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City receives fire equipment grant

LEXINGTON – The Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) presented a 2025 Workers’ Compensation Safety Grant to the City of Berea. The money will help the city purchase programs and products that help keep employees safe. Officials applied for the funding to pay for firefighter protective equipment.

“I want to extend our sincere gratitude to the Kentucky League of Cities for their continued support and the valuable resources you provide,” Berea Mayor and KLC Second Vice President Bruce Fraley said. “Thanks to this generous grant, we

were able to purchase additional personal protective equipment for our firefighters. This critical investment ensures they are equipped with up-to-date gear that enhances their safety while performing the demanding duties asked of them.”

KLC Insurance is Kentucky’s largest municipal insurance program, offering affordable, all-in-one coverage from workers’ compensation to liability and property. It has been awarding grants to its members for more than 25 years – helping members with more than \$6.5 million in projects and purchases.



KLC Loss Control Consultant Chris Hayes presents a 2025 Workers’ Compensation Safety Grant to Berea City Administrator Shawn Sandlin (left) and Mayor and KLC Second Vice President Bruce Fraley.

BRIEFS

Foley to compete in Miss Teen Pageant

Ally Madison Foley of Berea, will compete in the 2025 Miss Kentucky’s Teen competition June 10-13 at the SKyPAC in Bowling Green.

She currently holds the title of Miss Covington Woods Park’s Teen.

Foley is the daughter of Sarah Foley. She is a junior at Bourbon County High School and plans to attend the University of Alabama following graduation in 2026. She plans to seek a Master’s Degree in Communication Disorders and become a licensed Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP).

For the talent portion of the competition, she will perform a lyrical dance to a prerecorded track of her telling HERStory.

Foley advocates heavily for her SI, Breaking Free, which raises awareness for those who

have experienced childhood sexual abuse and human trafficking, encouraging those who have been victims to break the silence of this censored issue. She works closely with a local non-profit organization, “Redeeming Hope,” currently in the process of building a home for teenage girls who have been through sex abuse or human trafficking.

Stabbing incident leads to attempted murder charge

The Madison County Sheriff’s Office is investigating a stabbing incident that occurred on Owsley Fork Road on Saturday. Two victims were allegedly stabbed by suspect James Lucas Cochran, who fled the scene after deputies arrived and found two victims suffering from “multiple lacerations consistent with a knife attack.”

An “attempt to locate” alert

was issued for Cochran’s vehicle with assistance from Madison County 911.

Kentucky State Police located the vehicle and detained Cochran, who was then transferred to the custody of the Madison County Sheriff’s Office.

Cochran was charged with attempted murder and assault, first degree and is currently lodged at the Madison County Detention Center.

Emergency responders treated a male victim at the scene, while a female victim was transported to the University of Kentucky Medical Center with non-life-threatening injuries.

The incident remains under active investigation by the Madison County Sheriff’s Office.

Agencies assisting in the case include KSP Post 7, KSP Post 11, Mount Vernon Police Department, Madison County 911, and Madison County EMS.

Community Center passes hurdle

By Andy McDonald • For The Citizen

The Farristown Community Center came one step closer to reality last week after receiving a zoning waiver.

Last Wednesday at a meeting of the Berea Board of Adjustments, the city received a conditional use permit to build the community center at 1620 Menelaus Road.

The city recently changed the land management development ordinance enabling the construction of a community facility in an I-2 industrial zone.

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Message from
Cora Jane Wilson

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Madison County
Frank Rogers

Frank Rogers, 91, of Richmond, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at Telford Terrace.
Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 3 at Combs, Parsons & Collins Funeral Home. Bro. John Cravens officiated and burial followed in the Pilot Knob Cemetery.

Pearl McDaniel

Pearl Marie McDaniel Ballard, 71, of Richmond, passed away peacefully at her residence on May 22, 2025.
A public graveside service was held Friday, May 30 at Madison County Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

Margie R. Million

Margie R. Million a resident of Maysville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, formerly of Lexington and Richmond, Kentucky, passed on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 A graveside service was held at Saturday, May 31, at Richmond Cemetery, where Bro. Shawn Berry officiated
Oldham, Roberts & Powell Funeral Home is serving the family.

Donald Roberts

W. Donald Roberts, 95, passed away on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at the VA Hospital in Lexington.
A funeral service for Donald Roberts will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 7, at Oldham, Roberts & Powell Funeral Home with Bro. David Evans officiating. Burial with military honors will follow in the Richmond Cemetery.
Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, June 6, at the funeral home.

Denise Jane Dawley Johnson

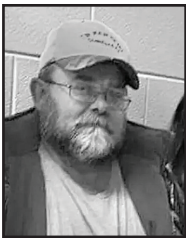
Denise Jane Dawley Johnson, 61, passed away on Saturday, May 31, 2025, at Baptist Health- Richmond. She was the wife of David L. Johnson.
A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 5, 2025, at Oldham, Roberts & Powell Funeral Home with Pastor Eric Turner officiating.

Fanny Mollie Rice

Surrounded by her family, Fanny Mollie Rice (nee Richardson) left this earthly life on Sunday, June 1, for a promise that she was given by God to be with Him.
Visitation will be on Thursday, June 5, from

Joseph Rodney Sexton

Joseph Rodney Sexton, better known as J.R., died Monday, May 26, 2025, at the VA Medical Center in Lexington. He was a Jackson County native born February 14, 1950, son of the late Thomas Logan Sexton and Wanda Ingram Hampton. J.R. took pride in being an Army and Airforce Veteran who also served in the Vietnam War. He attended Church on the Rock, was a member of the American Legion, enjoyed watching the Kentucky Wildcats, and collecting old coins and antiques.
J.R. is Survived by his mother Wanda Ingram Hampton; Stepmother Ann Sexton Elkins; brother Thomas Logan Sexton; sister Jannah Sexton; son Joshua Sexton (Jessica); daughters April Rader (Shane), Rachel Sexton (Steven); grandchildren Deshana, Makayla, Aliesha, Milton, Aseph, and Logan; 3 great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his Father, Thomas Sexton.
Visitation was Friday, May 30, at Reppert Funeral Home, where Brother Jonathon Marcum officiated. Burial was at Camp Nelson National Cemetery in Nicholasville. Pallbearers were Joshua Sexton, Shane Rader, Milton Rader, D.J. Evans, Thomas Sexton, and Blake Osborne.



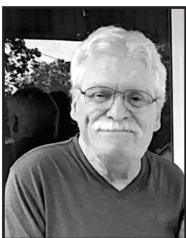
Eugene Crutcher

Delbert Eugene Crutcher, affectionately known as Eugene, and some of his buddies even called him Blue Jean or Gourd, passed away peacefully at the age of 58 in Richmond, on May 29, 2025. Born to Delbert and Eliza Crutcher on August 26, 1966, in Berea, Eugene grew up surrounded by the love and strong family values that he would carry with him throughout his life.
Eugene is remembered as a devoted family man, treasuring the moments spent with his beloved wife, Mary Cruse Crutcher, his adored daughter, Samantha Crutcher, and his cherished children by marriage, Jasup Shepard and Hope Chadwell. Eugene's legacy of joy and laughter will live on through his grandchildren, Charity Shepard and Anniston Shepard. His parents, brother Doug (Dianna) Crutcher, sister Edie (Steve) Toothman, along with his nephews and nieces Landon (Destiny), Leigha, Jayvon, Senthia, and Christian (Katie), and great niece and nephew, Olivia and Easton, will forever hold dear the memories of Eugene's unwavering support and endless generosity.
As the sun rises over the rolling hills of his Kentucky home and sets on a life well-lived, Eugene's memory will continue to inspire us all to cherish those we love and to make the most of every single day. He left the world a better place, simply by being a part of it, and will be profoundly missed by many.
Funeral services were at noon, Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at Lakes Funeral Home with Pastors Anthony Cruse, Tanner Cruse, and Artie Alexander officiating.
Honorary pallbearers will be Samantha Crutcher, Landon Crutcher, Eddie Hoskins, Frankie Chamberlin, Christian Sagraves, Doug Crutcher, Randy Hall, Jeremy Abney, Mike Owens, Austin Kidd, Sami Clifton, Chad Chadwell, Jasup Shepard, Hopie Chadwell and Bill Shearer.



Bruce Edward Hembree

Bruce Edward Hembree, 61, of Berea, passed away Saturday, May 24, 2025, after facing complications from a massive heart attack he suffered on May 5, 2025.
Bruce was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, son, and friend. A skilled and hardworking carpenter by trade, he could fix or build just about anything. He took much pride in his work over the years. He also enjoyed fishing when he wasn't working. He was a member of Middletown Baptist Church.
He is survived by his loving wife, Marietta Isaacs Hembree; daughter Lekisha Hembree (fiancé Jacob Tucker); son Shawn Hembree; and his grandchildren Brayden, Dylan, and Kelsyn Hembree. He leaves behind his mother Patsy Baker Hembree; brothers Marty (daughter Hannah), Jarrod (wife Amanda and children Landon, Colton, and Brooklyn), and Ricky (wife Rhonda and son Seth); as well as aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and church family who will remember him dearly.
Bruce was preceded in death by his father Edward Lee Hembree, his grandmother Katherine Huff, and his nephew Dalton Hembree, along with aunts, uncles, and cousins.
Funeral services were held on Wednesday, May 28, at Reppert Funeral Home. Brother William Dooley officiated and burial followed in Pilot Knob Cemetery. Pallbearers were be Jacob Tucker, Jarrod Hembree, Marty Hembree, Ricky Hembree, Frank Hembree, Shawn Hembree.
Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service was entrusted with the arrangements.



Ruth Osborne Baker

Ruth Osborne Baker, age 85, widow of Homer Baker passed away Saturday, May 31, 2025, at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was born in Leslie County, in 1940, to the late Clarence and Emma Baker Osborne. Ruth was a graduate of Oneida Baptist Institute and attended Fugazzi Business College.
She loved camping, fishing, water skiing and snow skiing especially with her grandchildren. She had her private pilot's license since the early 1980's. Ruth was of the Baptist faith. Other than her parents and husband Ruth was preceded in death by seven siblings, Paul Osborne, Arley Osborne, Clarence Osborne Jr., Faye Kearns, Matt Osborne, Steve Osborne, and Glenna Rose Osborne. Ruth is



survived by two sons, Larry Baker (Joanie) of Richmond, and Michael Baker of Berea, Patrick Goodwin whom she raised as a son. Five grandchildren, Erin Baker Hamner, Logan Baker, Megan Baker, Chris Baker, and Kyndon Goodwin along with one great grandchild, Ivey Ruth Hamner also survived by her sisters Janette Baute (Paschal), Jean Hoskins and Josephine (Jo) Jordan.
Visitation as 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday June 4, with graveside services at 11 a.m. Thursday June 5 in the Bige Hoskins Cemetery in Clay County. Rev. Bruce Alcorn will officiate.
Pallbearers will be, Chris Baker, Logan Baker, James Hamner, Kyndon Goodwin, Darrell Harrison, and Mark Moody, honorary pallbearers are, Megan Baker, Erin Baker Hamner, Johnny Jones and Shell Benedict. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions suggest to, Shriners Children's Lexington Office of Philanthropy 110 Con Terrace, Lexington, www.shrinerschildrens.org

Sandra Gail Whittemore

Sandra Gail "Sandy" Alexander Whittemore, 72, wife of Danny Whittemore passed away, Friday, May 30, 2025, at Saint Joseph London in London. Sandy was Born in 1952 to the late Willard and Mable Scenters Alexander. Sandy loved Going to church and was of the Christian Faith. She enjoyed her birthday dinners with her sisters and brother, fixing big meals for the whole family, and loved her grandchildren dearly.
Other than her Parents Sandy is Preceded in Death by her brother Willard "Bug" Alexander, Jr. Sandy is Survived by her Husband, Danny Whittemore, two daughters, Angela (Thomas Lovell) Durham, of Mount Vernon, Jennifer Whittemore Cates



and her husband Chris, of Berea, one son Shane Whittemore and his wife Crystal, also of Berea. Seven Grandchildren, Daniel (Amber) Legg, Koty (Faith) Benge, Tommy (Hayden) Benge, Jay Durham, Arayah Durham, Maddy Whittemore, and Lily Whittemore. Three Great Grandchildren, Idgie Benge, Charleigh Benge, Briggs Benge. Three siblings, Bill Alexander and his Wife Frankie, Tina Abney and her Husband Lonnie, Pennie Centers and her husband Tim, all of Berea, along with several nieces, and nephews that were dear to her heart also Survive.

Visitation was 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, June 4, at Davis & Powell Funeral Home. Funeral Services will follow 1 p.m. Thursday, June 5, also at the Funeral Home. Burial to follow at Pilot Knob Cemetery in Berea.
Pallbearers will be Phillip Clark, George Clark, Leon Clark, Koty Benge, Tommy Benge and Daniel Legg.

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True to my roots

The older I get, the more I appreciate my roots. In our home, we mostly listened to gospel and country music, but my sister Taunya and I added a dose of rock to the playlist when mom and dad weren't around. That was our form of rebellion I guess you could say.

I think they knew, but we adhered to the gospel and country playlist when they were around. Back then, we had 8-tracks and albums, before cassette tapes pretty much dominated the 1980s and early 1990s.

One of my all-time favorite singers was the late George Jones, who had one of the most unique voices in country music. His songs remain timeless, not to mention "He Stopped Loving Her Today," which revived Jones' career at the time and was his signature song until his passing in 2013.

I can remember dad had a ton of gospel albums, a list that included the Goodmans, Hinsons and the Rambos among others. I had mostly country music and 45s but also listened to dad's albums on my stereo. Those songs remain etched in my memory.

I especially enjoyed hearing Kenny Hinson, who had one of most powerful voices in gospel music. If you don't believe me, search him on Youtube and give him a listen. He passed away in 1995 at the young age of 42, and made a big impact during his four decades on this planet.

As a child, I marveled at record covers and one of those was a live recording by the Hinsons. The group's record company arranged for a grand piano to be placed on the roadway with the group posing on what appeared to be an Interstate in Nashville. The title of project was "On the Road" and it remains one of my all-time favorite gospel albums. The sound, the prelude to the concert when the group is recorded talking to each other before going on stage as the emcee introduces the group. The band was way ahead of their time and a lot of the musicians went on and some remain studio musicians for prominent artists in Nashville.

Kenny Hinson's country-style voice led me to country music. It began with the Oak Ridge Boys and Statler Brothers. "Elvira" was a big hit and I played that 45 over, over and over again. Then came along Alabama and "Mountain Music." I was hooked and jammed on Alabama for the longest time.

I can remember going roller skating at Club Arena on Sunday after church and country and oldies rock and enjoyed every minute of it. We would get home and watch the country music countdown on "Crook and Chase." That's about the time videos became popular and we marveled at the production. I especially enjoyed Michael Jackson's "Thriller" video which remains one of the best videos ever produced in the music industry.

Alan Jackson and Randy Travis are two of my favorites. I still have Randy's "Storms of Life" album that I think is one of his best projects ever recorded. Alan Jackson cassette's and CDs are abundant in my collection at home and I pick one up every time I get the chance. If I already have the same recording, I pick it up again.

I throw a little bluegrass in there every now and then. I remember a bluegrass group from Dayton, Ohio that frequented our church when I was growing up. John Burke and the Laymen Trio had a unique and very good sound. They often kept us awake during "Watch Night" services back in the day. I'm not even sure if those still exist. But those services would last forever and I often fell asleep before the New Year came along at midnight.

As you can tell, music is a big part of my life, and the beat goes on.

Keith Taylor



Keith Taylor

The Waves of Time
Cannot Wash Away The
Memory of Their Courage



Bitcoin downfall

Would a million dollars make you happy? Would you be satisfied knowing you could eat good and do about whatever you wanted to do? A million dollars is not what it used to be, but it's still a huge sum of money. You should pull in about \$40,000 a year in interest. But wait, what if you had \$100 million dollars? You would be one of the richest people in the world! Can your mind even comprehend having that much money? Would you be satisfied?

What about \$100 million dollars in bitcoin currency?

Apparently, it wasn't enough for John Woeltz of Paducah, known as the "Crypto King" of Kentucky. He wanted \$30 million more in bitcoin currency, even if it meant robbing it from an acquaintance.

Woeltz and a business partner William Duplessie are accused of holding a man from Italy hostage for 17 days. They are accused of beating him, cutting

him with a chainsaw, dangling him over a staircase and keeping him bound among other torturous acts.

The victim from Italy reportedly owns \$30 million in bitcoin while Woeltz is reported to own over \$100 million in bitcoin currency.

The man from Italy was reportedly lured by Woeltz and Duplessie from Italy by some kind of bitcoin trading deal which ended up as an attempted robbery of the victim. Woeltz and his accomplice wanted the man's bitcoin password.

Finally, the man reportedly gave Woeltz the information and Woeltz is said to have left the victim long enough to get his laptop which allowed the victim a moment to bolt out the door to seek help from a NYC traffic cop who happened to be walking down the street.

Woeltz and Duplessie may end up spending years in prison, spending millions on attorney fees and will likely be sued by the man from Italy who could end up with a sizable amount of the two accused men's wealth.

The bottom line is be satisfied with what you have.

Don't covet what someone

else has. Trying to steal or obtain someone else's money or property illegally or immorally will only bring sad consequences...

Evil never stops at level one or two but is always pushing to another level of debasement and debauchery. A person who starts out stealing pennies will eventually end up staling dollars and even doing whatever it takes to fulfil his thirst for more

Serial killers started out with what seemed to be a low level of crime or theft but escalated to hurting people which soon evolved into a thirst for killing people.

Sow a thought. Reap an act. Sow an act reap a lifestyle. Sow a lifestyle, reap a destiny.

News sources reported that Woeltz owns a jet and a helicopter. He was renting a luxury six floor NYC townhome for \$30,000 a month where the kidnapping took place. Today, he and Duplessie are in a New York City jail.

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FYI

Markers to be dedicated at Armory Park

The City of Richmond Historical Properties and the Richmond Parks and Recreation Department will unveil historical interpretive markers at Armory Park on Tuesday, June 10,, at 10 a.m.

"There is a rich history on this property, and many people are not aware of the activity which took place at this location," said Richmond's Historical Properties Interpreter Sharon Graves.

"This is an opportunity to connect the past with the present."

The plot of ground at 321 North 2nd Street, which now serves as a playground, recreational area,

and a veterans' memorial has been the scene of a great deal of activity in its history. Once home to two schools, US Army Headquarters, and the city's Parks and Recreation office, the property was also the site of a Works Progress Administration building project.

Historical interpretation will tell the land's story on signage to be dedicated at the park.

Notable timeline:

- The historic property was home to the Madison Academy (1816-1874), then Caldwell High School (1895- 1921). Following an arsonist's fire, salvaged materials from Caldwell were used to build a new school building at

Madison High property.

- In 1930 Richmond City Schools was permitted by the courts to sell the land, and in 1940-1941 a WPA program constructed the Caldwell Armory.

In the 1950's and 1960's the building served as different designations of Headquarters for the Army.

- In 1978 the Commonwealth of Kentucky deeded the armory to the City of Richmond for \$1.00.

- The building housed the City of Richmond 's Parks and Recreation offices from 1982-2016.

- Demolition of the armory began March 14, 2022, and Armory Park opened in Oct. of 2023.

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NAA Auctioneer

HURDLE

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Speaking on behalf of the city, Berea Mayor Bruce Fraley said the center would address the city's need for more gathering spaces. At the same time, the center would be built to commemorate the historic African American hamlet of Farristown, an agricultural community which some say predates Berea College.

"We have a need for community space in Berea. This structure would be a little over 3,000-square-feet, and it would be open not only to Farristown but all of Berea," Fraley said.

He added the center can be used for conferences, family reunions, church gatherings, and other private events, while also giving people the opportunity to connect with an important part of Berea's history. "You can go there, use

this new facility, and learn a lot about the Farristown community, and truly, all of the African American hamlets in Madison County," he said.

The city landed a \$750,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the building, enabling the city to construct the center on a three-acre parcel on the Moss-Farris farm. The center will be located just off a new road that will connect Mayde Road and Menelaus Road.

The project followed a 2022 proposal by the city to consolidate approximately 87 acres of the Berea Industrial Park. At the time, current and former residents of Farristown brought their concerns about preserving the neighborhood to the city, at which point the administration moved to create a buffer zone between local industry and the neighborhood. The city further proposed the idea to create a facility that will preserve the unique African American heritage of the neighborhood.

ORDINANCE NO. 07 -2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 20-2024, CORRECTING THE FRANCHISE FEE AMOUNT FOR THE FRANCHISE FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE WITHIN THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY AWARDED TO WASTE CONNECTIONS OF KY, INC., IN ORDINANCE NO. 20-2024.

WHEREAS, in Ordinance 20-2024, the City Council awarded a franchise to Waste Connections of Kentucky, Inc., for the collection and disposal of solid waste in the City of Berea, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the franchise fee specified in the Ordinance was incorrect as contrary to the bid of Waste Connections of Kentucky, Inc., for the franchise, and the actual Franchise Agreement with Waste Connections of Kentucky, Inc., due to a clerical error; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to correct such clerical error;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Berea, Kentucky, as follows:

Section IV(a) of Ordinance 20-2024 be and the same is revised to read as follows:

SECTION IV

FRANCHISE REQUIREMENTS. In addition to any other franchise requirements hereunder or made or adopted herein as provided, the following requirements shall apply to any franchise granted hereunder:

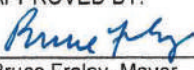
a) Franchise fee - In consideration of the granting and exercise of the franchise herein, and in further consideration of the grant to the Franchisee the right to make use of the public streets, alleys, or other public ways in the City, since such public properties are valuable properties acquired and maintained at great expense to the taxpayers of the City, and the grant to Franchisee of the right to use same is a valuable property right without which the Franchisee would be required to invest substantial capital in right of way costs and acquisitions, Franchisee shall pay to the City during the entire life of the franchise a sum equal to three eight percent (38%) of the franchisee's gross revenues received from collection and disposal services generated within the corporate limits, to be paid as set out in the Contract.

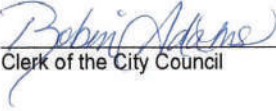
All other terms and conditions of Ordinance No. 20-2024 remain in full force and effect.

FIRST READING: May 22, 2025.

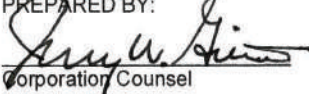
SECOND READING AND ENACTMENT: June 3, 2025.

CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY

APPROVED BY: 
Bruce Fraley, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Clerk of the City Council

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Reflections

Berea Citizen archives

June 4,1924 Alumni feast

The Berea College Alumni Association met for its annual banquet on June 1. Mr. Charles Graham presided. After the meal, the chairman introduced President Hutchins, who reviewed the progress may by the institution in the last year. Mr. Graham introduced the class of 1925. Mr. George Robbins, president of the class, presented an enthusiastic speech telling of the hopes and ambitions of the class as well as expressing appretiation for the privilege of becoming members of the Berea College Alumni Association.

June 8, 1950 Freak accident

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Powell of Kingston were quite surprised when a tractor-truck crashed into their living room on June 8th at approximately 4:30 a.m. They were sleeping in the adjacent room when the truck tore out the corner of their house, strewing walls, windows, plaster and furnishing all over the front yard. The driver of the truck, Earl Ledford of Akron, Ohio was on his way from Akron to Birmingham, Alabama with a load of tires and tubes. Huston Gadd of Lexington was on

his way to coal mines with his coal truck. The two trucks were traveling south on U.S. 25 a short distance from Kingston when Gadd attempted to pass the trailer – truck. Gadd reported that his steering broke, causing him to lose control of his truck and it hooked onto Ledford’s truck. Both drivers report that they were traveling between 30 and 35 mph. The two vehicles rumbled across the Powell’s front lawn, tearing down a fence and porch. The trailer truck-ran through the corner of the house before coming to a stop. The coal truck was squeezed between the other vehicle and a tele-phone pole. No one was hurt in the accident.

June 5, 1975 Oberlin provost

Oberlin College President Emil. C. Danenberg announced the appointment of James L. Powell, a Berea native, as Provost effective July 1st. Mr. Powell is the son of Mrs. R.L. Powell of Leslie Drive. During the announcement of Powell’s as well as two other appointments, President Danenberg said, “The qualifications of the appointees and their accomplishments are impressive. I have great confidence in their abilities and will rely heavily upon their consul on academic and budgetary matters.”

June 8, 2000 Old town improvements

Governor Paul Patton announced that a check for \$300,000 was on its way to Berea for improvements in surface water and sewer conditions in Old Town. The money would go to the Old Town Infrastructure Project which would improve drainage along North Broadway. The governor said he was happy to announce the funding was on its way to Berea and that the improvements would become a “foundation of which we can build greater opportunity.”

Game Page

Crossword

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- CLUES ACROSS
1. Marsh plant

6. Southern constellation (“The Peacock”)

10. Fogginess

14. Home to Fools’ Day

15. Absence of the sense of pain

17. Popular November holiday

19. Consume food

20. Buddy

21. Long-haired goat-antelope

22. Japanese honorific

23. Actor Malek

24. One point south of southeast

26. Illegal acts

29. As fast as can be done

31. Prevents harm to young

32. Exclamation of satisfaction

34. African nation

35. Slow-moving animal

37. Oh, goodness!

38. A team’s best pitcher

39. Cleanser

40. Radioactivity units

41. Expectorated matter

43. Cover a wide range

45. The central area of a church

46. California capital (abbr.)

47. Dutch painter Klaver

49. 007’s creator

50. Impression of dishonesty

53. Northeastern sports

- rivalry
57. Cloths

58. Stalin’s police chief

59. Hostelries

60. Bitterly regret

61. Anwar __, Egyptian statesman
- CLUES DOWN
1. Satisfy

2. European health advocate

3. Expression of annoyance

4. Strong liquor

5. Large red deer

6. Holder of less common religious beliefs

7. West Indian shrub

8. Family of proteins

9. Wealthy, influential business leader

10. Low spirits

11. Approves food

12. Monetary unit of Iran and Oman

13. Mary __, cosmetics

16. Expressed in pithy maxims

18. Relaxing spaces

22. The NFL’s big game

23. Proof of payment (abbr.)

24. Starchy preparation of dried orchid tubers

25. Indicates near

27. Minneapolis suburb

28. Herring-like fish

29. Doctors’ group

30. Pouches

31. Bread dipping in sauce

33. Commercials
35. A reminder of past events
36. Affected by injury
37. Geological time
39. Stationary part of a motor
42. Brings together
43. Of sound mind
44. Personal computer
46. Without (French)
47. A bank might give you one
48. Agricultural testing organization
49. A small island
50. Type of gene
51. Murres
52. Card game
53. A measure of human health
54. Australian airline (abbr.)
55. One point south of due west
56. Affirmative



SUDOKU

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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!

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!

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

ANSWER:

CRYPTO FUN

Solve the code to discover words related to dairy. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 7 = D)

A. 7 1 16 22 4

Clue: Foods containing milk of mammals

B. 17 14 16 21 21 25 7

Clue: Kept cool

C. 17 13 24

Clue: Bovine

D. 7 16 25 6

Clue: Foods you eat

Answers: A. dairy B. chilled C. cow D. diet



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Little dog with a big brain

One of my favorite breeds of dog has always been the Mountain Feist, primarily because they're so incredibly smart.

Those who own these wiry little dogs would tell you their intelligence is off the charts. With that in mind, let me tell you about the fellow who took his Mountain Feist along on an African safari.

According to the tale, the little dog wandered off to do some exploring on his own when he saw a leopard running right for him.

The Mountain Feist knew he was no match for the leopard, but he saw some bones laying on the ground and hatched a plan. He laid down and began to chew on those bones, and just as the big cat got close enough to hear, the little dog smacked his lips and said "that was one delicious leopard. I wonder if there's another around here anywhere?"

The leopard, a look of terror on its face, scampered away into the trees as fast as he could go, thinking he had just escaped a very close call.

Well, a monkey that had watched the whole episode unfold from a nearby tree went to the leopard and told him about the little dog's trickery.

The leopard was furious at being made a fool of and said to the monkey, "You

just hop on my back and we'll go back over there, and I'll show you what I'm going to do to that runt of a dog."

The Mountain Feist knew something was up when he saw the leopard running back toward him with the tattletale monkey. "What am I going to do now?" he thought.

Instead of trying to make a run for it, that little dog sat down with his back against a tree, pretending he hadn't seen the leopard and monkey galloping his way. Just when they were close enough to hear, the little dog said: "Where is that no account monkey. I sent him out a half hour ago to bring me another leopard."

The Bible is filled with true stories with strange twists like that, twists that point to the awesome power of God.

There's David and his great victory over the giant Goliath. There's Gideon and his band of ragtag warriors who defeated an entire army. There's Daniel who was tossed into a den full of hungry lions and came out unscathed. They didn't rely on their strength. They didn't rely on their intellect. In each and every



Roger Alford

case, they relied entirely on the Lord.

What you should notice is that walking with the Lord doesn't always prevent us from facing difficult circumstances. If someone tries to tell you it does, point them back to the great heroes of the Bible, every one of whom faced trials and tribulations. We all face difficulties at one time or another on this side of eternity, no matter our standing with the Lord.

The wonderful benefit of being Christian is that we have a mighty God to lean on in tough times, a God who is willing to surprise us with great victories in our lives.

I love the words of David, who faced unimaginable troubles throughout his lifetime, yet declared: "The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower" (Psalm 18:2).

With that in mind, we'd be wise not to trust in our strength or intellect when the leopards of this world are stalking us. We'd be wise to fully trust in the Lord.

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

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Dentistry: Mary Oldfield, DMD, PSC, 126 North Broadway, Berea. Phone: 986-2060

Pharmacy: Berea Drug, U.S. 25 N. Phone: 986-4521

CITY

FROM PAGE 1

chairperson Sharon Mitchell.

In her remarks following the presentation, Mitchell said the event not only commemorates the freeing of slaves following the end of the civil war, it celebrates the beginning of an important new chapter in American history.

"This is in celebration of the end of slavery, but it's also the beginning of a new era where we all communicate and act as family," Mitchell said.

The June 15 event is being staged in cooperation with the Berea Human Rights Commission, First Friday Berea, the city of Berea, Richmond Human Rights Commission and Jobs for Americas Graduates Berea, among others.

Organizers said the event will feature a number of performances and activities, including St. Paul A.M.E. Church Praise Dancers, Randy Westbrook, Koree Jackson, Community Combined Choir, KY Cabernet Trio, Country Dance Band, Damian Goggans, Central KY Brass Quintet, Malcolm Davis and more. Also featured at the event will be community booths as well as food trucks.

A press release from JAG

Berea noted: "The program, Juneteenth Freedom Day Celebration, is a natural reflection of Berea's deep roots in Black liberation and scholarship. Founded in 1855, Berea College was the first racially integrated college in the South, embodying the town's longstanding commitment to equity and education. Berea has also been home to several prominent African American figures, including historian and founder of Black History Month, Carter G. Woodson; acclaimed Black feminist author, bell hooks; and Mary Merritt, Kentucky's first registered nurse.

Their legacies continue to shape and inspire the spirit of this community. Berea, a culturally rich community with deep roots in African American history, continues to play a vital role in honoring that legacy."

In other action, the council heard the first reading of an ordinance adjusting the electricity rate schedule for Berea Municipal Utilities. The ordinance notes that the rate schedule has not been adjusted since 2012-2013, and that rates will be increased to cover future costs. The rates will officially go into effect on July 8, however, BMU customers won't see the increase, in which BMU will collect approximately

4.9 percent in more revenue, until they receive their bills in September.

Adopted unanimously Tuesday was an ordinance revising the city's solid waste franchise agreement with Waste Management. The revised ordinance reflects a correction of the amount of the franchise fee.

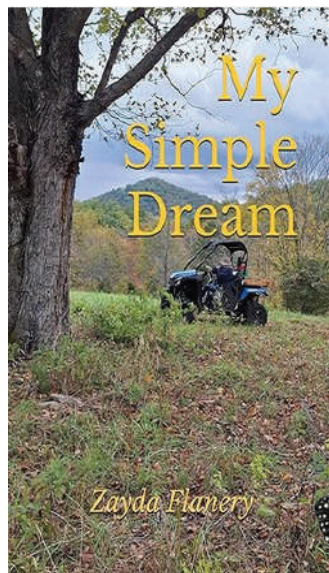
Another first reading was for a measure revising the city pay scale to allow for the hiring of a new communications and community outreach coordinator. The council also heard the first reading of the 2015-2016 budget, which reflects a four percent pay raise for city staff. Total revenues for the year are estimated to be \$21,316,000, which expenditures come in at \$25,266,000. The budget will be up for final approval at the next council meeting.

Berea Business Development Director Donna Angel provided a snapshot of the city's business climate, noting that 18 new businesses have opened since the start of the year, with one closure – Gold Star Chili.

Additionally, Angel noted that businesses and industry are investing in their facilities in Berea – a good sign when it comes to economic development, Angel said.

The next Berea City Council meeting is slated for June 17.

