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FRIDAY
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SUNDAY
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MONDAY
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KENNEDY THURMAN, Will Widenhouse and Gracie Taylor acting the part.



KATHY GRACE, producer, and Peggy Holbrook, director.

there and is not sure she ever wants to leave.

Full of twists and turns, attendants will have hearty laughs until the curtain closes.

Although the students of Monroe Youth Theatre are eager to host the community for another play, this theatrical production is bittersweet because it is the last play for director Peggy Holbrook.

"This will be her last play with the students. She is having some health issues and feels now is the time to quite retire from her duties as director. She has been very devoted to the students," said Kathy

Grace, Monroe County's Community Education Director.

"I talked Peg into coming out of retirement in 2004 and helping me with a summer drama camp for the students," said Kathy. "We developed a great working relationship."

From a humble beginning the two grew the operation from a summer camp into multiple yearly productions for children of all ages, from elementary to high school.

"Then we added the Mystery Murder Dinner Theatre Plays for the community. We have had some of our

students to write the scripts," said Kathy.

Together they have served the creative interests of close to 1,700 Monroe County children.

Kathy plans to continue in her role as producer of the Monroe Youth Theatre.

"It's been a fun ride with all these students and Peg. We want the students to continue to have the drama opportunity that we have been able to provide for them the past thirteen years. I will continue to have a summer camp this summer and a Mystery Murder Dinner Theatre," said Kathy.

Soon, the search for a new director will be underway.

"You can't replace Peggy because she is a one of a kind," said Kathy.

For those interested in seeing the last play directed by Holbrook during her tenure with The Monroe Youth Theatre, there will be three opportunities to come out and enjoy the entertainment.

The Curious Savage will be performed in the old high school auditorium on March 24 and 25 at 7:30pm, and on the 26 at 2:30pm.

Tickets for adults are \$6, and children's tickets are only \$3.

Obituaries

GLADYS DEAN BEDFORD CRAWFORD

Gladys Dean Bedford Crawford, 85, of Tompkinsville, KY passed away Tuesday, March 14th, at St. Thomas West Hospital, in Nashville, TN.

Gladys was born in Burkesville, KY on February 10, 1932, a daughter of the late Pearlie and Willie Abney.

She was a member of Oak Hill Church of Christ. She retired from Red Kap Sewing Factory after working 18 years.

Gladys is survived by two daughters, Pamela Blythe, and husband, Lewis, of Tompkinsville, KY; Benetta Jackson, of Red Boiling Springs, TN; one step daughter, Joyce Crawford of Tompkinsville; three step sons Tommy Crawford, of Tennessee; Michael Crawford, of Lafayette, TN; Cliff Crawford, of Tompkinsville, KY. 7 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren also survive.

Gladys is preceded in death by her husbands, Benjamin Bedford, and Charlie Crawford; son, Ted Blythe; her sisters, Nellie Coop, Ella Short, Lucy Coe, and Ada Vanmeter; brothers, Paul, Fred Lee, David, Reece, and Robert Abney.

Funeral services were held at Yokley Tribble Funeral Home on Saturday, March 18th, 2017.

Burial was in Monroe County Memorial Lawn.

HUGH T. "TIM" BALLARD JR.

Hugh T. "Tim" Ballard Jr., 74, of Frankfort, died at 10:03 p.m. March 13, 2017 at I.U. Health Arnett Hospital, Lafayette, Ind. Born September 28, 1942 in Tompkinsville, Kentucky, to Hugh T. Ballard Sr. and Freeda Page Shaw. He married Alice King on August 14, 1965 in Frankfort and she survives. Tim attended school in Tompkinsville, Kentucky. He moved to Frankfort in 1962. Tim worked at Harmesons/KayCo Company and also worked with A-Plus Lawn Care. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, hunting and most of all, spending time with his two granddaughters.

Visitation was Thursday, March 16, 2017 at Goodwin Funeral Home. Burial in Bunnell Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to American Diabetes Assoc. or Wesley Manor Good Samaritan Fund.

Survived by, wife, Alice Ballard of Frankfort, Daughter: Kim Ballard Stevens of Frankfort, 2 Granddaughters: Sara (Fiancé Cory Plouge) Stevens of Frankfort, and Anna Paige Stevens of Frankfort, 3 Sisters: Wilma Waller of Kentucky, Faye Turner of Kentucky, and Pauletta Gay Dittman of Georgia, 2 Brothers: Shelby Gene Shaw of Georgia, and Wendell Shaw of Florida.

