





Second Avenue North in Nashville after a Christmas explosion.

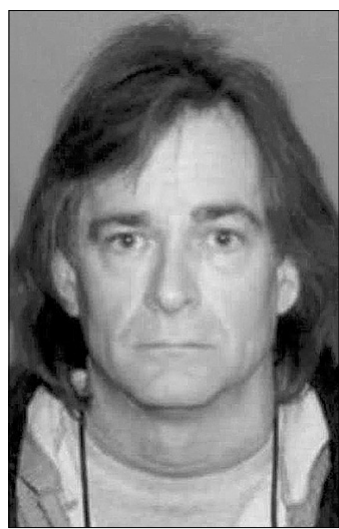
## Christmas Morning Explosion Destroys Portion of Historic Downtown Nashville

NASHVILLE — Local, state and federal law enforcement officers continue to investigate an early Christmas morning blast on Second Ave. North in Nashville. In a news conference on Sunday, December 27, authorities confirmed human remains found at the scene of the explosion belong to a 63-year-old white male of Antioch, Tennessee named Anthony Quinn Warner.

Authorities executed a search warrant Saturday at Warner's home where they gathered DNA evidence as well as other evidence related to the bombing.

The Federal District Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee announced forensic evidence inclusive of DNA recovered at the bombing scene and at Warner's home has confirmed Warner was the bomber who died in the explosion. Law enforcement also obtained D.N.A. from Warner's mother to assist in determining the human remains were Warner's. The D.N.A. analysis was reported to have been completed at the T.B.I. crime lab around midnight Saturday confirming Warner was the individual whose remains were found at the scene of the explosion on Second Ave. North in Nashville.

Law enforcement further confirmed that the motor home was registered to Warner based upon the vehicle identification



Anthony Quinn Warner, 63, was identified as the lone suspect. He reportedly died in the incident.

number and other registration information found on remains of the vehicle that was destroyed in the blast.

Some law enforcement officers connected with the investigation stated confidentially to Nashville area media on Saturday that Warner was paranoid about the installation of 5G cell service being installed in the Nashville area and specifically had a fear that 5G would be used to spy on citizens. The explo-

sion took place in front of an AT&T communications center located on Second Avenue North that controlled cell service to the Middle Tennessee area and specifically served as a hub for phone service to emergency communications centers in the Nashville area. The explosion interrupted 911 service, landline, and cell service throughout the region.

Personnel from the investigating agencies for the Christmas morning explosion said they are to continue to work to determine a motive for the explosion. They also said that they believe that Warner was the lone person involved in the explosion based upon evidence uncovered to date. Warner's late father once worked for BellSouth, which merged with AT&T.

Nashville Metro Police Officers present at the time of the explosion told media representatives Saturday that just prior to the bomb going off the RV motor home started playing the song "Downtown", which was a 1964 hit song by Petula Clark. The RV's speaker also warned everyone an explosion was about to occur and to evacuate the area.

Six Metro police officers are being honored for placing their own lives in harm's way to evacuate the area. No one was killed and three sustained non-critical injuries.



Ash Young, CEO of Cachengo with computing device the company has named Pizza.

## Cachengo Hopes to Add Rural Wi-Fi in Area

MCKENZIE — Cachengo, a Carroll County based industry, with a focus on designing and building edge computing equipment, has released an idea to provide wi-fi to the unserved and underserved rural areas, where most legacy providers consider too costly to serve.

Ash Young, CEO of Cachengo with offices on Airport Lane in McKenzie and State Route 22 South in Huntingdon, said rural wi-fi can be achieved with a series of 60-foot towers spaced two miles apart. Each tower would have omni-directional antennas to broadcast the signal on the old citizens band radio frequency. Young said the cost to the customer should be approximately \$30 monthly. Approximately one-half of Americans do not have access to

quality internet service, which has become so important as more people work and learn from home. Rural broadband is a must for running any type of business including agriculture, which depends on timely weather and market reports.

Young has more than 20 years in edge computing. He moved to west Tennessee from Silicon Valley, where he worked for the world's largest provider of network computing hardware.

Cachengo has developed two edge computing devices known as Bento and Pizza. Bento is a set-top box and Pizza is a rack-mounted box. Both offer computing density never achieved in similar sizes while consuming 1/15 the energy, 1/10th the cost, and generate less heat. The pizza can hold up

to 128 terabytes of data storage in a single box. The concept is to perform the computing where the storage is.

The testing and quality assurance is performed in Tennessee. Currently, the company has 20 employees. Manufacturing is a highly technical process and is still performed in Taiwan, China and California.

Young said he wants to help build a community of technology in Carroll County to help students to remain here following graduation.

Ash's wife, Janae is a counselor and has an office on Main Street in Huntingdon. The two have a blended family of six children. For more information, visit cachengo.com

## Parents, School Teams, Officials Only at Ball Games

NASHVILLE — Governor Bill Lee Executive Order No. 70, effective immediately and remaining in effect through January 19, 2021. Because of the significant increase in the incidence of COVID-19 infections in Tennessee, additional restrictions on who may attend interscholastic athletic practices and contests are in place.

Unfortunately, large scale attendance by spectators and students must be curtailed. Doing so means bands, pep bands, cheerleaders, and dance teams may not attend athletic contests while these restrictions remain in place. In accordance with the new Executive Order, the only attendees permitted at practices or games, in addition to the student-athletes on the team,

are: Players' parents or guardians and immediate household members;

First Responders; Coaching and team personnel; School, game, and facility administrators; Athletics officials; and media and athletic scouting personnel attending the event in their professional capacity.