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CUSTOMER NOTICE OF RATE ADJUSTMENT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, in a May 30, 2025, Application, Kentucky Utilities Company (“KU”) is seeking approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission of an adjustment of its electric rates and charges to become effective on and after July 1, 2025.

KU CURRENT AND PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC RATES

Residential Service – Rate RS

	Current	Proposed
Basic Service Charge per Day:	\$ 0.53	\$0.64
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh:		
Infrastructure:	\$ 0.06880	\$0.08034
Variable:	\$ 0.03653	\$0.03863
Total:	\$ 0.10533	\$0.11897

Residential Time-of-Day Energy Service - Rate RTOD-Energy

	Current	Proposed
Basic Service Charge per Day:	\$ 0.53	\$0.64
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh:		
Off-Peak Hours (Infrastructure):	\$ 0.03560	\$0.04152
Off-Peak Hours (Variable):	\$ 0.03653	\$0.03863
Off-Peak Hours (Total):	\$ 0.07213	\$0.08015
On-Peak Hours (Infrastructure):	\$ 0.18813	\$0.21942
On-Peak Hours (Variable):	\$ 0.03653	\$0.03863
On-Peak Hours (Total):	\$ 0.22466	\$0.25805

Residential Time-of-Day Demand Service - Rate RTOD-Demand

	Current	Proposed
Basic Service Charge per Day:	\$ 0.53	\$0.64
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh (Infrastructure):	\$ 0.01600	\$0.01866
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh (Variable):	\$ 0.03653	\$0.03863
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh (Total):	\$ 0.05253	\$0.05729
Plus a Demand Charge per kW:		
Base Hours	\$ 3.92	\$4.57
Peak Hours	\$ 10.13	\$11.81

KU is also proposing changes to the rates for other customer classes. These customer classes and their associated annual revenue changes are listed in the tables shown below. KU is also proposing to change the text of some of its rate schedules and other tariff provisions. KU’s proposed rates reflect a proposed annual increase in electric revenues of approximately 11.5%.

The estimated amount of the annual change and the average monthly bill to which the proposed electric rates will apply for each electric customer class are as follows:

Electric Rate Class	Average Usage	Annual \$	Annual %	Monthly Bill \$	Monthly Bill %
Residential	1,085	99,997,335	13.55	18.15	13.55
Residential Time-of-Day	1,245	23,833	13.05	18.53	13.05
General Service	1,657	25,335,181	9.21	24.41	9.22
General Time-of-Day	19,507	2,400	8.22	198.49	8.22
All Electric School	25,620	1,449,553	10.91	314.15	10.91
Power Service	30,651	17,655,788	9.15	349.93	9.15
Time-of-Day Secondary	189,538	17,929,669	10.87	1,846.64	10.87
Time-of-Day Primary	1,242,574	33,834,832	11.15	10,609.74	11.15
Retail Transmission	7,387,224	13.634,683	11.00	54,105.89	11.00
Extremely High Load Factor	New Rate Schedule				
Fluctuating Load Service	44,229,667	2,528,016	6.90	210,667.98	6.90
Outdoor Lights	51	3,624,095	11.37	1.67	11.40
Lighting Energy	2,473	42,734	11.14	21.99	11.14
Traffic Energy	146	26,391	10.58	1.91	10.60
Outdoor Sports Lighting	4,627	(37)	(0.04)	(0.52)	(0.04)
Rider – CSR	N/A	0	0.00	0.00	0.00

KU is proposing to expand the number of customers limit of GTOD-E and GTOD-D customers to a maximum of 500 customers combined.

KU is proposing to migrate all PS customers from a maximum load charge per kW to kVA. In addition, KU is proposing to transition all PS customers from a seasonal maximum load charge to a time-differentiated 3-tier maximum load charge, similar to the TODS, TODP, and RTS rate schedules. New PS service initiated on or after January 1, 2026 will be required to enter into a contract for an initial term of one year.

KU is proposing a new rate schedule titled Extremely High Load Factor Service. This rate schedule will be for customers contracting for capacity greater than 100 MVA and an average monthly load factor above 85%.

KU is proposing to split its wireline pole attachment charge into two charges, a two-user wireline pole attachment charge and a three-user wireline pole attachment charge.

KU is proposing to add an adjustment clause called Renewable Power Purchase Agreement. This adjustment clause will recover the cost of renewable generation power purchase agreements approved by the Commission.

KU is proposing to add an optional program called Pre-Pay. This program will give residential customers with AMI meters the option of moving from traditional post-paid service to a deposit-free pre-paid service.

KU is proposing to expand the Terms and Conditions rules for Deposits. This expansion looks to provide clarity to the business processes surrounding deposits and makes deposits mandatory for customers taking service under TODS, TODP, RTS, FLS and EHLF.

KU is proposing to modify the Terms and Conditions related to Billing by making paperless billing the default option for new customers and for those whom the Company has an email address.

KU is proposing a new tariff in its Terms and Conditions for Rules for Transmission-Level Retail Electric Service Studies and Related Implementation Costs. This will apply to any proposed retail electric service requiring KU to submit a Transmission Service Request to its Independent Transmission Organization.

KU is proposing new terms and conditions for Net Metering Service Interconnection Guidelines.

Other Charges

KU is proposing the following revisions to other charges in the tariff:

Other Charges	Current Charge	Proposed Charge
Wireline Pole Attachment	\$7.25	Removed
Two-User Wireline Pole Attachment	New	\$10.13
Three-User Wireline Pole Attachment	New	\$10.46
Linear Foot of Duct	\$0.81	\$1.22
Wireless Facility at Top of Company Pole	36.25	\$51.46
Net Metering Service-2 Bill Credit	\$0.07534	\$0.03859
Returned Payment Charge	\$3.50	\$3.00
Meter Test Charge	\$79.00	\$89.00
Meter Pulse Charge	\$21.00	\$24.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Service Charge w/o remote service switch	\$37.00	\$87.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Service Charge w/ remote service switch	\$0	\$0.00
Unauthorized Connection Charge – without meter replacement	\$45.00	\$57.00
Unauthorized Connection Charge – for single-phase standard meter replacement	\$66.00	\$78.00
Unauthorized Connection Charge – for single-phase AMR meter replacement	\$87.00	\$99.00
Unauthorized Connection Charge – for single-phase AMI meter replacement	\$149.00	\$151.00
Unauthorized Connection Charge – for three-phase meter replacement	\$154.00	\$167.00

Unauthorized Connection Charge – for three-phase AMI meter replacement	New	256.00
Advanced Meter Opt-Out Charge (One-Time)	\$39.00	\$74.00
Advanced Meter Opt-Out Charge (Monthly)	\$15.00	\$24.00
Redundant Capacity - Secondary	\$1.33	\$2.26
Redundant Capacity - Primary	\$0.90	\$1.65
EVSE – Networked (Option A) Single Charger	\$132.09	\$191.81
EVSE – Networked (Option A) Dual Charger	\$193.62	\$330.34
EVSE – Networked (Option B) Single Charger	New	\$161.21
EVSE – Networked (Option B) Dual Charger	New	\$254.60
EVSE – Non-Networked Single Charger	\$80.14	\$85.01
EVSE-R – Networked (Option A) Single Charger	\$121.79	\$144.03
EVSE-R – Networked (Option A) Dual Charger	\$173.02	\$234.79
EVSE-R – Networked (Option B) Single Charger	New	\$113.44
EVSE-R – Networked (Option B) Dual Charger	New	\$159.05
EVSE-R – Non-Networked Single Charger	\$30.58	\$37.24
EVC-L2 – Charge per kWh	New	\$0.25
EVC-FAST – Charge per kWh	\$0.25	\$0.25
Solar Share Program Rider (One-Time)	\$799.00	\$799.00
Solar Share Program Rider (Monthly)	\$5.55	\$5.55
Excess Facilities – w/ no CIAC	1.14%	1.27%
Excess Facilities – w/ CIAC	0.46%	0.51%
TS – Temporary-to-Permanent	15%	15%
TS – Seasonal	100%	100%

SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.43	\$33.02
SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$32.16	\$38.50
SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$29.05	\$31.52
SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.71	\$36.75
SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.73	\$33.05
SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$32.56	\$38.59
SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$29.33	\$31.55
SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$31.09	\$36.84
SQF/LQF Wind; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$29.27	\$32.07
SQF/LQF Wind; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$31.55	\$36.56
SQF/LQF Wind; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$27.94	\$30.62
SQF/LQF Wind; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.12	\$34.93
SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$29.39	\$31.99
SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$31.96	\$37.06
SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$28.05	\$30.54
SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.51	\$35.38
SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$12.81	\$0
SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$12.03	\$0
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SQF/LQF Other Technologies; T ransmission; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$8.39	\$17.80

A detailed notice of all proposed revisions and a complete copy of the proposed tariffs containing the proposed text changes, terms and conditions and rates may be obtained by submitting a written request by e-mail to myaccount@lge-ku.com or by mail to Kentucky Utilities Company, ATTN: Rates Department, 2701 Eastpoint Parkway, Louisville, Kentucky, 40223, or by visiting KU’s website at https://lge-ku.com/ku-2025-rate-case.

A person may examine KU’s application at KU’s office at One Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky, 40507, and at KU’s website at https://lge-ku.com/ku-2025-rate-case. A person may also examine this application at the Public Service Commission’s offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or may view and download the application through the Commission’s Web site at http://psc.ky.gov.

Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, or by email to psc.info@ky.gov. All comments should reference Case No. 2025-00113.

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by KU, but the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602 establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of initial publication or mailing of this notice, the Commission may take final action on the application.

HISTORY

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has strong ties to Berea and the people who call it home. “The earth beneath our feet is not merely soil and stone. It’s a tapestry rolling with stories and dreams and struggles of those who came before us and those who walk it now,” Sharyn Mitchell, who is on the board of directors for Madison County Historical Society, said. Her ancestors lived along Brushing Fork, which is part of the Boone Trace.

The Berea Municipal Utilities building is located on land that belonged to Elisha Harrison Jr.

Harrison’s grandfather, John Harrison, was one of the original builders of Fort Boonesborough, the final destination of the Boone Trace. Several descendants of Elisha and John Harrison attended the event.

Additionally, Berea Mayor Bruce Fraley said that he used to walk the Boone Trace all the time when he was a young boy.

“We would walk down the hill, down the pasture, and we would come across the bridge across Brushy Fork and walk up Harrison Lane into town,” Fraley said. “I can’t think of how many times that we made that walk and all that time I didn’t know that I was on hallowed ground.”

Even Daniel Boone’s fifth great grandson Bobby Woods was born in Berea.

“Boone, you know, was a big traveler,” Woods said. “But my family wouldn’t. When we hit Berea, we just stayed.”

Hikers on the trail included members from the Retired Awesome Hikers and the Hiking Lawyers such as Brent Irvin, Bill Cornn, Beth Jenkins and Helen Bukulmez.

Bukulmez said Fraley connected her with Fox as they needed hikers for the event and that it was an honor to be a part of this group.

Kim Collins, a retired history teacher who is deeply involved in Madison County’s hiking community, also joined the hike and has been crucial in leading it. On June 2, the group cleared a two-mile section of the trail that had not been used for a while. They joked that they were like Daniel Boone and his axe men.

“Sometimes people think that when you’re retired, you should just go sit in a nursing home and do nothing,” Irvin said. “Kim wouldn’t let us do that.”

Speakers at the event emphasized the need to acknowledge both the good and bad in American history and to work toward a better, equal and united future for all.

“History is not just about the famous, the rich, or the powerful. It’s about the overlooked, the marginalized. It’s about the everyday folk who work from sunup to sundown, the ones who cleared the path, who cut back the trees, who plowed the fields and built the homes, and dreamed of brighter days,” Mitchell said. “The land carries the footprints of all who have trodden this path. The indigenous people who first called it home, the settlers and the enslaved who sought new beginnings, and the generations who continue to shape its destiny.”

PLAN

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views about what they would like to see in Berea’s future.

This time, there were easels set up around the Pinnacle Room of the event center, with priorities divided into several categories, including environment, land use, transportation, community facilities and services, historical and cultural resources, and economic development.

Participants at Wednesday’s workshop could then place a colored sticker next to a stated goal, according to its level of importance in their view; Red for high priority, yellow for medium priority, and green for low priority. Participants could also leave comments on sticky notes.

OLYMPICS

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However, after Richmond was chosen as the host city, it remained the home of the Special Olympics for 30 years. Because ECU was supportive and helpful in organizing the annual summer games, the campus has been a mainstay for the event.

“We’ve been working with some of the same people at Eastern now for all 30 years we’ve been there,” Buerger said. “They just made it so easy to go back and they’re so welcoming to the games and so excited about having the games there that it was just really an easy decision to make that our home.”

Buerger added that a common misconception is that “everybody gets a gold medal.”

“That’s not true,” he said. “We expect our athletes to be able to achieve, and they learn a lot through that process – how to get better, how to have goals and things like that. And I think that’s what really makes our program in the summer games specifically special is that it gives our athletes such a great opportunity to show how much they can do.”

Caitlin Roy, 27, started competing in the Special Olympics when she was eight-years-old and is a two-time gold and silver medalist at the national level in track and field.

To qualify for the upcoming Special Olympics USA Games, she will need to win a gold medal this weekend. There will be 428 female athletes

Residents expressed a wish for more affordable housing in the area, more city beautification, as well as an expansion of the city’s network of shared use trails.

Residents also expressed a hope that the city could provide small grants for citizens who want to organize community events.

Local businessman and former Berea Planning Commission member Alex Sipple said he hopes the city will continue to make neighborhood interconnectivity a priority through sidewalks and shared use paths.

Beth Jenkins, of Multiuse Madison County, also expressed hope that the city will build on its network of shared use trails and even extend trails up to Richmond through easement planning – policies that encourage

developers to leave trail easements in their building projects so that local governments have space later to create bicycle and pedestrian paths. Jenkins’ group is advising the city of Richmond on their comprehensive plan, and has appealed to the Madison County Fiscal Court to make shared use paths and interconnectivity a priority.

Some residents, like Jackie Bowling, said she wouldn’t mind seeing new amenities for pet owners, such as a dog washing station at the Tillie Off Leash dog park, or even seeing land designated for a pet cemetery.

Berea City Councilman John Payne said

he appreciated the exercise because it gives him insights as both a citizen and public official that can help shape the community’s long-term vision.

“I like the idea that the things I want are the things other people want,” said Payne.

“This is a good validation point because I can see what the community wants and build off of that.”

The city is conducting the comprehensive plan process through the assistance of EHI Consultants in Louisville. Thomas Benford, who is the marketing consultant for EHI, said his firm will consolidate all of the input from citizens, then come back in a few

months for another public forum.

In the meantime, Codes and Planning Administrator Amanda Haney has encouraged the public to participate in the process to make sure their voices are heard.

“This is an opportunity for us to engage citizens to look at what the next 10 to 20 years in Berea looks like,” Haney said following a recent meeting of the Berea Board of Adjustments. “This year’s plan is called Berea Beyond: Your Town, Your Plan – Berea’s Future. And that’s exactly what we want is for people to be involved and give us input so we can focus on those areas of concern.”

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OBITUARIES

Bruce Edward Hembree



Bruce Edward Hembree, 61, of Berea, passed away Saturday, May 24, 2025, after facing complications from a massive heart attack he suffered on May 5, 2025.

Bruce was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, son and friend. A skilled and hardworking carpenter by trade, he could fix or build just about anything. He took much pride in his work over the years. He also enjoyed fishing when he wasn't working. He was a member of Middletown Baptist Church.

He is survived by his loving wife, Marietta Isaacs Hembree; daughter Lekisha Hembree (fiancé Jacob Tucker); son Shawn Hembree; and his grandchildren Brayden, Dylan, and Kelsyn Hembree. He leaves behind his mother Patsy Baker Hembree; brothers Marty (daughter Hannah), Jarrod (wife Amanda and children Landon, Colton, and Brooklyn), and Ricky (wife

Rhonda and son Seth); as well as aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and church family who will remember him dearly.

Bruce was preceded in death by his father Edward Lee Hembree, his grandmother Katherine Huff, and his nephew Dalton Hembree, along with aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Funeral Service were held at 2 p.m. on May 28, 2025 at Reppert Funeral Home. Bro. William Dooley officiated and burial followed in Pilot Knob Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jacob Tucker, Jarrod Hembree, Marty Hembree, Ricky Hembree, Frank Hembree and Shawn Hembree.

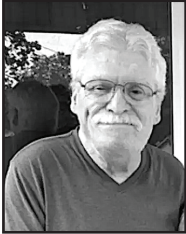
Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

“And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.”

Revelation 21:4 KJV

Because of a clerical error, the above obituary notice is re-appearing in this week's edition. We apologize for the error and our sincere apologies to the Hembree family.

Joseph Rodney 'JR' Sexton



Joseph Rodney Sexton better known as J.R. passed away Monday, May 26, 2025 at the VA Medical Center in Lexington. He was a Jackson County native born Feb. 14, 1950, son of the late Thomas Logan Sexton and Wanda Ingram Hampton. J.R. took pride in being an Army and Airforce Veteran who also served in the Vietnam War. He attended Church on the Rock, was a member of the American Legion, enjoyed watching the Kentucky Wildcats, and collecting old coins and antiques.

J.R. is Survived by his mother Wanda Ingram Hampton; Stepmother Ann Sexton Elkins; brother Thomas Logan Sexton; sister

Jannah Sexton; son Joshua Sexton (Jessica); daughters April Rader (Shane), Rachel Sexton (Steven); grandchildren Deshana, Makayla, Aliasha, Milton, Aseph, and Logan; 3 great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his father, Thomas Sexton.

Services were held on May 30 at 6 p.m. at Reppert Funeral Home. Brother Jonathon Marcum officiated and burial took place at 11 a.m., Monday, June 2, 2025, at Camp Nelson National Cemetery in Nicholasville. Pallbearers are Joshua Sexton, Shane Rader, Milton Rader, D.J. Evans, Thomas Sexton and Blake Osborne.

Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

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Message from Cora Jane Wilson

“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.”

Proverbs 3:5 (KJV)

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PUBLIC NOTICE
MADISON COUNTY FISCAL COURT
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The second reading and adoption of the Madison County Fiscal Court proposed budget ordinance for the fiscal year, is scheduled to be held at the date, time and location listed below.

Date: 06/24/2025
Time: 09:30 am
Location: 135 W Irvine Street, 1st Floor, Richmond, KY 40475

BUDGET SUMMARY
AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Madison County Fiscal Court, Kentucky:

WHEREAS, the proposed budget was tentatively approved by the Madison County Fiscal Court, and approved as to form and classification by the State Local Finance Officer, on the dates listed below:

Approval by the Fiscal Court: 05/27/2025
Approved by State Local Finance Officer 06/04/2025

SECTION ONE. The following budget is adopted for the fiscal year specified herein, and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.

General Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	7,630,050.00
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	2,699,650.00
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	1,019,800.00
5300	SOCIAL SERVICES	337,100.00
5400	RECREATION AND CULTURE	1,152,500.00
6400	OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES/SVC	54,000.00
7100	GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	1,202,500.00
7200	HOLDING COMPANY BONDS	519,200.00
7700	LEASES	108,400.00
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,830,000.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	1,150,700.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	26,655,300.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	2,317,500.00
Total		46,676,700.00

Road Fund		
6100	ROADS	3,768,600.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	617,000.00
Total		4,405,600.00

Jail Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	4,750,300.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	1,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	796,300.00
Total		5,567,600.00

Local Government Economic Assistance Fund		
6100	ROADS	100,000.00
7100	GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	134,600.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	465,900.00

Local Government Economic Assistance Fund		
Total		700,500.00
Federal Grants		
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
Total		

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5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	6,381,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	1,310,900.00
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	133,100.00
Total		7,825,000.00

OPIOID ABATEMENT/SETTLEMENT FUND		
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	1,975,000.00
Total		1,975,000.00

E-911		
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	3,547,100.00
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,150,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	693,900.00
Total		5,411,000.00

SELF-INSURED HEALTH INSURANCE ACCOUNT		
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	503,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	1,900,000.00
Total		2,403,000.00

CLERK FUND		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	160,500.00
Total		160,500.00

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND		
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	6,536,400.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	236,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	927,600.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
Total		7,700,000.00
Total Budget Appropriations		82,824,900.00

SECTION TWO. This ordinance shall be published in the Richmond Register & Berea Citizen by title and summary within thirty (30) days following adoption.

SECTION THREE. This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
All interested persons and organizations are hereby notified that a copy of the Madison County proposed budget in full is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

Kisha Danielle Abshear



“What we have once enjoyed deeply we can never lose, all that we love deeply becomes a part of us.”

Kisha became a part of everyone she met. Her smile was contagious. She was a shining light in the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her. Along that smile she would add a bonus spoonful of her signature saying, “I Love You So Big” and for that moment life was a bit sweeter and easier.

Kisha Danielle Abshear, 50, of Berea, was lifted to Heaven Thursday June 5, 2025. She was born in Richmond, on Jan. 27, 1975, to Angelia and Kenneth Chenault. After graduating from Madison Central High School Kisha began a career in the public sector. She loved people and a great conversation. Her last job was managing Save-A-Lot grocery in Berea.

Eva Gregory Lakes



Eva Gregory Lakes passed away on June 5, 2025, at her home in Richmond. Eva was born in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, on June 29, 1942, to the late Rufus and Frankie Jane Miller Gregory. She was a lifelong resident of the Richmond area and a former employee of Westinghouse Corporation and Kentucky River Foot-hills Transportation.

After retiring, Eva found joy in quilting, gardening, and spending time with her family. She created beautiful heirloom quilts until her fingers could no longer fit inside a thimble. Summer was her favorite season; she loved planting and tending to her flowers. Many week-ends were spent visiting her brothers

Sonja Kendrick



Sonja Kendrick, 86, a beacon of warmth and kindness, passed away peacefully in Berea on June 2, 2025.

Born on Feb. 22, 1939, Sonja’s life was one marked by joy, dedication, and a love for those around her.

Sonja was the cherished daughter of the late Charles Hughes and and the late Fannie Kouzis, and beloved stepdaughter to the late Archie Kouzis and Mary Hughes. She was the adored wife of the late Ellis Kendrick, and their union was a testament to enduring love and companionship. Sonja’s legacy continues through her living siblings, Chris Hughes, David Hughes, Mike Hughes, George Kouzis, John LaChapelle, and Diann Hill, who will keep her memory alive along with her numerous nieces and nephews. She joins in peace her late siblings Bobby Hughes, James Kouzis,

Brian Joseph Grimes



Brian Joseph Grimes, 44, of Berea, died Monday, May 26, 2025 at Baptist Health Hospital in Lexington after a short illness. He was born in London, on June 25, 1980, son of Arlene Grimes Allen. Brian enjoyed basketball, fish-

Kisha is survived by her loving hus-band, Timothy, her father William Kenneth Chenault, sister, Aisha Chenault, and her brother Kenny Chenault. She was the cher-ished Auntie of Will, and Avery Chenault. Kisha was predeceased by her mother, Ang-elia, grandparents George and Ella White, Marjorie Chenault, and Robert Harris.

Kisha will be missed by many loved ones and friends. When your days are blue re-mem-ber a funny, witty Kisha saying such as: “Exactly,” “God don’t like ugly,” “not today.”

We ask you to remember Kisha not for the way her life ended but for the way it was lived... Loving and Giving!

Sweet girl we will always love you SO BIG!

Visitation was June 10, 2025, at Davis & Powell Funeral Home. The funeral service followed on Wednesday June 11, 2025, at 11 a.m. also at the funeral home, Rev. Robert Blythe officiated and burial followed in Madison County Memorial Gardens. Pall-bearers were Will Chenault, Mike Gibbs, Sam Gibbs, Marty Conner, Robert Conner and Gene Ison.

and sisters, along with their spouses and children. As the last surviving Gregory sibling, she missed them dearly and often reminisced about the times they shared together.

In addition to her husband, Roy Camp-bell Lakes, and daughter Debra Lynn Tudor, Eva was preceded in death by her three brothers, Gillis Gregory, Oscar Gregory, and Ernest Gregory, and four sisters, Geraldine Powell, Myrtle York, Bernice Dunn, and her twin sister Reva Abner.

Eva is survived by her three daughters: Angela Lakes, Kimberly Lakes, and Bev-erly Kass (Stephen); six grandchildren: Lauren, Hillary, Allen, Tommy, Amanda, and Travis; and numerous nieces, neph-ews, and great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services were June 11, 2025, in the Mausoleum Chapel at the Madison County Memorial Gardens.

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

Ardith Hughes, Avanel Hobbs, and Millie Ann.

For many years, Sonja served the community with a smile as a cashier at Piggly Wiggly, where she wasn’t just an employee but a friend to all who walked through the doors.

Sonja’s passions extended far beyond her work. She was an exqui-site cook. Additionally, her love for crochet and cross-stitch created not only beautiful pieces but also lasting memories. Her dogs, always by her side, were a source of infinite joy and comfort.

Maxcine (Tina) Kendrick and Noel (Ruby) Kendrick, Sonja’s sister-in-law and brother-in-law respectively, remember her fondly for her heart of gold and gentle spirit.

Funeral services were held at Lakes Funeral Home on Saturday, June 7, 2025, where Rev. Kenny Davis offici-ated and burial followed in Cartersville Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Charles Hill, John-ny Hill, Josh Hobbs, Chris Hughes, Chris Kendrick, and Thomas Dunn.

ing, cars, and 4-wheeling.

Brian is survived by his mother Arlene Grimes Allen; daughter Tanessa “Alex” Grimes; son Trace Grimes; brother Ben Grimes (Bridget Farrel); fiancé Michelle Anderson. He is preceded in death by his brother Michael Grimes.

Brian’s wishes were to be cremated and a private Memorial Service will take place at a later date.

Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

(Shannon), Nina Mitra (Dan Burns); 5 grand-children; 7 great grandchildren; as well as numerous relatives and friends. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his loving wife of 67 Years, Gloria Adelsberg Strauss, who died June 28, 2018; 1 grand-child; 1 great grandchild; and three brothers, Michael, Seymour, Raymond.

In accordance with Jack’s wishes, he was cremated and no public service is scheduled.

Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

Daniel Shane Wilmot

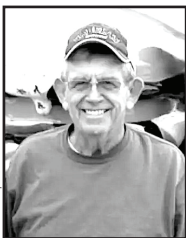


Daniel Shane Wilmot, 44, husband of Rachel Gibson Wilmot, departed this life on June 8th, 2025, at his home surrounded by family and loved ones.

Shane was born in Richmond on Oct. 30th, 1980, to the late Daniel Edward “Easy” Wilmot and Louise (Tom) Hounshell. Shane loved four-wheeling, camping, and racing.

Shane is survived by his wife Rachel, of Cartersville, four children, McKenzie Wilmot, Riley Wilmot, and Luke Wilmot, all of Berea, and Macy Russell of Oneida, TN. His mother and stepfather, Louise and Tom Hounshell of Cartersville, one sister, Becky Potter, and her husband, Billy of Cartersville, one stepsister, Melissa Hickel

Larry Alan Williamson



Larry Alan William-son, 79, of Berea, passed away peacefully after a long illness, surrounded by close friends and family on Thursday, June 5, 2025.

Larry was 1 of 9 children born in Pike County, to Claude and Minnie William-son. He retired from IBM and later from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife.

Larry found joy in his farm, Central Kentucky Gun Club, UK Basketball, fish-ing, and spending time with friends and family.

He is preceded in death by his son, Dan-iel Alan Williamson, his parents, Claude

of Berea, and two stepbrothers, Austin and Alex Hounshell of Cartersville. Two special nieces, Chelsea McCollum and her husband Nick of Cartersville, and Hayley Hignite and her husband Kyle of London. Special great niece and nephew, Easton and Wren-ley McCollum, and a host of many special family and friends.

Visitation will be 5-9 p.m. Thursday, June 12, 2025, at Davis and Powell Funeral Home with funeral services to follow on Friday, June 13th, 2025, at 2 p.m. Rev. J.B. Alexander and Rev. Stevie Robinson will of-ficiate. Burial will follow in the Cartersville Cemetery, pallbearers will be Bryan Wilmot, Kirt Conn, Richie Wilmot, Ryan Robinson, Chris Robinson, Nick McCollum, Billy Pot-ter, and Rick Wilmot. Honorary pallbear-ers will be Easton McCollum, Jimmy Hall, Danny Prewitt, Stevie Ray Saylor, Zach Harold, and Robbie East.

and Minnie Williamson, and 3 brothers, Charles R. Williamson, Eugene C. Wil-liamson, and Jimmy Williamson.

He is survived by his daughter, Haley Elliott (Zane,) 2 granddaughters, Kaila Elliott and Braden Elliott, brother, Paul D. Williamson (Janice,) and 4 sisters, Joann Van Benthuyssen (Herb,) Janet S. LeMas-ter (Dorse,) Jennifer L. Whitson (Bobby,) Judy K. Manakyan (Herman) and numer-ous nieces and nephews.

Papaw’s big bear hugs and smile will forever be a part of us.

His wishes were to be cremated. He will be laid to rest next to his son Danny at Berea Cemetery. The family will hold a memorial service at a later date.

“Those we love don’t go away, they walk beside us every day, unseen, un-heard, but always near, still loved, still missed and very dear.”

James Edward ‘Jimmy’ Dodds



James Edward “Jimmy” Dodds, 59, of Rock-castle County, formerly of Harveysburg, Ohio died Sunday, May 25, surrounded by his family.

He was born in Dayton, Ohio, August 9, 1965, son of Faye Stewart Dodds and the late Bob Dodds. Jimmy was a U. S. Navy veteran and former truck driver. He en-joyed picking at anyone he could to make them laugh or make them mad. He liked trading knives, cars, trucks, lawnmowers

Wayne Smith

Wayne Smith, 88, brother of Wilda Morris of Berea, formerly of Richmond, passed away on Wednesday, June 4, 2025. Wayne was a truck driver for Hinkle Contracting. He was born in Rockcastle County to the late Andrew and Opal Childs Smith. He was also

preceded in death by his brother, Randall Smith. Wayne is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Wilda and Earl Morris, his niece Keenna Adams, and nephews Jay Mor-ris, Earl Wayne Smith, and Randall Baldwin.

Private funeral services will be held at a later date. Lakes Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

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Thank you, Dad!

Growing up, my Dad was a busy man. He worked a full-time job as a meter reader at Richmond Utilities, he was a minister, pastor and never stopped working. I can remember him leaving our house early in the morning in the black Chevrolet Cheyenne truck and returning home, only to do yard work and other chores at home. He raised cattle, hogs and worked in tobacco.



Keith Taylor

He made sure he provided for the family and took us to church every time the door was open and at one point, he even owned a baseball card shop in Richmond. On the weekends, I remember him setting up on the side of the road and selling yard sale items all over the area.

He took us on family vacations, where, honestly, we had some of our best times as a family. If he got lost, he always took the “scenic” route. It would drive mom crazy, but somehow, we ended up at our destination even it was a few hours later than originally planned.

Back then, we didn’t have cell phones or modern technology and depended on old-fashioned road maps and word of mouth to get us where we wanted to go. We did take a trip to Disney World and explored Florida and Georgia and we felt “big” when we graduated from the “kiddie pool” to the much larger swimming pool.

He served his country in the Marines and is a Vietnam Veteran. He has always been proud of his service and has shared funny and serious stories of life in the Armed Forces.

Both home and away from home, I don’t ever remember Dad sitting still. Up until a few years ago before he had a stroke, he was still on the move, staying busy and never sitting down.

In a lot of ways, I’m like my dad when it comes to staying active. Much like him, I’m always busy and only slow down when I take a nap on Sunday after church. After all, we do have to exhale on the Sabbath Day.

I always take the time to make sure the yard is well manicured, which he instilled in me, and made sure we knew the value of hard work and earning your keep. The most important, was raising my sister and I up in church and the importance of faith in our lives.

I’m forever thankful and grateful for the Godly influence he provided in my life.

Although I have carved my own path in life, the core value of treating others as I would like to be treated remains at the center in the core of my being and thankful for those traits.

Thank you, Dad.

Keith Taylor



It all starts with a dream

Dreams precede everything; all actions and all creations. Truly, everything does start with a dream. Dreaming is not an idle activity. It’s not an escape from reality. Dreams are the foundation of all creativity.

The type of dreaming I’m talking about doesn’t just occur while you are sleeping. The thoughts occupy your mind constantly, while you are awake as well as resting. These types of dreams stick in your mind. They become a mental obsession. When your mind is focused on a specific detailed dream, it will lead you toward a path that will transform your dream to reality.

Dreaming is healthy, allowing you to explore different scenarios and options. Without dreams, you can’t venture beyond your perceived limits. For maximum effectiveness, a dream should be as detailed as possible. It shouldn’t be conceived in general terms such as, “if I were rich,” or “if I only had this,” or if I only had that.”

Without dreams, people would still be living in caves. Every element of society is the result of dreaming. Our country is the product of a dream. Dreams precede reality. There are no limits to what you can dream about. Health, relationships, success, finances, career, and lifestyle are all valid topics.

