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Court makes first investment with opioid settlement funds

A group of local women who have teamed up to provide recovery services for people battling addiction now have the support of the Adair County Fiscal Court.

The court took its first step Tuesday night toward investing funds from a national settlement with manufacturers and distributors of opioids, voting to allocate half of the funds they have currently received to the Area Sobriety Advocacy project.

The county currently has received \$108,000 from the national settlement and will receive close to \$475,000 over an 18-year period. They approved allocating \$54,000 to the local group and voiced interest in providing further revenue as the project develops.

Five local women have combined their services to help men and women battling substance abuse by providing services that go beyond sobriety to provide housing and to help develop workplace skills.

Ashley Hardwick and Cecelia Bunch, owners of Serenity Counseling Services; Susan “Netty” Grider, who owns Blessed Billing, Credentialing, and Consulting; and Crystal Stapleton and Shelby Smith, who met as colleagues at Blessed Billing; are

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Omega Man visits ACPC

Omega Man visited the Adair County Primary Center last week to encourage students to make good choices. He talked to students about bullying, holding on to their dreams, being respectful and not listening to people who discourage them from doing good things. Omega Man, shown here showing off his strength by picking up students using a steel rod, was sponsored by the Adair County Schools Family Resource/Youth Services Center.

Photo by Sharon Burton



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From left, City Council member Sharon Payne, Deputy Judge Executive Bridget Compton, Tourism Director Paige Nickel, Mayor Pam Hoots, School Superintendent Jason Faulkner, EDA members Bobby Morrison and Richard Grant, EDA consultant Heather Spoon, EDA Chair Larry Walker, County Judge Executive Larry Russell Bryant, EDA member Doyle Lloyd, and Danny and Mason Pyles with Pyles Excavating.

EDA breaks ground

Several members of the community gathered at the Green River Commerce Park last Thursday to celebrate a groundbreaking for a certified build ready pad.

Pyles Excavating in Columbia was awarded the bid. A portion of the pad has already been committed to Phillips Tank and Structure, and EDA hopes to build a spec building on another portion of the pad.



Local Christmas events scheduled

The Adair County Annual Christmas Parade will be held Saturday, Dec. 2 and begin at 6 p.m.

This year’s theme is “A Magical Christmas” and famed magician Lance Burton will be the grand marshal.

Contact the Chamber of Commerce to register for the parade by sending an email to coladair@duo-county.com or call 270-384-6020. There is no charge but every entry must be registered.

Drive through Christmas will once again be held at the Little League Park off Industrial Park Rd. Around 60 different displays were set up last year. Churches, organizations and individuals can participate. Contact city hall by Nov. 5 at 270-384-2501.

Hunters for the Hungry project starts in Adair

Some children in Adair County will start getting an extra serving of protein-packed food now that Hunters for the Hungry has partnered with local schools.

A press conference was held last week to announce the partnership, with Adair County being the second district in the state – following Pulaski County – to partner with Hunters for the Hungry.

The program aims to improve already existing school resource offerings by providing children with additional protein to take home in the form of cooked meat sticks made from Kentucky hunted deer.

School officials have the ability to discreetly identify children who have nutritional needs while outside of school.

The identified child will be sent home with extra food to eat while away from school.

The cost of food could affect the availability of food packages sent home with students and Hunters for the Hungry has created this program as an affordable alternative.

First established in 1988 and corporatized in 2000, Hunters for the Hungry is not only intended to help schools but to help communities in need by providing them with protein-packed meals provided by local Kentucky hunters.

Hunters in Adair County and all of Kentucky can be involved by using all of their tags each hunting season. After getting a deer hunter’s license, tags and any remaining requirements



Micheal Peterson, Alma Rich, Kara Iqbal, Heather Dudley, Superintendent Jason Faulkner, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commissioner representative Rich Storm, Rodger Lapointe, Tom Hebert, Dana King, Hali Anderson, Terry Partin and Pam Bivens all gathered to celebrate the partnership between the Adair County Schools and Hunters for the Hungry

per their county, a hunter can harvest their first buck. However, hunters can proceed to hunt as many doe allowed by their zone, so long as they are tagged.

Hunters that are not interested in keeping the meat for themselves can take the carcass to an approved processing facility in partnership with Hunters for the Hungry for the deer meat to be processed and turned into meals for those in need.

This is no cost to the hunter for the deer to be harvested at these facilities.

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BrushPile Fishing, Crappie USA host class

BrushPile Fishing visited Green River Lake where it held a four-day class that told every detail and secret that comes to crappie fishing. At least 10 locals from Columbia came to learn from several of the best crappie fishers from around the country.

BrushPile Fishing is an entertainment network that provides online shows, classes and more for the world of crappie fishing. Hosted by Russ Bailey, he and his team travel to all kinds of lakes and bodies of water in the United States to teach and learn the art of crappie fishing with the locals.

Last week the team of anglers, some of whom come from as far as Texas, hosted four days of the in-class work and

plenty of on-the-water training. They covered topics like electronics, crappie information, mossback habitats, and “Meat in the freezer,” some of which were taught by Columbia’s very own David Jones.

The interactive classrooms gave opportunities to look at equipment like sonar, which helped identify fish below a fishing boat.

Anglers were also given their very own habitat structure that they could go and place in the lake themselves to try and attract crappie.

“It was pretty neat to be a part of something that had never been done before. I think it was a great event for Adair County,” said Jones. This fishing school was the

first of its kind for Green River, with many of the instructors having never been to the lake before. This allowed for a great opportunity for a mutual learning between the pros and local anglers.

“I learn something every time I get on the water, what was amazing about it, was that all the people there said it was one of the best things they had ever done,” said Jones.

A major staple of BrushPile, besides the classroom and chance to fish with the pros, is the fellowship that comes with the weekend. For some events, there may be changes that come the next year, whether it be classes or instructors. Not this one, however, explained Jones. The



Columbia local and competitive angler David Jones taught two classes for BrushPile Fishing last weekend titled “Meat in the freezer” and “Mossback habitats.”

cooperation between everyone lead to a perfect course with a similar experience being offered next year.

