

Officials  
ponder  
services  
for disabled

**By Andy McDonald**  
For The Citizen

Berea City Councilman  
Ronnie Terrill is questioning  
whether the city parks should  
facilitate transportation for dis-  
abled individuals during sports  
tournaments.

The issue was raised during a recent meeting of the Berea City Council Parks and Recreation Commit-

Committee. Terrill observed that there are people who would like to attend sports tournaments in Berea Community Park, but that the long distance from the parking lot to the bleachers can make the walk difficult, especially for disabled and elderly individuals.

**“Berea has always been unique. We’ve always set the standard. I think it shows that Berea has consideration for handicapped people.”**

**Ronnie Terrill**  
City Councilman

Terrill suggested a possible solution in requiring tournament organizers to either supply transport, or perhaps foot the bill for the city to haul disabled individuals. He further stated there could be a number displayed at the parking lots and the bleachers where citizens could call if they needed a ride. He offered that citizens could be transported by golf cart.

Officials said they would explore the idea further, but that there may be significant complications with

See PARKS, A8

# 'What a blessing'



**Mark Sarver, pastor of Church on Rock, pays for a Safe Haven Baby Box during a dedication ceremony Monday at Fire Station No. 2 in Berea.**

# Safe Haven Baby Box activated

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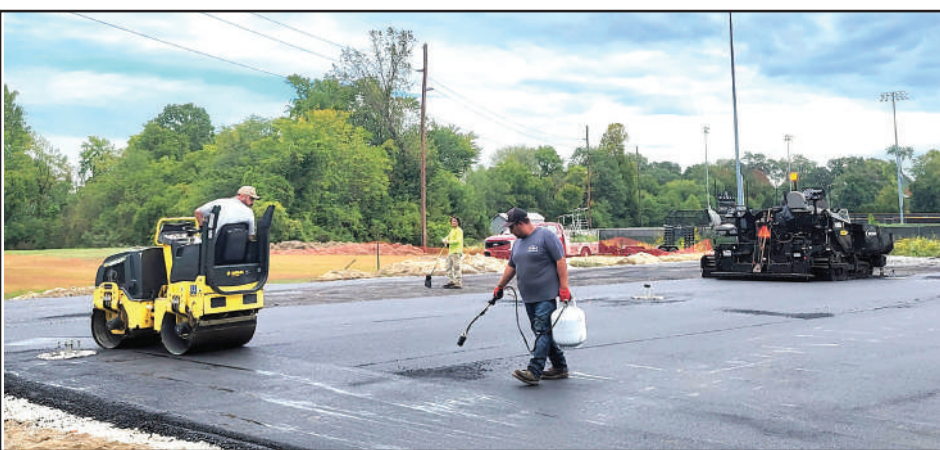
Officials and citizens gathered Tuesday at Berea Fire Department Station 2 on Glades Road to dedicate a Safe Haven Baby Box, a newly constructed portal that allows parents in crisis to surrender their infants.

When an infant is placed in to the baby box imbedded in the wall of the fire department, a signal is then sent to Madison County 911, alerting fire fighters that there's a child to be recovered from the box. Firefighters can then open a plexiglass door on the other side of the wall to receive the child.



**Berea Fire Chief Charlie Russell calls 911 after placing Sparky the Fire Dog in the Safe Haven Baby Box during a demonstration on Monday at Fire Station No. 2.**

### The Citizen/Keith Taylor (2)



## Pickleball courts near completion

**By Andy McDonald**  
For The Citizen

Completion of the pickleball courts in the Berea Community Park extension moved a step closer this week with the laying of asphalt.

The pavement will need two or three weeks to cure before the lines can be painted on the six pickleball

courts, and lights are expected to be installed in the coming weeks, according to Assistant Codes Enforcement Administrator/Project Manager Brian Reed.

The facility is located behind the Russel Acton Folk Center, not far from the Berea Skate Park, and is funded by the Berea Tourism Commission.

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| <b>Friday</b><br>Sunny<br>High: 84 Low: 54          | <b>Sunday</b><br>Sunny<br>High: 86 Low: 57   |

# Obituaries

- Lorene Hurley
- Glenna Ruth Carter

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## Deadlines

- Noon, Monday for submissions, news items
- Noon Tuesday all advertising

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The logo for the Sleepy Hollow event is circular. At the top, a yellow banner with a brown border contains the text "FIRST DINNER SHOW OF THE SEASON" in a serif font. The center of the logo features a black silhouette of a horse in profile, facing left, with its tail flowing. Behind the horse is a large, leafless tree with many branches. The background within the circle is a light yellow color with scattered orange and red leaves. Below the horse and tree, the text "RETURN TO" is written in a small, black, sans-serif font. Below that, the words "SLEEPY HOLLOW" are written in a large, black, serif font. At the bottom of the logo, there is a blue circular emblem with a white stylized 'E' inside, and the words "MILFORD STATE" written in a small, black, sans-serif font below it.

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# Baptist Health urges preparation ahead of flu season

With flu season approaching, medical professionals at Baptist Health are encouraging individuals to get vaccinated now to be better prepared before flu activity increases. Baptist Health offers no-appointment options for getting a flu shot: Baptist Health Richmond’s community pharmacy accepts walk-ins for flu and other vaccines for individuals 9 years of age or older during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. The pharmacy is located within the hospital at 793 Eastern Bypass, Richmond, KY 40475. Additional vaccines available at the community pharmacy include COVID-19, RSV (respiratory syncytial virus), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis – also known as whooping cough), HPV (human papillomavirus), meningitis, hepatitis A and B, MMR (measles, mumps and rubella), pneumonia and shingles. Baptist Health Medical Group Primary Care, located at 107 Meridian Way, Suite 200, in Richmond, is hosting a walk-in flu shot clinic on Saturday, Oct. 11 from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. In addition to flu, COVID (Moderna), RSV and shingles vaccines will be offered. Please bring your prescription insurance card.

## BRIEFS

### Garden Palooza set for Oct. 18

The Madison County Extension Office will offer a Garden Palooza swap at 9:30 a.m. at the extension office. Items can be dropped off 9:30-10:30 a.m. The swap will begin at 10:30 a.m.. Plants, gardening books (or magazines), tools, seeds or any other garden item can be brought to exchanged. Chemicals, invasive or weedy plants or non horticulture books not accepted and items cannot be dropped off before the event. For more information, call (859) 623-4072 or e-mail amanda.sears@uky.edu.

### Making maple syrup class offered

A making maple syrup class will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 21 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Madison County Extension Office. John Duvall, Kentucky Maple Syrup Association President, will present information about tree identification, tapping, processing, equipment and marketing of maple syrup. Call (859) 623-4072 to register.

### Message from Cora Jane Wilson

“Let every soul be subject unto higher powers. For there is no power but of God; the powers that be are ordained of God”  
*Romans 13:1 (KIV)*

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# Culvert installed

A crew from the Berea Public Works Department is installing a new culvert on Ginger Lane this week, a road that has been plagued with chronic flooding during heavy rains. Public Works Director Roy Curtis said he hopes to have the project finished off within the next two weeks. Berea City Administrator Shawn Sandlin said the public works crew saves the city a lot of money because they can do work that would otherwise have to be contracted to outside companies. "We have some really talented employees that are good at their jobs," Sandlin said, noting the department has so many other responsibilities that scheduling major projects like the culvert can be complicated. Sandlin added the project has become especially necessary due to changes in the neighborhood. "With all the water coming from Brenwood Drive and Plaza Drive, we have seen increases in water flow over time," he said. (Andy McDonald)

# Burning restrictions begin

FRANKFORT (KT) – The fall wildfire hazard season begins Wednesday, signaling the start of outdoor burning restrictions in the state. "It's so important this fall that we do what we can to protect Kentucky and our people," Gov. Andy Beshear said. "Please stay alert and follow the guidance so we keep everyone safe and protect against wildfires." The state's outdoor burning law prohibits burning between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., local time, within 150 feet of any woodland, brushland or fields containing dry grass or other flammable materials. The law is in effect every fall (Oct. 1 – Dec. 15) and spring (Feb. 15 – April 30) to help prevent wildfires. "We had a wet spring in the state, creating good growing conditions for vegetation," said Division Director and State Forester Brandon Howard. "With the current drought conditions in parts of Kentucky, we are likely to see leaves falling early and increased fuel on the ground for wildfires to spread."



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**The annual meeting of the Berea Cemetery Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Cemetery Office for the purpose of nominating eligible board members and officers.**

# OBITUARIES

## Lorene Hurley



Lorene Hurley, 95, passed away peacefully Tuesday Sept. 23, 2025 at her home surrounded by her family. Lorene was born in Berea to the late Roscoe and China Lakes Slone. She was a homemaker and mother, Lorene had been a member of the Clear Creek Baptist where she was a Sunday School teacher and had been the church Clerk, and later years moved her membership to Emmanuel Baptist Church where she enjoyed going to church. Lorene was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Raymond Hurley, her daughter Judy (Roger) Spires, her son Larry (Joann) Miller, grandchildren: Bill Payne,

and Jenny Anglin, and her sisters: Oakley Montgomery, and Eula Slone. Lorene is survived by her children: Rick (Betty) Miller, Randy (Lisa) Miller, Sharon (Dana) Anglin, her siblings: Tommy (Naoma) Slone, Bobby Slone, and Cricket West. Her grandchildren: Erica (Jon) Clark, Chad (Michelle) Miller, Kevin (Becky) Miller, Ryan (Sherry) Miller, Nick Miller, Deanna (Austin) Pingleton, Tasha (Drew Massa) Spires, Jacqueline Roberts, Jessica (Whitley) Day, Trish (Ken) Aanderud, 18 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were on Monday Sept. 29, 2025 at Lakes Funeral Home. Rev. Joey Kays officiating and burial followed at the Chasteen-Cope Cemetery, Pallbearers were Kevin Miller, Ryan Miller, Nick Miller, Chad Miller, Austin Pingleton, and Drew Massa.

## Glenna Ruth Carter



Glenna Ruth Carter, 92, passed away Saturday, Sept. 27, 2025, at the University of Kentucky Bluegrass Hospice Care Center in Lexington. She was born in Huntington, West Virginia in 1933 to the late Harold and Agnes Wilkes Carter. Early in life she worked as a paraeducator in the Cabell County school system in Huntington. Glenna was a strong Christian woman with unwavering faith, She was a longtime member of Berea Baptist Church and the Pearl Sunday School class. Throughout her life, she joyfully served in various church ministries, including the nursery, library, and shut-in ministry, visiting those unable to attend and at the nursing homes.

Other than her parents she was preceded in death by her husbands, Gene Scites who died in the Korean Conflict and Robert Eugene Carter the love of her life for over 55 years until his death in 2015. She was Also preceded by one son, David Matthew "Matt" Carter, one sister, Mary Carter Allen, and two brothers, Jack and Ron Carter. Glenna is survived by her children, Mark Stephen Carter and his wife Silmara of Berea, and Amy Carter Shehee and her husband, David, of Charlotte, NC. Three grandchildren, Meliss Carter, and Joshua "Josh" Carter, both of Berea, and Luke Shehee of Durham, NC. One sister, Peg Cook of Huntington, W. VA, also survives. Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, 2025, in the Ridgeway Cemetery, 5547 W. Pea Ridge Road, Huntington, W. VA. Davis & Powell Funeral Directors of Berea, entrusted with arrangements.

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## Power of print

The older I get, the more I appreciate the past. It's not that I never looked back – in some instances I don't – but there's something about yesteryear that can put a smile on your face when those memories come flashing before your eyes.

A lot of focus recently has been placed on the 1990s, an era when technology began to take off, but yet not full throttle. The internet was referred to as the “Information Super Highway” and the launching pad was through the land line telephone line.

Times were still slow despite the surge in information gathering. It was then I began my career as a journalist, cutting my teeth as a young sports writer. My first “laptop” was a Radio Shack Tandy TRS, that plugged into the telephone line. Despite the use of a portable typewriter, I still wrote my stories on notebook paper and dropped them off at the Richmond Register before print deadline.

Those times also brought the resurgence of Kentucky Basketball after the Wildcats were placed on probation and Rick Pitino was hired to revive the program. I had the opportunity to cover many of those teams, especially the mid-1990s and the team that won the national title in 1996. I've been sorting through the “Keith” Box and reminiscing about the past. Kentucky coach Mark Pope played on the school's national championship team in 1996 and was one of the fan favorites on that squad.

There has been talk of bringing back the “denim” uniforms of that era this season, which were produced by Converse. I'm not sure how much of the past Pope plans to include in his second season as coach of the Wildcats, but it would be neat if he incorporated some uniforms of the past.

The treasure chest in a card board box features a lot of programs and momentous that go way back, even some as far as the 1950s when the late Paul “Bear” Bryant coached the Wildcats. In the box are also old school patches of the Wildcat mascot. Those are the ones that are neat and special. There are at least four of those in the box, all of which are much better than the current modern logo that resembles the Kansas State mascot.

My favorite is the one from the 1950s, but I also find the logo from the 1990s also one of the best the school has ever produced. It's the one the Wildcats used when Pitino was the coach and Pope was the captain. I plan on having those logos incorporated onto a letterman jacket in the near future.

Recently, my cousin brought me a couple of books signed by late Hall of Fame coach Adolph Rupp, one of which was signed about seven months before his last game as coach as coach of the Wildcats. I shared the autograph with Oscar Combs. He told me the autograph was the “cleanest” signature he had ever seen of Rupp sign and I had found a treasure.

I found myself reading the two books that chronicled the past — on paper I may add. Print is forever and we forget that in this technology age. At any point, the “free” internet could collapse and there would be no history of anything important online. Think about that for a moment.

That's why print is so important today and tomorrow. It's forever.

You can't bring back the past, but it's always fun to remember the good old days of yesterday.



Keith Taylor



## Build a positive society

Find a good word to say about others or don't say anything.

What have you gained when you make a bad comment about someone? Pray for those you are tempted to hate and be kind to them when you have an opportunity.

People reap what they sow and it's not up to you or me to enact judgement. God is in charge of the universe and as Henry Wadsworth Longfellow said, “The wheels of God's justice grind slowly but they grind exceedingly fine.”

Of course, you call the police if there is a villain in the community. You call 911 if you fear someone is about to carry out evil. You can never be passive. See something, say something is a call to civil action. The consequences of ignoring danger or mental illness have ramifications that often end in death. In our society, we see what one crazy person can do to a school, a college campus, a church or a city. These acts impact our towns and our world.

Unfortunately, we cannot save everyone, but it's worth a try. Churches used to have a mission to evangelize everyone in the city to the message of the Bible. Today many churches are satisfied if a few people show up and keep the church's bills



Glenn Mollette

### What have you gained when you make a bad comment about someone?

paid. The highlight of their work is when they can all get together and eat dinner. Dinner is always nice but our society has too many people totally disconnected from reality and are living in isolated depression. These people need to be saved. They need to be saved from their despair, their loneliness and from becoming resentful toward others who are making a positive impact in the world.

What gets into the mind of a 22-year-old young man that causes him to kill another young man who is dynamic, intelligent and trying to contribute to society? What happens to a young guy who hates his life so much that he decides to end it by killing children at an elementary school or at a church? Sitting at home, staring at a cell phone all day and fostering a deep resentment toward the others is poisonous to the person and to society when the poison is unleashed.

More than ever schools must encourage participation in activities that are geared toward helping youth to be affirmed, encouraged and to develop into contributing citizens. Every kid should be required to participate in something. Some schools and churches offer more than others but we all need to step it up some.

When I was a kid, all we had was basketball. For nine years,

it was a life-saving routine for me. I had lots of exercise, coaching and a core group of activity that was meaningful and fulfilling to me. I also found inclusion and affirmation at church. My local church reached out to me and was very supportive as a teenager. Any kind of sports involvement or church participation for America's youth is generally life-building during a critical period of formation.

Obviously it can't be only sports. Many churches no longer offer much for today's youth, so it may be music groups, physical education groups, academic societies, home making, gardening, fishing and more. Anything that gives our young people a positive place to be besides locked up in their rooms staring at their phones.

It's also going to take more than schools and churches. It's going to take local civic groups and county/city government involvement. Most importantly and above all, families must work to keep their children out of isolation and despair by helping them find and discover life-building activities that enable them to develop a positive life and contribute to a positive society. The school, the church, cities and government are depending on you and your family to orchestrate and implement this dire initiative.

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- Benjamin Funakoshi Zambrano and JoDell Zambrano to Robert Elmanat and Kimberly Elmdant, lot 48 Phase II Diamond Brook Subdivision, \$412,000
- Joshua C. Lewallen and Emily Diane Lewallen (f/k/a Emily Diane Coleman) to Richard W. Owens, by and through Crystal J. Owens, his attorney in facts and Crystal J. Owens, lot 59 Dreamland Subdivision, Phase IV, \$269,900
- Larry W. Agee and Sara M. Agee to Andrew M. Agee, 2715 Walnut Meadow Road, Berea, for and in consideration of the love and affection between grantors and their son
- Short Carpentry and Construction, Inc. to Next Generation Investments, LLC, lot 13 Ellis Addition, \$35,000
- Richard Vanderpool and Brandy Nichole Robinson to Payton King, tract Scaffold Cane Road, Berea, \$25,000
- Thomas Construction, Inc. to David James and Annabrooke James, lot 45 Crutcher Pike Estates Subdivision, \$85,000
- Bruce Rita Aters to Bruce Leon Waters, Trustee of the Bruce R. Waters Irrevocable Trust, dated September 18, 2025, tracts Airport Road, for and in consideration of the premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties
- Hayes/Dilka, LLC to Southparke Ranch, LLC, tract Locust Street, \$172,000
- Hayes/Dilka, LLC to Stargazer Homes, LLC, 506 Westover Avenue, \$86,000
- Champ Properties, LLC to Haugland Homes, LLC, 8008 Filly Lane, \$82,000
- Linda Turley Ginter and the Estate of George Gregory Ginter, by Linda Turley Gibter to Bend Road Farm Operations LLC, tracts College Hill, \$300,000
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- Richard Davidson (a/k/a Richard T. Davidson) to John Montgomery and Jessica Montgomery, 813 Wimbledon Terrace, \$804,000

### Sept. 23

- Ross Gardiner Cummins and Taelor Cummins to Benita Lyons, 10lot 22 Ridgehaven Subdivision phase 2, \$620,000
- Brenda Y. Thompson to Rhonda Hale, 1036 Meadow Ridge Road, \$25,000
- The Estate of Ronald J. Messerich to Laura Georgann Bastecki, 304 Wellington Court, \$158,000
- A&R Contractors, LLC to Aaron Nathaniel Hunter, lot 49 Parkview @ Hanger Farms Subdivision, Phase 1, \$340,000
- James P. Flinn and Stephanie Flinn to Elena Hernandez and Jose Hernandez, 154 Paige Drive, \$270,000
- LPP Construction, LLC to Matthew Frazier and Lauren Frazier, 1101 Misson Drive, \$305,000
- Hanna Nelson to Eddy Pastor Mercon and Robin Lynn Mercon, lot Oakdale Subdivision, \$263,000
- Dan Becker (a/k/a Danny L. Becker) and Vicki Fields -Becker (a/k/a Vicki L. Fields-Becker) to Danny L. Becker and Vicki L. Fields-Becker, Trustees for and on behalf of the Danny and Vicki Becker Living Trust, dated September 18, 2025, 2018 Indigo Drive, for and in considerations and terms of the Danny and Vicki Becker Living Trust, dated September 18, 2025
- Kristopher M. Lewis and Katheine B. Lewis to Smalltown Shoppes, LLC, 200 – 202 ½ S. 3rd Street and 220

Water Street, for and in consideration of addition of capital contribution to the LLC

- DS & JV Properties, LLC to The Renovation Group, LLC, lot 164 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase 2 Firebrook Subdivision, \$62,000
- Bradley R. Lewis and Vyone R. Lewis to Sarah Milligan and Daniel Milligan, lot 6 The Vineyard Phase 1, \$48,000
- Michael Parker and Stephanie Parker to Beverly Satterfield and Larry Mitchell Satterfield, tract Madison County, for and in consideration of an agreement between brother and sister
- John Devere Builder, Inc to Billy Todd Builders, LLC, lot 19 Stoney View Subdivision, Phase 1, \$51,000
- Jody Hignite (a/k/a Jody Lynn Hignite) and Ronnie Hignite to Thin Line Investments, LLC, lot Leslie Drive, Berea, \$65,000
- Clyde Richardson to Todd Home Rental, LLC, lot C-10A Dewey Rose Subdivision, \$44,000
- Duncannon Farm, LTD, by Jamie B. Abrams, Trustee of the Anthony R. Burnam Trust, u/d/a January 14, 1992, General Partner of Duncannon Farm, LTD to Richmond Industrial Development Corporation, tracts Duncannon Lane, \$4,744,000

### Sept. 24

- Michael F. Brandenburg, Trustee of the Mildred E. Brandenburg, u/a/d October 14, 2003, as amended to Melony J. Lane, lot 18 Stonewall Estates Subdivision, fee simple
- James Thompson and Ashley Thompson to Zachary Joseph Suttles, 111 Rosstown Road, \$193,000
- David Fields and Katrina Fields to Kimberly A. Hamilton and Elmer Hamilton, 164 G3neral Cleburne Drive, \$325,000
- Cooper Built, LLC to Solstice Property Group, LLC, lot 8 Parrish Addition, \$291,000
- Terry Lee Schwartz to Gerald R. Kessler, lot 140 Creek-side Villages, \$225,000
- Wesley Alan Anania, Trustee of the Edward Joseph Anania Irrevocable Trust, dated May 3, 2012, to Mark Meador and Amy Meador, 265 Clairmont Drive, \$434,000
- Fortune Team Investments, LLC to Greffrey Dale Rice, lot 111 Parkview @ Hanger Farms Subdivision, \$350,000
- Hayley Hunt Steele (f/k/a Hayley Cheyenne Hunt) and Richard Steele to Joshua Cody Lewellen and Emily Lewellen, lot 1 Charles Arvin and Steve McGee Land Division, \$317,000
- Xpress Builders, LLF to Sara Washick, parcel Hill Top Acres, \$294,500
- Matthew J. Turner and Kinsey Boyer Turner (f/k/a Kinsey L. Boyer) to Heloise L. Lee, 353 Southern Aster Trail, \$312,000
- Leonard Tudor and Vickie Tudor to Canales Alfaro Construction, tract Madison County, \$100,000
- Benita McCoy-Lyons to Shawn M. Greene and Wesley Belknap-Green, lots 74 – 75 Quail West Phase IV, \$687,400
- William Standiford to Julia Ann Leibengood and Eric Walter Leibengood, 3571 Lexington Road, \$270,000
- Lucille S. Brewer to Worley Johnson, Jr. and Linda B. Johnson, lot 37 Highland Lakes Subdivision, \$340,000
- Ballinger's Apartments, LLC to KSC Properties, LLC, 250 Herndon Street, 114 Herndon Street, \$2,250,000
- Jared Worthington to Randall Wood and Kaitlyn Mehlhorn, tract vicinity of Webb Road, \$8,000
- Linda W. Rhodus to Loretta Simpson and William Edward Simpson, II, tract vicinity of Valley View, \$35,000
- Indigo Run, Inc. to JC Carr Builders, LLC, lot 265 Phase 7 Indigo Run Subdivision, \$52,000
- Gary Gullett to Gary R. Gullett, Trustee of the 2025 Gullett Family Trust, lot 36 Breezy Point Estates, Berea, for and in consideration of funding the Gullett Family Trust

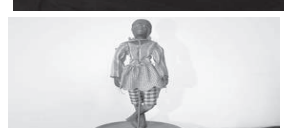
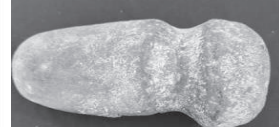


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# Reflections

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### October 1, 1925 Road improvements

The Scaffold Cane Road was undergoing rapid improvements during the week through a combined effort of the Berea Kiwanis Club, Berea College and the county. The three entities were working to prep, grade and ditch the road in preparation for the October 10th motorcade that would be stopping at Berea at approximately noon. Twenty-four men had promised to come on Tuesday with their teams and wagons to assist in hauling dirt, gravel and other materials. The problem was getting

loaders for the wagons. It was the thought of some teachers who were interested in the project to dismiss classes for a few days to allow students to work on the road project. Money was being raised by the Kiwanis to assist paying the expenses.

### October 5, 1950 95th Birthday

Mr. C. L. Ogg, one of Berea's oldest citizens celebrated his 95th birthday on Tuesday, September 19th at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E.W. Fortner on Adams Street. His brother, W.E. Ogg (who was

90 years old) and his daughter Mrs. William Naylor of Lexington came to enjoy the birthday festivities. Mr. Ogg was a photographer in Berea for many years.

### October 2, 1975 Moore named

Local law student and former news reporter for the Citizen, George W. Moore, Jr. was named chairman of the Berea Transportation Advisory Committee at its organizational meeting. Approximately 30 Bereans met with officials of the Kentucky Department of Transportation and the Fed-

eral Highway Commission, co-sponsors of the project to analyze local traffic problems and recommend suggestions and garner citizen input. Mayor Cling C. Hensley, who nominated Moore for the post, expressed satisfaction over local interest in future transportation plans.

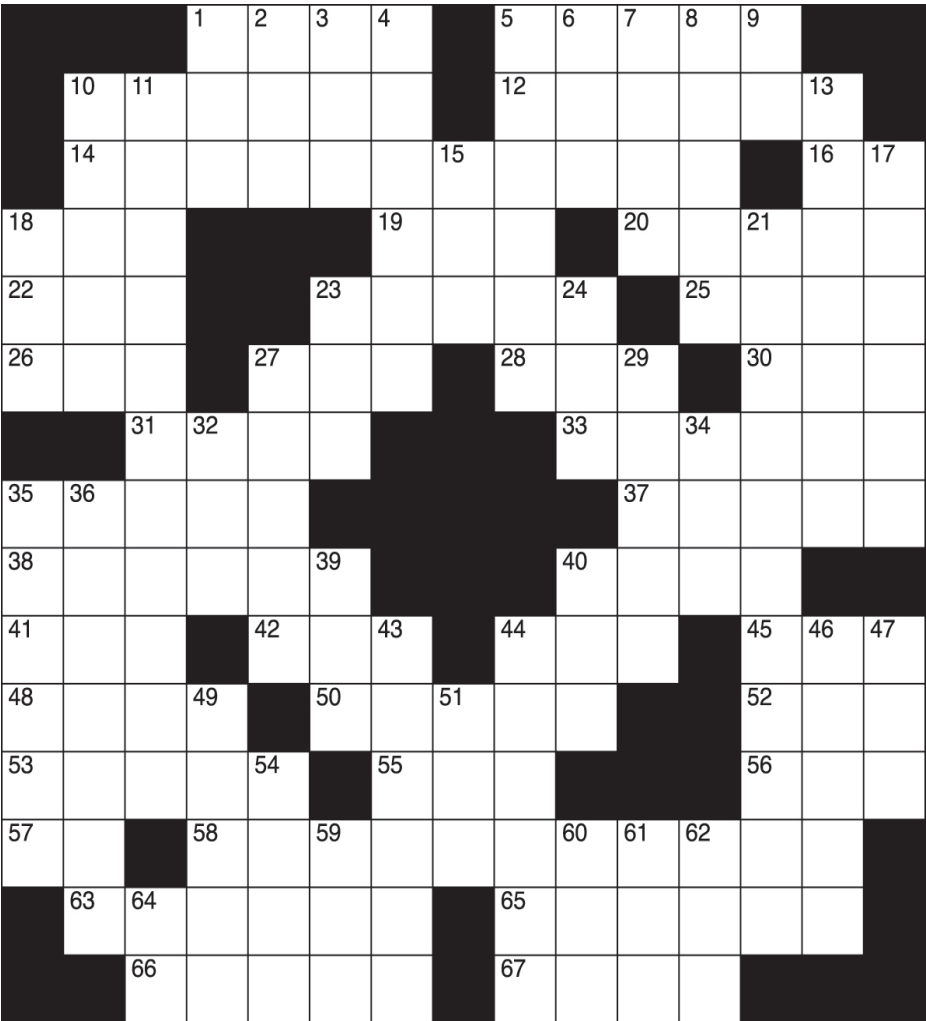
### October 5, 2000 Attempted robbery

Berea Police were searching for a male suspect accused of attempting to rob a local store at gun point. According to Berea Police Department officer, Janice Thompson, they

responded to a call at Sue's Corber Deli on Nort Broadway at approximately 8:30 on Thursday. Report said a male entered the store demanding money from an employee. At first the employee thought the robbery was a joke and told the assailant that he had no money. The robber then grabbed the employee around the neck, holding what appeared to be a handgun wrapped in a black cloth. When the employee again, told the assailant that he had no money, the robber fled the store in an unknown direction.

