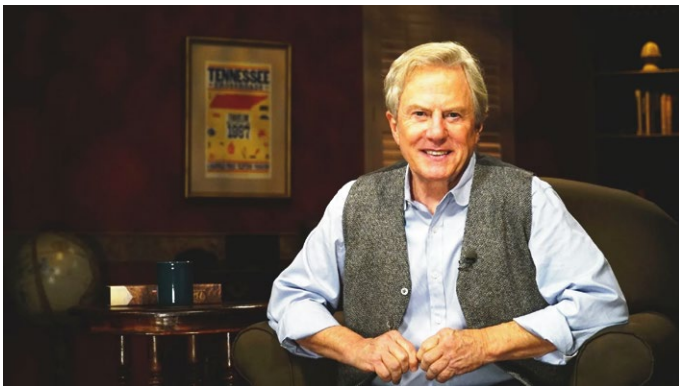


Tennessee's Backroads Heritage



Remembering Joe Elmore, Host of Tennessee Crossroads



The great storyteller, Tennessee traveler and host of Tennessee Crossroads, Joe Elmore, passed away on Monday, June 17, 2024 from a lengthy illness.

Not only did Joe serve as the host of Tennessee Crossroads, he was always involved in speaking or being involved in community events. Tennessee's Backroads Heritage was so very fortunate to have Joe as the featured speaker at three spring/fall dinners over the course of 17 years. Joe last spoke to the group on May 31, 2018. "This is a tremendous loss to the tourism industry. Joe brought such feel-good stories and always featured Tennesseans who had special businesses and talents. This has been a tough loss personally. I feel very blessed to have known Joe and call him a dear friend," said Dianne Murray, Executive Director of Tennessee's Backroads Heritage.

Elmore served as the Tennessee Crossroads host since its inception in 1987. Tennessee Crossroads airs on public stations across Tennessee and the Southeast and remains one of the highest-rated shows in the PBS system. Tennessee Crossroads brought exposure to "small town businesses" which resulted in a tremendous economic

Each week, Joe so humbly came into our living rooms on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings to share incredible stories and visits about those "out of the way places" that only a person like Joe could do. His authentic manner and downhome feel just made us look forward to "special" features each week. Just as a side note, Joe generally handled all of the "BBQ" features as that was one of his favorite foods. Even though Joe had a great team along side of him, he often would take the "edgy" features such as trying to hang glide, explore farm equipment, rafting the Ocoee and lots of other somewhat dangerous experiences. There is one thing for certain, Joe was always up for the challenge.

~ 2018 FLASHBACK ~

Tennessee's Backroads Heritage Spring Dinner

Thursday, May 31, 2018

Bell Buckle Banquet Hall
Bell Buckle, TN

Joe Elmore has been the host of this Emmy-award winning series since its beginning. As the face of Tennessee Crossroads, Joe has been taking viewers to meet interesting people and explore fascinating out-of-the-way places since 1987. Joe is also a producer and co-host of Horsepower TV on Spike TV.

Joe launched his TV career at WHBQ TV in Memphis, TN, where he served as weekend anchor and reporter. Later, he was chosen to co-host the station's PM Magazine show, where he produced nationally-broadcast stories. He has also done extensive work as an independent film and video producer for clients throughout the Southeast.

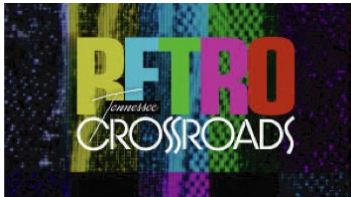
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impact locally and the state of Tennessee. This show provided an avenue for businesses and very talented individuals to have exposure to millions of viewers. What an impact!!



2018 Tennessee's Backroads Heritage Spring Dinner – Board Members L to R – Blossom Merryman, Joe Elmore, Speaker (Host of Tennessee Crossroads), Kay Howard, Mark Schempp, Dianne Murray, Executive Director, Walt Chism, Barbara Blanton, President, and Marjorie Collier

In 2022, Retro Tennessee Crossroads was born as a show taking us all back in a 37-year period with host Joe Elmore along with Becky Magura, NPT's President and CEO. This nostalgia-filled series was designed to share some of Tennessee Crossroads most memorable segments. "I loved hosting Retro Tennessee Crossroads with Joe," said Becky Magura. "Joe was truly amazing and his gift of time and talent to our team, our viewers and the state of Tennessee is unsurpassed. We won't be able to replace him, but we will continue his legacy through Tennessee Crossroads."