Social distancing between persons from different households is required. While the Executive Order does not mandate the use of masks, the Governor has encouraged masks, and the TSSAA COVID-19 Sports Regulations provision regarding the use of masks remains. Refer to the Tennessee Returns to Play page at TSSAA.org for full information.

These are minimum restric-

tions. Depending on particular school, facility, or community circumstances, school officials may require additional limitations on attendance.

The Governor's office conferred with TSSAA about these restrictions. TSSAA concurs with Governor's office that these restrictions represent the best means for us to continue providing interscholastic athletic participation opportunities to our student-athletes while also doing our part to curb the spread of the virus. We remain hopeful that we will soon begin to see a decline in the instances of infection and that our schools will soon be able to return to more normal operation of their athletic competition.

## Carroll County Prospective Jurors Are Not to Report December 30

HUNTINGDON — In response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Chief Justice of the Tennessee Supreme Court published an Order Extending State of Emergency and Reinstating Suspension of In-Person Court Proceedings through January 2021 and jury trials through February.

Grand Jury will not meet in January, 2021. Those of you summoned for duty, please do not report on Wednesday, December 30, said Sarah Bradberry, Circuit Court Clerk. The Carroll County Circuit Court will issue prospective jurors of a new date for the Grand Jury.



Luke Rawls, owner of the new Rivals Sports Bar and Grill.

## Rivals Sports Bar and Grill Opens Thursday

MCKENZIE — The 92-seat Rivals Sports Bar and Grill opens in McKenzie on New Year's Eve - just in time to ring in the new year. It is located at 1916 Cedar Street.

Luke and Erica Rawls are the owners of the upscale eatery. Rawls said the restaurant will be a family-friendly location similar to an Applebee's or any other restaurant that also serves alcohol. Everyone who purchases alcohol will first be carded to verify the patron's age.

Luke's first job was at KFC in Martin and later at Old Charley's in Jackson. He said he loves the interaction and fellowship with the customers. He also loves sports, as indicated by the many sports pennants and posters of legendary athletes that adorn the wall. Also displayed are the jerseys of professional athletes Drew Hayes of McKenzie, Patrick

Willis of Bruceton, Popeye Jones of Dresden, Avery Williamson of Milan and Chad Clifton of Martin.

Roy Smith is the general manager and has 20 years experience managing a TGIF at Wolfchase.

Luke and Donald Bott designed and built much of the interior, including laying floors and designing the bar. It was a year-long passion and it is exactly as he envisioned it, said Luke.

Luke worked 15 years as an EMT and a critical care paramedic. Erica works as a social worker with the Henry County Health Department. Luke is leaving his former career while Erica will continue working as a social worker. The have three children, Cameron, in the U.S. Navy, Riley, a freshman at UT Martin, and Taylor, an eighth grader at McKenzie.



Joe and Denise Sam are the owners of McKenzie Station Bar and Grill.

## McKenzie Station Bar and Grill Now Open Downtown

Residents of McKenzie have a new dining option in historic downtown since the November 17 opening of McKenzie Station Bar and Grill, a family-friendly restaurant with a full-service bar.

Located at 5 Broadway, the eatery offers American cuisine, including burgers, steak, chicken and shrimp, plus bar favorites such as wings and appetizers.

Owners Joe and Denise Sam are retired educators who were looking for a way to fill their time and offer something new and unique to their community.

Denise retired from McKenzie High School's Special Education staff in 2016 and Joe retired from Bethel University's Department of Natural Sciences in 2019.

In 2015, they purchased the corner building, which was constructed in 1898. The ground floor was home to J.P. Cannon and Sons Drug Store from 1899 until 1947. Upper floor tenants included the telephone company, the office of Dr. Jeff D. Reddick, D.D.S. and the office of Dr. Harris T. Collier, M.D. In the years since, 5 Broadway has housed Gwaltney's Men's Wear, Jim Alexander Insurance and West and West Law Office.

The Sams considered several options, including a crafts store, art gallery or hobby shop. A common refrain from local citizens and city officials was that McKenzie could use a sports bar, so they began the extensive renovations needed in early 2019.

During the construction, they decided to design and name the restaurant after the city's origins as a major intersection of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis and Louisville and Nashville rail lines.

The bar and furnishings are all hardwood. The tables, benches and booths were all built by Joe himself. The original brick interior walls are adorned with railroad paraphernalia, and model trains from Joe's collection circle above the dining area.

After decades in education, the restaurant business is quite a change for the Sams, but they credit the contributions of family and friends in getting McKenzie Station off the ground.

Denise told The Banner, "It's an exciting new endeavor for us. We've learned a lot in a short amount of time, and we continue to learn ways to better serve our customers. We can't begin to express our gratitude for the support from the community and the City of McKenzie."

Joe and Denise reside in McKenzie. They have five adult children and six grandchildren.

McKenzie Station Bar and Grill is open Tuesday through Saturday from 4 to 10 p.m. Patrons can make reservations for parties of seven or more or place carryout orders at 731-393-0122.

The restaurant will remain open until 1 p.m. on New Year's Eve with live music by The Blue Train Trio from 7 p.m. until after midnight.



