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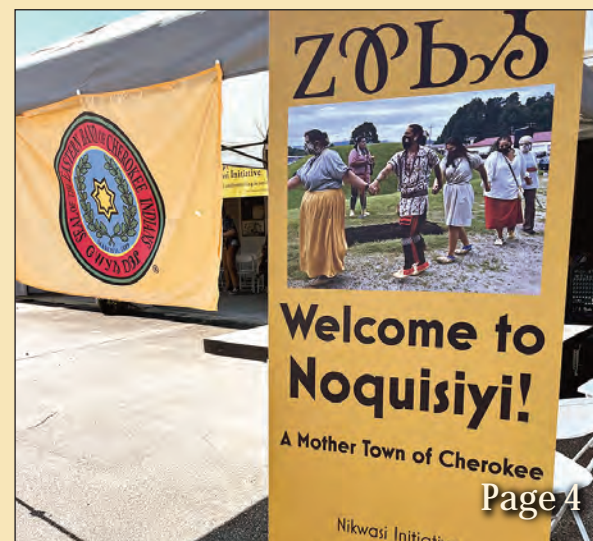


69th Annual Macon County Fair underway

The Macon County Fair is underway at the Wayne Proffitt Agricultural Center on Georgia Road, 441S., open daily 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. through Saturday. Pets, livestock, chickens, rabbits, barbecue, classic fair food, prize-winning produce, arts and crafts and much more are part of the local county fair tradition. A horse show on Sunday afternoon and a harvest sale on Monday round out the activities. The Macon County Fair is the only purely agricultural fair still in operation in the state. At left, Erik James, 5, gives his Gold Americana chicken, Patty Griffen, some love.

Photo by Vickie Carpenter

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TDA develops 2022-23 marketing plan

Dan Finnerty – Contributing Writer

The Franklin Tourism Development Authority (TDA) held a Special Meeting on Monday, Sept. 19, in the Town Hall Board Room. Among items discussed were consideration of three applications for funding, new fiscal year budget appropriations, and possible changes to rules of procedure. After Chair Connie Grubermann called the meeting to order, discussion began with media recommendations previously presented by Beth Payseur, account executive at Drake Software. Three different marketing plan options based on the previously approved proposal were discussed as a result of the TDA acquiring an additional \$125,000 from the Franklin Town Council on Sept. 6. TDA member Josh Drake requested the additional funding due to increased costs associated with website improvements and new services,

including social media content. This was a one-time request and will not be a part of the TDA's ongoing budget.

Updated proposals included support by LOCAL IQ, which evaluates overall digital presence and provides customized reports across three key areas: website performance, social media, and digital advertising effectiveness, comprising nearly half the overall media budget at \$110,535. Additional components included website management/maintenance (\$3,500); commercials (\$6,000); photography/video creation (\$12,000); social media (maintenance/management - \$6,000; and new TikTok/YouTube advertising (\$79,380); and local events (\$5,000). Of three options proposed, Option 2, totaling \$222,415, was approved unanimously.

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The Tourism Development Authority meets monthly to review funding requests, budget concerns and marketing plans to increase tourism in Macon County. Photo by Dan Finnerty

New applications included Conquer the Mountain Half Marathon and 5K – now in its ninth year – and scheduled for Nov. 5. The application, on behalf of the Smoky Mountain Pregnancy Center, requested \$2,000. The TDA reviewed and discussed the request but decided to vote on it at the October meeting. A funds request for \$1,600, submitted by Outdoor 76 for the annual Naturalist 25/50K event scheduled for Oct. 1, was also discussed. Cory McCall, of Outdoor 76, representing the application, reported that “85 runners (out of a maximum 100) are already signed up and comprise participation from eight states thus far.” McCall also “anticipates all positions being accounted for by the date of the event.”

The TDA allotted \$1,700 in 2021 and after consideration agreed to approve this year’s request. The final application, from Horse Tales Farm, Inc., was tabled and discussed. The

request for \$2,500 supports the annual Festival and Craft show, scheduled for Oct. 14 and 15 at the Macon County Fairgrounds, with all proceeds going toward hay, feed, medical expenses, and farrier services as well as assisting rescues in the area. The TDA approved provision of \$2,000 for radio and print advertising in support of the request.

The final order of business addressed revision to rules of procedure regarding membership and TDA voting eligibility requirements. In particular, a motion was made to amend Article 3 (Membership) in order to permit Franklin Town Manager and TDA member, Amie Owens, as a voting participant. The motion to approve was passed unanimously. Chair Grubermann then motioned to adjourn, which was also approved unanimously, 6-0.

The next TDA meeting is Monday, Oct. 10, at 5:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Clarification

In last week’s Macon County News, an article regarding the opening of the new Angel Medical Center mentioned a brief history of how the hospital began but did not include the contributions of Dr. Ed Angel. The following is a clarification of the hospital’s beginnings.

Angel Medical Center’s mission of providing healthcare to the community can be traced back to 1923 when Dr. Furman Angel returned home to set up a clinic in some rooms on the second floor of the old Cunningham Building in historic downtown Franklin, N.C.

To further the cause, he purchased the Cope Elias house located on the present hospital grounds in 1924 and started Angel Hospital. The Cope Elias house served as the hospital until 1926 when a new hospital building was completed. Subsequently, the Cope Elias house served as a residence for nurses until it was destroyed by fire several years later. The growth and demand for hospital services was so intense in 1927 that a new wing was added to the hospital.

Dr. Edgar “Ed” Angel, Furman’s younger brother, joined the staff of the hospital in 1932 and the name was changed to Angel Brothers Hospital. In 1940, the hospital underwent several additions and enhancements including the purchase of the hospital by Ed who incorporated and changed the name to Angel Hospital, Inc. In 1956, the hospital was again enlarged, making it a 56-bed hospital.

Before his death in January 1966, Ed recognized the need for a new facility and that a community effort was necessary to obtain government funding. He began the process of selling the hospital to the community, an undertaking that was not completed until after his death. The Angel family donated a portion of the value of the hospital, the A.B. Slagle estate generously gave the hospital the land now known as Mill Creek and the community raised the remainder of the funds through donations to purchase the hospital from the Angel family.

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Trail of Tears Association visits Nikwasi Mound

Deena C. Bouknight – Contributing Writer

Cherokee Boys Club buses pulled into the parking lot of the former Dan's Auto Tuesday, Sept. 20, in Franklin, with around 175 people unloading and gathering at the site of the Nikwasi (Noquisiyi) Mound. The group was part of a field trip for the National Trail of Tears Association's 25th Annual Conference & Symposium, held this year in Cherokee. The field trip included visits to three sacred mounds located on the Cherokee Cultural Corridor: Nikwasi, Cowee, and Kituwah.

The North Carolina Chapter of the Trail of Tears Association hosted the event, which took place Sept. 19-21 at Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Resort Convention Center. The symposium commemorates 184 years since the Trail of Tears removal of Cherokee people in 1838-1839 in which the American Indians were forced to relocate from Macon and surrounding counties, where they had lived for centuries, to Indian Territory in present-day Oklahoma. Al-



Nearly 200 people gathered Sept. 20 at Nikwasi Mound in Franklin as part of a Trail of Tears Association Conference & Symposium field trip.

though an estimated 3,000 Cherokees were removed from the state, some remained in the mountains or returned home to eventually form the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI).

Presenting VIP guests at the gathering at Nikwasi Mound was co-chairman of Nikwasi Initiative Bob McCollum, who explained that he grew up near the mound and knew it was important and treated it with respect – but he did not know why until he became an adult. Among the guests were Macon County Commissioner Jim Tate; N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Secretary Reid Wilson; Museum of the Cherokee Executive Director Shana Bushyhead Condill; N.C. State Senator Kevin Corbin; N.C. House Representative Karl Gillespie; representatives of the National Park Service; and Southeast Heritage Research Director Lamar Marshall.