DORIS RAY DANIEL

Doris Ray Daniel, age 70, of Hendersonville, TN passed away on Monday, March 13, 2017 in the Tennessee State Veterans Home in Clarksville, TN. He was born on March 6, 1947 in Tompkinsville, KY to Oral and Clio (Brown) Daniel. Doris Ray proudly served in the U.S. Navy as a boiler technician aboard numerous ships around the world. He was married to Wanda (Miller) Daniel for nearly three decades and she ever remains his dearest friend. Together they had three sons. Doris Ray and Wanda enjoyed collecting and selling antiques and collectibles as well as spending time with family and friends. He is survived by Wanda, now residing in Hendersonville, TN; sons Chris (Samantha), Shawn (Amy), Paul (Becky), grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Doris Ray is preceded in death by his parents Oral and Clio; brothers Leon (surviving wife Adene), James (Janelle), and Delbert Daniel. No formal funeral service is planned although a private family remembrance and ash spreading observance will be held on the old family farm in Mudlick, Kentucky. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Bethlehem Cemetery in Monroe County, Kentucky.

News & Notes

TOMPKINSVILLE COMMISSION

Monthly meeting of the Tompkinsville City Commission will be held Thursday, March 23 at 6 p.m. at the EDC, 202 N. Magnolia St. in Tompkinsville.

MONROE YOUTH THEATRE

Participants in Monroe Youth Theatre will present John Patrick's "The Curious Savage" on Friday, March 24 and Saturday, March 25 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 26 by 2:30 p.m.

HEART OF TOMPKINSVILLE

The Heart of Tompkinsville – Main Street board will meet on Monday, March 27 at 6 p.m. at the EDC, 202 N. Magnolia Street.

AUDITIONS

Barn Lot Theater in Edmonton will be holding auditions for the comedy "As Long As We Both Shall Live" on Monday, March 27 and Tuesday, March 28 at 6:00 p.m. For complete character descriptions visit www.barnlottheater.org.

COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION

Tuesday, March 28 is the next date for commodity distribution. The locations and times are: Tompkinsville – from 8 to 10 a.m. at the County Barn on Jackson Street; Gamaliel – from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the Fire Hall; and Fountain Run – from 1 to 1:45 p.m. at the Fire Hall. ID is required to pick up for households other than yourself.

FLORA, FAUNA & FORESTRY FUN

Old Mulkey Meetinghouse State Historic Site kicks off a new season of activities on Saturday, April 1 with Birdwatching with Professor Stephen Stedman at 7:00 a.m. (adult program), a Wildflower Walk with Professor Ralph Thompson at 10:00 a.m., and Forestry Fun with Park Staff at 2:00 p.m. Wear your walking shoes and dress for the weather. There is no admission fee. The park will open at 6:30 a.m. All activities will begin at the shelter. For additional information contact Sheila at sheila.rush@ky.gov or 270-487-8481

TEDDY BEAR RUN

The 18th Annual Teddy Bear run will be April 1 with riders meeting at the Warren County Justice Center, 1001 Center Street. On-site registration begins at 9 a.m. where riders will receive wrist bands and line up for the parade. The parade

will leave at 11:15 a.m., escorted by the Bowling Green Police Department and the Kentucky Blue Knights. Riders will arrive around 12:15 p.m. at Harley Davidson Store, 251 Cumberland Trace. Upon arrival, riders will be served lunch with music and live entertainment. The event benefits the Barren River Area Child Advocacy Center. For event registration, visit bracac.org

QUILTERS CHALLENGE

Old Mulkey State Historic Site invites Kentucky quilters to join the 2017 Quilt Block and Wall Hanging Challenge. The challenge leads up to the 2017 Celebration of Quilts & Quilting held at the Monroe County historic site each year. Those wishing to participate in the challenges should contact Sheila at 270-487-8481 or Sheila.rush@ky.gov or visit Robertson's Decorating 612 Celina Road in Tompkinsville during their regular business hours.

NEW NUMBER FOR VA VAN RIDES

Veterans needing to reserve a seat on the DAV van traveling to the VA Medical Center in Louisville have a number to call: 502-780-3245. There is no long distance call charges if using a cell phone; there will be a charge if calling from a landline phone.

VOLUNTEER DRIVER FOR VETERANS

DAV Chapter 20 is in need of volunteers to drive the van from Glasgow taking Veterans to the V.A. Hospital in Louisville. The Volunteer does not have to be a veteran. Must pass a physical (physical is at no charge to driver). Driver will be provided lunch. If, interested, please contact Roger Short at 270-678-RIDE (7433).

NARCONON

Narconon reminds families that abuse of heroin and opioid drugs has become a national health crisis. Learn to recognize the signs of heroin abuse and get your loved ones help if they are at risk. Visit www.narcononnewliferetreat.org/blog/naloxone-availability.html to learn about the overdose reversing drug known as naloxone and find out its availability in your state. Narconon can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today for free screenings or referrals.

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