The success of the

class shows with a waitlist already being formed next year at Dale Hollow Lake. Anyone interested in getting placed on the waitlist for a weekend

full of crappie fishing should register at academy.brushpilefishing.com/home.

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Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commissioner Rich Storm speaks during a presentation about Hunters for the Hungry teaming up with Adair County schools.

Hunters for the Hungry in Adair County

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The benefit of these facilities is twofold, Commissioner of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Rich Storm explained at the presentation.

“We have arguably one of the best white tail deer populations. We are in a place now that we have more deer here than during the time of Daniel Boone.”

The average hunter in Kentucky harvests 1.2 deer, Storm said, “but I challenge all hunters to hunt more because we have the funds to process these deer. We have an estimated 1 million deer in Kentucky and we harvest 130,000 annually, and we need to do better than that.”

Storm wants to reduce the deer population to a healthier standard by offering services that make it easier and cheaper to hunt. Hunters for the Hungry and Fish and Wildlife just finished

a grant that will be worth \$400,000 and will be spent on these deer harvesting, which will make this grant the first of its kind, explained Storm.

Children are already benefiting from the program in Pulaski County. Michael Peterson has been working with the Pulaski County schools to fill 850 food bags every week.

Peterson said they already packed more than 15,000 meat sticks and quickly ran out.

“The meat sticks hit our bags and the kids love them. These sticks are good, too. They are flavored and taste great.”

Pulaski County alone will need 46,000 meat sticks for the year. This is all to encourage hunters to use all the tags available to them in their area as Adair County will also begin needing provisions as well.

Terry Partin, who has been helping with the partnership between the

schools and Hunters for the Hungry, said, “Hunger is an issue in our Kentucky school system. We know that we have an excellent school system, but a child that comes in to the school that is hungry cannot concentrate on the instruction that they receive if he or she is worried about where they are going to get something to eat.”

Hunters interested in donating deer meat may look up the nearest approved facility that harvests the meat for them at kyhuntersforthehungry.info/ and check “approved processors.”

Locally, Hometown Meat Processing, 275 Jack Smith Rd. Fairplay, is an approved facility.

Hunters should also make sure they are hunting with the appropriate permits and licenses according to their respective zone.

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Operation Christmas Child underway

Members of the Columbia Baptist Church we’re busy this week packing shoebox gifts for Operation Christmas Child. The church wanted to get a jumpstart on their boxes for the 2023 campaign. National Collection week for OCC is Nov. 13–20.

Police Reports

Traffic stop leads to arrest

The Columbia Police Department initiated a traffic stop on Fairground Street/Liberty Road just outside the city limits on Friday night that led to an arrest.

Officers reported an odor of marijuana coming from within the vehicle once they communicated with the driver. After administering a field sobriety test, the subject was taken into custody. A search of vehicle yielded findings of marijuana, paraphernalia, and suspected narcotics. Officers also seized a 9mm pistol found inside the vehicle.

James Hanson, 39, of Columbia, has been

charged with expired registration, operating a vehicle under the influence, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of a controlled substance.

Officer Trent Williams was the arresting officer. He was assisted on scene by Sgt. Evan Burton.

Columbia man arrested near Headstart for public intoxication

Adair County Head Start reported a suspicious person last Thursday morning after a male subject was said to be walking through the parking lot while carrying a stick or cane and behaving oddly.

Law enforcement officers made contact with the individual in a neighboring lot and observed that the male appeared under the influence. Once the party was placed into custody, he was found to have suspected methamphetamine and syringes on his person.

Richard Bernard, 44, of Columbia, has been charged with public intoxication, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of methamphetamine. Bernard was additionally served with an active probation violation warrant.

Officer Gary Roy was the arresting officer. He was assisted on scene by Sgt. Drew Conn and Sheriff Josh Brockman.

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Community Calendar

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE MEETING

The City of Columbia Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing at City Hall, 116 Campbellsville Street in Columbia, on **Thursday, Oct. 26** at 6 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to consider a variance request for property located at 201 Tutt Street. Property owned by Shannon Greer (PVA Map # 000-05-06-004.00). The hearing is open to the public.

WALKING TOUR

"Shot - Stabbed - Hanged - and More on the Columbia Public Square." A unique walking tour of the Public Square in Columbia will highlight a few of the many incidents that have occurred on and just off the Town Square. There will be incidents of our varied past illustrated, some in graphic detail. The tour will be led by Mike Watson and Dave Thomas. On **Friday, Oct. 27** at 7 p.m. the group will form at the annex steps, corner of the square and Greensburg Street, and proceed around the square. This is an educational, historical walk back into the wild years of early Columbia, the Civil War, and more. It is not intended for small children, as it can be a bit gory. For more information call Mike Watson, Adair Genealogy and History Research Center, 270-380-1024; adairgenealogy@gmail.com

CLASS OF 1973 REUNION

Adair County High School class of 1973 will have a reunion on **Saturday, Oct. 28**, at 5 p.m. at the VFW building located at 500 Green Hills Rd. If participants have not already paid, there will be a \$20 fee at the door to cover the building and meal.

SINGING

Matthew Brown and family will sing at Harrods Fork Baptist Church, 169 Harrods Fork Circle in Columbia, on **Sunday, Oct. 29** at 10:30 a.m. Sunday school will begin at 9:30 a.m. Bro. Mark Pierce and the congregation invites everyone to attend.

SPECIAL CALLED HOSPITAL BOARD MEETING

There will be a special called meeting of the Adair County Hospital District Board at the Adair County Chamber of Commerce office at 201 Burkesville St. in Columbia on **Monday, Oct. 30** at 6:30 p.m. The regularly scheduled meeting of the board on Tuesday, Oct. 31 has been cancelled due to the downtown Columbia Halloween activities.

SINGING

His Heart will sing at Cane Valley Christian Church, 2250 Cane Valley Rd. in Columbia on **Sunday, Oct. 29** at 10:15 a.m. A meal will follow the singing. Bro Godfrey Jackson and congregation invite everyone to attend.