Wilson explained that the American Indian Commission, with 12 commissioners and two staff people, was recently established in North

Carolina. Corbin and Gillespie shared that they have worked on N.C. bills to support and promote Cherokee culture, such as a bill that was passed to enable public school children to receive academic credit for learning the Cherokee language.

"While we cannot change the past," said Gillespie, "we can learn from it and bring understanding about it. The legacy of the Cherokee people, despite Trail of Tears, remains in this area."

After meeting together and receiving a colorful Nikwasi Initiative bandana, attendees walked up the street to Mainspring Conservation Trust for a boxed lunch, before heading to Cowee School Arts & Heritage Center.

Although attendees visited two Macon County-located mounds (Nikwasi and Cowee), which are sacred places to Cherokee in that they were the base earthen works for burial and ceremonial architecture, many other lectures and activities ensued during the three-day event. EBCI Chief Richard Sneed issued a



Signage issued a welcome to the Nikwasi Mound site in both English and the Cherokee language.

welcome address in an opening ceremony. During the ensuing days, attendees experienced cultural performances, a traditional Cherokee dinner and a variety of guest speakers.

The Trail of Tears Association (TOTA) is a non-profit organization founded to support the creation, development, and interpretation of the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail. Its mission is to identify, protect, and preserve Trail resources and to commemorate the forced removal of the Cherokee. The TOTA promotes awareness of the Trail's legacy, including the effects of the U.S. Government's Indian Removal Policy on the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee Creek, and Seminole people; and, to perpetuate the management and development techniques that are consistent with the National Park Service's trail plan. Visit www.nationaltota.com.



Co-Chair of Nikwasi Initiative Bob McCollum recognized VIP guests attending the event.


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Fontana Regional Library Board of Trustees hear public comments

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All across the nation, a topic of discussion in recent months has been books for children under 18 years of age, that allude to or blatantly convey, sexuality, current cultural lifestyles, as well as sexually descriptive content. Once over the summer, and most recently last Tuesday, public discussions on these subjects took place at the Macon County Public Library during a Fontana Regional Library (FRL) Board meeting.

At the Sept. 13 meeting, 14 people signed up to speak, while around 30 citizens attended the meeting. Library Director Karen Wallace welcomed everyone and expressed, “We appreciate everyone being here and being so interested in library services.”

Speakers were asked by Board Chairperson Ellen Snodgrass to keep their remarks to three minutes, and she added, “We [the Board] are here to listen and we will be taking notes. We will not be acting on anything ... just allowing for a dialogue.”

One group of citizens wore Protect Kids stickers and suggested to the board that children’s sections in the library not promote – through visual displays – any books with sexually suggestive or explicit content and that such books be labeled so that children and parents can discern whether or not to check out such books.

Jim Gaston said, “It’s important to note that our concerns should not be misconstrued as desiring to ‘restrict access,’ which seemed to the response from the library when representatives were asked about this controversy by the press. ... This controversy continues to center around the open display and promotion of books that entice vulnerable children and teens to pursue these ... mature themes that may damage their psychological development.”

Added his wife, Leah Gaston, “I am in



Fontana Regional Library Board Chairperson Ellen Snodgrass, (third from right), facilitated a Sept. 13 meeting at the Macon County Public Library that included public comments from more than a dozen citizens.

agreement with the FRL’s Circulation Policy, which states that ‘The parent or guardian is responsible for the reading, listening, and viewing of library materials by their minor children.’ Therefore as a parent, the sole responsibility to teach my child about matters of sexuality rests upon me and her father. By promoting displays concerning sexuality, the library is attempting to do the thinking and deciding for the parent about when and how to introduce these sensitive topics.”

Olga Pader, who shared that she had been a school psychologist for many years, disagreed with the Gastons, pointing out that nothing currently available to children in the library is pornographic or overtly sexual in content. She said, “What we are talking about here is fear. ... We have to be open ... look at different points of view. Free speech is what I am supporting in this library.”

Elizabeth Albers asked the Board, “Where does the Fontana Regional Library draw the line?” She said one of her children picked up a picture book that introduced a sexual relationship, and she has seen others on display.

“By doing this, you usurp my responsibility as a parent,” said Albers. “You’re not abiding by your own rule. As adults, we should be the protectors ... We request that these books have a label, so that the decision-making is back in the hands of the parents.”

During his three minutes in front of the board, Warren Burgstressor pointed out that concerns parents have regarding what their children read and have access to at a library should not be causing “divisiveness.” He said, “The library has nothing to gain by pushing sexual content to minors.”

Marianne Ingram said, “Let your children read what is all around them. Don’t take the books off the shelf. Leave them there,” while Hannah Cruise said, “The more information regarding certain subjects, the better. In our

home we believe in love in all of its forms should be respected. I love that this is coming into the library as they grow up.”

The last person to speak was Rebecca Tipton, who shared that she is the mother of a 9- and 3- year-old and a homeschooling parent. “I am not trying to protect children from critical thinking or people that are different from them. We haven’t asked for books to be taken off shelves. But we need labels to be put on books, so parents can decide if they want their children to read them. There are many genres – horror, mystery, adult fiction – why not a label on these [sexual content] books?”

On Monday, Sept. 19, Snodgrass explained: “No action was taken at last week’s meeting relating to public comment that was given.” She further stated that she could not speak to the press, as a representative for the board, “regarding any stance on any of these issues.” Thus, no outcome or future changes regarding the Sept. 13 public comments, has been revealed by the board.

Snodgrass added, “The regional board meets on the second Tuesday of every other month beginning in January and ending in November. The meetings are at 4 p.m. and they are open to the public. They rotate between all of our six locations. However, the upcoming November meeting date has been changed due to some conflicts with the usual date being election day. At the end of last week’s meeting we decided that the November board meeting will move to Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 4 p.m. It will be at the Marianna Black Library in Bryson City.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 22

- 9 a.m. – Fair Opens to Public
- 10:30 a.m. – Special Friends Goat Show- Show arena
- 5 p.m. – Dairy Heifer Show
- 6 p.m. – Market Lamb Show followed by Lamb Costume and Agility Contest
- 7 p.m. – Rabbit Show
- 9 p.m. – Fair Closes



FRIDAY, SEPT. 23

- 9 a.m. – Fair Opens to Public
- 1 to 4:30 p.m. – Hog Registration for show
- 3 p.m. – Until? BBQ Supper, Pavilion
- 5 p.m. – Registration Kids Pedal Tractor Pull; Contest begins at 6 p.m.
- 6 p.m. – Market Hog Show
- 9 p.m. – Doors Close

SATURDAY, SEPT. 24

- 9 a.m. – Fair Opens to Public
- 10 a.m. – Market Steer Show Followed by Beef Showmanship Beef Heifer Feeder Calf Show
- 10-11 a.m. – Best Cake and Pie in Macon County Registration
- 11-12 p.m. – Best Cake and Pie Contest
- 12 p.m. – Cake and Pie Auction
- 2 p.m. – Tractor Driving Contest
- 6 p.m. – Market Steer Auction
- 7 p.m. – Market Hog Auction
- 9 p.m. – Doors Close



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All entries, recipes, and photos become the property of the Macon County Fair. Cakes, with original recipes, will be auctioned off at 12 noon. Cakes entered are judged on criteria such as appearance, moistness, texture and overall flavor profile. Two sets of judges will be evaluating the pies and cakes and the winner of the Best Pie in Macon County will be announced along with the Best Cake in Macon County. After the winners are announced, the cakes and pies will be auctioned off with all proceeds going to support the Macon County Fair. All recipes and photos may be printed in the Macon County Fair Cookbook, the Fair's website and/or the Fair catalog.

Best Cake Entry Rules

1. Entries must be registered between 10 and 11 a.m. at the Fair Pavilion on Saturday, Sept. 24. Judging will begin at 11 a.m. at the Pavilion stage.
2. A complete written or typed recipe must be submitted with the

entry. The recipe must be separate from the cake so that copies can be made.

3. Each entry should be placed on foil-covered heavy cardboard (no cake plates). The cardboard should extend one inch on all sides of the cake. Each entry should be delivered in a disposable cake box. Do not use plastic wrap or a roasting bag.

