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A sneak peak of team “Pumpkins up the volume” with Columbia local Drew Smith (pictured left) and teammates Vanessa Greeley and Timmy Norman ready to compete on Food Network’s Halloween Wars. Episodes begin Sunday at 8 p.m. and continue every Sunday.

Smith to appear on Food Network for carving competition

An artist can work with all kinds of mediums. Paint, charcoal and clay are just to name a few. Artists take simple materials and turn them into something truly amazing for onlookers to see. One of the of the more unique art talents happening locally is competitive pumpkin carving.

Drew Smith of Columbia has taken it upon himself to become a professional pumpkin carver. Where most families do simple jack-o-lanterns for the holidays, Smith creates elaborate artworks carved into massive pumpkins. This talent has positioned

him to appear on a Food Network show, starting this weekend called Halloween Wars.

Smith, who originally lived in Juliet, Ill., has lived in Columbia for the majority of his life where he lives with Meghan, his fiancé, and their three children, Liam, Luke and Emma.

When he is not working hard at the local Walmart in Columbia, he is home enjoying time with his family. In his free time, he carves pumpkins into amazing pieces of art. He also carves butternut squash and works with clay.

Without much previous artistic experience,

Smith began carving pumpkins in 2018. He taught himself through trial and error and internet guides on the techniques of carving. With over 1000 hours of practice, Smith would carve nearly every day during Covid, practicing on pumpkins and butternut squash.

“You have to learn how to fail better than you do at succeeding when it comes to pumpkin carving,” said Smith.

Smith found support from William Wilson of Fairfield, Ohio, who also competes on similar shows. Wilson pushed Smith to keep working hard in his carving

career so he could compete.

The day has finally come for Smith to put his skills to the test by competing in Food Network’s Halloween Wars, which has been on television for 12 seasons. Smith will be competing with his team against nine other crafty groups in a knockout-style series of episodes.

Teams will be Judged based on an art piece’s story, artistry and tasting elements.

“It was nerve racking at some points,” said Smith, and said his team worked well at overcoming

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Court takes up major topics during other business

A fiscal court meeting grew somewhat contentious Tuesday morning after Judge Executive Larry Russell Bryant brought up several major topics during other business.

The court had previously voiced an agreement that the morning monthly meeting would be held for the purpose of paying bills, and other items would only be discussed if they couldn’t wait until the meeting held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.

The scheduled topics took around 10 minutes but the meeting continued for another hour. Bryant started by saying they received the appraisal for property the county owns on Reed St. but questioned whether it should be made public. When questioned, County Attorney Jennifer Hutchison Corbin said she was not aware the topic would be discussed at the meeting and had not had time to research it. She said it would be helpful if she is provided material prior to meetings to have time to review. No action was taken.

The conversation moved to a request by Casey County officials to bring some dogs to Adair

County’s shelter when needed. Shelter director Tammy Crew offered to work with Casey County as long as a lot of dogs were not brought at one time. As magistrates questioned her, however, it became obvious that taking on the dogs would add undue burden to the shelter staff and could have the potential to cost more than the county would receive in the agreement. After comments that several magistrates did not think they should move forward with the proposal, the issue died for lack of support.

Judge Bryant then told the court they did not receive any bids for a new vehicle for the sheriff’s office. He said they would wait until Sheriff Josh Brockman was there to discuss the next step.

The court then voted to approve a first reading for an encroachment permit on Wheeler Hill Rd. to allow core drilling for an environmental study.

From there, Bryant brought up a proposal to move graves from the Green River Commerce Park. The board voted against allowing the Economic Development Authority to move

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EDA offers ground lease agreement

The Columbia-Adair Economic Development Authority is offering a ground lease agreement to a potential prospect interested in bringing jobs to the Green River Commerce Park.

The EDA board of directors met in a special called meeting Friday. Following an executive session, the board voted to enter into an agreement that would sell a portion of a build ready pad currently under

development. The prospective company is interested in building a 15,000 sq. ft. building on 6 acres, according to Larry Walker, EDA chairman.

The prospect would take ownership of the property after three years for \$1 if they provide a minimum number of jobs at specific wages determined by EDA.

The board also voted to modify a request for a state grant from \$2

million to \$300,000. The board had originally discussed the possibility of partnering with a company that would match the \$2 million grant but would also take ownership of the property with plans to sell it in the future.

Instead, the board has decided to request \$300,000, which would have to be matched by

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Court documents shed light on charges against former police chief

Prosecutor will ‘swallow hard’ and recommend probation

Federal court documents filed this week prior to a scheduled sentencing hearing reveal details about the case against former police chief Jason Cross.

Cross is accused of stealing more than \$25,000 from the city during his last year as chief. He retired Feb. 28, 2021. He entered an Alford plea on June 9 in in Bowling Green before Chief Judge Greg N. Stivers. An Alford plea is treated the same as a guilty plea but does not require the defendant to admit guilt.

In a sentencing memorandum, U.S. Attorney Michael A. Bennett writes that Cross was offered a plea agreement that would include probation if Cross pleaded guilty and paid full restitution. Instead, Cross entered an Alford plea.

After the court’s process was completed for sentencing recommendations, which includes sealed documents, Bennett writes, “Despite his desire to enter an Alford plea, the United States did not anticipate that Cross would climb to the mountaintop and fallaciously shout his innocence. Nonetheless, the United States feels bound by its promise, and will swallow hard during the sentencing hearing and recommend a probated sentence.”

The sentencing memorandum lays out three accusations against Cross:

Missing Funds

In mid-2020, the evidence custodian notified Cross and Assistant Chief JR Murphy that certain evidence, including cash, was missing from the evidence room. Cross said there was nothing to worry about and the evidence would eventually be found.

A year later, Murphy told the custodian to

change the locks in the evidence room and to keep a key for himself and give one to Murphy. No other keys were distributed. After the locks were changed, there were no further incidents of missing items.

In late January 2021, the Columbia mayor informed Cross she wanted to replace him, and Murphy would become the new chief. Cross retired on Feb. 28, 2021.

In early March, Murphy, aware of the recent discrepancies in the evidence room, ordered an evidence room audit. The audit revealed that \$18,990 was missing, composed of cash seized in several different cases. For example, in February 2020 approximately \$9,750 was seized during a search of a hotel room. The money was counted by several officers, photographed, and placed into an evidence bag. The officers subsequently gave the evidence bag

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Revisit Knifley honors veterans

The Casey County Veterans Honor Guard performed a gun salute in honor of fallen veterans. See Revisit Knifley story on page 14.

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We salute our local emergency services.
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Homeplace holds annual festival on Saturday



Homeplace on Green River provided a wealth of entertainment during Saturday's annual fall heritage festival. Shown left, Lilly Grace takes the reins as dad, Christopher Harl, cooks sorghum. They operate Cub Run Cattle and Sorghum in Cub Run and host a day to the public on their farm on Oct. 14. Below, Redwire performs bluegrass music.



LWC celebrates another all-time record enrollment

For the second consecutive year, Lindsey Wilson College enrolls a record-breaking number of students, surpassing previous enrollment records.

LWC exceeded its enrollment projections for the 2023-24 academic year when the college enrolled 3,925 students – a 26% increase over the previous year – an all-time high for the 120-year-old liberal arts college.

“There’s a lot of conversation out there about the value of a college education,” said LWC President William T. Luckey Jr. “As you look at the landscape of higher education nationally, very few colleges of our caliber are reporting steady enrollment numbers – much less record enrollment numbers. I’m

proud of our faculty, staff and enrollment team on this historical achievement. The LWC family did a great job making these students feel welcome and will continue to do so as we look forward to the school year ahead.”

Luckey points to several key factors that have led to the record-breaking number including an increase in the total number of undergraduate students enrolled which means more students living in student housing on the A.P. White Campus over the previous year. The College also experienced a big boost at the graduate level, with fall enrollment totals eclipsing the previous year by more than 58% – from 1,351 students to an impressive 2,148.

With a global, regional and local outreach, LWC’s student body includes students from 90 Kentucky counties, 40 states and 50 foreign countries.

“Today we see a much different Lindsey Wilson than we did 10 years ago,” Luckey said. “While we are excited about having a more geographically and ethnically diverse student body, we are encouraged that more than half of our undergraduate students are the first in their family to attend college. The key to this nation’s future is developing a better-educated population, and Lindsey Wilson is proud to be an innovator in higher education and a part of that solution.”

By Venus Popplewell
LWC Director of Public Relations

Breyer modeling horse after Cody's Wish

Adair Countians who enjoy model horses could get a special treat this holiday season by finding a gift under the Christmas tree with a heartwarming local connection.

Breyer, the maker of model horses since 1950, will soon add Cody’s Wish to its collection of thoroughbred racehorses.

Cody’s Wish is named after Cody Dorman, whose family is from Adair County. Cody, who was born with a rare genetic disorder, gained the national media spotlight after the Make-A-Wish Foundation partnered with Keeneland to grant Cody a wish. He and his family visited Godolphin’s Gainsborough Farm in Versailles, where they



met a 6-month-old foal. The foal instantly laid its head on Cody’s lap, drawing a huge smile from the young teen. A deep connection has continued between the two, and Cody has been at the racetrack to cheer on the award-winning racehorse. Cody’s Wish earned the Breeders’ Cup Dirt Mile win and the Secretariat Vox Populi award in 2022. This year Cody watched as Cody’s Wish won the Churchill Downs Stakes race.

Breyer reports that Cody’s Wish will be shipped in November. The company also donated \$10,000 to Make-A-Wish Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, the non-profit organization that brought a boy and horse together.

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We will get you the news!

We have worked hard to promote our new website, and as a result, several readers have asked if we have eliminated the print version of the Voice.

The answer to that is no, but that doesn't mean it won't happen some day.

I used to tell people that I'm in the newspaper business, but now I say I'm in the news business.

I don't particularly care about the format used to get news to people, but I do care that it be accessible to the masses.

Newsprint and postal costs have skyrocketed. When our costs go up, our prices must go up, and that falls on our readers and our advertisers.

So we are constantly looking for ways to add value to what we offer but to also reduce costs.

Another thing I have often said and I will continue to say without modification is that I make money so that I can be in the news business; I'm not in the news business so I can make money.

I believe with everything I am that journalism is one of the foundations of a free society. We must find ways to protect community journalism.

It's been proven that local governments become more wasteful and corrupt when there is no local watchdog reporter in their midst.

You may not find those articles about local government meetings all that exciting (well, there might be exceptions to that lately), but they are important.

We realize, however, that people's reading habits have changed, and

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daily to make
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date on local
news.

people are bombarded with information today, thanks to the internet.

I say information, not news, because when surfing the web it can be very difficult to determine truth from fiction.

That's one of the reasons we are promoting our website and have taken several measures to capture a larger audience online.

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Between printing costs and website battles, there's a lot going on out there that can affect your ability to find real news from reliable sources.

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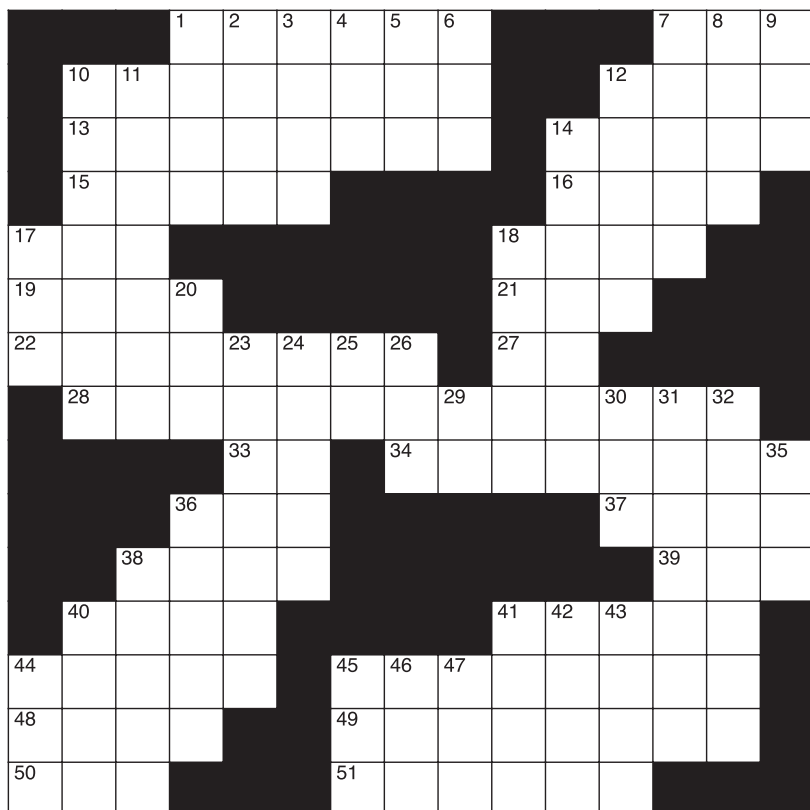
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- Fashion accessory
- Most cerebral
- Incline from vertical
- Dependent on
- Broken in
- Strongly desires
- Mounted soldier
- Ad __: when necessary
- Cattle
- Ottoman military commanders
- __ student, learns healing
- Composed in poetic meter
- Promotional material
- Where people live
- Sodium
- Embarrassing
- Medical man
- Mother of Hermes
- One who saves the day
- Tooth caregiver
- Not clothed
- Slope covered with loose

stones

- Used to cook
- Praises enthusiastically
- Rooney is a famous one
- Beekeeper
- Pigpen
- Potato chip brand

CLUES DOWN

- Living quarters
- Horizontal passage
- Attacks
- Vietnamese offensive
- Midway between east and southeast
- Confined (abbr.)
- Book of Esther antagonist
- Port in Yemen
- CNN's founder
- Type of bulb
- Prepare
- Promoted
- Dinner jackets
- Partner to cheese
- Nebraska city

- Human gene
- Pays no attention to
- Lowland South American plain
- Blood group
- Mauna __, Hawaiian volcano
- Atomic #37
- Unit of electrical resistance
- Jeweled crowns
- Nastiest
- Traditional cars need it
- Bowler hat
- Robust
- Not straight
- Stony waste matter
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- Swiss river
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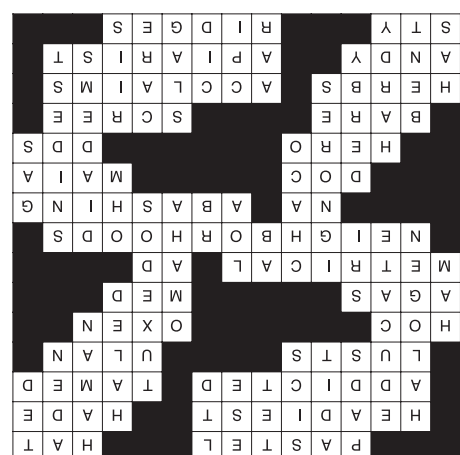
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Community Calendar

FISH FRY AND AUCTION

Pickett's Chapel, 3047 Portland Rd. In the Portland/Milltown community of Adair County will have a fish fry and auction on **Saturday, Sept. 16**. Food will be served from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The auction will begin at 6 p.m. Proceeds from the auction will go toward the Pickett's Chapel Building Fund. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information call 270-378-5349 or 270-634-1354

FISH FRY

Barnett's Creek Community, 1338 Barnett's Creek Rd., Columbia, will be having a fish fry **Saturday, Sept. 16** at 4 p.m. Meals will be donation only. For questions call Karen Selch at 606-303-1182

HOMECOMING SERVICE

Egypt Christian Church 4867, Knifley Rd., Columbia, will host its annual homecoming on **Sunday, Sept. 17**. His Heart Quartet will sing at 10 a.m. A potluck will be held at noon. Pastor Paul Patton and congregation invites everyone to attend.

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE AND SPEAKER

Join the Sparksville Nazarene Church, 9562 Burkesville Rd., Columbia, on **Sunday, Sept. 17** at 10:45 a.m. to worship and listen to Sharon Payne. Pastor Robert Adkins and congregation welcomes everyone.

HERITAGE ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Adair County Heritage Association meeting is scheduled one week later than usual due to conflicts and will be held Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 5 p.m. at the Research Center at the Adair County Public Library, 307 Greensburg St., Columbia.

REVIVAL SERVICE

Sparksville Nazarene Church, at 9562 Burkesville Rd., Columbia, will be having a revival on **Sunday, Sept. 24 through Wednesday, Sept 27**. Services begin at 6 p.m. Rev. Jay Damron will be the evangelist. Pastor Robert Adkins and congregation welcomes everyone.

HOMECOMING SERVICE

New Concord Community Church, located on new Concord Rd., Columbia, will be having their Homecoming **Sunday, Sept. 24** with special singing

at 10 a.m. by the Feese Family. The sermon will begin at 11 a.m. and given by Bro. Clifton Bennett. A potluck meal will follow at 12:00 p.m. Bro. Willard Parson and congregation invites everyone to attend.

FISH FRY

Bearwallow Church, 6090 Liberty Rd., Columbia, will have a fish fry on **Saturday, Sept. 30** at 5 p.m. Come and enjoy a meal consisting of fish, fries, coleslaw, baked beans, hush puppies, desserts and a drink. Donations will be accepted with proceeds going to the church building-fund. Everyone is invited!

ADDICTION RECOVERY MEETINGS

Lake Cumberland District Health Department will offer SMART Recovery **every Wednesday at noon** in the Adair County Health Department Basement, 801 Westlake Dr. "A Fresh Approach to Addiction Recovery." Contact Steffani Miller, 859-667-2292 or the Adair County Health Department at 270-384-2286.

DOWNTOWN DAYS

Downtown Days will be held on Friday, Oct. 13 and Saturday, Oct. 14. The Kentucky Headhunters will be the featured band performing Saturday night at 7 p.m. Many other events are planned. More details will be provided later or follow the event on social media.

TRICK OR TREAT HOURS

Trick or treating hours have been set for Tuesday, October 31 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**Community Calendar
and Birthday Box items
are due by
10 a.m. on Mondays.**

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Birthday Box

Sept. 15

Allie Suratt

Oct. 1

Laura Anthony

Sept. 18

Sandra Powell

Oct. 2

Garrett Luttrell

Sept. 20

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Oct. 3

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Tiffany Erler

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Hyson Blair

Oct. 4

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Sept. 22

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Oct. 5

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Sept. 24

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Anthony James Coffey



Anthony James Coffey Sr., 57, of Columbia, passed away Monday, September 11, 2023 at his residence. He was born in Berwyn, Ill. on April 15, 1966 to the late Robert, Sr. and Bonnie Walker Coffey.

Mr. Coffey was a member of 3trees Church and enjoyed fishing, riding his Harley Davidson and spending time with his

family and friends. His greatest joy was being "Papa" to his, Kayson.

Survivors include two children, Samantha Coffey of Columbia and Anthony Coffey of Knifley; a grandson Kayson Coffey; his former wife and best friend, Janice Coffey of Columbia; and several other friends and relatives.

Mr. Coffey chose cremation, and a memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 16, 2023 at Stotts-Phelps-McQueary Funeral Home.

A memorial visitation will be on Saturday from 9 a.m. -11 a.m. at Stotts-Phelps-McQueary Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the funeral home or the family to help with funeral expenses.

Norhon Kalendez Smith III

Norshon Kalendez Smith, III, son of Chasity Streeval and Norshon Smith, Jr., of Columbia, was stillborn on Saturday, September 2, 2023.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by one brother, Camden Streeval of Columbia; grandparents, Karen Streeval of Columbia, Edward Blak-

ley of Columbia, Mike and Cindy Shaw of Columbia, and Norshon Smith, Sr. of Louisville. Several other relatives also survive.

The family has chosen cremation and will hold a private service at a later date.

