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The Berea Citizen

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Council debates sale of alcohol on city property

By Andy McDonald
For The Citizen

The Berea City Council heard the first reading of an ordinance Tuesday that would prohibit the sale of alcohol sales on municipal property. However, some council members requested a work session to discuss the measure further before the ordinance comes up for a final vote on April 16.

Councilman Steve Caudill said he didn't understand why the issue was being raised again after the council discussed alcohol regulation at length during 2023 work sessions.

"Why are we still talking about this?" Caudill asked. "What's causing us to revisit something that I thought we'd put to bed?"

Council members Teresa Scenters and Cora Jane Wilson stated their concern is the city's potential legal liability when it comes to alcohol sales on city property.

Local citizens addressing the council disagreed, however, including entrepreneur Erica Chambers, co-founder of the Rebel Rebel Studio & Lounge and board member for First Friday Berea, which facilitates the Levitt Amp Berea summer concerts series.

Chambers asked officials

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New name, same cause

Hospice planning
Rockin' Derby party

Madison County's longest-running Derby Eve party is sporting a new name this year as it helps the community celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Kentucky Derby.

Formerly the Bourbon, Boots & BBQ Derby Eve Benefit, the event is now the Rockin' Derby Eve Benefit Party.

Rockin' Derby Eve will take place Friday, May 3, at 6 p.m. at the Richardson Hall building at the Madison County Fairgrounds. Reservations are open through April 26. Visit hospicecareplus.org or call (859) 986-1500 to make reservations. All proceeds benefit Hospice Care Plus.

The party features a catered dinner, live concert by 80's tribute band Rock of Ages, dance floor, complimentary Oaks Lily cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a live and silent auction, photo booth, an open bar for beer and wine, a cash bar for mixed drinks, optional games, and much more.

Tickets are \$100 per

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Hoop dreams



Students at Kingston Elementary School enjoyed annual career day festivities last Friday at the school. Twenty-one community agencies and companies and eight different pathway groups from Ignite Academy South were present. In above photo, Berea College men's basketball coach Austin Newton explains to students how his interest in basketball at an early age led to his career path. Newton earned a scholarship and played and later coached at Eastern Kentucky University. Newton also coached at Madison Southern High School before taking over at Berea College two years ago.

The Citizen/Keith Taylor



Volunteers make the Victory Garden Blitz possible. The beds are ready for transportation to places across the county where people will grow food in the homemade beds.

Victory Garden Blitz reaches milestone

Do you have a raised garden bed and have you successfully grown food in it? If your answer is 'no,' be sure to get what you need through the Victory Garden Blitz program scheduled April 12-14.

The purpose of the Victory Garden Blitz is to provide people with materials and education they need to grow food at home. In response to requests, the organization is providing a beginners guide to gardening in Eastern Kentucky that goes with each bed provided by the Blitz.

Anyone can stop by the Berea Urban Farm on Adams Street and pick up the guide.

"As the price of food continues to increase and as the foods coming from thousands of miles away

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to consider the impact that limiting alcohol sales would have on city revenue, and how it could negatively impact the city’s arts scene and quality of life. Cody Crowder, meanwhile, stated that cities around Kentucky have outdoor festivals that allow alcohol sales on municipal property, including the Levitt Amp concert series in Whitesburg, the Bourbon and Blues Festival in Midway, and Richmond, with the Millstone Entertainment District.

“We talk about risk management, but all of these cities have been doing this for some time,” Crowder said. “I think we can take into consideration how they’ve done this with their standard operating procedures and ordinances.

Caudill requested a work session to discuss the proposed measure, to which Mayor Bruce Fraley stated he would consult with City Administrator Rose Beverly and set a date before the April 16 vote.

During council comments, Katie Startzman voiced her concerns. “We’re calling it city property, but it’s taxpayer property,” Startzman said, noting that the referendum to allow alcohol sales passed convincingly within city limits.

In other action, the city council unanimously adopted a resolution to enter into an interlocal agreement

with the Madison County Fiscal Court and the Richmond City Commission to transition the operation of the Emergency Management Agency and 911 operations to county authority. The measure authorizes the county to collect a 911 fee to be assessed on county property tax bills for 911 facilities operation. The amount of the fee has yet to be determined. Additionally, the measure authorizes the creation of a Public Safety Board, which will draw nominees from each municipality.

The task force was formed to replace federal CSEPP funding that will be discontinued next year now that the chemical weapons stockpile has been neutralized at the Blue Grass Army Depot. CSEPP funds were used to supply enhanced equipment, tools, vehicles, sirens and warning systems to address a possible chemical emergency. The measure was adopted in a 7-0 vote. Councilman David Rowlette was not in attendance.

Caudill stated that while there is some confusion about the proposed 911 fee, he welcomes calls if anyone wants to discuss it. Councilman Jerry Little added that efforts have been made to streamline 911 and EMA services so they are more efficient and less costly.

“The level we’ve had has been the Cadillac with the money that CSEPP [provided],” Little said. “We’re going to try to come down to a Chevrolet level. There won’t be as much stuff, but we’ll still be safe.”

Turning to tourism, the council

opted to postpone a vote to approve a budget amendment that would facilitate the purchase of a tourism trolley. The amendment would have boosted the spending budget an additional \$75,000 to allow for the purchase of a new trolley.

Berea Business and Tourism Development Director Donna Angel gave a brief report citing the impact that tourism has had on the city. Angel reported that through events and conferences, festivals, and motor coach traffic, \$4,034,700 was injected into the Berea economy in 2023.

During the work session prior to the business meeting, the council heard a presentation by Berea Tourism Commission Chair Bill West, who recommended the adoption of an ordinance to allow the operation of low-speed vehicles [LSVs] on city streets. Most often compared to golf carts in appearance, West noted that LSV’s would need to be registered, equipped with many of the amenities of a car, such as headlights, turn signals and brake lights, and be operated by a licensed driver. Under the law, they would only be permitted to operate on streets with speed limits of 35 miles per hour or less, unless exceptions are made by the city council.

West stated that many affluent travelers coming to local RV parks and campgrounds are towing LSV’s, adding the ordinance could help make Berea a destination for those travelers, encouraging them to stay in town for additional nights, West said.

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person and include all event amenities. A limited number of VIP tables of ten are available for large groups who want guaranteed seating together. VIP table guests are also entitled to early entry, preferred parking, and participation in a table-decorating contest exclusive to the VIP tables. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third-place winners.

As for attire, event organizers say it is up to guests.

“Some come in their Derby best, others in date-night clothes,” said Stefanie Manes, development coordinator at Hospice Care Plus. “We want guests to be comfortable and enjoy themselves.”

The Derby Eve benefit party began over 20 years ago when a local group of women organized it to raise funds to help build Hospice’s Compassionate Care Center. It has been known by several names over two decades, but it has always supported Hospice Care Plus. Proceeds now support all programs offered by the organization: Home Hospice Care, Compassionate Care Center, Palliative Care, and Grief & Loss Support Services.

“This event is a great time, but it’s also critical to our mission,” said Manes. “We provide care for all, even the uninsured and underinsured. We also provide care programs that are fully funded by donations. Events like Rockin’ Derby Eve and the people who support it make that possible.”

Cumberland Valley National Bank is the presenting sponsor for Rockin’ Derby Eve.

Learn more at hospicecareplus.org and follow Rockin’ Derby Eve – A Derby Eve Benefit Party on Facebook for updates. For questions, call Hospice Care Plus at (859) 986-1500.

BLITZ

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continue to decline in nutritional value, it becomes more important to grow our own food,” said Cheyenne Olson, organizer for the Victory Garden Blitz.

Fresh vegetables can offset some of the health effects caused by poor diet. A single

3x5 cedar bed can provide a family with up to 60 pounds of fresh vegetables a year.

Studies have shown that kids that garden develop healthier eating habits.

Also, gardens bring people together helping to build community.

Because Sustainable Berea has so many volunteers and such good financial support from local individuals and businesses,

the Victory Garden Blitz is able to offer the raised garden beds at discounted prices.

To get a discounted bed, call the office at (859) 985-1689.

The beds can be fully installed at your home or they can be sold as a do it yourself kit.

A customized soil mix can also be purchased from the Berea Urban Farm.

The deadline for ordering beds is Monday, April 8.



Message from
Cora Jane Wilson

“Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee; yea I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.”
Isaiah 41:10 (KJV)

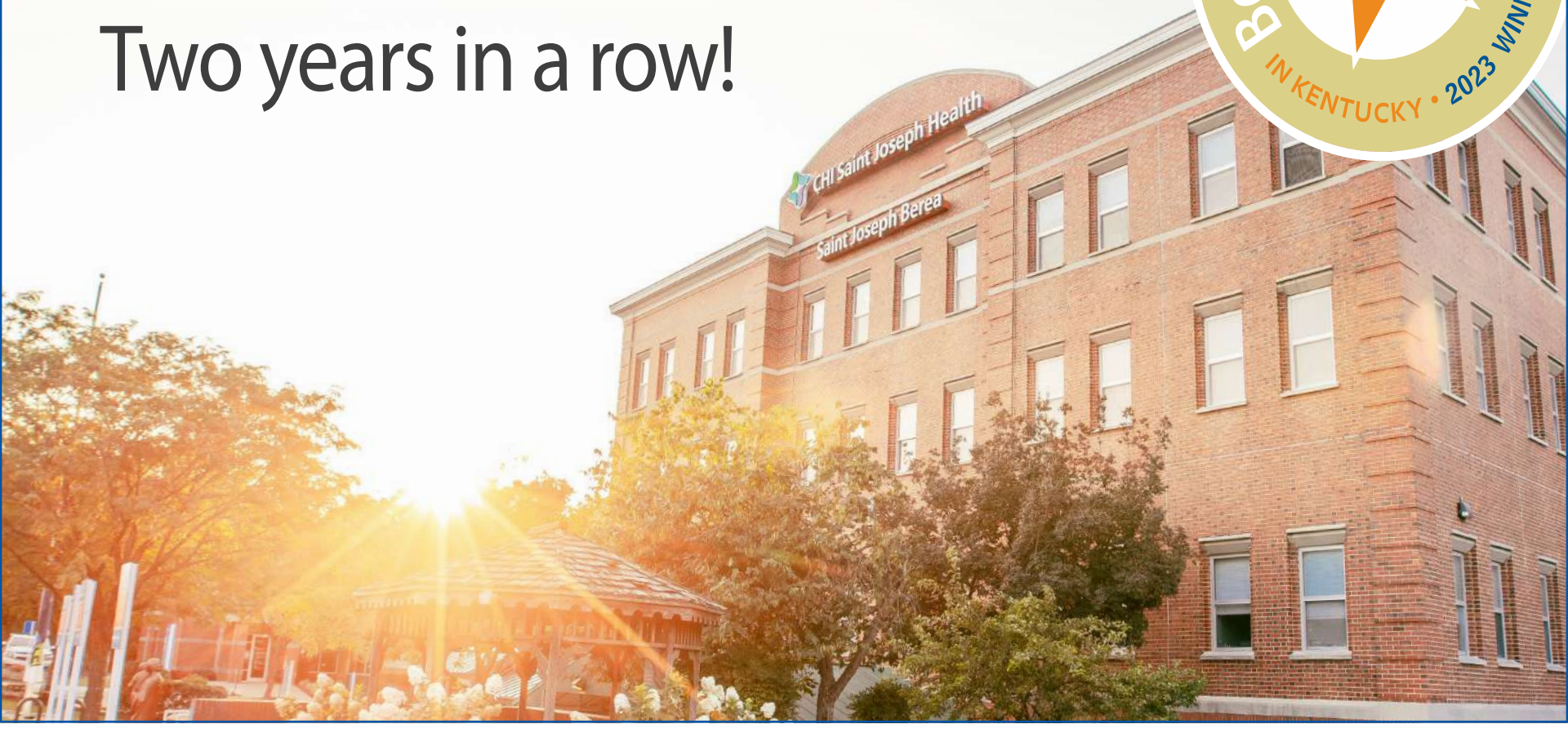
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Ray Powell



Ray Powell, 86, of Lexington, went home to be with the Lord, on Wednesday March 27, 2024. Ray was born in Rockcastle County on August 3, 1937, to the late Mary and Alex Powell. He worked and retired from the University of Kentucky and was a member of Zion Baptist Church where he served as Deacon. He was loved by his wife, Sarah Powell of 68 years. He loved his children, grandchildren, and great-grand-

children. He was devoted to serving the Lord. Survived by his wife, Sarah Powell; daughter Brenda (Sonny) Crawford, daughter Patty Bruner; and son Mike (Lisa) Powell. Ray is also survived by four grandchildren, Michael Powell, Alise Powell, Ellen Earlywine, and Alex Powell, and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters. Funeral services were held Saturday March 30, 2024, at Kerr Brothers-Main Street (Lexington). Burial followed in the Powell Cemetery in Rockcastle County.

Kenneth Rein Allen



Kenneth Rein Allen, 87, of Berea, passed away March 30, 2024, at Baptist Health in Richmond. He was born May 8, 1936, the youngest child of Luther (of the Allen family of Winn Parish) and Gladys Powell Allen in Pineville, Louisiana. Kenneth attended Rosenthal Grammar School in Alexandria, Louisiana and graduated from Pineville High School in Pineville in 1954. In August 1958 he earned his Bachelor of Science in Education degree at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. In September he became an Industrial Arts teacher at Alexandria Junior High School in Alexandria. Louisiana and in 1966 was named Assistant Principal.

Mr. Allen served as Principal of AJH from 1969 until his retirement in 1990. From Northwestern State College at Natchitoches, Louisiana he earned a Master of Education degree in 1969 and later earned what was known as 30 plus hours in Secondary School Administration. As a Rapides Parish teacher, Kenneth supplemented his income as a YMCA summer camp counselor, swimming pool lifeguard, adult driver education teacher and as local director of Junior Achievement. Kenneth was initiated into Kappa Phi Kappa in 1957 and into Phi Delta Kappa in 1967.

He served in the Rapides Parish Classroom Teachers Association and as President of the Rapides Association of Principals and Assistant Principals in 1983. In 1981 was listed in "Outstanding Louisiana Educators". As a middle school administrator, Mr. Allen served in the Alexandria Rotary Club for 17 years. In the 50's Kenneth joined First Baptist Church in Pineville, Louisiana and was ordained Deacon on Oct. 8, 1972. He served as a Sunday School teacher of second graders for 25 years.

On January 29, 1956, Kenneth married his high school sweetheart, Margaret Brister. Their marriage was blessed with three children:

Julie Kaye, (Lewis Turpin of Natchitoches, Louisiana, Margaret Susanne (Susie), (Richard Dorn of Berea, Kentucky) and Nancy Lynne (Gene Danzy) of Naperville, Illinois. and four grandchildren: Dr. Jennifer Danzy Cramer, Nick Danzy, Casey Dorn and Summer Dorn, DVM. Great granddaughters are Violet Elise and Joy Clover Cramer.

Kenneth and Margaret mentored Trinh, Tuan and Thuy Chau (Vietnamese refugee teenagers) now citizens and professionals in Tennessee.

To live closer to family, in 1993 Kenneth and Margaret moved to Berea, Kentucky. Silver Creek Baptist Church became their church home and place of ministry with Kenneth serving on committees and as Deacon chairman for six terms.

Kenneth was an avid fisherman and knew all the "hot spots" on Latt Lake in Grant Parish in Louisiana. In Kentucky his interest turned to gardening, camping, volunteerism and sharing tomatoes with elderly friends. He spent untold hours in his home workshop selling his products through Woodworking for the Birds.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings: Alfred Powell Allen and Mary Grace Allen. He is survived by his devoted wife Margaret of 68 years, sisters, Bobbie Delaney of California, and Gloria Taylor of Florida, by his children: Julie Kaye (Lewis Turpin) of Natchitoches, Louisiana, Margaret Susanne (Richard Dorn) of Berea, Kentucky, and Nancy Lynne (Gene Danzy) of Naperville, Illinois. and four grandchildren: Dr. Jennifer Danzy Cramer, Nick Danzy, Casey Dorn and Summer Dorn, DVM. Great granddaughters are Violet Elise and Joy Clover Cramer.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at Lakes Funeral Home. Bro. Randy McPherson officiated. Burial followed in Madison County Memorial Gardens.

Lakes Funeral Home in Berea was in charge of arrangements.

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- TLD, LLC to Renfro's Holdings, LLC, 1506 East Main Street, Richmond, \$354,500
- Franklin Foster and Ruby Foster to Venus Casey, tract Madison County (vicinity of Curtis Pike), \$34,600



Marvin Gene McWhorter

Marvin Gene McWhorter, 81, of Berea, passed away on March 31, 2024, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

He was born on December 14, 1942, to Newland and Irene McWhorter. Marvin was a lifelong resident of Madison County. He was of the Baptist Faith and a proud veteran of the US Army. He retired from the Blue Grass Army Depot and after retirement he worked at Walmart. Throughout his life he was a skilled brick mason who took great pride in his work. He enjoyed working with several charities that included the American Heart Association, Relay for Life, and Special Olympics.

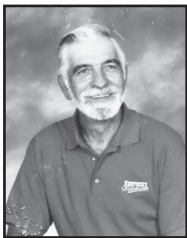
In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Donald, and Bobby McWhorter, and one son Marvin Thomas McWhorter.

Marvin is survived by his wife Diana Clark McWhorter four daughters Trena (Albert) Payne, Susan (Richard) Baker, Crystal

Erwin, Amy McWhorter, one son Patrick "Scotty" McWhorter, one brother, William "Pug" McWhorter (Georgia), and one sister Bertha Rampe of California. Also surviving are eight grandchildren, Chelsea Payne, Ethan (Megan) Payne, Monica McWhorter, Mindy McWhorter, Cody (Nicky) Baker, Hannah Baker, Emily Erwin, Ashley Erwin Howard (Jordan), and four great grandchildren, Noven, Phoenix, Autumn, and Amon.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday April 3, 2024, at Davis & Powell Funeral Home. Rev. Wayne Miller officiated. Burial followed in the Berea, Cemetery. Pallbearers were Cody Baker, Ethan Payne, Albert Payne, Patrick McWhorter, and Ken Christiansen. Honorary pallbearers were William "Pug" McWhorter, and Armel Davidson.

Davis & Powell Funeral Directors in charge of arrangements.



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1974 Super Tornado Outbreak

‘We watched it from the back porch’

On this day on April 3, 1974, I was looking forward to my third birthday a week later, not knowing what had transpired that day until I got a little older.

It was 50 years ago today a super tornado outbreak struck Madison County, part of a larger cluster of twisters that impacted 13 states and produced 148-150 confirmed tornadoes, including a deadly F5 tornado that struck Madison County and killed seven residents.

Growing up, I remember mom and dad talking about the tornado that tore through our county. It hit in the area of Cottonburg, where Whitaker’s General Store was located and a family of three — Dan, Mary and Barbara Long — were killed after they were swept away trying to escape the deadly storm.

The Cottonburg area was and is very close to home. My grandparents lived on Helton Lane and we resided on Curtis Pike at the time. I can remember mom telling me she was pregnant with my sister Taunya and how they all watched the tornado from the back porch of that farm-style home not knowing how bad the storm actually was at the time.

On Monday, Rhonda and I took a drive through Kirksville and the Cottonburg area. We drove down Helton Lane as my family did many, many times when I was growing up and stopped at the spot where my family watched the sky in disbelief. The house is no longer standing, but I believe a barn that was located nearby was still there. I do remember that house and the barn and the first Easter egg hunt I did as a child occurred on that property.

My uncle, Mike May, described how he remembered as a young man going to Whitaker’s General Store, the scent of the wood floors and the old stove the Whitakers used to keep the facility warm in the winter. I imagine it was the gathering place for area farmers to stop, grab a sandwich, candy bar, or a pop and talk about the events of that day.

In this week’s edition, we remember what transpired five decades ago. Survivors telling their stories and we compare technology then versus now. The super outbreak changed the game when it comes to predicting the weather, especially tornadoes.

Now more than ever, we have advanced warning of impending severe weather and time to seek shelter ahead of any bad weather that may approach the area.

I interviewed Reetha Land Parks, who rode out the storm in an Oldsmobile as they tried to seek safety as the storm approached. I talked to Johnny Collins about what he remembered, our staff and contributors provided insights from those who remember what happened on April 3, 1974.

We need to always remember those seven people who lived among us 50 years ago and didn’t live to tell their story. We need to look back at what history has taught us when it comes to severe weather and preparing for storms in the spring as the weather transitions from cooler to warmer weather.

Despite the technology, all is not perfect, but staying ahead helps saves lives and prevents a deadly outcome. We can’t stop the weather but we can prepare for what’s to come.

Preparation is the key. Stay safe and always stay weather alert, Madison County.



Keith Taylor



Stop the invasion!

If President Biden could announce on November 1, 2024 that all student debt is forgiven, he would do so. That would surely be a way to get a few more votes. If you have a \$100,000 student loan, then you have a heavy burden of paying back that loan. To suddenly have the debt cleared would be a marvelous feeling.

Would this make you feel like Biden is a great President? Would this boost your confidence in his ability to lead our nation? Or, would you see such an act as a last-ditch effort to do whatever it takes to stay in the oval office for four more years?

Thousands of Americans have carried the weight of student loans for years. Thousands have paid back the loans. Loans are never fun to pay back. Car payments, house payments, and credit card debt are tough to carry for years and years. Is it fair that many Americans have paid off student debt but suddenly thousands of Americans could have a large portion of their debt wiped away? It doesn’t seem fair. Is it good for America? Many more Americans need to borrow money for college. Paying back student loans is one way to keep money circulating back into the gov-

ernment coffers.

What if someone paid back 75 percent of their loan in ten years then the other 25 percent would be forgiven? What about a two or three percent interest rate on student loans?

What if people went to community colleges their first two years? There has to be a better way than just waving the magic wand and clearing debt to boost popularity.

Interest rates are going to come down between now and Nov. 1. A 30-year mortgage in seven months will be closer to six percent. The stock market is roaring. If you have some money in stock then you have to be enjoying the increase. What goes up always comes down some, eventually. Don’t look for it to go down much between now and November first.

The one thing President Biden doesn’t seem to want to do is stop the invasion of America. The invasion of America continues. Allowing up to 8.5 thousand illegals per day is not a fix. Outlaw gangs have taken over parts of South America in Co-



Glenn Mollette

lumbia and Venezuela and parts of central America. Gangs have taken over Haiti. The cartel seems to roam freely in Mexico. These outlaws are coming into America. Violence, stealing, and killing are all they know. They will fight with and kill police officers, assault and murder women, steal from you, and terrorize our communities. Most of our small American counties are understaffed to protect our citizens from gangs armed with semi-automatic weapons. The invasion must be stopped today. Border states deserve all the help the federal government can give in securing the borders immediately instead of making it difficult on the states.

Soon there will be so many illegals from China and throughout the world in our country that we will not have enough police or military to protect ourselves.

We see this happening before our very eyes.

The issues of student loans, interest rates, gasoline prices, inflation, and much more impact our lives significantly. Nothing is impacting our nation like the invasion.

Please, Mr. President and Congress, stop the invasion of our nation.

‘Paint the Town Blue’

Madison County is ready to “Paint the Town Blue” in solidarity with Child Abuse Awareness Month.

Joining forces with organizations statewide and nationwide, Kentucky River Foothills’ Community Collaboration for Children (CCC) Program and Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) are spearheading efforts to shed light on preventing child abuse and neglect, rallying the community to take

proactive measures and foster a safer environment for children.

In an effort to raise awareness about child protection, organizers are reaching out to individuals, organizations, and businesses willing to display blue ribbons, pinwheels, and yard signs across the community. The symbolic displays signify our collective commitment to safeguarding our children.

Businesses, schools, agencies, and community partners are joining hands to support prevention efforts through various impactful initiatives:

• **Pinwheel Garden Planting:** Community members are invited to participate in pinwheel garden plantings on April 4,

at 10 a.m. in front of the Hall of Justice (351 W Main Street, Richmond), and at 2 p.m. at Berea City Hall.

• **Wear Blue Day:** On Friday, April 5, community members are encouraged to wear blue attire to show their solidarity against child abuse.

• **Blue Ribbons:** Downtown businesses are encouraged to adorn their doors with blue ribbons symbolizing their commitment to protecting children.

• **Yard Signs:** Community partners are invited to proudly display yard signs bearing prevention messages, spreading awareness throughout neighborhoods.

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MADISON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER

March 21 - Greg D. Brinegar, 49, Irvine: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO - Jessica Coffey, 40, Berea: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines - Jeffery L. Gross, 59, Irvine: failure to appear - William Thomas Sanders, 64, Berea: serving time - Kenny D. Skaggs, 49, Berea: trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 2 grams methamphetamine); no registration plates; no registration receipt; drug paraphernalia -buy/ posses (2 counts); possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 2 grams methamphetamine) - Jonathan Keith Witt, 38, Richmond: charges not given)	- Ricky Arvel Mayes, 64, Waco: serving weekends - Warren Glen McKinney, 49, Berea: serving weekends - Robert Glen Girdner, 43, Richmond: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury; resisting arrest; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree - Julie Biles, 49, London: probation violation (for misdemeanor offense); failure to appear (2 counts) - Eric Paul McElroy, 47, Irvine: failure to appear	substance not properly contained, 1st offense; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (drug unspecified); failure of owner to maintain required insurance/ security, 1st offense Kyle R. Snowden, 18, Richmond: speeding, 26 mph or greater over limit; reckless driving; wanton endangerment – 1st degree; fleeing or evading police, 1st degree (motor vehicle); operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st (aggravated circumstances); possession of an open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle; license to be in possession; failure to produce insurance card	26, Saint Simons, Georgia: speeding 28 mph or greater over speed limit; reckless driving; failure to produce insurance card; failure to notify address change to Department of Transportation Keith Marshall, 45, Berea: Alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)	appear - Emely Hernandez, 41, Spartanburg, South Carolina: terroristic threatening, 3rd degree; resisting arrest; menacing; assault, 3rd degree – police officer or probation officer - Walter Earl Stamper, 41, Mt. Vernon: trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 10 D.U. opiates); trafficking in a controlled substance, 2nd degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 10 D.U. amphetamines); failure to appear (2 counts) - Christina M. Jayne, 35, Edmington: serving time - Autumn Rose, 41, Clay City: serving time - Daniel Muthing, 32, Richmond: parole violation (for technical violation) - Douglas Pearson, 34, Richmond: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); possession of a controlled substance – 3rd degree- drug unspecified; possession of a controlled substance – 2nd degree – drug unspecified; drug paraphernalia – buy/ possess - Samantha Gene Masters, 41, Richmond: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
March 22 - Melgi Adolfo Miranda-Luis, 31, Richmond: speeding, 14 mph over limit; no operator’s – moped license; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol -1st; possession of an open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle - Charles Earnest Hutton, 49, Richmond: serving time - Kelley Lynne Wendel, 41, Mt. Vernon: probation violation (for technical violation) - Skylar Rufenacht, 38, Richmond: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order (2 counts) - Michael Linne Johnson, 36, Manchester: failure to appear - Vernon Lee Parker, Jr., 59, Richmond: hold for court - Carolyn Janey Mason, 62, Richmond: failure to appear - Kimberly Gamble, 37, Richmond: serving weekends - Evan Campbell, 25, Berea: serving weekend	March 23 - Joshua McCarty, 32, Richmond: operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st - Ricky Lady, 25, Richmond: probation violation (for felony offense) - James Hensley, 41, McKee: failure to appear - Joshua Clark, 43, Richmond: failure to appear - Jim Freeman, 48, Richmond: serving parole violation warrant; failure to appear (2 counts) - Greg Kay Hundley, 41, Richmond: failure to appear - Richard Lira, 23, Richmond: burglary, 2nd degree; public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol) - James Cox, 26, Richmond: criminal mischief, 3rd degree; trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 2 grams methamphetamine); drug paraphernalia – buy/ possess; fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree (on foot); possession of marijuana; menacing; disorderly conduct 2nd degree; theft of identity of another without consent; possession of a controlled substance, 3rd degree – drug unspecified - Jeremy B. Felty, 46, Berea: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order - Shalynn Healey, 22, Berea: operating motor vehicle using handheld mobile telephone; prescription controlled	March 24 - Cameron Allen Cochran, 24, Mt. Vernon: speeding, 13 mph over limit; failure to produce insurance card; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol – 2nd offense (aggravated circumstances) - Kylie Ampath, 19, Manchester: driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense (aggravation circumstances); possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin) - William Charles Combs, 35, Richmond: probation violation (for felony offense) - Michael Brandon Cole, 33, Owensboro: probation violation – for felony offense (2 counts) - Christopher Kirkpatrick, 52, Richmond: violation of a Kentucky EPO/ DVO - Christian Schuetz, 38, St. Petersburg, Florida: operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a controlled substance – 1st - Heather Phillips, 37, Richmond: failure to appear (2 counts); possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 2nd offense (methamphetamine); possession of marijuana - Justin Brewer, 19, Lexington: failure to appear - Matthew D. Abbott,	March 25 - Teri E. Blanton, 67m Berea: strangulation, 1st degree; assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury - Steven Arthur Napier, 40, Lexington: criminal trespassing – 3rd degree - Mark Randall Bush, 45, Richmond: probation violation (for felony offense) - Taleisha Watts, 23, Richmond: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order - Demetrious C. Whiting, 24, Richmond: probation violation – for felony offense (2 counts) - Tanner B. Barrett, 29, Richmond: failure to appear; non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines - Jason Calvin Mayes, 38, Winchester: failure to appear (3 counts) - Paul Mitchem, 38, Richmond: hold for court - Marty Wayne Agee, 54, Richmond: probation violation (for technical violation) - Sheyenne M. Hurt, 23, Hustonville: probation violation (for technical violation) - Emely Hernandez, 41, Spartanburg, South Carolina: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)	March 27 - Donnie Ray Kindred, 44, Waco: public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol) - Brittany Isaacs, 27, Richmond: public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol); promoting contraband – 1st degree; possession of marijuana



COURT RECORDS	
District Court March 21 - Eva Mae Slone vs. Jeremy Eaton March 24 - Stormie McPhearson vs. Jesse Baugh - Mikaela Chase Thomas vs. Douglas Eric Chaney March 26 - Tamela Barrell vs. Devin WC Barrell March 27 - Corey D. Davis vs. Sandra E. Davis	- Joshua Randall vs. Taylor Randall - Jeani Patek vs. Stephen R. Patek - Hannah Price vs. Otto Price - Deborah Audrey Anglin vs. Paul Thomas Anglin - Elizabeth Pursell vs. Collin Pursell - Carnell Hart vs. Brandi Rayburn, ET AL
Circuit Court March 21 Lesley Douglas Agee vs. Keena Michelle Agee March 22	March 25 - Holleye Shiobhon Lewis vs. Windy Ranay Lewis - CHFS for Lois J Brock vs. Jared L. Hubbard - CHFS for Vanessa Vanmatre vs. Anirudha D. Jagtap

MARRIAGES	
March 21 - Elizabeth Ann Lamb, childcare, 33, of Richmond to Christopher Robin Dean, real estate investor, 47, of Richmond - Jeremiah Paul Jackson, engineer, 25, of Beattyville to Olivia Hope Strouse, nanny, 20, of Richmond March 25 - Katherine Lefay Young, billing, 39, of Independence to Michael Anson Ray, engineer, 41, of Richmond - Dallas Ray Merrill, construction, 32, of Richmond to Haley Alexis Walthers, social worker, 24, of Richmond - Benjamin Paul Kirkpatrick, information technology, 32, of Lexington to Stella Kate Welch, higher education, 33, of Berea	tion technology, 32, of Lexington to Stella Kate Welch, higher education, 33, of Berea March 26 - Katherine Lefay Young, medical billing and coding, 39, of Independence to Michael Anson Ray, engineer, 41, of Richmond - Dallas Ray Merrill, construction, 32, of Richmond to Haley Alexis Walthers, social worker, 24, of Richmond - Benjamin Paul Kirkpatrick, information technology, 32, of Lexington to Stella Kate Welch, higher education, 33, of Berea

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

March 21

• Lyndsey Lisle and Joy Hamilton to Matthew Smith, lot 54 Block B Frazewood Subdivision, \$186,000

• Kevin Allen Booth and Tonya Booth to Jermey Wayne Harris, 118 Legacy Drive, Berea, \$346,000

• John V. Jones to Abigail Rose, lot 1 plat 31/175 (Waco Area), for and in consideration of the love and affection between parties, Grantor, being the grandfather of Grantee

• Susan Barrow as Trustee of the Philip Beckwith and Carole Beckwith Revocable Living Trust, under agreement dated December 8, 2015, to Susan Barrow, lot 37 Bluegrass Center, Phase III, Richmond, \$1.00 and other valuable consideration

• Richard S. Jones and Barbara W. Jones to Douglas D. Johnson and Eva M. Johnson, lot 6 Prairie View @ Twin Lakes Subdivision, Phase I, \$405,000

• Vicky Lakes Lamb (who acquired title as Vickie Lakes) and Thomas Ray Lamb to Chad Linville, lot 6 block A Valley Green Subdivision, \$253,000

• Donnie R. Enyhart and Linda J. Enyhart to Marvin Whitesides and Leah Jill Whitesides, tracts Madison County (vicinity of Doylesville Road), \$130,000

March 22

• Clint Taylor Construction, LLC to Jennifer Saylor Skaggs and Robert Skaggs, 821 Wyatt Drive, Richmond, \$345,000

• Bobbie J. Evans to

Timothy J. Hounshell and Annetta M. Hounshell, tract plat 6/142 (vicinity of the intersection of Angel Road and Possum Kingdom Road), \$81,500

• Four Mile Investments, LLC to Jessica Jordan and Regina Jordan, lot 2 final record plat Fair Vista Landing Subdivision, Phase 1, \$289,900

• DS & JV Properties, LLC to Fenway Construction, LLC, lot 75 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase 1, Richmond, \$58,000

• DS & JV Properties, LLC to Fenway Construction, LLC, lot 77 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase 1, Richmond, \$58,000

• Rixon Barrington Lane and Samantha Paige Lockman Lane to Megan Louann Gammell, lot 4 Patrons of Housing Inc Subdivision (lot 4 plat 4/62), \$202,000

• Barbara Jean Gilbert and Harlen DeWayne Gilbert; Thomas Clay Pearson and Bessie Mae Pearson and James Allen Pearson to Barbara Jean Gilbert and James Allen Pearson, tract 1 p 31/43, for and in consideration of the love and affection between siblings

March 25

• The Estate of Paul Richard Griffin (a/k/a Paul Griffin) to Harold Bruce Adams, 329 Burchwood Drive, \$200,000

• Kristian A. Rocca and Jason Rocca to Ray Clark Marrs, Jr. and Linda L. Marrs, 155 Win-ford Drive, Waco, \$644,000

• Brandon Keith Ellis and Emily Burton Ellis to Sara Beth Oliver, lots 92, 94, and 95 Battlefield Subdivision Number 1, \$220,000

• Carlton Ray Stocker and Darlene Stocker to Stock's Construction, LLC, 750 Kirksville Road, \$for and in consideration of a capital contribution to the Grantee of which Grantor, Carlton Ray Stocker (a/k/a Ray Stocker) is the sole member/manager

• Janice Elizabeth Bush and Richard Clinton Bush to Janice Elizabeth Bush and Richard Clinton Bush, tracts Madison County, to create joint title with rights of survivorship between wife and husband and for the consideration of the love and affection First Parties have for each other

• Hager Rental, Inc. to Chambers Rentals, LLC, 112 Bolton Avenue, \$70,000

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• A&R Contractors, LLC to Maurice S. Quanbeck, 131 Herndon Lane, Berea, \$530,000

• Corey Steigerwald and Mollie Steigerwald to Terry Lee Woodruff and Nancy Lacey Woodruff, 601 King Luke Court, Berea, \$329,000

• William Goodloe to Billy Alex Ball and Justice Paige Ball, lot 2 plat 31/155, \$100,000

• Douglas Norman Roberts and Brittany Nicole Roberts to Bryan Owens and Kathy Owens, new tract 3 of

minor subdivision/consolidation plat for lot 2 Serenity Acres, \$475,000

March 26

• A&R Contractors, LLC to Jon Harvey and Tammy Harvey, lot 279 Phase 7B Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$309,000

• Alice Faye Mason to Andrew G. Bixler and Anne L. Bixler, lot 88 Battlefield Estates, \$365,000

• Margaret S. Gibson to Margaret Gibson, 192 Mountain View, Berea, \$10 (for the purposes of removing and excluding John R. Gibson (deceased) name from title to property conveyed.

• Pamela J. Hurteau (n/k/a Pamela J. Hopkins and Ronald Hopkins to David Hopkins, lots Rolling Hills Addition #2, Richmond, \$55,000

• DS & JV Properties, LLC to A & A Construction, LLC, lot 74 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase I, Richmond, \$58,000

• Amy Taulbee to Donald Taulbee, 262 Crooksville Road, Berea, in consideration to satisfy her obligation made to the Grantee in the property settlement agreement in action 24-CI-50019

• Virginia Phelps Cantrell, through her Attorney-in-Fact, Tammy C. Schrader to Tammy C. Schrader and Vicky C Hayes, Co-Trustees of the Virginia Cantrell Irrevocable Trust, dated March 21, 2024, 306 Water Street, Berea, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

There will be a public hearing of the Madison County Board of Adjustments On April 18, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Joint Information Center located at 558 S. Keeneland Dr, Richmond Ky 40475
The purpose is to consider the following:

Old Business

Dimensional Variance: 745 Woodland Heights

New Business

Conditional Use: 401 Brookstown Rd

For more information call: Madison County Planning & Development at 859-624-4780 Or Applications and other documentation may be found on the Madison County website at madisoncountyky.gov under the Planning and Development tab.