4. Entries will be judged on overall appearance, characteristics, flavor and recipe originality.

Best Pie Entry Rules

1. Entries must be registered between 10 and 11 a.m. at the Fair Pavilion on Saturday, Sept. 24. Judging will begin at 11 a.m. at the Pavilion stage.

2. A complete written or typed recipe must be submitted with the entry. The recipe must be separate from the pie.

3. Whole pie must be submitted (can be 1 crust or 2); Filling can be fruit or vegetable, nut, cream or custard filling; no tarts. Must be made from scratch, including the crust. Store bought crusts will not be accepted.

4. Must be made in a disposable pie plate. Deliver in a pie box. Pies will be removed from the box and placed on the table for judging.

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Theresa Holland with her 2021 Grand Champion Carrot Cake.



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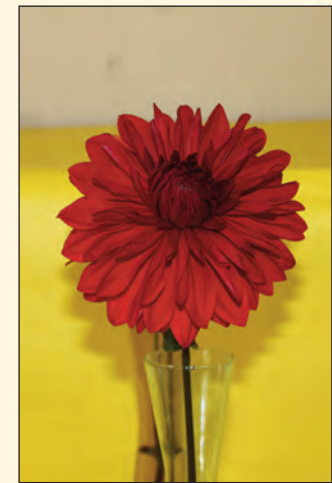
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The Legislative Review

Rep. Karl E. Gillespie



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The reconvening of long session begins in January 2023. Until that time, The Legislative Review will continue highlighting key aspects of North Carolina's budget as well as significant legislation passed during the biennium. This week's legislative newsletter will focus on the topic of transportation legislation.

Transportation Highlights in the State Budget

- 2022 Appropriations Act provides a total of \$4.8 billion in FY 2022-23 from the Highway Fund and Highway Trust Fund for transportation operations, maintenance, and construction.
- The transportation revenues are comprised of motor fuels tax, highway use tax, Division of Motor Vehicles fees, and highway short-term lease tax. These revenues are projected to increase in FY 2022-23 by \$248.9 million, or 5.7%, over previously budgeted levels, primarily due to increases in fuel and vehicle costs.
- As part of the Act, the General Assembly also increased Department of Transportation (DOT) revenues by \$193.1 million in FY 2022-23 by transferring 2% of sales tax revenues from the General Fund to the Highway Fund. The percentage of sales tax transferred to DOT increases to 4% (estimated \$401.2 million) in FY 2023-24 and permanently to 6% (estimated \$628.3 million) in FY 2024-25.
- Increased revenues are appropriated for maintenance and construction of roads, and modes of travel in FY 2022-23, including the following items:
 - \$109.8 million nonrecurring for right-of-way purchases in cases where project delays create a hardship for the property owner.
 - \$135 million nonrecurring to renegotiate construction contracts due to the impact of inflation.
 - \$33.1 million in additional recurring funds, for a total of \$615.7 million, to the General Maintenance Reserve for road maintenance.
 - \$25 million in additional recurring funds, for a total of \$100 million, for capital projects at commercial services airports.
- In addition, the 2022 Appropriations Act appropriates \$342 million in additional federal funds received

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Letters to the Editor

The number one factor in determining real estate value

I'm 75 now and it may not be long until I'll be going home. Then again, I may see 100 or more. I have cancer though, so the odds of that are small.

I'm a native of Macon County. My parents were, and also three or four grandparents were, I think. One of my grandmothers came from Bryson City.

In my opinion, investing in real estate in Macon County is sorta like investing in a gold mine that had never been mined. That is, a mine that may produce millions of dollars worth of gold, with only a small investment.

The tax value is only 20-25 percent of the value of some places, so don't let the tax value fool you. Then again, like up in Highlands, the tax value may be three or four times what a place is worth.

Really, any place is worth only what it will sell for and that depends on what a potential buyer is looking for.

The new tax evaluation is coming out soon, probably January. If you won't sell your place for what the county has it valued for, please don't complain. If you do complain, please don't complain to the tax office. Complain to the county commissioners. They can lower the percentage we pay per each \$1,000 of assessed value. I was told by a lady in the tax office that we're the third lowest in the state. The county commissioners could make Macon County the lowest in the state. They have that much power.

We bought our Mansion and Empire in 1977. Our tax value has never been much but I can tell you this, it's been a blessing to live in Macon County, the best place in America.

If you're a native of Macon County please don't let anyone tell you that your place isn't worth much.

I guess I can sum my letter up with one statement: Neighbors are the number one factor in determining real estate value. We have good neighbors in Macon County, God-fearing people.

Jerry R. Holden - Franklin, N.C.

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One-Stop Voting - Franklin Oct. 20 - Nov. 5

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– SB99 - Clarify Law on Theft of Catalytic Converters, makes the theft of a catalytic converter from a motor vehicle a Class I felony, and modifies the laws related to the purchase of catalytic converters.

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– SB201 - Various Motor Vehicle and Transportation Law Changes, makes various changes to transportation and motor vehicle laws, including:

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- Clarifies the applicability of the Move Over Law.
- Clarifies requirements for displaying a dealer license plate on a motor vehicle.

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Carolinas Aviation Museum set to break ground

The Carolinas Aviation Museum is set to break ground on a new \$30 million facility later this month. The museum will be renamed to honor Captain Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger who landed his US Airways Flight 1549 in 2009 on the Hudson River, saving all aboard the New York-to-Charlotte flight.

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Mountain Voices Community Chorus is beginning rehearsals for their Christmas concert. Practice is every Monday evening at First United Methodist Church, 66 Harrison Avenue, Franklin, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Recruiting new singers. For information, call (828)524-3644.

Leave No Trace Awareness Workshop will be held on Thursday, Sept. 22, 6 to 7 p.m. in the Macon County Public Library Meeting Room, 149 Siler Farm Rd. Speaker will be Sarah Adams, Appalachian Trail Conservancy Regional Manager of the Georgia & Nantahala region. The workshop will teach ways to minimize potential impacts on the environment on your next outdoor adventure. Open to all ages. For more information, call (828)524-3600.

Franklin Covenant Church Drive through Hot Lunch, Food Pantry and prayer as requested will be held on Saturday, Sept. 24, starting at 11 a.m. The church is located at 265 Belleview Park Rd.

Memorial United Methodist Church Drive-thru Community Pulled Pork Dinner to go will be held on Saturday, Sept. 24, 5 to 7 p.m. The church is located at 4668 Old Murphy Rd.

Free Musical Entertainment at Frog Quarters Saturday, Sept. 24. Shelly Arvidson is the featured musician from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Frog Quarters is located at 573 E. Main St.

American Red Cross Blood Drive is being held in Franklin on Sept. 27, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Macon County Library, 149 Siler Farm Rd.

Share the Journey Support Group for Caregivers whose loved ones are experiencing memory loss will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church, 26 Church St. Enter the church from the parking lot, come through the double red doors in the courtyard and follow the signs. For more information, call (828)524-3119.

Lester & Annie Sorrells Family Reunion will be Sunday, Oct. 2, at 1 p.m., at the Franklin Memorial Park - formerly Jaycee Building. Bring a covered dish.

Tuckasee Chapter of Trout Unlimited Meeting with NCWRC Biologist Powell Wheeler will be held on Oct. 4, 6 to 8 p.m., at Sylva First United Methodist Church, 77 Jackson St. in Sylva. Anyone interested in hearing about the commission work in the district is invited to attend. A meal with dessert will be provided.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

First Alliance Church is holding Sunday Service on Sept. 25., at 10:30 a.m., Sunday School for all ages will be held at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Terry Wilkes will be speaking. Becky Haas will be performing special music. The church is located at 31 Promise Lane (off Womack, next door to Trimont Christian Academy).

Son Rise International Ministries Christian Fellowship Services are held on Friday evenings at 7 p.m., Wednesday ladies prayer and Bible Study at 1 to 3 p.m. Mens Bible Study Thursday at 7 p.m. The church is located at 462 Depot St. For more information, call (828)369-2465.

