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Charter school could locate in Bellevue

There could be more choices for parents interested in sending their child to a charter school in Nashville. A charter school management company out of Arizona is planning to open as many as ten new schools for Metro Students and one could be located in Bellevue. Right now they are trying to decide on the location and Bellevue and Green Hills are both in the running.

"We want to be wherever and in whatever community shows an interest in having us," Chief Academic Officer Peter Bezanson said.

The company, Great Hearts Academies, plans to open its first school in 2013, serving K-9th grade. The school will then grow one grade level a year until it becomes a K-12 school. A location for the school has not been determined yet, but officials said will be chosen based on parent interest and the availability of facilities. It will not charge tuition and will be open to all students.

Great Hearts Academies offers the standard core curriculum with a unique focus on the classics written by authors like Plato, Aristotle and Shakespeare.

Each student takes music and studio arts classes. They're also expected to participate in after school activities. Unlike many charter schools, the options include competitive sports.

Charter schools are no longer meant as just an alternative to low performing schools. Since changes were made to state law, they now provide more options to all families. Rebecca Lieberman of the Tennessee Charter Incubator expects to see even more organizations expressing interest.

If you would like to see this charter school located in the Bellevue area, contact Great Hearts Academies and let them know. To learn more or to contact them, go the website at www.greatheartstn.org.



Councilwoman Sheri Weiner discusses the charter school at Saturdays with Sheri.

The Monkey's Treehouse has three new local owners

Three local moms took over ownership of The Monkey's Treehouse on January 19th. The partners and friends, Jamie Stephens Ladd, Holly Hardison Pring and Leslie Golden Carpenter are excited to continue the growth of a business their kids have enjoyed since The Monkey's Treehouse first opened in 2008. With two locations, one in Bellevue and the newest located in Cool Springs, Jamie, Holly and Leslie hope to enhance the birthday party experience, increase the number of events, including music and art classes as well as offer more Parents' Night Out opportunities on Friday nights.

The three new owners have already been busy setting up fun and exciting events for February!

Upcoming Bellevue Location Events include:

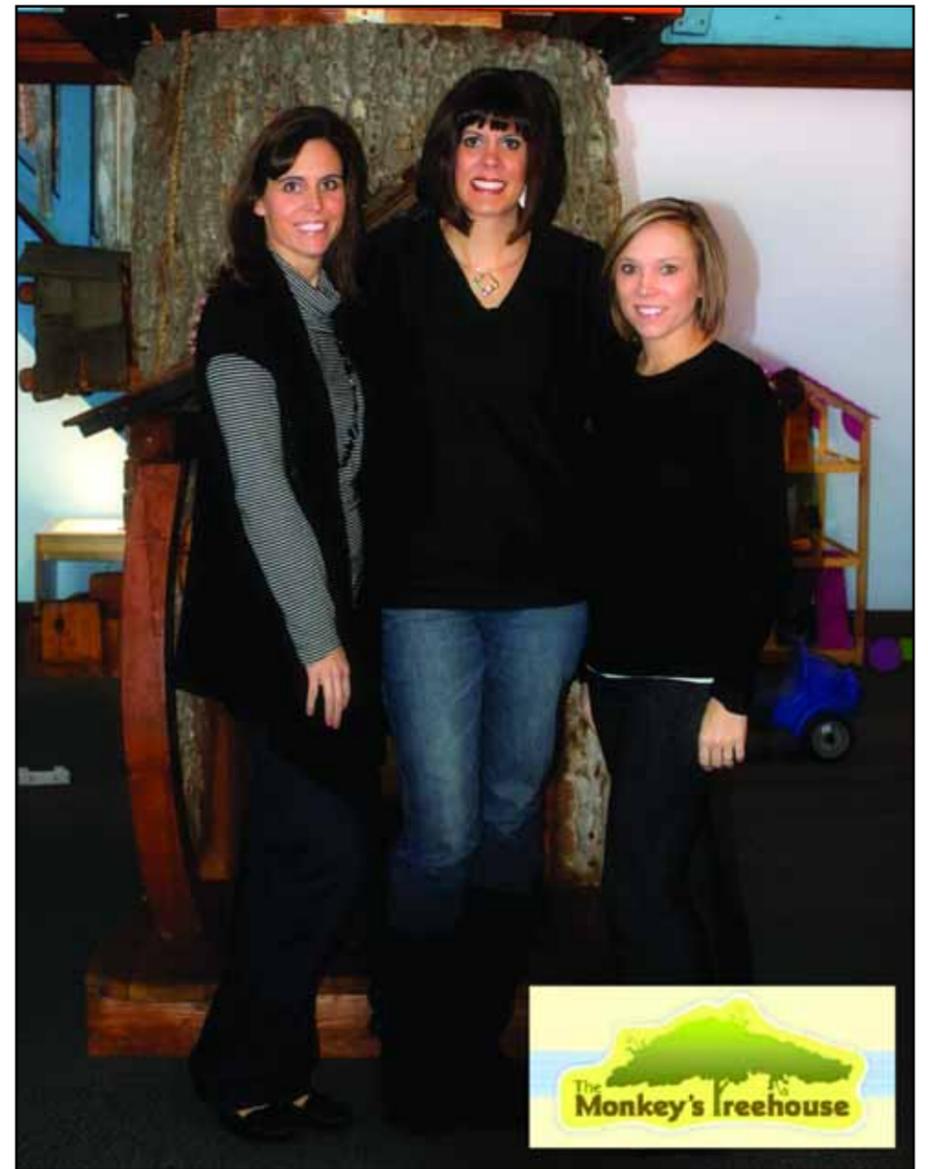
-Parker's Originals-The Balloon Man on Thursday, February 2nd at 10 a.m. Free w/regular admission! He is always a favorite!