CITY OF BEREA ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP

RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF BEREA

The City of Berea and Waste Connections will hold SPRING CLEAN-UP within the city limits of Berea, the week of April 15 - 19, 2024. The clean-up will coincide with your normal garbage pickup. The collection crews will remove a normal pick-up truck load on your scheduled day. Items for collection must be placed at curbside by 5:00 am on the day of your pickup. If you have bulk items other than bagged waste or dry boxed items to be collected, you will need to call the Waste Connections Office to schedule a pickup date. If you should require a pickup other than your scheduled day and time, that service will be provided at the rate of \$25.00 per request, not to exceed a legal pick-up load. All refuse must be placed in plastic bags or containers. Compost materials (wood, grass clipping, etc.) must be kept separate from normal garbage or trash. Larger limbs must be stacked in neat piles at the curb with all limbs facing the same direction. Small limbs and twigs must be placed in securely tied bundles or in plastic bags. Used appliances and furniture will be collected and charged at Waste Connections scheduled rates as listed below:

Appliances (White Goods) -----	\$25.00
Stuffed Chairs -----	\$12.50
Couches and Loveseats -----	\$20.00
Non-Stuffed Chairs -----	\$ 7.00
Carpeting -----12x12-----	\$20.00 Per Room
Fencing and Wire -----	\$3.25 Per Foot

ALL APPLIANCES THAT USE FREON must have a certificate that this liquid has been removed by a certified technician or Waste Connections will charge \$50.00 for the following items: Refrigerators, Dehumidifiers, Air Conditioners, and Freezers. FURNITURE AND CARPET/RUGS must be wrapped in plastic. All bulk items will be picked up the same day as your normal pickup. These items must be placed at the curb at the same time as all other materials.

If you have any questions, please call 877-288-2981, 606-877-7760 or 606-864-7996

THIS IS ALSO BRUSH PICK-UP WEEK FOR THE CITY OF BEREA.

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Reflections

Berea Citizen archives

April 3, 1924 Berea's increasing popularity

Berea College existed primarily for the people of the southern mountains. People living in the mountain sections of Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama were coming in increasing numbers. The numbers from the other mountain states did not vary much from year to year. More students came from Kentucky than any other of these states. However, Berea College did not confine its activities to Kentucky. Anyone from anywhere in the mountains who had an ambition to secure an education and who would experience difficulty in paying school bills at most colleges in the land was welcome. These were the prospects Berea College was anxious to have. It offered a chance for an education to those who might find difficulty in meeting expenses elsewhere. However, Berea appealed to a great many people outside the mountains. Dr Wilford T. Grenfel, who was doing work in Labrador needed specially trained workers and in looking over all of the schools in the United States and Canada for a place where his workers might be best trained, he selected Berea College. Some young men and women from Labrador were sent to Berea College by Dr. Grenfel to get the kind of training that would enable them to do the work which he needed done

in that far-flung country of the Northland. Recent state socials showed the popularity of Berea in territories outside of the mountains. The authorities were continually denying entrance to young men and women who did not reside in the mountains. However, a considerable number were granted admittance. So many states were being represented among the students that there were not enough suitable rooms on the campus to go around and when the socials were held recently, people from several states met together in some of the groups. There was another reason for throwing the various state groups together. It was part of Berea's program to foster acquaintances and friendships between students from widely separated places, and in carrying out this plan, students from different sections were often assigned to the same room. In this way a spirit of good fellowship was born which bound the interest of those whose lives before this time, had been spent widely apart.

March 31, 1949 Kentucky Colonels

George R. Kavanaugh and Corban Goble of Berea were appointed Kentucky Colonels in Frankfort on Saturday, March 26th. Both received their commissions as a result of their work with the Kentucky Youth Assembly held in Frankfort on March 24 - 26th. Kavanaugh, Business Manager of Berea College was the Chairman of

the Youth Activities Council of the State Y.M.C.A. which planned the assembly. Gobel a freshman at Berea College was an assistant to the Director of the Assembly, Dan C. Pitt of Paris. The assembly in 1949 was the fourth annual to be held in Frankfort. The "Senators" and "Representatives" were 175 members of the Hi-Y and Y-Teen Clubs of Kentucky. Eight Berea Foundation students and two other leaders were present for the two day session. The participants conducted themselves in a manner similar to that of the real legislators and gained practical experience in actual governmental procedures. Most meetings were held in the House and Senate Chambers of the State Capitol.

April 4, 1974 Break-ins

Berea Police were investigating two break-ins that took place over the weekend. Sometime Sunday, someone gained entry to the Boone Tavern Barber Shop. Melvin Higgins, manager, told police that entry was apparently gained through a broken glass in the front door. Approximately \$5 in change was reported missing. The incident reportedly took place sometime between 11:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. A number of items were reported taken during a break-in at two vacant houses on Jefferson Street. Charles Moore, owner, told police that assorted tools, two bicycles and toys were taken. These items were valued at over

\$200. Entry was reportedly gained through the back door. No arrests were made as of press time.

APRIL 1, 1999 ECKLER TO TEACH AT POLICE ACADEMY

Officer Bill Eckler would be leaving Berea Police Department and heading north to Richmond. He would be taking on a newly accepted position as a training officer at the police academy on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University. Eckler had been with Berea Police for 13 years. Prior to his service with Berea, he had been an officer with the Irvine Police Department for five years. Leaving the Berea Police Department was one of the toughest decisions Eckler said he ever had to make. "I wasn't looking for a job. I was happy here in Berea," Eckler said. He said during the previous 13 years, the people in the Berea Police Department had become like a family to him. However, the opportunity to teach at the Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice Training in Richmond was just too good to pass up. "They contacted me and asked if I'd be interested in a position as a police instructor. I went to the interview because that was the professional thing to do. Then they called me back and offered me the position," said Eckler. Eckler, who started the DARE program in Berea, said leaving the program was the most difficult question he had to ask himself in making

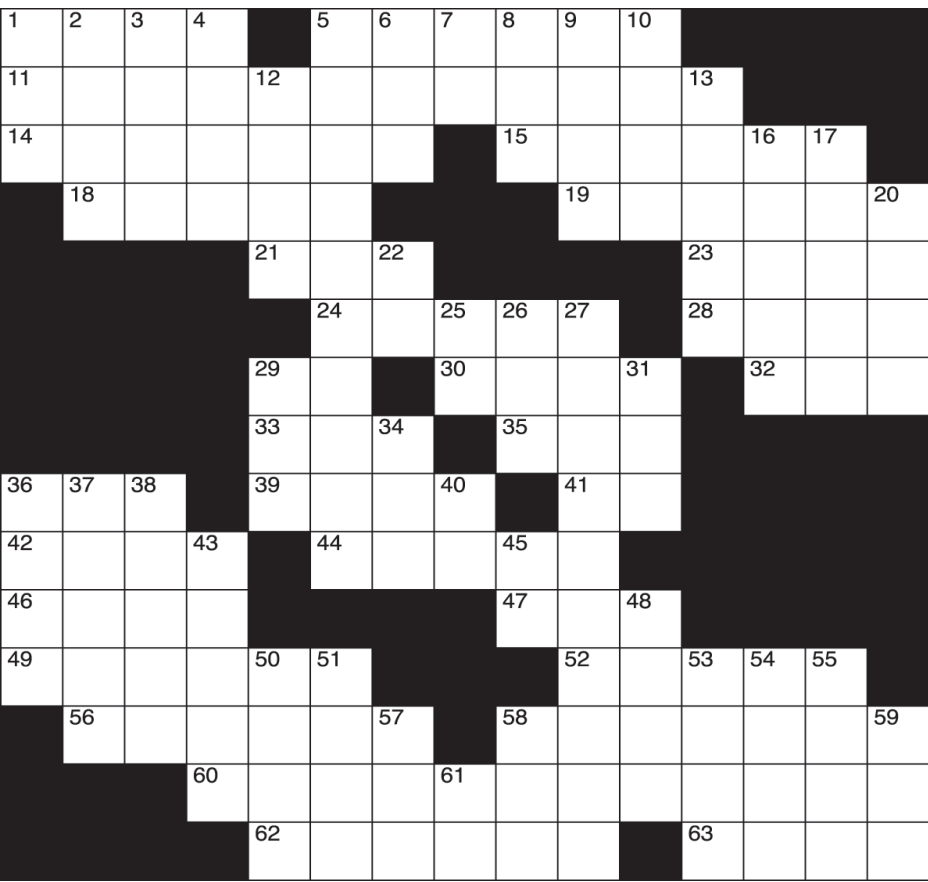
the decision to take the new job. "I've literally poured my life into the kids in the Berea area. I wanted them to have opportunities I didn't have when I was a kid." Eckler would be training new recruits entering the Police Academy. "I'll be working with them on everything from how to write a traffic citation to making a criminal arrest to how to testify in a trial. It's a real opportunity, but it will also be a real challenge," Eckler said. One factor that helped him to choose to pursue a different career path was his memory of his own days in the police academy. He recalled how his own instructors made an impact on his learning experiences at the academy and how what he learned from them helped him immeasurably during his 18 years of police work. "If I can make a difference in the lives of some of these young recruits like they did mine, and they can carry that with them it will be worth a lot to me," Eckler said.



photo by Danna Estridge
DARE Officer Bill Eckler is leaving the Berea Police Department to teach at the police academy in Richmond. He began his new job today, April 1, 1999.

Game Page

Crossword



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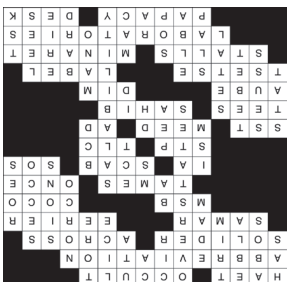
1. A minute amount (British)
5. Mystical or magical
11. Shortening
14. More satisfying
15. Other side
18. Philippine island
19. More unnatural
21. Mutual savings bank
23. Famed designer Chanel
24. Makes less wild
28. At some prior time
29. The cops who investigate the cops
30. Immune system response
32. Distress signal
33. Engine additive
35. "No Scrubs" trio
36. Very fast airplane
39. A reward (archaic)
41. Commercial
42. Spots where golfers start
44. Polite form of address (Indian)
46. French river
47. Reduce the light
49. Blood-sucking fly
52. A way to categorize
56. Procrastinates
58. Tall slender tower

60. Where researchers work
62. Office of the Pope
63. Office furnishing

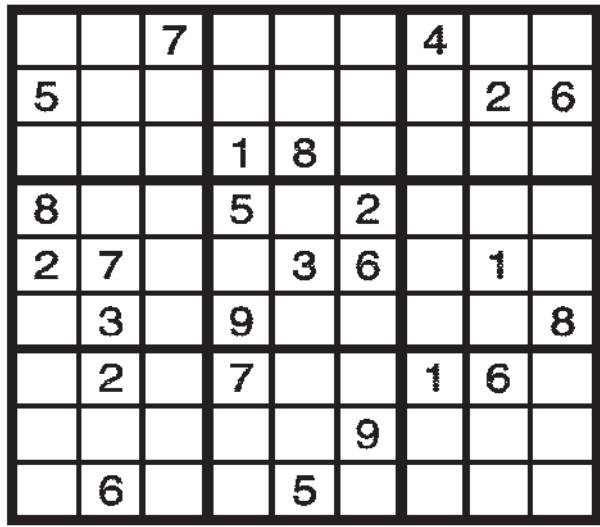
CLUES DOWN

1. Possesses
2. American Board of Orthopedic Surgery
3. Ancient Syrian city
4. Clip
5. In a way, misleads
6. Human gene
7. The Golden State (abbr.)
8. Lizard genus
9. Parasites that invade the skin
10. Took apart
12. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
13. S. California town
16. Suffix plural
17. Painting technique
20. Small Eurasian deer
22. Mr. T character
25. Microsoft
26. Shock therapy
27. Able to be sold
29. A doctrine
31. These three follow A
34. Pulse
36. Quantitative fact
37. Doctor _ _ : children's

- book author
38. Hebrew calendar month
40. Designated hitter
43. Northern Poland village
45. A passport is one form
48. Hand (Spanish)
50. Hit with the open hand
51. Actor Idris
53. Shakespeare's nickname "The _"
54. Northern U.S. lake
55. Marvin and Horsley are two
57. Soak
58. Partner to cheese
59. Expression of disappointment
61. College dorm employee



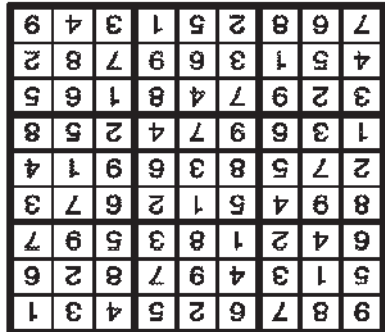
SUDOKU



Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



ANSWER:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to car care. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 13 = I)

- 4 16 23 14**
Clue: Clean
- 21 13 7 1 23**
Clue: Wheels
- 2 16 13 15 21 16 13 15**
Clue: Upkeep
- 1 15 9 13 15 1**
Clue: Powers car

Answers: A. wash B. tires C. maintain D. engine



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Foxhound wouldn't let giving birth slow her down

I was beyond impressed to hear a tale about an old woodman's favorite foxhound. She was really fast on the trail and had a ton of tenacity. She didn't know the meaning of the word quit, not even when she was heavy with pups. That was the case when that foxhound, looking like she had swallowed a giant watermelon, took off for the woods. After a full day's fox chase, the old woodsman got worried and went up the mountain looking for her. After a while, he heard her coming his direction, barking and bellowing on the trail, and behind her were six newly born pups, all barking and bellowing and chasing that same fox. "Yes sirree," the old woodsman said, "she was quite a dog." You know, the Bible honors tenacity like that. In fact, Scripture admonishes us to be tenacious, especially in our work. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might,"

(Ecclesiastes 9:10). When I think tenacity in Scripture, I think of the Apostle Paul. He was an incredibly hard worker, preaching day and night, yet still finding time to work as a tentmaker, a second job that allowed him to earn the money he needed to survive in what, for him, was a difficult world. You recall, Paul had been a Jewish leader, and when he came to faith in Christ, he was out of work in the Synagogue. Lifelong friends turned their backs on him. He faced persecution like few others have ever known. He was severely beaten and was in and out of prison because of his faith, more so than any other believer. "Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one.



Thrice was I beaten with rods, , once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness" (2 Corinthians: 11: 23-27). Yet he would not stop preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. That's tenacity. I fear that most preachers would tuck their tails and run if they faced even a tiny fraction of what the Apostle Paul faced. I admire tenacity, whether in a preacher like the Apostle Paul or in a foxhound that just won't give up.

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Taylor gives update on projects to Rotary Club

By Jerlene Rose
Berea Rotary Club

Madison County Judge Executive Reagan Taylor was the guest speaker at the March 19 meeting of Berea Rotary at Just Love Coffee. Taylor said he knows most people paint all elected officials as "politicians" which has a negative connotation. "I don't think of myself as a politician," he said. "I consider myself a community leader. I want to build trust, meet the challenges, and do what is in the best interest of the citizens." Taylor detailed some of the challenges facing the county leaders.

Courthouse renovation: "We have outgrown our space," he said. "The dockets have grown, along with indictments. A third judge has been added for Circuit Court. The AOC (Administrative Office of the Court) will become Judicial. It will be part office and part holding for court cases with better security. There will not be any more marching prisoners across open spaces. The other offices

that used to be housed there such as the Madison County Clerk, will be re-located. The courthouse renovation is a state project, with state dollars and is expected to be completed this fall."

Broadband expansion: "My goal is to have Spectrum everywhere in the county. Internet access is just as important as having water and utilities. We are utilizing three pots of money: state, federal and local. The addition of internet access will allow property values to hold or be better in rural areas."

Economic development: "In the past we have been a bedroom community with our people working mostly out of the county. It is not financially sustainable to rely on property taxes to provide the services people want and deserve," he explained. "The Fiscal Court has charged me to promote industry to help

this area financially. We are approaching this regionally and partnering with Fayette and Scott counties and submitted a joint application for funding." He noted that all three counties are located along I-75 north to south, and KY52 east to west. "We have secured an industry that will locate in Scott County."

A question from the floor was: Why did they choose that spot when Berea has a good location available?

"We had a willing seller for an option," he explained. "Something we did not have here, but" he added, "having this industry on the corridor will benefit all three counties by providing jobs."

Post CSEPP: Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program). Residents county-wide have come to depend on the over 70 towers with warning sirens that dot the county, 911 emergency services, and many other benefits which came with the federally funded CSEPP program. During the last 12-15 years, \$150 million came into Madison

County from FEMA. Those funds paid for upgrades in fire departments' equipment, police radios, and a variety of other things needed to mitigate several types of disasters.

Taylor said, "The challenge going forward is how to continue to fund those services. What to we keep and what do we have to let go?" He said a task force has been formed with representatives from all affected agencies, to study the problem and present a proposal.

Employee recruitment and retention: "The state changes in the retirement system have caused great concerns," he said. "There was a defined benefit after 27 years but now the retirement benefit is set up like a 401K. Government offices cannot raise prices and can't raise salaries without income. Citizens want to stay a small community, but growth means more income. But that growth must come from more than homeowners. We need industry."

Animal shelter: "We need a new one," Taylor said. "Fortu-

nately, we have a bequest from a will specifically for an animal shelter. I placed that in an interest-bearing trust to build it up so we can build a new shelter."

Detention center: "Our task force of 14 people studying the jail decided that we don't have a jail problem – we have a drug problem," he said. "Throwing money at the drug problem is not the solution. You get the same results. It's not an issue of good or bad people, it's an issue of sick vs. well. People need help, not incarceration. So many of our problems and expenses are tied to the drug issue – social services, housing, all the way down to free lunches in schools."

Roundabout: "Yes, there have been issues with people not used to using the roundabout. The city is adding lighting to make it safer."

Taylor said he will continue holding three or four Town Hall meetings each year to get input from citizens on issues. "These meetings are helpful. If you have ideas or suggestions, we want to hear them," he said.



DAR chapter honored

Representing the Berea-Laurel Ridges Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution at the Kentucky Society (KSDAR) 127th Annual State Conference held at the Hilton Downtown Lexington, March 22 - 25, were: (left to right) April Parman, Melissa Jennings Chapter Regent, Linda Jennings KSDAR Corresponding Secretary, and Heather McNew Schill. The chapter was recognized with several awards including the KSDAR Honor Roll Gold for excellence in participation of projects and programs supporting the DAR mission of promoting education, historic preservation and patriotism. (Submitted)

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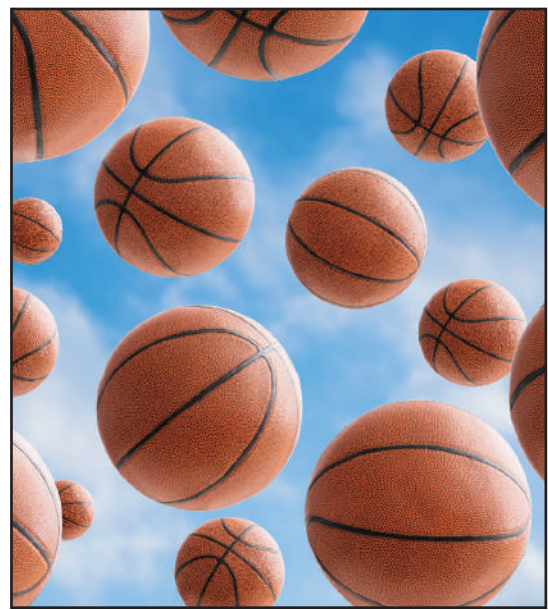
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Letter from the Director

Get Ready for Kindergarten at the Madison County Public Library!

Funded through our partnership with the Madison County Early Childhood Council, Get Ready for Kindergarten features simple, hands-on activities to help prepare children for kindergarten. The program closely follows Kentucky Early Childhood Standards to teach practical skills like using tools, recognizing patterns, and effective problem-solving. Our goal is to help children gain confidence in these skills as they enter Kindergarten.

Children will also have the opportunity to engage with different learning stations and manipulatives. Families in attendance will be able to take home one of these manipulatives in each session to develop their own Kindergarten Readiness Kit.

Get Ready for Kindergarten will be held on Tuesdays at 10 AM at the Richmond location, and Fridays at 10 AM at the Berea location. Contact the library or visit our website for more information.

Christina Cornelison
Director

At our Pop-Up Libraries, you can:

- Browse & check out books
- Return books
- Sign up for library cards
- Learn more about the resources and services at your public library

April 4
11 AM-12 PM
Berea City Park,
6 Pirate Pkwy, Berea
1:45-2:45 PM
Memorial Park,
212 W Jefferson St, Berea

April 13
1-3 PM
Autism Sensory Day
Russel Action Folk Center,
212 W Jefferson St, Berea



What WE'RE Reading

Edy Thomas, Youth Cataloger

What Moves the Dead by T. Kingfisher offers a fresh, fungal twist on Edgar Allan Poe's *The Fall of the House of Usher*. After receiving word of their friends' failing health, retired soldier Alex Easton ventures to the Usher home, where they discover that the Usher family might actually be a lot closer to death than previously imagined. Kingfisher's novella engages with the debilitating scenario of how to still consider a house your home despite its (numerous) attempts at trying to kill you. If you're a fan of Mexican Gothic and craved more of all that juicy fungus content, you'll enjoy this. If you enjoyed Poe's short story, you'll find the same charm within this. If you struggle to get through depictions of animal and body horror, you might want to skip this one—but it'll still be here for you come spooky season!

Madison County Public Library

Seed Distribution & Workshop
Saturday, April 27
11 AM-12 PM, Berea
3-4 PM, Richmond

April's seed selection includes:
Sunflowers
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Kentucky Blue Pole Beans

Can't make it to the workshop? April's kits will be available to pick up on Monday, May 6 at both locations. *While Supplies Last*

Charlie Raymond: Bigfoot Hunter
6-7 PM
Tuesday, April 30
Fireplace, Berea

Are you a skeptic? A believer? Just curious? Did you have a Bigfoot sighting? Come share your story. It's going to be a fun, free, educational event for all ages! It's a 1 hour multimedia presentation highlighting remarkable evidence from Kentucky!

Scan the code to see all of our upcoming events for both locations!

Berea Events
319 Chestnut St., Berea

Adults

Bibliobox
Theme: Creature Feature
Registration: Monday, April 1
Pick-up: Monday, April 8

Just Love Book Club
6-7 PM
Tuesday, April 2
Just Love Coffee,
636 Chestnut Street, Berea

Pick of the Month Book Club
6-7 PM
Tuesday, April 23
Community Room, Berea

Pick of the Month: Forever Young Adult Book Club
7-8 PM
Tuesday, April 23
Community Room, Berea

Annual Reading Challenge Online Book Club
Join us for a discussion in our Facebook Group of our April selection!

Berea Writers Circle
1:30-3 PM
Saturday, April 20
Meeting Room, Berea

Reading Alone, Together
6-7:30 PM
Monday, April 1
Fireplace, Berea

Berea Quilters & Needle Artists
1-3 PM, Tuesdays
Meeting Room, Berea

Crafterwork: Cryptid Terrarium
6:30-7:30 PM
Tuesday, April 9
Community Room, Berea

Crafterwork: Cryptid Pendants
6:30-7:30 PM
Tuesday, April 16
Community Room, Berea

Berea Woodcarvers
10 AM-12 PM, Wednesdays
Fireplace, Berea

Let's Play VR
5-6 PM
Thursday, April 25
Meeting Room, Berea

Late Night Gaming: Fighting Edition
6-8 PM
Thursday, April 11
Community Room, Berea

Bridge Club
2-4 PM
Thursday, April 11
Meeting Room, Berea

Second Saturday Yoga
10-10:45 AM
Saturday, April 13
Community Room, Berea

Are You Smarter than a Librarian? Trivia Night
6-7:30 PM
Tuesday, April 2
Community Room, Berea
Single players and teams (up to 5 players) are welcome.

English Language Learner (ELL) Tutoring for Adults
6-8 PM
Mondays & Wednesdays, Berea

Free GED Classes
1-5 PM, Fridays
Meeting Room, Berea

Spanish Language Class for Adults
6-8 PM, Wednesdays
Meeting Room, Berea

GED Testing
9 AM-1 PM
Monday, April 8, Berea

The Joy of Painting with Moth Man
Saturday, April 20
4-5 PM
Community Room, Berea

Free Market
Thursday, April 25
Drop-Off: 4:30-5:30 PM
Market: 5:30-7 PM
Community Room, Berea

Keven McQueen: Forgotten Tales of Kentucky
6-7:30 PM
Friday, April 12
Fireplace, Berea

Genealogy Search Instruction
1:30-3 PM
Saturday, April 20
Community Room, Berea

Anime Club
6-7:30 PM
Thursday, April 4
Community Room, Berea

The author will be joining us in Berea!

Children

Crafternoon
1-2 PM & 4-5 PM
Community Room, Berea
Some crafts could be messy so please dress accordingly.

Cryptid Poo Putty
April 1

Cryptid Shrinky Dinks
April 8

Cryptid Iron-on Patches
April 15

Bigfoot Pets
April 22

STEM Day: No Bake Cryptid Cookies
April 29

LEGO Club+
4-5 PM
Thursdays in Berea
Fridays in Richmond

Read and Play
10-11 AM
Mondays & Thursdays
Community Room, Berea
We love to learn different types of literacy through reading, music, movement, and play. We could get messy so please dress appropriately! For ages 0-5 years.

Sensory Day
1-3 PM
Saturday, April 13
Berea Folk Center,
212 W. Jefferson St., Berea

Get Ready for Kindergarten
10-11 AM
Fridays, Community Room, Berea
Join us for simple, hands-on activities to help prepare your child for Kindergarten.

Pixie Dust Party
Saturday, April 13
1-2 PM, Berea
Calling all pixies, pirates, and lost boys! We'll have a fun craft, great snacks, and character meet and greets! Costumes encouraged but not required.

Junior Joy Box Pick-up
Theme: Creatures
4-8 PM
Monday, April 1
Richmond & Berea
Junior Joy Boxes include a hand selected library book, treats, special activities, a recipe card, and a bookmark based on each month's unique theme.

Teens

Tween Crafternoon
4-5 PM
Meeting Room, Berea
For ages 10-13

Cryptid Poo Putty
April 1

Cryptid Shrinky Dinks
April 8

Cryptid Iron-on Patches
April 15

Classic Cryptid Paintings
April 22

STEM Day: No Bake Cryptid Cookies
April 29

Teen Advisory Group (TAG)
5-6 PM
Wednesday, April 3
Community Room, Berea

Teen Scene: Classic Cryptid Paintings
4-5 PM
Wednesday, April 3
Community Room, Berea

Teen Tech: Make Your Own Cryptid Call
4-5 PM
Wednesday, April 24
Community Room, Berea

Teen D&D Open Table
3-5 PM
Registration required
Saturdays, April 13 & 27
Meeting Room, Berea

YAS Box Pick-Up
4-5 PM
Wednesday, April 10
Richmond & Berea

Teen Cuisine: Yeti Cake Balls
4-5 PM
Wednesday, April 10
Community Room, Berea

Teen Cafe
3:30-5 PM, Fridays
Teen Room, Berea

Teen Anime Club
4-5 PM
Wednesday, April 17
Community Room, Berea

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Stories of survival from those who witnessed deadly twister

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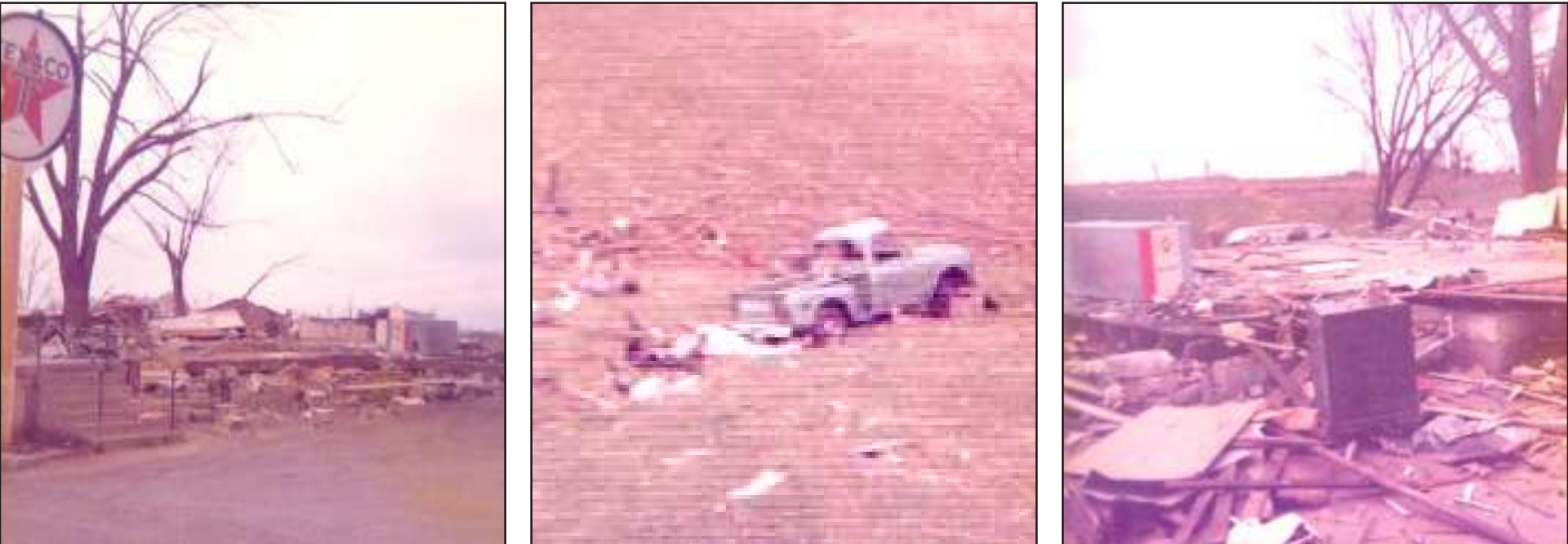
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‘Unusual day’

A powerful F4 tornado touched down in Garrard County on April 3, 1974 and tore across northwest Madison County. It took seven lives, injured 28 and 30 homes were destroyed.



A pickup truck that belonged to the Whitaker’s and parked at the store, middle photo, was found in the hollow behind the store. remnants of the Neal Whitaker General Store are seen at left, with Texaco sign, while a soda pop cooler and safe are among the only items not destroyed by a tornado that struck Cottonburg on April 3, 1974. (Submitted)

By Keith Taylor
Citizen Publisher

Johny Collins had an uneasy feeling on April 3, 1974. “I remember the day very well,” he said. “It was a very windy day, as I remember, warm, We had been fencing on the farm and we had talked about how that was an unusual day, kind of windy and warm and just that all things didn’t seem right.” The family dog, “Blackie” also sensed a bad feeling that day, another sign of impending danger that was part of a Super Tornado outbreak 50 years ago. It spawned 30 F4 and F5 twisters and 148 tornadoes in a 24-hour period. The twisters spread across 13 states, including Kentucky and Madison County, where seven people lost their lives

that day. “This old dog never came in the house,” Collins said. “He was totally an outside dog. But he came to the porch and kind of got right up against the door, wanting to come in the house, and we thought, that’s not something usual. I believe that dog had sensed the danger. Then he went and he got under my car, and then he went and he finally got in the garage. He was uneasy.” After receiving a call from his uncle in Paint Lick about a possible tornado heading toward Cottonburg and Poosey Ridge near dinner time, Collins and his family sensed the urgency to check the skies. What Collins saw was indeed more than just a typical thunderstorm in the area. “We were out in the yard and we

noticed, the cloud kind of going around and we could see it — looked like a square hanging down from under the cloud, actually, from our view of it,” he recalled. “That was the the actual tornado going through Cottonburg and my daddy, he kind of recognized that. He said, ‘that’s some bad storm. That’s right on the ground.’” That tornado, destroyed Whitaker’s Store nearly two miles from the Collins family residence. Three members of a family — Dan, Mary and Barbara Long — were killed in the same vicinity. The scene afterward, Collins recalled, was “unbelievable.” “Whenever we rounded that curve and saw all that devastation up there, of course there was a family that was killed there at that place

and everyone was sort of in shock,” Collins said. “They were searching for those people, and, there was debris everywhere, and no one could find those people. And, you know, their house was totally gone. It looked like you had swept the ground where their house was.” He recalled viewing the Whitakers’ home place near the store that was wiped away. He saw straws driven into lumber and “the crazy things that tornadoes do.” “The Whitakers’ house was in pieces, but yet the towels were still hanging in the bathroom,” Collins said. “In the days following, there were cleanup days, and the community gathered and just tried to do what they could to help clean those places up and and pick up the pieces.”

Parks rode out twister in car with her father

By Keith Taylor
Citizen Publisher

Reeta Land Parks admits she was “oblivious” to what was going on during the early evening hours of April 3, 1974 but did notice, however, it was “abnormally hot” that day. A college student and 21 years-old at the time, Parks wasn’t sure how serious the weather was until her father urged her to leave the house and “get into the car.” “He said it very forcefully,” she recalled. “He was a pretty gentle person, and, I knew he was upset. And I’m like, ‘what’s going on’ And he said, just get in the car. He did honk the horn, but that wasn’t typical of him, either.” After spending “about a minute” looking for a pair of shoes, Parks finally got into the family car and the father and daughter proceeded to leave the home to flee a F4 tornado that struck Cottonburg and killed

Dan, Mary and Barbara Long who were in the immediate vicinity of the twister, part of a Super Outbreak that spawned 148 tornadoes spread across 13 states. “I got out the door with whatever shoes I chose,” she said. “I didn’t see the tornado, but the sky was so dark and so black and the wind was whipping up. All I can remember is just running to the passenger side and he takes off flying down the driveway. It was a pretty long driveway.” Nearly halfway down the driveway, Parks saw an electric pole that was snapped in half, “just like a broken pencil.” “I asked are we in a tornado, and daddy said, yes,” she recalled. “He turns left onto the (main) road and he doesn’t drive 10 feet before he can’t control the car anymore. The wind is blowing and pushing us to the right. He can’t accelerate. He can’t brake, he can’t steer, he can’t do anything with the car. Then this



The Wilburn “Bib” Land house sits after a tornado tore through the property on April 3, 1974. Land and daughter Reeta were in the house just before the tornado hit the property. (Submitted)

huge wind hits, and then suddenly it’s just gray. Everything is gray. You can see little flecks of debris in this, and we are still sitting where we were, but we’re being pushed to the right of the road.” She remembers “scooting over next to him on that bench seat and just grabbing his head and thinking, ‘if anything hits his head, it’ll kill him. In that panicked moment, it was like, don’t let anything hit his head.” It was then reality sunk in for Parks, who then asked her father if they were going to die. “We’re going to die, daddy. We’re going to die,” she said. “And he said, hang on, hun. That’s what he would say. You know, I probably said it twice.” Then Parks heard a “huge boom” which she assumed was a tree stump hitting the vehicle and “then it was over.” The car, however was totaled.

“The windows were broken out of the driver’s side of the car, front and back,” she said. “The windshield was shattered.” “We couldn’t open the doors and I was just in shock,” she said. “I didn’t have any tears, It simply was. I looked at the house and said, ‘Gone with the Wind.’ But really it was, you know, the house was partially standing. The old original part of the house was still there.” Despite the damage to the home, she did notice a swag lamp still hanging amidst the missing roof, and debris scattered all over the property. “The ceiling was gone in the back hallway of the house, and, the roof was gone, but that swag lamp was hanging there without anything broken at all,” she said. “We couldn’t live in the house for about three years. I can’t even remember all the damage that was done to the house.”

About 7 p.m. I was in a third floor classroom in EKU’s Combs Building with about 40 college students in a Bible study when the lights went out and the storm was quickly approaching. We held hands, quoted scripture and prayed in the darkness until EKU security found us and led us out of the building. About 30 minutes later, I received a phone call from my aunt Greta Whitaker, saying, ‘It’s all gone, Joe, it’s all gone.’ About 6:30 p.m., (that night) our country store (Whitaker’s General Store) in Poosey Ridge, was full of farmers. The store closed about 6:30 p.m. and our family was off to Wednesday night church services at Salem Christian Church. On their way, the storm got so violent, they turned around and came back, rounded the curve viewing the family property and saw the unbelievable, “Gone with the Wind.” I finally arrived in Poosey about two hours later to a very dismal and devastating site. Not only was property lost, but people were killed and bodies carried very near our store. I have often wondered what the outcome would have been if it had not been a Wednesday night and the store had not closed when it did with all those farmers, fathers and sons, in our store -- it would have absolutely devastated the community and so many families. The community came together to help all those who had suffered loss in an unbelievable way. One of the saddest sights I saw was a couple of days after the tornado when the National Guard came in to help. They cut down large trees, used a bulldozer to push all the debris from buildings, trees, fences, etc. into a huge pile. They poured on the gasoline and set fire to it all — smoke billowing for people to see for miles as a message that tragedy had struck here and this is what happens to material possessions in the end - they mean nothing but life means everything.”

Joe Whitaker

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Preparedness: Technology has changed the game

By Andy McDonald
For The Citizen

There’s not much emergency services and first responders can do while a tornado is tearing through a community. What they can do comes before and after a storm like the devastating twister that hit Madison County in 1974.

Unlike 50 years ago, meteorologists, emergency management agencies, and first responders are all better equipped to help keep people out of harm’s way, and to come to their aid in the immediate aftermath of a disaster.

WLEX-TV Meteorologist Bill Meck said the advances in severe weather early warning technology are significant and potentially life-saving.

“In terms of tools from 1974 to today...it’s [the difference between] night and day,” Meck said, noting that often the best meteorologists could do was to interpret still images captured by National Weather Service radar. “I actually trained in tornado detection on an old school radar while I was at WOI-TV in Des Moines in the 80s. You didn’t have any velocity data (non-Doppler) but had to look for clues/signs in the returns, which were not colorized. It was an old-fashioned glowing screen that you saw the returns on.”

The problem then, according to Meck, was that some deadly storms could be missed. “Many of the smaller ones we catch now would have been essentially invisible [then],” Meck said. “Of course, now we have the MaxTrack Live Doppler, which is the only live, full-power Doppler radar owned by a TV station in Kentucky. It has given us so much valuable and life-saving information since we put it online in 2004.”

Because meteorologists now have better tools to see when and where tornados are approaching, Madison County Emergency Management Agency can activate early warning sirens throughout the county, in addition to sending alert signals on emergency radios. Berea Fire Department Chief Shawn Sandlin said that ability to warn citizens by just a few minutes or seconds could mean the difference between life and death.

“Any time you can get out an early warning with sirens, that’s going to be beneficial to us as first responders, because it gives people the opportunity to protect themselves,” Sandlin said. “But there are other ways you can be notified today, like getting warnings on your cell phone. That allows people to take precautions, and the more precautions people take, the less chance they’ll need our help.”

Richmond Police Chief Rodney Richardson said other important advances since 1974 mean that first responding

Fast facts

- The April 3-4, 1974, tornado outbreak was one of the nation’s worst.
- Almost 150 tornadoes touched down in the Ohio Valley, South and Great Lakes.
- More than 300 were killed and over \$1 billion in damage resulted.
- The super outbreak accelerated development of many aspects of severe weather forecasting we have today.