Spiritual Light Center on Sunday, Sept. 25, 11 a.m. Donna Corso is the guest speaker. On Mondays at 6 p.m. is an all levels yoga class; no cost to attend. On Thursdays, a movie is shown at 3 p.m. and then out to eat afterward. The center is located at 80 Heritage Hollow Dr., behind the Gazebo Restaurant. For more information or to stream services go to SpiritualLightCenter.com.

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All Saints Episcopal Church, Franklin Services are held Rite I, 8 a.m. without music and Rite II, 10:15 a.m. with music, every Sunday. First and third Sundays at St. Agnes Chapel, 66 Church St. and second and fourth Sundays at St. Cyprian's Chapel, 216 Roller Mill Rd. Sunday 10:15 a.m. services can be viewed live on the website: www.allsaintsfranklin.org and past Sundays can be viewed on YouTube search "All Saints Franklin".

Olive Hill Church Services are held on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Pastor is Keith McWhite. The church is located at 2389 Olive Hill Road.

Lifespring Community Church is holding Sunday services beginning at 10 a.m. Brian Lamb in the pastor. The church is located at the intersection of Cheek Road and Addington Bridge Road.

Tellico Baptist Church is now having in-person Sunday School at 10 a.m. and worship service at 11 a.m. inside the church building with the Reverend L. E. Angel. Everyone is welcome.

West Franklin Church services are held on Sunday, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. The church is located on Sloan Rd. next to the Forest Service Office.

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Arrest Report

The Macon County Sheriff's Department, Franklin Police Department or Jackson County Sheriff's Department made the following arrests September 5 - 19. All suspects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



Macon County Sheriff's Department

September 12

James Brooks Ramsey, was charged with child support enforcement contempt. Costin Jiglaui made the arrest.

Jonathan Mark Zimmerman, was charged with offense committed in jurisdiction. Denver J. Elliott made the arrest.

Kayla Nicole Woods, was charged with failure to appear on felony probation violation. Mike Langley Sr. made the arrest.

September 13

Dana Marie Henry, was charged with true bill of indictment for possession of methamphetamine, failure to appear for aid and abet for driving while license revoked not impaired revocation. Mike Langley Sr. made the arrest.

Sean Michael Scanlon, was charged with obtaining property by false pretense. Sergeant Jonathan A. Taylor made the arrest.

September 14

Jonathan Wade Hurst, was charged with attempted breaking and entering. Timothy B. Carter made the arrest.

Adam Randolph Sackman, was charged with gun on education property, manufacture/sell/distribute/possession of a controlled substance within 1000 feet of school, trafficking in opium or heroin by transportation, trafficking in opium or heroin by possession, trafficking in methamphetamine by transportation, trafficking in methamphetamine by possession, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, flee/elude arrest, maintaining a place or vehicle for a controlled substance and possession of a schedule I controlled substance. Matthew T. Breedlove made the arrest.

Adriana Nichole Garcilita, was charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of a schedule II controlled substance fentanyl, possession of a controlled substance on prison/jail premises, failure to appear. Matthew T. Breedlove made the arrest.

September 15

Fernando Lopez-Olivia, was charged with simple assault and resist/obstruct/delay law enforcement officer. Matthew D. Long made the arrest.

September 16

Kevin Jacob Holland, was charged with failure to appear. Corporal Clay A. Saunders made the arrest.

September 17

Elizabeth Claire Cook, was charged with assault with a deadly weapon. Sergeant Jonathan A. Taylor made the arrest.

Joshua Adam Rider, was charged with assault on a female. Sergeant Jonathan A. Taylor made the arrest.

September 18

Lauren Nichole Phillips, was charged with obtaining property by false pretenses, making false affidavit, perjury and

access government computers defraud. Corporal Clay A. Saunders made the arrest.

Colton Ryan Burch was charged with probation violation. Corporal Clay A. Saunders made the arrest.

September 19

Gerardo Merino Hernandez, was charged with indecent liberties with children. Timothy B. Carter made the arrest.

Franklin Police Department

September 8

Carl David Ferrin, was charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of stolen firearm, carry a concealed gun and careless and reckless driving. R.S. Dula made the arrest.

September 9

Daniel Joseph Raby, was charged with simple assault. R.S. Dula made the arrest.

September 10

Jose Mendoza, was driving under the influence. E.D. Kirkland made the arrest.

September 12

Joesph Daniel Toneges, was charged with misdemeanor larceny. R.S. Dula made the arrest.

September 12

Steven Gerald Knight, was charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving while license revoked, failure to display registration plate and display fictitious registration plate. R.S. Dula made the arrest.

Jackson County Sheriff's Department

September 5

Chase Adam Beil, 33, of Southpaw Way, Franklin, was charged with assault on a female. No bond was set.

Robert Lee Holden, 51, of Jamesford Dr., Jamestown, was charged with interfering with emergency communication and assault on a female. A secured bond of \$250 was set.

De Ann Leigh Voss, 51, of Spur Rd., Greensboro, was charged with simple assault. No bond was set.

September 6

Michael Anthony Lalka, 38, of Live Oak Dr., was charged with attempted breaking and entering non-forcible. A secured bond of \$10,000. was set.

Boris Pesikan, 33 of Fairway Oaks, Lawrenceville, Ga., was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, felony probation violation and felony possession of a schedule II controlled substance. A secured bond of \$15,000 was set.

Rachel Jewel White Urrutia, 40, of Windbrook Lane, was charged with resisting a public officer and second degree trespass. A secured bond of \$20,000 was set.

September 7

Gregory Vance Millsaps, 45, of Stella Teesateskie Rd., Cherokee, was charged with domestic violence protective order violation. No bond was set.

Jason Robert Mock, 39, of Holly Ridge Dr., Franklin, was charged with fugitive extradition from other state. A secured bond of \$10,000 was set.

Chad Everett Greene, 51, of Terrace Village, Cullowhee, was charged with failure to appear for assault by strangulation. A secured bond of \$20,000 was set.

Kimberly Marie Cates, 30, of Sylva, was charged with possession of five-plus counterfeit instruments, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of methamphetamine. A secured bond of \$25,000 was set.

September 8

Kimberly Marie Cates, 30, of Sylva, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance on prison/jail premises. A secured bond of \$5,000 was set.

Charles Thomas Miller, 51, of Cedar Fram Rd., Tuckasegee, was charged with resist/obstruct/delay. An unsecured bond was set.

September 9

Walker Lee Bowman, 43, of Big Cove Rd., Cherokee, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of methamphetamine. A secured bond of \$10,000 was set.

Jordan Leigh Wolfe, 27, of Meeting House Cove Rd., Cherokee, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of methamphetamine, possession of a schedule II controlled substance inside jail/prison and possession of a schedule II controlled substance. A secured bond of \$10,000 was set.

Drew Garrett Hoyle, 23, of Begonia Lane, was charged with possession of a schedule II controlled substance. A secured bond of \$5,000 was set.

Mitesh S. Bhandari, 42, of Whiteash Dr., Asheville, was charged with failure to appear for driving while license revoked, possession/displayed/altered/fictitious/revoked drivers license, use foreign license while driving while license revoked and possession of methamphetamine. A secured bond of \$6,400 was set.

Belinda Smiddy Byrd Webb, 53, of Celestial Lane, Whittier, was charged with possession with intent to manufacture/sell/deliver methamphetamine, maintain a dwelling/place for a controlled substance, possession with intent to manufacture/sell/deliver cocaine, trafficking in cocaine, possession with intent to manufacture/sell/deliver a schedule II controlled substance and trafficking opium or heroin. A secured bond of \$365,000 was set.

Dale Henry Hooper, 54, of Ensley St., was charged with obtaining property by false pretense and breaking or entering. No bond was set.

September 10

Porfirio Diaz Sanchez, 29, of Calendar Court, was charged with communicating threats and assault on a female. A secured bond of \$3,000 was set.

