

Piarist School students win at CEDAR

Submitted photo
Piarist School students Shawna Jude, Jason Angel and Isaiah Williams won first place in the science category and second place overall in this year's CEDAR Coal Fair for their project "Bituminous Coal and Zebra Mussels." Students are currently examining the effect that bituminous coal may have on the attachment phase of the invasive zebra mussel. The study site is located at Jenny Wiley Lake and plans are to gather data throughout the 2026-2027 school year, said Hans Doderer, a science teacher at The Piarist School.



Paintsville council approves seeking bids for city projects, equipment

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The Paintsville City Council approved requests to seek bids for several city purchases and projects

during a special meeting May 22 at City Hall.

Mayor Bill Mike Runyon said the approval would allow the city to move forward on projects without calling additional special

meetings during the spring and summer months.

"These things are going to pop up in the spring and summer," Runyon said. "We just need permission from you all to bid these

items and that way we can move forward."

Items approved for bidding included police department equipment such as tasers, body cameras and car cameras, as well as other items, such as an ambulance cot, blacktop work, police vehicles, two plow trucks for the street

department, a new CAD system for 911, greens mowers for the golf course and resurfacing tennis courts and constructing pickleball courts if funding is available.

Council approved the requests before adjourning the meeting.

The body camera pur-

chase was already being discussed before the meeting, Runyon said.

"The body cams have been in motion for about a month," Runyon said.

Runyon said the city must take bids before placing the cameras on officers, but said the goal is to have them in use by July 1.



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Clarification

The write-in candidate for Johnson County Sheriff's full name as registered as a candidate is Jason F. Golden.

Courthouse news

SPECIAL TO THE
PAINTSVILLE HERALD

Several property transfers and marriage licenses were reported recently by the Johnson County Clerk's Office. Those transfers and licenses were:

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Genia D. Keeton to Genia D. Keeton, John R. Keeton and JGK Family Revocable Trust

MS Family Trust and Warren Stambaugh to Elizabeth Ann Stambaugh

Becca Lusignolo, Drew Spacht and Erin Lusignolo to Larry Dalton

Floyd Anthony Skeans and Kristina Skeans to Phillip Caudill and Rebecca Caudill

Grace Louella Castle to Angelia Lea Doderer

Richard W. Patrick and Rebekah Patrick to Martina J. Lutz

Jonathan Holbrook to Justin Mosley
Mary Sharon Fyffe to Michelle Lyn Fyffe

Mary Sharon Fyffe, Patricia Lynn Fyffe, Christopher Lee Fyffe, Whitley Jane Fyffe, Kristie Sue Calhoun and Jobe Calhoun to Michelle Lyn Fyffe

Austin Gray to Arthur Maynard and Conjeania Maynard

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Cheyene Nicole Kestner to Juwan Lee Mayes

Bonnie Scott to Corey Fraley

Megan Aliece Crum to Connor Michael Castle

Jonathan Wayne Hatton to Megan Grace Ravenscraft

Marlania Faye Castle to Austin J.D. Bowling

Haley Brianna Wolfeto Weslyn Jayce O'Brian

Macy Kathryn Conley to Brett Matthew Caudill

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coal mining, which has been prevalent in the region, if done wrong, can be problematic. However, data centers that are responsible have many upsides.

After data center protesters put down their signs and stop posting their ignorance on social media, they revert back to Netflix, where they

are served up a series of shows that fit their genre based on their past viewing patterns, produced by, you guessed it, AI.

The irony and hypocrisy are beautiful.

Da Pope, I think, is on to something here. He knows humans are sinners and can't be trusted to behave in society in a way that is righteous and normal. He knows that in the wrong hands, AI could be very dangerous, and since

humans are not perfect, leaving AI in human hands is the wrong choice.

AI is not evil; it has the ability to be very useful. Evil comes from humans using powerful systems and tools carelessly and without oversight. If you read the news, people are creating evil everywhere. Add a powerful AI component, and we could be doomed.

Thanks for reading The Paintsville Herald.

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Thurs., June 4:

Menu: Grilled Chicken Salad, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Mandarin Oranges, Roll, 1% Milk

Fri., June 5:

Menu: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Mandarin Oranges, Roll, 1% Milk

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Mon., June 8:

Menu: Fried Chicken Breast, Collard Greens, Au Gratin Potatoes, Bananas, Roll, 1% Milk

Tues., June 9:

Menu: Roast Turkey, Baked Potato, Glazed Carrots, Diced Pears, Roll, 1% Milk

Wed., June 10:

Menu: Orange Glazed Chicken, Fried Rice, Egg Roll, Stir Fry Vegetable Blend, Orange, 1% Milk

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