Mansfield, Smith place in statewide contest

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Two local students have placed in a statewide civics essay contest sponsored by the Tennessee Secretary of State.

The students, eighth-grader Lauren Mansfield of Centertown School, took third in the state in the 6-8 grade category, while Elsa Smith of Covenant Academy received honorable mention in the 3-5 grade category.

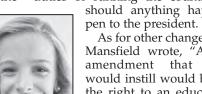
Students were asked to write about citizenship with length requirements varying by grade level. Winners receive a TNStars

529 College Savings Program president's spouse assume scholarship and a trip to the

State Capitol this spring. First-place winners receive a \$500 scholarship, with second- and third-place finishers receiving \$250 and \$100, respectively.

her essay, Mansfield admits creating a new country with its own constitution would be a challenge. She said some changes she would make to America's con-

stitution would be to lower the parents or parents that are voting age to 16, and to have the



duties of running the country should anything hap-

> As for other changes, Mansfield wrote, "An amendment that I would instill would be the right to an education. A free, public education all the way through college would be available to everyone. As a part of that, quality day care should be provided for every child that has working

attending school. The govern-

ment would also provide more support for music and the arts. I

also think that you should be excused from work or school on your birthday to celebrate another year of

Lauren is the daughter of Mike and Brandie Mansfield. Elsa is the daughter of Alan and Kristina Smith.

The essay contest, along with last year's successful Student Mock Election, is part

of the Tennessee Secretary of ties for students, visit sos.tn. State's civic engagement pro-

"I'm thrilled more than 1.000

students from across the state wrote an essay

for the contest. The students demonstrated a passion for actively participating in their communities at a young age,' Secretary of State Tre Hargett. "Our longterm goal is to increase civic engagement across the state.

For more information about civic activi-

Top constable



Phillip "Tank" Young, left, is awarded the 2017 Constable of the Year Award. Tank has been a Tennessee State Constable since 1999. He is also the president of the Warren County Constable Association. Presenting the award is assistant district attorney Randall Gilliam.

Argument, liquor, running from law, gun add up to 43 days in jail

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A man has been given 43 days in jail for running from the law after a domestic incident in which he put a gun to his own head.

The man, Jason Keith Bouldin, 43, entered guilty pleas before Circuit Court Judge Bart Stanley to charges of evading arrest and driving on a revoked license. He was ordered to serve 43 days of an 11-month, 29-day sentence.

Deputy Lynn Cannon pulled

Bouldin over as he was arriving to investigate a domestic call on Salt Lick Lane.

"The vehicle came to a stop and he got out, looked at me and ran," said Cannon, noting he was able to chase down the fugitive and immediately smelled alcohol on him. "He stated that he had drank a pint of liquor."

During a search of the suspect's vehicle, the deputy found a loaded 22 rifle in the passenger seat. The lawman then went to the scene of the domestic incident where he learned Bouldin had gotten into an argument with a woman and had punched the TV. The woman took refuge in an area near Bouldin's grand-

"She stated that Mr. Bouldin came into her area and she pulled a gun on him due to being in fear," the deputy reported. "Mr. Bouldin grabbed the gun and put it to his head and told her to pull

the trigger." Bouldin then left the scene with the gun and was caught a short time later when deputy Cannon pulled him over.

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River Emmaline Neely

Born: August 31, 2017. Daughter of Justin & Jessica Neely.



Theron Jesse Jones

big sisters are Anna and Ava Jones.



William Grey Bernhardt

Born: April 28, 2017. Son of Travis and Andrea Jones, and Born: January 1, 2017. Son of Andy and Tish Bernhardt.



