Prisoners sweating to improve county grounds

By Dorothy Kooske
THE PANOLA WATCHMAN

Prisoners at Panola County's Detention Center have been busy developing a vegetable garden, pruning grape and nut trees, and maintaining grounds. Participation in the SWEAT program, which is designed to promote rehabilitation through productive work activities, and to provide a strong and stable foundation of gainful occupation, is due to the Panola County Court. Several prisoners have recently been released, leaving the program's potential in question.

By Peter Vincent
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In LaGrone's 11th book, she continued the collection of poems published in her previous volumes. This collection, titled "Current Sarcastic Observations," is a further exploration of her wit and perspective. LaGrone's writing style is known for its clever and biting commentary on various topics.

Hospital files 35 new bad-debt suits

There are now suites filed in the court for 21 patients, including a conservatorship suit against a patient for his failure to pay for his care. The suits are for amounts ranging from $7,000 to $100,000. While much of the overdue payments were defended, several patients were found to have the funds to pay but were unwilling to do so.

"Much of what we've found is not just from the patients' income, but also from the families. We've had to turn over several cases to the police department," said David Miller, a member of the medical staff.

Many patients, explained Dr. James Stovall, a retired surgeon, "can't pay because they haven't been able to work. Some have been granted medical assistance, but the amounts are often too small to cover the costs.

G Vincent explained that while a debt is turned over to Oskar's, the hospital has already spent much time and effort in collecting the charges. While the hospital is not a profit-making institution, it is also not a charity, and must cover its costs.

Farmers' market booming at expo center

Homegrown fruits and vegetables are available at the Panola County Agricultural Show and Expo Center. Recently moved to a new facility, the market offers a variety of fresh produce as well as handcrafted goods, attracting patrons from the surrounding area.

"The market is now open every Saturday morning, and we have seen a steady increase in attendance," said Berg Jones, the market's manager. "People are enjoying the fresh air and the opportunity to support local farmers.

"We are also planning a big celebration in October to mark the anniversary and the accomplishments of the market over the past 10 years," said Jones.

As part of the celebration, a produce auction will be held to benefit the Panola Band Boosters. The auction will feature a wide variety of produce, including local honey and eggs.

"It's a great opportunity to support local farmers and have some fun," said Jones.
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**OBITUARIES**

**Family Tree Colburn**

Pamela Ann Colburn, 86, of United was born on July 22, 1935. He was the son of Wilbert and Lettie Colburn. He passed away on July 1, 2022, and he was a member of the family. The funeral service was held on July 7, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of United. Interment followed in the United Cemetery.

**Family Tree Jackson**

John Henry Jackson, 85, of United was born on September 4, 1936. He was the son of John and Mary Jackson. He passed away on June 28, 2022, and he was a member of the family. The funeral service was held on July 2, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of United. Interment followed in the United Cemetery.

**Family Tree Miller**

Lillian May Miller, 87, of United was born on April 25, 1935. She was the daughter of John and Mary Miller. She passed away on June 29, 2022, and she was a member of the family. The funeral service was held on July 3, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of United. Interment followed in the United Cemetery.

**Family Tree Smith**

James Earl Smith, 88, of United was born on February 25, 1934. He was the son of John and Mary Smith. He passed away on June 30, 2022, and he was a member of the family. The funeral service was held on July 4, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of United. Interment followed in the United Cemetery.

**Family Tree Brown**

Barbara Jean Brown, 89, of United was born on August 1, 1933. She was the daughter of John and Mary Brown. She passed away on July 1, 2022, and she was a member of the family. The funeral service was held on July 5, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of United. Interment followed in the United Cemetery.

**Family Tree Edwards**

Charles Edward Edwards, 90, of United was born on April 26, 1932. He was the son of John and Mary Edwards. He passed away on July 2, 2022, and he was a member of the family. The funeral service was held on July 6, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of United. Interment followed in the United Cemetery.

**Family Tree Smith**

Robert Lee Smith, 87, of United was born on October 25, 1934. He was the son of John and Mary Smith. He passed away on July 3, 2022, and he was a member of the family. The funeral service was held on July 7, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of United. Interment followed in the United Cemetery.

**Family Tree Brown**

Lucille Ann Brown, 90, of United was born on December 25, 1931. She was the daughter of John and Mary Brown. She passed away on July 4, 2022, and she was a member of the family. The funeral service was held on July 8, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church of United. Interment followed in the United Cemetery.
Pollock named to Edison College Dean's list

Pollock is the daughter of James and Jean Pollock of Edison, and the granddaughter of Dr. J. D. Pollock of Edison. She is a graduate of Louisiana State University and has been a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in education at Louisiana State University.

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Win four of six in district tourney

Panola College Kid's College begins in July

Bagley's relief effort holds off Henderson, 9-8

The waiting is over.
Local Beckville student named to national honor roll

The United States Achievement Academy recognized Beckville High School senior Zachary Williams for academic achievement at a recent ceremony. Williams was named to the National Honor Roll Award for his outstanding academic performance.

Williams is a senior at Beckville High School and is a member of the school's track and field team. He also volunteers at the local food bank and has been involved in several community service projects.

The United States Achievement Academy selects students based on their academic achievements and community involvement. Congratulations to Zachary Williams on this well-deserved recognition.

Homecoming Court announced

The Homecoming Court for the upcoming Beckville High School homecoming has been announced. The court members include:

- Queen: Sarah Thompson
- Princess: Emily Johnson
- Prince: William Smith
- Prince: Thomas Brown

The homecoming court is an essential part of the school's celebration and tradition. Congratulations to all the court members!
WE'RE PROUD TO BE AMERICANS!

Each year on July fourth, we observe the holiday commemorating the adoption of our country's Declaration of Independence. This usually is a time to gather friends and relatives to celebrate how much God has blessed our country. Picnics, parades, and parties are usually in order on this day, and everyone should display their American flag to show their patriotism. We as a young country, are not without our problems, though. It seems that we all have been affected by the evils of crime, drugs, poverty, and the breakdown of the family. However, if we practice and abide by the motto of "In God We Trust", our continued independence should be assured. And, although we want to be independent and free from tyranny, our dependence on God should never be taken for granted or forgotten.