

Tennessee's Backroads Heritage



March 2023

Phyllis Dix - An Original Board Member of Tennessee's Backroads Heritage



Phyllis Dix

October 2, 1937 – February 2, 2023

Mrs. Frances 'Phyllis' Edwards Dix, age 85, of Manchester, Tennessee, following months of care at home by her loving husband Richard, passed peacefully from this life on Thursday, February 2, 2023, at Alive Hospice in Murfreesboro, TN, after a lengthy battle with kidney disease. She was born October 2, 1937, in Dalton, Georgia. She was the daughter of the late Dorothy and Odell Edwards of Dalton. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Richard E. Dix; son, Steven (Gena) Dix; daughter, Denise Dix; grandchildren Rachel Dix Bishop (Chris) of Nashville, and Jared (Rebecca) Dix of Maryville, TN; and brother, Richard (Caroline) Edwards of Dalton, GA, along with a niece and nephews.

Phyllis attended the University of Alabama after graduation from Dalton High School. She worked at the Trust Company of Georgia in Atlanta for a time before marrying Richard Dix of Atlanta in 1959. They moved to Manchester in 1961 and made it their home. Phyllis was active on behalf of her children as a Cub Scout den mother, Brownie, Junior and Girl Scout leader and Service Unit Chair for the Girl Scouts and she served as a library aide at College Street Elementary. She was a longtime member of the Dig-n-Dream Garden Club serving in multip

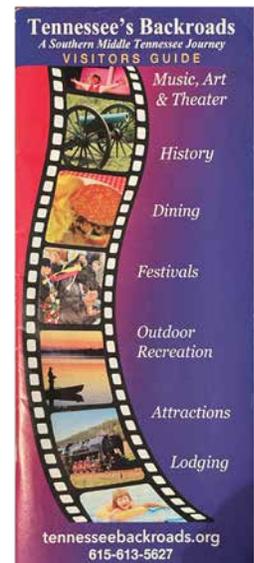
le offices. She also served on Manchester's Tourism Commission, promoting Manchester and served on the original board of Tennessee Backroads Heritage, a regional tourism association for Southern Middle Tennessee. Phyllis was involved with the Chamber of Commerce and was recognized with the Wayne Bramblett Service Award in 2001. She and husband Richard were honored as Grand Marshalls of the 1997 Old Timer's Day Parade. She served as a poll worker for the Coffee County Election Commission for over 40 years. Phyllis devoted much of her time to the Coffee County Craft Association which operates Foothills Crafts in Manchester serving in every possible capacity since 1982 and served as chair of the Christmas Arts and Crafts Festival for 29 years. Of course, she loved her church, serving First United Methodist Church in multiple ways through her Sunday School class, Methodist Women's Society, and many church committees.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to
First United Methodist Church of Manchester
105 N. Church Street
Manchester, TN 37355

NEWS & NOTES

Getting Ready for Spring and Summer

Please check your visitors guide inventory. If you are running low and need a supply of visitors guides, please email tnbackroads@bellsouth.net and we will be happy to get them to you. Let's all be optimistic that 2023 is going to be a banner year for tourism!



**March
General Membership
Luncheon**

Tuesday, March 7 | 11:45 a.m.

Guest Speaker:
Colonel Randel J. Gordon

Arnold Engineering Development Complex

 Sponsored by: 

A FUNDRAISER FOR
UNITED WAY
OF HIGHWAY 55

 **HIS** *Story*
TOLD BY *Her* (XVII)
A TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL JACKSON



All Covid recommendations (at that time) will be followed.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023 7:00 P.M.
SOUTH JACKSON CIVIC CENTER
ALL TICKETS \$15

DETAILS - 931-461-0034
TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Thank You 

Register for Coffee County Day on the Hill

Wednesday, March 8 | 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Connect with legislators and state leaders at our annual trip to the State Capitol. No cost to attend, but registration is required.

