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## Highway 99 Improvement Project Ahead Of Schedule

BY MELISSA BUCHANAN

The Highway 99 Improvement Project enters its final phase of construction ahead of schedule, according to Jaime Fitzpatrick, TDOT's Project Supervisor over the Murfreesboro Construction office.

The Highway 99 Improvement Project will provide drivers with added safety, widening the roadway, eliminating dangerous curves, and adding 8-foot shoulders, as drivers who commute between Eagleville and the Concord area of Rockvale have already put portions of the new state route to use.

The current phase of construction is the new roadbed that begins at Swamp Road, bypassing the downtown Eagleville area by cutting behind Eagleville School, before its intersection onto Hwy. 41-A South.

According to Project Supervisor Jaime Fitzpatrick, "there are currently no plans for a traffic signal at the new intersection," which causes concern for some local business owners and residents.

During February's Planning Commission Meeting, Craig Sewell, owner of Southeastern Turf and the new grocery store slated to open next year in vicinity of the new intersection pointed out to members of the planning commission and then Mayor Nolan Barham that no plans had been made for a red light at the intersection and encouraged them to make applications to the state.

Barham, who was the Mayor at the time, assured Sewell that he would be sending letters to both the congressional delegation and commissioner, as well as the Governor to secure some type of traffic control system for the intersection, and that the issue had

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## THOMAS MAUPIN

2009 Uncle Dave Macon Trailblazer Award Winner

BY BOBBIE SUE SHELTON-LONAS

Thomas Maupin, of Murfreesboro, was honored as the recipient of the 2009 Uncle Dave Macon Trailblazer Award presented on the opening night of the 32nd annual festival in Murfreesboro. This distinguished award is given to those who have been at the forefront of preserving a traditional art. Thomas, a six-time buck dancing national champion is very deserving of this award. Considered one of the best flat-foot dancers in the country, he has the awards to prove it. Winning more than 60 first-place honors as well as the Nashville Silver Stars Talent show for artists 60 years and older is quite of an accomplishment for this self-taught dancer. This year he also was a finalist for the Tennessee Governor's Award in the Arts.

Thomas, a native of Eagleville, credits his grandmother and other family members for his love and talent for dancing. On his dad's side, relatives often danced at a Saturday night hoedown, or barn dance somewhere. "And my mom's side—my mom didn't dance, but she had rhythm—her people were dancers," he said. Thomas often travels across the country dancing and giving workshops. He is always working with young dancers and encouraging them to "feel the music". It's obvious that he feels the music. As you watch him perform, it's amazing how his entire body gracefully flows with the music

"You play the tune with your feet," stated Thomas. "When I am dancing I become a part of that tune. I become an instrument." This is very obvious in his dancing.

Thomas often dances to "old time music" played on the banjo by his grandson, Daniel Rothwell. The wonderful musical talent of the Maupin family is still being passed on to younger generations.

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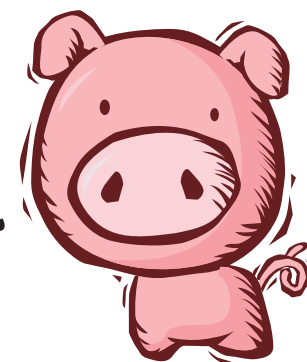
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## A Message From Your Mayor

Hello,  
I want to take a moment to thank the citizens of Eagleville for allowing me to serve as their mayor.

The City of Eagleville has so many positive things in our future, I hope you have noticed new paint and flowers around our city, the city park has had ball games all summer and are planning a great fall season.

Our first city festival brought in about 3,000 people and around 100 vendors. None of this could have

been done if it were not for citizens having pride in their city and care about our future.

Your city council wants to work for its citizens, knowing we can never make 100% of everyone happy at the same time, but hopefully with good communication we can make the majority proud of our work.

As we journey down the path of preserving a wonderful quality of life for our community and city we must all remember life is an ever changing struggle, called reality.

We have to face the fact our children will grow up and some day our grandchildren will replace us, it is our responsibility to provide them a quality of life they can enjoy and be proud of.

And most important be proud to

call Eagleville home.

I can only ask you to be involved with your city by attending council and planning meeting, and volunteering for committees. This will only make our city stronger.

There are only so many hours in a day and all of us have a family life as well as a work life, but I will assure I will be glad to meet with any citizen to hear your concerns.

I do except calls on my personal cell phone and I do return calls if by chance I was unable to except them.

Thank you for your support. Let's all work to make Eagleville a greater place to live.

Sam Tune, Eagleville Mayor  
My personal cell# 615-849-6509

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been discussed many times during his 14-15 year involvement with the project.

Current Mayor Sam Tune is unaware of any type of correspondence sent by the former mayor in regard to securing some type of traffic control device, but says, "If the intersection needs one, I would definitely support it without question, making all the

phone calls and writing all of the letters necessary to see that it gets done."

Meanwhile, TDOT Community Relations Officer, B.J. Doughty explains, "A big part of the federal guidelines that govern traffic lights are linked to traffic counts, and this particular area did not meet those criteria." Many other factors, such as accident history, and site measurements are also taken into

consideration.

Doughty explained that it's especially fitting for a state route and U.S. highway to not have traffic signals, but to be maintained by a speed limit that is set for the road's design, so traffic isn't interrupted or slowed, while there may be a better alternative for the intersection.

"However, it's certain to say that TDOT would gladly come back for an additional traffic count once the project is completed." "We get traffic signal requests all the time; it's very common," said Doughty.

Requests for traffic signals or even streetlights, which are not normally included in projects such as the Highway 99 improvement, can be initiated through a request by the local government.

"We have a local programs office that can work with your local government in a variety of different ways," said Doughty. "Including the potential for subsidized streetlights."

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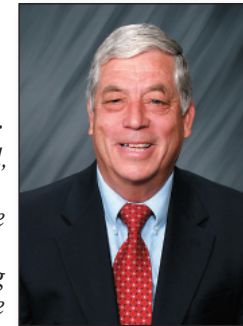
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Emergency loans for farmers, ranchers, and operators are available through the Rutherford County Office of the Farm Service Agency, Stanley J. Browning, Farm Loan Manager, said.

Farm Service Agency's Acting State Executive Director, Frank Rodgers, said this authority is pursuant to the Administrator's notification on May 29, 2009 of severe physical losses in 13 Tennessee counties. These losses were caused by flooding, that occurred on May 1, 2009 and continuing. As a result of these losses, Rutherford County, as a primary county in Tennessee, is named as an area eligible for Federal disaster assist pursuant to the provisions of Section 321 (a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act.

Application for assistance in the disaster-stricken county will be accepted by FSA through February 8, 2010, for qualifying SEVERE PHYSICAL LOSSES ONLY. This notification is coded N9888 FSA Emergency Loans cover losses from designated disasters and are made to qualified farmers who cannot obtain necessary credit from

other lenders in the local area.

To obtain further information, contact Stanley J. Browning, Agriculture Credit Manager/Officer of the Farm Service Agency office located at 150 Albert Gallatin Ave., Gallatin, TN 37066.