TRICK OR TREAT

Trick or Treat hours for Columbia and Adair County this year will be **Tuesday, Oct. 31** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Treats on the Town will be held during that time on the square. Businesses or organizations that want to hand out candy should register with the Chamber of Commerce by calling 270-384-6020 or email coladair@duo-county.com.

TRICK OR TREAT

Cane Valley Christian Church, 2250 Cane Valley Rd. in Columbia will hand out treats in the basement of the church on Halloween, **Tuesday, Oct. 31** from 6-8 p.m. Everyone invited.

BOOK FAIR

The ninth annual Adair County Book Fair will be held at Wheel Fellowship Hall at Columbia Nazarene Church, 1208 Jamestown St., from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on **Saturday, Nov. 4**. The fair will include regional and local authors who will be present to sign their works. Information booths from various organizations will also be on display. For more information, contact Mike Watson at watson.kentucky@gmail.com or call 270-380-1024.

GOSPEL SINGING AND AUCTION

The Breeding Area Volunteer Fire Department will host a chili supper, gospel singing and auction on **Saturday, Nov. 4** at 4 p.m. The Blakeys will sing from 4 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. An auction will begin at 5:30 p.m. Chili, hot dog, dessert and drink will be available for \$7. Children 6 and under eat free. Anyone wishing to donate an item for the auction can bring it the day of the auction or call Terry Harvey at 270-378-1807.

SINGING

The Blakey Quartet will sing at Sparksville Nazarene Church, 9562 Burkesville Road, in Columbia, on **Sunday, Nov. 5** at 10:45 a.m. Pastor Robert Adkins and congregation welcomes you.

TRICK OR TREAT

A Veterans Day Program will be held at the Adair County High School gym on **Thursday, Nov. 9** at 9 a.m. Veterans are encouraged to come at 8 a.m. and enjoy coffee, juice, donuts and snacks at 8 a.m. and fellowship with ACHS Cadet Corps before the program. For more information call Krystal Redmon at 270-384-2751, extension 6124 or email krystal.redmon@adair.kyschools.us.

FALL REVIVAL

Charity Baptist Church will have a fall revival beginning **Monday, Nov. 13** at 6:30 p.m. nightly. Brother Larry Wisdom will bring the messages and special singing nightly. Everyone is welcome. Charity Baptist Church is located at 4072 Holmes Bend Rd, Columbia. Contact David Karnes for additional information at 270-250-2991.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child will be hosted by Columbia First Church of the Nazarene in the Wheel Fellowship Building, located at 1200 Jamestown St. in Columbia. Collection dates are Monday, Nov. 13, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Tuesday, Nov. 14, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Wednesday, Nov. 15, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 16, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Friday, Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Saturday, Nov. 18, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Sunday, Nov. 19, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday, Nov. 20, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

CHRISTMAS PARADE

The Adair County Annual Christmas Parade will be held **Saturday, December 2** and begin at 6 p.m. 'A Magical Christmas' is our Christmas Parade Theme for 2023. Lance Burton, famed magician and illusionist, will be our Grand Marshal.

Please contact the Chamber of Commerce to register for the parade. There is no charge but every entry MUST be registered. You may register by emailing coladair@duo-county.com or by calling 270-384-6020.

ELECTION RELATED DEADLINES

Excused in-person absentee voting will take place **Oct. 25, 26, 27, 30, 31 and Nov. 1** at the clerk's office from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Must bring proof of ID.

Early voting will take place **Nov. 2, 3, and 4** at the annex basement, 424 Public Sq. from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Must bring proof of ID. Any registered voter from any precinct may vote during these days.

Election Day is Nov. 7. Voting will take place at precincts from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m.

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Legislative Update

State Rep. Amy Neighbors

Election time in the commonwealth

As campaign advertisements fill our mailboxes, television screens, radio waves, and streaming services, we are all well aware that the November election is less than three weeks away.

While I would never tell you who to vote for, I will tell you that it is incredibly important to participate in one of our nation's oldest and most privileged practices. Remember, other countries do not have the luxury of voting, much less in a secure election.

This week, I would like to take the time to highlight down-ticket offices and their constitutional responsibility to the public. All too often we see names, faces, and titles, with little consideration of what our elected officials actually do for us.

Secretary of State:

Kentucky's constitution separates this office into three parts: the office of administration, the office of business, and the office of elections. They oversee a range of tasks, including, but not limited to, the management of our state's elections. With this, the secretary of state also plays a pivotal role in the democratic process, overseeing voter registration as well as state candidate filings and general election administration. This is all in addition to their duty to manage the authenticity of public documents and the oversight of foreign affairs for the state.

State Treasurer:

Acting as our key financial administrator, the state treasurer plays a critical role in safeguarding and allocating state funds by making the appropriate deposits of incoming revenue into the corresponding accounts. Aside from this, the treasurer is also responsible for recording, monitoring, and reconciling all the state's transactions in the depository and checking accounts. To do this, they

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work in tandem with other state agencies to ensure proper allocations and advocate for transparent and accountable financial practices.

Commissioner of Agriculture:

The commissioner of agriculture plays an important part in the promotion of Kentucky's foremost industry. This office is responsible for helping shape policy that affects farmers, ranchers, and the agricultural sector from top to bottom. They also focus on agricultural sustainability, market development, and ensuring food safety and quality standards. In Kentucky, the commissioner of agriculture's office also has the duty to inspect our fuel pumps at gas stations, and even rides at our local fairs.

Attorney General:

As the state's premiere legal figure and chief law enforcement officer, the attorney general is responsible for representing the state in legal matters and providing legal advice to state agencies and officials. They also oversee criminal prosecutions and hold a seat on the Prosecutors Advisory Council. The attorney general is also constitutionally obligated to appear in the Supreme Court or Court of Appeals in matters the commonwealth has a direct interest in. This office also manages

several public protection services, such as the state's "Do Not Call" registry and the consumer complaints system.