September 12

Shauna Jackson Teesatuski, 44, of Deep Creek Rd., Bryson City, was charged with failure to appear for larceny. A secured bond of \$500 was set.

James Adam Brooks, 39, of Mimosa Lane, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, felony possession of a schedule II controlled substance and possession of methamphetamine. A secured bond of \$40,000 was set.

John Dustin Hall, 46, of Leatherwood Rd., was charged with misdemeanor larceny and felony larceny. An unsecured bond of \$20,000 was set.

Albert Joseph Dillard, 32, of Brush Arbor Lane, Cashiers, was charged with possession of stolen goods/property. No bond was set.

Tiffany Nicole Hayes, 35, of Hall Town Rd., was charged with allowing livestock to run at large and animal cruelty. No bond was set.

September 13

Mark Allen Winstead, 36, of Sylva, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. A secured bond of \$2,000 was set.

Ashley Elizabeth Schaal, 22, of Sylva, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. A secured bond of \$1,000 was set.

Joel E. Lane, 35, of allowing livestock to run at large and animal cruelty. No bond was set.

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Oil tanks beautified at Mainspring Conservation Trust headquarters

Deena C. Bouknight
Contributing Writer

The office building for Mainspring Conservation Trust, located on East Main Street next to the Little Tennessee River, is a presence when residents and visitors enter and exit the town of Franklin. Formerly, the area was the site of petroleum distribution services. Mainspring cleaned up the area in 2014, but four 12,000-gallon, 14-foot tall tanks have remained.

To make the area more appealing to passersby, as well as anyone traversing the Little Tennessee Greenway, Mainspring secured Artist Scott Allred of Brushcan Custom Murals to artistically convey the organization's goals and purpose.

"We started working with him more than a year and a half ago," said Mainspring's Communications Director Molly Phillips, "knowing that we wanted to tell the Mainspring story visually. Our mission is conserving the waters, forests, farms, and cultural heritage of the Little Tennessee and Hiwassee River Valleys, so with four tanks those four areas fit perfectly. Scott's vision for the Mainspring murals came to life."

Phillips explained that Mainspring's original plan was to have the artist paint the murals directly onto the huge tanks, but the timing dictated another solution. Instead, a technique called Polytab was used; the murals were hand-painted off-site, on non-woven fabric specifically designed to adhere to the old paint.

"Once complete, each mural was carefully cut into four-foot by four-foot squares and stored in rolls," said Phillips. "After a fresh coat of industrial-strength primer paint, Scott brought the squares to the site to begin the painstaking process of adhering each panel



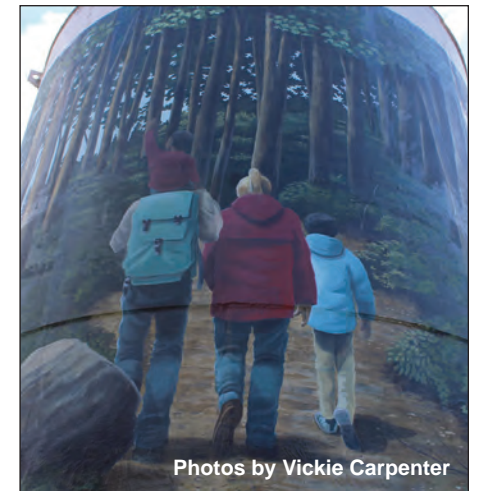
The murals that have been added to the fuel tanks onsite at Mainspring Conservation Trust tells the story of Mainspring's mission: Conserving the waters, forest, farms and cultural heritage of the Little Tennessee and Hiwassee River Valleys. Photos by Deena C. Bouknight

to the tank surface with a thick acrylic paste. The acrylic paste bonds to the tank surface and essentially 'sucks' the mural to the tank surface as the paste dries and bonds. The result is a thick surface covering that still shows every bump, seam, and imperfection in the original surface, just as it would have been if the murals were directly painted on the tanks as originally envisioned."

She added further that the final result "is a striking mural on a unique 'canvas,' but with more durability and protection than a traditionally-painted mural would provide to these old, empty, fuel storage tanks that have graced this property since the mid-1940's."

Phillips expects the tank mural process to be completed sometime in October. Eventually, a walking path around the tanks will be

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FHS volleyball and football earn wins this week

Dan Finnerty – Contributing Writer

The 2022-23 Franklin High School (FHS) Lady Panthers find themselves in the midst of a special volleyball season. Coached by Bekah Brooks (Varsity) and Cindy Christie (Junior Varsity), the Lady Panthers stand at 12-3 and 14-1 respectively. The Varsity girls are 6-2 at home and 6-1 on the road and currently enjoy a two-game winning streak. The Junior Varsity (JV) team is doing even better with a 7-1 record at home and undefeated (7-0) on the road.



Franklin High School Volleyball teams are in the middle of what looks to be a winning season, with Varsity at 14-1 overall, 12-3 in the Mountain Six Conference, and Junior Varsity at 7-1.

“Our goal every year is to finish in the top three within our conference and make the postseason tournament,” Coach Brooks points out. “We can help ensure that happens by winning the 10 non-conference games in addition to faring well against 12 conference opponents.”

Currently, the Varsity girls are 5-2, while the JV team is 6-1 in conference. JV Coach Cindy Christie, in her 7th year as coach, believes FHS has earned its success.

“My job is preparing the JV team for the varsity level. I believe no school program works harder than we do to prepare throughout the summer, even at the middle school level, including weight training, conditioning, and practice.”

In particular, Coach Christie pointed out sophomores

McKenna Plemmons (#4), Emma Ledford (#17), Aubrey Haley (#2), Kyrah Bowles (#20), and Ryan Green (#24) as key contributors in different ways to overall team success. Christie lauded their dedication, hard work, and sometimes quiet leadership as critical to team growth and maturity.

Coach Brooks, who has led varsity volleyball at FHS for six years and is also a 2004 graduate, films every game for added insight on how well the teams are playing, where improvement might be needed, and opportunities to work on certain areas of group and individual skills. Both head coaches and their assistants track various goal accomplishments reached by their teams during games. Some of these include: No dropped balls, 10 kills, or 5 blocks per game, and more. Brooks believes setting goals high results in more success, as demonstrated by her teams not having finished lower than 4th in the conference during her tenure. This season is just past halfway complete, but both squads are enjoying the fruits of their collective labors and strong coaching.



to go 1-0 in conference play and 3-1 overall. The next game on the schedule is at Tuscola, Sept. 23.

Football update

The varsity football team beat the East Henderson Eagles on Friday, Sept. 16, 41-13. With running back (RB) Ty Handley still out, Senior RB Daniel Ensley racked up 204 yards of the 392 total FHS had on the ground and was named Player of the Game. The Panther offense had 496 yards total in the game and dominated the Eagles from start to finish



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Judith Louise Perry-Wheeler

On Friday, Sept. 16, 2022, Judith L. (Outcalt) Perry-Wheeler, 75, a beloved wife, mother, sister, and friend passed away. She was born to Ralph and Lillian Outcalt of Whitingham, Vt. She was one of four children growing up in the green mountains of Vermont. She graduated Salutatorian from Whitingham High School in 1965. She received several degrees through the University of South Florida with the proudest moment being the honor of a Doctorate in Sociology in 2001. It was through the USF Sociology Department, that she met Raymond Wheeler over email correspondence. When he returned from overseas, Ray took her out to dinner as promised in one of their last emails. They were married on Oct. 21, 1994, and he has been the love of her life for almost 28 years.



Judith Perry-Wheeler

She worked as a Senior Statistician at USF before retiring in 2001 and relocating with Ray to the mountains of North Carolina. She and Ray quickly became part of Franklin's community. She enjoyed traveling, hiking, reading, and a local writing and book club. In her recent years, when physical limitations kept her from traveling or hiking, she loved to sit on the porch enjoying the mountain views and watching a variety of birds. She loved playing Scrabble and beat her challengers even in very recent days. She published the book "The Art of the Bedpan" in 2017, recounting the struggles of living with Motor Ataxia and being cared for by others. Although she had some challenging times, she was so much stronger than she ever realized or gave herself credit for.

