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US moves to shut a Kentucky organ donation group, citing safety failures

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP Medical Writer

The Trump administration said Wednesday it will shut down a Kentucky organ donation group accused of continuing plans for organ retrieval from some patients who unexpectedly showed signs of life.

While those surgeries were canceled, the cases made headlines several years ago, prompting a spike in people around the country revoking their organ donor registrations.

Health Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. called the nonprofit Network for Hope “a bad apple” and accused it of “persistent safety failures” in announcing the government was starting the process to decertify it.

Network for Hope is one of about 55 organ procurement organizations, or OPOs, that coordinate the



recovery of organs from deceased donors and help match them to patients on the nation’s transplant list. In a statement, Network for Hope said it “strongly disagrees” with Kennedy’s decision and will appeal.

Among the allegations is that in 2021, Network for Hope’s predecessor organiza-

tion pressured a local hospital to proceed with plans to withdraw life support and retrieve organs from a man despite signs that he was waking up from a drug overdose. The man survived and his sister joined Kennedy at a press briefing Wednesday, thanking him.

OPOs cannot declare

if someone is dead — only a doctor at the hospital treating the person can do that. Only after that declaration can a donor agency assume responsibility for the deceased, looking for potential recipients and scheduling surgeons to come in to retrieve the organs. Most donations come from

people declared brain-dead. But sometimes doctors say a patient has a nonsurvivable injury and the family decides to withdraw life support — and in certain circumstances, that also can allow for donation.

In its statement, Network for Hope said it complies with all federal organ policies.

It said that over a year ago it implemented a “first-of-its-kind” new safeguard allowing anyone — including health professionals or family members — to call a pause in donation planning if there’s any concern the patient won’t be appropriate.

Kentucky recently passed a law mandating that pause and the federal Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network is working on new rules that also would require all the nation’s OPOs to implement it.

More than 100,000 people are on the U.S. transplant list, the vast majority seeking a kidney, and thousands will die waiting for a new organ. There were more than 49,000 transplants last year, a record despite a small drop in donations from the deceased — the first such dip in a decade.

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Back-to-school clothing giveaway a gospel opportunity for Elm Grove Baptist

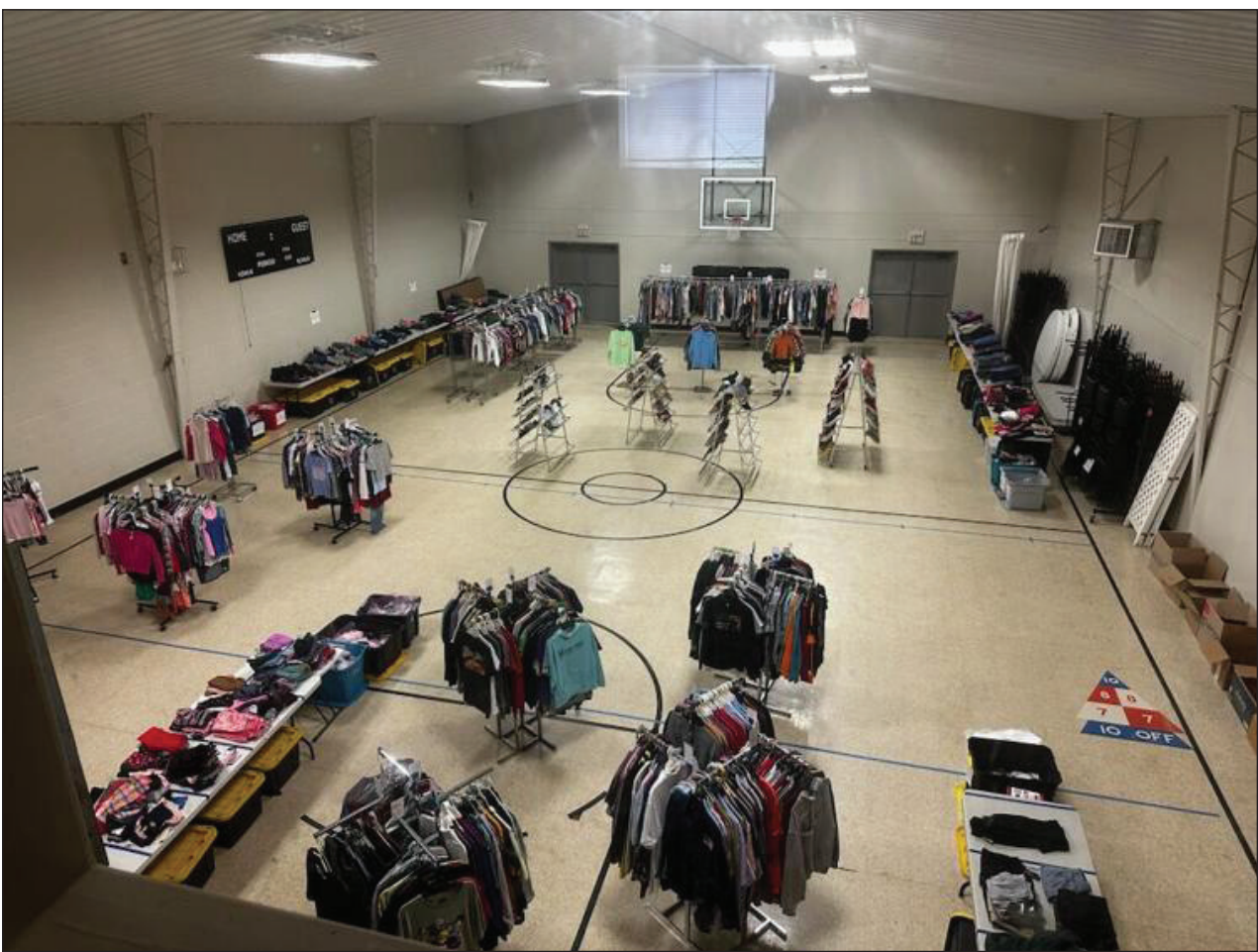
By CHIP HUTCHESON
Kentucky Today

MURRAY, Ky. (KT) — A much-larger-than-usual crowd showed up for a back-to-school clothing giveaway July 26 at Elm Grove Baptist Church, enabling the church to have a significant gospel opportunity with every family at the event.