State Auditor: Last but certainly not least, the auditor of public accounts supervises the accounting and financial functions of the state. Often times you will hear the term "watchdog" thrown into the description of auditor, as they watch over other state agencies by performing internal governmental audits. The duties of the state auditor and state treasurer may seem similar in nature, but they have two very different jobs. I like to think of it as the auditor being the state's accountant, while the treasurer acts as the state's banker.

While elections may seem overwhelming, I wholeheartedly believe we are blessed to live in a state and nation where we get to have a part in selecting who our leaders are. We have options in all the races on Nov. 7, and no matter who you are for, it is important that you make your way to a voting center to cast your ballot.

Check out the State Board of Elections at <https://elect.ky.gov/Voters/Pages/Polling-Locations.aspx> for a list of polling locations by county. The secretary of state's website, <https://vrsws.sos.ky.gov/ovr-web/govoteky> gives you an opportunity to view sample ballots by county.

As always, I can be reached through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181. You can also contact me by e-mail at amy.neighbors@lrc.ky.gov and keep track of committee meetings and potential legislation through the Kentucky Legislature's website at legislature.ky.gov.

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OBITUARIES

Dale Roy



Dale Roy, 69, of the Egypt community, died Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at 9 a.m. at Taylor Regional Hospital in Campbellsville. He was born July 19, 1954 in Taylor County to the late William Thomas "Tom" and Gladys Hancock Roy. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, William Thomas "Bill" Roy, Jr. Dale was a member of Egypt Christian Church, a member of Columbia Lodge #96 and a Kentucky Colonel and a former road construction worker. Survivors include his wife, Lana Feese Roy of Columbia; one daughter, and son-in-law, Amy and Bobby Keys of Columbia; one son and daughter-in-law, Ricky and Tressie Roy

of Columbia; one brother, Mike Roy (Teresa) of Columbia; two sisters, Faye Davidson of Columbia and Camellia Roy of Stanford; six grandchildren, Kassidy Huddleston (Levi), Hunter Cundiff (Maddie), Brayden Burton, Riley Roy, Brady Cundiff, Caydee Burton; one great-grandchild, Ada Caroline Huddleston; "His Boy," Spade; and several other relatives and friends.

Visitation and funeral service were held Friday, October 20, 2023 at Grissom-Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Paul Patton officiating.

Masonic rites were conducted on Friday, October 20, 2023 at Grissom-Martin Funeral Home by Columbia Lodge #96.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to the Egypt Christian Church Youth Fund which can be left at the funeral home.

Honorary casket bearers were Hunter Cundiff, Brady Cundiff, Brayden Burton, Levi Huddleston, Keith Johnson, Larry Heron, Billy Burton, Terry Corbin and Mickey Feese.

Grissom-Martin Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Janice Sneed



Janice Sneed, 64, of Columbia, died Monday, October 23, 2023 at T.J. Samson Community Hospital emergency room in Glasgow.

She was born October 8, 1959 in Adair County. She was preceded in death by her father, James Amos "Fuzzy" Sneed, and a brother, Bobby Ray "Boogie Bear" Sneed.

Janice was a registered nurse and a dedicated employee of Russell Coun-

ty Hospital for over 20 years.

Survivors include her husband, Ralph Sneed of Columbia; one daughter, Lori Dotson of Columbia; mother, Jewell Grant Sneed of Columbia; one sister, Phyllis Fisher (Don) of Bowling Green; one brother, Darrell Sneed (Teresa) of Bowling Green; nephews and nieces, Mark Burton (Heidi), Jeff Burton (Monica), Tracie Perry (Jeff) and Amy Riley (Kenny); a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral service will be held Friday, October 27, 2023 at noon at Grissom-Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Bobby Withers officiating.

Burial in Jones Chapel Cemetery.

Visitation will be after 4 p.m. on Thursday.

Grissom-Martin Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Jeffrey Kattus Brown



Jeffrey Kattus Brown, 66, of Columbia, passed away Sunday, October 22, 2023 at his residence. He was born on September 11, 1957 in Ottawa, Illinois to the late Joseph K. and Wanda Young Brown.

Mr. Brown was of the Catholic faith and enjoyed boating and spending time with his family and friends.

Survivors include his

wife, Melody Hale Brown of Columbia; his twin daughter and son, Jamie Lee Brown and Joshua Kattus Brown, both of Tennessee; three step-children, Vincent Schultz of Columbia, Amanda Head (Chris) of Michigan and Christine Schipiour (Chris) of Illinois; thirteen grandchildren; three sisters, Jennifer (Mike) Richner, Jill Eads and Jan Litterly (Jim) all of Illinois; and several other friends and relatives.

Mr. Brown chose cremation and a celebration of life service will be held at noon on Friday, November 10, 2023 at Stotts-Phelps-McQueary Funeral Home.

Visitation will be held on Friday, November 10, 2023 after 10 a.m. at Stotts-Phelps-McQueary Funeral Home.

Kingsley 'Smitty' Smith Jr.



Kingsley "Smitty" Smith Jr., 87, of Columbia, departed this life on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at his residence. He was the son of the late Kingsley Elsworth Smith Sr. and Madge Lane Smith and was born July 24, 1936 in Stuart, Florida.

He professed his faith in

Christ and was a member of the Glensfork Community Church. He served his country honorably in the United States Army. He united in marriage to Carol Allen on August 10, 1997 who survives. He was a carpenter by trade and loved being outdoors, traveling and was a commercial fisherman. He also loved playing with his dog, Ragz.

Besides his wife, he is survived by one stepson, Jason Allen Gocio and wife Jennifer of Virginia Beach, Virginia; two step-grandsons, Kason Andrew Gocio and Ryan Allen Gocio; and a host of other friends.

The family has chosen cremation and all services will be held privately.