Above all her accomplishments, she was most proud of her children and grandchildren. She took such joy from messages, pictures and videos of them and hearing about their lives.

She is survived by her husband, Raymond Wheeler of Franklin, N.C.; her children, Alex Perry and Heather (Perry) Greist; her stepchildren, Art Wheeler and Sarah Caverhill; five beautiful grandchildren, Kristie Caverhill, Nathan Greist, David Greist, Jonathan Greist and Benjamin Greist; two brothers, Arthur Outcalt and Floyd Outcalt; and her sister, Jane (Outcalt) Lester. She is loved and remembered by many cousins, nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

It was Judy's wishes to not have a funeral but to celebrate her life when family gathers.

Her last wishes were for friends and family to: "Remember the spirit of love in me honors the spirit of love in you. Remember me with laughter and love. Know, because of you all, I have had a wonderful life." – Judy

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Online condolences may be made at www.moffittfunerals.com.

Gary Lee Hopkins Sr.

Gary Lee Hopkins Sr., 65, of Fletcher, N.C., passed away on Sept. 19, 2022, after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born on Dec. 4, 1957, to the late Howard Richard Hopkins Sr., and Margorie Ella Collins Hopkins. He was an excellent mechanic, rock mason and heavy equipment operator. He was loved by lots of friends both in Franklin and in Fletcher. He will be greatly missed by so many.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Howard Richard Hopkins Jr., Charles William, Jerry Ray, and Harold Dean Hopkins; sisters, Mary Alice Hopkins, Betty Sue Hopkins, and Patsy Ann Hopkins Holbrooks.

He is survived by two brothers, Randy and Billy Hopkins of Franklin; three sisters, Elaine Wilkie (Alan) of Fletcher, Edith Sullivan (Gary) of Fletcher, and Barbara Weaver of Franklin; three children, Gary Lee Hopkins Jr. Tusing of Florida, Cassandra Elaine Hopkins Tusing of Florida, and Bridgett LeeAnn Hopkins Phillips of South Carolina; one uncle, Byrd Monroe Collins Jr. of Franklin; 16 grandchildren and 11 great-grands and 48 nieces, nephews, great nieces, and nephews.

Many thanks to Dr. Whitney Garin of Fletcher, Four Seasons Hospice, and all the nurses, OR and volunteer staff.

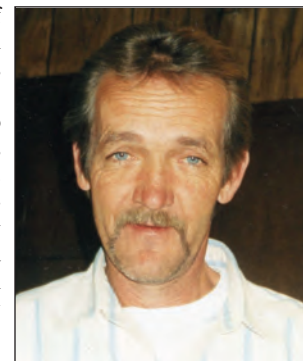
In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society, 154 Milestone Way, Greenville, SC 29615.

Funeral service will be held Thursday, Sept 22, at 1 p.m., in the chapel of Macon Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 12 to 1 p.m., one hour prior to the service. Revs. Andy Cloer and Mark Bishop will officiate. Burial will be at Windy Gap Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Michael Hopkins, Gavin Hopkins, James Hopkins, Reece Cloer, Blake Cloer, and Jason Cloer.

Online condolences can be made at www.maconfuneral-home.com.

Macon Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.



Gary Lee Hopkins Sr.

Helen Brown Dishner

Helen Brown Dishner, of Clarkesville, Ga., formerly of Franklin, N.C., passed away at her residence on Sept. 18, 2022.

She was born in Scaly Mountain, N.C., to the late Olin and Edna Brown Dryman. She was a caregiver and always enjoyed taking care of others and she received that same loving care from her caregiver, Brenda, and the Amedisys hospice nurses.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George Ray Dishner; her sons, Kenneth Ray and Phillip Lee Dishner; brothers, Cecil and Wayne Dryman; and sisters, Mae Tucker and Mary Roper.

She is survived by her daughter, Renee Smagur (Richard); seven grandchildren, Amanda Scheese (Matthew), Richard "Trey" Smagur III, Jacob Smagur (Calesa Forbes), Sarah Bianchi (Chris), Zachary Smagur, Maggie Smagur, and Brook Broughton (Dillon); and seven great grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held Oct. 4, at 2 p.m., in the chapel of Macon Funeral Home. Visitation will be 1 to 2 p.m. one hour prior to the service. Immediately after the service a social gathering of friends will be held at Macon Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jukes Children's Hospital in memory of Helen Dishner. Helen loved children and always wanted to help them.

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Jessie Lea Downs Cabe

Jessie Lea Downs Cabe, 95, passed away on Sept. 11, 2022. Born June 28, 1927, in the Rose Creek Community in Macon County. She was the daughter of the late Charlie and Rosa Houston Downs.

She graduated from Franklin High School in 1945 and attended Berea College, where she graduated in 1949 with a degree in Home Economics. She married Leon Cabe, a childhood neighbor in 1950. They returned to the Rose Creek Community soon afterwards and lived the remainder of their lives there. Leon passed away in 2010.

She worked in the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service in Macon County, retiring in 1985 after 30 years of service. In her work she was dedicated to serving Macon County helping to organize programs including, 4-H clubs, Extension Homemakers groups, the Macon County Fair and Maco Crafts among others. For her efforts she was named as a Macon Matriarch by the Women's History Trail in March 2022 in recognition of her many contributions to the community. She was a long-time member of Snow Hill United Methodist Church, serving as a Sunday school teacher, UMW president and working tirelessly to support the church.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Floyd, Troy and Leroy Downs.

She is survived by daughters, Peggy Koppers and husband Bob of Franklin; Susan McCaskill and husband Kenneth of Franklin, and Jan Inman and husband Brian of Maryville, Tenn.; six grandchildren, Amanda Koppers, Lauren Hickman and husband Josh, Susannah Koppers, Brett McCaskill and wife Morgan, Harrison Inman and Victoria Inman; and three great-grandchildren, Alora and Charlie Hickman, and Sadie Catherine McCaskill.

A private graveside service will be held for the family.

A memorial service for family and friends will be held Saturday Oct. 1, at 2 p.m., at Snow Hill United Methodist Church. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Snow Hill UMC Cemetery Fund c/o Kenneth McCaskill, 2031 Rose Creek Road, Franklin, NC 28734

Bryant Grant Funeral Home and Crematory is serving the Cabe family. Online condolences can be made at www.bryantgrantfuneralhome.com.

Michael Alan Perkins

Michael Alan Perkins, 68, passed away Sept. 16, 2022.

No public services are planned.

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Mildred Ann Carver

Mildred Ann Carver, 85, of Franklin, N.C., passed away at her residence on Sept. 14, 2022. As Mildred would say, "her transfer papers are completed," she is walking on streets of gold.

She was the daughter of the late John Roscoe and Hattie Jones McMahan. She dedicated her life to caring for others. She loved to read and study her Bible and was a founding member of Victory Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Frank A Carver; two brothers, John McMahan Jr and Corsey McMahan.; two sisters, Ruby Bradley and Lucy McMahan.

She is survived by two brothers: Grover McMahan (Evelyn) and Bobby McMahan (Ethel), and a sister-in-law Magdalene McMahan, all of Jackson County; and lots of nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews.

Funeral service was held on Sunday, Sept. 18, at the old Victory Baptist Church with Rev. Eddie Ledford, Rev. Robert Jones, and Rev. Rusty Wolfrey officiating. Burial was in the Victory Baptist Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to WGCR, 3232 Old Hendersonville Hwy, Pisgah Forest, NC 28768. WGCR.net

Online condolences can be made at www.maconfuneralhome.com.

Macon Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



Mildred Ann Carver

Wendell Dean Smith

Wendell Dean Smith, 72, passed from this life into Glory on Sept. 15, 2022. He was born on March 3, 1950, in Gary, Ind., to Joseph R. and Julia Barbara Chismudy Smith,

He was a man of strong faith who loved Jesus with all of his heart. He was highly intelligent and so confident in his beliefs that he was sometimes called stubborn. He loved reading the Bible and, at the time of his passing, owned 45 different Bibles and Biblical references.

