

Schools receive \$86K boost from two grants

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Warren County Schools has received an \$86,224 financial boost for its students from the Tennessee Department of Education. Director of Schools Bobby Cox says those funds will allow Warren County Schools to grow programs that help students receive a well-rounded education and be more prepared for post-secondary opportunities.

"We are very excited that we have been chosen as a recipient of the New Skills for Youth grant to improve our STEM program and we are 1 of 6 schools statewide to be chosen," said Cox. "We are equally excited to receive the Industry Certification Grant to continue to help our students

with early post-secondary opportunities."

The New Skills for Youth grant provides \$74,244 to expand equipment in the school district's STEM program in the elementary schools. The Industry Certification Grant provides \$12,000 for the district to assist students in reducing the cost barriers that exist for students to complete an exam and earn a capstone industry certification credential while still in high school to prepare for high-demand jobs following graduation.

Both are Perkins Reserve Consolidated Grants.

"All Tennessee students deserve to have career preparation that leads to



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high-quality employment after graduation and we continue to prioritize this work at the department," said Candice McQueen, Tennessee Commissioner of Education. "Through the Perkins Reserve

Consolidated Grant, we are able to provide funding for programs as we work to ensure more students are prepared to earn post-secondary credentials and are equipped with the skills they will need to be successful in their future careers."

Warren County Schools strives to offer opportunities for its students that follow the mission, "One Team. One Goal. High Levels of Learning for All."

Nunley given one year for manufacturing meth

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A man on probation for a meth charge didn't take advantage of his freedom as he was given a year in jail for failing to abide by the conditions of his release.

Jason Richard Nunley, 33, was ordered to serve 365 days for violation of probation.

According to court records, Nunley was convicted in Circuit Court on Aug. 23, 2017 for possession of meth. However, Nunley avoid-

ed jail and had his sentence suspended. He was ordered to serve his eight years on probation.

According to the Tennessee Department of Corrections, Nunley was unable to make it one year before finding himself back in trouble.

"Mr. Nunley was involved in unlawful behavior in that on or about April 12, 2018 he committed the offense of manufacture of metham-



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phetamine," the warrant for his arrest states.

Nunley was also scheduled to meet with his probation officer April 12, but failed to show up for the meeting. He was scheduled for a drug screen that day.

In addition to his jail time, Nunley was ordered by Judge Bart Stanley to complete one year of inpatient rehab following his incarceration.

Bigbee Trail on right path

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Volunteers rocked on The Bigbee Trail on Saturday.

"We had 14 volunteers," said organizer Wally Bigbee of the June 9 work day. "We met on Chestnut Street to gather wheelbarrows, tools and gloves for work on the trail. Work began just downstream from the Beersheba Bridge."

The goal, said Bigbee, was to spread crushed rock on the trail surface.

"Of great help were Neal Cox with a front-end loader and Dr. Russ Hamblen with his small utility truck. Neal scooped up crushed rock and carried it to the trail and dumped it in mounds on the trail. In places he could not reach he unloaded it onto Russ' truck who dumped it into wheelbarrows or on the trail."

Other workers used shovels and rakes to spread the rock on the path up to 2 inches deep and up to 3 feet wide for .3 miles.

Signage for The Bigbee Trail has yet to be placed. The Rocket Park end of the trail begins at the dirt road near the canoe landing.



The Bigbee Trail continues to take shape. Volunteers worked Saturday morning to place gravel along the path. A dedication ceremony will be held once directional signage for the hiking trail has been placed.

Cars can be parked at the end of Chestnut Street for an easy level walk from Beersheba Street Bridge to Rocket Park.

Only authorized vehicles are permitted on any city trails. Bigbee coordinated the effort, while the city's Parks and Recreation Department provided the rock.

The work day was sponsored by the city of McMinnville, Friends of the Greenway and the Greenway Council.

For more information about the hiking trail or how you can volunteer, Bigbee can be reached at 473-5968.

Once trail signage is placed, a dedication ceremony will be held.

Kate Spade suicide rings message close to home

The recently reported high-profile suicide of a renowned fashion designer has left many asking why. The tragic event has also sent a sobering message to communities all across Tennessee.

Just as Kate Spade suffered from mental illness and became the victim of suicide, so can those who may be suffering similarly here.

As state and national suicide rates continue to escalate year over year, Bryan Herriman of CHEER Mental Health says, "We need to become more and more aware of those around us. We need to recognize when someone is struggling emotionally and may need help. We need to know and let those in danger know that help is available and accessible. And perhaps, most important-

ly, we need to have and share an understanding that seeking help from professionals for a mental health issue is not a shameful act or one that may place a stigma on the person seeking help."

Each day in Tennessee, an average of 3 people die by suicide. As of 2016, suicide is the second-leading cause of death for young people (ages 10-19)

in Tennessee, with one person in this age group lost to suicide every week. In any given year, more teens and young adults die by suicide than from cancer and heart disease combined.

