

Rain

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The Warren County Sheriff's Department reported flooding in several areas, including Swan Mill Road, Hills Creek Road, Wheeler Road, Shelbyville Road, Mt. Zion Road, Petigap Road, and Dr. Fisher Road.

In the city, flooding closed Old Morrison Road in front of Pepper Branch Park. Army veteran Houston Roberts dramatically rescued his Chevy Blazer from the park Thursday morning.

Roberts said the SUV was suffering mechanical issues so he left it parked there. He didn't expect to

return Thursday morning to find it halfway underwater.

"Good thing I brought my bathing suit," Roberts said as he removed his shoes and his pants. "This is going to be cold," he added moments before wading out to his vehicle with a chain to pull it out.

McMinnville Water Department, which keeps the city's official rainfall totals, said we received 2.6 inches of rain in the 12 hours from midnight till noon on Thursday.

As for February, it was an extremely wet month. McMinnville received 9.4 inches of rain for the month, up from 2.9 inches in February 2017.



Water rises off the bypass near its intersection with Faulkner Springs Road.



Water pours out from inside Houston Roberts' vehicle when he opens the door.



Burgeoning water levels led to Old Morrison Road next to Pepper Branch Park being closed.



The banks of the Barren Fork River were flooded on Thursday. The backyard of Bob and Angela Heffington in Westwood saw high water climb up the sides of their camper.

McMinnville received 2.6 inches of rain over a 12-hour period Thursday on top of 9.4 inches for the month of February. Schools were closed Thursday as a result of flooding. Schools will open 2 hours late on Friday.

Text-A-Tip

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Any information regarding any school in the county may be sent via text and will go directly to a school resource officer. The SRO will read the tip and convey the information to the appropriate person.

Cox said tips can be text-

ed any time. This includes weekends and after school hours

"We feel this will be another avenue to help provide important information to authorities and help us all to stay safe," said Cox.

If anyone has information that is an emergency, they should call 911.

CIRCUIT COURT

Judge Bart Stanley ruled on the following cases Wednesday in Circuit Court:

Kali Yuga was ordered to serve 180 days of a three-year sentence for aggravated burglary, theft of property and vandalism up to \$1,000. She was ordered to pay \$400 restitution.

Charlie C. Conley was given an 11-month, 29-day

probationary sentence for driving on a revoked license.

Kayla Mechelle Argo was ordered to serve 98 days of a six-year sentence and pay \$3,550.14 restitution for theft of property under \$10,000. She was ordered to maintain employment and have no contact with the victim.

Kayle Michelle Bowdoin was ordered to serve 180 days of an eight-year sentence and pay a \$2,000 fine for delivery of meth.

Ashley Leshay Cantrell was ordered to serve 48 hours of a six-month sentence for driving on a revoked license.

Dakota Chrestman was ordered to serve 30 days of an 11-29 sentence for domestic assault. An alcohol and drug assessment was ordered.

Katherine Ursula George was ordered to serve 48 hours of an 11-29 sentence and perform 16 hours public service work for perjury.

Corey Michael Kirby was ordered to serve 45 days of an 11-29 sentence and pay a \$600 fine for second offense DUI.

Richard William Kurtz was ordered to serve 180 days of an eight-year sentence and pay a \$2,000 fine for delivery of meth.

Joshua Aaron Lee was ordered to serve four days of an 11-29 sentence for driving on a revoked license.

Rodney Brent Meeks was given a monitor and will serve house arrest for driving on a revoked license, possession of meth, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Rodney Preston Moore was given 11-29 probation for domestic assault and possession of meth. He was given a judicial diversion to have the charges erased from his record if he gets in no further trouble.

Tyler Andrew Moore was ordered to serve 60 days of a two-year sentence for evading arrest.

Glenn Allen Nichols Jr. was given an 11-29 probationary sentence and ordered to pay \$2,470 restitution and have no contact with the victim for reckless endangerment with a handgun.