# Game Page

## Crossword



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Native American people of CA
- 5. Long periods of time (Brit.)
- 10. Classroom tool
- 12. Rods
- 14. One who renews
- 16. They start the alphabet
- 18. Periodical (slang)
- 19. Smooth singer Cole
- 20. Dorsal sclerites in insects
- 22. One from Utah
- 23. The world of the dead
- 25. Singer Redding
- 26. Mafia head
- 27. Wrongly
- 28. Unhappy
- 30. Anger
- 31. Dark olive black
- 33. Places to sit and eat
- 35. Made a mistake
- 37. Damp
- 38. Banned fuel type
- 40. Actor Damon
- 41. What thespians do
- 42. A polite address for a woman
- 44. Disallow
- 45. Swiss river
- 48. A banana has one
- 50. Afrikaans
- 52. Relative biological

### effectiveness (abbr.)

- 53. Agave
- 55. Journalist Tarbell
- 56. One-time tech leader
- 57. Incidentally (abbr.)
- 58. Intestinal bacterium
- 63. Loose sheats around the spinal cord
- 65. Accompanies nook
- 66. Vogue
- 67. Highly excited

### CLUES DOWN

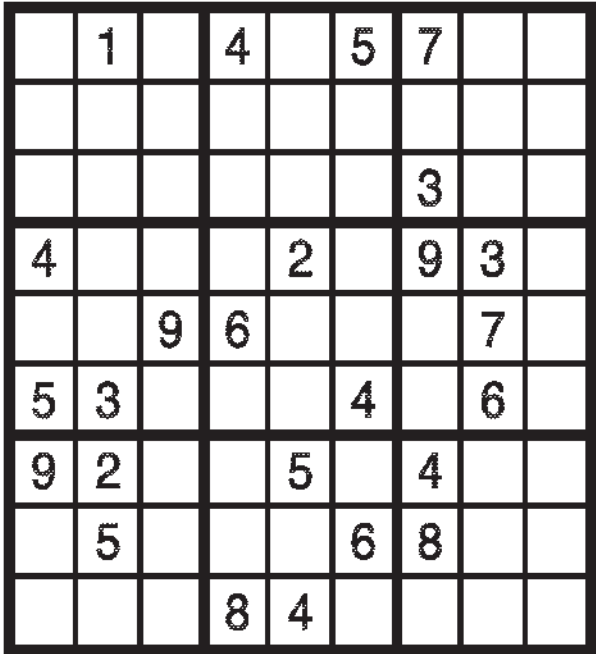
- 1. Witch
- 2. Utilize
- 3. Writing utensil
- 4. Where rockers work
- 5. Becomes less intense
- 6. Consume
- 7. Type of catfish
- 8. "Horsetown, U.S.A."
- 9. Atomic #50
- 10. The Muse of lyric poetry
- 11. Brings back to life
- 13. Humorous critiques
- 15. Cool!
- 17. Worst
- 18. Wet dirt
- 21. Useful
- 23. Hebrew unit of liquid capacity
- 24. High schoolers' test
- 27. Internet device
- 29. City in India
- 32. A place to rest

### 34. Chat responder

- 35. A way to move on
- 36. What consumers are given
- 39. Digital audiotape
- 40. More (Spanish)
- 43. Disfigured
- 44. White (Spanish)
- 46. Church building
- 47. Georgia rockers
- 49. Surgeon's tool
- 51. "Much \_\_ about nothing"
- 54. Make by braiding
- 59. Local area network
- 60. Unit of work
- 61. Indigenous person of Thailand
- 62. Liquefied natural gas
- 64. Distance to top



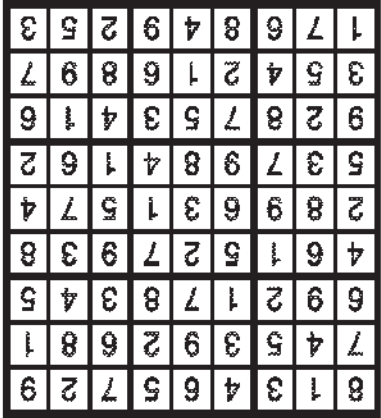
## SUDOKU



Level: intermediate

### Here's How It Works:

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



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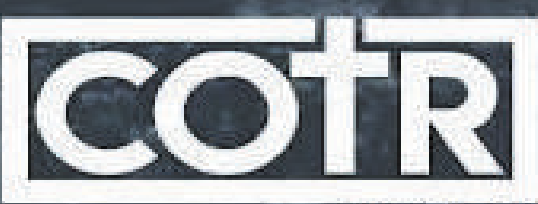
**A. 5 18 13 13 7 13**  
Clue: Dairy product

**B. 2 13 2 2 13 4 12 20 8**  
Clue: Pizza topping

**C. 7 25 14 5 13**  
Clue: Thick liquid

**D. 15 12 14 9 18**  
Clue: Pizza base

Answers: A: cheese B: pepperoni C: sauce D: dough



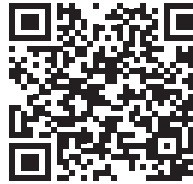
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Roger Alford

“So,” the banker said, “if I don’t give them any money, why would I give any to you?” The Bible lets us know that the Lord would not be pleased with such a person as that. “Whosoever hath this world’s goods, and seeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue, but in deed and in truth” (1 John 3:17-18). Clearly, the Lord wants us to be generous toward those around us. When we see a need, He wants us to meet it, if we are capable. Long years ago, I finished a late-night shift in a rather large city where I was working as a journalist. I walked out of the building around midnight and was walking down the sidewalk toward my car when a man, obviously down on his luck, approached me and asked for money. I told him I had very little, but that he was welcome to it. I reached into my pocket and pulled out every cent I had. It

was a quarter, a nickel and a couple pennies. “Man, you’re worse off than I am,” he told me. “Just keep your money.” I, like most of you, have been though some tough times in my own life. Even in those times, I, like most of you, still was on the lookout for people I might be able to help, even if it meant giving out of my poverty. Jesus watched one day as people gave their financial contributions in the temple. He saw the rich putting seemingly large sums into the offering. But the one who captured his attention was a poor widow who gave two small coins. Jesus said the rich had given money from their surplus, but the poor widow “put in all she had to live on” (Luke 21:4). I hope we’ll always find ourselves to be more like that poor widow that the miserly banker who would give nothing to his relatives in need and certainly would give nothing to the soup kitchen.

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PARKS

FROM PAGE 1

implementing such a policy, including staffing costs, staff availability, and liability. Berea City Administrator Shawn Sandlin expressed concern that if the city imposes that cost on tournament organizers, it may deter some of them from coming to Berea. One summer

softball tournament drew approximately 2,500, which brings prospective customers to local businesses. Tournaments dropping out because of additional fees could negatively affect the local economy, said officials. Additionally, Berea Parks and Recreation Director Priscilla Bloom said that when surveying other parks and recreation departments, other municipalities don’t provide transportation for disabled people.

Terrill countered that argument, however, stating it would be in Berea’s character to set an example. “Berea has always been unique. We’ve always set the standard,” Terrill said. “I think it shows that Berea has consideration for handicapped people.” At one point, Councilmember Katie Startzman asked whether it would be a good idea to explore alternate funding instead of passing the cost onto tournament organizers.

She suggested such a service could be funded through corporate or business sponsorship from local enterprises, and, she recommended that the youth leagues should be brought into the discussion. However, it might be funded, Terrill went further and suggested that the city explore how such a requirement could be integrated into future contracts with tournament organizers. Councilman Stephen Davis,

who noted he has some mobility issues, said he supported the concept, but that he would like to have some research conducted to determine whether it is feasible. Sports tournament organizers currently pay \$100 per day to rent a ballfield, and an additional \$25 per field if they need to use the lights. Sandlin said he would look into the issue further and get back to the committee.

BOX

FROM PAGE 1

“The Safe Haven box is here to assist parents that are unable to provide the care for their infant child, and this box is designed for an infant less than 30 days old,” explained Fire Chief Charlie Russell. “If you have an infant that you can’t care for, we encourage you to use this box, or many others around the state.” Russell added the alarm is on a delay so that parents can slip away, but that on average, infants are recovered within two minutes of being placed in the box. “The baby box will give individuals the opportunity to safely surrender the baby anonymously to provide a safe and critical care for that child,” Russell said.

The box is one of 58 in Kentucky, one of which was dedicated at Station 1 of the Richmond Fire Department last August. Nationwide, there are 381 boxes, where 69 infants have been surrendered since 2017. Berea Mayor Bruce Fraley addressed citizens gathered at the ceremony, noting it should be the function of city, county and state governments to serve all citizens, especially those who are the most vulnerable. “We should be here to improve the quality of life for our citizens, and I can think of no better way to improve the quality of life than to preserve life,” Fraley said. “I think that is something this baby box will do.” Monica Kelsey, currently a resident of Indiana, spearheaded the idea of creating baby boxes following a mission trip to Africa, according to Kentucky State Rep-

resentative Nancy Tate (R-27), who spoke at Tuesday’s event. Kelsey, who was adopted as an infant, went on to become a success as a medic, Navy veteran, firefighter, and author. It was only later in life that Kelsey discovered she had been surrendered for adoption. Her mother, Monica learned, had been the victim of a sexual assault, and instead of aborting Monica, her mother decided to give her baby up for adoption. Executive Director Sarah Roof of Affirm Women’s Health said the baby box will ideally help make a difficult situation a little easier for women in crisis. “Our desire is to make life-affirming options known and accessible. So, thank you to Mayor Bruce Fraley, Shawn Sandlin and Charlie Russell for saying yes and helping to make this vision a reality,” Roof said.

Roof went on to thank an anonymous donor who helped make the baby box possible, as well as Kentucky Right to Life, Madison County Right to Life, Berea Church of God, Hitachi and Kelsey in particular. “I always want to thank Monica Kelsey for her bold idea of Safe Haven Baby Boxes, and the opportunity this box provides; opportunities for life for a newborn child, opportunities for young women in crisis to make a selfless and courageous decision to give her child a life that she is unable to provide for whatever reason, and opportunities for her to get resources that she may need,” Roof said. Tate noted that the effort to make baby boxes legal began in 2020 through a law unanimously adopted by Kentucky legislators. She acknowledged the assistance of State Senator Jared Carpenter

(R-34) and State Representative Deanna Frazier Gordon (R-81), both of whom were present for the dedication. The baby box was blessed as Church on the Rock Pastor Mark Sarver led the crowd of about 75 people in prayer. Following the prayer, Tate said she hopes to get Safe Haven Baby Boxes deployed in every county in the state. She added that through a national hotline facilitated by Safe Haven Baby Boxes, 1-866-99BABY1, the crisis line has helped parents in crisis surrender over 170 infants. Surrendered infants are then placed with parents who are registered for foster-to-adopt. The ceremony concluded when Chief Russell officially activated the alarm system, prompting a message from Madison County 911.





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# Domestic Violence Awareness Month

By Andy McDonald  
For The Citizen

The city of Berea joined the Madison County Fiscal Court and the Richmond City Commission in endorsing a joint proclamation designating October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Mayor Bruce Fraley presented the proclamation at Tuesday’s meeting of the Berea City Council to Kaylynn Carpenter, assistant director of the Hope’s Wings Domestic Violence Program.

On hand for the presentation of the proclamation were councilmembers Ronnie Terrill, Cora Jane Wilson, Steve Caudill, Jerry Little, Katie Startzman, John Payne and Steve Davis.

Hope’s Wings provides shelter and counseling for the victims of domestic violence, in addition to raising awareness. According to figures released this year by the state, there were nearly 8,000 arrests in Kentucky related to domestic violence in 2024, as well as 17,023 emergency protective orders issued.

In accepting the proclamation, Carpenter expressed appreciation to the mayor and the council for their continued support, adding that Berea is part of the Hope’s Wings service area in case local residents need assistance with a domestic violence situation.

Carpenter also reminded officials and citizens of an upcoming event.

“We do have a 5K coming up on October 17th. It’s going to be at White Hall and if you follow Hope’s Wings on Facebook, you can register for that. It’s a really good way to show your awareness and support our non-profit,” Carpenter said.

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The City of Berea and Waste Connections will hold FALL CLEAN-UP within the city limits of Berea, the week of October 20 - 24, 2025. The clean-up will coincide with your normal garbage pickup. The collection crews will remove a normal pick-up truck load on your scheduled day. Items for collection must be placed at curbside by 5:00 a.m. on the day of your pickup. If you have bulk items other than bagged waste or dry boxed items to be collected, you will need to call the Waste Connections Office to schedule a pick-up date. All mattresses and furniture must be wrapped and sealed in plastic before pick-up. If you should require a pick-up other than your scheduled day and time, that service will be provided at the rate of \$25.00 per request, not to exceed a legal pick-up load. All refuse must be placed in plastic bags or containers. Compost materials (wood, grass clippings, etc.) must be kept separate from normal garbage or trash. Larger limbs must be stacked in neat piles at the curb with all limbs facing the same direction. Small limbs and twigs must be placed in securely tied bundles or in plastic bags. Used appliances\* and furniture will be collected and charged at Waste Connections scheduled rates as listed below:

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| Appliances (White Goods) ..... | \$20.00          |
| Stuffed Chairs .....           | \$10.50          |
| Couches and Loveseats .....    | \$20.00          |
| Non-Stuffed Chairs .....       | \$ 7.00          |
| Carpeting .....12x12.....      | \$15.00 Per Room |
| Fencing and Wire .....         | \$3.25 Per Foot  |

\*ALL APPLIANCES THAT USE FREON WILL NOT BE PICKED UP WITHOUT CERTIFICATION FROM A CERTIFIED TECHNICIAN SHOWING THAT THIS LIQUID HAS BEEN REMOVED. Waste Connections will charge \$50.00 for the following items: Refrigerators, Dehumidifiers, Air Conditioners, and Freezers. All bulk items will be picked up the same day as your normal pickup. These items must be placed at the curb at the same time as all other materials.

If you have any questions, please call 877-288-2981, 606-877-7760, 606-864-7996, or 866-428-4208

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BILLS

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Helton further suggested that if a property owner has several tax bills to pay, that they should visit the Finance Department inside at City Hall.

She added that her department is busy with other pressing matters, including helping the city administration come up with a formula to assess fees for 911 dispatch service.

Berea City Administrator Shawn Sandlin said a proposed formula is forthcoming.

During public comments, Laura Manges urged officials and citizens to be aware of possible federal cuts to Medicare and its effect on local health care.

Shane Morris, meanwhile, expressed concern about the noise level at a recent Pride event, urging the administration to enforce existing noise ordinances.

Also Tuesday, the council unanimously approved the appointment of Tracy Blevins to a position on the Berea Housing Authority. Blevins will fill the unfinished term of Jean Hogg, whom Fraley thanked for her service.

During the city administrator's report, Shawn Sandlin noted that fall clean-up is set for Oct. 20-24, coinciding with the regular pick-up times for Waste Connections.

Additionally, Sandlin said three Tourism Department funded projects are nearing completion, including the pickleball courts, the Ellipse Street shared use path, and the Berea City Pool.

Additionally, Sandlin said that paperwork to secure a loan for the Farristown Community Center as been submitted by the Blue Grass Area Development District.

During the Mayor's Comments segment of the meeting, Fraley announced that Berea has made the first cut for \$4 million in funds from the Kentucky Product Development Initiative in order to resurface land in the Berea Industrial Park beyond Farristown Road. The results of the competitive process could come later this fall.

Trick-or-treat hours have been adopted by the council, taking place on Oct. 31 from 6-8 p.m. Sandlin noted that will not only coincide with the Halloween in the Park celebration, which will take place during the same hours, it will also occur during a Berea Community High School football game.

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The next Berea City Council meeting is slated for Oct. 21.

Citizen writer pens Kennedy novel

Berea Citizen writer Andy McDonald has published an alternate history novel, *The Camelot Assassin*, a political thriller depicting the presidency of Robert F. Kennedy.

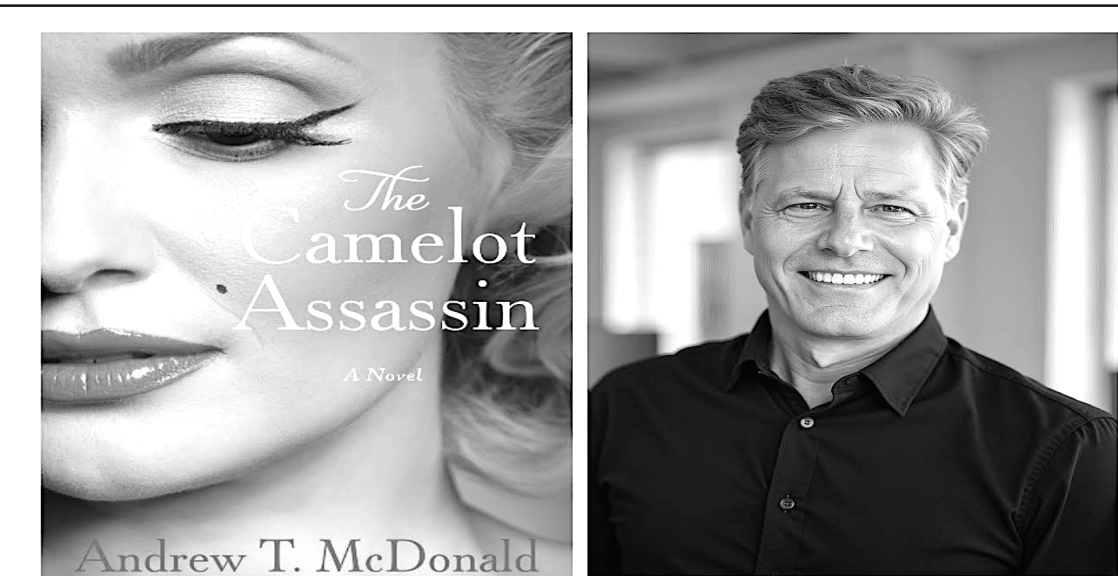
McDonald imagines a world in which Kennedy survives an assassination attempt in 1968 to reach the White House. Once he becomes president, however, RFK soon finds himself combating dark forces within his own government who are determined to escalate the Vietnam War.

In the midst of his turbulent presidency, Kennedy begins to unravel the disturbing truth behind the death of his brother, President John F. Kennedy, while rogue elements in the nation's intelligence community plot to silence him once and for all.

The fate of Bobby Kennedy and the country depends on a CIA assassin and a young White House correspondent.

Richard Tavi is haunted by his role in the murder of a Hollywood starlet connected to the Kennedys. He must decide if he will obey his treasonous orders from the CIA, or engage in a deadly mission that will change the course of American history.

Meanwhile, Washington D.C. journalist Wex Hannon is on the trail of a story that could end Robert Kennedy's presidency, but



when she discovers Kennedy's life is in danger, she must overcome her crushing self-doubt to save the president and spare the country another national tragedy.

McDonald said he was inspired to write the novel after years of historical research about the Kennedy family and Lyndon B. Johnson, but that the current political atmosphere also provided strong motivation.

"With the influence of the internet, we're living in the golden age of the conspiracy theory," McDonald said. "Sixty years after the death of John F. Kennedy, followed by the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy, America is still intrigued and divided about the mysteries surrounding their deaths. Their murders fuel wild conspiracy theories to this day."

The story is also about Robert Kennedy's personal struggles to lead in the shadow of the Camelot myth, as well as the bitter reckoning with seemingly forgotten Kennedy scandals that reemerge to threaten his presidency. In this alternate reality, Robert Kennedy also struggles to save his marriage, while also trying to navigate an increasingly strained relationship with his last surviving brother, Ted Kennedy.

This is McDonald's second book, having published *Paul Rusch in Postwar Japan: Evangelism, Rural Development and the Battle Against Communism*, released by University Press of Kentucky.

*The Camelot Assassin*, published by Prairie Falcon Press under the name of Andrew T. McDonald, is available in print and ebook on Amazon, Barnes and Noble, and other outlets, or by visiting [andrewtmcdonald.com](http://andrewtmcdonald.com).



At left, Judith Weckman updated Berea City Council members on the progress of the city's three pollinator gardens, resources Weckman said helps the environment, promotes public education about ecology, and boosts the local economy by appealing to tourists and citizens. All three pollinator gardens are near the Berea Municipal Building.

GARDENS

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restoring native plants, supporting local wildlife, and providing peaceful, beautiful spaces for all to enjoy and connect with nature," Weckman told officials.

At one point in her presentation, Weckman said she wanted to dedicate the project to fellow volunteer Ann Longsworth, fondly known as the "Monarch Lady" for supporting habitat for local butterflies.

Weckman noted that pollinators such as bees, butterflies and birds play a crucial role in maintaining balance in the natural environment as well as being a vital element in the global food network. However, habitat for pollinators is becoming endangered.

Pollinators are in decline worldwide due to habitat loss, invasive species, parasites and pesticides, according to information referenced by Weckman. Additionally, more than 3 billion birds have been

lost in North America in the last 50 years, she said.

Weckman recalled that she approached Mayor Bruce Fraley about establishing pollinator gardens back in 2023. With the mayor's help, the group has since created three pollinator gardens: Woodland Garden, just south of the Berea Municipal Utilities building, Prairie Garden, next to the Tillie Off Leash Dog Park, and Memory Garden, along the Stephenson Trail.

Weckman stated Berea is already known as the arts capital of Kentucky, a trail town, a music town, but that featuring pollinator gardens can also enhance Berea's tourism appeal.

"I would like to add we're a pollinator-friendly town. I think it would only serve the strengthen the brand that makes Berea so special for all of us," said Weckman.

Following her presentation, Councilman Steve Davis said he would advise BPG on how to become a non-profit, enabling the organization to raise

money. Meanwhile, Fraley and other council members thanked Weckman and her fellow volunteers for their service to the community.

"I just wanted to express my gratitude to you all. You are such an organized, hardworking force and I admire you," said Katie Startzman.

Cora Jane Wilson, John Payne, and Steve Caudill agreed, with Caudill adding:

"Anytime that we have a group of people that are passionate about something and they do such a great job of coming together and just making Berea better is always so appreciated," Caudill said. "I feel like that's what sort of sets our town apart from a lot of places."

Learn more on the Berea Pollinator Gardens Facebook page.

MUSIC

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College President John B. Stephenson. The performance will take place in the Phelps Stokes Chapel.

Other CTM performances include:

- Lifetime Achievement Award winner Sue Massek, performing old-time bluegrass, originals
- L. Allen Smith with dulcimerist Lorinda Jones
- The Branchwater Belles performing old-time music and originals
- Colleen Cleveland performing ballads from the northern Appalachians
- Local Hero Award-winner Tammy Clemmons
- Musical group Illegal Contraband with caller Darlene Underwood
- Jam sessions with Sam Gleaves and Donna and Lewis Lamb
- A gospel sing with Deborah Thompson

In addition to musical performances, Richard Underwood will present a symposium as part of Saturday's Dinner on the Grounds, speaking on his book *Crime-Song* with ballads

performed by Liza DiSavino.

A Kidzone will be available Saturday, Oct. 10, with music and activities by Lili Shelton.

Other events will take place across campus include dancing, musical jam sessions, workshops and lectures.

All events are free to students. Daytime events are free to all. The Saturday evening concert in Grey Auditorium is \$10. The Saturday evening dance at Woods Penn Commons is \$8.

CTM is sponsored by the L. Allen Smith Memorial Fund, directed by Elizabeth DiSavino, and is planned and presented by the Loyal Jones Appalachian Center, the CTM Committee, the Berea College Music Department and the students of the Berea College Folk-Roots Ensemble.

Virtual viewing will be available for events Saturday night and Sunday afternoon via the Berea College Music Department Livestream <https://vimeo.com/bereacollegemusic>.

For a complete list of events and locations, visit the CTM Facebook page or their website, <https://tinyurl.com/LJAC-CTM>



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The annual meeting of the Berea Cemetery Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Cemetery Office for the purpose of nominating eligible board members and officers.

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## Newspapers still thriving in our society

It's our time to celebrate. Since 1899, the Berea Citizen has been published each week to provide news to our readers and subscribers. We've also been the main avenue for advertisers to promote their businesses, and without them, you wouldn't be holding this newspaper in your hands. Over the course of time, our message hasn't changed, but the method of how we deliver the news has extended online, giving readers more options when it comes to subscribing to our product. Not only can you read us in print, but you also can find us on the internet. This year marks 85 years our industry has celebrated the occasion and we are one of thousands of newspapers across the country that bring the news to you through daily or weekly format. It's a job that we don't take lightly and one we are serious about. Even in times of

uncertainty, we do our best to cover the news in our community that we feel is relevant to our readers. Since Al Gore supposedly invented "the information super highway," that has evolved into a plethora of false narratives and news propaganda filtered on both sides of the political aisle. Social "Media" sites such as Facebook, Twitter — whether good or bad — are sadly what many consider the newsroom of our times. That's why our public officials and agencies should be reminded that a PRESS release isn't a SOCIAL MEDIA release. The news should be delivered to the true media members first before Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Tik Tok.



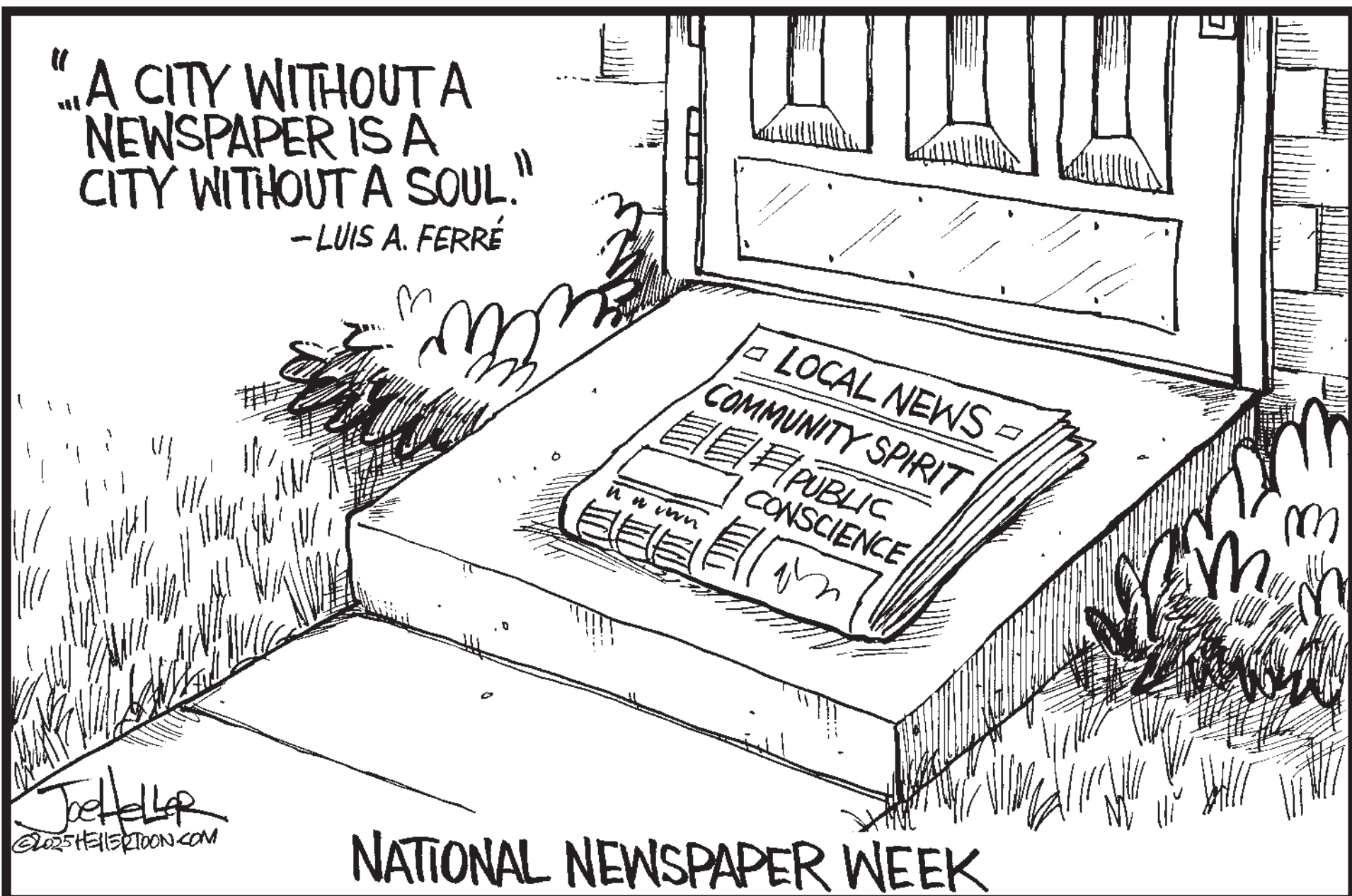
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I believe those sites should be used for personal happenings to share with others in our lives, but they lack credibility and can't be trusted as a worthy news source. It's up to newspapers and other traditional news outlets such as radio and television to provide the facts and report the news without fitting the narrative to a personal belief. The Berea Citizen has been published for our readers in Madison County and still family owned by Nolan Group Media. We are a group newspapers our decisions locally and independently. We aren't driven by a cooperate machine fueled by large profit margins and owned by out-of-state decision-makers. Truthfully, the method at which we deliver the news has changed because of the internet and its influence on our society, especially our younger generation, but the message re-

mains the same as it did before radio, television and web sites came into the equation. During the past decade, a myth has been circulating that newspapers are dead, but that can't be further than the truth. People want their newspaper each week. When it doesn't arrive on time in the mailbox each week, our phone can't stop ringing. Our rack sales, papers purchased on newsstands, are very strong, and for just \$60 a year, it can be delivered right to your mailbox each week. That's right, \$60 a year and we even offer a 10 percent senior discount. Our reach is stronger than ever thanks to print and the internet, which has allowed given us a unique way to stay in touch with our readers. In some ways, we are a "daily" because we update our web site frequently to provide news that is relevant to our readership.

Some of the news, such as breaking events, we instantly put on our web site to help inform our readers of timely news. As we have learned, the internet serves a purpose in our ever-changing society, but print is as strong as its ever been and is one of the most effective ways to reach our readers, especially our older generation who don't rely on social platforms to get their news. We can't leave our neighbors who blazed the trail and took care of us behind. They deserve better and we will continue to make sure they are covered each and every week. We also are there for those who rely on the internet and will continue to adapt to the ever-changing landscape. Much like the news, it never stops.

