

Intersection a bad place for drunken nap

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A drunk driver could have found a less conspicuous place to catch a nap when he fell asleep behind the wheel in the busiest intersection in Smithville.

The man, Craig Alan Yar-

brough, 57, of Birmingham, Ala., is charged with DUI and will appear before the judge on Sept. 20.

According to Sheriff Patrick Ray, Yarbrough's gold Hyundai was found sitting in the middle of the intersection of West Broad and South Congress Boulevard with its lights off.

"The officer stopped to

investigate and found Yarbrough passed out in the driver seat," the sheriff reported, noting the deputy was able to wake the slumbering driver. "He had the strong odor of alcoholic beverage on his person."

The driver was unsteady on his feet when he stepped out of the vehicle. He also had

slurred speech and bloodshot eyes.

"He refused to submit to a field sobriety test saying he had medical issues with his feet," the sheriff added.

Yarbrough will face a minimum 48 hours in jail, \$350 fine and one year forfeiture of driving privileges if he is convicted of drunk driving.



YARBROUGH

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LEPC MEETING

The LEPC meeting will be held Oct. 3 at noon at the DeKalb County Complex in the café. NHC is providing lunch. Those interested in the planning of the active shooter tabletop exercise should meet there at 11 a.m.

DEKALB RETIRED TEACHERS MEET OCT. 4 AT WEBB HOUSE

DeKalb County Retired Teachers Association will meet on October 4, 2018, at The Webb House Retirement Center at 11 a.m. Speaker will be Tyler Cantrell all retired teachers are urged to attend.

CRAFT SHOW AT MIDWAY CIC OCT. 6

A fundraiser and craft event to benefit Bethlehem Community Church will be held Oct. 6 at 10:30 a.m. at Midway CIC at 2902 Midway Road. The event will feature BBQ plates and crafts. Set up fee for booth is \$20. For more info call 615-684-2151.

REVIVAL AT INDIAN CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH OCT. 7-12

A revival will be held at Indian Creek Baptist Church Oct. 7-12 with Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Monday through Friday at 7 p.m. Herb Leftwich will be the evangelist and there will be special music each night.

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE OCT. 13 AT NOON

The Holy Rosary Crusade will be held Oct. 13 at noon at the Gazebo in downtown Smithville. Call Joanne for more info at 615-563-2079. Bring a lawn chair.

PAISLEE'S FOUNDATION 5TH ANNUAL CRAFT AND HOME SHOW OCT. 13

Paislee's Foundation 5th annual craft and home show will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Oct. 13 inside the Kenneth Sandlin Building at the DeKalb County Fairgrounds in Alexandria. Admission is free. Booths are available for \$25. Proceeds go to Paislee's Foundation to benefit families dealing with still birth and infant loss. For info call Darcie at 615-464-5139 or email paislees-foundation@gmail.com.

HISTORY HAY RIDE AT EDGAR EVANS OCT. 13

On Oct. 13 the 13th Annual History Hayride will be held at Edgar Evins State Park. Ride hay wagons into the past as costumed re-enactors reveal the history of the park and area. \$15 per person. Make online reservations at www.foesp.com/history-hay-

ride or call the park office at (931) 858-2114 or toll free at 800-250-8619 to obtain contact information for Fount Bertram, President of Friends of Edgar Evins State Park. Also see us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/friendsofeesp

ROADBLOCKS ON HIGHWAY 96 OCT. 19

The Tennessee Highway Patrol will be conducting a seat belt checkpoint in DeKalb County Oct. 9 on State Highway 96. Recognizing that an alarmingly high number of vehicle occupants killed in fatal crashes were unrestrained, the Tennessee Highway Patrol has elected to create an enforcement campaign aimed at drastically reducing the number of unrestrained drivers and occupants. Troopers will also be on active patrol observing for unrestrained drivers and occupants of motor vehicles. The Tennessee Highway Patrol has found seat belt checkpoints to be an effective means of enforcing seat belt and child restraint laws of Tennessee while ensuring the protection of all motorists.

FREE FALL FUNFEST AT COMPLEX OCT. 20

DeKalb Community Complex will host its first FREE Fall Fest on October 20. Everything will be free and this event is geared towards kids and families! There will be games, cake walk, face painting, Kids arts and crafts, popcorn, live bluegrass music, line dancing class at 12:30 p.m. and much more. Complex Director Josh Melton says, "Our newest member to our team here at DCC, Ashley Medlin is heading this event up and she is excited to get the community involved!" The DeKalb Farmers Market will also be extending its hours to be a part of the festive fun. There will be pumpkin and fall vendors here for your fall needs! Contact them to see about booth space! So far DeKalb Senior Citizens, DeKalb 4-H, Justin Potter Library, Smithville AG, and DeKalb Coalition are helping out. If you would like to help by setting up a game please call 615-597-2121.

HANDBAGS FOR HOPE OCT. 27

The fourth annual Handbags for Hope will be held Oct. 27 at 10:30 a.m. at Duck Pond Manor at 630 Duck Pond Road in Sparta. There will be a grab bag, purse auction and brunch. All proceeds go to domes-

tic abuse prevention and awareness. Tickets are \$30 apiece and are available through Everbrite.com (Genesis House).