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## LOCAL WOMAN PUTS "BLING" ON HER OWN AUTHENTIC WESTERN-INSPIRED CREATIONS

BY MELISSA BUCHANAN

An equestrian enthusiast her entire life, local Rockvale resident Sharon Reid, purchased a necklace at a trail ride, and after getting it home, felt it need some added flair; stumbling into a hobby that would evolve into a full-time business.

"After I took that necklace apart, and seen what a tremendous difference I could make by just adding a few extra beads, I was hooked," said Reid.

Sharon began designing her own authentic western-inspired creations, and enlisted the help of her oldest daughter, creating a mother-daughter team that stays busy selling their highly

sought after cowgirl chic jewelry and accessories.

Setting up their first booth at the Eagleville School Winter Fest, the business has quickly taken off, sending them to equine events like barrel races, rodeos, and horse sales from Pennsylvania all the way to Mississippi.

Sagebrush Trading Company was created, defined by what Reid describes as "gems and glitz for cowgirl chicks". With the goal of offering funky, boutique-inspired cowgirl jewelry and accessories at affordable prices, Reid explains, "We work hard to keep costs down, searching for good buys to pass on to our customers."

Reid, who comes from a banking background, and also owned her own fabric shop in Hesperia, California, is the designer and creator of each handmade necklace, and also maintains the company's website, through classes she takes in Web and Graphic design.

Often working through the night in preparation for upcoming shows, Reid works with a variety of semi-precious stones like turquoise, jasper, agate, as well as Swarovski crystals, ceramic, Czech glass, shell, and crystal beads to name a few.

Equine-inspired, Reid even tries to incorporate things like bridle buckles into her creations, which she often turns into pendants for her uniquely made necklaces.

Reid's daughter, Shawna Daniel, who has a marketing background, stays busy signing, booking, and organizing shows, while giving Mom advice on design. "Shawna can see what the younger people like, while my taste is geared towards a more mature audience," explained Reid. "I think it takes input from a variety of ages to make a business like this successful."

A hot item this summer has Reid putting "bling" on flip-flops, which have become quite the trend in both urban and rural settings. There are several strap colors to choose from, and even the increasingly popular hair-on-hide strap. Reid then adds western-inspired accents, like rhinestones, crystals, and studs.

In addition to strap decorations on the front and sides, Reid places large decorative ornaments in the center, such as a crystal spur, cross, or iron concho.

To help hold costs down, Reid has also found many accessories she is able to purchase at wholesale and offer her cowgirl audience, including her latest addition of tattoo-inspired Katydid tanks; which have been very popular this summer.

An ever-evolving business, Reid will soon begin work on designing her own t-shirts, and custom-made belts, while offering pendants you can have customized with a picture you provide. "I have never worked so hard in my life, but never get tired of it," says Reid.

"We pray before each show, to at

## Birth Announcement



### Jireh Aliyah Vasquez Carlton

Luz Vasquez Carlton and Gary Carlton of Eagleville announce the birth of a beautiful baby girl born on June 18th at Williamson Medical Center. Jireh Aliyah Vasquez Carlton was born at 5:40 am and weighed 7 pounds 12.6 ounces and was 19 inches long. She has a sister, Stephanie and 5 brothers, Stephen, Stewart, Joshua, Jacob, and Jeremiah. She is also the granddaughter of Rufo & Aurora Vasquez and Marvin & Helen Carlton.

least cover our expenses, and we've exceeded that each time," explained Reid. "We are very blessed."

Reid's hard work has quickly paid off, as she is often invited to other shows and events, and was recently approached by a board member for the Cowboy Mounted Shooting Association to create 10 custom necklaces that will be presented at their annual awards ceremony in December.

While people often ask where Reid's store is located, for now, you can fulfill your wild cowgirl side by visiting her online store at [www.sagebrushtrading.net](http://www.sagebrushtrading.net). The website is full of glitzy cowgirl accessories, including belts, purses, wallets, and even dog collars that are covered in rhinestones and studs.

Need a gift? Beat the rush by placing your orders for custom jewelry early. Think "Christmas in July"; Sagebrush Trading Company offers free gift-wrapping, and local pick-up, which could come in handy during the upcoming holiday season.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### COULD THERE BE ANOTHER TRUCKING COMPANY IN OUR FUTURE?

At the June 15 Eagleville Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting (comprised of the same members as the city planning commission), the only item on the agenda was a public hearing regarding joining the Lynch and Turner parcels on Cheatham Springs Road. This includes one parcel that was previously optioned to the Bent Tree (heavy hauling) trucking company. With Linda Lichtenberger (our new contract zoning advisor) present, an additional item of business was discussed, a motion and second was received, and the motion passed.

This motion, which was not listed on the agenda nor was the agenda amended, granted a variance that will allow access to this troublesome piece of property by way of Clark Street. As we all know, Clark Street does not meet minimum standards; it is narrow and uses a concrete slab to access Cheatham Springs Road.

Although the Eagleville Zoning Ordinance forbids such access from this site onto such a street the Board of Zoning Appeals granted a variance so that the new owner can use Clark Street for access to this "Commercial 2" zoned property. According to the zoning regulations, a variance can be granted for "usage" of a property, but there is no wording in the zoning manual that will

allow a variance for "access."

The required advertisement in the Daily New Journal did correctly state that the item of business to be discussed at the public hearing would concern "an administrative review of the topography of the land which will deal with the ingress/egress onto the road" for the property on Clark Street. The agenda posted and passed out at the public hearing should have concerned the same issue as published in the Daily News Journal paid advertisement. Instead the only item listed for consideration on the agenda concerned "a request to combine lots."

The City Planner and Ms. Lichtenberger did silence me at the planning commission meeting and I quietly sat down after failing in my second attempt to bring this error to the attention of the planning commission. I was told repeatedly that I could not discuss an action of the Board of Zoning Appeals at an Eagleville Planning Commission meeting. I prefaced both attempts to present my information by explaining that a complete explanation in my presentation would prove the relevance of my comments.

What does this mean for the citizens of Eagleville?

1. If the planning commission/board of zoning appeals chooses to ignore my information, they can hope there will be no further discussion and their variance will stand.

2. If these two city committees will acknowledge that this action was illegal because of improper posting and agenda content, they may try it again after placing another ad in the Daily News Journal and rescheduling a vote.

In either event, if this variance is accepted and not challenged, the new owner of the property can sell this property to any person he chooses at any time. I have been told that this variance goes with the property—not the owner—which makes it a permanent access issue. Another trucking/commercial company can now purchase the property and WE ARE POWERLESS to prevent any vehicles or equipment the new owner owns (or any vehicles directed to the site by the owner for service, maintenance or deliveries) to access this property from tiny little Clark Street!!!

The access issue is MORE DANGEROUS THAN EVER. All traffic will now funnel onto both Allisona Road and Cheatham Springs Road. The bad deed is done. It may be time to rally the troops again if the planning commission is asleep at the wheel. Clark Street is not a "collector road" nor is Cheatham Springs Road wide enough (nor does it have sufficient traffic) to be considered a "collector" street as required in the zoning regulations. The zoning regulations clearly state that a proposed variance "will not be detrimental to the public welfare" or "injurious to other property or improvement

in the area in which the subject property is located" and "will not endanger the public safety" on our streets. Allisona Road is not a major thoroughfare and is crowded with residential properties and children/pedestrians on the streets.