COFFEE COUNTY

**DAY
ON THE
HILL**





HARVEST PRESENTS
3RD ANNUAL
**SAINT
PATRICK'S
DAY**

5k fun run and celebration
HOSTED BY TRI STAR FITNESS

March 17 starting at 5:30 pm

No fee required. Donations
accepted for R.U.F.F.

FUN RUN • LIVE MUSIC • BEER

Harvest Local Foods - Downtown Manchester

Fun Things Happening in Cowan



Marketplace Consignment Pop Up Shop, Spring 2023

Monterey Station
104 Monterey St
Cowan, TN 37318
(931) 308-7324

MARCH 25: UNITED WAY FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE

March 25, 2023:
6:00 - 8:30 p.m.
(Photos begin at 4:00 p.m.)

Monterey Station in Cowan
104 Monterey St
Cowan, TN 37318
931-967-1560



Tickets - \$40 per person. Purchase at Citizens Bank in Winchester. Tickets are now on sale. A maximum of 400 tickets will be sold.

Proceeds benefit United Way of Franklin County.

For more information:
Cowan Commercial Club
931-308-8954

Happening at the Tullahoma Fine Arts Center Take A Class



There are many wonderful art classes taking place at the Tullahoma Fine Arts Center. Taking an art class is a way to free your mind of daily stresses and engage in creating works of art. Below is a list of classes and instructors.

The Tullahoma Fine Arts Center features a variety of arts education programs from skilled and talented instructors. The programs include but are not limited to:

Acrylic, Oil, Watercolor Painting, Textiles and Youth programs.

Meet the Instructors

Oil Painting – Nancy Berken
Acrylic Painting – Shelley Kosiorek
Youth Programs and Abstracts – Joy Snead
Pencil, Charcoal, Pastels, Watercolor – Avery Wert
Pottery – Ann Hatchett
Illustration – Clayton McCrary
Resin Design – Laurie Seymour

To register for a class contact the TFAC at 931-455-1234

Tullahoma Fine Arts Center
401 South Jackson St
Tullahoma, TN 37388
931-455-1234

Hands-On Science Center – Upcoming Events



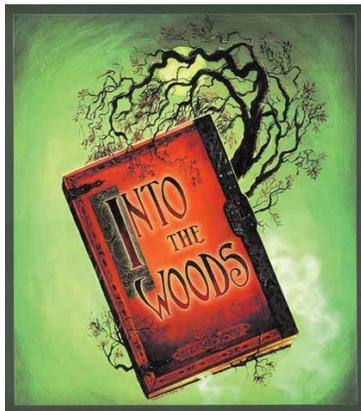
Hands-On Science Center
 101 Mitchell Blvd
 Tullahoma, TN 37388
 931-455-8387

South Jackson Civic Center Upcoming Events

Into the Woods

March 24, 25, 26, 31 &
 April 1-2, 2023

Join South Jackson as we bring this classic musical to life and pay tribute to the brilliance of Sondheim. Follow your favorite fairytale characters as they enter the woods again and again to discover more about life and the difference a wish can make.



South Jackson Civic Center
 404 South Jackson St
 Tullahoma, TN 37388
 931-455-5321

Upcoming Events Set for the Fly Arts Center in Shelbyville



March 17 and 18, March 24 and 25
 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

March 26 – 2 p.m.

Fly Community Theatre presents the Tony Award winning play, Biloxi Blues. Written by Neil Simon, Biloxi Blues centers on the experiences of a young army recruit, Eugene Morris Jerome, during World War II. At basic training in Biloxi, Mississippi, Eugene is determined to use his Army experiences to help his writing career and keeps

detailed memoirs about his experiences.

Tickets available 2 weeks before opening night at flyartscenter.com.