"In the Volunteer State, we lose one person between the ages of 10-24 every four days, and every day we lose at least one person over the age

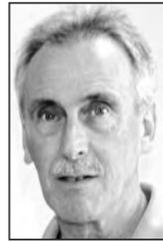
of 45 to suicide," Herriman noted.

In all there were 1,110 lives lost in Tennessee due to suicide in 2016, which represents the highest number of deaths by suicide and the highest suicide rate in the last 35 years.

Firearms were the most common method used to commit suicide between 2012 and 2016. Almost two-thirds of the suicides reported between 2012 and 2016 involved firearms, with poisoning and suffocation also common.

Suicide rates for males are generally at least three to four times higher than for females in Tennessee.

If you would like to learn more about how to prevent suicides, perhaps host a workshop about the topic at a local church or school, or would like to have a civic club presentation provided, visit www.vbhc.org. The 24-hour crisis line is 1-800-704-2651.



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CIRCUIT COURT

Judge Bart Stanley ruled on the following cases last week in Circuit Court.

Lorie A. Bouldin was released on time served and had her judicial diversion set aside for violation of probation.

Lonnie Wayne Lackey was transferred to the adult recovery program for violation of probation after serving 15 days.

Jason Leon Patrick was ordered to serve 120 days and had his judicial diversion set aside for violation of probation. He was also fined \$2,000.

A number of people were given jail time for violating their probation. Sentenced for violation of probation with the number of days given in parenthesis:

Larry Mitchell Barnes (180 days), Jessie Layne Devore (150 days) John Christophe Elrod (41

days), Billy Wayne Fults Jr. (90 days), Joshua Ryan Gilbert (120 days), Joshua Hans Grissom (90 days), Shayle Gail McCormick (60 days), Rhonda Ellen Nunley (51 days), Daniel John Pendergraph (120

days), James Richard Phillips (45 days), Marty Jay Richardson (60 days), John Houston Simons (90 days), Tracy Lynn Tate (90 days), Andre Watson Nunley (30 days), and Thelma Aileen Webb (60 days).

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Hagan Scholarship Recipient
Ms. Kaniz Momin, a student at Warren County High School, was awarded a Hagan Scholarship to attend UNC Chapel Hill to study Chemistry.
The Hagan Scholarship is a nationwide need-based merit scholarship that provides up to \$6,000 each semester for up to eight semesters. Over 600 Hagan Scholars from 37 states will attend 237 colleges and universities the fall semester of 2018.
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ESTATE AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 16, AT 9:00 A.M.
FRAME HOME, GARAGE & SHOP
NICE 1.2 ACRE LOT, FURNITURE & PERSONAL PROPERTY, TOOLS & TRAILERS
(ESTATE OF CARL TOBITT)

Located at 7474 Old Nashville Hwy. just off the New Four Lane near Dixie Hale Rd. in the Center town Community.

This property consists of a nice frame home with 3 bedrooms and 1 bath, living room, dining room and a utility room. This home has new CHA, a nice rocking chair front porch, and a patio area connecting to a 1 car detached garage. Consisting of approximately 1338 square feet makes this a perfect country home located not far from McMinnville or Woodbury and just off the new four lane only minutes from Murfreesboro. If you are looking for a nice place to call home situated on a nice 1.2 acre lot with a shop building be sure to look this one over. This home has vinyl siding, shingle roof, carpet and paneling on the interior. This home is in a good area and would make someone a good home.

We will also sell the following personal property: Refrigerator, cook stove, washer & dryer, dinette table & 4 chairs, dining room suite, oak bench, corner cabinet, 2-4 pc. Bedroom suites, 2 twin oak beds, oak jewelry chest, coffee table & end tables, entertainment center, mirrors, couch & love seat, cedar jewelry chest, platform rocker, ant. oak secretary, ant. 3 pc. Bedroom suite, recliner, iron skillets, pots & pans, carnival glass, set of china, spice rack, dishes, mixing bowls, canister set, cookie jar, figurines, pictures, quilts, and several other items.

Tools: Air compressors, Miller arc welder, Hobart welder w/Wisconsin motor, metal work bench, Toro push mower, generator, 2 chain saws, pressure washer, drill press, 30 ton press, portable arc welder, 2 wheel dolly, come-alongs, several big clevis, several tool boxes & tools, battery chargers, welding supplies, engine hoist, chain hoist, boomers, truck boxes, house jacks, vises, jumper cables, torch set, drill bits, grease guns, metal cabinet, grinder, hand tools, cable, port-a-powers, Hi-lift jack, large fuel tank w/electric pump, Craftsman riding mower, 18' trailer, Low boy trailer, ditch witch trailer and lots more items.

TERMS: 15% down day of sale balance at closing on or before 30 days. 2018 taxes to be prorated. Cash or good check on all personal property day of sale. Credit cards accepted for 3% fee.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: This property is only being sold to settle the estate of Carl Tobitt. Carl was known to many of the community as the dozer man and called this property home for many years. We are honored to offer this property and many of Carl's tools to you at public auction. If you are looking for a nice home or some good tools, make plans to attend this sale. Remember the date, Saturday, June 16, at 9:00 AM. Real Estate will sell at 10:00 AM.

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