Your dreams shouldn’t be a passing thought or whim. They should embody specifics you have a burning desire for. They should be something you are willing to work for and expend whatever effort is required. Dreams can and do come true, but not by themselves. You have to make them happen.

There are those who have a lotto mentality for their dreams. They are only willing to invest a dollar in the hopes of winning millions. Sure, there will be a winner, but the chance is one in millions that it will be you. When people have this lotto mentality, they are constantly disappointed. As a result, they wind up jaded and give up on their dreams. They become resigned to their lot in life and disconnected from the infinite potential that resides within.

People who have given up will try to discourage others by using their own disappointments as evidence that dreams are a waste of time. Typically, being labeled a dreamer has a negative connotation. The implication is that a dreamer is not grounded in reality and



Bryan Golden

is wasting their time chasing rainbows.

The dreamer will often be ridiculed and chided. Without a solid understanding of the value of dreaming, the dreamer runs the risk of abandoning their dreams in the face of peer pressure. Should this happen, it would be a real waste. Without dreams, one is in jeopardy of squandering their future.

Dreams have no constraints. Dreams are the seeds from which you can create a robust life. Guard your dreams. Don’t allow others to influence you to relinquish your dreams. You don’t have to share your dreams nor do you need the approval or acceptance of others.

Turning your dreams into reality requires action, determination, and perseverance. If not for dreamers our country never would have been founded. We would have no telephones, no electricity, no cars, no TV or radio, and no medical breakthroughs. In short, if people throughout history had not pursued their dreams we would still be in the dark ages.

Go ahead and dream. Picture your life any way you would like it to be. Don’t put any limitations on your vision. Keep your dream in the front of your mind and review it daily. Take action and turn your dreams

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Retired nurse praised for being a superhero

To the Editor,
Last week a friend and I were shopping at Walmart. I finished shopping first so I went up front to wait when I saw a man in the service desk area bleeding profusely from a large cut on his leg. Walmart staff were gathered around him. A trail of blood went across the floor and a big pool of blood was next to him. One Walmart staff member said that she couldn’t handle the sight of blood and left the area. Staff tried to stand the man upright

but he fainted upon standing and fell. When I saw a staff member put a thick band around the gentleman’s leg I stepped in (knowing that binding a leg is frequently contra-indicated) and said my friend is a retired ER nurse, should we page her? Karen Willis, a retired nurse, assessed the scene and elevated the leg while applying pressure on the wound.

She had to remain bent over at a difficult angle to provide treatment. 911 finally showed up and took over.

Nurse Willis was sore for a couple of days after. I just wanted to share

this. Who needs a superhero when you have a nurse!

Ann Longworth

Where is the justice ?

In my humble way I feel like God’s putting this problem to me so I can explain and talk about it in my humble way.

Where’s the justice? I realize the Jews are God’s chosen people but ... Thousands children are starving. Many more have food insecurity. Gaza was awarded to the Arabs in the 1970s (Camp David Peace Talks).

Before, Israel killed 1,000 by ethnic cleansing. Our church was getting material about this. (Mt. Zion Disciples of Christ)

Obviously, on the Mediterranean coast Gaza is desirable. The Arabs killed about 1,700 – but that was the children, etc.

America is spending a fortune arming Israel not counting the expensive money. (money = more money), which we could use ourself for defense; they’re not even getting because the people bringing it in is also being killed. Where is God’s justice?

Phoebe S. Huff

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May 29

John Murrell, 34: failure to appear

- Nihieria Howell, 22: failure to appear; possession of marijuana
- Laasia Ballard, 48: strangulation, 1st degree; assault, 4th degree, minor injury; criminal mischief, 2nd degree
- James Sparks, 34: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order
- Robert Ingram, 32: assault, 2nd degree
- Kendall Honeycutt, 20: possession of marijuana; failure to appear; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree
- Jerry Robinson, 49: failure to appear
- Amber Willis, 3: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting; criminal trespassing, 3rd degree; failure to appear
- Zachary Cveticanin, 54: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
- Erica King, 33: receiving stolen property, \$500 but less than \$1,000
- Jason Carpenter, 32: receiving stolen property, \$10,000 or more; theft by unlawful taking or disposition, contents from vehicle; fraudulent use of a credit card; criminal possession of a forged instrument, 2nd degree (2 counts)
- Verlia Ballew, 35: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO

May 30

- Cristen Smith, 45: assault, 4th degree dating violence, minor injury; disorderly conduct, 2nd degree; alcohol intoxication in a public place

(1st and 2nd offenses); criminal trespassing, 3rd degree; parole violation (for technical violation)

- William Moore, 46: driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense; no registration receipt; no registration plates; ignition interlock driver’s license -use violation
- Verrna Farrington, 49: failure to appear
- Isom Coley, 29: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting

May 31

- Shawn Hardy, 45: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin); possession of a controlled substance, 3rd degree – drug unspecified; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs/etc. .08 – 1st offense; operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license
- Paul Lesage, 47: failure to appear
- Joshua Teague, 39: failure to appear
- Levi Allen, 19: failure to appear (2 counts)
- James Cochran, 34: murder; assault 1st degree
- Thomas Ashford, 20: disregarding stop sign; possession of open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st
- Brady Gay, 21: license to be in possession; resisting arrest; menacing; assault, 3rd degree – police officer or probation officer; operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1sst; reckless driving; criminal

mischief, 2nd degree; possession of open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle; no tail lamps

- Jeremy Campbell, 42: failure to appear
- Cynthia Calvert, 42: criminal trespassing, 3rd degree
- Zachary Copley, 31: failure to appear
- Jesse Henderson, 22: violation of a Kentucky EP/DVO
- Charles Warner, 47: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (cocaine); no registration plates; no registration receipt; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense
- Melissa Townsend, 35: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); drug paraphernalia -buy/possess
- Ronald Martin, 62: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin); possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (cocaine); resisting arrest; tampering with physical evidence

June 1

- Robert Young, 40: failure to appear
- Javion Tucker, 27: speeding, 26 mph or greater over limit; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (cocaine); no registration plates; drug paraphernalia – buy/possess
- Carrie Durham, 36: flagrant non-support
- Tyler Neal, 32: disregarding stop sign; no operator’s – moped license; possession

of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (cocaine); tampering with physical evidence; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 2nd; drug paraphernalia – buy/possess

- Misty Spencer, 43: theft of mail matter; resisting arrest; criminal mischief, 2nd degree; assault, 3rd degree – police officer or probation officer
- James Walling, 38: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, no visible injury; theft by unlawful taking or disposition, controlled substance, \$10,000

June 2

- Kacey Neeley, 33: public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess
- Alexis Wright, 28: improper lane usage – keep right except to pass; improper display of registration plates; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st; possession of marijuana
- John McPhearson, 43: failure to appear
- Jordan York, 33: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, no visible injury

June 3

- Laura Dupuy, 30: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess
- Jenna May, 39: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, automobile, \$10,000 but less than \$1,000,000

- Dakota Standifer, 21: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
- William Ballard, 32: probation violation (for felony offense)
- Frank Sampson, 52: probation violation (for felony offense)
- Tanner Barrett, 30: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order; failure to appear

June 4

- Taylor Carl, 47: parole violation (for technical violation)
- Jamie Key, 39: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order
- James Greunke, 34: failure to appear
- Cierre Beecher, 33: failure to appear
- Kelly Hall, 57: receiving stolen property, \$1,000 but less than \$10,000; operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license; failure to appear
- Matthew Ray, 41: probation violation, for felony offense (2 counts); theft of identity of another without consent; giving officer false identifying information
- Vivian Robinson, 38: probation violation for felony offense (4 counts)
- Amber Whittamore, 33: failure to appear (3 counts)
- Glenn Fraley, 50: public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess
- Janelle Newman, 31: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury

COURT RECORDS

District Court June 4

• Spencer R. Zimmer vs. Kevin B. Vaughn

• Jennifer Marie Hall vs. James Michael Hall

• Dianne Neal vs. Jerikah F. Rhoton

Circuit Court May 27

• Monica Bruner vs. Ismael Lopez-Cano

• Juanita Isaacs Nester vs. Adam Christopher

• Sarah Winkler vs. Ricky Winkler

• Rebecca Ann Hughes vs. Jordan Seth Town Seth Townsend

• Deanna Rachel Harvey vs. Shane Thomas Harvey

May 28

• Clark Dale Pergrem vs. Tracey Lynn Pergrem

May 29

• Abby Lynn Martin vs. Jordan Clay Martin

May 30

• Stephanie Ruth Howard vs. William Bradley Howard

• Christopher Cody Creekmore vs. Tara Chantel Leger-Creekmore

• Teena Marie Miller Riddell vs. David Dwayne Riddell

MARRIAGES

May 27

• Jordan Leigh Eaton, cosmetologist, 22 of Crab Orchard to James Tanner Noel, realtor, 22 of Crab Orchard

• Clayton Royal Gibb, marketing, 26 of Richmond to Kylie Wynne Ramsey, RN, 30 of Louisville

• Christopher Brett-Austin Rice, designer, 24 of Richmond to Haley Nicole Johnson, student, 24 of Richmond

• Nora Elizabeth Mad-den, LPN, 23 of Berea to Jacob Landon Brewer, WTP operator, 24 of Waco

• Brittany Michele Lukins, registered nurse, 41 of Richmond to Grant George Montgomery, disabled veteran, 44 of Richmond

• Kylee Leigh St. Pierre, patient access coordinator, 21 of Richmond to Dylan Robert Taylor, military/child-

care, 21 of Richmond

• Makayla Gail Abney, patient navigator, 22 of Berea to John Paul Landsaw, contractor, 22 of Richmond

May 28

• Taylor Nicole Courtney, teacher, 26 of Richmond to Tanner Colton Revis, construction, 26 of Richmond

• Makenzie Paige Moore, banker, 23 of Richmond to Michael Brent Smith, electrician, 22 of Richmond

• Kaira Delayne Shook, CAN, 21 of Berea to McKinley Neal Chitwood, pipefitter, 22 of Berea

• Haven Grace McPeck, caregiver, 22 of Berea to Austyn Blake Collins, maintenance, 21, of Berea

• Quentin Emmanuel Moore, II, customer service, 28 of Richmond to Deltazhia Marshea Jackson, teacher, 25 of Richmond

June 2

• Austin Combs vs. Kaitlyn Michelle Combs

• Billie Combs vs. Scottie L. Combs

• Tabitha Hodges vs. Douglas Hodges

June 3

• Devon Nicole Vance vs. Feliz Padilla

• Tracy R. Slone vs. Michael Slone

June 4

• Austin Crawley vs. Amber Crawley

• Chad W. Bradler vs. Sarah E. S. Bradler

• Sherie D. Foister vs. Darcie M. Lucas

• Bradford James Alexander vs. Karen Jewell Alexander

Foreclosure May 28

• Park Community Credit Union vs. Camille Lall

• Freedom Mortgage Corporation vs. Unknown Def. Eva L. Straub, ET., AL

• Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC vs. Michael James Abney, ET., AL

• Midfirst Bank vs. Melissa Ann Wally, ET., AL.

June 3

May 27

• Ronald E. Mink and Connie Mink to Teresa Tompkins, 111 Holly Hills Drive, Berea, \$180,000

• Champ Properties, LLC to Jacob Hamilton and Hunter Hamilton, 7086 Winner’s Circle, \$77,500

• The Estate of Ann Catherine Tate to Corey Spencer Sparkman and Alexandria Eve Sparkman, tract 2A plat 32/45, \$230,000

• Elbert J. Foley, II and Melanie L. Foley to Tray Burton and Tonya Burton, 1067 Breezy Lane, Berea, \$347,500

• Brady Mark Dale and Emily Rachel Dale to Harry William Winter, Jr. and Anne Winter, parcel 60B plat 30/86, \$410,000

• Kelly Marie East (f/k/a Kelly Marie Pastula) and Robert W. East, II to Kelly Marie East and Robert W. East, II, lot 20 Wilshire Walk Subdivision, for and in consideration of the love and affection which Kelly Marie East has for her husband Robert W. East and in order to create a survivorship provision

• Ann Browning to Charity G. Patterson, Paul Daniel Patterson and Darrell J. Moore, tract Madison County (vicinity of Box Angle Road), \$187,500

• Anthony Cockerille to Anthony Cockerille, Trustee of the Anthony Cockerille Revocable Trust pursuant to that Trust Agreement of May 20, 2025, lot 9 Indian Hills Drive, Berea, as a gift to fund and for other good and valuable consideration

• Kenneth Hocker and Barbara Hocker, by Kenneth F. Hocker, through durable Power of Attorney to Christopher Guy Roberts and Karina Zitlaly Ramirez Martinez, lot 2 plat 32/50, for and in consideration of the love and affection between a grandfather and grandson and the sum of \$18,000

• Ashton Wade Tyree to Jerry Holland and Kathy Elaine Holland, tract Madison County (vicinity of Big Hill),

\$10,000

May 27

• Delmar Anglin and Betty Anglin to Delmar Anglin and Betty Anglin, tract Madison County, for and in consideration of \$1.00 and to confirm ownership

• Sand Development, LLC to Tyler Beck and Kayse Bek, lot 221 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase I, \$289,900

• Michelle Moody, Successor Trustee of the Robert C. Moody Trust, dated December 22, 2003, to Hurm Young, lot 56 Southern Hills Drive, \$275,000

• Michael McMahan and Ellen McMahan to The Webb Family Trust, dated May 31, 2018, by Chad A. Webb and Jennifer E. Webb, as Co-Trustees, 780 Ridge Road, \$736,000

• Michael McMahan and Ellen McMahan to The Webb Family Trust, dated May 31, 2018, by Chad A. Webb and Jennifer E. Webb, as Co-Trustees, 780 Ridge Road, \$150,000

• Lisa Harrison to Joshua Bills and Danielle Capillo, tract 5C plat 29/90 (vicinity of Radford Hollow Road), \$210,000

• John Douglas Harom to Wesley R. Moody and Margaret G. Moody, tract Madison County (vicinity of Forest Street, Berea), \$405,000

Cynthia Diane Powell Revocable Trust, dated February 5, 2016, to Mark A. Taulbee and Jill R. Taulbee, 918 The Paddock Court, \$317,000

• Peggy D. Brewer to Peggy D. Brewer, Trustee of the Brewer Joint Trust, dated September 25, 2001, lot 70 Battlefield Place Subdivision, for the purposes of funding the Brewer Joint Trust

• Mark Tkachuk and Cahterine Tkachuk to Michael Grant McIntosh, lot 37 Wil O Mac Subdivision, Phase 2, \$436,000

• Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, of Washington, D.C. (a/k/a The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development) to Brian

Charles, trat Madison County (vicinity of corner of S. Muddy Creek Road and U.S. Highway 421, Berea), \$75,000

May 28

• Hunter Rogers and Joseph Rogers to Blue Collar Lexington, LLC to 1025 A&B Blackwell Court, \$332,000

• Dennis Netzel to William David Wade and Martha Lois Wade, 1033 Vineyard Way, Berea, \$417,000

• Jon B. Wilson and Leigh B. Wildon, lot 76 Walnut Grove Subdivision, \$405,000

• National Residential Nominee Services, Inc. to Keilynn Wilson and Daniel Wilson, lot 76 Walnut Grove Subdivision, \$405,000

• County of Madison, a body politic off the Commonwealth of Kentucky to Tommy Cope, lot E1 plat 28/396, \$171,000

• Daily Sandlin to Harry James Martin and Dinah Martin, lot 1 52 East Subdivision, \$210,000

• Gayle Roberts to The Gayle Roberts Trust, by Gayle Roberts, Trustee, 137 Oak Meadow Drive, Berea, for and in consideration of funding the Gayle Roberts Trust

May 30

• Xpress Builders, LLC to Steve Jones and Evelyn C. Jones, parcel 1 Hill Top Acres Subdivision, \$1,500

• Jason Lee Dixon and Julia Anne Dixon to Jaley Anne Dixon and Marvin Ralac-Fuentes, tract C plat 13/47 (vicinity of Brookstown and Noland Road), \$220,000

• Anthony C. Brooks and Eymlyn V. Brooks to Greatview Properties, LLC, 324 East Irvine Street, \$200,000

• Vadie E. Ballinger to Tammi Lynn Ballinger, by and through her Power of Attorney, Jane Oren, lot 23 Burnamwood Subdivision, \$105,000

• Price Todd and Rose Todd to Price Todd, tract Madison County, for and in consideration of the mutual desire of the Grantors for placement of a deed verifying in heritance and the sum of \$1.00

• Karen Lynn Farson and David Alan Farson to AB Rentals of Central Kentucky, LLC, 423 Laurel Street; 427 and 427 ½ Laurel Street; and 429 Laurel Street, \$260,000

June 2

• Lawrence J. Greenwell and Guadalupe Greenwell to Glen Edward Woosley, lots Hillcrest Subdivision, Richmond, \$298,000

• M. D. Carroll Enterprises, LC to Vickie Milligan and John Milligan, 102 Circle Drive, \$210,000

• D. R. Horton, Inc to Raymond Guy Combs and Paula J. Clemons-Combs, lot 78 Carriage Place Phase 1, \$336,600

• Robin K. McKenzie to Shawn Snarey and Tara Snarey, 1044 Meadow Ridge Drive, \$567,000

• Kathryn Costanzo and Joseph Costanzo to Troy Daniel Snyder and Mary Kay Snyder, 312 Sweet Grass Way, \$65,000

• Ball Homes, LLC to Timothy Austin Jufer, lot 54 Phae II Arbor Woods, \$279,633

• James William Ramsey Living Trust, by and through Wanda M. Ramsey, Trustee to Commonwealth of Kentucky for use and benefit of the Transportation Department of Highways, tract vicinity of Madison County Airport Road and Peytontown Road, \$500,000

• Berea Industrial Development Authority, an Industrial authority created pursuant to KRS 154.50-301 et seq. to 6 Field, LLC, trat II B plat 8/231 (vicinity of Mayde Road), \$945,000

June 3

• D. R. Horton, Inc. Louisville to Sharon C. Dean and Sarah Dean, lot 77 Carriage Place, \$314,720

• Lyle Walker and Berdenia Walker to Rebekah Marie Renner and Darick Brenner Carter, tract Madison County (vicinity of Richmond-Irvine Turnpike), \$259,900



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June 11, 1925 Mad Squirrel attack

Mary White, daughter of John White of Big Hill Road was severely bitten by a squirrel on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. William Parrish and Mrs. White, the child’s mother, were also bitten. The girl was pumping water from a cistern when the squirrel suddenly darted from a tree and bit her on the leg. When her mother and Mrs. Parrish responded to the child’s screams, the squirrel turned on the two women, attacking them. The squirrel was successfully euthanized. It was deemed that the squirrel was not a pet and

had been living in the wooded area nearby. The squirrel was sent to Lexington to be examined for rabies and all three victims were being treated for possible rabies exposure as a precaution.

June 15, 1950 Center Street fire

A fire on Sunday afternoon caused significant damage to a home belonging to Mr. Curt Pearson on Center Street. Mr. and Mrs. Ben McGuire, occupants of the residence, were not at home when the fire broke out. Fire chief Ben McGuire stated that the call was received at approximately

4:15 p.m. There were no fire hydrants nearby, so water from the nearby creek had to be used to extinguish the fire. Although an official cause for the fire had not been determined, it was believed that the fire likely originated as a result of a faulty circuit in the kitchen stove.

June 12, 1975 Bass busters

Eddie Brock of Berea caught seven fish weighing a total of 10 pounds 13 ounces to win the third Berea Bass Busters Tournament held last week at Green River Lake near Columbia. Jake Neeley of Berea

was the first day leader with five fish weighing 6 pounds 15 ounces. Neeley, however failed to catch any fish on the second day and Brock came home as the over-all winner. Fourteen men entered the tournament and caught a total of 33 fish weighing 40 pounds 9 ounces.

June 15, 2000 New carillon bells

A well-known Berea landmark got a new sound. Renovations had begun toward the installation of a 56 bell carillon in the tower of the Draper Building on Berea College campus. Initial reconstruc-

tion of the area to accommodate the bells would take approximately four weeks according to college sources. Before the bells were raised, there was a blessing of the bells. Unlike the 10 bell chime located in the tower of Phelps-Stokes Chapel, the carillon would have the capacity of playing musical pieces in full melody and harmony. Upon completion the carillon was to be used to instruct students and serve as a performance instrument. John Courter, a member of the college faculty was an internationally known carillonneur and a composer for the instrument

Game Page

Crossword

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Racquet sports association
- 4. Places to sleep
- 8. Native American tribe
- 10. Small platforms
- 11. Egg shape
- 12. Running out
- 13. French painter
- 15. Some are “of the Caribbean”
- 16. Painful intestinal problem
- 17. More irritated
- 18. Prove yourself
- 21. Catch
- 22. Supplement with difficulty
- 23. American automotive giant
- 24. Form of “to be”
- 25. Boxing’s GOAT
- 26. Peyton’s little brother
- 27. Eli’s big brother
- 34. Capable of producing
- 35. Reproductive structures in fungi
- 36. Allowed to go forward
- 37. Smiles
- 38. Arteries

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Consisting of uncombined atoms
- 2. Island country
- 3. Heavenly body
- 4. Caribbean island
- 5. Copyread
- 6. A place to eat
- 7. Drops down
- 9. Native group of Alaska
- 10. Engage in
- 12. “Desperate Housewives” lane
- 14. Thyroid-stimulating hormone
- 15. Foot (Latin)
- 17. A place to bathe
- 19. Animosity
- 20. Partner to cheese
- 23. Venus __ plant
- 24. A donation
- 25. Pokes holes in the ground

- 26. Midway between northeast and east
- 27. Looked into
- 28. Not young
- 29. Annoy constantly
- 30. Something one can strike
- 31. Most glacial
- 32. Ten less than one hundred
- 33. Idle talker
- 34. Has moved through the air
- 36. Container for shipping



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Level: Intermediate

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ANSWER:

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Solve the code to discover words related to candy. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 5 = T)

A. 18 16 2 2 5

Clue: Pleasing taste like honey

B. 5 25 15 5

Clue: Sharp to the taste

C. 18 6 13 25 15

Clue: Sweetener

D. 5 15 2 25 5

Clue: Special reward

Answers: A. sweet B. tart C. sugar D. treat

The big squeeze: IRS agents, weightlifters have powerful grips

A weightlifter had come up with a surefire way to make some extra money. He would take a lemon in his big powerful hand and squeeze all the juice out of it. Then he'd make bets that no one would be able to squeeze out even one more drop.

No matter how many people tried, no one was able to get another drop out of a lemon that this man with the bulging muscles had squeezed. That is until a scrawny little guy came along.

People laughed the skinny fellow to shame, but he wasn't discouraged. He took hold of that lemon in his frail-looking palm and began to squeeze. To everyone's astonishment, he actually got several more drops to fall.

Onlookers were amazed. They couldn't believe their eyes. He had done what no one else had been able to do. But it all made sense after someone asked the little guy what he did for a living.



Roger Alford

"I work for the IRS," he responded.

That draws a chuckle because we all know an IRS agent is able to put the squeeze on people. But he's not the only one. The Apostle Paul found this out one day while on his way to Damascus to arrest Christians. That's the day Paul met Jesus, and his life was turned topsy-turvy by the big strong hand of the Master.

If you recall, Paul, up until that time, hated Christians. He wanted to do everything in his power to stamp out the early church. Scripture records that he even held the garments of people in an angry mob who stoned Stephen to death for preaching the gospel.

Then came the Damascus Road experience when Paul ran headlong into the Lord of Glory. Paul, struck blind, fell from his donkey in the presence of the Almighty. In that encounter, Paul was transformed from being a persecutor to being a preacher.

Scripture tells us incredible change comes every time a sinner has a soul-saving encounter with Jesus. "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature" (II

Corinthians 5:17).

Paul, in essence, did what singer Anne Murray suggested in the once popular song Put Your Hand in the Hand (of the Man from Galilee). If you owned a radio in the 1970's you likely remember the lyrics:

Put your hand in the hand of the man
Who stilled the water
Put your hand in the hand of the man
Who calmed the sea
Take a look at yourself
And you can look at others differently
Put your hand in the hand of the man
From Galilee

The nail-pierced hands of Jesus are strong indeed and mighty to save. The same hands that put the squeeze on Paul the persecutor that day on the Damascus Road were also guiding hands for Paul the preacher as he boldly proclaimed the gospel.

Neither the weightlifter nor the IRS man could come close to matching the Lord's strength.

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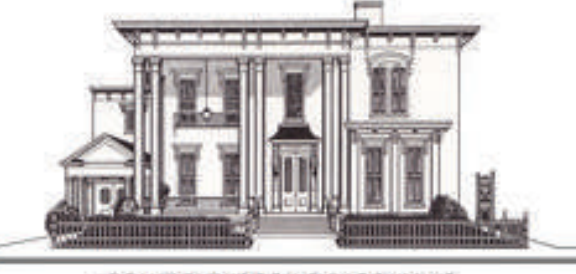
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"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

— Jeremiah 29:11



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Lions Club speaker stresses importance of community survey

By Jim Snyder

The Berea Lions Club welcomed Amanda Smith, Madison County Health Department's (MCHD) Community Health Education Director as guest speaker during a bi-weekly meeting held at Lee's Chicken Restaurant on May 13.

Smith described a county-wide community health needs assessment (CHA) survey. The survey is being conducted in cooperation with Eastern Kentucky University.

The Lions, along with other county service organizations, were encouraged to spread the word.

Every five years, the MCHD conducts a Community Health Assessment (CHA) to find out what the people in Madison County think about their own health, the overall health of the county, as well as what strengths and areas for improvement folks see across the county. They hope to have a minimum of 1,000 surveys completed from folks that live, work, or go to school in our county. They reach out to community members, schools, businesses, healthcare systems, emergency services, civic organizations, and many others for help with expanding the survey reach to get a better picture of



Amanda Smith of the Madison County Health Department, was the featured speaker at the May 13 meeting of the Berea Lions Club.



Click on the QR link above to participate in the survey

the needs of Madison County. The collaboration with our community partners & members allows MCHD to get a snapshot of risk factors and health concerns which inform the work our programs conduct. The CHA is where we collect all the data on our community.

The Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) is what MCHD creates from the data we collected during our CHA survey.

They take the most important or concerning issues identified from the survey in our community and formulate approaches to help make those concerns better. The same community partners who helped collect the data will help formulate objec-

tives with timelines and goals. The CHIP is a living document that will be reviewed regularly to determine if goals are being met.

"We're wanting a snapshot of risk factors, health concerns, that are going to help the individual person and work programs within Madison County... and we're collecting the data from Madison County ... it's not from other counties — not from other states, just within our own county."

Check Madison County Health Department's website at <https://madisoncohnd.com/> and Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/MadisonCountyHD/>) for more information on the survey.



Community CALENDAR

- Berea Parks and Recreation will host a free sunscreen painting and water gun event on Thursday, June 12 from 10 a.m.-Noon. Water guns are provided but you can bring one of your own if you prefer.
- Berea Parks and Recreation will be holding Fire Truck Friday on June 13 from 1-3 p.m.
- The Madison County Health Department will be checking child car seats to make sure they are installed safely and correctly on Friday, June 13 from 1-3 p.m. at the Richmond location.
- On Saturday, June 14, the Red Oaks Art Club will be having a meeting. All ages and skill levels are welcome, art materials are provided, and the class is free. Bring snacks, water, and a blanket. To register for the event see: <https://omella.com/6iju9>
- A free Appalachian community meal will be from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, June 14, hosted by the Berea Farmers Market. There will be live Appalachian music at 10 a.m. and you are invited to bring your instruments or sing along to join in the fun.
- There will be a night hike at the pinnacles organized by Berea College Forestry Outreach Center on Saturday, June 14 at 8:45 p.m. It will be a slow-pace, 1-mile loop with minimal elevation change. Participants are urged to bring a flashlight and meet at the FOC building.
- The second annual Berea Juneteenth Celebration will take place on Sunday, June 15 at the Chestnut Street Pavillion starting at 4 p.m.
- Take your kids on a bug safari organized by the Berea College Forestry Outreach Center on Sunday, June 15 at 2 p.m. Meet at the FOC building. It will be a slow-paced walk to find as many insects as possible.
- Take a free swim at Paradise Cove on Sunday, June 15 from 4-6 p.m. Capacity limits still apply.
- On Friday, June 13 from 7-10 p.m. attend a free concert by the Kentucky Bourbon Trailers at Chenault Vineyards near the Welcome Center and Kirksville Saloon.
- There will be a free beach volleyball pickup game at the EKU beach volleyball facility on Monday, June 16 from 7-8 p.m.
- Join Richmond Parks and Recreation on June 17 for Tasty Tuesdays, a free live music and food truck event, at Irvine-McDowell Park in Richmond from 5 - 8 p.m. Music will begin at 6 p.m.
- Park & Play, a recreation program for kids hosted by Richmond Parks and Recreation, will take place on June 18 from 1 - 3 p.m. at Robinson Terrace. Spray & Play, where firefighters spray kids with water hoses, will take place on the same date and location from 2 - 3 p.m. Kona Ice will give out free shaved ice to the kids.

