



Warren County High School will eventually have a barn. The project was approved by School Board members and will be financed through community fundraisers by FFA Alumni Association members and current students. Pictured front row, from left, are Director of Schools Bobby Cox, School Board members Bill Zechman, Helen Martin, Tanya Bess, and James Bennett. Second row, FFA's Alan Northcutt, WCHS executive principal Jimmy Walker, and School Board members Linda Blair and Teddy Jones. Third row, FFA's Erika Northcutt and CTE director Tracy Risinger. Fourth row, FFA's Katherine Greene and FFA advisor Danielle Smith. Fifth row, FFA's Ben Davis, Chris David and Myca Stover. Sixth row, FFA's Blake Waldron and Ian Pursley.

Build a barn

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The project's fundraising efforts, spearheaded by past and present FFA members and backed by community support, started last year with a Barn Raising Auction in November. Raised at that time was \$25,000. While actual barn cost is not yet known, it is estimated the completed project will be approximately \$100,000. Smith explained why fundraising started prior to School Board approval. "We wanted to make sure you understand we

are serious about our commitment," said Smith. "We aren't going to ask you for funding. Our alumni are committed to staying with us until the funds to complete the entire project are there. We're right at \$25,000 just from one fundraiser. We believe that's enough for phase one." Director of Schools Bobby Cox says the school system will maintain the building once it is complete. "I'm 100 percent behind this project. I think it would be a good project

to have. It might take a little time, but that's OK. We have to get with the city and tie onto the sewer. We have to get the plumbing and electricity there. Our contribution would be the inter-workings of it, if the board agrees to do that. Of course, once it's complete, we are going to maintain it from that point forward." Phase one is construction of the actual building. "I think we have enough to do the actual structure," said Smith.

"We have set this out in phases. If we can get the actual facility up, we can come in later and do concrete for the entire barn for bio-security. We would like concrete and then, rubber mats and then shavings. Everything in phases. We want 12-foot overhangs on the side. That way we can expand in the future if we need to. If we can get the structure up, we can start using it." With School Board approval given, phase one of the project can be bid out. Actual cost will be known at that time.

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## Southern Standard

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 173**  
Our MONTHLY MEETINGS are held the first Thursday of each month at Billy's Restaurant (2822 Nashville Highway in McMinnville). Members will meet at 5:00 pm for dinner with the meeting to follow at 6:00 pm. All members are encouraged to attend. Prospective members are also welcome to attend. Everyone is invited to visit our Facebook page @post173 to stay up to date on all American Legion activities.  
New Post address is: American Legion Post 173, P.O. Box 173, McMinnville, TN 37111. The Ladies Auxiliary meets at the same time.

**THE BOBBY RAY DETACHMENT OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**  
Our MONTHLY MEETINGS are held the first Thursday of each month at the Warren County Administrative Building (201 Locust Street) in the Magnolia Room. Doors open at 1800 and the meeting starts at 1830. All honorable discharged Marines, Navy FMF Corpsman and Navy Chaplains who served with the marines are invited to attend. For more information call 931-934-5619.

**AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER (POST 173)**  
Our MONTHLY MEETING are held the fourth Saturday each month at Billy's Restaurant (2822 Nashville Hwy. in McMinnville). Member will meet at 9:00am for breakfast, meeting to follow at 10:00am. Group will go for a ride after the meeting, weather permitting, location to be determined by the Road Captain. We are looking for new members. For information contact Rider Director John Davis American Legion Rider Chapter Post 173, PO Box 173, McMinnville, TN 37111.

**VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, ROYCE DAVENPORT CHAPTER 1112**  
Monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at Billy's restaurant (2822 Nashville Hwy. in McMinnville). Members will meet at 5:00 p.m. for dinner, with meeting starting at 6:00 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend. Prospective members will need to bring copy of DD Form 214 to verify service and join. Everyone is invited to visit our Facebook page @VVA1112 to stay up to date on all VVA and AVVA activities.

**Associate Vietnam Veterans of America, Royce Davenport Chapter 1112**  
Meeting is the same time and place as the VVA (see above). Anyone can be a member. There is no requirement to be related to a Veteran in anyway, however Veterans can also join. Please come and join our organization. Royce Davenport Chapter 1112 will again be collecting non-perishable items for the Warren County Emergency Food Bank during the Main Street Live Concert Series on Friday nights starting June 9, 2017 and continuing through the series. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 5064**  
Our MONTHLY MEETINGS are typically held on the third Thursday of each month at the VFW Post Home (3340 Sparta Highway) at 7:00 pm. Prospective members are encouraged to attend. Call 931-668-8392 for more information. The VFW Auxiliary meets at the same time.

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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 March 1979. Look for more Publisher's Pics on the Southern Standard Facebook page.



TOP 10-The Jaycee Youth Basketball League's tournament ended last night and the top 10 players in the senior division were honored. Members of the top 10 as chosen by division coaches are, front from left,

Hal Reagan, Carl Bouldin, Mark Stout and Paul Phifer. On the back row are Greg Holder, Alan Pepper, Alan Young, Tim Hill and Ernie Cantrell.



Renee Wallace, Connie Judkins and Sherry Cartwright following a performance at a Tennessee Tech basketball game.