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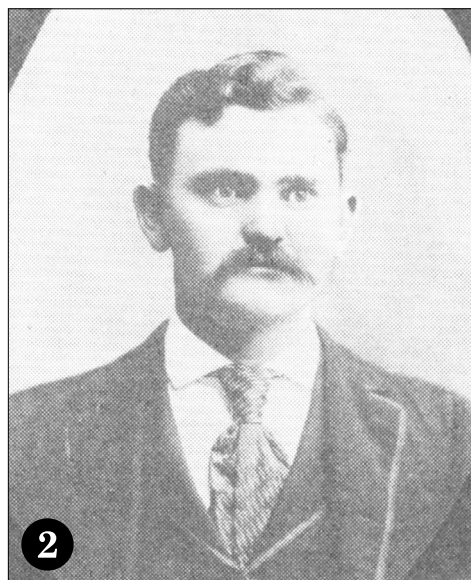
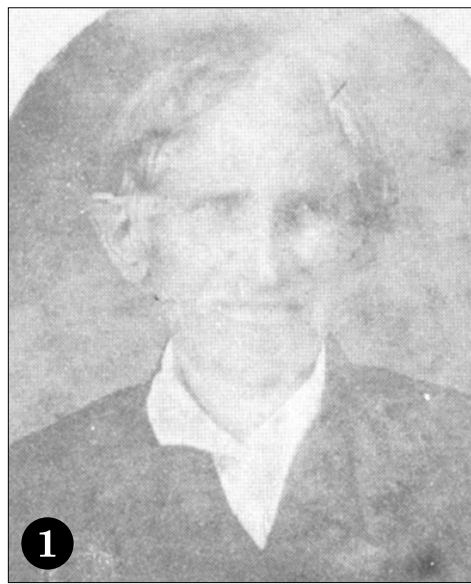
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SAVE A STAMP. Complete the ballot online, Go to <https://www.mckenziebanner.com/stories/bestof2020,7379>

**DEADLINE: DECEMBER 31, 2020**





1. Richard Manley, Jr. moved from Virginia to North Carolina and in 1805 he came to Tennessee settling near Caledonia. 2. Robert C. Manley was the father of Kathleen McDade. 3. Photo of Newton A. and Sallie Manley took some time in the early 1900s. Newton and Sallie are the great-great-grandparents of Max Manley. 4. Members of the Manley family near the tombstone of family patriarch Richard Manley, Jr. The Manley Cemetery is about a 3-minute walk north of Caledonia Baptist Church on Highway 140.

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## The Manley Family (Part I)

### From Caledonia to McKenzie

Growing up in the south, I imagine every family has certain friends their children feel are surrogate aunts, uncles or grandparents. For me, there was one such person, who to this day, I consider a surrogate grandfather, Max Manley.

When we first moved from California to McKenzie, my mom and dad didn't really know anyone outside of my mother's family. So in essence, they were forced to start a new life in a community they knew very little about other than what my mother could recall from visiting family during childhood vacations.

As a young man, my grandpa's closest friend was Max. Over the years, including World War II and the family's move to California, Verdell and Max stayed in contact. Shortly after we arrived, I met Max and was instantly attached. For all the money in the world, you could not have convinced me that Max was not Grandpa's brother. They talked so much alike, they dressed similarly and even combed their hair the same way. The similarities and loving nature made me think of him as a third granddad.

Over time, I saw less and less of Max but I never forgot how wonderful he treated me. Then one day out of the blue, I stopped

to visit my grandpa and there was Max. They were sitting and laughing about old times. Then Max picked up my guitar and started playing and singing songs he and Verdell used to play together back in the day. That was the last time I saw Max.

Fast forward 20-plus years; while going through our archives for story ideas, I came across a feature on Max from 2001. As soon as I saw the photo of Max, my eyes filled with tears as my mind was flooded with memories of a man I loved like my own grandfather.

As I looked deeper into the Manley family, I came across some interesting individuals and will share the story of the Manley family.

The story begins with Richard Manley, Jr. (1783-1858). His father was a gunmaker during the American Revolution. Richard Jr. was born in Virginia and later moved from North Carolina to West Tennessee and married Sallie Randle (1791-1870) in 1805, daughter of Major John Randle of the American Revolution. He bought land in Henry and Carroll counties near the Caledonia community. With his 1500-acre homestead, he brought several

slaves and mules.

They had 11 children: Lucy G. (1806-1874), Susanna F. (1809-1854), Louisa R. (1811-1858), Mary L. Manley (1813-1850), Hamblin S. (1816-1895), Green (1818-1880), John F. (1820-1856), Martha N. (1824-1846), William L. (1826-1829), Newton Asbury (1829-1917), and William Clinton (1832-1909).

Many of the early Manleys are buried at Manley Cemetery about a 3-minute walk north of Caledonia Baptist Church on Highway 140.

According to Manley family records: *in the early 1800s, there was a religious revival in Henry County. The Reverend John Manley founded the first Methodist Church called Manley Chapel. By 1857, the Manley's donated land on Spring Creek and Cold Water Church came into being a tabernacle and campground with many campsites. People from near and far came in buggies, wagons and horseback to camp and attend revivals.*

For the sake of the story, we will follow two of the Manley brothers, Newton Asbury and William Clinton.

Starting with the youngest,

William Clinton, married Mary Caton (1841-1889) in 1875. They had seven children: Thomas R. (1859-1944), James H. (1861-1881), Willie Rebecca (1866-1954), John R. (1867-infancy), Robert C. (1869-1909), Ada F. (1870-1911), and Betty C. (1879-1960).