(The Weather Channel)

agencies are now better equipped to help people once the storm has passed. Madison County, Richmond, and Berea first responders have trained together since the 1990s to address a potential chemical weapons incident at the Blue Grass Army Depot. Now that the chemical weapons are gone, a by-product of that emergency response program is a 800-megahertz radio system that allows first responders to communicate from one end of the county to the other, making it easier to rally emergency personnel to the scene of a disaster.

“We’ve got a public safety infrastructure that works together now, almost on a daily basis,” Richardson said. “If a tornado touches down in Richmond, you’ll probably see Berea police, Madison County Sheriff’s Office, Kentucky State Police, Eastern Kentucky University police – a lot of jurisdictions are going to be there to assist us.”

Richardson added that technology has also improved for Madison County EMS, which in 1974 was far less equipped to keep storm victims alive in an ambulance on their way to the hospital. With the advance of training, equipment and communication, paramedics have a better chance of saving lives in the wake of a tornado.

Madison County Fire Chief/Emergency Management Director Tim Gray said the federal Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP), which took effect in the 1990s, will leave a positive legacy on the community when it wraps up in 2025 because it motivated agencies to cooperate. He added that getting devastated areas the help they need can also happen faster now than it did a half-century ago.

“Technology is different and the ease of getting resources to the scene is much better today than in years past,” Gray said. “But CSEPP brought all the departments in the county and two cities working together as one. That might not have happened in 1974 because there wasn’t a scenario where we trained together.”



Mimi and Billy Glenn Turpin show off a photo of their 50th wedding anniversary in 2009. The dress in the picture is one Mimi wore in 1969. During the 1974 tornado, the dress was tossed into a pond roughly 100 yards from their house in northern Madison County.

‘Just an Eerie day’

Turpins recall surviving tornado in parents’ basement on Peacock Road

By Mike Moore
For The Citizen

Billy Glenn and Mimi Turpin have lived through some rough weather, but nothing compared or prepared them for what they experienced on April 3, 1974.

“I don’t think we ever thought it would hit us,” Mimi said. “You just never think it is going to happen to you.”

That day, an F4 tornado ripped through portions of Madison County, killing seven people, and destroying property in its wake.

Billy Glenn said it was a day when you knew storms were possible.

“It was just an eerie day,” he said.

Though there was very little in the way of early warning systems, the couple paid attention to the approaching storms on television and radio as they went about their work-day that Wednesday.

Just hours before the weather turned foul in Richmond, Billy Glenn worked on his farm, picking up fallen tree limbs. Soon, they would find themselves in the cross-hairs of the tornado.

“We probably ate supper about six o’clock,” Billy Glenn said. “And then it got stormy. We’d heard it stormed in Louisville and Xenia, Ohio. So, we decided we needed to go to my mother and daddy’s house, which wasn’t far from us. They had a basement.”

As the weather system approached, the family went to the basement, but Billy Glenn went back upstairs to watch the storm’s approach from the front porch of his parent’s house.

“I watched this storm coming (from several miles away),” he said. “I saw it when it hit the White Hall School.”

At that point, Billy Glenn knew it was time to seek shelter.

“I saw the tornado coming, and I

started to go back down to the basement, and my mother was coming upstairs,” he recalled. “She said that she needed to get her medicine. I said, ‘Not now.’”

Minutes, if not seconds later, with the family down in the basement, the storm obliterated the house.

The Turpins said it wasn’t a lingering storm. They estimated that it was over and past them in about a minute as the sound of glass shattering rang out, the flooring collapsing into the basement.

Amazingly, the only injury suffered was a small cut, a scratch, really, on the back of Billy Glenn’s father’s head.

After about 30 minutes, the family emerged from the wrecked basement and found neighbors rushing to check on their wellbeing.

“I think they thought we were dead,” Mimi said.

Soon, the weight of the sheer damage and destruction of the tornado hit the Turpins as Billy Glenn’s parent’s house and their house on Peacock Road was destroyed.

“All we had was the clothes on our backs,” Mimi said.

For several months after the tornado, the Turpins received mail from people as far away as Vanceburg (100 miles away) and Portsmouth, Ohio (130 miles away), letting them know some of their belongings had landed in those locations.

“We got several things back from Portsmouth,” Mimi said.

Experiences from the April 1974 tornado impacted the Turpins for a few years before the frayed nerves from the stress of going through the F4 tornado began to subside. Since 1974, the Turpins have built a home – one with a storm cellar – and gone through everyday life, carving out careers and having a family, but the events of that April day in 1974, they won’t soon forget their harrowing experience.



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Xenia, Ohio was ‘Ground Zero’ of outbreak

By Jeff Neal

Spring is a wonderful time of year. Everything is in bloom and, of course, there’s baseball.

But every time a nasty storm begins brewing in April, I think back to 1974.

Today marked the 50th anniversary of the so-called “Super Outbreak” — a violent string of tornadoes that cut a swath across middle America and killed more than 300 people in the process.

I can remember standing in my backyard watching funnel clouds overhead before my parents whisked me into our basement. I can remember how red the sky was. And how still it seemed.

I lived about 8 miles from Xenia, Ohio, at the time — and Xenia was Ground Zero for the outbreak.

At approximately 4:40 p.m., an F5 tornado ripped through the sleepy little town and when the dust cleared, 34 people were dead, more than 1,100 were injured and half the community was left in ruins.

A week or so afterward at baseball practice, one of my teammates — who lived in Xenia — told us about his horrifying experience that day. He and



his younger brother had just gotten home from school when the weather began to turn. With his parents not yet home from work, Chris Doyle pushed his little brother into an interior bathroom when he heard something that sounded like a train approaching. The two boys huddled in the bath tub as piercing winds shook their home.

When the shaking and the roar subsided, Chris opened the door of the little bathroom and discovered the rest of his house was gone.

It was that kind of a nightmare for Xenia residents.

Me and my parents were sitting in our basement with a transistor radio when



we heard about the destruction of Xenia. And as nightfall approached, news reports indicated the wicked storm had its sites set on the Lake Cumberland area.

Tornadoes devastated Kentucky that evening and in all there were seven confirmed F5 tornadoes during the 24-hour period, and 34 confirmed F4s.

That’s amazing since there are only five or so confirmed F5 tornadoes recorded in the United States per year.

The final statistics from this blast from Mother Nature were staggering: There were 148 tornadoes confirmed in 13 U.S. states, including Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi,

Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, and New York, and the Canadian province of Ontario. It extensively damaged approximately 900 square miles along a total combined path length of 2,600 miles. A total of 319 people died that day and night.

If there was a silver lining in this very dark cloud, it’s that the abil-

ity to predict tornadoes — their formation and their paths — has improved dramatically. And many weather experts point to the 1974 tragedy as a catalyst for new technology.

To illustrate some of those advancements, the Storm Prediction Center used observations of conditions that preceded the 1974 storm and ran computer models on Wednesday to see how well they could forecast the outbreak if it happened today. It turns out the models were able to identify conditions that were conducive for tornadoes to develop in a number of locations where twisters did touch down in 1974.

That forecast skill come from decades of technological upgrades since the Super Outbreak, including Doppler radar technology and powerful computers that can crunch exponentially more calculations than their 1974 brethren.

Thank goodness we’re a little bit safer. Thank goodness we can be a little more prepared and we possibly will have more time to react when severe weather approaches.

As we learned in 1974, every moment counts. And lives can be blown away in a heartbeat.



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Watches are issued by the Storm Prediction Center for counties where tornadoes may occur. The watch area is typically large, covering numerous counties or even states.

Tornado Warning: Take Action!

A tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar. There is imminent danger to life and property. Move to an interior room on the lowest floor of a sturdy shelter. Avoid windows.

If you are in a mobile home, a vehicle or outdoors, move to the closest substantial shelter and cover your head to avoid flying debris. Local NWS offices issue warnings.

Warnings typically encompass a much smaller area, around the size of a city or small county. Warnings are issued when a tornado is spotted on the ground or identified by a forecaster on radar.

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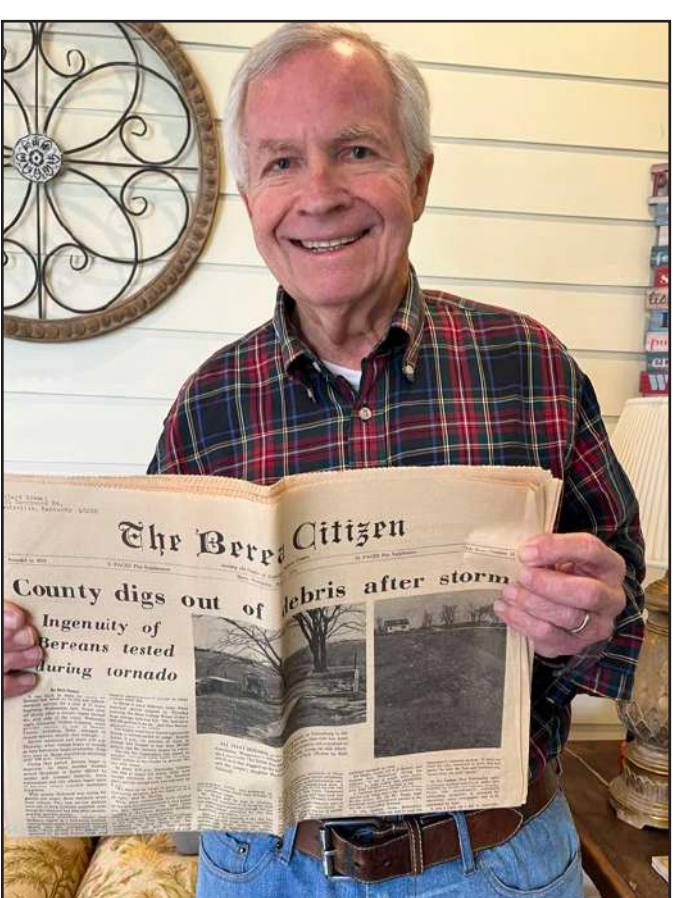
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Calm before the storm

National guard member recalls calm, lightning streak before destruction



Citizen coverage

Former Berea Citizen Associate Editor Rich Gimmel holds up a copy of the April 11, 1974 issue of the Berea Citizen. It contained several photographs, including a home where three members of a family died in Cottonburg. The house was “lifted from its foundation and crumbled to pieces”. One photograph showed just the remaining foundation and the remnants scattered on a nearby hillside. Gimmel wrote of Madison Countians digging out of debris after the storm. Gimmel said the ingenuity of Bereans was tested during the tornado.

By Tyson Tolson
Citizen Intern

April 3, 1974, was a day that’s not known about by many young people in Madison County.

For those who lived through it, however, it’s a day that they will never forget. In a 24-hour period, nearly 150 tornadoes swept across the United States, 27 alone going through the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Madison County resident Wesley Jones remembers that day all too well.

Jones, a National Guardsman for 36 years, was at a funeral service when the storms rolled into the county.

“All we had was calm, lightning streak after streak after streak, and real fine hail for probably two-, two-and-a -half hours.” Jones said. “But we knew something was going on, because lights were out everywhere and there was this big glow. I guess it was something to do around the tornadoes.”

That’s when the first tornado, an F4 (which averages winds of 156 to 206 mph according to the National Weather Service), touched down in Madison County. Another F2 tornado followed minutes later. In their wake, seven people were killed and dozens more were left homeless throughout the area. Many of the people affected, Jones personally knew.

“We had a guard member that lived off Hackett Pike down a gravel road. Him and his wife were expecting their first baby, and the tornado got all three of them.” Jones said.

In some cases, surviving the tornadoes just meant being at the right place at the right time. At White Hall Elementary, a few of Jones’ friends were playing a game of pickup basketball just as the first tornado touched down.

“They ran into the hallway and it hit, just about the time they got into the hallway” Jones said. “When they came back out after

it had passed over, all of the roof was gone off of the gymnasium, and they could see the stars.”

Parts of Whitehall were left in ruin, while others remained intact.

“Nobody got hurt... The hallways in those schools were built for tornado protection.” Jones said. “When they were built, the hallways were supposed to be a safe haven from tornadoes. And that one worked. It saved all of them. Many of those friends are still alive today.”

In the aftermath of the tornadoes, Jones and other guardsmen were sent in to help in recovery efforts. “We were to stop sight-seers, gazers, people just wanting to look.” Jones said. And what a spectacle there was to see across the county. There were cars sitting untouched in front of houses entirely swept away. Trash, building debris, and other scattered artifacts everywhere. One disturbing detail Jones remembers was the livestock in the Whitehall area.

“There was somebody feeding a bunch of hogs for slaughter. Building and school parts, splinters, they went through those hogs.” Jones said. “A lot of them died right there, running around like pin cushions with those big splinters sticking out of them.”

The guardsmen were then asked by the farmer to put the livestock out of their suffering. “A couple officers were assigned their weapons, but they gave them no ammo, so we couldn’t put anything out of its misery.”

The tornadoes of April 3, 1974, left many scars in communities across America. But like all scars, they began to fade as time moved on. Houses were replaced, schools were rebuilt. Today, much of Madison County has seemingly all but forgotten this terrifying moment in its history. But it will always remain in the minds of those who witnessed it, and those who lost their friends and loved ones that tragic day.

BEFORE A TORNADO

- ✓ **Be Weather-Ready:** Check the forecast often to see if a tornado is coming. Listen to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio to stay informed about tornado watches and warnings.
- ✓ **Sign Up for Notifications:** Know how to get warnings. Some communities have outdoor sirens. Others depend on news and smart phones to alert residents of severe storms capable of producing tornadoes.
- ✓ **Create a Plan:** Have a family plan that includes an emergency meeting place and shelter spaces. Pick a safe room in your home, such as a basement, storm cellar or an interior room on the lowest floor with no windows.
- ✓ **Practice Your Plan:** Conduct a drill regularly so everyone knows what to do if a tornado is approaching. Make sure all family members know where to go when a tornado warning is issued. Don't forget pets if time allows.
- ✓ **Prepare Your Home:** Consider having your safe room reinforced. You can find plans for reinforcing an interior room to provide better protection at [fema.gov/safe-room-resources](https://www.fema.gov/safe-room-resources)
- ✓ **Help Your Neighbor:** Encourage your loved ones to prepare for the possibility of tornadoes. Take CPR training so you can help if someone is hurt.



If you don't have a tornado shelter, stay in an inside room or hallway and cover your head. Photo: NOAA

DURING A TORNADO

- ✓ **Stay Weather-Ready:** Continue to listen to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio to stay updated about tornado watches and warnings.
- ✓ **At Your House:** If you are in a tornado warning area, go to your basement, safe room or an interior room away from windows. Don't forget pets if time allows.
- ✓ **At Your Workplace or School:** Follow your tornado drill and proceed to your tornado shelter quickly and calmly. Stay away from windows and do not go to large open rooms such as cafeterias, gymnasiums or auditoriums.
- ✓ **Outside:** Seek shelter inside a sturdy building immediately if a tornado is approaching. Sheds and storage facilities are NOT safe.
- ✓ **In a vehicle:** Being in a vehicle during a tornado is NOT safe. The best course of action is to drive to the closest shelter. If you are unable to make it to a safe shelter, either get down in your car and cover your head, or abandon your car and seek shelter in a low lying area such as a ditch or ravine.

AFTER A TORNADO

- ✓ **Stay Informed:** Keep listening to local news or NOAA Weather Radio for updates about more tornado watches and warnings that may be coming. The next round of thunderstorms may bring more tornadoes.
- ✓ **Contact Your Family and Loved Ones:** Let your family and close friends know you are okay so they can help spread the word. Send text messages or post updates on social media. These posts are more reliable forms of communication than phone calls.
- ✓ **Assess the Damage:** After the tornado threat has ended, check for property damage. When walking through storm damage, wear long pants, a long-sleeved shirt and sturdy shoes. Contact utilities if you see power lines down. Stay out of damaged buildings. Be aware of insurance scammers.
- ✓ **Help Your Neighbor:** If you see someone injured, call 911. Then, if you are trained, provide firstaid until emergency responders arrive.



After a tornado, watch out for dangerous debris such as sharp metal, glass or downed power lines. Photo: NOAA

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"I will never forget April 3, 1974. I had just moved back to Kentucky from Texas. I was visiting with my mom on the Red House Road. My oldest son, Russ Hoover was 4 and my youngest son, Tim was a baby. It had been windy all day long. I remember a medal lawn chair blowing across the yard. The TV gave a tornado warning. We walked out on the back porch of the Old Burman house. I looked up at the tobacco barn on top of the hill. I saw a black Tornado on the ground. We all ran down into the basement that had a dirt floor. It sounded like a freight train passing."

Glenda Mayne

"My brother & I blissfully roller skated in Berea the whole time. No cell phones, so needless to say, our parents were tickled when we arrived home safely. Lights went out at the rink, but we thought owners did it for a moonlight skate."

Nancy Henderson

"I remember the day fairly well. We lived in a mobile home at the time, so we left there and stopped at Thornberry's. We could see a large funnel shaped cloud toward Richmond. I went to White Hall at the time, so we ended up going to Kit Carson while the school got repaired."

Dave Johnson

"Me and my family at Happy Landing Church with Pap King in the shelter by the store, Pap said the best prayer asking GOD to watch over everybody. I was just 10 and I was sitting as close to Granny King as possible, Granny could make the world stop in my eyes!!! Papaw King and Steve, Jimmy Middleton standing outside watching the clouds."

Vickie Grant

"Standing on the front steps of Kings Tabernacle in Happy Landing. We were watching a tornado way off in the distance. Someone had a radio on. We watched as the tornado moved at a steady speed, then it seemed to almost stop. On the radio someone announced White Hall school had just been hit."

Anthony Kelly

"My grandparents' house got destroyed that day. I've only seen pictures of the old house, which had been there before the civil war. A soldier had written a letter home to his mom, and my mom found it the next day laying on the porch."

Rebecca Whittamore

"My grandparents were at the gas station across from White Hall School. They had to run for cover inside the bathroom with several other people. They barely made it in there. My uncles were playing basketball at Whitehall in the gym. They had to run for cover in the hallway. They wouldn't have had time to react if one of their girlfriends hadn't been in the parking lot. She ran inside and saved basically everyone who was in there."

Rhonda Sowder

The aftermath: Covering the storm

By Heather Phillips
Citizen Staff Writer

April 3, 1974, started out as an average spring day, windy and warm with a chance of showers. However, as the day went on the potential for strong thunderstorms increased. This didn't stop local newspaper editor, Jack Frost, from venturing out to accompany his grandmother to the mall in Lexington.

Just as they began to make their way back to Richmond, Frost says "everything went dark".

He tuned into the local radio station to find that a tornado had just come through Madison County. As he neared Exit 90, Frost noticed a lot of debris, but with the whole area without power he couldn't fully see the scope of damage. Waking up the next morning, still without power, Frost made his way into the office. Just as he arrived, the late Madison County Sheriff Harold Kirby pulled up and asked Frost if he wanted



White Hall Elementary School in Richmond was partially destroyed by a tornado that struck Madison County on April 3, 1974. (EKU Archives)

to ride along to see the damage. Without hesitation Frost grabbed his camera and jumped in. The two men started in the Cottonburg area where the tornado had first entered Madison County at about 7pm the evening before. Frost recalls the Whitaker General Store had been reduced to rubble and he observed many destroyed homes, including that of the Long family which lost three members. It was then that the weight of the situation hit Frost.

Continuing down Poosey Ridge and into the Bates Creek area, Frost says he saw a lot of things he still can't believe. From dead cattle up in trees to straw driven through a concrete block by the sheer force of the wind, Frost says he wouldn't



Damage is from White Hall Elementary School in Richmond after it was partially destroyed by a tornado that struck Madison County on April 3, 1974. (Madison County Historical Society.)

believe it if he hadn't seen it with his own two eyes.

As they pulled up to White Hall Elementary, Frost immediately saw that most of the roof had been ripped off, including over the entire gym where he was told a group of older boys had been play-



Frost says a beautiful farmhouse that once stood atop a hill was completely gone. However, the foundation and basement had not been touched, with shelves of canned vegetables completely undisturbed.

Frost returned to his office, still without power, to develop the photos he had taken and get the paper ready for print. With 148 total tornadoes touching down across 13 states in a 24-hour period, the Super Outbreak of 1974 would dominate news headlines for weeks. Frost would even receive a phone call a whole year later from a resident in W. Virginia, over 100 miles away, that had found a check in perfect condition that the storm had carried all the way from Madison County.

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In recognition that April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, staffers from the City of Berea joined volunteers from CASA of Madison and Clark Counties (Court Appointed Special Advocates) to plant 263 blue pinwheels, symbolizing the number of reported abused and neglected children in Madison County in 2023. In Clark County, 212 such cases were reported last year. Berea Mayor Bruce Fraley, who joined staffers in planting the pinwheels, signed a joint proclamation Tuesday including Richmond Mayor Robert Blythe and Madison County Judge Executive Reagan Taylor urging citizens to strengthen families and communities to help prevent child abuse and neglect.



Message from Cora Jane Wilson

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Margaret Sandifer Reppert



Margaret Sandifer Reppert, 88, of Berea died Saturday, April 6, 2024, at Berea Health and Rehab Center. She was a Denmark, South Carolina native born January 19, 1936, daughter of the late Otis P. and Clyde Best Sandifer, Sr. and graduate of Columbia Hospital School of Nursing (Class of 1957). Margaret was employed at Columbia Hospital (Columbia, South Carolina) and Veterans Administration Hospital (Augusta, Georgia) from 1961 – 1964 until she married Curtis Reppert on July 19, 1964, and relocated to Kentucky.

From 1964 to 1978 she was employed at Berea Hospital where she served as floor nurse and emergency room nurse. From 1978 until her retirement in 2004 she was employed at Berea College Health Service where she was recognized for her outstanding care and service to faculty, staff and students. Margaret was an Honorable Kentucky Colonel, member of Berea Lioness Club, Berea United Methodist Church and attended Bethel Park United Methodist Church in Denmark, South Carolina before moving to Berea. She enjoyed participating

in the annual Spoonbread Festival and won first place in the Spoonbread Eating Contest in 2002 and second place in 2003. Margaret was known for wishing everyone listed on the Community Birthday Calendar happy birthday on their special day, and as an avid supporter of Madison Southern athletic events and Berea College games.

Left to cherish her memory are her children Sandy Reppert-Lanham, Brian Reppert (Becky); granddaughter Briana Lanham (Tiffaney); brother Francis Sandifer (Hugh Rice); special niece Belinda Reppert; sisters-in-law Wanda Wren, Ruby Hale; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives, friends and church family. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her loving husband of 52 years Curtis Reppert; and brother Otis P. Sandifer, Jr.

Funeral Services were conducted on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at Reppert Funeral Home. Rev. Dr. Timo Karvonen officiated. Burial followed in Berea Cemetery. Pallbearers were Brian Reppert, Briana Lanham, John Sandifer, Thomas Sandifer, Andy Wren, Lonnie Reppert. Honorary Pallbearers will be family members and friends.

Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

only mastered but also shared by teaching at the Red Bird Mission in Eastern Kentucky. Her paintings, like her music, were vibrant expressions of her soul.

Glennis's generous spirit extended beyond her family and friends. She was always ready to lend a helping hand, and her legacy of love and service will continue to inspire those who knew her.

She leaves behind her beloved husband, Paul Weston; her children, Michelle, Timothy (Selai), and Christopher Weston; her siblings, Maxine Bray, Bronwynn Mead, Earl Landridge, and Evelyn Landridge; and her cherished grandchildren. Glennis was preceded in death by her parents, Earl Ross and Rona Beaumont Landridge, and her brother, Brian Landridge.

The family accepted friends on Thursday, April 4, 2024, at Lakes Funeral Home to celebrate her life.

Lakes Funeral Home in Berea was in charge of arrangements.

She is survived by her Granny, Hazel Roberts, one Aunt, Tammy Alexander, one Uncle, Bobby Roberts, three cousins, Jennifer Carrier, Kammy Carrier and Pennie Riley, two nephews, Matthew Gadd and Patrick Gadd, one niece, Adrienne Cotton.

Services were held at Davis and Powell Funeral Home April 7, 2024. Bro. Darren Slone presided. The burial will be at Rice Cemetery in Mt. Vernon.

Pallbearers were Frank Carrier Jr, Joseph Carrier, Matthew Gadd, Patrick Gadd, Randal Rose, Gene Collins and Matthew Isaacs.

Davis and Powell Funeral Directors in charge of arrangements.

Ronald Carpenter Sr.



Ronald Carpenter Sr., 80, husband of Judy Scott Carpenter, passed away peacefully April 2, 2024, at Berea Health Care Center in Berea. Ronald was born in Rockcastle County to the late Robert and Annie Kirby Carpenter. Ronald had done many things during his life, he was a minister for the Cleveland Tennessee Church of God, Custodian for Rockcastle County Schools and worked for Allen's Flowers in Berea, where he enjoyed working in the green-house and gardens for many years. Ronald was proceeded

in death by his parents and his siblings: Norman 'Cotton' Carpenter, David Carpenter, Reece Anderson, Pearl Thomas, Gladys Mink, Nettie Fletcher, and Elizabeth Carpenter.

Ronald is survived by his loving wife Judy Carpenter, his children: Ronald (Rhonda) Carpenter Jr., and Bonita Fleming, his siblings: Jay (Mildred) Carpenter, Faye Miller, and Dessie Himes, and his grandchildren: Cassandra Kendrick, Christian Hardesty, and Alvin Lee Carpenter, and 2 great-grandchildren: Elijah and Kyndall Kendrick.

Funeral services for Ronald were conducted on Monday April 8, 2024, Lakes Funeral Home.

Lakes Funeral Home in Berea was in charge of arrangements.

Barbara Jean Cress



Barbara Jean Wallen Cress, 87, of Berea, Kentucky, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday evening, April 6, 2024. She was a devoted Christian, wife, mother, and grandmother. She was a beloved member of New Hope Holiness Church and will be greatly missed. Barbara was born January 27, 1937, in Oxford, Ohio, to the late Andrew and Mae Conklin Wallen. She was retired from Dresser Industries of Berea. Barbara was preceded in death by her husband, Herman Cress, with whom she enjoyed 58 years of marriage; two brothers, Joseph Wallen and Virgil Wallen; and six sisters, Roseanna Evans, Isabella Bettelon, Nora Mae Colgate, Dorothy Sayers, Mary Bowling, and Dona Hisle.

Barbara delighted in serving the Lord, and she loved her family dearly. She is survived by her three sons and their wives, Allen and Effie Cress, Randy and Jackie Cress, and Gregory and Teresa Cress, all

of Berea; six grandchildren, Ricky Cress, Duane (Katy) Cress, Heather (Billy) Gadd, Josh (Monica) Cress, Rachel (Daniel) Ballard, and Lynnee (Trevor) Bing; ten great-grandchildren, Claire Cress, Anna Kate Cress, Hailee Gadd, Andrew Gadd, Jordan Cress, Emmy Cress, Sophia Ballard, Otis Ballard, Molly Ballard, and Roselynn Ballard; a host of nieces and nephews; and many special friends including Luther and Alma Akers and Frank and Irene Prickett.

Funeral services will be held at New Hope Holiness Church on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 11:00 am with Brothers Luther Akers, Randy Cress, Ricky Cress, and Gregory Cress officiating. Visitation will be at Lakes Funeral Home on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, from 6-9 pm. Burial will be at Madison County Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers will be Daniel Ballard, Trevor Bing, Duane Cress, Jordan Cress, Andrew Gadd, and Billy Gadd. Honorary pallbearers are Sharie Campbell, Jack Clontz, Barbara Doan, Kathy Cress Frederickson, and Carolyn Young.

Robin Carole Burkhardt



Robin Carole Phillip Burkhardt, formerly of Berea, died peacefully on Sunday, April 7, 2024 at the age of 79 in Richmond, Kentucky. She was born to George Rennie Philip and Christine Pape Philip in Montpelier, Vermont. Robin was primarily raised by her aunt and uncle, Alice and Joseph Viens, in Northfield, Vermont where she graduated from Northfield Senior High School in 1962.

Following high school graduation, she felt called to become a Catholic nun and began her journey at the Missionary Zelatrices of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Hamden, CT. While there, she attended courses at Boston College and served as an elementary school teacher. Six years later, following her departure from Sacred Heart, she began a career in the administrative profession in Washington D.C. She would go on from there to work at the Pentagon and several other federal government agencies over the course of the next 30 years. Her longest career stint was at the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky

where she spent more than 18 years in Nursing Education and made many dear friends.

Robin was deeply steeped in her faith and prayed often for family and friends. She enjoyed volunteering for the churches where she attended and supporting neighbors in need through a warm smile, listening ear, and comforting word. She will be remembered as a woman of profound kindness, generosity, and a devoted mother.

Robin is survived by her four children: Raymond Burkhardt III (Becky), Brian Burkhardt (Shellie), Thomas Burkhardt (Sandra), and Amy Burkhardt; grandchildren: Dustin (Ashley), Casey, Kaitlyn, Kristan, Seth, and Noah; great grandchildren: Adalia, Beckett, Joshua, Maliyah, and Kiyah. Robin is also survived by her sister Sandra Bordeaux and brother George Phillip, as well as many special cousins, nieces, nephews and "grand-animals."

A private memorial service will be held with Robin's immediate family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in memory of Robin may be made to the Christian Appalachian Project at <https://www.christianapp.org/>.

Combs, Parsons & Collins Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Eclipse a breathtaking sight

“The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.” Psalm 19:1.

Dogs were howling, crickets chirping and birds were tweeting – and nobody else’s tweets mattered. The sky grew dark at 3 o’clock in the afternoon. It was weird and wonderful, all rolled into one.



Mark Maynard

The sun and moon aligned so that the moon’s shadow passed over the earth and those in the path of the shadow saw a solar eclipse. We came, we saw and God conquered. There’s no other way to reasonably explain the mysterious solar happening on Monday other than our Creator. The complex physics and math at play work no other way.

Derrick, Sally and Brooks Wyatt looking toward the heavens. Big brother Brooks put some sunglasses on his sister, Addy. My wife, daughter, her husband and their two children were in my entourage in Trenton, Ohio – about an hour from our homes in northern Kentucky - to witness the breathtaking moment of a total solar eclipse. I say moment because it lasted a moment – about two minutes and 30 seconds to be exact – when the skies went dark, and you could look up again without the goofy (but protective) glasses and witness the spectacular corona.

But even the anticipation of the totality was an experience with the countdown starting not two minutes before the darkness hit but about two hours when the moon started casting its shadow over the sun. We looked up in our paper sunglasses and watched with wonder in the front yard of our rented home. The rest of the neighborhood didn’t seem to care, or notice, what was happening.

Astronomers say there are nearly 300 moons in our solar system yet the one nearest to us is the perfect size and

distance to match the sun even though the sun is 390 times larger than the moon and 390 times farther away.

If the moon was smaller, the sky would not have turned dark and if it was larger, the corona would never be seen. Instead, it is just the right size and distance.

Could all that be coincidence? I’m not buying it. Call it God’s handiwork.

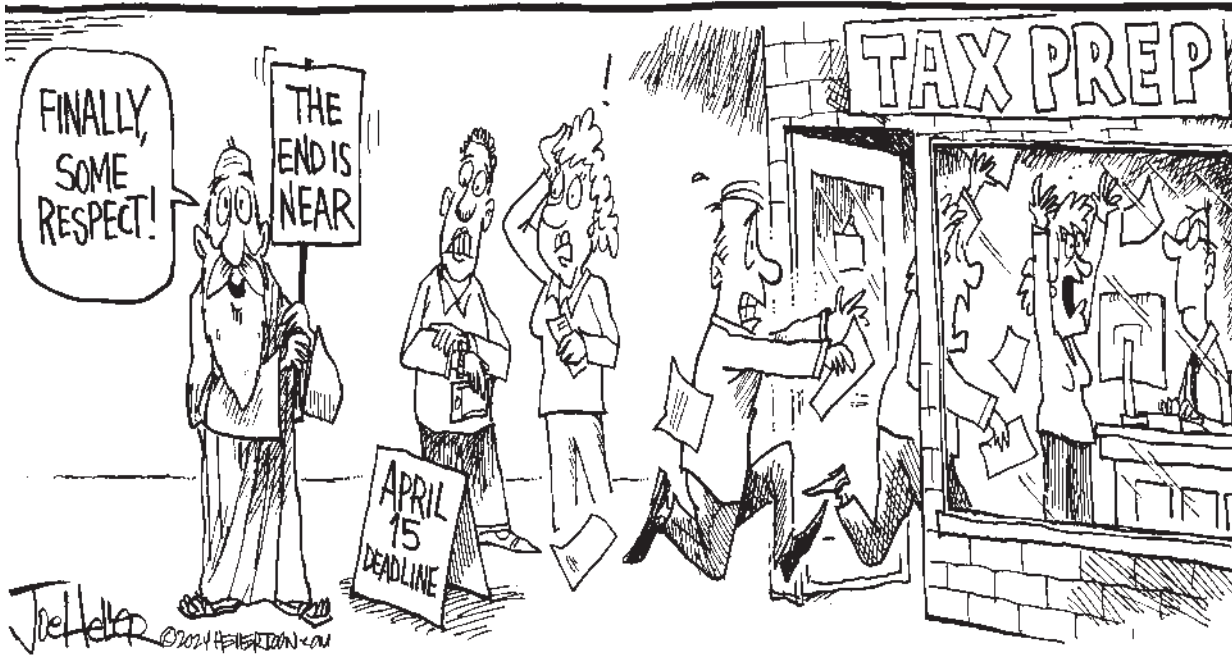
It was perfect, like always and that’s so God. An eclipse happens somewhere on the planet every 18 months or so, but it wasn’t going to be happening in the U.S. for another 20 years. That’s why my wife and I decided to go and experience it for ourselves in a town we have never visited. The next time around, we would be 86. Not to be morbid, but this was perhaps the last chance.

My daughter and wife are, for lack of a nicer name, science geeks. Of course, that made our experience even more fun. They had done their homework with lots of facts and figures, and my wife really did hers. She prayed for clear skies since they invited us to tag along. Clouds were in the forecast. She told me on Sunday that she changed the prayer not for clear skies but thanking God for the clear skies to come. Guess what? Clear skies came. Never underestimate the power of prayer. I know she doesn’t.

It was hard not to marvel at the Creator’s magnificence. The beauty reflects the character and glory of God. If you have seen an eclipse in its totality, with the beads of light and the diamond ring around it, most people call it the best natural phenomenon they have ever witnessed.

It speaks a universal language of beauty and wonder that clearly brings to mind the Creator who spun the stars and planets into orbit in the first place.

Mark Maynard
is managing editor
for Kentucky Today.



Divorce was imminent

The John Calipari era began with a bang at Kentucky. It was almost too good to be true.

The program had nowhere to go but up following Billy Gillispie’s disastrous two-year stint. Calipari was the right hire at the right time for the Wildcats, a program that had reached mediocre status at best under flash-in-the-pan Gillispie.

Calipari brought with him the reputation of being one of the top recruiters in the nation and an innovator of the “one-and-done” system in the college ranks. From the beginning in 2009, he brought the players, they produced and most of them moved on to the NBA following a brief pit stop in Lexington.

In his first year, the Wildcats reached the Elite Eight and the following year the Wildcats reached the Final Four before losing to UConn in the national semifinals. The next season, he had the right mix of freshmen

and veterans, and the Wildcats won their eighth national championship in 2012.

It was all good and Big Blue Nation was experiencing a high the program hadn’t known since the final two years under Rick Pitino. The Wildcats won the school’s sixth national championship in 1996, followed by a memorable return to the finals a year later in 1997. Tubby Smith guided Kentucky to another NCAA title in 1998 but he failed to duplicate the same success in his final nine seasons in Lexington.

Calipari took Kentucky to the Final Four four times in his first six years and won 30 or more games three times. He reached the Elite Eight in 2017 and 2019, but things took a turn after the 2020 postseason was



Keith Taylor

axed by the pandemic.

From that point on, Kentucky never got past the second round of the NCAA Tournament and went 1-3 during the past three years in the Big Dance.

Calipari continued to get the players, including transfer and future College Player of the Year Oscar Tshiebwé, but the one-and-done approach began to lose its momentum as teams began using the transfer portal to stuff their rosters with older and more developed talent. Suddenly, it was men against boys and men and veteran teams began overtaking teams with five-star talent on their rosters, including Kentucky.

Calipari and Big Blue Nation had high hopes in the NCAA Tournament two years ago and again this season, but he couldn’t get the Wildcats back to national prominence. His last season at Kentucky produced the first three-game home losing streak in Rupp Arena history, not to mention a non-conference loss to lowly UNC-Wilmington at home.

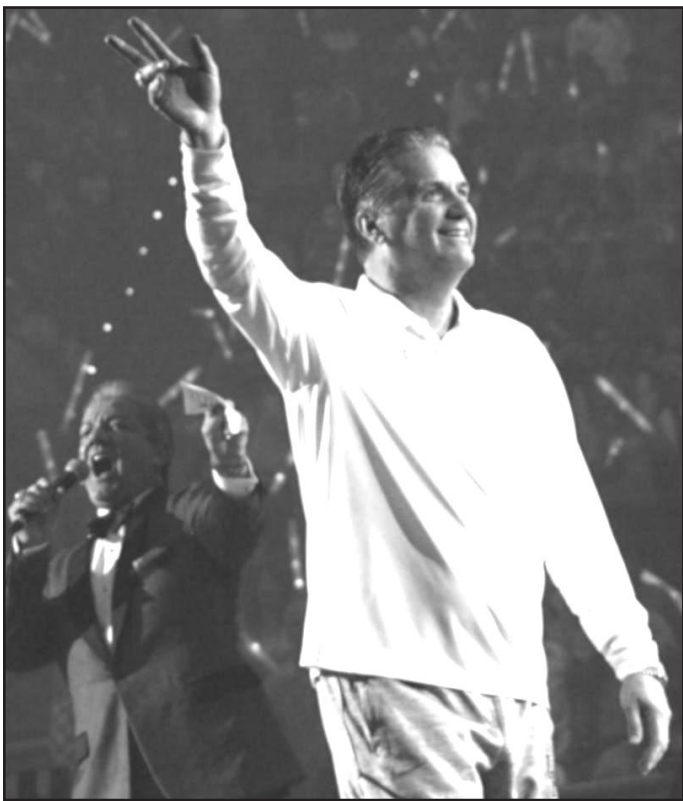
Those things never happened in Calipari’s previous 14 seasons, including 2020-21 when the Wildcats finished 9-16, their first losing season since the 1988-89 campaign. It turns out, it was the beginning of the end for him.

