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Stephan Say at the end of the Appalachian Trail on the top of Katahdin. | PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

## TRAIL THROUGH

### Corbin man completes 6-month thru-hike of Appalachian Trail

BY ERIN COX  
Staff Writer

CORBIN — After being off the Appalachian Trail for a week, Stephan Say was still dreaming he was on his six-month long trek. Say, who lives in Corbin, completed the trail October 15, after having set out on the 2,194.3 mile journey on April 15.

Say, 27, was one of thousands who attempted to hike the entirety of the Appalachian Trail this year. Say also successfully completed it, which according to the Appalachian Trail Conservancy, only 1 in 4 who attempt a thru-hike successfully complete it.

Say, who attended the University of the

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### Local police show support after death of LPD officer

BY JANIE SLAVEN  
Editor

TRI-COUNTY — Local law enforcement and other first-response agencies have shown an outpouring of support for the London Police Department since the unexpected passing of one of their officers.

LPD Officer Logan Kendal Medlock, 26, died in the line of duty early Sunday morning after his police cruiser was struck by a Dodge Ram pickup operated by a suspected drunk driver at the intersection of South Main Street and KY 229 (Barbourville Street) in downtown London.

“It’s with great sadness we mourn with the London Police Department as they deal with the tragic loss of Officer Medlock,” a statement from the Williamsburg Police Department read. “Please remember the London Police Department and his family in your prayers.”

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London Police Officer Logan Medlock was killed in a two-vehicle collision just before 1 a.m. Sunday morning at the intersection of South Main Street and Barbourville Road. A Tennessee man has been charged with murder and DUI in connection to the crash. | PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

### Corbin BOE awards bids for Campbell Field project

BY JANIE SLAVEN  
Editor

CORBIN — The Corbin Independent Board of Education met in special session last Wednesday to award several bids needed for the updating of Campbell Field.

The unanimous vote was somewhat bitter-sweet, as evidenced by board member Carcille Burchette’s opening of the discussion.

“I’ll be honest with you, I just don’t like the idea of turf...for several reasons,” Burchette said. “That field is just so full of pride and tradition. That may sound corny but I think a lot of your former players come back and it’s one of the reasons

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New coach

Rhymer named new  
Whitley County football  
coach | **SPORTS PAGE 6**



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Meadows  
convicted of  
Donna Lay  
murder

BY JANIE SLAVEN  
Editor

WILLIAMSBURG — A Whitley County jury convicted the man accused of killing his girlfriend and storing her body in a trash can of murder last week after a four-day trial.

John Phillip Meadows, 60, was convicted of murder and tampering with physical evidence last Thursday in the 2021 fatal shooting of Donna G. Lay.

Lay was last seen alive on January 7, 2021. Meadows was arrested after a February 1 search of the apartment the couple had shared revealed human remains in an outdoor trash can behind a



JOHN MEADOWS

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Times-Tribune  
staff honored  
with KPA Awards

Times-Tribune Staff Report

LEXINGTON — The Times-Tribune did well in the Kentucky Press Association's annual Excellence in Kentucky Newspapers Awards announced Friday night.

The newspaper placed third in the overall General Excellence category for the multi-weekly division with individual honorees including Nighttime Editor Brad Hall and Editor Janie Slaven.

Hall brought home a total of five awards. He swept the Best Headline Writer category — winning both first and second places.



JANIE SLAVEN



BRAD HALL

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Whitley school board  
selects retired teacher  
to fill vacancy

BY JANIE SLAVEN  
Editor

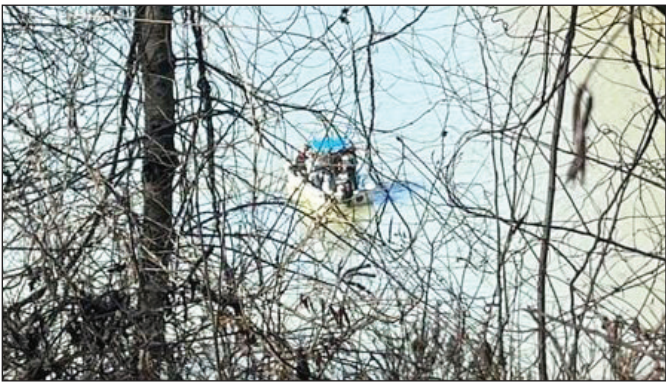
WILLIAMSBURG — The Whitley County Board of Education has a new member.

The board met in special session Thursday evening to interview applicants for the 3rd District seat vacated late last month when Malorie Cooper moved from the district.