Grissom-Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Elaine Downs



Elaine Downs, 76, of Columbia, died Monday, September 11, 2023 at 12:08 a.m. at T.J. Samson Community Hospital in Glasgow.

She was born April 5, 1947 in Adair County to the late Frank and Lorena Coomer Bennett. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Josh Downs on August 31, 2023; her daughter-in-law, Kim Downs; two brothers, Lyndell and Jimmie Bennett; and two sisters, Barbara Murrell and Peggy Bennett.

Elaine was a member of Egypt Christian Church

and retired from Fruit of the Loom after 25 years.

Survivors include her husband, Mike Downs of Columbia; one son, Chris Downs of Columbia; three grandchildren, Easton, Grayson, and McKenna Downs all of Columbia; one brother, Barry (Marsha) Bennett of Columbia; one sister, Patsy (Jimmy) Sapp of Carrollton; sister-in-law, Brenda Bennett of Columbia; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at Grissom-Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Paul Patton officiating and burial in Columbia Cemetery.

Casket bearers were Scott Bennett, Ty Bennett, Ricky Bennett, David Murrell, Brent Sapp, Matt Rogers, Andy Richerson.

Honorary casket bearers were Greg Murrell, Larry Brown and in memory of Patrick Sapp.

Grissom-Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Faye Powell Warren



Faye Powell Warren, 87, of Columbia, died Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at her residence.

She was born December 10, 1935 in Adair County to the late Walker and Dimple Cheatham Powell. In addition to her parents, she was

preceded in death by her husband, Charles Warren, and a brother, McKinney "Wormy" Powell.

Faye was a member of Royville Friendship Church and a homemaker.

Survivors include one sister, Mary Alice Spears of Louisville; two brothers, W.T. (Carroll) Powell of Glasgow and John Owen Powell of Louisville; several other relatives and friends.

A graveside service was held Saturday, September 9, 2023 at Columbia Cemetery with Pastor Shirley Powell officiating and a burial following.

Grissom-Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**"Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted."**

Matthew 5:4

Wanda Lee Hollingsworth



Wanda Lee Hollingsworth, 83, of Columbia,

passed away Friday, September 8, 2023 at her residence. She was born in Des Moines, Iowa on January 8, 1940 to the late Thomas and Naomi Sales Gilliam.

Mrs. Hollingsworth was a member of the Arlington Assembly of God Church family and enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

Survivors include her husband, Squire "Bud" Hollingsworth; six children, Edward "Eddie" Green (Nancy) of Iowa,

Edwin "Freddie" Green (Deb) of Iowa, Wade Green of Missouri, Kevin Green (Dori) of Columbia, Kelly Helm (Elsworth) of Florida, and Margaret "Tink" Estes (James) of Florida; three siblings, Phyllis Witt (Dick) of Iowa, Jack Gilliam (Phyllis) of Iowa, and Patty Olson (Nells) of Florida; a daughter-in-law, Irene Hollingsworth of Iowa; sister-in-law, Laura Yerigan (Jerry); and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and

great great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Darrell Hollingsworth; and siblings, her twin Wilda "Teeny" Alery (Everett), Linda Thompson (Jim), Joyce Thompson (Leroy), Tommy Gilliam, and Nancy Olds (Harold).

The family chose cremation, and no services are scheduled at this time.

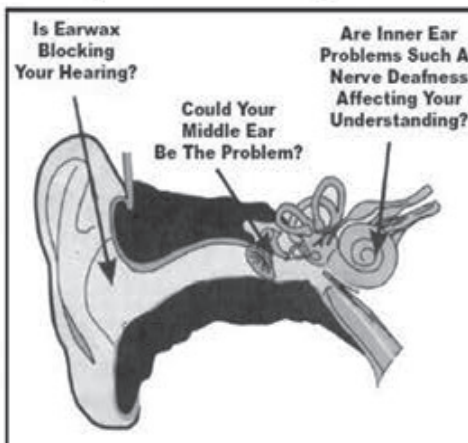
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LWC going from classrooms to community

When asked about Lindsey Wilson college, many local residents may talk about the unique chapel building, large buffet offered by the dining center or one of many sports teams that compete right here in Columbia. Few will probably mention the office that makes all those things possible – that is Academic Affairs.

For years, LWC has provided a population influx each semester that provides entertainment opportunities and services to the community. However, recently a new interest is coming to the college that will benefit Columbia even more. That is increased student engagement with the community by means of more research programs and work opportunities.

The academic affairs office is seeking to pursue such a goal. To do

that, the campus recently hired a new vice president to the office, Ray Lutgring.

Lutgring has nearly 30 years of higher education experience under his belt. The past 10 years were spent at University of Evansville where he was dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

He recognizes that field experience and in-classroom learning are key to improving the opportunities the college has to offer.

“Once you have an experience in the field, it allows students to become motivated to get excited about their work,” said Lutgring.

The academic affairs office ensures the integrity of the college by producing all curriculum for its students. The office directs all the degree programs from nursing to engineering for stu-

dents to choose from. It also ensures the professionalism of faculty that in turn gives students the proper education needed in their degree fields.

Even now the LWC staff has grown to 118 faculty. The school year brings with it two new graduate degrees focusing on computer sciences and one new doctorate program in counseling education and supervision. The academic affairs office is there to help all those faculty and students have a healthy learning experience.

With Lutgring’s passion for field research, the campus can provide new ways for students to interact with the local community. Just this year, nursing students can receive real on-the-job training and experience in the TJ Health Columbia facility. The college offers

many practicums for counseling and ministry students to get connected with local resources to receive actual on-site experience. This list continues to grow as new local opportunities for research emerge.

Lutgring said there are two major impacts that the community and the academics of LWC have on one another.

The first is economic. “No place can grow without talented people,” and LWC can provide “people with entrepreneurial spirit that want to open a business,” explained Lutgring. LWC can give them the skills they need to join the workforce or start that business. It helps to put Adair County on the map and draw opportunities that wouldn’t normally be offered.

The second major impact is the cultural



The newly hired Vice President of academic affairs, Ray Lutgring, works hard in his office to oversee all the faculty at six different campus locations.

experience. Lindsey Wilson is able to host a vast number of experiences and knowledge through its open seminars, plays and sporting events. This allows for community building and interaction between the campus and Columbia, Lutgring said.

Through his office, they provide a bridge between the community and its students by supporting them with creative research and opportunities with local residents that normally would have occurred.

Lutgring is excited to help build upon what Lindsey Wilson has to offer to the residents of Columbia. He encourages everyone to become involved by coming to a sporting event, LWC Singers show and one of many plays they will offer this semester.

By Brandon Roberts
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David Denney appeared in Adair Circuit Court Tuesday and entered a plea of not guilty on a murder charge. He is currently in jail on a \$1 million bond.

Denney pleads not guilty to murder

David Denney appeared in Circuit Court Tuesday and pleaded not guilty to murder.

Denney, 44, has been charged with murder stemming from the Nov. 16, 2022 death of Darcey Nadine Albee, 38. Adair EMS was called to a residence at 1972 Little

Cake Rd. around 7:42 p.m. after a caller said a woman fell down the stairs. The caller said she was not breathing and he was starting CPR.

Denney was indicted by an Adair County grand jury on Aug. 17 and arrested a short time later. In addition to the murder charge, he was

charged with resisting arrest by Kentucky State Police.

He entered a plea before Circuit Judge Dan Kelly Tuesday with his attorney, Matthew Dehart, of Russell County, by his side.

He is scheduled for a pre-trial conference on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 9 a.m.

EDA offers ground lease agreement

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local funding, to develop a 15,000 sq. ft. spec building.

Walker said the building would be built on the opposite end of the 150,000 sq. ft. build ready pad from where the building under consideration by a prospect would be located. That would allow both buildings to be expanded if needed in the future. There is not currently a prospect for the spec building, Walker said, but they hope having the structure in place will

entice a new business to the park. The board has had several prospects show interest in the park in recent months.

Also during the meeting, the board voted to get quotes for a CD to grow the \$300,000 until it is needed. Members also voted to pay for costs it has incurred in developing plans to move a graveyard at the commerce park. The fiscal court voted against the move but EDA had already incurred a number of expenses in taking the steps necessary to legally move the graves.

The board also voted to pay an advertising bill for placement in the Community Voice Discover magazine.

They also voted to sign an agreement with Anne-Tyler Morgan, an attorney with McBrayer PLLC in Lexington, to develop a Tax Increment Financing structure for the Green River Commerce Park. A TIF earmarks future tax revenue growth for a specific district to be reinvested into the district itself.

By Sharon Burton
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Fiscal court takes up major topics

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the graves last month in a split vote. Bryant voted for the proposal. On Tuesday morning, he broached the subject again, saying the proper paperwork is completed and money has been spent on the project.

“This needs to be finalized,” he said, adding that “dirt will be moved before bad weather” at the industrial park.

He asked for a vote to allow the graves to be moved.

“Didn’t we vote on this last meeting,” magistrate Tony Denton asked. Bryant said they did but it needs to move forward and asked Corbin, the county attorney, should the next step be to take the situation to civil court.

She responded again that she needs to know what is going to be discussed prior to the meeting, especially if legal opinions are needed.

Bryant then encouraged magistrates to attend EDA meetings.

“You would know a little bit more about what is going on in our county that affects our dollars and our property taxes,” he said.

Magistrate Terry Hadley said he tried to attend the last meeting but it was an executive session. Reeder suggested that the EDA board attend a fiscal court meeting and

update the court. Bryant agreed with Reeder. Bryant continued to discuss the proposed project and Denton said the court had already voted on it, adding, “I don’t understand why it’s still being brought up.”

Magistrate Daryl Flatt said the documents he read says the burial site will not hold up any activity at the park and asked if it was in fact holding up anything. Bryant said they are told there are people from some countries who would not build at the park because of the burial site.

Reeder responded that the topic was not going to move at the meeting and they needed to move on.

Bryant then brought up the position for an occupational tax administrator, which also failed to get court approval last month.

Flatt said the first step needed is for the court to accept a job description. After discussion, he made the motion to approve a job description that creates a part-time position as a county employee. Bryant had originally provided a job description that included additional duties in the office and had unsuccessfully requested a full-time position.

Flatt’s motion to accept the job description with no more than 24 hours a

week was approved. The hiring committee will now need to come to the court with a person they recommend be hired.

The court went on to approve the transfer of \$150,000 in funds to EDA. The court already approved the use of the funds.

The court approved a request on behalf of Sheriff Brockman for \$60,000 to cover expenses until tax revenue starts coming in. The court approved the action, which does not amend the budget but allows for a temporary transfer of funds.

Reeder made a motion to increase base pay at the jail by \$1 an hour, which would require \$69,000 in revenue. He said Jailer Jamie Richard offered to take \$50,000 from commissary funds to use toward the jail’s medical contract to free up those funds for the raise. The jail already provides \$80,000 toward medical costs through the commissary.

That would leave less than \$20,000 for the county to cover. Flatt said he believed getting the jail fully staffed would also reduce overtime expenses and lower the cost to the county even more. The court approved first reading.

All magistrates were in attendance.

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The cost of BQCA enrollment is normally \$5; however, during the month of September, the Kentucky Livestock Marketing Association will be sponsoring the enrollment costs, making it free for producers.

Producers interested in taking advantage of this opportunity can visit www.kybeefnetwork.com for access to the online training platform or attend an in-person BQCA on September 20th at 10:00 a.m. at the Adair County Cooperative Extension Service. Beef Bash

Winter Annual Forage Research Results

Join us on September 19 at 5:30 p.m. for a presentation and discussion of the results of the Adair County winter annual forage research plot conducted this past year. Forage growers will receive some timely information to consider as they plant this year's winter forage crop. The

meeting will be held at the Adair County Cooperative Extension Service. This meeting qualifies as a CAIP educational component.

Adair County Cattlemen's Annual Picnic and Membership Drive

The Adair County Cattlemen's Association will hold their annual membership drive on Monday, September 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the Adair County Cooperative Extension Service. Anyone interested in renewing their membership or becoming a new member is encouraged to attend. Enjoy a ribeye sandwich, fellowship with other producers, and a chance at numerous door prizes. The dues for single membership are \$30 and \$45 for a couple's membership.

Membership benefits include regular educational and producer networking opportunities, a quarterly county newsletter, and a monthly Cow Country News Magazine.

Cattle ownership is not a pre-requisite to become a member. However, several members would be happy to sell you one if you would like.

Smith to appear on Food Network

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ing any challenges they faced.

The Food Network episodes featuring Smith will begin Sunday, Sept. 17, at 8 p.m. and will continue every Sunday until the season ends. He encourages everyone to keep watching each Sunday for a "big surprise" sometime during the series.

Smith encourages everyone to follow their

dream: "if you are really passionate about something it does not matter who you are or where you are from, if you really want to do it, you can do it," he said.

If that dream is to compete in pumpkin carving, Smith's advice is to be certain you are "open to criticism," said Smith.

Keep an eye out for more of Smith's works as he will also appear on a

show on Food Network focused on the backgrounds of each contestant. Smith will also be at Hamilton, Ohio Oct. 13-15 where he will be carving at "operation pumpkin." It is there where he will carve a pumpkin weighing close to 2,000 pounds. He will also be carving locally in Columbia when offered opportunities.

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Indians Lose Away to Franklin-Simpson 27-20

The district matchup between Franklin-Simpson and Adair County took place last Friday, and it was one to remember.

Going into the matchup the Indians knew they had a tough task ahead of them as Franklin-Simpson is ranked as one of the top teams in the district and have gone undefeated up to this point with many impressive wins.

The game started out slow as quarterback Lane Grant took the snap and attempted to run it up the middle. He was then struck by a Franklin-Simpson linebacker and fumbled to begin the game. This would eventually lead to a Wildcats touchdown.

The game was stuck at 7-0 for a long period of time as neither team could get anything going. It was then that junior wide receiver Solomon Stonebraker was able to break away and put the Indians on the board.

The score would remain 7-7 until Stonebraker was able to get in the end zone for the second time of the game, this time throwing the pass was junior wide receiver Aiden Smith. Aiden recurred the ball off

of a pitch from Grant, then threw the ball to Stonebraker for a 69-yard touchdown.

When asked about the catch, Grant said "that's a play we've been saving for them. We knew we'd have to use everything we had in our playbook."

In total Solomon would rack up eight total receptions for 140 yards, and two of the three touchdowns.

The other touchdown was caught by Aiden Smith. This touchdown came in a timely fashion as it was 4th down in the fourth quarter. It was a must score opportunity and Smith jumped above a Franklin-Simpson defensive back for a spectacular touchdown catch.

Aiden has really found his stride the past few games and makes a world of difference on the field.

Grant threw for 117 passing yards on 13/24 completions and two passing touchdowns. The difference Grant makes is quite obviously on his feet as he rushed for 88 yards on 24 attempts throughout the game.

On the defensive side of the ball the Tribe held strong throughout much

of the first half but seemed to struggle due to the size of the Franklin-Simpson running backs in much of the second half. Fortunately, junior linebacker, Timothy Streeval, put his skills to good use Friday as the hard hitter totaled eight tackles and was one of the few Indians who had any success containing the run.

Another key component of the Indians game that is often overlooked by many is their kickoff team. When the Indians seemed like the game was going to get away from them, the special teams came up big and recovered an onside kick. This would lead to the Indians score than would make it a one possession game.

Although the Indians weren't able to pull out the win, there are many great things to take away from the game. Being able to keep it close with a top tier team in our district shows our guys that we can play with the best teams around.

On Friday, the Tribe will go head-to-head against Monroe County at home. The game starts at 7 p.m. and is not a game Indian fans will want to miss.

By Trenton Page
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The Adair County High school band shows off their performance called "triplicity."

Adair County High School Band scores in first competition

The Adair County High School band traveled to Madison Southern High School in Berea this past weekend for its first competition of the season.

They showed off their

performance, "Triplicity." The band did not leave empty handed as they left with not came home with four awards from the competition.

Reserve Grand Champi-

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Sparksville Baptist Church, 9399 Burkesville Road, Pastor Darrell Landis, 932-9836.

Harrods Fork Baptist Church, Harrods Fork Circle, off Hwy. 61 South Burkesville Road.

BRETHREN IN CHRIST

Beulah Chapel Brethren In Christ, Bro. Zach Wood, pastor. Hwy. 206.

Bloomington Brethren In Christ, Bloomington Chapel Road, Pastor Ralph Foster, 270-634-3273.

Knifley Chapel Brethren In Christ, Knifley.

Millerfield Brethren In Christ, 1891 Millerfield Rd., Pastor Troy Grider, 270-250-3523.

CATHOLIC

Church of the Good Shepherd, 1217 Greensburg St., Father Patrick Dolan, 270-384-4528.

CHRISTIAN

Cane Valley Christian Church, 2250 Cane Valley Road.

Chestnut Grove Christian Church, 145 Chestnut Grove Road, Breeding, 378-5040.

Columbia Christian Church, 206 Campbells-ville Street, Pastor John Davis, 384-2612.

Egypt Christian



Knifley Chapel Brethren in Christ

6029 Elkhorn Rd., Knifley

Pastor Bro. Jordan Burton

Sundays: Worship - 9:30 a.m. | Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. | Evening: 5 p.m.
Wednesday: Youth Ignite and Little Sparks - 6 p.m.

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Church, 4859 Knifley Road, 385-9771. Pastor Paul Patton.

Knifley Christian Church, (Knifley and Roley) 7710 Elkhorn Rd., Knifley.

Little Cake Christian Church, Little Cake Road, 270-384-4362.

Second Christian Church, Burkesville Street, Pastor Kenny Carter.

Shiloh Christian Church, 239 Shiloh Cemetery Rd., Columbia. Pastor Randy Young. 270-250-3528

Tabernacle Christian Church, 13175 Liberty Road, Bro. Terry White. 384-8852 (church).

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Columbia Church of Christ, 501 Jamestown Street, Minister Michael Tanksley, 270-384-6467.

Central Church of Christ, 5921 Hwy. 80, Between Columbia and Russell Springs. Minister Jared West. 606-604-1245.

CHURCH OF GOD

Columbia Church of God, 708 Mitchell Street, Pastor Gene Conover, 384-4590.

Eunice Church of God of America, Hwy. 206.

Freedom Church of God, Freedom Church Road, Pastor Carlie Riggs.

Mt. Zion Church of God, Eastridge Cemetery Road, Casey Creek.

Oak Grove Church of God of Prophecy, Hwy. 531, off East Hwy. 80, Pastor Danny Roy, 384-9282.

West 80 Church of God, Pastor Scott Proctor.

COMMUNITY

Dunbar Hill Community, Hwy. 1104, Knifley, Pastor Darrell Tucker, 270-789-4443. Assistant Pastor David Curtsinger, 270-403-0500.

Hadley's Community, Pastor Elbert Hadley, 378-6040.

Hutchison Community, Pelham Branch Road, Pastor Larry Brown, 384-3767.

Kelleyville Community, 77 Kellyville Road, Coburg community, Pastor Stanley Watson, 270-378-1250.

Morris Chapel United Methodist, Weed-Keltner Road, Pastor Steve Coffey.

New Concord Community, New Concord Road, Pastor Willard Parson, 378-5194.

Victory Community, 1165 Russell Rd., Pastor Rick Shelton, 270-250-1836.

White Oak Community, Pastor Davis Franklin. Sunday services at 11 a.m.

EPISCOPAL

St. Thomas' Church, 116 South Columbia Avenue, Campbells-ville, Missioner Karl Lusk, 270-789-1601.

EVANGELICAL GOSPEL

New Life for the Nations Association of Evangelical Gospel Assemblies, 5095 Campbells-ville Road, Hwy. 55, five miles north of Columbia, Pastor Shirley Powell,

384-3010.

INDEPENDENT CHURCH

Haven Mission Independent, 300 Merchant Street.

