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In the award-winning colored pencil drawing, "Passing the Baton," by GCHS senior Dylan Russell, one track and field athlete, representing Russell, passes a baton forward to another, meant to be his brother Carter. With his recreation of a real image, Russell attempts to convey both physical and emotional aspects of the heart, according to his artist's statement.

GCHS senior wins art show, sets state indoor track record in 24 hours

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Starting in the evening Tuesday, March 3, Great Crossing High School (GCHS) senior Dylan Russell began a streak of accomplishments. He was named the first-place winner at Centerpoint Health Georgetown (CHG)'s annual "heART SHOW" art competition, and less than 24 hours later helped set a state record for the indoor 4x400m relay track and field event.

Russell is still taking it all in, he said. "It was really exciting," Russell said. "It was all connected, because I got

to draw something that I was passionate about, and then immediately turn around and run in such a meaningful race."

Russell was among three local high school art students recognized for their work Tuesday at CHG's fourth annual art show. Students were given about a month to create their entries using the prompt "Stronger Together: The Heart that Connects Us," in observance of American Heart Month in February, according to CHG.

Inspired by a real photo of him and his brother, Carter Russell, running a

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Art show judge Billie Travis (left) and husband John Travis (right) observing a mixed media art submission by Great Crossing High School junior Molly Morse. Billie serves on the Centerpoint Health Board, and John is a former art teacher in Scott County Schools.

Businesses pop up, expand across town

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Multiple new businesses are underway throughout Georgetown, many with rapid visible progress; others are taking steps to expand their current operations. Below are a few projects that are breaking ground and moving up, as well as updates on other developments.

NEW BUILDS

Jimmy John's sandwich chain will soon have a second Georgetown location, this one to be located at 121 Southgate Drive between Ken Towery's Tire and Auto Care and Central Kentucky Veterinary Center, according to planning documents. Site clearing has already begun, though no target completion date has been announced.

Baskin-Robbins Ice Cream will "cohabitate" under the same roof as Jimmy John's in

the Southgate property; both are owned by Inspire Brands. The chain is known for its "31 flavors" slogan.

Two additional suites are shown in the development plan containing Baskin-Robbins and Jimmy John's, meaning other businesses may eventually join the combined food chains.

Huck's Market gas station and convenience store is coming to Lemons Mill Road directly off the bypass, opposite an existing Shell gas station. Planning documents indicate 12 fuel pumps and two diesel pumps on the property. Huck's locations are known for hot food options like Cluck's Chicken and Godfather's Pizza Express. The development is the first in a larger project, "The Village at Lemons Mill."

Goodwill is opening a thrift store at 100 Ashton Grove Path, less than one mile

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Community support needed to get Choctaw Academy recognized

By James Scogin

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Dr. Chip Richardson has been working 14 years to get Choctaw Academy the recognition he feels it deserves. Now he is hopeful for a legislative resolution recognizing the academy and alumni, he said.

The timing is "critical" due to the Choctaw Academy's condition.

through education."

"This is one of the oldest pre-removal Native American artifacts demonstrating the Indigenous people's desire to advance," Richardson said about Choctaw Academy. "It is the one place in Antebellum America where all of the stressors of the fledgling United States were colliding. The academy represented hope and empowerment

through education."

Academy alumni went on to successful careers, he said.

"The Academy's alumni went on to become doctors, lawyers, chiefs, educators," Richardson said. "They were being accepted as early as 1833 to Transylvania University. Native tribes benefited from their skills in future negotiations with US leaders, and they ultimately learned how to



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bring education back to their people."

At age 16, an orphan, Joel Barrow, or Arcmugue, of the Potawatomi tribe, arrived at Choctaw Academy, he said.

"Joel came to Kentucky in the middle of the Potawatomi period of removal, an amazingly stressful time," Richardson said. "Out of this tragedy, he became one of the Academy's most

gifted students. The discovery of his accomplishment merely took asking the question and finding source documents to prove his journey."

Richardson is hopeful Barrow and Choctaw Academy will get the recognition they deserve, he said.

"The next step is getting Dr. Barrow the rec-

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Coming up:

Welcome to Yiddishland (film screening)
Sunday • 2 PM @ SCPL

Area deaths

Carolyn Sue Bailey, 82
Iva June Johnson Garrison, 78
Robert Steven "Bob" Kozachik, 62

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