Fly Arts Center
204 South Main Street
Shelbyville, TN 37160
931-684-8359

Happening at the Clement Museum

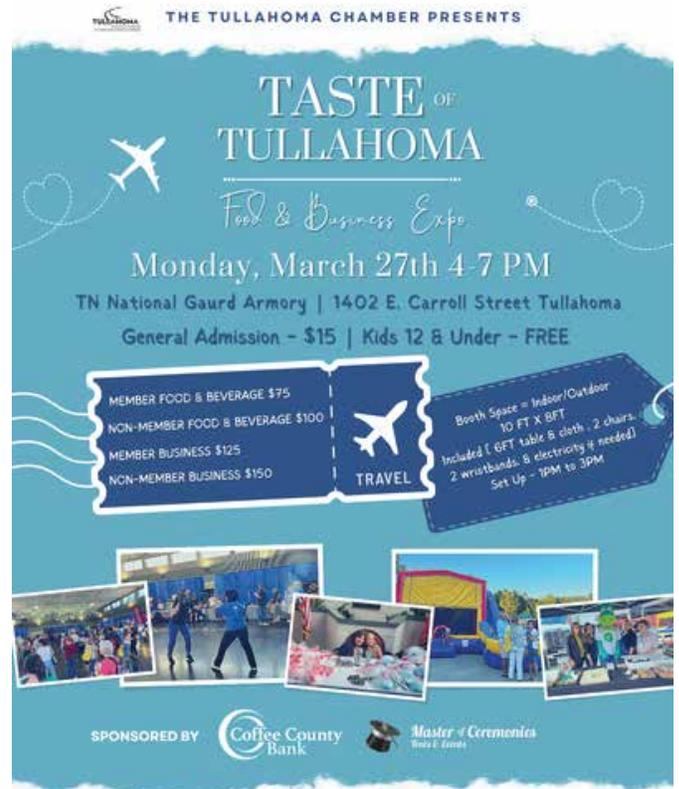
Women's History Tea Room - Women in Entertainment
March 18, 2023 - 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Back for another year, the Clement Museum's Women's History Tea Room Series highlights and celebrates the impactful stories of women from U.S. History in a unique and fun setting.

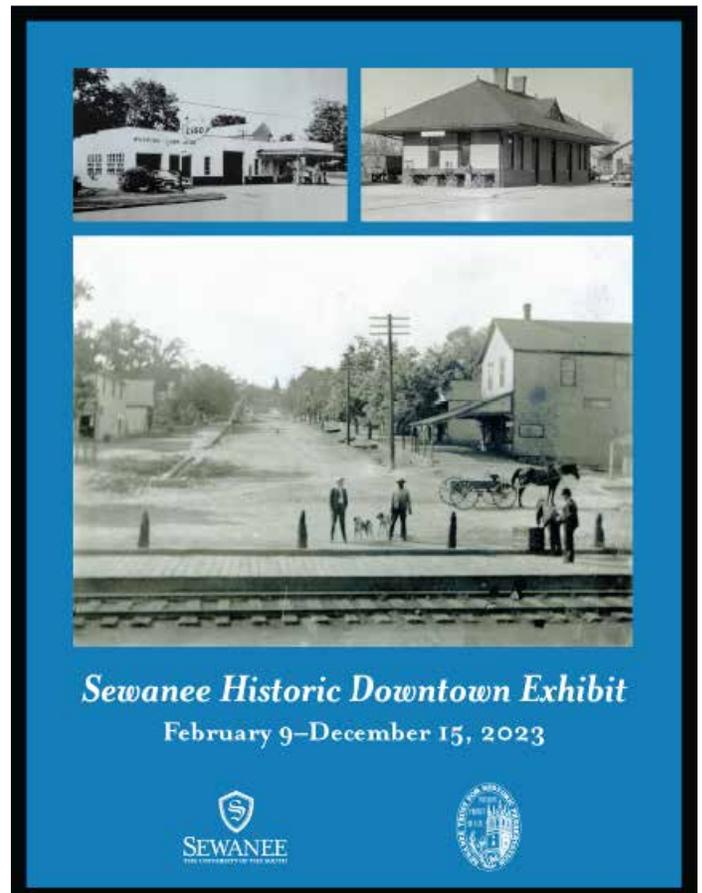
The first installment of this year's series will focus on women in entertainment. From the early days of classical education to the modern industry, women have consistently played an intricate role in how Americans see themselves reflected in music, writing, television, movies, and art. The Museum's own Jasmin Brand will detail how the role women played in the entertainment industry evolved and developed over the centuries and where our society still has room to improve all while enjoyed period appropriate food and a great cup of tea.