United House of Prayer, 402 Jamestown Street, Pastor Don Taylor.

LUTHERAN

Prince of Peace Lutheran, 250 French Valley Road, Russell Springs. Pastor Doug Couch, 859-321-0199.

METHODIST

Christie Chapel United Methodist, Hwy. 76 on Adair/Taylor County line, Pastor Steve Janes.

Columbia United Methodist, 202 Burkesville St., Pastor Ben Martin 384-2276.

Emory Chapel United Methodist, Hwy. 1952 in the Chance Community, Pastor Richie Coomer.

Glens Fork United Methodist, Pastor Craig Trumbo.

Mt. Carmel United Methodist, Hwy. 682, Pastor Bro. Lanny Garner.

Pleasant Ridge United Methodist, Keltner, Milltown, Pastor Carl Edwards, 565-1362.

Pollards Chapel United Methodist, Pastor Jadell Janes.

MISSION

Hovious Mission, Hovious Ridge Road off Hwy. 551 at Knifley, Bro. Terry Boston, 465-3637

NAZARENE

Columbia First Church of the Nazarene, 1200 Jamestown Street, Pastor Brent Piatt.

Glensfork Church of the Nazarene, 7811 Hwy. 55 South, Pastor Brian Fudge, 384-2897.

Sparksville Church of the Nazarene, 9562 Burkesville Road, Pastor Robert Adkins.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

3trees Church, Pinewood Shopping Center, Columbia, 3515 Russell Springs Rd., Russell Springs and 1 Living Grace Dr., Campbells-ville, Pastor Eric Gilbert, 270-866-8811, 3trees.com.

Antioch Church, Pastor Carol Weddle, 270-384-1992.

Barnett's Creek Community Church, 1338 Barnett's Creek Rd., Pastor Mark Karnes, its-time4jesus@gmail.com

Bear Wallow Church, 6132 Liberty Road, Pastor Jordan Abell.

Breeding Church, Pastor Larry Lemmon.

Calvary Temple Church, 88 New Concord Rd., Garlin community, Pastor Troy McWhorter.

Carrying the Torch Ministries, 415 Wain Street, Pastor Glenn McIn- teer, 270-384-5478.

Church of the Har- vest, 1849 Wheeler Hill Rd., Pastor Patrick Willis, 270-634-2014.

Concord Community Church, Hwy. 704, Pastor Pat Smith

Jones Chapel, Pastor Mike Moon. 270-932-3449.

Lovedale Church, Allen Schoolhouse Road, Pastor Dewey Rooks, 384-3941.

Living By Faith Community Church, 3041 Edmonton Rd., Pastor Bobby Withers, 270-378-0621.

Milltown Church, 3262 Milltown Church Rd., Pastor Barney Taylor, 270-634-1032.

My Father's House, 389 Portland Rd., Pastor Darrell Coffey, 270-378-0457.

Pickett's Chapel, 3047 Portland Rd., Portland. Pastor Larry Huckaby.

Red Lick Church Inc., Pastor Larry Lemmon, 3976 Mosby Ridge Road, Edmonton, 270-384-4450.

The Church in Jesus Name, 400 Creekbend Drive, Elder Richard Brown, 270-842-7144.

Through the Fire Worship Center, 24 Burnett Rd., Pastor Gary Tucker, 270-634-2464.

Trinity Church, 2418 Campbells-ville Road, Pastor Bro. Steven R. Pescos- lido, 270-384-3259.

Union Chapel, 704 Fairplay Rd., Pastor Steve Bunch.

Word of Life Family Church, 906 Greensburg St., Pastors Randy and Mesti Parnell, call 270-378-5833, info@kywordoflife.com.

PRESBYTERIAN

Columbia Union Presbyterian, 304 Burkesville Street, Pastor William Sandell, 270-384-2206.

SEPARATE BAPTIST

Beech Grove Sepa- rate Baptist Church, Box 2335, Road 900, Glensfork, Pastor Matthew Lawhorn.

Caldwell Separate Baptist Church, Cald- well Ridge, Rt. 1, Knifley, Pastor Kevin Rodgers.

Flatwoods Separate Baptist Church, 1025 Wheeler Hill Rd., Pastor Billy Hewitt.

Free Union Sepa- rate Baptist Church, Sano Road, Pastor Mark Polston.

Melson Ridge Com- munity Separate Bap- tist Church, Cundiff, Pastor Michael Helm.

New Hope Separate Baptist Church, Hwy. 206, Pastor David Coffey.

Purdy Separate Bap- tist Church, Hwy. 206, Pastor Avery Russell.

Robinson Chap- el Separate Baptist Church, Knifley Road, Bro. Billy Wilson, minis- ter, 270-384-5630.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Columbia Seventh Day Adventist, 9/10 mile out Hwy. 61, turn right in front of Jim Blair Center, Pastor Christopher Langston or 384-6798 (church).

TABERNACLE

Knifley Full Gospel Tabernacle, Hwy. 76, Elkhorn Road, Pastor Jody Perkins, 384-6827.

House Upon A Rock Tabernacle, Hwy. 55 South and junction Hwy. 1058 in the edge of Rus- sell County, Pastor Kerry Yates, 384-6794.

Lighthouse Taberna- cle, Hwy. 76, Knifley, Pas- tor Bill Warren, 384-3377.

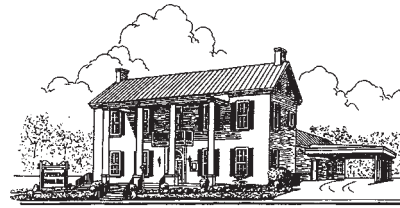
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Court documents shed light on charges against former police chief

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to Cross for storage in the evidence room. That evidence bag and money were missing.

In mid-March, before the audit was completed, Murphy contacted Cross and told him about the audit and asked Cross if there would be discrepancies. Cross said the \$9,750 missing from the hotel room search was located in a locked file cabinet in the police department. The cabinet was locked and Cross did not leave the key, so a locksmith was called and the cabinet was opened. The evidence bag was there, but it had been torn open and the money was missing.

Murphy asked Cross to meet to discuss the missing money and, after several postponements by Cross, he called Murphy and asked how much money was missing from the evidence locker. A week later, he called Murphy again and invited him to come to his house to pick up guns and clothing that belonged to the department.

On April 5, Murphy went to Cross' house. The meeting was recorded. Cross had six torn evidence bags on the dining room table with piles of cash on top of each bag. The amount of money represented the amount each bag originally contained. There were two envelopes

containing cash, which represented missing money but lacked the evidence bags. A Ziploc bag contained \$9,742 in cash, the amount missing from the hotel room search. The serial numbers, however did not match the seized cash.

Kentucky State Police was asked to investigate.

Drug Buy Money Stolen

The city budgeted \$10,000 a year for a drug buy fund. When the department needed money for a drug buy, Cross would request funds from the city clerk, who would write a check for the funds.

KSP Det. Scott Hammond discovered that between July 2020 and February 2021, Cross requested \$9,000 but officers had only used \$1,995 for drug buys, resulting in the loss of \$7,005.

Hammond received a call from Cross' attorney that the missing money was located under a safe near the chief's office. Money was found under the safe. Cross did not explain why the money was taken and not used nor why it would be put in such an unusual location. Investigators believe Cross gave the bag of money to a friend who had access to the police department, who put the bag under the safe.

Cross Writes 'Threatening' Letter

In early April 2021, Columbia Mayor Pam Hoots found a hand-written letter in her mailbox.

The writer "threatened to reveal information about alleged misdeeds committed by various people in the Columbia city government if the investigation into Jason Cross's conduct wasn't closed," the sentencing memorandum states.

The letter states, "... you know that nothing in this letter needs to come out and in no way do I intend for it to. It would destroy city government for years."

Hammond obtained the letter and confirmed it was written by Cross, who admitted that he wrote the letter. He is recorded as saying the purpose of the letter served to let the mayor "know all the things that could happen if she tries to push anything."

Sentencing Guidelines

Federal criminal convictions are followed by a Presentence Investigative Report that weighs multiple factors to provide a recommended sentencing. This is designed to reduce disparities in sentencing. Using those guidelines, which include an enhancement for obstruction of justice due to the letter to the

mayor, Cross's recommended sentence ranges from 15-21 months of imprisonment.

During the investigative process, the prosecution states that Cross provided a "patently absurd story to the Probation Officer that basically proclaims his total innocence."

Cross claims that when he retired he accidentally took home a plastic tote box and four weeks later discovered that it contained the missing money from the evidence room. He has not explained why the evidence would be in the tote instead of the evidence locker, why serial numbers do not match, why some of the bills turned over were \$100 bills with consecutive serial numbers, nor why he told Murphy that money was in a locked file cabinet.

He also did not explain why he requested drug money that was not used in buys nor why there was no documentation for the missing drug money.

"Rather than clearly accepting responsibility for his criminal actions, he has tried to portray himself as an innocent victim," the U.S. attorney's office wrote. "Cross is no victim. He is a thief who desecrated his oath to serve and protect the citizens of Columbia."

Even so, the U.S. attorney's office stated that it had agreed to recom-

mend a probated sentence and will do so. Cross is scheduled to appear in federal court on Friday at 11 a.m. for sentencing.

Cross' response

Much of Cross' defense is included in sealed documents, but his attorney, Louisville attorney Frank Mascagni, states in a defendant's sentencing memorandum that he does not dispute certain facts while others are disputed.

"The facts not in dispute are that the Defendant removed \$18,000.00 from his office to his home and stored approximately \$7,000.00 under the office safe which was never removed from the Columbia Police Department," Mascagni writes.

He argues that Cross has taken responsibility by entering the Alford plea, which will leave him with a felony conviction.

When reached for comment, Mascagni said that it would be inappropriate at this time – prior to sentencing – to comment.

Murphy responds

Chief Murphy was contacted for comment. Murphy said he regrets that Cross would not accept responsibility for his actions.

"At the same time, I want to commend the officers of the Columbia Police Department for upholding their oaths

and showing the citizens of Columbia that we can hold ourselves accountable, and uphold the justice system."

When asked about the decision to request the investigation, Murphy said, "It's like asking for your own family members to be investigated. You work closely with somebody for a number of years and then develop friendships and then you have to turn around and do something like that."

"At the same time, have my own integrity to protect, which means a great deal to me. These officers, it means a great deal to the other officers to protect their own integrity."

Murphy said the investigation included funds from cases handled by different officers and it was important to clear up what had happened.

"When evidence is clearly there, it boiled down to one person's mistakes and actions. So, it was very difficult, but at the same time, when we go back to that oath, my integrity and my oath meant something to me. And at the end of the day, I've got to be able to go home and look at myself in the mirror. As well as these other officers."

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PUBLIC RECORD

DISTRICT COURT

Sept. 6
Judge Michael Loy

Alice Jean Drury, 47, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; possession of marijuana. Preliminary hearing set for Sept. 13 (2023)

Zachery Chandler Bal-lou, 27, resisting arrest; assault of a police/proba-tion officer, 3rd degree. Plea of not guilty, prelim-inary hearing set for Sept. 13 (2023)

Ashley Sowder, 36, resist-ing arrest; receiving stolen property \$10,000 or more. Plea of not guilty, prelim-inary hearing set for Sept. 13 (2023)

Alice J. Drury, 47, pos-session of a controlled substance, 1st degree, sec-ond offense, methamphet-amine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; possession of marijuana. Preliminary hearing set for Sept. 13 (2023)

Douglas R. Honeycutt, 38, operating a motor vehi-cle under the influence of a substance, first offense; failure to produce insur-ance card; possession of marijuana; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug parapherna-lia; controlled substance prescription not in original container, first offense. Plea of not guilty, preliminary hearing set for Sept. 27 (2023)

Alice Jean Drury, 47, theft by deception, includ-ing cold checks under \$500. Plea of not guilty, pretrial conference set for Sept. 13 (2023)

Zachary Chandler Bal-lou, 27, criminal trespass, 2nd degree; attempt to theft by unlawful taking or dis-position, all others. Plea of not guilty, pretrial confer-ence set for Sept. 13 (2023)

Timothy Norman Per-kins, 62, assault, 4th degree dating violence, no visible injury. Plea of guilty, writ-en order entered (2023)

Troy Petty, 38, violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO. Plea of not guilty, pretrial conference set for Oct. 4 (2023)

Holly Adams, 31, bur-glary, 3rd degree. Plea of not guilty, preliminary hearing set for Sept. 27 (2023)

Jason Matthew Taylor, 34, alcohol intoxication in a public place, first or second offense; disorderly conduct, 2nd degree. Plea of not guilty, pretrial conference set for Oct. 11 (2023)

Makenna Danielle Wheeler, 19, speeding 23 mph over limit; reckless driving; possession of mar-ijuana; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; no opera-tors/moped license; oper-ating a motor vehicle under the influence of a substance, first offense; failure to wear seat belts. Plea of not guilty, pretrial conference set for Nov. 6 (2023)

Brian K. White, 59, oper-ating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/ substance, first offense. Plea of guilty, order entered, review Nov. 1 (2023)

William Lopez, 57, oper-ating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, first offense; possession of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehi-cle; no operators/moped license; failure of owner to maintain required insur-ance/security, first offense. Plea of guilty, order entered (2023)

Kevin R. Martin, 41, operating on suspended/

revoked operators license; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alco-hol .08, second offense. Plea of guilty, order entered, 14 days credit for one day (2023)

Kyra Henry, 21, posses-sion of open alcohol bev-erage container in a motor vehicle; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, first offense. Plea of guilty, order entered (2023)

Aaron Bernard, 28, pos-session of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, first offense; license to be in possession; failure to produce insurance card. Plea of guilty to open alco-hol beverage container and DUI, order entered, dismiss others (2023)

Joshua Lorne Wallace, 32, reckless driving; oper-ating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, first offense; possession of open alcohol beverage con-tainer in a motor vehicle. Plea of not guilty, pretrial conference set for Oct. 11 (2023)

Parita Thompson, 31, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphet-amine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Hearing conducted, testimony heard, the court finds prob-able cause, bind over to the grand jury (2023)

Adam Nix, 40, promot-ing contraband, 1st degree; wanton endangerment, 1st degree. Waived to the grand jury (2023)

Keisha Genoe, 19, bur-glary, 2nd degree. Hear-ing conducted, testimony heard, the court finds prob-able cause, bind over to the grand jury (2023)

Dakota Scott, 22, bur-glary, 2nd degree; buy/pos-sess drug paraphernalia. Hearing conducted, testi-mony heard, the court finds probable cause, bind over to the grand jury (2023)

Alisha M. Stotts, 27, unauthorized parking in a handicapped zone; alco-hol intoxication in a pub-lic place, first or second offense; wanton endan-germent, 1st degree; pos-session of marijuana; buy/possess drug parapher-nalia; possession of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle. Hear-ing conducted, testimony heard, the court finds prob-able cause, bind over to the grand jury (2023)

Jonathan Berryman, 27, tampering with physical evidence; possess matter sex performance by minor over 12 but less than 18, first offense; procure or promote use of minor by electronic means; use of minor under 18 in a sexual performance. Hearing con-ducted, testimony heard, the court finds probable cause, bind over to the grand jury (2023)

Adam G. Nix, 40, assault, 2nd degree. Waived to the grand jury (2023)

Kristie May Weston, 37, improper/no wind-shield; no rear view mirror; operating on suspended/ revoked operators license; operating a motor vehi-cle under the influence of a substance, first offense; disorderly conduct, 2nd degree; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Dismiss buy/possess drug para-phernalia, plea of guilty to others, order entered, seven days in jail with credit for one (2023)

Dawn M. Bopp, 56, pos-session of marijuana; buy/possess drug parapherna-lia. Order of pretrial diver-sion (2023)

Faye P. Warren, 88, theft by deception, including cold checks under \$500,

Dismiss, defendant is deceased (2023)

Dakota Lee Scott, 22, possession of marijua-na. Continued to Sept. 11 (2023)

Aaron Blake Grider, 21, wanton endangerment, 2nd degree; terroristic threat-ening, 3rd degree. Order of pretrial diversion entered (2023)

Richard Rodgers, 44, no operators/moped license; operating a motor vehi-cle under the influence of a substance, first offense; possession of open alco-hol beverage container in a motor vehicle. Continued to Oct. 4 (2023)

TAYLOR COUNTY INDICTMENT

Jordan R. Durham, Columbia, indicted on charges of trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree (4 grams or more cocaine, 2 grams or more methamphetamine, 10 dosage units of a controlled substance that is classi-fied in schedules I or II); tampering with physical evidence; drug parapher-nalia; possession of mari-juana; disregarding a stop sign; and persistent felony offender.

LAND TRANSFERS

Betty Dudley, Columbia to Camilia Dawn Camp-bell, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Taylor Rd., containing 3.51 acres. That for and in consideration of love and affection.

Leonard Allen Matting-ly, Columbia to Gregory S. and Melissa G. Adkins, Georgetown. Property located in Adair County described as being Lot No. 13 of Lake Village Estates Subdivision. \$10,000.

Sandy Janes Harrell, f/k/a Sandy Janes, f/k/a Sandra Kay Janes and Herbert E. Harrell, Columbia to Janes Fertilizer and Farm Supply, LLC., Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Jones Chapel Rd., con-taining 1.25 acres. \$10,000.

David A. and Patricia Coomer, Columbia, and Jon Michael Coomer and Parrish Paul, Nashville to Randall Evan Burton and Cassie Jo Rodgers, Colum-bia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Renfro Rd., containing 5.12 acres. \$410,000.

Russell and Barbara McGaha, Columbia to Ethan McGaha Froedge, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Allen Schoolhouse Rd., contain-ing 0.511 acres more or less. That for and in consid-eration of love and affection.

Russell and Barbara McGaha, Columbia to Ethan McGaha Froedge, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Allen Schoolhouse Rd., contain-ing 27.885 acres more or less. That for and in consid-eration of love and affec-tion.

Jacob David Mcknight III, Louisville to John Rob-ert and Julia A. Gardner, Helena, Montana. Proper-ty located in Adair County described as being located on Richardson Rd., con-taining 3.5 acres more or less. \$189,000.

Virginia Marlene Keel-ing, Crab Orchard to Ambika Pyles, Kingsville, Maryland. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Hwy. 61, containing a Lot. That for and in consideration of love and affection.

James McGuffin, Camp-bellsville to James R. and Beverly Hilger, Colum-bia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Milltown Rd., containing 1.20 acres. \$132,000.

Joseph E. Conover, Columbia to Wilkerson Investments, LLC., by and through its Manag-er, Stephanie Wilkerson, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Little Joe Conover Rd., contain-ing 53 acres more or less. \$270,000.

Stephen A. and Rach-elle Rodgers, Columbia, and Stephen P. Rodgers, Greensburg to Malisha Hatcher, Columbia. Prop-erty located in Adair County described as being located on Hwy. 61, contain-ing 1.57 acres. \$20,000.

Steven and Tonya How-ard, Columbia to Anna and Jerry Maddox, Fayetteville, Tennessee. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Holmes Bend Rd., containing 1.57 acres. \$249,500.

Burton Investment Group, LLC., by and through Greg Burton, Member, Columbia to Day and Day Feed Mill, INC., by and through Gary Day, President, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Joe R. Barbee Rd., containing 14.52 acres more or less. \$292,000.

James Matthew Leib II and Carol Sue Leib, Murfreesboro, Tennes-see to Word of Life Fam-ily Church, INC., by and through Randall Lee Par-nell, President, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Greensburg St., containing 0.36 acres. \$90,250.

Innovative Colours, INC., Columbia to Eric and Jessica Hatcher, Colum-bia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Shady Ln., containing 0.29 acres. \$160,000.