-Monkeynastix-Bring your kids out for a free trial class w/regular admission! It will get them up and moving! Monday, February 6th at 11 a.m.

-Multi, Mini Vendor Show-Say that 5 times fast! Bring the kids, regular admission, while you shop for Thirty One, Kelly's Kids, Stampin' Up, Created Images Photography, A Book Starring Me and more! Tuesday, February 7th 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

-Parents' Night Out-Make plans to celebrate Valentine's Day on Friday, February 17th from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Call now, limited spaces available! 615-646-5002

Here is little background on the new owners! Jamie, a Nashville Christian School graduate, earned a Finance Degree from Tennessee Technological University. She also acquired her teaching license from Middle Tennessee State University. She has taught secondary education, started and ran her own business, co-created, planned and ran the Nolensville Women's Show and most currently, stays at home with her 3 children. All experiences she hopes



will contribute to the success of The Monkey's Treehouse.

Holly, a Harpeth High School graduate, earned a Marketing Degree from Tennessee Technological University. She worked for Hardison, Englert, Rader & Co., P.C., a CPA firm, for 10 years before staying home with her 2 children. She currently does Sales Advertising for The Nolensville Dispatch and is the Treasurer for the PTO of her son's school. She is hoping her marketing & financial background will help the company move forward while staying on track.

Leslie, a White County High School graduate, earned an Education Degree from Trevecca Nazarene

University. She has taught at the elementary level while coaching basketball at the secondary level. She currently stays at home with her 2 children while also running her own clothing, monogramming and appliqué business. She's hoping her knowledge of early childhood education will help enhance the experiences The Monkey's Treehouse provides to all its guests.

Bring your little monkeys to open play & schedule your next birthday party at The Monkey's Treehouse. Be sure to like them on Facebook for all the latest news & updates on events. Get more information at www.themonkeystreehouse.com.

Bellevue Woman's Club announces scholarships

Linda Prater, President of the Bellevue Woman's Club announced that the Club will once again have applications for its scholarship available at five locations: Bellevue Community Library, the Guidance offices at Hillwood Comprehensive High School, Hume Fogg Magnet, MLK Magnet, and Nashville Christian. Applicants must live in the Bellevue area and are judged on merit, need, and activities. The application is due by March 15, but can be extended to April 1, 2012 if hardship exists.