Following an 80-76 loss to Oakland in the NCAA Tournament last month, it became evident Calipari had lost the confidence of the fan base, but a \$33 million buyout stood between the Kentucky coach getting dismissed and returning for another season. Instead of trying to regain the magic he once had at Kentucky, Calipari decided to look elsewhere, likely Arkansas, as has been rumored since Sunday night.

It was an ending beneficial to both parties.

John Calipari waves to the crowd during Big Blue Madness in 2019. Calipari resigned as coach of the Wildcats on Tuesday after 15 years at the helm of the storied program.

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MADISON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER

March 28

- Elizabeth Edwards, 41: theft by unlawful taking or disposition; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine)
- Shawn Nelson, 29

March 29

- Ronald Lewis, 47: serving parole violation warrant
- Chelsea Lewis, 29
- Lucy Smith, 33: assault, 2nd degree

March 30

- Jimmy Gadd, 43: operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license; no registration plates; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st of

fense; no registration receipt; theft of identity of another without consent; failure to appear; probation violation for felony offense

March 31

- Emma Geames, 20: failure to appear
- Diego Gurerrero-Rameriz, 36: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury

April 1

- William Adams, 20: assault, 1st degree; wanton endangerment, 1st degree
- Tobi Hall, 51: probation violation (for technical violation)
- Kera Love, 23: failure to appear (3 counts)
- James Willis, 34: theft by unlawful taking or disposi-

tion, shoplifting

April 2

- Dahlia Newton, 27: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); failure to appear; non-payment of court costs, fees or fines
- Charles Johnson, 28: criminal trespassing, 3rd degree; fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree (on foot); possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); failure to appear
- Charles Lawson, 46: failure to appear
- Charles Carrol, 59: probation violation (for technical offense)
- David McGlynn, 36: theft

by deception (include cold checks), \$1,000 but less than \$10,000

- Kaylee R. Hoevenar, 18: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO
- Daniel Stidham, 39: hold for other
- Frank Helton, 37: serving parole violation warrant
- Wynoma Lear, 50: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses); giving officer false identifying information
- Adrian Martin, 51: failure to appear

April 3

- Danny Ashcraft, 52: probation violation (for technical violation)
- Mitchell Weddington, 45:

parole violation (for technical violation)

- Melissa Malicote, 54: hold for other
- Justin King, 42: failure to appear
- Lewis Howell, 20: fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree (on foot); indecent exposure, 2nd degree; public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol); sexual abuse, 1st degree; disorderly conduct, 2nd degree

Jail records contain limited information due to website updates and maintenance currently underway at the Madison County Detention Center and will return to normal as soon as updates/maintenance have been completed.

COURT RECORDS

District Court March 28

- Heather M. Wood vs. Thomas Lee Allen

March 31

- Candace Keith vs. Marshall Keith

April 1

- Christopher Baker vs. Abby Chasteen
- Diana H. Bowles vs. Kaylee M. Hoevenaar
- Paulene Ann McGee vs. Mitchell Weddington

April 2

- Donald Clark Rogers vs. Brittany Nicole Hawkins
- Cleveland D. Karnes vs. Samantha M. White

April 3

- Julie Horn vs. James T. Winkler

April 6

- Celia Springer vs. Richard Springer

April 7

- Diamonds L. Austin vs. Eric W. Huntzinger

April 8

- Felica Lambert vs. Adam J. Lambert

Circuit Court March 28

- Topanga Newell vs. Katie Goodman
- Kevin Wayne Montgomery vs. Tiphani Dean Montgomery

March 30

- Ronnie E. Collett, Jr. vs. Lacey N. Davis

March 31

- Samantha Marie Rhodus vs. Charles Lee Rhodus

April 1

- ^a CHFS for Angela J. Simpkins vs. Timothy Morehead
- Pamela Lynn Guilen Borders vs. Derrick Vaughn Borders
- Jonathan Lee West

MARRIAGES

March 28

- Caroline Katherine Robinson, PAC prep, 23, of Richmond to Cameron Wayne Garrett, truck driver, 25, of Richmond
- Amanda Jean McKinney, army depot, 36, of Richmond to William Allen Cromer, farmer, 31, of Richmond
- Eli Christian Lakes, firefighter, 21, of Berea to Cari Nicole Powell, pharmacy technician 23 of Sandgap
- Landon Douglas Crutcher, self-employed, 26, of Carb Orchard to Destiny Morgan Coffey, medical assistant, 25, of Richmond
- Joseph Everett Carpenter, materials handler, 57, of Richmond to Delores Lynn Webster, homemaker, 66, of Berea

March 29

- Stephen Jay Arvin, merchandiser, 33, of Paris to Jessica Marie Fraley, unemployed, 34, of Clay City

April 2

- Shante Marie King, unemployed, 29, of Beattyville to Keith James Lamb, self-employed, 34, of Beattyville
- Amanda Lynn Hatfield, CAN, 34, of Richmond to Harley Keelan Ray Smith, CAN, 27, of

vs. Tanya Clifton

April 2

- CHFS for Brandi Holbrook vs. John Fleming
- Jerri M. Wilson vs. James H. Wilson
- David Allen Cox vs. Amy Marie Cox
- Rayanne Wynn vs. Jerry Benjamin
- Linda Gae Prather vs. Kenneth David Prather

April 3

- Alexander Thomas Williams vs. Jillian Roseanne Williams
- Sandra Isaacs vs. Selena Isaacs
- Anna Baker vs. Terry Baker

April 4

- Edith Estrada Garcia vs. None (?)
- Edith Garcia-Estrada vs. Luis Alonzo Hernandez-Mazariegos

April 5

- Evelyn Dinora Antos-Quevedo vs. Marcario Monzon-Aceituno
- Charles Michael Cox vs. Cathy Ann Cox
- Alexandria Olivia Bieger vs. James Thomas Bieger
- Jason Scott Bingham vs. Amy Nicole Stevens Bingham

April 8

- CHFS for Kayla Christian vs. Joshua S. Christian
- Amanda Jo Johnson vs. Aaron T. Shakir
- CHFS for Victoria A. Dobrajnscak vs. William C. Fritz

Foreclosure April 5

- Rocket Mortgage, LLC (f/k/a Quicken Loans) vs. Bessie Wyrick

Richmond

- Christina Marie Egolf, Kroger, 46, of Richmond to Lynn Laverle Bowman, retired, 70, of Richmond
- Samantha Jo Cain, assistant teacher, 22, of Berea to Kristopher Dawson Baker, welder, 22, of Paint Lick
- Aijah Davaun Lewis, athletic coach, 23 of Richmond to Shyler Donnell Ringgold, police officer, 28, of Richmond
- Leslie Jordan Walker, unemployed, 33, of Richmond to Jason Fredrick Humphreys, TMMK, 30, of Richmond
- Amber Lashea Adkins, CAN, 25, of West Berlin, New Jersey to Jacinda Leigh Ford, CAN, 26, of York Springs, Pennsylvania

April 3

- Joshua Alan Ashcraft, disabled veteran, 27 of Richmond to Allyson Paige Mohr, retail, 26, o Richmond
- Felicia Ann Schaeffer, unemployed, 38 of Berea to John David Stuber, Jr., assembly, 39, of Berea
- Gavin Lee Draper, safety manager, 26, of Somerset to Bonnie Rose Edwards, teacher, 23, of Barbourville

March 28

- Gregory Dargavell and Melissa Dargavell, with life estate being reserved for Charles L. Dargavell to Charles Christopher Brandon Dargavell, tract 1 plat 31/184, for and in consideration of \$1.00 and the love and affection between parent and child
- Velma Lyons to Aaron Keith Briley, tract B plat 24/20, for and in consideration of the love and affection between a grandmother and grandson
- Patsy L. Moores to Sara J. Smith, tract 2 plat 18/174, for and in consideration of the love and affection Patsy L. Moores has for her daughter, Sara J. Smith
- Jill Plessinger to GDP Holdings, LLC, lot 34 block B Tate’s Creek Estates, \$250,000
- KJLMA, LLC to More Real Estate, LLC, 2001 Willow Drive, 2025 Willow Drive, 2005 Willow Drive, \$2,605,000

March 29

- Sword Brothers, LLC to Atanas K. Trenov and Atanaska Dimitrova, lot 65 Walnut Grove Subdivision, \$34,800
- E. T. Properties, Inc. to Jade Rental, LLC, 302 McDougal Avenue, 175 Killarney Heights, 177 Killarney Heights, 300 McDougal Avenue, 304 McDougal Avenue and 306 McDougal Avenue, 220 Tulip Drive, 401 Garden City Drive, 490 and 486 Garden City Drive, 116 Manna Drive, 118 Manna Drive, 306 Remington Court, 213 Churchill Drive, 186 S. Killarney Lane, 188 S. Killarney Lane, 217 Churchill Drive, 313 and 317 Churchill Drive, 335 and 337 Churchill Drive, 184 S. Killarney Lane and 194 S. Killarney Lane, 192 S. Killarney Lane, \$9,750,000
- CHAMP Properties, LLC to MA Conley Construction, LLC, 638 Champion Way, \$65,000

April 1

- Duke A. Lopez and Kyle White to Patrick Phelps, 1307 East Irvine Street, \$254,500
- C. Beach Enterprises, LLC to Boone’s Trace Property Owners’ Association, Inc., 501 Shagbark Trail, \$45,000
- Terry Fields and Jerilulu

Fields to Berea Top Drawer Gallery, LLC, tract Madison County (house and lot on Broadway and Adams Street, Berea), \$400,000

- Benjamin A. Runnels and Laken N. Cameron Runnels to Courtney Miller, lot 8 Wilshire Walk Subdivision, \$305,000
- Travis Sanders and Lauren Elizabeth Luxon to Frederick D. Underwood, as co-trustee of the Carol L. Underwood Declaration of Trust No 1, dated October 11, 1993, tracts Bennett’s Addition, Richmond, \$255,000
- Patricia M. Farmer, Executrix of the Estate of Gloria Jean Metcalf, Charles Mark Metcalf and Susan J. Wheeler to Patricia M. Farmer and Rex C. Farmer, parcel A plat 31/111, for and consideration of a division of the property of Gloria Jean Metcalf, Charles Mark Metcalf and Susan J. Wheeler, heirs-at-law to Gloria Jean Metcalf
- Patricia Farmer, Executrix of the Estate of Gloria Jean Metcalf to Joe Bryant Koger and Helen Means Koger, 579 Meadowbrook Road and farm remainder, \$749,000
- Lois Ann Dees, Deborah K. Rogers and Roy Edward Anglin, individually and as Trustees of the Anglin Family Irrevocable Trust, under agreement dated January 30, 2004, to Andrew Chaney, tract Madison County (Bark Road), \$85,000
- Childers Custom Homes, LLC to William Christopher Childers and Jennifer Ann Childers, lot 20 of October @ Golden Leaf (property at Pavilion Way, for and in consideration of a capital distribution to its sole member
- The Estate of Jessie L. Engle (a/k/a Jessie Lea Engle, a/k/a Jessie Lee Engle), by and through S. Lorraine Cotton, Executrix to James Kirby Easterling and Teresa Easterling, lot 66 Ridgehaven Subdivision Phase #2, \$606,000
- John Skidmore, Executor for the Estate of Shawna Dee Skidmore to John Skidmore, 124 Raven Drive, for and in consideration of John Skidmore being the sole recipient of the real property and estate in the Last will and Testament of Shawna Dee

Skidmore, duly probated in Madison District Court, in Case No. 23-P-00097

- James K. Easterling and Teresa A. Easterling to Diane Sekic and Sabrina Asima Sekic, lots 5 and 6 Rivendell Subdivision, \$610,000
- LP Construction, LLC to Mulberry Builders, LLC, lot 260 phase 7A Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$68,000

April 2

- Joshua Pryce and Cherah J. Pryce to Kevin James Plessinger and Jill Plessinger, lot 73 Phase II Shady Oaks Subdivision, \$395,000
- Scott D. Sharp and Cynthia Lee Sharp to Bill Hacker and Kari Hacker, 146 General Cleburne Drive, \$328,000
- Kenneth C. Brandenburg and Deissarre’ P. Brandenburg to Matthew C. Calia and Kaitlyn Hope Calia, lot 22 Monticello Acres Subdivision, \$315,000
- Robert L. Hicks and Natividad Hicks to Tyler Robert Medina and Anna Jo Medina, 3025 Iroquois Trail, \$660,000
- Hans C. Mentzer to Walter Fleming Lynch and Dorothy Carol Lynch, 117 Bear Run Road, \$365,000
- Shay Alleruzzo and Kriscynda Alleruzzo to Angela Snider and James Christopher Snider, 1302 Tyler Court, \$367,000
- Tommy Cope Properties, LLC to Allison Schawe, lot 88 phase 1 Firebrook subdivision, \$283,000
- Robert S. Trump, Tammy K. Trump and Blevins Law, PLLC to Robert S. Trump and Tammy K. Trump, lot 25 Unit 1 Block 1 Stoney Creek Subdivision, for and in consideration of the love and affection which parent has for her child
- Stoney Creek Holdings, LLC to Patty Jo Cooper, lot 66 Stoney Creek Subdivision, Unit 3, Phase 1-A, \$259,900
- Wanda Ramsey, Adam K. Arvin, and Mary Sue

Arvin to Benjamin H. Herbst and Candice K. Herbst, lots Arlington View Subdivision, \$150,000

- Heather Anne Hindman, as Executrix of the Estate of C. Douglas Hindman and Heather Anne Hindman as Successor Trustee of the C. Douglas Hindman Revocable Living Trust, dated August 1, 2017, to Dantucky Properties, LLC, tract Madison County, \$216,000
- Sheryl Smith to Jonathan Bradley, 101 Rainbow Drive, for and in consideration of the love and affection which a mother has for her son
- Timothy David Wilson, Jr. and Rachel Wilson to Joseph R. Cannon and Maggi K. Cannon, lot 54 Robbinsville Subdivision, \$295,900
- William R. Smith and Sharon G. Smith to Judy Webb and Charles Webb, lot 46A Block B Deer Creek Estates, \$426,000
- Short Carpentry and Construction, Inc to Kayla Vann and Billy Vann, lot 31 Laneybrooke Estates, \$332,000
- Wendell Reed Fortney and Kristy Lynn Fortney to Megan Paige Winkler and Charles Johnathon Sizemore or Survivor, tract Madison County, for and in consideration the Grantors have for Grantees, same being parents to daughter and friend
- DS & JV Properties, LLC to Sand Development, LLC, lot 94 and 95 Firebrook Phase 1, \$116,000
- Eli Campbell Plumb-ing, LLC to Kathy Weaver, 104 Tremont Drive, Berea, \$35,000

April 3

- Ball Homes, LLC to Angela Sullivan and James T. Sullivan, lot 37 phase II Arbor Woods, \$297,533
- Nathan Svec to Tucker Randall, tract maple Grove Road, \$165,000
- Indigo Run, Inc to Jeff Sung Yi and Heidi Gale Yi, lot 14 Berkley Hall Phase 3, \$53,500
- Evelyn Claudette Green and Terence Green to Cord Companies, LLC, 100 Seven Oaks Drive, \$35,000
- Paula L. Gray and Billy D. Gray to Paula L. Gray and Billy D. Gray, tract Madison County, for and in consideration of \$1.00

BEREA POLICE BRIEFS

Arrests

- On 3/2/2024 at approximately 5:19 PM, officers conducted a traffic stop on Chestnut Street. The operator, Tristan Bujanos was arrested and charged with Operating on DUI Suspended License and No Registration Plate.
- On 3/9/2024 at approximately 11:35 PM, officers responded to Walmart, in reference to a shoplifting complaint. Amie Hale was arrested and charged with Theft by Unlawful Taking (Shoplifting).
- On 3/24/2024 at approximately 9:50 PM, officers conducted a traffic stop on Richmond Road. The operator, Matthew Abbott was arrested and charged with Reckless Driving, speeding 26 mph Over, Failure to Produce Insurance Card and Failure to Notify Address Change.
- On 3/25/2024 at approximately 12:21 AM, officers responded to Circle

K on Richmond Road, in reference to a trespassing complaint. Steve Napier was arrested and charged with Criminal Trespass 3rd.

Drug Arrests

- On 3/10/2024 at approximately 6:13 PM, officers responded to Speedway, in reference to a male subject requiring a welfare check. James Conway was arrested and charged with Public Intoxication (Excludes Alcohol).
- On 3/11/2024 at approximately 10:40 AM, officers responded to Java Shell, in reference to a male subject requiring a welfare check. Samarth Patel was arrested and charged with Operating a Motor Vehicle Under the Influence of Controlled Substance and Possession of Open Alcohol Beverage Container in Motor Vehicle.
- On 3/13/2024 at approximately 9:23 AM, officers conducted a traffic

stop on Paint Lick Road. The operator, Dillard Norman, was arrested and charged with Possession of Controlled Substance 1st (Methamphetamine), Drug Paraphernalia (Buy-Possess), Operating on Suspended Operator’s License, No Registration Plate/Receipt, Improper Registration Plate and Failure of Owner/Operator to Maintain Required Insurance.

- On 3/17/2024 at approximately 4:15 PM, officers responded to a residence on Meadowlark Drive, in reference to a male and female subject dumpster diving. The male, Christopher Flannery was arrested and charged with Possession of Controlled Substance 1st (Methamphetamine).
- On 3/19/2024 at approximately 4:50 AM, officers responded to a residence on Brooklyn Boulevard, in reference to a disturbance. William Wilds was arrested and

charged with Burglary 2nd, Criminal Trespass 1st, Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (Drug Unspecified), Possession of Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia (Buy-Possess).

Alcohol Arrest

- On 3/24/2024 at approximately 1:02 AM, officers conducted a traffic stop on Mount Vernon Road. The operator, Cameron Cochran was arrested and charged with Operating Motor Vehicle Under the Influence of Alcohol 2nd (Aggravated Circumstances), Speeding 13 mph Over Limit and Failure to Produce of Insurance Card.
- On 3/24/2024 at approximately 10:34 PM, officers responded to a residence on Peachtree Drive, in reference to a domestic disturbance. Marshall Keith was arrested and charged with Alcohol Intoxication in a Public Place.

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Notice is hereby given to all persons that on the 15 day of MAY 2024 AT 1:30 p.m., the following fiduciary accounts will be read and confirmed in the Madison District Court. All objection must be filed on or before the above date.

Estate Of	Fiduciary	Attorney	Kind
TYRUS C. BROWN 22-P-00354	LAUREN WATKINS	STEVEN CONNELLY PO BOX 1077 BEREA, KY. 40403	FINAL SETTLEMENT MARCH 21, 2024
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LOWELL T. MCCOLLUM 24-P-00113	RICHARD MCCOLLUM	VALERIE HIMES 450 BIG HILL AVENUE RICHMOND, KY. 40475	EXECUTOR MARCH 6, 2024
MARIANNE REAMS 24-P-00119	HOLLY BALL	L. BROOKE BOWMAN MITCHELL PO BOX 1895 RICHMOND, KY. 40475	ADMINISTRATRIX MARCH 6, 2024
SONDRA KAY MCAMIS 24-P-00120	NICOLE D. THOMPSON	RICHNEY G. DAVIS PO BOX 1060 RICHMOND, KY. 40475	ADMINISTRATRIX MARCH 19, 2023
JOHN ANTHONY CONTE 24-P-00127	HEATHER C. CLINES KYLE CONTE	ISAACS LAW OFFICE 306 WEST MAIN ST RICHMOND, KY. 40475	CO-EXECUTORS MARCH 8, 2024
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All persons having claims against the above decedents are notified to file same. Property proven, with the respective representatives no later than 6 months from the date of appointment.

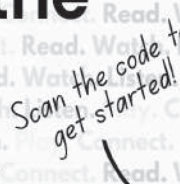
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Reflections

Berea Citizen archives

There was much interest in the baseball game between College and Academy on Monday as everyone was anticipating it to be one of the hardest fought games of the season. They were not disappointed. Academy's West scored the first home run in the first inning. He also scored again in the third, when Academy scored two addition scores. College made three scores in the fifth with Scott Elliott making the first, Jones and Watson followed. This tied the game at 11 when West of Academy mad the hit that brought Hickman in, scoring the winning run with two men down. One of the features of the game was a spectacular by G. Hobbes in the tenth when he leapt into the air and caught a hit in his bare hand while in a dead run.

The grand opening of the Berea 5 and \$1.00 store was to be held on April 15th according to Mr. George Neal, store manager. The store had moved from the old location (the old post office building on the corner of Broadway and Chestnut), to a location across from the Berea High School. Management felt that this location was more convenient for customers and the store had been completely rearranged to allow for shopper

convenience. Mr. Neal, formerly employed in Lexington, had been the manager of the Berea store for ten years. His store belonged to the chain Ben Franklin Stores. There were two regular salesclerks and four to six clerks employed during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Neal were now residing on Chestnut Street in Berea and were planning on relocating to one of the new Purkey residences in the near future. The couple had two sons. Mr. Sam H. Neal of the Agricultural Department in Washington, D.C. and Dr. Joe K. Neal of the Zoology Department at the University of Kentucky.

It was back to basics for nearly all Berean's as the city was without electricity for a total of 17 hours following a tornado that ripped through the west side of Madison County on Wednesday night. Kentucky Utilities was able to restore services shortly after midnight. Service remained until approximately 8:30 a.m. on Thursday morning when voltage began to dwindle as local industries began production. From that point, Berea was without electricity until 9:30 p.m. on Thursday evening. During that period, Berean's began to improvise. Many families huddled around fireplaces in homes lighted by candles and Coleman lanterns. Many businessmen and city officials began some of the most makeshift operations imaginable. While nearby

Richmond needed gasoline and water, Berea residents were never without. Two local service stations were able to keep motorists supplied, even though the blackout had idled their electric powered gas pumps. At Central Standard, owner Bob McMahon rigged up a hand pump method which allowed gasoline to be pumped from a hose directly inserted into underground storage tanks. "Sixty strokes to five gallons - I measured it." He said between pumps while pumping away on the rigged apparatus. After about ten minutes, McMahon's arm gave out and customers had to pump their own gasoline. The crew at Meadowlark Shell devised a somewhat more elaborate method by powering the stations' regular pumps with a generator. In parts of the county, residents had to receive water from trucks at emergency distribution points since the massive electric-powered pumps at the water utilities were idle. In Berea, it was a different story. When electric service was interrupted on Thursday morning, the Berea College Water Utility's hug storage tank was full. We had about 600,000 gallons in the air," said Don Bewley, administrator. The supply would have lasted eight hours during a normal usage period. Shortly before 5 p.m., the after supply dropped to less than 2000,000 gallons and there was concern. The city fire department was placed on standby, and plans were made to utilize the water pumps in fire trucks to provide the city with water. However, about the 5:30 p.m. K.U. was

able to supply the filtration plant and storage tank was full again by 8 p.m. While other means of communities were crippled by the lack of communications with their emergency services, the lights were still on at the Berea Municipal Building which housed the fire and police departments. At Berea Hospital, lights burned continuously, after a cooling problem with the facility's two emergency generators were resolved. Those generators had never been taxed like that before," said hospital administrator David Burgeo.

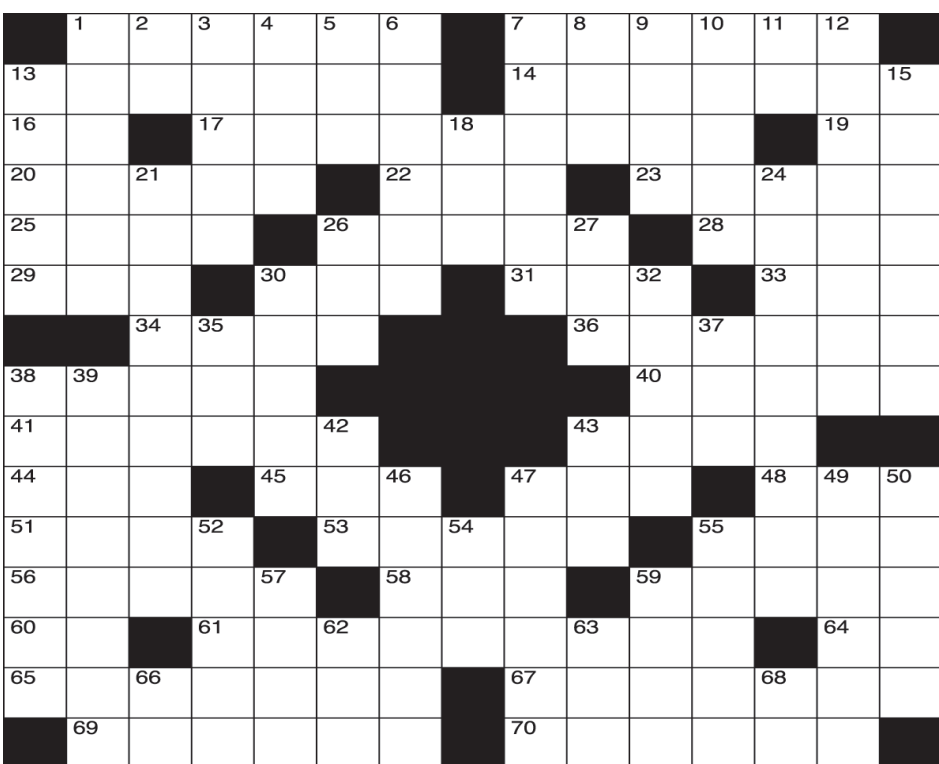
The newly renovated Log House Gallery hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony on April 11th to celebrate its grand reopening. The event was held in conjunction



Pictured with Eisenbarth are (from left) Melissa McDonald, Renata Montgomery, Peggy Burgio, Steve Fain, and Lorrin Ingerson.

Game Page

Crossword



1. Island nation
7. Platforms
13. Project plan
14. French fishing port
16. South Dakota
17. Oakland's baseball team
19. Military policeman
20. Ornamental stone
22. Garland
23. Process that produces ammonia
25. Mousses
26. Music notation "dal ___"
28. Fail to win
29. Peyton's little brother
30. Not near
31. Some cars still need it
33. Lizard genus
34. An idiot (Brit.)
36. Postponed
38. African country
40. Gazes unpleasantly
41. In a way, traveled
43. Ukraine's capital
44. Appropriate
45. Dash
47. Twitch
48. Swiss river
51. Data file with computer animations
53. City in S. Korea
55. Particular region
56. They have eyes and noses
58. Tear
59. Large Madagascan le

mur
60. Not out
61. Ornamental saddle
covering
64. A driver's license is one
65. Latin term for charity
67. Rechristens
69. Objects from an earlier
time
70. Hindu male religious
teachers

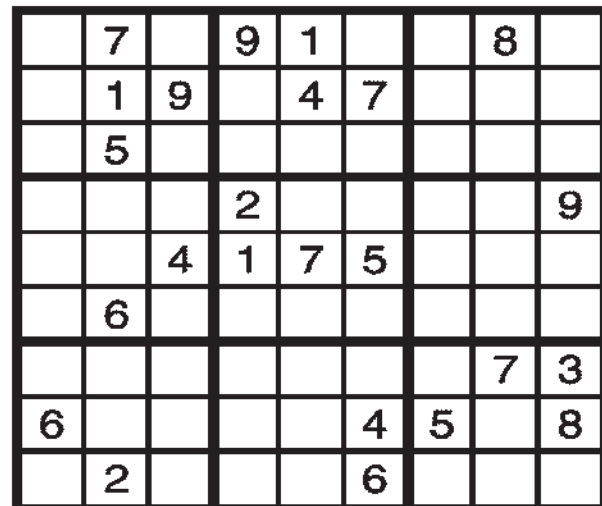
CELEBS DOWN

1. Used as a weapon
2. Yukon Territory
3. Makes a map of
4. An established ceremony prescribed by a religion
5. Unnilhexium
6. Merchant
7. Playing the field
8. Folk singer DiFranco
9. Something to scratch
10. Mexican agave
11. Equal to one quintillion bytes
12. Session
13. North American people
15. Ranches
18. Electroencephalograph
21. A type of compound
24. Avenue
26. High schoolers' test
27. A type of meal
30. Gradually disappeared
32. Ancient Frankish law code
35. Popular pickup truck

37. Buzzing insect
38. Deal illegally
39. Lying in the same plane
42. Obstruct
43. Related
46. Challenge aggressively
47. Nocturnal hoofed animals
49. Bird's nests
50. Forays
52. — B. de Mille, filmmaker
54. Title of respect
55. One-time name of Vietnam
57. Self-immolation by fire ritual
59. Private school in New York
62. Political action committee
63. A way to fashion
66. Email reply
68. "The Great Lake State"



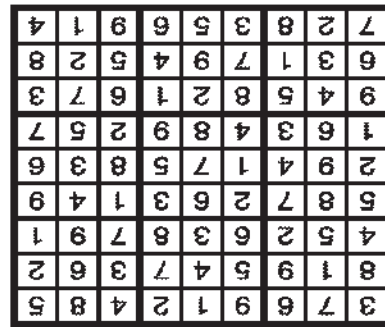
SUDOKU



Level: Intermediate

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ANSWER:

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A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

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Solve the code to discover words related to Lyme disease

A. 16 22 13 24 9 25

Clue: Bighting insect or organism

B. 5 8 8 23 2

Clue: Causes one to be sick

C. 6 8 9 9 11

Clue: Flows through the body

Answers: A. vector B. illness C. blood D. bacteria



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“He said, ‘You’re fired,’” the new guy replied.

Something similar to that happened to a king in the Old Testament. You remember Saul, the first king of Israel. He became disobedient to God, doing things he shouldn’t have been doing, going places he shouldn’t have been going, and saying things he shouldn’t have been saying.

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Roger Alford

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Reach Roger Alford at 502-514-6857 or rogeralford1@gmail.com.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Berea Baptist Church



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9:30 a.m.
10:45 a.m.
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6 p.m.

310 Chestnut Street A, Berea, Ky. 40403
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Pharmacy: Berea Drug, U.S. 25 N. Phone: 986-4521

ECLIPSE

FROM PAGE 1

viewing event, was pleased with the amount of turnout for the event.

“We’re really impressed with all the people who came out, and all the excitement this has caused,” he said. “We’re just having fun out here.”

Students didn’t seem to mind the cloud cover either. Ethan Holifield, a freshman and aviation major at ECU, said he enjoyed coming out to the social gathering.

“It’s only a once-in-a-lifetime thing that you get to see an eclipse like this, so I figured I would show up.” Holifield said.

“I love talking to people, the glasses — it’s just wonderful out here.”

While the cloudy skies threatened to ruin a unique day, it didn’t prevent friends and neighbors from enjoying the rare spectacle, and to learn a little bit about astronomy at ECU.

Those who missed the event will have to wait a while for their next viewing opportunity, as the next visible eclipse in United States takes place in 20 years.

NIXON

FROM PAGE 1

I’m loving it. Berea has got such a unique history and such a unique mission that I’m just honored every day to serve it and serve our students, serve our faculty and staff and, and our broader community in all of Appalachia through that. So what I’ve done in my first few months is last semester, I really focused on having lots of open sessions with campus and doing like a we called it like a listening tour and, just getting people into big sessions, getting people around the table to tell, have them tell me what they really are hoping the future of Berea could be. And this semester I’m continuing some of those sessions. But this semester we have a group that’s pulling all those ideas together, and we’re creating like a strategic plan based on on those ideas.”

Q: What has been your first impression of Berea, the campus and the town?

A: “I think the first impression is that the people are very generous and warm. I, I’m not from Kentucky, don’t live here. Right? Coming in as a new person. Everybody has been so welcoming. They’ve all really wanted to get to know me, but they’re all just eager to sort of

make me feel at home and make me feel comfortable. The people have been so, you know, authentic, like generous and genuine. I think the other thing is it’s just a beautiful area. I mean, you could just look at our campus right now. It’s got these. All the trees are budding and bloom, and I love that, the beauty of the region. we can walk right off of the campus, be right into the. And onto a hiking trail in the woods. Walk through the forest, you know that that’s, I think, such a unique, rare thing to be surrounded by this beautiful, beautiful, natural setting.”

Q: How would you describe your approach on campus? How would you describe your relationship with the students?

A: I’m trying to get out there and be with them and be beside them and trying to be energetic and optimistic — energetic, optimistic and like, forward looking. The students are the future right? I want them to feel that there’s this whole world of possibilities out there for them. I really believe that, like opening up the world for them and opening up possibility for them. I’m trying to go out, get to know them, walk and be around on campus with them — hold meetings with them. I try to go into the dining room to just sort of say hello and walk around and go to their events.”

FOOD SERVICE INSPECTIONS FOR WEEKS ENDING 03-16-24 to 03-31-24			
Regular Inspections with no follow-up		Score	Explanation
White Hall Elementary Cafeteria	2166 Lexington Road, Richmond	100%	
Subway-Deep Royal 18	2057 Irvine Road, Richmond	100%	
McDonald's	1001 Brandy Lane, Richmond	98%	
Mt. Vernon Fuel	104 N. Dogwood, Berea	98%	
Seabury Center Concessions	Berea College, Berea	100%	
Dairy Queen	1007 Sylvia Dr., Richmond	98%	
Kit Carson Elementary Cafeteria	450 Tates Creek Road, Richmond	100%	
Mac-A-Tude	Mobile Unit	97%	
Shannon Johnson Elementary Cafeteria	109 Oakwood Dr., Berea	98%	
Farristown Middle School Cafeteria	751 Farristown Industrial Dr., Berea	100%	
Bespoke Bakery & Cafe	116 Farristown Way Ste. 4, Richmond	100%	
Kona Ice L-1	Mobile Unit	100%	
Kona Ice L-2	Mobile Unit	100%	
Kona Ice L-3	Mobile Unit	100%	
Boonesborough Elementary Cafeteria	1441 Boonesborough Road, Richmond	100%	
Daniel Boone Elementary Cafeteria	710 N. Second Street, Richmond	97%	
Horizon Adult Health Care	5008 Atwood Dr., Ste. 2-3, Richmond	100%	
Olive Garden	2168 Lantern Ridge Dr., Richmond	97%	
J W Specialty Drinks	Mobile Unit	100%	
One Shop Drop	830 Eastern Bypass, Richmond	100%	
Kirkville Elementary Cafeteria	2399 Lancaster Road, Richmond	99%	
Regular Inspections with a follow up due			
Smokehouse Grill & Buffet	359 Peggy Flats Road, Berea	85%	
Merrick Shell Mart	2048 Merrick Dr., Richmond	98%	



PUBLIC NOTICE

Madison County Fiscal Court will have a second reading of Ordinance 2024-03 during the regularly scheduled meeting at 9:30 a.m. on April 23, 2024 in the Richmond City Hall Commission Chambers at 239 W. Main St., Richmond, KY. View full posting at www.madisoncountky.gov/public-notices, or in person at 135 W. Irvine St., Richmond, KY by calling 859-624-4700.

EMA/CSEPP to purchase specialty trailer

By Leslie Barlow
Citizen Staff Writer

The Madison County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) and the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) are getting a new specialty trailer to serve as a command center during times of emergency or disaster. The Madison County Fiscal Court approved the purchase of the trailer with funds from a CSEPP grant at its April 9 meeting at Berea City Hall. Chief Tim Gray told the court his office originally proposed the purchase of a mobile command unit, but after researching the cost of maintenance and upkeep, which totals \$50,000 per year, the department opted for the trailer. “We talked to other areas and other states about what type of vehicle they use. We decided to go this route,” Gray said. “We believe the upkeep, feasibility, and economics of purchasing the trailer will be better.” The trailer will have two consoles for easy emergency dispatch. “If something happens and we need to dispatch from wherever we are, we can. We can do anything from

the trailer that we can from the 911 center,” Gray said. The court also approved a lease agreement between the county and the State’s Attorney Office for office space. The new lease will begin July 1 and run through June 30, 2025. The State’s Attorney Office will pay \$16 per square foot for 2,292 square feet of space.

- First reading approval was given for a zone change at 1072 Bates Creek Road from R-7 and UC-7 Agriculture to UC-1 Single-Family Residential. Planning and Building Codes Director Bert Thomas said the County Planning Commission unanimously passed the committee, citing the development falls within the county’s comprehensive plan and will provide a range of housing options within the county’s urban corridor.

 Second reading of the change will be read at the court’s next meeting April 23 at Richmond City Hall.

- A services agreement between the county and MWM Consulting, LLC was passed. The county will pay MWM \$5,500 per month to represent the county’s interest in economic development planning. The price is an increase of \$2,000 over the last agreement.

LSV

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like brake lights, mirrors, and blinkers. It’s a distinct subgroup of vehicles called low speed vehicles,” West said. Additionally, LSVs must have a vehicle identification number, and the driver must be licensed and insured. During his presentation, West noted that several Kentucky communities have already adopted LSV ordinances, including Garrard County, Irvine, Winchester, Danville, Boyle County, London, Paris, Georgetown, Frankfort, Boone County and Bowling Green, among others. He added LSVs are growing in popularity among travelers with RVs, because they are easier to tow behind a recreational vehicle and more convenient to park. “Some of these people who are more affluent, who travel all of the time, choose their destinations based on where they can use their low-speed vehicles,” West said, noting that during a recent survey of a local campground, 38 percent of visitors had brought LSVs with them. “It also runs cheaper and it’s more environmentally friendly. The operating costs of one of these is about one fifth compared a regular vehicle.” West went on to explain the city could adopt the Kentucky ordinance, or it can tailor its own to meet specific needs. For example, Berea could choose to exempt certain streets of the 35 mile per hour rule. In addition to appealing to tourists, West said there would likely be benefits for local residents. Older motorists could use LSVs as a safer, more economical form of transport around town. Residents could use LSVs to drop kids off at school, go to

the grocery store or restaurants, or cruise around the neighborhood, West said. Additionally, the LSVs could be used for short-distance commuting, or for some local businesses. Overall, West said LSVs would present a quieter, more environmentally friendly transportation alternative, since 80 percent are electric powered, and 1 percent are solar powered. For those reasons, West said he believes the proposal would be welcomed by residents. “I think it would have a lot of local support. I know a lot of people who say if it comes before the council, they want to speak for it. This is trending in a lot of places, and I suggest you do it,” West said. Some council members raised questions about the proposed ordinance. Cora Jane Wilson asked whether it would mean that the city

would be in the business of renting LSVs. Mayor Bruce Fraley emphasized that the city would not be involved, but that local entrepreneurs would have an opportunity to own them and rent them out if they wanted to establish that type of business. Steve Caudill, meanwhile, said that while the LSVs might be safe on city streets, he wants to explore this issue further before allowing them on some of the city’s shared use paths, particularly those with blind spots where traffic accidents could occur. The council members said they would study the issue further. West concluded by telling officials LSVs are trending in tourist towns all over America, providing an opportunity for Berea to make itself a destination for travelers with LSVs. “It’s coming. The more you travel, the more you’ll see this,” West said.