L.R. Petty Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Margie Kathleen Rice Breeding Coomer



Margie Kathleen Rice Breeding Coomer, 98, of Columbia, passed away Saturday, October 21, 2023 at Summit Manor Nursing Home with her family by her side. She was born on December 8, 1924 in Adair County to the late George Moore Rice Sr. and Flora Eva Hovious Rice.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husbands William B. Breeding and later Rev. John L. Coomer; a brother, George M. Rice Jr. and his wife Christine; and four children, Donald, Kenneth, Harold Coomer and Margie Roach.

Mrs. Coomer was a dedicated member of Milltown Church and later Trinity Church. She was employed by Federal Crop Insurance and in earlier years served as a teacher in Adair County. She enjoyed singing, playing piano, reading, serving her church and spending time with her family and friends.

Survivors include a son,

Doug (Kim) Breeding; a daughter Nancy (Buddy) Smith; two children, Rev. John Carroll Coomer (Janice) and Nannette Coomer Johnson; four grandchildren, Erin (Gerard), Willie (Klara), Melissa (Pete) and John David; three great grandchildren, Ernie, Caroline and Thomas; four nieces, Sue Coomer, Lou Anne Coomer, Janet Biggs and Cherita McFarland and families; a nephew, Joey Caldwell and family; and several step grandchildren, step great-grandchildren, in-laws and other family members.

Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, October 26, 2023 at Trinity Church with burial in the Haven Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Thursday until time for the service at Trinity Church.

Rev. Steve Pescosolido and Elijah Coffey will be officiating, and pallbearers will be Doug Breeding, Buddy Smith, John Wells, Willie Breeding, Pete Ashby and Gerard Hardiman. Honorary pallbearers will be Richie Coomer, Steve Coomer, Mike McKinney, Joey Caldwell, Rick Wilson, Ray Fluhr, Sammy Blair, Mike Griffith, Neal Coomer and Layden Coffey.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Gideon Bibles or Trinity Church and can be left at the funeral home.

Jon Randall Mulder



Jon Randall Mulder, 67, of Columbia, died October

17, 2023 at his home.

He was born July 12, 1956 in Detroit, Michigan, to the late Harlan and Phyllis DeBoer Mulder.

He is survived by his daughter, Dawn Mulder, and his granddaughter, Alexandria Marie Peavey, both of Columbia.

Cremation has been chosen and no services will be held.

Grissom-Martin Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Shirley Ann Booher Loy



Shirley Ann Booher Loy of Columbia, daughter of the late John Talbott Booher and Sarah Louise Miller Booher, was born on February 3, 1940 in the Glens Fork community of Adair County.

She departed this life on October 10, 2023 at the Sunrise Manor in Hodgenville with her daughter, Elizabeth, and granddaughter, Amber, by her side. She was 83 years, eight months and seven days of age.

She had made a profession of faith in Christ, was of the Methodist faith and attended the Glens Fork Church of the Good News.

Shirley was a former caretaker and has been employed by Macy's. She loved bird watching, gardening, reading, baking and crocheting. She dearly loved her dog, Heidi.

Survivors include two

daughters and sons-in-law, Elizabeth and Charles Jones and Lisa John Sargent; two sons and one daughter-in-law, Frank Loy and Eric and Beth Loy; ten grandchildren, Ambur Loy, Trevor Loy, Charity Loy, Mara Sargent, Matthew Loy, Charles Thomas Jones, Mac Loy, Jessica Loy, Emma Loy and Katie Loy; six great-grandchildren, Elijah, Distinee, Oliver, Chloe, Quentin and Cheyenne; a special friend, Glenda Carrol; plus a host of other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her former husband, Joe Frank Loy; and one sister, Connie Ruth Booher Alkire.

The funeral services for Ms. Shirley Loy were conducted on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at the Glens Fork Church of the Good News with burial in the Columbia Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy are requested to be made in the form of donations to the Glens Fork Church of the Good News or the American Cancer Society, which can be made at the church or the funeral home.


Gupton-Landrum Funeral Home in Greensburg is in charge of the arrangements.

Now when Jesus saw the crowds,
he went up on a mountainside and sat down.
His disciples came to him,
and he began to teach them.
He said:
"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom
of heaven."

Matthew 5:1-3


"For God so loved the world
that He gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in Him
shall not perish but have eternal life."
- John 3:16

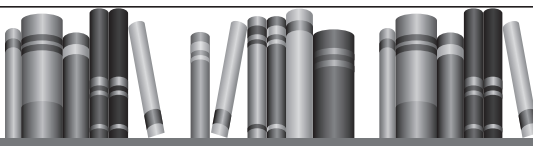
The Lord is near
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and saves the
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Psalm 34: 18



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- November 22-24: NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving
- December 18 - January 1: NO SCHOOL - Christmas

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Phone: 270-384-3367

ADAIR COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- October 26: Half of fifth grade field trip - Trabue House
- October 26: Team up against drugs - Wear your favorite team apparel
- October 27: Conservation for fourth and fifth grades
- October 27: Half of fifth grade field trip - Trabue House
- October 28: Follow your dream - Pajama day

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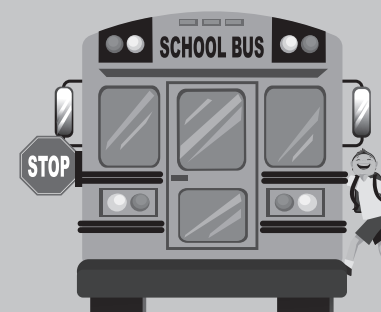

- November 10 - NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day
- November 22-24: NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving
- December 18 - January 1: NO SCHOOL - Christmas

Principal: Keri Willis
Vice Principal: Ellen Holley
Phone: 270-384-5308

ADAIR COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

- November 9: Veteran's Program - 9 a.m.
- November 10 - NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day
- November 22-24: NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving
- December 18 - January 1: NO SCHOOL - Christmas

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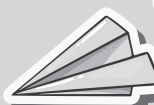

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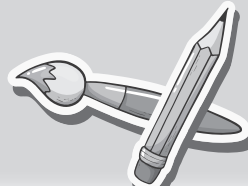








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Adair defeats McCreary Central 49-20 in thrilling game

From school records to a one-handed interception, this game was in Adair County's favor the whole way. The Indians went into the game against McCreary Central looking to build off their win from last week and they did just that.

