MENDOTA VILLAGER



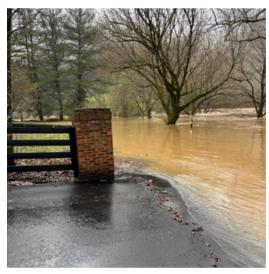
FEBRUARY 16 FLOOD

Those of us living in Mendota love our river. While it's officially called the North Fork of the Holston, we call it the "Mendota River." We love its beauty – the way it winds through the valleys, our foggy mornings and the wildlife it supports. It's sometimes called "a lazy river." It was nothing but lazy the morning of February 16.



The North Fork flows 138 miles southwest from Sharon Springs in Bland County through Mendota into Kingsport and then onto Knoxville. It's confluence with the French Broad River at Knoxville marks the beginning of the Tennessee River.





According to the gauge located in Weber City, the river reached a height of 15.32 Feb 16. Let's compare some other flood dates of the North Fork of the Holston:

2/01/62 - 22.5 feet (highest on record)

3/18/02 – 19.36 feet

4/05/77 - 19.79 feet

4/04/17 - 18.54 feet

2/12/18 - 17.50 feet

2/24/19 - 15.89 feet

2/07/20 - 16.33 feet

Thank you Patrick Meadows and Mike Beaule for getting those numbers.

Thank you to a variety of people who sent pictures or posted them on Facebook. I "borrowed" them!



The river discharged at a fast rate of over 20000 cubic feet per second during this February 16 flood. For comparison, our summertime discharge is typically around 400 cubic feet per second.

Mendota Events In the Next 3-6 Months

Auction at the Community Center

Fridays – Feb 7, Mar 7, Apr 4. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Snacks available.

Alive 55 Senior Lunch & Fun Time

Second Tuesday each month

Mendota Food Pantry

4th Thurs. monthly 10 am to 2 pm.

Mendota Community Kitchen Opening!

Sat. March 22 1 pm to 3 pm

Free Breakfast at the Community Center – Apr. 9 at 9 am

Health Fair – Parking Lot of About Face MedSpa 2534 Mendota Road. Apr. 9

WCPL/Mendota Library Easter Egg Hunt Date TBD

Mendota 5K/10K/Fun Race - May 10 Begins at 9 am. T-shirts are so cute!

Mendota Farmer's/Artisan's Market – Saturday dates TBD

Births

Dylan and Erin Stout welcomed baby "Virginia Elizabeth Dear". "Ginny" has begun her role as princess of three brothers. Welcome Ginny!

We already love you.

In Loving Sympathy

Michael Dye, law enforcement officer, author, teacher and the son of our beloved "Dottie" Dye and the late Robert Dye received a "dispatch" to his Heavenly Home on February 9, 2025.

Birthdays

February 12 - Ken Farmer's Better Half Lisa

February 14 - Tony Williamson

February 19 - Bobby Earl Raby

Happy Anniversary

March 23 - Diana and Mack Salyer 45 Years! Happy Anniversary from Emily!

Made In Mendota

We are a small family farm making Goat Milk Lotion & Soap. Our goats are vaccine and antibiotic free and do not receive harmful medications. Their diet consists of water, hay, and small amounts of grain. Our soap is a standard bar of unscented soap, and our lotion is available in unscented and several fragrances with a 10-14 month shelf life. It's available in 2oz, 3oz, 4oz, 8oz, & 8.5 w/pump. Local bottle delivery available, as well as shipping. Orders can emailing be placed by TannerIngle497@gmail.com or call text 276.591.8628

We will also be selling our locally grown vegetable plants again this year, as well as flowers, herbs, and hanging baskets We will be setup at the Market in Mendota on May 10, 2025. We look forward to earning your business for another year, and as always, THANKS FOR SUPPORTING LOCAL! Tanner

No Farms. No Food. No Future

Broken Roads Bakery

Broken Roads Bakers is always taking orders. Call Maria at 276.591.7733 or email brokenroadsbakers@gmail.com

You can also find Broken Roads Bakery on Facebook or Instagram @broken.roads.bakery

About Face Medspa & Wellness

Open Fridays and Saturdays from 11 am until 2 pm. PH: 276.285.3223.

Staffed by NP Deresa Moore Hall and Weight Loss Medical Asst. Angie Meadows. B12 Injections \$12 for Mendota residents.

Weight Loss Medications Tirzepatide & Semaglutide + Lipovite injections.

Personal service. No wait! Great Staff.

Deresa's weight loss tip!

Drink more water! It's nature's best weight loss secret!

New Community Kitchen!

Mendota's tired, ill-equipped community kitchen is getting a redo! Thanks to a grant from the Wellspring Foundation and funding from Washington County plus hard work from community members, we are very close to having a new kitchen.

Dorothy Dye and Cindy Edwards started the planning for this kitchen. When Dottie relocated from Mendota, Cindy carried on with help from Angie Thompson—especially finding flooring and cabinetry. Tony Williamson and his sons installed the flooring.

The new kitchen will be ready to share with the community on March 22. Likewise, an Amazon Wish List is being developed for those who wish to contribute specific items to better equip the space.

We are filled with gratitude to the agencies and individuals who made this happen.

Mendota's Favorite Recipe

1 tongue that does not slander

1 mind full of tolerance

2 ears closed to gossip

2 eyes overlooking other's faults

2 hands extended to help others

1 dash witt + 1 sunny disposition

1 dash cheerfulness

1 heart generous and kind

Blend and form into one. Serve generous portions to everyone!

Water Bath Canning Class

One of the first events in the new kitchen is a planned educational workshop on Water Bath Canning. Angela Hildebrand and Eva Beaule are experienced home canners who follow only tested recipes from the Ball Blue Book and/or National Center for Home Preservation. They want to share their knowledge and help others become more self sufficient and save money.

We anticipate the class will be held on a Saturday in May. Details will follow. Please contact Eva or Angela if interested.

Mendota Past

Thank you to Terri Collier McCroskey for providing.