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Berea Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers at the Berea City Annex located at 304 Chestnut Street to consider the following requests:

REDEEMING HOPE INC – 1045 RICHMOND ROAD NORTH – REQUESTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A GROUP HOME IN AN A (Agricultural) ZONE.

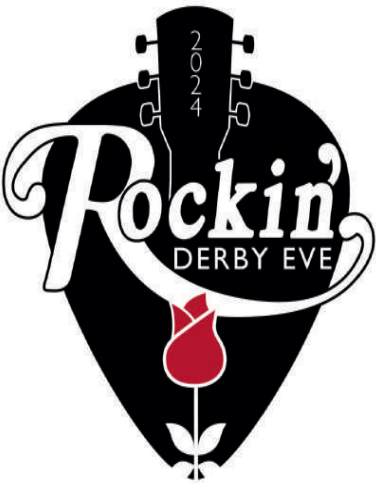
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BEREA COLLEGE – 201 MAIN STREET NORTH – REQUESTING A DIMENSIONAL VARIANCE FOR FRONT YARD SETBACK IN AN INS (Institutional) ZONE.

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'Time for another voice'



Calipari steps down after 15 seasons at UK

LEXINGTON (KT) — The John Calipari era is over at Kentucky. Calipari announced his resignation in a video posted Tuesday on social media. Calipari is expected to be named the men's basketball coach at Arkansas later Tuesday.

"It has been a beautiful time for us," Calipari said. "This is a dream job. It was my dream job. Anybody in our profession looks at the University of Kentucky and basketball and said, that is the bluest of blue. The last few weeks, we've come to realize that this program probably

needs to hear another voice (and that the) university as a whole has to have another voice giving guidance about this program that they hear. The fans need to hear another voice."

Calipari said he "loves it here" but added that he thinks it's "time for us to step away, and to step away completely from the program."

"There have been opportunities that have been presented to us and we're discussing them as a family," he said. "I love coaching. I love coaching young people. This year's team, I loved

walking (into practice) every day. They have invigorated me. I love the chase for championships. I love bringing the kids together. It's what I do. It's who I am."

Kentucky athletics director Mitch Barnhart issued a statement through e-mail Tuesday afternoon.

"We're appreciative of John Calipari leading our program for the last 15 years, adding to the legacy of championship success at Kentucky," he said. "We're grateful to John for his many contributions to the university,

and our state, both on and off the court.

"We are working diligently to hire a proven, highly dedicated coach who embraces the importance of this program to our fans and the state of Kentucky."

Calipari has been at Kentucky since 2009. He led the Wildcats to the national title in 2012 and went to four Final Fours in his first six seasons. Kentucky then went to a pair of Elite Eights in 2017 and 2019 but has won just one NCAA tournament game since that last run to the regional final.

Craig Loftis
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Kenway Drive connector to Bypass gets \$1 million boost

By Andy McDonald
For The Citizen

Kentucky State Senator Jared Carpenter (R-34) and State Representative Josh Bray (R-71) surprised the Berea City Council this week, announcing \$1 million in funding for a Kenway Street connector to the Berea Bypass.

The legislators addressed the council's business meeting on Tuesday, having concluded the current legislative session in Frankfort earlier that morning. Bray also announced that the Mayde Road extension to Menelaus Road has been included in the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's six-year road plan, as well

as funding for a study to extend the Berea Bypass from Kentucky Highway 21 to U.S. 25 Mt. Vernon Road.

The biggest news of the night, however, was the Kenway extension, which will add a second access point to the Roselawn and Dixie Park subdivisions.

"We allocated a million dollars

toward that project to help the City of Berea," Bray said. "We're very grateful for your advocacy for that. We feel like it's a great project that's going to have a huge impact on traffic safety and flow, so we're really happy about that."

Berea Mayor Bruce Fraley had

See BOOST, A8

Tourism hits brakes on trolley purchase

By Andy McDonald
For The Citizen

The Berea Tourism Commission has shelved plans to purchase a trolley this year.

In a unanimous vote at last week's business meeting, officials tabled the item, which was initially budgeted for \$150,000. Plans to purchase a trolley stalled following an April 2 Berea City Council meeting, in which city officials were asked to boost the trolley spending budget to \$225,000. Following the request, Councilman Steve Caudill asked to hold off on the vote pending a council work session.

At an ensuing Berea Tourism Commission meeting last Wednesday, the commission voted to table the purchase for this year pending more research.

In a council work session on Thursday, Caudill agreed that while there needs to be some form of transportation to move people around town, he wants specific cost/benefit numbers showing precisely how the purchase will benefit citizens and businesses.

"If you can show me the economic benefit for \$225,000, I'm all in," Caudill said.

Berea Tourism Commissioner Bill West explained there were two important factors in the change in price. First, there was a need to make the trolley more accessible for passengers with mobility issues.

See TROLLEY, A6

Group effort



'Coffee for a Cause' teams up with 'Sleep in Heavenly Peace' to build beds for children

In an inspiring collaboration aimed at making a tangible difference in the lives of children, two impactful groups, "Coffee for a Cause" and "Sleep in Heavenly Peace," joined forces last Saturday to build beds for those in need. With a shared commitment to community welfare, they worked tirelessly to construct 20 beds, each representing a comfortable and secure place for a child to rest their head at night.

The heartwarming initiative seeks to address the pressing issue of children not having a bed to call their own. Recognizing the fundamental importance of a good night's sleep for a child's health and well-being, the group partnered with "Sleep in Heavenly Peace," an organization dedicated to this specific cause.

The culmination of their efforts saw 20 sturdy beds assembled, ready to bring comfort and security to those who need it most. But the work doesn't stop there. While the accomplishment of building 20 beds is commendable, the sobering reality remains that there are still over 80 children in Central Kentucky who lack a proper bed to sleep in; and that number grows every day.



In top photo Craig Loftis of State Farm, sands down a board, while Hailey Stewart and Jesse Toler of Craig Loftis State Farm, apply a stain to assembled peices last week. (The Citizen/Heather Phillips)

With unwavering determination, Coffee for a Cause and Sleep in Heavenly Peace are committed to continuing their mission until every child in their community has a bed to sleep in. Their dedication serves as a powerful reminder of the impact that grassroots initiatives can have on addressing social issues and fostering a sense of belonging and care within a community.

As they prepare to deliver these beds to the children who need them, the groups urge the community to rally behind their cause. Whether through volunteering time, donating resources, or spreading awareness, every contribution plays a crucial role in ensuring that

no child goes without a bed in Central Kentucky.

Coffee for a Cause is a community-minded group of individuals dedicated to using their skills and resources to make a positive impact in the local community. The group includes Craig Loftis, a State Farm Agent, Sandy Adams, the owner of Just Love Coffee Cafe, Kodi Denning, a Loan Officer at Geneva Financial, James Martin, a Realtor at Realty World Adams & Associates. Together, they unite under the banner of Coffee for a Cause, leveraging their diverse talents and networks to address pressing issues and make a difference in the lives of those in need right here in Central Kentucky.

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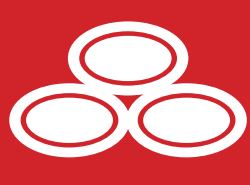
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OBITUARY

Richard Douglas Williamson Jr.



Richard Douglas Williamson Jr. passed away in his home April 14th, 2024, surrounded by his loving family, following a long illness. Richard was born May 17, 1943 in Barbourville, to Nancy Dotson Williamson and Richard Williamson. Richard was a loving son, brother, husband, father, and grandfather, and, per his request, a strong union man.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Rhonda Williamson Higgins. He is survived by his sister Judith Williamson Lefevre of Lexington. His loving wife of 58 years, Linda Parke Williamson, of Berea. His daughters, Teddi Lynn Williamson of Berea, Sarah (Kyle) Conn of Frankfort, Rhonda Kay Henson of Pickens, South Carolina. His grandchildren:

Ashley (Rob-bie) Smith, Kristin (Colby) Ruble, Seth (Madison) Simpson, Brandon (Paige) Conn, Dawson Conn, Luke Simpson, Samuel Williamson, Elyse Henson, and Allison Henson. As well as five great grandchildren, many nephews, nieces, cousins, and a host of friends.

A celebration of life will be held Thursday April 18th from 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall at Pilot Knob Missionary Baptist Church, 8091 Battlefield Memorial Highway, Berea, with funeral services following at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Richard loved life. His world was filled with laughter and music and wonder, and he gave that gift to everyone he met. He was an amazing husband, brother, son, father, grandfather, and friend. We will strive to live our lives as he did his, with joy, gratitude, laughter, and love, in honor of him always.

Davis & Powell Funeral Directors in charge of arrangements.

BRIEFS

KSP searching for escaped inmate

The Kentucky State Police, Richmond Post, is searching for an inmate who walked away from the Bluegrass Career and Development Center just before 11:15 p.m. on Sunday, April 14.



KSP is searching for Louis G. Jones, 38, of Grayson, described as a white male, 5-foot-7 tall, 140 pounds, with brown hair and blue eyes.

Jones was last seen wearing a white muscle shirt, blue jeans and brown boots. Jones was serving a sentence for Theft by unlawful taking, Criminal Mischief 1st Degree and Arson 2nd degree.

Anyone who may have information about the location of Louis G. Jones is asked to call their local law enforcement or KSP Post 7 at (859) 623-2404.

The ongoing inves-

tigation is being conducted by Kentucky State Police Trooper Bobby Estes.

Patriot plaque dedication set

The Madison County Revolutionary War Patriot's Memorial Plaque dedication will be held on Friday, April 19 at 1:30 p.m. at Irvine-McDowell Park in Richmond, Kentucky.

In case of rain, the event will be moved to First Christian Church at the corner of West Main and Lancaster Avenue.

The plaque recognizes the Revolutionary War Patriots buried within the current boundaries of Madison County.

Parking is available at the ECU lots of Adams/ Alumni House and Crabbe Street, side streets of Oak and Breck and the First Christian Church lot.

Rockin' Derby event May 3

Reservations are now open for the area's longest-running Derby Eve party.

The 2024 event has been re-named the Rockin' Derby Eve Benefit Party and will take place Friday, May 3, at the Madison County Fairgrounds. Live music by Rock of Ages. All proceeds support Hospice Care Plus's care and services.

Make reservations at hospicecareplus.org

Spring gathering at Kirksville

The 15th annual spring gathering will be 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at the Kirksville Community Center. More than 35 vendors and food vendors will be present. For more info call Billie (859) 338-6690.

Message from Cora Jane Wilson

"Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath."

James 1:19 (KJV)



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Mary Etta Spires

Mary Etta Spires, 86, passed away Monday April 8, 2024, in Richmond at the Compassionate Care Center after a long illness. Mary Etta was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church, she had worked for RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company for 28 years, she also worked for IBM for five years, and she was co-owner of William H. Spires Trucking Company as a third-party contractor for the US Postal Service since 1968, she retired in 2020. Mary Etta was born in East Bernstadt, KY to the late Burley and Alice Young Malicoat. She was also preceded in death by her husband William H. Spires, her stepfather Norman ‘Cotton’ Carpenter, her brother

Bobby Malicoat and granddaughter Jenny Marie Anglin. Mary is survived by her daughters: June (Jack) Frank, Pam Thacker, and Iva Wolfe, her granddaughters: Jessica Beth Thacker, Daisy Wolfe, Hailey Davis, Kristina Willis, Kelli Schalk, and grandson Matthew Frank, her sister Della Mae Berry, nephews: Mark and Randy Berry, Bart (Sue) Malicoat, Tom (Amy) Malicoat, Doug (Becky) Malicoat, and her nieces: Shery (Herb) Dinkle, Tracy (Bill) Peck, and many cousins and friends. Funeral services were conducted Saturday April 13, 2024, at Lakes Funeral Home. Rev. Kenny Davis officiated. Burial followed in the Scaffold Cane Cemetery. Pallbearers were Randy Berry, Mark Berry, Bart Malicoat, Tom Malicoat, Doug Malicoat, and Matthew Frank. Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

George Perry Williams, Jr.



George Perry Williams, Jr., 88, husband of Kaye Pigg Sanders Williams, passed away peacefully Thursday, April 11, 2024, at the VA Medical Center in Lexington. Perry was born November 4, 1935, in Mullins, South Carolina to the late George Perry and Laura Ansie Kirven Williams. He graduated from North Carolina State with a degree in Civil Engineering, where he also was a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He was employed as a Research Civil Engineer with the USDA Forestry Service. After retiring, Perry created Evergreen Landscaping and in the last few years Perry worked for Ace Hardware. Perry was also a member of Bethel Baptist Church, and he was proud of his service in the US Army. Perry was beloved and treasured by the Sanders Family of Richmond, KY, and the family would also like to extend a special thank you to the VA Medical Center Home Care

aides who assisted Kaye and Perry. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by a special sister-in-law, Joyce Pigg Stephens. Perry is survived by his wife, Kaye Pigg Sanders Williams, children: Scott Williams, Beth (Lee) Jones, Keith Williams, Troy (Lisa Cornelison) Sanders, and Tamara (Andy) Bradley, a sister Diane (Willy) Yamamoto, his brother-in-law Donnie Stephens, grandchildren: Josh (Mindi) Jones, Perry (Sarah) Williams, Trevor Sanders, Trenton (Courtney) Combs, Sarah Bradley, Olivia Bradley, Ryan Bradley, and Kyle Bradley, two nieces and three nephews, and many great nieces and nephews Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday April 16, 2024, at Lakes Funeral Home. Pastors Kenny Davis and Larry Freeman officiated. Pallbearers were grandchildren and honorary pallbearers were Mitch Locker, Ean Collins, James Brockman, Bennie Stephens, Willy Yamamoto Jr., Joseph Perry Yamamoto, and Brian Yamamoto. Burial took place at the Berea Cemetery, with military honors. Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Nancy Gipson

Nancy Gipson, 84, of Berea, passed away peacefully at her home on Friday, April 12, 2024. Nancy was born in Jackson County, to the late Thomas and Oma Pigg Dye. She was a homemaker and member of the Church of God in Jesus Name. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband, Alex Gipson; two children, Billy Joe Potter, and Linda Louise Marrow;

and two siblings, Elmer Davidson, and Lucy Abrams. She is survived by her daughter, Teresa Miller and her husband Scott; one sister, Elberta Smith; and six grandchildren. Graveside services were conducted on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at Morrill Cemetery in Jackson County. Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Peggy L. Mullins

Peggy L. Mullins, of Richmond, passed from this life on April 14, 2024, after a long illness. She was in the comfort of her home and surrounded by her adoring family. Peggy was born in Jenkins and spent most of her life there. She was a 22-year employee of the Jenkins Independent School System as secretary and bookkeeper for Jenkins Middle and High School. Peggy was a member of the Jenkins United Methodist Church, and recently Pastor Scott Rogers has served her during her illness. Peggy was the daughter of the late Mack and Bernice Wright of Jenkins.

Left to carry on her legacy, she is survived by her husband Lawrence (Sam P.) Mullins, her daughter Stephanie Mullins Bailey (Roger) of Irvine, three grandchildren: Alec, Evan, and Sydnie Arthur of Irvine, two sisters: Iris (Gary) Layne of Sebring, Florida and Donna Mac (John) Hale of Pound, Virginia and two nephews Johnathan Hale and Jason Hale of Pound Virginia, great-niece Seana, and great-nephews John and Elisha Hale of Pound, Virginia. She also has a host of other relatives and friends who loved her dearly, Homer (Buster) and Liz Brown who are longtime friends of Peggy and Sam. Memorial services will be scheduled at a later date. There will be a private graveside service at Big Stone Gap, Virginia at Powell Valley Memorial Gardens.



Chester E. Azbill

Chester E. Azbill, 91, of Richmond (formerly of Rockcastle County) died Thursday, April 11, 2024, at Thomason-Hood Veterans Center in Wilmore. He was a Jackson County native born March 18, 1933, son of the late Carlos and Ethel Abrams Azbill, retired U. S. Air Force Veteran with 20 years and 20 days of service to his country, and a resident of the Berea Area since relocating from New Mexico in 1973. In his spare time Chester enjoyed playing guitar, singing Christian music and witnessing to everyone he came in contact within his daily life. He was a faithful member of Lighthouse Baptist Church where he served as Chairman of Deacons. Survivors include his loving wife of 15 years Corrina Jones Azbill; sons Ralph Azbill (Lori), Ronnie Azbill (Lisa); step-sons Tony Alexander (Marlene), Mike Alexander (Charlotte);

Jennifer Ann Howard



Jennifer Ann Howard, 56, passed away April 8, 2024, at UK Hospital in Lexington. She was born July 18, 1967, in Lebanon, Indiana to the late Daniel Thomas Smith and Shirley Faye Damrell Lamb. She loved collecting antique glass, traveling to the beach and Tennessee with family, fishing, enjoyed flower gardening, riding in the Jeep with the

brothers Raymond Azbill, William Azbill; grandchildren Jason, Dustin, Travis, Courtney, Jennifer, Jessica, Jared, Joshua, Christy, Heather, Christopher, Joshua, Joseph, Brian, Michelle, Eric, Celia; 24 great-grandchildren; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives, friends and church family. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife and the mother of his sons Patricia Thomas Azbill; son Darrell Azbill; grandchildren Brandon, Josh; adult siblings Mildred, Opal, Donald and 2 infant siblings. Funeral Services were conducted on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at Lighthouse Baptist Church. Pastor Chad Miller officiated. Burial with Military Honors took place at Scaffold Cane Cemetery (Rockcastle County). Grandsons and Great-Grandsons served as Pallbearers. Granddaughters and Great-Granddaughters served as Honorary Pallbearers. Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

top down and loved her job at Wal Mart. She is survived by husband, Scott Howard, two children, Daniel Howard, and Tiffany Howard, two brothers, Danny Paul Smith, William Rusty Lamb (Teresa), close family friend, Tonya Tackett, and several nieces, nephews, and friends. Services were held on April 13, 2024. Bro Artie Alexander presided. The burial took place at Damrell Cemetery at Flat Gap. Davis & Powell Funeral Directors in charge of arrangements.



Claster Mullins

Claster Mullins, 89, passed away Sunday, April 14th, 2024. He was born in Perry County, to the late Silas and Arlie Mullins. Claster served in the Army and was a 32nd degree mason. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by

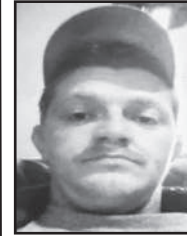
his wife, Zada Mullins, and a sister, Patricia Mullins. Claster is survived by his children, Joe (Carla) Mullins, and Gay Ann Nace, his grandchildren, Kelly, Amanda, Amy, Joe, and Starla, and his great grandchildren, Jacob, Bay, Elias, Easton, Wilder, Ryah, Stetson, McKenna, Tristan, Danae, and Wyatt. Lakes Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Joyce Ann Dorsey



Joyce Ann Dorsey, 74, of Mt. Vernon, passed away peacefully at her home on Sunday, April 14, 2024. Joyce was born in Berea, to the late Robert and Geneva Bell Middleton. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by one son, Robert Montgomery, an infant daughter, Natasha Dorsey; and

four siblings, William Robert Middleton, Jr., infant, John Monroe Middleton, Dessie Lynn Bullock, and Cletus Ray Thacker. She is survived by her sons, Michael Montgomery, and Colburn Lee Dorsey, III; her siblings, Brenda Darlene Smith, Lucy Elizabeth (Mark) Taylor, and Georgia Faye (Bobby) Blanton. Ms. Dorsey final wishes were to be cremated. Lakes Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



Kevin David Clark

Kevin David Clark, 41, passed away Thursday April 11, 2024, at University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. He was born August 20, 1982, in Mount Vernon, to Wilma Jean Miller Clark and the late Robert Lewis Clark. Kevin enjoyed tinkering with radio’s, L E D lights, and detailing cars. He was a jack of all trades, master of none, though oftentimes better than a master of one. In addition to his father, Kevin was preceded in death by his son, Alex Clark. Other than his mother, Kevin is survived by 3 daughters, Katrina

Clark of Berea, Kayle Clark of Berea, Jace Stanley of Berea, one brother, Robert Stacy Clark of Oneida, and two sisters, Michelle Vickers and her husband Jeff of Glencoe, Gail Broyles and her husband Mike of Sizerock. Several nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends also survive. Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday April 16, 2024, at Davis & Powell Funeral Home. Rev. Jerry Rice officiated. Burial followed in the Anglin Cemetery on Anglin Falls Rd. in Mount Vernon. Pallbearers were Stacy Clark, Jeff Vickers, Cody Vickers, Jackson Jones, Brandon Johnson, and Mike Broyles. Honorary Pallbearers were Alex Clark, Adam Harding, Hunter Harding, and Presley Harding. Davis & Powell Funeral Directors in charge of arrangements.

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The truth about coaching search and ‘Hee Haw’

I’ve never been one to seek the spotlight. It’s just not my style when it comes to my job as a publisher and sportswriter for Kentucky Today. Those who know me will testify to that fact.

Last week, my name was attached to the biggest job opening in college athletics. No, I didn’t apply to become the 23rd head coach at the University of Kentucky, but I knew who was first in line to be offered a chance to succeed John Calipari, who just completed his 15th season as coach of the Wildcats.

Less than five hours after Calipari sent his resignation letter to Kentucky Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart at 2 p.m. on April 9, I spent a couple of hours reaching out to my anonymous sources with ties to Baylor coach Scott Drew. At 5:22 p.m., I also sent out a message on X, formerly Twitter, that read, “I have every reason to believe that Mitch Barnhart will target Scott Drew in the next 24 hours.” Then at 6:47 p.m. on April 9, I took to social media on my X account once again and typed the words, “Scott Drew has been offered the job at UK.”

Shortly thereafter, national media pundits followed suit and said Drew was indeed the one candidate for the Kentucky vacancy. Despite knowing first-hand what was going on less than five hours following Calipari’s departure, many doubted the nine-word single sentence I typed for the world to see. Even one popular radio host in Kentucky didn’t believe that Drew had been offered and he knows I don’t just put information out there for the sake of being the first to report something as big as a coaching search at Kentucky.

Now in my third decade of covering sports at Kentucky as a sports journalist, it wasn’t my first rodeo. I’ve covered coaching searches before and broke the news in 1997 that Scott Perry was leaving the University of Michigan to coach at Eastern Kentucky University. Three years later, when Travis Ford took over for Perry, I was the first to report of Ford’s hiring before the official press conference.

Although a seasoned journalist with integrity and a rock-solid reputation for honesty, there were plenty of naysayers on social media during the two days that followed April 9, which happened to be the day before my 53rd birthday.

Behind a keyboard and screen, people can be rude and crude. I knew that,

but found out even more how cruel people can be on a computer screen with a real or fake name. Some of the replies were spam but others were true human beings, including one individual who said I was “just playing the Vegas odds” and another posted a photo of Charlie Farquharson of KORN on “Hee Haw.” I have to admit I laughed out loud on that one, because I grew up watching “Hee Haw” and simply replied, “yea, that’s where a true journalist gets his information. Carry on!”

Another one said, “me when I lie for clout.” What? I just said, “I don’t need clout and I don’t lie.” One posted a reply that had an American flag and the Israel flag attached to his name that read, “Sure ... the guy with 3,700 followers whose link is an online paper for Kentucky Baptists got the biggest scoop in UK history. Sure” with a meme of a guy nodding his head, saying, Sure ...

I thought to myself, “Wow, just because I don’t write for a national outlet or one of the big names here in Kentucky doesn’t mean I can’t break news with credible sources.” If you doubt my work, I’ll humbly be glad to show you my trophy case.

Later, as news of Drew’s ties to the opening surfaced, I was given the proper credit for first reporting the break by most media outlets locally and nationally — thank you — and appeared on a radio station in Waco, Texas, with John Clay of the Lexington Herald-Leader. I went on the air in between eating dinner and dessert on my birthday at David’s Steakhouse in London.

On Thursday, Drew released a statement on social media that he would remain at Baylor. From there, the search continued until word of Mark Pope’s interest and eventual hiring surfaced on the same day Drew made his announcement.

I covered Pope when he was a player here at the beginning of my journalism career and couldn’t be more happier for Pope and his family.

I’m just glad the search is over so I can watch “Hee Haw” reruns and KORN to get some more ideas on how to cover breaking news.



Keith Taylor

Keith Taylor



Clark takes next step

Caitlin Clark will do great in the WNBA. She can shoot, she can pass and she’s a savvy player.

Clark did what no one ever dreamed anyone would do and that was to score more points than Pistol Pete Maravich who played for LSU from 1967 – 1970. Maravich scored 3667 total points at LSU and averaged 42.2 points per game for the tigers.

Clark totaled 3,951 points and averaged 30 points per game. Old timers are quick to recall that Maravich did it before the day of the shot clock and the three-point line. Also, it was in a day when freshmen weren’t allowed to play on the varsity. Still, this does not take away from the incredible feat accomplished by Clark playing for the Iowa Hawkeyes.

When Maravich signed with the Atlanta Hawks in 1970. He signed for 1.9 million dollars which was the largest amount to be signed for by a college player at that time.

Clark signed for \$75,000 for her rookie season when she was picked No. 1 by the Indiana Fever according to WNBA pay cap structures. It doesn’t sound like much for the greatest women’s college basketball player of all time but she will make it up in endorsements. According to the NIL database, (name, image, likeness), Clark has already made 3.1 million during her

college play. There will be more to come during her WNBA days.

The sport is growing. ESPN recorded viewership of the women’s Final Four games of over 14 million for the semifinals and over 18 million for the final game. Such interest will bring bigger dollars to the league in time.

Clark may become the richest of the WNBA players. However, she may not catch up with Seth Curry of the Golden State Warriors whose team pay alone is 51.9 million a year. Or, Labron James who earns just over 47 million a year. Actually, the lowest paid players in the NBA are still making just a little over \$1.6 million a year.

Wait, whoever thought she would score such a massive number of points? Don’t rule her out on anything.

Most of the WNBA players are making under \$200, 000 a year from their team pay.

Some pick up extra money from playing in other countries in the off season and from endorsements.

Diana Taurasi has an estimated net worth is \$3.5 million. Most of Diana’s earnings come from her endorsements with Body Armour and her deal with Nike to wear LeBron’s



Glenn Mollette

signature shoes. With an average salary of \$234,936 and a contract until 2025, the number might just grow further.

Britney Griner is infamous for her prison sentence in Russia, Griner is one of the most recognizable WNBA athletes in the world.

Despite her imprisonment Griner still makes the list as one of the richest players in the WNBA. One of the tallest-ever players, Brittney has made most of her fortunes playing abroad.

A common feature in the WNBA Griner was once paid \$600,000 to play for a Chinese based team for three months. Add to that her endorsements with Nike and you have an estimated net worth of \$4 million.

Sue Bird is the highest earning player in the history of the WNBA.

Drafted in 2002, Bird has gone on to win 4 WNBA titles with three of them coming in three separate decades. With an estimated salary of \$500,000 from various sources, the 13x All-Star also has multiple partnerships with huge brands.

Representing the likes of Nike, State Farm and American Express it is no surprise that Bird is the highest earning WNBA athlete of all time.

Catlin Clark may not attain the riches that most attain in the NBA, but she should do more than okay in the WNBA.

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MADISON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER

April 4 - James Winkler, 43: strangulation, 1st degree; assault, 4th degree dating violence (minor injury); terroristic threatening, 3rd degree; drug paraphernalia – buy/possess - Kelly Hardin, 47: commitment order - Jesse Baugh, 41: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO - David Howard, 54: probation violation (for felony offense) April 5 - James Brock, 62: failure to appear; probation violation (for felony offense); no registration plates; no registration receipt; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; failure to produce insurance card; driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense (aggravated circumstances); possession of alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle - Eric Young, 26: burglary, 3rd degree; public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol) - James Meyers, 64: serving weekends - Robert Adkins, 53: failure to appear; receiving stolen property, \$10,000 or greater - Brian Tolliver, 44: failure to appear	April 6 - Casey Holbrook, 40: criminal trespassing, 3rd degree; strangulation, 1st degree; menacing; assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree; probation violation (for felony offense) - Jason Johns, 41: operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 2nd; driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense (aggravated circumstances); operating motor vehicle/motorcycle function without ignition interlock device; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; no registration plates; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (opiates); resisting arrest; possession of an open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle - Justin Johnson, 36: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury - Brandon Rhodus, 35: resisting arrest; escape, 2nd degree - Cynthia Slagle, 49: - Quintin Jones, 32: assault, 4th degree, minor injury; no registration plates; no registration receipt; failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance/security-1st offense; failure to produce	insurance card April 7 - Jeffrey Tipton, 55: vehicle head lamp, light color violation; trafficking in marijuana (8 ounces but less than 5 pounds); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; trafficking in a controlled substance, 2nd degree, 1st offense (less than 10 D.U. hallucinogens) - Jonathan Sanchez, 32: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol – 1st; trafficking in a controlled substance, 2nd degree, 1st offense (greater than 10 D.U. hallucinogens); possession of a firearm by a convicted felon - Gregory Hutchinson, 47: possession of a firearm by a convicted felon; trafficking in a controlled substance, 2nd degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 10 D.U. Hallucinogens) April 8 - Alex Edington: 45: serving parole violation warrant - Corey Hill, 20: parole violation (for technical violation) - Kayla Roe, 31: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order - Joseph Tichenor, 23: parole violation (for technical violation) - James Davis, 53: - Amiee Hotel, 37: public intoxication – controlled	substance (excludes alcohol); disorderly conduct – 2nd degree - Terry Callahan, 35: parole violation (for technical violation) - Kyria Reed, 33: failure to appear - Jeremy Burns, 45: serving parole violation warrant; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 3rd or greater offense (methamphetamine); tampering with physical evidence April 9 - Matthew Stacy, 25: hold for other agency - Hubert Stewart, 43 - Frank Spell, 60: probation violation (for technical violation) - Kevin Stevens, 51 - Jamie Eades, 44: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order - Karena White, 21: hold for other agency - Seth Merida, 31: probation violation (for felony offense) - Sarah Riddell, 33: possession of marijuana; failure to wear seat belts; no registration receipt; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st offense; operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license; obstructed vision and/o windshield; possession of	a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess - Lindsay Sellers, 45: probation violation (for felony offense) April 10 - Hector Navas, 19: unlawful transaction with a minor- 1st; - illegal sex act (under 16); promoting a minor (under 16) in sexual performance - Timothy Stone, 45: hold for other agency - Joshua A. Delaros, 38: hold for other agency - Terry Anglin, 42: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); possession of a controlled substance, 2nd degree (drug unspecified); drug paraphernalia -buy/possess - Nancy Damrell, 46: - Anthony Salyers, 44: probation violation (for felony offense) - Alvie Mills, 27: parole violation (for technical violation)
Jail records contain limited information due to website updates and maintenance currently underway at the Madison County Detention Center and will return to normal as soon as updates/maintenance have been completed.				

COURT RECORDS

District Court April 7 - Diamonds L. Austin vs. Eric W. Huntzinger April 8 - Felicia Lambert vs. Adam J. Lambert April 10 - Carrie Fuit vs. John E. Rachford - Mersaede Ann Combs vs. Ivan Curtis Edwards - Watts	- Edith Garcia Estrada vs. None, none - Edith Garcia Estrada vs. Luis Hernandez-Mazariegos April 5 - Evelyn Dinora Santos-Quevedo vs. Marcario Monzon-Aceituno - Charles Michael Cox vs. Cathy Ann Cox - Alexandria Olivia Bieger vs. James Thomas Bieger - Jason Scott Bingham vs. Amy Nicole Stevens Bingham April 8	- CHFS for Kayla Christian vs. Joshua S. Christian - Amanda Jo Johnson vs. Aaron T. Shakir - CHFS for Victoria A. Dobrajnscak vs. William C. Fritz - Ashley Sexton Neff vs. Jeremy Steven Neff April 9 - Laken Clark vs. Taylor Johnson April 10 - Micah Hunsucker vs. Brett Hunsucker - Karla S. Mills vs. Christopher Greene, ET	AL Foreclosure April 5 - Rocket Mortgage, LLC (f/k/a Quicken Loans) vs. Bessie Wyrick April 10 - Housing Group Recovery Fund, LP vs. Christopher Benton, ET AL - PNC Bank, National Association vs. JoAnn True, ET AL	April 8 - Larry David Freeman, pastor/retired, 55, of Berea to Jennifer Lynn Ashcraft, DSP/MA, of Berea April 11 - Courtney Brianne Hendrix, medical assistant, 37, of Richmond to Ronald James Richard-	son, Pepsi Technician, 50, of Richmond - Anna Faith Hisle, waitress, 19, of Irvine to Jason Andrew Conrad, operator, 20, of Irvine - Isaac Caleb Watson, union pipefitter, 27, of Berea to Andrea Regan Baker, RN, 31, of Berea
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PROPERTY TRANSFERS

April 4 - Malcom Douglas Tudor, in his capacity as Executor for and on behalf of the Estate of Je-rome Tudor to Tracy Renae Tudor, tract 21 Highland View Subdivision Block A, \$168,000 - Steven G. Combs, Sherry Kaye McIntosh (f/k/a Sherry Kay Combs) and Brandon McIntosh to Nathan Sweet and Steveena Sweet, tract Kentucky 21, \$100,000 - Jul Semmler and Lisa Ann Harrison to Melody Youngblood, tract A- B plat 26/432, \$139,900 - Timothy John Hood and Jessica Elizabeth Hood to Tyler Scott Short and Brittany Noel Short, lot 116 section 2 Covington Woods Subdivision, \$374,500 - Tyler Short and Brittany Short to Roger Chris Short and Elizabeth A. Short, tract 1B plat 29/151, \$350,000 - James C. Keesee and Abigail Alexandra Keesee to Benjamin Tyler Hall, tracts Madison County, \$420,000 - Lou Ella Cole to Tammy Rose, tracts Madison County (vicinity of Parker Lane), for and in consideration of the love and affection the Grantor has for the Grantee, Grantee being the daughter of the Grantor - More Real Estate, LLC and Natour, Inc to Willow Drive Property Investments, LLC< 2001 Willow Drive; 2025 Willow Drive; 2005 Willow Drive, \$3,070,000 - Edna R. Carpenter to Edna R. Carpenter and Kaitlyn Nykole Gabbard, 1029 Hidden Creek Drive, Berea, the party of the first part	does hereby convey unto the parties of the second part, Edna R. Carpenter, the following and described real property, to reside at, enjoy and possess for the duration of her natural life, with remainder in fee simple to her granddaughter Kaitlyn Nykole Gabbard April 5 - Buaya Ghimire and Michelle Ghimire to Krishna Ghimire and Mahesh Ghimire, 272 Perche-ron Drive, Richmond, for and in consideration of \$1.00 and the love and affection between parent and child - Rickey Gayle Newnam and Nancy Kay Newnam to Kelly Renee Chumley, Trustee of the Rickey and Nancy Newnam Irrevocable trust, dated April 3, 2024, 2192 Todd Lane, Richmond, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties - Lisa A. Smith to James D. Brooks and Carol Brooks, parcel 3 plat 31/168, \$30,000 - William Dale Adams and Sandy Adams to JMak Holdings, LLC, lots D-3 and D-4 (a/k/a Units 3 & 4) Esquire Subdivision, \$325,000 - Parsons & Howard Insurance Group, LLC to JMak Holdings, LLC, lot D-1 Unit 1 (erroneously identified as Lot 1 in prior deeds) Esquire Subdivision, for and in consideration of an agreement between parties - Theresa Puckett and Nicholas Puckett to Theresa Puckett and Nicholas R. Puckett, Trustees of the Theresa and Nicholas	Puckett Family Trust, dated March 25, 2024, 2229 Box Angle Road, \$10.00 April 8 - Donald Scott Clayton Brandenburg and Sarah Rachel Brandenburg to Duke W> Jay and Christy Lima Jay, 137 Page Drive, Richmond, \$259,900 - William Everett Knight, Jr. and Donna Koontz to Mike Alvarez, tract Madison County (vicinity of South Dogwood), \$230,000 - Levi Paige Bennett and Kelley Rose Bennett (f/k/a Kelley Rose Conway) to Brianna Dodge, lot 13 phase II Breezy Point Subdivision, \$228,000 - Stoney Creek Holdings, LLC to Taryn L. Lanham and Gene Lanham, lot 63 Stoney Creek Subdivision Unit 3 Phase 1-A, \$269,900 - Lisa A. Smith to Glen E. Whittemore, parcel 2 plat 31/138, \$30,000 - Brandon D. Spires and Heather R. Spires to Heather R. Spires, Marco Blake Martin and Kathy A. Martin, tract Madison County (vicinity of Hickory Link Road), \$10,000 - TAKK Rentals, LLC to Real Estate, LLC, 1169 and 1173 Judah Bear Boulevard, \$445,000 - Patty Lynn Gilbert to Kyle Y. Migneault and Hayden E. Jinright, 200 Creekwood Drive, Berea, \$250,500 - Ron Durham Builders, LLC to Ashton Karr and Jonathan Bobea, lot 28 phase 7B Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$410,000 - Olympic Construction,	LLC to Michael Stiles and Rebecca Stiles, lot 18 phase 1 plat 29/357, \$318,120 - A&R Contractors, LLC to Kimberly Brooke Laws, lot 263 Magnolia Pointe Subdivision Phase 7B, \$329,000 April 9 - Ball Homes, LLC to John Kendall and Sheila Kendall, lot 365 Phase II Arbor Woods Subdivision, \$324,682 - Timothy May and Melissa May to Jessica M. Conley, lot 5 G.B. Hale Development (vicinity of Turner Ridge Road), \$242,000 - Julia Browning and Stacy Browning to MattB’s LLC, lot 14A and 14B South Bluegrass Junction, \$1.00 - The Estate of Barbara Wright, by and through Jane Ellen Shrout and Suzanne Gore, 209 Samuel Ross Court, \$230,000 - Arbor Woods, LLC to Sowers Commercial, LLC, lots 22, 23, 24 and 25 Harvest Park Subdivision, \$164,000 - Dustin Hall and Jessica Hall to Camella Isaacs, 1018 Barker Lane, \$220,000 - Douglas Lee Pressley, Angela Marie Pressley, Stephanie Lynn Soplogia and Kevin Soplogia, Christina Lee Reinke and Matthew Reinke, Melissa Ann Pressley and St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital to The Brian E. Charles Living Trust, dated May 7, 2019, tract 3A Plat 31/129, \$185,000 April 10 - A&R Contractors, LLC to Samuel Anthony Giunta and Michaela Ann Giunta, lot 173	phase 7A Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$316,000 - LP Construction, LLC to Zachary Glover and Sarah Mae Beryl Glover, lot 282 Phase 7B Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$329,042 - Windsor Creek Properties, LLC to Cecil R. Gillum, lot 115A Battlefield Estates, \$315,000 - LP Construction, LLC to Justin Dean Raphael and Kristine Renee Raphael, 1021 Mission Drive, \$586,135 - Martin D. East, Substitute Executor of the Estate of Deborah Faye Williams to Ashley Ison, tract plat 31/198, \$51,000 - Martin D. East, Substitute Executor of the Estate of Deborah Faye Williams to Gene Webb (a/k/a Donald Eugene Webb), married, by and through his Power-of-Attorney, Virginia Stephens, tract Madison County (vicinity of Drowning Creek Road), \$4,622.53 - William M. Grise and Shannon Grise to Christian Alexander Grise and Allison Blair Shafer Grise, lot 3 Parkwood Drive, \$50,000 - DOT Development, LLC to Joseph Elijah Ison, lot 14 Phase 2 Fair Vista Landing Subdivision, \$56,000 - Michael Remi Stiles and Rebecca Ann Stiles to Shawn Chadwick Fugate, II, lot 2 west side Douglas Court, \$215,000 - Billy Ray Vann, Jr. and Kayla Marie Vann to William R. Smith and Sharon G. Smith, 144 Oak Meadow Drive, Berea, \$284,900
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ORDINANCE NO. 11 -2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY, ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY.