Dynamic duo Solomon Stonebraker and Lane Grant were the story of this game. Solomon's 240 receiving yards and three touchdowns would be enough to set the school record for receiving yards in one game.

For Grant, he was spectacular on both sides of the ball. On offense he passed for 310 yards and four touchdowns. He was also able to make an impact on the ground, rushing for 77 yards and a touch-

down. While the offensive stats are impressive, Grant received his shine this week on defense.

On a play where McCreary Central aired the ball out for a deep pass, Grant tracked the ball down and made an amazing one-handed interception. He would then return the ball over 100 yards to make one of the best plays of the season in the state of Kentucky.

Another player who stood out defensively was once again junior linebacker Timothy Streeval. Timothy built up 13 total tackles throughout the game, seven of which were solo tackles. Timothy's hard hitting play style on defense makes him a huge asset to the team.

When asked about the

importance of the 49-20 win, quarterback Lane Grant said, "Going into this game we knew this is a game we needed to win. We know how good of a team we are, and we know that we have got to be playing the best football we can play going into the post season."

The Indians improved their record to 6-3 in their win over the Raiders and look to build on that next week against Metcalfe County. This will be the last regular season game of the year, and this will be the game that sets the tone for the Indians going into the playoffs. The game starts at 7 p.m. at home and tickets can be bought at the gate.

**By Trenton Page
Sports Writer**

Homemaker's Holiday Bazaar Set for Nov. 18



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Family and Consumer
Science

The Extension Homemaker's Holiday Bazaar will be held Nov. 18 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Extension Office.

The Bazaar features a wide selection of locally made jams, crafts, relishes, pickles, fashion accessories, candies, pies, handmade holiday decorations, woodworking items, fresh produce, and more. The Bazaar is the perfect stop for locally made holiday gifts!

The Bazaar supports scholarships and educational programs for Extension Homemakers. Vendor applications are currently available and due by Nov. 15 at 4:30 p.m.

The Holiday Miniature Village Competition will take place on Nov. 18 during the Holiday Bazaar.

Participants are tasked with creating a dazzling display of miniature holiday figurines and tiny buildings, like how some may decorate their homes during the holidays. The competition is free and open to anyone. Registration is due by Nov. 3. Displays are limited to one table (72x30 inches) and participants are asked to

fill as much of the table as possible. Winners will be determined by public vote and announced at the conclusion of the Bazaar. Each visitor receives one vote.

Holiday Online Shopping Savvy

The holiday season is quickly approaching and many of us will shop online for at least some of our holiday purchases. Being smart about when and where you shop online can help keep you from falling victim to cybercrime.

Only shop online when you know you have a secure internet connection. Shopping with an unsecure connection may make you an easy target for cyber thieves who can steal your credit card information. Remember public internet connections are not always secure, even if you are on your own device, and the public network's security software may not always be up-to-date.

When buying online, look for a padlock symbol on the page and shop from sites that start with https:// web address. The "s" after "http" shows that the website encrypts your infor-

mation as it processes the transaction.

Use credit cards instead of debit cards to make online purchases. The Fair Credit Billing Act limits your responsibility to the first \$50 in charges if your credit card is used fraudulently, and many credit card companies will not hold you responsible for any fraudulent online charges. Review your statements and report any suspicious transactions to your credit card company. You may also request a free credit report from the three credit reporting agencies Experian, TransUnion and Equifax.

Create strong passwords and PIN numbers. Use different combinations of upper and lowercase letters, numbers and symbols to make your passwords hard to crack. Do not use personally identifiable passwords such as your address, birthday or name in your passwords, as these are easy for thieves to figure out. Keep your passwords private. Do not share them with others or keep them in your wallet or purse as these can be stolen. Try to use different passwords for each of your online accounts.

Automatically set updates on your device, apps, browsers and computer operating systems to keep them current with the latest security features. Password protect your home internet connection to keep your personal network secure.

For more ways to protect your financial well-being, contact the Adair County Extension Office.

Sports Roundup

JV basketball wins against Cumberland

The Adair County Middle School boys' basketball kicked off their season this week and all three grades showed off their skill in what will surely set the tone for the rest of the season. The team traveled to Cumberland County and set the final scores with massive leads.

Coach Mike Sneed had this to say: "Three good wins to start the year. We have several new players and it was good to get them some experience. I'm proud of the returning players helping and leading the team."

Sixth grade won 51-18, seventh grade won 49-15, and eighth grade won 48-18.

If you want to catch the Indians in action, you will find them at their first home game against Metcalfe County tonight at 5 p.m. They will also be headed to Taylor County on Monday, and will face off at 5 p.m.

Adair band advances to semifinals

The Adair County Marching Band is almost finished for the season as

they are on the road to the state championships. The band went to Warren East High School last weekend for the KMEA quarterfinals where they had a great performance for the season.

The team was awarded second overall KMEA 3A and also tied for the best overall music performance. This qualifies the team to move closer to that championship title.

The team will perform Saturday at 2 p.m. in Warren County for the semifinals competition. The band is facing off against 11 other teams and will be the final performance of the 3A semifinals. If the Indians perform well, it will be off to state finals later that day.

Cross country headed for state

The cross-country team went to Bowling Green this past weekend for varsity regionals in the Ephram White Park. The runners showed their speed, allowing them to represent Adair County in the state finals.

The regional meet yielded great results for individual runners. Brianna Hillock received a sixth-place medal and quali-

fies for the KHSAA State Championship for the girls. Jacob Boutte will also be at championship, running for the boys.

"All the runners had major improvements and we are very proud of them," said Coach Jon Vaughn.

Catch the Adair County runners at the state championship this Saturday at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington.

Annual Powder Puff Game Today

The High School Powder Puff game is scheduled for today at 6 p.m. This will be held at the ACHS football field. Tickets will be sold for \$5 a person.

