

New Location



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Murray County Farm Bureau recently held a ribbon cutting/grand opening to celebrate its new location at 1162 G.I. Maddox Parkway in Chatsworth. From left are Dinah Rowe, Chatsworth-Eton-Murray County Chamber of Commerce president and CEO; Donna Hogan, office manager; Brian Holcomb, board member; Wayne Martin, county president; Janeece Springfield, administrative professional; Archie Young, board member; Neil Keener, county vice president; Melissa Petty, county board member; Steve Loughridge, board member; Dolley Flood, city of Chatsworth, chamber delegate; Lewis Dykes, board member; Sandy Hammett, First National Community Bank, chamber delegate; Lamar Nolan, agency manager; John Relaford, United Way, chamber delegate; Peg Adams, chamber delegate co-chair; Robbie Cooper, State Farm Insurance; Tony Patterson, agent; Donna Flood, Murray County clerk of Superior Court, chamber delegate; Joan Dooley, Senior Center director, Eton City Council, chamber immediate past chair; Dan Logan, Georgia Farm Bureau; Janice Ridley, Carmeuse Lime & Stone, chamber delegate co-chair; and Pam Bishop.

‘PEOPLE WHO GIVE BACK’



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“A great community is comprised of people who give back,” Bob Shaw said to a group of more than 50 Engineered Floors leaders as he kicked off his company’s annual United Way campaign. Engineered Floors has grown since its inception in 2010 to nearly 3,000 employees with the recent addition of J+J Industries. Having a long United Way history, Shaw was the community United Way campaign chairman in 1967, raising \$117,340, and again in 1968, raising \$121,800. He is still a leader in the success of United Way today, with last year’s campaign raising more than \$3.8 million. From left are Daniel Hopkins, a local Rock Bridge Community Church worship leader whose life changed at Carter Hope Center, a United Way-funded recovery shelter; Bob Shaw, CEO of Engineered Floors; Amanda Burt, president of the United Way of Northwest Georgia; and Joe Young, of Engineered Floors, and his dog Maggie.

Brown earns top fundraising designation

SUBMITTED BY THE BRIGHT SCHOOL

Kimberly A. Brown, director of advancement at The Bright School in Chattanooga and a Rocky Face resident, recently earned the Certified Fund Raising Executive designation from Certified Fund Raising Executive International.



Brown

Only 5,600 fundraisers around the world hold the CFRE designation, which signifies the meeting of standards set by CFRE International, including tenure in the profession, education and demonstrated fundraising achievement for not-for-profit organizations. Brown was the only fundraiser in Tennessee to earn the designation in June.

Brown joined The Bright School staff in 2001 and oversees the school’s advancement efforts, Wellness Council and Parents’ Association. This past year, the school achieved a fundraising milestone in which 100 percent of all parents, faculty and staff and the Board of Trustees gave to the school’s annual fund, the Bright Fund. Less than one half of 1 percent of all independent schools in the world achieve this participation level.

The Bright School, founded in 1913 by educator Mary G. Bright, enrolls 300 students in junior pre-kindergarten through fifth grade.

TOP MOVIES

Based on weekend ticket sales for July 29-31:

1. “Jason Bourne”
2. “Star Trek Beyond”
3. “The Secret Life of Pets”
4. “Bad Moms”
5. “Ice Age: Collision Course”
6. “Lights Out”
7. “Ghostbusters (2016)”
8. “Nerve”
9. “Finding Dory”
10. “The Legend of Tarzan”

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PET OF THE WEEK



Meet Snoopy

SUBMITTED BY THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF NORTHWEST GEORGIA

Snoopy is a beagle mix about seven months old. He is very friendly and playful. He will probably be a medium-size dog when full grown. He does very well with other dogs and loves his play groups.

You can go to hsnwga.org to apply for Snoopy.

The next Humane Society of Northwest Georgia meeting will be Monday, Aug. 15, at 6 p.m. at the Mack Gaston Community Center, Multipurpose Room, Room B. The public is invited.

Adoption Day is every Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. at the shelter and from

12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Petco on Shugart Road. You can purchase spay/neuter certificates every Saturday at the shelter from noon to 4 p.m. All the local veterinarians honor them.

If you need help getting your pet spayed or neutered, call (706) 226-5002 and leave a message.

Bark in the Park will be Sept. 24 at “The Spot,” the greenspace, at Hamilton and Crawford from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

You can follow the Humane Society on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. The Humane Society is an all-volunteer organization funded only by the generosity of donations. Donations can be sent to HSNWGA, P.O. Box 3946, Dalton, GA 30719.



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Leticia Casas was awarded a First National Community Bank scholarship for \$500. From left are Tara Robinette, Murray County High School senior class counselor; Sandy Hammett, bank human resources officer; Casas; and Ralph Smith, bank senior vice president.