In the late 1800s, William and Mary moved to Carroll County so their daughter could attend McTyeire College. Fifth child, Robert, married Martha E. Fowler (1869-1961). They had one daughter Kathleen (1898-1995), she would marry John E. McDade (1887-1985). The McDade marriage brought two children; Martha Virginia "Gena" Manner (Wendell) and John Robert.

Newton Asbury Manley married Sarah Paton "Sallie" Edwards (1844-1927). Newton had 10 children: William R. (1862-1919), Mary A. (1864-1944), Martha B. (1866-1954), George J. (1869-1956), Wiley N. (1870-1962), Greene W. (1873-1914), James R. (1875-1960), Robert E. (1877-1971), John O. (1880-1970), and Hula F. (1887-1976).

John Oscar Manley married Mary Jane Miller (1882-1974) and they had two children: Robert Loyd (1901-1956) and Roy E. (1903-1988). Robert married

Vergie C. Miller (1903-1982) and they had one child together, Max Carlton (1925-2007).

For those who were able to keep up, two prominent citizens of McKenzie, Max Manley and Gena Manner share Richard Manley, Jr. as their third great-grandfather. Next week, I will pick up the story I promised of Max.

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From the pages of *A Pictorial History of McKenzie, Tennessee* Published in October 2004



Waldran Street, 16 inch snow, March, 1968. File photo originally published in "A Pictorial History of McKenzie, Tennessee," by The McKenzie Banner in October 2004.

## Amplification

To a story about a Huntingdon business hosting a Christmas parade and event, Ash Young held the event to honor the memory of the late Harold

Miller, who died in 2020. Miller and wife, Barbara previously hosted many community events at the home where Mr. Young now resides.

The event was successful because of H&S Landscaping and others who installed all the decorative lighting and Bud

Ricketts and his church for providing the live nativity scene, Sheriff Andy Dickson and his deputies for providing traffic control, Pope's Concessions and Susie Cole of Playhouse Petting Zoo and Specialty Animals for the petting zoo.

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## HUNKER DOWN WITH KES

# Talk About A Real Army!

The man in the wheelchair was having a bit of trouble. He was overloaded with groceries and trying to steer his way among the people and cars back to where I supposed he was parked. Every time he stopped to turn or let a vehicle pass the bags would shift. I thought I ought to help but I was a bit preoccupied at the moment.....

I know next to nothing about the Salvation Army. I've heard of William Booth, the founder, but that's about it. I know they collect a lot of money, but I have no clue how, to whom or where they distribute it.

They must be doing something right; the whole world trusts them to use it in a Godly way.

Diana Sealy and my first wife conspired to get me down to the red kettle in front of Mr. George Duren's store. It was forty-two degrees and the wind was whipping at my face mask. I was thinking I had completely lost what little mind I had left.

I was still eying the wheelchair when Jim Kennedy stuck a bell in my hand. I went to ringing like a man bent on earning wings for every eager young angel in Heaven!

But my heart wasn't in it. I was just being polite. And mostly wondering how long I was "signed up" to stand out here.....

The first guy who dropped a wadded up bill through the rather small X shaped slit in the top of the kettle was a little on the rough side. I'm not judging here, but it did cross my mind that he might need to be taking something OUT!

He nodded to me like I was in charge. Hey, I'm just ringing a bell here.

The young boy was wearing shorts! He clearly didn't get the memo about the arctic blast. Or

he was a lot tougher than I was. He smiled at me after stuffing in some money, "Thanks Mister".

He was gone before I could repeat my "just ringing a bell" line.

"Merry Christmas" was my next greeting. It was an older lady wearing an Alabama football sweatshirt. It took her a minute to get all her bills in. I didn't say nothing. But I've never seen anyone giving away money as happily as she was!

A mother got out a couple of bills and handed them to her child. He got the honor of shoving them through the slot. I was thinking, "Wow, what a great teaching moment" when the lady THANKED ME!

I was about to say I haven't done a thing—when I saw the guy in the wheelchair reappear sans his load. He maneuvered his way slowly back through the traffic, over to the bucket, dropped in a sizable donation, and wheeled his way back into the morass.....

Folks, I'm telling you, I got a right smart more interested in what was going on here!

And it was just the beginning. I don't know how long I stood there. Time didn't matter. As people made their way in, or out, of that store they stopped to give. Some looked like they could afford it. Some didn't. Some came smiling. Some were old. Some very young. Some were black. Some were white. Some were brown.

They all gave.

And I bet you some, maybe most, didn't know any more about the Salvation Army than I did! They just knew it would help others. People who needed it! People maybe a little less fortunate than them.

Nothing complicated about it.

These generous hearts didn't need a government study on poverty. They didn't have to hear the "It's more blessed to give than receive" sermon. They didn't want a tax deductible receipt, pat on the back or commendation from the late Mr. Booth.

I was all set to write the perfunctory 2020 "year-end article" looking back on the devastation wrought by Covid-19, a decidedly divided nation and the never ending "up in your face" finger pointing.

I found something standing out there in the forty-two degree weather way better.

Hope.

And inspiration.

I went to ringing that bell like a man with a new lease on life! "Merry Christmas" I practically yelled at the next donor; "Thank you so much. God bless you!"