In a fitting tribute to Elmore's legacy, NPT is set to air a special Tennessee Crossroads episode honoring him on Thursday, July 25, at 7 p.m., assuring fans and patrons that his spirit will live on within the heartbeats of the roads he so cherished, and the paths less ventured he so adored taking us, the viewers, along for the ride.

Joe was 80 years old and survived by two sons and a daughter.



Super Pull of the South

July 19-20, 2024



Lions Motorsports Park
30 Horton Highway
Chapel Hill, TN 37034



July 14-21, 2024

Visit the website to see a full schedule of activities and entertainment for the fair.

Bedford County Agriculture and Education Center
2119 Midland Rd
Shelbyville, TN 37160
Bedfordcountytfnfair.org
931-684-0760

Happening in Cowan

History Lecture and Picnic at The Franklin House in Cowan

**Monday,
July 15, 2024**

5 p.m.



The Franklin House in Cowan
A Famous Railroad Hotel Built in 1885

"Music and Hospitality" will be the theme of this year's annual picnic for Franklin County Historical Society as the guest speaker reveals the fascinating connection between Mary Sharp College in Winchester and The Franklin House in Cowan. All are invited to attend the Monday evening, July 15, 2024, 5 p.m. at The Franklin House in Cowan for a potluck supper followed by a program and lecture.

Dr. Pam Dennis, Dean Emeritus of the Dover Library at Gardner-Webb University and adjunct music faculty member, is researching the life, career and family history of Charles Utermohlen (1842-1936), a German immigrant who instructed music at Mary Sharp College in Winchester and at the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly. The Franklin House is located at 108 Cumberland St. E in Cowan. Parking is available behind the facility as well as behind the Old Texaco Welcome Center. Admission is free, and all are encouraged to bring a covered-dish or picnic favorite to share and enjoy with others.

Beans Creek – Grape Jam Music Series

LIVE MUSIC at Beans Creek Winery!



The Grape Jam Music Series is a summer live music series and is a family friendly event! Most nights music starts at 7 pm. There will be a food truck or two available for you to purchase food. Bring your friends & family (pets too!), lawn chairs and a picnic if you like. If you would like to bring your furry friends, we do ask that you treat the property as you would your own, and pick up after them. No alcohol is allowed other than Beans Creek wine.

SUMMER 2024 SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 20 - Micheal Childress

Saturday, August 17 - Memory Train

Saturday, September 21 - Sound Dawgs

Saturday, October 12 - Anniversary Celebration with
Uncle Tom's Band

Beans Creek Winery

426 Ragsdale Rd
Manchester, TN 37355
931-723-2294

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Short Springs Trash Pick Up Day

July 7, 2024

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Meet at: “Machine Falls Loop Trail Head at Short Springs - Tullahoma”



Short Springs Natural Area

Free Event – Donations Appreciated

The park is very beautiful, but sometimes trash gets left behind. In order to protect the park and maintain the beauty, it is time for a major trash pickup. Join SIR Jeffrey on a walk to Machine Falls to help pick up any trash left behind.

This trail is roughly 1.6 miles long and does have some steep hills. Please bring sturdy shoes and water. Gloves and trash bags will be provided.

YOUR HOST, Jeffrey Pendergrast



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July

Month of July

Donut Saturdays – Every First and Third Saturday (Swiss Pantry) – Belvidere
Rumba Dance Instruction – Every Thursday Evening (Firefly Ballroom at The Franklin House) - Cowan
Live Music – Every Friday Night (BBQ Caboose – On the Square) – Lynchburg
Tea Time (Monday – Saturday Between the Tea Hours of 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. – Closed on Sunday – The Celtic Cup Coffee House) – Tullahoma

July 1

Farmers Market – Petersburg
Pontoon Tour (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester



July 2

Nature Trivia (Tims Ford State Park – 11 a.m.) – Winchester
Take a Step Back (Tims Ford State Park – 3 p.m.) – Winchester