Keith Taylor



## Acuracy matters

Artificial intelligence is going to transform everything we watch, hear and read. You can already see it happening. Asking and AI search engine a question about an obscure fact can yield quick and surprisingly detailed responses. Type in a cell-phone model number and you're suddenly a highly informed consumer. And when it comes to transforming legendary television show casts into babies, AI is world-class. But news? AI-fueled news poses problems. The first is that news is about reality. AI provides

tools to bend reality. We're seeing a wave of AI-abetted falsehoods and deepfakes online, all designed to mislead us with doctored images and video. No, Ukraine is not sending children, the disabled and the elderly to clear minefields. President Trump does not have a forehead indentation indicating serious illness. Sen. Amy Klobuchar didn't attack Sydney Sweeney and complain that Democrats are "too fat to wear jeans or too ugly to go outside." It's time to retire "seeing is believing." A second issue with AI is that it doesn't know what the truth is. Its take on the



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world will be driven by the data it accesses. Popular but untrue information isn't necessarily filtered out. There's no one sitting at a desk signing off on AI's best guess. In contrast to the breathless tone of clickbait, newspapers in print and online can seem a little old-school. Traditional. Reliable. Safe. Local newspapers embrace the original AI: accurate information. How refreshing is that? Newspapers focus on your community, written by neighbors who shop at the same stores and send their kids to the same schools. Most can readily be reached by phone or email, and when they make an error, they correct it. How quaint. How essential. AI isn't magic. When used for search, it offers an

analysis and recasting of information about what's already known, drawing on the vast resources of the web. Any search about your hometown, though, depends on that information being captured and published in the first place. If your local newspaper doesn't report on a new transportation plan for your community, there's nothing for AI search to draw upon. AI is not sitting in the third row of the City Council meeting. There's an oft-used phrase in data analysis: Garbage in, garbage out. No local news in, no local news out. In the long run, artificial intelligence may be good for us; it may be bad. But it will be. The question is whether we will support the local daily journalism that

informs us, protects our communities, and yes, fuels AI. Unless we support local newspapers and local journalism of all sorts, we will lose the collective knowledge and insight that allows a community to address its needs and move forward. We can't fix what we don't know is broken. If we don't subscribe and support local news media, we will no longer know how our tax dollars are being used, how well elected officials are doing their jobs, or what the real stakes are for the next local election. But just wait until you see the mayor as a baby.

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| <p><b>Sept. 25</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Cecil Church, 40: driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; failure to produce insurance card</li><li>Damron Thomas, 51: parole violation, for technical violation</li><li>Mark Irwin, 61: dis-regarding stop sign; im-proper registration plate, no registration receipt; drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense</li><li>Linda Lefurgy, 49: pos-session of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); no registration receipt; no registration plates</li><li>Sheila Baker, 54: failure to appear (2 counts)</li></ul> <p><b>Sept. 26</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Zachary Reynolds, 41: violation of conditions of release</li><li>Michael Mivins, 49: pro-bation violation for felony offense; possession of a con-trolled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin)</li><li>Amanda Partin, 45: fraudulent use of credit card over \$10,000</li><li>Amber Gay, 29: failure to appear</li><li>Stacy Overberg, 38: pro-bation violation, for technical violation</li><li>Timothy King, 45: pro-bation violation, for misde-maneor offense</li><li>Stanley Isaacs, 43: theft by unlawful taking or dispo-sition, shoplifting; criminal trespassing, 3rd degree</li><li>William Wilson, 49: fail-ure to appear</li><li>Heriberto Hernandez, 26: failure to appear</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Donald Isaavcd, 59: pos-session of a controlled sub-stance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); oper-ating motor vehicle under the influence of a controlled substance – 1st</li><li>Todd Musgrove, 24: serv-ing weekends</li><li>Corey Cardwell, 24: serv-ing weekends</li><li>Sara Johnson, 28: theft by unlawful taking or disposi-tion, shoplifting</li></ul> <p><b>Sept. 27</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ashley Gordon, 37: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines; failure to appear</li><li>David Burgher, 46: stran-gulation, 1st degree; assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury</li><li>Adrian Love, 26: failure to or improper signal; insuf-ficient head lamps; disre-garding stop sign; failure to wear seat belts; disorderly conduct, 2nd degree; resist-ing arrest; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/substance(s) – 2nd; possession of marijuana</li><li>Darrel Clark, 67: assault,4th degree, minor injury, terroristic threatening – 3rd degree; hold for other agency</li><li>Raymond Kenion, 38: probation violation, for mis-demeanor offense; hold for other agency</li><li>Jazmine Matinez, 37: no registration receipt; no regis-tration plates; no operator’s – moped license; license to be in possession</li><li>Cindy Durham, 63: fail-ure to appear</li><li>Jenna Jones, 31: criminal abuse, 1st degree (2 counts)</li></ul> <p><b>Sept. 28</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Brian Reppert, 46: operat-ing motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st</li><li>Luis Balmiori, 21: careless driving; operating on sus-pended or revoked opera-tor’s license; operating motor vehicle under the influence of</li></ul> | <p>alcohol .08 – 2nd</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Daquan Smith, 31: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines</li><li>Shelby Smith, 21: care-less driving; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 -1st</li><li>Keaton Eden, 30: no reg-istration plates; no registra-tion receipt; operating motor vehicle with expired opera-tor’s license; operating motor vehicle/motorcycle without ignition interlock device; driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense</li><li>John Jones, 48: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury; strangulation, 1st degree, domestic violence related</li><li>Brian Rose, 52: fugitive from another state – warrant required</li></ul> <p><b>Sept. 29</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Dallas Arvin, 55: failure to appear (2 counts)</li><li>James Lamb, 24: speed-ing, 25 mph or more over speed limit; careless driving; failure to wear seat belts; op-erating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 -2nd</li><li>Randall Rhodus, 49: crim-inal mischief – residential rental property – 1st degree</li><li>Kandice Keifer, 41: driv-ing on DUI suspended li-cense – 1st offense; operating motor vehicle/motorcycle without ignition interlock de-vice; possession of marijuana; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); prescription controlled sub-stance not properly contained – 1st offense; possession of a controlled substance – 3rd degree (drug unspecified); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess</li><li>Henry Turner, 54: rape, 1st degree – domestic vio-lence</li><li>Rashon Ray, 27: posses-sion of a controlled sub-</li></ul> | <p>stance, 1st degree (fentanyl); public intoxication – con-trolled substance (excludes alcohol); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; theft by un-lawful taking or disposition, shoplifting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Jennifer Groves, 24: criminal abuse, 3rd degree – child 12 or under</li><li>William Noland, 35: hold for court</li><li>Ricky Adams, 57: hold for court</li><li>Jordan Youman, 26: state community center prisoner hold</li><li>Ameia Singleton, 44: hold for court</li><li>Corea Mills, 36: serving parole violation warrant</li></ul> <p><b>Sept. 30</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Hayden Short, 36: oper-ating motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st; possession of a con-trolled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin); leaving scene of an accident – failure to render aid or assistance</li><li>Chaz Burks, 23: failure to appear (2 counts); no regis-tration plates; no registration receipt; license to be in pos-session; failure to wear seat belts</li><li>Whitney Muncy, 32: drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; failure to appear; excessive windshield/window tinting; failure to produce insurance card; failure of non-owner operator to maintain re-quired insurance/security – 1st offense; failure to wear seat belts; operating motor vehicle under the influence of controlled substance(s) – 1st; no operator’s license; careless driving</li><li>Christopher Taylor, 30: operating a motor ve-hicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st; failure to produce insurance card</li><li>Richard Bryant, 32: hold for court</li><li>Angela Edington, 46: fail-ure to appear</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Jeremy Newman, 42: trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st offense (carfen-tanil or fentanyl derivatives); possession of marijuana; drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; aggravated traffick-ing in a controlled substance (greater than or equal to 28 grams fentanyl); trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 2 grams methamphetamine)</li></ul> <p><b>Oct. 1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Johnathan Colburn, 33: operating a motor vehicle un-der the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st</li><li>Tessa Parks, 19: failure to appear, citation for misde-maneor</li><li>Jonathan Todd, 42: failure to appear, citation for mis-demeanor; no tail lamps; driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense; failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; operat-ing motor vehicle/motorcy-cle without ignition interlock device</li><li>Michael Morris, 52: no registration receipt; no regis-tration plates; operating on suspended or revoked opera-tor’s license; license to be in possession; failure of owner to maintain required insur-ance/security – 1st offense; failure to produce insur-ance card; failure to appear 3 counts); bail jumping, 1st degree</li><li>Ladrius Wynn, 24: failure to appear</li><li>Glen Caudill, 35: failure to appear</li><li>Todd Holden, 39: hold for court</li><li>Rita Key, 78: theft by un-lawful taking or disposition, contents from a vehicle</li><li>Terry Hensley, 56: pro-bation violation (for felony offense)</li><li>Michael Plumley, 62: hold for other agency</li></ul> |
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Laycock, Trustees of the Laycock Family Trust, dated July 8, 2011, and any amendments there to, 239 Reed Hill, Berea, \$149,900</li><li>Berea Industrial Development Authority to Bypass Industrial, LLC, tract 6 Farristown Industrial Park located on Farristown Industrial Drive, \$85,000</li><li>Brock Properties and Development, LLC to Andrew Smith and Dakota J. Sumner, lot 237 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase 1, \$289,000</li><li>Tommy Cope Prop-erties, LLC to Randall Sargent and Elizabeth Cabugnan Sargent, lot 4 North Dogwood Park, Berea, \$425,000</li><li>Jared R. Deaton and Cassie Napier to Deborah Lynne Pullen and Logan Ray Ferrell, lot 5 Greenway Heights Subdivision, \$250,000</li><li>DS &amp; JV Properties, LLC to SFS Invest-ments, LLC, lot 175 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase 2, \$62,000</li><li>Billy Todd Builders to Anna Abbott, lot 18 Stony View Estates, Phase 1, \$289,900</li><li>Renee Grizzle to Megan Grizzle and Jer-emy Grizzle, 111 Prim-rose Circle, \$276,000</li><li>Jennifer Roberts (f/k/a Jennifer Price) and Scott Roberts to Renee M Grizzle and Ka-lanilia L. Kahlelelponi, lot 67 Waco Heights Subdivision, \$390,000</li><li>Over in the Mead-ow, LLC to John David Noe, II and Paige Noe, lot 78 Parkview @ Hanger Farm Subdivi-sion, Phase 1, \$305,000</li><li>George E. McMakin to George E. McMakin, as Trustee of the George E. McMakin Revocable Trust, dated September 22, 2025, lots 1 – 4 Ge-neva Square Develop-</li></ul> | <p>ment, as a gift</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Norma J. Turner to Norma J. Turner and Christopher Johnson, lot northeast side of Tates Creek Avenue, for and in consideration of love and affection be-tween mother and son</li><li>Robert J. Hurley and Haylee S. Hurley to Maxwell Madanat and Abegail Madanat, lot 93 Indigo Run Subdi- vision, Phase 1, \$525,000</li><li>JBRO Holdings, LLC to Qihang Chen, tracts Oak Street, Rich- mond, \$310,000</li><li>Favor Homes, LLC to Austin Hatfield and Kristin Lean G. Hat- field, lot 4 Block C. Clay Tower Subdivision, \$210,000</li><li>Jessica Bray (f/k/a Jessica King) and Ryder Bray to Austin W. Thomas and Kacie C. Robar, lot 44 Block B Frazwood Subdivision, \$190,000</li></ul> <p><b>Sept. 26</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Scott Mahn and Stephanie Mahn to Mona Lisa Lakes, 140 Liberty Avenue, Berea, \$125,000</li><li>Jordan Reed and Shelby Nicole Reed to Brandon Keith Hack-worth and Savanna Faith Hackworth, 640 Fairfax Lane, \$325,500</li><li>Jennifer L. Maupin to Sharon Dye Cecil, 413 Doubletree Court, \$600,000</li><li>Cassaundria Car-penter to Cassandra Carpenter and Isaiah J. Mays, tracts Airport Road, \$1.00 with rights of survivorship</li><li>Herbert Thomas Jones and Linda M. Jones to Joe Carpenter and Delores Lynn Car-penter, tracts Madison County, \$1.00</li><li>Thomas Edward Reed (a/k/a Thomas E. Reed) to Thomas Edward Reed 2025 Revocable Truust, tract Madison County (vicinity of Lancaster Avenue), for and in</li></ul> | <p>consideration of the agreement of Grantee to receive and hold described property in accordance of the certain Revocable Trust Agreement entered into</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ermon Turner, Jr. and Mataline Turner to Chuck Dewayne Alex-ander and Michelle Lee Alexander, lots Madi-son County, \$200,000</li><li>Brenda Y. Thomp-son to Kelsey Ann Mer-ritt, lot 64 The Mead-ows Subdivision, Phase 3, \$565,000</li><li>Brenda Y. Thomp-son to Curtis Kent Robbins, Jr. lot 28 The Meadows Subdivision, Phase 3, \$65,000</li><li>Hayes Dilka, LLC to Christopher Simoneau and Shanoah Shelton, lot 18 Hillcrest Subdi- vision, \$215,000</li></ul> <p><b>Sept. 29</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Arcadia Com-pany, LLC to DP KY Real Estate Holding, LLC, lot 4 College Park Subdivision, \$500,000</li><li>James Hunter Arm- strong and Georgie Kay Armstrong to David Pike and Melanie Pike, lot 52 Dove’s Landing, Phase 1, \$270,000</li><li>Christopher E. Ar-nett and Heather Eliza-beth Arnett to Jason A. Williams and Danielle Nicole Williams, 176 Crossing View Drive, Berea, \$415,000</li><li>Lloyd Dewayne Sparks and Kellie R. Sparks (f/k/a Kellie R. Cremeans) to Debbie Lee O’Flinnn, 235 Ow-sley Fork Road, Berea, \$223,000</li><li>Tonya Campbell to Ian Campbell, 305 Saddlebrook Court, \$300,000</li><li>S &amp; R Enterprises, LC to Stanley Harri-son, Jr., tract Madison County, \$1.000</li><li>James D. 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## Yard Sale

### GARAGE SALE!

1043 Burnell Dr.  
(on the cul de sac.) Sat Oct.  
18 & Sat. 25  
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much more!



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Call Vickey @  
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## Public notice

The Madison County Fiscal Court is seek-  
ing Statement of Qualifications (SOQs)  
from qualified vendors to provide multi-  
functional devices (print, copy, scan), along  
with comprehensive service, support, user  
maintenance, and supplies. View full RFQ  
for details and instructions at [www.madisoncountyny.gov/public-notices](http://www.madisoncountyny.gov/public-notices).

Responses must be received by Madison  
County Fiscal Court no later than **11:00 AM  
Eastern on October 31, 2025**. Responses  
received after that time shall not be accepted.  
The response shall be enclosed in a sealed  
envelope clearly labeled as "Multifunction  
Device (Copier, Print, Scan) Service and  
Management Services RFQ" with an original  
and two (2) copies along with one (1) elec-  
tronic copy. All responses shall be submitted  
by mail or hand-delivered to:

**Madison County Fiscal Court**  
135 W Irvine St, 3rd Floor – Suite 300  
Richmond, KY 40475  
"Multifunction Device  
(Copier, Print, Scan)

**Service and Management Services RFQ"**  
ATTN: Chris Iseral, Chief Information  
Officer

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## Proposed Land Use Change



### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

There will be a public hearing of the Madison County Planning  
Commission on  
**Tuesday October 21, 2025**  
at the **Madison County Courthouse Annex, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor at 5:30  
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Robbinsonville Loop from UC-1 (Single Family Residential) to  
UC-4 (General Commercial)** as shown on the map above.  
Contact the Madison County Planning and Development Office at  
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deposit  
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## SECTION 00100 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

### Southern Madison Water District Bobtown Water Tank Rehabilitation

Separate Sealed BIDS for the construction of the Bobtown Water Tank Rehabilitation Project will be received by the Southern Madison Water District, 207 North Dogwood Dr., P.O. Box 220, Berea, KY 40403 until 11:00 A.M. local time, October 23, 2025, and then publicly opened and read aloud at the District Office. There will be a pre-bid meeting at 11:00 A.M. local time, October 15, 2025 at the District Office.

This project consists of rehabilitating the 300,000-gallon elevated water storage tank and all necessary appurtenances.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:  
SOUTHERN MADISON WATER DISTRICT, 207 NORTH DOGWOOD DR., BERA, 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](http://www.lynnimaging.com) upon payment of a nonrefundable price of **\$175.00** for each set plus any shipping charges.

All bidders shall submit with their bid a Bid Bond in the amount of not less than five (5) percent of the base bid. No Bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the scheduled Bid Opening Date. 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. The Bidder awarded the project shall complete the project within 90 calendar days after date of authorization to start work. Liquidated damages will be assessed at \$1,000 per calendar day.

Bidders must comply with the President's Executive Order Nos. 11246 and 11375, which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. Bidders must comply with Section 3, Section 109, and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Anti-Kickback Act and the contract Work Hours Standard Act. Bidders must certify that they do not, and will not, maintain or provide for their employees any facilities that are segregated on a basis of race, color, creed, or national origin.

Any bid that is obviously unbalanced may be rejected. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive informalities.

Small, minority and women's businesses and labor surplus area firms are encouraged to bid this project.

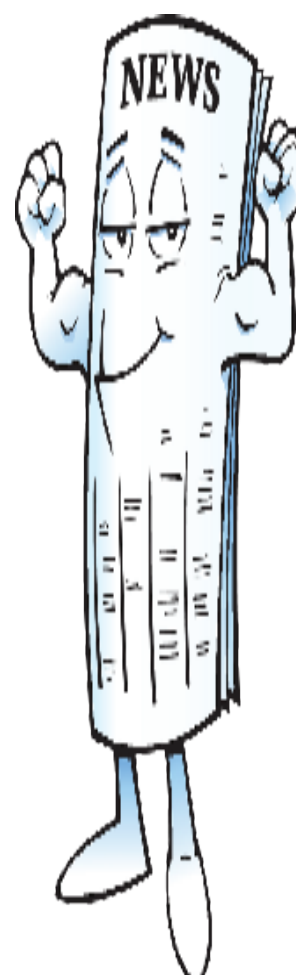
By: Larry Todd, Chairman  
Southern Madison Water District

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located in both Richmond & Berea



## Berea Citizen archives

Stanley Powell, 36, a University of Kentucky senior and Berea resident was injured when his foot and leg were crushed when he dropped a heavy box he was carrying on it. The accident happened while unloading supplies for the University of Kentucky Pressing shop for which he was employed. Powell was transported to Good Samaritan Hospital where he was placed in a cast. His recovery was expected to take several weeks.

In 1920, Helen Disney graduated from nursing school in Oak Park, Illinois. Within a matter of months, she began studying the Chinese language in Peking. From that time forward, she devoted most of her life to missionary nursing in China with the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. In the mid 1920's Disney furloughed her mission work to return to the states and complete her B.A. degree and prepare herself for a career in public health nursing. For several years Ms. Disney was in charge of a nursing school to train Chinese nurses and lay church workers to carry on a program of health

education in their own country. After the Japanese occupation of China, she was a prisoner until released as a part of an exchange program. Following her release, she returned to the states to continue her nursing career.

Nothing but good words could be used to describe last week's Inaugural First Fall Fair of the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Guildsmen. As a result of the overwhelming success, it would likely become an annual event. "Tremendous success," "Everything was

perfect," "Best first fair ever," were some of the of the descriptions Guild Director, Garry Barker used on Tuesday. The event generated over \$35,000 in trade and approximately 60 artists participated in the event. Barker said that these were some of the best "first fair" numbers he had ever heard of and it surpassed every spring fair held to date. Nine-thousand tickets to the event were sold along with 2,000 complimentary tickets being used over again. The weather was perfect and was a positive contribution to the success of the event.

Five local women worked diligently for weeks toward designing a mural that would be painted for display in downtown Berea. The project was being funded by a grant from the Kentucky Women's Foundation. Gwen Heffner, Teresa Libby, Robbi Hobson, Sue Martin and Heather Richardson, collaborated on the project and planned to begin work on the mural within a couple of weeks. The mural consisted of various designs found in art, clothing, nature, quilts and other objects depicting the diversity that exists in Berea.

## October 5, 2000

### Mural design unveiled

# Game Page

## Crossword

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## CLUES ACROSS

1. Comedic actor Rogen  
5. Bits per inch  
8. Tire pressure measurement  
11. Angels great Mike  
13. Own (Scottish)  
14. Notable FI racing team  
15. Upper bract of grass  
16. Tax collector  
17. Electronic counter-countermeasures  
18. Informal loan clubs  
20. Skeletal muscle  
21. Popular fish type  
22. Salts of acetic acid  
25. Arriving early  
30. Worded  
31. Single Lens Reflex  
32. Amphibians  
33. Warm greeting  
38. Belonging to a thing  
41. Segmented worm  
43. Concerns  
45. Audacious  
47. Wings  
49. Type of drug  
50. Wind chill formula  
scientist Charles  
55. Island close to the U.S.  
56. "To the \_\_ degree"  
57. Daniel \_\_, French composer  
59. A way to march  
60. Where golfers begin  
61. Spiritual leader

62. Of she  
63. Mental disorder  
concerning body odor  
(abbr.)  
64. Tall, slender-leaved  
plant

## CLUES DOWN

1. Engine additive
2. Amounts of time
3. Fragrant brown balsam used in perfume
4. Color properties
5. One who hands over
6. Thieves of the sea
7. Put in
8. Nocturnal rodents
9. Pouches
10. Systems, doctrines, theories
12. Greek alphabet letter
14. Greek goddess of youth
19. Satisfy
23. Partly digested food
24. Dictator
25. Parts per thousand (abbr.)
26. The 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
27. A major division of geological time
28. Angry
29. St. Francis of \_\_\_\_
34. Romanian monetary unit
35. Stale
36. Go quickly

37. Commercials  
39. Canadian city  
40. One who slices  
41. Perform perfectly  
42. Nest of pheasants  
44. Tactile sensations  
45. Sword  
46. Climactic  
47. Adrenocorticotro-  
phin  
48. Fisherman's tool  
51. Swiss river  
52. Plant that makes  
gum  
53. A French abbot  
54. One point east of  
northeast  
58. Get free of

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# SUDOKU

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**Level: Intermediate**

## Fun By The Numbers

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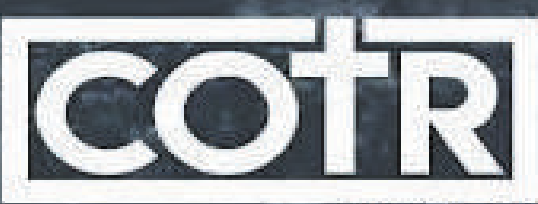
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# CRYPTO FUN

Solve the code to discover words related to dog adoption.  
Each number corresponds to a letter.  
(Hint: 17 = E)

- A. 20 3 17 15 10 17 5**  
*Clue: Houses needy dogs*
- B. 6 21 8 17**  
*Clue: Containment tool*
- C. 24 1 9 21 10 17**  
*Clue: Give money or time*
- D. 5 17 20 6 26 17**  
*Clue: Free from harm*

Answers: A. shelter B. cage C. donate D. rescue



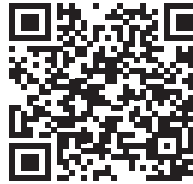
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## Going fishing

You may have heard about the redneck who rented a rowboat to take his city friend fishing. They were having a great day, catching more fish than either of them had ever seen in their lives.

"We really need to mark this spot," the redneck said, "so we can come back and fish again sometime."

His city friend said he'd take care of it, took out his pocket knife, and started carving a big X in the bottom of the boat.

"You idiot," bellowed the redneck. "What are the chances of us getting the same rowboat next

time?"

I have some favorite fishing spots that I go back to as often as I can. They're places where I've been successful in the past, and that makes them important to me.

We're all inclined to remember places that are important to us. People typically have vivid memories of the places where they experienced milestones in their lives. Perhaps it's where they grew up, or where they proposed to their spouses, or where they got married, or where their children were born. But perhaps the most vivid memory anyone will have is of the place where they encountered Jesus.

If it was in a church, you likely remember the very pew you were sitting in or the very spot at the altar where you bowed down and humbled your heart to ask Him to forgive your sins and make you a child of God. Every other milestone in life pales in comparison to the moment when you got serious with the Lord, and the place where you met Him becomes very special to you.

In the Old Testament, we get a sense of the importance of remembering such places. God had the Israelites build a memorial with 12 stones from the Jordan River to remind them of the place where they entered into the Promised Land. And when their children ask in time to come what the stones mean, God told the Israelites to explain to them how He had miraculously made a way from them to cross into the Promised Land.

"So these stones shall be to the people of Israel a memorial forever" (Joshua 4:7).

You may remember the Southern Gospel song from some years ago that called Christians to go back to the old landmark. Essentially, the lyrics called on folks to remember what God had done for them and encouraged them to return to God. That's God's heart for us, as well, based on Scripture.

"Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in loving kindness" (Joel 2:13).

So, when we're feeling distant

from the Lord, whether because we're behaving in ways we shouldn't or because we're going through difficult circumstances and questioning where He is, it's always good to go back to the places where you have encountered Him in the past. It's amazing what doing that will do for you. I encourage Christians to make periodical visits back to the church where they surrendered their hearts and lives to Christ, and to just quietly remember the loving kindness they experienced there.

What you'll find is that you didn't need to carve an X or mark that spot in any other way, because it is indelibly etched into your memory.

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310 Chestnut Street A, Berea, Ky. 40403  
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PROPERTY TRANSFERS

### Sept. 29

- The Estate of Myrtle A. Culton Hisle Stafford, deceased (a/k/a Myrtle Stafford), by Kory O. Isaacs as Public Administrator to Day Enterprises, LLC, lot 1 Linden Street, Phase V, \$157,500
- Matthew Scott Rogers, individually and Debra Jean Rogers, by and through her Attorney-in-Fact Matthew Scott Rogers to JAF Property Investments, LLC, lot C-9 Dewy Rose Subdivision, Block C, \$112,500
- William M. Morningstar and Karen K. Morningstar to Paul Morin and Maranda Morin, tract Rosedale Subdivision, \$110,000
- Craft Masonry, Inc. to Shelby Nicole Reed and Jordan Riley Reed, lot 217, Phase A Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$474,200
- Danny Castle and Alma L. Wethington-Castle to Michael Wayne Henderson and Lindsey Marie Garcia, lot 45A Deer Creek Estates, Block B, \$33,900
- Edward A. Wilmont, individually and as Executor of the Estate of Mildred Kay Wilmont to Jane Frazier, Trustee of the Frazier Family Trust, dated May 18, 2015, lot 174-A Block 4 Homestead Estates, \$425,000
- Zinnia Hensley and Randy Hensley and Blevens Law, PLLC to Zinnia Hensley and Randy Hensley, tract 2 Swiss Hills, for and in consideration of love and affection between spouses
- Teresa Gray Combs and Dallas Lynn Pelfrey, Co-Executors of the Estate of Linda G. Black to Henry Hellard and Thelma Hellard, 660 Leverton Place, \$287,000
- Jacob A. Cooper and Kelsey Rae Coope to Thomas E. Lane and Deborah S. Lane, lot 107 South Bluegrass Junction, \$285,000
- L. Robin Bowman to Carol Talbert and Avena Cash, tract Madison County, \$16,000
- Short Mountain Rentals, LLC to BRTodd Investments, LLC, lot 19A plat 31/192, \$239,250
- Wilma Walker (f/k/a Wilma Walker Thompson) to Greg Browne, lot 71 Hickory Hills Subdivision Section #3, \$450,000
- Danielle N. Parker to Derrick Simpson, lot 20 and 21 Shady Hills Estates, \$95,000

### Sept. 30

- A&R Contractors, LLC to Ahmad Fatemi and Molly S. Fatemi, lot 71 Parkview @ Hanger Farm Subdivision, Phase I, \$307,900
- Sandra H. Kidd and Jeffrey Kidd to WithanE, LLC, 181 Oliver Drive; 680 Cottonwood Drive; 210 Canterbury Road; 137 Pine Street, for and in consideration of a capital contribution to Grantee
- Morgan Williams to Rob Williams, tract Madison County, for and in consideration of the settlement of the estate of Sally Broessel and a division of its assets between parties

### Oct. 1

- Hayes/Dika, LLC to Rawlins Investments, LLC, lot 31 Hillcrest Subdivision, Addition #3, \$195,000
- Ross B. Bradley, Jr. and Janice Sue Bradley to Ross B. Bradley, III, Trustee of the Janice and Ross Bradley Irrevocable Trust, dated September 25, 2025, tract KY Hwy 21, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties
- Jerry Fox and Elizabeth Fox to Elizabeth Willis, Misty Mason and Sherry Tipton, Co-Trustees of the Jerry and Elizabeth Fox Irrevocable Trust, dated September 23, 2025, 425 Forest Lane, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties
- Eipert-Nicley Development, LLC to Bruce Cope Builders, Inc., lot 78 Vineyard Estates, Phase 3B, \$40,000
- David Eades and Jane Eades to Dylan Shane Ballard and Lauren Elizabeth Ballard, Thomas Ballard and Amanda J. Ballard, tracts Madison County, \$351,000
- Doll Properties, LLC to WW Investments, LLC, lot 10 A Block B, 12 A Block B, 14 A Block B Country Club Heights, \$1,100,000
- Leah Tifgany Moody and Blevins Law, PLLC to Leah Tiffany Moody and Paul A. Baker, tract plat 1/8, for and in consideration of mutual advantage and agreement between parties

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# County to access water meter fee to fund 911

**Fiscal Court**

**By Andy McDonald**  
For The Citizen

On Tuesday, the Madison County Fiscal Court heard the first readings of ordinances related to the funding of Madison County Emergency Management Agency services, including 911 dispatch.

First up was a budget amendment ordinance for the Madison County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Fund for EMA

programs. The amendment moves \$311,325 into the fund.

