The Christmas Place off to roaring start

Owners found their perfect spot in MJ

By Kenny Howell
Managing Editor

It is now Christmas year-round in Mt. Juliet.

The Christmas Place recently had their grand opening, kicking off the second location of the famous Pigeon Forge store.

The owners had been looking for a spot in Middle Tennessee for a while, but could never quite find the right place. Their data at the Pigeon Forge store said that a huge number of people were coming from Middle Tennessee, around 22 percent. They had looked in other communities in Nashville, but it wasn’t until they stopped for lunch in Mt. Juliet on the way back from seeing a spot in the metro area. They decided they hadn’t really explored the area away from Providence, so they drove into the heart of Mt. Juliet and saw the open location where The Christmas Place now sits. It was the perfect spot in the perfect town.

"With the growing community of Mt. Juliet, we wanted to be a part of that," said Store Manager Cody Myers.

The spot allowed them to build the store they wanted to build, including the famous bell tower that is a big feature.

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STUDENT HONORED

Green Hill decorates parking space of classmate who was wreck victim

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Managing Editor

Green Hill students stepped up to honor their classmate Tuesday, as they decorated the parking spot of senior Gavin Cole. Cole was in a motorcycle wreck Sunday on Central Pike.

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Thanksgiving Basketball

Osise Danian and Mt. Juliet were one of a few local teams that competed in the John Greer State Farm Classic Friday and Saturday. See scores and more pics on Page 6.

Crash numbers keep going up in Mt. Juliet.

In the latest weekly update from the Mt. Juliet Police Department, Captain Tyler Chandler said the numbers are double what they usually see, and hit 50 total crashes (44 non-injury, six injury) from Nov. 18-Nov. 24.

“We have had to revamp some of our tactics,” said Captain Chandler. “We’ve got to do something.”

Captain Chandler said officers are being more proactive about violations such as Distracted Driving or Following too Close. He has stated numerous times over the weekly updates that those violations are a large factor.

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41 years covering the people & events of Mt. Juliet!
MJ woman arrested for link to AMBER alert kidnapping case

Staff Reports

Gallatin Police arrested a Mt. Juliet woman in connection with the Jacob Clare kidnapping case that made national news.

Marisa Henson was arrested last week by the GPD for Criminal Responsibility for Facilitation of a Felony.

“Ms. Henson had knowledge of Jacob’s plan and at no time attempted to stop the plan, nor did she alert authorities,” a release from the GPD stated.

Clare was arrested in California and charged with multiple felonies according to Orange County District Attorney Todd Spitzer. In a press release, Spitzer’s office stated that Clare had been charged in connection with kidnapping his three-year-old son from Tennessee and sexual-assaulting his 16-year-old niece after bringing them both to California from Tennessee and Kentucky. The missing children were the subject of an AMBER Alert, leading to a nationwide manhunt. The press release states that a Good Samaritan recognized Clare and the two children near Doheny State Beach in Dana Point, California from coverage about their disappearance.

Henson’s charge carries a maximum sentence of eight to 12 years in prison.

Wilson Warriors Breakfast Saturday

Staff Reports

The 8th Annual Wilson Warriors Fundraiser Breakfast will be held on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 8 to 10 a.m., at the Army National Guard Armory, 1010 Leeville Pike, Lebanon.

The event raises money to pay for the inscription of veteran’s names on the service walls at the Wilson County Veterans Memorial Plaza next to the Wilson County court house in Lebanon. It costs $100 to inscribe a name on the wall. Veterans who can afford the cost of inscription are asked to pay for the addition of their name but there are many veterans who are financially strapped, elderly, deceased or have no family to help add their name. The Wilson Warrior Foundation is committed to ensuring that a lack of funds does not prevent a county veteran’s name from being placed on the memorial so they are honored, remembered and recognized well into the future.

The breakfast is open to the public and for a donation of their choosing. Come and enjoy a hearty breakfast with fellow caring Wilson Countians. It’s a great place for kids to get a sense of patriotic support and remembrance. When their school class visits the Wilson County Veterans Memorial Plaza and Museum they will feel a sense of inner pride, knowing they took part in adding a veteran’s names to the memorial walls of the Wilson County Veterans Museum. We look forward to having breakfast with you while you step in and stand up for Wilson County’s history.