CUSTOMER NOTICE OF RATE ADJUSTMENT						Unauthorized Connection Charge – for three-phase AMI meter replacement	New	256.00	
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, in a May 30, 2025, Application, Kentucky Utilities Company (“KU”) is seeking approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission of an adjustment of its electric rates and charges to become effective on and after July 1, 2025.						Advanced Meter Opt-Out Charge (One-Time)	\$39.00	\$74.00	
						Advanced Meter Opt-Out Charge (Monthly)	\$15.00	\$24.00	
						Redundant Capacity - Secondary	\$1.33	\$2.26	
<u>KU CURRENT AND PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC RATES</u>						Redundant Capacity - Primary	\$0.90	\$1.65	
<u>Residential Service – Rate RS</u>						EVSE – Networked (Option A) Single Charger	\$132.09	\$191.81	
		<u>Current</u>		<u>Proposed</u>		EVSE – Networked (Option A) Dual Charger	\$193.62	\$330.34	
Basic Service Charge per Day:		\$ 0.53		\$0.64		EVSE – Networked (Option B) Single Charger	New	\$161.21	
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh:						EVSE – Networked (Option B) Dual Charger	New	\$254.60	
Infrastructure:		\$ 0.06880		\$0.08034		EVSE – Non-Networked Single Charger	\$80.14	\$85.01	
Variable:		\$ 0.03653		\$0.03863		EVSE-R – Networked (Option A) Single Charger	\$121.79	\$144.03	
Total:		\$ 0.10533		\$0.11897		EVSE-R – Networked (Option A) Dual Charger	\$173.02	\$234.79	
<u>Residential Time-of-Day Energy Service - Rate RTOD-Energy</u>						EVSE-R – Networked (Option B) Single Charger	New	\$113.44	
		<u>Current</u>		<u>Proposed</u>		EVSE-R – Networked (Option B) Dual Charger	New	\$159.05	
Basic Service Charge per Day:		\$ 0.53		\$0.64		EVSE-R – Non-Networked Single Charger	\$30.58	\$37.24	
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh:						EVC-L2 – Charge per kWh	New	\$0.25	
Off-Peak Hours (Infrastructure):		\$ 0.03560		\$0.04152		EVC-FAST – Charge per kWh	\$0.25	\$0.25	
Off-Peak Hours (Variable):		\$ 0.03653		\$0.03863		Solar Share Program Rider (One-Time)	\$799.00	\$799.00	
Off-Peak Hours (Total):		\$ 0.07213		\$0.08015		Solar Share Program Rider (Monthly)	\$5.55	\$5.55	
On-Peak Hours (Infrastructure):		\$ 0.18813		\$0.21942		Excess Facilities – w/ no CIAC	1.14%	1.27%	
On-Peak Hours (Variable):		\$ 0.03653		\$0.03863		Excess Facilities – w/ CIAC	0.46%	0.51%	
On-Peak Hours (Total):		\$ 0.22466		\$0.25805		TS – Temporary-to-Permanent	15%	15%	
<u>Residential Time-of-Day Demand Service - Rate RTOD-Demand</u>						TS – Seasonal	100%	100%	
		<u>Current</u>		<u>Proposed</u>		SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.43	\$33.02	
Basic Service Charge per Day:		\$ 0.53		\$0.64		SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$32.16	\$38.50	
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh (Infrastructure):		\$ 0.01600		\$0.01866		SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$29.05	\$31.52	
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh (Variable):		\$ 0.03653		\$0.03863		SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.71	\$36.75	
Plus an Energy Charge per kWh (Total):		\$ 0.05253		\$0.05729		SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.73	\$33.05	
Plus a Demand Charge per kW:						SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$32.56	\$38.59	
Base Hours		\$ 3.92		\$4.57		SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$29.33	\$31.55	
Peak Hours		\$ 10.13		\$11.81		SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$31.09	\$36.84	
KU is also proposing changes to the rates for other customer classes. These customer classes and their associated annual revenue changes are listed in the tables shown below. KU is also proposing to change the text of some of its rate schedules and other tariff provisions. KU’s proposed rates reflect a proposed annual increase in electric revenues of approximately 11.5%.						SQF/LQF Wind; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$29.27	\$32.07	
The estimated amount of the annual change and the average monthly bill to which the proposed electric rates will apply for each electric customer class are as follows:						SQF/LQF Wind; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$31.55	\$36.56	
						SQF/LQF Wind; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$27.94	\$30.62	
						SQF/LQF Wind; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.12	\$34.93	
Electric Rate Class		Average Usage	Annual \$	Annual %	Monthly Bill \$	Monthly Bill %	SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$29.39	\$31.99
Residential	1,085	99,997,335	13.55		18.15	13.55	SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$31.96	\$37.06
Residential Time-of-Day	1,245	23,833	13.05		18.53	13.05	SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Energy	\$28.05	\$30.54
General Service	1,657	25,335,181	9.21		24.41	9.22	SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Energy	\$30.51	\$35.38
General Time-of-Day	19,507	2,400	8.22		198.49	8.22	SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
All Electric School	25,620	1,449,553	10.91		314.15	10.91	SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$12.81	\$0
Power Service	30,651	17,655,788	9.15		349.93	9.15	SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
Time-of-Day Secondary	189,538	17,929,669	10.87		1,846.64	10.87	SQF/LQF Solar: Single-Axis Tracking; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$12.03	\$0
Time-of-Day Primary	1,242,574	33,834,832	11.15		10,609.74	11.15	SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
Retail Transmission	7,387,224	13.634,683	11.00		54,105.89	11.00	SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$15.42	\$0
Extremely High Load Factor	New Rate Schedule						SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
Fluctuating Load Service	44,229,667	2,528,016	6.90		210,667.98	6.90	SQF/LQF Solar: Fixed Tilt; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$14.49	\$0
Outdoor Lights	51	3,624,095	11.37		1.67	11.40	SQF/LQF Wind; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
Lighting Energy	2,473	42,734	11.14		21.99	11.14	SQF/LQF Wind; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$10.10	\$0
Traffic Energy	146	26,391	10.58		1.91	10.60	SQF/LQF Wind; Transmission; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
Outdoor Sports Lighting	4,627	(37)	(0.04)		(0.52)	(0.04)	SQF/LQF Wind; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$9.49	\$0
Rider – CSR	N/A	0	0.00		0.00	0.00	SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
KU is proposing to expand the number of customers limit of GTOD-E and GTOD-D customers to a maximum of 500 customers combined.							SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$8.93	\$18.94
KU is proposing to migrate all PS customers from a maximum load charge per kW to kVA. In addition, KU is proposing to transition all PS customers from a seasonal maximum load charge to a time-differ-entiated 3-tier maximum load charge, similar to the TODS, TODP, and RTS rate schedules. New PS service initiated on or after January 1, 2026 will be required to enter into a contract for an initial term of one year.							SQF/LQF Other Technologies; T ransmission; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0
KU is proposing a new rate schedule titled Extremely High Load Factor Service. This rate schedule will be for customers contracting for capacity greater than 100 MVA and an average monthly load factor above 85%.							SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$8.39	\$17.80
KU is proposing to split its wireline pole attachment charge into two charges, a two-user wireline pole attachment charge and a three-user wireline pole attachment charge.							A detailed notice of all proposed revisions and a complete copy of the proposed tariffs containing the proposed text changes, terms and conditions and rates may be obtained by submitting a written request by e-mail to myaccount@lge-ku.com or by mail to Kentucky Utilities Company, ATTN: Rates Department, 2701 Eastpoint Parkway, Louisville, Kentucky, 40223, or by visiting KU’s website at https://lge-ku.com/ku-2025-rate-case.		
KU is proposing to add an adjustment clause called Renewable Power Purchase Agreement. This adjustment clause will recover the cost of renewable generation power purchase agreements approved by the Commission.									
KU is proposing to add an optional program called Pre-Pay. This program will give residential customers with AMI meters the option of moving from traditional post-paid service to a deposit-free pre-paid service.									
KU is proposing to expand the Terms and Conditions rules for Deposits. This expansion looks to provide clarity to the business processes surrounding deposits and makes deposits mandatory for customers taking service under TODS, TODP, RTS, FLS and EHLF.							A person may examine KU's application at KU's office at One Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky, 40507, and at KU's website at https://lge-ku.com/ku-2025-rate-case. A person may also examine this application at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or may view and download the application through the Commission's Web site at http://psc.ky.gov.		
KU is proposing to modify the Terms and Conditions related to Billing by making paperless billing the default option for new customers and for those whom the Company has an email address.									
KU is proposing a new tariff in its Terms and Conditions for Rules for Transmission-Level Retail Electric Service Studies and Related Implementation Costs. This will apply to any proposed retail electric service requiring KU to submit a Transmission Service Request to its Independent Transmission Or-ganization.									
KU is proposing new terms and conditions for Net Metering Service Interconnection Guidelines.							Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, or by email to psc.info@ky.gov. All comments should reference Case No. 2025-00113.		
<u>Other Charges</u>									
KU is proposing the following revisions to other charges in the tariff:									
Other Charges		<u>Current Charge</u>		<u>Proposed Charge</u>		SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Distribution; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0	
Wireline Pole Attachment		\$7.25		Removed		SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Distribution; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$8.93	\$18.94	
Two-User Wireline Pole Attachment		New		\$10.13		SQF/LQF Other Technologies; T ransmission; 2-Year PPA; Capacity	\$0	\$0	
Three-User Wireline Pole Attachment		New		\$10.46		SQF/LQF Other Technologies; Transmission; 7-Year PPA; Capacity	\$8.39	\$17.80	
Linear Foot of Duct		\$0.81		\$1.22			A detailed notice of all proposed revisions and a complete copy of the proposed tariffs containing the proposed text changes, terms and conditions and rates may be obtained by submitting a written request by e-mail to myaccount@lge-ku.com or by mail to Kentucky Utilities Company, ATTN: Rates Department, 2701 Eastpoint Parkway, Louisville, Kentucky, 40223, or by visiting KU’s website at https://lge-ku.com/ku-2025-rate-case.		
Wireless Facility at Top of Company Pole		36.25		\$51.46					
Net Metering Service-2 Bill Credit		\$0.07534		\$0.03859					
Returned Payment Charge		\$3.50		\$3.00			A person may examine KU's application at KU's office at One Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky, 40507, and at KU's website at https://lge-ku.com/ku-2025-rate-case. A person may also examine this application at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or may view and download the application through the Commission's Web site at http://psc.ky.gov.		
Meter Test Charge		\$79.00		\$89.00					
Meter Pulse Charge		\$21.00		\$24.00					
Disconnect/Reconnect Service Charge w/o remote service switch		\$37.00		\$87.00			Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, or by email to psc.info@ky.gov. All comments should reference Case No. 2025-00113.		
Disconnect/Reconnect Service Charge w/ remote service switch		\$0		\$0.00					
Unauthorized Connection Charge – without meter replacement		\$45.00		\$57.00					
Unauthorized Connection Charge – for single-phase standard meter replacement		\$66.00		\$78.00			The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by KU, but the Public Service Commis-sion may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602 establishing the grounds for the request includ-ing the status and interest of the party. If the commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of initial publication or mailing of this notice, the Commission may take final action on the application.		
Unauthorized Connection Charge – for single-phase AMR meter replacement		\$87.00		\$99.00					
Unauthorized Connection Charge – for single-phase AMI meter replacement		\$149.00		\$151.00					
Unauthorized Connection Charge – for three-phase meter replacement		\$154.00		\$167.00					

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BillNum	Name	Description	Location	amountDue
16	A&R CONTRACTORS LLC	HARVEST PARK LOT 29	200 HARVEST PARK DR	20.93
75	ABSOLUTE TREE SERVICE LLC	TANGIBLE	214 WHITE STATION RD	49.82
143	AKERS CLAUDE EARL	Desc	201 HAITI RD E	14.96
168	ALEXANDER JAMES MICHAEL & ANGIE	DOGWOOD HEIGHTS LOT 5 BLK 2	146 REDBUD DR	246.17
245	ANSERMET VICKI ANN	Desc	210 BOONE ST	61.45
272	ARNETT EDSSEL G & LOIS	NEW TRACT 1	2035 BROOKLYN BLVD	14.96
340	BAKER BARBARA SUE	TRACT 1 (6.50 ACRES)	445 CHRISTMAS RIDGE RD	112.28
354	BAKER RONNIE & KATRENA	Desc	109 RAILROAD ST	84.72
358	BALLARD BOB -R H-	Desc	102 BROADWAY ST S	7.97
417	BARRINEAU MELINDA K	BURCHWOOD LOT 2 BLK B	249 MARY ST	83.38
507	BEREA MHC LLC	PINNACLE VIEW MHP 56 PADS (20.08 ACRES)	BIG HILL RD	1,106.30
508	BEREA MHC LLC	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 30 (1991 LUV 14' X	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 30	4.12
509	BEREA MHC LLC	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 36 (1973 CROSSLAND	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 36	7.35
525	BEREA SMOKE TOBACCO OUTLET	TANGIBLE	688 SCAFFOLD CANE RD	75.00
527	BEREA URGENT CARE LLC	TANGIBLE	400 RICHMOND RD N STE A	13.65
540	BERRY MARK SHANE & KELLY MAE	HUBERT JOHNSON LOT 1 & 1A (1.01 ACRES)	372 SHORT LINE PIKE	49.83
545	BERTRAND CHARLES W & ELIZABETH D	HOMESTEAD ESTS LOT 54 BLK 1	1041 BURNELL DR	214.29
547	BG CABINET SOURCE LLC	BLUEBIRD LOT 6 BLK A	111 POPLAR ST	81.73
660	BOOTH ALLIE E (LIBBY)	DIXIE HIGHWAY PARK LOT 200-A	701 N POWELL AV	47.49
703	BOWMAN ELIZABETH	Desc	103 RAILROAD ST	9.97
723	BRANDIS BAKERY & BISTRO LLC	TANGIBLE	154 MINI MALL DR/BEREA	11.52
748	BRINEY CHRISTOPHER LEELAN	FRANK TAYLOR LOT 12	111 LIBERTY AVE	97.67
766	BROCK WILLIAM D & APRIL LYNN	ROSELAWN LOT 10 SEC 3 BLK F	702 KENWAY ST	119.25
772	BROCKMAN EARL	CENTRAL PARK LOT 7 BLK 1	164 CENTRAL PARK AVE	216.27
791	BROWN COURTNEY	TRACT A (20.06 ACRES)	1311 BIG HILL RD	10.96
900	C&S LAWNCARE LLC	TANGIBLE	713 CANDLEWOOD DR #2	11.34
912	CALDWELL DOROTHY K	Desc	182 BROADWAY ST S	28.56
979	CARMACK LOIS & CATHY WORSHAM	BROOKGREEN ESTS LOT 7A	259 SHORT LINE PIKE	119.25
997	CARPENTER CARL & KATHERINE	MEADOW GREEN TRACT 1-B	No	19.93
1088	CATES JACKIE S & SUSAN R	Desc	107 PHILLIPS ST	60.45
1191	CHESEBRO KAYLA	WILES MHP LOT 13 (1995 CHANDELEUR 16' X	101 SILVER CREEK DR TRLR 13	8.40
1255	COFFEY JASON O & LORIELLE E	INTERSTATE BUSINESS CENTER LOT 23	130 COMMERCE DR	170.43
1278	COLE LOU ELLA	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 32 (1987 CLAYTON 1	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 32	8.97
1285	COLEMAN KAREN	NEW TRACT 1	101 PEARL ST	201.33
1291	COLLEGE SQUARE PHARMACY INC	TANGIBLE	191 GLADES RD/BEREA	75.94
1320	COMBS BOBBY EARL	INDIAN HILLS LOT 1 & 2	11 OLD WALLACETON RD	114.62
1404	COMPANY 105 INC	TRACT 2 & 3 (5.6826 ACRES)	CHURCHILL DR	86.65
1405	COMPANY 105 INC	TRACT 8 (1.25 ACRES)	116 LORRAINE CT	204.32
1444	CORREA DIEGO & HELIA	REMAINDER TRACT A (6.99 ACRES)	OLD US 25 N	199.33
1462	COX RYAN	BAKERS MHP LOT 7 (1994 CLAYTON 16' X 70'	136 NEELEY ST TRLR 7	13.96
1470	COYLE RONNIE	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 70 (1986 WINNER 14' X 6	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 70	4.93
1507	CRISWELL JOYCE	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 6 (1996 UNKNOWN 14	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 6	9.13
1522	CROWE MICHAEL L	CREEKSIDE VILLAGE LOT 35	1140 JAMESTOWN DR	220.27
1622	DAVIS CHERISAN	GREEN MEADOWS LOT 6 BLK 1	201 CASTLE DR	240.70
1653	DAY JAIMIE	B & Z MHP LOT 2-A (1996 FLEETWOOD 14' X	1133 SCAFFOLD CANE RD	10.96
1666	DEAN JOHN ELDEN DR	BEREA BANK & TRUST LOT BEHIND	CHESTNUT ST	3.99
1708	DICKERSON JASON	ADAMS LOT 7	109 GEORGE ST	63.79
1748	DON M PARKER MUSIC	TANGIBLE	603 CHESTNUT ST/BEREA	21.82
1840	EAGLE POINT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC	JACKSON LOT 6, 7 & 8 BLK F	100 ROCKCASTLE ST	274.09
1842	EAST GEORGE L & PHYLLIS E	CASTLE HEIGHTS LOT 25 BLK 2	222 PEACHBLOOM HILL RD	216.93
1882	ELITE PERFORMACE PLUMBING INC	TANGIBLE	605 COLEMAN DR	64.97
1911	EPPERSON MIRANDA	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 16 (1983 VENTURE 14' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 16	5.41
1918	ESKEW CHARLOTTE	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 49 (1997 BEAUMONT 16' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 49	7.50
1957	FARRIS WILL -HRS-	FARRISTOWN 8 ACRES	FARRISTOWN	14.96
1990	FISH MASON	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 43 (1995 FLEETWOOD 16'	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 43	12.43
2011	FLOYD CRISSY	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 72 (2000 BLUEGRASS 16'	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 72	9.04
2341	GREEN PHILLIP	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 63 (1996 CLAYTON 14' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 63	8.07
2388	HADDIX JENNIFER	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 45 (1997 FLEETWOOD 14'	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 45	10.74
2409	HAINES CAMERON J & TERI G	HERNDON ESTATES LOT 3 (19.17 ACRES)	171 HERNDON LN	9.48
2421	HALL CHEYANN	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 33 (2015 CLAYTON 14' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 33	10.96
2444	HAMBLIN JASON	B & Z MHP LOT 4-A (1998 SUNSHINE 16' X 8	1127 SCAFFOLD CANE RD	13.55
2535	HATFIELD JUSTIN	BAKERS MHP LOT 4 (2019 TRUM 14' X 60')	136 NEELEY ST TRLR 4	32.89
2628	HERRON JOEL J ESTATE	LOTS 34, 36, 48 & 50	112 PHILLIPS ST	14.96
2673	HIMES DAVID	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 51 (1989 OAKWOOD 14' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 51	11.30
2676	HIMES WANDA FAYE	Desc	205 WASHINGTON AVE	14.96
2699	HOGG EDD D	LOT 10A (0.41 ACRES)	205 ELM ST	129.57
2712	HOGG MICHELLE LYNN	HURLEY PT LOT 12 BLK B	69 HURLEY ST	124.78
2746	HOLBROOK BRANDI	B & Z MHP LOT 12-B (1999 ESPRIT 16' X 80	1109 SCAFFOLD CANE RD	19.40
2834	HUDSON VICTOR L & AMY J	HOMESTEAD ESTS LOT 141 BLK 1	1029 BURNELL DR	193.36
2840	HUGHES DEREK	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 13 (2023 DELIGHT 1	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 13	30.59
2854	HURST VIRGIL	DIXIE GLADE ACRES LOT 6 BLK 1	100 CUMBERLAND ST S	196.00
2879	INGRAM BURT & WANDA	Desc	796 BRATCHER LN	31.55
2888	IRWIN HARRY C & VICTORIA D TRUST	Desc	437 CHESTNUT ST	217.27
2897	ISAACS DEBORAH	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 24 (2013 CLAYTON 16' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 24	14.13
2904	ISAACS JAMES E & LOUISE	Desc	113 BOONE ST	14.96
2922	IVEY GLEN A & DOROTHY B	LOT 3	109 ELM ST	92.35
2933	JACKSON ALLEN D	Desc	315 BOONE ST	123.59
2956	JAMES SHERRY LYN	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 68 (2008 CLAYTON 16' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 68	21.93
3030	JOHNSON MARION ROBERT	ANGEL LOT 12 & 13 BLK A	832 JEFFERSON ST W	136.54
3074	JONES PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC	LOT 2A & 3 BLK B	55 SILVER CREEK	274.09
3146	KENTUCKY PROPERTY VENTURES LLC	HOLLY HILLS LOT 3 BLK A	111 HOLLY ST	89.70
3220	KIRBY ELSIE	CREEKSIDE VILLAGE LOT 145	605 WALNUT CREEK DR	164.46
3346	LASHBROOK RONNIE	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 8 (2001 UNKNOWN 14	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 8	8.24
3357	LAWSON JAMES & DEBBIE	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 19 (1996 CHANDLER	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 19	11.71
3371	LEDFORD JANET	B & Z MHP LOT 7-A (1992 LUV 14' X 70')	1121 SCAFFOLD CANE RD	6.63
3395	LESTER PROPERTIES LLC	APARTMENTS	208 JEFFERSON ST W	689.20

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3408 LEWIS JOSEPH & MICHELLE	DEWEY ROSE TRACT 1	220 MARY ST	109.63
3411 LEWIS MATTHEW S	WALTER LAKES LOT 3 & 4 BLK B	203 HERNDON ST	70.28
3423 LINCOLN NELSON B & JESSIE H	LOT 39	317 PROSPECT ST	132.56
3424 LINDAHL CARL ROBERT	LOT 7	215 BOONE ST	125.58
3425 LINDSAY ALBERT & TERESA	FRANK TAYLOR LOT 17 NORTH	125 LIBERTY AV	14.96
3470 LOGAN & TROY LLC	1.795 ACRES	1030 COOPER DR	498.34
3471 LOGAN & TROY LLC	LOGAN COURT LOT 15	100 LOGAN CT	139.53
3484 LOPEZ ALEXIS	ANGEL LOT PT 12 & 13 BLK A	830 JEFFERSON ST W	80.49
3513 LUNSFORD BILLY R & TAMMY C	Desc	SYCAMORE ST	14.96
3640 MARTIN WILLIAM DARNELL	0.50 ACRES	1635 MENELAUS RD	9.97
3714 MCCLURE ANNA NICOLE	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 14 (1996 MID AMERICAN 1	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 14	5.83
3732 MCDONALD MICHAEL & DENA	Desc	159 REED HL	46.84
3778 MCINTOSH ERIC S & TINA L	LUNSFORD SUBDIVISION LOT 12	111 PENNINGTON ST	104.66
3779 MCINTOSH TINA	TRACT 1 & 2	101 RAILROAD ST	89.70
3865 MILLER LARRY CHAD & MARY MICHELLE	24.31 ACRES	SHORT LINE PIKE	12.96
3892 MINIT MART LLC	TANGIBLE	100 PRINCE ROYAL DR	466.14
3923 MONTJOY JANET	BAKERS MHP LOT 10 (2022 CLAYTON 14' X 60	136 NEELEY ST TRLR 10	28.90
4042 NEACE DONNA	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 20 (1995 BELMONT P	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 20	14.96
4051 NEELEY CARL	JACKSON LOT 7 BLK G	MADISON ST	4.99
4052 NEELEY CARL BRITTON & MARY ELIZA	JACKSON LOT 5 & 6 BLK G	204 MADISON ST	117.61
4054 NEELEY MARSHA	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 16 (2004 CLAIRMONT	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 16	12.17
4166 ORTH DYLO	2001 CLAY LEGACY	228 SHORT LINE PIKE	14.96
4375 POWELL GENEVA O	PENNINGTON LOT 3	109 ORCHARD ST	14.96
4408 PR WILLIAMS INVESTMENTS LLC	LOGAN COURT LOT 3	40 BALDWIN ST	124.59
4432 PRWILLIAMS INVESTMENTS LLC	HARVEST PARK LOT 4	113 HARVEST BEND TRL	20.93
4433 PRWILLIAMS INVESTMENTS LLC	HARVEST PARK LOT 5	117 HARVEST BEND TRL	20.93
4434 PRWILLIAMS INVESTMENTS LLC	HARVEST PARK LOT 6	121 HARVEST BEND TRL	20.93
4439 PUCKETT SHEILA	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 37 (1996 CLAYTON 1	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 37	6.62
4440 PUCKETT SHEILA	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 38 (1996 CLAYTON 1	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 38	10.50
4463 RAINEY MICHELLE L H	MOUNTAIN VIEW LOT 11	400 PINNACLE ST	159.47
4561 RENFRO LOLA	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 54 (1986 VENTURA 14' X7	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 54	7.99
4612 RICHMOND DONALD	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 21 (2000 CLAYTON 14' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 21	10.50
4616 RICHMOND IRENE & DANIEL	SOUTH BERE	112 ELM ST	95.68
4617 RICHMOND KENNETH	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 22 (2001 REDMAN 16' X 8	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 22	14.46
4656 RITCHIE MICHAEL	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 4 (1995 DUTCH 14'	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 4	20.93
4663 ROBAR CURTIS & RONDA	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 40 (2015 CLAYTON 1	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 40	31.84
4679 ROBINSON ALBERT SCOTT	1973 SHULT WELLINGTON 14X70 (1.00 ACRES)	338 SHORT LINE PIKE	3.64
4683 ROBINSON CHARLES G & NATASHA R	THE OAKS LOT 107 UNIT 2	310 BOCOTE DR	287.04
4701 ROCKWELL DAVID MARSHALL	DEWEY ROSE LOT C-3A & C-4A & PT C-2A	112 MARY ST	125.58
4712 ROGERS LILA	B & Z MHP LOT 11-B (1989 CUMBERLAND 14'	1107 SCAFFOLD CANE RD	10.56
4722 ROMANS MITCHELL G & BOBBY J	OAK PARK LOTS 56-59	109 DELLWOOD DR	78.39
4723 ROMERO ROSENDO	BEAUMONT LOT 110	1002 WHIPPORWILL DR	318.93
4749 ROSER FAYE B	BURCHWOOD LOT 41 BLK E	124 CASSIUS CT	98.32
4770 RUBLE CHARLES D & JEAN	OFF BRATCHER LN	47 COPE LN	101.66
4771 RUBLE DAVID JASON	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 73 (1999 GILES 14' X 60	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 73	10.56
4772 RURAL HEALTH PLLC	TANGIBLE	245 PRINCE ROYAL/BEREA	17.32
4794 SAMM LLC	TANGIBLE	1300 WALNUT MEADOW RD	106.08
4891 SEALS WILLIAM OSCAR	0.22 ACRES	2401 MENELAUS RD	66.77
5033 SIZEMORE GRACIE E	ROSELAWN LOT 51 SEC 3 BLK F	205 OTIS CT	105.64
5036 SJMS INVESTMENTS LLC	CALICO PLACE LOT 1B PH I	1300 WALNUT MEADOW RD	448.50
5080 SMITH CASSIE	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 41 (1999 FLEETWOOD 16'	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 41	8.03
5095 SMITH KIMBERLY	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 66 (2011 CLAYTON 16' X	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 66	22.69
5119 SNAPP HOMES & RENTAL LLC	NORWOOD ACRES LOT 28 BLK A	627 RICHMOND RD N	184.39
5120 SNIDER MICHAEL L & DEBRA A	LOTS 23 & 24 BLK A	121 CENTRAL AVE	42.36
5140 SOWERS RYAN	TRACT B (1.28 ACRES)	1331 SCAFFOLD CANE ROAD	115.61
5142 SPANGLER BRITTANY	PHILLIPS MHP LOT 61 (1998 GILES 16' X 80	201 BAUGH ST TRLR 61	14.54
5147 SPARKLES LLC	LOT 3A	516 GLADES RD	157.47
5190 STAMPER ZACHARY	LOT 9 & 10	203 ELM ST	112.63
5286 STREAM GO MEDIA LLC	PARKING LOT	213 WASHINGTON AVE	99.67
5287 STREAM GO MEDIA LLC	50 x 184	204 BROADWAY ST N	333.89
5301 SULFRIDGE JOYCE H	19.68 ACRES	667 & 668 RICHMOND RD N	190.02
5337 TATE RODERICK L & JANET	Desc	105 CHESTNUT CT	63.44
5479 TODD HENRY E & WANDA	TAYLOR ADD LOTS 4-6 & PT OF 47	106 LIBERTY AVE	113.28
5543 TROYER JEFFREY WARREN	HOMESTEAD ESTS LOT 32 BLK 3	160 DALE AVE	274.09
5601 VANDERPOOL RICHARD M	Desc	991 SCAFFOLD CANE RD	96.67
5607 VANWINKLE CHRISTY	B & Z MHP LOT 8-B (1998 OAKWOOD 14' X 66	1101 SCAFFOLD CANE RD	6.63
5669 WALKER ROBERT MATTHEW & JOHN LLOYD	NORWOOD ACRES LOT 31 & 32 BLK A	102 HIGHLAND DR	169.43
5688 WALTERS CHRISTOPHER C & SHEVON R	FINCASTLE LOT 6 PH 1	127 PATRIOT TRL	310.96
5734 WEBB JAY L	DIXIE HIGHWAY PARK LOT 22A	510 HIGHWAY 1016	27.90
5735 WEBB JAY LEE	DIXIE HIGHWAY PARK LOT 83, 84, PT 82, &	205 GLADES ST	137.54
5812 WHITTEMORE DAVID L & CAROLYN	ROSELAWN LOT 47 SEC 3 BLK F	102 ELIZABETH ST	57.46
5864 WILLIAMS PHILIP R & STACY	LOGAN COURT LOT 5	2 BALDWIN ST	130.56
5891 WILMONT DANIEL	PINNACLE VIEW MHP LOT 31 (1999 BUCANEER	103 BOWMAN RD TRLR 31	10.97
5945 WITT GREGG H	CHESTNUT & BROADWAY	439 CHESTNUT & 205 BROADWAY ST S	136.05
5965 WOOTEN BRITTANY	P CORNELIUS ADDITION LOT 14	102 CRESCENT DR	134.56
5975 WRIGHT BABS LYN	E F DIZNEY %23 & 24	147 LORRAINE CT	122.25

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

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June 3

• Caryn Allen and Kenneth Allen to Elizabeth Thopson lot 52 Stoney View Subdivision Phase 1, \$314,900
 • D&D Property Solutions, LLC to Darren Joseph Patrick, lot 3 Block B Hansen Street, Berea, \$240,000
 • Mike Wayne Brock and Nicole Ann Brock to Dale J. Brown, lot 266 Phase 7B Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$340,000
 • Laura E. Temple to Anne M. French and Joseph French, lot 97 Phase 3 Rose Trace, \$325,000
 • Shaun Ballard and Brandi Ballard to Elli Kruger Cunningham and Riley A. Cunningham, tract Madison County, \$700,000
 • Tim Pigg and Rena Pigg to Chen Chen and Yang Shao, lot

50 Phase 2 Section 2 Ashbrook Subdivision \$320,000
 • William E. Hunter to David E. Bonnet and Elizabeth A. Bonnet, parcel A plat 32/51, \$8,200
 • Paul D. Sword and Patricia J. Sword to Houghton Homes, LLC< lots 42, 43, 44, 46 and 89 Ashwood Country Estates, \$244,800
 • Michael G. Howard and Helen Pete Howard to Donald L. Weitz and Latricia L. Weitz, lot 21 Block 7 Dillingham Addition, \$90,000
 • Micah Smith and Haley Smith to Teresa Webb and Roy Webb, lot 7 Ronnie Anderson Development, \$290,000

June 4

• Christopher Murner (a/k/a Christopher A. Murner) to Alyssa

Rae Turner and Wesley Reed Turner, lot 34 Double D Meadows Subdivision, \$259,900
 • Ball Homes, LLC to David Willoughby and Lisa Willoughby, lot 53 Phase II Arbor Woods, \$331,272
 • Karl B. Hannah to Rena Pigg and Tim Pigg, 212 Bonnie Drive, \$325,000
 • Doug Pressley, Esther Jones (f/k/a Esther Jones), Kyle Houghton, Allison Houghton and Allison Houghton to Soloman Stuart Smith and Megan Kelly Hall, tract plat 26/514, \$425,000
 • Jennifer Hall (f/k/a Jennifer M. Bellow) and Zachary Hall to Madison Lee Adams, 2735 Robbinsville Loop, \$210,000
 • A&R Contractors, LLC to Maria Emroll La Mar and Patrick Lee La Mar, 725 Yellowstone Trail, \$349,900
 • Billie Jean Kelley, Trustee of the Strong Family Irrevocable Trust, dated September 21, 2018, to Pey-

ton Homes, LLC, lot 15 Bluegrass Acres Subdivision, \$27,000
 • LaDonna Adkins Hale and Bryan Hale to Hannah Lawrence and Kody Lawrence, lots 3 and 4 Hillcrest Subdivision, \$230,000
 • James Robert Caniff and Jessica V. Caniff to Halit Miftari, lot 168 Phase VI Heritage Place, \$300,000
 • Christopher M. Sieradzki, Taylor Sieradzki (f/k/a Taylor Schwarz) to Gerald Wayne Ensor and Nancy Palmer Ensor, 2017 Hidden Falls Trail, \$545,000
 • Jacob N. Jennings and Emily F. Jennings to David Chase Turner, 137 Commerce Drive \$245,000
 • A&R Contractors, LLC to Short Carpentry and Construction, Inc., lots 80 and 114 Parkview @ Hangar Farms Subdivision, \$120,000
 • DS & JV Properties, LLC to Kenneth Allen and Caryn Allen, lot 225 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase 1, \$58,000

COSTS

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“We’re not going to get a lot of bids because we have a pretty sick population. And, we have a large population to serve,” Taylor said.

Deputy Judge/Executive Jill Williams also noted that when people are incarcerated in the Madison County Detention Center, the county automatically bears the cost of medical care no matter what kind of coverage an inmate has.

“To help the public understand, when someone is incarcerated, any medical coverage that they have can not be utilized. So, if they are on Medicare or Medicaid, or private insurance, once you become incarcerated, that is void. So that is why we have to cover those medication costs,” Williams said.

Magistrates expressed frustration about the increasing costs related to the jail, though they questioned what the county can do to control the growing problem.

Referencing the inmate requiring the \$12,000 medication, Magistrate Brian Combs said that kind of cost takes money away from other necessities.

“If you do that over a yearly period, that’s more money than the First District will get for blacktop (asphalt). People don’t understand that,” said Combs. “They don’t understand that their property tax is paying for a jail. It’s not sustainable. There’s no way to sustain the cost. We’re running a hospital more than a jail.”

Taylor has previously advocated for the county to invest in drug treatment and diversion programs to keep the jail population down and thus control costs. But when the time comes to find ways to pay for it, citizens don’t want to bear the cost.

“At the end of the day, nobody wants to pay any more money to pay for the things that, in my opinion, have a return on investment,” Taylor said.

Magistrate Stephen Lochmueller said that somehow the Fiscal Court needs to take a leadership role in reforming the problem, whether it is lobbying

legislators in Frankfort or even reaching out to local schools to help influence youths before they get into trouble.

In the meantime, Taylor said he would continue to negotiate with 3C in order to find ways to save money, but he cautioned that under the current budget, the Fiscal Court could only afford the amended contract for 10 months if the court ultimately approves the new agreement. The court would then have to come back and approve a budget amendment.

In other action:

- Judge/Executive Taylor presented a proclamation designating June 8 – 14 as National Flag Week, encouraging county residents to display and honor the American flag. Following the presentation, Lochmueller said he is hurt to see American flags being burned in Los Angeles as part of a protest of the nation’s border security policies.
- The court adopted an ordinance amending the county’s administrative code.
- Also adopted was a resolution accepting a bid for road maintenance materials. Winning bids were as follows: Asphalt - The Allen Company; Bulk engine oils - Apollo Oil; Concrete - Concrete Materials Company LLC; Culverts - Interstate Construction Products, Inc.; Road salt – Morton Salt Inc.; Fuel – Kentucky Fuel Supply, LLC; and Rock – The Allen Company.
- Magistrates unanimously adopted a resolution for an annual standing order to pre-approve reoccurring expenses for the next fiscal year;
- Also unanimously adopted was a resolution hiring MWM, LLC, for economic development consulting.
- By a 5-0 vote, Ronald Jackson was appointed to the Madison County EMS Board, replacing Rob Brock;
- The court adopted a resolution for Madison County Information Technology service agreement for the coming fiscal year.
- Deputy Clerk Brandi Kelly was the focus of the Employee Spotlight segment, recognized for her outstanding service to the county and its citizens.

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parents work to survive. And I can’t say that wasn’t in my soul, but something else made me want more.”

