive a refund. *This event will also take place on Wednesday, June 5.*

New Moon Night Hiking at Stone Door—Savage Gulf State Park, Friday, June 7, 8:45 a.m. CDT. Cost, \$10. <<https://tnstateparks.com/parks/eventssavage-gulf>>. Registration closes at midnight the day before the event. Please pre-register.) Meet Park Ranger Spencer Baxter at Savage North (Stone Door) Ranger Station, 1183 Stone Door Rd., Beersheba Springs for a 2-mile (round trip, approximate) hike to the Stone Door and several other overlooks. Experience the beauty of the night sky. Bring your own headlamp, wear sturdy shoes and bring your spirit of adventure. Event is weather-dependent.

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DAY	DATE	HI	LO
Mon	May 13	62	60
Tue	May 14	73	58
Wed	May 15	73	58
Thu	May 16	74	62
Fri	May 17	79	61
Sat	May 18	66	59
Sun	May 19	75	60

Week's Stats:
Avg max temp = 72
Avg min temp = 60
Avg temp = 66
Precipitation = 1.97"

DAY	DATE	HI	LO
Mon	May 20	82	61
Tue	May 21	81	62
Wed	May 22	83	65
Thu	May 23	80	66
Fri	May 24	79	64
Sat	May 25	75	62
Sun	May 26	83	67

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Avg max temp = 80
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE: Monteagle City Council will have a workshop Monday, June 10, 2024 at 4 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall.

ATTENTION: There will be a special called meeting of the Mayor and Alderman at 9 a.m. on Wednesday June 12, 2024 in the conference room at the Town Hall. The only agenda item will be to evaluate bids for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project. Mayor Greg Maloof, Town of Monteagle

NOTICE: The Sewanee Utility District of Franklin and Marion Counties 2023 Water Quality Report will be published in the Sewanee Mountain Messenger on June 7, 2024. This report will not be direct-mailed to customers, but you may request a copy by calling (931) 598-5611. The report will also be available on line at <https://www.sewaneeutility.org/sud-2023-ccr/>.

YARD SALE

YARD SALE: Saturday, June 1, 9 a.m. - ???. Furniture & lots more. 247 Oliver Lane, Monteagle. First right past housing project, follow signs.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING OF THE MONTEAGLE PLANNING COMMISSION TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 17TH 2024 AT 5:00 PM (CENTRAL) IN THE MONTEAGLE TOWN HALL. THE PURPOSE OF THIS BZA MEETING IS THE INTERPRETATION OF CONVENIENCE STORES AS IT RELATES TO A PROPOSED DOLLAR GENERAL AT 130 DIXIE LEE AVENUE. ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. GREG MALOOF, MONTEAGLE MAYOR

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FROM BARD TO VERSE

by Robin Bates

Memorial Day

We who are left, how shall we look again
Happily on the sun or feel the rain
Without remembering how they who went
Ungrudgingly and spent
Their lives for us loved, too, the sun and rain?

A bird among the rain-wet lilac sings –
But we, how shall we turn to little things
And listen to the birds and winds and streams
Made holy by their dreams,
Nor feel the heartbreak in the heart of things?

--Wilfrid Wilson Gipson, *Lament*

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Community Calendar

Friday, May 31 • St. Andrew's-Sewanee Alumni Weekend

- 9 a.m. Yin Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. You Fit, Betsy, Community Center; and at noon; sign up required

Saturday, June 1

- 8 a.m. Sewanee Gardeners' Market, Hawkins Lane, until 10 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CCJP Quarterly Board Meeting, Senior Citizens' Center, 5 Ball Park Rd.
- 9:30 a.m. Vinyasa Flow, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:45 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 2 p.m.
- 10 a.m. SAS Special Art Sale, lobby of Wade Hall, 290 Quintard Rd., until 4 p.m.
- 11 a.m. Touch-a-Truck, St. James/Midway Community Park, until 2 p.m.
- 3 p.m. Community Bike Ride, Mountain Goat Trail, meet at 17 Lake O'Donnell Rd.