He enjoyed both classical and Christmas music. He especially enjoyed spending time in his stereo room listening to the Italian tenor, Andrea Bocelli, who was his favorite performer. Anything concerning Christmas appealed to him and he must have watched "The Christmas Story" at least two million times. He loved camping in the National Parks and getting close to nature with walks through the forest. Some of his favorite times were those he spent sitting around the campfire with his wife and Cairn Terrier, Scooter Rooter, chatting with camping neighbors. He enjoyed woodworking and just getting back to the basics of life.

Catherine Dean Robbins Smith, Wendell's wife and the love of his life, along with his fellow clergyman and dear friend, Rev. Benjamin Miller, are left with many wonderful memories of a life well lived. He was preceded in death by his parents.

No public services are planned.

"In the sight of the Lord, the death of his faithful ones is valued." - Psalm 116

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Wendell Dean Smith

Grover Steven Fox

Grover Steven Fox (Steve), 69, passed away suddenly at his residence on Sept. 12, 2022.

He was born Feb 13, 1953, in Memphis, Tenn., to William Grover Fox and Rosanna Mary Stevens. He was preceded in death by his father and a sister, Mary Allyne (Marilee) Lee. He attended UT at Martin, completed a term in the USAF, and settled in Tampa, Fla. He graduated from Hillsborough Community College and continued his engineering studies at the University of South Florida. He worked for the City of Tampa, learning traffic science from the ground up in the era before computers. While working for the FDOT, District 7, he mentored staff at FDOT, and advised local agencies and engineering consultants in the Tampa area, many of whom remained lifelong friends. He retired following a devastating vehicular accident in 2001, which left him in constant, severe pain.

He loved learning, always wanting to know the why of how things worked. He was incredibly creative and saw things differently from others. He became a pilot and a skilled photographer, built and flew radio-controlled airplanes, and bred birds. He was highly skilled at crafting wood and metal, electrical wiring, computer hardware and electronics. He loved all types of music. He converted a right-handed banjo to a left-handed instrument, taught himself how to play, and crafted and played Native American flutes. After becoming a seasonal resident of Franklin in 2009, he joined the Gem & Mineral Society of Franklin and learned gemstone faceting. His most recent interest upon becoming a full-time resident of the mountains was astrophotography. He was fascinated by nature and all God's creatures and instilled this love in his daughter, who became a veterinarian.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Brink; daughter, Stacey Fox-Alvarez (Alex Fox-Alvarez) of Gainesville, Fla.; mother, Rosanna Fox Brogan; three sisters, Bernadette Snyder of Preston, Minn., Rebecca Fox of Memphis, Tenn., and Theresa Degan of Pendleton, Ore.

A funeral mass will be held Saturday, Sept. 24 at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church in Highlands, N.C.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Friends of the Smokies, P.O. Box 3179, Asheville, NC 28802.

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Buescher wins at Bristol; Playoff field trimmed to 12

Reid Spencer – NASCAR Wire Service

BRISTOL, Tenn. – With Chase Elliott pursuing him relentlessly for the final 50 laps, Chris Buescher held on to win Saturday's Bass Pro Shops Night Race at Bristol Motors Speedway, becoming the 19th different NASCAR Cup Series winner this season.

After the event that set the field for the Round of 12 in the series Playoffs—and eliminated superstars Kyle Busch and Kevin Harvick from the postseason—a dozen drivers were breathing sighs of relief and hoping fervently for a return to stock car sanity in the next round.

A two-tire pit stop under caution on Lap 438 of 500 put Reddick in the lead for a restart on Lap 444. The driver of the No. 17 Roush Fenway Keselowski Racing Ford led the final 61 laps and a race-high 169 overall to give the RFK organization its first victory since Ricky Stenhouse Jr. took the checkered flag at Daytona on July 1, 2017 at Daytona.

The victory was the first for RFK Racing since Brad Keselowski joined the organization as an owner/driver after the 2021 season.

Buescher was the third straight non-Playoff driver to win a race in the Round of 16, an unprecedented occurrence.

"It's so special here," said Buescher, whose only other Cup win came in a rain-shortened race at Pocono in 2016. "I love this racetrack. I love the fans. I love every time we come here. It's so special. It's pretty awesome."

Buescher said he wasn't worried about starting the final run on two fresh tires, even though everyone chasing had four.

"I wasn't a bit," he asserted. "It was up to me at that point. I made it work, and we had a really fast (car). We knew we had a really fast race car in practice and didn't quite get the job done in qualifying (20th)—but what a race car. I don't know what all to say right now. I'm out of breath. This place will wear you flat-out, and I love that about it. It's just a special night."

Elliott was .458 seconds behind Buescher at the finish. William Byron came home third, followed by Christopher Bell, who posted his third straight top-five finish in the Round of 16. Kyle Larson was fifth and Ross Chastain sixth, as all five drivers immediately behind Buescher in the finishing order advanced to the Round of 12.

Denny Hamlin, Chase Briscoe, Daniel Suarez, Joey Logano, Ryan Blaney and Alex Bowman also clinched spots in the next round, though all had serious issues during the race.

Elliott got closer to Buescher on the final two laps but ran out of time.

"I felt like we were gaining, but it was... I wasn't close enough to do anything with him," Elliott said. "But I appreciate the effort. Was able to battle back from a bad qualifying effort (23rd) to get a top two, so proud of that."

"Glad to be moving on (in the Playoff) and looking forward to some more opportunities here these coming weeks."

Needing a victory to advance to the next round, Harvick ran



Chris Buescher, driver of the #17 Fastenal Ford, is presented the Bristol Motor Speedway trophy by Johnny Morris, founder and CEO of Bass Pro Shops in victory lane after winning the NASCAR Cup Series Bass Pro Shops Night Race at Bristol Motor Speedway on Sept. 17, 2022, in Bristol, Tenn.

Photo by Sean Gardner/Getty Images



Busch's ouster was a touch-and-go affair. Both he and Tyler Reddick fell two points short after Austin Cindric, who finished seven laps down in 20th place but gained enough positions by passing back markers to advance.

Busch had accumulated 14 points in the first two stages and was running above the cut line when his engine blew on Lap 270—Busch's second such failure in the three Playoff races.

"It just goes with our year," Busch said. "I don't even know what to say. I'm flabbergasted. I just feel so bad for my guys. They don't deserve to be in this spot. They work too hard. We are too good of a group to be this low—down on the bottom, fighting for our lives just to make it through. Two engine failures in three weeks, that will do it to you."

Reddick and Richard Childress Racing teammate Austin Dillon both failed to make the Round of 12 after both drivers' Chevrolets were damaged in a 12-car pileup on the backstretch on Lap 277. Reddick finished 25th and Dillon 31st.

Keselowski led 109 laps and appeared to have race-winning chances until his right-front tire went flat on Lap 414 while he

consistently in the top five after staying out at the end of Stage 1 to gain track position. But Harvick's chances evaporated in the pits on Lap 438 when his crew failed to secure the left-rear on his No. 4 Stewart-Haas Racing Ford.

As the tire rolled away, Harvick had to back up into his pit stall. The lost time left him 10th for the final restart on Lap 444. That's where he finished, exiting the Playoffs in 16th place.

"It was pretty tough," Harvick said. "We pitted in front of the 17 (Buescher), so just kind of the way the year has gone. Just went from having a chance to lead the parade to being a part of the parade. Just difficult to pass."

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Noah Gragson, driver of the #9 Bass Pro Shops/TrueTimber/BRCC Chevrolet, celebrates in victory lane after winning the NASCAR Xfinity Series Food City 300 at Bristol Motor Speedway on Sept. 16, 2022, in Bristol, Tenn. Photo by Logan Riely/Getty Images

was leading.

“We had two cars that were really good today and one that was unlucky and one that executed, and everything came the right way for them,” Keselowski said.

Noah Gragson claims third straight Xfinity victory in Bristol shootout

BRISTOL, Tenn.— Make it three in a row for Noah Gragson, who has built enormous momentum as the NASCAR Xfinity Series moves into its seven-race Playoff.