Start calling these members of the planning commission/board of zoning appeals immediately:

Mayor Sam Tune cell 849-6509  
Councilman Bobby Turner 274-6014  
Chairman Nick Duke, call City Hall at 274-6992  
Councilman Darin Rowell 274-3348  
Andy Soapes, call City Hall at 274-6992

It required an organized community hiring a private attorney to stop this nonsense just a few months ago. Will these committees continue to ignore the wishes of the community? Our safety depends on your convincing these people that you DO NOT WANT this traffic on these substandard streets.

It is possible that the city could have legal liabilities as a result of these actions. Better that these five men resolve their mistake than for the community to suffer from their actions forevermore.

Granted that the new planning commission/board of zoning appeals members (Tune, Rowell and Soapes) inherited this improperly zoned mess, but more wrong decisions do not fix it!

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for additional information contact Jim Lawyer at 615.545.3405

### Schedule of Services:

**Sunday 9 am** Bible Study with Nickey Nichols

**Monday 7 pm** "Mistakes of a Great Soldier"

**Sunday 10 am** "Preparing for Heaven"

**Tuesday 7 pm** "Some Great Bible Questions"

Luncheon for all following the morning service

**Sunday 6 pm** "Evidences of Drifting"

**Wednesday 7 pm** "The Judgement"

Ice Cream for all following Wednesday Service

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**Women's Fellowship:** Last Tuesday 6:30 PM

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JESUS SAYS: "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. <sup>38</sup> Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him."

## Back to School Blast August 2nd

Start your school year off with a celebration... complete with food, fun, and giveaways. On Sunday August 2nd from 2:30 until 5:30, Journey at Unionville United Methodist Church is opening its doors and lawn for a free celebration and everyone is invited. Activities for the day include a Tropical Slide so wear a swimsuit, bring a towel, and use the sunscreen. If water is not your thing, keep cool with a Snow Cone. Hungry? Stop by and get a hot dog and pop corn. Games, crafts and free hair cuts are also on the schedule for the afternoon. And stop by the Back to School table for free school supplies including paper, folders, notebooks, crayons, pens, pencils, and a limited supply of backpacks.



Journey is forming as a restart of Unionville United Methodist Church. Special Services of Worship will begin in mid-winter and regular weekly Worship services will begin at Easter 2010. Early efforts include the Back to School Blast and a small group fellowship for youth and young adults which meets Sunday evenings. Watch for more events and opportunities during the fall months as Journey seeks to spread God's Love in the Unionville community. Journey at Unionville United Methodist Church is located on Chapel Hill / Unionville Highway.



For more information about Journey at UUMC call David Martin, Pastor at 615-339-7665 or Melinda Martin at 615-274-2510

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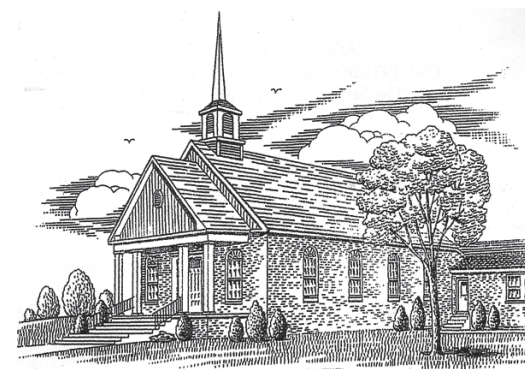
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[www.eaglevilleumc.com](http://www.eaglevilleumc.com)

Pastor: David Martin

#### Sunday Services

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10:45 a.m.
Kids for Christ (KFC)	5:00 p.m.
Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF)	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 p.m.



#### Monthly Activities

Lunch Bunch	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday @ 12:00
Scrapbooking	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday night @ 6-9 p.m.
Men's Fellowship Breakfast	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday morning @ 8:00

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## OBITUARIES

**Pruitt, Benton "Ben"** - On July 11, 2009, Ben took the checkered flag in his long race against prostate cancer. At 76, he inspired family and friends with his courage, strength, optimism and compassion through the final lap. Without question, he is enjoying a much deserved celebration in heaven's victory lane. Ben is survived by his loving wife and best friend of 42 years, Marjorie Oldham Pruitt, and four children: Anne (Randall) Lamb of Eagleville; Ben Alan (Leslie) Pruitt of Cane Ridge; Betty White (Dave Neal) of Elgin, IL; and Joel (Linda) White of Cane Ridge. He is adored as "Granddaddy" by eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. One of 13 children born to William and Omega Young Pruitt, Ben is also survived by one sister, Aileen (Jack) McCall of Eagleville; two brothers, Alton (Ann) Pruitt of Murfreesboro and Raymond (Edna) Pruitt of Millersville; and two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Jim (Nita) Pruitt of Nashville and Mrs. Will Junior (Martha) Pruitt of Council Bluff, IA. Also left to cherish his memory

are many nieces, nephews and cousins. Known for his unstoppable work ethic, Ben was a successful lifelong entrepreneur and businessman. Following his service in the Korean Conflict, as a young man he owned and operated a service station on Nolensville Road. Largely self-educated, Ben was employed at Warren Brothers/APAC Road Company over 30 years before retiring in 1996. He then became a fixture of the Cane Ridge community, repairing and restoring tractors, bus hogging, and tilling gardens. Ben's success is equally measured by his wide circle of friends, which spans from boyhood buddies, to fellow drivers and fans from his days as a champion driver at Nashville's Fairground Speedways, to countless work related colleagues, and to the "shop boys" who have gathered almost daily for over 10 years and are like extended family. To honor Ben's giving spirit and his compassion for children, the family requests in lieu of flowers donations be made to Victory Junction ([www.victoryjunction.org](http://www.victoryjunction.org)), a NASCAR-supported camp for families of chronically ill youngsters. Woodbine Funeral Home

## 4th of July Fireworks Light Up The Sky In Downtown Eagleville

BY MELISSA BUCHANAN

While many small towns have seen their annual fireworks display fizzle due to budget cutbacks and other financial woes during the slowing economy, the skies over downtown Eagleville were lit up with a fireworks display all it's own.

Feeling patriotic, and with Independence Day less than 24-hours away, Chris Wood, of The Eagle Roost Smokehouse & Grill paid a visit to the neighboring Absolute Fireworks tent, propositioning Derrick DeLoach, (who runs the local Eagleville fireworks tent for family member/owner Greg Smith), to go in half with him in hosting a community fireworks display.