Pastor Clint Gentry said 223 school-age children, from pre-school to high school, received free clothing — with each student receiving five outfits. An adult had to accompany each child.

The church has hosted the giveaway since 2018 with church members donating clothing items. Gentry was youth pastor at that time, and has been the senior pastor for the past six years.

“Our church has a lot of school teachers, and one of our teachers, Leslie Ray, is the coordinator. She and some teachers wanted to help kids — other churches were doing school supplies so those needs were



More than 200 children received clothing at a gospel-centered giveaway event at Elm Grove Baptist Church. (Submitted photo)

being met. But other needs, like clothing, were not being met,” Gentry recalled.

That first giveaway attracted a large crowd, but in recent years the number declined, especially during Covid. Last

year there were slightly less than 100 students served, but this year there was a dramatic increase.

“It was from 1-3 p.m., but we probably had 50-75 people lined up in front of the church at 12:45,” Gentry said.

“I said, ‘Wow, this is awesome.’ I got a speaker and started telling people the gospel. I told them, ‘Today we are blessed to be able to gift you — these are free — you get a certain amount of clothing per kid.’

My segway was, ‘we want to give these to you freely because they reflect the free gift of salvation that Christ has given to us.’”

The church had its gym set up like a clothing store where

people could enter and see the clothing offered. “We had people helping in that process. And every family got a goody bag that contained hygiene items and other things. In that bag we would give each family a gospel tract. On the way out we tried to target people and ask if they needed any help. We were able to have private (gospel) conversations with them.”

Gentry said at least 25 church members were on hand to help people in the distribution, and said many church members contributed clothing.

“Our church as a whole was blown away,” Gentry said of the event. “We had enough clothing, but there were some sizes we didn’t have so we have extended past that (July 26) date. All last week we were working with our entire church family to meet the needs of some of the kids who came late. We’ve been able afterwards to meet those needs.”



SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS

- 1. PLAN A SAFE ROUTE** - Whether your child walks to school, rides a bike or strolls to the bus stop, map out the most direct trip possible. Do an initial walk-through with your child and make sure he or she doesn’t walk alone - find a friend, parent or family member who can make the trip too.
- 2. KEEP YOUR KIDS INFORMED** - Ensure your child is prepared in case of an emergency. They should know their address, telephone number and full name (for younger kids).
- 3. AT THE BUS STOP** - Kids should follow these three tips: Always look for traffic before stepping off the bus. Always wait for the driver to signal you before crossing in front of the bus. Never walk behind a school bus.
- 4. BULLYING** -Talk to your kids about bullying. Make sure they feel comfortable telling you or their teacher about any problems that arise. Keeping an open line of communication is essential.
- 5. AVOIDING STRANGERS** - Create a plan for your child explaining what to do if a stranger approaches - especially on their way to and from school. If your child is home alone after school, consider installing a home alarm system they can easily use and discuss additional home safety measures.



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McCracken County A won the Ballard Memorial Invitational Championship at Ballard County Country Club on Saturday, Aug. 1. Jack Farmery, Evan Hack, Brently Gregory, Peyton Courtney and Cooper Webb (pictured in no particular order) comprise McCracken County A. The Mustangs compiled a team score of 284 in the Ballard Memorial Invitational.
(Photo courtesy of McCracken County High School Athletics)



The Calloway County girls' volleyball team placed third in the silver bracket of the Bluegrass State Games on Sunday, Aug. 2.
(Photo courtesy of Calloway County High School Athletics)



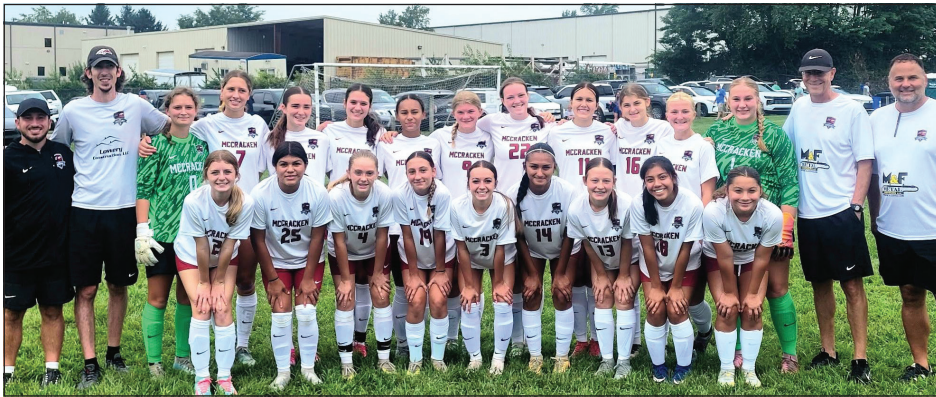
McCracken County Coach Zach Hobbs was recognized as a finalist for the Cincinnati Reds MSA Sport Design Baseball Coach of the Year Award.
(Photo courtesy of McCracken County High School Athletics)

KHSAA HYPE Student Leadership Conferences set, registration open

Staff Report

LEXINGTON — For the 26th year, the KHSAA will host its HYPE Student Leadership Conferences. The two events are scheduled for Monday, Aug. 31 and Tuesday, Sept. 1. Both events will be held at the Central Bank Center in Lexington. HYPE is a one-day student leadership conference where students engage in educational interactions to discuss issues and gather information to take back and share/implement with their teams and the student body. The event is staged and presented

by the KHSAA Student-Athlete Group. There is no charge to attend. However, schools are responsible for transportation and any meals. Registration is available online at <http://www.khsaa.org>. The registration deadline is Tuesday, Aug. 25. A school is limited to a maximum of 18 students. Conferences are first-come, first-served, and registration has previously closed before the deadline due to capacity limitations (350). The 2026-2027 KHSAA Student-Athlete Group is as follows: Marcellus Ashford (Bryan Station), Landon Atcher (Elizabethtown), Corran Blair (Beechwood), Madelyn Boling (Paducah Tilghman), Kate Borders (Tates Creek), Mason Clements (McCracken County), Kinly Cooper (Pendleton County), Cam Drake (Bethlehem), Ella Dulaney (Frederick Douglass), Izzy Fisk (Scott), Colleen Harley (Mercy), Jackson Kincaid (George Rogers Clark), Sawyer Maggard (West Carter), Mya Moore (Elizabethtown), Trin Steed (Sacred Heart), Reagan Workman (Mason County).