COLOR CRUISE ON CENTER HILL OCT. 27

The 16th Annual Fall Color Boat Cruise on Center Hill Lake, Silver Point, 1 to 4 p.m. This fundraising event is sponsored by the Friends of Edgar Evins State Park, an all-volunteer group with the sole purpose of supporting the park. See waterfowl, other lake fauna, fall colors, historic landmarks and rich lake homes from the comfort of a pontoon boat. \$15 per person. Make online reservations at www.foesp.com/color-cruise. If you need help with reservations contact the park office at (931) 858-2114 or toll free at 1-800-250-8619 for contact information for the President of Friends of Edgar Evins State

JUNIOR PRO BASKETBALL SIGN UPS BEGIN AT COMPLEX

DeKalb Jr Pro Basketball signups will be held in the main lobby of the DeKalb County Community Center on October 2nd, 5th, 9th, 11th, 16th, 30th and November 1st from 6 pm to 8 pm. The cost is \$30 to be paid by cash or check at the time of signup. We will NOT be having signups on the day of tryouts this year. We will NOT be accepting

any late signups after Nov. 1. NO EXCEPTIONS.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ADCOCK CEMETERY DONATIONS FOR UPKEEP

Anyone with family buried at Adcock Cemetery is asked to make donations for mowing. Make checks payable to Winnie Petty at 235 Petty Road, Smithville, TN 37166.

LOCAL HELP CENTER NEEDS HELP FROM THE COMMUNITY

His Love Help Center has been providing free clothes, shoes, medical items and etc. for over three years to people in our community. They serve all walks of life, such as single parents, the elderly, fire victims, and more. At the current location (1100 S. College St.) the Help Center has to pay rent, phone, water, gas and electric. In order to stay open and to continue serving our community it needs your help. If you feel you are able to provide financial help, have a building they can use or a one-time donation please stop by the help center or call 615-597-(love) 5683.

HELP WANTED - BE A CARIS HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TODAY

Do you enjoy giving support and being a good listener to those around you? If your answer is yes, then becoming a Caris Hospice Volunteer could be for you.

Please contact Gail Evans, Volunteer Coordinator at 888-537-3430 or visit the website at www.caris-healthcare.com for more information or to apply.

ALEXANDRIA OLE TIMERS DAY SEPT. 15

Alexandria City Ole Timers Day and 3rd Annual Alexandria Fire Department cook will be Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. There will be food, vendors and singing!! There will also be a bike run with registration from 10-11 a.m.

EARN YOUR HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY DIPLOMA THROUGH FREE CLASSES

There are free classes held at the DeKalb County Complex, Room 119 Monday - Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Registration is Monday 3:30 - 7 p.m. and Tuesday 9 a.m. to noon. Don't see a time that works with your schedule? Ask about special appointments. Call 855-516-0160 for more information or to schedule an appointment. Classes are funded under a grant with the State of Tennessee and the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

AL-ANON MEETINGS

The McMinnville Alanon group meets Tuesday and Thursday nights at 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. at St. Catherine's Catholic Church, 1024 Faulkner Springs

Road in McMinnville. Local meetings are held at Haven of Hope, 301 West Main Street in Smithville on Fridays at 11 a.m. For more information call 615-597-4673.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP

A Domestic Violence Support Group is held for women in the community at Haven of Hope in Smithville. For more information, please call 615-597-4673.

DEKALB ANIMAL COALITION

The DeKalb Animal Coalition will suspended its meetings for the summer but will pick back up the first Thursday in September at 6:30 p.m. in the second story of city hall.

SMITHVILLE HEAD START CENTER

L.B.J. & C. Head Start is currently accepting applications to provide free comprehensive child development services to children three- five years of age from low-income families in a full-day program. Services are also offered to meet the special needs of children with disabilities. L.B.J. & C. Head Start helps all children succeed. L.B.J. & C. Head Start provides children with activities that help them grow mentally, socially, emotionally, and physically. For more information contact the Smithville Head Start Center at 615-597-5168.

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BRONZE STAR

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The monument along with two cannons were once located on the grounds of the former VFW Howard Gill Post 7623 on the Sparta Highway. However, they were relocated to Green Brook Park after the Post was closed three years ago. The six sided monument is meant as a tribute to those from DeKalb County who lost their lives during the Spanish American War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and Iraqi Freedom.

The monument had gone untouched for a couple years until someone noticed last September that the Bronze Stars affixed to it had been taken. The crime remains unsolved and police would love to find out who

committed the dastardly deed and are asking for tips from the public so they can bring the thief or thieves to justice.

However, Mrs. Poss' address of the city council was not one of retribution but instead one of triumph as she announced the community has come together, in a short time, to raise \$1,470. The amount is more than enough to replace the stars and put up a protective fence. The monument was also cleaned and there are plans to affix more names of fallen local soldiers, some of whom have been killed during the War on Terror. Mrs. Poss noted the plea went out for donations around Memorial Day and that public support was overwhelming as pledges poured in.