The Bellevue Woman's Club is a community organization

that has Card/Bridge parties to raise money for local charities/libraries. Last year it co-sponsored the candidate forum in June. The scholarship endowment was begun over 35 years ago and continues to reward deserving seniors in the Bellevue area with money for college. The Club also sponsors a Poetry/Short Story contest every spring. The General Federation of Women's Clubs founded in 1890 has its international headquarters in Washington, D.C. and is one of the world's oldest and largest women's volunteer service organizations

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Nashville Nostalgia

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The Generous Gift of Grassmere

Today we can be proud of our Nashville Zoo at Grassmere, but it can be even more meaningful to know how it all got started.

Back in 1786, a tract of land of about 640 acres between the Cumberland River and Mill Creek was granted to William Simpson for his service in the Revolutionary War. At the time, the land was still part of the North Carolina territory.

In 1810, about 272 acres were sold to Colonel Michael C. Dunn, a sheriff. Dunn built his home there which today would be located off of Nolensville Road.

In 1846, Dunn sold his home and farmland to his eldest daughter

Margaret and her husband, Lee Shute, for ten thousand dollars. Then, in 1859, Lee Shute sold the entire 346 acre farm to his son William Dickson Shute and his wife, Lavinia, for five dollars as simply a gift of generosity. William Shute was the one responsible for naming the farm Grassmere.

William and Lavinia Shute had four daughters named Leila, Maggie, Venie, and Kate. During the 1880's, the home underwent significant structural changes. The Shutes continued to live at Grassmere with their four daughters.

Eventually, the four daughters inherited the property from their parents, including Kate who had married a Mr. William Croft in 1888. The Crofts had two daughters named Margaret born in 1889, and Elise born in 1894. After Kate and her husband died, their daughters, Elise and Margaret Croft, moved to Grassmere in 1931 to live. The home and farm continued to be owned and managed by the two Croft sisters until they died.

However, back in 1964, the sisters, who loved nature, flowers, and beauty, deeded the land to the Children's Museum of Nashville with the stipulation that they be allowed to live on the property for the remainder of their lives. Margaret Croft died in

1974, and Elise Croft died in 1985.

The Children's Museum, which changed its name to the Cumberland Museum and Science Center, and today is known as the Adventure Science Center, began the development of the property as a Nature Center, and in 1990 made it available for the public to enjoy calling it the Grassmere Wildlife Park. Sonia and I enjoyed taking our grandchildren there to enjoy the nature, flowers, and beauty.

The park was closed in 1995 for financial reasons, and the location became the property of Metro Nashville. However, the City of Nashville was still bound by the agreement that the property would be utilized as a showplace for wildlife, nature, and beauty for its citizens.

Finally, in 1996 our recently constructed Nashville Zoo which was

located near Joelton, north of Nashville, was invited to relocate and merge with the 188 acres of Grassmere Wildlife Park off of Nolensville Road in Nashville. Then, the property became the Nashville Zoo at Grassmere. The zoo began management of Grassmere in December of 1996.

In 1998, the zoo partnered with the Metro Historical Commission and Metro Parks Department to restore the old Croft home. Also, in 1999, the historic farm was opened to the public. The old Croft home, farm, and gardens are now a part of our zoo, which is well respected throughout the nation as a tourist destination.

A very wonderful and generous gift of love, which had its beginnings back in 1786, has been passed on down to the benefit of the citizens of Nashville.

Terry's Service Center adds Buddy Carver to their team

Terry's Service Center, Inc. is pleased to announce the addition of Gordon "Buddy" Carver to their team of automotive technicians. Buddy, age 41, is a local boy, having been born at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville, and raised in Kingston Springs, Tennessee, where he played football at Harpeth High School. He is married to Angie, and they have one daughter, Evie, age 21. Buddy and his family reside in Kingston Springs.

Buddy has been working in the automotive field for 23 years. What started out as a part-time job after school at Nebblit's Automotive, has turned into a lifelong career for him. Buddy had worked at Sevier Brother's Firestone, in Bellevue, before they closed the shop a few years back. His hobbies are anything automotive and playing golf.