Washington always regretted not having the college experience her friends had when they were younger. But after she got her associate’s degree in biblical studies at Liberty University, she knew that she didn’t want to leave obtaining a bachelor’s degree as a regret.

“When I got a little taste of that experience, I wanted more. So I didn’t want to stop,” Washington said. “I wanted more and more and more.”

She credits the Donovan Scholarship as the reason she enrolled at EKU and plans to pursue her master’s degree in the future.

“I plan to keep going if it’s there and it’s available and I get the knowledge and I get the wisdom and I continue the experience,” Washington said. “So why stop? Sky’s the limit, why stop?”

She said that she never considered herself different than the other younger students in class because they were all held to the same expectations and requirements. However, certain assignments, such as creating a vlog, were difficult because she says she wasn’t “technologically savvy.”

But the most challenging assignment was her senior paper.

“I empathize with students who are in their final few weeks and doing their finals and the stress that they’re under completing those finals – I’ve experienced that as well,” Washington said. “You reach a



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point where your brain says I’m done and you still have this big paper, this research paper, to write.”

She woke up at 4:30 or 5 a.m. each morning to do her homework, worked a part-time job until 12:30 p.m., did her chores, took care of her family, and balanced her small business duties. Washington says it doesn’t matter whether you are full-time student or retired, time management is important – and the desire to learn. That included learning more about herself.

Washington said that one of the most memorable moments of her college experience was a course she took with Professor Jennifer Fairchild.

“One of her assignments helped me bring out a part of me that had been buried deep and within that I was able to talk about after 50 years,” Washington said.

But beyond her love of learning, part of the reason she went back to college to get a degree was to inspire her children, grandchildren and others.

Washington said her friend from New Jersey, who is about to retire after 41 years with the United States Postal Service, was inspired by her story and wants to attend college. Washington’s brother, who is 65, was also inspired to go back to college.

“If I inspire other people and other seniors to gain some more knowledge, to go back to college, to reach those goals, to set those standards, to reach for the stars, then yes, I’m happy,” Washington said. “And I won’t stop.”

COACH

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top teams in the state, were successful.

Now that he’s at Madison Southern, he wants the Lady Eagles to fill those spots wants to challenge and push every single player to play hard, play smart and play together.

Byars’ daughter Anovia said that he will not coddle players, and if they put in the work, Byars will help them reach their goals. Several players coached by Byars are playing or have played at the Division I level.

“He’s difficult, he’s hard, he’s gonna challenge you” Anovia Byars said. “If you don’t like a challenge, I’m telling you right now this is not the place for you.”

As someone who has been coached by her father, she said that players should trust the process and the product – and not to mistake his coaching as screaming.

“One more thing, his tone is insane, so you might think he’s yelling at you, but I promise you he’s not,” she added. “Like why are you yelling, he’s just like I’m not yelling I’m raising my voice.”

Byars also wants a team, not just individual players that are good. He wants upper classmen to set an example for the younger players, and he does not want negativity.

“But we’re going to have fun,” Byars said. “I want them to remember the times they had bus rides, the locker room, the games – it’s the experience that not everybody gets.”

Returning Players Laci Sandlin and Hadley French said the practice sessions have been fun and the team needed a coach like Byars to push them.

“I watched him coach our girls in a game (last Tuesday) for the first time and I love the excitement that he brought to it,” Sherry Duerson said. “I love the things that he was saying to them because it was the right stuff. And it was just fun to watch so I walked out of there being very encouraged for this season.”

GROW

Motor Wheel is continuing its expansion on Glades Road, including creating additional space for robotic painting; KI-USA is pursuing interior/exterior upgrades of its facilities; Vitro glass on Menelaus Road is pursuing an interior renovation project and the completion of a rail spur; Hitachi’s two Berea facilities will soon be operating under one name: Astemo Americas. Angel noted that Astemo stands for Advanced Sustainable Technologies for Mobility;

Commercial businesses are investing in Berea as well, Angel stated. Those include: Mariachi’s Mexican Restaurant is undergoing a major interior/exterior upgrade project; Holiday Inn Express is nearing completion of a three-story renovation project; The Historic Boone Tavern Inn continues toward completing a new dining room; AutoZone on Richmond Road is working to open within the coming months.

Angel noted the fact that business leaders are choosing to bet on Berea is a very positive sign.

“Every time you see a new building constructed in our city, that is somebody flipping dirt and concrete to show us they believe in our city and they are investing their dollars in our community,” she said.

Angel added the city has sponsored three business development workshops so far this year, which has resulted in three local residents expressing their intent to open independent enterprises.

Other positive developments Angel noted include the fact that Kentucky was recently ranked the fifth most affordable state for retirement, according to a national publication. Kentucky came in behind West Virginia, Arkansas, South Dakota and North Dakota, respectively. Hawai’i was the most expansive U.S. state for retirement, she added.

Angel referenced some recent statistics about Berea gleaned from World Population Review Data, including some moderate growth rates.

“Berea is currently growing at a rate of .81 percent annually. Population has increased by 4.2 percent since the most recent census in 2020, which had us at a population of 15,605. Berea’s

current population is 16,260,” Angel said.

The report further stated that 48 percent of city residents are male, and 52 percent are female. The median age is 34.1 years old. Angel also touched upon local income figures.

“The average household income in Berea is now currently at \$70,261. The median income of married couples is at an average of \$79,049,” Angel added.

Referring to data provided by the Berea Police Department, Angel noted crime rates in town are staying relatively low, while the cost of living in Berea remains about 16 percent lower than the national average, according to the numbers she cited. That includes food, housing and transportation costs.

Berea’s labor force, meanwhile, stands at 49,383, Angel said.

Following her remarks, Berea City Councilmember Cora Jane Wilson asked Angel whether the city is on the verge of announcing new businesses coming to town. Angel responded that is the case, but that she is not at liberty to reveal precisely what businesses are coming until the proprietors are prepared to do so.

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Council adopts budget

4 percent raise included in plan

By Andy McDonald
For The Citizen

In a 7-1 vote, the Berea City Council adopted the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget at Tuesday's business session.

The spending plan includes a four-percent across-the-board increase in employee salaries, which seemed to be the sole point of disagreement among city council members. Councilman Jerry Little, who cast the lone dissenting vote against the budget, said he preferred giving each employee a set amount to offset inflation instead of raising all salaries according to percentage.

"I'm going to vote no, and the reason I'm voting no is the cost-of-living raise," Little said. "A cost of living raise or a COLA should be the same amount of money for everybody. I just feel like the cost of living — the bread, the milk, the gas, cost the same for everybody, and it should be a straight amount of money across the board."

Like Little, Councilmember Teresa Scenters emphasized she thinks the city should pay employees as much as is feasible, as long as it is in line with what other municipalities are doing.

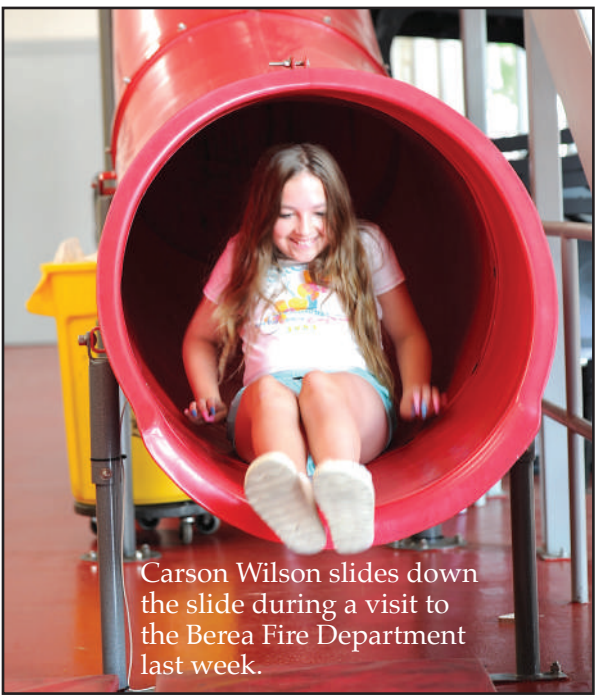
"Although I'm going to vote in the affirmative, I am concerned that we continue to raise [salaries]," Scenters said. "I want the employees to make all they can make, but, when we're raising above the local averages, it is concerning to me."

When the vote was cast, Ronnie Terrill, Cora Jane Wilson, Steve Caudill, Teresa Scenters, Katie Startzman, John Payne

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Jillian Breeden sprays a water hose as a member of the Berea Fire Department looks on last week.

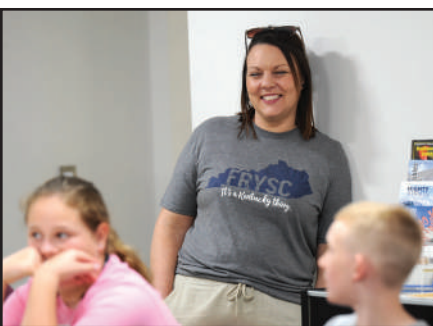


Carson Wilson slides down the slide during a visit to the Berea Fire Department last week.

The Family Resource Centers at Kingston, Silver Creek Shannon Johnson, Berea Community, Foley and Farristown have collaborated and invited students that are attending 4-6th-grade to participate in "Summer Boost 2025." The group meets each Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m.-noon at Berea Baptist Church. The goal of the program is to reduce the summer reading slide by giving students the opportunity to receive a library card and check out books at the Madison County Public Library. Several community speakers have spoke to the group and the students have taken short walks around town for enrichment opportunities. The students enjoyed a visit to the Berea Fire Department on Thursday. Berea Kids Eat feeds the participants breakfast and lunch. The program will continue through the end of June.

Keith Taylor/The Citizen

Summer boost



In top photo, Bentley Hutchins asks a question, while FRYSC director Angie Daniels smiles during a presentation by Shelby Bryant of the Berea Fire Department.

Tourism saves costs, buys van

By Andy McDonald
For The Citizen

The Berea Tourism Commission scaled back on its initial plans to buy a trolley for local tourism, instead accepting a bid to buy a shuttle/van for roughly a third of the cost.

At last Wednesday's meeting of the commission, Tourism Director Nancy Conley revealed the city received three bids from the following dealerships: Paul Miller Ford of Lexington, Alton Blakely of Somerset, and Don Franklin of London.

Don Franklin won the bid for \$59,997, providing a 15-passenger 2024 Ford Transit passenger wagon. Conley said tourism is now in discussions with a Somerset company to wrap the van with the Berea Tourism livery.

The purchase stems from a decision back in April when the commission opted to hold off on a trolley purchase. The city had allocated \$200,000 for a trolley in its 2024-2025 budget, and had received one bid for \$180,000. At the April meeting, however, commissioner Donna Brewer and then-chair Bill West suggested it would be prudent to make the smaller purchase first, then upgrade to a trolley later if needed.

Officials said the shuttle/van can be used to transport visitors around town, especially during seminars and small conventions.

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'Back in Madison:' Singer, songwriter Bobby James back to his roots



Bobby James

By Jemi Chew
Citizen Intern

Berea singer and songwriter Bobby James does it all. Because he has no manager, James finds venues, schedules shows, and handles various administrative tasks by himself, such as booking

flights and accommodations. On top of that, he carves out time to write and record his own songs. But to James, his career as a musician is not just about music, performances or the limelight – it's about building relationships. "When I get done with a

set, I'm usually talking to people, I'm not taking a break," James said. James was raised in Berea by parents Bobby and Brenda Fugate. He grew up playing music at Pilot Knob Baptist Church and in high school with his friends. One day, a friend in Nash-

ville dropped off a book at his house about publishing and songwriting. Small trips to Nashville eventually led to a move to Nashville, which led to a full-time career as a musician. And though it might

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BEREA POLICE REPORTS

Arrests

- On May 10 at approximately 9:06 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of Prince Royal Drive. Officers arrested and charged Mark McDaniels with No Other State Registration, Failure of Owner to Maintain Insurance, and Operating on Suspended License.
- On May 17 at approximately 11:14 p.m., officers responded to Brooklyn Boulevard in reference to a violation.

Officers arrested and charged Larry Gross with Stalking 2nd, Harassment, Criminal Trespassing 3rd, and Operating on Suspended License.

- On May 27 at approximately 5:52 p.m., officers responded to the area of Cherry Road in reference to a male intoxicated within the roadway. Officers arrested and charged Everett Durham with Alcohol Intoxication and Terroristic Threatening.

DUI arrests

- On May 14 at approximately 2:29 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of I-75 Northbound. Officers arrested and charged Chad Lax with Operating Motor Vehicle Under Influence, Possession of Marijuana, Fleeing or Evading Police(Vehicle), Operating on Suspended License, Resisting Arrest, Wanton Endangerment 1st, Reckless Driving, and Obstructing a Highway.
- On May 25 at approximately 3:26 p.m., officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of I-75 Southbound. Officers arrested and charged Jacob Mayes with Operating Motor Vehicle Under the Influence, Possession of Open Alcohol Container, Reckless Driving, and C.D.L. Under the Influence.

OBITUARY

Randy C. Holt

With love and remembrance, the family of Randy C. Holt celebrates the life of a man whose presence was a true blessing to those around him. Born on March 8, 1968, in Lexington, Randy’s journey through life was one marked by an unwavering dedication to family, an admirable work ethic, and a passion for the natural world. His earthly journey came to a peaceful conclusion on June 10, 2025, in the very town where he first began, surrounded by a comforting family.

Randy had a deep-seated appreciation for craftsmanship and the outdoors. He proceeded to build a successful career as a self-employed flooring specialist, where his exceptional skills and creativity won him the respect and admiration of all who worked with him. Randy’s professional conduct reflected his personal values; he was a man known for his honesty, reliability, and the loving care he invested in every project.

His Christian faith played a central role throughout his life, guiding his actions and providing solace during trying times. Randy’s love of fishing and the outdoors was second only to his devotion to family and friends. He could often be found fixing things for friends and family, a testament to his handy nature and his love for practical problem-solving.

Randy’s legacy lies in the warmth and joy he spread to others. He leaves behind several family members to remember his life, sisters Sandra (Sam) Taylor, and Judy Luttrell, brothers Billy and Doug Holt, and many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. Randy was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Juanita and Blondagn Holt, his sister Brenda Norman (Roger) Casarez who undoubtedly welcomed him with open arms.

Randy C. Holt’s gentle spirit and enduring love have left an indelible imprint on the lives of many. As we mourn his departure, we also celebrate the gift of having known such an extraordinary individual. Though he has moved on from this world, the memories and love he shared will remain forever woven into the fabric of our lives.

Visitation will be June 18, 2025, from 11-2 p.m. at Lakes Funeral Home. Funeral services at 2 p.m. with Brother Cecil Burns officiating. Entombment will follow at Berea Cemetery.



Drug arrests

- On May 8 at approximately 10:51a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of Berea Bypass. Officers arrested and charged Gwendolyn Fowler with an Arrest Warrant, Trafficking Controlled Substance(Fentanyl), Drug Paraphernalia, and Violation of Conditions of Release.
- On May 18 at approximately 5:10 p.m., officers responded to Walmart in reference to a shoplifter. Officers arrested and charged Connie Mullins with Shoplifting, and Possession of Controlled Substance 1st.
- On May 19 at approximately 11:20 p.m., officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of Berea Bypass. Officers arrested and charged Adam Holt with an Arrest Warrant, No Registration, Operating on Suspended License, License to be in Possession, Failure to Produce Insurance Card, and Possession Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine).

Farmers Market gives back to community

By Jemi Chew • Citizen Intern

Appalachian folk music, fresh produce, and strangers laughing and talking over a free meal – these were some of the sights and sounds at the Berea Farmers Market last Saturday.

At the heart of the Berea Farmers Market is community – whether it’s giving a local organization a much-needed platform through their community spotlight series, partnering with the Appalachian Community Meal Project (ACM) to provide a free meal, or being a gathering place for farmers and residents.

Many vendors have been mainstays for several years.

“It’s a testament to Berea in itself that the community supports the farmers (so) that they’re willing to stay on for that period of time because a lot of markets have high turnover, but we just don’t have that,” Berea Farmers Market board president Gina Hudson said.

Robin Reed of Appalachian Crafts Farm, said that he drives for an hour and 15 minutes to the Berea Farmers Market because of the traffic the market receives on a weekly basis.

“It’s wonderful. You got music, you got food, and everybody’s easy to talk to,” Reed said. “And of course, I think you can ask any farmer here any question that you want about gardening and they’ll know the answer.”

The same produce sold at the market was also used to serve a free community meal cooked by a diverse group of ACM volunteers.

Many people attended the event, sitting together with strangers and getting to know each other over burgers, salad, blueberry cobbler, and more.

“The core of our mission is to remind people how to live in community by getting them at a table, across from each other, sharing a common goal which is to eat,” Amanda Smith, founder and director of ACM, said. “And what we hope is that helps people build a sense of care, mutual care and justice for each other, so that the community is closer knit and more resilient.”

ACM’s goal is to provide “equitable and barrier-free access to resources and reorienting folks with the concept of sharing as a community,” according to their brochure.

Besides providing a monthly free community meal, they partner with the Free Community Market (where you can “shop” donated items for free), run a food sharing pantry and are getting a commu-



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nity garden up and running.

According to Smith, the idea behind a farm-to-fork meal is to create a reciprocal feedback loop where people get fed and nourished but at the same time are supporting their local farmers and economy.

“We’re excited to get to physically demonstrate what people can do with their diets and their health and even their budgets by really digging into farmers market vendor options,” Smith said.

The market has vouchers and programs to help people, especially those with limited incomes and children.

For example, the Kentucky Double Dollars program allows people with an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card – which is part of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) – to double their funds.

Anyone with an EBT card can double a maximum of \$20, meaning they receive 40 dollars for food. All they need to do is bring their card to the market manager.

“We love this program,” Hudson said. “Berea was one of the pilots of that program many, many years ago when they first started doing it.”

Another feature is their Community Spotlight series sponsored by Just Love Coffee Cafe. This allows non-profits to set up a booth free of charge for promotion, activities, fundraising, and more.

“We are here today trying to earn money to pay for our 2025 swim team season because with the pool being closed, we had some unexpected expenses,” Berea Dolphins board president Jenny Patten said. She was grateful for the opportunity to be a vendor.

These collaborations are an example of how organizations in Berea are helping each other to help the community despite all sorts of challenges and the amount of work it takes.

“When we live like a community like we lived forever ago, back at our roots, we end up sharing and we end up having abundance,” Smith said.

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Deborah Lynn Merritt



Deborah Lynn Merritt, a cherished mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully on June 11, 2025, in Macomb, Michigan. Born on Feb. 19, 1957, in Berea, Deborah’s life was a tapestry of love, commitment, and faith, woven through every relationship she nurtured and every endeavor she undertook.

A proud daughter to her late parents, James and Mary Jane Merritt, Deborah inherited a legacy of kindness and perseverance that she carried throughout her life. She was a beacon of light to her family, including her devoted son, Dallas Powell, and his spouse, Dana-Marie; her caring

Leamon Oliver, Jr.



Leamon Lorne Oliver, Jr., 74, of Poosey Ridge, a devoted husband, loving father and caring neighbor passed away suddenly on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington.

Leamon was born in Madison County, on Tuesday, Feb. 6, 1951, the son of the late Leamon Oliver, Sr. and Hallie Hall Oliver. He was a member of the Salem Christian Church and served in the U. S. Army during the Vietnam War. He had worked many years as a truck driver with Murphy’s Surf Air and was a retired employee of Link Belt. Leamon had a passion for farming and was proud to operate the family farm in Poosey. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and loved the outdoors. He was a shade tree mechanic, always working on a

Kathy Diane Thompson



Kathy Diane Thompson, 73, peacefully passed away at her home in Berea, surrounded by her loved ones on June 14, 2025.

She was born on Sept. 1, 1951, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Charles and Bonnie Wilson Carter, and was preceded in death by her parents.

Known affectionately by many family and friends as “Nannie,” Kathy deeply loved and cherished her family. She was a devoted wife to her husband and best friend, Robert, for the past 56 years. Her legacy lives on through her daughter, Christy; her grandchildren, Brandon (Miranda) and Brianna (Matthew); and her most treasured great-grandchildren, Jack

Anna Foister Barnett



Anna Foister Barnett, 76, widow of James S. Barnett passed away Saturday, June 14, 2025, at Saint Joseph Hospital in Berea. She was born in Manchester, in 1948, to the late Shelby Foister and the late Mary Turner Murphy.

Anna loved cooking, especially baking. She loved to shop and enjoyed computer games.

Anna is survived by her son James S. Barnett II. One sister Norma

brother, Jimmy Merritt; and her loving sister, Kathy Gay, and her husband, Steve. Deborah was an adored aunt to Tyler and Steven Gay and a beloved niece to her Aunt Cecilia Williams and her husband Eli. The delight of her later years was undoubtedly her role as a grandmother to her cherished grandchildren, Jason Hoover and Brandi Powell.

A woman of deep Christian faith, Deborah’s love for the Lord shone brightly in her daily life and actions. She found solace and strength in her faith, which she expressed passionately through studying her beloved Bible. Furthermore, her creative spirit found its outlet in crafting, a hobby that brought joy to both herself and those fortunate enough to receive a piece of her artwork.

Funeral services were June 17. Pastor Jesse McCoy officiated and burial followed at Berea Cemetery.

vehicle or tinkering with something. A favorite pastime of his was pulling a prank on a family member or friend.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Patricia Marilyn Frye Oliver, one son, Leamon Jason Oliver (Lisa); four daughters, Kimberly Delaney, Stacey Holland (C. J.), Stephanie Riley (Shannon), and Patricia Rachelle Snyder (Daniel Renfro); one sister, Sheila Ann Clement, 11 Grandchildren, Sabrina Riley, Chelsey Holland, James Delaney II (Sarah), Austin Tyler Overbee, Hannah Riley, Sandra Holland, Abby Snyder, Margaret Delaney, Landen Riley, Danielle Renfro and Waylon Renfro; a sister-in-law, Ramonda Oliver; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brother, Paul Oliver and four grandchildren.

Funeral Services were June 10 at Combs, Parsons & Collins Funeral Home, where Bro. John McCord officiated. Burial followed in the Pilot Knob Cemetery and full military rites were observed.

Louis, Katy Liz, and Jenna Lynn.

She is also survived by her sister, Deborah, as well as her nephew and niece, David and Leah.

Kathy exemplified unwavering faith in God and steadfast love for those around her. She was a pillar of strength and a shining light in the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Her family takes comfort in knowing she is now at peace, reunited with loved ones who passed before her, and resting in the arms of her Savior.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m., Friday, June 20, 2025 at Berea Church of God, with Pastor Stephen Hobbs and Cody Ocelli officiating. Private burial will be in Madison County Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be on Thursday evening from 5 -8 p.m. at the church. Condolences may be left for the family at www.lakesfuneralhome.com.

Turner of Richmond, and one brother Fred Foister and his wife Joyce of Hamilton, OH. Also surviving are five nieces and nephews, Chris Johnson, Kevon Foister, Wes Foister, Matt Foister, and Rachel Capone.

Visitation will be Friday, June 20, 2025, from 10 a.m. until the Funeral at 11 a.m. at Davis & Powell Funeral Home. Rev. Wes Foister will officiate.and burial will follow at Madison County Memorial Gardens in Richmond.

Pallbearers will be, Chris Johnson, Ryan Johnson, Jacob Johnson, Fred Foister, Wes Foister, and Matt Foister.

Isaiah Lacandula Bolton



Isaiah Lacandula Bolton, 25, passed away June 9, 2025. Isaiah was born in Kenton County. He was the son of Sherrie and James Bolton Jr. He was a proud electrician with Local IBEW Union 369. Isaiah was preceded in death by his father,

Gilbert Leonard Taylor III



Gilbert Leonard Taylor III passed away on June 11, 2025, in Richmond.

He is predeceased by his mother, Ollie Jean Vernon and father, Gilbert Leonard Taylor Jr. He leaves behind his daughter, Ashley and siblings: Sharon, Mary, Robert and David, nieces and nephews.

Joined the US Army while in college at the University of El Paso and received a B.S. in Business Management as a Distinguished Military Graduate. He was stationed overseas in Germa-

Sharolyn ‘Shari’ vanDellen



Sharolyn “Shari” vanDellen, 77, a cherished wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and sister, passed away peacefully on June 9, 2025, in Berea. Born on Oct. 2, 1947, in Kankakee, Illinois, to Elmer and Evelyn Rollins McCormick, Shari grew up in a nurturing environment that shaped her into the compassionate and loving person remembered by all.

She was the beloved wife of Dave vanDellen, and together they built a life full of love and shared experiences. Her legacy continues through her children, Krista Lainhart and her husband Dustin, Kendra Wiggins and her husband Barton, and Kelly vanDellen and his wife Michelle. Shari’s brother, Stanford McCormick, and his wife, Melody, also survive her, cherishing the memories of a lifetime.

Her role as a grandmother was one of Shari’s greatest joys. She doted on her seven grandchildren, Joshua

Walter J. Harris



Walter J. Harris, 65, of Lexington, passed away peacefully on June 9, 2025, after a life marked by joy, dedication to his family, and a passion for the simple pleasures that make life so rich.

Born in Hazard, on Feb. 11, 1960, to Millard and Helen Yearly Harris. Though preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Don, Millard Jr., Johnny, and Sammie Harris, the memory of their collective laughter and shared adventures remained a source of comfort and joy to him.

Walter’s life was a testament to love and commitment, as evidenced by his enduring marriage to his beloved wife, Bonnie. Together, they welcomed their son, Paul Steven Harris, who, along with his fiancée Adriana, brought immense happiness to Walter’s life. The bonds of family extended to his great-nephew, Justice Hockensmith, two nieces, Carrie and

James, his grandmother, Janice, his Aunt Amy, and his Uncle Bud.

Isaiah is survived by his mother, Sherrie, his brothers: Elias, James, and Joseph, his girlfriend, Ellie, and her parents, James and Robin. He is also survived by his aunts: Jodie, Stacy B, and Stacey D, his grandfathers: David and Philip, his cousins: Stevie, Lisa, Robert, Owen, and Dusty.

Services were. on Monday, June 16, at Lakes Funeral Home.

ny and was Field Artillery Officer in the 2-3 Field Artillery Battalion.

He served honorably in the Army from 1976-1982. He received a Meritorious Service Medal for his command, Marksman and Parachutist Badges and the Army Commemorative Service Award.

After leaving the army, he had a career in construction management and became building inspector for the city of Richmond. He loved animals and adopted strays in his neighborhood. He was known for his quick wit and sense of humor.

His wishes were to be cremated. His family will have a private memorial service at Red Hill Cemetery in Hodgenville at a later date.

(Brittney) McHargue, Katie (Jordan) Borders, Sierra (Jared) Creech, Jared Lainhart (Brooklynn Kenney), Abigail (Eric) Bishop, Anika Wiggins (Clay Edwards), and Abraham Wiggins, and was blessed to see the family grow with the addition of three great-grandchildren, Leah Joy McHargue, Chesney Raegan Creech, and Emma Adele Bishop.

She had a successful career in the real estate industry with DeSloover, Jack Adams Properties, and Rector Hayden, and later shared her expertise in finance with Community Trust Bank.

Shari had a passion for sewing and crafting. Her hands were rarely still, as she was often found creating beautiful quilts that became treasured gifts for her loved ones. Shari vanDellen lived a life full of purpose and joy. Her presence was a gift to those who knew her, and her memory will be honored by the many lives she touched.

Funeral services were on June 12, 2025, at Berea United Methodist Church, where Rev. Dr. Timo Karvonen officiated. Burial followed in the Berea Cemetery.

John Hockensmith, and Amy Harris, all of whom he cherished deeply.

Professionally, Walter’s inherent charisma and honesty led him to a successful career in car sales, as well as finance and insurance.

Walter was a man who found great solace and enjoyment in the outdoors. He used to love to hunt and enjoyed a round of golf, pursuits that allowed him to appreciate the beauty of nature and the challenge of skillful sportsmanship. As a voracious reader, he loved a good book. In later years, as his eyesight began to wane, he turned to music and film with the same enthusiasm that he had for written tales, discovering a new avenue through which to savor the wonders of human creativity.

Walter will be deeply missed, but the glow of his life will forever illuminate the paths of those who had the privilege to know him.

Funeral services were June 12, 2025, at the Buckhorn Log Cathedral Community Building. Burial followed the services in Justice Riley Cemetery. Condolences may be left for the family at www.lakesfuneralhome.com.



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Keith Taylor

If you are like me, my personal Facebook page keeps my family and friends updated on what's going on in my life. I'm transparent and I like to share what's happening in my life, but those pictures and comments are mostly for those who follow me closely on social media.

Your smartphone is a handy tool when it comes to tracking events — both good and bad — that occur in our daily lives. I've used my cell phone many times to take photos of breaking and standard news events. They have been used on our web site, social media pages and even shared on the local television stations.

In this day and age, we can't be every where or even at every event. Even before we have the technology we have in our hands now, it was impossible for the news media to be everywhere and at every event.

Sometimes we know of an event ahead of time and other times, we don't. Last week, I was approached and asked why I didn't run a photo of a club that had won numerous awards. My response was that we didn't know about it and if you would have submitted a photo with information, I would have been glad to run it in the newspaper.

It's simple to submit information to us, through e-mail (publisher@bereacitizen.net) and bring it by our office and we can take care of the rest.

Again, I'm asking our readers and subscribers to keep us up to date on what's going on in your neighborhood.

You can participate by simply sending us a photo, with pertinent information, of an event that you consider newsworthy and would like to see in the newspaper for others to see. It may or may not make the newspaper, but we still want to see and hear from our community.

Secondly, we have a calendar of events page that is pretty popular and we want to make sure your church, social or school event gets published for our readers to see and know about.

As a news media publication, our job is to keep the community informed and we reach more readers than your social media page ever will reach. The more people who know about your event, the better the turnout will be and a successful one at that.

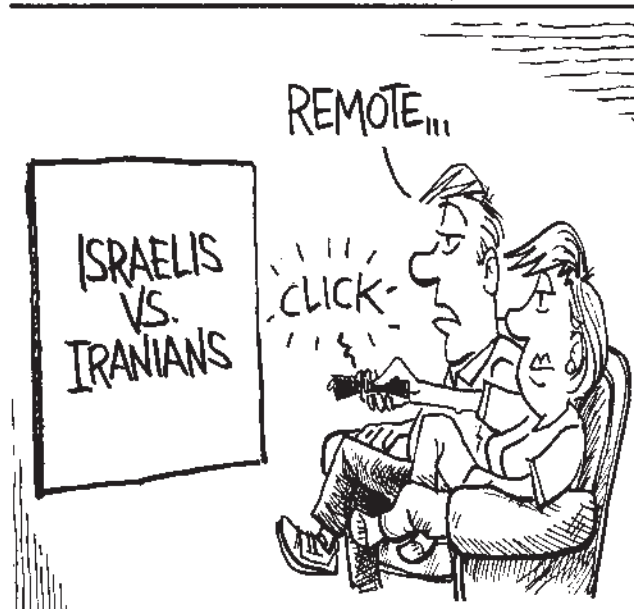
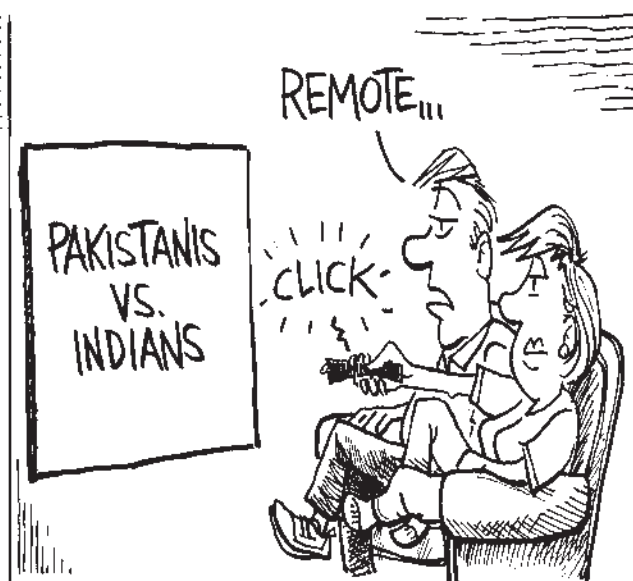
Our clubs are welcome to submit their news to us and the Berea Rotary Club and the Lion's Club are active participants. We welcome club news to our pages and look forward to hearing from you!

We also are starting a business directory page for our businesses to participate in and also give them the opportunity to reach more readers and generate more business. We receive so many phone calls from people who want to know who to contact when it comes to a certain project or question they have about a specific item. Our first step is providing those who want to know with an avenue to those businesses.

We also offer a package for our local churches to promote their service times and offerings for those who are looking for a local congregation to become a part of within the community. If you and your church want to let people know where you are and what you are about, the church page is the perfect spot to reach the harvest field.

Our goal is to make sure our readers are informed and we want

Keith Taylor



Fake police officer knocking on doors at night a bad idea

The recent murder of Minnesota state Representative Melissa Horton and her husband Mark has dropped jaws across the country.