WHEREAS, American Legal Publishing Corporation, Cincinnati, Ohio, has completed the 2024 S-30 Supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Berea, which supplement contains all ordinances of a general nature enacted or amended since the adoption of the last supplement to the Code of Ordinances of this municipality; and

WHEREAS, said American Legal Publishing corporation has recommended the revision or addition of certain sections of the code of Ordinances which are based on or make references to sections of the Kentucky Revised Statutes; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to accept these updated sections in accordance with the changes of the law of the Commonwealth of Kentucky;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Berea, Kentucky, does ordain as follows:

SECTION I

That the 2024 S-30 Supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Berea, as submitted by American Legal Publishing Corporation, and as attached hereto, be and the same are hereby adopted by reference as if set out in their entirety.

SECTION II

All ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

FIRST READING: April 2, 2024.

SECOND READING & ENACTMENT: April 16, 2024.

APPROVED:

Bruce Fraley, Mayor

CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

Robin Adams, Clerk of the City Council

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Basketball Court Replacement

6 Pirate Parkway, Berea KY

Contact:	Direct Questions to: Brian Reed Email: brian.reed@bereaky.gov Phone: 859-986-8528
Submit Proposals to:	An electronic version of the proposal on a USB drive plus (3) hard copies should be mailed or delivered to: City of Berea Attn: City Clerk, Robin Adams 212 Chestnut Street Berea, KY 40403 "Basketball Court Replacement" should be clearly marked on sealed envelope.
Issue Date:	Monday, April 15 th 2024
Deadline for Questions:	Wednesday, May 8 th 2024
Proposal Due Date and Time:	Wednesday, May 15 th 2024-4:00 PM
Anticipated Selection Date:	Tuesday, May 21 st 2024
Details:	Details for the RFP can be found at https://bereaky.gov/for-business/bids-rfps-rfq/ or emailed upon request.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Madison County Fiscal Court; P.O. Box 1120; Richmond, Kentucky 40476, has filed an application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to replace a bridge. The property is located on Doyleville Road (approximately 708 feet N of Weddles Mill Road and over Muddy Creek. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be submitted via email to: DOWFloodplain@ky.gov, Kentucky Division of Water, Floodplain Management Section 300 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Call (502) 564-3410 with questions.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

HVAC SERVICE AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

Contact:	Direct Questions to: Amanda Haney Email: ahaney@bereaky.gov Phone: 859-986-8528
Submit Proposals to:	An electronic version of the proposal on a USB drive plus three (3) hard copies should be mailed or delivered to: City of Berea Attn: City Clerk, Robin Adams 212 Chestnut Street Berea, KY 40403 "HVAC Service and Preventative Maintenance" shall be clearly marked on sealed envelope.
Issue Date:	Wednesday, March 20, 2024
Deadline for Questions:	Wednesday, April 24, 2024
Proposal Due Date and Time:	Wednesday, May 1, 2024, no later than 4 pm delivered to City Clerk 2nd floor City Hall
Anticipated Selection Date:	Tuesday, May 7, 2024
Details:	Details for the RFP can be found at https://bereaky.gov/for-business/bids-rfps-rfq/ or emailed upon request.

TROLLEY

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Additionally, the COVID-19 pandemic interrupted production of trolleys, while the cost of materials and labor have increased significantly since the pandemic. Additionally, after shopping for used trolleys, which now cost an average of \$180,000, officials decided it is a better investment to purchase a trolley that has a full warranty, and which doesn't already have a lot of miles.

Councilmember Teresa Scenters asked if there are other Kentucky cities that have tourism trolleys. Business and Tourism Development Director Donna Angel offered three examples: Bowling Green, Owensboro, and Louisville. At one point, Councilmember Katie Startzman asked whether there is any data on demographics to know precisely who would use the trolley. West replied that Berea is increasingly seen as a hub for travelers, who stay overnight in the city, then use Berea as a base to explore other parts of the Bluegrass region.

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Reflections

Berea Citizen archives

April 17, 1924 New sidewalk

About a month prior, The Citizen announced that a concrete walk was to be constructed from Lincoln Hall to Pearson and Howard Halls with work to be completed by students of these two dormitories and the Guest House and cost to be paid by the College. The work began on Monday, April 14th. The boys were separated into groups, each group marching out in blue denim, looking like a company of soldiers on detain and working for one hour. A the end of the hour, the group was relieved by another group of approximately the same size. The work was not interrupted by the change of detail and it was anticipated that the project would be completed in short order.

April 14, 1949 Catholic Chapel

A new mission chapel would

soon be coming to Berea to accommodate students attending Berea College and Catholics residing in the area. Reverend William T. Mulloy of the Diocese of Covington made the announcement. The site for the project, which would also serve as a mission center, had been purchased on Chestnut Street in Berea's residential section. The lot was located between the homes of Leonard Isaacs and Charles Marcum. Bishop Mulloy disclosed that the mission chapel would be dedicated to St. Clare. The Reverend Oscar Poole, pastor of St. Mary Church in Richmond, who had conducted the mission work in Be-rea for many years was no conducting an appeal for funds to finance the cost of erecting a chapel.

April 18, 1974 Forests damaged

The recent tornadoes that swept across Kentucky caused extensive damage to sections of the

Daniel Boone National Forest. Forest Supervisor, John E. Alcock said that recent aerial and ground surveys by the U.S. Forest Service in Jackson, Rockcastle, Laurel, Whitley and Pulaski counties indicated that about 40 million board feet of pine and hardwood timber was either blown down or severely damaged by the twisters. The damaged and destroyed timber would produce enough timber to build approximately 4,000 new modern homes. Mr. Alcock said about 65% of the damage was salvageable if recovery operations started immediately. The remainder was either damaged too severely or considered inaccessible for commercial operations. At the Berea Ranger District, Assistant District Ranger Hurston Nicholas said that about 1,400,000 board feet of saw timber (used to produce lumber) was damaged in Jackson and Rockcastle Counties. In addition, Mr. Nicholas said that about 8,000 cords of pulpwood were destroyed. He added that preliminary estimates

indicated that approximately two thirds of the damage was in Rockcastle County. Salvation operations were underway, and Mr. Nicholas said that about 80% of the saw timber would be salvageable but that less than the pulpwood would be able to be salvaged. The damaged timber, covering 800 acres in the two counties would be placed up for sale in the future.

April 15,1999 Red Lick fire

A forest fire in the Red Lick area of Madison County near Wolf Gap Road was still burning 5 days after it started. Officials estimated that as many as 3,000 acres of forest would be consumed before the fire was contained or burned itself out. According to unofficial reports, the blaze started just after 2 p.m. on April 9th as a result of a tree falling onto a power line in a heavily wooded area. The downed line sparked the fire which spread quickly in the dry

underbrush. Fire officials said there were numerous dead trees down in that area as a result of the previous winter's big snow-storm. Madison County Fire Chief Robert Murphy said that this was one of the worst fires he had seen thus far in regard to the amount of forest destroyed. As of press time, no structures had been destroyed and no one had been injured as a result of the blaze. Murphy said that numerous fire departments within the county had responded to the fire and nearby counties had offered assistance if needed. He said trucks and personnel from the Madison County Fire Department, the Forestry Department, Waco Fire Department, Berea Fire and Rescue, White Hall Fire Department and volunteer fire fighters from throughout Madison County had been taking turns battling the blaze. Fire units at the Blue Grass Army Depot were also placed on stand-by and had offered assistance if needed.

Game Page

Crossword

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Midway between south and southeast
- 4. For each
- 7. Airborne (abbr.)
- 10. Photographs
- 11. They _
- 12. It's important in respiration (abbr.)
- 13. Monetary unit
- 15. Cool!
- 16. A son of Jacob
- 19. Cut off
- 21. Devour
- 23. Agent of one's downfall
- 24. Best
- 25. Network of nerves
- 26. Partner to "oohs"
- 27. Origins
- 30. Sewing utensil
- 34. Alias
- 35. Swiss river
- 36. Greek mythological figure
- 41. Type of whiskey
- 45. Lay to rest
- 46. "Rule, Britannia" composer
- 47. Select jury
- 50. Feeling
- 54. Action regarded as morally wrong
- 55. Makes angry
- 56. Act incorrectly
- 57. Defensive nuclear weapon
- 59. Class of escort air-

craft carrier

- 60. To what degree
- 61. Buzzing insect
- 62. The human foot
- 63. "The Leftovers" actress Dowd
- 64. A place to stay
- 65. Sun up in New York

CLUES DOWN

- 1. An involuntary muscular contraction
- 2. Earnest
- 3. Cuts out surgically
- 4. Can't move
- 5. Baseball stat
- 6. British soldier
- 7. Traditional medicine plants
- 8. Political party controlled by managers
- 9. Hebrew prophet
- 13. Supporter
- 14. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 17. Liberty Mutual mascot
- 18. Georgia rockers
- 20. A place where building is done
- 22. Large, deep-bodied fish
- 27. Clothing retailer
- 28. Supplement with difficulty
- 29. Annoy constantly
- 31. Founder of Babism
- 32. Indigenous person

in parts of Asia

- 33. Sea eagle
- 37. Leave behind
- 38. Time of day
- 39. Colorless crystalline compound
- 40. They lay out course requirements
- 41. A diamond has three
- 42. Algerian coastal city
- 43. Remove cover
- 44. Rechristened
- 47. Distinctive practice
- 48. Defunct phone company
- 49. Turkish officer of high rank
- 51. Eliminate from the body
- 52. Witness
- 53. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 58. Founding Father Franklin

SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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9	9	6	3	4	8	7	2	1
8	3	1	7	2	6	5	9	4
7	4	2	5	1	6	8	9	3
6	1	7	8	5	3	9	4	2
6	2	8	4	9	7	1	3	5
4	5	3	2	1	6	9	8	7
3	7	9	1	8	2	4	5	6
2	6	5	9	7	6	3	4	1
1	8	4	8	1	3	5	3	9

ANSWER:

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to laughter. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 14 = E)

A. 10 2 20 14
Clue: Funny saying

B. 5 13 9 9 16
Clue: Humorous

C. 19 7 13 19 20 22 14
Clue: Laugh slightly

D. 1 25 8 22 14
Clue: Pleased expression

Answers: A. joke B. funny C. chuckle D. smile

No telling what a 97-year-old preacher might say

I loved the opening line the 97-year-old preacher used in a sermon the other day. “We both have something in common,” he began. “You don’t know what I’m going to say — and neither do I.”

Having grown up in the Appalachians, I know lots of preachers who step into the pulpit not sure what they’ll say because they trust that the Lord will give them words. Written scripts are frowned on. So are outlines and even notes.

Those preachers point to a number of scriptures to back up their convictions about preaching. They’d look at Moses and how God gave him words to speak to Pharoah. He did the same for Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Isaiah, Elijah, Elisha and all the other Old Testament prophets.

And they would point to Jesus who once warned of a time when Christians would be persecuted, brought up on charges, arrested, and thrown into jail. “And when they bring you

unto the synagogues and unto magistrates and powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer or what ye shall say: For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say” (Luke 12:11-12).

I have been in lots of churches and heard lots of sermons across the country and around the world, but never have I heard such wonderful preaching as that which I grew up with in the Appalachian Mountains, primarily from preachers who had no formal training but who preached with boldness and power and conviction.

I learned early on in my ministry that notes can indeed let you down.

It was a mid-winter Sunday evening. I was in a tiny Appalachian church, one in which the



Roger Alford

singing can best be described as heavenly. After about a half hour of the best music and vocals I ever heard, the pastor invited me up to preach. It was about 7:30 p.m. at that point, and it had been dark for more than an hour already. As soon as I had finished reading the scripture, the electricity went off, and immediately it was as dark inside as it was outside.

I just kept going with my sermon as one of the men in the congregation lit a couple candles that pierced the darkness and gave a charming glow to the sanctuary.

I considered it an important lesson that reliance on manuscripts or outlines or notes is fine as long as the electricity stays on. But, when the lights go out, even young preachers become like that 97-year-old, wondering what they’re going to say next.

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Reach Roger Alford at 502-514-6857 or rogeralford1@gmail.com.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Wednesday
6 p.m.

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BOOST

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previously asked Bray, Carpenter and others to write letters of support for the Kenway connector, a project citizens have been pushing for since at least 1976. Officials said the lack of access points to Roselawn and Dixie Park presents both traffic and safety hazards that can be remedied if Kenway Street is extended to the Berea Bypass.

Fraley noted that Congressman Andy Barr is assisting to secure additional funds for the project, which is estimated to cost between \$2.5 million and \$3 million. If those federal funds are secured, the project could begin as early as next year, Fraley said.

Bray and Carpenter expressed thanks to Fraley for his continued advocacy for Kenway and other Berea projects, while thanking councilmembers Ronnie Terrill, Cora Jane Wilson, and Teresa Scenters, who lobbied to have approxamately \$300,000 allocated for the study of the next phase of the Berea Bypass. Bray added Katie Startzman’s advocacy helped to stop legislation that would have been particularly burdensome for local governments.

Carpenter stated that when local officials make their voices heard in Frankfort, it can be crucial when it comes to securing state funding for a project.

“It makes a difference when you guys are involved,” said Carpenter, stating that engaged local officials get noticed. “We appreciate your efforts, and we were glad to be able to bring some of your taxpayer money back home.”

City officials, thanked Carpenter and Bray for being responsive and accessible.

“You make it easy to be engaged. When I call, you answer the phone,” Fraley said. “Thanks for the quality of representation that we get from both of you.”

Alcohol ordinance tabled

In other news, the vote to prohibit the

sale of alcohol on city property was tabled for further study in a unanimous vote. Scenters kicked off discussion of the proposed ordinance by citing KRS 222.202, which prohibits drinking alcoholic beverages in public places. “I think that alone should give us reason to pass this legislation tonight,” Scenters said.

But the issue proved to be less clear-cut as the discussion continued. Berea Police Chief Jason Hays said that according to his understanding of the law, there are exceptions, such as when a licensed vendor has obtained a permit to sell alcohol at a public event. When asked if the ordinance would apply to city leased property, such as the Berea Park Annex, City Attorney Jerry Gilbert said he couldn’t offer a legal opinion until he reviewed the terms of the city’s lease with the college, along with other issues.

Because of the unanswered questions, Councilman Steve Caudill said voting on the ordinance before those issues are resolved would be inviting trouble.

“I think we’re setting ourselves up to have a lot of problems,” Caudill said. “By voting something into law where we don’t know the answers, that is bad policy.”

Jerry Little, who opposed a failed motion to table the item, got on board with the second motion to table, citing the need for more information before the council can go forward.

“We need to know if we’re making a legal vote,” Little said. “The reason we’re doing this [tabling the item] is to find out if it’s legal or not.”

Katie Startzman, meanwhile, disagreed with the interpretation of that specific line of Kentucky law, stating it has to be interpreted in context, including provisions for exceptions. She expressed her frustration with the discussion. “We’re going to be spending hours and hours more of taxpayers time and money to be dealing with this,” she said.

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The next Berea City Council meeting is slated for May 7.

General Assembly passes 215 bills

FRANKFORT (KT) – It was quiet in the House and Senate chambers on Tuesday, as members of the General Assembly wrapped up their 60-day session Monday evening, or to use legislative parlance, “adjourned sine die.”

The proceedings capped off a relatively conventional year for the legislature. One that started with a gradual pace but picked up steam in the second half amid a flood of proposed legislation.

Lawmakers filed more than 1,200 bills this year, the highest number in more than two decades, and passed around 215 before the session drew to a close. More than two dozen of those received a vote on the final day.

Throughout the session, the House and Senate found plenty of issues to debate, including the budget, education, housing, elections, guns and even the official state rock. Big data and artificial intelligence got the attention of lawmakers this year, as did questions over the future of nuclear energy in Kentucky.

But few bills garnered more attention than House Bill 6, the \$128 billion budget plan for the state executive branch. It was among several major budget bills that will also fund community projects, transportation and the judicial and legislative branches of government over the next two years.

Some corrections to HB 6 had to be made, so Senate Bill 91, which started its life as a measure to require at least one regional driver licensing facility in each of the 38 Senate districts, became the sacrificial lamb on the final day of the session. SB 91 was stripped of its original contents and the corrected HB 6 inserted.

The move made what was originally a three-page bill with four sections grow into a 29-page document with 81 sections.

One of the bills that didn’t make it all the way through the process was HB 509. The Kentucky Press Association (KPA) fought the measure vehemently, describing it as a bill saying that any communications done on private devices are not subject to open records laws, even if those communications are about government business.

As has been the case throughout the 60-day session, legislation that reaches Gov. Andy Beshear’s desk can be signed, vetoed or allowed to become law without his signature. However, unlike when lawmakers were in session and could vote to override any veto with a simple majority in both chambers (and did so in every case), the governor will have the final say on any vetoes, as the 2024 General Assembly has adjourned sine die.

Alternatives to destroying munitions approved, not funded

By Andy McDonald
For The Citizen

For those concerned about the long-term impact of open burning/open detonation of conventional munitions at Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD), there was good news this week. Officials say the U.S. Department of Defense has committed to finding alternative methods to safely dispose of obsolete munitions. However, precisely when that policy change is funded and implemented at BGAD remains to be seen.

Colonel Brett Ayvazian, commander at BGAD, delivered the news on Wednesday at a public information meeting at the Madison County Joint Information Center.

“Just last week we received word that the Department of Defense made the official decision to go ahead and pursue alternate technologies for demilitarizing conventional munitions,” Ayvazian said. “That technology will eventually be pursued and implemented. That said, that campaign is going to take a lot of time and a lot of resources to figure out the best technology and the best way to demol all of these munitions. Until that is developed, we are going to have to rely on our current methods of demil, which is open burning and open detonation.”

Officials explained that there are 11 sites operated by the U.S. Army Joint Munitions Command around the continental United States that have open burn/open detonation permits. They are charged with destroying obsolete munitions before they can become a hazard to service people or the surrounding facilities. BGAD processes only 1.5 percent of the total munitions to be destroyed. BGAD’s main mission is to process munitions – receiving, storing, then sending them to where they are needed. Additionally, part of BGAD’s mission is to refurbish some obsolete munitions, modifying them so they can be used.

Not destroying munitions would likely cause a processing backup that would interfere with BGAD’s main mission of re-supplying the armed

forces, and it would create a need to store them, which could potentially create a hazard, Ayvazian said.

“The longer it sits, the more unstable it gets, the more danger it presents to human health and safety,” Ayvazian said. “That is why we do the detonation and demilitarization.”

Two issues were on the minds of citizens who attended the meeting. Some expressed concern about the potential impact of open burning and open detonation on air quality and public health, while others asked about noise and possible structural damage caused by the explosions.

Berea resident Craig Williams, who successfully spearheaded the effort advocating for an alternative to chemical weapons incineration at the depot, asked whether static detonation chamber technology currently available at the depot could be used to destroy conventional munitions without open burning or open detonation.

Ayvazian and other officials explained there are three problems with using the existing static detonation chambers; capability, capacity, and safety to human life and the environment. Because the current systems on base are not designed to handle larger munitions, high explosive or fragmenting ordinance, using the current technology might not be safe for that purpose, since they would have to be cut down to fit into the system. Additionally, because the current static chamber system has a smaller capacity, there would inevitably be a munitions destruction backlog, creating the need to store potentially unstable ordinance, officials said.

“It is capable of being retrofit? Probably yes. But the Army decides where that capability is going to go,” said Ayvazian.

Scientists and technicians connected with JMC operations said that when munitions are burned or detonated, several steps are taken to ensure public safety and environmental protection. When munitions are detonated, they are cushioned between three feet of soil on the

Williams honored with painting

By Andy McDonald
For The Citizen

Environmental advocate and community leader Craig Williams was honored recently with the unveiling of a portrait, part of a series entitled “Americans Who Tell the Truth.”

The painting was the work of Robert Shetterly, who revealed his latest effort at the Berea College Hutchins Library.

Shetterly said he conducted a lot of research on Williams and his work in preventing the incineration of some 523 tons chemical weapons at the Blue Grass Army Depot, as well as nerve agents at eight other chemical weapons storage sites in the United States. After the United States Army initially announced their intent to either relocate or incinerate the deadly chemical weapons in 1984, Williams, along with other Berea and Madison County citizens, spearheaded an effort to raise public awareness, building

what became an international coalition and lobbying Congress and the U.S. Department of Defense to find an alternate solution to weapons incineration.

“This will be a story that I will be telling now – about courage, about perseverance,” Shetterly said of Williams before unveiling the portrait. “It’s not everyday that someone stands up against the Pentagon and achieves something.”

After revealing painting, Shetterly asked Williams to read the words etched near the top of the portrait, which quoted his testimony to army officials.

“With a six-billion budget against our four or five hundred dollar expense account, we realize you, the Pentagon, can hire more lawyers, get more studies, and pay more experts.

“But what you can’t get is thousands of Kentuckians to support your plan. That is the one thing that we’ve got that

you can’t get. The peoples’ will will prevail and we will stop this incinerator.” That statement and his decades-long efforts are highlighted in the 2015 film Nerve, by Ben Evans.

What began as community outreach in central Kentucky spread to the other U.S. cities that housed chemical weapons storage facilities, and even to the Soviet Union, which ultimately discontinued chemical weapons incineration after Russian citizens, with support from Williams and other local environmental advocates, took a stand against the procedure.

The final nerve agent stored at the Blue Grass Army Depot was destroyed last year through a method of chemical neutralization, selected because it drastically reduces the potential impact on the environment and surrounding communities. For his efforts, Williams was honored with the 2006 Goldman Environmental Prize, awarded to one person per continent annually.

bottom and six feet over the top of the payload to limit exposure and muffle noise, said Rod Ody.

Additionally, the air surrounding the detonation is captured and sampled by drone, and results are shared with regulatory agencies, such as the Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection (KDEP) and the Environmental Protection Agency. At one point, Williams asked whether potentially harmful substances released into the air were within regulatory standards.

“Most of the data shows that the constituents coming off of these operations are within permitted levels,” replied Dr. Keith Clift, JMC Senior Physical Scientist.

Williams followed up by citing a report from KDEP from April of last year, stating that some of the effluents contain hazardous constituents, and that they “are of significant concern to human health and the environment.”

“I don’t think anybody is denying that there are hazardous constituents in this material, the question is how do you monitor the impact of the total amount of hazardous constituents coming off the OD or OB sites on a regular basis?” Williams said.

Officials said the safety of the process has been monitored for over 30 years, while Clift noted that scientific models are employed as a reference to ensure public safety. Ody added that weather conditions are monitored up-to-the-minute before each detonation and burn, gauging wind, potential storms, visibility, cloud cover and other factors to determine if it is safe to proceed with a detonation or burn. When weather presents a risk, the job is called off, he said.

At one point, Williams assured officials that he was merely searching for answers.

“Let me just say, for the record, that we’re all friends here,” Williams said.

“We’re all looking for the same result. Historically, I might have been seen as some-

what of an antagonist towards the operations there, but I just want to reassure you that my interest is getting to the best result for the greatest number of people while also satisfying our military mission at the same time.

“I’m just trying the figure out the best way of going about this.”

Madison County Judge Executive Reagan Taylor and Berea Mayor Bruce Fraley attended last Wednesday’s meeting, along with Madison County Magistrate Tom Botkin. Botkin said he has fielded concerns about the detonations from his constituents.

Ayvazian assured citizens property damage was not occurring as a result of the detonations, noting it would take a 30,000-pound explosive to do actual property damage to

surrounding structures, but that only 100 pounds of explosives are detonated at a given time, he said.

When Botkin asked whether technicians could lower the size of the payloads, thus limiting the noise and concussions from the explosions, Ayvazian said that could be explored.

“The fact that they are willing to look at lightening those loads, that’s a step in the right direction for me,” Botkin said following the meeting. He noted that while the detonations may not cause actual structural damage, they can still be unsettling to neighboring residents.

“When people call you who are on Crooksville Road, telling you their dishes are shaking, they aren’t making it up.

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Seniors Take on the Last Month of School



Eagles' Eye Editor-in-Chief
Lexie Dalton

As the school year nears the end, excitement brews among the Senior Class of 2024 at Madison Southern High School. With a host of upcoming events tailored to celebrate their accomplishments and create lasting memories, seniors eagerly anticipate the culmination of their high school journey. From thrilling activities like Senior Field Day and Project Graduation to milestone moments such as Graduation Day and the Senior Awards Ceremony, the calendar is filled with opportunities for seniors to come together, reflect on their achievements, and revel in the camaraderie of their final days as high school students. Let's delve into the array of upcoming events that await the graduating seniors of Madison Southern High School.

Senior Field Day is Thursday, May 16 at 8:30 a.m. the morning of WOW Day. There will be lots of fun activities and many memories will be made. There will be a cake eating contest, tug of war, sack race, balloon toss, and relay races, etc. This is a fun way to get together before seniors take their final exams on May 20-21.

An exciting way to celebrate the Class of 2024 one last time is Project Graduation. Activities will take place the night of graduation, May 24th, and last into the early hours of the morning. There will be food, games, and prizes. The project graduation committee hopes to have a DJ, a photo booth, karaoke, basketball, racquetball, all of these depend on the facility that they secure for this big event. This is a thrilling event for our class because Madison Southern has not had a project grad since 2019.

This is an exciting time for all seniors who have worked hard and waited for this special



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moment. Graduation will be held on the Madison Southern football field on Friday, May 24 at 7:30 p.m. Due to limited seating, each student will receive six tickets. The commencement speech will be given by Senior Class President, Sierra Young. We are so excited to finally be so close to walking across the stage. More information about an inclement weather plan will be sent out ASAP.

The Senior Awards Ceremony will take place in the Madison Southern gym on Sunday, May 19 at 3 p.m. This is a time to recognize seniors for achievements over the four years of high school. They will present awards such as Mr. & Miss Southern, scholarships, senior superlatives, Southern Cup, EOP certificates, and department awards. Don't miss out on Vice President Clifton Scully giving a speech!

Each year seniors who are college and career ready (career ready consists of passing the end of program assessment or industry certification) take a trip to Kings Island! This will be on Friday, April 26. If seniors are not big on roller coasters there are still dining options, live entertainment, shopping areas, arcades, and special events that may be held that day. So, sign up and enjoy your last field trip!

The elementary walk is a

time to look back on how far you have come in the last 12 years. Walking through the halls of your elementary school wearing your cap & gown will bring nostalgia. Seniors will get to visit the schools they attended when they were younger. The elementary students look forward to seeing the seniors walk through because it gives them something to look forward to. This will take place on Wednesday, May 22nd.

As the final chapter of their high school experience unfolds, the Senior Class of 2024 at Madison Southern embraces the multitude of upcoming events with excitement and anticipation. From the camaraderie of Senior Field Day to the nostalgia of the elementary walk, each event serves as a poignant reminder of the journey they've shared and the bonds they've formed. As they prepare to embark on new adventures beyond the walls of their alma mater, these events provide a fitting conclusion to their high school years, filled with cherished memories and lasting friendships. With hearts full of gratitude and anticipation for the future, the seniors of MSHS stand ready to embrace the next chapter of their lives, knowing that the experiences and connections forged during these final days will forever hold a special place in their hearts.

Ignite South Holds Open House for the Community

Eagles' Eye News Editor
Rebekah Christopher

On March 28, Ignite Academy South hosted a spring open house to showcase students' work. The open house was a great success where people could come see what students have been doing in their classes. Students are educated, trained and prepared for hands-on educational opportunities for life after high school, whether that be transitioning to the workplace or pursuing a degree. At the open house, tours of the labs and shops, viewing of student displays, and even purchasing student-made products were provided. Parents and families were invited to come meet the teachers and see the work they have been creating in the shops and labs to help students become career ready. "We were so happy to see so many families and community members come out to Ignite South to support our students. I look forward to many more successful student showcases," says Dean of Students, Sara Burns.

The community had the opportunity to explore the eight career pathways that are offered at Ignite South. The Welder-Entry level pathway has been preparing students to become lead welders in fabrication of steel and metal structures. The Diesel Medium Heavy Truck Inspection, Maintenance, and Minor Repair students have learned the correct procedures and practices of vehicle inspection in a hands-on environment. The Automation Engineering pathway teaches students to apply scientific and mathematical principles to the design, development, and implementation of automated and robotic systems. The Industrial

Maintenance-Electrical Technician pathway applies electrical theory and related knowledge to diagnose and modify developmental or operational electrical control equipment and circuitry in industrial or commercial plants and laboratories.

The Culinary and Food Services pathway prepared etiquette meals for the elementary students this year. Students also have the opportunity to earn their ServSafe certificate to use after high school. Ignite South also provides the Law Enforcement Services pathway through ECU dual credit. This pathway is a great opportunity for students to obtain hands-on learning with procedures, laws, requirements and practices in order to become an officer. The Management & Entrepreneurship pathway prepares students to create and manage the day-to-day operations of a business. This includes instruction in organization and production, marketing, logistics, purchasing, and business decision marketing. The Pre-Nursing pathway prepares individuals for admission to a professional program in nursing. This pathway focuses on caring for residents in a long-term care facility. The students have the opportunity to earn their MNA certification for after high school.

In conclusion, students are able to receive hands-on and work experience for life after high school in their pathway. At Ignite South students have the opportunity to explore different career options to ensure they want to continue in a specific pathway. Students look forward to being able to showcase their work during the open houses for the community. The next open house is projected to be in October.

MSHS Baseball Team Eyes 9th District Title

Eagles' Eye Co-Editor
Reagan Patterson



23-24 MSHS Baseball Seniors

Braden Hudson, Zach Hudson, Zach Morgeson, Blake Pennington, Trent Allen, Walker Marcum, not pictured: Caleb Cobb

On March 14, the Madison Southern baseball team defeated Madison Central by a score of 3-1. This was the first time they have won against Central since 2017 and only the third time since 2002. There were many standout performances during the game. Trey Helton allowed two hits and one run in five innings pitched with six strikeouts. Trey also went 1-for-2. In the last two innings, Lukas Ingram gave up one hit and one walk with one strikeout. Zach Morgeson was 1-for-3 with a double and scored twice. Braden Hudson, Garad Young, and Trent Allen all went 1-for-2. This was a great way to start off the season!

Following their big win against Madison Central, the Eagles have had a solid first half of the season starting with a record of 7-6. Coach Brad McNew has found his true ace for the Eagles, Trey Helton sophomore RHP has an ERA of 2.13 with a record on the mound of 3-1. Seniors Zach Hudson, Braden Hudson, and Zach Morgeson along with sophomores Brently Hankins and Lukas Ingram have been called for most of the other outings on the rubber.

The team has been hitting the ball pretty well through-

out the first half of the season. They are led by Trey Helton, Braden Hudson, Griffin Back, and Aiden Lilly all batting over the magic .300 number. Along with senior Trent Allen who is leading the team with 12 RBI's followed by Griffin Back with 9.

Coach McNew says, "The 2024 season is off to a great start, we got a big win in game 1 over Madison Central. We traveled to Myrtle Beach, SC over spring break. The players were excited for the opportunity to play teams from other states. The team is working hard to improve every day and our older guys are doing a great job in leading us. We have seven seniors that want to leave their footprint on our program before they leave here. Our goal is to be "great by May" playing our best ball at the end of the season. The journey of the season is going to be a fun one as we find our identity. We would love to see students and staff come out and watch these guys compete."

The Eagles plan to win their 9th district championship at the end of May. Come out and support them on Thursday, April 18 at home against Pulaski County.

FCA Establishes a New Theme for 2024

Eagles' Eye Reporter
Christian Fayne



MSHS 2023-2024 Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) is a student led organization which spreads the gospel of Jesus Christ within our school. Students Lauren Short and Canaan Mays are the student leaders, but a handful of other students lead worship often, including Olivia Kinnamont, Jacob Briggs, and Chayton Darst. Once a week, students gather in the MSHS lecture lab to worship and fellowship with one another.

A few of their student leaders host FCA at Shannon Johnson Elementary as well, teaching nearly 140 kids about God's love twice a month. Each week the kids leave with something, either a treat or some type of trinket, to remind them of what they've learned and to share that with others.

FCA's new theme for 2024 is 24/7. This represents glorifying God in all that we do every day, 24/7. They have created four key concepts to represent the theme. Reset, renew, refuel, and ready. You need to reset to be on the path towards truth and freedom, renew your heart to find a new identity in Jesus, refuel to walk out God's purpose for your life, and be ready to share the love with others.

FCA will also be hosting the Baccalaureate service in the MSHS auditorium on May 6th at 7 p.m. to honor our graduates. Randy Calico, pastor of Pilot Knob Baptist Church will be bringing the message, and Lauren and Canaan will be sharing their testimonies. This is a service for any senior that would like to join.

Lauren says, "It is an honor to get to represent our FCA and see God's kingdom grow. In the Great Commission we are called to go therefore and make disciples, and there is no greater privilege than to be able to do that in our school. You are never too young to impact others through your words, faith and purity (1 Timothy 4:12)."

FCA encourages students to join in fellowship as they dive into their four key concepts throughout the year. This year's new theme helps us to understand how you can go from being overwhelmed by the demands of life, to living in the overflow that comes from spending time with God.

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Juniors Steal the Spotlight at the MSHS Prom Fashion Show

Eagles' Eye Reporter
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The 2024 MSHS Junior Prom Fashion Show Participants

On February 16, Madison Southern held their 19th annual Prom Fashion Show. The show was an unforgettable event. The models for the show were students from the junior class who are also members of the prom committee. In addition to the prom fashion show, the prom committee looks forward to decorating for prom. The moment the students and guests arrived at the show, they were swept away by all the gorgeous models. The dresses can be found at Madison Avenue in Richmond and the tuxedos can be rented at Cuff to Collar on Main Street in Richmond. There is something for everyone! Prom Coordinator, Katy Cress says, "The fashion show was a huge success. We made the most money we have ever made and all the juniors were wonderful to work with. They all had great attitudes."

Juniors Caedmon Case and Cadence Rose were the MC's for both shows. They did a great job highlighting the best aspects of the tuxedos and dresses that were worn while also keeping everyone entertained. The stage came alive with the latest trends and styles. They did a great job introducing all of our beautiful models and hyping them up in the best way possible. Cadence and Caedmon also modeled a beautiful orange dress and gray tuxedo.

Before each show, hairstylists volunteered to add their touch to the models. The hairstylists were, Lindsey Adams from RA Studios, Anna Haskins from Manna Beauty Salon, Mary Abney from A Cut Above, Kiarra Fryer from Rustic Roots, Lincoln Nichols from Twisted Boujee Hair, Brittney Heyer, Cassie Richmond, and Mackenzie Herald from Salon 116. During the

show, students were entered in a raffle prize drawing. The prizes were given out from numerous businesses including OliveYou Boutique, Wildflower Boutique, Revive Nutrition, Renewal Haven, Bert's Speak Cheesy, Gold Star Chili, Papaleno's, and Soft Shoe. With many students volunteering and businesses donating to the event, the show was a success. The faculty, staff, and students are grateful for all the sponsors that helped make 2024 prom fashion show possible.

The MSHS Prom, "Once Upon a Time," will be held at Churchill Weavers on Saturday, May 11th from 8 p.m. to midnight with the coronation of king and queen at 11 p.m. The 2024 prom will be one to remember and students will make memories that will last a lifetime!

Lady Eagles Softball Bats are Hot

Eagles' Eye Reporter
Clifton Scully



Senior Chloe Rison makes a throw across the diamond against Somerset. (Picture by Nathan Hutchinson)

The Lady Eagles softball team is over halfway through the regular season with a promising 10-8 record. They are off to a great start offensively scoring runs with ease all season long averaging 8 runs a game, which ranks them high in the 11th Region in runs scored per game. They are led on the mound by Bell Strunk and Kayley Goss who have made almost all of the outings this year for the Eagles. Ashlan Estep and Lexie Keener are leading the team with the bats, both batting over .500. The Eagles have been a great power hitting team to this point hitting 15 homeruns in 18 games, this also ranks them high in the 11th Region and state for the most homeruns. Another very impressive stat is Ashlan Estep is close to leading the state in stolen bases. She has 20 stolen bases on 21 attempts in 18 games.

