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High School Homecoming Queen, with Sydney Davenport claiming First Runner-Up honors and Janey Thomas selected as Second Runner-Up.

The 2014 Homecoming Queen was Emma Smith, however, First Runner-Up Adele

Bauman crowned Colwell last October while Smith was away on a mission trip.

As for the game, the 4-1 Panthers will look to even their region record at 1-1 on Friday night following a loss at No. 1 Greater Atlanta Christian last

week.

East Hall will also hope to improve to 1-1 in region play following a loss to Lumpkin County.

As a result of this week's contest, one team will leave Mike Colwell Memorial Stadium with a 0-2 record in 7-AAA, which means they will have their work cut out for them to reach the postseason.

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unless serving, pouring or mixing alcohol.

A revision was also made to how long a temporary permit can be held by an employee awaiting fingerprinting results and a background check for a final pouring permit.

The previous length of time was 45 days, but has now been changed to 30 days, based on the turnaround time for results of fingerprinting and background checks.

This furthered a discussion on whether the city should have reciprocity with the county in terms of the pouring permit due to the processing of the permit. All county permits are processed in-house while the city sends all information to the GBI and

the FBI.

While the city has always had reciprocity with the county, the council is concerned with acquiring paperwork if an employee who holds a permit through the county wishes to come work within the city limits.

If the city were to accept the county's permit without knowing the background of the employee, there could be repercussions, holding the city liable for any wrongdoings of the employee.

Due to possible liability, the council voted to retract that reciprocity from the new ordinance.

During the July city council meeting, there was talk of raising the salary of

the mayor, effective for the next term in 2018. If changed, the increase would be from \$26,000 a year to \$30,000 a year.

However, after much consideration, the council decided to back down from the idea because Mayor Conley argued against it.

"There have been other small towns who have been questioned on paying a large mayor's salary," said Mayor Conley. "I just don't see how we could justify increasing the salary based on our town."

In a previous city council meeting, the council and mayor discussed rewriting the terms of retirement for both the mayor and the city council. As of now, the Georgia Municipal Association is drawing up that ordinance for review by the council.

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"Regular Unleaded Only."

Locally, deliveries have been regular for most stations, though not all have had gas at the same time, compounding the problem by increasing demand at individual stations until a station runs out, at which point another station will have received a shipment.

All the trouble started when a massive fuel leak in Colonial Pipeline's Line 1 was discovered in Alabama on Friday, Sept. 9, prompting a 12-day shutdown of the line.

The pipeline in question carries gas from Gulf Coast refineries in Texas all the way to North Carolina, where it continues up the East Coast to New Jersey.

Bad weather and fumes delayed the repair process, and after more than a week without a fix, the Atlanta-based company began work on a bypass segment that would allow the line to be restarted.

That work came to a head on Wednesday, Sept. 21, when Colonial Pipeline finally restarted the line.

Throughout this ordeal, Gov. Deal has issued several executive orders aimed at keeping Georgians supplied with gas. One such order, extended several times by the governor, allowed fuel truck drivers to operate under extended delivery hours.

"We've extended the executive order for another three days to ensure that the supply of gasoline is as



Many gas stations around the area have been out of the Mid and Premium Grades of gasoline, though most have been out of all three at one time or another

abundant as possible," said Deal in a statement on Sept. 22. "The new executive order expires at midnight Sept. 26, by which point normal supplies should have been restored."

The governor issued another executive order last week that reiterated state law prohibiting price gouging. Prices have indeed increased at the pump, but for the most part they have hovered between \$2.09 and \$2.50 around the region.

AAA representatives have said that, while gas price averages rose some \$0.28 in Georgia during the 12-day line shutdown, prices have begun to fall since the line was restarted, a trend that The

Auto Club Group anticipates will continue this year.

"The reduction in pump prices are a good sign that supplies are reaching the areas most affected by the outage," said Mark Jenkins with AAA. "It could take a couple of weeks, but prices should eventually return to levels seen before the leak, then fall in-line with other states as they follow a downward trend through the rest of the year."

As for the leak, the next step is to clean up the 336,000 gallons of lost fuel in Shelby County, Alabama, and for investigators to figure out what caused the leak in the first place.

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the first degree, according to Lt. Daren Osborn with the Union County Sheriff's Office.

The first count of burglary stems from an incident in which Cavin allegedly forced entry through a side door of Red's Country Kitchen on Foster Road off GA 515 the evening of Sunday, Sept. 18, according to Lt. Osborn.

Once inside, Lt. Osborn said Cavin stole several hundred dollars in lottery tickets before leaving the premises, an act which was caught on tape.

Thanks to tips that came in following a UCSO Facebook post containing a screenshot from the surveillance video, Cavin was apprehended the next day at a residence off Blue Ridge Highway, according to Lt. Osborn.

Cavin attempted to flee the scene, and when he continued to run after being told to stop, he was hit with a Taser by authorities, according to Lt. Osborn.

The day after his arrest, the sheriff's office caught wind of another burglary allegedly committed by Cavin, this one also involving surveillance equipment, according to Lt. Osborn.

"Tuesday, Sept. 20, we responded to New Union Baptist Church to a break-in, which is in the same general area off Jones Creek, off of Blue Ridge Highway," said Lt. Osborn, noting that Cavin had broken in to warm up and eat some of the church's food.

Cavin has since confessed to both burglaries, according to Lt. Osborn, and he is being held on \$30,000 bond in the Union County Jail.

In a twist, several winners from the tickets stolen from the racks in Red's walked back through the store's door on Tuesday, Sept. 20, according to Lt. Osborn.

At some point prior to Cavin's arrest on Monday, he had given a man named George Poole some of the lottery tickets he'd stolen, apparently in an effort to impress Poole's girlfriend, according to Lt. Osborn.

When Poole brought the tickets in Tuesday, the cashier scanned them in and they registered as stolen, at which point Poole ran out of the store followed by two customers who failed to apprehend him, according to Lt. Osborn.

authorities found him sitting in the middle of a road, according to Lt. Osborn.

Poole, 46, of Hayesville, NC, has been charged with theft by receiving stolen property, though further charges are pending, according to Lt. Osborn.