Terry's Service Center, Inc. is

located in West Nashville, at 847 Hillwood Blvd., next to Arby's restaurant. Terry's has been in business since 1990, and at this location for over 17 years. Local West Meade residents, Terry Janiak and his wife Marge, are the hands-on owners. The Janiaks would like to invite all of Buddy's former clients to come visit him at Terry's Service Center, Inc.



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Community Calendar

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Bellevue Democrats Club

Meets the third Saturday of the month at Shoney's on Highway 70S. All are welcome! We meet beginning at 10:00 am in the private dining room.

Cribbage Club

The Nashville Cribbage Club meets on the 1st Tuesday and 3rd Thursday of every month at 6:00pm at the City Limits Café, (361 Clofton Dr, Nashville, TN 37221). Do you play the game and would like to find some new opponents? Or perhaps you're Cribb-curious, or haven't played a

long time, then please join us for some good conversation, lots of laughs, and of course, great game play. We have members from their early 20's to their mid 70's and skill levels range from beginners to advanced.

For more information, pictures, etc., please go to nashvillecribbageclub.webs.com or look us up on Facebook.

Bellevue Chamber of Commerce

Meets the third Thursday of each month (except December) at The Meadows at 11:45 a.m. Lunch is \$5 for members, \$10 for guests.

Bellevue History & Genealogy Group

All of our meetings are held at the Bellevue FiftyForward Turner Center located at 8101 Hwy 100 and are free and open to the public. You do not have to be a member of the Bellevue Y or FiftyForward to attend any of our meetings. Call Bob Allen at 615-218-4580 or Kristin Blackburn at 615-646-9622 for any questions or more information.

Friday, February 3, 2012 at 9:00 am - "The Korean War" - Ken Feith, Director of Metro Archives will give us a photo presentation of the Korean War.

Friday, February 10, 2012 8:30 at 9:00 m - "The Confederate Marine Corps" - Gene Andrews with the Nathan Bedford Forest Home and the Sons of the Confederate Veterans will discuss the little known Confederate Marine Corps who served in the Civil War.

Friday, February 17, 2012 at 9:00 am - "Release of the 1940 Census" - Rick Koelz will let us know what to expect with the digitized version of the 1940 U.S. Federal Census scheduled to be released on April 2, 2012.

Saturday, February 18, 2012 from 8:30 am to noon - Field Trip - 2012 Civil War Sesquicentennial Event at the Little Theater on the Fisk University Campus - the Little Theater was originally built as a Union Army barracks and was one of the first structures used by Fisk University as it began after the Civil War. Program includes opening remarks by Mayor Karl Dean, MHC Director Tim Walker, and Dean Dr. Reavis Mitchell and pre-

sentations by Dr. Tim Smith with UT Martin talking about the "Fall of Forts Henry and Donelson," County Historian Carole Bucy talking about "The Great Panic Following the Fall of the Two Forts," and a musical production of songs inspired by the Civil War by Thomas Jutz with the 1861 Project. Free and open to the public. Contact the Metro Historical Commission at 615-862-7970 and visit www.nashville.gov (newsletter) for more information. [The Bellevue History and Genealogy Group and the Bellevue FiftyForward Turner Center will be providing van transportation to this event for \$4.00. Contact Bob Allen at 615-218-4580 or Kristin Blackburn at 615-646-9622 or see one of the ambassadors in the senior lobby to register].

Friday, February 24, 2012 at 9:00 am - "History of the Nashville YMCA" - Ridley Wills, noted Nashville author and historian will discuss his new book about the history of the Nashville YMCA.

Friday, March 2, 2012 at 9:00 am - "President Andrew Jackson and His Wife Rachel Jackson" - Re-enactors Dave McArdle and Melinda Gaines will reveal their romance, life as our nation's seventh president, and controversial decisions of the day including removal of the Cherokee Indians.