Tickets can be purchased at the door but prior to Dec. 4, they are available from committee members of the Wilson Warrior Foundation: Terry Ashe, Rita Wilson, Jerry McFarland, Sue Vanatta, Mike Owen, John T. Marshall, Wendell Grandstaff, Kenny Reich, Pastor Kubic, (Bamm) Wynns, Lance Jenkins, Lindsey Roberts or ZaBrina Seay. Also, tickets are available at the Wilson County Veterans Museum, 228 East Main Street, Lebanon, TN 37087. For more information contact the Wilson County Veterans Service Director, ZaBrina Seay (615) 444-2460.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Dec. 2
MISTLETOE MERCHANTS 2
The Farm Bureau Expo will host the Mistletoe Merchants 2 Dec. 3-5 starting at 9 a.m. Farm Bureau Expo is located at 945 E. Baddour Parkway, Lebanon, TN 37087.

JECDB MEETING
The Joint Economic & Community Development Board Executive Committee will meet at 7:45 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at the JECDB office located at 200 Aviation Way, Suite 207, Lebanon.

THE HEALTH & EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES BOARD
The Health & Educational Facilities Board will meet Thursday, Dec. 2, at 4 p.m. at the Lebanon Municipal Airport located at 200 Aviation Way, Suite 121, Lebanon, TN.

Dec. 3
PODY HOSTING VETERAN’S EVENT
State Senator Mark Pody (R-Lebanon) will host an event for local veterans to meet with Major General Tommy Baker, Tennessee’s Commissioner of Veterans Affairs. The event will be held Friday, Dec. 3 from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Wilson County Veterans Museum, 304 East Main Street in Lebanon. A light breakfast will be served.

Dec. 9
ROWAN’S 2ND ANNUAL JINGLE JAVA TOY DRIVE
Rowan’s 2nd Annual Jingle Java Toy Drive, Dec. 9, 4-6 p.m. at Rutland Place. Enjoy hot chocolate, coffee and pup cups at this pet friendly event. The event is in honor of Rowan Ace Frensley. It is a drive-thru event. Swing by and drop off your toy donations.

Dec. 11
MJ 2021 CHRISTMAS PARADE
This year’s Christmas parade is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 11 at 11 a.m. The theme is “A Patriotic Christmas.” Parade route will be from MJ League park to Division Street.

RK GUN SHOWS
The Farm Bureau Expo will host the RK Gun Shows Dec. 11-12, starting at 9 a.m. Farm Bureau Expo is located at 945 E. Baddour Parkway, Lebanon, TN 37087.

Dec. 15
ELECTION COMMISSION NEW BUILDING DEDICATION
Wilson County Election Commission New Building Dedication and Open House is Wednesday, Dec. 15, 230 E. Gay Street in Lebanon, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with special guest Secretary of State Tre Hargett, Tennessee Election Coordinator Mark Gons and Wilson County Mayor Randall Hutto.

Dec. 18
CHRISTMAS CONCERT
The Cedar Creek Community Band will have their annual Christmas Holiday Concert Monday, Dec. 13, at 7 p.m. It will be held in the Lebanon High School Auditorium located at 500 Blue Devil Blvd. Admission is free.

Dec. 18
SHOW ME SNAKES
The Farm Bureau Expo will host Show Me Snakes Dec. 18-19, starting at 6 p.m. Farm Bureau Expo is located at 945 E. Baddour Parkway, Lebanon, TN 37087.

Photo from The Christmas Place Facebook

PLACE, from PAGE 1
of the Pigeon Forge location.
They had a soft opening in June and prepared for the upcoming Christmas season. Myers said the response was great from the beginning, with them exceeding expectations. He said even though it wasn’t Christmas time, people would still come in just because they needed a pick me up during their day.
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“Word gets out, and people avoid our City,” said Captain Chandler.

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Martin Luther said, “the mystery of the humanity of Christ, that He sunk Himself into our flesh, is beyond all human understanding.” Yes, we can state the facts of birth and celebrate it during this time of year. But to completely comprehend all that His birth encompassed, the human mind is far too limited. Let’s look at the unlikely nature of Jesus’ birth. For starters, it was an unlikely silent night. There was no grand announcement made concerning the birth of Jesus. The world, including the religious leaders of the day, were oblivious to the happenings in this small village in Judah. As we will mention later, no one expected this occurrence in this place. The fact is that it was a silent night because of the lack of fanfare and noise of announcement. It was a holy night due to the noise of announcement. It of the lack of fanfare and mention later, no one ex

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We Are All So Blessed

It has been said that the average American continues to spend more and more time working and driving in an attempt at pursuing the American Dream. It’s also true that we live in a land that believes there is no limit at what we can achieve. We work hard enough and try our very best. That is all great and good, but at what costs?