McCracken County is among the area teams set to compete in the 2026 girls' high school soccer season.
(Photo courtesy of McCracken County High School Athletics)



Marshall County has unveiled its new football scoreboard. The 2026 high school football season will kick off on Friday, Aug. 21.
(Photo courtesy of Marshall County High School Athletics)

Application period for fall dove quota hunts open

Staff Report

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources will host four dove quota hunts and four traditional mentor/youth dove quota hunts during the early part of dove hunting season, which opens on Tuesday, Sept. 1. Hunters must submit applications for each of these dove quota hunts and will be randomly drawn depending upon availability. Applications will be accepted through 4:30 p.m. (ET) on Friday, Aug. 21. Dove quota hunts will be held at Big Rivers Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Union County and the Roberts Tract of Kentucky River WMA in Owen County. A hunt will be held at each location on Tuesday, Sept. 1, the traditional opening day of dove season, and again on Saturday, Sept. 5. The quota dove hunts at Big Rivers WMA run from noon-5 p.m. (CT). The quota dove hunt on the Roberts Tract of Kentucky River WMA is from 1-6 p.m. (ET). Hunters must be off the field by closing time. These fields will be closed in between the quota hunt dates to limit hunting pressure on the fields. They will open to all

dove hunters starting Sunday, Sept. 6. Applications for dove quota hunts are available on the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Migratory Bird Hunting webpage. Drawing results will be posted by Wednesday, Aug. 26. Drawn applicants must print a copy of the selection page and carry it with them in the field. Drawn hunters are allowed one guest. The guest must be accompanied by the drawn hunter. Guests must also carry a copy of the selection page. All hunters must check in before the hunt and check out after. Each hunter is allowed 50 shotshells (two boxes). There will be 30 hunter slots for each quota hunt on Kentucky River WMA and 25 slots for each quota hunt on Big Rivers WMA. Dove quota hunters on Kentucky River WMA must only use non-toxic shot. Mentor/youth dove hunts to include four fields. Kentucky Fish and Wildlife will also hold four mentor/youth dove quota hunts on Tuesday, Sept. 1, with one each at the Clarks River National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) in Marshall County, Mullins WMA in Kenton County, Barren River Lake WMA in Barren County, and a private land cooper-

ator field in Lincoln County. Dove quota hunters on Clarks River NWR must only use non-toxic shot. The rules for the mentor/youth dove quota hunts are unchanged from last year and are available on the Migratory Bird Hunting webpage, along with the application link. The online application period for these hunts is also through Friday, Aug. 21. A state-approved Hunter Education certification is required for all Kentucky hunters age 12 or older who were born in 1975 or later. A one-year Hunter Education Exemption Permit is available free to hunters who can't obtain their certification before going afield, but the permittee must be accompanied in the field by an adult who is Hunter Education-certified. Before legally hunting migratory birds, hunters must complete the Harvest Information Program (HIP) survey. The process takes less than 5 minutes by visiting "My Profile" to fill out the survey. After completing the HIP survey, hunters will receive a confirmation number that must be written on their hunting license or Kentucky Migratory Bird/Waterfowl Permit.



McCracken County girls' golfer Harper Hunt hit a hole-in-one on hole number 11 at Bowling Green Country Club on Monday, Aug. 3.
(Photo courtesy of McCracken County High School Athletics)

Murray State earns academic honors from AVCA

MURRAY — The Murray State University volleyball program received the 2026 Team Academic Award and was named to the Team Academic Honor Roll by the American Volleyball Coaches Association in July.

The Racers were one of 1,432 teams across all divisions to receive the Team Academic Award and were featured on the Team Academic Honor Roll, representing the top 20% of GPAs nationally by division. Collegiate volleyball teams qualify for the AVCA Team Academic Award by maintaining a year-long grade-point average of at least 3.3 on a 4.0 scale. 2026 marks the ninth time that Murray State has received the Team Academic Award and the fourth consecutive season winning the award.

“I couldn’t be more proud of this group of ladies,” said acting head coach Tristyn Krzos. “The work they put in every day doesn’t stop when they leave the gym, and this recognition is a reflection of their drive and commitment to excellence in the classroom as much as on the court. We will continue to keep raising the standard!”



The Carlisle County girls' volleyball team hosted a car wash as a fundraiser on Saturday, Aug. 1.
(Photo courtesy of Carlisle County High School Athletics)

Green Turtle Bay Resort prepares for annual Marina Day Celebration

GRAND RIVERS, Ky. — Green Turtle Bay Resort is gearing up for one of its biggest summer traditions as Marina Day returns on Saturday, Aug. 8, with a full day of family-friendly activities, live entertainment, shopping, and a fireworks spectacular over the marina.

The festivities begin at 10 a.m. and continue throughout the day, offering something for visitors of all ages. Organizers say this year’s event is larger than ever, with expanded attractions, more vendors, and added amenities designed to keep guests comfortable during the summer heat.

Families can enjoy a wide variety of inflatable attractions, including water slides, obstacle courses, dual slides, a Velcro wall, jousting games, and other interactive activities that have become favorites with children.

To help beat the August temperatures, Green Turtle Bay will feature cooling misters throughout the event, while kids crafts and face painting will take place indoors in an air-conditioned space.