Friday, March 9, 2012 at 9:00 am - "Civil War Photography" - Lynda Massey, re-enactor with Belle Meade Plantation will discuss photography during the Civil War and the late nineteenth century.

Bellevue Running Club

Bellevue Running Club meets every Tuesday! Anyone interested in running (or walking) with us please join in the fun. We meet every Tuesday at 6 pm. Find us on Facebook or contact Seanna Brandmeir at seannalyn@gmail.com for more information and locations.

Valentine's Dinner & Dance

VFW Post 1970, 7220 Charlotte Pk., will have a Valentine's dinner on Friday, February 17. Serving will start at 6pm. The menu will include Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Tea and

Dessert. The cost will be \$15 per couple, or \$7.50 for a single. Very special guest, Mr. R B Stone, is lined up to play music starting at 8pm. He has recorded 15 albums, toured 5 continents and 32 countries. Songwriting Award from Billboard Magazine for "Daddy Hide Your Daughters", He has performed with The Marshall Tucker Band, Martina McBride, Tricia Yearwood, The Charlie Daniels band, Chris Ledoux and many more. Honorary Member of several Military Fighter Squadrons for his *performing* for the troops worldwide. He wrote and performed the song "Autumn Ride" for the movie Ridin High.

For more information please call the post at 615-352-9933 after 4pm daily.

Valentine Dance & Show featuring the Jimmy Church Band!

If you have never attended a Jimmy Church Band event then you don't want to miss this one open to the public at the beautiful Montgomery Bell State Park. This band makes you feel good all over, happy to be alive, and they really make an evening to remember with their high energy performance! What better way to show your love during the Valentine season by taking that date night you keep putting off. This event is sponsored by the Takedown Club in Kingston Springs/Pegram as a fundraiser to help pay down a building fund debt of the Harpeth High School wrestling building.

Guests will enjoy an evening of heavy, hot hors d'oeuvres, dance, and the phenomenal show by the band. Cash bar available. Tickets are \$75 per person. Table reservations for parties of 8 available. Contact Leslie Liles 615-337-1529 for ticket locations. Don't drink and drive! Reserve your overnight accommodations at the Park's Inn by calling 1-800-250-8613 and book your double room with a complimentary gift and buffet breakfast for 2.

The Takedown Club was established 3 years ago by a small group of parents that had the vision and determination to build a wrestling building at the Harpeth High School. The building opened in April 2009 with a starting debt over \$75000. The building loan balance now stands at \$33000. The Takedown Club continues to be humbled at the generosity of our community and the surrounding communities.

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The Daughter's View

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This issue I am giving my space to Joyce Jeanette of the VFW Post 1970.

In Memory of Steve Lamb:
January 19, 1955-January 29, 2012
By Joyce Jeanette

Flags will not be flying at half staff and there will not be a story on the front of People magazine, but West Nashville lost a very special resident this past weekend.

Mr. Steve Lamb lost his courageous battle with cancer.

Steve had a short but very full life. He said once said that he started his Bucket List when he was 18. He raced cars, was a fur trapper and avid hunter. He was a professional Walleye Fisherman a few years back.

Steve moved to West Nashville over 15 years ago with dreams of being a songwriter. He took a job as bartender at VFW Post 1970 on Charlotte Pike where he made a lasting impression on all his friends there. He always tried to make things really special. He decorated for all occasions both at the post and at his home. His house was the talk of his street every Christmas with his beautiful light display. He took kids and grandkids of VFW members on fishing trips to a friend's lake in Dickson for several years. He was a great neighbor and always helped his neighbors, especially two elderly ladies who lived next to him. He often fixed meals for them and every Thanksgiving fixed them a nice Thanksgiving meal. He survived the West Nashville flood, but his house was not so lucky. He worked hard and even helped the two elderly ladies get back in their homes as well. He owned his own landscaping company and was very good at that as well.

Everything he did, he gave it 100%. Shortly after getting his house all back in order this past May, he was diagnosed with cancer. Like everything before he was independent and took care of himself. He would not accept hardly any help from anybody, just tried to do everything on his own.