The second ordinance reviewed was for the restructuring of the 911 fee structure for the Madison County Emergency Communications Center and enhanced 911 service through the implementation of a water meter fee. The fee will only be imposed in the unincorporated areas of Madison County and will not apply

to businesses, residents or industries in Berea or Richmond city limits.

The ordinance goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2026, imposing a monthly fee on water meters in unincorporated areas of the county. Monthly fees assessed will be: water meters on non-commercial properties, \$3.50; commercial properties \$12.50, and industrial or large commercial properties, \$25.

Each water utility oper-

ating in unincorporated areas of Madison County will collect and process the fee in through their billing system. All of the funds will be used to fund the 911 emergency communications center, officials said.

Additionally, the ordinance rescinds the \$3.50 month fee imposed on telephone landlines that used to fund 911 services. That portion of the ordinance

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**Structure**

**Monthly fees assessed will be: water meters on non-commercial properties, \$3.50; commercial properties \$12.50; and industrial or large commercial properties, \$25.**

# Grant could boost industry

**By Andy McDonald**  
For The Citizen

The Berea Industrial Park has created new economic development with spec buildings at the site, but officials are hoping a possible 100-acre development beyond Farristown Industrial Drive could attract hundreds of new jobs through the Central Kentucky Business Park Authority, a partnership between Berea, Madison County, Lexington Fayette Urban Government, and Scott County.

The Central Kentucky Business Park Authority (CKBPA), which includes the city of Berea, is in the running for millions of dollars in state grants that could potentially create local jobs, according to Mayor Bruce Fraley.

Fraley addressed the issue last Tuesday during a meeting of the Berea City Council, noting that Berea and its partners in

See GRANT, A9

# Chain of command



Nate Eads of Eads Fencing, ties together loose ends while putting together a chain link fence around the Pickleball Courts at the Berea City Skate Park on Tuesday. The pavement will need two or three weeks to cure before the lines can be painted on the six pickleball courts, and lights are expected to be installed in the coming week. The facility is located behind the Russel Acton Folk Center, not far from the Berea Skate Park, and is funded by the Berea Tourism Commission.

The Citizen/Keith Taylor

# Senior Renewal Center helps renew hope

Deana Moberly recalls the dark road that brought her to the Senior Renewal Center at Saint Joseph Berea.

"I didn't feel like I was wanted or needed. I felt pretty worthless," she said.

Those feelings, her severe depression and anxiety led to a suicide attempt, and inpatient treatment in

Louisville. After her inpatient treatment, her primary care provider suggested she check out the program in Berea.

While the program is targeted to people 55 and older, Beth Clark, MS, a licensed psychological practitioner at the Senior Renewal Center, said

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# Teacher, coach facing child abuse charges

A Madison County teacher and soccer coach was arrested for alleged first-degree sexual abuse. Charlie Hamilton, 40, a teacher at Boonesboro Elementary School and girls soccer coach at Cauldill Middle School, was arrested on Monday by the Madison County Sheriff's office after voluntarily surrendering to officials. The sheriff's office investigative unit received a complaint from the Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) regarding the alleged abuse. The victim, who was 10 at the time, and now 17, was interviewed at the Child Advocacy Center in Lexington, with coordination from Sgt. Paul Lay and DCBS officials. Following the forensic interview, sufficient evidence was obtained to issue an arrest warrant for Hamilton. The abuse allegedly occurred when the victim was a fifth-grader at Booneborough Elementary. Hamilton has been on leave from Madison County Schools since Sept. 8. "Madison County Schools was made aware that the Department for Community Based Services

(DCBS) was beginning an investigation regarding Charles Hamilton on Sept. 8, 2025," school officials said in a statement. "On that same date, Mr. Hamilton was placed on leave pending the outcome of the DCBS investigation. Mr. Hamilton has remained on leave since Sept. 8 and has not returned to his teaching or coaching duties. The district will continue to cooperate fully with the investigation."



Message from  
Cora Jane Wilson

"because it is written, Be ye holy;  
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1 Peter 1:16 (KJV)



Request for Proposals

The City of Berea, KY, is accepting sealed proposals from qualified contractors for the design, installation, maintenance, and removal of Christmas lighting and decorations as a comprehensive package covering Memorial Park and other key City-owned locations. Sealed proposals will be accepted until Friday, October 24, 2025 – 3:00 PM EST in the City Clerk's office at 212 Chestnut St., Berea, KY 40403. Bids will be opened at 3:30 PM in the City Clerk's Office at 212 Chestnut St, Berea KY 40403. Bid information can be obtained by contacting Nancy Conley at 859-986-2540 during normal business hours or by E-Mail at nancy@visitberea.com.

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| Fencing and Wire -----         | \$3.25 Per Foot  |

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will take effect Dec. 31.

Deputy Judge Executive Jill Williams noted the county is projected to generate approximately \$1 million for operating the 911 center – the county's portion of operating the center with Berea and Richmond.

The ordinances will come up for a second reading and final vote on October 28.

Also under review Tuesday was an ordinance creating a franchise for the operation of a telecommunications system in Madison County. Officials explained that Unity has purchased Windstream, the internet and telephone service provider. That company wants to do business in Madison County, and the county requires each cable provider to be awarded a franchise. The non-exclusive franchise (in which there will be competing firms) will be for a 10-year period.

Four resolutions were adopted unanimously by the court, including:

- A measure authorizing the fire department to apply for a grant to get a portable power station.
  - Dr. Paula Maiocchi was reappointed to the Madison County Health Board.
  - Approximately \$418,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funds were reallocated from the Southern Madison Water District to aid with the construction of a new fire station in northern Madison County. The station is projected to cost approximately \$581,000, officials said.
  - A separate resolution then allocated \$418,000 from the county's general fund back to the Southern Madison Water District. The resolution further noted the fact that the water district came in under budget on some designated infrastructure projects.
  - In a 4-1 vote, the court amended the employee classification schedule. Tom Botkin cast the dissenting vote, noting that while he supports the positive work going on at the jail, the timing of the ordinance is not ideal. Magistrate Stephen Lochmueller disagreed, stating:  
"Change is not necessarily fun
- but we've got to provide leadership," Lochmueller said. "We've got someone leading the jail right now in a positive manner for the future. We have to do what's right for the county, what's right for the jail, what's right for our leadership, and we have to support them based on what we've dealt with in the past."
- In other action, Madison County Fire Chief/EMA Director Tim Gray was recognized in the Employee Spotlight segment for outstanding service to the county since 2018.
- During the Public Comments segment, Debbie Vascio of Crimson Drive raised an objection to the fact that the maintenance of the gravel portion of Hayden Heights has been discontinued without good cause. Vescio asserted that the decision was not in compliance with the law, and that the decision was made based on faulty information. Vescio requested a resolution reinstating county maintenance of Hayden Heights. Judge Taylor asked Vescio to provide him with a copy of her documentation.
- The next fiscal court meeting is slated for Oct. 28 in Richmond.



## Jet fuel sales up at CKRA

The Central Kentucky Regional Airport had record setting fuel sales for the month of September, an indication of the growth of the facility, say officials.

During the most recent meeting of the Madison County Airport Board, EKU Fixed Base Operator/Airport Manager Jason Bonham said corporate jet traffic increased significantly last month, causing a bump in fuel profits.

“We had a record month for fuel sales, pretty much blowing any previous month out of the water,” said Bonham. “We’ve had a really good month in jet fuel. The total was 23,819 gallons of fuel (in September)... Jet A (fuel) was 7,212 gallons. Our business in jet traffic and transient traffic continues to increase.”

The Central Kentucky Regional Airport is continuing to expand, with plans for a \$3 million terminal building in the works. Airport officials said construction on the new terminal could begin in 2026.

*(Andy McDonald)*

## OBITUARIES

Found: Oct 22 2022 - Aug 27 2025

Up the hill, just in the bend of the curve, there she stood, almost in the middle of the narrow country road. This pudgy-pawed, floppy-eared hitchhiker with black, droopy eyes convinced a driver-by and welcomed the open car door and the ride—to who knows where.



When she sprang out of the silver sedan, this short, stocky Beagle (or was she a Bassett Hound?) could see a thousand hills sprawling in the distance. The crisp October air, friendly sniffs, and tail wags of all sizes greeted her. Amid the sniffers and tailwaggers was Strider, the big, copper-tinged black English Shepherd mix; Maverick, the slender, black and white Border Collie with touches of copper on his paws; Thorin, the black, white, and copper Australian Shepherd; and a gray cat called Han Solo. She belonged, in more ways than one

Photos were posted, shared, and distributed. Two weeks. No calls. No comments. No claims. It was the Granny with matching hair who gave in, named her Little Anne, and took this hound home to Center Street. In the world of windows, search bars, and clicks, Little Anne was labeled among a rarer class of pups, the Bagle Hound- a delightfully happy mix of Beagle and Bassett Hound. She found in her new home a cushy chair that was a quick leap's distance from the floor and an endless supply of especially tasty snacks. Her nearest neighbor was her non-furry friend whose recliner sat within an arm's petting distance of that cushy chair. She found outside her new home a street full of cars going to and fro and a sidewalk full of walkers, among whom were some of her biggest admirers. Her nearest fur neighbor was Gizmo. Gizmo wasn't always her biggest fan, but she was always his

Little Anne's days consisted primarily of lounging and snacking, waiting for the mail carrier, and strolling to College Square and back. Those daily walks began as Granny-pulls down the side-

walk, but Anne soon realized a slower, leisurely pace was more person-friendly. Not a stroll got by without a litany of cute puppy admirations: "how cute!...can I pet her?... oh, I love her!...those ears," all much agreeable to Little Anne. Her doting friends ranged in age from school children to retired travelers, and included college students from all over the globe. This happy hound's tail was a little more waggly when she saw herself as the subject of the much-loved artpiece "Anne-ticipation." Smells of Berea were always tantalizing to this long-nosed gal, and among her favorites were the flowers and garlic bread of College Square, the pages and ink of the new books in the Taleless Dog Bookstore, and the entire aisle of doggy goodness at Walmart.

The wind blowing through those long, floppy ears as they hung out the window on country drives to the Paint Lick farm, and the smells of the fields and woods on her frequent hunting hikes with Strider, Maverick, and Thorin, highlighted her favorite days. Little Anne didn't long for heaven; she was living in it. With her people, their places, and their adventures. While the world revels in the mass sharing of catastrophe and pain, Little Anne relished the love and gentle pats of her Granny friend, together bringing a host of happiness and hope to their little world.

Days and weeks rolled into years, three years. On a Wednesday afternoon at the edge of the dog days of summer, her person stood out on the front porch at the farm, calling her to come in. Granny was reminded of the lyrics of a song, "Come home, come home, it's supper time." Granny called again. Now, Little Anne was not known for her eagerness to end an adventure, but evening drew nearer, "the shadows lengthened fast," and still she did not come.

Around that same bend, down the hill just at the edge of that same road, there lay a little hound in the shade of the trees.

Now, at the top of a hill next to a farmhouse in the foothills of Appalachia, in the shade of an old brick chimney, there an Autumn fern grows.

(Paid obituary)

## Annriette Studor Stolte



Annriette Stolte, a lifelong advocate for community, justice, and compassion, passed away peacefully on Feb. 9, 2025, in Chattanooga, Tennessee, embraced in the arms of her children.

Born in Indianapolis, Indiana, on May 7, 1935, to a family rooted in the farmlands of Ohio, Annriette grew up embracing education and independence as a woman to shape a better world. She studied English at Ohio Wesleyan University, where she cultivated a lifelong love of literature, music, and reflection. Her travels to post-war Germany began the day of her college graduation ceremony, which she chose to miss, at the dismay of her family, to travel on a steamship to Germany. Her travels introduced her to life long friends who lived through the Nazi regime and exposed her to the rebuilding of Europe – which gave her a profound awareness of human suffering and resilience—insights that shaped her lifelong dedication to social work and justice.

In 1961, Annriette earned her Master's degree in Social Work from the University of Chicago, where she met her future husband, William (Bill) Stolte. The day after graduation, the two were married, beginning a 62-year partnership grounded in love, intellect, and shared purpose. Together, they raised three children—Alesia, Margot, and Matthew—while living in West Virginia, New York, and finally Berea, Kentucky, where they built a home filled with music, books, and lively conversation.

Music was an essential part of Annriette's life and the heart of her family. She possessed a beautiful voice and sang for many years in seasonal performances of Handel's *Messiah*, her soprano rising joyfully in community choirs and orchestral productions. At home, her children remember her nightly lullabies that filled the house with warmth and comfort, her voice a constant reassurance at the end of each day. An accomplished

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## Time flies when you're having fun

Another Big Blue Madness is in the books.

As always, the annual event that ushers in the college basketball season at Kentucky, didn't disappoint and was full of excitement for the fans in attendance.

This year's madness, featured the return of former No. 1 NBA Draft pick and standout guard John Wall and former Kentucky coach Tubby Smith, who attended his first madness since 2008. Wall and Smith were welcomed with open arms and plenty of applause.

Like many of you, I grew up watching and following the Kentucky Wildcats. In my era, watching games live was a treat, while watching them on tape-delay, especially football, seemed to be the norm.

Considering we didn't have cable, with the exception of a spider web satellite dish back in the mid-1980s, we watched sports on local networks when visibility was good on our antenna attached to the roof. A lot of times, I would have to climb up the roof and turn it a certain way to receive the proper signal for a certain channel.

This year marks the beginning of 32 years of covering the Wildcats. I've covered six football coaches and five basketball coaches during that timespan. It's been amazing to watch Mark Pope and his staff interact with the fans during events such as Big Blue Madness. This year, the school hosted a BBN United FanFest prior to the madness, giving fans a chance to meet the team in person. The women's basketball team also took part in both events.

There have been a lot of changes since then, mostly in the technology side of things. Back in 1994, we didn't have laptops and all of our cameras used film, which you had to develop in the darkroom. We used mostly old IBM desktops and the internet didn't come around until approximately a couple of years later.

My interviews were conducted with a micro-cassette tape and every interview was transcribed slowly and carefully - play, pause, rewind, wash, rinse and repeat. I did a lot of short-hand writing and learned to memorize a lot of interviews, considering tight deadlines. If I covered a game on the road, I would write out the story on paper at the hotel and call in the game the next morning to the editor.

Thankfully, desktop computers transitioned to laptops, which made it easier to write while on deadline. However, in the early era of laptops, we used phone lines and dial-up DSL to transmit stories, which took time as well.

I can still remember sending my stories back to the paper two weeks before 9/11 when I flew to Mount Pleasant, Michigan to cover an Eastern Kentucky University football game as late coach Roy Kidd was chasing his 300th career win. It was my first plane ride and I didn't have a lot of time to spare because of tight layover times before flying in the air.

Soon thereafter, technology became faster and faster. I started covering games with paper, pencil and tape recorder, but now, I basically carry my office with me in my backpack. I have several pens, three digital recorders, a laptop, sometimes an iPad and I still carry note pads. I may be the one of a handful of journalists who still record play-by-play by hand on paper, even though they are provided to us on paper.

Those note-taking skills came in handy during the pandemic as most schools ended the practice of handing out statistics and notes on copy paper during any given sporting event. Instead, we relied on the computer screen. I still like getting those notes and statistics on paper, so I can circle and take my own notes to fall back on while writing a story on deadline.

Time flies when you're having fun and it's still brings me joy to do what I love.



Keith Taylor



## Get involved with city government

October is City Government Month in Kentucky. At the Kentucky League of Cities (KLC), we use this time each year to recognize and celebrate the many actions city governments take to improve the quality of life in the commonwealth. With most cities in Kentucky classified as small cities, local government in Kentucky is truly close to the people it serves. The deep personal nature of city government in our state is one of its many strengths. It is where leadership and service make a direct difference in people's lives.



J.D. Chaney

Cities are unique in that they are not created by the state or by counties but are born out of citizen initiative. Citizens come together, decide to incorporate, and form a city government because they want to enhance their quality of life. They want services, infrastructure, and protections that might not otherwise exist without a local governing body. In Kentucky, the purpose of cities has always been to provide enhanced services that promote the health, safety, and welfare of their citizens.

The Kentucky General Assembly has further recognized the importance of local leadership by adopting home rule authority. This allows cities the flexibility to make most decisions for themselves, without constantly seeking state permission, except in areas where the legislature has enacted comprehensive regulations or specific preemptions. In short, the state has affirmed that

the people who live and work in our communities are best equipped to make decisions for their communities. That's not just good policy — it's good democracy. We are grateful to our state leaders for trusting cities with this responsibility, and we believe citizens should be, too.

Cities are where life happens. They are the places where record-setting economic development projects are announced, where small businesses open their doors, and where people invest most of their hard-earned dollars. Cities are home to vibrant downtowns that shape a community's identity. They are the hosts of civic festivals, concerts, parades, and holiday events that bring neighbors and strangers together. In every corner of Kentucky, city governments are helping create stronger bonds of community.

Whether large or small, cities deliver an impressive range of services, including essentials such as law enforcement, fire protection, street and sidewalk maintenance, trash collection, and cemetery upkeep. Many cities also operate utilities that provide clean drinking water, treat wastewater, and supply electricity, gas, or broadband service. Cities maintain parks and recreation programs where children play ball, families gather for picnics, and senior citizens find opportunities to stay active and engaged. These services, big and small, combine to make daily life safer, healthier, and more enjoyable.

Behind all these efforts are the men and women who choose to serve in city government. Your elected mayors and city legislative body members, as well as countless appointed staff and employees, work every day to

make sure the quality of life in their community is as high as possible. Most do it for modest pay and little recognition. They often juggle their roles in public service with full-time jobs and family responsibilities. Yet they remain dedicated to helping their cities thrive.

That is why October's designation as City Government Month matters. It is more than a celebration — it is a reminder. Local government is the level of government closest to you. It is the most direct example of representative democracy in action. And it only works as well as the people who support and engage with it.

So this month, don't just recognize your city government; get involved with it. Attend a city council or commission meeting — volunteer for a local board, committee, or neighborhood project. Lend your time to community events, park cleanups, or youth programs. Reach out to your elected city officials and share your ideas. Simply saying "thank you" to a city employee or elected official can mean more than you realize. These small steps build stronger partnerships between citizens and the people who serve them.

Strong cities make a strong Kentucky, but that strength is not automatic. It is built, day by day, by citizens who care about their communities and by leaders who dedicate themselves to service. This October, let's commit not just to celebrating city government but to strengthening it — together.

J.D. Chaney is executive director/CEO of the Kentucky League of Cities (KLC).

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Why not require insurance on guns?

Dear editor:  
I accidentally — thankfully — came across your newspaper at the recent big event in Berea. I opened to read, finding an op-ed article by Glenn Mollette about Charlie Kirk. Not knowing Charlie Kirk's

work, yet very upset with his being killed, as my dad was killed while I was imprisoned for refusing to kill in Vietnam.

I am truly concerned about so much gun advocacy, including such easy access to weapons.

Why not require insurance on guns and owners who possess guns?

We do on cars.

Even on guns and cars, we should begin seizing vehicles or guns when violators have more than one experience of violating both laws on cars and on guns.

Add to that seizing property and future income of perpetrators for some victims, or all victims.

Don Pratt, Lexington

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- William Poston, 47: serving parole violation warrant
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- George Middlebrooks, 43: hold for other agency
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- Carlos Morillo, 30: hold for other agency
- Rian Roberson, 38: hold for other agency
- Kyle Sowers, 45: hold for other agency
- Amber Willis, 32: failure to appear
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- Brian Lawson, 33: strangulation, 2nd degree; assault, 2nd degree
- Richard Lira, 25: burglary, 2nd degree
- Christina Masengale, 41: criminal abuse, 2nd degree
- Deborah Cornelisu, 49: fugitive from another state – warrant required
- Jonathan Sutherland, 64: disorderly conduct, 2nd degree; criminal mischief, 2nd degree
- Raymond Shryock, 71: abuse of a corpse – 1 year imposed
- Jason Arvin, 49: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin); possession of a controlled substance,

- Dustin Metcalf, 38: violation of an EPO/DVO
- Noah Anderson, 28: failure to appear (2 counts)
- Christopher Turner, 27: operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance – 1st
  - Lisa Richardson, 55: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, \$1,00 but less than \$10,000
  - Eugene Bruner, 63: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, \$1,00 but less than \$10,000
  - Melissa Woods, 47: probation violation, for felony offense (4 counts); failure to appear
  - Michael Harrison, 60: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines
- Dreydon Mills, 19: operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st; disregarding a stop sign; possession of marijuana
- Elijah Carter, 22: hold for court
- Michael Jones, 44: failure to appear
- Shawn Farmer, 36: no registration plates; operating vehicle with expired operator's license; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); possession of marijuana
- Crystal Puckett, 50: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order
- Shyler Merida, 31: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting
- Baritta Willis, 49: serving weekends
- Todd Musgrove, 24: serving weekends

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- Tyler Money, 30: failure to appear (2 counts)
- Adrian Castillo, 35: careless driving; possession of open alcohol beverage

- Benjamin Bivins, 27: rape, 1st degree; sodomy, 1st degree; unlawful imprisonment – 1st degree
- Rebecca Combs, 32: assault, 3rd degree – police officer or probation officer; resisting arrest
- Shelton King, 31: careless driving; possession of an open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle; failure to wear seat belts; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 -1st
- Collier Phillips, 34: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st
- Patricia Robers, 60: assault, 4th degree domestic

- Edin Gracic, 43: abandonment of a minor
- Jorge Ryce, 35: failure to appear
- Tomas Bacilio-Mejia, 36: no operator's – moped license; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st; failure to produce insurance card
- Otis Edwards, 53: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury; assault, 3rd degree – police officer or probation officer; resisting arrest
- Parkesh Patel, 39: speeding, 24 mph over limit; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st; driving motor vehicle using hand-held mobile telephone; possession of open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle
- Desmond Chageo, 31: rape, 1st degree; sexual abuse, 1st degree
- Rayner Rivera Aparicio, 38: failure to appear, citation for misdemeanor
- Tommy Riddell, 46: parole violation, for technical violation
- Toni Ransdell, 32: failure to appear (2 counts)
- Derrick Robinson, 39: serving parole violation warrant
- Kayla Bunch, 36: failure to appear
- Handy Mulumba, 26: failure to appear
- John Herald, 40: failure to appear (2 counts)
- Deandre Cook, 34: violation of conditions of release
- Ronald Penman, 34: failure to appear
- Laquiecha Jones, 33: disregarding stop sign; failure to register transfer of vehicle; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; operating motor vehicle un-

- Devin Biggs, 22: hold for court
- Elvin Smith, 38: trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 2 grams methamphetamine)
- Brian Durham, 37: stalking, 1st degree
- Eric McGhee, 37: public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol); possession of marijuana; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess
- John Lawson 43: failure to appear
- Anthony Dykes, 44: hold for court
- Daiquan Smith, 31: violation of a Kentucky EPO/ DVO (2 counts)
- Cassie Seals, 35: failure to appear (2 counts)
- John Compton, 35: probation violation, for felony offense
- Brian Brown, 54: parole violation, for technical violation
- Craig Davenport, 34: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting
- Mariah Ervin, 35: failure to appear
- Frank Helton, 39: serving time
- Charles Williams, 59: torture of a dog or cat

- Tina J. Howard to Christopher Jeffrey Larsen and Jennifer Anne Larsen, lot 87 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase I, \$350,000
- Bryce England and Abigail Mills-England to Haley Yantz and Coltin Yantz, lot 96 Parkview @ Hanger Farms Subdivision, Phase 1, \$320,000
- D.R. Horton, Inc. – Louisville to Linda F. Stone and David B. Stone, lot 81 Carriage Place Phase 1, \$360,027
- Joan R. Dyer to Anthony Shay Alleruzzo and Kriszcyn-da Cole Alleruzzo, 614 Apricot Drive, \$480,000
- Terrilynn Poynter to Stuart Spurr, 107 Elm Street Berea, \$215,000
- Jeffrey Konkright to Jeffrey Konkright, lot 89 Grey Oaks Subdivision, Phase 3, for and in consideration of grantor's spouse departing this life and grantor desiring a deed containing only his name
- DS & JV Properties, LLC to D&M Homes, LLC, lot 176 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase 2, \$62,000
- BGH Properties, LLC to Blue City M6, LLC, 1698 Northgate Drive, \$1,585,000
- Christopher Glenn Cox and Kelly A. Cox to Christopher G. Cox and Kelly A. Cox, in their capacities as Trustees for the Christopher G. Cox and Kelly A. Cox Revocable Trust, under agreement dated June 27, 2025, 131 Caleast Road, for and in consideration of funding the trust
- Scott Allen Clos and Rachel Marie Clos to Scott Allen Clos and Rachel Marie Clos, 2086 JD Circle, for and in consideration of love and affection between parties

- Tammy K. Daniel and Jerry G. Rawlins to Ronald Patrick Burchett and Benji Carla Burchett, 3310 Old Irvine Road, \$325,000
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- Donald D. Jeziorski, Trustee of Donald D. Jeziorski Living Trust, dated June 29, 2023, to Kent S. Lewis and Jessica Leigh Lewis, lot 79 Prairie View @ Twin Lakes Subdivision, Phase 1

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- Eva Mae Clark to John Clark and Judy Clark, tract Madison County, \$1.00 and love and affection between parent and child
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- Rene Coleman to Kimberly Rene Hilpp and Jason Hilpp, lot 118 the Banyans @ Goldenleaf, \$100,000
- DS & JV Properties, LLC to LTF Properties, LL, lot 136 Firebrook Subdivision, Phase 2, \$62,000
- Steven Robert Buxton and Kristen Buxton, 150 General Cleburn Drive, \$325,000
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- Angela McGaughey and Hubert Ray McGaughey to Jordan M. Nunez and Joshua A. Nunez, 116 Carlton Drive, \$355,000
- Champ Properties, LLC to Darlene Wilson, lot 25 Lake Ridge Estates, Phase 2, \$70,000
- Kristy McKinney to Eugene McKinney, 1301 Blue Lick Road, Berea, in consideration to satisfy an obligation made to Grantee in property settlement agreement in action 25-CI-50189
- Kristy McKinney to Eugene McKinney, tract Blue Lick Road, Berea, in consideration to satisfy an obligation made to Grantee in property settlement agreement in action 25-CI-50189
- Thana T. Connelly and Steven L. Connley to Thanan T. Connelly, Reid L. Connelly and Ethan T. Connelly, lot 20 and 21 Berea Real Estate an Improvements Addition to Berea, KY (vicinity

- Kenneth Richardson to Kent Kessler and Ellen Kessler, tract Hagan's Mill Road, tract Old Towne Branch Road, \$750,000
- Short Carpentry and Construction, Inc to Deza-rie Robinett and James Lee Robinett, lot 48 Stoney View Estates, Phase 1, \$287,900
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- Britney Whipple to Amandeep Sangha and Rhea Randhawa, lot 92, Phase 6 Magnolia Pointe Subdivision, \$325,000
- Denise Carter to Thin Line Properties, LLC, 401 Boone Street, Berea, \$25,000
- DS & JV Properties, LLC to Austin Cumbow and Drew Cumbow, lot 1 Firebrook Subdivision Phase 2, \$65,000
- Michael S. Marr and Janis Marr to Richard Alan Blum and Ann Tracy Blum, tract Wandaland Addition, \$282,000
- Coritta Nicole Roberts and Brandon Chadwell to Caleb Nathaniel Kendrick and Samantha Kendrick, tract Madison County, \$345,000
- Matthew Trent to Patty's Properties, LLC, lot 118 Parkview @ Hanger Farms, Phase 1, \$349,900
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| Regular Inspections with no follow up due | Score                                  | Explanation |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------|
| McDonald's #34957                         | 1001 Brandy Lane, Richmond             | 97%         |
| Don Senior Express                        | 688 University Shopping Ctr., Richmond | 100%        |
| King Buffet                               | 650 Eastern Bypass, Richmond           | 96%         |
| Bumble Bites                              | 521 Leighway Dr., Richmond             | 100%        |
| Little Caesars Pizza                      | 535 Leighway Dr., Richmond             | 98%         |
| Dona Maria's Tamales                      | 204 Center Street, Berea               | 99%         |
| Kenwood Health & Rehab                    | 130 Meadowlark Dr., Richmond           | 100%        |
| Ft. Boonesborough Grocery                 | 4375 Boonesborough Road, Richmond      | 100%        |
| Crumbl Cookie                             | 2073 Lantern Ridge Dr., Richmond       | 99%         |
| Red Lobster                               | 828 Eastern Bypass, Richmond           | 98%         |
| Spice of Life                             | 467 Eastern Bypass, Richmond           | 100%        |
| Taylor's House of BBQ                     | Mobile Unit                            | 100%        |
| Newby Country Store Mobile                | Mobile Unit                            | 100%        |
| Madison Middle School Cafeteria           | 1151 Goggins Lane, Richmond            | 100%        |
| Mad Scoops Green Trailer                  | Mobile Unit                            | 100%        |
| Mac A Tude & More                         | Mobile Unit                            | 100%        |
| Smitty's Commissary Kitchen               | 448 E. Irvine St., Richmond            | 100%        |
| Speedway                                  | 101 Prince Royal Dr., Berea            | 97%         |
| Apollo Pizza Old Town                     | 215 Adams Street, Berea                | 97%         |
| Mini Donut Factory                        | Mobile Unit                            | 100%        |
| Spirit & Truth Wellness                   | 104 St. George Street, Richmond        | 100%        |
| Desi.Com                                  | Mobile Unit                            | 97%         |
| GJ2 Indian Street Food                    | Mobile Unit                            | 97%         |
| Richmond Little League Concessions        | Lake Reba                              | 100%        |
| Madison Garden Bar & Grill                | 152 N. Madison Ave., Richmond          | 100%        |
| Brewtanicals Coffee House                 | 459 Eastern Bypass, Richmond           | 100%        |
| Drea's Catfish                            | Mobile Unit                            | 100%        |
| Fully Loaded                              | Mobile Unit                            | 100%        |
| Mac A Tude & More                         | Mobile Unit                            | 100%        |
| Bert's Speakcheezy                        | Mobile Unit                            | 99%         |

| Regular Inspections with no follow up due | Score                        | Explanation |
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| Estepp's #1015                            | 610 Eastern Bypass, Richmond | 100%        |
| Aunt Dee's                                | Mobile Unit                  | 100%        |

### Regular Inspections with a follow up due

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|                                  |                                        | Mold like substance heavily present in dishwasher. Multiple items in cooler not labeled with dates or contents. Prepared drinks in bar area not labeled. Eggs in shell no held under temperature control, must be timed and discarded after 4 hours. Consumer warning must be posted or added to menu fo |
| Mi Hacienda Cooper Mexican Rest. | 688 University Shopping Ctr., Richmond | 81% cook to order items.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

### Follow Up Inspection with a follow up due

| None                                       |                                        |      |
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| Follow Up Inspection with no follow up due |                                        |      |
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This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

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# Reflections

## Berea Citizen archives

### October 15, 1925 Residence leased

It was recently announced that R.H. Chrisman recently closed a contract with John W. Welch to lease the residence located between Berea National Bank and McGuire Drug Store for 4 years. It was Mr. Chrisman’s intentions to transform and equip the building for use as a modern funeral home. It had an ideal location for the purpose and Mr. Chrisman was known for making progressive moves and it was becoming customary for all undertaking business to be arranged and conducted with funeral homes.