That probably begs the question, then why are we rarely satisfied? This way of thinking goes well beyond material possessions. We tend to think in the now. We spend much of our time working, worrying and pursuing, rather than counting our blessings for what we have in an attempt at achieving what we don’t. In this frame of mind, we spend more time thinking of what we don’t have, as opposed to what we do have.

Human tendency is to think of what you haven’t accomplished and not what you have accomplished. This leads to a feeling of dissatisfaction, discontentment, and underachieving. A definite blow to the self esteem.

As you can imagine, we begin to see why so many people are constantly either unhappy or grumpy during times they should be happy. In other words, we spend countless hours away from work, thinking about work, planning for work, and kicking ourselves for what we have yet to accomplish in life or work. This can cause problems at work and home.

We all know that life can be tough at times. We deal daily with life’s emotional roller coaster ride. It can be life and death issues, financial highs and lows or good and bad relationships. We can go from the birth of a beautiful baby one minute, to the death of an innocent child the next; from rich to poor; for better or worse and on. That is why we must start counting our blessings now.

We not only owe it to ourselves, but we also owe to our family and friends to enjoy life to the fullest and count our blessings. Life is meant to be filled with fond memories, love, and enjoyment, not regret, missed memories and stress.

Please start taking time to smell the roses and realize how truly blessed we all are. Please take time and make time for yourself, family, and friends to enjoy life.

TELLING TALES

Are You Insane!?

I like pretty things. For that reason, I own very uncomfortable furniture. When we married, my husband owned just a few things: a hot plate, some mismatched plates and a comfortable old recliner he’d been hand-down. We fought all the time about that chair.

Eventually we compromised and he got his own space. Everything old and ugly goes in this room. There are two recliners in there. His old one and one he bought himself later in life. They don’t match. He says he likes it that way.

He and his two dogs sit in there for hours, watching football, eating Tostitos, and placing red solo cups straight onto our 25-year-old coffee table. Not a coaster or care in the world.

I don’t go in there. It gives me anxiety. He says he likes it that way.

The rest of the house is mine. And while I don’t really have anywhere comfortable to sit and I’m constantly wiping fingerprint marks off the refrigerator door, it makes me happy to live where all things are clean, organized and perfectly matched.

So as you can imagine when I walked into my living room to find a fly glue board hanging from the light fixture, I lost my cool.

A few hours earlier I’d asked my husband to find the fly swatter. He proceeded to get one of the fly glue boards he uses in his...
Wilson County students to perform in ‘Nashville Nutcracker’

Staff Reports

Local students will be helping Nashville Ballet make their triumphant return to the Tennessee Performing Arts Center stage this holiday season as part of the Youth Cast for Nashville’s Nutcracker. A beloved holiday tradition, this annual event allows School of Nashville Ballet students the opportunity to perform alongside Nashville Ballet’s professional Company dancers.

“This is truly such an incredible opportunity for our students,” shared School of Nashville Ballet Academy Principal Dodie Askegard. “Dancing is such an individual endeavor, but by participating in this production, they become a part of a larger team and see how their efforts contribute to the whole. They get the chance to work alongside professional dancers, live musicians, and experience first-hand how these performances come to life on stage. It is a special reminder that this is why we do what we do - to share the beauty of this art form not only with each other, but with our community as well.”

An experience exclusive to School of Nashville Ballet students, the Youth Cast for Nashville’s Nutcracker gives over 100 young dancers the chance to learn directly from Nashville Ballet Company dancers on stage. After participating in School-wide auditions, each student is hand selected for their role by a Nashville Ballet rehearsal director and spends eight weeks rehearsing in the studio in preparation for the final performances.

Wilson County students performing in the ballet are: Adrianna Gift as a Party Girl; Iris Lee as a Baby Mouse; Sterling Lekeki as a Garden Fairy; Alex Wiggins as a Garden Fairy; Eve Willis as a Commodore Cavalry; Jonah Willis as Fritz; and Josefina Yeger as a Lamb.