Another mother brought a child to the bucket. I leaned down close, "Son, thank you! You are making a difference in someone's life today!" As he skipped off toward the car.....I realized I was one of those he was touching.....

Yesterday I thought this nation was sinking faster than a lead ballast on the Titanic. Today, I see a little more clearly.

We can shake our collective heads at the pundits in Washington, marvel at the constant haranguing from the Fourth Estate and be embarrassed by the never ending bickering by different groups in this country.

But that is not America!

The heartbeat of this nation is in parking lots—from sea to shining sea—this Christmas.....giving all they can....cheerfully....lovingly.....

Respectfully,  
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25 CALENDAR

pounds, which is usually at around eight weeks of age.

guest speakers and movies. All are welcome.

**COVID-19 DISCLAIMER**

All items appearing on this calendar are subject to postponement or cancellation due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The McKenzie Banner has not received notice of changes to any of the events, but also can not guarantee that each event will still be held at the time and date listed. The Banner appreciates your patience during this unprecedented time of rapidly-changing circumstances.

**WEST CARROLL BASKETBALL TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE**

West Carroll High School is converting ticket purchasing for home basketball games to online-only through gofan.com. All fans are required to have their temperature checked and wear a mask upon entry. If you have questions, email Shane DePriest at shane.depriest@wccssd.org.

**MCKENZIE CITY COUNCIL TO MEET**

The McKenzie City Council will have a called council meeting on Wednesday, December 30 at 3 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the McKenzie Building 360 LLC / Profile Incorporated Property Annexation. The meeting will be conducted by Zoom, and anyone who wants to attend should contact McKenzie City Hall 731-352-2292, in order to receive an invite.

**CCHS CAT SPAY, NEUTER VOUCHERS**

The Carroll County Humane Society provides low-cost cat spay/neuter vouchers for \$40. Come by the shelter 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Saturdays. Call Paris Vet Clinic and set up your appointment. Take your cats in one morning and they come home the same day. That's all there is to it.

Here's all the information you need about these vouchers: Your city of residence or income doesn't matter, anybody can buy these vouchers. You can buy as many as you need. All vouchers must be used at Paris Vet Clinic. Vouchers expire one month from purchase.

You can use these for your cat or the neighborhood stray. You can buy the vouchers for others to use for their cats.

This is an ongoing program. Cats just need to weigh two

**JOHNSON TEMPLE C.M.E. PRAYER VIGIL**

There is a Community Prayer Vigil every Tuesday at 5 p.m. at Johnson Temple C.M.E., 915 Walnut Avenue, McKenzie.

We come together to pray for one another, our community and country, then study the Word of God. Johnson Temple C.M.E. Church convenes each Sunday with Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship at 11 a.m.

**COUNTY RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE MEETS JANUARY 4**

The Resolutions Committee of the Carroll County Legislative Body meets Monday, January 4, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room at the Carroll County Office Complex at 625 High Street, Huntingdon. The public is invited to attend.

**BETHEL HOMECOMING IS FEBRUARY 19-20**

Bethel University is hosting its annual Homecoming on February 19 and 20, 2021. With the football season moved to the spring semester, the event will feature a football game on Friday evening and basketball on Saturday. The Bethel community hopes everyone will join the university in celebrating.

**SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE LOSS SUPPORT GROUP**

A support group for survivors of suicide loss meets the first Saturday of each month from 8:30-9:30 a.m. at Baptist Memorial Hospital, 631 R. B. Wilson Drive, Huntingdon. The loss of a loved one is shocking and painful. The grief one experiences is complex and no one person experiences the same grief. Survivors often struggle with the reasons of "why" the suicide occurred and what they could have done to prevent the suicide. It is never too early to start healing. Contact Christy Blount at cblount2@utm.edu with questions.

**JOY CLUB MEETS TWICE MONTHLY**

The Joy Club meets at McKenzie First United Methodist Church on the first and third Thursdays of each month from noon-2 p.m. Bring a sack lunch and enjoy fellowship, games,

**LOW-INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The Northwest Tenn. Economic Development Agency is accepting applications for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. This program helps low-income households through direct energy payments to their energy provider. Proof of gross household income is required to determine eligibility. Applicants must also submit a government ID, social security number verification for all household members and a current utility company print-out showing the last 12 months of usage at their current location. Individuals interested in applying for the LIHEAP Program should make an appointment at the Northwest Tenn. Economic Development Agency office in their county of residence.

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**MCKENZIE HISTORIC ZONING MEETS MONTHLY**

The McKenzie Historic Zoning Committee meets the second Wednesday of each month, 4 p.m. in the city hall council chambers.

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City of McKenzie Condemnation Meetings are the fourth Monday of each month at 3 p.m. in the city hall council chambers.

**MCKENZIE CITY COUNCIL MEETS MONTHLY**

The McKenzie City Council meets at 6 p.m. the second Thursday of each month.



Top, West Carroll High School Concert Band. Above, West Carroll Junior High Intermediate Band. Below, West Carroll Elementary Beginning Band. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



**West Carroll Bands Host Winter Concert**

BY BRAD SAM  
[brad@mckenziebanner.com](mailto:brad@mckenziebanner.com)

ATWOOD (December 13) — The West Carroll Band Department presented its annual Winter Band Concert Sunday afternoon in the West Carroll Junior Senior High gymnasium. Directors Michael Nelson and Randy Wilson alternated conducting the three bands. First, Nelson directed the

elementary beginning band, explaining between songs the progression of difficulty as the beginners learned their first notes and built from there. The band performed First Notes, Rolling Along, Hot Cross Buns, Lightly Row, A Mozart Melody, Doodle All Day, My Dreydl and Jingle Bells.