### October 19, 1950 Mountain Day

About 280 Foundation School students and about 40 faculty members participated in a mountain day hike. The outing included Robes Mountain, Indian Fort, East and West Pinnacles. Most of the group hiked to the foot of the mountain and climbed one or two of the peaks, while others took on all of the peaks. There was a general consensus that because of the perfect weather and the beauty of the mountains, that this year’s mountain day was the most enjoyable in recent history.

### October 18, 1975 100th anniversary

The 100th anniversary of Mountain Day sent Berea College students and faculty scrambling over rocks on Wednesday in continuation of the long standing tradition. It was back in 1875, when classes were first called off for the day so everyone could enjoy a fall outing. Some group ventured out on Tuesday night to camp in the college forest. Others departed as early as 5:00 a.m. to compete for the first glimpse of the rising sun. Most groups chose to meet later in the morning, walking the three miles of trails leading to Fat Man’s Misery, down Devil’s Slide and up to the top of

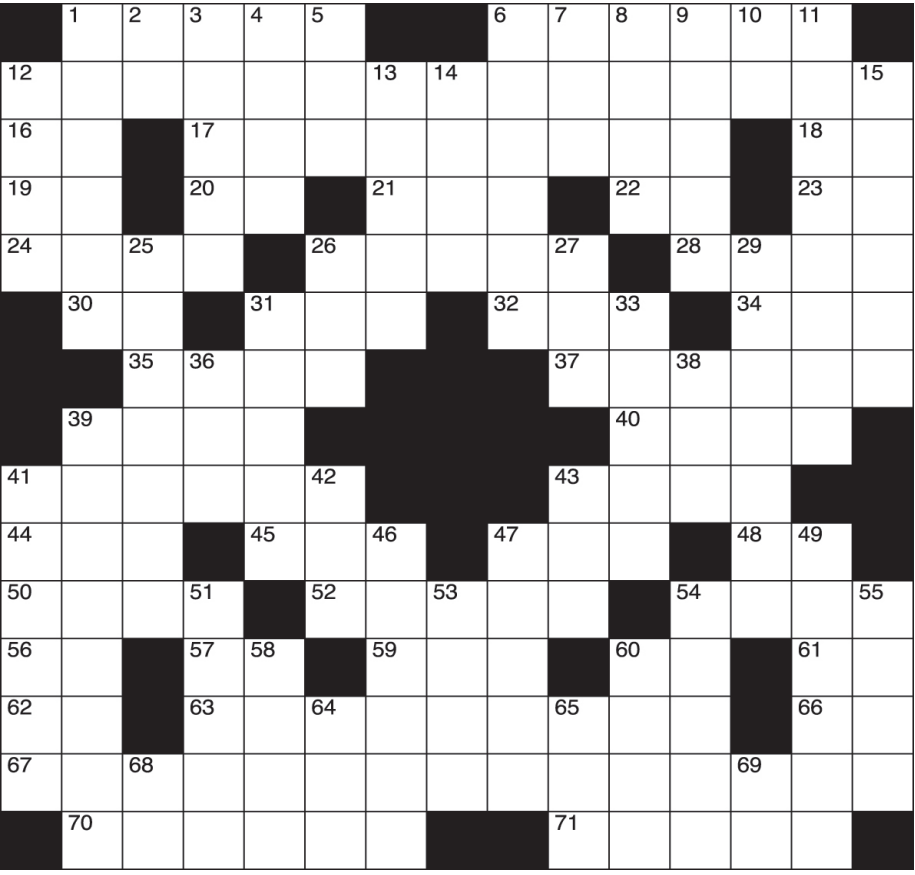
Indian Fort Mountain. Unlike the first Mountain Day, where picnic supplies were transported by wagon to a spring halfway between the valley and the East Pinnacle, Berea College Food Service trucked box lunches to the picnic grounds for the event. Tony Coppage, organizers of a new student outing group, gave demonstrations on rappelling from “Egale’s Nest” during the morning and afternoon. Weary hikers were provided transportation back to town by members of the Agriculture Department. Entertainment was provided that evening by “Bluegrass Saturday Night.”

### October 19, 2000 Weekend fires

City fire crews stayed busy over the weekend with two fires. The first occurred when a barn on Slate Lick Road caught fire just before 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening. The blaze ignited several rolls of hay in an adjacent field. It was believed a four-wheeler and farm equipment were damaged in the fire. On Sunday at approximately 2:45 p.m., fire crews were called to Berea College Forest on Highway 21 East to a grass fire possibly caused by a discarded cigarette. While the fire was small in nature, it was enough to cause a backup of traffic for people trying to attend the craft fair for a period of time.

# Game Page

## Crossword



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Martial arts in China
- 6. The butt of jokes
- 12. Nevertheless
- 16. Sportscaster Michaels
- 17. A firm believer
- 18. Atomic #18
- 19. One’s bestie
- 20. Of I
- 21. Hamburger accessory
- 22. Thus
- 23. Partner to Pa
- 24. Scottish tax
- 26. Cuts away
- 28. Require
- 30. Government lawyer
- 31. Own (Scottish)
- 32. Body cavity
- 34. Brew
- 35. Young woman (French)
- 37. Platforms
- 39. Pair of points in mathematics
- 40. Attack suddenly
- 41. Aviators
- 43. Make perfect
- 44. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
- 45. Neither
- 47. The center of a city
- 48. Sacrifice hit in baseball
- 50. Singer Redding
- 52. Dragged forcibly
- 54. Puncture with a knife
- 56. Belonging to me
- 57. Expresses surprise

59. Haul

- 60. The Golden State
- 61. Biblical Sumerian city
- 62. Integrated circuit
- 63. Opposed to certain principles
- 66. Sodium
- 67. Qualities
- 70. Walk
- 71. It awaits us all

CLUES DOWN

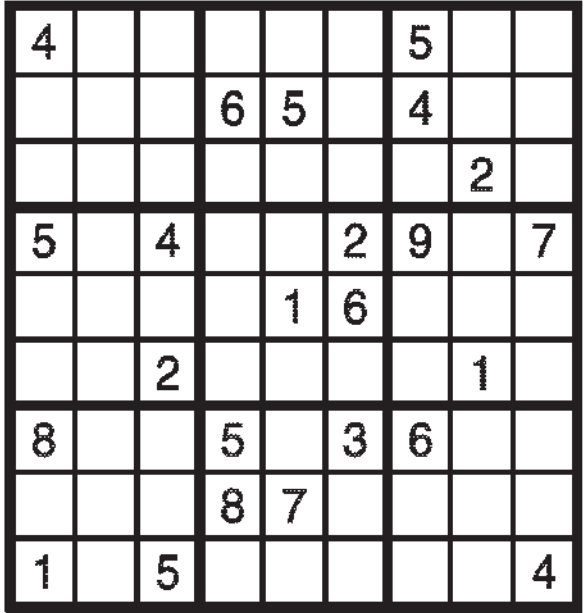
- 1. Ate quickly
- 2. Peyton Manning’s alma mater
- 3. Moves through water
- 4. Run away from
- 5. Utah resident
- 6. Natural objects
- 7. Children’s game
- 8. Obligation to prove
- 9. Ancient Greek building for performances
- 10. Soldier
- 11. Decorated
- 12. Catches
- 13. Russell \_\_, author
- 14. Speak indistinctly
- 15. Students get them
- 25. Japanese warrior
- 26. Dessert
- 27. Doleful
- 29. Most cushy
- 31. Moon crater
- 33. Small evergreen
- 36. Something fugitives are “on”
- 38. 007’s creator
- 39. Paintings on hinged

panels

- 41. Type of bomb
- 42. Japanese classical theater
- 43. U.S. gov’t department
- 46. Flightless bird
- 47. One who cuts wood or stone
- 49. Buttock and thigh together
- 51. A way to gather
- 53. Body part
- 54. Argentinian city
- 55. Undergarments
- 58. Jai \_\_ sport
- 60. Container for shipping
- 64. Type of screen
- 65. Get free of
- 68. Indicates position
- 69. Business department



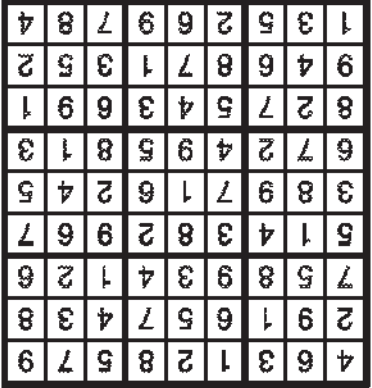
## SUDOKU



Level: Intermediate

Here’s How It Works:

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



ANSWER:

## CRYPTO FUN

Solve the code to discover words related to protecting hearing. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 1 = N)

- A. 8 3 21 18  
Clue: Listening devices
- B. 7 8 3 21 9 1 23  
Clue: Ability to process sound
- C. 18 13 15 1 24  
Clue: Noises
- D. 2 13 15 24  
Clue: High volume

Answers: A. ears B. hearing C. sound D. loud

# Chickens planted too deep

You might have heard about the city fellow who bought land in the country and decided to become a chicken farmer.

He picked up 1,000 chicks from the hatchery. A month later, he picked up 500 more. And a month later, he was back for 500 more.

"I take it your chicken farm is doing really well," the hatchery worker said. "No," the city fellow said sadly. "I'm not sure what I'm doing wrong. At first I thought I was planting them wrong side up or too close together, but now I suspect I've been putting them too deep."

OK. I know. That's a horrible joke. But it's the best I could come up with to lead into a discussion about what the Bible has to say about chickens. Surprisingly, they're talked about relatively little. Eagles, ravens, vultures, even sparrows get more ink than chickens.

Apparently, they weren't as popular in biblical times as they are now. Have you noticed how chicken restaurants keep popping up everywhere? Go into just about any city, and you'll find that KFC is just one of the many restaurants that majors on chicken. Some companies have even made billions

of dollars selling those little bony chicken wings, just by bathing them in hot sauce.

In America, chicken has been the favored Sunday dinner for generations. In fact, preachers have been fattened on fried chicken since the pioneer days.

But in biblical times, chickens got little notice. A rooster is mentioned in the Gospels. You remember, Peter had boldly declared that he'd stick with Jesus even to the end. But Jesus had told him that by the time the rooster crowed the next morning, Peter would deny he knows him three times.

The denials came – one, two, three. The rooster crowed and Peter burst into bitter tears, having been reminded of Jesus' words.

But one of the most beautiful mentions of chickens came from Jesus' own lips. As He drew near to Jerusalem one day, He looked upon the city with great sorrow and declared:

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how



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often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not" (Matthew 23:37).

Did you get that? Jesus described people of that day as chickens. Perhaps that remains a fitting description today, because some people seem to be so "chicken" when it comes to proclaiming the gospel.

Of course, we know Jesus was describing how a hen cares for its little ones, offering them shelter beneath its wings. As a kid, I had more than one run in with a mother hen that saw me as a threat to her brood. All of us kids knew to stay clear of what we called "flogging hens." We knew better than to mess with her little ones because she was bent on protecting them.

That kind of protection is what Jesus longed to provide to His people, but they resisted, choosing to go their own way.

I'm glad people in this part of the country embrace Jesus and serve Him with all their strength. That shows not only faith but also common sense. Those who reject Him are like the city fellow who planted his chicks too deep. They just don't seem to have good sense.

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## Tristan Project



At their October meeting of the Madison County Retired Teachers, the featured guest speaker was Lindsey Brown. Brown presented "The Tristan Project" in honor and memory of her late son. The goal of the project is to provide timely and affordable mental health resources to youth in Madison and surrounding counties. The MCRTA made a donation to further the work of this initiative. Brown, fifth from left in the front row, is pictured with the members of MCRTA.

## Antler Alert: Peak deer season nearing

FRANKFORT (KT) – Peak season has arrived for deer activity on Kentucky roads, and drivers are reminded to stay alert for wildlife, as state transportation officials issued their annual Antler Alert on Monday.

State officials say nearly half of wildlife collisions occur during the last three months of the year.

"We see deer-related crashes rise sharply this time of year," said State Highway Engineer James Ballinger. "Last November we had more than 700 wildlife collisions, the highest of any month. Drivers should be ex-

tra alert, especially at dawn and dusk, and slow down in areas where deer are likely to cross. A moment of caution can prevent a serious crash."

According to Joe McDermott, deer program coordinator with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, deer movement is near peak activity when the rut, otherwise known as mating season, begins at the end of October and continues through December.

"Deer activity peaks in the fall not only because of the rut, but also because their food sources and cover

change as the seasons shift," McDermott stated. "As foliage disappears and crops are harvested, deer are more likely to travel greater distances and cross roadways in search of food and shelter. That means drivers should expect to encounter deer almost anywhere, anytime this season."

In Kentucky, there were 3,406 highway crashes in 2024 that reported a vehicle striking a deer, up nearly 180 over the previous year and the highest recorded in the last five years. Six people were killed as a result of those collisions, three more

than the previous year, and 22 were seriously injured, which was a decrease from last year.

Hopkins County saw the highest number of reported crashes last year – 133. Half of the top 10 counties with the most crashes were in western Kentucky. A list of crash counts by county are available here.

Drivers are asked to report all deer-vehicle collisions to law enforcement. Transportation Cabinet traffic engineers use the crash data to aid in placing deer-crossing warning signs and other safety measures.

## Flu season arrives

FRANKFORT (KT) – Flu season has begun in Kentucky and public health officials are hoping it's not a repeat of the 2024-2025 flu season, which was especially severe with high rates of severe illness and hospitalizations.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) classified the last flu season as the most severe one since 2010-2011.

Flu is a respiratory virus and can spread quickly. When someone with the flu coughs or sneezes, the flu virus gets in the air and people close by can inhale it through their noses or mouths. It can also be spread when people touch a contaminated surface like a door handle, then put their fingers in their noses or mouths or rub their eyes.

If you come down with the flu, it can last a week or longer. Common symptoms include:

- Chills; Headache, body aches, and being a lot more tired than usual; Sore throat; Dry, hacking cough; Stuffy, runny nose; Some people, especially children, may vomit and have diarrhea.

Public health officials say flu vaccines are recommended for everyone 6 months and older and are available at health-care providers and local pharmacies. Getting vaccinated helps to prevent getting the flu or reduces the risk of serious complications if you do get it.

# MARRIAGES

## Oct. 2

• Calvin Jamal Johnson, quality technician, 53 of Berea to Stephanie Marie Campbell, shift clerk, 48 of Berea

• Catherine Nicole Hogwood, customer service, 37, of Richmond to Stevie Ray Saylor, Jr., self-employed, 41 of Berea

## Oct. 3

• Christina Lynn McCollum, self-employed (photographer), 45 of Crab Orchard, to Raymond Keith McCollum, self-employed (contractor), 46 of Crab Orchard

• Nathaniel Issiah Morgan, police officer, 22 of Smilax to Ariana Summer Krotkiewicz, hospital clerk, 23 of Smilax

• Jamie Leigh Thruman, x-ray technologist, 32 of Richmond to Pete Siller Garcia, III, concrete laborer, 34 of Lancaster

• Brandy Liane Daugherty, corporate IT manager, 45 of Richmond to Jason William White, quality engineer, 51 of Berea

• Isaac Eugene Miller, equipment operator, 38 of Irvine to Jacquelin Reann Portwood, unemployed, 28 of Richmond

## Oct. 6

• Samuel Oaks Christopher, data analyst, 23 of Lexington to Kasey Lynn Harrison, operations specialist, 21 of Lexington

• Olivia Lynne Lewis, sales, 41 of Richmond to William Tyler Jones, management, 44 of Richmond

• Hunter Isom Dwayne Barrett, materials handler, 21 of Berea to Marissa Ann

Richmond, cashier, 18 of Berea

• Lisa Ann Walker, patient care coordinator, 62 of Berea to Robert Aims Schultz, FedEx Driver, 69 of Berea

• Lauren Elise Muntz, police officer, 24 of Richmond to Zachary Thomas Ray, police officer, 33 of Richmond

## Oct. 7

• Kara Jayne Arvin, operations manager, 28 of Cincinnati, Ohio to Graham Gareth Griffith, Director of Engineering, 30 of Cincinnati, Ohio

• Lily Taylor Newman, nurse, 22 of Richmond to Tanner James Hembree, sewer crewman, 23 of Richmond

• Kellie Michelle Isaacs, RA, 21 of Richmond to Chandler Keith Eades, HVAC, 21 of Richmond

• Jordan Tyler Watson, student, 21 of Whitley City to Isabella Faith Hammons, student 19 of Pine Knott

• Aaron Lee Ambrose, attorney, 27 of Berea to Rachel Brianna Peace, teacher, 24 of Berea

## Oct. 8

• Madison Paige Pergrem, director comms KDA, 28 of Lexington to Julian Hays Cannon, insurance agent, 36 of Lexington

• Frank Gene Helton, unemployed, 38 of Richmond to Heather Danielle Marshall, cashier, 33 of Richmond

• Brooklyn Nevaeh Harrison, Whitaker Bank teller, 22 of Richmond to Jakolbi Christopher Crowe, store manager, 25 of Richmond

# HOPE

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the center makes exceptions in times of critical need, as with Moberly, 50.

“Mental health is a big stigma for a lot of people,” Moberly said. “But so many people are going through the same kinds of problems and having families tell them the same kinds of things. There are other patients who, when you are telling your story, say, ‘I’ve had something similar happen to me.’ Having them listen and understand what is going on ... having a similar story and even if their stories are a little different, that’s just helped in so many ways.”

The Senior Renewal Center at Saint Joseph Berea celebrated its 15th anniversary in April 2025, and is holding an open house on September 18. The program, Clark said, offers a geriatric group therapy program as well as individual and family therapy options. Patients can come up to three times a week, depending on their therapy needs.

Older people are at risk of suicide, she said, because of the changes in their lives as they age. Older white

men are at the highest risk. “I really attribute that to the loss of living how they used to be,” she said.

The center provides a support network, a sense of community and acceptance, which is critical in mental health care. “Providing a voice, providing a space for your voice to be heard is important and we do that with our group sessions,” Clark said.

Moberly said the sessions helped her to leave toxic relationships and rebuild other, more supportive, ones. “Counseling has helped me repair my relationship with my siblings, my nieces and nephews,” she said. “It actually helped me build stronger bonds with my family.”

She said the program helped her learn ways to deal with anxiety and panic. Clark said the care is individualized to the needs of the patient, and the center addresses a range of behavioral health issues, such as depression, anxiety and bipolar disorder.

“Through group and individual therapy, we have treatment plans and we assign goals depending on symptoms and severity and getting through overcoming symptoms that they’re feeling,” said Clark.

She said while mental health issues

are becoming less stigmatized, there is still a lingering stigma in some areas.

“I think society as a whole is definitely more understanding and more open to people having mental health struggles. It doesn’t mean they’re dangerous but they are having illness and it’s important to get it taken care of just like your physical health,” she said.

During Suicide Prevention Month in September, Clark encourages people who need help to seek it out.

“I want people to know that your feelings, your depressive symptoms, your mental health symptoms, they are temporary,” she said. “I think people get caught up and think that they will never feel differently and that is not true.”

Programs like those offered at the Senior Renewal Center help, according to Moberly.

“When I leave a session, whether it be from the therapists or office workers or fellow group members, I know when I leave I’m going to feel better about myself and the situation that I am dealing with,” she said. “I will still feel better at the end of the day. We lift each other up in ways that I’ve never felt from other people.”

# GRANT

FROM PAGE 1

the CKBPA, including Madison County, the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government, and Scott County, have qualified for the next step that could bring hundreds of jobs to the city.

“We’ve made the first cut in the Kentucky Product Development Initiative, which is a state program to provide funding for manufacturing and large business sites,” Fraley said. “There would be funding of up to \$4 million directed toward the Central Kentucky Business Park in Berea at the end of Farristown Industrial Drive.”

The funding would allow for the resurfacing of approxi-

mately 100 acres in the industrial park beyond Farristown Middle School – land that would otherwise be hard to develop because of its current terrain.

Fraley said the competitive process will continue this month.

“We still haven’t gotten the award yet, but we are getting a site visit from independent consultants who will come to evaluate that site to determine whether we get the funding or not,” Fraley said. “I feel really good about where we are, and I’m optimistic and looking forward to their visit in October.”

Last December, the Berea City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the city to enter a partnership to form an industrial development authority, which would then purchase land and share profits from

subsequent manufacturing or commercial ventures. The first joint economic development project is to be located in the Berea Industrial Park.

Once there are manufacturing or commercial enterprises operating under the auspices of the CKBPA, Madison County and Berea would split a 33 percent share of those profits, which for Berea could mean an annual revenue stream of approximately \$225,000 once the park is fully occupied. Berea would retain an additional 10 percent of the annual profits because it is the host city, according to the agreement.

The total return on investment could then be used to purchase additional industrial land, either in Berea or other CKBPA economic development projects, Fraley has stated.

Fraley has told city council members a conservative estimate would be that 750 jobs would come to the site when fully occupied, or, as high as 1,000 jobs. Officials speculated the industrial property will be sold off in lots of 20 or more acres, and that the companies locating in the park will likely be related to the region’s growing tech industries, including those related to the automotive industry and electric vehicles.

The city’s economic development consultant, Lucas Witt of MWM Consulting, said the average hourly wage for the new jobs is projected to be \$30 per hour.

Resurfacing work in the industrial park could begin by spring of 2026, as revealed by Jordan Haney of Thoroughbred Engineering during a previous council work session.

# COURT RECORDS

## District Court Oct. 3

• Angelina Faith Stokley vs. David Keith Rogers

## Oct. 7

• Domitille Angele Martin vs. Jordan Lawton Blasdell

## Oct. 8

• Victoria Simone Inope vs. Taelor Turner

• Brianna Jeannell Kirk vs. Taelor Turner

## Circuit Court

## Oct. 2

• Kathleena Surels vs. Dale A. Horsley

• Jodie L. Broyles vs. Victor J. Salazar

## Oct. 3

• Isayo May vs. Fred May

• Reynaldo Espnosa vs. Amy M. Fambrough

## Oct. 5

• Lindsay Mae Darlene Feltner vs. Stewart Ballew

• Sara Rohm vs. Jason Amparo

• Barbara Moberly vs. Phillip Moberly

• Seaerra Lynch vs. Cody L. Fryer

• Lindsey Lowery vs. Rodney X. Dreaden

• Casandra Hope Trickler vs. Charles Nicholas Taylor

• Abigail Hickey vs. Darion L. Taylor

## Oct. 6

• Tommy Lee Wallace vs. Tiffany Dimas

## Oct. 7

• Elizabeth Lemieux vs. Colin Lemieux

• Hasanah Fatima Howard vs. Chageo Desmond

## Oct. 8

• Ashtyn Paige Marcum vs. Abijah Malik Cox

• Jan Hutto Bush vs. Grady Hugh Bishop

• Autumn Colyer vs. James Andrew Colyer

## Foreclosures Oct. 2

• Kentucky Housing Corporation vs. Marilyn M. (Ray) Grant

## Oct. 3

• Selene Finance, LP

vs. Michael Murphy, ET., AL.

• Newrez, LLC vs. Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Legatees, ET., AL. (Anthony Brown Sebastian; Unknown spouse of Ben Robinson; Ben Robinson, III, individually; Aleander Brown; Carla Jennings Bates, as co-executor; unknown spouse of Alexander Brown)

• Boone’s Trace Property Owners Association vs. Steve E. Perry

• Newrez, LLC dba as Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, LLC vs. Phillip Waddell

# INDICTMENTS

*Madison Circuit Court  
Returned Indictments  
Oct. 8, 2025*

## Division I

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Jarrod Barnes: 2nd degree escape

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Jessica Maurice: theft of identity; persistent felony offense, 1st

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Caresa Waller: theft by unlawful taking; 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine); possession of drug paraphernalia

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Jakerious Estill: 1st degree strangulation; 4th degree assault (2 counts); harassment with physical contact (2 counts)

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Bridget Atkerson: 1st degree strangulation; intimidating a participant in the legal process; 4th degree assault

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Amanda Peters: theft of identity of another; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; possession of a controlled substance, 2nd offense (fentanyl); possession

of a controlled substance, 2nd offense (methamphetamine); 2nd degree persistent felony offender

## Division II

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Timothy Buchanan: 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine); possession of drug paraphernalia; theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Brent Howe: 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine)

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Peggy Renfro: 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine); 3rd degree possession of a controlled substance (drug unspecified); theft by unlawful taking

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Eve Cox: 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (cocaine); possession of drug paraphernalia; resisting arrest; 3rd degree assault – police/probation officer; 2nd degree criminal mischief

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Dewey Var-

ner: 2nd degree criminal mischief; 3rd degree assault – police/probation officer; possession of marijuana; resisting arrest; convicted felon in possession of a handgun; 3rd degree fleeing or evading police

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Floyd Espey: 2nd degree attempted burglary; public intoxication – controlled substance; 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine); 1st degree possession of a controlled possession (heroin); possession of drug paraphernalia; 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (fentanyl)

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Billy Willis: 4th degree assault – 3rd or greater offense within 5 years; 1st degree persistent felony offender (2 counts); 1st degree criminal mischief

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Jessica Bullock: 1st degree bail jumping

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Sydney Mundy: 2nd degree assault; 1st degree wanton endangerment

## Division V

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. April Alvarado:

theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting; 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine); 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (fentanyl); possession of drug paraphernalia

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Kenna Agee: 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine)

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Pamela Horne: possession of drug paraphernalia; 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (fentanyl); contempt of court

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Samantha Walker: use of a minor in a sexual performance; 3rd degree rape – vulnerable victim; 3rd degree sodomy – vulnerable victim; 1st degree sexual abuse – vulnerable victim; distribution of obscene matter to a minor; use or electronic means to procure minor (position of authority or special trust: tampering with physical evidence

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Devon Johnson: 1st degree strangulation; 4th degree assault

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Michael Pruitt: 2nd degree fleeing or evad-

ing police (on foot); 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (heroin)

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Chad Thomas: driving on DUI suspended license; 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (heroin); no tail lamps

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Norman West: 1st degree possession of a controlled substance (heroin)

## Criminal Branch Division I

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Justin Tate: operating on a suspended/revoked operator’s license; possession of marijuana; convicted felon in possession of a handgun

## Misdemeanor Indictments

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Joseph Callahan: resisting arrest; 2nd degree criminal mischief

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Robert Ingram: 4th degree assault

• Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Charles Kavanaugh: 4th degree assault

BRIEFS

BCHS Class of 1980-90  
reunion set for Oct. 25

The Berea Community High School Class of 1980-90 will have a joint reunion from 6-10 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25 at the Tracks Event Space, located at 400 West Jefferson Street.  
The cost is \$20 per person.

Baptist Health  
adds Benrey to staff

Baptist Health Medical Group welcomes Angela Benrey, APRN. As a nurse practitioner, her services include diagnosis and treatment of conditions affecting the esophagus, stomach, intestines, colon and liver, including hepatitis C.  
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Gordon enjoys big  
fund-raising month

Conservative Republican Deanna Gordon announced today that her campaign for Congress raised \$356,707 in the third quarter, a powerful show for the movement she’s building across Kentucky’s 6th District.  
“This campaign is powered by patriots, everyday Kentuckians, and those who love this country and are ready to fight for President Trump’s America First agenda,” said Gordon. “The American people delivered President Trump a clear mandate last fall and I’m ready to help him deliver his Agenda.”  
The strong financial report outpaces what the Democrats mustered together in their first quarter and demonstrates that Gordon is well positioned to keep this seat for Republicans.

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By Andy McDonald  
For The Citizen

The Scaffold Cane shared use trail is still in the works pending the completion of other grant-funded projects in the city, according to Berea officials.  
Berea City Administrator Shawn Sandlin addressed the issue last week when he fielded a question from Berea City Councilman Jerry Little. Little asked about the status of the project.  
Sandlin explained that the Scaffold Cane project is awaiting the completion of the new restrooms at Berea City Park, which will also include the construction of a new snack bar and a small storage area in the same facility.  
Because the Scaffold Cane project is partially funded by the Recreational Trails Program under the Kentucky Department of Local government, the administration must wait until the restroom project is finished, since that, too, is partially funded with a RTP grant. The terms of the grant project prohibit recipients from having more than one RTP project going at a time, Sandlin explained.  
Demolition of the existing restrooms and snack bar near Duerson Stadium is expected to occur later this year.  
The city first applied for grants to pay for the Scaffold Cane project in 2021. The Blue Grass Area Development District authored the two grants on behalf of the city, one for \$842,574 from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and \$125,000 from the Recreational Trails Program.  
The city’s application was officially approved by the state in 2022.