Sunday, June 2 • CAC Pantry Sunday

- 2 p.m. Sewanee GoGirls MTB Ride, meet at Lake Cheston parking lot
- 1:30 p.m. You Fit, Betsy, Community Center; also at 2:30 p.m.; sign up required
- 2 p.m. Knitting Circle, Mooney's, until 4 p.m.
- 4 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center

Monday, June 3

- 9 a.m. CAC Office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Tai Chi, Shao-nian, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Community Center, until 11:45 a.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Flow, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6:45 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. School of Letters Reading, book-signing, Ryan Chapman, Justin Taylor, University Bookstore
- 5:30 p.m. Eastern Star Cemetery Association, St. James Episcopal

Tuesday, June 4

- 8 a.m. GC Food Bank, 114 S. Industrial Park Rd., Coalmont, until 10 a.m.
- 8:30 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 114 S. Industrial Park Rd., Coalmont, until 10:30 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 187 Raulston Ave., Monteagle, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Mixed Flow, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginners, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 10 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 1433 Main St., Altamont, until noon
- 11:30 a.m. Grundy County Rotary, Dutch Maid Bakery, Tracy City
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 4:30 p.m. S. Cumberland Farmers' Market pickup, Community Center, until 6 p.m.
- 5 p.m. Fourth of July Planning Committee meeting, via Zoom
- 5 p.m. GriefShare support group/weekly seminar, MMUMC Wesley House
- 5 p.m. Monteagle Regional Planning Commission, Conference room, City Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Gentle Flow Yoga, Pippa, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates Mat Class, Bruce, High Vibes,

Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 5

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 9 a.m. Tai Chi, Shao-nian, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 101 S. Porter St., Winchester, until noon
- 10:30 a.m. Chair Exercise, Ruth, Community Center, until 11:45 a.m.
- 11 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 19683 SR 56, Beersheba Springs, until 1 p.m.
- 11 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 898 Midway Rd., Sewanee, until 1 p.m.
- 2 p.m. Summer Meal Program, 303 Montgomery St., Cowan, until 4 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m. School of Letters Faculty reading, Naylor Auditorium, Gailor Hall; reception follows
- 5 p.m. Mobility+Flexibility, Camp, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 6 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Helen, Community Center
- 6:30 p.m. Kundalini Yoga, Pippa, High Vibes, Country Mart

Thursday, June 6

- 8 a.m. Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, Club Assembly, Kennerly Hall, St. Mark & St. Paul's
- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Herbarium Nature Journaling, more info email <mpriestley0150@gmail.com>
- 9 a.m. Wild Card, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 27730 SR TN-108, Gruetli-Laager, until 11:30 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Hospitality Shop open, until 1 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Pilates, beginner, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 10 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 24 Dixie Lee Ave., Monteagle, until noon
- noon Pilates, intermediate, Kim, 293 Ball Park Rd.
- 1 p.m. Summer Meal Program, 2115 Main St., Palmer, until 3 p.m.
- 2 p.m. Summer Meal Program, 6650 SR 56, Coalmont, until 4 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Pilates Mat Class, Bruce Manuel, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle

Friday, June 7

- 9 a.m. CAC office open, until 11 a.m.
- 9 a.m. Yin Yoga, Anneli, High Vibes, Country Mart, Monteagle, until 10:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. Summer Meal Program, 0225 Sherwood Rd., Sherwood, until noon
- 10 a.m. You Fit, Betsy, Community Center; and at noon; sign up required
- 7:30 p.m. Cowan Center for the Arts Poetry Reading

Local 12-Step Meetings

- Friday**
7 p.m., AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City
- Saturday**
7 p.m., NA, open, Decherd United Methodist
- Sunday**
6:30 p.m., the Wesley House, MMUMC
- Monday**
5 p.m., 12-Step Women's Study Group. Call (931) 327-5551 for information and for the Zoom link
- 7 p.m., AA, open, Christ Church, Tracy City
- Tuesday**
7 p.m., AA, open, First Baptist, Altamont
- 7 p.m., AA, open, Trinity Episcopal Church, Winchester
- Wednesday**
10 a.m., AA, closed, Clifftops, (931) 924-3493
- 7 p.m., NA, Decherd United Methodist
- Thursday**
6 p.m., Life's Healing Choice, Grundy County Recovery Alliance, Coalmont
- 7 p.m., Al-Anon, First UMC, Winchester

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