More than 45 local retail vendors and food trucks are expected to participate, with additional vendors continuing to sign up ahead of the event.

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Returning favorite Jason Lindsey, “The Science Guy,” will present hands-on science demonstrations that combine education with entertainment for audiences of all ages.

Visitors can also take harbor tours aboard pontoon boats, giving guests a chance to experience the marina from the water.

As the daytime festivities wind down, live music by Peter Moon begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Tiki Turtle. The celebration concludes at dusk with a fireworks display over the marina, providing a colorful finale to the day’s events.

Marina Day has become one of Green Turtle Bay Resort’s signature annual events, bringing together residents and visitors to celebrate summer with entertainment, food, shopping, and family fun along the waterfront.

The event is free to attend and takes place at Green Turtle Bay Resort in Grand Rivers, Kentucky, with activities running from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., live music beginning at 6:30 p.m., and fireworks at dusk.

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EKU coach not surprised by Malachi Moreno’s growth on, off the court

By **KEITH TAYLOR**
Kentucky Today

RICHMOND, Ky. (KT) — Eastern Kentucky University coach A.W. Hamilton has had the inside track on Malachi Moreno since he was old enough to pick up a basketball.

Hamilton coached Moreno’s brother Michael Moreno for four seasons at Eastern and was the first to offer Malachi a scholarship when he was indecisive about playing basketball. Hamilton has watched Malachi Moreno develop into the top player in the state during his prep career at Great Crossing and now at Kentucky.

“I remember when you know nobody thought he was going to play basketball,” Hamilton said. “To see where he is now, it’s pretty cool ... I’ve watched him grow up from a kid all the way up to where he is now,

and just I’m proud of him. I’m really proud of him.”

Hamilton added that Michael Moreno’s influence has been a plus on and off the court. Michael Moreno enjoyed a stellar career at ECU from 2019-24, playing in 161 games. He scored 1,631 points, grabbed 958 rebounds and 59 blocks while playing for the Colonels. Moreno played at Scott County High School and was a Kentucky Mr. Basketball finalist in 2019. Malachi claimed the state’s top honor six years later in 2025.

“I’m proud of what Michael’s been able to help him and how Michael’s been able to help him grow,” Hamilton said. “You can see Malachi maturing ... I love what he does off the floor. He’s constantly in the community. He’s constantly signing autographs. He’s constantly doing



Kentucky’s Malachi Moreno’s continues to develop at a higher rate than anyone predicted.

things for young people. I couldn’t be more proud of Malachi.”

Hamilton hasn’t been surprised by Moreno’s growth, especially this summer as he tested the waters and entered the NBA Draft before

opting to return for a second season with the Wildcats.

“I’ve just watched some clips of him this summer and I can tell that he’s really invested into his body,” Hamilton said. “I think that’ll



Eastern Kentucky men’s basketball coach A.W. Hamilton has watched Malachi Moreno’s growth during his basketball career.

(Keith Taylor/Kentucky Today)

pay off for him this year. I think he’ll be able to play through contact better. I think his numbers will improve. I think his rebounding efficiency will improve. He’s put himself in position to have a huge, huge season.”

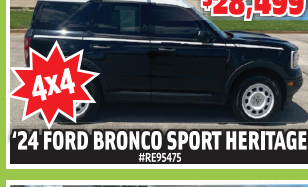
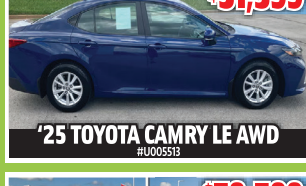
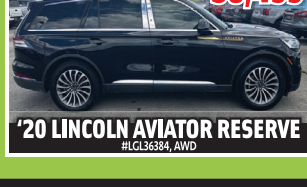
Hamilton added that going through the draft process will only help Malachi this season and beyond.

“I think it clears your mind and it gives you an idea what you need to do, what you need to improve on, and I think it also helps them understand how much they’ve got to invest in their bodies to get ready to play in the NBA,” he said. “It was a smart thing for him to do and it’ll pay off for him in the long run.”

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‘Set all students up for success’: UK student serves as Agriculture Future of America ambassador

By Bailey Vandiver
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LEXINGTON, Ky.—
Pre-veterinary experience. Leadership opportunities through Agriculture Future of America (AFA). A formerly feral cat named Wema. Alana Henegar has gained these things and more as a University of Kentucky student.
From Delaplane, Virginia, Henegar is studying Animal Sciences in the UK Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment and expects to graduate in 2027. She hopes to attend veterinary school and have a career in large animal veterinary care.
This year, she is serving as an ambassador for AFA, an organization that connects young leaders with professional development experiences. As a freshman, Henegar learned about AFA from UK’s student ambassador at the time and decided



to join.
Unlike many clubs or chapters at college campuses, AFA doesn’t have regular meetings but is represented by ambassadors and invites students to national conferences. Gatherings such as the Precision Agriculture Institute and Food Systems

Institute offer skill development and networking opportunities.
Henegar attended the AFA Leaders Conference in November 2025, which included networking and skill-building.
“It strengthens your public speaking, networking, and leadership abilities

as a whole,” Henegar said. “There are opportunities to get your foot in the door at companies for post-grad or internships.”
Henegar said she learned about potential jobs she had never considered, like being a veterinarian for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

experience. She is a peer mentor in the Martin-Gatton CAFE Living Learning Program (LLP), is an officer for the Block and Bridle club and is a member of the Pre-Vet Club. She also worked at the necropsy lab at the Veterinary Diagnostic

Laboratory (VDL).
She has also shadowed and worked at vet clinics to complement her classroom learning and prepare for veterinary school. Henegar has brought more than just knowledge home. Last year, a clinic she worked at received a feral cat and her kittens. The kittens were adopted, but no one had claimed the mom, so Henegar adopted Wema.
Henegar said she can’t recommend AFA enough to her fellow UK students.
“I want to make sure that other people know enough about it to know that it will be fun, and that it’ll be a great experience for them,” she said.
Learn more about Animal Sciences and pre-veterinary medicine mentoring at UK. Learn more about Agriculture Future of America. Applications for the next AFA Leaders Conference are due Sept. 10, 2026.

