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TSU seeks spot on historical list

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ter, built in 1927.
• Harned Science Hall, built around 1927.
• Jane E. Elliott Building, constructed in 1932 with an extension added in 1943.
• Administration and Health Building, from 1933.
• Industrial Arts Building, from 1933.
• Engineering Building, built between 1943-49.
• A four-foot, cut limestone wall from 1932.

"For the history of African-American education, this is certainly one of the most important places in the state."

YAN WEST
Professor of historic preservation at MTSU

All the buildings are brick with limestone decorative features, located along the main street of the campus.
Construction has occurred on other buildings and walkways in that same area for the past few years, due to the \$112 million the state has pumped into the school as part of the 1984 federal desegregation court order. The court required the state to improve TSU's campus as part of attracting more whites to the student population. This brings a sense of pride to the school, West said. "It provides an identity with the past."

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Wilson

Commissioners set to decide future of impact fee referendum

BY ELLEN MARGULIES
LEBANON — Impact fees, adequate facilities tax, privilege taxes a tariff by any other name would smelt as sweet to public officials desperately seeking ways to fund growth.
Whatever the term, some county officials say the fees will have to be assessed on new buildings — unless residents want to deal with another property tax increase. Many builders, however, see nothing sweet about fees assessed on new development — and say such assessments passed on to residents may price potential homeowners out of the market.
Impact fees are one of the few issues that spark as much bickering as a property tax increase. But if the voters were to decide on who should pay the growth bills, wagging County Commission tongues should cease, says County Executive Val Kelley.
The commission will again tackle the much-debated issue of an adequate facilities tax on Monday night, voting to let the issue be de-

"Everyone who benefits from an improvement should pay something."
JOHN SHELLEY
Homebuilders Association of Middle Tennessee
cluded in a referendum next August, Kelley makes a point never to predict what the panel will do, but he said.
This county executive would be embarrassed if our county commission tells the voters they cannot vote on this matter.
Kelley proposed a 68-cent-per-square-foot fee on all new dwelling last year. The revenue, he said, would pay for the schools, roads, parks, jails, sewers and other growth-related needs. Commissioners rejected that proposal, but an ad hoc committee studied the issue and came up with another plan. The measure now before the

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NEWS FROM NASHVILLE'S NEIGHBORS



Cheatham Rutherford

BBQ meal for farmers

1 ASHLAND CITY — Cheatham County tobacco farmers are invited to a free barbecue dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Bethlehem Community center near Ashland City. Tobacco specialist Dr. Don Fowles of the University of Tennessee will be a chief speaker. Assessment county agent Ronnie Barron will report on the county's tobacco test pilot program findings on black shank.
Barbecued pork shoulder, baked beans, slow, desert and drinks will be furnished courtesy of the U.S. Tobacco Co., Barron said.
A total of 244 Cheatham farmers are involved in growing the three varieties of tobacco.
For meal reservations, call 792-4423.

Fire unit to elect

2 PLEASANT VIEW — People receiving fire protection from the Pleasant View Volunteer Fire Department are invited to a board of directors election meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the fire hall.
"We will be electing a total of four board members," said board Vice Chairman Leonard Cooper.
There are two vacancies on the board of directors. Two other board members are completing their terms and can't succeed themselves.
Board chairman Doug Vann is one of those being rotated off the 10-member board.
Members of the board of directors will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the fire department's operations.
The department has 49 firefighters (all volunteers) and a 20-member auxiliary.
The firefighters provide protection for a large area of north Cheatham County and a southwestern section of Robertson County.

City-county union eyed

3 SPRINGFIELD — A unified government between the city of Springfield and Robertson County, with one set of offices and police serving the community?
The notion isn't as far-fetched as it might seem, says Robertson County Commissioner Michael Crawford.
A city-county government could save county taxpayers money, as duplication in the city and the county are eliminated, he said.
A committee comprising county officials and Springfield city staffers was formed several years ago to explore such possibilities, but in the shuffle of administrations the committee never finalized any plans.
The consolidation committee has been revived, said Crawford, who serves as co-chairman.
He invites the public to add its input at 7 p.m. Monday at the Robertson County Courthouse.

Car, train 'crash' set for safety

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near-end and sometimes seven or eight a trip," Cain said.
In November, CSX officials had a Metro policeman ride with an engineer from Nashville to Tullahoma. In that short trip the policeman observed 21 violations of crossing safety, Cain said.
A typical train with three engines and 125 cars and going even 30 mph will likely need from three-quarters of a mile to one mile in order to stop, Cain said. But because engineers don't have the luxury of a sight distance of one mile, they must depend on the driver to get out of the way.
Impatience is apparently what prompts most drivers to pass the barriers and flaking red lights, he said, and the ill-conceived notion that they won't get hit.
But Cain knows better.

Correction

Metro Councilman John Aarns Holt is running for Metro chancellor in the March 12 Democratic primary against lawyer Carol McCoy, incumbent Chancellor Ellen Hobbs Lyle is the sole Republican candidate.
General Sessions Judge Casey Moreland faces a reelection challenge from lawyer Sue Evans in the Democratic primary.
The Tennessean incorrectly reported yesterday that Holt was a candidate in the General Sessions race. The newspaper regrets the error.

Williamson

Exchange students

7 BRENTWOOD — Two weeks in England could change your life.
High school sophomores or juniors who live in Brentwood are eligible to apply for the Sister Cities summer exchange with Brentwood, England.
The eight selected students will spend June 18 through July 3 with a family in England. Each student's family must agree to host an exchange student between July 22 and Aug. 5.
A participation fee of \$900 includes an airline ticket. Room and meals will be furnished by the hosting English families, while the cost of ground transportation and admission fees to tour sites will be covered by the host city.
Applications are available at the Brentwood Municipal Building, 3211 Maryland Way. They must be completed and returned no later than the close of the business day on Feb. 7.
Completed applications may also be mailed to: City of Brentwood, Sister Cities Office, P.O. Box 788, Brentwood, Tenn. 37024-7878.