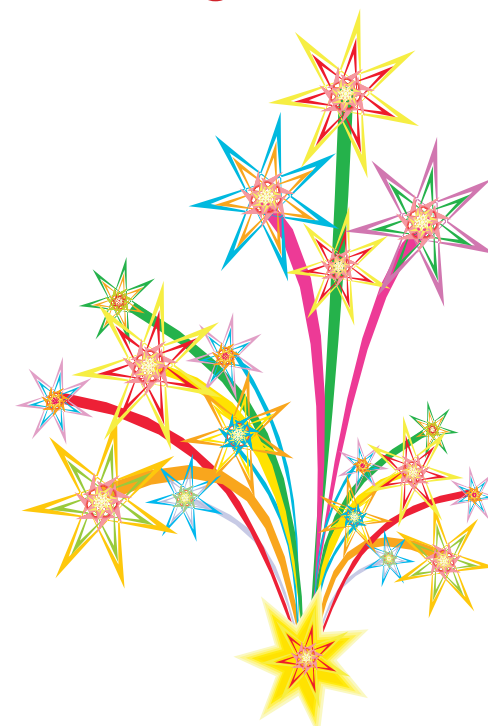
Word travels fast in a small town, and after advertising the fireworks display on the restaurant's outside sign at only 9pm the night before and through word of mouth, many residents of Eagleville and surrounding areas capped their 4th of July celebrations off under downtown Eagleville skies.

After nearly 200 people turned out for the event, Wood said, "We were just as shocked as anybody else, we figured maybe 25-30 people would come. The whole bank was covered in cars, people brought their lawn chairs, and parked up and down the road."

"We wanted to offer something right here in Eagleville for people that wanted to stay home and spend time with their family and not have to travel far," explained Wood.

DeLoach and Wood worked together, nailing down a fireworks package that would create about a 20-minute display, complete with a grand finale, and have already made plans for next year's event.

"With the kind of turn-out we had, with only a 24-hour notice, we're hoping maybe the city of Eagleville will get involved next year," said DeLoach, who will bring in a pyrotechnic for next year's fireworks display.



Wood, who had the Eagleville Volunteer Fire Department on standby at the night's event, said he is already planning next year's event, which he hopes to make bigger and better, with any proceeds made going to the city's volunteer fire department.

"I'd like to call it The Eagle Roost BBQ and Bluegrass Festival," said Wood. Wood envisions an annual 4th of July Celebration that begins around 5 or 6 p.m. in the evening where, "families can come and enjoy some good food and music and end the night with a fireworks show."

The food of course, would be provided by The Eagle Roost Smokehouse & Grill, who would also serve as judges of a homemade ice cream contest, while traditional carnival fare like sno cones and popcorn, and free games for the kids would also be offered. Wood also plans to work with owners Ben and Angie Dillon of Bread and Jam to line up music for next year's event.

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## A Step Back in Time

By Bobbie Sue Shelton-Lonas

When I was working on the Back In Time article, published in the July 1st 2009 paper, I did not know the Enon Primitive Baptist Church in Bedford County had a connection to the Williamson County Flat Creek Community.

In reading the article, my friend, Ennis Wallace, a notable historian of the Flat Creek and surrounding area, recognized a couple of familiar names listed as Pastors of the Enon Church; Balaam Ezell and Jeremiah Stephens and graciously shared his information with me.

According to the history of Enon, The first pastor of Enon, 1821 –1826 was Balaam Izzel. (Spelling of names varies in early histories.) Balaam Ezell who called himself a minister of the Gospel, was very active in the early history of the Enon church. He was born in Brunswick County Virginia and had immigrated to Flat Creek Williamson County, in the early 1800's by the way of Kentucky. Balaam Ezell who was born April 11, 1783 and died June 21, 1833, was the son of Balaam Ezell Sr., and his wife Liddy. The elder Balaam Ezell was also a Primitive Baptist Minister and served as a Private in the Revolutionary War. Balaam Sr. and Liddy had three sons; Jeremiah, Balaam Jr. and Jephthah. All three migrated to Middle Tennessee; Jeremiah settled in Davidson County, Balaam Jr. in Williamson County and Jephthah in Marshall County.

Balaam Ezell Jr. was married in Williamson County Tennessee, July 17th 1805 to Keziah Tarkington, daughter of Mary and Zebulon Tarkington. Keziah was born August 11, 1778 and died June 2, 1850.

Balaam and Kenziah were parents to 12 children:

1. Mary Saunders Ezell b. Nov. 8, 1806 married Orren Vincent, November 6, 1828 and later lived near Dresden, Tn.
2. Littleberry R. b. July 19, 1807 - d. June 1, 1850, married Martha Holmes Smith, Dec. 29 1836
3. L. B. b. March 1809 - d. Aug 9, 1826
4. Joseph D. b. March 15, 1810
5. Jephthah b. May 16 1811 – d. 1855
6. Deborah married Baldwin A. Crawford
7. Emeline Elizabeth b. March 1 1815,

married Jeremiah Stephens

8. William b. April 10, 1816 - d. Sept 1877, married Elizabeth Smith
9. Balaam H. married Martha Burns, Feb. 1845
10. Nancy E. b. Sep. 24, 1820 - d. July 10, 1904 married John E. Crockett
11. Burkett M., b. November 6 1821 - d. Aug 23, 1847
12. George Washington b. April 10, 1823

In October 1824, Balaam Ezell purchased 201 acres of land from the George McLain 1000-acre North Carolina grant. According to the deed, which wasn't recorded until 1828, he paid \$1306.50 for the acreage. This land is on the north side of Flat Creek running southwest with the creek approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile and backing to the north.

The Ezell home place was a large log home on top of a bald hill, over looking the creek-bottom land, cemetery and church. Ennis remembers the old house being struck by lightning during a storm in 1938 or 39 and burning. He also remembers, the Eagleville Horse Show was this same night of the storm. There was a very deep hand dug well, lined with sand stone, in the corner of the front yard. The well is still preserved and still has plenty of water.

From the 201 acres purchased, Balaam Ezell gave 1.0 acre for the Primitive Baptist Church at Flat Creek. According to old church records, the Flat Creek Primitive Baptist Church was an Arm of Spring Creek Primitive Baptist Church: (Spring Creek was located east of Horton Hwy, north of Chapel Hill on Mt. Vernon Road). The early church records aren't complete but it is believed that the Spring Creek Primitive Baptist Church was an Arm of the Enon Primitive Baptist Church located near Unionville Tennessee.

In an old Flat Creek Church record book, an entry was made on Saturday before the first Lord's Day, September 1831. Four items to be noted:

1. Brother John Crick has moved away.
2. Brother Orren Vincent elected clerk.
3. \$2.00 was collected and sent to the association.

## Balaam Ezell - Minister Of The Gospel



The Flat Creek Community Center - Located On The Previous Big Flat Creek Primitive Baptist Church Property, Land donated by Balaam Ezell

4. A deed of conveyance for one acre of land from Brother Balaam Ezell

To the United Predestinarian Baptist Church of Christ on Flat Creek\* which has Been prepared by Brother Orren Vincent, was read and approved and also signed and attested in presence of church while in conference, signed: Orren Vincent, Clerk.

\*In the Enon Primitive Baptist Church history, this church was referred to as the Big Flat Creek Primitive Baptist Church.

A log building was constructed about 1835 that served as a church and school until 1912. In 1919, the building was torn down. The Community Center is located on the old church property.

Balaam Ezell also donated the land for the Ezell Cemetery, also located on the old Melvin White Farm, where he and his wife and other family members are buried.