July 2-4

Christmas in July (Bedford County Ag Center – 2119 Midland Road) – Shelbyville

July 4

Wilhoite Mill History Hike (Henry Horton State Park – 9 a.m.) – Chapel Hill
Decorate Our Wagon (Henry Horton State Park – 10 a.m.) – Chapel Hill
Decorate Your Bike (Henry Horton State Park – 11 a.m.) – Chapel Hill
Self-Guided Nature Scavenger Hunt (Henry Horton State Park – Noon) – Chapel Hill
Water Balloon Toss (Henry Horton State Park – 3 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Campfire Hotdogs (Henry Horton State Park – 5 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Freedom Parade (Henry Horton State Park – 6 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Cobbler and Ice Cream (Henry Horton State Park – 7 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Independence Day Celebration (Lewisburg Recreation Park) – Lewisburg
Fishing on the Fourth (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Fourth of July Canoe Float (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Guided Enclosure Holiday Hike (Old Stone Fort State Park) - Manchester
Music and Fireworks – Concert: Burning Las Vegas (Rotary Park) – Manchester
Hot Dog! It's Fourth of July (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
Pancake Breakfast with Rangers (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester



July 5

Friday Afternoon Kayak Float – Single Kayak (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Knots of Fun (Henry Horton State Park – 3 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Safety First! (Henry Horton State Park – 4 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Horton's Hayless Hayride (Henry Horton State Park – 6 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Nature's Fireworks (Henry Horton State Park – 7 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Ancient Tools Demonstration (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Naturalist Enclosure Hike (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Fireflies in the Night Sky (South Cumberland State Park) – Monteagle
Who, What, Where, Why? Animals All Around (South Cumberland State Park) - Monteagle
Money Tree Classic (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville
Morning Pontoon Tour (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
Sunset Pontoon Tour (Tims Ford State Park – 7:15 p.m.) – Winchester

July 6

River Trail Cleanup (Henry Horton State Park – 9 a.m.) – Chapel Hill
Saturday Morning Kayak Float – Single Kayak (Henry Horton State Park – 11 a.m.-Noon) – Chapel Hill
Saturday Morning Kayak Float – Tandem (Henry Horton State Park – 11 a.m.-1 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Birds of Prey (Henry Horton State Park – Noon) – Chapel Hill
Feeding Our Snakes (Henry Horton State Park – 1 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Is That Venomous? (Henry Horton State Park – 2 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Saturday Evening Kayak Float – Single Kayak (Henry Horton State Park – 3-5 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Insect Hunt (Henry Horton State Park – 4 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Horton's Hayless Hayride (Henry Horton State Park – 6 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Campfire Building (Henry Horton State Park – 7 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
First Saturday (Downtown) – Fayetteville
Atlatl Throwing (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Guided Enclosure Hike (Old Stone Fort State Park) - Manchester
Dino Days Craft Show (Coffee County Fair – Presented by Oliver's Wood & Fabric) – Manchester
Canoe Around the Lakes (South Cumberland State Park) – Monteagle
Canoe Trip to Travis Hollow Bridge (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
Sunrise Pontoon Tour (Tims Ford State Park – 4:45 a.m.) - Winchester



July 7

Frog Origami (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Meditative Hike (Henry Horton State Park – 9 a.m.) – Chapel Hill
Sunday Guided Kayak Float – Single Kayak (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Sunday Guided Kayak Float – Tandem (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Tour of the Duck River Exhibit (Henry Horton State Park – 3 p.m.) – Chapel Hill
Guided Enclosure Tour (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Short Springs Trash Pick Up Day (Meet at Machine Falls Loop Trail Head) – Manchester
Sunset Pontoon Tour (Tims Ford State Park – 7:15 p.m.) – Winchester

July 8

The Great Outdoor Camp (South Cumberland State Park) – Monteagle
DIY Fire Starters (Tims Ford State Park – 1 p.m.) – Winchester
Junior Ranger Camp Ages 6-8 (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester

July 9

Science Bingo (Tims Ford State Park – 10 a.m.) – Winchester



July 11

Century Farm Breakfast (Bedford County Farm Bureau) – Shelbyville

July 11-13

Shadow Valley Gospel Music Festival (54 Warden Road) – Fayetteville

July 12

Duck River Outdoor Expo 2024 (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Ancient Tools Demonstration (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Guided Enclosure Hike (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Early Morning Birding (South Cumberland State Park) - Monteagle