Next, Wilson conducted the junior high intermediate band as they performed Celtic Christ-

mas and Jingle Bones, the latter featuring the trombone section of Joy Bryant, Kalee Coleman and Arlexis Perry.

Finally, Nelson and Wilson led the high school concert band with I Want A Hippopotamus for Christmas, Happy X-Mas (War is Over), Deep Winter's Night and Christmas Festival. Wilson directed Happy X-Mas (War is Over) as Nelson joined the percussion section.

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The winner matched four

out of five white numbers and the red Powerball in Saturday night's drawing. Because the player also chose the Power Play feature for an extra \$1 and the Power Play number drawn was 2, the \$50,000 prize was doubled to \$100,000.

The winning ticket was sold at Little General, 1845 South Meridian St. in Greenfield.

The current estimated Powerball jackpot is \$363 million, and the next drawing is Wednesday, December 30, 2020.

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McKenzie Elementary

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Grade: 3rd Grade  
Teacher: Mary Spivey

**Lashontiona Clark**  
McKenzie Middle

Lashontiona exhibits a strong work ethic each day in all of her classes. In a year that has been anything but normal, she has proven that hard work pays off. She constantly strives to improve herself each day personally and academically. She is friendly to her peers and her teachers and is a joy to have in the classroom.

Parent: Tiera Clark  
Grade: 6th Grade  
Teachers: Ms. Sherri Austin, Ms. Savannah Merchant, Ms. Josephine Wright, & Ms. Roxie Walker

**Hadley Woodruff**  
McKenzie High

Hadley is on the Distinguished Scholar track of academic classes. She is a member of the Beta Club, and she has won the Algebra Who's Who Award. She loves to read and spend time with her friends. She plans to attend Murray State University and major in Education. Her career plans are to become a teacher.

Parents: Terry and Daisy Woodruff  
Grade: 11th Grade  
Teacher: Trey Cantrell

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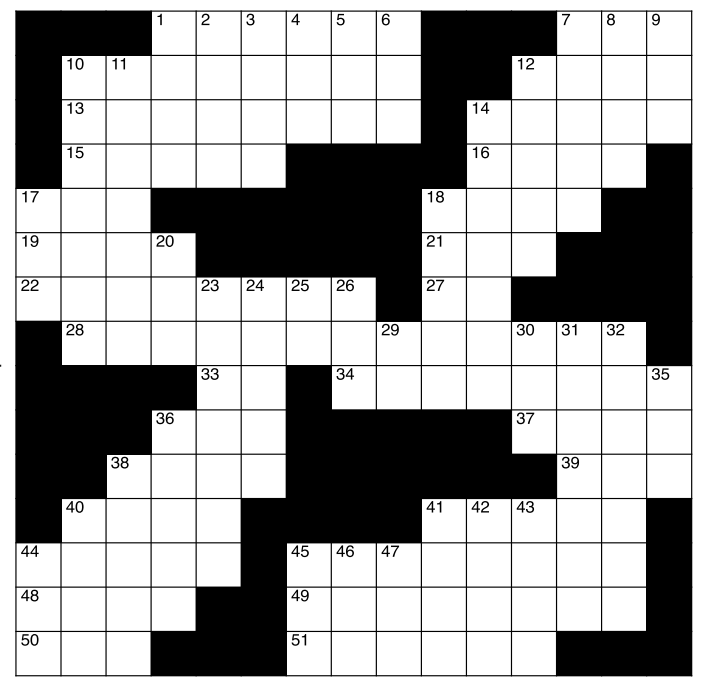
# Weekly Crossword

### CLUES ACROSS

- Home of the Cowboys
- "Hawaii Five-O" actor McBride
- Most aged
- Fitted with a shoe
- Courteously
- They form over cuts
- Western Alaskan river
- Aggressive men
- Farm animal
- Young woman (French)
- Sixth month of Hebrew calendar
- Short cry
- State capital
- Rural delivery
- "Twilight Zone" creator
- Gigabyte
- Flammable hydrocarbon
- Supervises flying
- An actor who plays a principal role
- Furnace for pottery
- Fall back
- Afrikaans word for language
- Chinese city
- Fleshy
- Inventor
- Taxis
- A citizen of Spain
- Important age for aging workers (abbr.)
- Body part

### CLUES DOWN

- Chinese mountain range
- Romanian city
- Fishermen cast it
- Shelter from wind



- Sign language
- Pigpen
- Make sore
- Flat metal shelves
- Forms that say who you are
- Cigar lovers' necessity
- Popular cooking ingredient
- Skin covering the head
- Unshakable
- Exclamation meaning "Finally!"
- One of the wise men's gifts
- Take away from
- In accordance with the law
- Nicole Kidman's husband
- NY Giants legend
- Utilize
- Beloved Hollywood alien
- Unwell
- More destitute
- Grinded together
- Sun up in New York
- Italian-made cars
- Most sacred site in Islam
- Rip apart
- Go in a specified direction
- Freshwater mussel genus
- "\_ the Man" Musical
- One thousand cubic feet (abbr.)
- West coast time zone
- Mimic
- You can get one in summer

Week 53

See solution in next week's edition.