Emeline Elizabeth, the seventh child of Balaam and Kenziah married Jeremiah Stephens who was also the Pastor of Enon Primitive Church 1841 – 1844 and also 1862 – 1883. The history of Enon church recorded that on May 20 1883, Elder J. Stephens resigned the pastoral care of the church after serving the church as pastor for more than twenty years.

Jeremiah purchased land in the northwest corner of the McLain grant. Part of his log cabin still stand on the south side of Duck River Ridge. J. Stephens sold his land in the

22nd Civil District of Williamson County and bought land in the 12th Civil Dist of Williamson County. His family gave the land for Ash Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The singing "Stephen Quartet" is descendents of Jeremiah and Emeline, who are also buried in the Ezell Cemetery near Emeline's parents.

Ezell is an ancestry name to many residents in the Eagleville, College Grove, Flat Creek and Chapel Hill area. According to the history "FLAT CREEK – ITS LAND AND ITS PEOPLE," several traditions about the origin of the Ezell name in America have been found. The first Ezell to whom the Flat Creek Ezells can be traced through records was George Ezell (Essell) of Old Colonial Surry, Virginia. His will, proven in court in 1693, names his wife, Elizabeth and six children, George, Elizabeth, Mary, Lucy, Sarah and Timothy. It appears Timothy, who was born about 1689, lived in Albemarle Parish, Sussex County, Virginia, who a very wealthy man. He gave large tracts of land to his children before his death in or about 1760. His will lists his wife, Mary, and his children, Thomas, Timothy Jr., John, Lydia, Elizabeth, Mary and George. Thomas Ezell, the older of Timothy's children, born about 1715 was the grandfather of Balaam Ezell who chose to travel and make his home in the Flat Creek area.

Thanks again, Ennis.

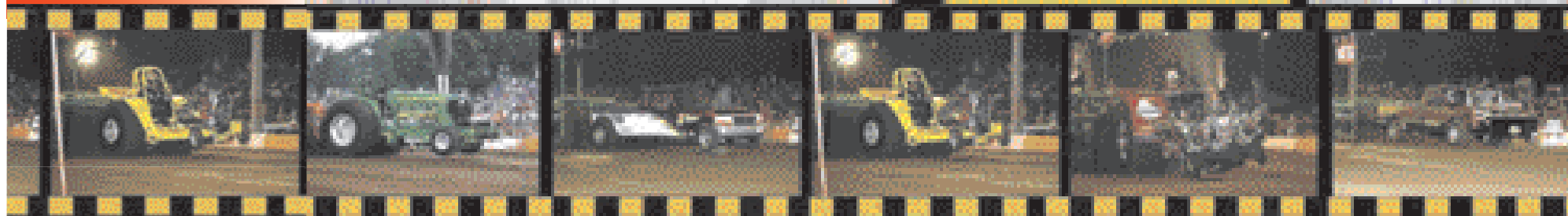
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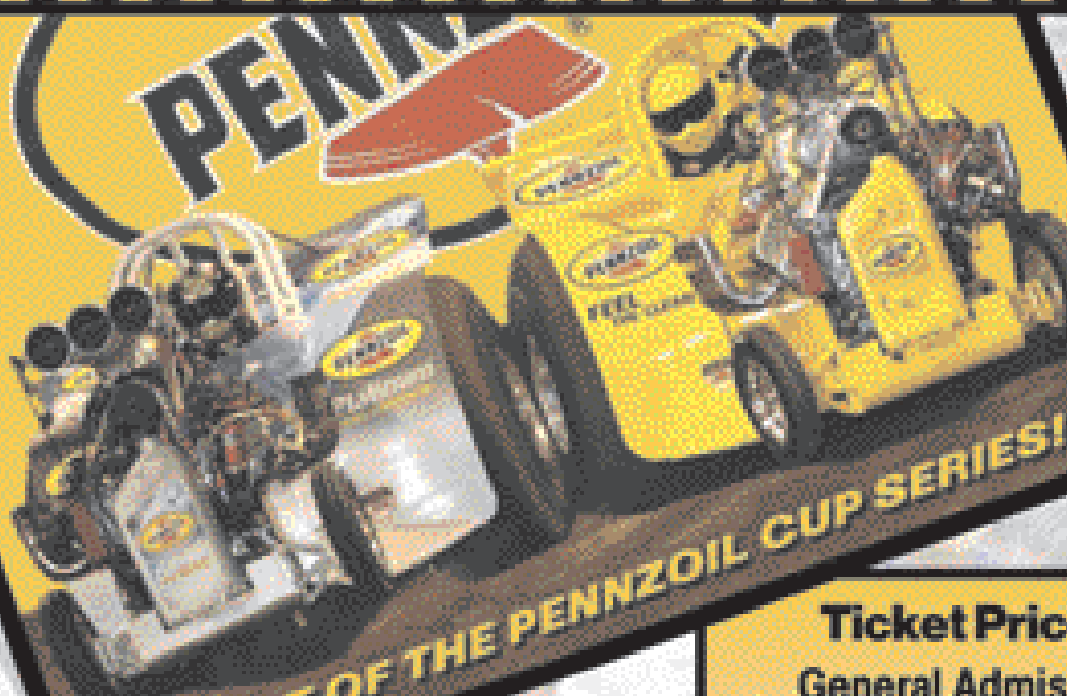
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travel from everywhere to enjoy this unusual motorsport.

The Chapel Hill Lions Club is the sponsoring organization, but it takes the entire community to make this event the success that it has enjoyed. Another reason for the popularity of the event is that 100%, after expenses, of the money raised is used by the Chapel Hill Lions Club to fund local and State community projects. In other words, the money is returned to the community and those who are in need.

This year's event will be held July 24-25, 2009 at Lions Memorial Sportsplex in Chapel Hill. The event will start at 7:00 p.m. each night and will feature, 2-wheel drive and 4-wheel drive trucks, super stock tractors, unlimited modified dragster tractors and the ever popular mini-rod dragster tractors.

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## Health & Wellness

by Howard Baker, RN BSN

### *The Celebrity and The Scientist*

Has the whole world gone crazy, or is it just me? Since the news of Michael Jackson's death hit the airwaves it seems

to be all people can talk about. A lottery to get tickets to his memorial service, people gathering outside his childhood home and, last but not least being compared to Princess Diana? But what did Michael Jackson really give us? "Billie Jean", "Say Say Say", "Beat it" or the "Man in the Mirror"? There is no question that music, regardless of the artist, can change our moods from sad to uplifting in a matter of a few beats. Music can take us back in time as pictures flash like mini movies in our minds of friendships past, a wedding or a joyride with a high school sweetheart.

I am sure we all can remember where we were and what we were doing when we first heard the news that Jackson, Elvis, and Princess Diana were dead. But, can anyone tell me where you were when any of these people died: Paul Lauterbur, Maurice Hilleman, Gertrude Elion or Frederick Banting? Probably not, and I would venture to say that the majority of people do not even know who these people are or their contributions to your everyday life.

Frederick Banting was one of the co-discoverers of insulin, and his discovery has been estimated to have saved over 16 million lives worldwide. In addition to lives saved, insulin has brought a better quality of life to diabetics around the world.