Larry and Devon Brown, Columbia, and Shaun Nicholas and Samantha Brown, Edmonton to Wilk-erson Investments, LLC., by and through Step-hanie Wilkerson, Member, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Farr Ln., containing 2.49 acres. \$267,500.

Margie R. Coomer, Columbia to W. Douglas Breeding, Richmond, and Nancy B. Smith, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being Lot No. 4 in the Bluegrass No. 2 Estate. \$12,600.

Clynus McClister, Columbia to Gretchen Miles, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on the public square, con-taining a Lot. \$20,000.

James W. and Kathy Bottoms, Greensburg to Landon Sharber and Anna-belle Ramirez, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Tutt St., con-taining 0.475 acres more or less. \$170,000.

Susannah B. Holder, Columbia to Sheila Lewis, n/k/a Sheila Mae Morris-son, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Paull St., containing 0.06 acres more or less. A question has arisen as to the boundary line between the adjoining properties of the parties.

Sheila Lewis, n/k/a Sheila Mae Morrison and Dennis Dale Morrison, Colum-bia to Susannah B. Holder, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Paull

St., containing 0.06 acres more or less. \$600.

Michael Bottoms, Columbia to Tiffany M. Foley, Columbia. Proper-ty located in Adair Coun-ty described as being Tract No. 7 of the plat identified as "Wilkerson Division-Highway 206". \$11,000.

Jamey Neat, Columbia to Andrew Kyle Neat, Colum-bia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Sul-phur Creek Rd., containing 33.1384 acres more or less. For no consideration but as a gift.

Thomas and Anna Buck-man, Columbia to Caleb and Tonja Harris, Colum-bia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Leslie Keltner Rd., containing 13.62 acres. \$285,000.

The Estate of Norene W. Feese, by and through her Co-Executors, Clemadine Feese, Somerset, and Malis-sa Feese Royse, Columbia, and James Feese, Knifley to Clemadine Feese, Som-erset, and Pam Hale, Colum-bia. Property located in Adair County described as being Lot No. 27 of the J. L. Willis Estate, containing 32.5 acres. That for and in consideration of the divi-sion of the Estate of Norene W. Feese.

Jeffery Oviatt, Vancou-ver, Washington to Wes-ley and Brea Compton, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Mill-town Church Rd., contain-ing 217.75 acres more or less. \$649,900.

The Estate of Norenen W. Feese, by and through her Co-Executors, Clemadine Feese, Somerset, and Pam Hale, Columbia, and Malis-sa Feese Royse, Columbia, and James Feese, Knifley to James and Tonya Feese, Knifley. Property located in Adair County described as being Lot No. 27 of the J. L. Willis Estate, containing 32.5 acres. \$95,000.

Hope Michelle Otterson, Castle Rock, Colorado to Mike and Thelma Robert-son, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Creek Bend Rd., con-taining 0.798 acres more or less. \$33,500.

Charles James and Cort-

ney Mooney, Columbia to Tiffany Karnes, Columbia. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Jamestown St., containing a lot. \$125,000.

Walter R. and Cecilia Melania Beato Santana De Dunn, Russell Springs to Brian Scott and Christina Maria Eschbaugh, Bly-the, California. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Chicken Ridge Rd., con-taining 13.01 acres more or less. \$485,000.

Jeremy and Jessica Pyles, Knifley to JMGABE Real Estate, LLC., by and through Johnnie D. Gabehart, Manager, Campbells-ville. Property located in Adair County described as being located on Elkhorn Rd., containing 0.75 acres. \$8,000.

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Pennyroyal project draws interest, moves forward



Pennyroyal Barrel Co. has renderings that offer a peek at the planned main building (bottling, retail, tasting and single barrel select spaces) and single story traditional rickhouses.

The July announcement that Pennyroyal Barrel Co. will be investing \$8.52 million into a project at the Green River Commerce Park

has sparked attention for the company owners from across the world. They have heard from a number of supporters and potential investors,

and several serious conversations are already taking place with companies interested in developing their brands through Pennyroyal's

services as an incubator for start-up bourbon companies. "We've had four different brands reach out to us," co-owner Ross

Hutchison said earlier this week. Hutchison said one company is from California and he was traveling to Louisville to meet with representatives from an overseas company at the time of the phone interview. Two other companies are located in Nashville.

Hutchison, who is an attorney in Nashville, and business partner Daniel Griffith announced plans to develop a 4-acre campus at the Green River Commerce Park in Adair County for Pennyroyal Barrel Co., which provides a new concept in the industry by providing a bourbon incubator for third party brands.

The property will include a state-of-the-art blending and bottling facility, single-story

rickhouses for consistent aging, a storefront to purchase each brand's products and apparel, a tasting room in a repurposed grain silo, a single barrel selection room and a wooded amphitheater with walking paths.

Hutchison said they have been putting together the team that will operate the facility, and it will include Doug Beard, an Adair County native with decades of experience at Brown-Foreman Corporation, most recently serving as manager of global strategic meetings and events for the Louisville-based company.

Hutchison said Pennyroyal is now working on the engineering process for buildings at the new facility.

By Sharon Burton
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Knifley welcomes crowd to honor veterans at festival



A crowd filled around the old Knifley elementary school to look at vendor booths and historical presentations

A crowd filled Knifley this past Saturday to take part in all the food and festivities at the old elementary school. Guests

had a lot to choose from whether it was a car show, food trucks, live music or jumping down an inflatable slide. The

highlight of the festival came during the veteran's ceremony that honored fallen veterans and ones present at the festi-

val.

Revisit Knifley is part of an on-going effort to bring communities together and welcome friends from all around to have fun. There was something for everyone each hour of the festival but most came to honor fallen veterans.

Chester Whittington hosted a service in honor of fallen veterans where Major Gregory Granderson was a keynote speaker. He spoke about the life of constantly moving as an active servicemember and remembered those who never traveled back home.

"We should give thanks to all that have served and still serving in this country, it is the

sacrifices that entitle us to live the way we do," said Granderson.

After the message, awards were handed out to veterans present at the ceremony. Each awarded with many having over 20 years in active service.

The Casey County Veterans Honor Guard performed a flag raising and lowering as well as a gun salute to honor fallen veterans.

This festival has been held for 8 years and has shown more activities offered each year. A few other goals of the event are to simply offer a community building experience with little cost to the participants.

Kathy Tucker helped shape the originally idea for the festival. "I had

the dream of starting it, I enjoy giving back to the community where they don't have to spend a penny to have a good day," said Tucker.

She also hopes to continue gather more history on the families around Knifley to show just how deep the ties between communities really are.

The hard work of the volunteers certainly shows. Anyone can come and enjoy any activity without spending any money, unless something from one of the many vendor booths catches your eye. The festival ended that evening with an auction and a spectacular array of fireworks.

By Brandon Roberts
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Study shows outdoor time gives rural children stronger immune systems



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Blowing bubbles is a cheap, fun way to get kids outside.

What do nature scavenger hunts, blowing bubbles and reading books under a shady

park tree all have in common? Kids have to go outside to do them, which keeps children

busy and, according to a study published in the medical journal Allergy, helps children develop

more robust immune systems, reports Richard Gawel of Healio: “Children raised in rural environments with lots of time outdoors and some exposure to animals had immune systems that were better regulated than children raised in urban environments.”

While human immune systems are adaptive throughout life, study researchers note, “specific exposures in early life may have more significant effects on the developing immune system, with potentially long-term impacts.” This study isn’t the first to establish that connection, but offers new details.

Researcher Liam O’Mahony, an immu-

nology professor at University College Cork, Ireland, told Gawel: “Our study found that many of the important environmental factors were linked with altered exposure to microbes during the first few years of a young child’s life, a crucial stage in shaping a person’s immune system. . . . This ‘immunological window of opportunity’ plays a critical role in establishing the limitations and reaction trajectories of our immune system that stay with us for life and influence the risk of immune-mediated diseases.” Gawel adds, “Exposures to animals and sunlight accounted for the most statistically significant differences between the rural and

urban clusters.”

Parents and child care providers often tell kids, “Go outside and play!” This research supports that mantra, but more broadly, researchers hope to use it to develop “therapies for preventing chronic immune-mediated disorders,” Gewal reports. “Growing our understanding of the mechanisms and role of environment on immune development is highly important, and research such as this can help pave the way for new developments in early disease diagnosis and expediting interventions for more specific and safe modulation of immune activity,” O’Mahony said.

By Heather Close
The Rural Blog

Study says ‘long Covid’ symptoms linger even after two years

A recent study highlights the burden of Covid-19 that continues to affect millions of people, showing that patients who were hospitalized with the disease are especially vulnerable to a long list of health problems and death two years after the initial infection, and that those with mild or moderate infections have an elevated risk of two dozen medical conditions, Amy Goldstein reports for The Washington Post.

The study, published in the journal Nature Medicine, looked at the risk of death, hospitalizations and 80 conditions that are typical of “long Covid” in people who had severe Covid-19 as well as those with milder infections. The study followed the patients for two years after infection. The analysis was based on electronic medical records from the Department of Veterans Affairs database of nearly 139,000 veterans diagnosed with Covid from March 2020 through the end of that year. They were compared to nearly 6 million veterans not known to

be infected with Covid during that time.

The Kaiser Family Foundation says the working definition of long Covid is “signs, symptoms and conditions that continue or develop after initial Covid-19 or SARS-CoV2 infection.”

“A lot of people think, ‘I got Covid, I got over it and I’m fine,’ and it’s a nothingburger for them. But that’s not everything,” the study’s senior author, Ziyad Al-Aly, a clinical epidemiologist at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, told Goldstein.

After a couple of years, “maybe you’ve forgotten about the SARS-CoV-2 infection ... but Covid did not forget about you. It’s still wreaking havoc in your body,” said Al-Aly, chief of research for the VA in St. Louis.

The study is believed to be the first to document such data beyond the one-year mark, Goldstein reports. “According to Al-Aly, just two other known studies have used two-year time horizons, but they focused on a narrow group of symptoms, such

‘...the systems [affected after recovery from Covid’s acute phase] are varied, that it results in loss of quality of life, loss of work and school.

Francesca Beaudoin
Emergency Room Physician
and clinical epidemiologist

as effects on the nervous system,” she writes.

Estimates of how many people develop long Covid vary, Goldstein points to an analysis of nearly 5 million U.S. patients who had it between early 2020 and January 2022, based on a collaboration between the Post and electronic health records company Epic, that found about 7 percent of those patients sought care for long-Covid symptoms within six months of their acute illness.

“At the time, about 200 million people in the United States were

known to have had Covid, according to federal estimates, so that percentage translated into about 15 million with symptoms typical of long Covid,” she writes.

“For the relatively small share of Covid survivors who had been hospitalized, they had a heightened risk two years later of death, subsequent hospitalization and two-thirds of the medical conditions included in the analysis. Among those conditions: cardiovascular issues, blood clotting trouble, diabetes, gastrointesti-

nal problems and kidney disorders,” Goldstein writes.

Al-Aly told her that the survivors and the uninfected started out in similar health, which suggest the virus is what produced the heightened risk of lingering medical problems.

Goldstein adds that the bulk of the survivors in the study with milder Covid had fewer long-term risks, but they still had some.

“By six months after having tested positive, they were no more likely to die than people uninfected by Covid,” she writes. “And their elevated risk had virtually disappeared by then for two-thirds of the conditions measured in the study, though they still displayed greater odds after two years of medical problems involving some organ systems, including cardiovascular and gastrointestinal trouble and blood clotting, along with diabetes, fatigue and lung issues.”

Francesca Beaudoin, an emergency-room physician and clinical epidemiologist who directs Brown Univer-

sity’s long-Covid initiative, told the Post that the findings “capture what we are hearing at the narrative level from patients — that . . . the systems [affected after recovery from Covid’s acute phase] are varied, that it results in loss of quality of life, loss of work and school.” Beaudoin added that patients send her updates, reporting they still cannot walk one block without becoming worn out.

Goldstein writes that the report recognizes that the analysis is not entirely representative of who is most likely to develop long Covid, noting that nine out of 10 of patients in the study are men, while women account for more than half of long-Covid patients in the general population.

The VA funded the study. Al-Aly told Goldstein that he and co-authors are working on a three-year analysis and plan to assess the same patients five years and a decade after they first developed Covid.

By Melissa Patrick
Kentucky Health News

Overdose is now the number one cause of death for people under 40 in most states

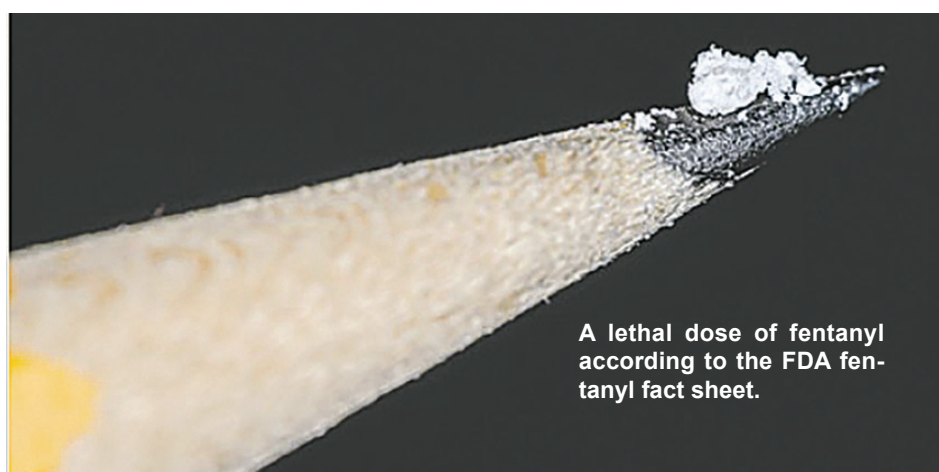
In most states, the number of Americans under 40 who died from accidental drug overdoses has exceeded any other cause of death. “It’s now the top cause in 37 states,” a new Stateline analysis shows. Death rates for Americans under 40 “were up by nearly a third in 2021 over 2018, and last year were still 21% higher,” reports Tim Henderson of Stateline. “Covid-19 was a small part of the increase, causing about 23,000 deaths total between 2018 and 2022 in the age group. . . . Vehicle accidents and suicide (about 96,000 each) and gun homicide

(about 65,000) all took a cumulative toll from 2018 to 2022, according to a Stateline analysis of federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data. . . . Overdose deaths, however, took almost 177,000 lives in that time.”

The number of unintentional overdose deaths shows fentanyl’s deadly presence in U.S. street drugs. The “fresh wave of overdose deaths is different from the first three,” Henderson writes, . . . “driven by drugs spiked with powerful fentanyl.” Daliah Heller, vice president of drug use initiatives at Vital Strategies, an inter-

national advocacy group that works on strengthening public health, told Henderson: “Somebody might think they’re getting a Xanax [for anxiety], or methamphetamine or cocaine. . . . They have no experience with opioids; it’s not what they’re expecting, and now they have a much higher risk of overdose and death.” According to the Food and Drug Administration, fentanyl is approximately 100 times more potent than morphine and 50 times more potent than heroin.

To lessen fentanyl’s impact, states “are responding with ‘harm reduction’ strategies that



A lethal dose of fentanyl according to the FDA fentanyl fact sheet.

can include warning of the new danger of recreational drugs laced with deadly fentanyl, training and equipping people to counteract overdoses when they see them,” Henderson explains. “Nationally, accidental overdoses dominated the

increase in deaths in residents under 40 across racial and urban-rural divides, but many disparities exist. The increase in young overdose death rates was 154% for Black Americans, 122% for Hispanic residents and 37% for white people,

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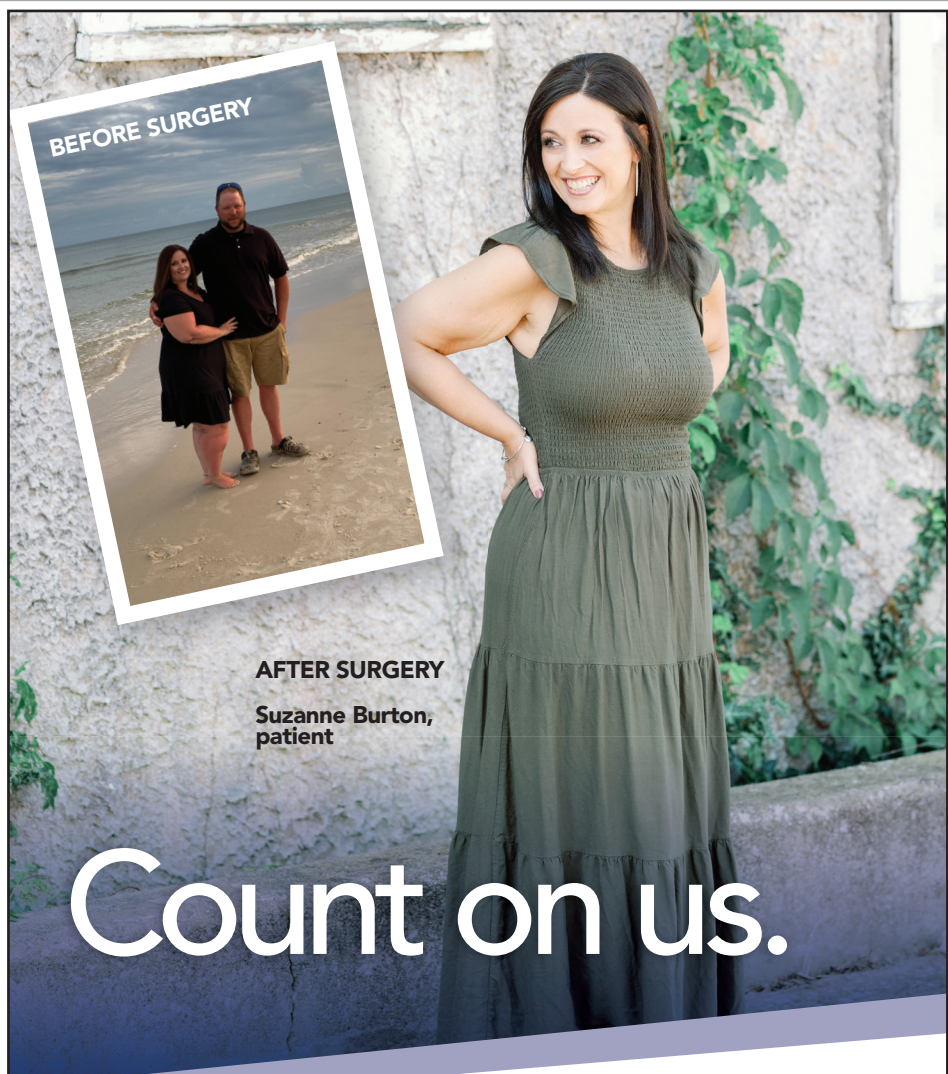
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By Health Close
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• Apnea (life-threatening pauses in breathing) and cyanosis (turning blue or purple) in infants and young children

By Sarah Ladd
Kentucky Lantern

Caution is called for among individuals diagnosed with Celiac disease

The gluten-free movement has taken off, which is clear by the number of gluten-free options now widely available from retailers, large and small. There are a fair share of individuals who avoid gluten as part of weight loss regimens. However, for people who suffer from Celiac disease, avoiding gluten is a necessity. These people must steer clear of gluten at all costs or risk serious illness.

What is Celiac disease?

The Celiac Disease Foundation says Celiac disease is a serious autoimmune disease that causes damage in the small intestine when gluten is ingested. The foundation estimates that Celiac disease affects around one in every 100 people worldwide, although many people do not know they have it.

When gluten is consumed, the immune system mounts an attack on

the small intestines, particularly the villi, which are small, fingerlike projections that deal with nutrient absorption. The condition is hereditary, so if one person in a family has Celiac disease, there is a heightened risk for others to develop it.