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“AFA not only helps you figure out other opportunities, but it helps you better yourself to be able to work toward those opportunities,” Henegar said.
This summer, Henegar attended the Animal Institute in Kansas City, where she heard from professionals and visited production factories for companies such as Hill’s Pet Food. She also visited the Kansas State Capitol to learn about advocacy and legislation that impacts the industry.
“This conference helps to show students the different ways they can be involved and help the industry that feeds the world,” Henegar said.
Organizations at UK have further enhanced Henegar’s educational



Alana Henegar visited the Kentucky State Capitol during the AFA Animal Institute in Kansas City.
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‘Mr. Farm Safety’ Dale Dobson Leaves Lasting Mark Across Kentucky

By Laurna Todd
KPI Writer

KPI Dale Dobson, widely known throughout Kentucky as “Mr. Farm Safety,” recently passed away unexpectedly, leaving behind a legacy built on service, compassion and a lifelong commitment to protecting farmers and their families.

Although Dobson was from Hodgenville, his influence extended across the commonwealth, including Western Kentucky, where he dedicated considerable time to helping farmers, farm families and first responders. His efforts brought lifesaving training, safety education and mental-health resources to rural communities throughout the region.

Dobson dedicated more than three decades to improving farm safety, emergency rescue, rural health and mental-health awareness. Former Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Billy Ray Smith hired him to establish the Kentucky Department of Agriculture’s Farm Safety Program.

Dobson went on to serve under four agriculture commissioners before being appointed director of Farm Safety and Rural Health by Agriculture Commissioner Jonathan Shell.

One of Dobson’s many visits to Western Kentucky brought him to the Bandana Baptist Church Family Life Center in Ballard County, where community members and first responders gathered for the ribbon cutting and unveiling of a grain bin safety and rescue training trailer dedicated in memory of Benny Cooper.

Dobson and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture developed the trailer with support from donors whose contributions are recognized on the unit. Dobson was passionate about dedicating it to Cooper, a lifelong farmer who lost his life in a grain bin accident in January 2025.

The trailer-mounted unit was designed to provide first responders with safe, hands-on rescue training. It replicates a grain bin environment without

requiring participants to train inside an actual bin. Elevated from the ground and built without moving parts, the unit provides a controlled setting where emergency personnel can learn and practice lifesaving rescue techniques.

The project demonstrated Dobson’s ability to turn tragedy into education, preparation and hope. It gave Western Kentucky first responders access to critical training that could make a lifesaving difference during future grain bin emergencies. The trailer represents just one of the many ways Dobson’s work made a lasting impact on individuals and communities throughout Kentucky.

Throughout his career, Dobson worked closely with farmers, farm families, first responders and rural communities. His leadership helped expand farm safety beyond accident prevention by connecting agricultural communities with emergency rescue training, preventive healthcare and mental-health

resources.

Dobson became especially recognized for his “Power of a Handshake” initiative, which encouraged meaningful conversations about mental health and reminded farmers that they were appreciated and never alone. During his career, he personally distributed 3,369 challenge coins as symbols of hope, encouragement and support.

It has been documented by several sources that Dobson’s work contributed to 21 suicide interventions. An additional 32 individuals reported that the Raising Hope program significantly improved their mental or physical health or helped save their lives. Through education, outreach and trusted relationships, the program’s efforts also contributed to an estimated 75% reduction in Kentucky’s annual average number of farmer suicides, from approximately 50 per year to 12.

Under Dobson’s leadership, Raising Hope developed into a nationally recognized model combining farm safety,



emergency rescue, preventive healthcare and mental-health outreach. His vision influenced programs beyond Kentucky and created a foundation that can continue serving agricultural communities for generations.

Although Dobson built programs that changed and saved lives, his greatest impact may be found in the people he met along the way. He was known for his humility, compassion and servant leadership, as well as his ability to make farmers and their

families feel seen, valued and supported. From his hometown of Hodgenville to the farming communities of Western Kentucky and beyond, Dobson’s legacy will remain in every handshake, every trained first responder and every life made safer through his work. His familiar reminders—“You Are Appreciated” and “Life is Good”—will continue carrying forward the hope and encouragement he shared throughout Kentucky and rural America.

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Staff Report

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Jason Gault, who has been with the company since 2012, specializes in designing irrigation systems and troubleshooting equipment problems.

"I enjoy helping customers solve issues and getting their systems back up and running," Gault said.

He became interested in the business after a friend purchased an irrigation system from Seven Springs Farms and said the

company has exceeded his expectations over the years.

Although the Pivot Irrigation division consists of just Gault and fellow employee Lloyd, the team provides comprehensive support to area farmers. Gault said the company also looks forward to participating in the National Farm Machinery Show in Louisville next spring, showcasing the latest advancements in agricultural technology.



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Deputies Make Four Arrests Over Weekend

From: Marshall County Daily

(MARSHALL COUNTY, Ky.) — The Marshall County Sheriff’s Office reported four arrests over the weekend, including charges for DUI, drug possession, domestic assault and traffic violations.

On Aug. 1, 21-year-old Brady Gore of Hardin was stopped after deputies observed him disregard a stop sign. During the stop, deputies determined Gore was under the influence of alcohol. He was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence, first offense, and disregarding a stop sign.

Also on Aug. 1, 37-year-old Michael Landry

of Gilbertsville was stopped after deputies noticed his vehicle had a broken windshield. During the stop, a deputy detected the odor of marijuana. A further search turned up marijuana and drug paraphernalia. Landry was charged with improper/no windshield, failure to produce an insurance card, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

On Aug. 2, deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance and found a victim had been assaulted, along with property damage at the residence. Dominick West, 26, of Calvert City was charged with fourth-degree assault (minor injury) and second-

degree criminal mischief.

