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Is Happening in the Clearfork Valley

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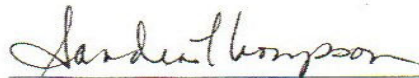
Claiborne County Commodity Sign Up

There will be someone at CCI on Thursday February 9th and Friday February 10th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. to sign people up for commodity distribution. Please bring picture ID and your EBT card, if you do not receive food stamps please

Report for Publication

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF STATE AND LOCAL FINANCE

We have reviewed the budget submitted to this Office by the Clearfork Utility District for fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, and it appears that its budgeted revenues will be sufficient to meet anticipated cash expenditures for the fiscal year.



*Sandra Thompson, Director
Office of State and Local Finance
December 15, 2016*

ETHRA Helps Campbell County Seniors

The Campbell County Office on Aging has received a \$38,000 grant to help improve the quality of life for seniors age 60 and over. This grant will go towards helping seniors get dentures, wheelchairs, ramps, eye glasses, safety devices, and home repairs. The Campbell County Office on Aging director will be at the Mountain Community Resource Center at 4911 White Oak Road Duff, TN 37729 on the last Friday of every month to offer assistance to individuals age 60 and over, whom live in the Campbell County area. They can help people sign up for LIHeap (energy assistance), Commodities, Medicare information, counseling and grant programs for home repairs.

For more information contact Becky Pierce at 423-562-2948 ext 204

"Let us not look back in anger, nor forward in fear, but around in awareness."

-James Thurber-

New Phone Scam

A growing "Can you hear me?" phone scam can make you a victim if you utter just one word: "Yes."

This is how it works, according to the Better Business Bureau:

An automated call provides an introduction and identifies a business or agency. After the intro, the recording will ask if you can hear clearly.

If you answer yes, the scammer behind the call may have recorded you, could plan to use your affirmation to sign you up for a product or service you never knew about and then will demand payment. If you refuse, the scammer may produce your recorded "yes" response to confirm your purchase agreement.

The best advice from the BBB:

- **Hang up** on any unsolicited robocall. If you are on the federal Do Not Call List and a company calls out of the blue to ask questions, it's likely a scam.
- **Avoid responding** with "yes," "sure" or "OK."
- **Hang up** if you're asked to press a button to be placed on the Do Not Call registry. Doing anything else could help scammers identify an active phone number. No government agency will ever solicit for the Do Not Call Registry.
- **Write down** the phone number and file a scam report with the BBB Scam Tracker and the Federal Trade Commission's Do Not Call List.

That doesn't always help because these scammers also often know how to fool phones' caller ID features.

But 10 states — Hawaii with the caveat of having the recording device in a private place; California; Connecticut; Florida; Maryland; Massachusetts; Montana; New Hampshire; Pennsylvania and Washington — have a two-party consent law for recording a conversation, making it a crime to intercept or record a call or conversation unless all parties say yes. Illinois also has the law on its books, but a court found it unconstitutional in 2014, according to the Digital Media Law Project.

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CCI Fundraiser

Tickets available at CCI (old Eagan School)

1 for \$1.00

Or

5 for \$6.00

Drawing will be held at
CCI's Earth Day
Celebration

American Girl Doll
And
A Keurig Coffee System



UT Gardens' February gardening tips

February is a transition month for Tennessee gardens as we begin to prepare for spring growth and blooms. Bluebirds are already looking for a place to nest, so clean out your birdhouse soon. If you are in need of a good bluebird house, check out Homes For Bluebirds, Inc., <http://www.danfinch.com/birds.htm>

Lenten rose, *Helleborus orientalis*, and its hybrids are among the first plants to flower in the new year. A little cleanup makes a big difference when these winter beauties blossom. I like to cut back last year's foliage on Helleborus before the flower stalks appear. Follow the old leaves down to the crown and remove the entire leaf stalk near the soil. Some winters, the earliest of the flowers may get damaged, but I don't mind sacrificing a few for a tidy plant later on. For indoor forcing of blooms, cut branches of pussy willow, forsythia, flowering quince, redbud, and star and saucer magnolia. Choose stems with flower buds that have begun to swell. Cut them at an angle and place in water in a cool location in your home with indirect light.

Late February and March are good times to trim trees and shrubs. Prune to maintain a natural form unless formality is appropriate for the design. Postpone pruning of spring and early summer flowering shrubs like azaleas, forsythia, spirea and oakleaf and mophead hydrangea until just after they flower.

Cut back *Liriope* (Monkey grass) before new growth appears. Use a string trimmer for larger areas.

Spot-control weeds in a dormant warm-season lawn by pulling or by applying a broadleaf weed control.

Apply dormant oil such as Ultra-Fine to fruit and nut trees to control scale and other pests. It must be applied before spring growth appears. These oils can also control scale insects on hollies, euonymus and camellias. For best results, be sure to completely spray the entire plant including the underside of the leaves.

Green, English and sugar snap peas can be direct sown in the garden in February. In the colder parts of the state wait until the end of the month. If sown too late, they will not have time to flower and produce before it gets too hot. If your ornamental grasses like *Miscanthus*, *Pennisetum*, Mexican feather, switchgrass and muhly grass are looking tattered and blowing about the garden, cut them back to 3- to 6-inches above the ground. Otherwise you can wait until early March.

Sow broccoli, cauliflower and cabbage seed indoors or plan to buy transplants in March. Harden them off before planting outside in March.

Extend the life of your Valentine flowers by changing the water daily and recutting the stems every couple of days, making sure the foliage is kept above the water line.

Remove dust on your houseplants by rinsing them in the shower.

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Obituaries

Our condolences go out to the family of

Daniel Lee "Boone" Brotherton (50) of Lafollette

October 1, 1966 to January 20, 2017

Jenny R. Delk (48) of Duff

February 4, 1968 to January 23, 2017

Maurice Hamlin (62) of Cumberland Gap

September 20, 1954 to January 23, 2017

Nellie June Womble Carr (76) of Duff

October 26, 1940 to January 25, 2017

Thomas Wade Barnes (31) from White Oak

November 20, 1985 to January 25, 2017

"Gone from our sight but never from our hearts"

Community Calendar

COMMISSIONER MEETINGS

Claiborne County: 3rd Monday of the month in large court-room located on Main Street in Tazewell at 6:30 p.m.

Campbell County : Regular Business meeting on the 3rd Monday of the month.

CLEARFORK UTILITY BOARD MEETING 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00p.m

CLAIRFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT: meets on the 1st Monday of the month.

SENIOR BINGO Second and Fourth Monday of the

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Ash Wednesday	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Daylight Savings Time (Spring Forward)	13 Claiborne County Schools Spring Break Begins	14 Spring Break	15 Spring Break	16 Spring Break	17 Spring Break St Patrick's Day	18
19	20 Campbell County Schools Spring Break Begins	21 Spring Break	22 Spring Break	23 Spring Break	24 Spring Break	25
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