Symptoms

Symptoms of Celiac disease can include diarrhea, fatigue, weight loss, bloating, and anemia, indicates the Mayo Clinic. In children, malabsorption can affect growth and development in addition to the other symptoms that affect adults.

The CDF says people with Celiac disease have a two-times greater risk of developing small bowel cancers and coronary artery disease than those without the disease. Untreated Celiac disease also may lead to additional autoimmune conditions like type 1 diabetes and multiple sclerosis, and many other

conditions, including the blistering skin disease dermatitis herpetiformis.

Testing and diagnosis

Doctors use two blood tests to help diagnose Celiac disease. Serology testing looks for antibodies in the blood. Elevated levels of certain proteins indicate an immune reaction to gluten.

Genetic testing is another way to determine if a person has Celiac disease. Such testing looks for human leukocyte antigens to help rule out Celiac disease.

It is essential that Celiac disease is diagnosed before gluten is eliminated from one's diet; otherwise, tests may produce false negative results.

Celiac disease treatment

Celiac disease has no cure. Managing the disease includes avoiding foods that contain gluten. The Mayo Clinic says wheat, barley,



People with Celiac disease have to exercise caution regarding the grains they consume, including avoiding foods with gluten.

bulgur, durum, farina, graham flour, malt, rye, semolina, spelt, and triticale can contain gluten. Certain prepared foods may have gluten without a person realizing it. Even trace amounts of gluten can produce injury if symptoms are not present. Gluten may be in food stabilizers, lipstick, herbs, medications, and even envelope

glue.

For the very sensitive, cross-contamination can produce various symptoms. It's important to read product labels to see if products are produced in facilities that also handle gluten-containing ingredients. Utensils and cooking implements should be washed thoroughly between uses to prevent gluten from

getting into the foods enjoyed by those with Celiac disease.

Celiac disease affects millions of people globally. It can damage the small intestines irreparably if the condition is not diagnosed promptly and items containing gluten are not eliminated from one's diet.

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Did you know?

The Celiac Disease Foundation reports an estimated three million Americans are affected by Celiac disease, while Health Canada estimates that 300,000 people in Canada have the condition. The numbers of people diagnosed with this illness could be underrepresented across North America since many people suffer without realizing they have the disease. Around the world, it is estimated that one out of every 100 people has Celiac disease. Celiac disease is an autoimmune condition in which the small intestines become damaged after repeated consumption of gluten, which is found in various grains, including wheat, barley and rye.



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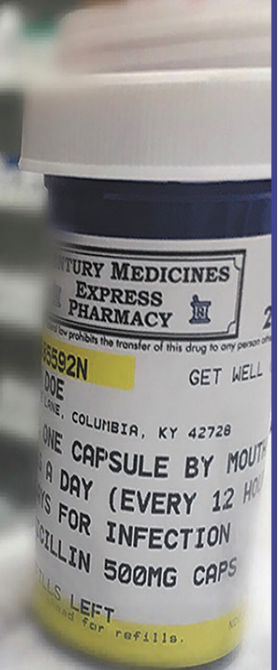
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September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

When prostate cancer is detected early, the odds of survival are high. That is the message being spread far and wide in September, which is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death among men in the United States and Black men are two times more likely to die from it than white men. Black men having the highest death rate for prostate cancer of any racial or ethnic group.

According to the American Cancer Society, more than 288,000 men will be diagnosed with the disease this year, with close to 35,000 deaths.

The good news is that more than 3.5 million men diagnosed with the disease in the U.S. are still alive today, the ACS reports.

The incidence rate for prostate cancer in Kentucky is 108 cases per 100,000 people, with 28 counties having the highest rates of between 112.6 and 153.3 cases per 100,000 people. The statewide rate is below the national rate of 109.9 cases per 100,000 people.

The death rate for prostate cancer in Kentucky is 18.1 per 100,000, with 24 counties having the highest rates of between 22.5 and 44.9 deaths per 100,000 people. This is about the same as the national rate of 18.8 deaths per 100,000 people.

For Prostate Cancer Awareness Month, Dr. Lorelei Mucci, director of strategic research partnerships at the ACS, provided information in an ACS news release about

the signs and symptoms of prostate cancer, risk factors, screenings and more.

Prevention: Mucci stressed the importance of Prostate Cancer Awareness Month as a way to promote prevention, early detection and treatment to improve survivorship. In addition, she said it's important to set aside time to reflect on those who have been impacted by prostate cancer and those who have lost their lives to it. Further, she said increased awareness of the disease can prompt officials to invest in more prevention and treatment opportunities.

Warning signs of prostate cancer: "For some men, prostate cancer may lead to urinary problems, such as having difficulty starting urination or urinating frequently, or pain during ejaculation. This is because of the location of the prostate close to the bladder and urethra. These symptoms and signs also occur with non-cancer conditions, so it is important to follow up with a physician to find out what might be causing these symptoms.

"If a cancer has already grown beyond the prostate, there may be pain in the hips, back, or other areas that does not go away. For most people, however, there are no signs or symptoms indicating prostate cancer and the cancer is diagnosed with a biopsy following an abnormal blood test," she writes.

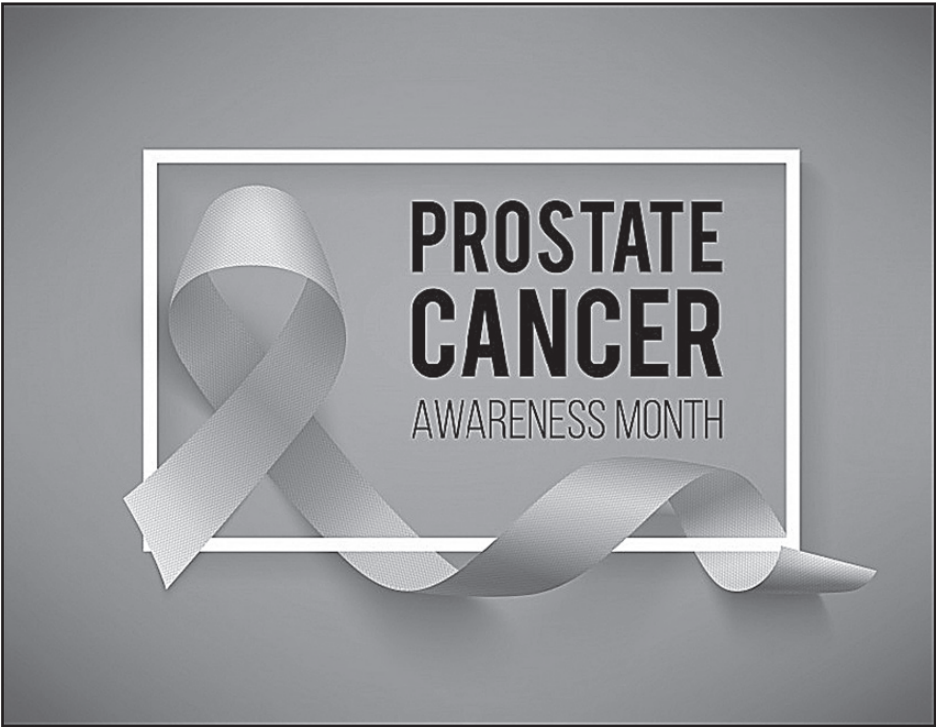
Who is at risk: Anyone with a prostate is at risk of prostate cancer.

However, she writes that ACS research shows that Black men and those of African ancestry are 70% more likely to be diagnosed with prostate cancer. And, the risk of prostate cancer gets higher with age. In addition, people with a family history of prostate cancer (such as in their brother or father) as well as a family history of breast cancer in a sister or mother, are at higher risk of prostate cancer.

That said, Mucci notes that "maintaining a healthy body weight, not smoking, and being physically active can help to offset this higher risk."

Treatment and advancements: "There are effective treatments for prostate cancer," she writes. "When the cancer is still confined to the prostate (localized), surgery (radical prostatectomy) and certain forms of radiation are useful to treat and cure prostate cancer. For men who have a low risk of their prostate cancer metastasizing, active surveillance - in which a patient is closely monitored for signs of cancer progression - can also be an important treatment to consider. When the cancer is more aggressive, there are additional therapies that are used, including therapies that target hormonal pathways, chemotherapy, immunotherapy, and radiopharmaceutical therapies. "

"In fact, this is an exciting time in prostate cancer with substantial progress in



the discovery and approval of new therapies over the past 5-10 years, as well as several other therapies being developed," she writes.

Screening test: The main screening test for prostate cancer involves taking a blood sample and testing it for the level of a marker called prostate-specific antigen (PSA). Higher levels of PSA in the blood can indicate prostate cancer, but also may be higher in benign conditions such as an enlarged prostate, so it is important to follow up with a doctor to discuss the results and the next steps.

She adds that while there is good evidence showing that regular PSA screening can reduce prostate cancer mortality, there is some controversy with screening for prostate cancer since the test can pick up slower-growing cancers that

will never lead to harm. She said researchers are working on more effective screening approaches.

When should you get screened? The ACS recommends that men at average risk for prostate cancer discuss the benefits and limitations of screening with their healthcare provider at age 50.

Men at high risk (which includes Black men in general and any man with a first-degree relative who had prostate cancer before age 65) should have the conversation at age 45.

Black men with a family history of breast, ovarian, or prostate cancer, and men with more than one first-degree relative who had prostate cancer at an early age should discuss screening at age 40.

"Detecting prostate can-

cer early can lead to more effective treatment and improved outcomes," she writes.

In response to the question, "What is the ACS doing to combat prostate cancer?" Mucci said they have established the "Improving Mortality Toward Prostate Cancer Together" (IMPACT) initiative, which she leads.

She writes, "This cross-institution initiative will address urgent unmet needs with the goals of significantly improving outcomes for all men including survivorship and survival; reducing disparities; improving diversity in prostate cancer clinical trials; accelerating engagement and awareness and accelerating the implementation of known prevention strategies into at-risk communities."

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Foods to avoid when diagnosed with high cholesterol



The food you eat is an important step to controlling cholesterol.

The foods people eat are one of two main sources of cholesterol in the blood. Elevated levels of cholesterol have been linked to a host of negative outcomes, including atherosclerosis, heart attack, stroke, mini-stroke (transient ischemic attack), and peripheral

arterial disease.

The consequences of high cholesterol underscore the significance of a healthy diet and how important it is to avoid certain foods after being diagnosed with high cholesterol. The Harvard Medical School notes that foods high in saturated fat

are especially worrisome, as they can elevate cholesterol and lead to weight gain. Individuals diagnosed with high cholesterol are urged to work with their physicians and, if possible, a nutritionist to create a diet that can help them get on a healthy track. In the mean-

time, the following are some foods to avoid after being diagnosed with high cholesterol.

Red meat

Harvard Medical School notes that red meat, which includes beef and lamb but also pork, tends to be high in saturated fat. That's particularly so for hamburgers, ribs, pork chops, and roasts. Fish is a healthy alternative to red meat, but individuals who don't want to cut red meat out of their diets entirely should choose lean meats and consume them only on occasion in small portions (three ounces or less per serving).

Fried foods

Foods absorb cholesterol, saturated and trans fats during the frying process, which makes them unhealthy for anyone, but especially people already diagnosed with high cho-

lesterol. The Cleveland Clinic recommends baking instead of frying. Baking skinless chicken breasts and fries tossed in a small amount of olive oil is a healthy alternative to fried chicken and traditional French fries.

Baked goods

Baked treats like cookies and pastries are some additional high-cholesterol foods to avoid. Harvard Medical School notes that such foods are typically made with large amounts of butter and shortening. However, individuals who like to bake don't necessarily have to give up this beloved hobby. The right substitutions can help to make baked goods safer treats for people with high cholesterol. Nutritionists and physicians may recommend certain butter substitutions, which may include Greek yogurt, applesauce

and bananas.

Processed meats

Harvard Medical School notes that fatty cuts of meat tend to be used when making processed meats, which includes sausage, hot dogs and bacon. Turkey bacon is one alternative bacon lovers have looked to as a healthy option over traditional bacon. However, the Cleveland Clinic notes that turkey bacon is high in saturated fat and sodium, neither of which is good for anyone, much less people diagnosed with high cholesterol.

Many people are diagnosed with high cholesterol as a result of the foods they eat. Avoiding various foods can help lower cholesterol levels and steer clear of the potentially deadly outcomes associated with high cholesterol.

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Daily dental hygiene tips for optimal oral health

Dental health is an important component of daily life. Although clean teeth and gums make for a healthy mouth, oral health also is tied to general health throughout the body. Guardian Insurance indicates that, if left unaddressed, bacteria in the mouth can multiply and spread elsewhere through the bloodstream. Gum disease has been linked to diabetes, respiratory ailments, heart disease, and even Alzheimer's disease. As a result, it is essential to maintain proper dental hygiene.

Best practices for maintaining healthy teeth and gums involve various techniques. Here's how to brush up on maintaining a healthy mouth.

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Utilizing toothpaste and a soft-bristled toothbrush, be sure to brush teeth each morning and night. Be sure to brush all tooth surfaces, including the backs and the sides. Brushing after every meal also can be done to keep teeth even cleaner.

Brush correctly

Position the toothbrush at a 45-degree angle toward the gums. This will help sweep away plaque and bacteria at the gum line, according to the Cleveland Clinic. Do not use a medium- or hard-bristled brush, which can damage the gums and tooth enamel. Move the toothbrush in gentle, circular motions to remove plaque.

Don't neglect your tongue

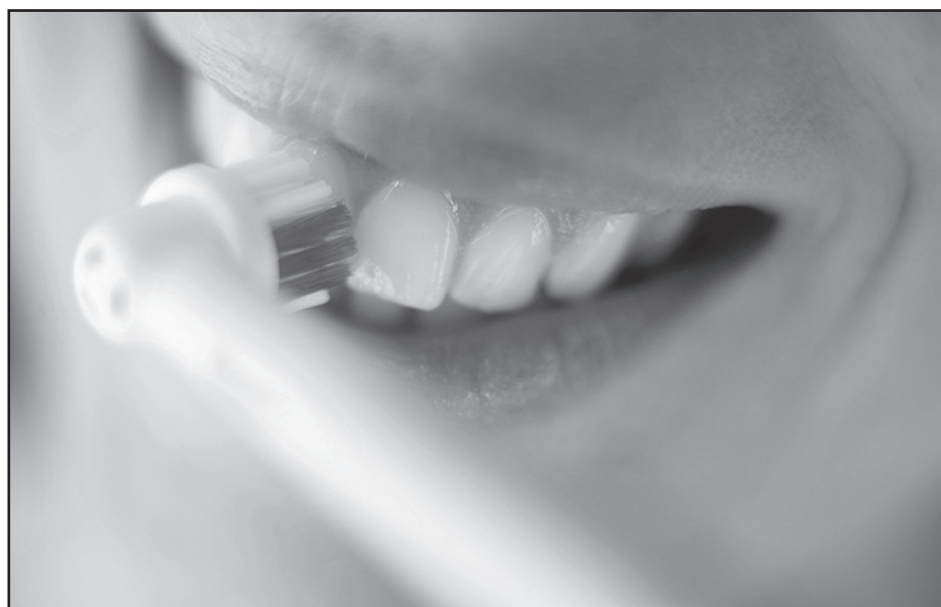
Bacteria also can build up on the tongue, leading to bad mouth odor and additional oral health problems. Gently brush the tongue along with the teeth.

Use toothpaste with fluoride

Fluoride has come under scrutiny due to its potential effects on overall health. However, fluoride is a leading defender against tooth decay. It fights the germs that can lead to decay and provides a barrier for the teeth.

Use an antibacterial mouthwash

Use an antibacterial mouthwash each day to help reduce oral bacteria. This helps wash away food and debris, and also can help reduce the buildup of plaque.



Dental health is important in daily life

Avoid smoking and tobacco

Smoking is a leading cause of gum disease and

oral cancer. Quit smoking and do not use other tobacco products to improve mouth health.

Oral health is vital to

overall health. Daily attention can improve tooth and gum health.



Chiropractic care can be used to treat many different health issues.

The benefits of chiropractic care

Chiropractic care is a form of complementary medicine in which a licensed chiropractic doctor uses his or her hands as well as certain machinery to manipulate joints in the body.

Subluxation is a term used in chiropractic medicine that refers to the misalignment of vertebrae or joints. Subluxation can occur from injury, repetitive motion or certain medical issues, says Verywell Health. When joints do not work properly, range of motion can be compromised and chronic pain may present in the joint or elsewhere in the body.

Chiropractic care can be instrumental in helping a person feel better without having to take pain medications. Chiropractors can treat musculoskeletal pain anywhere in the body, according to the Cleve-

land Clinic. Adjustments can gently realign joints to decrease pain and increase range of motion. Soft-tissue therapy may be used to relax tight muscles and relieve spasms. A chiropractor also may be able to advise as to exercises and stretches that can maintain joint stability and mobility.

Chiropractic treatment also may decrease tension and boost blood circulation, which could help reduce stressful feelings in the body. Similarly, such treatment may alleviate tension headaches and migraines by realigning the joints in the neck and back that may be contributing to the headaches.

Healthline reports a possible reduction of osteoarthritis symptoms from chiropractic care as well. When joints are properly aligned, it will reduce how much bones rub together.

One of the more profound benefits of chiropractic adjustment is the potential to reduce reliance on opioid drugs prescribed to relieve pain. Because of the efficacy of opioids, people can easily find themselves addicted to them. When their prescriptions are up, they may turn to illegal opioids to chase the pain relief and high they have grown accustomed to. The National Institute on Drug Abuse says more than 106,000 drug overdoses deaths were reported in 2021, and synthetic opioid deaths (primarily fentanyl) continue to rise, advises the NIDA.

Chiropractic care can help people live fuller lives without pain. Individuals with remaining questions can speak with their doctors about chiropractic medicine.

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The basics of ADHD



ADHD can sometimes cause issues in children’s learning during the school year

September marks the beginning of a new school year for millions of children. A new school year contains a host of challenges for every student, but some, particularly those with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, may face steeper challenges than others.

ADHD is common in both the United States and Canada. The American Academy of Pediatrics reports that ADHD affects between 4 and 12 percent of school-aged children, while the Center for ADHD Awareness, Canada indicates between 5 and 7 percent of Cana-

dian youngsters have the condition. Such figures are disconcerting, particularly when considering the adverse effects of ADHD on academic performance. In fact, a 2019 study published in the Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry found that

ADHD was associated with substantially lower performance in school independent of socioeconomic background factors.

The stakes are high regarding ADHD and academics, so as a new school year begins, students and their families can familiarize themselves with the condition to ensure it does not interfere with their efforts to do their best in the classroom in the year ahead.

What is ADHD?

The AAP describes ADHD as “a chronic condition of the brain that makes it difficult for children to control their behavior.” Such characterization explains why the link between ADHD and poor academic performance is so strong. The AAP notes that children with ADHD often have trouble getting along with other children and, if they have issues with attention, they can have difficul-

ty learning.

Behavioral symptoms of ADHD

The AAP notes that ADHD includes three distinct groups of symptoms: inattention, hyperactivity and impulsivity. Children with inattention may daydream and have a hard time paying attention, often do not seem to listen, may be easily distracted from work or play, and may not follow through on instructions or finish tasks. Children with hyperactivity may be in constant motion, exhibit difficulty staying seated, frequently squirm or fidget, talk too much, and be incapable of playing quietly. Children with impulsivity may frequently act and speak without thinking, run into a street without first looking for oncoming traffic, be incapable of waiting, and frequently interrupt others.

It’s important for parents to recognize that chil-

dren with ADHD will not necessarily have all the symptoms. Symptoms are classified by the type of ADHD a child has, and a physician will indicate that upon diagnosis. ADHD cases are usually determined to be inattentive only, hyperactive/impulsive or combined ADHD, which includes symptoms of inattention, hyperactivity and impulsivity.