July 13

Three Forks Canoe Float (Savage Gulf State Park) – Beersheba Springs
Duck River Run 10K Duathlon (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
PWHAT Fun Show (James Ward Ag Center) – Lebanon
Guided Enclosure Tour (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Please Be Seeded (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Morning Meditation and Nature Journaling (South Cumberland State Park) - Monteagle
Farm Fun Day (Tennessee Agriculture Museum – Ellington Ag Center) – Nashville

July 14

Duck River Outdoor Expo – Bicycle Ride (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Creek Crawl (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Gorget Necklace Craft (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
Sunset Pontoon Tour (Tims Ford State Park – 7:15 p.m.) - Winchester



July 15-20

Bedford County Fair (Bedford County Ag Center – 2119 Midland Rd) – Shelbyville



July 17

Art in the Park – Clay Owls (Henry Horton State Park – 6 p.m.) – Chapel Hill

July 18

Thursday Evening Guided Kayak Float - Single Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Thursday Evening Guided Kayak Float – Tandem Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Music in the Park – “Men of Fayetteville” (Stonebridge Park) - Fayetteville
Heart of a Champion Horse Show (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville

July 18-20

“Beauty and the Beast” Children’s Theatre (Fly Arts Center) – Shelbyville

July 18-28

46th Annual International Pleasure & Colt Championship (TN Miller Coliseum) – Murfreesboro

July 19

Friday Afternoon Guided Kayak Float – Single Kayak (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill



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July 20

Grape Jam Music Series – “Michael Childress” (Beans Creek Winery) – Manchester
Three Forks Lake Canoe Float (Savage Gulf State Park) – Beersheba Springs
Science and Suds: Adult Science Camp (Hands-On Science Center) - Tullahoma
A Mid-Summer Night’s Swing – Ice Cream Social (South Jackson’s Patio Stage) – Tullahoma

July 21

Sunday Full Moon Kayak Float – Single Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Sunday Full Moon Kayak Float – Tandem Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Sunday Guided Kayak Float – Single Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Sunday Guided Kayak Float – Tandem Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill

July 25

Thursday Evening Guided Kayak Float – Single Kayak (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Thursday Evening Guided Kayak Float – Tandem Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Heart of a Champion Horse Show (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville

July 26

Friday Afternoon Guided Kayak Float – Single Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
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Friday Evening Guided Kayak Float – Tandem Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
48th Annual Marshall County Horseman’s Association Horse Show (Marshall County Expo Center) – Lewisburg

July 27-28

65th Annual Mountain Market Arts & Crafts Show (Hannah Pickett Park – 16 Dixie Lee Avenue) - Monteagle



July 28

Sunday Guided Kayak Float – Single Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
Sunday Guided Kayak Float – Tandem Float (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill

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August 3

First Saturday (Downtown) – Fayetteville
Wartrace Horse Show – Wartrace
T-Town Beatdown III- Combat Robots (Hands-On Science Center) - Tullahoma



August 4

Gospel Fest - Sponsored by the Fabulous 50's Foundation (909 Main Avenue South) - Fayetteville

August 5

Farmers Market – Petersburg

August 8

Pasta Premier (Fayetteville-Lincoln County Museum) – Fayetteville



A Bowl Full

August 9-11

South Jackson Goes Country (South Jackson Performing Arts Center) – Tullahoma

August 10

Battling Bots, Brats and Beer (Hands-On Science Center) – Tullahoma

August 15

Music in the Park – “Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church Men’s Choir and the Fabulous 50’s Singers” (Stonebridge Park) – Fayetteville

August 17

Grape Jam Music Series: “Memory Train” (Beans Creek Winery) - Manchester

August 21-31

86th Annual Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration (Celebration Grounds) – Shelbyville



Membership

Renewals

Fayetteville/Lincoln County Chamber of Commerce - Fayetteville

Stones River Car Club - Murfreesboro

August 24

Tims Ford Double Steak Showdown (Winchester City Park – 1561 Phillip Fulmer Pkwy) – Winchester

August 31

Concert: Mose Wilson (Kiwanis Stage – Downtown) - Winchester

*Tennessee's Backroads Heritage
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a Fun and Safe 4th of July*



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