This past Sunday he lost his battle and went to be with the Lord. He never wanted recognition. He was a quiet man that loved his family, friends and neighbors very much. But I, for one just wanted everyone to know that we have all truly lost a special man. Rest in peace dear friend.

Politics & Opinion

We had a great turnout on both Thursday and Saturday to talk about the sale of the Regal Property, to learn more about our Library, and to hear from Lt. John Batty of the West Precinct.

The Regal Property is for sale, no owner has been located and the agent Jarrett Bell of Rochford Bell asked for input from the neighbors as to what we'd like to see on that property. Some of the suggestions offered to Mr. Bell by the residents were: a drive-in theatre, medical building, church, meat and 3 restaurant, several chain restaurants were mentioned, a health club, a private or charter school, or a corporate campus. He promised to keep us posted on his progress. The neighbors were grateful that he reached out to us so early in the process to gain our input.

As for the Library, Tricia Bengel, acting Director of Nashville Public Library, was on hand to answer questions, explain the process involved in the development of our new facility. Did you know that the Bellevue Library is, per square foot, the busiest library in the system? The new library will

be a Platinum Leed Certified Green building that will boast 25,000 square feet of space, an outdoor classroom, cafe, community meeting room with a catering kitchen, a Bellevue history site and much much more. How much more and what is included depends on your involvement in the process. In other words, when Councilman Bo Mitchell, Councilman at Large Charlie Tygard and I ask for all to come out to a community meeting to offer input, PLEASE COME! There are surveys available now and I am happy to get them to you if you will please get in touch with me by



Tricia Bengel speaking with concerned citizens at Saturday's with Sheri meeting.



Council Updates

By Dr. Sheri Weiner
22nd District Councilmember

does mean is that we need to do what Bellevue does best and get involved. So spread the word and stay tuned.

We were fortunate to hear from Lt. John Batty of the West Precinct. He shared with us the value of the new precinct and talked about personal safety, home safety and many residents shared incidents of late and he advised us as to the importance of reporting crime.

BELLEVUE IS NOT AN EARLY VOTING SITE AS OF THIS ISSUE. WE ARE WORKING TO CHANGE THAT. MAKE SURE TO BRING A PHOTO ID IN ORDER TO VOTE.

To learn more about the new law and its exceptions, please call the Davidson County Election Commission. (Effective JANUARY 1, 2012)

Saturday's With Sheri are at the Hampton Inn on Coley Davis Road from 9-10 a.m. on the 4th Saturday of the month (excluding Nov & Dec) and she wants to hear from you. On Jan. 28 stop by and meet Metro Police's West Precinct Commander Marlene Pardue and Lt. John Batty. The dates for 'Saturdays with Sheri' are:

February 25	March 24	April 28
June 23	July 28	August 25
September 22	October 27	

Quarterly Thursdays begin March 1. The 6-7 p.m. 'meet & greet' events also are planned for June 7, September 6 and December 6.

Welcome, Veterans, to Nashville
Veterans galore will head to Nashville, during the first two weekends in February, for their annual Mid-Winter Conferences.

The American Legion Department of Tennessee starts things off this weekend, and will meet at the beautiful Nashville Airport Marriott Hotel. Department Commander David Alexander of Gallatin will preside, and is expecting a good turnout of Legionnaires from across the state. State President Sue Cantrell of Nashville will lead the Auxiliary meetings.

Friday, February 3, the highlights are various afternoon committee meetings, and the annual Commander's reception and dance that evening. Saturday morning features a meeting of Post Commanders of Legion posts from Kingsport to Memphis (and many in between). The official Opening Session is 1:15 Saturday, February 4, and a featured speaker is Mrs. Holly Petraeus, Assistant Director of Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and wife of new CIA Director, General (retired) David Petraeus. Also speaking will be the National Vice-Commander Larry Sheets of Florida. More committee meetings will take place on Saturday afternoon, which include Boys State, baseball, JROTC, oratorical, membership, employment (chaired by Past Department Commander Alvin Brown of Post 5), legislative, and



Vet's View

By John Furgess

women veterans. A dinner and dance is set for that evening.