## Happy New Year! Word Search

A I T T E F N O C H J T L R C  
 G U K R S H K D O O F I Q F O  
 E O L D A C M O N E Y M T O R  
 N T A D O E N O Y T N E W T N  
 O I A L L S Y M B R I S H Y B  
 I E C R S A I W E D N S O R R  
 T S A I B D N S E W K Q G A E  
 I C K T N E O G O N C U J U A  
 D B A I G L L D S H U A O N D  
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|----------------|------------|----------|--------------|
| Auld Lang Syne | Confetti   | Health   | Money        |
| Baby           | Cornbread  | Hello    | New Year     |
| Ball           | Countdown  | Hog Jowl | Old          |
| Beginning      | Diet       | Home     | Resolution   |
| Cabbage        | Eat Greens | Hope     | Save         |
| Celebrate      | Eve        | January  | Times Square |
| Change         | Food       | Kiss     | Toast        |
| Cheer          | Goals      | Luck     | Tradition    |
| Clock          | Goodbye    | Midnight | Travel       |
|                |            |          | Twenty One   |

## THIS DAY IN...



## HISTORY

• **1777:** AMERICAN GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON DEFEATS BRITAIN'S GENERAL LORD CORNWALLIS AT THE BATTLE OF PRINCETON.

• **1870:** CONSTRUCTION ON THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE BEGINS.

• **2000:** THE FINAL DAILY EDITION OF THE "PEANUTS" COMIC STRIP IS RUN.

### Week 52 Crossword Puzzle Solution

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | G | A |   |   |   | E | B | B |   |
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| R | I | L | E | D |   | C | A | N | A |
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|   |   |   |   |   |   | B | A | R | I |
|   |   |   |   |   |   | C | A | D |   |

### SUDOKU SOLUTION WEEK 52

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 8 |
| 9 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| 3 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 9 | 7 | 4 |
| 2 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 |
| 4 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 |
| 6 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 1 |
| 5 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 9 |
| 1 | 9 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 3 |
| 8 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 2 |

## SUDOKU WEEK 53

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 |   |   |   | 3 | 2 |   |   | 8 |
|   | 3 |   |   | 6 |   |   |   |   |
| 8 | 1 |   |   | 7 |   |   | 3 | 2 |
|   |   |   | 9 | 7 |   |   |   | 1 |
|   |   |   |   | 4 | 5 | 8 |   |   |
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| 1 | 7 |   |   | 5 |   |   |   |   |
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## TCAT-McKenzie Presents Recent Graduates

The Fall 2020 trimester at the Tennessee College of Applied Technology at McKenzie ended differently this year. A virtual graduation ceremony was held to celebrate the graduates. The virtual graduation was posted on YouTube and the link was shared to each graduate and on TCAT-McKenzie's Facebook page.

Dr. Brad White, president, led the ceremony with some congratulatory comments. Each instructor then congratulated their graduates prior to each programs' students being recognized. Each student that graduated in the Fall term was recognized in the

virtual graduation.

A total of 36 students were recognized in the Fall 2020 Graduation Ceremony. The students who completed requirements for a certificate or diploma levels are:

**Administrative Office Technology (AOT)** — Christy Collins of Huntingdon and Justin Ralls of Greenfield.

**HVAC/Refrigeration (HVAC/R)** — Jesus Barcenas of Trenton, Jonathan Cash of Atwood, Braxton Ellis of Rutherford, Avery Lee of Paris and Keaton Weber of Big Rock.

**Industrial Maintenance Integrated Automation (IM)**

— Cameron Bennett of Paris, Anthony Mastrominico of Springville, Josh McCutcheon of McKenzie, Dalton Poole of Paris and Darrell Williams of Trezevant.

**Information Technology Systems Management (ITSM)** — Riley Simmons of Union City and Alicia Simmons of McKenzie.

**Machine Tool (MT)** — Logan Carter of Huntingdon, Chandler Church of Milan, Brendan Sandel of Huntingdon and Justin Slater of McKenzie.

**Welding** — Nikolas Bynum of Huntingdon, Elijah Craig of

Huntingdon, James Driggers of Bruceston, Jack Fry of McKenzie, Sarah Heyduck of Huntingdon, Richard Houseknecht of McKenzie, Mason Huffstutter of Union City, Tyson Keymon of Greenfield, Hunter Ledsinger of Huntingdon, Robert Neil of Sharon and Christopher True of McKenzie.

**Welding (Weakley County)** — Nolan Faulkner of South Union, William Lewellen of Dresden, Dustin Malone of Martin, William Nunamaker of Dresden, David Phillips of Dresden, James Phillips of Paris and Brian Starnes of Henry.



## McKenzie Rotary Honors Members

McKENZIE (December 15) — The McKenzie Rotary concluded 2020 with a catered luncheon for its members and guests. During the meeting, the club honored three of its members; pictured (L to R) Clark Brown, Jason R. Martin and Dr. Ed Perkins. Immediate-past President Joel Washburn stated, the three members were key in helping the club earn

distinction as District 6760 Club of the Year, receiving the platinum citation for achievement from Rotary International and becoming a 100% Paul Harris Club. Brown was presented the Humanitarian Award, Martin received the Oscar Owen Rotarian of the Year Award and Perkins was presented the Lifetime Achievement marking 60 years of service in Rotary.