This is a ticketed event - tickets are \$25/per person OR \$100 for a table of 5. To reserve a spot, please contact the Museum at 615-446-0500 or follow the eventbrite link on all of our social media.

Clement Museum
100 Frank Clement Place
Dickson, TN 37055
615-446-0500



Historic Sewanee Downtown Exhibit



An exhibit on “Historic Sewanee Downtown, 150 Years” has opened in the William R. Laurie University Archives and Special Collections building (81 Alabama Avenue – The University of the South) in Sewanee. In addition to an overview of the development of Sewanee’s downtown, histories of some noted businesses are part of the exhibit. The exhibit will run from through December 15 in the Museum Gallery of the Archives building. Viewing hours are 1–5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by appointment. Support from the University of the South and the Sewanee Trust for Historic Preservation made the research for and presentation of this exhibit possible.

MARCH

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March

Month of March

Donut Saturdays – Every First and Third Saturday (Swiss Pantry) - Belvidere
 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

March 1

Raptors Rule at 12:30 PM (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester

March 2-5

Fabulous 50s Show (Lincoln County Academy) – Fayetteville

March 3

Tennessee Arbor Day – Statewide



March 4

Weed Wrangle Event (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
 Spring Around the Corner Vendor and Craft Marketplace (Cornersville High School Old Gymnasium – 323 S Main St) – Cornersville
 Miss Tennessee Springtime Pageant (Lewisburg Recreation Center – 1551 Mooresville Hwy) - Lewisburg
 STAR Spectacular Team Roping Rodeo (Tory Creek Ag Center – 3192 Yell Road) - Lewisburg
 Demolition Derby (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville

March 4-25

Members Art Exhibit (Tullahoma Fine Arts Center) – Tullahoma



March 7

Chamber Membership Luncheon (Manchester/Coffee County Conference Center) – Manchester
 Savage Gulf – Day Loop Hike (South Cumberland State Park) – Monteagle

March 8

Wee Naturalist Club – Storytime and Craft at 10:30 AM (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester
 Homeschool Naturalist Club at 12:30 PM (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester
 Afterschool Naturalist Club! At 3:30 PM (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester

March 9-11

Fabulous 50s Show (Lincoln County Academy) – Fayetteville



March 10

Savage Gulf – Night Hike to Three Forks (South Cumberland State Park) - Monteagle

March 11

Elk Valley Crafters Spring Craft Show (Lincoln County High School) – Fayetteville
 Collins Gulf Loop Hike (South Cumberland State Park) - Monteagle
 HIS Story Told by Her – A Tribute to Michael Jackson (South Jackson Civic Center) – Tullahoma
 Rappelling Adventures (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester
 The Bellamy Brothers with Lauren Lucas (Franklin County High School) – Winchester



March 13

Spring Science Extravaganza Camp (Hands-On Science Center) – Tullahoma

March 14

Learn About TN’s Fliers: Bats, Bugs and Birds at 12:30 and 2:30 PM (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester

March 15

Savage Gulf: Greeter Falls Nature and Waterfall Hike (South Cumberland State Park) – Monteagle
 Misunderstood Animals at 11 AM, 1 PM and 3 PM (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester
 Storytime and Craft at 10:30 AM (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester

March 15-18

Walking Horse Trainer’s Association National Horse Show (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville



March 17

3rd Annual St. Patrick’s Day (Presented by Harvest Local Foods – Sponsored by Tri Star Fitness – Held at Harvest Local Foods-Downtown) – Manchester
 St. Paddy’s Day at the Burg (Entertainment by The Wentzel Brothers) – Lewisburg
 Sherwood Sunrise (South Cumberland State Park) - Monteagle
 St. Patrick’s Day Celebration (South Jackson Civic Center) – Tullahoma