Nashville’s Nutcracker will be Nashville Ballet’s first time performing live at TPAC since February of 2020. Hailed an “eye-poppingly gorgeous work of art” by Broadway World Nashville, this annual holiday event will include pre-performance photo-ops, visits from beloved characters, and free story times led by Nashville Ballet Teaching Artists.

Nashville’s Nutcracker will be live at TPAC Dec. 15-24. Tickets start at $35 and can be purchased here. For more information, please visit nashvilleballet.com.
If you have any school or sports news, send it to editor@tcomj.com

BOYS BASKETBALL
FRIDAY, NOV. 26
Brentwood 67 Mt. Juliet 38
Independence 70 Wilson Central 61
SATURDAY, NOV. 27
Independence 83, Mt. Juliet 48
Dyersburg 41, Wilson Central 40

GIRLS BASKETBALL
FRIDAY, NOV. 26
Upperman 56 Green Hill 32
Independence 57 Mt. Juliet 53
SATURDAY, NOV. 27
Loretto 48 Green Hill 18
Dickson County 49 Mt. Juliet 40

THANKFUL FOR BASKETBALL

The John Greer State Farm Classic was held at Lebanon High School Friday and Saturday. Several local teams got some early season action. Aubrey Blankenship (left) and Green Hill suffered two losses in the event against Upperman and Loretto. Johnny Pfefferle (above) and Mt. Juliet also came out on the losing end in games against Brentwood and Independence. See other scores in the sports round to the left.

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Local football players to compete in East-West All-Star Classic

Staff Reports

Five football seniors from the Mt. Juliet area will be competing in the 2021 TACA East-West All-Star Classic Friday, Dec. 10.

The game, which pits almost 90 Tennessee high school seniors against each other, will be held at Fortera Stadium on the campus of Austin Peay State University in Clarksville. It is sponsored by TACA, the Tennessee Athletic Coaches Association.

Mt. Juliet Head Coach Trey Perry will be leading the East squad this season. He will have some familiar faces on his team, as Mt. Juliet’s Stephen Swoner, Amarion Workings and Jeff Pillows will play for the East team. Also on the East team is Wilson Central’s Blake Hobbs. There is also a local player on the West team, as Green Hill’s Tyson King will suit up for them.

Kickoff for the game is 7 p.m.

Friendship collecting for Sneedville

Staff Reports

Possum Town Outreach along with Friendship Christian School will be carrying items to families in Sneedville (Hancock County has one of the lowest median incomes per household of any county in our state). FCS will once again help sort, load, and distribute items and food, and keep the donation trailer on school grounds.

There is a special need for children’s winter coats and gently used or new bedding materials (sheets, pillows, blankets, mattresses, and mattress covers).

Possum Town Outreach is a non-profit tax-exempt organization; your monetary donations will be used to feed the maximum amount of people. Quality food is purchased in bulk such as potatoes, flour, and canned fruits, vegetables, and meats. The ministry is historically able to provide a non-perishable food box along with clothing, bedding, toys, and personal items, etc. to over 250 households.

The donation trailer will be at Friendship Christian School from now until Thursday, Dec. 16. Open drop-off times are Monday through Friday from 12:30-3 p.m. Please call or text Greg Armstrong at (615)642-6863 if you need to schedule another time for drop-off.

The delivery caravan will leave early Friday, Dec. 17, as students from Friendship Christian School partner with the Hancock County Rescue squad to deliver food and distribute items.

WILSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION

The Wilson County Board of Education will meet in a Work Session on Thursday, Dec. 2 at 5 p.m. at the Wilson County BOE Administrative & Training Complex, 415 Harding Drive, Lebanon TN 37087.

WINTER TEACHER MEET AND GREET

Wilson County Schools Winter Meet and Greet for December graduates, newly-licensed Tennessee teacher and anyone looking to teach in Wilson County is Thursday, Dec. 2, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at 415 Harding Drive in Lebanon.

WILSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The Wilson County Board of Education will meet in a Regular Scheduled Board Meeting Monday, Dec. 6, at 6 p.m. at the Wilson County BOE Administrative & Training Complex, 415 Harding Drive, Lebanon TN 37087. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss any matters legally brought before the Board. You can stream the meeting via the Wilson County Schools website.