This annual match is always a great way for community members to support a local charity and local sports teams.

There will be a special half-time event this year in the form of a breast cancer survivors walk, so make sure to wear pink to the game. Community members can nominate their breast cancer survivor and there will also be "in memory of" ceremonial walk.

Farm basics series starts Nov. 9



Nick Roy
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Ag and Natural
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The Adair County Cooperative Extension Service is offering a series of workshops that will provide beginner-level information on multiple aspects of farming. From taxes to legal requirements, record-keeping, and government programs, this program is a primer to get you started. Below are the following dates and topics:

Nov. 9: Introduction to Farm Taxes

- What records to keep
- How to file tax exemption
- How to obtain a Farm Serial Number

Nov. 27: Keeping Farm

Records

- Basic Record Keeping Tools
- Developing a Kentucky Ag Water Quality Plan
- Excel
- Paper based records
- Farming apps

Dec. 4: Government Programs Supporting Agriculture

- USDA Farm Service Agency
- FSA
- FSA Loans
- NRCS/Soil Conservation
- Cooperative Extension
- Local Agriculture Organizations

Each class begins at 6 p.m. and will last 1 to 1.5

hours. Classes are free, but registration is required by calling 270-384-2317.

BQCA Certification

A Beef Quality and Care Assurance certification class will be held on Nov. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Adair County Cooperative Extension Service.

The Kentucky BQCA program takes national BQA practices one step further to provide a holistic program for Kentucky producers by adding cattle handling and animal care components to the training models. Educational modules provide the best management practices for handling cattle and providing for their well-being, in addition to training on the core principles of BQA.

The cost of BQCA in-person training is \$5. Producers also have an online option to complete the training online at www.kybeefnetwork.com

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PUBLIC RECORD

DISTRICT COURT

Oct. 18
Judge Michael Loy

Michael Bryant, 40, possession of a controlled substance, 3rd degree, drug unspecified; public intoxication of a controlled substance (excludes alcohol); possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia. Court notice for Nov. 15 (2023)

Donna Sue Yates, 60, trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, greater than or equal to two grams methamphetamine; buy/possess drug paraphernalia; public intoxication of a controlled substance (excludes alcohol); impersonating a peace officer. Plea of not guilty, preliminary hearing set for Nov. 8 (2023)

Rachel Cooper, 47, three counts of theft by deception, including cold checks under \$500. Bench warrant issued (2023)

Christian Nathaniel Wheeler, 49, criminal trespassing, 3rd degree. Plea of guilty, \$50 (2023)

Christian N. Wheeler, 49, criminal trespassing, 3rd degree. Plea of guilty, \$50 (2023)

Derek Matthew Otter-

son, 34, assault 4th degree, minor injury. Plea of not guilty, pretrial conference set for Nov. 13 (2023)

Thomas John Hilinski, 29, assault 4th degree domestic violence, no visible injury. Pretrial diversion order entered (2023)

Joslyn Pickett, 24, assault 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury. Pretrial diversion order entered (2023)

Kendra Smith, 35, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, first offense, methamphetamine. Rocket docket order entered (2023)

Houston Clint Hestand, 24, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a substance, third offense; no/expired registration plates; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; improper display of registration plates; possession of a controlled substance, 3rd degree, drug unspecified; possession of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle. Continued to Nov. 15 to enter plea (2023)

David D. Denney, 44, resisting arrest. Continued to Oct. 25 (2023)

Zachary Chandler Bal-lou, 27, criminal trespass, 2nd degree; attempt to theft by unlawful taking or dispo-sition all others. Plea of guilty, order entered (2023)

Troy Petty, 38, violation

of Kentucky EPO/DVO. Continued to Nov. 29 (2023)

Miranda M. Butrum, 35, criminal trespass, 1st degree. Plea of guilty, order entered (2023)

Levi R. Hausdorfer, 27, public intoxication of a controlled substance (excludes alcohol); endangering the welfare of a minor. Continued to Dec. 18 (2023)

Troy D. Petty, 38, assault 4th degree domestic violence, minor injury. Continued to Nov. 29 (2023)

Michael Burton, 43, violation of Kentucky EPO/ DVO. Plea of guilty, order entered (2023)

Richard Rodgers, 44, no operators/moped license; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a substance, first offense; possession of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle. Continued to Nov. 1 (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. Plea of guilty to DUI charge, dismiss all others, order entered (2023)

Jacob A. Parmley, 32,

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Jobs for America's Graduates was welcomed into ACHS with an official ribbon cutting. Students involved in the program were present along with Superintendent Jason Faulkner, staff and the teacher over the program, Denise Grant, who cut the ribbon.

JAG comes to ACHS

Jobs for America's Graduates, or "JAG," is now an official program at the Adair County High School.

The occasion was marked by a ribbon cutting in front of the school gymnasium.

Before the ribbon cutting commenced, a ceremony was held where city and school officials, as well as parents and

students could learn more about the program.

School Principal Chad Parnell explained JAG will "provide our students with comprehensive set of skills, experiences and mentorship that will not only prepare them for careers but also make them responsible citizens."

Denise Grant, who is the JAG specialist for

Adair County, said "JAG is an equity builder and we get to look at ourselves and understand that being a leader does not always mean being a boss. It means that you are making the right choices to be a leader in our own lives."

Several students also gave testimonies on what the program has already accomplished for the two

months it has already been active in the school.

Jetson Grant said, "I like the idea of being followed up with after graduation, knowing that there are resources still available to me if I ask."

Hannah Minshall said with the help of the program, she is now receiving straight A's and has a better idea of what she wants to do after she

graduates school.

JAG will also have a community outreach, which will be student led.

Zaylan Tucker, student leader over the outreaches, said they are working towards getting the program out into the community. She said they have been writing letters to people they are thankful for and have

started service projects like cleaning the school's windows and trophy cases.

Outside the school, they will be developing a school food drive and making Christmas cards for the nursing home residents, which will be delivered personally by the students.

