

'A LIFE TO MATCH SACRIFICE'

Student, teacher, historian, journalists piece together story of Madison County WWII soldier

By Crystal Wylie Register News Writer

A mong the 9,387 nearly identical grave markers, three white crosses are etched with the names of Madison County soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice on the beaches of Normandy, France, during World War II.

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An extra the Wall of the Missing inscribed with the names of 1,557 other soldiers, many of whom lost their lives in the D-by landings and subsequent military operations in Europe.

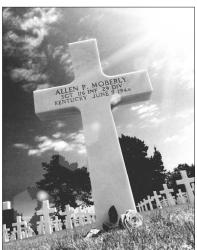
The Normandy American Cemetery stretches across 172.5 acros a bluff overtooking Omaha Beach where on June 6, 1944, Sgt. Allen Higgins boat with the 116th Regiment of the 29th Infantry Division.

"....Allen's mission was much the same as other divisions: capture the beach exits crucial to the Allied advance," Brad Shoopman, 17, wrote on his website honoring the fallen Madison County soldier.

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Unity Baptist Church



BRAD SHOOPMAN/SPECIAL TO THE REGISTER

The grave of Madison County soldier Sgt. Allen Perry Moberty is pictured at the Normandy American Cemete in France. As is traditional, high school student Brad Shoopman rubbed sand into the etched letters of the snoopman rubued a said into the etched letters of the stone to make the words appear and then read a eulogi he prepared to memorialize Moberly. The sand was take from Omaha beach, where Moberly was fatally wounde during the WWII D-Day landings.

AT LEFT: This photo accompanied a short announcer in the weekly church bulletin about the wedding of Rev. Tipton's daughter, Lola, to Allen P. Moberly. The marriage took place at Unity Baptist Church with thide's father officiating.

BELOW LEFT: Rev. L.H. Tipton memorialized his son-in-law with this bulletin printed for Unity Baptist



Sex crime charges mount against couple arrested last year

Register News Writer

A couple that was indicted late last year in sex crimes involving an It-year-old have had more charges brought against them.

An additional child victim also has been a considerable of the superseding indictment.

Eric Nelson Kelley, 50, was indicted Wednesday on eight counts of first-degree sodomy, two counts of first-degree sexual abuse and one count of using a minor in a sexual performance.

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MCHS choral students selling mums to raise money for trip

Deadline to order is Wednesday

By Sarah Hogsed Register News Write

Spring break may be many months away, but Madison Central High School chorus students are already working hard to raise money for a trip to New York City.

The chorus has been invited to perform at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine, according to chorus teacher Liss Jury.

"It's just the most beautiful, beautiful cathedral Jury said it has amazing consists." A continuous contraint of the said of

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CAMP FOR GRIEVING KIDS THIS WEEKEND

BEREA – It's not too late to register for Camp Hope, a free weekend retreat for chil-dren who have lost a loved one. Camp Hope, co-sponsored by Hospice Care Plus, is designed for children ages 6 to 12 whose loss occurred within the past two years. Sunday at Cathedral Donain Camp and Conference Center in Irvine. Some spaces are still available, said Brenna Wallhausser, Hospice Care Plus spokesper-son.

"If you're interested, contact Nora Brashear right away at the Hospice Care Plus central office at 986-1500 or toll free at 800-806-5492," Wallhausser said.

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