

Mt. Zion Picnic taking place Saturday

This Saturday, Aug. 4, will mark the 102nd annual Mt. Zion Picnic and cemetery decoration day. This event has been taking place since 1916 originally for people to gather and clean the cemetery grounds. Today the picnic is held to raise funds for cemetery upkeep and maintenance.

The concession stand will open around 9:30 a.m. with locally famous Mt. Zion burgers, along with french fries, hotdogs and BBQ.

Soft serve ice cream and snow cones will be available throughout the day.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Nashville Enablers bluegrass band will make a return appearance and take the stage for the midday music.

The Balloon Man will be on hand from 5 to 8 p.m. and the Gilley Brothers Band will take the stage starting at 5 p.m.

Do not forget the cakewalk, which starts just after dark.

Last year's participation for the cakewalk was the largest in recent memory.



The Gilley Brothers Band, pictured performing at last year's Mt. Zion Picnic, is scheduled to take the stage again this year starting at 5 p.m.

Service truck theft leads to 180 days

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A man who stole a service truck valued at \$35,000 has been sentenced to serve 180 days in jail. John Austin Graham Curtis, 24, was ordered to serve 180 days of a four-year sentence for theft between \$10,000 and \$60,000, evading arrest, and driving on a revoked license.



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The incident which led to charges against Curtis occurred in the Oak Grove area where a yellow service truck was reported off the roadway. Sheriff's Department Sgt. Kelly Carter responded to the call and was advised

by dispatch the vehicle in question matched the description of one reported stolen a few days earlier in DeKalb County.

A male was standing close to the service truck and Sgt. Carter motioned for him to walk in his direction. However, the man instead ran into the woods, forcing Carter to give chase and go in the woods after him.

Carter caught the suspect and identified him as Curtis. He found the truck keys in his pocket upon a search of his person.

Upon further investigation, it was discovered Curtis had his license revoked for a DUI in March, 2014.

CIRCUIT COURT

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

Scottie Nathan Coppinger was ordered to serve 10 days of an 11-month, 29-day sentence for driving on a revoked license second offense.

Stephen Douglas was ordered to serve 120 days of an 11-29 sentence for domestic assault.

Ashley Hernandez was ordered to serve 28 days of a three-year sentence and pay a \$2,000 fine for possession of meth with intent to deliver. She was granted a judicial diversion, meaning the charge can be erased from her record if she gets in no further trouble.

Brian Scott Hickey was ordered to serve 90 days of a one-year sentence for violating residential and work restrictions.

Gary L. Johnson was ordered to serve the balance of his sentence for violation of probation.

Michael Todd Jones was ordered to serve 180 days of a five-year sentence, perform 100 hours public service work and pay a \$3,000 fine for driving on a revoked license, possession of meth with intent to deliver, possession of diazepam, possession of alprazolam, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Kenneth Edward King was ordered to serve 60 days for violation of probation.

Jamie Clinton Lynn was ordered to serve balance of sentence for violation of probation, aggravated assault, and driving on a suspended license.

Dillion Mullican was

ordered to serve 10 days for driving while license revoked second offense.

Jason Dwayne Smith was ordered to serve 180 days of a six-year sentence and pay a \$2,000 for aggravated burglary.

Shelby Yates was ordered to serve 60 days of an 11-29 sentence for theft of property between \$1,000 and \$2,500.

Andrew Blake Young was ordered to serve 364 days for violation of probation.

Brandon Dean Steakley was released on 67 days time served and given a judicial diversion for evading arrest and reckless endangerment with a deadly weapon, that being a motor vehicle.

Wendy M. Bias Stepp was ordered to serve 364 days for violation of probation.

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Standard publisher Pat Zechman has been in the newspaper business for over 50 years. 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's pictures are from Aug. 1965. Look for more Publisher's Pics on the **Southern Standard** Facebook page.



FEATURE WINNERS—Flag man Everett Brock congratulates the two midseason championship feature winners at McMinnville Speedway Saturday night. Charles Hullett (center) piloted 308 to midseason championship in the 50-lap

sportsman feature, while Kenneth "Snake" Lance (right) rolled to victory in the wreck-marred 10-lap Daredevil-8 feature. Hullett took the lead from Bobby Stevens on the 33rd lap and led the rest of the way.



BACK FROM ROUNDUP—Tired upon returning home on weekend from a week at the 42nd annual State 4-H Club Roundup were these Warren county delegates to the event and their adult advisor, Mrs. Zora Waldrop. The delegates, foreground, were Wilma Jean Rogers, left, and Ruth Williams. Miss Rogers was the District III winner in foods and nutrition, while Miss Williams was the first runner-up in dairy foods and senior girls electric. They were among some 500 senior 4-H'ers and leaders attending the session held on the University of Tennessee campus in Knoxville August 2-7.

Miss Brenda Pack Is New National Queen of Twirling

Pretty, blue-eyed Miss Brenda Sue Pack Wednesday night walked off with the coveted top honor in the "Miss America of Baton Twirling" beauty pageant in Miami Beach, Fla., and became the first Warren County girl ever to win a national beauty contest.

Miss Pack, who won the "Miss Tennessee" pageant here last month, was proclaimed "Miss America of Baton Twirling" at the close of the pageant in which girls from 16 other states competed.

First runner-up in the nationwide pageant was "Miss California," and "Miss Texas" was the second runner-up.

The judging was conducted on a point system, using five judges and three tabulators. Points were awarded on a basis of 25% for personality, 25% on evening gowns (beauty), and 50% for talent.

"Earlier in the week, we attended a tea," Miss Pack said from her hotel room in Miami Beach early Thursday, "and our personality points were awarded there. Then last night (Wednesday) we had the talent and evening gown divisions of the pageant."



BRENDA PACK

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WINS BICYCLE—Eight-year old Mark Reep (center) is presented a new bicycle by officials of the McMinnville Jaycettes at the conclusion of their second annual "Summer Showtime" series. Making the presentation are Mrs. Rita Stanley (left) and Mrs. Carolyn Bassham. More than 750 area youngsters took part in the series of summer movies sponsored by the Jaycettes, and they plan to sponsor "Summer Showtime" again next summer.

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