Designed to boost tourism by making the city more pedestrian and bike friendly, the Scaffold Cane shared use trail will also enhance public safety, officials said.  
It will run 6/10 of a mile from Logston Lane, up the hill toward Prospect and Main Streets, and will include a 10-foot-wide shared use path

and a bridge over the Brushy Fork branch of Silver Creek.  
Berea College, meanwhile, helped the city save money on the project by donating the right-of-way.  
The project is designed by Thoroughbred Engineering. The city has not yet awarded a construction bid or projected a start date for the trail.

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## Berea battalion chief facing sex abuse charges

A Berea Fire Department battalion chief was arrested for alleged sexual abuse of a minor last Friday. Jonathan Kerns, 40, was arrested and charged with 3rd-degree rape and 3rd-degree sexual abuse of a minor. The alleged abuse began when the victim was 11-years-old and became more frequent. Kerns is lodged in the Madison

County Detention Center on a \$100,000 cash bond. A preliminary hearing for Kerns is set for Oct. 29. Berea City Administrator Shawn Sandlin confirmed Kerns' employment as a firefighter with the city. Sandlin said Kerns is on administrative leave, pending further



Jonathan Kerns

review. "The City takes all allegations seriously and is committed to ensuring a thorough and impartial investigation is conducted," Sandlin said. "We remain dedicated to maintaining the trust and confidence of our community through transparency and accountability. These allegations do not reflect on the professionalism or integrity of the

Berea Fire Department or the firefighters who work tirelessly each day to serve our community with dedication and excellence." **Former aide arrested** Samantha Walker, a former aide at Berea Community schools, and wanted for alleged sex charges, was arrested on Monday after she was indicted on Oct. 8.

She was wanted by Berea Police and located and arrested in Rockcastle County. Charges against Walker include promoting use of a minor by electronic means, use of a minor under 18, Samantha Walker

See ABUSE, A2

## Airport water project delayed

By Andy McDonald  
For The Citizen

A project to extend water and sewer lines from the Fin-castle Subdivision to the Central Kentucky Regional Airport will be delayed one way or another, according to Madison County Airport Board officials. The issue was addressed at a recent board meeting in which Don Pedigo of STV, Inc. explained that construction has hit a snag. Pedigo stated the project's contractor, Chasteen Enterprises, apparently buried the water/sewer lines outside of the designated right-of-way. The project stretches approximately a quarter mile to the airport. Officials noted one inspector said the burial of the utility lines would have run too close to an existing natural gas line, prompting the work crews to adjust the path of the water/sewer line. That's a problem, Pedigo said, because now it must be decided whether to dig up the lines and put them in the proper right-of-way, leave them there, or dig them up and move them to a different location. In any case, Pedigo

See PROJECT, A8

## Tourism pours more funds into pool renovations



### Commission allocates \$200K for improvements

By Andy McDonald  
For The Citizen

The Berea Tourism Commission recently allocated another \$200,000 for the improvement of the Berea City Pool, a move applauded by Berea City Councilman Jerry Little. The measure was adopted at the Oct. 8 meeting. Before the vote, Little addressed the commission, stating: "I'd like to give our tourism commission and director a big thank you for all of your 25 and 26 budget investments with our... our tourism infrastructure here in our city," Little said.

**"The restaurant tax has really given tourism the ability to help Berea out. The restaurant tax has been a blessing for tourism in our city."**

Jerry Little, Berea City Councilman

Little went on to note that in addition to allocating \$200,000 for the pool in tourism's 2024-2025 budget, the commission's current year investments include \$215,000 for the Scaffold Cane shared use path, \$137,500 for the six new pickleball courts in the park annex, and \$125,000 for

the new restroom facilities in Berea Community Park. Those three projects alone in 2026 come to an investment of \$477,000, Little said. Other tourism-funded projects have included the Silver Creek Bike Park, the Berea Gallery and Events Center, and the Chestnut Street Pa-

vilion. Because those projects benefit both residents and tourists, Little said he thinks it would be a mistake to revoke or reduce the restaurant tax. However, he said a better job should be done to inform the public about what they are getting from the three-percent restaurant tax. "The restaurant tax has really given tourism the ability to help Berea out," Little said. "The restaurant tax has been a blessing for tourism in our city." According to Little, one

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### Obituaries

- Robin Anne Neff
- Martha Ellen Hamm
- Brenda Gale Blanton
- Don McKinney

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- Noon, Monday for submissions, news items
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## Jennings, Davis attend DAR meeting

The Berea-Laurel Ridges Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution was represented at the Kentucky Society DAR Fall Board of Management Meeting by Linda Jennings, Honorary Chapter Regent and Treasurer, and Patty Davis, Chapter Regent. The meeting was attended by representatives of 46 Kentucky DAR Chapters and was held at the Bourbon County Courthouse. After the meeting, a reception was held in honor of new State Regent Julia Hood at the KSDAR Duncan Tavern Historic Center in Paris. The Daughters of the American Revolution is a nonprofit, nonpolitical volunteer women’s organization dedicated to promoting Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism. Any woman 18 years or older who can prove lineal descent from a Patriot of the American Revolution is eligible for membership. The Berea-Laurel Ridges Chapter is accepting new members. If interested in learning more about membership, contact Patty Davis, Linda Jennings or Brenda Moss.



### Message from Cora Jane Wilson

“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.”

*Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)*

## ABUSE

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OBITUARIES



**Brenda Gale Blanton**

Brenda Blanton, 78, passed away suddenly on Oct. 16, 2025 while visiting family in Tennessee. Brenda is the daughter of the late Clinton and Juanita Rector Osborne, she was a faithful member of the Berea Evangelistic Church, where she served as Secretary and Treasurer of the church. Brenda was also retired from Berea College Development office, where she was an Administrative Assistant. Brenda graduated from Mt. Vernon High School in 1964, and received her Associates Degree from Midway College. Brenda enjoyed any sport that her grandchildren were playing, and she very much enjoyed reading a good book. Brenda was also preceded in death by a grandson Ayden lanton.

Brenda is survived by her children: Eddie (Robin) Blanton, Barry (Mary) Blanton, Stanley (Michelle) Blanton, and Christina (Jonathan) Beasley, her siblings: Patty (Harry) Isaacs, Paul (Teresa) Osborne, Jeff (Sherry) Osborne, and Bobby Clinton Matteson, her grandchildren: Rachelle (Josh) Ater, Trent Blanton, Cody Blanton, Caitlyn (Dillon) Campbell, Savanna Blanton, Alyssa Blanton, Jameson Smith, Ace Beasley, andKamden Beasley, her great-grandchildren: Elijah Ater, Tristan Ater, Emma Blanton, Everett Blanton, Chloe Campbell, and Sammy Campbell. Brenda is also survived by many nieces, nephews and good friends.

Funeral services will be Friday evening at 7 p.m. at the Berea Evangelistic Church with Bro. Jeff Osborne officiating. Private burial will be Saturday in the Saylor Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday evening from 5-7 p.m. at Berea Evangelistic Church.

In lieu of flowers donation in memory of Brenda are suggested to: World Missions to Asia P.O. Box 890634 Oklahoma City, OK 73189. Lakes Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

**Robin Anne Neff**



Robin Anne Neff, 71, passed away Sunday, Oct. 12, 2025, at the Baptist Health Hospice Lexington after a long illness. She was born on March 21, 1954, and was the daughter of Joseph Campbell Neff and Jean Kesler Neff. Both of them preceded her in death.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Joseph Campbell Neff. She was a graduate of the Allen County High School and Western Kentucky University. She was a Dental Hygienist in Berea for 45 years. She is survived by a sister, Holly Neff Kingsbury (Mike) of Taylorsville. And brother Scott Kesler Neff (Jenny) of Santa Claus, In, and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at a later date

**Martha Ellen Hamm**



Martha Ellen Hamm, a beacon of kindness and the epitome of a nurturing spirit, passed away peacefully on Oct. 14, 2025, in Richmond. Born on Dec. 15, 1934, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Martha's life was a testament to love, family, and faith. She was a cherished daughter, a devoted wife, a loving mother, and a doting grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother.

Martha was preceded in death by her beloved parents, Justin Elmer and Lucy Francis Rogers Blevins; her husband, Estel Paul Hamm; and her siblings, Glenn Blevins, Ina Cash, Wanda Proctor, Paul Blevins, and Bob Blevins. Her legacy continues through her daughters, Kathy (Bobby) Dees, Karen Coleman, and Kandi (George) Hylton; her four siblings, Carl (Sharon) Blevins, David Blevins, Carolyn (Bill) Sluss, and Betty (Ted) Sutton; her seven grandchildren, Kristi Wise, Natalie (Brandon) Eaton, Neisha (Shane) Cameron, Seth Taylor, Haley (Patrick) Lainez, Garrett Coleman, and Eli Hylton; her eight great-grandchildren, Hayden, Izaiah, Molly, Lilly, Levi, Brooks, Knox, and Evren; and her great-great-grandchild, Briggs.

Throughout her life, Martha dedicated herself to the well-being of her family, embodying the role of a

homemaker with grace and diligence. A long-standing member of the Providence Church of Christ, Martha's faith was unwavering, and she instilled the values of compassion and generosity in all who knew her.

Martha's interests were simple yet profound. She found joy in the beauty of nature, whether it was pulling weeds or watching the birds that visited her backyard. Her Sunday drives were a source of tranquility and pleasure, a tradition cherished by her family. Martha's big heart and her ability to find happiness in the small things in life were a lesson in contentment for everyone around her.

Those who had the privilege of knowing Martha would describe her as the best mother, Nana, and friend one could ever have. She was a faithful and dedicated wife and the most dedicated mother. Her kindness was her hallmark, touching the lives of many and leaving an indelible mark on the hearts of her family and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Oct. 18, 2025, at Lakes Funeral Home, where Pastor Robbie Cable officiating. Burial followed in the Fairview Cemetery in Willailla. Pallbearers were Seth Taylor, Garrett Coleman, Eli Hylton, Isaiah Frederick, Shane Cameron, and Brandon Eaton. Honorary bearers will be Levi Cameron, Brooks Thigpin, Knox Lainez, Evren Lainez, Briggs Benge

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice Compassionate Care Center, 350 Isaacs Lane, Richmond.

**Don McKinney**



Don McKinney age 71, husband of Debbie Campbell McKinney, past away Oct. 15, 2025 at his home in Palm Coast Florida.

Don began every day before most of the world had even thought about waking up - because in Dons book, the earlier the breakfast, the better the day. His laughter, love, and one-of-a-kind spirit will be forever remembered.

Don had a deep love for family and food (especially anything with cheese). His love for iced tea was unmatched - he was rarely seen without a glass in hand and always had a gallon jug of tea ready to go. His pride and joy, aside from his family, was his spotless truck - so clean a fly wouldnt dare land on it.

He was blessed with many true life-long friends who shared in his stories, his laughter, and his love for simple country living. Though Don had lived in Palm Coast, Florida for the past five years, his heart — and his roots - always remained in Berea. Don loved spending time with his Moore's Grocery Bunch, sharing stories and talking about the current events.

Don adored his wife, Debbie and

their 4 ducks, she was his constant companion, his best friend, and the love of his life. together they shared countless adventures, laughter, and quiet moments that meant everything.

He is survived by his two loving granddaughters: Callie (Jacob) Mitchell, and Caitlyn Miller, and his stepsons James Keith Miller and Jeremy Miller, and his loving sister Gail (Ron) Condrey.

Don delighted in teasing those he loved most - especially his sister Gail, who was often his favorite target. Don was preceded in death by parents Hubert Delmas and Beatrice Goodrich McKinney.

Dons life was filled with humor, heart, and a deep appreciation for the simple blessings of each day - good food, good friends, and the people he loved. He will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all who were lucky enough to know him.

Funeral services will be Friday Oct. 24, 2025 at noon at Lakes Funeral Home with Rev Kenny Davis officiating, burial will be in the Berea Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Larry Phillips, Tippy Allen, Sam Fothergill, Paul Isaacs, Tim Perkins, and Chris Turner. Honorary pallbearers will be Jacob Mitchell, and Mark Catron. Visitation will be Thursday Oct 23, 2025 at Lakes Funeral Home from 6-9 p.m.

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 431 Battlefield Memorial Highway, Richmond, KY 40475  
 EPA I.D. NUMBER KY8-213-820-105  
 By  
 Blue Grass Army Depot and  
 Bechtel Parsons Blue Grass  
 431 Battlefield Memorial Highway, Richmond, KY 40475  
 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act  
 Permit Renewal Request

**Background:** The U.S. Army owns the facility located at the Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD), 431 Battlefield Memorial Highway, Richmond, Kentucky. A Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit has been issued by the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection (KDEP) for the entire footprint of BGAD facility with an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) ID No. KY8-213-820-105. Bechtel Parsons Blue Grass (BPBG) operates the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP) as a tenant within the BGAD facility. The Program Executive Office, Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives (PEO ACWA) is also a tenant operating the Chemical Limited Area hazardous waste management units/igloos within the facility. This public notice includes three permitting actions for permit renewals: one operated by BGAD for the conventional mission; one for continued storage of hazardous and secondary wastes generated during the PEO ACWA igloo closure process; and one for the chemical demilitarization mission operated by BPBG. All three permit renewals are being sought under RCRA. BGAD is the owner for all three permit renewal actions. RCRA regulations require that a permit be renewed every 10 years.

BGAD is submitting a RCRA Permit Renewal Request to KDEP for the renewal of permit sections N, D, and P which will allow for the continued management of hazardous waste and secondary wastes that will be generated during the depot conventional mission operations.

PEO ACWA is submitting a RCRA Permit Renewal Request to KDEP for the renewal of permit section R which will allow for the continued storage of hazardous waste and secondary waste generated during the igloo closure process.

BPBG is submitting a RCRA Permit Renewal Request to KDEP for the renewal of permit sections A, E, and S which will allow continued management of hazardous waste and secondary wastes that will be generated during the Closure phase of the project while decontaminating process equipment and areas. The process equipment and waste storage tanks will no longer be in use and thus will not be included as part of the renewal permit. The BGCAPP facility is currently permitted under a RCRA Part B permit by KDEP.

**Public Comments:** The RCRA Permit Renewal Requests are being placed before the public for a 60-day public comment period beginning October 16, 2025.

**Copies for Review:** Copies of the proposed permit renewals are available for viewing at the following locations:

**Madison County Public Library  
 Richmond Branch**  
 507 West Main Street  
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**Estill County Public Library**  
 184 Broadway Street  
 Irvine, KY 40336

**Madison County Public Library  
 Berea Branch**  
 319 E. Chestnut  
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**KY Division of Waste Management**  
 300 Sower Blvd., 2nd Floor  
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**John G. Crabbe Library**  
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Persons wishing to comment on the Permit Renewal Requests are invited to submit comments by letter or email during the 60-day public comment period beginning October 16, 2025, and ending December 15, 2025. All written comments must be submitted by close of business on December 15, 2025 to Mr. Brandon May at the KDEP address below or via email at brandon.may@ky.gov. The permittee's compliance history during the life of the permit being modified is available from the Agency contact person.

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 300 Sower Boulevard, 2nd Floor  
 Frankfort, KY 40601  
 Email: brandon.may@ky.gov

The permit modification requests are available for review on the PEO ACWA and BGAD public websites:  
<https://www.bluegrass.army.mil/Environmental.aspx>  
<https://www.peoacwa.army.mil/bgcapp/environmental-activities-at-bgcapp/>

**Public Meeting:** A public meeting on the Permit Renewal Requests will be held on November 5, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Madison County Public Library, Richmond Branch, Conference Room 205, 507 West Main Street, Richmond, Ky. Representatives from BGAD, PEO ACWA, and BPBG will be present to answer questions and discuss the proposed permit renewals. The public is invited to obtain information and ask questions about BGAD, PEO ACWA, and BPBG and the permitting process at the meeting. For special access or other assistance to participate in the public meeting, please contact:

**Mark York**  
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## Take time to enjoy life without stress

Slow down. That's not easy to do considering the fast-paced society in which we live. We want everything at the snap of a finger and we have no time to wait. Before I even get started, I'm guilty of the fast-paced lifestyle with a career centered around deadlines. It's the same way for me away from work, and I'm even fast when it comes to eating food.

Moving at a fast pace has its advantages, but also some disadvantages, such as missing out on some precious moments.

A sermon by my Pastor Kevin Slep a while back reminded the congregation to slow down and enjoy the beauty that God has surrounded us with on this earth. Take a second and breath and enjoy

the scenery instead of bouncing around from one place to another like a feather in the wind.

The words, "slow down," hit me like a ton of bricks at that time.

I've tried my best to slow down and live in the moment instead of for that moment. They matter and we need to take advantage of the opportunities given to us on a daily basis and that includes listening more and not being in a rush to respond during a conversation.

Since mom's passing more than four years ago, I don't have any regrets. I talked to her on the phone



Keith Taylor

three or four times a day. However, I wish I would have visited her more than I did, but the hustle and bustle of life took over at some point in adulthood. I was always busy working and attending to other things, but I did make time for mom and my family at the appropriate times, especially during the last decade of her life.

We took a lot of photos when we were together and I take them even more now at family gatherings. If you don't take photos with family, technology has made it a lot easier to capture the moments and keep them forever. You don't have to wait a few weeks to get them processed and developed like we did while I was growing up. Make memories and capture them no

matter what. They will be a treasure later, I promise.

Slowing down includes taking in nature and admiring the work of God. It's all around us, through nature and other means.

Not to say I didn't when my nieces Addie and Shelby were born, but it's a different feeling when you get older. Back then, I was busy trying to establish an identity and making a living. Now, I have nothing to prove when it comes to my career and things are much, much different.

In my opinion, we as a society don't take enough time to appreciate life and count our blessings enough. Some people are too caught up in politics – on both sides — to see the beautiful forest for the trees.

That's sad. I'm so glad

my life doesn't revolve around who is president or political party affiliation.

It never has.

We live in the greatest country in the world and some in our society don't even appreciate what freedoms we do have and don't act like they are appreciative of what our country stands for. We need to act like it instead of pointing fingers and playing the blame game.

Let's take the time to settle down and take in what life has to offer. Ignore the desire to rush and move on to next big thing or get all caught up in political games.

Keith Taylor



## Golden rule remains guiding principle

America's continued national success is dependent on all of us-the American people.

Our American people are what makes America a great nation. We have a beautiful land. We have plenty of natural resources and we have a great heritage but it's our everyday actions that make America great.

Everyday actions make a difference. For example, don't randomly beep your car horn at people. You never know what someone is dealing with in front of you. Possibly, they are not in as big a hurry as you. Maybe they are trying to obey the speed limit. Maybe they are elderly and they have slowed down a bit in life. Riding their bumper and beep-

ing your horn never makes the situation better. You will not advance yourself any faster plus you will only frustrate the driver in front of you and yourself. Lay back, relax and wait for an opportunity to safely pass the car.

Don't fight with people at the restaurant buffet. Buffets typically have more than enough. I seldom have seen a skinny person filling his or her plate at the buffet. There is no need to rush in front of people to get a spoonful of mashed potatoes. Bide your time, be patient in line and your



Glenn Mollette

opportunity to select your chicken or ribs will come. I found myself in a buffet line on a cruise ship not long ago. I began to think that David surely wrote Psalm 23 while navigating a cruise ship's desert section.

Open the door for people but stand and wait for someone to open one for you. Be the one who opens the door and encourage the person close by to go ahead of you. Pushing ahead of someone often prompts them to push forward and there is nothing gained by everyone trying to push forward ahead of the other, except ill will.

Say thank you a lot and use kind words often. We all have the ability to complain and sometimes we have to com-

plain or nothing gets done. When there is a big pot hole in your road then kindly ask the highway department to fix it. Try kindness, speaking respectfully and writing kind letters. Be very nice. You can always get ticked off and angry if there is no other alternative. However, usually there is higher road that we can take and in the end we will feel better if a positive result was met without having to act crazy.

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. This is a good Bible rule that works well in all aspects of life. Treat people the way you like be treated. If we, the American people, will do so, our country will run more smoothly, peacefully and happily.

## Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor must contain no more than 500 words. Writers are limited to a maximum of three letters in a three-month period. Letters are published in the order in which they are received as space permits. Letters must not contain libelous materials and all letters must include the author's name, address, a telephone number or e-mail address for verification purposes. Illegible or incoherent letters will not be considered for publication. Letters which do not meet the guidelines will neither be published nor returned to the author. For questions, contact the editor at (859) 986-0959.

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Oct. 9

- Christopher Gaither, 30: trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree; 1st offense (greater than or equal to 2 grams methamphetamine); probation violation, for misdemeanor offense
- James Anderson, 45: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine)
- Savanna Mullins, 27: commitment order
- Billy Greene, 32: probation violation, for technical violation
- Henry Fee, 43: probation violation, for felony offense (3 counts)
- Ricky Warfield, 45: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO
- Ashley Montgomery, 36: commitment order
- Sonya Blanton, 60: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, shoplifting
- John Dawson, 58: commitment order
- Malik Jackson, 26: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
- Justin Lynch, 33: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order (2 counts)

Oct. 10

- Samuel Geames, 42: failure to appear
- John Steel, 33: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol – 1st; possession of an open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle
- Lois Burton, 36: failure to appear
- Jaylyn Burton, 24: failure to appear; harassment –

- physical contact, no injury
- Christina Adams, 29: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines
- Marcus Childers, 30: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense; driving without license – negligence in an accident; no registration plates; assault, 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury

Oct. 11

- Billie Wilson, 43: failure to appear (3 counts)
- James Connor, 71: careless driving; failure to wear seat belt; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol – 1st
- Kolton Stamper, 19: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
- Tatem Choate, 23: disregarding stop sign; failure to wear seat belts; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 -1st
- Thomas Steinsdorfer, 37: failure to appear
- Laura Miranda, 27: careless driving; failure to wear seat belts; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 - 1st
- Hisham Clifford, 44: failure to wear seat belts; failure to appear
- Alfonso Jenkins, 31: no registration plate; possession of marijuana; failure of non-operator to maintain required insurance/security – 1st; operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license; possession of a handgun by a convicted felon
- Ladarius Wynn, 24:

- criminal trespassing, 1st degree
- Jessica Poole, 41: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, all others, \$1,000 but less than \$10,000
- Mikayla Hudson, 29: terroristic threatening, 3rd degree

Oct. 12

- Deeliah Weaver, 48: failure to appear
- Karla Sterner, 48: disorderly conduct, 2nd degree
- Nery Manases, 22: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st; failure to wear seat belts; no operator’s – moped license; driving without a license/negligence in accident; failure to produce insurance card; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; no registration receipt; no registration plates; failure to register transfer of motor vehicle
- Joshua Clark, 45: failure to appear

Oct. 13

- Jeremy Ward, 26: failure to appear; escape, 2nd degree
- Brian Stigler, 57: operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance – 1st; failure to produce insurance card; reckless driving; no registration receipt; failure to register transfer of motor vehicle
- Nancy Hounshell, 40: failure to appear
- Daniel Holifield, 43: speeding, 22 mph over limit; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of controlled substance – 1st; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine)

- amine)
- Christopher Blevins, 37: hold for court
- Jason Ramsey, 39: trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st offense (fentanyl)
- Richard Bryant, 32: hold for court
- Dustin Allen, 46: hold for court
- Mark Little, 35: possession of marijuana; public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess
- Charles Hamilton, 40: sexual abuse, 1st degree, victim under 12 years of age

Oct. 14

- Zachary Ashcraft, 27: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO
- Frantz Elinor, 32: operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license; failure to appear
- Joshua Slone, 30: indecent exposure, 2nd degree
- Sammy Reynolds, 44: failure to appear
- Jarvis Riley, 50: serving weekends
- James Bellando, 58: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); possession of marijuana; drug paraphernalia – buy/possess
- Brandon Collins, 38: hold for court
- Jaymon Fields, 40: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines (2 counts)
- Brianna Owens, 23: driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense
- Elizabeth McCallistr, 33: failure to appear
- Jeffrey Ramey, 49: pro-

- bation violation, for felony offense
- Seth Scott, 43: hold for court
- Fonnies Horn, 40: hold for court
- Ernie Riley, 73: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order

Oct. 15

- Ayson Schooler, 22: assault, 4th degree dating violence, minor injury
- Kyle Kelley, 21: possession of marijuana; drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; trafficking in marijuana (8 oz but less than 5 lbs.), 1st offense
- Casey Earl, 43: rape, 1st degree – victim under 12 years of age; incest with a person less than 12 years of age; rape 1st degree domestic violence; incest – person less than 18 by a person 3 or more years older; sexual abuse, 1st degree
- Terri Foster, 64: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order
- Christopher Masters, 46: failure to appear
- Mary Paul, 56: failure to appear
- Joshua Holden, 43: hold for court
- Monday Rydell, 45: failure to appear
- Chrystal Slone, 46: failure to appear (2 counts); bail jumping, 1st degree
- Dylan Neal, 19: no operator’s – moped license; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st; possession of an open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle; person 18 – 20 years of age in possession/purchase/attempting to purchase/have another purchase alcohol

COURT RECORDS

District Court  
Oct. 7

- Tommy Lee Wallace vs. Tiffany Dimas
- Hasanah Fatima Howard vs. Desmond Chageo

Oct. 8

- Jan Hutto Bush vs. Grady Hugh Bishop`

Oct. 14

- Vicky Goodrich vs. Larry Keith Goodrich
- Sarah Azbill vs. Harold Wayne Barnett

Circuit Court

Oct. 9

- Autumn Colyer vs. James Andrew Colyer
- Kenneth Jarman vs. Danielle Jarman
- Matthew Simpson vs. Jennifer Farmer-Simpson
- Andrea Nicole Smith vs. Michael Allen Smith

Oct. 10

- Destiny Johnston vs. Charles Pigram-Davidson, ET., AL.
- Melissa Lee vs. Kevin Lee

Oct. 14

- Felicia Lambert vs. Adam Lambert

Oct. 15

- Shawna Nichole Stoneking vs. Mark Anthony Anderson
- Maryann Renee Abner vs. Mycal Kai McDonald

Foreclosure  
Oct. 14

- Stockton Mortgage Corporation vs. Brittany A. Wooten, ET., AL.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Oct. 9

- Mary Elizabeth Plowman and Roberto Garza to Kayla Angel Chapman and Sylvia Christine Chapman, 335 North Madison Avenue, \$211,000
- Stephany C. Blaney and Admiral M. Blaney, IV to Jennifer Elizabeth Hegel, 620 Boulder, Berea, \$265,000
- Jamie Dean Perkins and Jennifer Renee Perkins to Thomas Iwashita, Trustee of the Michiyo Matsumoto 1999 Trust, dated November 24, 1999, 718 Sage Court, \$300,000
- Jennie Williamson to Kacee Nebesho, Trustee of the Jennie Williamson Irrevocable Trust, dated October 7, 2025, tract Charlie Norris Road, for and in consideration of premises and to conform to the intentions of the parties
- Robert Michael King-Bryant (formerly known as Robert Michael Bryant) to Willow and Sage, LLC, lots S G Hanson Addition, for and in consideration of a capital contribution by a sole member of the LLC to said company
- Central Park Berea, LLC to Roy Todd Builders, Inc., lot 108 Block 1 Central Park Subdivision, \$55,000
- LMP Development, LLC to LP Construction, LLC, lot 83A Shiloh Pointe Subdivision, Phase V, \$89,500
- LMP Development, LLC to LP Construction, LLC, lot 44 Shiloh Pointe Subdivision, Phase V, \$79,500
- Minerich Land and Cattle Company, LLC to Gwendolyn Sue Minerich and Ashley Rae Renton, tracts

- Madison County, for and in consideration of love and affection
- Rita Clapp and James L. Clapp to Hermie Dean Perkins and Ruth Perkins, lot 33 Block B Clarksville Subdivision, \$100,000
- Orville Webb and Donna Webb to Kevin W. Webb, tracts Madison County, for and in consideration of love and affection between parties
- Reuben W. Rose and Joyce A. Rose to Gerardo Olarte, Jr. ad Araceli Xochicale Acatecatl, tract Madison, County, \$82,000

Oct. 10

- Clint A. Grizzell-Justice and Ginetta Nadine Grizzell – Justice to Dustin M. Hodges and Zoe L. Hess, 1056 Pauley Court, Berea, \$279,900
- Lisa A. Smith to Sparks Investments, LLC, parcel 1 plat 31/168, \$105,000
- Michael F. Brandenburg, Trustee of the John Wilson Brandenburg Trust, under agreement dated October 14, 2003, Fund A and Michael F. Brandenburg, Trustee of the Mildred E. Brandenburg Trust, under agreement dated October 14, 2003, for the benefit of Michael F. Brandenburg and Michael F. Brandenburg, Trustee of the Mildred E. Brandenburg, Trust under agreement dated October 14, 2003 for the benefit of Melony Lane, tracts Madison County, for nominal cash consideration and other good and valuable consideration
- Michael F. Brandenburg, Trustee of the John Wilson Brandenburg Trust, under agreement dated October 14, 2003, Fund A and Michael F. Brandenburg, Trustee of the Mildred E. Brandenburg, Trust under agreement dated October 14, 2003 for the benefit of Melony Lane, tracts Madison County, for nominal cash consideration and other good and valuable consideration

- the Mildred E. Brandenburg Trust, under agreement dated October 14, 2003, for the benefit of Michael F. Brandenburg and Michael F. Brandenburg, Trustee of the Mildred E. Brandenburg, Trust under agreement dated October 14, 2003 for the benefit of Melony Lane, tracts Madison County, for nominal cash consideration and other good and valuable consideration
- Crystal Altieri to Tranquil Hill Homes, LLC, 269 Tahoe Way, \$68,000
- John Walter Carlson and Tara Alane Carlson, Bowen Xinlei Risser Carlson to John Walter Carlson and Tara Alane Carlson, Trustees of the Carlson Family Revocable Trust agreement, dated October 6, 2025, 213 Clairmont Drive, for and in consideration of the Carlson Family Revocable Trust
- Jerry J. Barnette, Jr. and Christina L. Barnette to Doll Properties, LLC, lot 5 Overlook Farms Subdivision, \$1,600,000
- Cloister Construction, LLC to Walter Taylor Property Development, LLC, lot 36 Derby Chase Subdivision, \$50,000

Oct. 13

- David W. Rocky and Samantha P. Wise (f/k/a Samantha P. Rocky) to Clint Grizzell-Justice and Ginetta Grizzell – Justice, 1041 Melbourne Way, \$330,000
- Marilyn J. Lee to Kathryn F. Kuba, lot 14 Silver Meadow Subdivision, Berea, \$330,000



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# Religion

## Life and mathematics

Maybe you heard about the three little old men who decided they'd go together to the doctor to have their mental capacity tested. They shuffled slowly into the examination room where the doctor asked the first fellow: "What's three times three?" "That's easy ... 101," he responded. The doctor, with a look of concern, then turned to the second fellow and asked: "What's three times three?" "Three times three is Wednesday," he answered. The doctor shook his head sadly and turned to the third man. "What's three times three," he asked. "Nine," the old fellow answered. "That's great," the doctor said. "How did you get your answer?" "Simple," he said. "I subtracted



**Roger Alford**

101 from Wednesday." Those fellows certainly had a unique approach to mathematics. Unfortunately, it was an entirely wrong approach. You realize, wrong approaches aren't limited to math equations. All too often it extends to spiritual matters, as well. That's why the Apostle Peter issued a strong warning to doubters. In his day, just as in ours, there were scoffers who doubted God's Word, who refused to trust in Christ, and who doubted that this world will one day come to a fiery end. In Peter's day, some folks had pointed to all the years that have passed without the end having come. "Beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day," Peter wrote. "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness, but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any

should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up" (2 Peter 3:8-10) Such a dire warning warrants serious consideration. Peter urged the people of his day, as well as of ours, to decide how they should live their lives in light of that truth: "Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons out ye to be? (2 Peter 3:11). He supplied the answer: "Be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot, blameless. (2 Peter 3:14). That's clear enough for even mathematically challenged old men to understand.