Schools seek input

8 FRANKLIN — Parents and friends of the Franklin Special School District are invited to the board's regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the theater at Freedom Middle School, 750 New Highway 96 West.
A public input session will begin at 7:15 p.m.
Board Chairman Jerry Lillard encourages interested citizens to attend the meeting and "feel very free to speak your mind."
One item on the agenda is a preliminary discussion of the search for a new director of schools.
Current superintendent Cecil E. Stroop plans to retire in July, 1997. He has served in the post for three years.
"We will be talking and looking for suggestions from the various board members that would be important qualities for a director to have," Lillard said.
"It's all still so preliminary. We hope to have public meetings in February to try to get people in the preliminary meeting and to ask for their input."

Smoking class set

4 MURFREESBORO — A stop-smoking class is forming, with the introductory class free at 6:30 p.m. Monday night at Middle Tennessee Medical Center.
The "Smokers' program is designed to help participants learn how to quit smoking more easily and reduce withdrawal symptoms, according to Melana Bonco, Medical Center spokeswoman.
The program addresses the smoking habit from all angles — physical, psychological and behavioral. It is recommended for individuals using nicotine patches and for those who use smokeless tobacco.
Classes will meet 6:30 p.m. Jan. 29, 30, 31 and Feb. 1. Maintenance meetings are Feb. 5, 7 and 12.
Total cost is \$73. Call 849-4500 for more information.

Recycling anniversary

4 MURFREESBORO — Recycle Rutherford will mark its sixth anniversary at 7 p.m. Monday in the second-floor courtroom of the County Courthouse.
Recycle Rutherford welcomes new members and has an ongoing membership recruitment program.

Summer

Budget law pondered

9 LEBANON — A definite timetable for county budget considerations and actions would be the main benefit of adoption of a budget law that now only applies to Williamson County, officials with the University of Tennessee County Technical Assistance Service said.
The proposal is expected to be considered by the County Commission when it meets at 7 p.m. Monday at the County Courthouse.
The process would begin Feb. 1 with the county executive providing budget forms to all departments and the county tax assessor providing figures for projected revenues by March 15. By April 1, department heads must submit their proposed budgets. Amendments would be permitted until as late as June 15.
On June 1, the budgets will be consolidated. The County Commission will then be obligated to either adopt a budget by July 1 or allow the county executive's proposed budget to go into effect.

Farm building backed

9 LEBANON — A single location for county agricultural agencies would be a good idea, and a new building at the James E. Ward Agricultural Center would be a good place to house them, Wilson County farm leaders say.
The county is considering spending \$750,000 to build a multi-agency agricultural building, and the proposed facility is gathering support.
"We all feel we can better serve our citizens if the various agencies were in one building, more accessible to them than this new proposed location," said extension leader Jon Baker, director of the University of Tennessee Agricultural Extension Service, whose office is in the County Courthouse.
"The move will also free up the office space we now occupy, alleviating some of the space problems many of the courthouse offices are now facing," Baker added.

23 top women picked

6 WHITE HOUSE — They're aiming for the Terrific 23.
Teacher Ann Baker and her students at White House Middle School are trying to get every county in the state to name an "outstanding woman" in its history in time for the bicentennial.
So far 20 counties have named women. Here's some recent entries:
• Bradley County: Emily Jory, who died in 1947.
• Carter County: Mary McKeebas Patten, who died in 1838.
• Cheatham County: current county executive Linda Snow Fluz.
• Franklin County: Pam Ledford.
• Hawkins County: Donna B. Abney.
• Johnson County: Dorothy Gunn Howard.
• McClain County named two women: Fobn Emmeringer Burn, who died in 1945, and Mariel Shaw Mayfield.
• Perry County named two: Berta Westbrook and Lottie DeHart.
• Polk County: Dr. Phyllis Edwards Miller.
• Scott County: Erma Massey Walker.
• Smith County: Hewitt Malone (Miss Annet) Murray.
• Union County: Winnie Palmer McDonald.

Board mulls changes

3 SPRINGFIELD — The Robertson County school board will meet in special session Monday night to revise board policies governing instruction and weapons in schools.
"Policy isn't a no-tolerance policy for students with weapons as well as stating the consequences for students caught with weapons," said district official Ronnie Meadows.
The Tennessee School Board Association periodically reviews school districts' board policies and recommends updates to keep them in compliance with changes in state laws.
The board will act on many of those changes at Monday's meeting, Meadows said.

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Bicentennial Snapshot

A brief look at the past 200 years in Tennessee history. Compiled by The Tennessean's Editorial staff and copy desk.

Tennessee people

Teachers are born, not paid
Educators were overlooked, even in 1869. Ewing Ogden Tade, Hamilton County's first elected superintendent of education, wrote to a friend describing a typical work day.
Up at 3:30 a.m., traveled 18 miles on the RR, walked six miles, made up Civil District Clerk's report, examined one teacher; traveled nine miles further; and reached home by [railroad] cards at 8 p.m., eating one meal."

It happened on ... Jan. 20

Best advice of her day
Elizabeth (Dorothy Dix) Gilder was born in Montgomery County in 1861. Her newspaper columns offering advice were published by several news syndicates. She also wrote two books, one of which was How to Win and Hold a Husband.

Tennessee fact

First state back in Union
After the Civil War, Tennessee was the first seceded state to reconstitute its government and be readmitted to the Union.

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