The couple was gunned down in their home by someone masquerading as a police officer. Obviously, he was able to fool them long enough to kill them. Moments before and only five miles away he had visited the home of Minnesota state Senator John Hoffman and his wife Yvette shooting them multiple times, most likely thinking he was leaving them for dead. At this writing they are expected to survive.



Glenn Mollette

Such an intrusion scares citizens because criminals copy the acts of other criminals.

How do we know if a legitimate police officer is knocking on our door whether it's the middle of the night or the middle of the day?

Two officers should make the visit and announce themselves as police loud and clear. They should clearly state the reason for the visit before entering a home.

Flashlights or outside lighting should be on to help with visibility and identification. Uniforms should be visible with badges and IDs.

The knock pattern should be a firm knock or doorbell press then they should announce themselves as police again. There should be a 30 second to one minute wait for a response from the resident before knocking or ringing the doorbell again.

For a search warrant, the warrant should be shown before entry. Your local sheriff or city chief of police may have a dif-

ferent protocol and it needs to be made known.

Unfortunately, this still doesn't keep a criminal from copying the protocol to achieve their criminal endeavor.

I believe 99 percent of Americans are good law-abiding people. However, no one wants to be caught off guard by a criminal invasion. Representative Horton would not have wanted to mistakenly shoot a real police officer who might have been doing his job to protect her. Sadly, the man was there to kill her and her husband. He succeeded.

This is why door knocking after dusk is a bad idea unless you have a pre-arranged appointment and everyone knows who everyone is and the reason for the visit.

When I was 12 years old, I was home alone while my parents were at church.

About eight o'clock it was pitch black with darkness and a man started knocking on our front door. He then went to the

back door and started knocking. He then came back to the front door and continued pounding the door. I was terrified. I didn't know who it could be. I loaded our 12-gauge shotgun and aimed it at the front door in fear he would soon be coming through.

Like a fool, I opened the door but knew the outer storm door was locked.

I had the shot gun close by. The man asked if my dad was home to which I replied, "No. he's gone to church." The man then inquired if my father still had hogs for sale to which I replied, "Yes, but you'll need to speak to him about that." The man said he would come back later.

To this day I don't know who that man was but I'm glad I didn't shoot him. It's too bad Representative Horton or Senator Hoffman didn't shoot the man knocking on their door in the middle of the night.

Knocking on doors at night is a bad idea.



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The business will be located at 216 Mount Vernon Road, Berea KY. 40403 doing business Mi Jalisco Mexican Store LLC as a NQ2 Retail Drink License & Special Sunday Retail Drink License. The members are as follows: member, owner, Carina Trujillo Ayala, 92 West Main Street, Broadhead, Ky. 40409.

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Mrs. Sophia Treadway of Berea purchased the dry goods and shoe store that had been owned by W.H. Hensley. Mrs. Treadway was a woman of considerable business experience. She had been a salesperson with the Welch Store for two years as well as with C.D. Smith for about 4 months. For the past two and a half years, she had been the efficient clerk in N.J. Oliver's store in the west end. Mr. Hensley had not yet decided

what he would do after the sell, but expected to vacation in Florida and explore business there.

Berea's newest taxi service, Veteran's Taxi began operations in Berea on June 21st. Owned by Arthur Lakes of 48 Broadway, the company had two vehicles and four drivers. Drivers were Junior Roberts, Clay Welch, Cammie Philpot and Arthur Lakes. All four men were military veter-

ans. The cabs maintained 24 hour service from their headquarters at Malicote Service Station.

Mayor C.C. Hensley opened the regularly scheduled meeting of the Berea City Council with a glowing tribute to the local police department for its performance at a recent tragic incident. "Every man on the force was involved in one way or another and we have re-

son to be proud of them," said Hensley. Hensley also paid respect to Judge George Noss for trying to warn police of the immediate danger in the situation and he also commended the coolness of patrolman Morton Broadus in handling the flood of calls to the switchboard from officers and frantic citizens.

On June 19th 11 of 200 youth members, ranging in age from 4 to 15, attended

the 1st first aid training and CPR class at the Berea lodge of Woodmen of the World on Haiti Road. Norman Dean, Jr. provided instruction to the youth in attendance. In exchange each youth brought a canned and non-perishable food for the Ministerial Association's emergency cupboards. Demonstrating the skills of splinting and bandaging brought hesitation to be a victim, a few nervous giggles and lots of questions.

Game Page

Crossword

[illegible]

CLUES ACROSS

1. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
4. British thermal unit
7. Afflict
8. Refrain from harming
10. Galls
12. Leg bone
13. Rhine distributary
14. Recipe measurement
16. Chap
17. Useful book
19. Mountain Time
20. Snakelike fishes
21. Places where people live
25. US, Latin America, Canada belong to
26. Periodical
27. A type of sense
29. A way to get possession of
30. Everyone has one
31. Body art
32. Mr. October
39. Abba __, Israeli politician
41. Head movement
42. Jeweled head-dress
43. VCR button
44. A way to change color
45. Basketball move
46. Upright stone slab
48. Forest-dwelling

monkey

49. Pulsate steadily
50. Negative
51. Sino-Soviet bloc
(abbr.)
52. Unit of work

CLUES DOWN

1. Island
2. Pittsburgh ball-player
3. Chemical compound
4. Indicates density of data (abbr.)
5. Mesas
6. Wild, long-legged sheep
8. Engine additive
9. "CSI" actor George
11. Stony waste matter
14. Thyroid-stimulating hormone
15. Pores in a leaf's epidermis
18. Digraph
19. Married woman
20. Peripheral
22. Northern Italy city
23. Klutz
24. Type of tree
27. Witnessed
28. Popular breakfast food
29. __ Mahal
31. BoSox legend Williams

[illegible]

32. Professional drivers
33. Atom or molecule type
34. The Constitution State
35. Chest to store clothes (Scottish)
36. Type of solution
37. Speaker
38. Specifying
39. Formerly (archaic)
40. Wiseman and Krom are two
44. The bill in a restaurant
47. Tennis shot

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!

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!

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

ANSWER:



Solve the code to discover words related to fireworks.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 23 = E)

(Hint: $23 = E$)

- A. 24 5 22 24 1 23**

Clue: Catch fire

- B. 20 6 12 13 9**

Clue: Bright burst

- C. 25 3 3 10**

Clue: Loud noise

- D. 7 3 6 3 8 20 19 6**

Clue: Bright and lively

Answers: A. ignite B. trash C. boom D. colorful

Bibbed overall pockets are perfect for toting around talking frogs

An old man was walking along a rural road one day when he happened across a frog that called out to him, saying “If you kiss me, I’ll turn into a beautiful Princess.” The man simply picked up the frog and put it in the top pocket of his bibbed overalls.

The frog peeked out of the bibs and said again, “Hey, if you kiss me I’ll turn into a beautiful Princess and I’ll love you forever.”

The man took the frog out, smiled at it, and put it back in his pocket.

The frog yelled, again, “Didn’t you hear me? If you kiss me, I’ll become a beautiful princess, and I’ll love you forever. Why won’t you kiss me?”

The man took the frog back out of his pocket, looked into its beady little eyes and said: “Look, I’m 85 years old. I have no need for a girlfriend. But a talking frog, now that’s worth something.”

Sometimes, as that old joke shows, it can be difficult to get others to do

what you ask. I’m glad our heavenly Father isn’t like that. The Bible tells us that Christians never have to worry about being shoved into God’s pocket and ignored.

I love that old hymn of the church that says “He walks with me and talks with me and tells me I am his own.”

It’s difficult for some people to grasp the love of God. How could the creator of all that exists be mindful of a mere person?

Yet, He gives us assurance in his word that He loves us and is involved in all aspects of our lives. In the Gospel of Matthew, He explains just how closely he keeps tabs on each of us, even to the point of knowing how many hairs we have on our heads.



Roger Alford

“The very hairs of your head are all numbered” (Matthew 10:30).

What’s clear is that God doesn’t love us because we are lovable. Too often we’re anything but lovable. Yet, our Lord looks beyond our warts and blemishes, and sees potential.

I’m always amazed at what the Lord is able to accomplish through people who surrender their lives to Him. Former drunks become preachers of the gospel. Brawlers become loving fathers. Addicts become faithful deacons.

“If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new” (2 Corinthians 5:17).

In a sense, we’re kind of like that frog in dire need of a transformation. Be assured that God can and will transform everyone who will but ask Him.

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JAMES

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seem like an unpredictable profession, James said it came naturally to him, though it takes a lot of work.

“In a gig type of economy there’s always somewhere to go. On my downtime, I’ve got to be networking. You gotta constantly be connecting with people,” James said. “If I’m up at night I got my calendar out, I got my goals for the year – I’m just wired that way so it’s not really a stressful thing.”

He often visited his sister in Richmond but during

the COVID-19 pandemic, he thought about moving back to Berea. Over time the pieces fell into place. He still travels a lot, but Berea is home.

James’ biggest supporters are also located here – his family and his dad.

“He knows everything that happens in my life because I call him about everyday like dad, this is what happened,” he said. “So he remembers things that I don’t remember because I’ve called him up. He’s like my personal diary.”

Furthermore, when he played his first gig at Chenault Vineyards after returning to Madison

County, James said that people showed up in his merch and asked him to play his songs.

“Like man, they’ve been connecting with me the whole time – people I didn’t realize – and that’s a good feeling, really,” James said.

James’ fanbase also includes Madison County Judge-Executive Reagan Taylor, who invited him to play his song “Madison” at the Madison County Courthouse dedication ceremony on May 23.

To attend the event, James cancelled a trip to Florida – but it was worth it. When asked what the most memorable perfor-

mance in his career was, he did not hesitate to give an answer.

“You know what, this is going to sound crazy but playing at the Madison County event, personally, just because of that song,” James said.

Laced with flashes of “hometown nostalgia,” childhood familiarity and change, James’ lyrics captures his experience of moving back to Berea after 17 years in Nashville.

A verse from “Madison” includes:

*My old man’s gonna fix everything that’s broke
On that house I bought out there on 4 Mile Rd.
There’ll be football games*

and fly balls with my nephews and brother-in-law cause the good Lord knows they’ll be all grown up before too long

*In Madison
Back in Madison*

“I love Richmond, I love Madison County, but my life was spent in Berea. So I live here now,” James said. “I love Berea. I’ve got a memory on every road in this town, I’m telling you like, so it feels really good to be back in Berea.”

*You can find Bobby James through his social media handle @musicbobbyjames or his website
https://bobbyjamesmusic.net/home.*

VAN

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Other issues addressed at Tuesday’s meeting included:

- Conley revealed interior and exterior security cameras have been installed at the Berea Welcome Center in Old Town and Berea Gallery and Events Center on Chestnut Street.
- The Media Manager and Program Manager positions, which are currently vacant, are budgeted for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, Conley said.
- Berea Festival of Learning Shops has been cancelled for July, though Conley noted plans are to continue the program. “We certainly hope to have a very strong program offering in the fall and then again next summer,” Conley said.
- There will be a June 26

cook-out in Old Town, a collaboration with Mad-dox Made Portrait Studio & Artisan Market, Fire and Fern Glass Studio and Top Drawer Gallery. The event will run from 5 to 8 p.m. and feature music and activities.

- Ali Blair, founder and executive director of First Friday Berea, addressed the commission, expressing interest in a partnership with Berea Tourism that would extend the Levitt Amp Berea concert series to various venues around town. Commissioner Chair Will Gower said he would like to see a formal proposal from First Friday to determine precisely what they need from tourism, and he suggested the commission meet with Blair and discuss it more in depth in a work session. Blair gave a presentation to commissioners, describing how First Friday Berea has

leveraged approximately \$250,000 in grants since 2014 to provide approximately \$1 million worth of free community concerts in Berea. Last year alone, the annual summer concert series welcomed approximately 5,000 visitors for 10 concerts, employing approximately 150 performers. Blair added that her research indicates people coming to town for the concerts spend an average of \$29 at local businesses, noting the concerts enhance the community’s culture while boosting local commerce.

- Former commissioner Alex Sipple questioned why the commission amended a budget line item reducing the amount of available grants for community events. The line item had been \$100,000 and was reduced to \$10,000. The purpose was to provide grants to help groups or citizens

partner with tourism. Sipple requested that commissioners ask the same kinds of questions in the future. “I just wanted to remind the commissioners you all have a voice. If there’s questions, please ask, people. Discuss thoroughly the direction tourism must take to sustain our culture as well as Berea’s small businesses. You all have free will and free thought that’s all been given to us, so be the light that Berea’s needing.”

- Commissioner Jim Davis questioned the breakdown of the budgeted amount for city beautification, which is currently set at \$160,000 for the coming year. Commissioner Laura Carpenter said the investment is overdue. “When I first started, it was a ridiculously low amount. We’ve come a long, long way on our beautification, but we’re not there yet. “We need to make Berea

shine,” Carpenter said. Davis agreed, stating he’d like to see more funds go toward Christmas decorations. “Our little town is lacking in beautification, and I think this is a good way to spend some of the public’s money where they can also reap the benefits of it, and which also draws people to town. I hope some of this money goes to new and updated Christmas decorations.

“We need some new ones. I don’t know if there’s anything that can be done this year or not, but I think it’s worth looking in to,” Davis said.

- Dani Gift revealed that preparations are underway for the Berea Craft Festival, which runs July 11-13 at historic Indian Fort Theater, 2047 Big Hill Road. As of Tuesday, tourism has slated 104 vendors, seven food trucks, and numerous performers.



ORDINANCE # 08 - 2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BERA, KENTUCKY, ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026, BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT AND PROVIDING FOR A LONG RANGE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET AND PLAN.

WHEREAS, an annual budget proposal and message have been prepared and delivered to the City Council, and:

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed such budget proposal and made necessary modifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Berea, Kentucky, as follows;

SECTION I

That the budget for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, is hereby enacted as follows for all city funds:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS							
	General Fund	Road Aid	Tourism	Industrial Dev	ARPA		
Beginning Fund Balance (est)	\$21,461,147	\$738,409	\$1,117,126	\$1,647,419	\$397,526		
Revenue Source							
Tax	\$1,615,036	\$280,000	\$1,500,000				
Licenses & Permits	\$11,267,103						
Charges for Service	\$107,000		\$60,240				
Fines & Forfeitures	\$36,000		\$4,000				
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$1,156,874		\$0		\$1,000,000		
Investment Income	\$746,290	\$7,500	\$98,000	\$4,800			
Other Financing Sources	\$537,000			\$1,511,000			
Transfers To/From Other Funds	\$753,000	\$380,000	-\$170,000				
Total Revenue Source	\$21,316,224	\$587,500	\$1,208,000	\$1,515,800	\$1,500,000		
Expenditures							
General Government							
General Services	\$1,675,974						
Administration Department	\$758,000						
Business Development	\$294,000			\$1,307,000			
Mayor and City Council	\$498,000						
IT	\$612,550						
Finance	\$539,750						
Total General Government	\$4,368,174	\$0	\$0	\$1,307,000	\$0		
Public Safety							
Police	\$5,669,350						
Fire	\$3,540,730						
Total Public Safety	\$9,210,080	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Total Public Works	\$3,475,700	(\$75,000)					
Parks							
Parks Operation	\$552,250						
Swimming Pool	\$230,950						
Total Parks	\$783,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Total Tourism			\$1,895,000				
Codes and Planning							
Codes & Planning	\$821,300						
GIS	\$155,300						
Total Codes & Planning	\$976,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Total Capital Projects	\$5,849,000					\$1,892,526	
Total Expenditure	\$25,266,754	\$575,000	\$1,895,000	\$1,307,000	\$1,892,526		
Total Revenue Less Expenditures	-\$3,950,530	\$11,500	-\$687,000	-\$791,200	-\$392,526		
Ending Fund Balance	\$17,365,694	\$726,909	\$2,435,276	\$1,346,219	\$0		
	Op/old Abuse	Urban Wildlife	Police - State	Police - Federal	Algorit	Civil Festival	TOTAL
Beginning Fund Balance (est)	\$168,027	\$319,356	\$71,241	\$35,258	\$0	\$145,113	\$27,618,758
Revenue Source							
Tax							\$1,395,000
Licenses & Permits							\$11,267,103
Charges for Service							\$247,409
Fines & Forfeitures							\$40,300
Intergovernmental Revenue					\$7,000	\$1,024,000	\$7,682,874
Investment Income	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$100		\$2,000	\$665,450
Other Financing Sources	\$20,000				\$462,700	\$1,000	\$2,543,709
Transfers To/From Other Funds						-\$15,000	\$570,300
Total Revenue Source	\$31,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$7,100	\$1,387,500	\$60,700	\$27,618,758

Expenditures							
General Government							
General Services							\$1,675,974
Administration Department							\$758,000
Business Development							\$1,551,000
Mayor and City Council							\$498,000
IT							\$612,550
Finance							\$539,750
Total General Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$5,075,174
Public Safety							
Police				\$5,000			\$5,669,350
Fire							\$3,540,730
Total Public Safety	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$0		\$9,210,080
Total Public Works							\$1,050,400
Parks							
Parks Operation		\$124,800					\$1,677,050
Swimming Pool							\$230,950
Total Parks	\$0	\$124,800	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$1,907,000
Total Tourism						\$40,000	\$1,947,000
Codes and Planning							
Codes & Planning							\$821,300
GIS							\$155,300
Total Codes & Planning	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$976,600
Total Capital Projects					\$1,487,500		\$3,225,026
Total Expenditure	\$0	\$124,800	\$0	\$5,000	\$1,487,500	\$40,000	\$3,244,180
Total Revenue Less Expenditures	\$31,000	-\$122,800	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$10,000	-\$4,944,456
Ending Fund Balance	\$169,027	\$197,086	\$72,241	\$37,258	\$0	\$155,113	\$22,674,302

PROPRIETARY FUND

Operating Budget	
Operating Revenue	
Electric Service	2,047,000
Water Service	3,362,500
Sewer Service	4,173,000
Other Revenue	1,164,500
Transfers	(\$70,000)
Total Operating Revenue	20,165,000
Operating Expenses	
Administration	2,493,300
Electric	1,149,175
Water	2,177,800
Sewer	1,917,687
Depreciation	2,162,000
Total Operating Expenses	21,895,992
Income/(Loss) from Operations	(1,731,992)
Other Cash Outflows	
Debt Service Principle	515,876
Surplus/(Deficit) from Rate Revenue	(2,248,868)
Capital Budget	
Grants & Contributed Capital	4,620,000
Administration Department	
Electric	100,000
Water	100,000
Sewer	215,000
Capital Projects	14,540,000
Total Capital Expenses	15,370,000
Net Cost for Capital Additions	10,750,000

SECTION II

The "Fee Schedule by Department" as set out in the Appendix is adopted and ratified for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

SECTION III

That the Long-Range Capital Project and Public Facilities Improvement Program Budget and Plan as more particularly set out in the Appendix is adopted by reference herein.

SECTION IV

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall be effective on the first day of July 2025. This ordinance shall be published according to law.

FIRST READING: June 3, 2025
SECOND READING AND ENACTMENT: June 17, 2025

CITY OF BERA, KENTUCKY
APPROVED:

Bruce Fraley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robin Adams, City Clerk

COUNCIL

FROM PAGE 1

and Steve Davis voted in favor of the budget. Jerry Little voted no. The adopted budget projects revenues of \$21,316,000, while expenditures come in at \$25,266,000. In other news, the city council adopted two resolutions concerning the proposed Farristown Community Center. Berea Mayor Bruce Fraley explained that both measures are required for the city to receive \$750,000 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The first stipulates the city will be responsible for any costs for building the center that exceed the \$750,000 grant, while the second stipulates the city would relocate

any property owners displaced by the project. The land designated for the project is currently unoccupied, and there are no structures on that property, Fraley said. The Farristown Community Center, which is to be located at 1620 Menelaus Road off a new road connecting Menelaus and Mayde Road, will be approximately 3,000 square-feet in size and will serve as both a community space and an archive/display area highlighting Farristown's history as a predominantly African-American agricultural community. In other action, the council unanimously adopted rate increases for electric service for Berea Municipal Utilities (BMU). The increase will raise BMU electric utility revenues by approximately four percent, officials said. The new rates, which take effect on July 8, mark the first time electric rates have been increased in 13 years. Officials said the move will raise average residential electric rates by approximately \$5.75 per month, but that the increase is needed to ensure the utility can pay to maintain its infrastructure. In other news, Tourism Director Nancy Conley briefed city officials on recent trends in Kentucky tourism, which is at record-breaking levels. Said Conley: "The tourism industry is a driving force for Kentucky's economy and this 2024 economic impact report reinforces this," Conley said. "Visitors are continuing to invest throughout our state, our community and throughout our region. "Last year, the Berea

Tourism office welcomed and served 16,707 visitors. When we look at the blue-grass region side of the report, there was \$2.67 billion in economic impact. And Madison County's economic impact number was \$243.7 million." Also Tuesday, Planning and Codes Director Amanda Haney announced an online survey will soon be coming concerning the Berea Comprehensive Plan. Haney said the survey will consist of approximately 20 questions and will help city officials and consultants shape a plan that addresses the needs of citizens. Haney said the survey will be out next week. The next Berea City Council meeting is slated for July 1.

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CITY OF BERE A, KENTUCKY

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ORDINANCE NO. 09 - 2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BERE A, KENTUCKY, REVISING THE AUTHORIZED POSITIONS' ASSIGNED PAY GRADE AND PAY SCALE TO INCLUDE A FOUR PERCENT (4%) COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA) AND TO CREATE AND INCLUDE A POSITION TITLED COMMUNICATIONS & COMMUNITY OUTREACH COORDINATOR

WHEREAS, in Ordinance No. 04-2025, the authorized positions' assigned pay grade and pay scale were amended and adopted on April 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, since its adoption, the City has determined it necessary to add a new position of Communications & Community Outreach Coordinator to its authorized positions and to assign said position as a pay grade 8 position; and

WHEREAS, it is further necessary to revise the pay grade to include a four percent (4%) cost of living adjustment (COLA);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Berea, Kentucky, Commonwealth of Kentucky;

SECTION I

That the position of Communications & Community Outreach Coordinator is created within pay grade 8.

SECTION II

That the Personnel Policies of the City of Berea are hereby amended by the attached Exhibit, to add the position of Communications & Community Outreach Coordinator to pay grade 8 and to include the four percent (4%) cost of living adjustment (COLA).

SECTION III

That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed. This Ordinance shall be published according to law.

FIRST READING: June 3, 2025.

SECOND READING: June 17, 2025.

APPROVED BY:

Bruce Fraley, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Published this 18th day of June, 2025.

Prepared by:

Corporation Counsel

CITY OF BERE A, KENTUCKY

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ORDINANCE NO. 10 - 2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BERE A, KENTUCKY, REVISING THE BERE A MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ELECTRIC AND CONNECTION RATE SCHEDULE FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 09-08 established the Berea Municipal Utilities electric and connection rate schedule; and

WHEREAS, the electric and connection rate schedule was modified in the 2012-2013 fiscal year budget to cover basic operations of the Berea Municipal Utilities; and

WHEREAS, there has not been an electric rate and connection increase since the enactment of the 2012-2013 fiscal year budget; and

WHEREAS, the current electric and connection rate structure does not support the current general expenses of the Berea Municipal Utilities; and

WHEREAS, if the current electric and connection rate schedule is left unchanged, the Berea Municipal Utilities will face a deficit; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Berea, Kentucky, has determined that the rates and tariffs charged for the municipal electric utility must be revised in order to continue the efficient and proper management of the electric utility system and to conserve the natural resources used for electricity generation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council, City of Berea, Commonwealth of Kentucky;

SECTION I

That the Berea Municipal Utilities Electric Rate scheduled effective July 8, 2025, shall be amended as set forth on the attached Exhibit A.

SECTION II

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed. This Ordinance shall be published according to law.

FIRST READING: June 3, 2025

SECOND READING: June 17, 2025

APPROVED BY:

Bruce Fraley, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Published this 18th day of June, 2025.

Prepared by:

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By **Andy McDonald**
For The Citizen

At Tuesday's meeting of the Madison County Fiscal Court, officials said property owners still have time to appeal the amount of their 911 Service Fee assessments. The fee goes toward county-wide provision of 911 dispatch and emergency services.

Madison County Deputy Judge/Executive Jill Williams stated the county recently distributed a public notice, explaining that property owners will be assessed a fee based on their zoning classification and square footage. The formula is



Jill Williams

calculated with information supplied by the Property Valuation Administrator's office. The assessment will be part of the annual property tax bill, which is sent out in October.

Williams explained there are some cases in which the assessments are not yet fully accurate, which the county is prepared to correct through an appeal process. Property owners can learn about both the assessment formula and the appeal process by visiting madisoncountyny.gov/911fee/

Williams said that while all property owners in the county are required to pay 911 service fees, they can appeal that amount on the basis of one or more of the following reasons:

See FEE, A10

Taylor urges online civility

By **Andy McDonald**
For The Citizen

Madison County Judge/Executive Reagan Taylor lamented the latest wave of online criticism after residents complained on social media about 911 service fees.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Madison



Reagan Taylor

See TAYLOR, A10

Fourth events all set

By **Jemi Chew**
Citizen Intern

Bring your chairs and blankets to Berea's annual Fourth of July celebration at 6 p.m. on Friday, July 4 at Berea City Park, behind Berea Community School.

Fireworks are scheduled to start at 10 p.m.

There will be food vendors and a free kiddie corner with inflatables, games, a photo booth, face painting and prizes.

There will also be a performance on the main stage at 8 p.m. by "Thick as Thieves."

Lake Reba

Richmond's Fourth of July celebration will be from 5-10 p.m. on Friday, July 4 at Lake Reba Park.

Take a free swim at Paradise Cove from 4-7 p.m. or play golf for free at Adventure Falls from 4-11 p.m.

The park will be filled with community and craft vendors, food trucks, beer and wine vendors, inflatables are available.

Live music will start at 5 p.m. and the Fireworks will begin at 10 p.m.

Music performances by D Boone Pittman and the Fugitives, Nic Cassetta & Company and Tee Dee Young.

Beat the Heat



Children and their parents splashed around at the pool to beat the heat on Tuesday at Paradise Cove in Richmond. Paradise Cove was packed to the brim as temperatures hit highs of 93 degrees. A heat advisory was in place this week, with heat index values up to 104 degrees. The high temperatures and humidity can result in heat illnesses. Drink plenty of water and check on relatives and neighbors.

The Citizen/Jemi Chew

Video:



Click on the QR Code with your smart-phone for a video of the festivities at Paradise Cove

Pastor shares gospel in Cuba on mission trip

Larry Freeman, pastor of New Beginnings Baptist Church, shares a message during a visit to Cuba recently. (Submitted)



By **Jemi Chew**
Citizen Intern

Life is difficult in Cuba – store shelves are often empty, rolling blackouts come in unpredictable waves, and money is scarce.

But the church is thriving. "We're spoiled here. We have padded pews, we have air-conditioned build-

ings, we have more resources than we know what to do with," Larry Freeman, senior pastor of New Beginnings Baptist Church in Berea, said. "They're so limited in what they have there. The community is struggling because of their lack for just everyday necessities – but the church isn't struggling."

Freeman has made three mission trips to Cuba. His most recent trip was from April 23-May 2, and he was the only one from Kentucky on the mission team.

One thing he learned was that churches here aren't doing enough.

"We walked down into the

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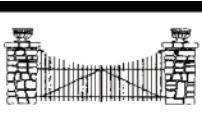
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Thank You!

Message from Cora Jane Wilson



“A proud look, a lying tongue, And hands that shed innocent blood; An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, Feet that be swift in running to mischief; A false witness that speaketh lies, And he that soweth discord among brethren.”

Proverbs 6:17-19 (KJV)

BEREA COLLEGE

Berea Kids Eat offers free, healthy summer meals to community youths



BEREA COLLEGE
Linking Campus & Community

Grow Appalachia's Berea Kids Eat program, a strategic initiative of Berea College, nurtures local families through nutrition education programming, food security efforts and free summer meals.



Programming includes hands-on learning in growing, cooking and preserving food.



210 Center St. Berea, KY 40403
<https://growappalachia.berea.edu/berea-kids-eat/>

Weekly Berea Kids Eat programs at the Glades Garden Farm teach youth to grow food, care for plants and more in addition to providing a free, healthy lunch.

BEREA COLLEGE/GROW APPALACHIA

Berea College

BEREA, Ky. – Berea Kids Eat – a program facilitated by Berea College’s Grow Appalachia – is offering families multiple opportunities this summer to obtain free, healthy meals for their school-aged children.

The program offers mobile routes with parent pickup locations as well as on-site meals and programming at locations around Berea.

“Throughout the school year, students eat meals at their school, but during the summer, some families struggle with providing those healthy meals for their kids,” said Candace Mullins, director of Grow Appalachia. “We

want these kids to have the same access to meals that they do during the school year. That’s why we are expanding our reach and offering more opportunities for Berea families to access meals.”

“It feels so important for Berea to have a program like Berea Kids Eat,” said Lara Armstrong, nutrition programs coordinator with Berea Kids Eat. “We try to offer a safe educational space for youth and families to play and learn about their local food systems, while delivering high quality meals to help meet the summer meal gap for our local community.”

From noon to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, Berea Kids Eat offers hot meals

from a food truck or other local restaurant partner at their Outdoor Education Garden behind Glades Christian Church (530 Glades Rd.). Programming is also provided for school-aged children.

On Fridays, hot meals are available from 1-3 p.m. at the Berea College Farm Store, located at 311 North Main Street in Berea.

A local food vendor will also operate at the Levitt Amp Concert Series with First Friday Berea. Dates for these events will be posted on the Berea Kids Eat Facebook page when they become available.

To participate in parent/guardian pickup, signup is required for the mobile routes.

In addition to free summer meals, Berea Kids Eat offers outreach and programming at the Glades Garden, a Grow Appalachia-stewarded activation space for youth and families to learn hands-on skills focused on growing, cooking and preserving food.

Berea Kids Eat also collaborates strategically with national and local partners to support food security and wellness in Berea with regional impact.

“Everyone should have access to healthy food, and that’s what Grow Appalachia is all about,” Mullins said. “Whether it be learning how to grow and store your own food, mitigate weather

damage to crops, or simply offering meals to school-aged children, we are doing everything we can to help close the gap between need and access. That’s our purpose, and we are extremely thankful for the many grants and private donors – including the U.S. Department of Agriculture - that help us make this work possible.”

Signup information, programming, pickup locations, dates, times and inclement weather information can be found on the Berea Kids Eat Facebook page (search for Berea Kids Eat) or on the Grow Appalachia website at <https://growappalachia.berea.edu/berea-kids-eat/>

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Michael Busby Witt



Michael Busby Witt, 77, passed away peacefully at his home, surrounded by his loving family, on June 18, 2025. He was born on March 19, 1948, in Richmond, Indiana. Mike was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and was soon to become a great-grandfather—a role he was looking forward to with joy. Known for his integrity, kindness, and humbleness, Mike had a gift for connecting with people. He never met a stranger and could spark a conversation with anyone. A dedicated and hard-working man, Mike spent 22 years with Gibson Greeting Cards in Berea. He later co-owned R & M Tree Service and Pine Grove Sporting Clays. Farming was a lifelong passion, one he had pursued since his youth. Mike was a faithful follower of Christ and a devoted member of Sandgap Christian Church, where he served for many years as Secretary and Treasurer. His faith was a guiding light in his life. He found joy in simple pleasures: deer hunting, shooting sporting clays, chewing Redman, and sharing stories—often more than once—with those he loved. But above all, Mike cherished time spent with family and

friends. Mike is lovingly remembered by his children: Michael Brian (Kim) Witt, Jason Lee (Melissa) Witt, and Trina Renee (DeWayne) Mercer. He is also survived by his cherished siblings: Connie Baker, Brenda (Lonnie) Russell, Kathy (Larry) Gabbard, Anthony (Joy) Witt, Roger (JoAnn) Witt, and Vicki (Mike) McFerron. Mike leaves behind a proud legacy through his grandchildren: Arikka Standafer, Lauren (Lucas) Moore, Serena Witt, and Addan Witt, as well as one great-grandchild expected soon. He will be fondly remembered by his extended family, including his brothers-in-law Pete (Donna) Daugherty and Clifton (Kim) Daugherty; sisters-in-law Rosetta Banks and Jennifer (Ben) Hurt; and many beloved nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his devoted wife, Charlotte Daugherty Witt, his father, Frank Witt, and his mother, Ophelia Rose Witt. Visitation was June 22, 2025 funeral services followed at the Sandgap Christian Church. Bro. Kenneth Wilder, Bro. Gerald Maupin, and Bro. Jason Witt officiated. Burial was in the Witt Family Cemetery on Pine Grove Rd. Pallbearers were Kris Cunagin, Wes Judd, Albert Fox, Gerard Lakes, Jacob Hurt, Lannie Davidson, Caleb Davidson, and Cody Powell. Lakes Funeral Home in Berea will be handling arrangements.