Gertrude B. Elion was responsible for the first treatment for leukemia and the first immune-suppressive agent used for

organ transplants. Elion's contributions, however, don't stop there. She also invented commonly used drugs for gout, malaria, meningitis, septicemia, bacterial infections of both urinary and respiratory tracts, and Zovirax for viral herpes. Elion died February 21st, 1999. Does anyone remember hearing about it?

Maurice Hilleman, an American microbiologist specializing in vaccinology, developed over 36 vaccines- more than any other scientist. Hilleman's vaccines include Hepatitis A and B, chickenpox, meningitis, pneumonia, haemophilus influenza and the mumps and measles. Hilleman was credited for doing more for the benefit of human health than anyone else. He died April 11th, 2005.

And, what a contribution to modern medicine Paul Lauterbur made. Lauterbur co-developed magnetic resonance imaging or the MRI. The MRI helps save millions of lives around the world by allowing doctors to look into the body and brain without exploratory surgery or exposure

to radiation. Dr. Lauterbur died on March 27th, 2007.

As I watched all the fanfare going on surrounding Michael Jackson's death it made me question what kind of society we live in where a pop star is held in regard higher than those who have saved countless lives and improved quality of life around the world. How many people know all the words to a Michael Jackson song? How many know all the words to the National Anthem? How many people know what record label Michael Jackson signed with? How many know where their doctor got their medical degree? Or, better yet, how many even know their doctor's first name?

Like it or not, I think healthcare needs celebrities in the world to help put a face on illnesses and bring awareness to certain health issues. But we need to keep things in perspective. Without the scientist there is not much need for the celebrity.

For questions, comments, or suggestions on topics you want to read about please email me at: [howard@howardsbaker.com](mailto:howard@howardsbaker.com)



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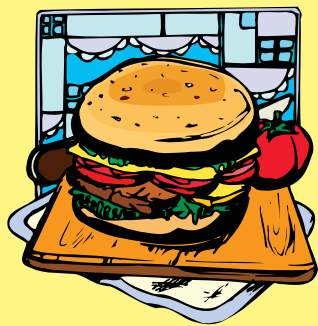
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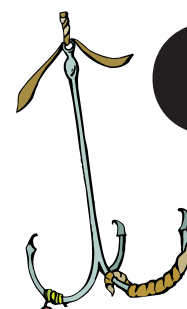


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BY BOBBIE SUE SHELTON-LONAS

At the Eagleville Street Festival in June, a notable bit of racing history was displayed in the "car show" area of this very successful event. A record-setting racecar, exhibited by James Hale, of the Rover Community, a former stock car racer and avid racing fan, brought back many memories of early racing days.

In 1971, this 1955 Chevrolet, which bore the number 55, set a record of 55 feature wins in one season, a record that still stands today. The successful combination of James Climer (driver), Fulton Stutts (owner), and Jerry Knight (fabricator) produced tremendous results. The late Bill Donoho, promoter of the Nashville Fairgrounds Speedway at the time, stated, "James & Fulton were way

ahead of their time. They didn't have superior equipment—they had superior teamwork. Throw in Jerry Knight and they were virtually unbeatable. This area hasn't seen a combination like that before or since."

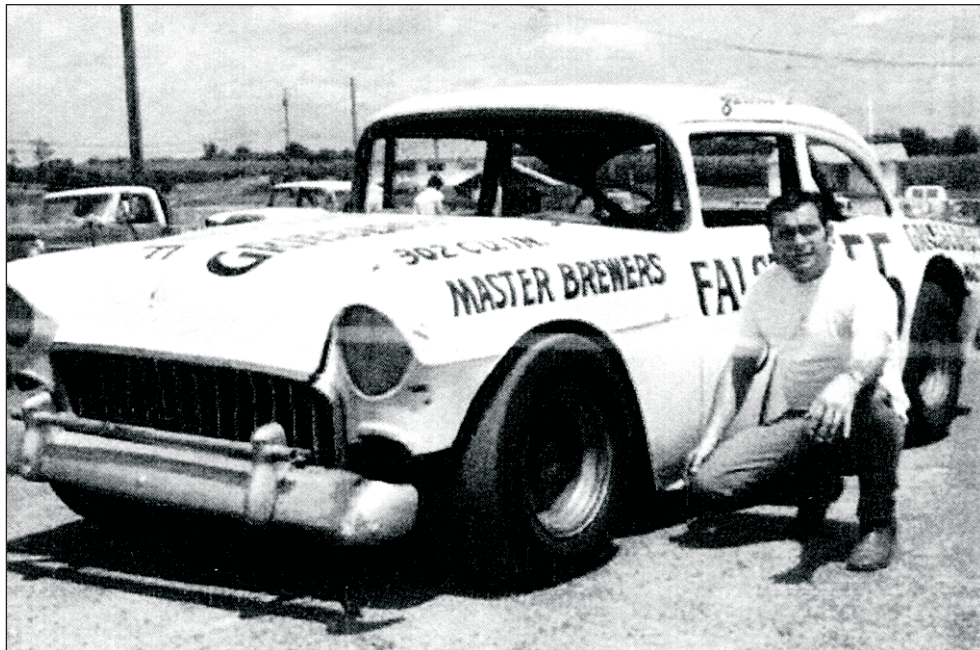
Fulton Stutts and James Climer teamed up in 1971 with a pair of Falstaff Beer-sponsored cars to rewrite the local record books. They took 107 total wins: 55 feature wins, 41 heat race wins, 3 Australian Pursuit race wins and 4 semi-feature wins. The team won 5 track championships during this unbelievable season. Included were 3 Fairgrounds Speedway titles: Tuesday Night Cadet

Championship, Saturday Night Cadet Championship, and the Tuesday Night Late Model Special Championship. A Friday Night Cadet Championship at Highland Rim and the Sunday Night Cadet Championship at Beech Bend International Raceway also were claimed by the team.

James Climer, often referred to as 'King James' in his *continued on next page.....*



James Hale and The Record-Setting 55 Chevrolet At The Eagleville Street Festival



James Climer and Race Car #55



James Climer shown at the Nashville Fairgrounds Speedway Victory Lane with Fulton Stutts & Jerry Knight

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early racing days is still racing in the "Limited Late Model Division" at the Carthage Race Track.

James Hale attributes his love for racing to his uncle, Buck Davis and friend Thomas Mount. Growing up in a racing environment, James began driving when he was 21 years old in the "Limited Sportsman" division, one division under his close friend and idol, James Climer's Cadet and Late Model division. A time-consuming hobby, racing three nights a week, yielded James success. His first car, driven, 1973 - 76 was a 1964 Limited Late Model Mustang. James, as owner and driver, was sponsored by the late Mr. Ray Callahan of Armstrong Ceiling and Flooring Company. The names of his daughters were also painted on the car. James accumulated wins of fastest time each year at three different race tracts, Smyrna, Highland Rim and Tullahoma. His track record still stood at the Smyrna Raceway before it's demise. He was 5th in points (only 24 points from 1st place). (The Smyrna Raceway was located near the present Nissan Corporation tennis courts.)