By Brandon Roberts
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Court makes first investment with opioid settlement funds

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leading the effort. They presented their plans to the court during Tuesday night's regular meeting and were met with great interest and numerous questions from members of the court. The conversation continued for close to 30 minutes, culminating with a unanimous vote to provide funding.

Hardwick told the court that they have provided a facility for sober living for women since December. Drug testing is required for anyone to live there.

"A lot of people, when they get out of rehab or jail, they don't have anywhere to go," she said. "They've burned all their bridges. They just don't have the funds; they don't have a lot of stuff in general."

A counseling program and other recovery efforts are provided during their stay at the facility, she added. They have now received state funding to open a sober living facility for men, which they hope to have open in January.

In addition to housing, Bunch, Stapleton and Smith will be involved in providing job training. The group has purchased property on Campbellsville Rd. and will open a coffee shop and provide screen printing services that will be operated by men and women involved in the program. There will provide training for office and administrative management skills.

The women's facility can house up to eight women, and the men's housing will have the same capacity, Hardwick said.

The project is aimed at helping break down the many barriers that often discourage people trying to overcome addiction, from first providing a 90-day substance abuse program to offering a closet with clothing to help someone undergoing job interviews.

"We want to make a difference, and to do that we are going to have to support them and take a chance on them," Grider said. Participants may be in the program or can be out-patient clients,

and Grider said she will be reaching out to local business owners to provide jobs to people who have successfully completed the program.

"...So, they don't go back to the same situation they came out of," Grider said. "Because, If you don't make a change, there can't be a change. If they go back into the same thing over and over and over, then that is where they are going to be. Our goal is to give them that opportunity, to make a choice, to not have to go back to the same thing."

Magistrate Daryl Flatt said he supported funding the group but suggested the county start by providing half of what is available now and then hear an update before providing further funding. Magistrate Terry Hadley said the program is badly needed in the community and seconded a motion by Flatt to fund the project. The funding was approved unanimously.

By Sharon Burton
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Split vote stops cemetery move by EDA

Members of the Columbia-Adair Economic Development Authority spoke to the fiscal court Tuesday night, giving them an update on their projects but unsuccessfully asking for a second time for permission to remove a graveyard located at the commerce park.

Board chairman Larry Walker summarized EDA's current activity and addressed what appeared to be an oversight in inviting magistrates to last week's groundbreaking at the park. Walker said they

contacted the judge executive's office when the event was hastily put together the previous day and thought the office would contact magistrates. They were not contacted.

Members of the court were provided a packet from EDA that included documents concerning a project to remove the Squires cemetery from the commerce park and moving it to Union Cemetery.

Walker said EDA just recently had a visit by a South Korean company interested in building

a 200,000 sq. ft. facility and providing up to 200 jobs. They visited several communities but Walker said they specifically asked to visit the Adair County location. They will be a supplier for the battery plant currently under construction in Glendale.

Walker said they have been advised that Japanese and Korean companies could be hindered from locating in the park because of the location of the cemetery. Somerset almost lost their larg-

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est employer because of a cemetery and the project was saved only because an alternative piece of property was made available.

EDA has spoken with the only known descendants of the people buried in the cemetery, and they are not opposed to the relocation.

The cemetery was not maintained for years and was not easily accessible until EDA built a new road in the park. The family learned about the graves around 2015 while doing genealogy research and asked EDA to install a fence to keep cattle out of it. The family also put up a sign identifying it as the Squires Cemetery.

Even so, the headstones are broken for at least 12 of the 16 burial plots. EDA’s plan includes restoration of the headstones and the purchase of a large headstone that tells the original location of the graves by gps coordinates and lists the names of everyone who is identified. EDA would also pay for the purchase of the new plots and for perpetual care. Richard Grant has overseen the project to follow all state laws and standards for moving the plots. Legal notices were published to notify next of kin in case there was opposition, but nobody came forward.

After spending several months on the project, EDA was told that the fiscal court would have

to approve the move. State law allows property owners to move “abandoned” graves and allows county governments to move graves if they see the need. Because there had been some work at the site, EDA was advised to get court approval for the move.

The vote to approve the request failed with a tied vote. Daryl Flatt said he was voting no “at this time” but would consider changing his vote if that is the family’s wishes. Mark Humphress said he wants to see the community move forward but he also has respect for the dead, adding that his brother served in South Korea.

“There are cemeteries in the middle of towns

over there,” he said. “They have more respect for their dead than they do the living.”

Flatt, Humphress, Billy Coffey and Tony Denton voted no. Chris Reeder, Terry Hadley, Sammy Baker and Judge Executive Larry Russell Bryant voted yes.

Bryant asked the EDA members if they had other avenues and Walker said they could reach out to the Attorney General’s office for an opinion to see if the move does in fact require county government approval.

Discussion on occupational tax director, pay for deputy judge postponed

Judge Bryant skipped two topics that have been

the subject of debate by the court and said he planned to call a special meeting to hold a closed session for the conversation.

The court has yet to hire an occupational tax director. In addition, Bridget Compton was appointed to deputy judge executive but the court has never adjusted her salary based on her new duties.

Kentucky open meetings laws are very specific on the topics that may be discussed in closed session. The law does allow discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee, but the exception shall not be interpreted to permit discussion of

general personnel matters in secret.

Also, during Tuesday’s meeting, the court accepted a bid by Burton Real Estate to auction property on Reed St. with a 5 percent buyer’s premium. It was the only bid the court received.

The court appointed Laura Watkins to the Adair County Public Library Board of Trustees, replacing Maggie Coleman, whose term has expired.

The court approved first reading of a school bus turnaround at 6897 Russell Springs Rd. and 1114 Roy Rd. Second reading for a waterline easement on Anderson Rd. was approved.

By Sharon Burton
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Adair County Lady Indians hosts alumni softball team

The Adair County High School softball team recently hosted their second annual alumni softball game. All proceeds of the event went to the 2024 Lady Indians softball team.

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FREE FLU SHOTS WILL BE AVAILABLE!

(Ages 18 and over.)

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