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# Reflections

**Berea Citizen archives**

Teachers of Berea Graded School provided a supper that was deemed a success in spite of inclement weather. The event raised \$37.50, which was donated to the Kiwanis Club. The meal consisted of vegetable soup, chicken and salad dressing, creamed potatoes, cranberries, peaches and cake. During the evening, honor roll recipients for the previous month were recognized. First grade: Fred Elam, William Edwin Parsons, Charles Wagers, Merion Davis. Third grade: Thelma Todd, Madeline Bell, Virgil Reef. Fourth grade: Davi

Fothergill, Howard Parsons, Pauline Purkey, Almeda Hymber, Gertrude Towerly, Ruth Bowlin, Geneva Boin, and Janet Campbell. Eighth grade: Grace Hollandsworth and Verda Miller. Requirements to obtain honor roll were more A's than E's and no C's. The grading curve was 95 to 100 percent to receive an A; 85 to 95 percent to receive an E and 75 to 85 percent to receive a C.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hurst at 55 Boone Street was seriously damaged by fire on October 24th. The fire was believed to have

started from an explosion of the oil heater. The fire was extinguished within fifteen minutes of the fire department's arrival. No one was home when the fire started. According to Mr. Hurst there was a total loss of all belongings in the home. Windows were blown out in the dining room and kitchen by the explosion. The Hursts had some insurance on the structure and furniture, but it was unlikely that it was enough to cover the entirety of the loss.

The second annual Traditional Music Celebration

would bring old time music to Berea over the weekend. Activities would include concerts, workshops, worship and street dance in various locations Thursday through Sunday. The event(s) were arranged by Loyal Jones of Berea College's Appalachian Center with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts. Concerts would be held Friday and Saturday in Phelps Stokes Chapel. Costs for those events was \$1.00 and fifty cents for children. All other events for the event were no charge. Some well-known names to the event included the McClain Family Band and Jean Ritchie.

**October 26, 2000**

## Carillon dedication

The public was invited to the dedication of the Berea College carillon on Friday, October 27th. It was the largest carillon in Kentucky at the time. Berea College would be celebrating the completion of the 56 bells from highest to lowest. The program also included five selections ranging from Bach to Berea's alma mater, "Berea Beloved." At 5:00 p.m. carillonneur John Courter would perform a full recital including the premier of his own composition entitled, "Festive Fanfare for Carillon," especially written for the college's carillon dedication.

# Game Page

## Crossword

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### CLUES ACROSS

1. Remark
5. Upper body part
8. Expression of dis-
- missiveness
12. Alternate name
14. Popular beverage
15. Swiss river
16. Step-shaped recess
18. Rocker Stewart
19. Bright shade of color
20. Popular "street"
21. Wrath
22. Heat units
23. Nocturnal omnivo-
- rous mammals
26. Fall back into
30. Remove from the record
31. Sound a splash made
32. Popular Dodge pickup model
33. Jamaican river
34. Notable event in Texas history
39. Cool!
42. Subset of Judaism
44. Newly entered cadet
46. Duct in urinary system
47. Exterminator
49. Snatch quickly
50. Have already done
51. Less healthy

56. Therefore
57. What couples say on the altar
58. Mysteriously
59. Look angry or sul-  
len
60. Bird's beak
61. Taco ingredient
62. Square measures
63. Google certification  
(abbr.)
64. Singer Hansard

## CLUES DOWN

1. Pubs  
2. Wings  
3. Popular BBQ dish  
4. Small sponge cake  
5. Open-roofed entrance halls  
6. Organize anew  
7. Type of wine  
8. Forums  
9. North Atlantic islands (alt. sp.)  
10. Pond dwellers  
11. Large integers  
13. Signaled  
17. Brief  
24. Type of student  
25. Tibetan monasteries  
26. Revolutions per minute  
27. NY Giants great Manning  
28. Local area network

29. Residue from burning  
35. Illuminated  
36. Vasopressin  
37. Notable space station  
38. Wood sorrel  
40. Adhering to laws  
41. Chose  
42. Hovel  
43. Stood up  
44. European city  
45. Works ceaselessly  
47. Mistake  
48. Sun-dried brick  
49. Sicilian city  
52. A steep rugged rock or cliff  
53. Murder  
54. Other  
55. "Deadpool" actor Reynolds

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**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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**ANSWER:**



Solve the code to discover words related to Halloween.  
Each number corresponds to a letter.  
(Hint: 15 = O)

- A.      3   25   11   8   10   23**  
*Clue: A scare*
- B.      21   15   22   23   17   16   14**  
*Clue: Disguise*
- C.      21   9   20   26   7**  
*Clue: Sweets*
- D.      26   15   15   25   1   14   6   6**  
*Clue: House alert*

Answers: A. fright B. costume C. candy D. doorbell

# PROJECT

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told board members the contractor will likely incur additional costs.

“We’re currently working to see what the best path forward is,” Pedigo said. “It’s not going to be cheap, easy or quick.”

Pedigo added, however, that the project was going to face a delay anyway because of the fact that a needed pump can not be delivered until the end of the year.

The next step, according to Pedigo, will be to have the contractor sign an amended agreement covering responsibility for additional services, if needed, such as engineering or line reloca-



A water/sewer construction project to serve the Central Kentucky Regional Airport is encountering a potential delay, while work on a \$3 million terminal building is expected to begin next year. The terminal is just one of the construction projects underway at the airport.

tion.

Chasteen Enterprises delivered a bid of \$1.4 million, well below the board’s original projected cost despite inflation. Pedigo said

he would consult with the board in the future on the issue.

In other news, airport officials said the proposed terminal building at the

airport is moving forward, with construction beginning as early as next year.

In discussing the adopted 2025-2026 budget, Dr. Tim Ross of ECU Aviation noted that once ECU and the Madison County Airport Board ratify a memorandum of agreement covering project reimbursement, the terminal project will be ready for bidding. Brandstetter Carroll is designing the \$3 million project.

“I think if everything goes well, we may be out to bid before the end of the year and then potentially be ready for construction sometime in early 2026,” Ross said.

In other action, the board unanimously adopted a measure to give the board chair authority to sign off on amendments for the taxi

way connector and run-up pads. The work is needed to replace and electrical junction box and to resurface an area that is located on soft soil.

In a positive sign for local business and industry, ECU Fixed Base Operator/Airport Manager Jason Bonham reported corporate jet traffic increased significantly last month, causing a bump in fuel profits.

“We had a record month for fuel sales, pretty much blowing any previous month out of the water,” said Bonham. “We’ve had a really good month in jet fuel. The (overall) total was 23,819 gallons of fuel (for September)...Jet A (fuel) was 7,212 gallons. Our business in jet traffic and transient traffic continues to increase.”

# POOL

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problem is that people don’t realize how those restaurant tax funds are being used to improve the community. He suggested that every tourism-funded project should bear a plaque noting the contributions of Berea Tourism. “Let’s let citizens know how we spend their money,” Little said.

Little suggested a sign in front of the Berea Gallery and Events Center and Chestnut Street Pavilion,

public facilities used for reunions, free public concerts, the farmer’s market, and other gatherings.

“It’s a really nice facility and I would just like people to know that tourism paid for that,” he said.

On a related note, Berea Tourism Director Nancy Conley said the gallery and events center has hosted nine events since opening in the spring, including corporate training sessions, alumni group meetings and birthday parties. The space was also used as a venue for public input concerning the Berea Comprehensive Plan.

At one point in his presentation, Little made two proposals. First, he suggested the Berea Tourism Commission set aside a designated percentage of restaurant tax profits every year. Those funds would be used for new city facilities or to upgrade existing city assets, such as parks or public areas.

Secondly, Little proposed a partnership with Berea College to build a large recreation center across from the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea. Because the college owns approximately 50 acres of land at the intersection of the By-

pass and Mayde Road, he suggested the college could be approached about a possible joint venture with the city.

“It would be a great place to build a recreation center, a big lake, a walking trail, more park space,” Little said. “I would think that the college might partner with tourism and the city. It all starts with a dream and a plan,” he said.

Commissioner David Gregory expressed his appreciation for the continued cooperation between tourism and the city, while Jim Davis asked if a revenue set-aside would satisfy the

city.

“If tourism gave the city a certain amount, would that keep the city from coming back and asking for more?” asked Davis. Little said he thought that would be the case.

Commissioner Laura Carpenter, meanwhile, expressed her agreement with the revenue set-aside.

“I like the idea of giving a percent so that you all have more funds to work with. You get a lot of negativity on the three percent [restaurant tax], and I do, too. But when you are behind the scenes, you see what we have done,” Carpenter said.

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# City eyes water meter fee to fund 911 services

By Andy McDonald  
For The Citizen

City Council

The Berea City Council is a step closer to selecting a fee to fund joint 911 dispatch services with the city of Richmond and Madison County.

On Tuesday, the council had a work session to discuss options for a fee imposed on water meters in city limits, which officials say

is needed now that federal funding from the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) ended this year. That funding was essential for 911 services.

With the conclusion of CSEPP funding, the three governments will have to come up with \$4.2 million in operating costs for dispatch services and the emergency management center.

According to officials, Richmond bears the greatest cost, since it fields 55.8 percent of the emergency service calls. As such, Richmond is responsible for paying \$2.4 million of 911 operating costs. Madison County is next, fielding 24 percent of the calls, in which case they would pay over \$1 million annually. Berea fields approximately 20 percent of 911 calls, for an estimated operating

cost of \$873,120.

The proposed fee would be imposed according to three categories, Sandlin said: Non-commercial, small commercial, and industrial/large commercial. Non-commercial would include residential and non-profit properties that are not required to pay Kentucky sales tax. The fee

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## Taylor to seek 4th term

Reagan Taylor has announced he will be seeking a fourth term as Madison County Judge-Executive next year.



Reagan Taylor

Taylor was elected to the post in 2015 and is currently serving a third consecutive term. Taylor reaffirmed his commitment to continue building, "One Madison County — a community rooted in progress, and doing what is right for its people, even when it's not the easy of popular path."

Since his tenure began a decade ago, Taylor has led with a steady hand and a clear vision: to make Madison County stronger, safer, and more connected. His leadership has focused on collaboration among city, county, and state partners; investing in infrastructure; strengthening emergency preparedness; making government more efficient and improving the quality of life for every Madison Countian.

"From day one, my goal has been to bring people together — not divide them," said Taylor. "Building One Madison County means listening to every voice, working

See TAYLOR, A2

# Bottle biographies



Audrey Cates as Dolly Parton

Students in Mrs. Tonya Conley's 5th grade reading classes participated in the 10th annual biography project at Kingston Elementary. This year looked a little different. Mrs. Conley collaborated with Mrs. Ashley Parker, Kingston's STEAM teacher and had their students create their own bottle person using the famous person that they researched in their reading classes. Students were asked to select a famous person that they would like to find out more about. They put the information compiled from multiple sources into a Biography Slideshow. Students also learned how to hyperlink their sources after completing Common Sense© Digital Passport lessons on Citing Sources and Online Searching. The slideshow was on display with their "bottle person." Faculty, staff, students and parents were also invited to visit the gym to view the slideshows and bottle creations. Family members also joined students for lunch following the presentation.

The Citizen/Keith Taylor



Addy Hayes as Caitlin Clark



Wyatt Thompson as President Trump

# Court accepts six grave relocations

By Andy McDonald  
For The Citizen

The Madison County Fiscal Court adopted a resolution Tuesday to move six graves, part of a larger issue concerning what land owners can do when they want to develop their property but discover there are old, unattended grave yards on the site.

The court approved the relocation and reinterment of six graves in the John Reid cemetery, only two of which are marked. The graves will be exhumed and relocated to the Bluegrass Memorial Cemetery. The original burial site lies behind the Mann Chrysler building in Richmond, near the trailer park. Two other abandoned

cemeteries, which were not included in Tuesday's resolution, are located on the Begley property near Bucc-ees, said officials.

Under the law, the court can declare a cemetery unattended for 10 years, then authorize the relocation of the graves by technicians from local mortuaries and funeral directors. Property develop-

ers would bear the cost of the relocations.

Madison County Magistrate Brian Combs expressed concern about the process, stating that while he supports property development and growth, the community has an obligation to honor and respect the settlers of the

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## Weather

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| <b>Thursday</b><br>Rain<br>High: 49 Low: 37       | <b>Saturday</b><br>Sunny<br>High: 58 Low: 34 |
| <b>Friday</b><br>Mostly sunny<br>High: 58 Low: 39 | <b>Sunday</b><br>Sunny<br>High: 59 Low: 36   |



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imposed on those properties would be \$3.50 per month, or \$42 per year. The small commercial category would include businesses that are required to pay Kentucky sales tax, but which are serviced by a water line that is less than

TAYLOR

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across boundaries, and making decisions that serve the long-term good of our community, not just the short-term headlines. That’s what leadership should be about.” Under Taylor’s leadership, Madison County has seen transformational progress — from the completion of the renovated historic courthouse and major road improvements, to expanding animal shelter partnerships and modernizing public safety communications. He also guided the community through the successful closeout of the federal Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP), ensuring that Madison County remains a national model for preparedness and

or equal to one inch in size. Their fee would be \$42 monthly, or \$500 annually. Under the industrial/ large commercial category, the fee would be \$125 monthly, and \$1,500 annually for entities that are served by a water line greater than one inch in size. At one point in the discussion, Berea City Councilmember Teresa

cooperation. As he looks toward a fourth term, Taylor says his focus will remain on responsible growth, public safety, financial strength and regional partnerships that keep Madison County strong. “We’ve proven that when we work together, we can accomplish big things,” said Taylor. “But our job isn’t done. The next chapter of Madison County is about continuing to build a better future — one rooted in strong leadership, accountability, and doing what’s right for the people we serve.” Taylor, a lifelong Madison Countian and small business owner, lives in Richmond with his wife, Kelly. They have two children and are active in local schools, community events, and church life. The primary election will be May 19.

Scenters asked whether the fee could be imposed on the basis of water volume use, in which case industries or businesses that use a lot of water would be charged more than users that consume less. Berea City Administrator Shawn Sandlin, who, along with Richmond and county officials has been working on the issue for the last two years, said that would make the formula too complicated for now, but officials did not rule out revising the fee structure later. One issue of concern was how the proposed meter fee would impact owners

of multifamily dwellings. Some were concerned, for example, that if an apartment building owner had 10 apartments, they would pay the \$42 annual fee 10 times over. That is not the case, Sandlin explained, noting that owners would merely have to get all of the tenants to sign waivers indicating the apartment/ duplex was their primary residence, in which case the owner would have to pay just one fee. Most of the officials at Tuesday’s meeting expressed regret at having to impose a fee to cover the cost of emergency services.

But they said it is necessary if Madison County is to continue to have the high level of 911 service that was available while federal dollars provided funding. “If you want to have quality 911, unfortunately you have to pay for it,” said Mayor Bruce Fraley. Councilmember Steve Davis expressed hope that the council would stage a

work session in order to allow citizens to express their views about the proposed fee. “I don’t want the public to think we’re just trying to shove something down their throats,” Davis said. With that, officials said the city might stage at least one special called meeting to allow for public discussion.



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Cora Jane Wilson

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Established in 1935, The Berea College Art Collection was created as a teaching collection to provide students access to exemplary works of art and artifacts from around the world.

Today, it includes more than 16,000 objects, ranging from Renaissance paintings and Old Master prints to contemporary ceramics and photographs, with works by Rembrandt,

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“The rotating exhibitions of contemporary art and the College’s permanent art collection can serve as a resource and space for all in our community to learn, enjoy and appreciate visual art and material culture,” said Kelsey Malone, director of the Doris Ulmann Galleries.

Through these exhibitions and collections, the Galleries strive to educate, inspire and connect the Berea community and surrounding region to the wider world of visual art and cultural history.

The Galleries are located at 181 Campus Drive, on the corner of Chestnut St.

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Visitor parking is located on Chestnut St. (two-hour street parking) and in the Visitor Lot South behind Presser Hall, off Chestnut St.

All exhibitions and events are free and open to the public.

For more information, visit [dulmann Galleries.berea.edu](http://dulmann Galleries.berea.edu) or email [malonek2@berea.edu](mailto:malonek2@berea.edu).

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS AND EVENTS

**At Home with the Elliotts: A ‘Fine Art Print Collection’ Before Berea College**

On view now through March 13, 2026, Masterpiece Gallery

This exhibition recreates the Washington, D.C., home of art collectors Shelly and Gerry Elliott, who have donated more than 500 prints to Berea College. Visitors can explore their lifelong love of printmaking and the beauty of living surrounded by art.

**All Peoples of the Earth: Selections from the Berea College Art Collection**

Ongoing, Dimitrie Berea Gallery

Featuring more than 100 artworks and cultural objects, this exhibition highlights the shared human experiences that unite people across time and place. Rotating selections ensures each visit offers something new to discover.

**Abbey Peters: Carefully Held**

October 22 – December 5, Lower Traylor Gallery

Peters’ ceramic vessels and sculptures explore how women offer and receive care across generations.

**Sangmi Yoo: Dream a little dream of me**

October 29 – December 5, Upper Traylor Gallery

Yoo’s mixed-media installations trace the history of textile printing and women’s labor across cultures.

**Berea Art Crawl**

November 22, 2025, 4–7 p.m.

A town-wide gallery hop featuring live music, food and open art spaces coordinated by Berea College students, the Doris Ulmann Galleries and the Berea Arts Council.

OBITUARIES

Janice Hamilton



Janice Stephenson Hamilton, fondly known as Jan among her loved ones, passed away peacefully on Sept. 23, 2025, in her hometown of Berea. Born on Dec. 5, 1931, to the late John "Jay" Wesley and Esther Claire Brandenburg Stephenson, she embraced the world with a creative spirit and a dedication to the community that would touch countless lives over her 93 years.
 Jan's roots ran deep in Berea, as did her commitment to education. After graduating from Berea Foundation School, she broadened her horizons at Bowling Green University in Ohio before returning to her roots, where she completed her teaching degree at Berea College. She poured her energy and love into the next generation as a teacher for 20 years with the Berea Community School system. Her passion for learning and teaching shaped the lives of many students, who often remembered her fondly long after leaving her classroom.
 Jan's artistic soul found expression through her love of basket weaving and poetry. She was a cherished member of Union Church, contributing to the community with her time, talent, and the beauty of her flower arrangements that adorned the sanctuary on Sundays. Her creative fingerprints can be found in every verse she wrote,

every basket she crafted, and every bouquet she arranged. Music was woven through the fabric of her life as well, with the piano being her faithful companion from grade school well into her golden years. She used this gift to bring joy to others, playing for residents at her nursing home with the same enthusiasm she once played for her friends and family.
 Predeceased by her parents, her beloved husband, Bill Hamilton, Jr., and her sister-in-law, Anne Harper Stephenson, Jan's legacy continues through her loving family. She is survived by her cherished brother, John William Stephenson; her devoted children, Robin (Keith) Hamilton Ammons, Karen Hamilton Reed, and Stuart (Kyle) Hamilton; her adored grandchildren, Adria (Greg) Sutherland, Lindsay (Travis) Meyer, Patrick (Giovanna) Hamilton, Rachel (Stan) Nickell, and Christopher Reed; as well as her treasured great-grandchildren, Hamilton Meyer, Mattie Meyer, Rose Nickell, Asa Nickell, Ella Sutherland, Eva Sutherland, Urijah Reed, and Grayson Reed, who will all carry forward the memory of her warmth, her strength, and her boundless creativity. She is also survived by two sisters-in-law, Peggy Bicknell and Dolly Herdon, and brother-in-law, Richard Hamilton.
 A Celebration of Life was held at 3 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 28, 2025, at Lakes Funeral Home. Pastor Kevin Slempp officiated.
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Honor for Farmer

Top Drawer Gallery unveiled new mural last week honoring Steve Farmer — a master woodworker and lifelong member of our Berea community. The mural, painted by artist Graham Allen, captures Steve's warmth and creative spirit. Located on the side of Top Drawer Gallery in the Old Town Artisan Village, the piece stands as a lasting tribute to one of Berea's finest craftsmen and a friend to so many. Steve and Heather Johnson, owners of Top Drawer Gallery, led the meaningful project dedicated to the community.

COUNTY

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county, some of whom date back to before the United States was founded.
 Combs said that as a person who looks after his family cemetery, he urged the court to proceed with caution and respect.
 The resolution concerning the Reid family cemetery was adopted unanimously, while the other resolutions will come up for further study later.
 In other action, the court unanimously adopted ordinances related to the funding of Madison County Emergency Management Agency services, including 911 dispatch.
 First was a budget amendment ordinance for the Madison County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Fund for EMA programs. The amendment moves \$311,325 into the fund.

The second ordinance reviewed was for reconfiguring of the 911 fee structure for the Madison County Emergency Communications Center and enhanced 911 service through the implementation of a water meter fee. The fee will only be imposed in the unincorporated areas of Madison County and will not apply to businesses, residents or industries in Berea or Richmond city limits.
 The ordinance goes into effect on January 1, 2026, imposing a monthly fee on water meters in unincorporated areas of the county. Monthly fees assessed will be: water meters on non-commercial properties, \$3.50; commercial properties \$12.50, and industrial or large commercial properties, \$25.
 Each water utility operating in unincorporated areas of Madison County will collect and process the fee through their respective billing systems/ All of the funds will be used to

pay for the 911 emergency communications center, officials said.
 Additionally, the ordinance rescinds the \$3.50 month fee imposed on telephone landlines that used to fund 911 services. That portion of the ordinance will take effective December 31 of this year.
 Deputy Judge Executive Jill Williams noted the county is projected to generate approximately \$1 million for operating the 911 center – the county's portion of operating the center along with Berea and Richmond.
 In related action Tuesday, the court adopted a resolution formally authorizing the county to collect the 911 water meter fee.
 Also approved after a second reading was an ordinance authorizing the awarding of franchises for the operation of a telecommunications system in Madison County. When a telecommunications company wants to do business

in the county, the law requires each cable provider to be awarded a franchise. The non-exclusive franchise (in which there will be competing firms) will be for a 10-year period.
 In other news, the court celebrated the achievements of the Madison Central High School Girl's Golf Team, which recently captured another state championship. Madison County Judge Executive Reagan Taylor thanked the team for bringing pride to the local community.
 The court also adopted a proclamation recognizing Operation Green Light for Veterans from November 4 through 11, which recognizes the invaluable sacrifices military veterans make in serving their community and their country. As part of the brief ceremony, Taylor recognized all of the county employees who were military veterans.
 The next fiscal court meeting is slated for Nov. 11 in Berea.

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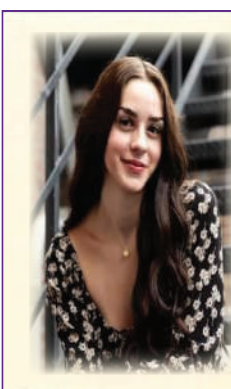
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## Time is changing and I'm not ready

I'm ready for a change. I don't know about you, but falling back and springing ahead has my head spinning as I get older. I would prefer to stay on daylight savings time and I'm not ready for night to begin at dinner time.

The original intent, adopted by the United States in 1916 to shift an hour of daylight from morning to the evening was to help reduce dependence on unnatural lighting and conserve energy. We will gain an extra hour of sleep on Sunday and again more darkness each night.

The change can mean slower days and earlier

sleep times and requires time for the body to adjust to the "new time"

The following are tips from Gateway Family Services on how to make the adjustment.

### Shift gradually

To avoid a jarring transition, begin adjusting your sleep schedule at least a week before the time change. Shift your bedtime and wake time by 10 to 15



Keith Taylor

minutes each day. This gradual adjustment helps your body adapt without shock, making it easier to embrace the new routine come Sunday. As autumn winds bring shorter days, the resulting decrease in natural sunlight can negatively impact your mood and energy levels. To counteract this, spend 10 to 20 minutes outside in the morning. This exposure will signal to your brain that it's time to be awake and alert, setting a positive tone for the day ahead.

### Sun time

As autumn brings shorter days, it's vital to get your

dose of natural light. Spend 10 to 20 minutes outside in the morning sunlight; this exposure signals to your brain that it's time to be awake and alert. On the flip side, as night falls, limit blue light from screens one to two hours before bed, as it can interfere with melatonin production. If natural sunlight is lacking, consider investing in a light therapy box with an intensity of 10,000 lux for a morning boost.

### Routine

Creating a consistent sleep routine is crucial for maintaining your well-being.

Aim to go to bed and wake up at the same time each day—even on weekends—to reinforce your circadian rhythm. Incorporate calming activities before bed, like reading or meditation, to signal to your body that it's time to wind down. Avoid caffeine after 2 p.m. and limit alcohol, which can disrupt your sleep architecture.

Making those adjustments can help ease the transition. Most importantly, get rest and prepare for longer days next spring. It will be here before you know it.

Keith Taylor



"I DON'T KNOW WHETHER TO BE ANNOYED BY THEIR LAZINESS OR AMAZED AT THEIR INGENUITY."

## Is Congress hypocritical?

The American government shutdown impacts about 1.4 million federal workers, with roughly 700,000 furloughed and another 700,000 deemed essential continuing to work without pay. This number doesn't include the 42 million Americans who rely on SNAP benefits.

About 13,000 air traffic controllers and about 50,000 TSA officers are currently working without pay. Once the government shutdown ends they will receive their pay. Most Americans live paycheck to paycheck so this is a tough time.

The shutdown is expected to shave 0.1 to 0.2 percentage points of annualized inflation-GDP growth per week. It's also delaying the release of economic data, which could make it harder for the Federal Reserve to make

informed decisions on interest and monetary policy. However, many economists believe the negative effects will be temporary and will be recovered when normal operations resume.

The major holdup is that Democrats want a spending plan that includes an extension of Covid-19 pandemic-era enhanced Obamacare subsidies. Republicans want a spending bill first, and then they'll talk about the extension of those subsidies.

During the government shutdown, the average US congressman makes around \$14,500 per month. Their annual salary is \$174,000. They will also receive government



Glenn Mollette

health insurance. They will receive their ongoing matching contributions paid into their retirement plan by the government, paid time off, free gym membership and other perks.

The US Congress members still receive salaries during a shutdown because the 27th Amendment to the Constitution prevents congressional pay raises or decreases during their current term. Their salaries come from a permanent appropriation that isn't tied to annual spending bills. They are considered essential workers, even though they're not directly affected by the shutdown like other federal workers.

Most Americans think it's unfair for Congress to get paid during a shutdown while federal workers don't. Many argue it's hypocritical and unjust. However,

there are several members of Congress who reportedly have chosen to not receive their pay until the shutdown is resolved.

During the shutdown, Americans can contact their representatives to express concerns. Donate to charities helping furloughed workers. Participate in peaceful protests/rallies. Support local businesses and national parks. Volunteer for organizations helping federal workers. Stay informed through credible news sources. Reach out to neighbors who are federal workers to offer help. Vote at the upcoming election.

