They got skills

Feb. 4-10 is SkillsUSA Week in Warren County. For the second year, Tennessee College of Applied Technology will be recognized for its SkillsUSA program, a partnership of students, teachers and industry representatives working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. McMinnville Mayor Jimmy Haley signed a proclamation Jan. 23 and County Executive Herschel Wells is scheduled to sign one.

Middle school shooting in Los Angeles wounds 2

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two students were shot and wounded, one critically, inside a Los Angeles middle school classroom Thursday morning and police took a female student into custody, authorities said.

A 15-year-old boy hit in the head was transported to a trauma center in critical but stable condition, according to fire department spokesman Erik Scott. A 15-year-old girl with a gunshot wound to the wrist was taken to a hospital in fair condition, Scott said.

Three other people, ranging in age from 11 to 30, suffered minor cuts and scrapes.

Police arrested the female student and recovered a gun after the shooting that happened just before 9 a.m. at Salvador B. Castro Middle School, west of the city's downtown.

TV news footage showed a girl with dark hair wearing a sweatshirt being led out of the school in handcuffs a short time later.

Police cars blocked off an intersection near the school and parents gathered at the street corner, talking on their phones and awaiting word on their children.

Committee corrects mistake

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An official correction has been made by the county Policy and Personnel Committee.

In early January, members mistakenly reappointed Commissioner Wayne Copeland to the county Audit Committee. However, he was never a member of that committee and the individual that should have been reappointed was Wayne Cantrell with Emily Horton and Danny Martin.

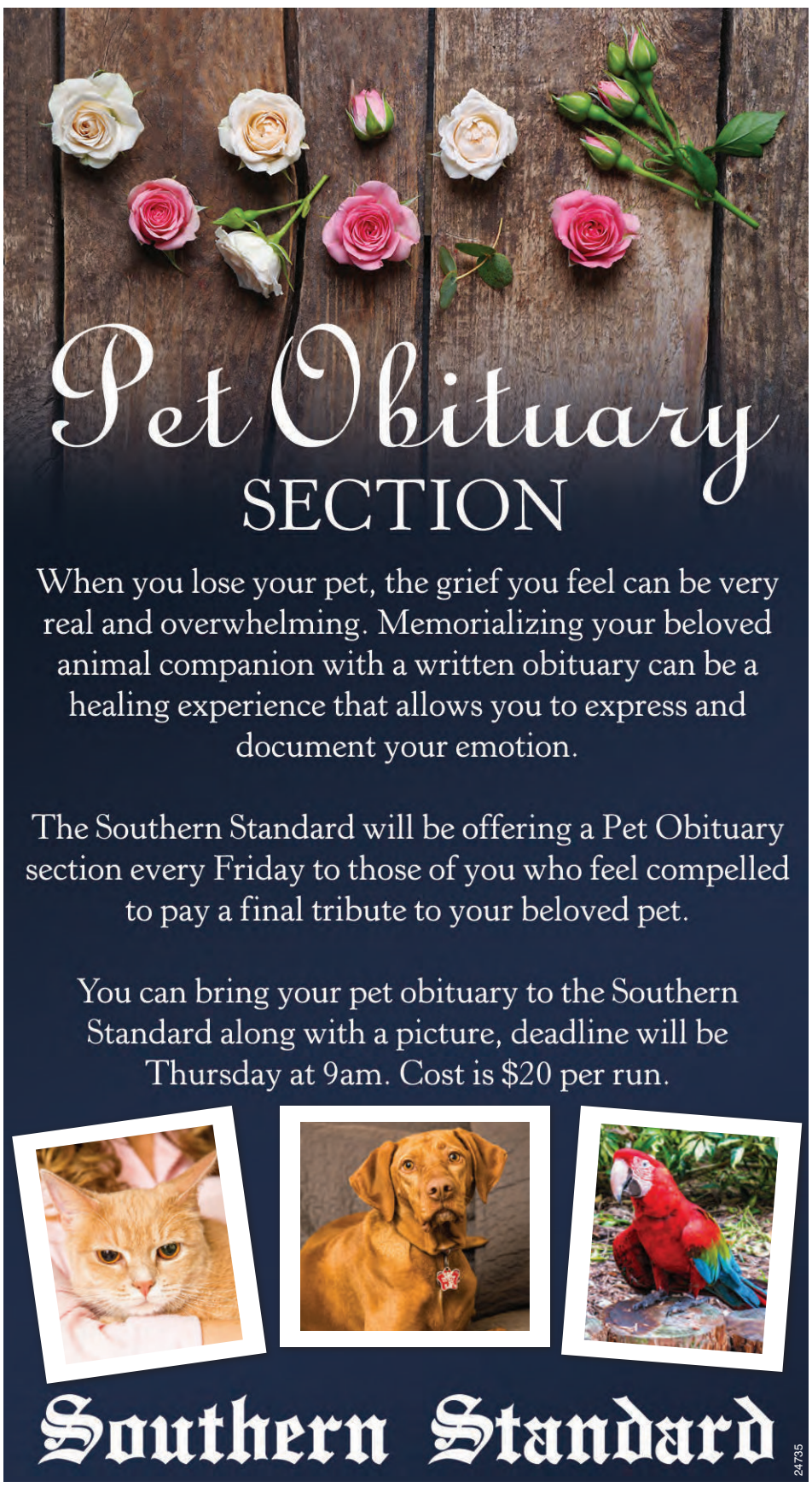
Commissioner Tommy Savage, chair, apologized for the error.

