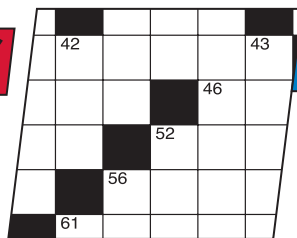




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Fatal shooting

Roommate argument turns deadly

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A drunken argument between two roommates led to a deadly shooting Tuesday night atop Harrison Ferry Mountain.

Steven Pohl, 57, was shot and killed by his roommate, Gregory Allen Koller, 61, at their remote home. The shooting took place around 6:45 p.m.

"Both of them were armed and both of them had been drinking," said Sheriff's Department chief investigator Marc Martin. "They got into an argument and one of them shot and killed the other. It very well could be a case of self-defense but we want to make sure the evidence portrays that."

Hordes of law enforcement officials converged on the scene at 440 Lewis Road, a dead-end street that runs off Rocky Top Road in a sparsely populated area of the county.

Martin says it appears both men were in possession of a firearm at the time of the shooting. Koller had a rifle while the deceased victim had a handgun.

"The case is still under investigation but no charges have been filed," said Martin, who added Koller was never arrested.

In similar cases in the past, the shooter has not been charged but has had his case taken before the grand jury to see if an indictment is issued. District Attorney General Lisa Zavogiannis said it's too early to say if that will be her course of action in this case, but she said that's how she handles most shootings of this type.



James Clark photo
Sheriff's Department deputies and first-responders stand outside a home on Lewis Road where a man was shot and killed Tuesday night following a drinking argument.



Bill Zechman photo
Students gather around the flagpole at Warren County High School on Wednesday as part of a nationwide demonstration.

WCHS students take part in nationwide walkout

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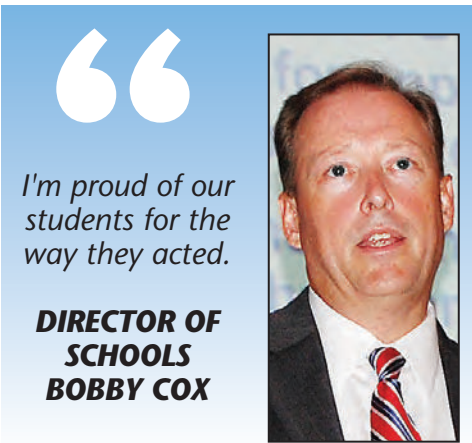
Students at Warren County High School joined tens of thousands across the nation Wednesday in walking out of class to show their support for more action to slow gun violence.

The demonstrations extended from Maine to Hawaii and included an estimated 100 students who gathered around the

flagpole at WCHS.

"We know they are concerned about school violence and want to feel safe at school," said Director of Schools Bobby Cox. "I'm proud of our students for the way they acted. We have a lot of respectful kids who want to do things the right way. They exercised their First Amendment rights, did it in the proper manner, and then went back to class."

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Tennis players love indoor court at Civic Center

Unfounded rumors create racket

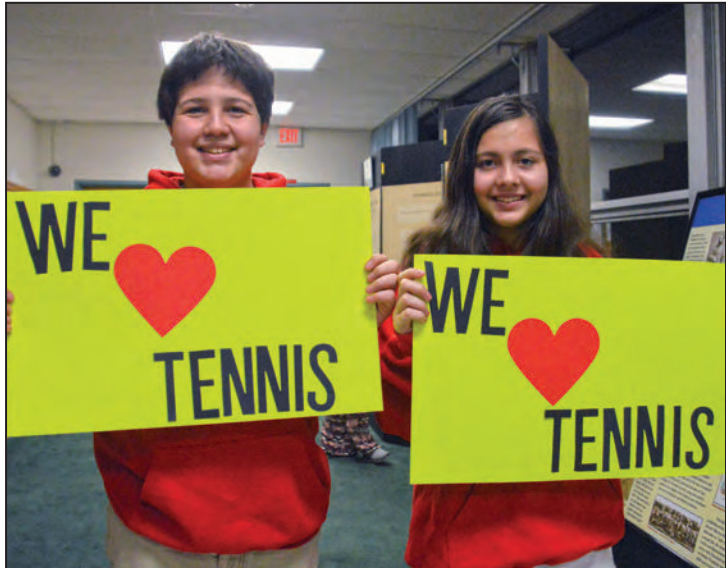
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Tennis enthusiasts attempted to serve up a win during Tuesday's McMinnville Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting.

According to WCMS tennis coach Susan Barrett, creating a racket was speculation the indoor tennis court could be removed from the Civic Center's renovation plans due to lack of funding.

"We heard a rumor that funding may not come through for the indoor tennis court and we wanted to be proactive and not reactive," said Barrett. "We wanted to come here tonight and let our officials know how much we love tennis and how much we need the indoor court. Tennis is a vital part of our community and we desperately need to keep our beloved indoor court."

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Lisa Hobbs photo
Rumor has it city officials could abandon their plan to include an indoor tennis court with proposed renovation of McMinnville Civic Center. The gossip brought a swift reaction from members of the Warren County Middle School tennis team. Pictured are brother and sister Christopher and Jordan Veach.

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