Murray County graduate awarded \$500 scholarship

SUBMITTED BY FIRST NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANK

Leticia Casas, a 2016 Murray County High School graduate, was awarded a First National Community Bank scholarship for \$500, according to Laurice Tatum, bank president and CEO.

Casas plans to enroll at the University of North Georgia and hopes to major in psychology. She will also maintain dual enrollment with classes at Dalton State College. She has been active in both

academic and athletic pursuits while a student at Murray County High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society, Jr. Beta Club and girls soccer.

She is the daughter of Herlinda Aguilar.

“Each year, we are impressed with the quality and quantity of outstanding students,” Tatum said. “Leticia certainly meets that criteria and I am confident that she will excel in college and lead a life that will be substantive in whatever community she chooses.”

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hamilton Medical Center announces the following births:

- Jaxson Dewayne, son of Amy Hamrick and Daniel Watkins of Dalton, July 22.
- Jordan Rivers, son of Amanda and Shawn Watson of Dalton, July 22.
- Anthony Giovanni, son of Sara Cadena and Giovanni Santamaria of Dalton, July 26.
- Annabelle Grace, daughter of Stephanie and Jason Hunter of Dalton, July 26.
- Kota Leo, son of Leslie O'Dell and Jacob Defore of Chatsworth, July 26.
- Aahir Hirenkumar, son of Kaminiiben and Hirenkumar Patel of

- Dalton, July 26.
- Blakely Nichole, daughter of Kayla Rampley and James Moreland of Dalton, July 26.
- Anastasia Grayce, daughter of Gabrielle Jonathan Rodriguez of Dalton, July 26.
- Thomas Jaxten, son of Haley Rogers of Dalton, July 26.
- Joyce Analeigh, daughter of Brenda Atkins and Moises Rodriguez of Dalton, July 27.
- Adaline Grace, daughter of Andrea Eddy and Aaron Russell of Dalton, July 27.
- Bralyn Serenity, daughter of Heather and Bryan Middleton of Dalton, July 27.
- Weston Luke, son of

- Mikayla Parker and C.J. Patterson of Dalton, July 27.
- Trip Stryder, son of Jordan Ralston and Eric Seay of Tunnel Hill, July 27.
- Chloe Madison, daughter of Griselda Torres and Anival Santos of Dalton, July 27.
- Arthur Joe Heith, son of Jessica Anderson and Ovidio Macario of Cohutta, July 28.
- Mia Paisley, daughter of Isabella Byrd and Jeremy Dahling of Ellijay, July 28.
- Sadie Katherine, daughter of Abigail and Jarred Harrison of Calhoun, July 29.
- Kaelynn Danielle, daughter of Cindel and

- Christopher Rhoden of Chatsworth, July 29.
- Luke Yao-Ming, son of Sarah and David Wong of Dalton, July 29.
- Jayden, son of Selene Garcia and Gadyel Vasquez of Ellijay, July 30.
- Ganner Jones, son of Loni and Tyler Watkins of Dalton, July 30.
- Abel Christopher, son of Tara and James Adkins of Rocky Face, July 31.
- Ally Galilea, daughter of Biyaneiy Mexicanos and Alvaro Hercules of Dalton, July 31.
- Ciara Faith, daughter of Tiffany and Rodney Eaton of Dalton, Aug. 1.
- Scarlett Grace, daughter of Nancy and Eric Ruppert of Rocky Face, Aug. 1.

History: Entrepreneurship in action

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Shaheen Shaheen was a living legend. He was one of history’s destined shapers. He was one of the visionary individuals who wasn’t content to let the sands of time filter through their fingers. Shaheen grasped tightly his assigned medium of yarn, jute, latex, trucking lines and a community of bright, hard-working families yearning for economic opportunity. Then he shaped that sand into something grand that only he had seen.

Entrepreneurship can be under-

stood by watching it in action. We can encourage startup ventures and young leaders when we recognize the “internal combustion” that Eric T. Wagner delineated in Forbes. We can also recognize that God calls and uses individual leaders in destinies of business and progress. Shaheen Shaheen was a world class entrepreneur who developed a global industry from a remote town in Southern Appalachia. He was a man called to be history in a human form.

As we observe the economic challenges of our region in the sum-

mer of 2016 I want to invite you to look around and to look within. Alice Lloyd, when speaking about the challenges in Eastern Kentucky, said, “The leaders are here.” My work inclines me to agree. Look around and within.

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DALTON GEM & MINERAL JEWELRY SHOW

Bead, Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show

NW Georgia Trade & Convention Center
2211 Dug Gap Battle Road
Dalton, GA

Friday, August 12th 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday, August 13th 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sunday, August 14th 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Adults \$4 Tickets good all 3 days!
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