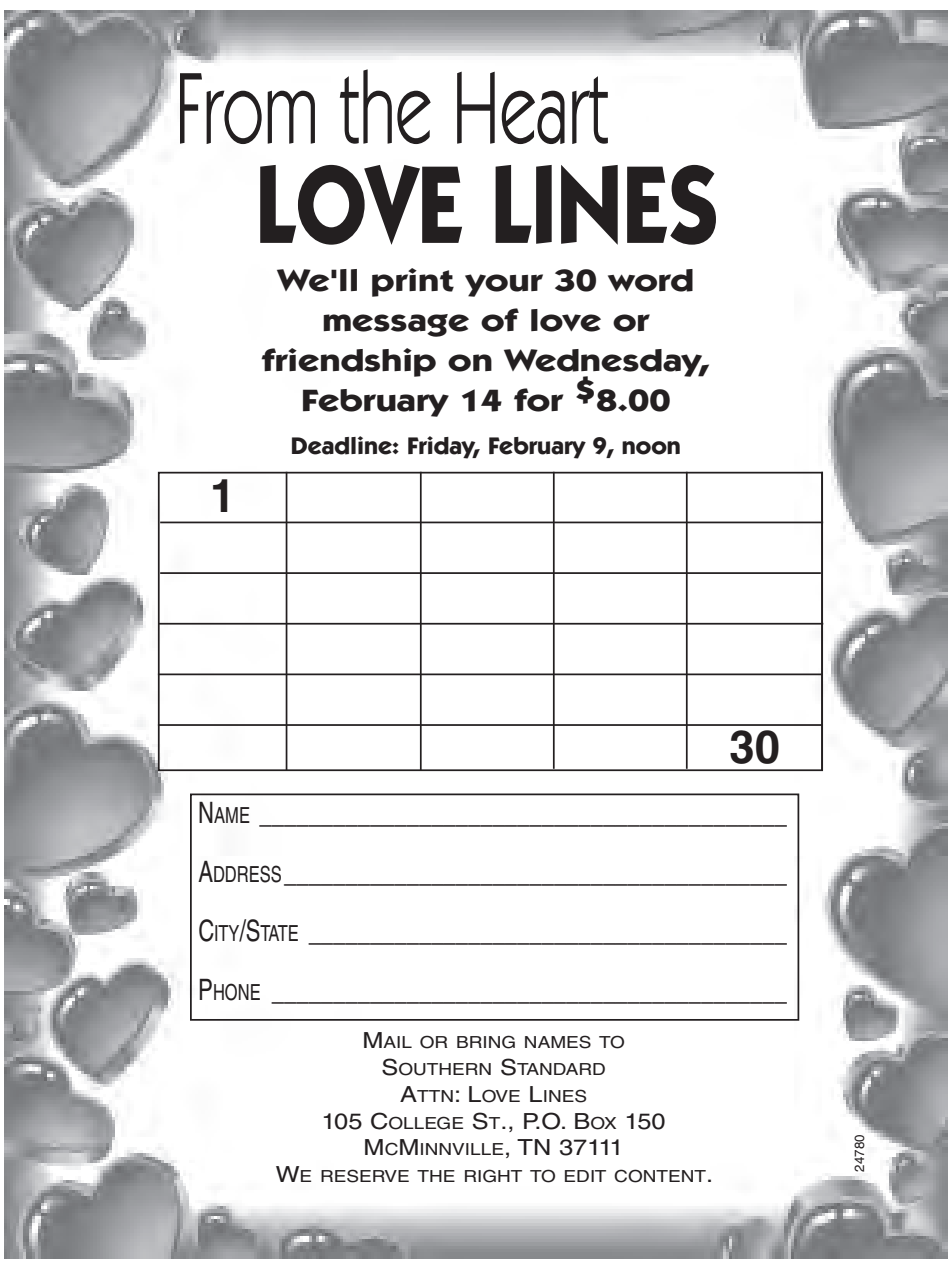
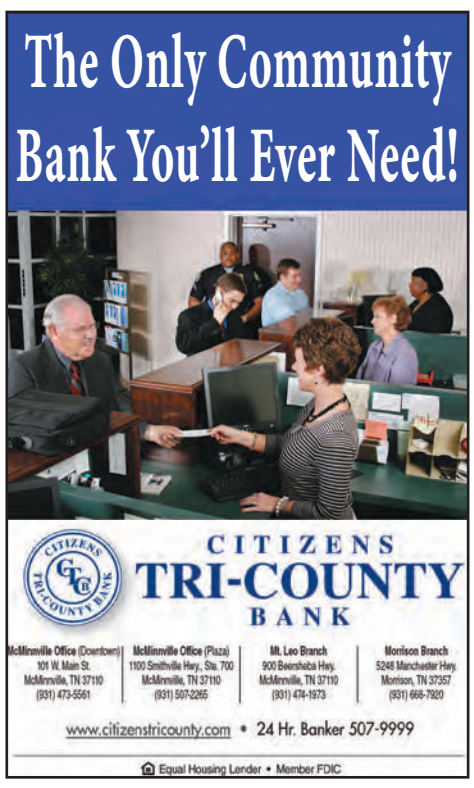
"I apologize, very much, for making that error," said Savage. "When you make a mistake, admit it and then get on with life."

County Executive Herschel Wells stated, "That's right."

In order to right the wrong, members had to rescind the motion that appointed Copeland, Horton and Martin earlier in the month and approve a motion to appoint Cantrell, Horton and Martin – both motions were made and unanimously approved.

The trio will serve four-year terms until 2022. Audit Committee members meet annually to review the state's audit of Warren County government and make recommendations for improvement, if any issues are found.

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