In 1976, James Hale celebrated wins and also suffered losses. James wrecked his 1964 Mustang at the Smyrna track, bringing a big disappointment, since he had been invited to race at the Nashville Fairgrounds the next night. Soon after the 1964 Mustang was totaled, James was 'back

at the track' with a 1966 Mustang Fastback, which was a good winning car for him.

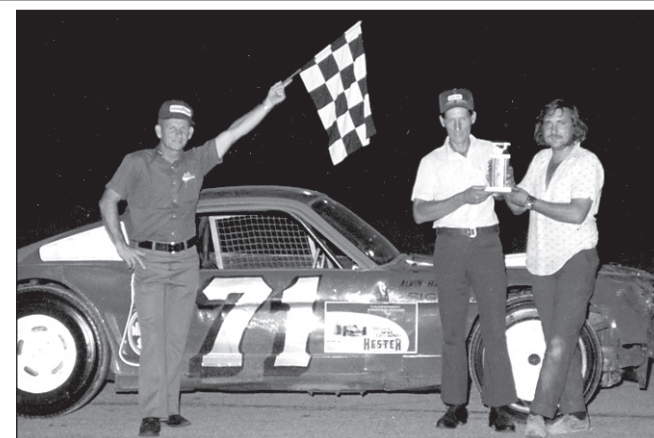
James and his friend Thomas Mount formed a team and were soon racing a 1972 Mustang; in the same division as his previous car, adding the Figure 8 division, which was only ran at the Smyrna track. 10 wins in this division in addition to the other division winnings were celebrated by Hale and Mount.

Also in 1976, driving a 1967 Nova, James set a track record for the "6 Cylinder" division at the Nashville Fairgrounds and also won point championship. James finished out the 1976 season as driver of a 1955 Ford, in another division. James and Fay Brown of Shelbyville owned the Ford.

James Hale isn't in the owner or driver's seat any longer, but still enjoying every aspect of racing as a spectator.

Born in the days of prohibition, stock car racing soon proved to be very popular. Reported to have started in the southern Appalachians it began to spread in the 1930's and by the late '40's was a common source of entertainment. True stories abound of "good old boys" transporting loads of illegal moonshine in their "souped up" automobiles, trying to elude the revenue agents as they drove without headlights along dark, twisting dirt roads at speeds exceeding 120 miles per hour. The need to prove who had the fastest car led to weekend races at tracks carved out of pastures and corn fields. Bill France saw the need for formally organized competition, and his efforts led to the founding in 1948 of the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR).

As the sport of stock car racing evolved, so did the cars. Roads got rougher and racing got faster and more dangerous, so adjustments had to be made to ensure the safety of the drivers. Today, stock cars are made to handle the intense conditions of the track and provide the highest degree of safety to their drives. The vehicle may still look a



(L-R) Maxey \_\_\_\_, L. W. Hale (Uncle of James Hale) and James Hale with Winning Car and Trophy

lot like a normal sedan you'd find parked in your neighbor's driveway, but looks can be deceiving. The frame as well as what's under the hood has changed significantly over the years. Today, stock cars are more like race cars as they are built specifically for the track, needing to meet a strict set of regulations, set out by professional racing leagues such as NASCAR.

Stock cars are used in automobile racing appropriately called stock-car racing. Drivers compete against each other by taking laps around an oval track, usually covering between 200 and 600 miles. NASCAR is the most famous of stock-car racing leagues, but many variations exist around the United States and in other countries.

Today stock-car racing is one of the largest spectator sports in America, drawing more than ten million fans annually.



James Hale Driver of #71, owned by James & Fay Brown



(L-R) Unknown, Maxey \_\_\_\_, Track Queen Joan Johnson, James Hale in Victory Lane, Nashville Fairgrounds Raceway.

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## Little Stories About You & Me

By Nancy Allen

### What the Flag Means To Me

Nary a sight can bring about a feeling of pride more than that of our flag. We have forever engrained in our mind's eye the picture of 5 United States Marines and a U.S. Navy corpsman raising the flag atop Mount Suribachi during the Battle of Iwo Jima in World War II; Neal Armstrong, after taking one giant leap for mankind, standing beside our flag on the moon; and firemen raising the flag over the World Trade Center wreckage. And, our hearts swell seeing tears in an Olympian's eyes as he or she sings The Star Spangled Banner when our flag is raised to the highest station on the podium.

As an unassuming perky young woman of 24 years, Edwina remembers during the Vietnam War many people had come to oppose the war. Some people were violent, burning the flag and causing riots. Our nation was in a state unrest.

Edwina was an active member of the Tennessee State Jaycettes. The organization felt it was time to show support for their country by sponsoring a patriotic speech contest. The local chapter asked Edwina to be their representative. The speech was to

be ten minutes long, about a patriotic subject, and it would be delivered at the Jaycette convention in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

The contestants didn't know what the other speeches were about. Each individual delivered her speech in private in front of five judges. The name of Edwina's speech was: What The Flag Means To Me. She was nervous. She began slowly, looking at the floor: "I . . . I pledge, allegiance to the Flag . . . of the United States . . . of America. Her voice broke, and to . . . and to . . . the Republic . . . for which it stands. You could hardly hear the last words. . . one nation. . . under God, . . . indivisible . . . with liberty . . . and justice . . . for all."

Looking up and into the eyes of the judges, she said: We say the pledge of allegiance, but do we know what it means? We say the pledge of allegiance, but do we listen to what we are saying? Do we mean what we are saying? In a well modulated, full voice she said: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America: to the American Flag; the red, white and blue. The red stands for courage. The courage that it took to settle a foreign land and to make it an independent nation and the courage that it takes today to keep our nation free. The white stands for purity and innocence; purity of motive and the innocence of our young men and women

who fight for our freedoms. The blue is for vigilance, perseverance and justice. It takes all three to keep our nation strong. There are 13 stripes representing the original 13 colonies and 50 stars representing the 50 states. And to the Republic for which it stands: we are pledging our allegiance to each other, to stand together in war or peace. One nation under God: working together with God at our head; indivisible: we will not and cannot be divided; with liberty and justice for all: liberty and justice are not just for people of influence or the rich. Liberty and justice are for everyone.

The judges were impressed. The speech won first place, \$100.00, and Edwina won the honor of giving the Keynote address before approximately 500 Jaysettes who attended the convention.

The original pledge of allegiance to the flag was written by Francis Bellamy and was used for the first time at the World's Fair in Chicago, Illinois in 1892. With altered wording, the pledge was officially approved by Congress on December 28, 1945. In 1954, President Eisenhower signed a law adding the words, under God.

Edwina concludes her story by saying,

"We are a nation of volunteers. Our flag still speaks of courage, purity and perseverance. We are blessed to live in this country, to have the freedom of speech and the freedom to worship as we please. When Irving Berlin wrote God Bless America,

he said, While the storm clouds gather far across the sea, let us pledge allegiance to a land that's free. We are blessed to be free. That's what the flag means to me."



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## Laura On Life

By Laura Snyder

### Chores Won't Get You A Lamborghini

A good work ethic is developed over time. No child is born with it. So, if you ever hope to have help putting on a new roof someday, you have to train your children to have a good work ethic.