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- Steven Glover, 33: failure to appear
- Sarah Mattingly, 34: failure to appear (2 counts)
- Raymond Tanookp-Uwah, 22: failure to appear
- Luiz Ramirez, 32: no operator's-moped license; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st
- Ryan Boyne, 47: parole violation (for technical violation)
- Ronald McCray, 36: parole violation (for technical violation)
- Elliott Dooley, 48: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order

### Oct. 17

- Jared Harding, 34: probation violation (for felony offenses) – 2 counts; operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin)
- Timothy Henry, 43: operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st
- Larry Goodrich, 55: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO; burglary, 2nd degree; possession of marijuana
- Kimberly Higgins, 32: assault, 4th degree domestic violence
- Nickolas Cornbread-Dressler, 27: harassment, no physical contact; menacing; disorderly conduct, 2nd degree; resisting arrest
- Alex Adams, 30: serving 21 days on case 25-m-00768; burglary, 2nd degree; possession of burglary tools; criminal mischief – rental property

### Oct. 18

- Dion Watts, 43: receiving stolen property (firearm); tampering with physical evidence; possession of a handgun by a

convicted felon

- Jennifer Fitzpatrick, 48: receiving stolen property; fraudulent use of a credit card, \$1,000 but less than \$10,000
- Kimberly Lowe, 46: receiving stolen property; fraudulent use of a credit card, \$1,000 but less than \$10,000; non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines
- Goldie Whalen, 57: operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 -1st; possession of an alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle
- Lewis Taulbee, 43: failure to appear
- Willis Tudor, 49: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines; failure to appear; receiving stolen property; fraudulent use of credit card, \$1,000 but less than \$10,000
- Caleb Florence, 27: assault, 4th degree domestic violence, no visible injury
- Brian Crutchifeld, 40: careless driving; failure to produce insurance card; trafficking in marijuana (8 oz to less than 5 pounds) – 1st offense; trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense ( greater than or equal to 4 ounces cocaine); trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (greater than or equal to 10 D.U. drug unspecified); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; possession of a firearm by a convicted felon; improper turning
- Taylor Isaacs, 27: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO
- Cory Cooper, 36: assault, 1st degree; assault, 2nd degree; wanton endangerment, 1st degree
- Scarlet Ford, 54: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order

- David Foley, 52: serving weekends

### Oct. 19

- Floyd Espey, 40: possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess; possession of a controlled substance, 3rd degree – drug unspecified
- Levi Shearer, 18: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses); assault, 4th degree, no visible injury
- Aiden Howard, 19: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses); assault, 4th degree, no visible injury; criminal possession of forged instruments, 2nd degree
- Jennifer Nunn, 41: failure to appear
- Tony Igisair, 26: operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 3rd; driving on DUI suspended license – 1st offense

### Oct. 20

- Michael Burton, 19: improper equipment; failure to wear seat belts; possession of marijuana; operating motor vehicle under the influence of substance(s) – 1st
- Jonathan Payne, 45: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO; operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08 – 1st; burglary, 1st degree; intimidating a participating in the legal process; assault, 2nd degree domestic violence; assault, 4th degree domestic violence, no visible injury
- Carlos Moore, 44: failure to appear
- Robert Henry, 46: operating on suspended or revoked operator's license; trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st offense (heroin)
- Gage Brown, 24: failure

to appear

- Paul Barrett, 31: contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order (2 counts)

### Oct. 21

- Earl Clements, 44: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offenses)
- Bryan Bundy, 50: non-support
- David Kenney, 34: criminal mischief, 1st degree; assault, 4th degree, no visible injury; endangering the welfare of a minor; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree; criminal trespassing, 3rd degree
- Thomas Stamper, 25: failure to appear (2 counts); contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order
- Pedro Cabassa, 48: failure to appear; probation violation, for felony offense
- Joshua Fields, 44: fugitive from another state, misdemeanor
- Chris Brooks, 41: incest – forcible compulsion/incapable of or without consent; rape, 1st degree; sodomy, 1st degree; sexual abuse, 1st degree, victim under 12 years of age; unlawful transaction with a minor, 1st -illegal sex act, 16 years of age or under; distribution of obscene matter to minors, 1st offense
- Samantha Walker, 35: procurement or promoting use of minor by electronic means; use of a minor (under the age of 18) in a sexual performance; rape, 3rd degree; sodomy, 3rd degree; sexual abuse, 1st degree; tampering with physical evidence distribution of obscene matter to minors – 1st offense
- Brandon Smith, 43: failure to appear; violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO
- Beverly Vanwinkle-Thompson, 63: criminal

abuse, 2nd degree – child under 12 years of age; assault, 4th degree child abuse

- Isaiah Staffney, 23: assault, 2nd degree; possession of marijuana
- Deshawn Smith, 23: leaving the scene of an accident – failure to render aid or assistance; fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree (on foot)

### Oct. 22

- Dylan Lewis, 21: sodomy, 1st degree; intimidating a participant in the legal process
- Patricia Stapleton, 26: failure to appear
- Shean Shingles, 41: failure to appear
- Justin Matthews, 38: assault, 2nd degree domestic violence; strangulation, 1st degree domestic violence related
- Lloyd Whitis, 47: commitment order
- Garry Gaston, 41: probation violation- for technical violation
- Dewight Smiley, 30: speeding, 15 mph over limit; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); tampering with physical evidence; operating on suspended operator's license; failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance/security – 1st offense; failure to wear seat belts; fleeing or evading police, 1st degree (motor vehicle); aggravated trafficking in a controlled substance (greater than or equal to 28 grams fentanyl); trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st offense (fentanyl)
- Allen Lamb, 37: serving parole violation warrant
- Bobbie Hall, 29: failure to appear

## COURT RECORDS

### District Court

#### Oct. 20

- Kimberly Davis vs. Nathan Branstutter

#### Oct. 22

- Cymariyah C. White vs. Christopher Alan Lockett

### Circuit Court

#### Oct. 17

- Audrey Tyree vs. Brandon Tyree
- Luke Gabriel Erlandson vs. Elizabeth Grace Erlandson
- Elizabeth Brook Snyder vs. Peter Wayne Snyder

#### Oct. 18

- Kelly Farthing vs. Marion Farthing

#### Oct. 19

- Kaelin E. Durbin vs. Evan A. Fields
- Jerri Gadd vs. Kenneth Gadd, Jr.

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- Nickia Santiago vs. Jorge Juan Martinez
- Ariana Vazquez Gomez vs. Jorge Zuniga, Jr.
- Maryann R. Abner vs. Mcyal A. McDonald
- Chelsea L. Crawford vs. Lance V. Price
- Samantha N. Lovings vs. Jeffery N. Lamb
- Kentucky Foster Care vs. Casey D. Simpson

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- Maria Teresa Vera Martinez vs. Jose Blas Vital
- Courtney Marie Hardy Taylor vs. Timothy Ryan Snyder

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- Joleyn A. Millard vs. Molly L. Millard

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Steele vs. Rachel Nicole Steel

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- Seth Dillon McIntosh vs. Maurika Precious McIntosh

### Foreclosure

#### Oct. 17

- Lakeview Loan Servicing s. Nathaniel L. Jarvis, ET., AL

#### Oct. 20

- The Bank of New York Melon vs. John Meeks, ET., AL

#### Oct. 21

- Pennymac Loan Services, LLC vs. Calvin Brown, ET., AL.
- Longhorn Properties, LLC vs. Adiana Martina Back, ET., AL.

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- Kasi Nicole Schneid, operations consultant, 26 of Amarillo, Texas to Blaine Allan Kuehl, construction foreman, 27 of Stillwater, Oklahoma
- Shelby Marie Milodrowski, veterinary assistant, 28 of Waco to Ricardo Gamez-Molina, laborer, 28 of Waco

#### Oct. 22

- Kennedy Brooke Goints, veterinary assistant, 24 of Richmond to Benjamin Andrew West, corporate controller, 24 of Richmond
- Lewis Dewayne Howard, UPS feeder driver, 55 of Richmond to Crystal Gayle Lawson, unemployed, 47 of Richmond
- Holden Kent Oglesby, car detailer, 21 of Richmond to Katelyn Dexter, branch manager, 22 of Richmond

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### Oct. 16

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- Ronald Douglas Lord to Elijah Scott, 935 Mule Shed Lane, \$259,000
- Short Carpentry and Construction, Inc. to Zachary Thoa Palmer, lot 50 Stoney View Estates Phase 1, \$287,000
- Richard Lee Pennington and Amanda Lynn Pennington to Lucas Herndon and Alyssa Herndon, lot 9 Lewis Estates, \$1.00
- DLS Partners, LLC to Linda Bryant, 924 Pad-dock Court, \$350,000
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- DS & JV Properties, LLC to Maxland Group, LLC lot 134 Firebrook Subdivision Phase 2, \$64,000
- Sandra J. Allen and Larry Wayne Allen to Sharon K. Johnson, tract Madison County, \$60,000

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- Michael B. Jones and Nenna A. Jones, lot 36 Phase II Diamond Brook Subdivision, \$439,000
- Brennan Feran and Suzanne Feran to Justin Thomas Lang and Mariah Brooke Lang, 716 Stonebriar Court, \$75,000
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- Carolyn Anglin to Hershel Nelson Anglin and Abby Anglin, tract Madison County, \$10,000
- Tucker C. Barclay and Emily Schrader to Ethan Wright, 353 4th Street, \$150,000

### Oct. 21

- Cummins Holdings, LLC to Misty Dawn Golden, 1517 E. Irvine St., \$199,500
- KJC Properties, LLC to Santino E. Montanez and Reagan I. Montanez and Reagan I. Montanez, by her Attorney-in-Fact Dantina E. Montanez, 434 Wyldwood Way, Berea, \$289,900
- Michael Codie Dunn and Darah Dunn, 3037 River Circle, \$142,000
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## Does your dog think you're a Christian?

One of my favorite people in the world was the late Seymour Wattenbarger, a vibrant preacher of the gospel in south-eastern Kentucky. He saw a lot over his decades preaching in the Appalachians.

Many years ago, a man widely known for his drinking and cavorting showed up at one of Bro. Seymour's revival services. That man, Bro. Seymour said, might have best been described as a reprobate. He would get home in the evenings, stumble out of his car and stagger up the sidewalk, cussing loudly and kicking at his dog.

That fellow got saved in that revival service and immediately gave up his wicked ways. The change was so drastic that when he got home that night his dog didn't recognize him and nearly ate him up.

I love true stories like that about the transforming power of the gospel. Jesus can take a hard-hearted man and make him a new creature. He can give such a man

a heart filled with love for God and for his fellow man.

The Bible refers to a spiritual heart transplant: "A new heart also I will give you and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart" (Ezekiel 36:26).

Like Bro. Seymour, I always enjoy seeing dramatic change in the lives of people who have given their hearts to Christ and who have, all of a sudden, had an all-new outlook on life.

One rather rough old fellow told me that he felt so clean on the inside after getting saved that he just had to take a bath and clean himself up on the outside.

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

One of our great preachers from



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yesteryear, Henry Moorhouse, once told about seeing a child come out of a store carrying a pitcher of milk. The child tripped and the pitcher broke and the milk spilled. The kid burst into tears, telling Moorhouse that his mother would whip him for breaking the pitcher and spilling the milk.

Moorhouse bought a new pitcher and filled it with milk for the kid, then asked, "Will your mother whip you now?" The smiling child said: "No, sir, because this is a lot better pitcher than we had before."

When the Lord saves people from broken and shattered lives, He gives them brand new lives that are better than before.

That's what he did for the fellow at Bro. Seymour's revival, and that's what He does for every new believer.

And, when it happens, your dog should be the first to recognize the change.

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# Reflections

## Berea Citizen archives

### October 29, 1925 Dix power plant

Twelve-thousand horse-power of current was turned into transmission lines of the Kentucky Utilities systems from the turbines at the Dix Dam hydro-electric plant for the first time on October 1st, temporarily taking that much of the load from the Pineville steam generation station. Undertaken as a working test of the new plant, the operation, which continued for only a short time, demonstrated the efficiency of the turbine generators, water valves, transformer substation and transmis-

sion line connections to the satisfaction of Geroge W. Howson, resident engineer ad well as other officials of the company. This test followed a 21 day operating test in which generated current was used to thoroughly dry generators and other equipment. Full operation of the plant would not be started until Herrington Lake reached a depth of 175 feet at the intake tower.

### November 2, 1950 4-H Champion

Miss Wilma Gabbard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gabbard of Big Hill, was named State 4-H

Champion in the Leadership Project. This was the second year that she carried the Leadership Project. This project was open to older boys and girls in the 4-H Club. Besides the Leadership Project. She carried three other projects that year. Wilma was also a general junior leader for the program as well as a member. Wilma had been the county champion for two years and was also district champion for two years. Along with the honor of being state champion, Gabbard was awarded with a free trip to National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago the last week of November.

### October 30, 1975 Citizen recognized

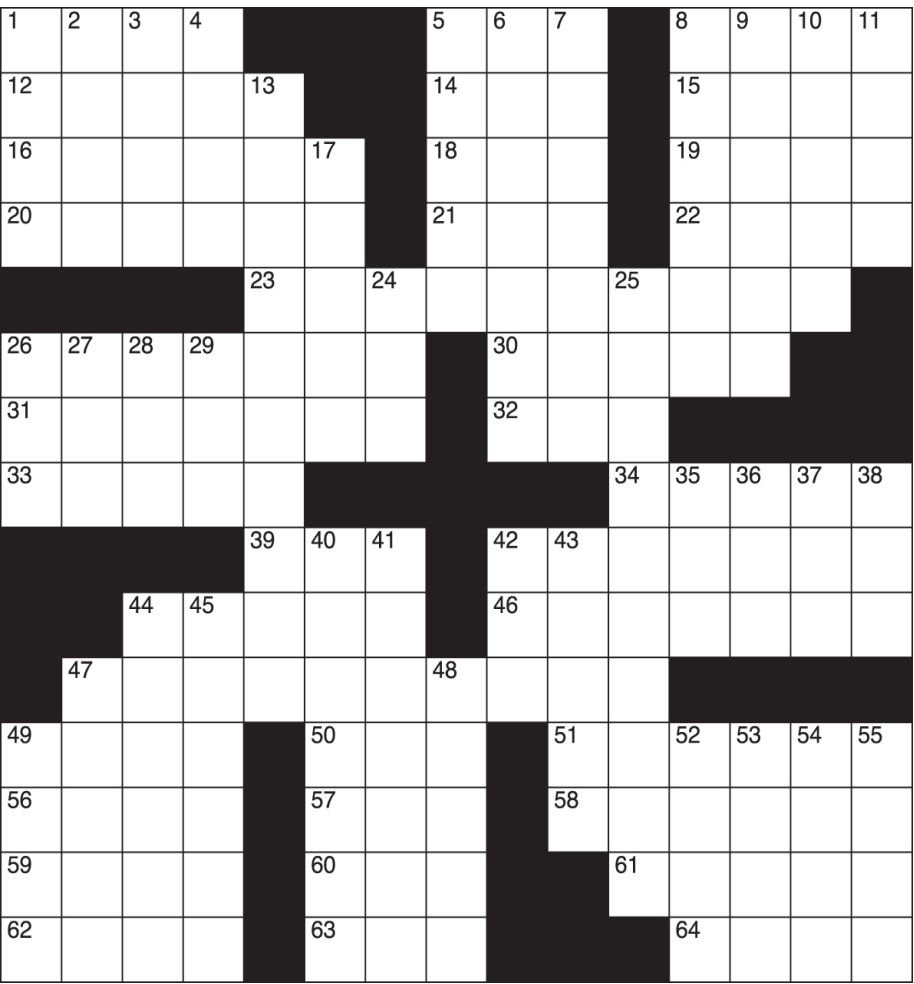
The Berea Citizen won four 3rd place awards and one 1st place award at the annual Kentucky Weekly Newspaper Association meeting held in Lexington. The paper won 3rd place for best editorial pages, sues of photographs and front page layout. Beth Glover, Associate Editor, won 3rd place in the news story class and the paper won 1st place for overall advertising in a weekly publication with under 3,500 subscribers.

### November 2, 2000 Fire report

Berea Police and Fire Departments responded to a reported fire at the Redi-Mart on Dogwood Drive at Highway 21 on Tuesday afternoon. Employees reported seeing smoke in the building and reported a fire. The smoke was later found to be a result of the Berea Sewer Commission smoke testing lines for breakage. Firefighters on scene said the department had responded to other calls that were similar in nature.

# Game Page

## Crossword



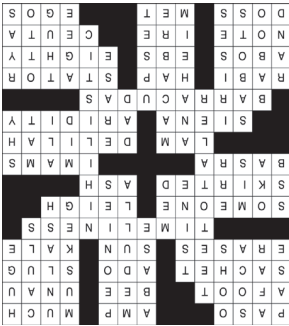
### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. El \_\_, Texas town
- 5. Rocker's tool
- 8. A lot
- 12. Traveling by ground
- 14. Spelling competition
- 15. Two-toed sloth
- 16. Small perfumed bag
- 18. "Much \_\_ about nothing"
- 19. Tough-skinned mollusk
- 20. Removes from record
- 21. It warms the planet
- 22. Leafy green
- 23. Quality of arriving favorably
- 26. Living thing
- 30. "Six of Crows" author Bardugo
- 31. Got around a rule
- 32. Resin from burned substance
- 33. Iraq seaport
- 34. Religious leaders
- 39. Fugitives are on it
- 42. Samson's influencer
- 44. Italian city
- 46. A quality of lacking interest
- 47. Predatory tropical fishes
- 49. Nobel physician Isodor
- 50. Luck
- 51. Stationary part of a

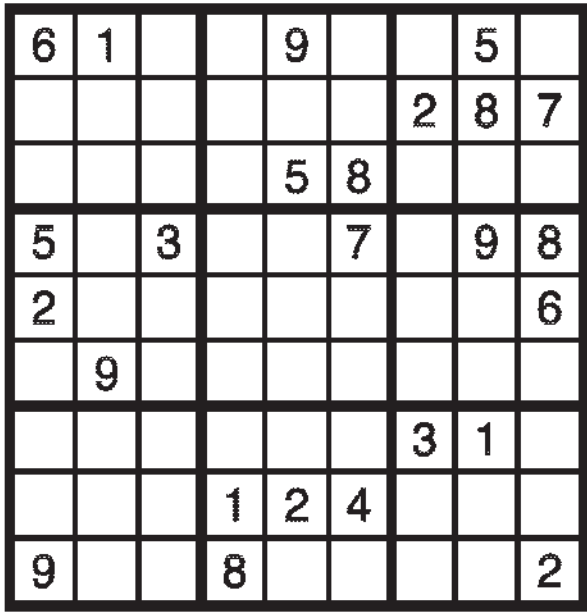
### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Bullfighting maneuver
- 2. From a distance
- 3. Soul and calypso song
- 4. Expressions of delight
- 5. Lower in esteem
- 6. Inner region of an organ
- 7. Flowers
- 8. A bog
- 9. Remove a fastening
- 10. Membranes
- 11. Enormous
- 13. One who abstains from drink
- 17. Malayan wild ox
- 24. Type of student
- 25. Rejecting all moral principles
- 26. Sino-Soviet block
- 27. Egyptian unit of weight

- 28. Wrong
- 29. Make a mistake
- 35. Indicates location
- 36. Boxing's "GOAT"
- 37. Where wrestlers compete
- 38. Timid
- 40. Disney town
- 41. Suggesting the horror of death and decay
- 42. Male parent
- 43. Remove for good
- 44. Simple shoes
- 45. Flowers
- 47. Hindi courtesy title for a man
- 48. Not pleased
- 49. "Atlas Shrugged" author
- 52. CIA officer and writer
- 53. Hoodlum
- 54. \_\_ Von Bismarck, Iron Chancellor
- 55. Woolen rugs



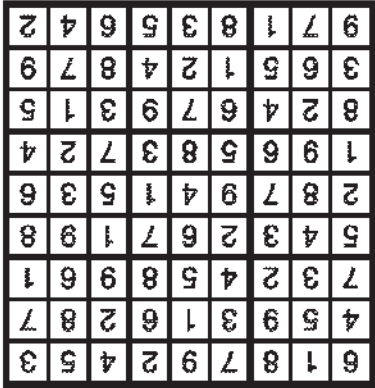
## SUDOKU



Level: Intermediate

### Here's How It Works:

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



ANSWER:

## CRYPTO FUN



Solve the code to discover words related to popcorn. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 17 = E)

A. 7 26 19 19 17 9 15  
Clue: Tasty quality

B. 24 17 9 5 17 2  
Clue: Inner part of a seed

C. 18 4 21 9 12 1 25 3 17  
Clue: Cooking device

D. 16 12 16  
Clue: Explode

Answers: A. buttery B. kernel C. microwave D. pop

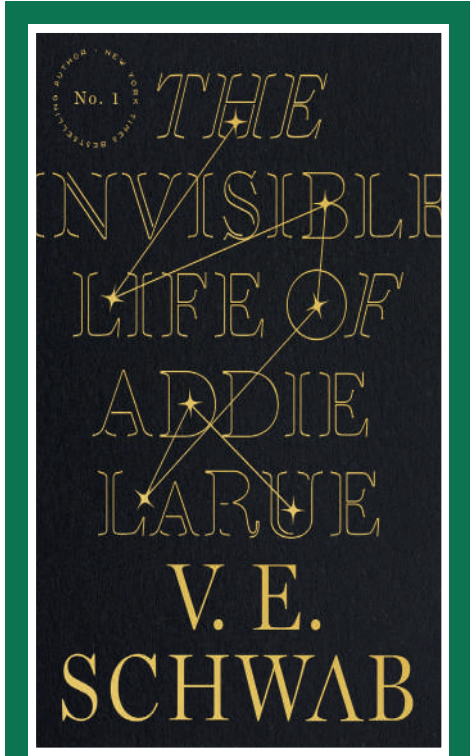
# this month at the

All library locations will be CLOSED Thursday, November 27, for Thanksgiving.



**Scan for more information and to download your reading tracker!**

Starting November 1, join our 30x30 Reading Challenge: read 30 minutes a day, all month long. Complete the challenge and you'll be entered to win 1 of 30 gift cards to Giovanni's Pizza, good at both the Richmond and Berea locations. Everyone who completes the challenge will get a totally rad holographic sticker! Miss a day? No big deal. Just make it up another day. We're not here to stress you out. We just want you to enjoy reading. Pick up a tracker at either library location to get started. Turn in a completed tracker by December 3 to enter the drawing.



**What WE'RE Reading**

Kenna Nichols, Circulation Assistant

An atmospheric and clever tale, *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue* by V.E. Schwab takes us all the way back to 1600's France where a girl is eager to break free of expectation. When Addie escapes into the woods on her wedding day and cries out for help, she gets an answer that she never expected. This book combines a classic "deal-with-the-devil" story with heart and soul as we follow Addie on her adventure. There is heartache, loneliness, determination and a sprinkle of romance that all tie together to make this one of the best books I have read. Whether you partake through audio as I did, or a physical or e-book copy, this book will leave you in awe.



# Madison County Public Library

# November 25



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



**Berea Events**  
319 Chestnut St., Berea

Between November 1st and November 30th, all ages are invited to complete this bingo card and return it to any library location to receive a fun prize! Complete one line for one prize or the whole card to receive two!

## Adults

- English Language Learners (ELL) Tutoring for Adults**  
6-8 PM, Mondays and Wednesdays  
\*No classes the week of Nov. 24  
Community Room, Berea
- Spanish Language Class for Adults**  
Wednesdays, 6-8 PM  
\*No classes the week of Nov. 24  
Meeting Room, Berea
- Berea Quilters & Needle Artists**  
1-3 PM, Tuesdays  
Meeting Room, Berea
- Berea Stitch & Sew**  
2-4 PM, Tuesdays  
Creative Studio, Berea
- Creative Studio Intro Classes\***  
5:30-7:30 PM, Tuesdays  
Creative Studio, Berea  
\*Registration required
- Music & Audio Production\***  
Tuesday, November 4
- Laser Cutter\***  
Tuesday, November 11
- Recording Studio\***  
Tuesday, November 18
- Embroidery Machine\***  
Tuesday, November 25
- Berea Woodcarvers**  
10 AM-12 PM, Wednesdays  
Fireplace, Berea
- Open Studio**  
5-7:30 PM, Wednesdays  
Creative Studio, Berea
- Stars Hollow Autumn Festival**  
2-4 PM, Sunday, November 2  
Berea Location  
Celebrate all things Gilmore Girls!
- Recipe Swap**  
6-7 PM, Monday, November 3  
Russel Acton Folk Center, Berea
- Drop-In Tech Help**  
1-3:30 PM, Thursday, November 6  
Fireplace, Berea
- GED Testing\***  
9 AM-1 PM, Friday, November 7  
9 AM-1 PM, Friday, November 21  
Community Room, Berea  
\*Registration required
- Harvest Yoga**  
10-11 AM, Saturday, November 8  
Forestry Outreach Center, Berea
- Creative Studio Orientation**  
11 AM-12 PM,  
Monday, November 10  
5-6 PM, Monday, November 24  
Creative Studio, Berea
- Financial Coaching One-on-One\***  
\*Registration required  
9 AM-1 PM, Thursday, November 13  
Meeting Room, Berea
- Bridge Club**  
2-4 PM, Thursday, November 13  
Meeting Room, Berea
- Gilmore Girls Trivia**  
5-7 PM, Friday, November 14  
Just Love Coffee, Berea
- Berea Writers Circle**  
1:30-3 PM, Saturday, November 15  
Meeting Room, Berea
- Genealogy Search Instruction:**  
1:30-3 PM, Saturday, November 15  
Community Room, Berea
- Artist & Maker Meetup**  
3-5 PM, Thursday, November 20  
Creative Studio, Berea
- Tell Your Own Story\***  
2-2:30 PM, 2:30-3 PM, 3-3:30 PM, 3:30-4 PM, 4-4:30 PM  
Friday, November 21  
Creative Studio, Berea

- November Book Clubs:**
- Booktrovert**  
6-7:30 PM,  
Wednesday, November 5  
Russel Acton Folk Center, Berea  
Join our Silent Book Club — a quiet, cozy space for book lovers to read together, separately.
- Bookish Brunch Book Club**  
11 AM-12 PM, Tuesday, November 4  
Meeting Room, Berea  
Discussing: *Beartown* by Fredrik Backman
- Just Love Book Club**  
6-7 PM, Tuesday, November 4  
Just Love Coffee, Berea  
Discussing: *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* by Holly Jackson
- Pick of the Month Book Club**  
6-7 PM, Tuesday, November 18  
Community Room, Berea  
Discussing: *Wicked* by Gregory Maguire
- Classically Read Book Club**  
7-8 PM, Tuesday, November 18  
Community Room, Berea  
Discussing: *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
- Booktok Made Me Read It**  
11 AM-12 PM,  
Saturday, November 22  
Meeting Room, Berea  
Discussing: *Red Rising* by Pierce Brown

## Children

- Read and Play**  
10-11 AM, Mondays and Thursdays  
Learn different types of literacy through reading, music, movement, and play!  
For ages 0-5 years.
- Tiny Thinkers**  
10-11 AM, Tuesdays  
Community Room, Berea
- Little Artist Story Time**  
1-2 PM, Wednesdays  
Community Room, Berea  
\*No Little Artist Story Time on November 26  
Tiny Thinkers offers hands-on, play-based learning through themed activities in math, reading, science, and art.
- LEGO Club+**  
4-5 PM, Thursdays  
Community Room, Berea
- Hora del Cuento - Spanish Story Time**  
10-11 AM, Saturday, November 8  
Community Room, Berea  
Presented by students from Berea College's Hispanic Outreach Program (HOP), this program promotes preschool literacy and language learning.
- Echoes of the Earth: Native Music**  
1-2 PM, Saturday, November 22  
Fireplace, Berea  
Experience the peaceful sounds of Native American flute music with Fred Nez Keams, a Navajo (Diné) flute maker and musician. Fred shares traditional songs, stories, and handcrafted instruments to celebrate Indigenous culture.
- Crafternoon**  
4-5 PM, Mondays  
Community Room, Berea
- Ghost Family Portraits**  
Monday, November 3  
Create your own ghostly family portrait!
- Pet Monster Rocks**  
Monday, November 10  
Paint monster faces onto rocks of all shapes and sizes.
- Memory Books**  
Monday, November 17  
Celebrate all the reasons you have to be thankful by creating your own memory book!
- Decorating Fun Foods**  
Monday, November 24  
Celebrate Thanksgiving with six themed stations full of fun foods.

## Teens

- Teen Café**  
3:30-5 PM, Fridays  
No Teen Café on November 28  
Community Room, Berea  
Teen Café is your space to meet new friends, be yourself, and build confidence.
- Teen Scene: Mini Magnetic Poetry**  
4-5 PM, Wednesday, November 5  
Community Room, Berea  
Make a mini magnetic poetry to take on the go!
- Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**  
5-6 PM, Wednesday, November 5  
Community Room, Berea  
Stop by, let us know what you want to see at the library, volunteer, and earn service hours!
- Teen D&D Open Table\***  
\*Registration required  
2-4 PM, Saturday, November 8  
Meeting Room, Berea
- Teen Cuisine: Spoonbread Taste Test**  
4-5 PM, Wednesday, November 12  
Community Room, Berea  
See how you like this beloved Berea dish!
- Financial Coaching One-on-One\***  
\*Registration required  
9 AM-1 PM, Thursday, November 13  
Meeting Room, Berea
- Berea Writers Circle**  
1:30-3 PM, Saturday, November 15  
Meeting Room, Berea  
The Berea Writers Circle welcomes all writers who are looking to grow and refine their craft.
- Pick Your Own Book Club: Memoir**  
4-5 PM, Wednesday, November 19  
Community Room, Berea  
A book club where you pick what book you read every time! This month, we will be discussing the memoirs. Read a book, short story, or comic and tell us all about it!

See all of our events: [www.madisonlibrary.org](http://www.madisonlibrary.org)