Throughout spring break the Lady Eagles were successful in Pigeon Forge, TN at the Cal

Ripken Experience with a final record of 5-2 in the showcase. The Eagles faced very tough competition on their trip defeating Symmes Valley (Ohio), Whitley County, Lewis County, Harlan County, and Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin (Ohio). Talking to Coach Carter after this trip he sounded very pleased with the outcome and was glad to get his girls reps. The Eagles will be returning most of their starting lineup for years to come. They have a great chance to turn this season into a great one as our girls gain experience with only starting one senior, four juniors and the rest underclassmen and middle schoolers.

Coach Carter had some words about our young Eagles "As I expected, with it being early in the season, we have been experiencing some highs and lows in the few games we have played so far. I am in the process of determining who brings what to this team and where I need to utilize our player's talents. We had some key components that we needed to replace from last year's team. My hope is that the past games will give me an opportunity to really nail down a consistent line-up, so we can be ready to play our best ball during the last few weeks of April, heading into May. I hope that we will be at our best by the time the district tournament rolls around in late May." Be sure to catch the Lady Eagles in action tomorrow April 18th against Rockcastle at home.

Ignite South DECA Chapter Excels at State

Eagles' Eye Reporter
Makenzie Curry

The 2023-2024 DECA school year has been nothing short of amazing. DECA is a business organization that prepares students for the business world and for their future career. There are many different categories to compete in such as financial literacy, marketing, business management, hospitality and tourism, sports and entertainment marketing, apparel and accessories marketing, and many more.

As a chapter, Madison Southern/Ignite South placed third in the state for the fastest growing chapter. As our chapter president, I received the Outstanding Chapter Member award. After attending the Region 4 conference, 14 of our members advanced to state, and from there three of our members advanced to the International Career Development Conference in Anaheim, California. Caedmon Case was elected as the Kentucky Vice President of Membership and is competing in Personal Finance. "DECA has given me multiple opportunities to be able to express my love for business and marketing. It has also given me the opportunity to network with peers that also have a love and passion for business," says Caedmon Case. Haley Bogie is competing in Accounting Applications, and



2023-24 Ignite South DECA Members

Jarrett Meganhardt, Landon Sipple, Elijah Curtis, Jacob Moore, Cameron Judd, Dawson Beardsley, Kayden Murphy, Eli Farley, Makenzie Curry, Lauren Karsner, Caedmon Case, Rebekah Christopher, Haley Bogie, Christian Fayne, and Advisor John Gilliam

I am going as a member of the Aspire Academy. The DECA state advisor, Mrs. Lisa Oakes, has put in many, many hours of work towards this organization. She gave me the opportunity to speak to the Kentucky Senate on encouragement of passing Senate Bill 192 in relation to increasing and maintaining funding for CTSO (Career and Technical Student Organizations) programs in the state of Kentucky. Here, I was able to make connections and meet many of our state officer members as well as students who were upcoming region officers. Last school year, I had the opportunity to speak to the Kentucky Board of Education, to assure them that

the use of their funds with these programs are being put to use in an effective way, benefiting students all around the state. Funds will allow students to experience more in the real business world, and would provide more opportunities for students to make connections in their career field.

Our advisor, Mr. Gilliam has put in a lot of hard work to ensure these students' success. We are eager to see what all this chapter accomplishes. There has been a lot of work put in over the years to be as successful as we are now, but these students all say that it is worth it. DECA has made a lasting impact on our members and these relationships are sure to last a lifetime.

Tennis Takes Over the Courts

Eagles' Eye Reporter
Landon Sipple

On March 7th, the MSHS tennis team began their season at Model. Junior Carlie Hechemy topped Kate Conley in three sets, 1-6, 6-1, and 10-8, while sophomore, Mary Cate Young, defeated Darby Nelson, 6-1, 6-4. While on the boys side, doubles partners; John Esten Parker-Harris and Gavyn Csvany topped Logan Blakeman and Corbin Bray, 6-4, 6-4, 10-8. Overall, it has not been the start the tennis team would have wanted, but there is hope and high expectations for the rest of the season as the team has been hard at work training and preparing for upcoming matches. Coach Wendy Hechemy says, "We have a lot of new players this year. We are very proud of the hard work our players have put in to learning

the game and improving their skill. We are improving each match." As of right now, the current record for the boys is 0-5, and the girls are 1-4.

After their first match, they continued to work hard and were capable of winning more matches against Madison Central on March 20. Senior, Mallory Duerson, defeated Kara Erdman 8-4. Sophomores, Kailene Smith and Lenore Becraft defeated Eden Steeves and Meryn Morgan 8-4. Freshman, Chase Christopher topped Barrett Fuller 6-0, 5-7, 1-0 (10-7). Junior, Casen Nobbe defeated James Grant 8-2, and John Esten Parker-Harris/



2024 MSHS Tennis Team

Gavin Csvany defeated their opponents 6-3, 6-2. The tennis team has four matches left, with their next match at home on Thursday, April 19th against Danville. Regions will be a week after their last regular season match on May 3rd, with the top three players from the boys and girls advancing.

Eagles Track Soaring in the Outdoor Season

Eagles' Eye Sports Editor
Gino Ballard



2024 Madison Southern Track and Field Team
Photo by: Liz Rose Photography

The Madison Southern track team is thrilled about the transition from the indoor to the outdoor season. Coach Smith and Coach Bevins are particularly excited about the performances at the meet on Tuesday, April 9th, which was their 2nd meet of the season hosted at Madison Central. They had high hopes for achieving impressive times in the open 100, 200, and 400-meter events. Athletes on the boys' side, Nolan Kenner, Brayden Hall, Zach Smith, and Preston Williams, all placed Top 8 in the 100m. Brayden Hall and Nolan Kenner also placed Top 6 in the 200m. Additionally, Brayden Hall finished 2nd and Jacob Krebs 3rd in the 400m Dash. For our girls, Bella Sikes placed 16th in the 100m and 10th in the 200m. Among the jumpers, Aaron Bevins took 1st place in long jump with a jump of 18ft 4in and 3rd in triple jump. Luke Daniels placed 6th in high jump with a jump of 5ft 2in. Reagan Smith, Victoria Pyzik, Shyanne Couch, and Kinzley Barrett all placed in the Top 12 in long jump. Reagan Smith placed 2nd in triple jump. Sydney Witzel placed 4th in triple jump and 9th in long jump. Regarding throwers, Preston Williams took 3rd and Canaan Mays placed 4th for shot put. The Mays brothers, Carson and Canaan, both placed in the Top 8 for discus. Paige Rinker placed 3rd in discus and 5th in shot put. Coach Smith is determined to have a re-

lay team for 4x100, 4x200, and 4x400 who can run fast in hopes to surpass records set last year, and both boys and girls placed Top 8 in all relays last week.

Overall, the team is focused on their training and is eager to demonstrate their hard work and dedication. Coach Smith and Bevins are thrilled to see the determination and progress of their relatively young team, which boasts a total of 67 athletes. Notably, the boys team placed 3rd with a total of 104.50 points, while the girls' team secured 5th place overall with 67 points, out of 16 teams from surrounding counties like Fayette, Montgomery, Jessamine, Laurel, and Estill counties.

In conclusion, the Eagles track team has shown remarkable progress and determination in their transition to the outdoor season. With impressive performances across various events and a focus on relay teams, Coaches Smith and Bevins are optimistic about surpassing previous records. Their dedication and hard work will shine through, as shown by their notable placements in the previous meets. The team's achievements are celebrated and recognized, motivating them to continue striving for excellence and this is only the start for the Eagles. The track team looks forward to their next meet, The Lake Cumberland Classic in Somerset on April 20, come out and support the Eagles!

Pope brings Hope to Bluegrass

By Keith Taylor
Kentucky Today

Mark Pope left Kentucky as a captain and returned as coach, and it was like a family reunion Sunday at Rupp Arena.

The former Wildcat standout and captain of the school's sixth national championship team was formally introduced as the school's 23rd head coach in front of a full capacity crowd that gave Pope the same kind of "Heroes' Welcome" it gave in 1996 to those champions.

He led the crowd through the chant of C-A-T-S! Cats! Cats! Cats! and posed with the No. 41 jersey he wore after he was presented a new one (No. 23) during his formal introduction.

"Every coach in America at every other job in America stands up at the press conference and they try and moderate expectations," he said to the delight of those in attendance. "We don't do that here at Kentucky. When Mitch (Barnhart) called me and talked to me about being the head coach here at Kentucky, I would have walked here. I understand the assignment. We are here to win banners."

It's exactly what Barnhart was looking for when he hired his third men's basketball coach.

"You need a guide, you have to have someone who has been on the journey before and knows the way, the work, the challenges and eventually the beauty of the destination — to understand the heart of this special place," Barnhart said.

The more Barnhart thought about Calipari's replacement, the



Mark Pope was introduced as the 23rd head coach in Kentucky history in front of a capacity crowd on Sunday at Rupp Arena. (The Citizen/Tyson Tolson)

more Pope "checked the boxes." When Pope got the call from Barnhart to come back home, he "understood the assignment" he was asked to perform once he signed the dotted line.

"Almost immediately, he began planning the journey back home and jokingly said he would have walked from Provo, Utah, to Lexington for the job.

Less than a week after former coach John Calipari resigned and bolted for Arkansas, the school hired one of its own to shift the emphasis from "Players First" to "Kentucky First."

"We're here to win banners in Nashville, because you guys turn out in Nashville like nobody else and that matters," he said of the SEC tournament in perhaps a jab at Calipari who put less emphasis on the league tournament.

"We are here, our job here, our assignment, is to go win banners in the Final Four, win na-

tional championships."

It has been a dozen years since the last national championship and the Cats have not played in a Final Four in nine years.

To get there, Pope said, understanding the name on the front of the jersey has to be more value than the name or number on the back of the Blue and White.

"I learned about gratitude here at Kentucky," he said. "I learned so much about gratitude. Entitlement leads to sorrow and depression.

And gratitude leads to joy. And I will tell you this, you know all these players know, what all of the future players will learn really quick, okay, is that they are not doing those jerseys a favor by letting the jerseys clothe them. Our guys will know quickly, and it is hard not to know, it will be one of the great honors of their life to put that jersey on.

"There is only a select few players in the world that ever get to wear a Kentucky jersey. It is one of the greatest



Mark Pope's family looks on as their husband and father are introduced on the video board Sunday at Rupp Arena. (The Citizen/Keith Taylor)

honors guys can ever have as a basketball player."

All throughout the press conference, which lasted nearly an hour, Pope displayed the same passion he had while he played for the Wildcats. Some of his former players, including Jeff Sheppard, whose son Reed Sheppard played for the Wildcats this season, and Jared Prickett were in attendance.

"He's going to win SEC tournaments — he's going to win every game and he wants to win the banners," Prickett said. "So he's like, you know, 'clear the spot off' let's put a banner up there.

"It's a fun style basketball he plays. It's upbeat. You know it's fun to watch. People will be excited about it."

A fan base that was surprised after Pope was named coach on Friday morning, were united and behind one of their own less than 48 hours later.

"I thought he knocked it out of the park," Barnhart said. "He did great and he's exactly who I thought he'd be. He did exactly what I thought he would do.

"He was in love with them before he walked in. I think they're now in love with him."

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Jailer's food service change request tabled

By Keith Taylor
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The Madison County Fiscal Court tabled a request from Madison County Jailor Steve Tussey to change its food service provider during its bi-monthly meeting in Richmond Tuesday.

The court voted unanimously to rescind a motion

to accept a contract from Tiger Commissary that would have cost the county \$508,565 during the next fiscal year starting on July 1. Magistrate Tom Botkin questioned why Madison County Jailer Steve Tussey wanted to change from Kellwell Food Management, based in Beatyville. Kellwell's bid was \$34,839

less than the bid received from Tiger Commissary. Madison County Detention Center Chief Deputy Tom Jones said the main reason Tussey wanted to change was because of the lack of quality received from its current provider. Jones said the company has “changed hands and the food quality has declined.”

The court also questioned why Kellwell had a better score on its report and if jail officials had met with the current food provider. Jones said an impromptu meeting was held in the past concerning the quality of food and service.

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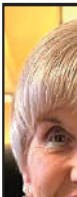
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Man
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A Berea man died in an early morning fire Monday on Barrett Lane.

According to the Berea Fire Department, crews were dispatched to a home on 129 Barrett Lane where the discovered the residence to be fully engulfed in flames.

As one crew distinguished the fire, another searched the home and found the victim, 59-year-old Matthew Dallam of Berea, deceased.

Dallam's body was taken by the Madison County Coroner's office to the state examiner's office for an autopsy.

"The Berea Fire Department's deepest condolences go out to the family and friends who have lost a home and a loved one in (this morning's) fire," the Berea Fire Department said in a press release. "We would also like to say thank you to Madison County Sherriff's office, Berea Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Madison County EMS, and the Madison County Coroner's office for all of the assistance in this matter."

'It is you'



The Madison Southern High School Players invite you to step into the magical world of Disney's "Beauty and the Beast." Nearly 50 students are involved in the production based on the 1991 classic Disney animated film and the Broadway production that followed in 1994. Disney's Beauty and the Beast tells the story of Belle and her unexpected journey through an enchanted castle where a Beast must learn to love and be loved to break the spell placed on him and the castle's inhabitants. Featuring high energy dance numbers and classic songs from Alan Menken and Howard Ashman, audiences of all ages will be captivated by this beloved story of love, redemption, and inner beauty.



Performances will take place in the auditorium at Madison Southern High School. Showtimes are 7 p.m. April 25-27, with special 2 p.m. matinee on April 27-28. Tickets are \$15 for reserved seating, \$10 General Admission and \$5 for students. Children under 3 are free. Tickets may be purchased at the door or online at bit.ly/mshsbeauty



Sixth District Congressman Andy Barr speaks at the Central Kentucky Regional Airport Monday afternoon. (The Citizen/Keith Taylor)

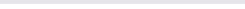
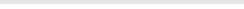
'We're just taking off'

Federal funding to help add new terminal at airport

On Monday afternoon, Sixth District U.S. Congressman Andy Barr announced \$3,500,000 in federal funding from the Fiscal Year 2024 Community Project Funding process to Eastern Kentucky University for the Central Kentucky Regional Airport. The funds

will be used to construct a general aviation terminal to accommodate the growing demands of the CKRA and to ensure the airport can safely and effectively service the citizens,

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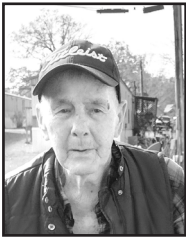
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Richard L. Woodall



Richard L. Woodall, age 83, passed away Friday April 12, 2024, at Saint Joseph Hospital in Berea, KY. He was born March 16, 1941, in Shelbyville, IN to the late William and Frances Burdine Woodall. Richard was a retired printing press operator, enjoyed fishing, served his country in the U.S. Army, and loved his dog, Suzie.

In addition to his parents, Richard was preceded in death by one son, Herbie

Woodall, two brothers, Steve Woodall, Doug Woodall, and three sisters, Donna Clontz, Billie Robinette, and Ann Bauer. He is survived by one daughter, Sheila Burdine of Mt. Orab, OH, one sister Betty Stacy of GA, one grandchild, Rick (Kimberly) Burnette, a special friend and Caretaker, and one great grandchild. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

At Richards request, cremation will take place and no services will be scheduled. Burial will be in the Chimney Rock Cemetery in Somerset, KY.

Davis & Powell Funeral Directors in charge of arrangements.

Cecil Himes



Cecil Himes, 78, passed away Tuesday April 16, 2024, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington. He was born May 23, 1945, in Berea, to the late Sherman D. and Dovie Shearer Himes. Cecil was self-employed working in the auto body repair business and enjoyed the many years spent there. He loved spending time with family, traveling, going out to eat and especially his grandchildren. Cecil was an avid storyteller which made his home a gathering place for all the neighborhood kids. He was a minister of the Pentecostal faith.

In addition to his parents, Cecil was preceded in death by five brothers, Robert, Rovie, Donald, William, Raymond Himes, and two sisters, Helen Burdette,

and Mae Cofer.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Donna Robinson Himes, four sons, Anthony Himes and his wife Misty of Cartersville, Rodney Himes and his wife Rita of Cartersville, Steven Himes and his wife Ashley of Lancaster, KY, Jason Himes and his wife Mary Jane of Cartersville, one sister, Ruby Merritt of Conway, 10 grandchildren, Heather Harding and her husband Corey, Michael Himes and his wife Lauren, Johnathan Jones and his wife Melanie, Ashley Bolton and her husband Brad, Arizona Parks, Katherine Himes, Nathan Himes and his wife Callie, Callie N. Himes, Tristen Himes, Dawson Himes, and 12 great grandchildren, London, Mason, Layla, Adalynn, Jayden, Clay, Lydia, Chloe, Natalie, Trent, Austin, and Stella.

Davis and Powell Funeral Directors were in charge of arrangements.

Judy Kay Rose



Judy Kay Rose, 59, passed away Tuesday April 16, 2024, surrounded by her children. Judy was born in Lexington, to the late Burchnel and Bessie Marie McKinney Rose, she had worked for Hitachi Automotive in Berea. She was also preceded in death by her brother Junior Rose.

Judy is survived by her children:

Ashley Farthing and Johnathan (Amanda) Cole, her siblings: LD (Debbie) Harrison, CV Rose, Linda Crabtree, and Jean Lickliter, and her grandchildren: Clinton Farthing, Camren Farthing, and Danielle Bennett. Funeral services were conducted on Friday April 19, 2024, at Lakes Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Morrill-Kirby Knob Cemetery at Sinking Valley in Jackson County.

Lakes Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries

Frank Hammonds



Frank Hammonds, 73, of Berea, passed away peacefully at his home on Saturday, April 20, 2024. He was born on February 25, 1951, in Prestonsburg, to Harold Hammonds Sr. and Helen Louise Pack Hammonds.

Frank was the husband to Phyllis Justice Hammonds. Along with his wife, Frank is survived by one son, Robert Hammonds of Richmond, and one daughter, Angela Howard (James) of Berea, Grandkids, Lily Howard, Paxton

Hammonds, Peyton Hammonds, and Alayna Howard. One brother, Larry Hammonds (Mary) of Claypool, Indiana. A host of in-laws, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Along with Frank's parents, he is preceded in death by one infant son, Frank McClellen Hammonds II, and two brothers, Harold Hammonds Jr., and Jack Hammonds.

Funeral services will be at Lakes Funeral Home on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 1pm with Bro. David Garrett officiating. Burial will follow in Madison County Memorial Gardens.

Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Barbara Faye Dula



Barbara Faye Dula, a beacon of kindness and love, passed away peacefully on April 18, 2024, in Berea. Born on December 3, 1934, in Madison County, Barbara's life was a testament to the power of warmth and generosity that she extended to everyone she met.

Barbara was the cherished daughter of the late Grover and Alma Smith Hunter. She was the beloved wife of Arvin Maurice Dula. Barbara's memory will be treasured by her children: Debbie Payne, Marjory and Chuck Benefield, and Kenneth and Lori Dula. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her infant daughter Etta Alexander, her first husband Lewis Alexander, her son-in-law Earl Payne, her sister, Gladys Baker, and her two brothers, Albert Hunter, and Willard Hunter.

Barbara's legacy continues through her grandchildren, Jeremy and Annie Payne, Jared and Jennifer Payne, Patricia and Eric Meyers, Heather and Josh Grove, Emily and Brad James, Matt and Sarah Dula, and Allison Benefield. Her great-grandchildren, Marissa Payne (Kaleb Lamb), Hunter Payne, Nora Payne, Sadie Payne, Ava Payne, Logan

Meyers, Connor Meyers, Nora Grove, Tess Grove, Isaac James. Great-great-grandchild Braelyn Snowdon. A sister-in-law, Katherine Hunter, and several nieces and nephews.

Barbara's career was marked by her dedication and service to others. She worked at Dresser Industries, employed by food services at Berea College, and worked at Lakes Funeral Home. Her work ethic and caring nature left a lasting impact on her colleagues and those she served. She was a long-time devoted member of Glades Christian Church.

Barbara's life was a beautiful example of how to live with grace and compassion. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and all who were fortunate enough to have known her. The family would like to give special appreciation to all of the in-home care providers, a special thank you to Diane Rynerson who was like a daughter to Barbara for her love, care and compassion, and Regina King for her friendship, kindness, and thoughtfulness.

Pallbearers were Billy Linville, Rick Kaylor, Doug Kaylor, Greg Abney, Bill Hunter, and Albert Payne. Honorary pallbearers were William Abney, Darrell Payne, Ken Clark, and Veral Bryant. Funeral Services were conducted Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at Lakes Funeral Home.



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Patricia “Patty” Hamilton Howser

Patricia "Patty" Hamilton Howser, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, passed away peacefully on April 17, 2024, at her hometown of Berea. Born on April 10, 1957, to Earl and Kaye Hamilton, Patty was a life-long resident of Berea.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her devoted husband Thomas Howser, her brother, Robert "Bobby" Hamilton, and her father-in-law Richard Howser. Patty's warm and gentle spirit will be greatly missed by her children, Tara (Gary) Miracle, and Stefanie (Robbie) Johnson; her sisters, Lisa (K.T.) Fraley, and Jeannie (Dave) Chapman; and her adored grandchildren, Ashlynn Clark, Chandler Clark, Aaron Johnson, and Addison Johnson, her mother-in-law, Jettie Howser, who will continue to honor her memory.

For many years, Patty devoted her time and talents to the community. She found joy in her years at Bluegrass Energy and added warmth to many days

Vergil Allen Morton



Vergil Allen Morton, a cherished family man, respected community member, and veteran, passed away peacefully on April 15, 2024, in Berea, at the age of 91. Born on April 19, 1932, in Lexington, to Richard Taylor and Margaret Dunn Morton, Vergil's life was marked by dedication, service, and the joy of lasting relationships.

Vergil's journey through life was shared with his beloved first wife, Joyce Harris Morton, for 32 years, and after her passing, with his second wife, Doris Jean Shepherd Morton, also for 32 years. His legacy continues through his children, Pamela (Steve) Carpenter, Debra (Phil) Bowen, Richard Morton, and Joy (Kenny) Coleman; his stepchildren, Robert (Marge) Tupman, and Ben Tupman; his adored eight grandchildren, and the joy of several great-grandchildren.

A proud graduate of Henry Clay High School, Vergil furthered his education at Lincoln Memorial University. His professional life was marked by a successful career as a Branch Manager for Brandeis Machinery, and he later shared his expertise work-

at Berea Community Schools where she served in the cafeteria. Her faith was an important part of her life, and she actively participated in the First Christian Church. Patty's charitable spirit shone brightly through her involvement with Swing for a Cure, a softball tournament that was founded by her and Tom.

A true testament to her passion, Patty was an avid supporter of UK basketball. In remembrance of her spirited enthusiasm, her family encourages attendees to wear UK blue in celebration of Patty's life.

Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at First Christian Church. Pastors Lisa Caldwell-Reiss and Mark Caldwell-Reiss officiated. Burial followed in the Madison County Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers were Chandler Clark, Aaron Johnson, Ashlynn Clark, Gary Miracle, Robbie Johnson, Kenny Gadd, Dave Chapman, and Chris Clark. Honorary bearers were Ronnie Brown, Bill Melton, Wes Webb, Doug Woods, KT Fraley, Donnie Brumley, Damon Moore, Jimmy Hamilton, and Ryan Hamilton.

Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Vergil's passion for life was evident in his hobbies and community involvement. An avid Ham radio operator for over 70 years, his call sign KF4YP became well-known among fellow enthusiasts. His service to the country as a Navy reservist for 16 years, with the rank of EN1, was a source of great pride. A Mason with the Berea Masonic Lodge F&AM #617 and a member of the Oleika Shrine.

His active participation in local organizations, including the Lions Club and Rotary Club, showcased his dedication to service above self. A devout member of Berea Baptist Church, Vergil's faith guided him throughout his life.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday, April 22, 2024, at Lakes Funeral Home. Pastor Kevin Slepmp officiated. Private burial will be in the Lexington Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Tyler Bowen, Merrick Coleman, Phil Bowen, Andy Tupman, Ryan Carpenter, Steve Carpenter, Kenny Coleman, and Garrett Morton.

The family would like to acknowledge with appreciation The Terrace Nursing Home, Linda and Dennis Lester, Glenn Foley, and Becky Gooch.

Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Samson Dale Cornette



Samson Dale Cornette, 70, passed away Saturday, April 6, 2024. He was born in Berea, on September 17, 1953, to the late Kermit and Ethel Cornette. He's preceded in death by his parents, and sister, Shurann Yeager. He is survived by his daughter Lori (David) Coates; son Kasey (Shirley Lyon), their children Aston and EJ; son Samson Cornette, and his son Carter Cornette; brothers Swany (Janet) Cornette and Rocky (Sheila) Cornette; sister Armenta Mullins.

Samson was a Christian man of faith that attended Liberty Avenue Baptist Church, Berea. He was well known as radio personality, "Slam-

min Sam", his skills were enjoyed on air throughout New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arizona, and Indiana. He was a professional musician, drummer and guitarist. Samson's drumming skills may be appreciated by all while listening to his friend Tommy Tutone's "867-5309 Jenny." He toured with many musicians, which included American guitarist and singer Ted Nugent. He also worked with law enforcement while living in Oklahoma and was a first responder at the Oklahoma City bombing, and is officially recognized as one, also to the May 3, 1999, tornado, the most powerful tornado ever recorded. Samson was also a martial artist, an expert marksman, and former NRA instructor.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a future date with details to be shared when finalized.



Robert Leonard Benson, Jr.

Robert Leonard Benson, Jr., 80, husband of 56 yrs. to Helen Kozlowski Benson, passed away Tuesday April 16, 2024, at his residence in Berea. He was born November 16, 1943, in Syracuse, New York to the late Robert Leonard Benson, Sr. and Frances Unczur Benson. Robert enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and fishing. He was an avid fan of Nascar and loved old Corvettes. Robert was of the Catholic faith.

In addition to his parents, he was

Hallie Faye Hensley Williams



Hallie Faye Hensley Williams, 86, widow to the late Harold Williams, passed away Saturday April 20, 2024, at her residence in Berea. She was born October 4, 1937, in Louisville, to the late John and Della Rector Hensley. Hallie was an accomplished seamstress. She enjoyed quilting, reading (Christian books), visiting yard sales, raising flowers, gardening, and bird watching. Hallie was of the Christian faith.

In addition to her parents and husband, Hallie was preceded by three brothers,

Cecil, Paul, Tony, and one sister, Bell.

She is survived by her children, William J. Marcum (Stanley) of Waco, Sonja D. Means of Berea, Joyce Hester of Plant City, Florida, Ken Williams of Plant City, Florida, two brothers, Monroe, Lee, four sisters, Myrtle, Reba, Mary, Edith, three grandchildren, Teresa, Bo, Jack, and seven great grandchildren, Taylor, Chase, Haley, Brently, Bryce, Jerry, and Rosa. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday April 23, 2024, at Davis & Powell Funeral Home. Rev. Wayne Miller officiated. Burial followed in the Scaffold Cane Cemetery.

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Taking a peak into the ‘Keith Box’ of keepsakes

The older I get, the more I appreciate the past. It’s not that I never looked back – in some instances I don’t — but there’s something about yesteryear that can put a smile on your face when those memories come flashing before your eyes. A lot of focus recently has been placed on the 1990s, an era when technology began to take off, but yet not full throttle. The internet was referred to as the “Information Super Highway” and the launching pad was through the landline telephone line. Times were still slow despite the surge in information gathering. It was then I began my career as a journalist, cutting my teeth

as a young sports writer. My first “laptop” was a Radio Shack Tandy computer, that plugged into the telephone line. Despite the use of a portable typewriter, I still wrote my stories on notebook paper and dropped them off at the Richmond Register before print deadline. Those times also brought the resurgence of Kentucky Basketball after the Wildcats were placed on probation and Rick Pitino was hired to revive the program. I



Keith Taylor

had the opportunity to cover many of those teams, especially the mid-1990s and the team that won the national title in 1996. Since Mark Pope was hired to replace John Calipari earlier this month, I’ve been sorting through the “Keith Box” and reminiscing about the past. Pope played in the school’s national championship team in 1996 and was one of the fan favorites on that squad. There has been talk of bringing back the “denim” uniforms of that era, which were produced by Converse. I’m not sure how much of the past Pope plans to include in his first season as coach of the Wildcats,

but it would be neat if he incorporated some uniforms of the past. The treasure chest in a cardboard box features a lot of programs and momentos that go way back, even some as far as the 1950s when the late Paul “Bear” Bryant coached the Wildcats. In the box are also old school patches of the Wildcat mascot. Those are the ones that are neat and special and there are at least four of those in the box, all of which are much better than the current modern logo that resembles the Kansas State mascot. My favorite is the one from the 1950s, but I also find the logo from the 1990s to be

one of the best the school has ever produced. It’s the one the Wildcats used when Pitino was the coach and Pope was the captain. I plan on having those logos incorporated onto a letterman jacket in the near future. I also wouldn’t mind if the new floor featured the old “Rupp Arena” slogan at center court, mixed in with a modern feel, not to mention the Rupp Arena center slogan placed on the sidelines. You can’t bring back the past, but it’s fun to reminisce about the good old days of yesterday.

Keith Taylor



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Financial stress a strain

The average house payment in America today is \$2,883 on a 30-year mortgage. The average payment on a fixed year rate mortgage is about \$3,759. (January stats from businessfinder.com). The average car payment in America is \$732 a month for new cars and \$532 a month for used cars. (Nerdwallet.com) The average American household spends over \$1,000 a month on groceries according to a report on gitnux.org. A family of four may spend up to \$1300 per month. Nationwide, Americans spend an average of \$429.33 per month on utilities. Hawaii has the highest monthly energy bill at \$177.78 and Utah has the lowest at \$80.87. California has the highest average monthly water bill at \$77. Wisconsin and Vermont are tied for the lowest monthly water bills at \$18. (Forbes.com)

A January 2023 statistic estimated Americans spend \$150 to \$200 a month on gasoline. (JDPower.Com). This is hard to know because prices are always changing. Regions of the country have to drive more than others but we all know we spend a lot to fuel our automobiles. Electric car costs are adding \$100 to \$200 a month to the average electric bill according to information found on Quora.com The average national monthly health insurance cost for one person on an Affordable Care Act plan without premium tax credits in 2024 is \$477. (Healthmarkets.com)



Glenn Mollette

Of course, to obtain an average some Americans are paying more and some are paying less. The bottom line is regardless of who you are you have financial stress in your life to some degree. According to Lendingtree.com, the average American credit card debt in the last quarter of 2023 was \$6,864. Therefore, if you are also carrying a big credit card debt then financial pressure is weighing heavily on you. It’s difficult to dodge all the above except for creating credit card debt. Typically, we only use a credit card when we don’t have the money. Most Americans today are using debit cards to some degree. It’s not a bad thing to have a credit card. There are some upsides to it but the downside is when you put more on the card than what you can pay for within the due date cycle.

The cost of life’s basics such as housing, food, utilities and a car are making life for most Americans, stressful to say the least. The answers may lie in downsizing. Living in cheaper housing, driving a cheaper car and freezing more in the winter and being warm in the summer to save a few dollars. Many Americans are trying to stay above water by working more or depending on two incomes. More than half of America’s households are dual income according to magnify-money.com The point is, be aware that you are not alone in the pressure you are feeling. Be aware that your neighbor next door, the other drivers on the highway and your fellow workers at the job are all experiencing some of what you are feeling. We should all be aware and try to respect and understand each other a little more.

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MADISON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER

April 11

• Mary Robbins, 44: drug paraphernalia – buy / possess; failure to appear
 • Austin Rowe, 19: public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol)
 • John Brooks, 67: failure to illuminate head lamps; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st
 • Stephen Short, 39: failure to appear; fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree (on foot); failure to appear; contempt of court, libel / slander, resistance to order
 • Beverly Horn, 36: contempt of court, libel / slander, resistance to order; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin); fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree (on foot); drug paraphernalia – buy / possess
 • Eliza Downs, 25: probation violation (for technical violation)
 • Dustin Hughes, 31: commitment order

April 12

• Raymond Thomas, 28: hold for other agency
 • Jeremiah Steinhurst, 43: failure to appear
 • Christian Martin, 23: serving parole violation warrant (2 counts)
 • Tristian Griffith, serving weekends
 • Keaton Eden, 28: no registration plates; no registration receipt; failure of owner to maintain required insurance / security – 1st; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 -2nd; resisting arrest

• Justin Curwright, 32: failure to appear; bail jumping, 1st degree; persistent felony offender • Justin Tate, 39: contempt of court, libel / slander, resistance to order
 • Michelle Scott, 39: failure to appear (2 counts)
 • Trevor Carter, 26: parole violation (for technical violation); theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting
 • Alexis Livingood, 25: wanton endangerment – 1st degree-police officer / wanton endangerment – 1st degree; fleeing or evading police, 1st degree (motor vehicle); criminal mischief – 3rd degree; reckless driving; theft by unlawful taking or disposition- fire arm; assault, 4th degree dating violence (minor injury); failure to surrender revoked operator’s license; operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license; failure of owner to maintain required insurance / security – 1st offense
 • Christopher Valentine, 49: probation violation (for technical violation)- 2 counts
 • Kimberly Gamble, 37: serving weekends

April 13

• Ronald Lee, 49: failure to appear (2 counts)
 • Jacob Smith, 38: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
 • Christopher Gregory, 39: failure to appear; assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury
 • Shaun Ball, 33: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses); criminal mischief, 3rd degree
 • Scotty Owens, 52: failure to appear
 • Carrie Fuit, 42: terroristic

threatening, 3rd degree
 • John Fain, 52: failure to appear
 • Waylon Pickle, 42: failure to appear
 • Dylan Garcia, 19: failure to appear

April 14

• Loretta Turner, 45: failure to appear
 • Henry Chappell, 21: disregarding traffic control device – traffic light; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol / substance(s)- 1st
 • Howard Jones, 32: failure to appear; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol- 1st; careless driving; no operator’s – moped license
 • Robert Casey, 54: contempt of court, libel / slander, resistance to order

April 15

• Nicole Riddell, 36: assault, 4th degree (domestic violence), minor injury
 • Brian Abner, 44: non-payment of court costs, fees or fines
 • Theresa Nolan, 18: burglary, 3rd degree (2 counts); criminal mischief, 1st degree (2 counts); possession of burglary tools; theft by unlawful taking or disposition, automobile, \$1,000 but less than \$10,000; fleeing or evading police – 1st degree (motor vehicle); reckless driving; speeding, 26 mph or greater over limit; disregarding traffic control device- traffic light; fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree (on foot)
 • Jacob long, 20: burglary, 3rd degree (2 counts); criminal mischief (2 counts); theft by unlawful taking, all others, \$1,000 but less than

\$10,000; fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree (on foot); possession of burglary tools
 • Janet Montjoy, 61: unlawful imprisonment, 1st degree; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree
 • Terry Montjoy, 51: failure to appear
 • Jackie Turpin, 54: failure to appear
 • Joseph Estep, 42: hold for other agency
 • Wade Knighton, 34: failure to appear
 • Brandon Walters, 30: receiving stolen property, \$1,000 but less than \$10,000
 • Jason Fugett, 34: failure to appear
 • Christopher Simpson, 43: contempt of court, libel / slander, resistance to order; non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines
 • John Tonge, 54: serving weekends
 • Jason Withers, 45: probation violation (for felony offense)
 • Alexis Santana, 23: failure to appear
 • Jorge Huerta, sexual abuse, 1st degree (victim under 12 years of age)
 • Nancy Stinnett, 38: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting
April 16
 • Arminda Bellamy, 66: contempt of court, libel / slander, resistance to order
 • Sabrina Neeley, 36: hold for other agency
 • James Biggs, 29: probation violation (for technical violation)
 • Terence Raines, 62: hold for other agency
April 18
 • Jeffrey Cope, 52: traffick-ing in a controlled substance,

1st degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 2 grams methamphetamine); drug paraphernalia – buy / possess; violation of a Kentucky EPO / DVO; operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license; failure to wear seat belts; no registration receipt; failure to produce insurance card
 • Misty Puckett, 27: assault 4td degree dating violence, minor injury
 • Kathryn Price, 27: probation violation (for felony offense)
 • Thomas Crowe, 32: hold for other agency
 • Frederick Williams, 42: failure to appear
 • Paul Horne, 36: failure to appear
 • Mark Hoskins, 36: probation violation (for felony offense)
 • Amber Whalen, 34: contempt of court, libel / slander, resistance to order
 • Justin Blevins, 36: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting
 • Vivian Robinson, 37: probation violation (for technical violation)
 • Nathan Hamilton, 40: hold for other agency
 • Zachary Zwick: parole violation (for technical violation)
 • Simeon Mullins 33: hold for court
 • Wesley Johnson, 31: hold for court
 • Stephanie Flenner, 43: nonpayment of court costs, fees or fines
 • Izabel Corporan, 21: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

April 11

• Marshall Hogan and Stephanie Hogan to Dwayne Pinson and Sarah Pinson, 3010 Planter’s Row, \$659,000
 • Via Vitae Development, LLC to James P. Pauley and Theresa A. Pauley, lot 84 Magnolia Pointe Subdivision Phase 4, \$339,900
 • Dwight P. Toomey and Jennifer L. Toomey to Travis Ray Evans and Michelle A. Evans, lot 32 Kensington Place, \$285,000
 • Pigskin Rentals, LLC to Britton Eads, 217, 219, 221, 223 E. Street and lot E Street, \$245,000
 • Darrell Carey and Sandra L. Carey to Travis Henry Love and Connie Ann Love, lot 20 Phase 4 Orchard Hills, \$266,000
 • Carl T. Redmond and Tamantha J. Redmond to Abimael Gonzalez, 985 Charlie Norris Road, \$305,000
 • A&R Contractors, LLC to Mary K. Farthing, lot 197 Phase 7A Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$310,000
 • Carl Danny Swanger to Tina Jo Cheeks, 139 Frances Drive, \$1,000
 • Shirley Jean Jackson to Shirley J. Jackson, Trustee of the Shirley Jackson Protection Trust, dated April 1, 2024, 139 Commerce Drive, \$10
 • Secretary of Veterans Affairs to McKenzie Bell, 1040 Big Hill Road, \$136,750
 • Heather Jo McClure, Successor Trustee of the Mary G. Parks Living Trust, dated September 10, 2016, to Heather Jo McClure, Trustee of the Mary G. Parks Trust, for benefit of Bryson Kade Howell dated September 10, 2016, for the purposes of dispersing the assets of the Mary G. Parks Living Trust
 • Stoney Creek Homes, LLC to KJC Properties, LLC, lots 1-4 and 7 Stoney Creek Subdivision, Unit 3, Phase 1-B, \$230,000
 • Hager Rentals, Inc to CCCD Homes, LLC, 100 Hager Drive and 12301 Barnes Mill Drive, \$715,000
 • April Leann Stevens (f / k / a April Leann Carman) and Jason Carman to David Matthew Carpenter and Michell Dexter Carpenter, 116 Cambridge Drive (a / k / a 101 Kensington Place), \$277,000
 • Riley Rentals, LLC to Elisjah Hunter Murphy and Aricka Ryan Murphy, 106 Marsha Drive, \$220,000