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OBITUARIES

BIEL, Richard Arnold


Richard was born in Charleston, SC and was the son of the late, Edgar Marion and Frances Gratziak Biel. He was awesome in track and field according to his friends in Beaufort, SC and loved talking about those days to everyone who would listen. Richard was a member of Abundant Life Church. He retired from Lowe’s in Hermitage with 18 years of service. A lot of people knew him as the key maker at Lowe’s. He loved smoking meat, sitting by a fire and chopping wood. Richard will be forever missed and a lot of people will not know who to call with handyman questions. He was on the go until the day he died. He always wanted to do everything himself and would get mad if you tried to help because he thought you were saying he was too old. His grandsons were his world and they adored him. He was preceded in death by his grandson, Zakkie Biel.

He is survived by: Wife Kathy Biel; Daughters Jamie Renee Rigsby and Amie Renee Rigsby and nephew, Michael Sand; Step-son Jonathan Paul Woodard; Brother Edmie Renee Rigsby and Amie Renee Rigsby and his grandson, Zakree Biel.


Graveside services will be conducted at a future date to be announced at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Nashville.

Arrangements by Bond Memorial Chapel, N. Mt. Juliet Road and Weston Drive, Mt. Juliet, TN. (615) 773-2663. www.bondmemorial.com

BOWERS, Thomas Warren

Thomas Warren Bowers, 82, Lebanon, died Nov. 18.

Tom, better known by many of his friends as “HoHo”, was born in Nashville, TN and was the son of the late, John M. Bowers, Sr. and Anna Louise Parrish Bowers. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Tom was employed before his Army service in the grocery business with Cooper and Martin in Nashville. After his tour in the Army, he moved to Wilson County in the mid 1960s with his mother and father where they all three engaged in remodeling a farmhouse situated on a modest acreage. They soon became engaged in providing for a small herd of mixed beef cattle, growing a large garden and hay for the livestock. Tom soon began his second career as a mechanic for the Wilson County Road Commission from which he retired some fifteen years ago.

After the death of his mother and father in the mid 1980’s, the farm ceased operations. Tom lived in the farm residence until his death where he was active in the restoration of railroad and lanman collectables as well as old radios and parking meters.


Graveside services will be conducted at a future date to be announced at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Nashville.

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JONES, Dexter Wayne

Dexter Wayne Jones, 65, Mt. Juliet, died Nov. 28.

Dexter was born in Nashville, and was the son of the late, Charles Fred Jones and Estelle Corrine Jordan Haralson. He was retired from Nissan. Dexter was also retired from the Tennessee National Guard with 33 years of service. He enjoyed tinkering and woodworking. He was preceded in death by his brother, J.W. Jones; step-father, Earl Haralson; step-mother, Peggy Jones and nephew, Michael Sanders.

He is survived by: Wife of 44 years, Patty Childers Jones; Daughters Amanda Jones (Jason) Sorey and Mary Jones (Dave) Humphreys; Brother, Wesley Jones; Sisters, Elaine Burnett Thompson, Barbara Dale (Herbert) Sanders and Ellen Jones (Daryl) Moore; Grandchildren Gabriel Sorey, Adam Sorey and Julia Humphreys; Many nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services will be conducted 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at Bond Memorial Chapel with Pastor Danny Tomlinson officiating. Interment with full military honors will follow at Mt. Juliet Memorial Gardens. Honorary pallbearers will be Jason Sorey, Gabriel Sorey, Adam Sorey, Dave Humphreys, Donnie Arvin, Josh Hall, Clay Burnett and Chad Childers.

Flowers accepted or memorials may be made to the Gary Sinise Foundation, PO Box 369, Woodlands Hills, CA 91365 www.garysinisefoundation.org

Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service time Thursday at Bond Memorial Chapel, N. Mt. Juliet Road and Weston Drive, Mt. Juliet, TN. (615) 773-2663. www.bondmemorial.com

PORTER, William Robert

William Robert (Bob) Porter, 86, Mt. Juliet passed away Nov. 29 in Murfreesboro.

