

First meeting for Master Beef Class March 13

Cannon, DeKalb and Warren County Extension is offering a spring Advanced Master Beef certification.

The first meeting is Tuesday, March 13 at Centertown Community Center, 92 Gilbert Street, McMinnville (in the Centertown community). The remaining meetings are: Thursday, March 15 at Centertown; Tuesday, March 20 at Warren County Livestock, 1378 Old Smithville Rd., McMinnville; with the final meeting Thursday, March 22 at Warren Farmer's Co-op, 1839 S Chancery St., McMinnville.

Speakers include: Dr. David Kirkpatrick, Beef



Cattle Specialist, University of Tennessee Department of Animal Science; Dr. Andrew Griffith, livestock economist; Dr. Lew Strickland, Extension veterinarian; Mr. Marshall LaFever, Warren County Livestock; and Mr. Larry Moorehead, UT Extension.

To participate in the Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program at

the 50 percent reimbursement level, you must have a current Beef Quality Assurance certification administered through the Tennessee Cattlemen's Association with the educational component conducted by the University of Tennessee Extension.

This is a program of the Tennessee Cattlemen's Association. Costs of BQA certification is \$20 for TCA members and \$40 for non-members.

All fees are paid directly to the Tennessee Cattlemen's Association.

The upcoming class is for producers whom have never attended an Advanced Master Beef

course or attended an AMBP course prior to 2015.

Producers who attended an Advanced Master Beef certification prior to 2015 will not qualify for the 50 percent TAEF cost share for the 2018 program year. If you have any questions, please contact UT-TSU Extension Warren County and we will check the database for you and let you know when your certification is expiring.

To register, you must come by the UT-TSU Extension office located at 201 Locust Street, Suite 10 McMinnville.

Cost for the course is \$75, which covers all

materials, refreshments, and a cap and farm sign for all graduates.

BEGINNING BEEKEEPING CLASS PLANNED

The Highland Rim Beekeepers Association is preparing for its upcoming annual basic beekeeping class. The class is designed to give beginners a one-day course for those who desire to learn more about beekeeping and about producing their own honey.

The class will be Saturday, Feb. 17, at the LDS Assembly Building located at the corner of 562 Shangri La Lane and

Hwy 55 in McMinnville from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost for the course is \$30 which covers all materials, refreshments, and the beekeeping guide book. Also included is membership in the Highland Rim Beekeepers Association which meets the second Thursday of each month in the Magnolia Room of the Warren County Administrative Building beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Each month the group will have a discussion of current issues surrounding bee care and guest speakers.

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Teen caught with meth and counterfeit money

BY DUANE SHERRILL
Reporter for the Southern Standard
(McMinnville, Tennessee)

A teen caught with meth and a counterfeit \$100 bill has been handed an eight-year sentence for the contents of his pockets.

The man, Jessie Layne Devore, 18, was ordered to serve 360 days of an eight-year sentence for possession of meth and pay a \$2,000 fine plus court costs.

His jail time comes

after police came to Dollar General on Sparta Street to answer a report of a stolen car in the parking lot. When police arrived, they detained Devore.

It was during a search of his person the charges began to build.

"He was patted down and was found to be in possession of a glass pipe used to smoke illegal drugs, plastic tubing that had black burn marks and six small plastic bags that contained crystal

methamphetamine," said McMinnville police officer Brad Hall, noting a \$100 bill was found in his wallet.

"There was \$100 bill found in his wallet that he stated was his. The \$100 bill was found to be counterfeit."

The counterfeiting charge was dropped as part of his plea bargain.

Police did not claim he made the counterfeit bill, but rather that he was simply in possession of it.

Doggone good



Winners of the Tennessee College of Applied Technology chili cook-off Thursday are, from left, first place Cathy Fann, second place Malik Woods, honorable mention Donna Thompson, and honorable mention Zach Murray.

School counselor

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"I felt like I could relate to some students, whereas some others in the school could not," said Smith. "My childhood and background made me think I might be able to make a difference in a child's life. I thought I

might be a tangible example of 'I made it and you can make it.' As an adult, I can recognize what I needed as a child, therefore helping me to be a better counselor, especially to those who need it the most. My reward is just the possibility I might have played

a small role in influencing a child's life positively. Unfortunately, most of the time, I will never know if I did, but it's that possibility that keeps me going."

One student did make her appreciation known. As part of a homework assignment, freshman

Skylar Alford was asked to write a letter to someone she was thankful for.

"I just wanted to say thank you for everything," Skylar wrote to Smith. "You've really helped me through a lot. You were there for me though all my problems and you were always there when I need-

ed someone to talk to."

The correspondence went into detail and was heartfelt.

"Those are the moments that make it all worthwhile," said Smith, of the letter. "From the federal level down to the state level, educators are pressured to stamp out

students with great test scores. I believe it is part of a school counselor's responsibility to ensure all parties involved in a student's life remember that behind each score is a human being ... a child that sometimes needs someone to care before he or she cares."

PUBLISHER'S Pics

Standard publisher Pat Zechman has been in the newspaper business for 50 years, the last 26 years as publisher/general manager of the **Southern Standard**. Zechman wants to give back to the community and the **Standard** alike and it has led her to creating the Publisher's Pics feature. This week, Zechman goes back to 1979. Look for more Publisher's Pics on the **Southern Standard** Facebook page.



FIRST ARRIVAL---A new year means new beginnings---and what better way to start 1979 than with a brand new baby boy. Warren County's first 1979 baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. James David Elam of Route 1, Morrison, at 1:28 a.m. today. Young Elam weighed seven pounds and 12 ounces at birth.



Members of the McMinnville Freight Line team in the Jaycee Junior Pro Football Leagues' Nine-year-old Division are, front row from left, Danny Payne, McGee, Tim Webster and Tracy Roberts. Back row from left, Jeff Youngblood, Reed, Mike Mansfield and Tim Thomure, coach. Brad Hennessee and Kirk Baker were not present for the picture.



HAPPY BOWLERS-Jeff Grissom, Rex Dickson and Bryan Blair won trophies in the Southern States Championship Bowling Tournament in Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 2-3. Carl Sullens and Dean Jones also participated. Grissom and Dickson finished third in doubles. Dickson was also fourth in singles. Blair finished eighth in singles and fourth in all events. The bowlers are, front row from left, Jeff Grissom, Rex Dickson and Bryan Blair. Back row from left, Carl Sullens and Dean Jones.