According to board attorney Tim Crawford, only two individuals applied

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Body found at London Dock  
ID'd as Whitley missing woman



Rescue workers used a boat to retrieve the body found in the water near London Dock on Saturday morning. | PHOTO BY LONDON LAUREL RESCUE SQUAD

BY NITA JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

LAUREL COUNTY — A body found in the water near London Dock on Saturday has been identified as a missing person from Whitley County.

The Laurel County Coroner's Office released the name of the deceased person as 48-year-old Angelia Satterfield of Whitley County.

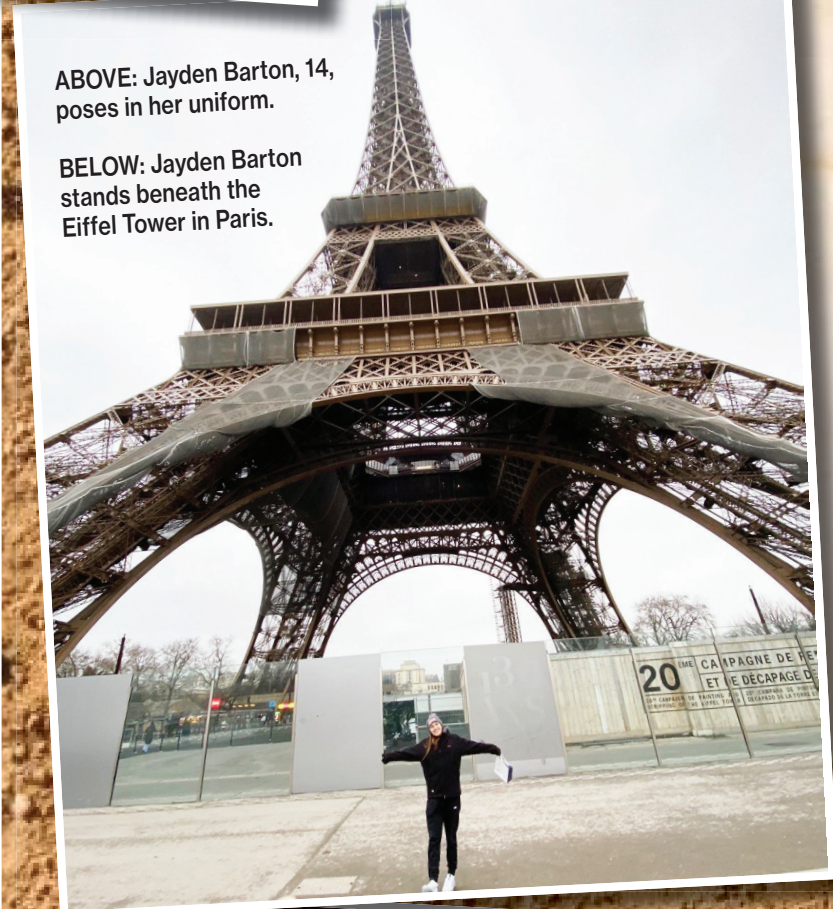
Satterfield was reported missing on Tuesday, Jan. 24. Deputy Coroner Tyson Baker said it is believed that Satterfield's body had been in the water since the day she was reported missing.

First responders went to the scene near London Dock on Saturday morning after a fisherman called the Laurel 9-1-1 Dispatch Center around

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ABOVE: Jayden Barton, 14, poses in her uniform.



BELOW: Jayden Barton stands beneath the Eiffel Tower in Paris.



LEFT: Jayden Barton played for the Avengers at the recent international softball tournament. | PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

# FAR FROM HOME

## Local softball player represents USA in the Netherlands

BY CHRISTEN GIBSON  
Staff Writer

CORBIN — Local Whitley County High School softball player Jayden Barton is now in an elite group having represented USA for the International Softball Fastpitch Association's The Cup 2023 tournament.

Hosted in the Netherlands earlier this month, 48 games of softball were played over three days to crown a winner.

The Bartons heard about the opportunity from a friend and decided to send in an application. The criteria the association was looking for was someone that was coachable and had been in softball for a long time with high skill levels.

Jayden's mom, Lori Barton, thought Jayden could be a good option for the group.

Kirt Whiteside, who organizes the North American teams, said the association looks beyond the skill an athlete holds to also consider the character of the young women they choose.