Gary C. Abney



Gary C. Abney, 77, of Richmond, passed away June 13, 2025, in Naples, Italy, while vacationing with his family. A life-long resident of Richmond, he was born on July 16, 1947, to the late Ralph W. and Marie Anderson Abney. He was a graduate of Model Laboratory School and Eastern Kentucky University. Gary served in the U.S. Army reserves for 6 years. Gary began a career in banking in 1971. He served as Senior Vice- President of the former State Bank & Trust Company and National City Bank and was the President of Richmond Bank and Trust. After his retirement from banking, he embarked on a 20-year career as a successful real estate agent. Gary was one who loved to give back to his community. He served on many boards in Richmond, Madison County and at Eastern Kentucky University. He served with the Richmond Chamber of Commerce, the Madison County United Way and the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority Board. He served as treasurer for the Richmond Pops at the Park, as well as chair of the Richmond Utilities Board and the Richmond Industrial Authority. Gary Served as President of the EKU Alumni Association and the Colonel Club and was chair of the Arlington Association. He served as a member of the EKU Board of Regents

for 13 years and has board chairman for 3 years. Gary was an avid sports fan. He enjoyed EKU and UK Athletics. He also had fun going to watch his grandson and granddaughter run in their cross-country races. He enjoyed spending time with his family. Survivors include his daughter: Susan Abney Creamer (Phillip); his son: Brian Abney and his wife Jennifer Robinette; his brother: Bill Abney (Bev); his grandchildren: Justin Creamer and Chloe Creamer: his life partner: Dr. Adrienne Millett and her children, Jason Owen (Catherine), Jonathan Owen and Drew Owen (Kennie Logan); as well as her grandchildren: Hunter Owen, Ruby Cate Owen and his friend and mother of their children, Joanne Covington. He also enjoyed spending time with several of his closest cousins, Ralph Hacker, Joe Wayne Hacker, Elaina Hudson and Lee Browning. Funeral Services were held Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at The First Christian Church. Rev. Patrick Messer and Father Jim Sichko officiated. Burial followed at the Richmond Cemetery. Pallbearers were Brian Abney, Bill Abney, Philip Creamer, Justin Creamer, Drew Owen, and Charles Hudson. Honorary Pallbearers are Ralph Hacker, Joe Wayne Hacker, Bill Jennings, Danny Reynolds and Ryan Brewer. The Combs, Parsons & Collins Funeral Home were in charge of the arrangements.

Michael Williams



Michael Williams, 48 of Huntington, West Virginia, formerly of Berea, passed away Monday June 16, in Huntington. Michael is the son of Mike and Margaret Coomer Williams. Michael is survived by his par-

ents, his son, Matthew Williams, his daughter, Maliyah Ryan, his brother: Brandon ‘Shane’ Williams (Rebecca), his sister Keri Lainhart, and nieces: Bethany, Macey, Rylee, Sydney Williams, Meganne Lainhart, and special friend Aimee Dale. Funeral services were on June 23, at Lakes Funeral Home where Rev. Kenny Davis officiated. Burial was at the Madison County Memorial Gardens.

Terry Dale McKeehan



Terry Dale McKeehan of Berea passed away peacefully on Friday, June 20, surrounded by his wife, daughter, and grandchildren. Terry, known as Poppy to many, was born and raised in Madison County. He was married to his high school sweetheart, Teresa Elliott, for 48 years. Together, they had one daughter and four grandchildren who were the absolute light of his life. Poppy spent 33 years as a welder for Hyster, and he retired to become a full-time grandfather. Poppy was an avid Foley Middle and Madison Southern High School sports fan, never missing a track meet, cheer competition, or basketball

game. Poppy could always be found in the stands at center court cheering on his favorite team. In the off season, Poppy spent his time working in the shop on small engines for neighbors and friends and sitting on the porch with a cup of coffee and his dog, Jake. Terry was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Gladys McKeehan, and two siblings, Gene and Deborah. Poppy is survived by his loving wife Teresa, one daughter, Kirstie (James), four grandchildren, Chance, Kiley (Sean), Casen (Carlie), and Tucker Nobbel, all of Berea. Terry also leaves behind three brothers, Corkey (Cookie) McKeehan, Johnny McKeehan, and Gerald (Frances) McKeehan, along with many nieces and nephews. Terry’s wishes were to be cremated. A memorial service was at 4 p.m., Wednesday, June 25 at Lakes Funeral Home.

Johnathan Stamper



Johnathan Glenn Stamper,48, of Waco, husband of Angie Ambrose Stamper, passed away Monday, June 16, at Baptist Health in Lexington. Johnathan was born on April 3, 1977, to Shirley Adams Isaacs and the Late Darrell Stamper. He was raised in Estill County and graduated from Estill County High School. He worked for Independent Opportunities for 16 years, until his retirement in 2021 for medical reasons. Johnathan and his wife Angie Stamper shared 25 beautiful years of Marriage. He was a member of New Life Worship PCG in Richmond. In his free time, Johnathan loved to

fish with his sons and other friends, family, and relax at home with his beloved dogs, Buddy, Scooby, and Rosie. He was preceded in death by his stepfather, Larry Issacs, and a step-brother, Douglas Issacs. Other than his wife, Johnathan is survived by two sons, Matthew Stamper and Cody Stamper, of Waco. His mother, Shirley Issacs, his brother Darrel Stamper Jr., four half-sisters, three stepsiblings, and numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation was Tuesday, June 24 at Davis & Powell Funeral Home. Funeral Services were on Wednesday, June 25, also the Funeral Home. Rev. Steve Masters and Rev. Tanner Cruse officiated. Burial followed at Pilot Knob Cemetery in Berea. Pallbearers will be Vaughn Ambrose, Teddy Rawlins, Lee Anglin, Darrell Stamper, Jr., Freddie Willis and John McQueen.

Ella Marie Quillen



Ella Marie Leisure Potter Quillen, age 89, Widow of Burton Quillen, passed away Sunday, June 23, 2025, at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. Ella was born in Frostburg, MD, in 1936, to the late Isaac and Gertrude Hager Leisure. Ella was a regular attendee at Cartersville Holiness and a homemaker. Other than her parents, Ella was preceded in death by her first husband, Jimmy Potter. Four children: David Lee Potter, Floyd Potter, Burton Quillen, Jr., all of Berea, and Lisa Hampton, of Premium.

Ella is survived by six children: James Potter and his wife, TeeTee, of Richmond, Carol Johnson and her husband, Johnny, of Berea, Eileen Potter Abney, of Berea, Barbara Alexander and her husband, Roy, of Paint Lick, Dale Potter and his wife, Kelly, of Berea, and David Wayne Potter and his wife, Christy, of Iowa, TX. A special friend, Lola “Granny” Roberts, of Berea. Eleven grandchildren, and numerous Great and great-great-grandchildren. Visitation will be Thursday, June 26, from 6-8 p.m. at Davis & Powell Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be at noon on Friday, June 25, with Reverend Bruce Alcorn and J.B. Alexander officiating at the Funeral Home. Burial will Follow at Pilot Knob Cemetery in Berea.



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Peace, please

I'm not a proponent of war to solve worldly issues.

The best way, in my opinion, to solve problems is through diplomacy and mediation. Give and take and bend but don't break. I also believe that not a single nation on this planet should possess a nuclear or chemical weapon of any kind.

The nation of Iran has been given opportunity after opportunity to dissolve its nuclear program through means of diplomacy and it has simply not worked. For one reason or another, the country's leadership would rather build nuclear weapons than give its people a better quality of life.

The modern nation of Iran is known for its lack of concern for human rights and it's a shame their people live under such duress despite the rich oil resources the country possess.

When President Donald Trump opted to use military force to eliminate Iran's nuclear ambitions last week, it was a win for the Middle East, Israel, the United States and the world. A nation that has chanted "death to America" and Israel for decades, was and continues to be a threat not only to America, but also to mankind.

I don't know about you, but I love my country and love what we stand for. I will always stand for liberty and justice for all. When that is threatened, we all should take heed and make a stand for our freedom and way of life in America.

Every nation should have the capability and ability to defend itself, including Israel and Iran, but I don't believe that nuclear and chemical weapons is the proper way to use military force against anyone. They are inhumane and not necessary.

My dad proudly served in the Vietnam War and has always been proud of his service to his country. However, serving in combat was horrific for my 20-year-old dad at the time. My grandmother kept the letters that dad wrote home and I still have those.

I've read most of those letters and it gave me insight into what fighting combat was like in his own words. At the end of every letter, he wrote, "pray for me."

I remember when the Gulf War ensued and was worried about the possibility of being drafted into a conflict that would liberate Kuwait from Iraq. I was thankful the conflict didn't drag into an all-out world war and the mission was accomplished without a major war escalating at the time.

What's the use for war and for what reason than to endanger mankind? Until just a few months ago, Madison County lived under the threat of a chemical disaster for decades before the dangerous rockets and munitions were disposed of thanks to the work of local activists Craig Williams and Senator Mitch McConnell.

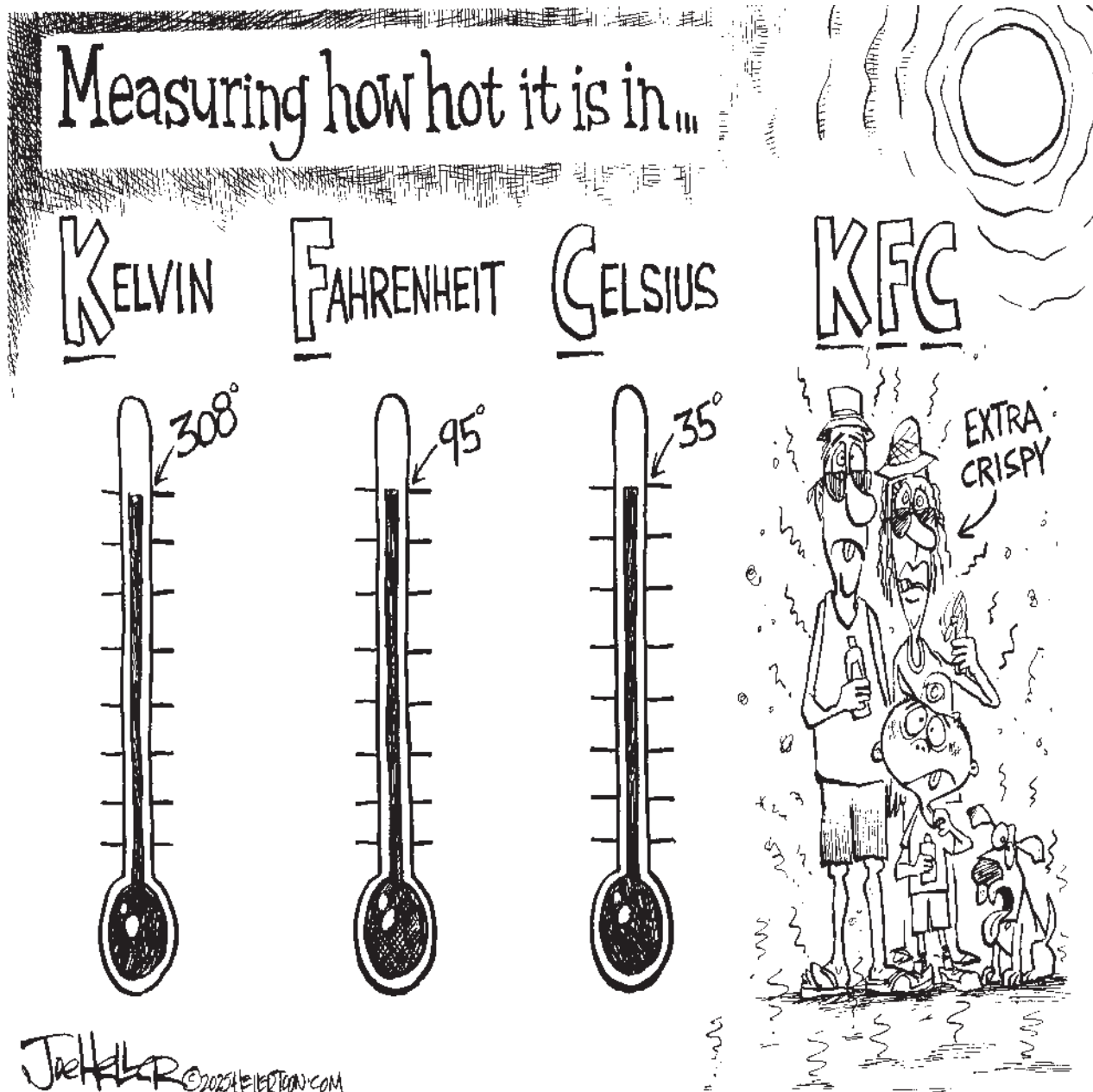
It took years to rid our county and the entire nation of chemical weapons. Thankfully we no longer live under the threat of a chemical disaster that lingered right in our own backyard for most of my lifetime.

There has been a cease fire agreement between Israel and Iran this week and let's hope it's the beginning of an era of peace in the Middle East.

Hopefully our country and the rest of the world can find a path to lasting peace not only in the Middle East, but across the globe for the sake of our children and our grandchildren.



Keith Taylor



Will the serpent reappear?

If Iran had successfully dropped a nuclear bomb on Israel or New York City, the world would have blamed President Donald Trump. People everywhere would have said, "President Trump could have done something about their nuclear building site but he didn't."

This is something that will never be said. He and our military leadership certainly made an effort last weekend to dismantle Iran's nuclear bomb building facilities. Let's hope their ability was completely eliminated.

While we are tired of wars and spending billions of dollars on wars and losing our men and women to wars, we can't really rest with a growing cancer. We cannot ignore a malignancy. When the doctor says, "You have a very serious malignancy in part of your body", then the malignancy must have our full and complete attention. It has to be eliminated. This may be done with radiation, chemotherapy or a surgery. Left alone and ignored, the cancer will only grow to eventually make you sicker and ultimately bring about death.

Sadly, Iran's program to build a nuclear weapon has been like a growing malignancy with a

loudly ringing bell. The warning signs and alarm signals have been increasing for years. American intelligence has been well aware of Iran's progress. Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has been sounding the alarm loudly the last couple of years. Of course, he would be terrified. He is well aware that such a weapon possessed by Iran would soon be squarely aimed at Israel and would could almost certainly annihilate entire country.

Iran has been the world's No. 1 sponsor of terror since the early eighties. The events and gangs they have financially supported compile a long list. For many years, their motto has been "death to Israel" and "death to America."

Unfortunately, the bunker busting bombs dropped on Iran's research facilities Saturday night probably didn't end anything. Hopefully, it took away the threat of nuclear attack for a few years.

Unfortunately, the poisonous hate within the leadership of Iran is most likely now at an



Glenn Mollette

even greater fever pitch.

A few years back my wife and I were walking a mountain trail. She looked down and saw a poisonous copperhead serpent ready to strike at us. She quickly aimed the pepper spray she was carrying and shot the snake right in its face. We leaped forward for several feet. The snake was momentarily stunned and frozen by the spray. Suddenly, the serpent was striking wildly in every direction trying to find us even though it appeared blinded by the spray. The venom from the bite of that poisonous snake could have been deadly. A few minutes later that snake raced off down the hill, very much alive to strike at someone again.

Iran is stunned, but the poisonous leadership of the country that has sponsored terror groups and spewed hate toward Israel and America is still alive.

Very importantly, there are millions and millions of good hard-working people in Iran. Let's pray for them and for a change of leadership in this nation.

This column is the opinion of the author and not the expressed views of the Berea Citizen, its management and ownership.

FYI

Mental Health Court coming to county

A court focused on defendants with mental health conditions and a co-occurring disorder such as substance use disorder will begin serving Clark and Madison counties (the 25th Judicial Circuit) later this month, bridging the gap between courts and behavioral

health services.

Mental Health Court, structured similarly to Drug Court, is for defendants identified as high risk and high needs who have been charged with misdemeanors or felonies. Participants who complete the approximately two-year program may have their charges dismissed through diversion or be granted condi-

tional discharge through probation.

Defendants who choose to participate in Mental Health Court are required to meet with a case manager, participate in clinical services including therapy and take any necessary medications. Participants are subject to screenings to ensure they aren't using illegal drugs. Mental Health Court

teams include law enforcement, prosecutors, defense attorneys and treatment providers.

Based on a recommendation from the Kentucky Judicial Commission on Mental Health, the Judicial Branch sought and received funding for 10 new Mental Health Courts from the Kentucky General Assembly. in House Bill 264.

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June 12

• Tracy Walker, 44: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order
• Treston Edward, 39: non-payment of court costs, fees or fines
• Jimmy Ratliff, 35: serving parole violation warrant; theft by unlawful taking or disposition, all other
• Christian Martin, 24: contempt of court libel/slander, resistance to order; possession of a handgun by a convicted felon
• Cindy Cain, 55: probation violation (for technical offense)
• Alexis Livingood, 26: serving tie

June 13

• James Upton, 71: driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense; operating motor vehicle/motorcycle function without ignition interlock device
• Christian Echeverria, 26: unlawful imprisonment, assault 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree; harassment – physical contact – no injury
• Cathy Edwards, 41: failure to appear
• Thomas Gadd, 58: disorderly conduct, 2nd degree; resisting arrest; failure to appear
• William Simpson, 54: failure to appear
• Erin Keeney, 23: criminal abuse, 1st degree – child 13 or under
• Alexis Gibbs, 34: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury
• Jeffrey Lynch, 41: failure

to appear
• Jackie Gilbert, 50: failure to appear
• Christopher Hight, 31: failure to appear
• Crayvone Richie, 29: receiving stolen property, \$10,000 or more; persistent felony offender II
• Zachary Thompson, 42: serving weekends
• Anthony Polly, 34: serving weekends

June 14

• Jeremiah Monnett, 24: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st
• Ryan Feltner, 42: failure to appear; contempt of court, liable/slander, resistance to order
• Stephanie Mullins, 37: failure to appear
• Basil Back, 46: failure to appear (2 counts)
• Cara Thomas, 38: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st
• Baylee Hatton, 22: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st; failure to wear seat belts
• Orville Richardson, 42: failure to appear
• Samue Vories, 33: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting
• David Foley, 52: serving weekends
• Chester Biggs, 49: assault, 2nd degree

June 15

• Abby Phillips, 28: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO
• Joshua Daughtery, 43: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury
• Cassandra Davidson, 28:

robbery, 1st degree; assault, 1st degree domestic violence
• Kandice Kiefer, 40: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st; drug paraphernalia – buy/p9ossess; disregarding traffic control device – traffic light; possession of marijuana
• Austin Kelly, 28: indecent exposure, 1st degree, 1st offense; alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
• Carl Perkins, 27: failure to appear; burglary, 3rd degree; persistent felony offender, II; criminal mischief, 1st degree; failure to appear
• Matthew Dolan, 33: harassing communications
• Bridget Ford, 40: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines

June 16

• Lucia Prego Quintero, 27: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st; possession of open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle
• Billy Wagers, 43: strangulation, 1st degree domestic violence
• Bobby Allen, 23: failure to appear
• Frederick Williams, 43: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting
• Hunter Wagers 22: failure to appear (2 counts); probation violation, for felony offense; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree
• Deaaron Maney, 24: wanton endangerment – 1st degree – police officer

• Christopher Pennington, 41: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order
• Zackery Polly, 31: failure to appear
• Tina Young, 62: failure to appear
• Louis Penley, 48: burglary, 3rd degree; theft by unlawful taking or disposition, all others, \$500 but less than \$1,000; criminal mischief, 1st degree; possession of a handgun by a convicted felon; failure to appear
• Mark Settle, 54: failure to appear

June 17

• Brandy Sharp, 42: speeding, 26 mph or greater over speed limit; reckless driving; fleeing or evading police, 1st degree (motor vehicle); leaving the scene of an accident, failure to render aid or assistance; operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st; resisting arrest; wanton endangerment, 2nd degree – police officer; failure to wear seat belts; failure to produce insurance card
• Melissa Vanwinkle, 55: public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol); possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin)
• Joshua Watts, 39: serving parole violation warrant
• Jonathan Southerland, 64: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
• Shane Baylor, 53: failure to appear
• Wendy Irvin, 43: failure to appear
• Jordann Blasdell, 37:

failure to appear (2 counts); assault, 2nd degree domestic violence; probation violation (for misdemeanor offense); assault, 2nd degree (2 count); assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury)
• Everett Durham, 59: failure to appear
• Guinevere Baker, 20: assault, 4th degree dating violence (no visible injury)
• Gabriel Blair, 23: failure to appear
• Tyler Closson, 32: strangulation, 1st degree; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree; assault 4th degree dating violence, minor injury

June 18

• Kristen Sparks, 21: commitment order
• James Lainhart, 29: failure to appear
• Joseph Creekmore, 31: non-payment of court costs, fees or fines
• Galen Shanks, 51: failure to appear (2 counts)
• Amanda Wooldridge, 35: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order
• Felicia Campbell, 42: failure to appear
• Charley Morgan, 42: parole violation (for technical violation)
• Daniel Stachulski, 30: no registration plates; no registration receipt; failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license; disorderly conduct, 2nd degree; failure to produce insurance card
• Andwylynn Rice, 29: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury

MARRIAGES

June 12

Ashley Cathryn Neal, nurse, 34 of Tampa, Florida to Michael Jose Gonzalez, sales, 39 of Tampa, Florida
• Stephen Michael Burns, machine operator, 35 of Richmond to Monica Sue Burns, machine operator, 36 of Richmond
• Sharon Kay Himes, retired, 67 of Berea to Thomas Wayne Knuckles, retired, 68 of Middlesboro
• Mary Jane Scott, cosmetologist, 23 of Richmond to Camreron Dakota Williamson, student, 23 of Barbourville
• Whitney Danielle Rowe, attorney, 32 of Richmond to Randy Martin O’Neal, attorney, 40, of Richmond
• Maritza Catalino, retired, 65 of Richmond to Jesus Guillermo Guzman, retired, 75 of Richmond
• Elizabeth Jean-nine Gale, retired registered nurse, 77 of Richmond to Leland Paul Domann, retired Methodist minister, 75 of Richmond

June 13

• Miranda Denise Cannan, nursing, 33 of Berea to Thomas Lamont Jones, machinist, 38 of Berea
• Hope Renea Littlepage, unemployed, 51 of Richmond to Ronnie Joe Belt, retired, 54 of

Richmond

June 17

• Elizabeth Kaye Garrett, accounts receivable, 34 of Richmond to Christopher Allen Combs, landscape, 40 of Richmond
• Hannah Esme Robinson, substitute Teacher, 22 of Berea to Trevor Roy Todd, self-employed, 24 of Berea
• Delanoe Franklin Maximore, heavy construction, 33 to Summer Nicole Garrett, general manager, 27 of Richmond
• Jessica Faye Sanchez, nurse, 35 of Bera to Christopher Robret Dooley, truck driver, 38 of Berea
• Gabriella Huntsberger, teacher, 23 of Waco to Andrew Teyton Chaney, factory, 23 of Waco
• Garrison Clay Carrier, market head teller, 23 of Berea to Lauren Hannah Caudill, manager, 22 of Berea
• Kayla Marie Dillon, teacher, 26 of West Chester, Ohio to Trevor Morgan Arvin, electrical engineer, 27 of West Chester, Ohio
• Mia Jordan Hale, RN, 21 of Richmond to Micah Trey Swim, teacher, 23 of Richmond
• Andrew Justin Meade, machinist, 32 of Winchester to Tasha Nicole Meade, Receptionist 31 of Richmond

• Mason Duane Jessey, construction, 25 of Berea to Sharon, Rose Vincent, accountant, 22 of Berea
• Jenna Maria East-erwood, student, 19 of Richmond to Isaiah Luke Plank, team member, 20 of Richmond
• Brittany Nicole Johnson, body piercer, 34 of Berea to Colby Lee Marshall, T-Mobile, 34 of Berea

June 18

• Austin Dean Kersey, sales representative, 27 of Berea to Alana Cathleen Cavasos, music teacher, 26 of Berea
• Pamela Michelle Custard, financial specialist, 32 of Richmond to James Everett Dunaway, truck driver, 34 of Richmond
• Heather Nicole Bradley, rehab tech, of Berea to Curtis Jackson Jennings, general manager, 39 of Berea
• Ethan Joel Bradley, warehouse manager, 22 of Richmond to Haleigh Michele Bokros, residential cleaning, 23 of Richmond
• Amy Lynn Johnson, front desk professional, 42 of Richmond to Mark Anthony Rist, auditor, 36 of Richmond
• Kevin Lamont Willis, engineer, 53 of Richmond to Wendi Levon Shepherd, supervisor, 51 of Richmond

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

June 11

• Bobby Hoskins to Alexandria Paige Lamb and Jacob Riley Workman, tract Madison County, \$257,300
• Jeremiah Kwao and Selina Kwao to Bradley Thomas Dalton and Anna Elaine Stamper, 312 Springhurst Drive, Berea, \$279,500
• Robert Edward Allen and Lola M. Allen to Joseph E Mainous, Jr., Trustee of 201 201 West Vine Street, Robert Edward Allen, Lola M. Allen and Robert Carl Allen, 621 Pine Woods Road, Berea, for and in consideration of \$1.00
• Sarita Eugenia Trawick to Kristie Lynn Hale, lot 7 Stoney Creek Subdivision Unit 2, Block 1, Phase 2, \$259,900
• Greatview Properties, LLC to Rodney Cain and Sherry Virgin, tract Madison County (vicinity of Smith Ballard Street), \$65,500
• Fouzbox Development, LLC to Bremebeda, LLC; BC3, LLC and UltraSAFE Holdings, LLC, 101 and 103 Plaza Drive, Berea, \$2,395,700
• Lorene Watson to Lorene Watson and Dustin Ellis Witt, tract White Station Road, party of the 1st part does hereby convey unto the parties of the 2nd part, described property to possess and enjoy the benefits thereof for duration of her natural born life with remainder in fee simple upon her death to her great-nephew Dustin Ellis Witt
• Kristie Ann Pack (f/k/a Kristie Ann Atkinson) and Joseph Pack to Sydney DI Abshire, lots 72 and 73 Meadow View Subdivision, \$235,000
June 11
• Ahmad Abderiahman and Hanan Budeiri to Shair R. Dutton, lot 94 Beginnings @ Fourmile Subdivision, \$315,000
• Joel Greer and Lisa Greer to Nicholas Blackburn, lot 28 Prairie View @ Twin Lakes, Phase II, \$320,000
• Rob Hacker and Stephanie Lynn Hacker to John V. Hughes, 112

Frances Drive, \$275,000
• Kiara Damrell to Robert A. Nimmo, II, lot 1 South Broadway Street, Berea, \$220,000
• Clint Taylor Construction, LLC TO David R. Beamer, 329 Pageant Drive, \$295,00
• Deborah Pippin and Charles B. Pippin to Bridgett Loveland, tract South Dogwood Drive, Berea, \$303,000
• Melvin Ballinger to Gene Ballinger and Faye Roser, 1007 Race Street, Richmond, \$40,000
• Albert L. Barnett and Kimberly L. Barnett to Albert Landon Barnett, Kimberly Layne Barnett and Jarod Landon Barrett, tract Madison County, for and in consideration of the love and affection grantees have for their son
• James C. Azbill and Mary Pat Nixon-Azbill to Stratcon, LLC, tract Madison County, for and in consideration of an agreement between parties
• Jeremy Scott Lizer to John W. Cloud and Tara M. Elswick, lot 7 Block A Unit 1-A Burchwood Subdivision, \$198,750
• Estelle Ray to Lindsey Prewitt Arnold and Jayson E. Arnold, 617 Fourwinds Drive, \$475,000
• Kaitlyn Black to Stephanie Lynn Hacker, 350 Village Drive, Berea, \$231,150
• Combs Colt, LLC to Christophher A. Wright and Miranda K. Wright, lot 44 Stoney Creek Subdivision, Unit 3, Phase 1-C, \$265,000
• A&R Contractors, LLC to Berea Property Development, LLC, lot 18 Harvest Park Subdivision, Berea, \$174,900
• Berea Property Development, LLC to Cornerstone Property Development, LLC, 840 Ridgewood Drive Unit 4 Lot 4D, \$80,000
June 12
• Gabriel Gene Camberos and Stevi Morgan Camberos to Daniel Ivan Dundon and Holland C. Dundon, 390 Wyldwood Way, Berea, \$280,000
• Ball Homes, LLC to Jason A. Duran and Lacey Allen-Duran,

lot 27 Phase II Arbor Woods, \$332,380
• Taylor Marshall Administratrix of the Estate of Brenda Gail Marcum, pursuant to the Order of Sale entered in Probate Civil Action No 24P-00704 to William Lewis Arnold, Jr. and Sandra Reid, 520 Forest Oaks Drive, \$204,600
• Tonia N. Walters and Matt Walters to Michael L. Harrison and Heather Harrison, tract Madison County, \$485,000
• Charles L. Lainhart to Julia Rose Field, lot 59 Battlefield Place, \$220,000
• Keith Thoma Wayne Hensley to Orry Staggs and Caleb Staggs, tract Madison County, \$285,000
• LP Construction, LLC to William Erpenbeck, lot 200 Phase 7A Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$310,000
• Kyle Moats and Leeann Moats to Tyler O’Brien and Ashlee Thornsberry, lot 20 of Glengale’s Phase 1-A of Boone’s Trace Subdivision, \$527,000
• Justin John Badeau (a/k/ John Badeau) and Jaclyn Badeau to Kyle Moats and Leeann Moats, 524 Shagbark Trail, \$635,000
• Richmond Development Co. and WG & T Builders, Inc. to JoAnn Halloran, lots 131 and 132 Carriage Place, Phase 2, \$816,000
June 15
• Chris Parke and Kristal Park to Sebastian Mbaya and Cristina M. Mbaya, lot 15 Block A Irvine View A, \$187,875
• Faia Johnson and Brendann R. Johnson to Brandon Wayne Stewart and Jada Stewart, lot 9 Stoney Creek Subdivision, Unit 2, Block 1, Phase 2, \$268,900
• Sandra Kaye Moore, Randall Lakes and Mona Lakes to Andrew William Butcher and Sarah Nicole Butcher, tracts Haiti Road, Berea, \$275,000
• Jared L. Sommers and Jennifer L. Sommers to Roger Dale England and Regina L. England, 912 Falling Waters Lane, \$615,000

COURT RECORDS

District Court
June 12

• Monica Davis vs. Charles E. Kavanaugh
• Mills D. Corea vs. Dustin W. Metcalf
• Simona Lynn Masters vs. Stephen L. Phillips

June 13

• Mary Leigh Robbins vs. Christopher Lee Robbins

June 18

• Donnie Brown vs. Victoria Brown
Circuit Court
June 12
• Paige Maxie vs. Zachary Maxie
• Jennifer Harris vs. Kenneth Harris, Jr.
• Corey Tyler Zylin-ski vs. Grace Danielle

James
• Laurel Amanda Rutherford vs. Jason Brian Rutherford

Circuit Court
June 13

• Jesse Allen Saunders vs. Sara Mae Saunders

June 14

• Nikkota Kay Moreau vs. Sebastian A. Moreau
• Erin M. Leidecker vs. James Mich Allen

June 16

• Cecil Allen Tuggle vs. Chasity Lynn Walling Tuggle
• Whitney A. Nichols vs. Jacob Nathaniel Burcham

June 17

• Ashley L. Fitzpatrick vs. Donald A. Fitzpatrick

• Rachel Marie Igo vs. Carlos Darmar Igo

June 18

• Joseph Reno Altschul vs. Brook Elaine Vogan
• Illyssia Guerino vs. Jonathan Guerino

Foreclosure
June 12

• City of Richmond Kentucky vs. John W. Landreth, ET., AL

June 13

• Stockyards Bank and Trust Company vs. Charles Christopher Cornett

June 15

• John Becker vs. Jason Dickerson, ET., AL

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Section 00100

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Madison County, Kentucky

Separate Sealed BIDS for the construction of Parker Lane & US 25 South Waterline Replacement will be received by the Southern Madison Water District, 207 North Dogwood Dr., P.O. Box 220, Berea, KY 40403 until 1:00 P.M. local time, July 15, 2025, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

This contract consists of installing approximately 5,150 L.F. of 4” and 6” PVC, SDR-17 waterline and all other necessary appurtenances.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

SOUTHERN MADISON WATER DISTRICT, 207 NORTH DOGWOOD DR., BEREa, KY 40403
KENVIRONS, 770 WILKINSON BLVD., FRANKFORT, KY 40601

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained from Lynn Imaging, 328 Old Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507 (859-226-5850) and www.lynnimaging.com upon payment of a nonrefundable price of \$175.00 for each set plus any shipping charges.

Each Bidder must accompany his/her bid with a Bid Bond in amount of not less than five (5) percent of the base bid. No Bidder may withdraw his/her bid for a period of 90 days. The Bidder awarded the contract shall execute a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond and shall furnish insurance as required, in the General Conditions. This contract shall be completed within 60 calendar days after date of authorization to start work. Liquidated damages will be \$1,000 per calendar day.

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Any bid that is obviously unbalanced may be rejected. The Southern Madison Water District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive informalities. Bidders must have experience with similar type projects in congested areas where multiple utilities are located. A list of references will be requested and thoroughly reviewed.