When should I alert a physician?

The AAP notes that a children exhibit the symptoms noted above from time to time. However, a physician should be alerted when children exhibit those symptoms on a regular basis for more than six months.

ADHD can affect children both academically and socially. More information can be found at healthychildren.org.

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Why does it sometimes hurt to eat ice cream?



Few foods align more perfectly with a particular time of year than ice cream and summertime. As anyone who has ever excitedly eaten ice cream a little too fast knows, it’s not always pleasurable to sit down and indulge in a scoop or two. According to Johns Hopkins Medicine, the sensation widely known as “ice

cream headache” can be quite painful. Technically known as cold neuralgia or sphenopalatine ganglioneuralgia, ice cream headache likely occurs because eating something very cold can cause the temperature of the palate to drop substantially. That drop initially causes blood vessels to constrict before they ulti-

mately open up. It’s during that expansion when the painful feelings associated with ice cream headache are present. Taking small bites of ice cream can help prevent ice cream headache and ensure those summertime scoops are pain-free.

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Men and mental health



Awareness of the importance of recognizing mental health issues has grown considerably in recent years. Prominent individuals from various industries have come forward to speak about their struggles, and that has done much to remove the stigma that was long associated with mental health.

Though recognition of the importance of addressing mental health issues has increased in recent years, there’s still much to be done, particularly regarding men and mental health. A 2019 study published in the American Journal of Men’s Health noted that men have historically been more hesitant than women to seek help for mental health difficulties. That hesitancy can have grave consequences, as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notes that men are more likely to die by suicide than women.

Recognition of the symptoms that suggest someone is experiencing mental health troubles could compel men to seek treatment or lead to their family members encouraging them to get help. The

NIMH notes that men and women can experience the same mental health conditions, such as depression and anxiety. However, that does not mean their experiences will be the same. In fact, experiences can differ widely among men as well. A 2017 study published in the Journal of Counseling Psychology found that men who exhibit stereotypically masculine personality traits often have worse mental health outcomes than men who do not exhibit such traits.

Despite the differences in responses to mental health issues, it’s still important for individuals to learn the symptoms of mental health issues. Such recognition may compel individuals to seek help for their own issues or serve as warning signs to concerned friends and family members, potentially prompting them to initiate discussions that can save a loved one’s life. According to the NIMH, the following are some symptoms of mental health problems.

- Anger, irritability, or aggressiveness
- Noticeable changes in mood, energy level, or

- appetite
- Difficulty sleeping or sleeping too much
- Difficulty concentrating, feeling restless, or on edge
- Increased worry or feeling stressed
- Misuse of alcohol and/or drugs
- Sadness or hopelessness
- Suicidal thoughts
- Feeling flat or having trouble feeling positive emotions
- Engaging in high-risk activities
- Aches, headaches, and/or digestive problems without a clear cause
- Obsessive thinking or compulsive behavior
- Thoughts or behaviors that interfere with work, family, or social life
- Unusual thinking or behaviors that concern other people

The NIMH urges individuals in crisis or people who suspect someone is in crisis to call 911 or to call or text the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at 988. More information about mental health can be found at nimh.nih.gov.

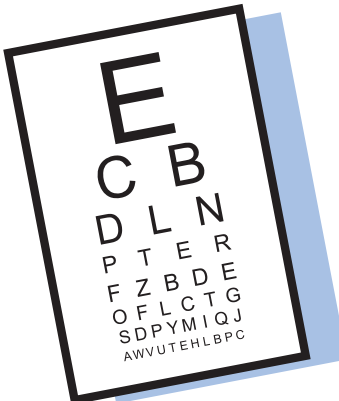
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Did you know?



Despite their diminutive size, blueberries pack quite a powerful, healthy punch. Blueberries contain a compound known as anthocyanin, which gives them their blue hue but also contributes to their nutritious properties. For example, the Mayo Clinic notes that studies have found consumption of foods that are high in anthocyanins can help individuals lower their risk of developing coronary heart disease. In addition, blueberries are a good source of vitamin C and dietary fiber, making them worthy of addition to anyone’s diet.

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What to know about AFib



The heart has been characterized as the engine that makes the human body run. If that metaphor is not exactly spot-on, it still serves as a good indicator as to just how vital a healthy heart is to the human body. Despite the importance of a healthy heart, diseases that affect the heart remain the single greatest cause of death across the globe. According to the World Health Organization, cardiovascular diseases are the leading cause of death globally, claiming roughly 18 million lives each year. Various factors can adversely affect how well the heart functions, and that includes irregular heart beat, also known as arrhythmia. Atrial fibrillation is the most common form of arrhythmia, and it behooves anyone to gain a greater understanding of this condition.

What is AFib?

The Cleveland Clinic notes that AFib is an arrhythmia that begins in the upper chambers of the heart known as the atria. When a person has AFib, these chambers beat irregularly, and the

American Heart Association reports that, when this occurs, blood pools in the area because not enough blood is being pumped out of the atria. That pooled blood can clot and pose a serious threat.

What happens if a blood clot forms?

The AHA notes that, if a clot forms, the blood can be pumped out of the heart to the brain, which blocks the blood supply to the brain and ultimately results in stroke. In fact, AHA data indicates between 15 and 20 percent of people who have strokes have AFib. In addition, the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada reports that one-fourth of all strokes affecting people 40 and older are caused by AFib.

Does AFib produce symptoms?

The Cleveland Clinic notes that some people with AFib experience no symptoms. Such is the case in people whose ventricles are beating at a normal or slightly elevated pace. When ventricles begin to beat faster, then individuals may experience symptoms that can include:

- Extreme fatigue
- Irregular heartbeat
- Heart palpitations
- Feeling of butterflies or fish flopping in the chest
- Dizziness or lightheadedness
- Fainting
- Shortness of breath
- Chest pain

Can I lower my risk for AFib?

The AHA notes that adopting and maintaining a heart-healthy lifestyle is the best way to control AFib risk. Such a lifestyle includes:

- Regular physical activity
- Adherence to a heart-healthy diet that is low in

salt, saturated fats, trans fats, and cholesterol

- Controlling blood pressure, including management of high blood pressure
- Avoid excessive consumption of alcohol and caffeine
- Avoid smoking
- Maintain healthy cholesterol levels
- Maintain a healthy weight

Researchers behind a 2021 study published in the journal Progress in Cardiovascular Diseases note that AFib has sometimes been characterized as the cardiovascular epidemic of the twenty-first century. Such a characterization underscores how significant a global health threat AFib can be. More information about AFib can be found at heart.org.

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The nutritional benefits of peaches



Pies, cobblers and smoothies might be the first things that come to mind when people think of peaches. Perhaps nutrition needs to muscle its way into that discussion? Peaches are typically viewed as a sweet treat, particularly in summertime. But peaches also provide a host of health benefits, which can make anyone who enjoys a peach-based sweet treat feel a little better about their indulgence.

Peaches and heart health

Peaches are rich in vitamins and minerals, including potassium. The potassium content in peaches, though moderate, is still significant, as the American Heart Association notes that potassium plays an important role in the management of high blood pressure. In addition, a 2014 animal study published in the Journal of Nutritional Biochemistry found that consumption of peach and plum juice provided protection against cardiovascular disease.

Peaches and body weight

One of the keys to long-

term health is the ability to maintain a healthy weight from childhood through adulthood. The Cleveland Clinic estimates that a single large peach contains just 68 calories. Peaches also do not contain any saturated fats, making them a good low-calorie snacking option that can help people maintain a healthy weight.

Peaches and cancer risk

A report from the American Institute for Cancer Research linked fruits with a lower risk for cancers of the mouth, pharynx, larynx, esophagus, lung, and stomach. Peaches are rich in free radical-fighting vita-

min C. That could explain their link to reducing cancer risk, as free radicals are unstable atoms that often contribute to cell damage that is a hallmark of cancer. In addition, MedicineNet reports that peaches are high in polyphenols, which studies have found prevent the formation and spread of cancer cells in lab tests.

Peaches and vision

Peaches also can have a positive impact on vision. According to the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station at Rutgers University, a medium-sized peach provides roughly 6 percent of the daily recom-

mended value of vitamin A. That's helpful for vision, as the American Optometric Association notes that vitamin A supports functioning of the conjunctival membranes and cornea. In addition, the AOA reports that vitamin A deficiency is the leading cause of preventable blindness in children.

Peaches have a well-earned reputation as a sweet treat. However, the powerful peach is more than just a post-meal palate cleanser, and in fact can play a vital role in promoting long-term health.

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Myths and facts about acne

Putting one's best face forward involves being conscious of conditions that can affect the skin, which is the human body's largest organ. The skin's primary purpose is to provide protection against bacteria, chemicals, temperature, and other external factors, according to MedlinePlus. At times, however, the skin can be vulnerable to various conditions, including acne, that can produce a number of different symptoms.

Acne can affect both the face and body. Learning more about it, which can entail dispelling some notable myths about the condition, can help individuals get the treatment that is right for their particular situation.

Myth: Acne is the same thing as having pimples.
Fact: The terms acne and pimples are not interchangeable. Acne is a disease and pimples are one of its complications, according to Healthline.

Myth: Acne is caused by poor hygiene.
Fact: Acne occurs when hair follicles become plugged with oil and dead skin cells. This causes whiteheads, blackheads and other lesions. Everyone produces sebum, an

oil that keeps skin from drying out. Acne is actually an inflammatory disorder that happens when the oil glands that connect to the hair follicles gum up and do not shed properly, states the Mayo Clinic. Lack of cleanliness is not necessarily a cause.

Myth: Acne only occurs in teenagers.
Fact: While for most people acne tends to go away by the time they reach their thirties, some people experience acne into their forties and fifties, according to the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases.

Myth: Men get acne more often.
Fact: Adolescent males experience acne at higher rates than adolescent females. However, acne cases that persist into adulthood are more common among women, indicates NIAMS.

Myth: Eating chocolate causes acne to form.
Fact: Hormonal changes related to puberty, menstrual periods, stress, or pregnancy; greasy or oily cosmetic products; certain drugs; heavy sweating; and excessively touching or rubbing the skin can cause acne. Research does

not indicate that eating chocolate, nuts and greasy foods contributes to acne, although there is some evidence that diets high in refined sugars may be related to acne, advises Penn Medicine.

Myth: There is only one type of acne.
Fact: According to the Cleveland Clinic, doctors may diagnose fungal acne, cystic acne, hormonal acne, or nodular acne. Cystic and nodular acne can lead to permanent skin damage in the form of scarring, so it's best to seek help from a health provider early on to determine the best treatments.

Myth: Scrubbing one's face clears up acne.
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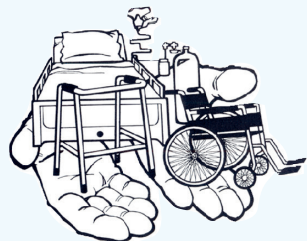


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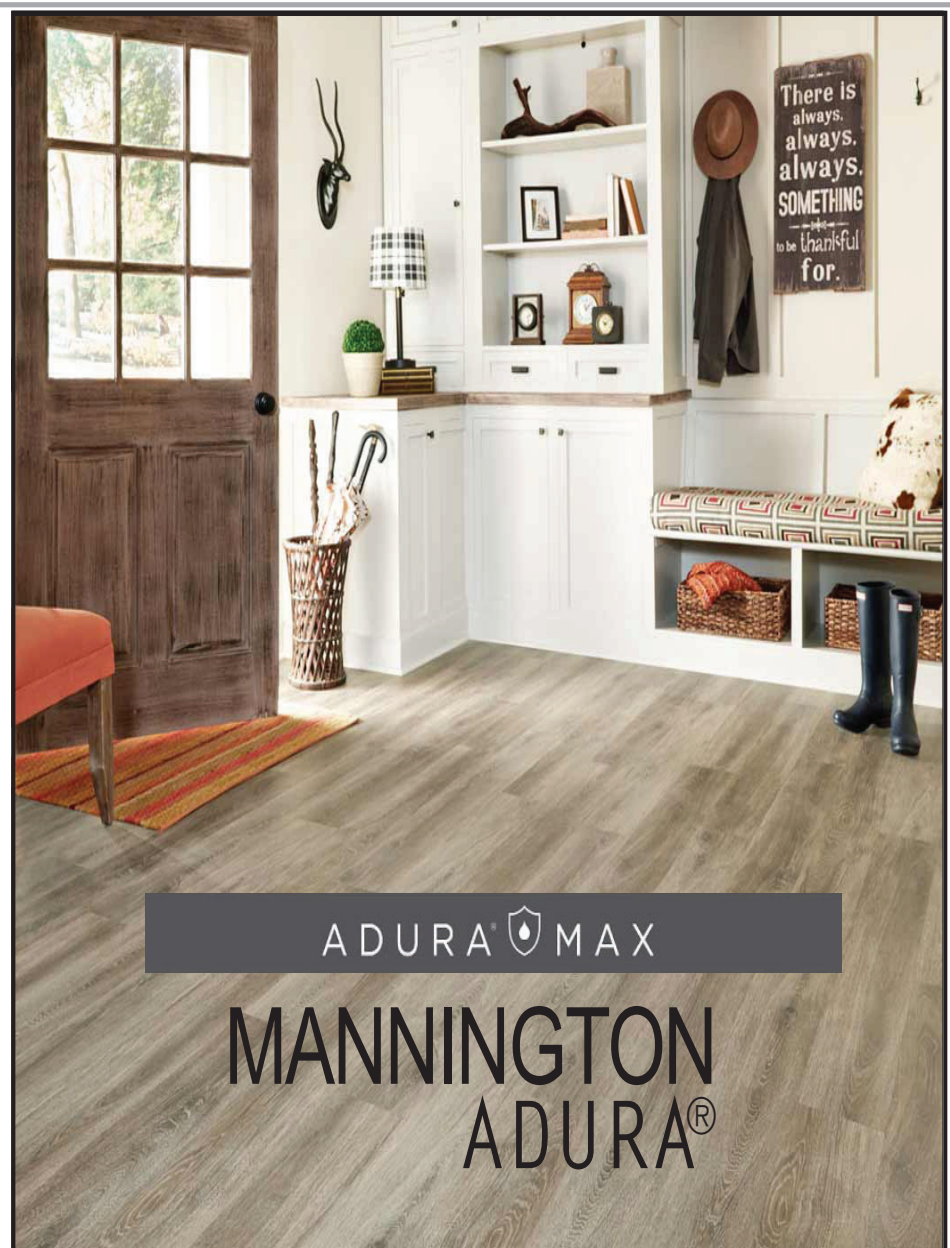
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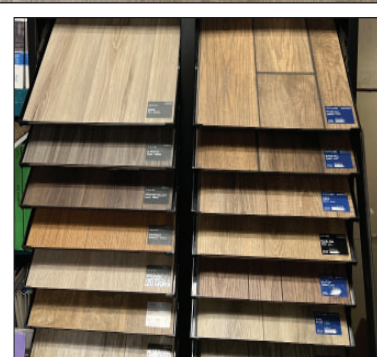
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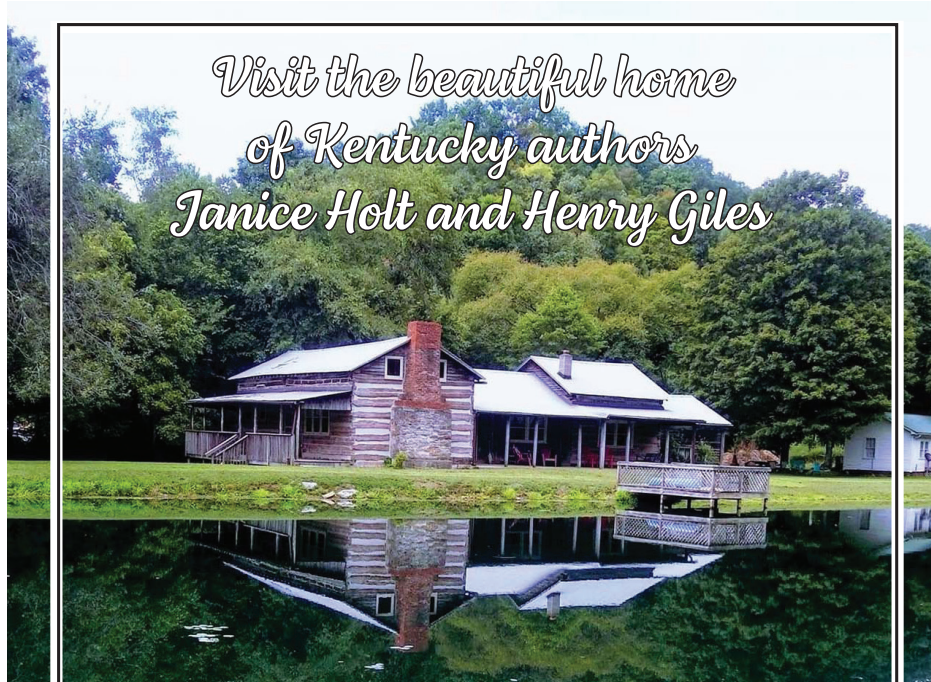
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AC-23-173: Excellent opportunity! This spacious home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths and a great open floor plan, the kitchen has an abundance of cabinets with an island bar for additional counter space and seating. Great front porch with the view of the 2-acre stocked pond consisting of Bluegill, Large Mouth Bass, Catfish and Crappie! Call for more info!



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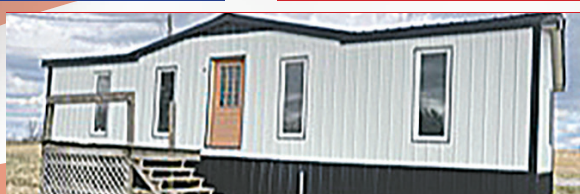
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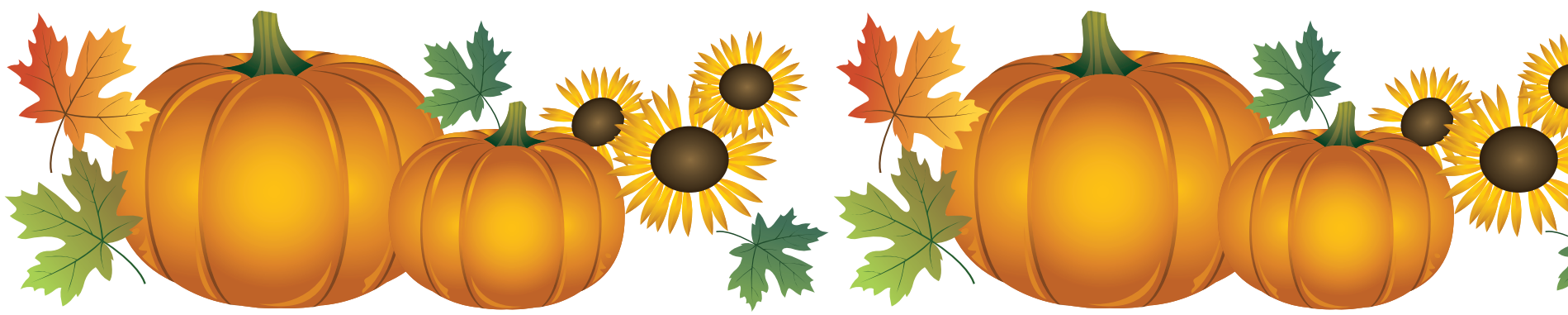
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Some dirt was thrown to celebrate a groundbreaking for a new middle school. From left, Jaimie Wisdom, finance director; Keri Willis, ACMS principal; Ellen Holley, ACMS assistant principal; Steve Burton, director of transportation and maintenance; school board members Terry Harvey, Destiny Greer and chairman David Karnes; Superintendent Jason Faulkner; and school board members Dana King and Troy Grider.

