

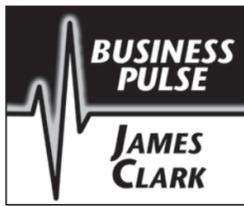
Bonnaroo to soldier on without Prater's BBQ

The Bonnaroo community received a serving of sobering news Friday when the *Standard* learned Prater's BBQ will not be operating a booth at this year's four-day music festival in Manchester.

It will be the first time in Bonnaroo history the festival has taken place without the welcoming Prater's BBQ booth perched in front of the main stage. Prater's has been there through Paul McCartney and Tom Petty, through the Police and Metallica.

For the hundreds of Warren County residents like me who have attended Bonnaroo for years, the Prater's booth was like a refreshing oasis among a desert of sweaty humanity. It was like a lighthouse in a sea of turbulence. It was a place to hang with home-boys, to chat with chums.

"It's a sad day," said Prater's owner Gary Prater, whose booth was once listed by *Rolling Stone* magazine as one of the top places to visit



at Bonnaroo.

Gary said the Bonnaroo brass made an effort to try to keep him, but he says a deal won't be reached and he will be concentrating his energy on his two restaurants in Morrison and Manchester. The Bonnaroo community will soldier on with bravery, but Prater's BBQ will be missed.

TRIGREEN FINDS NEW PASTURE

TriGreen Equipment opened in Warren County with great fanfare just five months ago in December. Even on opening day, employees at the John Deere



TriGreen Equipment, currently located at 3766 Sparta Highway, has purchased land just off Highway 55 near McMinnville Lawn and Garden. The plan is to construct a new facility there with an ambitious opening date of early 2019.

dealership knew change would be in the works.

The facility at 3755 Sparta Highway just past the VFW was always viewed as a temporary location. Its 1 acre and lim-

ited garage simply were not big enough to accommodate the size needed to sell and repair large farm equipment.

That problem is in the process of being solved as TriGreen Equipment has purchased 9.32 acres off Highway 55 near McMinnville Lawn and Garden. The selling price was \$325,000, or about \$34,900 an acre.

If the stars and moon align perfectly and everything falls into place, the goal is to be open in early 2019. However, local employees admit that's an ambitious goal as a new facility must be built from the ground up and it will likely be later in the year.

TriGreen officials say the original plan was to stay on the east side of the county, near their current location, but there was no land available for a reason-



TriGreen employee Adam Haston says the local John Deere dealership has done well in the five months it's been open.

able price. Considering they paid \$34,900 an acre, the land must have been really high priced.

Local sales manager Adam Haston says lawnmowers and compact tractors have been selling well

at the new location. He says there's not much room to keep the large equipment in stock and admitted it's hard to sell what you don't have.

Continued on 4C



Junior Petit is all smiles for the 35th anniversary of J's Restaurant. All of those years have been spent in the comfort of Three Star Mall.

AQUA CLEAN PRESSURE WASHING
Veteran Owned & Operated
HOT WATER CLEANS BEST
* Free Estimates * Fully Insured
931-414-9296
aquaclean931@gmail.com

One Phone Call - One Ad
Reach over 1 million
Tennesseans
TENNESSEE
Statewide 2x2 Display Advertising Network
For details call the Southern Standard, 473-2191 and ask for Brinda.
116886

If You Live In The County
Are you a member of your areas Volunteer Fire Department, and have you paid your annual dues?

North Warren Fire Department
\$52 per household
For Business Rates call 934-2592
Dues can be paid at Delores' Mkt. or mailed to:
North Warren Fire Dept.
P.O. Box 609
McMinnville, TN 37111

Campaign-Rock Island Fire Department
\$25 per household
Business rates available upon request
Dues can be mailed to
Campaign-Rock Island Fire Dept.
P.O. Box 122
Rock Island, TN 38581
For More Information Call 931-808-5989

Harrison Ferry Fire Department
\$50 per household
Business rates available upon request
Dues can be mailed to
Harrison Ferry Fire Dept.
566 Curtistown Rd.
McMinnville, TN 37110
For more information call 668-3037 or 273-2109

Collins River Fire Department
\$40 per household
Business rates available upon request
Dues can be mailed to
Collins River Fire Dept.
679 Dry Creek
McMinnville, TN 37110
For more information call 607-6694

Morrison Fire Department
\$50 per household
Business rates available upon request
Dues can be mailed to
Morrison Fire Dept.
130 W. Maple St.
Morrison, TN 37357
For more information call 635-2363

Viola Volunteer Fire Dept.
\$50 per household
\$65 for business
Dues can be mailed to
Viola Volunteer Fire Dept.
P.O. Box 66
Viola, TN 37394
For more information call 635-3273

If you have not received a notice, please contact the department in your area.

10 eScore

Get comfortable with using less energy at home.

Turn your house into the sanctuary it should be. Visit 2eScore.com to find out how energy efficient your home is and what you can do to improve it. With a high eScore and lower energy costs, you'll be able to live comfortably.

For more information, please call Caney Fork Electric Cooperative @ 931-473-3116.

Caney Fork Electric Cooperative
A Touchstone Energy Cooperative

energyright solutions