Vet's View is pleased to speak to the annual Auxiliary National Security breakfast on Sunday morning, February 5. A Joint Memorial Service concludes activities on Sunday morning.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) heads to town the next weekend, February 10-11, and will meet at the beautiful Music City Sheraton Hotel. Vet's View is pleased to serve as chairman of the VFW conference, affectionately called the POW-WOW of the VFW. State Commander Charles Cassidy of Linden, and VFW State Ladies Auxiliary President Verna Inman of Morristown, likewise expect a nice turnout from across the state. The kickoff is a Joint Memorial Service on Friday evening, February

email or phone. You may also stop by the Bellevue library and pick up a survey or fill it out there.

Now to the Charter School movement. If you are interested in Bellevue being a location of a new Charter School, go to www.greatheartstn.org and register your name, email and zip and let them know you are interested in a facility located here. The Arizona based program is the gem of the Charter School movement and they are putting in application to place a facility in Nashville. It is not a foregone conclusion that they will be here, or be in Bellevue. What it

10. Saturday morning is a Joint Opening Session, where invitations have been extended to the Mayor and to the Governor. One of the features will be the presentation of the state winner of the VFW's high school scriptwriting contest, the Voice of Democracy, of which Vet's View is pleased to be the longtime state chairman. The winner is Memphis high school senior Ellery Ammons. Saturday night's banquet speaker (black tuxedos, mind you) is Past National Commander Jim Neir of Texas. The National Representative for the Ladies Auxiliary will be the next National President, Lee Ann Lemley of Indiana. Tennessee Department of Veteran Affairs Deputy Commissioner, Wendell Cheek, will also address the conference.

The DAV met earlier in Murfreesboro, and the AMVETS met earlier in Gatlinburg.

The veterans organizations' top priority is health care of our nation's veterans, and a strong interest in national security and foreign affairs. Vet's View encourages its readers to belong to those veterans organizations for which they are eligible. Welcome, veterans and ladies, to Music City, USA! At least, that's this Vet's View. What's yours?

P.S. This column marks the beginning of 34 years for consecutive Vet's View articles. Thanks to all for supporting our veterans!

Harpeth High Band Cabin Fever Show

CABIN FEVER Harpeth High School Band of Blue's biggest fund raising event of the year will take place on Saturday, March 3, 2012. This event includes: dinner, silent auction and a great show. **Tickets on sale now!** The pricing is \$30.00 for one and \$50.00 for two tickets. Contact: Music Director, Dr. Dan McNally- jdannmcnally@comcast.net, or Band Booster President Angela Maternowski- angela.maternowski@hhsbandofblue.com Tickets may also be purchased locally at the Heritage Bank in Kingston Springs or the Community Bank in Pegram. The contact person for this is Mrs. Shawn Rider at phone number 615-300-0947.

This year the show is to be performed by four different groups. This week we are spot-lighting; Matt Mills.

As a child, Matt Mills grew up in Nashville, TN watching his father, Steve Dan Mills, craft songs and make records. Growing up in the studio inspired him to follow in his father's footsteps. Being surrounded by music from such a young age, music has always come natural to Matt. By the age of 14, he was singing and playing guitar in the bands he formed while also playing gigs with his father. By the end of high school, Mills decided to attend college to study Music at Belmont University. He later transferred to Middle Tennessee State University where he graduated with a Music Business Degree with an emphasis on Recording. During college, Matt played in various bands including the progressive rock band, Pipe Dream. Mills fronted Pipedream, handling lead vocals, lead guitar and weaving intricate guitar harmonies with band mate Daniel Leonard. Pipedream played key venues and clubs in and around Nashville and made a short tour to New York City to play the renowned Sullivan Hall. Pipedream broke up in early 2010 and, Mills began writing new material for a solo project. Upon graduating college in May of 2011, Matt teamed up with producer Andrew Chapman to record his first solo EP at 16th Edge Studios. The album entitled Summer Night combines songs finely crafted from Matt's own heartfelt experience with

excellent musicianship resulting in a smooth blend of Rock, Alternative Country, and Americana which promises to inject a fresh and vital approach into the contemporary music scene.