Also on Aug. 2, deputies stopped a vehicle after observing it driving erratically and failing to signal a turn. The driver, 45-year-old Ideli-Ambrocio Morales of Mexico, was found to be driving without a valid license and possessing an open alcoholic beverage container inside the vehicle. Morales was charged with no operator’s license, possession of an open alcohol container in a motor vehicle, failure of a non-owner operator to maintain required insurance (first offense), failure to produce an insurance card, no registration receipt, improper turning and failure to signal.

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Kentucky State Police Investigating Death of McCracken County Jail Inmate

Staff Report

PADUCAH, Ky. — Kentucky State Police Post 1 detectives are investigating the death of a McCracken County Jail inmate following an apparent medical emergency earlier this week.

According to KSP, detectives were contacted by the McCracken County Jail on Sunday, Aug. 2, after an inmate suffered what was described as an apparent medical episode while in the presence of jail medical staff. The inmate was transported to a local hospital, where he was later pronounced dead.

The deceased was identified as Brandon Bowman, 35, of Paducah.

Kentucky State Police said the McCracken County Jail requested the agency conduct an independent investigation into the death, which is standard procedure in many in-custody deaths.

The preliminary investigation determined Bowman was receiving medical attention when he experienced the sudden medical emergency. Authorities said there were no immediate signs of foul play.

An autopsy was per-



Brandon Bowman, 35, of Paducah

formed Monday, Aug. 3. According to investigators, the examination revealed medical complications that are believed to have contributed to Bowman’s death. The autopsy

found no evidence of foul play.

KSP officials emphasized that, based on the evidence gathered so far, investigators do not suspect criminal activity in connection with the incident.

Detective Propes of Kentucky State Police Post 1 is leading the ongoing investigation. As with all death investigations, detectives will continue reviewing medical records, witness statements and other evidence before the case is officially closed.

No additional information regarding the specific medical complications identified during the autopsy has been released.

Kentucky State Police encourages anyone with information related to the investigation to contact Post 1 as detectives continue their review.

The investigation remains active, and authorities said additional details will be released if they become available. Until the investigation is complete, officials have not announced a final cause or manner of death beyond the preliminary findings indicating the death resulted from medical complications rather than foul play.



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From Living Rooms to Facebook Lives: How Direct Sales Have Changed

By Laurna Todd
KPI Writer

You may remember your mother or grandmother hosting a Tupperware party in the living room. Neighbors gathered for coffee and dessert while a representative demonstrated the “magic” of an airtight seal. Perhaps some of those pastel bowls are still tucked inside your kitchen cabinets—and may now have vintage value.

Tupperware parties became a cultural phenomenon during the mid-20th century by combining shopping, socializing and entrepreneurship. Inventor Earl Tupper introduced his lightweight

plastic containers in the 1940s, but shoppers initially struggled to understand the special “burping” seal.

Saleswoman Brownie Wise recognized that customers needed to see the containers in action. During in-home demonstrations, guests could handle the products, ask questions and learn how the lids worked. The parties became about more than kitchenware, providing women with opportunities to earn money, meet people and build lasting friendships.

My mother, Larrah Workman, remembers her mother, Teresa LeNeave, and her aunt, Mary Dennis, hosting Home Interiors parties



when she was young. Many companies embraced the home-party model during that era, with Mary Kay, PartyLite, Arbonne and Rainbow vacuum demonstrations also becoming popular.

LeNeave and Dennis traveled throughout the area selling Home Interiors products. The business allowed them to earn extra

income while meeting new people and enjoying an active social life.

Years later, Workman became involved in direct sales through Rodan + Fields. She continues to offer Young Living essential oils through her Mayfield shop, Bin Livin', but she no longer travels from home to home. Today,

she reaches customers through Facebook, her brick-and-mortar shop and her website, bin-livin.odoo.com. Convenience has become a priority, allowing customers to browse and purchase products with ease.

Like Workman, many people involved in direct sales have found new ways to reach customers. Sales that once took place in living rooms or on doorsteps have shifted to Facebook Live events, websites, boutiques, social media and farmers markets. Changing lifestyles and growing safety concerns have made unexpected door-to-door visits far less common, as many

people today would hesitate to open their homes to unfamiliar salespeople.

Although the methods have changed, successful selling still depends on the person behind the product. Customers respond to someone who believes in what they sell and enthusiastically shares it.

Progress offers convenience, but old-fashioned home parties remind us of something worth preserving. Getting “back to basics” does not require abandoning technology. It means making time to gather, talk and form the personal connections that made those parties so memorable.

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Gospel in Action event in Mayfield big success

By **CHIP HUTCHESON**
Kentucky Today

MAYFIELD, Ky. (KT) — Numerous churches in the Graves County Baptist Association joined forces last Saturday to providing an array of free resources as well as engage people with the gospel.

“To God be the glory for all that He did at the ‘Gospel in Action’ event hosted by Bro. Marcus Burnett and the fine folks at High Point Baptist Church,” said Mike Jones, associational mission strategist. This is the second year for the annual event.

“It was fantastic,” said Burnett in expressing his appreciation for the opportunity provided by Jones and the local association. “The idea he brought forward, to me as a pastor, it was so beautiful to see all the churches come together, with one unified mission, offering simple things. One group changed oil, some ladies were painting fingernails, one church gave away food boxes and clothing, another church gave away hot dogs and chips. We got to serve so many people — it was an honor for our church to host and have an opportunity for folks to come out and be served.”

Jones said the crowd numbered around 200, with “at least 90 families being ministered to and at least 85 people helping with the event. There were so many others who dropped by but did not sign in.” Numerous giveaways were featured during the day.

“We (association) were not out a lot of expense — our main expense was oil changes. We did 17 oil changes, mostly for single moms, so other than some promotional expense, the oil filters and oil were the bulk of our expenses.” He added that most every church involved not only brought people but also resources. Participating



A lot of training and talking at the Gospel in Action event in Mayfield.