He was a loving husband, a dedicated father, a proud grandfather, and a devout Christian. Robert was born in Houlton, Miss. to Gilbert Bertram and Maybelle Brown Porter on July 4, 1935. He was a proud veteran of the Korean war, serving in the Navy aboard the USS Essex. Early in his career, he worked for RCA, supporting the missile test project in Cape Canaveral, Fla. After moving to Tennessee, he enjoyed a long career at DuPont in Old Hickory, retiring as a division engineer. After retirement, he worked at the Mt. Juliet Plumbers & Heating

PET OF THE WEEK

Chase

Our pet of the week is Chase. Chase came to the shelter as an owner surrender after his family’s living situation changed and they could no longer keep him.

He is very strong and energetic. He loves to play fetch and go for long walks. Chase would do best being the only pet in the house. He is up to date on vaccines, dewormed, neutered, and on flea/tick prevention. His adoption fee is $75. If you would like to meet Chase, please call 615-773-5533 to schedule an appointment or stop by during our open hours Monday-Friday 11:30-5.
NASCAR takes over Nashville

Staff Reports

Nashville is in the NASCAR spotlight this week as Music City once again hosts NASCAR’s Champion’s Week celebration with a variety of activities and events across the city from now until Dec. 2.

Nashville Superspeedway staff members are at several locations throughout Champion’s Week, with fans encouraged to stop by for giveaway items and to register to win tickets and prizes for the June 24–26, 2022, NASCAR tripleheader weekend, featuring the Ally 400 NASCAR Cup Series race on Sunday, June 26.

“There is a reason NASCAR is bringing its Champion’s Week back to Nashville,” said Erik Moses, Nashville Superspeedway’s president last week. “This area is passionate about motorsports and the response the first Champion’s Week in Nashville garnered in 2019 was one of the key reasons NASCAR brought racing back to Nashville Superspeedway this past season.

“That passion was on full display for our Father’s Day Ally 400 NASCAR Cup Series race which was the first full-capacity sellout for NASCAR since the pandemic began in spring 2020. We look forward to welcoming NASCAR fans back to Middle Tennessee next week and next summer.”

The NASCAR Cup Series (Kyle Larson), NASCAR Xfinity Series (Daniel Hemric) and NASCAR Camping World Truck Series (Ben Rhodes) champions from the 2021 season, as well as other NASCAR touring series champions, will be honored throughout the week.

Champion’s Week activities include:

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 1**

- Ally Fan Headquarters | Ole Red (11 a.m.–Midnight)
  - “Register To Win” for chance to win Ally 400 tickets and dinner from Ole Red
  - Alex Bowman’s No. 48 Ally Chevrolet parked outside for pictures.
  - Ally 400 replica trophy on-site

- NASCAR Next Gen Display/2022 Track Schedule Display | Riverfront Park ( Noon–6 p.m. )
  - Burnouts on Broadway presented by DoorDash | Lower Broadway (6:30–8 p.m. )
  - NASCAR Superspeedway-branded giant guitar on display for photos near car staging area.
  - Nashville Superspeedway ticketing staff pop-up tent for “Register To Win” opportunity on corner of Broadway and 3rd Avenue (in front of Ole Red).

**THURSDAY, DEC. 2**

NASCAR Next Gen Display/2022 Track Schedule Display | Riverfront Park (10 a.m.-Noon)

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- Nashville Superspeedway President Erik Moses to present Busch with a memento for achieving his 100th NASCAR Xfinity Series race win in the Tennessee Lottery 250 at NSS on June 19.

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**TALES, from PAGE 4**

- goat pens and hang it right in the middle of the house. “Are you insane?!” I screamed out. “Who does that?”
- “What? You said we had flies.”
- “Get it down!”
- “No. I had to get the ladder to get it up there.”

My head literally exploded at that point. The things I said, can never be unsaid.

Regardless, he said until I unsaid them, the glue board would remain.

For two days, it (and the ladder) remained just out of my reach. Not a fly in sight. But this big orange glue board, the ugliest thing I’ve ever seen, hung right in the center of my pretty perfect little room... as if we were livestock!

Finally, and only after my threatening to set his recliner on fire, coupled with also hiding his remote, did we reach an amicable resolution. The glue board came down and we each retreated to our spaces.

Having just celebrated our 27th wedding anniversary, you might wonder what our secret is for such wedded bliss. First, of course, each having your own space is important, second allowing each spouse to just be who they are, without trying to change them is key, and third, insuring all the recording devices in the home tape over themselves every 48 hours is vital.

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