Matt is an incredible singer-songwriter and performer. Check out his web site and see what a great benefit this will be to attend. You will thoroughly enjoy this music. His web site is: <http://www.reverbnation.com/mattmillsmusic>.



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New Bellevue Woman's Club Officers & Members

New officers of the GFWC Bellevue Woman's Club for 2012, were installed on Tuesday, January 10, at a dinner meeting at Shoney's in Bellevue. GFWC Music City District President Harriett Warren performed the official installation. Ms. Warren is a member of the GFWC Stones River Woman's Club. New officers for the Bellevue Woman's Club are Linda

Prater, president, Anne Cotton, 1st vice president, Mary Berryhill, 2nd vice president, Margaret Havron, recording secretary, Lena Walker, corresponding secretary and Judy Tygard, treasurer. Anne and Judy were not present for the picture. Two new members were welcomed also. The Bellevue Woman's Club meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month

at Bellevue Presbyterian Church beginning at 7:00 pm. The club was chartered in 1967, for the benefit of the Bellevue community, sponsoring college scholarships, poetry and short story competitions for elementary and

secondary schools supporting the Bellevue area, and other projects benefiting Bellevue. Membership information is available by calling Linda Prater at 615/662-1176, or e-mail, lkprater1945@att.net.



Love your pet; February is Pet Dental Health Month

Some people are very surprised to find pets need regular dental care. But just like people, without regular dental care, our furry loved ones will face a myriad of health problems due to the buildup of a colorless film called plaque. Plaque contains large amounts of bacteria, which if allowed to accumulate on your pets' teeth cause infection that can destroy gum tissue and the bones that support and protect the teeth. This leads to symptoms such as bad breath, discolored teeth, the loss of teeth or

even more serious conditions such as kidney, liver and heart damage.

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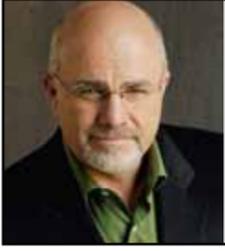




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Dave Says

By Dave Ramsey
www.daveramsey.com

Dear Dave,

In your plan, you talk about Baby Step 3 as saving enough to have three to six months of expenses in your emergency fund. My husband and I were wondering how you can determine whether you need to be on the low end or high end of that range?

Amanda

Dear Amanda,

Lots of times in a marriage you'll have a situation where one person wants to save more, while the other is excited to move on toward investing. Technically, neither is wrong. So, the emergency fund really deals with someone's own personal level of peace. Remember Murphy's Law, and how it says that says if something can go wrong it will go wrong? Your emergency fund is Murphy Repellant. Some people just want to make sure he doesn't knock on the door, while others make sure he stays in the next county!

There are always practical considerations you can use to determine the amount of your emergency fund. If you both have very stable jobs, you'll probably be okay saving up three or four months of expenses. But if just one of you works outside the home, or if one is self-employed or on commission, leaning toward the six month side is probably a good idea.

Of course, you can always compromise. Start out with three months, but add a little every once in a while until you reach a point where you're both comfortable.

—Dave

Dear Dave,

I've never heard you discuss at what point it's advisable to let someone else make and manage your investments. Also, is there a point at which it's good to go with a fee-only financial planner?

Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

I think it's always a good idea to do it yourself. And to be honest, I never recommend fee-only planners.

Don't just turn everything over to someone else – no matter how many letters they have after their name – and let them manage it all or make all the decisions for you. You're the one who made the money, so you should take care of your own stuff. In lots of cases people looking for this kind of help have a greater net worth than the bozos dishing out advice and wanting to "handle" it all.

None of this stuff, investing, personal finance, or saving, is rocket science. *You* need to be in control of your money. Now, can you have counselors in your life? You bet! Everyone needs the benefit of people around them who have wisdom and experience.

But it's never a good idea to just blindly trust someone. If you do, you might end up like an old, washed up boxer – no money and no teeth!

—Dave

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