Cooking up some food at the Gospel in Action event in Mayfield.

churches included High Point, Enon Baptist, New Concord Baptist, Hickory Baptist, Mayfield First Baptist, Sharon Baptist, Rhodes Chapel Baptist, Trace Creek Baptist and Chief Cornerstone Baptist.

Also involved were Jaime Masso, pastor of Primera Iglesias Mayfield, who served as translator; Drs. Andrew and Tim Cude of Twin Teeth Dentistry in Paducah (Andrew is a member of Trace Creek while Tim is a member of Rosebower Baptist in Paducah); Shanna Burgess and Murray State University nursing students; Gideons, who gave away 65 English and 25 Spanish Bibles; Rick and Shirleen Pilcher with Child Evangelism Fellowship, who did five-day Bible clubs at several churches and a one-day event at New Concord.

Returning for a second year was an Iowa mission team, which

worked on two homes and helped Hickory Baptist with its Vacation Bible School as well as doing some work at the associa-



Some of the workers at the Gospel in Action event in Mayfield.

tion. About 20-plus people were on the team — six adults and the rest teenagers.

Also involved were Baptist Bikers, a

ministry of the association and New Concord, where Gary Cruse is pastor. That organization spent Saturday “minister-

ing, witnessing and sharing — making people aware of the ministry they have,” Jones said.

Another service offered was free blood pressure checks.

The association is now working with churches to debrief and begin planning for next year. That work includes following up with about 15 people or families that signed registration cards.

Burnett, who will observe his second anniversary as High Point’s pastor in December, said the follow-up process is important because “many people said they were not involved in a church at all, but indicated they would like to be involved somewhere. It is sweet to be involved in the follow-up team.”

Burnett noted that “for our church this was a big event — having this many people on our grounds at one time. It was encouraging; it was truly phenomenal. It was the biggest event we have had since we have been here. It was good for us to see what the Lord will do when we come together.”

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BALLARD

Nancy Jane Smith, aged 75, peacefully passed on July 30, 2026, at Life Care Center in LaCenter, KY. Family and friends gathered to honor Nancy at Bethel Cumberland Presbyterian Church on August 3, 2026, with visitation from 11:00 a.m. until the funeral service begins at 1:00 p.m., officiated by Rev. Drew Gray. Her final resting place will be at the church cemetery, where her legacy of love and devotion will be fondly remembered.

CALDWELL

Clarence Cooper, age 76, of Princeton, Kentucky, passed away on August 2, 2026, at Caldwell County Medical Center. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 pm Friday, August 7, 2026, at Morgan’s Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 1 pm Friday, August 7, 2026, at Morgan’s Funeral Home with Bro. Phillip Dunning and Bro. Joel Benson officiating, with burial to follow at Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Kenny Morris Creekmur, age 81, of Princeton, Kentucky, passed away on July 31, 2026, at Baptist Health in Paducah. Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at 1:00 PM at Morgan’s Funeral Home with Bro. Dean Ray and Bro. Mark Faughn officiating, with burial to follow at Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Brian William Barrett, age 76, of Princeton, Kentucky, passed away on Thursday, July 30, 2026, at his home in Princeton. There will be no services at this time. Goodwin Funeral Home, 138 Main Street in Cadiz, Kentucky, is in care of the arrangements.

CALLOWAY

Lola Darleen Rhodes, 80, of Murray, passed away on Saturday, August 1, 2026 at Anna Mae Owen Residential Hospice House. Per her wishes, no local services will be held. She will be interred at Rest Haven Memorial Gardens in Louisville. Imes Funeral Home is entrusted with caring for her family.

Valerie Jean Behr, age 67, of Murray, Kentucky, passed away on Sunday, August 2, 2026, at her home. Arrangements are currently incomplete at the J.H. Churchill Funeral Home & Cremation Services.

John David Fronza, Jr., age 58, of Murray, Kentucky, passed away on Friday, July 31, 2026, at his home. Arrangements are currently incomplete at the J.H. Churchill Funeral Home & Cremation Services.

Evelyn Butterworth, age 85, of Murray, Kentucky, passed away Friday, July 31, 2026, at Passion and Purpose. Private family services will be held, with a burial in the Coldwater Church of Christ Cemetery.

CHRISTIAN

Austin W. Humphries, age 81, of Hopkinsville, KY, passed away from natural causes on Sunday, August 2, 2026, at Lebanon Center of Rehabilitation. Funeral Services were held at 1:00 PM on Thursday, August 6, 2026, at Maddux-Fuqua-Hinton Funeral Home and burial to follow in Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West with military honors.

Bradley Wayne Roberts, 59, of Cerulean, Kentucky, was born September 14, 1966, and entered into eternal rest July 28, 2026. Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, July 31, 2026, at Hughart, Beard & Giles Funeral Home with Robbie deMarigny officiating. Burial followed in Riverside Cemetery.

Karen J. Miles, 75, Pin Oak Drive, Hopkinsville, KY passed away on Monday, August 3, 2026 at her home of natural causes. A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, August 7, 2026 at Lamb Funeral Home with Rev. Don Bullen officiating. Burial will follow in Riverside Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11:00 a.m. until the service hour on Friday, August 7, 2026 at the funeral home.

Hilda Annette Gray, 67, Poole Mill Road, Crofton, KY, passed away Friday, July 31, 2026 at her home of natural causes. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, August 6, 2026 at Lamb Funeral Home with David Gilliland officiating. Burial followed in Fuller Cemetery.

With heavy hearts and enduring love, we announce the passing of **Erik Joseph Dewayne Harris**, who departed this life on July 29, 2026, at the age of 50. Visitation will be on August 8th from 11 am - 12 pm with Funeral Service starting at 12 pm. Both will be held at the Gamble Funeral Home, 1311 S. Liberty St., Hopkinsville, KY. Burial will follow at the Corinth Baptist Church, 850 South Road, Cadiz, KY.