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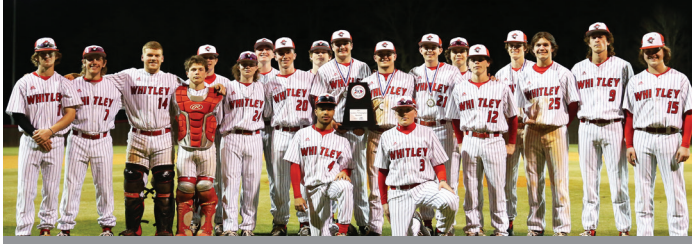


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Zehr comes up big on the mound, Colonels hold off Corbin with 7-5 win | SEE SPORTS, PAGES 8

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Whitley County to combat jail contraband with body scanner

BY CHRISTEN GIBSON Staff Writer WILLIAMSBURG — The struggle to keep drugs — or any contraband — out of jails never seems to end but Whitley County Detention Center is about to get a brand new tool that should boost their prevention methods. A bid was awarded at Tuesday's Whitley County Fiscal Court meeting for the local jail to purchase a dual body scanner for the purpose of finding drugs, weapons and other contraband entering the jail. "It detects drugs if they [incoming inmates] try to hide it in their body or if they have weapons on them. You can just run them through there

and it takes much less time. It takes 10 seconds to have them scanned," Whitley County Jailer Jason Wilson said. The scanner is arriving at a time that officials need as much help fighting the drug epidemic as they can get. "Different drugs go through different seasons and right now we are in the fentanyl season. Fentanyl is so dangerous..." Sheriff Bill Elliott said. "Our officers are seeing it nearly daily. It take very little to kill one person." Sheriff Elliott believes the scanner will increase safety. "I am 100% behind them getting this body

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Corbin City Commission met in regular session on Monday evening. | PHOTO BY CHRISTEN GIBSON

Corbin City Commission approves placement of opioid overdose kits

BY CHRISTEN GIBSON Staff Writer CORBIN — Having been presented with the proposal in January, the Corbin City Commission acted Monday to place the opioid reversal kits known as NaloxBoxes in high-traffic areas throughout the city. The kits, which contain and give instructions on how to administer naloxone (better known as Narcan) in the event of an overdose, were previously presented to the commission as a partnership opportunity with the Whitley County Health Department. At

Monday's regular monthly meeting, that partnership was approved with one commissioner, John Gambrel, voting no. The NaloxBoxes will soon be placed in high foot traffic areas in Corbin to provide a life-saving dose of naloxone to be used by the public in case of an emergency situation due to overdoses. Each will be placed on the wall like AEDs (automated external defibrillators) and have gloves, CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) mask, two doses of

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ELI'S LOVE LIVES ON

Community gathers at Rotary Park to remember 8-year-old Eli Hill



Eli's fellow teammates were among those honoring Eli's memory Wednesday evening. | PHOTO BY CHRISTEN GIBSON

BY CHRISTEN GIBSON Staff Writer CORBIN — Hardly a dry eye could be found at Rotary Park Wednesday as teammates, rival teams, classmates, upper classmen, teachers, leaders, friends and relatives gathered to show the family of Eli Hill support in what is likely the most difficult season of their lives. The event was organized to honor 8-year-old Eli after he died in a terrible accident on Monday when he tried to climb on something to dunk a basketball and the goal fell on him — causing blunt trauma to his chest and resulting in his death. However his death does not mark the end of his legacy nor his love the community continues to feels and gain comfort from. Eli was an organ donor and his eyes have given the gift of sight to two people. His legacy will touch more

people than anyone will ever know. Teachers shared the enthusiasm Eli had both in the classroom and beyond. Paul Taylor, board member of the Corbin Board of Education and Corbin Little League baseball board in which Eli played baseball, gives comfort to Eli's family. Noting the love he showed them even when they were not in the classroom. Coaches shared the passion Eli had for baseball and

the Corbin Bombers. Eli loved all things sports. Paul Taylor, chair of the Corbin Independent Board of Education and Corbin Little League baseball board member, shared just how important the community is in Corbin and beyond in Kentucky. "It's like we are one big family not just in the community but in our state. I had Coach Stoops call me from football, Coach Wells call me from football, Coach Calipari call me from basketball. Everyone is amazed at this young man," Taylor said. Corbin Independent Superintendent David Cox also commented on the tight-knit community in Corbin. "It's a close knit school system and also a close knit community," he said. Cox also shared that they



Paul Taylor, board member of the Corbin Board of Education and Corbin Little League baseball board in which Eli played baseball, gives comfort to Eli's family. | PHOTO BY CHRISTEN GIBSON



The crowd released balloons in Corbin's signature red and white in honor of Eli Hill, the eight-year-old boy who was tragically killed on Monday. | PHOTO BY CHRISTEN GIBSON

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