On 90-lap older tires, Gragson held off Brandon Jones, the driver who will take his seat in the No. 9 JR Motorsports Chevrolet next year, in a 20-lap green-flag run to the finish of Friday night’s Food City 300 at Bristol Motor Speedway.

The victory was Gragson’s third straight in the series, his sixth of the season and the 11th of his career.

The race also settled the series Playoff picture. Despite power-steering issues, Daniel Hemric clinched one of the two available spots in the 12-driver Playoff field with a 20th-place finish. Ryan Sieg claimed the final berth, finishing 10th—his first top-10 run in 16 Bristol starts—after brake issues sent Landon Cassill to the garage for 112 laps and rele-



Ty Majeski, driver of the #66 Road Ranger Toyota, celebrates after winning the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series UNOH 200 at Bristol Motor Speedway on Sept. 15, 2022 in Bristol, Tenn. Photo by Logan Riely/Getty Images

gated him to 35th.

AJ Allmendinger clinched his second straight Regular Season Championship with a sixth-place result.

When J.J. Yeley slammed the inside wall after slight contact from race leader Justin Allgaier, on Lap 271, Gragson and crew chief Luke Lambert opted to stay on the track while all the other lead-lap cars pitted for fresh tires.

After the restart on Lap 281, Gragson pulled out to a one-second lead before Jones began to close the gap on new rubber. Jones got to Gragson’s bumper but couldn’t find a way past the No. 9 Chevrolet. Gragson crossed the finish line .145 seconds ahead of Jones’ No. 19 Joe Gibbs Racing Toyota.

“That last caution came out, and I knew if I could ring the top, it was going to be hard for them to get there,” said Gragson, who will graduate to a full-time NASCAR Cup Series ride with Petty GMS in 2023. “I appreciate Brandon Jones racing us clean. He gave us the bumper with two (laps) to go, and I was hanging on, scrubbing the fence.

“We won here in Bristol in 2020 and there were no fans here ... What a great opportunity to race here in front of fans and have the opportunity to win the race. Our car was fast all day. We got to the top and we were rolling. I had a blast.”

A rueful Jones provided a post-mortem of the event on pit road.

“This one hurt the most because this was our race to lose, I thought,” Jones said. “Fresher tires certainly paid off there at the end. I just caught him (Gragson) at the wrong time every time.”

Gragson’s stiffest competition—his JR Motorsports teammate Justin Allgaier—wasn’t at the front of the field for the ending. Allgaier led the procession of lead-lap cars to pit road when Gragson stayed out, but a speeding penalty sent him to the rear of the field for the final restart.

Allgaier led a race-high 148 laps on Friday, to 89 for Ty Gibbs, 34 for Sheldon Creed and 25 for Gragson.

Gragson also was instrumental in changing the complexion of the race in the middle of Stage 2. Pole winner Gibbs had won the first stage wire-to-wire, but on Lap 129, while Gibbs and Creed were battling for the lead, contact from Gragson’s Chevrolet sent Gibbs’ Toyota into Creed’s Camaro.

Both Gibbs and Creed crashed hard into the outside wall and were eliminated from the race.

Austin Hill finished third, followed by Sam Mayer and Riley Herbst. Allmendinger, Josh Berry, Stefan Parsons, Allgaier and Sieg completed the top 10.



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YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	MILES
2022	BMW	Alpina XB7	536
2022	Edge	Sport	101
2021	Kia	Optima EX	20,010
2020	Chevrolet	Corvette 3LT	8,263
2020	Toyota	Corolla SE	20,740
2019	Dodge	Challenger SXT	16,993
2019	Dodge	Grand Caravan SXT	55,584
2019	Nissan	Sentra	66,190
2019	Nissan	Sentra SV	15,009
2019	Toyota	Corolla LE	11,095
2019	Volkswagen	Beetle	42,676
2018	Chevrolet	Equinox	53,520
2018	Chevrolet	Cruze	34,692
2018	Focus	SE	44,403
2018	Traverse	LT AWD	95,105
2017	Dodge	Journey	110,982
2015	Nissan	Altima 2.5 S	59,261
2015	Mustang	GT	45,724
2014	Chevrolet	Cruze	113,152
2013	VW	Beetle Convertible	67,099

SUVS

YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	MILES
2022	Honda	Pilot TrailSport	4,512
2021	Chevrolet	Tahoe	33,592
2021	Ford	Bronco Badlands AWD	1,237
2021	GMC	Yukon XL	53,356
2021	Grand Cherokee	L	13,279
2020	Buick	Encore	34,808
2020	Chevrolet	Suburban Premier	58,652
2020	GMC	Acadia AT4	28,261
2020	Grand Cherokee	Trailhawk	26,226
2020	Kia	Telluride	71,254

2019	Chevrolet	Blazer RS	45,231
2019	Chevrolet	Equinox Premier AWD	34,109
2019	Chevrolet	Tahoe LT	46,162
2019	Chevrolet	Trax AWD	16,288
2019	GMC	Terrain	63,316
2019	Honda	Pilot EX	40,801
2019	Jeep	Cherokee 4x4	65,409
2019	Kia	Sedona EX	40,858
2018	Chevrolet	Equinox LT	23,569
2018	Chevrolet	Tahoe	84,386
2018	ForeRunner	TRD Sport	65,055
2018	Kia	Soul	58,573
2018	Nissan	Murano	53,903
2017	Rogue	SV	58,866
2016	Lexus	RX 350	72,919
2016	Sorento	LX	112,933
2016	Toyota	Sequoia	96,869
2015	Chevrolet	Traverse AWD	121,286
2015	Jeep	Wrangler Unlimited Altitude	39,030
2015	Suburban	LT	92,352
2014	Jeep	Wrangler	59,335
2007	Jeep	Wrangler	65,541

TRUCKS

YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	MILES
2022	2500	High Country	10,050
2022	Chevrolet	2500 LTZ	4,635
2022	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500 LT Trail Boss	651
2022	Ram	2500	5,273
2021	2500	LT 4x4	16,442
2021	Chevrolet	1500 4x4	10,243
2021	Chevrolet	1500 RST	34,026
2021	Chevrolet	1500 High Country	17,551
2021	Chevrolet	Colorado	8,980
2021	Chevrolet	Colorado ZR-2	10,842

2021	Chevrolet	LT Trailboss	34,069
2021	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500	5,822
2021	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500	8,432
2021	Colorado	Z-71	12,912
2021	F-150	Crew 4x4	32,251
2021	Ford	F-150 SuperCrew Cab	32,251
2021	Jeep	Gladiator	2,054
2021	Ram	2500 Tradesman	3,647
2021	Toyota	Tacoma 4WD	4,746
2020	Chevrolet	2500 Diesel	8,241
2020	Chevrolet	Colorado ZR-2	36,463
2020	Chevrolet	Silverado	52,944
2020	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500 High Country	22,601
2020	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500 RST	90,498
2020	Colorado	Ext Cab ZR2	26,842
2020	Toyota	Tacoma SR	12,448
2019	Chevrolet	Silverado 2500HD	30,903
2019	Chevrolet	Silverado 3500 HC Dually	45,535
2019	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500 High Country	44,359
2019	Colorado	WT 4x4	6,261
2019	GMC	Sierra 1500	18,811
2019	Ram	3500 Flatbed	58,192
2019	Toyota	Tacoma TRD 4x4	43,577
2018	Chevrolet	Colorado Z-71	23,542
2018	Colorado	ZR2	36,012
2018	GMC	Sierra 1500 SLT	44,668
2018	GMC	Sierra 1500 Denali	25,059
2017	GMC	Sierra 1500 SLT	61,657
2016	Chevrolet	1500 LT	126,328
2016	Chevrolet	1500 LT Crew	118,872
2016	GMC	Sierra SLT	61,530
2015	Ram	3500 Laramie	184,881
2014	Ram	1500 Sport Crew 4x4	107,828



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