## Sports in 2020: The Banner's Year-in-Review

At the end of each year, The Banner gives its readers a look back at the top sports stories from the previous 12 months. 2020 began as another typical year, but, as you'll see in our year-in-review,

things took a dramatic turn in March when the COVID-19 pandemic shook the foundations of society here and around the world.

The pandemic brought an early end to basketball state cham-

pionships and caused the complete cancellation of the baseball, softball, boys' soccer and track seasons. The summer was full of uncertainty as football, golf, cross-country and girls' soccer teams attempted to safely prepare for a season that may not come.

Ultimately, fall meant "football time in Tennessee," although there was no shortage of last-minute scheduling changes and game cancellations due to the virus. Seasons were completed; champions were crowned.

Winter brought the athletes indoors for basketball, but also brought a surge in virus cases that has made the early part of the season touch-and-go. The year ends with new restrictions in place, but hope remains that teams will see their seasons to fruition in 2021.

**January 7**  
**LADY WILDCATS**  
**HAND COACH NELSON**  
**300TH CAREER WIN**  
McKENZIE — Four years ago Thursday night, Coach Chris

Nelson captured career win No. 200 with a victory over Auburn-Montgomery. Noteworthy in the 70-53 win was the scoring of Shamon Pearson who hit nine three-pointers. That all-time program mark was tied earlier this season by Bethel freshman Ryan Roberts who hit nine three's in Bethel's 104-57 win over Oakland City.

Coach Nelson captured his 300th career win Thursday as the No. 15 Lady Wildcats beat visiting Stillman College 76-38. Coach Nelson is 300-142 in his 14 years at Bethel. It was Bethel's fourth straight win and moved them to 12-4 overall and 2-1 in the SSAC. The Lady Tigers fell to 3-7 and 2-1.

**January 14**  
**MCKENZIE SWEEPS**  
**HUMBOLDT ON**  
**HOMECOMING**

McKENZIE (January 11) — McKenzie High School celebrated Homecoming Saturday night with an impressive sweep of Humboldt. The Lady Rebels pulled ahead in the second frame and shook off a third-quarter rally by the Lady Vikings to claim a 63-42 win. Looking to avenge last year's state semifinal loss to the Vikings, the Rebels took a big first-half lead and held off a second-half Humboldt rally for a 76-61 victory.

Prior to the girls' contest, the Homecoming Royalty was presented and senior Shelby Davis was crowned queen.

**January 28**  
**MCKENZIE FAMILY**  
**MEMBER TO PLAY IN**  
**SUPER BOWL**

Following the December stabilizing death of Summers' family relation, Clayton Beathard, the Beathards are making news

again. Brother, C.J. Beathard, in his third year with San Francisco 49ers, will play in Super Bowl LIV against the Kansas City Chiefs this Sunday.

Susan Williams Beathard, C.J.'s mother is a native of McKenzie. Beathard's maternal grandparents are Cindy Summers and the late Jerry Connell of Dresden. Summers, a retired professor, still resides in McKenzie as does his great-uncle, Joel Summers.

**February 4**  
**MCKENZIE HIGH**  
**SCHOOL HONORS**  
**1960, 1963**  
**REBELETTES FOR**  
**STATE TOURNAMENT**  
**APPEARANCES**

McKENZIE (January 28) — McKenzie High School paid homage Tuesday to the 1960 and 1963 Rebelettes basketball teams for their state tournament appearances with a pregame dinner and a special halftime recognition. Eleven players and one coach were able to attend.

Members of the teams and their families were invited to a dinner in the cafeteria catered by Mallard's Restaurant. On display were team photos, state tournament box scores, yearbooks and trophies.

**WAR EAGLE**  
**JEREMIAH BRYANT**  
**PLAYS IN BLUE-GREY**  
**ALL-AMERICAN BOWL**

DALLAS (January 20) — West Carroll football standout Jeremiah Bryant displayed his skills and speed on the biggest stage in last month's Blue-Grey All-American Bowl at AT&T Stadium, the home of the Dallas Cowboys.

The exhibition game was the final of four annual All-American Bowls hosted by Blue-Grey Football to help the best high

school football players across the country receive exposure and increase college scholarship offers.

**February 11**  
**BETHEL UNIVERSITY**  
**SETS NEW RECORD**  
**IN COLLEGE FISHING**

BAINBRIDGE, Ga. — The Bethel University Bass Cats set a new record in the sport of college Bass fishing by finishing first, second and third in the Fishing League Worldwide (FLW) Yeti Series held in Bainbridge, Georgia on Lake Seminole. No school has ever had three teams finish in the top three spots during a national fishing tournament.

**February 18**  
**MCKENZIE'S KING**  
**IS CLASS A MR.**  
**BASKETBALL**  
**FINALIST**

McKenzie High School basketball standout Lucas King is one of three finalists for Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association's Class A Mr. Basketball.

**February 25**  
**REBELS CLAIM TITLE**  
**WITH WIN OVER**  
**CENTRAL; WAR**  
**EAGLES EARN THIRD**  
**OVER HUNTINGDON**

McKENZIE (February 22) — The District 11A Boys Basketball Tournament concluded Saturday with championship and consolation contests at Bethel University's Crisp Arena.

The McKenzie Rebels claimed the district crown with a 89-49 win over the Hollow Rock-Bruceston Central Tigers. Prior to that was the consolation game in which the West Carroll War Eagles earned third place with a thrilling, 61-58 overtime win over the Huntingdon Mustangs.

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