March 17-18

“Biloxi Blues” (Fly Arts Center) – Shelbyville

March 18

Arbor Day Ceremony (On the Quilt Square) – Bell Buckle
 Bell Buckle Daffodil Day and Best of the Butts BBQ Cook-Off – Bell Buckle
 Signature Spring Hike (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
 Women's History Tea Room – Women in Entertainment (Clement Museum) - Dickson
 St. Patrick's Day at The Farm (Flat Rock Farms – 1190 West Ellington Pkwy) – Lewisburg
 Spring Wildflower Hike (Old Stone Fort State Park) – Manchester
 Savage Gulf – Spring Hike to Horsepound Falls (South Cumberland State Park) - Monteagle
 World Recycle Day (Hands-On Science Center) – Tullahoma
 Food Truck Frenzy at The Ford at 11 AM – All Day (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
 History of Franklin County & Park at 10 AM (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
 Learn About Birds Native to Tennessee at 11 AM (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
 Backyard Birds at 3 PM (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
 Scavenger Hunt at 11:30 AM (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester
 Scavenger Hunt at 2 PM (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester
 Spring Hike (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
 The Great Migration Challenge at Noon (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester



So Bright!

March 22

After School Naturalist Club: at 12:30 and 3:30 PM (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester
 Wee Naturalist Club: Storytime and Craft at 10 AM (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester

March 24-26

Savage Gulf: Night Hiking at Stone Door (South Cumberland State Park) - Monteagle
 "Biloxi Blues" (Fly Arts Center) – Shelbyville
 "Into the Woods" (South Jackson Civic Center) – Tullahoma

March 25

Shelbyville Monster Truck Wars (Calsonic Arena) – Shelbyville



March 27

Tullahoma Food & Business Expo (National Guard Armory – East Carroll Street) – Tullahoma

March 29

Fayetteville/Lincoln County Hamburger Day on the Hill (Cordell Hull Building – 11 a.m.) – Nashville

March 31

Concert – Rhonda Vincent & Williamson Branch (Manchester/Coffee County Conference Center) – Manchester
 "Into the Woods" (South Jackson Civic Center) - Tullahoma



Rhonda Vincent

APRIL

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April 1

Duck River Day Spring Festival (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill
 Potato Festival - Decherd
 Oak Barrel Half Marathon – Lynchburg
 Cowboy Mounted Shooting Association (Cooper Steel Arena) - Shelbyville

April 1-29

Spring Art Show (Tullahoma High School) – Tullahoma



April 3

Don't Be Fooled (Lincoln County Fairgrounds) – Fayetteville

April 4

Membership Luncheon (Manchester Conference Center) – Manchester

April 8

Night of Hope Ball (Sacred Stone Event Center) – Fayetteville
 19th Annual Shelbyville Regional Postcard and Paper Memorabilia Show (Fly Arts Center) – Shelbyville
 Hey Teens! Free Easter Egg Toss Competition (Hands-On Science Center) - Tullahoma
 HOSC Easter Celebration (Hands-On Science Center) - Tullahoma

April 14

FAST Spring Showcase (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville

April 15

Slawburger Festival (Downtown) – Fayetteville



April 17

Southern Saddlebred Spring Fling (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville

April 22

Women's History Tea Room – Women in Defense (Clement Museum) – Dickson

April 25

Racking Horse Spring Celebration (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville

April 29

Spring in the Hollow - Lynchburg

Membership

Renewals

Big Creek Winery Tasting Room – Wartrace
Camp Forrest Foundation - Tullahoma
Chapel Hill Lions Club “Super Pull of the South” –
Chapel Hill
Falls Mill – Belvidere
Lakeside Hideaway – Manchester
Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce – Manchester
Montana Drive-In Theatre – Estill Springs
Oldham Theatre – Winchester
Sons of Confederate Veterans Headquarters – Columbia
Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration –
Shelbyville
The Celtic Cup Coffee House - Tullahoma

LET'S CELEBRATION ST. PATRICK'S DAY

MARCH 17, 2023



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& the Monteagle Mountain Area & Businesses of Our Neighbor Members