Robert Alan Norrod was

ordered to serve 180 days of an eight-year sentence and pay a \$2,000 fine for delivery of meth.

Brittany Lashae Shockley was ordered to serve 48 hours for driving on a suspended license, second offense.

Bennie Louis Simmons was ordered to serve 365 days of an eight-year sentence for possession of a weapon by a convicted felon.

Jennifer Diane Sparkman and Thomas Sparkman were given full probation and admitted to drug court for possession of meth with intent to deliver. Jennifer Sparkman was ordered to serve 30 days and pay a \$750 fine for a separate possession of meth charge.

Crystal A. Turner was ordered to serve the balance of her sentence for violation of probation.

Gregorio Cruz Vanloo was ordered to serve 180 days of an eight-year sentence and pay a \$2,000 fine for delivery of meth in a school zone.

Michael Tramaine Woods was ordered to serve three days and perform eight hours public service work for driving on a revoked license.

Tiffany Marie Jones was ordered to serve 48 hours of a six-month sentence for obstructing the legal process.

OBITUARIES

Faye Tate Prater, 76

Faye Tate Prater, 76, a McMinnville resident and Giles County native was born April 14, 1941 and died Feb. 28 at Vanderbilt University Medical Center following a sudden illness.

She was a retired food service employee with the Warren County School System, member of the Church of Christ and daughter of the late Roy Forrest and Macie Dee Colvett Tate. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by first husband, Curtis Prater; second husband, Ernest Smith; and daughter Debra Faye Prater.

Mrs. Prater is survived by three daughters and sons-in-law, Lisa Keaton Graham and Jeff, Stephanie George, and Vicki Roberts and Derrick, all of McMinnville; five grandchildren, Candace Keaton Pryor and Cody, Tyler Keaton and Shelby Parsley, Dylan George, Curtlan George and Layne Roberts, all of McMinnville; six great-grandchildren, Presley Bonner, Carter Keaton, Nash Pryor, Brody Keaton, Jett Pryor and Navaeh Pryor; three step-grandchildren, Daniel Gentry, Kyle Graham and Katie, and Kelly Roberson and Chris; three step-great-grandchildren; and six brothers and sisters, Ann Burch of McMinnville, Sue Talley and Wendell of Nashville, David Paul Tate and Sandy, Larry Tate, Connie Tate and Wanda Tanner and Laymon, all of McMinnville. Several nieces, nephews, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law and friends also survive.

Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Saturday, March 3, at High's Chapel with Wendell Talley to officiate. Interment will follow at Ivy Bluff Cemetery. Visitation will be 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m. Saturday until the time of service at High's. Online condolences may be made at [www.highfuneralhome.com](http://www.highfuneralhome.com).

High Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Turkey/Dressing - Chicken Strip Supper**

There will be a Turkey/Dressing - Chicken Strip Supper at Fairview CIC on Mar. 3 @ 5pm. Meal will include mashed potatoes, green beans, slaw, roll, dessert & drink. All candidates are welcome to debate the upcoming election. All will be allowed a 3 minute speech. Questions can be asked. Everyone welcome.

**East End Church of Christ Gospel Meeting**

East End Church of Christ will be having a Gospel Meeting from Mar. 11-14. The guest speaker will be Larry Acuff. Service times are Sun. @ 9am, 10am & 7pm; Mon.-Wed. @ 7pm. There will be a fellowship meal in the annex following Sunday morning worship. Visitors are our honored guests. You are cordially invited to attend each service. Come and hear gospel preaching from the Bible!

**Caravan Singers Performing @ McMinnville Cumberland Presbyterian Church**

The Caravan Singers will be performing at McMinnville Cumberland Presbyterian Church on Sun., Mar. 4 @ 1pm. There will be soup, sandwiches, dessert and drink at noon. The church is located at 115 Peers St. Everyone Welcome!

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