You start by not calling it work. There will come a time when your child will realize that every time you want to "play a game" it means that the hall closet needs to be cleaned out or that someone had flung toothpaste on the toilet seat again. But until that time "Let's play a game" is a good way to develop a good work ethic.

The first time you say "Let's play a game" and they groan and vanish into thin air, you'll know the jig is up. Then you need to start offering incentives (aka bribes).

"I've got cookies and milk for anyone who cleans their room before they go to bed!"

Of course, you've always got that one child who thinks he should have cookies and milk anyway. This is the child who will one day call you at 3:00 in the morning because he can't get your car out of the ditch because his "friend" puked in the driver's seat.

I digress. Cookies and milk.

There will also come a time when your children realize that food stuffs and praise will not buy them a Nerf gun and so nothing says "I need a volunteer" like cold, hard cash.

My children have daily chores that they do just because it needs to be done. They don't get an allowance for that because there will always be jobs they have to do where there is no compensation whatsoever. However, they know that if they want to earn some money, I've always got a list of jobs that are "for pay."

One pearl of wisdom that I have learned in 26 years of motherhood is that if you need a job done, simply take the kids to Walmart. Show them what's available if only they had enough money. The key here is that you must not let them talk you into buying what they want, even if they have a meltdown

right there in the Lego aisle. You simply give them an opportunity to earn it.

In time, they will be falling all over themselves to take on the "paying jobs" before any of their siblings snatch them all up. They will do whatever it takes: Cleaning the garage, bleaching grout, painting the deck, cleaning the spider webs out from between the storm windows, you name it.

This works so well that I have begun to leave Toys R Us circulars around the house. When they want something to read at night, I give them a BMX magazine and Go-Cart Digest.

Alas, there will again come a time when this doesn't work any longer either. Maybe they realize that there's no room to drive a go-cart on our 1/2 acre lot. Maybe someone at school knocked his teeth out of his head on a BMX and now he talks with a lisp. Perhaps they simply outgrew the idea and realized that what they really wanted was a Lamborghini. I've got smart kids. They know that getting a Lamborghini is not possible by raking leaves or washing windows. They've done the math.

So then you start issuing subtle threats like: "Do you like sleeping on a bed?" Or, "Would you like to continue eating three square meals a day?" These work, but nobody likes to work under duress. As Tom Sawyer discovered, it's so much easier when someone wants to do the work.

Then they go to college and it takes an act of God to get help. So you hire a kid for the yard work who still has visions of go-carts dancing in his head. Then, when you need a roof put on, you appeal to your child's sense of guilt.

"Remember all those years I didn't strangle you?"

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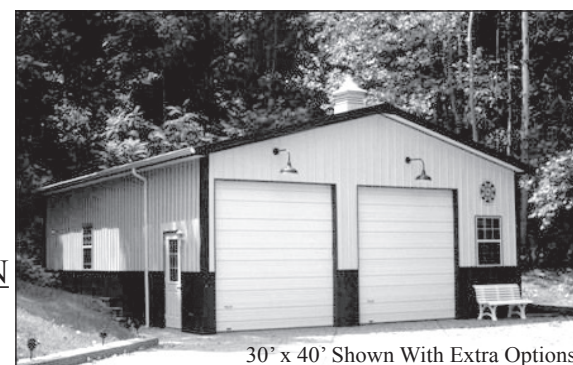
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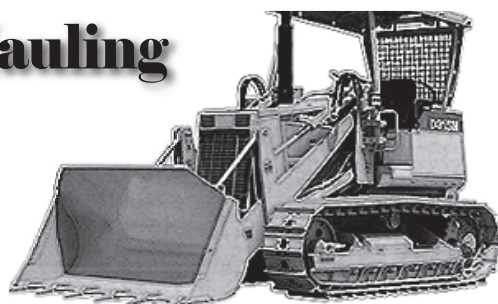
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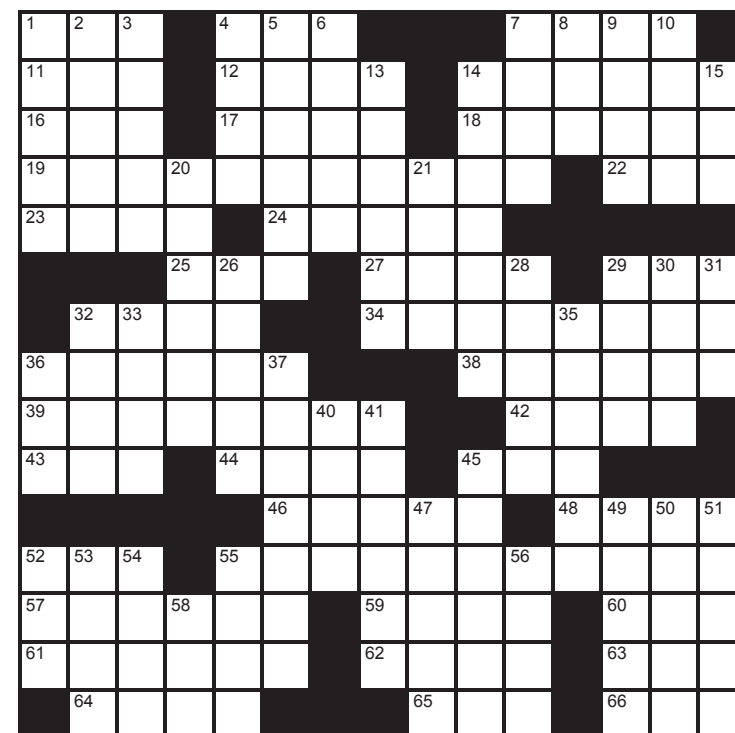
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## Across

- 1 Tree juice
- 4 Ave. crossers
- 7 Affirmative votes
- 11 Gr. letter
- 12 Type of rock
- 14 Found boring others at an office party
- 16 Tear
- 17 Cosmetic additive
- 18 Challenge
- 19 Found on dog-show winners
- 22 Gr. letter
- 23 Dog command
- 24 Church song
- 25 Printer's marks
- 27 Radar image
- 29 Computer key
- 32 Singer Fitzgerald
- 34 Found on a menu
- 36 The way up
- 38 Hide
- 39 Found in some gardens
- 42 Compass points
- 43 Connect
- 44 Singer Adams
- 45 Pressure unit (Abbr.)
- 46 Seasonal visitor
- 48 Opportune
- 52 Pink Panther actor Herbert
- 55 Found in the business world
- 57 Medicinal syrup
- 59 Dear (It.)
- 60 Except
- 61 Found in a table linen
- 62 Roman love god
- 63 Apply



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- 64 Trot
- 65 Hog haven
- 66 Always, in verse

## Down

- 1 Novi Sad residents
- 2 Inclined
- 3 New Guinea
- 4 Rigging support
- 5 Found growing in Denmark
- 6 Prigs
- 7 Air potatoes
- 8 Clairvoyance, e.g.
- 9 Adjoin
- 10 Long story
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- 15 African antelope
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