April 12

• Wendell Combs and Diana Combs to Nicklas Anthony Hume and Ashley Morgan Dixon, 308 Kings Trace Drive,

\$240,000
 • Govind Hospitality, LLC to Shreejikrupa Hotels, LLC, property north side Cooper Drive, Berea, \$1,400,000
 • Carolyn Ann Remolds and Katherine Jean Reynolds to Jessica Dehart, tracts Madison County (U.S. 25), \$400,000
 • Norma Jean Marsh to Short Mountain Rentals, LLC, lot 10 and 18 Cantor Acres, \$30,000
 • Nada Hoskins to Dywalt Properties, LLC, lots 2 and 3 plat 31 / 191, \$6,000

April 15

• The Marjorie G. Miniard Revocable Living Trust, by Kathryn F. Speaks, Trustee to James Michael Speaks and Kathryn Frances Speaks, tract 10 plat 8 / 300, \$26,667
 • Jonathan Wilhite and Neisea Wilhite to Ryan A. Gagliardi and heather C. Gagliardi, lot 13 and 14A Herndon Lane Acres, \$360,000
 • MJB Properties, LLC (d / b / a MJB Properties, LLC to J.T. Barret Land Holdings, LLC, 124 Manna Drive; 144, 146 and 148 S. Killarney Drive (also includes 224 and 236 Wray Drive); 124 Mallory Court; 118 Mallory Court; 1099 Merrick Drive; 1118 Richmond Green Drive; 1112 Richmond Green Drive; 1106 Richmond Green Drive; 1100 Richmond Green Drive; 413 Jason Drive; 437 Jason Drive; 431 Jason Drive; 407 Jason Drive, \$9,200,000
 • DLS Partners, LLC of Frank Anthony Modra, III, 909 The Paddock Court, \$315,000
 • Federal Home Loan Mortgage, Corporation to Martha Hernandez, 3816 Boonesboro Road, \$57,000
 • Carol Gilliam and Harry S. Rice to Katherine Finnell, Trustee of the Carol E. Gilliam and Harry S. Rice Irrevocable Trust, dated April 10, 2024, 209 Willow Avenue, Berea, for and in consideration of the Carol E. Gilliam and Harry S. Rice Irrevocable Trust, dated April 10, 2024
 • Carol Gilliam and Harry S. Rice to Katherine Finnell, Trustee of the Carol E. Gilliam and Harry S. Rice Irrevocable Trust, dated April 10, 2024, 332 Center Street, Berea, for and in consideration of the Carol E. Gilliam and Harry S. Rice Irrevocable Trust, dated April 10, 2024
 • Diane L. Akers to Anna Akers Endlsey, lot 17 Freybrook Subdivision, for and in consideration of the love and affection the party of the first part has for the party of the second part, who is her daughter
 • William H. Renfro and Linda Renfro to William Scott Renfro, tract of land on north

side of Carver’s Ferry Road, for and in consideration of the love and affection First Parties have for Second Party, that relationship being grandparents and grand child
 • James D. Baker (a / k / a James Baker) and Darlene M. Baker to James D. Baker and Darlene M. Baker, 2250 Red House Road, for and in consideration of the desire of the parties, hereto who are husband and wife to hold title to described property as joint tenants with rights of survivorship • SIO Investments, LLC to Jeffrey Wade Parks and Cheryl Ann Parks, lot 84 Phase 3 Grey Oaks Subdivision, \$350,000
 • Scott James Williams and Tammy Lynn Williams to Gregory Graft and Kristi Kay Graft, lot 159 Phase 6 Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$342,000
 • Jesse Lester and Patricia McIntosh Lester to Russell Nicholson and Sarah Nicholson, lot 53 Madison Village Subdivision, \$230,000
 • W&F Investments, LLC to Arbor Woods, LLC, lot 26 Residential Block #E Burnamwood Subdivision, \$ 215,000
 • Jacquelyne Kay Gray to Harshadry V. Patel, lot 31 Tuscany Development, LLC, \$520,000

April 16

• Erica Powell and Brandon Powell to Amy Lynch, by Kellie Katrina Sparks, Attorney-in-Fact, 315 Douglas Court, Richmond, \$218,000
 • Paul T. Peachey and Geneva Peachey to What The Hay Farms, LLC, tract A plat 31 / 180, \$500,000
 • Timothy O. Mays and Linda F. Mays to Ryan Whaley and Kristin Whaley, 9044 Beginnings Way, Richmond, \$290,000
 • Joyce H. Sulfridge and Joyce H. Sulfridge, as Executrix of the Estate of Homer P. Sulfridge and as Trustee of the Homer P. Sulfridge Trust, dated November 22, 1995, to Joyce H. Sulfridge, 212 Salter Road; 265 Herndon Lane; 14 Houston Drive; 20 Houston Drive; 95, 101, and 105 Lena Street, for purposes of distributing the assets of the Estate of Homer P. Sulfridge to the decedent’s surviving wife in accordance with the Order of the Madison County District Court in Probate Case Number: 23-P-592 entered on October 23, 2023
 Leland Earl Stewart and Elizabeth Stewart to Whiteberry Builds, LLC, lot 1 phase 1 Fincastle Subdivision, \$55,000
 • Charles B. Collier and Billyanna Collier to Derek Horn and Andrea Horn, lot 64 Welchwood Estates Subdivi-

sion, \$322,000
April 17
 • Jonathan W. Weitzel and Kari R. Weitzel to Zachary Stephen Harvey and Ashton Marie Trunnell, tract Madison County (vicinity of Barnes Mill Road), \$313,000
 • Mitchell Thomas Wiese and Sarah Jane Danielle Wiese (f / k / a Sarah Jane Danielle Anderson to Alexis Y. Moreno Trillo and Jordan L. Porter, lots 1 and 3 block 10 Richmond Investment Company’s Addition to the City of Richmond, \$230,000
 • Dannie Moore and Renee Moore to Everett W. Currier and Linda Currier, lot 73 and 74 section 3 Boone’s Trace Development, \$815,000
 • Sandra J. Craft to Alexandra Quesinberry and Elizabeth Quesinberry, lot 58 Derby Chase, \$329,900
 • Richard Marvin Struss and Lavonna Jo Struss to Karla Kay Wallace, Armelia Marie Basham, Rebecca Lorene Struss Banks and John Anthony Struss, tracts Madison County (vicinity of Walnut Street, Berea), for and in consideration of the love and affection which a brother has for his siblings
 • Marilyn DeWitt, as Executrix of the Estate of James Leonard Weaver (a / k / a James L. Weaver, a / k / a James S. Weaver), lot and house Richmond Investment Company (vicinity of East Main Street), \$49,500
 • Victory Lane Development, Inc. to Winfield James Patterson and Janet Selden Patterson, lot 31 phase 3 final plat for Tahoe Way, \$549,900
 • Sena Z. Sword, Successor Trustee of the John D. Sword Revocable Living Trust, under agreement dated November 18, 2008, and any amendments thereto and Sena Z. Sword, Executrix of the Estate of John D. Sword to Paul D. Sword, lots 22, 42, 43, 44, 46, 55, 67, 69 and 89 Ashwood Country Estates Subdivision, for and in consideration of a gift
 • Sena Z. Sword, Successor Trustee of the John D. Sword Revocable Living Trust, under agreement dated November 18, 2008, and any amendments thereto and Sena Z. Sword, Executrix of the Estate of John D. Sword to Paul D. Sword, lots 8, 11, 12, 15, 17, 19, 21, and 22 Walnut Grove Subdivision, for and in consideration of a gift
 • Paul H. Mays and Janice W. Mays to Kristopher Lewis and Katharine B. Lewis, 200 – 202 ½ S. 3rd Street and 220 Water Street, \$550,000
 • Sharon Kay Reams to Gustave Edward LaFontaine

IV and Kristin Danielle Lafontaine, tract Madison County (vicinity of Barnes Mill Pike), \$1,020,000
 • Matthew T. Valentine and Pamela Valentine to Samuel R. Hunter, lot 26 Lancaster Woods Subdivision, \$20,500
 • Ronald J. Mullins, by and through his Attorney-in-Fact, Artie Mullins to Artie Mullins, Trustee of the David Mullins Supplemental Needs Trust, dated April 15, 2024, lot 161 bloc 3 Central Park, for and in consideration of the premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties
 • Augeo, LLC to Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc, lot 15 Gates Planned Unit Development, \$131,600
 • LAC Investments, LLC to Alexander Probst, 124 Candy Apple Lane, \$265,000
 • John Sargent and Elizabeth Sargent to John Sargent and Elizabeth Sargent, lot 8 Green Meadows Subdivision block 1, \$1.00

MARRIAGES

April 11

• Morgan Paige Mounce, Concentrix team lead, 25 of Richmond too Lucian Nero Jackson, unemployed, 22, of Richmond
 • Courtney Brianne Hendrix, medical assistant, 37 of Richmond to Ronald James Richardson, Pepsi technician, 50 of Richmond
 • Anna Faith Hisle, waitress, 18 of Irvine to Jason Andrew Conrad, operator, 20 of Irvine
 • Amberly Kathleen Northern, food service, 19 of Mt. Vernon to Zale Joel Brown, food service, 20 of Mt. Vernon
 • Isaac Caleb Watson, union pipefitter, 27 of Berea to Andrea Regan Baker, RN, 31 of Berea
 • Molly Kathleen Hammond, nanny, 28 of Richmond to Jacob Scott Welch, pre-press technician, 31 of Richmond

April 15

• Candice Marie Davis, business owner, 39 of Mt. Vernon to Walter Earl Stamper, business owner, 41 of Mt. Vernon
 • Candice Marie Davis, business owner, 39, of Mt. Vernon to Walter Earl Stamper, business owner, 41 of Mt. Vernon • Eva Mae Slone, zone captain, 28, of Richmond to Austin Blake Melton, assembly, 27 of McKee
 • Kevin Ray Winburn, manager, 33, of Richmond to Lacey Elizabeth Kay Wagner, manager, 35, of Richmond

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Levi Parks Cemetery Relocation

Pursuant to KRS 381.755 and KRS 424, notice is given of the following intended action: The City of Berea and the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, plan to raise the existing pool level of the Owsley Fork Reservoir in Madison and Jackson Counties, Kentucky. Raising the pool level will affect historic graves at the Levi Parks Family Cemetery, located along the east side of Radford Hollow Road. The City of Berea is filing an application with the Madison County Fiscal Court to relocate all graves from the Levi Parks Family Cemetery (37.543959, -84.185197) to a newly established cemetery west of Radford Hollow Road to the southwest of the existing cemetery (37.539323, -84.188444). Known graves in the Levi Parks Family Cemetery consist of: Mary Susan (nee Powell) Brewer (1893-1921); Beula Cates (1915-1915); Polly J. Croley (1849-1872); Bettie Crowley (1845-1939); William F. Hudson (1874-1876); James F. Martin (1869-1872); Levi Parks (1823-1911); Margaret Parks (1821-1910); Margaret A. Parks (1877-1878); Martha Ann Parks (1850-1851); Sary E. Parks (1850-1851); William Turner Parks (1845-1851); Etlic Sandlin (1915-1915); Leander Taylor (1843-1925); and Mary Taylor (1844-1920). Others possibly interred in the cemetery are: Joe Croley (1847-1885); Rebecca (nee Croley) Powell (1827-1873); and Rolie Parks (1894-1894). It is possible that other individuals are interred in the cemetery in unmarked graves or graves marked with fieldstones. Any order or resolution issued by the Madison County Fiscal Court granting said application will specify and declare that at any time after the expiration of sixty (60) days after the first publication of this Notice, the Madison County Fiscal Court will direct the removal and relocation of the affected graves. If you have questions or objections concerning this application, or if you have information about individuals interred in the cemetery, please contact Alexandra Bybee at (859) 533-9842 or bybee@crai-ky.com.

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here and say why are we recommending Tiger when it looks like Kellwell is the better candidate," Madison County Judge/Executive Reagan Taylor said.

"If Kellwell didn't want the contract why bid on it?" Magistrate Tom Botkin said.

The court advised Taylor to meet with Kellwell officials before the next meeting on May 14 at Berea City Hall.

The court did approve a contract between the Madison County Detention Center with Comprehensive Correctional Care (3C) for \$784,137.96. The court voted 4-1 to approve the contract, with Magistrate Brian Combs casting the lone no vote. The costs of

the medical services also was of concern to the court.

"The cost of this is outrageous," Combs said.

Taylor agreed and said costs for jail incarceration has increased during his 10 years in the county's top seat.

"The cost of law enforcement and incarceration is becoming challenging," he said.

He added that inmates at the MCDT are house for state offenses as opposed to violating city and county laws and said the courts get no relief from the state when it comes to housing inmates.

Coroner update

Madison County Coroner Jimmy Cornelison gave an update on his offense and told the court that overdose deaths (69) in 2023 didn't change from

the previous year. He added that fentanyl "is still here and it's not going to go anywhere."

"As the county grows, problems grow with it," he said.

Cornelison said the top concern is the suicide rate is on the increase.

"Suicides are up for all ages," he said. "It's one of the reasons our run volumes are up."

Cornelison added a new four-wheel drive

truck to his fleet, which has proven to be valuable during the winter and picking up deceased bodies in harsh weather conditions as well as difficult locations within the county.

In other business:

The court:

- Approved second reading of land change from R-7 and UC-7 to agriculture to UC-1 single family residen-

tial at 1072 Tate Creek Road.

- Proclaimed Wednesday, May 1 as Law Day in Madison County.
- Agreed to the Madison County Clerk budget amendment for \$257,169.26 in revenues and expenditures.
- Approved an agreement with Rave Mobile safety for desktop services and professional click strategies for regional economic

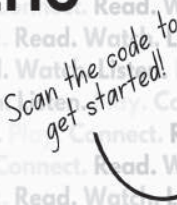
development.

- Awarded Harbor Steel and Supply Cooperation for \$42,375.00 for a beam for a bridge on Doyleville Road.
- Approved an agreement with AMK Services LLC for P25 radio system maintenance funded through CSEPP.
- Went into executive session for 32 minutes to discuss pending litigation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Madison County Fiscal Court; P.O. Box 1120; Richmond, Kentucky 40476, has filed an application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to replace a bridge. The property is located on Doyleville Road (approximately 708 feet N of Weddles Mill Road and over Muddy Creek. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be submitted via email to: DOWFloodplain@ky.gov, Kentucky Division of Water, Floodplain Management Section 300 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Call (502) 564-3410 with questions.

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Reflections

Berea Citizen archives

April 24, 1924 Dixie Highway

Three hundred men from different places in Rockcastle and Madison Counties spent the larger part of the day on the Scaffold Cane stretch of road, leveling the heavy foundation rock which had been placed and breaking them into smaller pieces with heavy sledgehammers. The ladies of Berea and Scaffold Cane prepared a meal that was served in the yard of Mr. Spencer Abney and there was enough to feed everyone with very little leftovers. Mr. Abney was courteous enough to unload his counters in his store and take the tables outdoors for the picnic. Men participating in the day of building came from Mt. Vernon, Wildie, Climax, Disputanta, Berea, Richmond, Lexington, Cincinnati, and all along Scaffold Cane Road, stretching from the Madison County line to south of Roundstone. In the crowd were two older men. One was 81 years old and

another was 83. They were J. F. Sims of Scaffold Cane and D. L. Roberts of Berea. Each man put in a full day's work. There were young men and boys there. Eighth grade boys from Berea under the direction of Professor Bowman. There were members of the Junior Agricultural Club. The boys brought their hammers, and the girls brought their dinners.

April 21, 1949 Television installed

The first television set arrived in Berea and was installed at Parsons' Electric Store. Although the set had been operational for several days, it was not publicly demonstrated until Tuesday evening when the first showing was made at the store. The reception was exceptionally good later in the evening when there was not as many interferences. The set was peaked in channel four and picked up the station from Cincinnati. The program

that was presented for public viewing was a commercial featuring, Milton Berle. Mr. Parsons stated that the installation of the set in his store only required a slight change with extra antennas added to the top of the store. Due to the high altitude, reception was believed to be very good. Parsons' Electric would carry the General Electric and Philco lines of televisions. They would carry the table size model as well as more expensive ones. It was believed that this new invention was one of the most revolutionary ones in modern times. It was anticipated that it would change the entire social life of the entire nation, just as the automobile changed the lives of the nation forty years previous.

April 25, 1974 School approved

Madison County Fiscal Court met in a special called session on Tuesday to consider plans for the reconstruction

of White Hall School. The school recently sustained heavy damage during the recent tornadoes. It was estimated that approximately 70% of the school was destroyed with 30% being considered to be in "salvageable" condition. The Madison County School Board adopted a plan to rebuild and was in the process of acquiring bids for the project from general contractors. The proposal called for the contractor to submit a fixed fee bid including their office overhead and the profit expected to be attained from the project. The county would pay for materials and labor with the contractor making only their profit. It was believed that it was the most cost effective and fair way of addressing the project.

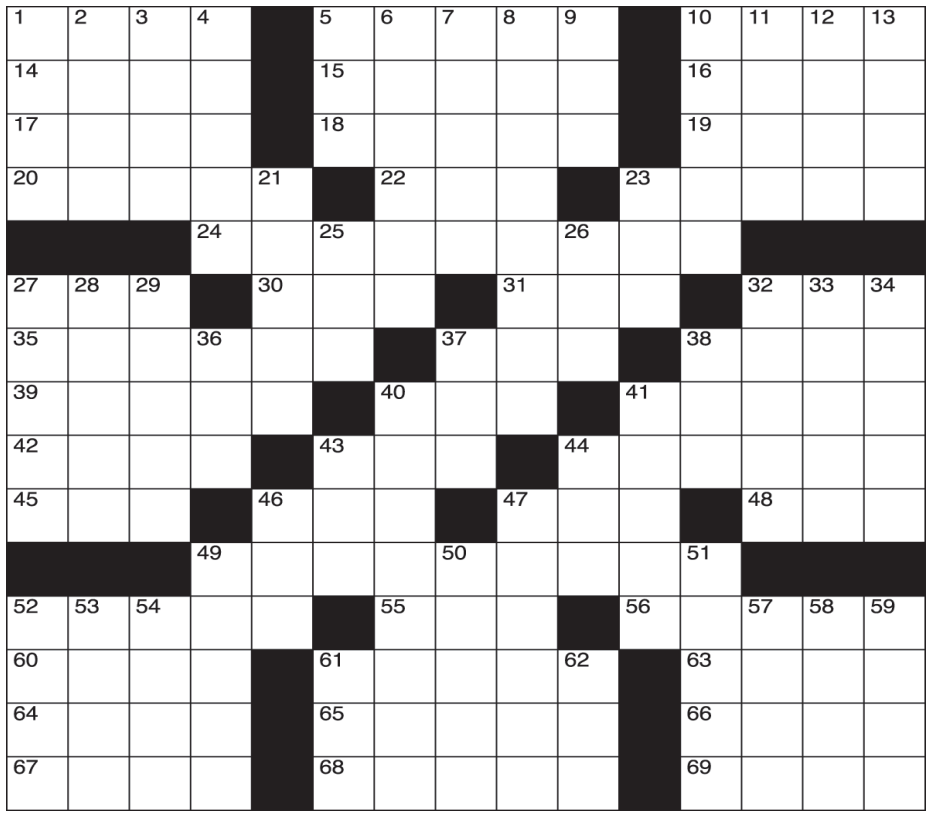
April 22, 1999 Red Lick extinguished

A forest fire, which consumed between 2,000 and 3,000 acres in the red Lick and Wolf Gap Road areas, burning for

more than a week had finally been extinguished. According to unofficial reports, the blaze was ignited by downed power lines which quickly ignited the underbrush. Incredibly, no structures were destroyed, and no one was injured as a result of the fire. Berea Fire Chief Bob Davis said, "To have many people and as much as equipment as we had out there and keep trac of everything and everybody, we were lucky that no structures were destroyed or even damaged and nobody was hurt." He went on to say that the terrain hampered firefighting effort to control the blaze. Numerous fire departments within the county responded to the fire and nearby counties offered assistance if needed. The Forestry Service used a helicopter to make water drops on the area and firefighters on the ground continued to cut fire lines in an attempt to contain the blaze.

Game Page

Crossword



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Excessively theatrical actors
- 5. Footwear
- 10. A way to disfigure
- 14. Exchange rate
- 15. Hawaiian wreaths
- 16. North-central Indian city
- 17. Bungle
- 18. Extremely angry
- 19. A short note of what's owed
- 20. Criminal organization
- 22. Mimic
- 23. Try to grab
- 24. U.S.-born individuals
- 27. Some are covert
- 30. Order of the British Empire
- 31. Don't know when yet
- 32. Payment (abbr.)
- 35. Winged angelic being
- 37. Variety of Chinese
- 38. A way to be anxious
- 39. Famed wrestler Hulk
- 40. Partner to cheese
- 41. Slang for sergeant
- 42. Canadian flyers
- 43. Actress Ryan
- 44. Highly unpleasant vapor
- 45. Body part
- 46. Halfway
- 47. Cool!
- 48. Consume
- 49. Salts
- 52. Upper bract of a flo-

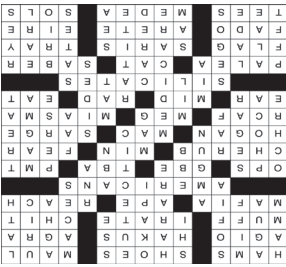
ret of grass

- 55. Housepet
- 56. Cavalry-sword
- 60. Symbol of a nation
- 61. Frocks
- 63. Used to carry food
- 64. Portuguese folk song
- 65. Sharp mountain ridge
- 66. Ireland
- 67. Where golfers begin
- 68. Greek mythological sorceress
- 69. Fluid suspensions

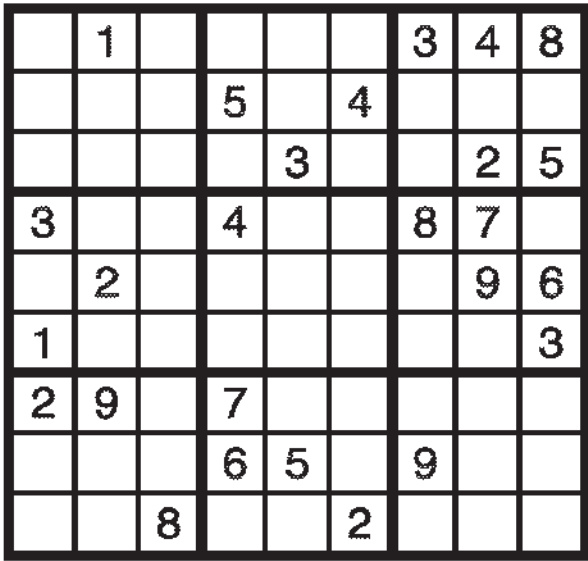
CLUES DOWN

- 1. "Mad Men" leading man
- 2. Water (Spanish)
- 3. Annoy
- 4. Bulgarian capital
- 5. Japanese title
- 6. Capital of Zimbabwe
- 7. Giraffe
- 8. A mixture of substances
- 9. Midway between south and southeast
- 10. Staffs
- 11. Turkish title
- 12. Type of acid
- 13. Thin, flat strip of wood
- 21. Russian river
- 23. Ribonucleic acid
- 25. Partner to flow
- 26. Airborne (abbr.)
- 27. Earthy pigment
- 28. Genus of earless seals
- 29. "Key to the Highway" bluesman

- 32. By or in itself
- 33. Hot fluid below the earth's surface
- 34. Partner to trick
- 36. British Air Aces
- 37. Ammunition
- 38. Supervises flying
- 40. Health care for the aged
- 41. Flanks
- 43. Millimeters
- 44. Where wrestlers perform
- 46. Not around
- 47. Flightless bird
- 49. Bell-shaped flowers of the lily family
- 50. Expressed concern for
- 51. Satisfies
- 52. Flew off!
- 53. Wings
- 54. Load a ship
- 57. Vigor
- 58. British title
- 59. Whiskies
- 61. _ Adams: founding father
- 62. Body of wate



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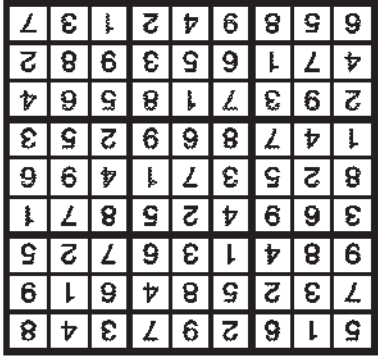


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ANSWER:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to lawn and garden. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 8 = S)

A. 5 2 23 9 13 25 8

Clue: Colorful plants

B. 15 25 4 8 8

Clue: Lawn plant

C. 2 4 22 16 8 17 4 24 13

Clue: Visual features on property

D. 10 23 9 13 25

Clue: Cuts grass

Answers: A. flowers B. grass C. landscape D. mower

A pet store parrot named ‘Boss’ doesn’t do much of anything

You may have heard about the fellow who went into a pet shop where he saw three parrots, all of which looked identical except for their prices. One was \$1,000. One was \$2,000. And one was \$10,000. “Why do you have different prices on those parrots? I can’t see any differences,” the fellow said. “Well,” the pet shop owner said, “that parrot on the left knows how to use a computer. And the one in the middle can write coding for computer programs.” “What about the other one?” the fellow asked. “What does he do?” “To be honest,” the pet shop owner said, “I have never seen it do anything, but the other two call him boss.” You’ve probably seen

those bosses who seem never to do anything beyond sitting on their perches, barking orders. The Bible tells about one of those sorts who worked his way into the church and ran roughshod over everyone. His name was Diotrefes, and he managed to suck the joy out of the church. Maybe you’ve seen church bosses like that? I find it amusing that Diotrefes was able to get on the Apostle John’s bad list. We sometimes refer to him as John the Beloved. John was known for his great love. The fact is it was that love that caused him to take on Diotrefes. “I wrote unto the church: but Diotrefes, who



Roger Alford

loveth to have the pre-eminence among them, receiveth us not. Wherefore, If I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and no tent therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbid-deth them that would, and casteth them out of the church” (3 John 3:9-10). About the only thing a church boss like Diotrefes does is run their mouths. They make lots of noise. And, in the process, they do much damage. If that pet store parrot was anything like Diotrefes, I suspect anyone who bought him would bring him back and demand a refund. Reach Roger Alford at 502-514-6857 or rogeralford1@gmail.com.

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Nixon ‘committed to quality and sustainability’

By Jerlene Rose
Berea Rotary Club

Berea Rotary members greeted the new Berea College president, Cheryl L. Nixon, at its April 16 meeting at Just Love Coffee. In a casual conversational style President Nixon shared her experiences in her first year at Berea College, her plans, and aspirations for the college’s future. “I am committed to quality and sustainability,” she said. “And I want to celebrate the campus and make the students feel recognized.” She added that “We need a better way to create hope and community.” One of her greatest joys, she said, has been getting to know the people on campus – faculty, students, and staff. “I am trying to be present at events, such as the Empty Bowl program and the Mountain Day event at the forest. That was such fun we may try to have something similar in the spring.” She has also held approximately 35 “listening tour” meetings with large groups and small to “listen to suggestions for what we can do to improve

Berea College and participate more in the community. I encouraged ‘out-of-the-box’ thinking, and it generated a lot of meaningful ideas. Next step is strategic planning for our next chapter.” Rotarian Barb Walters pointed out an important benefit that the students get at Berea that they don’t get at other colleges. “At Berea College they are mentored and guided in work environments. They learn valuable work experience that will benefit them throughout life,” she said. Nixon pointed out, “We also have a moral framework about doing right. We were the first interracial school, and the first co-educational school.” Nixon said her goal is to have Berea College more integrated into the community. Doug Fritz asked what could be done to encourage graduates to stay in Berea. He suggested “work with local businesses to do job shadowing and help students locate jobs here.” “Most of them graduate and go back to their home area. We need workers here.

There are plenty of jobs available in businesses and industry. Also,” he said, “there are breweries popping up all over the state. “They are going to need people trained in the skills of brewing. That is a whole new job category for the region.” Mayor Bruce Fraley said the community would like to see the college bring back the policy of allowing local students to attend Berea College,

regardless of income. Nixon replied she would look into it but, “Of course, they’d still have to meet scholastic requirements.” Higher education was also a topic. Nixon pointed out that “Colleges nationwide are scrambling for students. Following COVID, enrollment is down, expenses are up. “The culture is still fragmented. Technology has gone from the Internet to social media, and now AI

(Artificial Intelligence). What will the future look like? We need cutting edge thinking. We need to do a better job in partnering with other institutions, the way we do with Vanderbilt. I am interested in sustainability and health care in the region, cultural health and making friendships to keep students from feeling isolated. All those things are important.” “Berea College has a unique place within

higher education,” she said. “We are ranked number one in the nation for accessibility to low-income students. “We are also ranked number one in the nation for being one of the few schools where a student can graduate with zero debt. “Think of that! Four years of a quality education and leaving with basically no debt. That is groundbreaking nationally. We have a unique story to tell. Learn about Berea.”

FOOD SERVICE INSPECTIONS FOR WEEKS ENDING 04-01-24 TO 04-15-24

Regular Inspections with no follow-up

		Score	Explanation
Purdy's Coffee Company	444 Big Hill Ave., Richmond	100%	
Richmond Little League Concessions	Lake Reba, Richmond	100%	
The Churchill Co.	100 Churchill Ct., Berea	100%	
Waco Elementary Cafeteria	359 Waco Loop Road, Waco	100%	
Richmond Raceway Concessions	628 Greens Crossing, Richmond	100%	
Fuel and Fire	128 S. Keeneland Dr., Richmond	100%	
Corner Store	1000 Curtis Pike, Richmond	100%	
Jimmy John's	1074 Barnes Mill Road, Richmond	97%	
Silver Creek Elementary Cafeteria	75 Old US Hwy 25N, Berea	100%	
Kirksville Elementary Cafeteria	2845 Battlefield Memorial Hwy., Berea	100%	

Regular Inspections with a follow up due

Uncle Charlies Meats	607 Big Hill Ave., Richmond
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Follow Up Inspection with no follow up due

Smokeyhouse Grill & Buffet	359 Peggy Flats Road, Berea	96%
Uncle Charlies Meats	607 Big Hill Ave., Richmond	97%

HACCP plan for ROP process not found in 92% establishment.

AIRPORT

FROM PAGE 1

tourists, future pilots, and businesses of the Commonwealth. “With aviation serving as the number one export in Kentucky, the demand for professional flight, aerospace management, and technology is critical. Central Kentucky Regional Airport is one of the busiest in the Commonwealth and home to the only four-year aviation degree program in the state serving over 400 students,” said Congressman Barr. “I am proud to support Eastern Kentucky University’s efforts to train the future pilots and airport managers of the world. This project will also promote economic development in Madison County and the surrounding region.”

The airport, managed by ECU in cooperation with the City of Berea, the City of Richmond and the Madison County Fiscal Court, has been successful in spite of the outdated facilities.

“This airport serves as our community’s front door,” remarked George Wyatt, chairman of the Madison County Airport Board. “For potential companies, it’s their initial look into our region. With this upgraded terminal, we enhance that first impression, bolstering economic growth for our cities and counties and fostering a pathway for future pilots through partnerships like the ECU Aviation program.”

The current terminal is a 50-year-old facility, originally built to accommodate small volumes of general aviation traffic. In the last 10 years, airport traffic has dramatically increased due to general aviation traffic and the growth of ECU’s Aviation program. Along with the current terminal, two government surplus trailers were brought onto the property to provide relief classrooms and training space for ECU Aviation students.

Construction of the new terminal will enable Central Kentucky Regional Airport to accommodate



Central Kentucky Regional Airport board chairman George Wyatt speaks to attendees Monday.

the volume of customers as well as the needs of a modern-day pilot. The following will be addressed:

- Outdated facilities, electrical and plumbing that cannot handle user demands
 - Pilot rest areas and enhanced weather briefing space
 - Community space to accommodate emergency response and business meetings
 - Terminal that reflects a real-life experience for flight students
 - Terminal that provides improved services for general aviation and corporate pilots
 - ADA-accessible facility
 - Parking for an increased volume of student, general aviation and corporate pilots
 - Appropriate space for monitoring air traffic
 - An inviting and professional “front door” for general aviation pilots, corporate clients, community members and prospective and current ECU Aviation students
- “As the sole 4-year aviation program in the state and within one of the Commonwealth’s fastest-growing counties, the Central Kentucky Regional Airport terminal plays a crucial

role in meeting both our community’s academic and economic development needs,” stated ECU President David McFaddin. “We deeply appreciate Congressman Barr’s dedication to supporting ECU’s mission in preparing the next generation of Kentucky’s aerospace workforce.”

“On behalf of the City of Richmond and its residents, I am immensely grateful to Congressman Andy Barr for his efforts in securing critical federal funding for the new general aviation terminal at the Central Kentucky Regional Airport,” said Mayor Robert Blythe. “This substantial investment not only advances Eastern Kentucky University’s prestigious Aviation program but also promises significant economic development opportunities for our community.”

“Congressman Barr’s steadfast commitment to his constituents and the success of the Central Kentucky Regional Airport is clearly evident by his securing this significant funding for the

new terminal building,” said Mayor Bruce Fraley. “Our airport is a unique example of interlocal cooperation between Madison County Fiscal Court, Eastern Kentucky University, the City of Richmond and the City of Berea, and this funding will definitely be put to good use. This investment will help the ECU aviation program grow and flourish, while having a positive economic impact on Madison County and our broader region. Thank you Congressman Barr.”

“I believe this project at the Central Kentucky Regional Airport will not only enhance regional connectivity but also stimulate economic growth and opportunities for our county,” said Madison County Judge Executive Reagan Taylor. “We are grateful for Congressman Barr’s leadership and vision to invest in Madison County.”

With upgrades in store for the future, Wyatt is excited at what lies ahead on the horizon.

“We’re just taking off,” he said.

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BRIEFS

St. Nina opens

St. Nina — a chaplaincy mission of St. Athanasius Orthodox Church in Nicholasville—held its first service at its new storefront in Berea. St. Nina recently secured and renovated a space at 213 Pauline Drive. The new site will host regular prayer services each Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Hands Four dance set

The 21st Hands Four Spring Dance weekend at the Folk Center is set for Friday-Sunday. For more information, see www.hands4-berea.com or call (859) 248-0690 .

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Pope: UK tradition unique

LEXINGTON (KT) —Less than a week before John Calipari stepped down as coach at Kentucky, Mark Pope joined in on a conversation with Calipari and Tubby Smith earlier this month at the Final Four in Arizona.

“I walked into the lounge at the hotel and Cal and Tubby were sitting there talking,” Pope said during an appearance in the Paul Finebaum Show Monday. “Both of those coaches have been incredibly gracious to me throughout my career. I have so much love in my heart for both of them. It was also fun to corner two of the the great coaches to coach at the University of Kentucky, my alma mater. So I literally walked up to them, sat down and fanboy the picture.”

Little did any of the three know, Pope would be sitting in the same seat Calipari and Smith sat in at Kentucky less than a week later.

“The three of us were sitting there and not one of us, I’m guessing, had any concept of the possibility of what would ensue over the next 24 hours and 96 hours,” he said “That moment will be really special to me because of the tradition at Kentucky, it’s tying the generations together, generation to generation, that I think is one of the things that sets

us apart.

“Every single coach, from from Cal to to Tubby to Coach P to Joe B., you know, and then every single player from all those generations and before, is is really the strength of this program.”

Fueger, Hart join staff

Also Monday, Pope officially added one of his own to his first roster at Kentucky and announced the hiring of his first assistant coach, Cody Fueger, who has spent the past 11 seasons with Pope at Utah Valley State and BYU.

“Cody is one of the most innovative offensive minds in all of college basketball,” Pope said. “He has a grounded, wild creativity that is pushing the envelope in how this game is growing. He has been the most loyal friend who has delivered in massive ways for our team. Cody builds incredible relationships with our players and nothing makes me happier than having him, Danielle and their family join the Big Blue Nation.”

Fueger is excited to be joining Pope in Lexington.

“I look forward to continuing to work with coach Pope as we chase banners and carry on the tradition at this

premier program,” he said.

“Helping players grow on and off the court has always been a passion of mine, and I’m honored to get to continue that passion with the greatest fan base in the country.”

Jason Hart , a nine-year NBA veteran with extensive coaching experience at the high school, collegiate and professional levels, also joined Pope’s staff on Monday.

“Jason Hart is everything as a coach that he was as a player,” Pope said. “He has boundless energy. He’s fearless. He is stubborn. But he has endless joy and love for this game and our players.

“He has all of the grit that you’d expect from a big-time Syracuse point guard, and he earned everything he got in his decade-long NBA career through pure blood, sweat and tears. Jason is going to win over Kentucky players and Kentucky fans in about 10 seconds. I’m thrilled to welcome Jason, Brandi and their family to UK.”

Hart was excited to be joining Kentucky’s coaching staff.

“I’ve played and coached at every level of basketball and there is not a more passionate fan base than this one,” he said. “I will give every ounce of energy to our players and this program, and I can’t wait to get started.”

Roster coming along

Collin Chandler, the 2022 Gatorade Player of the Year in Utah, will join the Wildcats after completing a two-year mission trip and will have four years of eligibility remaining.

As a senior at Farmington High School in Utah, he averaged 21.7 points per game and finished with 1,587 points in his career. He also made 135 3-pointers, dished out 229 assists and had 105 steals.

Chandler, who originally signed with BYU before taking his two-year mission trip, said his biggest dream while growing up was to “play against the best players in the world.”

On Monday night, Travis Perry said on social media he plans on playing basketball at Kentucky.

“Can’t wait to wear the blue and white. Go Cats!” he posted.

Perry, a 6-2 guard, played for state champion Lyon County and is the state’s all-time leading high school scorer with more than 5,000 points. He surpassed legendary King Kelly Coleman during the state tournament as a junior

Perry is the only one of six UK recruits in the 2024 class to keep his commitment.

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