School district leaders break ground for new middle school

Dirt was tossed this past Thursday to make room for Adair County's brand new middle school. With construction starting, the completion of the school is already being anticipated for the students that will soon fill the hallways and classrooms.

A crowd gathered on the property adjacent to the high school and representatives from virtually every public office in the county were represented. Representatives from the architectural and engineering firms

that designed the new middle school were also in attendance.

The beginning of the ceremony opened with Superintendent Jason Faulkner welcoming the community.

This new middle school will "...create a student-centered environment that focuses on preparing our students for continuing education; this building will allow us to expand and build upon that vision," said Faulkner.

Faulkner went on to thank all the members

and firms included in the project's formation. He expressed gratitude to Deco Architecture, Codell Construction, board of education members, finance director Jaimie Wisdom, maintenance director Steve Burton, and Sen. Max Wise for their roles in the project.

Faulkner then welcomed Derek Phillips, president of Deco Architecture, to say a few words.

"We were brought here with and embraced with open arms and

treated very graciously, and we really wanted to return the favor," said Phillips. True cooperation between Deco and the board of education allowed the project to come out very well, he added

"I appreciate and have been blessed by your community and the outpouring of support," said Phillips. Codell Construction will now be overseeing the project until building is complete.

See **SCHOOL**, page 2

FISCAL COURT

Judge says he has hired personal attorneys

A request by County Judge Executive Larry Russell Bryant to add a full-time position in his office met with opposition during a special fiscal court meeting last week.

Bryant requested that a new position be added that would include the title of occupational tax director but also allow for extra hours to assist with other duties in the office.

While magistrates appeared to agree that a part-time person would need to be hired to oversee a new occupational tax set to go into effect Jan. 1, 2024, the majority did not believe a full-time position is necessary.

Bryant said a lot of work will be needed to set up the tax and to reach out to businesses throughout the county that will be responsible for collecting the tax from employees.

Magistrate Chris Reeder said he would like to see the position start at part time and move to full time if needed, but in order to move the issue along, he made a motion to create a full-time position.

"We've been beating this thing for eight months, so I'll make a motion to get her hired,

get started and get going," Reeder said.

The conversation continued for another 30 minutes before a vote was taken.

Magistrate Daryl Flatt said he spoke with city officials about how they set up and collect the tax, and he believes a part-time position is sufficient. He said it would be a slap in the face to taxpayers to use the next tax to add a full-time position.

"Like I said a month ago; we get this money coming in, if it's in there, we're going to spend it. That's exactly what I feel like we are doing. We are just creating a position - we've got the money. And judge, no offense, but I think there are plenty of people in the judge's office to take care of what is needed."

After further discussion, the conversation began to get heated and Bryant said he has hired two attorneys to represent him personally.

"I don't want to fight with the fiscal court, but I'm tired of being called out, and all the other words that go with it - slander, and intimidated, and threatened."

Several magistrates spoke over each other in

See **FISCAL**, page 8

Fun activities offered this weekend

The weekend promises a lot of fun and weather forecasts look promising as two special events will provide entertainment for people of all ages.

Revisit Knifley Festival and Homecoming will be held Saturday, with events starting bright and early with a country ham breakfast at 7 a.m.

A variety of activities are planned, including a tractor show and car show, motorcycle ride, veterans' tribute and history display. There will be vendors offering everything from ice cream and mums to jewelry and junk.

A special tribute to the old gospel group The Green River Boys is planned at 10 a.m., and there will be a live auction at 5 p.m.

Children will enjoy free activities throughout the day, including a petting zoo, laser tag and pedal tractor pull. The event culminates with a fireworks display at dark.

Everyone is invited to the Knifley valley to enjoy this annual event. All activities take place

in or near the old Knifley Grade Center, 12190 Knifley Rd.

Homeplace on Green River

The Fall Heritage Festival will be held at Homeplace on Green River Friday evening and all day Saturday.

On Friday from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. (central time), there will be live music and entertainment, food trucks, and tons of craft vendors. On Saturday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. (central time) features from Friday will continue with a focus on family fun.

In addition to vendors and music, there will be a 4-H petting farm with games, hay rides, pony rides, a kiddie barrel train, a bird-or-prey exhibit, a corn maze, games, and more.

Admission is \$5 per person, and cars of four or more people are \$20. Children under one year of age are free.

The farm is located at 5807 New Columbia Rd., Campbellsville.



Columbia High class of 1953 holds 70 year reunion

The Columbia High School graduating class of 1953 held its 70-year reunion Saturday. At least five students of the original class were able to meet and reminisce about their days at Columbia

High.

Graduates and their children gathered at Black Stallion Steakhouse to celebrate the momentous achievement.

The graduates were able to look

back at memories with a school yearbook from 1953. The class was the final group to graduate from Columbia High before the school closed down that year.

Columbia High school graduating class of 1953 reunited Saturday at Black Stallion Steakhouse. From left are Jessie Gaskins, Jeanette Page, Irene Harmon, Hilda Jenkins and Bob Jeffries.

Record \$386 million investment helps fund high-speed internet

378 Adair homes, businesses will get access

FRANKFORT - Gov. Andy Beshear announced a record \$386 million investment to expand high-speed internet access to more than 42,600 homes and businesses in 46 counties, including Adair.

The funding will allow providers to run fiber to each location. More than 25,000 locations are considered to have no service and more than 17,000 have inadequate service.

Cumberland Cellular, LLC, which provides service in Adair County as Duo Broadband, will

receive \$7.2 million and will invest \$3.1 million for a \$10.3 million project.

The project will provide service to 115 homes and businesses currently with no service or speeds below 10/1 Mbps, and will provide service to 263 homes or businesses with current service below 25/3 Mbps).

"High-speed internet is not a luxury anymore. It's a necessity for work, school, health care and more, and every Kentuckian deserves access," Gov. Beshear

said. "During our first round of state funding, we made the largest investment in our history, and today we are breaking our own record with another historic milestone toward our promise to connect every home and business in the commonwealth to affordable, reliable high-speed internet."

The latest round includes 56 grants totaling more than \$196 million from the Kentucky Broadband Deployment Fund. Internet

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REVISIT KNIFLEY

Revisit Knifley will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 9**. A variety of activities are planned, including a salute to veterans. Auction items are needed, vendor booth spaces are available, and donations are appreciated. Contact Lisa Greer at 270-469-0376.

SPECIAL SINGING EVENT

Living Water Bluegrass Gospel Singers and five other groups will be part of a special singing event at White Oak Community Church on **Saturday, Sept. 9** from noon until 6 p.m. Bring a lawn chair. The church is located off East 80 toward Russell Springs. Look for signs. For more information, contact Mike Dunbar at 270-507-8694.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child will host a project leader workshop from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. on **Saturday, Sept. 9** at the Columbia Baptist Church Fellowship Hall located at 201 Greensburg St. Individuals may register for the workshop online at samaritanspurse.org. A variety of topics will be discussed. Project leader resources, including go boxes, will be available. For more information contact Mark Fudge at 270-634-2919 or Denise Fudge at 270-634-0246.

HOMECOMING SERVICE

Bloomington Chapel will have a homecoming on **Sunday, Sept 10** at 10 a.m. with special singing by All 4 Him from Russell Springs. Bro Ralph Foster and congregation invite everyone to join them.

HOMECOMING SERVICE

Egypt Christian Church 4867, Knifley Rd., Columbia, will host its annual homecoming on **Sunday, Sept. 17**. His Heart Quartet will sing at 10 a.m. A potluck will be held at noon. Pastor Paul Patton and congregation invites everyone to attend.

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE AND SPEAKER

Join the Sparksville Nazarene Church, 9562 Burkesville Rd., Columbia, on **Sunday, Sept. 17** at 10:45 a.m. to worship and listen to Sharon Payne. Pastor Robert Adkins and congregation welcomes everyone.

ADDICTION RECOVERY MEETINGS

Lake Cumberland District Health Department will offer SMART Recovery **every Wednesday at noon** in the Adair County Health Department Basement, 801 Westlake Dr. "A Fresh Approach to Addiction Recovery." Contact Steffani Miller, 859-667-2292 or the Adair County Health Department at 270-384-2286.

DOWNTOWN DAYS

Downtown Days will be held on Friday, Oct. 13 and Saturday, Oct. 14. The Kentucky Headhunters will be the featured band performing Saturday night at 7 p.m. Many other events are planned. More details will be provided later or follow the event on social media.



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One Voice

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The rules you may not know

Sometimes, I forget that I have been doing this forever.

I decided I wanted to be a journalist while in high school, and I earned a journalism degree in college.

Following college, except for taking a year off and working in retail, I have been in the newspaper business in some form or fashion.

Most of those years, I have been my own boss or I was editor of a newspaper. I only worked with a boss over me in the newsroom for a short time.

What that all means is that I have learned most of what I have learned the hard way – by making mistakes.

When you have no mentors in the workplace, you have to figure out things for yourself. I could make a list of all the things I've learned from my errors, but I'm not about to do that!

I think it's my experience of having to seek out mentors that makes me want to share experiences and encourage young people who show a passion for this business.

Sometimes, I wonder if I'm too over-the-top, especially when it comes to new employees. A new person has to learn everything from Associated Press style rules to how to upload content to our website.

And there are so many rules.

I started to think about some of the things that come naturally to me that probably would not be known by someone new in the business, especially if they have not taken journalism classes.

Those "rules" are there

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to provide reliable, trustworthy news to our readers, but I'd guess most readers don't know they are there either.

So I thought I would just see what "rules" I can pull out of my overworked brain that might help our readers and give me a chance to do a basic checkup of how we are doing.

First, we can "clean up" and crop photos, but we do not alter them. Ever.

I remember one seminar I attended where we had a lengthy discussion about whether it was appropriate to "fix" a broken curb on the side of a road in a photograph.

For an advertisement, maybe, but not if that curb is a photo of property for sale. For the newsroom, absolutely not.

A newspaper is a record of history, and altering a photo is considered deceitful.

We don't put ourselves in the news. We don't write about "me" and "I," unless it is absolutely necessary (or the editorial page). We don't take part in conversations nor provide opinions (I break that rule sometimes at EDA meetings, but only

if encouraged, usually to assist with marketing, which is something I know something about.)

We don't run pics of our own families at events (yes, we have broken that one).

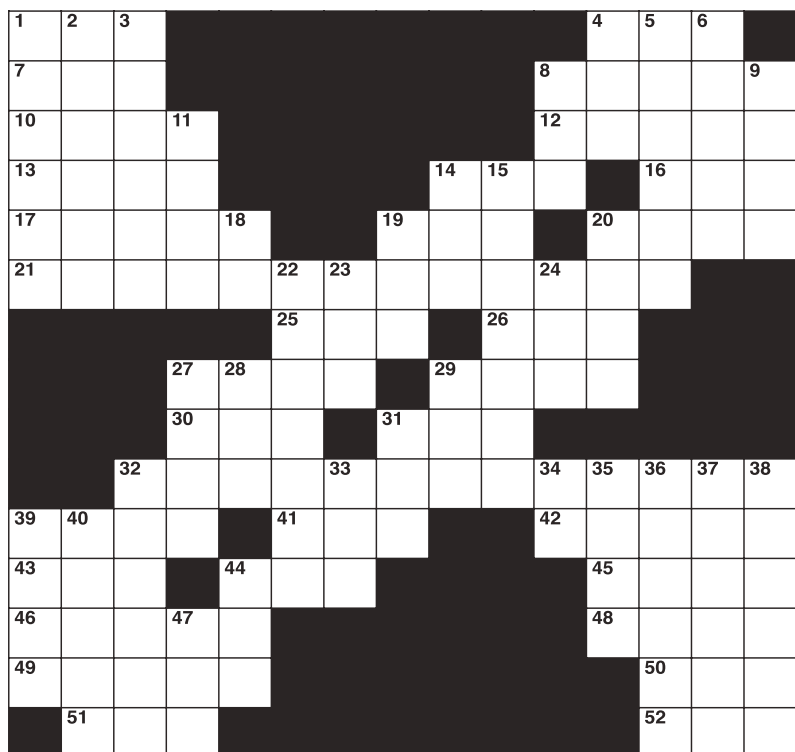
We don't release news articles prior to publication (I have a great story about a reporter who chose to break that one and learned why we have the rule, but that's a long story). We fact check and allow excerpts to be reviewed for accuracy sake, but we do not allow the subjects of our news to give their approval.

We do not give control over the news to our advertisers. Newsroom decisions must not be determined by financial interests (A former boss broke that rule, hence my decision to try retail for a year).

When you say it's "off the record," it's off the record. Even if that means going to jail.

Rules have changed a lot lately, thanks to the instant access that the internet provides. We have to balance truth with speed, but I try to make sure we choose accuracy over being first every time. I admit that grammar has taken a nosedive due to the web, and partial stories are told instead of waiting until the full story is available.

It's a changing world, but some of the rules that have been in place for decades to keep newspapers trustworthy and reliable still hold true today. We are imperfect, and I don't pretend to be otherwise. But we do want to "get it right," and I am always willing to learn.



CLUES ACROSS

- Second sight
- Standard electrode potential
- Type of gibbon
- John Joseph __: American industrialist
- Manning and Whitney are two
- Abrupt
- Baroque musical instrument
- Post-burning residue
- When you hope to arrive
- Sign up (Brit. Eng.)
- Sun up in New York
- Employee stock ownership plan
- Where people live
- Method to record an electrogram
- Angry
- No longer living
- Simple
- Swiss river
- Portion of a play
- It's under the tree
- Wood sorrels

CLUES DOWN

- Number of players on each side in a football game
- Containing salt
- Reasoning or knowledge: a __
- Car mechanics group
- Leave a place
- Southern Colombian capital
- Old English letter
- Tide
- Walk heavily
- Chemical compound (abbr.)
- No (Scottish)
- Dialect of English
- Former Steelers' QB
- Popular beer
- It can make you sick
- Tropical tree and fruit
- Company officer
- Contact lens term
- Your consciousness of your own identity
- "Ghetto Superstar" singer
- Piece of turf

- Artificial openings
- Luteinizing hormone
- Unit of energy
- Circular movement of water
- A way of holding
- Popular book of words (abbr.)
- States' group
- Dashes
- Body part
- Electronic countermeasures
- Consumed
- Small bird
- Unhappy
- Football's big game (abbr.)
- Valued object offered in good faith
- Wild goats
- Precede in place
- Small edible fish
- Notice of death
- Body cavity of a metazoan
- Partner to cheese
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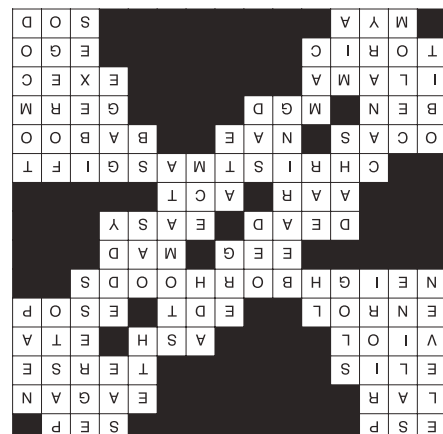
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OBITUARIES

J.B. White



J. B. White, 86, of Columbia, passed away Friday, Sept. 1, 2023 at his residence. He was born in Adair County on April 15, 1937 to the late Bertram and Marcella Kelsey White.

Mr. White was a former dairy farmer and of the Christian faith. He enjoyed bird hunting, horse racing and spending time with family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda O'Neill White of Columbia; eight children, Jay White of Carol Stream, Ill., Amber White Hall of Columbia, Cereise White of Waddy, Vince White of Russell Springs, Brett White of Columbia, Autumn White of Columbia, Wade White of Columbia, and Derek White of Shelbyville; ten grandchildren and seven great grandchildren; a sister, Marcella Hoy of Campbellsville; a half-sister Bessie Cape of Lebanon Junction, and a half-brother, Donald White of Columbia.

Mr. White chose cremation, and no services were held.

Stotts-Phelps-McQueary Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Samantha Maria McNay



Samantha Maria McNay, age 28, of Columbia, passed away Sunday, September 3, 2023 at her residence. She was born on Sunday, July 23 1995, in Somerset. She was the daughter of Liz-zie Floyd Smith, of Russell Springs, and Scott Smith, of Russell Springs.

Survivors also include her husband, Jason McNay of Columbia; one daughter, Isabella Smith, of Columbia; two sons, Xaiv-er Smith of Columbia and

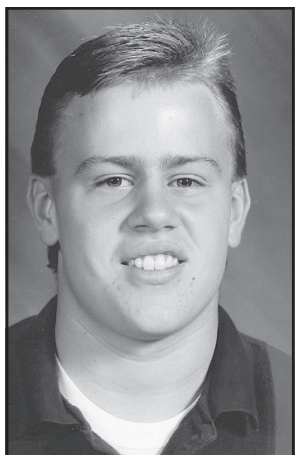
Joshua Wilson of Celina, Tenn; two step-daughters, Kylee McNay of Rushville, Ind. and Katrina McNay, of Yakima, Wash; two step-sons, Cody McNay, of Russell Springs and Austin McNay, of Russell Springs; one sister, Sara Stephens and spouse Robert, of Windsor.

She is also survived by her grandmother, Brenda Sullivan of Russell Springs. She was a Peer Support Specialist. She was a loving wife, mother and daughter.

Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 9, 2023 at Wilson Funeral Home, 391 East Steve Wariner Dr., Russell Springs. Funeral service will begin at 1 p.m. with Pastor Mesti Parnell officiating the service. Interment in Russell County Memorial Gardens.

Wilson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Josh Downs



Josh Downs, 45, of Columbia, died Thursday, August 31, 2023 at 5:17 p.m. at Jewish Hospital in Louisville. He was born March 3, 1978 in Adair County. Josh was a member of Egypt Christian Church and formerly employed by Coca-Cola.

Survivors include his

parents, Mike and Elaine Bennett Downs of Colum-bia; his brother, Chris Downs of Columbia; two nephews and one niece, Easton, Grayson and McK-enna Downs; and several other relatives and friends.

Services were held Mon-day, September 4, 2023 at Grissom-Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Paul Pat-ton officiating and burial in Columbia Cemetery

Pallbearers were Scott Bennett, Ty Bennett, Ricky Bennett, David Murrell, Brent Sapp, Matt Rogers and Andy Richerson. Hon-orary pallbearers were Greg Murrell and In Memory of Patrick Sapp.

Grissom-Martin Funeral Home in charge of arrange-ments.

Pamela Faye

'Pam' Grant

News.



Pamela Faye "Pam" Grant, 70, of Glensfork, died Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 5:55 p.m. at Jewish Hospital in Louisville. She was born August 2, 1953 to the late Odell and Olean Bennett Whittle.

Pam retired from the Adair County School Sys-tem as secretary at the alternative school. She was known for how much she loved her students. After retirement, she was a homemaker and had a love for sewing and craft-ing. She was a member of Glensfork Church of Good

In addition to her par-ents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Johnny Grant; and her son, Lacy Grant.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Amanda and Delbert Abbott of Glensfork; one brother and sister-in-law, Kenny and Gina Whittle of Georgetown; daughter-in-law, Jill Grant of Glensfork; seven grandchildren and significant others and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were held Sat-urday, September 2, 2023 at Grissom-Martin Funer-al Home with Bro. Craig Trumbo and Wes Stone officiating and burial in Grant-Morrison Cemetery in Glensfork.

Pallbearers were Cody Copass, Jonathan Grant, Garrett Grant, Wes Stone, Jaylen Rogers, Matt Rogers and LC Compton.

Grissom-Martin Funeral Home in charge of arrange-ments.