Small, minority and women’s businesses and labor surplus area firms are encouraged to bid this project.

Southern Madison Water District
By: Larry Todd, Chairman

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Berea Citizen archives

Hill Project, as it had become known locally, began in 1992 with discussions among local officials, former state transportation secretary Don Kelly and residents of Jackson County. Design plans were completed in the fall of 1993 and were followed by right of way purchases, utility work and construction. Highway 421 was the only route for those traveling into Berea or Richmond from Sand Gap or McKee. The project was pushed by local residents mainly as a safety precaution. In its old state, the road was windy and had steep inclines and for years concerns had been raised about the number of accidents as well as the slowed response time for emergency units from Jackson County trying to transport patients to hospitals in Berea or Richmond.

Game Page

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A broken clock is right twice a day

A fellow walked out of an antique shop carrying a big grandfather clock he'd just purchased. He had always wanted one and was happy to shell out big bucks for such a great find.

The fellow made it out of the shop and onto the sidewalk when an old drunk bumped into him, knocking the clock out of his hands. It broke all to pieces on the concrete.

"Look what you did," the fellow said angrily.

"Why don't you just wear a wrist-watch like everyone else?" the old drunk asked.

Time tends to be very important to us on this side of eternity. We keep our watches and clocks handy so we'll always know the time of day. We have them on our arms, on our walls, on our kitchen ranges, on our nightstands, in our offices, on our vehicle dashboards. Then, twice a year, we have to change all those clocks, at least those that don't change automatically.

That can be quite the chore, especially with those dashboard clocks. I always struggle to remember which

buttons to push and which dial to turn when it comes time to spring forward or fall back. I always feel a great sense of accomplishment when I, through much trial and error, finally get done.

Perhaps you remember the time that the Lord set back the clock – well, it was actually a sundial – for King Hezekiah.

Hezekiah was ill and dying, and he prayed for healing. The Bible tells us he turned his face to a wall and wept as he prayed. God heard Hezekiah's prayer and added 15 years to his life.

I find it fascinating that Hezekiah had the audacity to ask for proof that the Lord had answered his prayer. I find it even more fascinating that the Lord, in his great patience, provided that proof.

The prophet Isaiah, who was with Hezekiah at the time, offered a time change as the proof. He asked He-



Roger Alford

zekiah whether he'd rather the Lord set the sundial forward 10 degrees or back 10 degrees?

Hezekiah thought about this for a moment and decided it would be a lot more difficult to set a sundial back 10 degrees. So, that's what he asked for.

"And Isaiah the prophet cried unto the Lord: and he brought the shadow 10 degrees backward" (2 Kings 20:11).

That was an incredible miracle. Think about what had to happen in the heavens to make it happen. People have questioned for years how the Lord pulled that off. I'm glad for folks who don't worry about the "how" but instead just marvel that He "did" it.

There are times when we, like the old drunk who thought the fellow was carrying around a grandfather clock so he'd know the time, can miss the obvious. And, in this case, the obvious is that there's nothing our Lord can't do.

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

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Berea Baptist Church



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310 Chestnut Street A, Berea, Ky. 40403
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PROPERTY TRANSFERS

June 13 • Blue Builders, Inc. to Brian Scott Callebs, 540 Ryan Drive, \$300,000 • Champ Properties, LLC to Matthew Sears and Kara Sears, 7087 Winner's Circle, \$75,950 • Jared C. Worthington to Ronald Asher and Christi Asher, tract Madison County, \$21,000 • Sea Island Company, LLC (f/k/a J.T. Barrett Land Holding, LLC) to Fitzgerald Family Companies, LLC, parcels Leisure Way, \$6,460,000 June 16 • Bonnie Watkins and Terry Warren Mullins to Kevin Zimmerman and Lydia Zimmerman, tract Madison County, \$230,000 • Short Carpentry and Construction, Inc. to Chris Stuart, lot 80 Parkview @ Hanger Farm, \$302,500 • KJC Properties, LLC to William T. Hume and Yvonne M. Hume, lot 3 Stoney View Estates, Phase 1, \$284,900 • June 17 • Evan Roberts to Sophie Vigna, lot 4 Block D Arlington View Addition, \$265,000 • Lauren Couvillion to Mark Skeese and Meghann Skeese, lot 6A Lakeview Estates, \$450,000 • Vanwinkle Real Estate Holdings, LLC (being the same entity as Vanwinkle Real Estate Holdings, LLC) to Paula Fole, lot 70 Firebrook Subdivision,	Phase 1, \$340,000 • Rhonda Goode, as Executor of the Estate of Starla Denham to Sarah Dill, parcel vicinity of Irvine Road), \$195,000 • George William Cole and Peggy Cole to Mathew Mayabb and Jennifer Mayabb, 3006 Bodie Court, \$217,000 • Stephen A. Coleman and Sula G. Coleman to Mark Douglass Riggs and Tammy Sue Riggs, lot 53 Phase 3 Welchwood Estates, \$315,000 • LP Construction, LLC to Dwayne A. Mack and Felicia W. Mack, lot 215 Phase 7A Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$447,500 • Dwayne A. Mack and Felicia W. Mack to Kathleen M. Barrett and Randall Scott Barrett, lot 107 Block C Tates Creek Estates, \$375,000 • Phyllis M. Pellicore to Phillis M. Pellicore and Michael S. Blankenship, tract, vicinity of Hillcrest Subdivision, for and in consideration of love and affection between girlfriend and boyfriend • Bob Hager Builder, Inc. to CCCD Homes, LLC, lots 11 and 12 in S. Neville Moberly Division, \$155,000 • Hager Rental, Inc. to CCCD Homes, LLC, lots 23 and 24 Brooklyn Subdivision, \$290,000 • New Idea Construction and Homes, LLC to Billy Todd Builders, LLC, lot 18 Stoney View Estates, Phase 1, \$50,000 • Bradley Kilburn and	Jennifer Kilburn to Michael R. Valpreda and Kelly A. Valpreda, 713 Sage Drive, \$325,000 • Mule Shed Properties to Windsor Creek Property, LLC, lot 72 Crutcher Pike Estates, \$65,000 • Stacey Kelly and Gregory Adams, Co-Trustees of the Barbara Jean-Ball Adams Living Trust, dated June 21, 2021, to Stacey Kelly, Trustee of the Barbara Adams Irrevocable Trust, dated August 6, 2024, tracts Madison County, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties • Stacey Kelly and Gregory Adams, Co-Trustees of the Barbara Jean-Ball Adams Living Trust, dated June 21, 2021, to Stacey Kelly, Trustee of the Barbara Adams Irrevocable Trust, dated August 6, 2024, tracts Madison County, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties • Stacey Kelly and Gregory Adams, Co-Trustees of the Barbara Jean-Ball Adams Living Trust, dated June 21, 2021, to Stacey Kelly, Trustee of the Barbara Adams Irrevocable Trust, dated August 6, 2024, tracts Madison County, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties • Stacey Kelly and Gregory Adams, Co-Trustees of the Barbara Jean-Ball Adams Living Trust, dated June 21, 2021, to Stacey Kelly, Trustee of the Barbara Adams Irrevocable Trust, dated August 6, 2024, tracts Madison County, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties	to Mary Janet Kendrick and Ricky Joe Kendrick, lot 220 Phase 7A Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$450,000 • D.R. Horton, Inc to Jemima Tshionyl Bikayl and Wivine N. Kalala, lot 80 Carriage Place Phase 1, \$341,037 • Delmar Anglin and Betty Anglin to Lori L. Sharp, Trustee of 200 W. Lowery Ln. and Delmar Keith Anglin and Kimberly Dawn Anglin, tract College Hill Road, \$1.00 and the promise and agreement of the party of the second part as Trustee to immediately reconvey the property below to the third parties • Delmar Anglin and Betty Anglin to Lori L. Sharp, Trustee of 200 W. Lowery Ln. and Delmar Keith Anglin and Kimberly Dawn Anglin, tract College Hill Road, \$1.00 and the promise and agreement of the party of the second part as Trustee to immediately reconvey the property below to the third parties • D.R. Horton, Inc to Thomas M. Cowan and Cantreece D. Lyvers, lot 79 Carriage Place, \$351,828 • Delmar Anglin and Betty Anglin to Lori L. Sharp, Trustee of 200 W. 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Wells, as Co-Trustees o the Wells Family Revocable Trust, U/T/A dated June 11, 2025, lot 172 Shiloh Point Subdivision, Phase VII-C, for and in consideration of the 1st parties being desirous of transferring their interest in the hereinafter property to a revocable trust with themselves as its Trustees and beneficiaries • Samuel Haven French and Casie Lyn French to Nathan Joseph Irving and Hayleigh Grace Irving, 524 North Street, \$195,000 • 4B Investments, LLC to Simpson Property Holdings, LLC, tracts Madison County, \$500,000 • Stanley Bloomfield and Tawyna Bloomfield to Danny W. O'Neal and Anna Lois O'Neil, lot 50 Lower South Point Subdivision, \$275,000
		June 18 • LP Construction, LLC		

Madison County Schools formulating plan for SB 181

By Jemi Chew • Citizen Intern

As schools begin their summer break, educators and administrators are turning their attention to a new law that could significantly impact how they communicate with students.

Senate Bill 181, recently passed by the Kentucky General Assembly, requires school districts to implement traceable communication systems when employees message students online. The legislation aims to protect students from inappropriate or unmonitored contact by ensuring transparency in all digital interactions between staff and students.

Senator Phillip Wheeler, who co-sponsored the bill, said the goal is not to interfere with positive relationships between students and educators, but to safeguard children from potential misconduct.

“Our intention is not to harm the relationship between students and school administrators or teachers,”

Wheeler said. “But just to make sure that kids—who are really our most vulnerable people in society—are protected from that very small number of bad apples who might seek to abuse these types of privileged communications.”

The bill has prompted school systems across the state to reevaluate how staff interact with students on digital platforms, particularly through social media and messaging apps.

“SB 181 is still a plan that is in the works,” Superintendent of Madison County Schools Randy Neeley said. “We have a plan to send out to all of our employees and parents but discussions concerning the bill are all over the map and the language looks as if it will change in the next couple of days. I am leaning on our legislators and also our board attorney to work through the bill so it will make a positive impact to our kids and employees as we move forward.”



Thursday, June 26

- Ugly Bug Ball, a bug themed event for kids, will be from 12-2 p.m. at the Skate Park Shelter on Thursday, June 26. Organized by Berea Parks and Recreation.
- There will be a summer cookout from 5-8 p.m. at 3 Artist Circle on Thursday, June 26. Food will be for purchase but all games and events are free and open to all ages. This event is organized by Fire and Fern Glass Studio, Maddox Made, and Top Drawer Gallery.
- The Berea Free Market, where you can “shop” donated items for free, will run from 6-7 p.m. on Thursday, June 26 at 400 Jefferson Street. Drop off for items is from 5-5:50 p.m. This event is organized by the Appalachian Community Meal Project and the Free Market Community.
- The Chenault Vineyards in Richmond hosts free yoga sessions every Thursday from 6 – 7 p.m. at The Ceremony Point in good weather and The Reception Hall in poor weather. Location will be posted on Chenault Vineyards’ social media. Bring your own mat. All levels of experience welcome.

Friday, June 27

- Fire Truck Friday will be on Friday, June 27 from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Skate Park. The Berea Fire Department will be there to spray kids with water hoses.

Saturday, June 28

- Richmond Parks and Recreation is hosting an intro to family camping course on Saturday, June 28 from 9-11 a.m. at Camp Catalpa Park. Learn how to build a fire and more.
- The Berea Farmers Market will be on Saturday, June 28 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at 635 Chestnut Street. The Berea Old Time Music Circle will be playing there from 10 a.m.-noon.
- Join a free hike organized by the Berea College Forestry Outreach Center at the Pinnacles on Saturday, June 28 at 10 a.m. You will hike with FOC staff and Berea College students.
- There will be a chalk drawing contest hosted by Berea Parks and Recreation at the story trail from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, June 28.
- Get free smash burgers and hotdogs at the Berea Skatepark from 4-8pm on Saturday, June 28. There will be a skateboarding competition, car show, and more.

Sunday, June 29

- Celebrate International Mud Day on Sunday, June 29 by playing in mud by the creek from 1-3 p.m. at 2047 Big Hill Rd. This event is organized by the Madison County Public Library, Winterberry Studio, and the Forestry Outreach Center. Rain or shine event.
- There will be a Creekside Bike Bash at 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 29 at Silver Creek Bike Park organized by GOKY. Join other bike lovers, hit the pump track, and show off your best tricks.
- Join Richmond House of Prayer for their Independence Day celebration on Sunday, June 29 from 5-10 p.m at 330 Mule Shed Lane. There will be free food, fun, and fireworks for the whole family.

Monday, June 30

- Behind the Magic Summer Camp by Spotlight Acting School runs from June 30 – July 4 at 214 Richmond Road North. Drop off at 7:45 a.m. and pick up by 4:15 p.m. The camp is for ages 11-18 and costs \$125. Kids will learn how to build sets, paint props, design lights and sound, and try out foam sculpting, woodworking, and 3D printing. Sign up here: <https://www.thspotlight-playhouse.com/2025/04/13/behind-the-magic-summer-camp-june-30-july-4/>
- Attendees 18 and under can enjoy a free lunch to-go at the Berea Madison County Public Library Community Room from 11 a.m.-noon.

Tuesday, July 1

- The Berea Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Coffee and Conversation event at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 1 at Diner Bell Restaurant. Join them for a morning of networking, idea-sharing, and community connection.

Wednesday, July 2

- First Baptist Church in Richmond is organizing a faith, family, fireworks event at Canan Acres Farm on July 2 from 7-9:30 p.m. Bring your own chair or blanket to sit on. There will be food for purchase and free games.

Have an event for the calendar?
Contact Berea Citizen intern
Jemi Chew at
news@bereacitizen.net

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE MADISON COUNTY FISCAL COURT Fiscal Year 2025-2026

BUDGET SUMMARY
AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, KENTUCKY:

SECTION ONE: The following budget is adopted for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.

General Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	7,630,050.00
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	2,699,650.00
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	1,019,800.00
5300	SOCIAL SERVICES	337,100.00
5400	RECREATION AND CULTURE	1,152,500.00
6400	OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES/SVC	54,000.00
7100	GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	1,202,500.00
7200	HOLDING COMPANY BONDS	519,200.00
7700	LEASES	108,400.00
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,830,000.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	1,150,700.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	26,655,300.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	2,317,500.00
Total		46,676,700.00
Road Fund		
6100	ROADS	3,768,600.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	617,000.00
Total		4,405,600.00
Jail Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	4,750,300.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	1,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	796,300.00
Total		5,567,600.00
Local Government Economic Assistance Fund		
6100	ROADS	100,000.00
7100	GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	134,600.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	465,900.00
Total		700,500.00
Federal Grants		
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
Total		
CSEPP		
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	6,381,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	1,310,900.00
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	133,100.00
Total		7,825,000.00
OPIOID ABATEMENT/SETTLEMENT FUND		
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	
OPIOID ABATEMENT/SETTLEMENT FUND		
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	1,975,000.00
Total		1,975,000.00
E-911		
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	3,547,100.00
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,150,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	693,900.00
Total		5,411,000.00
SELF-INSURED HEALTH INSURANCE ACCOUNT		
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	503,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	1,900,000.00
Total		2,403,000.00
CLERK FUND		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	160,500.00
Total		160,500.00
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND		
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	6,536,400.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	236,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	927,600.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
Total		7,700,000.00
Total Budget Appropriations		82,824,900.00

Adopted this 24th day of June, 2025


REAGAN TAYLOR, COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

All interested persons and organizations in Madison County are hereby notified that a copy of the county's adopted budget in full is available for public inspection at the Office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

First major heat wave of summer hits region

FRANKFORT (KT) – The first heat wave of the season that the National Weather Service (NWS) warned us about last week would affect Kentucky has indeed arrived, and is now expected to continue through the end of the week.

Forecasters say we are just beginning what will be a prolonged period of hot temperatures. This heat won't be overly intense, but it will be persistent, with highs each day solidly in the 90s, with some areas possibly reaching the mid to upper 90s. There will also

be several opportunities for heat index values to reach or exceed 100, especially on Friday and Saturday.

As a result, the NWS says heat illnesses will be possible, such as heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Those most likely to be impacted are people working outdoors, those without access to air conditioning, and other vulnerable populations.

The NWS offices located in Wilmington, Ohio, and Charleston, West Virginia, have issued heat advisories for the Northern and North-eastern parts of Kentucky,

which are in effect now through Friday evening, and other offices may expand the heat advisories into other parts of the state.

Rain chances throughout Kentucky will be low during the period, so forecasters say flash drought conditions could develop.

Several groups of people are affected more by the heat:

- Young children and infants are especially vulnerable to heat-related illness and death, as their bodies are less able to adapt to heat than adults.

- Older adults, particularly those with preexisting conditions, take certain medications, are living alone or with limited mobility, can also experience adverse effects.
- People with chronic medical conditions are more likely to have a serious health problem during a heat wave than healthy people.
- Pregnant women are also at higher risk, as extreme heat events have been associated with adverse birth outcomes such as low birth weight, preterm birth and

infant mortality, as well as congenital cataracts.

Their best advice is to stay indoors in air conditioning. But for those who must work outdoors:

- Drink a cup of cool water every 20 minutes.
- Take regular breaks in the shade or a cool location.
- Look for any signs of heat stress, such as muscle spasms, nausea, dizziness and fainting.
- When in doubt, call 9-1-1.

In addition, never leave people or pets in a vehicle. Hot car deaths can occur year-round.

TAYLOR

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County Fiscal Court, Taylor said the county is doing its best to implement a fee this fall that will keep 911 dispatch and emergency services at current levels. However, when residents received advance notice of the fee in a recent public mailing, and, when some of those property owners were apparently over-assessed, some took to their keyboards to disparage the county, Taylor said.

What Taylor hoped for, he said, is that people would contact county officials directly if they thought their fee was calculated in error.

"It's disappointing for a community that I love, that people's first instance is to go bashing and name calling on a keyboard...and do not have the decency to pick up the phone and call somebody that they know, somebody that is elected," Taylor said. "I've sent many messages on Facebook yesterday saying please call me. I called people and said we're here to help."

Taylor continued. "We want this to be right, and we want to get it right by the time the bill goes out [in October]. That was why we sent the letters out now. That's why we've been talking about this. That's why that was on the property tax bill last year as a reminder. And so, I would just encourage people to call me, call our office, use the information that we've seen here today, just not [being] on social media criticizing and name calling and complaining and being miserable."

Taylor and other officials reminded citizens they can get

more information and even appeal their 911 Service Fee assessment by going online at madisoncountyky.gov/911fee/

Additionally, citizens are welcome to contact county officials if they need help in person, according to Judge Executive Jill Williams.

Taylor further expressed disappointment in the contentious tone of social media posts about government employees, declaring confidence in his staff. Later in the meeting, Taylor advised that if one can't say something to another person's face, it probably shouldn't be posted online.

The 911 Service Fee structure was adopted by the Madison County Fiscal Court, City of Richmond, and City of Berea last year in response to diminishing telephone land line revenues and the fact that the federal Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) funding ended this year.

The fee assessed to all property owners in Madison County is based on square-footage and zoning classification, but Madison County Magistrate Stephen Lochmueller said some of the data used was apparently inaccurate, in which case some people have been over-assessed. Lochmueller said at this early stage, criticism of the county was probably inevitable.

"We know some of that's going to happen because some people just don't know any better," Lochmueller said of some social media posts.

"But having come from the business world, what goes in comes out. And in this particular instance, it's very clear to me that if you have faulty information that went into the system, wherever that faulty in-

formation came from, it doesn't matter, we're going to get the blame."

Officials noted, for example, that the county doesn't regulate zoning in Berea and Richmond, and that some of the information provided to the county Property Valuation Administrator may be outdated, thus leading to incorrect calculations.

"If faulty information goes in, it's going to come out now," Lochmueller said. "We were proactive. Sheriff [Coyle] was proactive in suggesting that we put this out on a notice way in advance."

"We're not perfect, but we want to be. We're trying to be and we're not going to be hateful, we're not going to be spiteful, we're not going to get on Facebook and start calling people names. We will get this right."

Magistrate Brian Combs agreed that 911 dispatch and emergency services are vital, but he also cautioned people about the personal implications of venting their wrath online.

"It's important to have this service in our community. I know I've used it several times in my lifetime, and I didn't ask questions when they showed up," Combs said. "Second thing, you see a lot of people on Facebook, a lot of them I know personally, that profess to be Christian, and I don't doubt that that's between them and God. Maybe just a suggestion: If you don't have anybody to pray for, pray for your county."

"Pray for the judge's office. Pray for the leaders in our county, our department heads. And then if you've got something to say after that, by all means, go to Facebook and blast them. And that's between you and God, too."



CUBA

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middle of the street where we could look all up and down the community and he (the pastor) said, this is my office," Freeman said. "His work isn't inside the building, his work is in the community. And we walked up and down the street before church started and every house, every store that we passed was, hey pastor, hey pastor, good morning pastor."

Freeman has lived and ministered in Madison County his entire life. His childhood church was Bethlehem Baptist in Dreyfus, which encouraged him to go for his first mission trip to Africa.

On that trip, he said he saw what God was doing all over the world and how important it was to partner with believers in other countries.

"A lot of times believers in other countries don't have the resources that we have," Freeman said. "So, it's good for us to take resources in and support them in their work in their communities."

During his 10-day trip to Cuba, Freeman and the rest of the mission team preached 55 sermons, supported local ministries and pastors with around \$28,000, gave out 600 pairs of glasses and 150 gift bags, visited 31 different churches, and more.

The usage of funds brought by the mission team included blessing 52 pastors and buying five churches and two homes.

One evening, they met a pastor who was living in one room in the church with his entire family because they were struggling to buy a home.

"And the question was asked, how much do you need to get into this house? 300 dollars," Freeman said. "300 dollars was astronomical for him but for a group of 15 people

who went prepared to be a blessing to others it was doable."

While the group was in Cuba, they lived in a compound with 12 people in one room sharing six bunk beds and one bathroom.

Because of that Freeman would wake up at 4 a.m. to get ready for the day even though sometimes he went to bed past midnight. But there was also another reason he liked to wake up early – to climb a tower that was near the living quarters.

"A beautiful sunrise every morning, I could see it from that tower," Freeman said. "And two, that's about the only place in the country I could get just a little bit of service and maybe just for a second call my sweet wife."

He said the toughest part of the trip was the heat, humidity and physical exhaustion. But it could not compare to the love and care they received from the people there and the testimonies they heard.

One story was of a young lady who is a youth leader at River of God, a church in Cuba.

She was abandoned by her family when she was eight years old and had no home to live in. The church took her in and now at 19 years old she leads a group of 50 youth to go into communities and minister to people with backgrounds like hers.

"We've been taught all of our life here in America hate Cuba, hate Cuba, hate Cuba," Freeman said. "And I know that's a political thing. But just as soon as my feet hit the ground there, I fell in love with the people of Cuba. We can differ politically but as far as people, they're the most amazing people I've ever met in my life. From the moment my feet hit the ground, they wrapped their arms around me just like I was family and it's been a blessing to experience that."

FEE

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1. The square footage estimate might not be up to date. Williams noted, for example, that an unfinished basement should not be included in the total square foot formula. For that or another reason property owners can submit photos, floor plans, or other proof online to show they've been over-assessed.

2. Incorrect zoning is another reason for appeal, Williams said, adding that owners of single-family homes are sometimes over-assessed because they reside in a neighborhood that is zoned for Planned Unit Development (PUD), multi-family, or business. Williams emphasized the county wanted to send out the fee notices in advance so that owners could correct such inaccuracies before tax bills are sent out this fall. Judge/Executive Reagan Taylor interjected that the county doesn't assign zoning in Richmond and Berea, and it's possible that not all of the zoning information provided to the Property Valuation Administrator is current.

3. The third reason property owners can submit an appeal is if they own a property that is a separate lot but contiguous to their property. "That vacant lot fee, which is \$25, will be combined with your single-family farm dwelling residence," Williams said.

"When you give us the property addresses and everything [during the appeal process], we can make that modification as we move forward in the process."

4. Property owners who currently pay a landline fee can also appeal to have their 911 Service Fee reduced. Williams said those who are already paying a landline fee would have that payment applied to their total fee owed.

When submitting the appeal online, Williams urged citizens to make sure they select the correct reason for their appeal, adding that some people simply check the first option available, then submit the form. By checking the correct reason, Williams said, the appeal for correction can be processed faster.

The 911 Service Fee stems from a cooperative effort between the Madison County Fiscal Court, City of Berea, and the City of Richmond. The three local governments teamed up in response to the end of federal funding from the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP). CSEPP money funded large portions of Madison County's emergency response infrastructure. In addition, the diminishing number of telephone landlines means a diminishing amount of landline tax revenues. That meant that funding for 911 dispatch and emergency services was facing a serious financial shortfall.

In a letter to citizens, the

county explained how that decreased funding impacts services: "While its impact on emergency response remains, the 911 Service Fee modification is now crucial to maintaining the level of service our community replies on. This is a transition that many local governments made years ago."

Judge Taylor urged citizens to be patient with the correction process.

"We're here to help people. The county judge's office, our whole team, our 911 team, we're here to help anybody that has an issue," Taylor said. "I will say we're not perfect, but we're trying to be perfect by the time the property tax bills come out in October."

"I would encourage citizens to reach out to our office as step one and not go to finger whipping on social media. We're not perfect, but I'll tell you what we are is we're honest, and we're going to make the information correct."

Magistrate Tom Botkin addressed the issue near the end of the meeting, recalling times when 911 services were there for him.

"...not one time in any of those instances did I ever think about paying \$42.21," Botkin said of his 911 bill. "You have to remember what this is for. If your house is on fire, you're not going to care about \$42. You're not going to care about \$50, you won't care about \$100. Please remember what this is for, and the service that you received from this."



July 11-13

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July 26

**Nic Cassetta
& Co.**

Aug. 30

**3 Men & A
Banjo**

Oct. 4

Kid's Night

**Maddie Caudill
Rockin' Cowboyz**

Aug. 9

Pet That Yeti

Sept. 13

**Bent Penny
Band Revival**

Aug. 23

**Men of a
Certain Age**

Sept 27

Acoustic Night
Tab Caudill
Julian Wolf
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July 25



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Berea Events
319 Chestnut St., Berea

All library locations will be CLOSED Thursday, July 4 for Independence Day.

COLOR OUR WORLD

Summer Reading Challenge 2025

Don't forget, Summer Reading trackers are due at either location by July 31!

DOROTHY MUST DIE

DANIELLE PAIGE

ILLUSTRATED BY JASON LORRIS

What WE'RE Reading

Wyatt Marcum, Circulation Services Manager

In *Dorothy Must Die* by Danielle Paige, readers see a dystopian land of Oz in which Dorothy has taken control following the events of *The Wizard of Oz* and reshaped the country to suit her own desires.

The story follows Amy, another traveler from Kansas, as she lands in Oz and takes up arms against Dorothy and Glinda, the "good" witch, alongside the Revolutionary Order of the Wicked.

Amy and the Order combat Dorothy, Glinda, and other once-beloved characters who have been twisted by their own ambitions, so that Oz can be restored to the colorful land of fairytale that we all know and love.

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Adults

Joan Kleine Creative Studio: Open Studio
5-7:30 PM, Wednesdays
July 9, 16, 23, and 30
Creative Studio, Berea

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

Berea Stitch and Sew
2-4 PM, Tuesdays
Creative Studio, Berea

Creative Studio Orientation
11 AM-12 PM, Monday, July 14 and 28
5-6 PM, Monday, July 21
Creative Studio, Berea

Creative Studio Intro Classes*
5:30-7:30 PM, Tuesdays
Creative Studio, Berea
*Registration required

Embroidery Machine Intro*
Tuesday, July 8

3D Printer Intro*
Tuesday, July 15

Music and Audio Production Intro*
Tuesday, July 22

Laser Cutter Intro*
Tuesday, July 29

The Michelangelo Challenge
6:30-7:30 PM, Tuesday, July 8
Community Room, Berea

Bridge Club
2-4 PM, Thursday, July 10
Meeting Room, Berea

Flashback Friday for Millennials
6-8 PM, Friday, July 11
Russel Acton Folk Center, Berea

Second Saturday Yoga
10-11 AM, Saturday, July 12
Forestry Outreach Center, Berea

Chopped: Art Edition
2-3:30 PM, Sunday, July 13
Community Room, Berea

Artist and Maker Meetup
3-5 PM, Saturday, July 17
Creative Studio, Berea

Berea Writers Circle
1:30-3 PM, Thursday, July 19
Meeting Room, Berea

Genealogy Search Instruction: Using Birth, Death, and Archival Records for Research
1:30-3 PM, Saturday, July 19
Community Room, Berea

Disco Paint Party
6:30-7:30 PM, Tuesday, July 22
Community Room, Berea

Summer Swifty Social
5-7 PM, Thursday, July 17
Russel Acton Folk Center, Berea

Financial Coaching 1-on-1*
2-6 PM, Thursday, July 24
Meeting Room, Berea
*Registration required
Contact Sherry Schloemer at sherry.schloemer@operationhope.org or 859-799-3504 to get started!

Field Day Throwback
10 AM-12 PM, Saturday, July 26
Forestry Outreach Center, Berea

July Book Clubs:

Bookish Brunch Book Club
11 AM-12 PM, Tuesday, July 1
Meeting Room, Berea
Discussing: *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides

Just Love Book Club
6-7 PM, Tuesday, July 1
Just Love Coffee
636 Chestnut Street, Berea
Discussing: *With Love, From Cold World* by Alicia Thompson

Booktok Made Me Read It
11 AM-12 PM, Saturday, July 19
Community Room, Berea
Discussing: *The Last Time I Lied* by Riley Sager

Munchy Monday Cookbook Club*
6-7 PM, Monday, July 28
Russel Acton Folk Center, Berea
*Registration required
Discussing: *Summer Sweets*
*Each participant will pick up their cookbook at the Berea location.

Pick of the Month Book Club
6-7 PM, Tuesday, July 29
Community Room, Berea
Discussing: *Portrait of a Thief* by Grace D. Li

Pick of the Month: Forever Young Adult Book Club
7-8 PM, Tuesday, July 29
Meeting Room, Berea
Discussing: *Love, Life, and the List* by Kasie West

Children

Lunch Bunch To-Go
11 AM-12 PM Monday - Friday
Community Room, Berea
Pick up a lunch and take it to go!
For ages 18 and under.

Read and Play
10-11 AM, Mondays and Thursdays
For ages 0-5 years.

Tiny Thinkers
10-11 AM, Tuesdays
Community Room, Berea
Play-based learning through themed activities.

Music Time
10-11 AM, Wednesdays
Community Room, Berea
For ages 0-5 years.

STEAM Café
10-11 AM, Friday, July 11 and 25
Community Room, Berea
For elementary age students.

Crafternoon
2-3 PM and 4-5 PM, Mondays
Community Room, Berea

Musical Jamboree
Monday, July 7

Garden Animals
Monday, July 14

Bracelet Weaving
Monday, July 21

Watercolor Stations
Monday, July 28

Swifty Summer Social
5-7 PM, Thursday, July 17
Russel Acton Folk Center, Berea

Tie Dye*
10-11 AM and 3:30-5 PM, Friday, July 18
*Registration required
Bring in your own pre-washed cotton items to tie dye.

◆ **Special Performances:**

Didgeridoo Down Under
Tuesday, July 1

A Midsummer Night's Dream
Thursday, July 3

Fun-Filled Magic
Tuesday, July 8

Dream Big!
Thursday, July 10

Birds of Prey
Tuesday, July 15

Beauty and the Beast
Thursday, July 17

Wacky Magic
Tuesday, July 22

Science Heroes
Thursday, July 24

Peter Pan
Tuesday, July 29

Live Animal Show
Thursday, July 31

Teens

Lunch Bunch To-Go
11 AM-12 PM, Monday - Friday
Community Room, Berea
Pick up a lunch and take it to go!
For ages 18 and under.

Teen Scene
4-5 PM, Wednesdays

Ceramic Painting
Wednesday, July 2

Mosaic Picture Frame
Wednesday, July 9

Collage Art
Wednesday, July 18

Custom Stamp Carving
Wednesday, July 23

Nail Art
Wednesday, July 30

Teen Café
3:30-5 PM, Friday, July 11 and 25

Teen Tuesday Game Time
3-5 PM, Tuesday, July 1
Russel Acton Folk Center, Berea

Teen D&D Open Table*
2-4 PM, Saturday, July 12
Meeting Room, Berea
*Registration required

Teen Tuesday: Nailed It
3-5 PM, Tuesday, July 15
Russel Acton Folk Center, Berea

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Teen Book Club
7-8 PM, Wednesday, July 8

Bert's Speakcheezy, Berea
Discussing *Up: Slayer* by Kiersten White
Picking Up: *You'll Be the Death of Me* by Karen M. McManus
*Books must be checked out with your Madison County Public Library card!

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