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Judge Dan Kelly

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Baylynnne Shane Bulle, 19, theft by deception, including cold checks \$10,000 or more. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Allan Michael Burton, 23, three counts of wanton endangerment, 1st degree; tampering with physical evidence. Pretrial conference continued to Sept. 12, jury trial set for Sept. 20 (2022)

Samuel Ray Burton, 26, robbery, 1st degree; theft by unlawful taking or disposition all others \$1,000 or more but less than \$10,000; wanton endangerment, 1st degree. Continued to Dec. 12 (2023)

Julianne Hahn Craig, 55, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; public intoxication of a controlled substance (excludes alcohol). Bench warrant issued for failure to appear (2020)

Brandon S. Crawhorn, 38, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, third or greater offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; disregarding stop sign; license to be in possession; failure to or improper signal; all terrain vehicles violations. Sentenced to three years probated for three years (2022)

Brittany R. Dunn, 31, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, second offense, drug unspecified; rear license not illuminated; one headlight. Sentenced to three years probated for three years (2023)

Brandon Keith Greer, 34, enhancement to trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, greater than or equal to two grams methamphetamine; two counts of persistent felony offender, 1st degree; convicted felon in possession of a handgun; possession of a controlled substance, 3rd degree, drug unspecified; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Continued to Oct. 10 (2023)

Brandon Keith Greer, 34, receiving stolen property \$1,000 or more but less than \$10,000; persistent felony offender, 1st degree. Pretrial conference set for Oct. 10 (2023)

Edward Thomas Jolly, 42, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, second offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; public intoxication of a controlled substance (excludes alcohol). Continued to Sept. 26 (2022)

Chasity Michelle Mann, 40, theft of identity of another without consent; fraudulent insurance acts \$500 or more but less than \$10,000. Continued to Sept. 12 (2022)

Joseph D. Matney, 40, strangulation, 1st degree; assault 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury. Pretrial conference continued to Sept. 26, jury trial set for Sept. 28 (2021)

Joseph D. Matney, 40, criminal abuse of a child 12 or under, 2nd degree. Pretrial conference set for Sept. 26, jury trial set for Sept. 28 (2021)

Joseph E. Mattingly, Jr, 58, cultivation of marijuana, five plants or more, second or greater offense;

buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Continued to Sept. 26 (2022)

Gary L. Messer, Jr, 45, rape, 3rd degree; sodomy, 3rd degree; prohibited use of electronic communication system to produce minor/perform sex offense; use of a minor under 16 in a sex performance. Pretrial conference continued to Sept. 12, jury trial set for Sept. 28 (2018)

Shawn T. Nuckols, 32, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, third or greater offense, methamphetamine; possession of a controlled substance, 3rd degree, drug unspecified; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a controlled substance, second offense; operating on suspended/revoked operators license; failure of non owner operator to maintain required insurance, second or greater offense; controlled substance prescription not in original container, first offense. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Brittney J. Robinson, 36, trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, greater than or equal to two grams methamphetamine; possession of marijuana. Continued to Sept. 12 (2021)

Brittney J. Robinson, 36, theft of identity of another without consent; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs/etc. .08, aggravator, second offense; failure of owner to maintain required insurance, second or greater offense; license to be in possession; speeding 26 mph over/greater. Continued to Sept. 12 (2021)

Michael W. Scott, 28, manslaughter, 2nd degree; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a controlled substance, fourth or greater offense, aggravating circumstance. Hearing set for Oct. 17, jury trial set for Dec. 14 (2022)

Benjamin E. Shroyer, 44, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, third or greater offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; possession of marijuana; possession of synthetic drugs, first offense. Continued to Sept. 26 (2023)

Guadalupe Roy Soto, 56, wanton endangerment, 1st degree; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, second offense, aggravating circumstance; leaving the scene of accident/failure to render aid or assistance. Continued to Oct. 10 (2023)

Tate M. Walkup, 23, three counts of trafficking in a controlled substance, first offense, heroin. Plea of guilty, sentenced to six years and six months to run concurrent with previous Adair County case 21-CR-78 (2022)

Donovan Alexander Waller, 29, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, second offense, methamphetamine; promoting contraband, 1st degree; persistent felony offender, 2nd degree. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Clifton Daniel Bault, 35, tampering with physical evidence; persistent felony offender, first offense. Pretrial conference set for Sept. 12 (2023)

James Jonathan Burris, 35, convicted felon in possession of a handgun; enhancement to trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, greater than or equal to two grams methamphetamine; persistent felony offender, 2nd degree; 1st degree possession of a controlled

substance/cocaine, first offense; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Continued to Sept. 26 (2023)

Ryan K. Dudgeon, 44, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; rear license not illuminated; possession of marijuana; no/expired registration plates. Pretrial conference continued to Sept. 26, jury trial set for Sept. 28 (2021)

Ryan Kenneth Dudgeon, 44, two counts of assault, 3rd degree, inmate assault on corrections employee. Pretrial conference continued to Sept. 26, jury trial set for Sept. 28 (2023)

Michael Anthony Elmore, 34, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, second offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; possession of marijuana. Plea of guilty, sentencing set for Sept. 26 (2023)

Steven W. Fowler, 33, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine. Plea of guilty, continued to Sept. 26 (2022)

James M. Gilliatt, 38, convicted felon in possession of a firearm; persistent felony offender, 1st degree; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; possession of marijuana. Continued to Sept. 12 (2022)

Carlos R. Grant, 49, trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, second or greater offense, greater than or equal to two grams methamphetamine; persistent felony offender, 1st degree; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; possession of marijuana. Dismiss persistent felony offender charge, plea of guilty to others, sentenced to 12 years (2023)

Justin E. Groover, 24, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; possession of marijuana; operating on suspended/revoked operators license; careless driving. Plea of guilty, sentenced to three years pretrial diversion for five years (2022)

Jonathan Terry Hadley, 40, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, second offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Sentenced to three years probated for three years (2021)

Craig A. Irvin, 35, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, second offense, methamphetamine; possession of a controlled substance, 2nd degree, drug unspecified; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Continued to Sept. 26 (2023)

Cody Allen Johnson, 35, flagrant non support; persistent felony offender, 2nd degree. Dismiss persistent felony offender charge, plea of guilty to other, sentenced to five years probated for five years (2023)

Kaylie Sierra Jones, 25, assault, 1st degree; burglary, 1st degree. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Shelby M. Netherland, 27, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine. Continued to Sept. 12 (2022)

Sean Pennington, 56, escape, 1st degree; assault of a police/probation officer, 3rd degree. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Sean B. Pennington, 56, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, second offense, cocaine. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Anthony L. Popplewell,

35, receiving stolen property \$1,000 or more but less than \$10,000. Plea of guilty, sentencing set for Sept. 26 (2023)

Wendell Neal Reynolds, 41, trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, second or greater offense, greater than or equal to two grams methamphetamine; possession of a controlled substance, 2nd degree, anabolic steroid; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; operating on suspended/revoked operators license; failure to wear seat belts; failure to produce insurance card. Continued to Oct. 24 (2022)

Chaz A. Shofner, 28, failure to comply with sex offender registration; persistent felony offender, 1st degree; registered sex offender school restrictions; criminal trespassing, 3rd degree. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

James Tristan Smith, 40, tampering with physical evidence. Jury trial set for Nov. 20 (2022)

Patrick Tyler Stapleton, 26, receiving stolen property \$1,000 or more but less than \$10,000; persistent felony offender, 1st degree. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Felicia M. Woolridge, 35, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, fourth or greater offense, aggravating circumstance; three counts of persistent felony offender, 1st degree; two counts of wanton endangerment, 1st degree. Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Ethan Daniel Atwood, 25, tampering with physical evidence; persistent felony offender, 1st degree. Pretrial conference set for Sept. 26 (2023)

Michael Clay Blakley, 61, failure to wear seat belts; possession of marijuana; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a controlled substance, first offense. Sentenced to three years pretrial diversion for three years on possession of a controlled substance and DUI charge, dismiss others (2023)

Billy Jordan Burton, 33, flagrant non support. CFS (2023)

David D. Denney, 44, murder, domestic violence. Arraignment continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Malik Rashad Harris, 27, convicted felon in possession of a handgun. Pretrial conference set for Sept. 12 (2023)

Dallas R. Hayes, 33, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, second offense, methamphetamine; possession of a controlled substance, 2nd degree, drug unspecified; possession of a controlled substance, 3rd degree, drug unspecified; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; public intoxication of a controlled substance (excludes alcohol). Continued to Sept. 12 (2023)

Jason Christian Priddy, 43, procure or promote use of minor by electronic means. Pretrial conference set for Oct. 10 (2023)

Dale E. Reasoner, 47, theft by failure to make required disposition of property \$10,000 or more; theft of services \$1,000 or more but less than \$10,000. Pretrial conference set for Sept. 26 (2022)

Jason Lloyd Thrasher, 51, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, third or greater offense, methamphetamine; promoting contraband, 1st degree; persistent felony offender, 1st degree. Pretrial confer-

ence set for Sept. 26 (2023)

Jessica Ann Yorkanis, 35, flagrant non support. Continued for service (2023)

DISTRICT COURT

Aug. 30
Judge Michael Loy

Adam G. Nix, 40, assault, 2nd degree. Plea of not guilty, preliminary hearing set for Sept. 6 (2023)

Jerry A. Loy, 48, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; possession of marijuana; resisting arrest; fleeing or evading police on foot, 2nd degree. Plea of not guilty, preliminary hearing set for Sept. 13 (2023)

Jennifer Nicole Coomer, 45, two counts of theft by deception, including cold checks. Order entered (2023)

Tony A. Sanders, rear license not illuminated; possession of marijuana. Summons issued (2023)

Dakota Lee Scott, 22, possession of marijuana. Plea of not guilty, pretrial conference set for Sept. 6 (2023)

Bradley S. Douglas, 20, possession of marijuana; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Plea of guilty, order entered (2023)

Evan Lee Davis, 36, theft by unlawful taking or disposition all others \$500 or more but less than \$1,000. Bench warrant issued, \$600 bond (2023)

Taylor D. Grider, 25, operating on suspended/revoked operators license; driving without license/negligence in accident. Plea of guilty, written order entered (2023)

Alice Jean Drury, 47, theft by deception, including cold checks under \$500. Bench warrant issued (2023)

William Lopez, 57, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, first offense; possession of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle; no operators/moped license; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, first offense. Continued to Sept. 6 (2023)

Glen Lamoin Farmer, 37, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/substance, second offense, aggravating circumstance; driving on DUI suspended license, first offense; possession of marijuana. Continued to Oct. 4 (2023)

Parita Thompson, 31, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Continued to Sept. 6 (2023)

Adam Nix, 40, promoting contraband, 1st degree; wanton endangerment, 1st degree. Continued to Sept. 6 (2023)

Alice Jean Drury, 47, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; possession of marijuana. Bench warrant issued (2023)

Cortez Odell Lawrence, 32, unlawful transaction with a minor, 2nd degree; possession of marijuana. Waived to the grand jury (2023)

Donovan Darrin Morton, 25, obstructed vision and/or windshield; failure to produce insurance card; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, first offense; trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, second or greater offense, greater than or equal to two grams methamphetamine; posses-

sion of marijuana; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; convicted felon in possession of a handgun. Hearing conducted, testimony heard, the court finds probable cause, bind over to the grand jury (2023)

Christopher Corbin, 39, burglary, 3rd degree. Hearing conducted, testimony heard, the court finds probable cause, bind over to the grand jury (2023)

Josh D. Foley, 34, assault 4th degree, minor injury. Amend to domestic violence, order of pretrial diversion entered (2023)

Vincent Daniel Schultz, 43, speeding 24 mph over limit; possession of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle; no tail lamps; possession of marijuana; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/substance, first offense. Continued to Oct. 4 (2023)

Justin Tyler Bryant, 21, assault 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury. Plea of guilty, order entered (2023)

Reshandall L. Bridgewater, 42, assault 4th degree, minor injury. Continued to Oct. 4 (2023)

Steven J. Gilliam, 38, speeding 26 mph over/greater; reckless driving; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a substance, third offense; failure to produce insurance card; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, first offense; rear license not illuminated; criminal littering. Continued to Sept. 27 (2023)

Krystal M. Janes, 40, cruelty to animals, 2nd degree. Continued to Oct. 11 (2023)

James W. Janes, 53, cruelty to animals, 2nd degree. Continued to Oct. 11 (2023)

Joann Shaw, 46, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, third offense. Continued to Sept. 27 (2023)

Christopher Corbin, 39, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; no/expired registration plates; failure to produce insurance card; operating on suspended/revoked operators license; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a controlled substance, third offense, aggravating circumstance. Continued to Sept. 27 (2023)

Christopher Corbin, 39, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; no/expired registration plates; failure to produce insurance card; failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, first offense; operating on suspended/revoked operators license; failure to register transfer of motor vehicle; obstructed vision and/or windshield. Continued to Sept. 27 (2023)

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YARD SALE: A yard sale will be held Saturday, Sept. 9 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 4258 Liberty Rd. on Hwy. 206. It is located next to Beulah Chapel Church. Their first yard sale of the year so they have lots of everything.

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Adair shuts out Larue 13-0



Photo by Allison Shepherd

The Adair County Indians football team defeated the LaRue County Hawks Friday night 13-0.

The Friday night bout between the 2-0 Adair County Indians and the 0-2 Larue County Hawks was an overall defensive masterclass from both

teams. The game started off with a stalemate, as the game was tied up until the finishing minutes of the half. Luckily, it was Lane Grant

that got the Indians out ahead. The junior quarterback took the snap under center and quickly drove through 3 Larue County defenders for the

first touchdown of the game. When the team is looking for a touchdown, they have the guy to give it to. Grant racked up 115 passing yards of 11/15 completions. Although he had a stellar performance passing the ball, his ground attack is what really was a game changer. He boasted 145 rushing yards on 16 attempts for two touchdowns. It was clear to everyone from the beginning of the game that he came to play. Seven of Grant's 11 completions were to junior wide out Solomon Stonebreaker. Solomon achieved 57 yards on these seven catches and is one of the top receivers in the state in terms of completion. This duo has been lighting teams up all season and they aren't planning to stop anytime soon.

Junior wide receiver Jayden Miller also made a huge impact on the game. He took a short pass that many would've only gotten 2-3 yards on, and made it into a 45-yard gain. His explo-

siveness and strength makes a world of difference for the Indians.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Indians played rock solid defense. Brothers Byron and Ryder Rodgers accumulated 21 tackles and provided much needed coverage for the Indians over the middle of the field.

Hard hitting junior linebacker Timothy Streval also put on a show, having nine tackles, one of which was for a big loss. It's safe to say Streval keeps teams looking over their shoulder with his hard hitting ability, and he proved it this game.

Junior defensive back Aiden Smith forced the only turnover of the game for the Hawks, but it came at a perfect time. The Hawks were marching into Indian territory, and morale was down for the defense. It seemed almost certain that the Indians had allowed a touchdown. Just before the Hawks were able to reach the end zone,

Smith cut off a pass intended for the outside receiver in order to create an interception. This would be the dagger that would eventually put the Hawks away.

This win puts the Indians in a great spot going into a big game next week against Franklin-Simpson.

When asked about the upcoming matchup the junior wide receiver Solomon Stonebreaker said, "We've made it this far, we're 3 and 0. I can promise you one thing. When we're 4 and 0 next week it'll feel a whole lot better."

Stonebreaker's confidence fires his game, and it's clear when watching him play. The game against Franklin Simpson will take place at 7 p.m. central time at Franklin Simpson. This will be a huge win if the Indians are able to come away with it, and it will be a great game to watch either way.

By Trenton Page
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Eric Chrisman was injured in a commercial vehicle accident Tuesday on Hwy. 55 South.

Man injured in vehicle accident on Hwy. 55 South

The Adair County sheriff's office is investigating an injury accident that occurred Tuesday on Highway 55 South.

According to reports, the Adair County 911 center received a call that a truck hauling rocks had overturned approximately eight miles outside of Columbia.

Preliminary investigation shows Eric Chrisman was traveling south when the 2003 Kenworth dump truck he was operating dropped off the shoulder of the roadway. His attempts to recover the truck were unsuccessful and the truck overturned. Chrisman was treated on scene by Adair County EMS

and was transported to TJ Health Columbia for additional care.

The accident is being investigated by Deputy Chris Tweedy.

Cumberland County man arrested

A Cumberland County man was apprehended Tuesday evening after attempting to flee on foot from deputies.

Tuesday evening around 8:35 p.m. Deputy Derek Padgett responded to a vehicle off the roadway six miles west of Columbia on the Louie B. Nunn parkway.

Deputy Padgett made contact with the operator of the vehicle, Douglas Honeycut, 38, of

Burkesville who attempted to flee on foot. He was quickly apprehended and taken into custody.

He was lodged in the Adair County Regional Jail on charges of possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, methamphetamine; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs; fleeing or evading police, 2nd degree, on foot; possession of marijuana; no insurance and an outstanding warrant out of Pulaski County Circuit Court.

Adair County Sheriff's Office is continuing the investigation. Deputy Derek Padgett was assisted on scene by Chief Deputy Brandon Hitch.

Herbst family tradition in Extension service continues

Christin Herbst has accepted the position of Kentucky's Central 7 and 8 Area Extension Director beginning Oct. 1.

Herbst currently works with the United States Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency, where she is a County Executive Director managing the Burlington and Owen-ton USDA Service Centers. She joined Farm Service Agency in 2021, completed the agency's management training program, and led the Grayson and Vanceburg Service Centers for 16 months prior to transferring to her current position. In her role, she

provides shared management for two service centers each serving multiple counties.

Christin is no stranger to Extension. From 2011 to 2021, she was the Carroll County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources. She gained valuable experience serving as the county's fiscal coordinator then as county facilitator. She has followed the family legacy as the third generation to pursue an Extension career.

A native of Adair County, Christin has a B.S. in Agricultural Biotechnology from University of Kentucky. As an agent, she worked close-



Christin Herbst

ly with her local farmers, residents, Extension leaders, and office staff to develop meaningful programs and contribute to the overall vitality of her community.

She lives with her son, Raylan, and mother,

Columbia Police Department August activity

The Columbia Police Department released their August activity. It included 661 calls

for service; 85 citations; 11 motorist assists; 14 escorts; 24 accidents investigated; four injury

accidents; 13 incident reports and 15 criminal cases opened.

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response, with Billy Coffey saying, "That goes both ways."

"Get your lawyers. That's what I'm saying. I got two," Bryant replied. "I want to move on this now. It's what's best for this county."

Reeder repeated his earlier motion and Sammy Baker said he has spoken with a lot of people, "and one of the things they want is to see us get along and not take a month or two months to get things worked out."

Baker seconded Reeder's motion. Reeder, Baker and Bryant voted

yes while Flatt, Coffey, Tony Denton and Mark Humphress voted no. Terry Hadley was not present. The motion failed.

Bryant responded that he was going to "hand this over to my lawyers and they will be in touch with you for discrimination and slander and all the other things I've been putting up with, so get ready for it."

He went on to blame the court for "the bottleneck" and an argument ensued. Reeder called a motion to adjourn and magistrates exited their chairs.

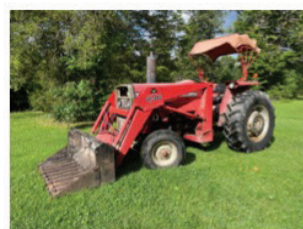
Reapportionment

Also during the meeting, the court approved second reading on reapportionment, which is required following a census. The reapportionment changes some boundaries for magisterial districts and County Clerk Lisa Greer said changes keep the districts within population requirements and develop clearer lines where the districts join. A detailed map will be provided later.

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