With hearts full of bittersweet memory, we gather to honor the life and legacy of **Cynthia Lee Beard**, whose story began on a summer day in Logan County, Kentucky, on June 13, 1960. Her journey, marked by grace, laughter, resilience, and devotion, came to a gentle close on July 29, 2026, surrounded by love. Visitation and Funeral Service will be held on Friday, August 7th at St Paul Missionary Baptist Church, 103 CS-3033, Guthrie, KY from 10 am - 12 pm with funeral following at 12 pm. Burial will be at Greenwood Cemetery in Russellville, KY.

CRITTENDEN

Keith Allen Arflack 66 of Athens, AL passed away peacefully on August 2, 2026 after a 15-month battle with cancer. Graveside services were held on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 12:30 PM at Maplevue Cemetery in Marion, KY. Private visitation was held. Gilbert Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

George Lowell Simmons, 76, of Cave-In-Rock, IL passed away August 2, 2026 at his home in Cave-In-Rock. Services are scheduled for 1 PM Saturday August 8, 2026 at Hardin County Funeral Service in Rosiclare, IL with interment in Cave Hill Cemetery. The family will receive visitors from 11 AM until service time Saturday at the funeral home.

Mark Wayne Curtis, age 73, of Marion, passed away Saturday, August 1, 2026, at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah. There will be no services at this time Gilbert Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Bradley Terry Shaw, 83, of Rosiclare, IL passed away July 31, 2026 at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Marion, IL. Private services will be held at a later date. Hardin County Funeral Service in Rosiclare, IL is in charge of arrangements.

FULTON

Cindy Fields Parker, 66, of Fulton, Kentucky, passed away peacefully at her residence on Friday, July 31, 2026. Memorial graveside services were held at 4PM Wednesday, August 5, 2026 in the Hickman City Cemetery. A Celebration of Life was held directly after graveside service at The Harvest Kitchen in Hickman.

Barbara Ann “Meme” Crass, age 87, of South Fulton, TN passed away Monday, August 3, 2026 at her daughters residence. A Celebration of Life will be held at 1PM Saturday, August 15, 2026 at the Bayou de Chein Cumberland Church. Visitation will be held at the Bayou de Chein Cumberland Presbyterian Church from 11AM Saturday, August 15, 2026 until the hour of service. “Well done, good and faithful servant.” — Matthew 25:23

Susan DeBusschere Anderson, born in Detroit, Michigan, of Water Valley, Kentucky, at the age of 74, left her earthly home on August 3, 2026. Hornbeak Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Larry Bryan Hartsell passed away Saturday, August 1, 2026, in Montana. A memorial service to honor Bryan’s life will be held Saturday, August 8th at 2 pm at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, 6914 State Route 94 East, Fulton KY, with visitation beginning at 11 am.

Kenneth Neal Pickering, 87, of South Fulton, Tennessee, passed away peacefully at his residence on Friday, July 31, 2026. Funeral services for Mr. Kenneth Neal Pickering were held at 2 PM Monday, August 3, 2026 in our funeral chapel with burial to follow in the Obion County Memorial Gardens.

Michael “Mike” Eugene Cirkles, 66, of South Fulton, Tennessee, passed away on Friday, July 31, 2026, at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Union City, Tennessee. Funeral services for Mr. Mike Cirkles were held at 11 AM Monday, August 3, 2026 at the McConnell Baptist Church with burial to follow in the church cemetery.

GRAVES

Mark Wayne Fields, 82, of Mayfield, KY passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his loving family on August 3, 2026. Funeral services for Mark Wayne Fields were held at 12:00 noon on Thursday, August 6, 2026 at Byrn Funeral Home in Mayfield, KY. Rev. Gregg Hussey will officiate. Interment followed at Woodlawn Memorial Gardens. Military graveside rites will be conducted by American Legion Post #26.

Johnnie Calloway, age 68, of Mayfield passed away on Sunday, August 2, 2026 in Mayfield, KY. Funeral services for Mr. Johnnie Calloway will be 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 9, 2026 at Byrn Funeral Home in Mayfield, KY. James Stovall will officiate. A butterfly release will follow at the funeral home. Visitation will be 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral home.

Richard Glynn Walker, age 78, of Lynnville, KY passed away Thursday, July 30, 2026 at his residence. A private memorial service for Richard Glynn Walker will be held at a later date. Byrn Funeral Home in Mayfield, KY is in charge of the arrangements.

FUNERAL NOTICES continued



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Gene W. Spain, Sr., age 88, of Mayfield, KY passed away Friday, July 31, 2026 at his residence. A funeral service for Gene W. Spain, Sr. was held on 2:00 PM Tuesday, August 4, 2026 at the Byrn Funeral Home in Mayfield, KY. Rev. Keith Allred will officiate. Interment followed in the Maplewood Cemetery.

James Clay “Jim” Gillum, II, of Mayfield, Kentucky, passed away peacefully in his home on the morning of Thursday, July 30th at the age of 81. Services for Jim will follow his wishes as an intimate gathering of family and close friends at his home to honor his life and spread his ashes on and around his land and beloved pond. In lieu of flowers or gifts, Jim included the following quote in his final wishes, “If, by chance, you wish to remember me, do it with a kind deed or word to someone who needs you.” (author unknown) Byrn Funeral Home in Mayfield, KY is in charge of arrangements.

Beverly Ann Davis Clay, age 79, of Mayfield, Kentucky, passed away on Monday, August 3, 2026, at Jackson Purchase Medical Center in Mayfield. Funeral services for Mrs. Beverly Ann Davis Clay will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 7, 2026, at Brown Funeral Home in Mayfield with Bro. Ronnie Stinson, Sr. officiating. Burial will follow at Trace Creek Cemetery. Friends are invited to visit with the family from 11:00 a.m. until the funeral hour on Friday at the funeral home.

Suzanne Adams, age 76, of Graves County passed away at 4:16 PM Sunday, August 2, 2026 at her residence. Graveside services for Suzanne were held at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, August 4, 2026 at the West Fork Baptist Cemetery with Rev. Ike Murphey will officating.

Barbara Jean Farmer Patterson, 72, of Mayfield, Kentucky, passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 2, 2026, at Baptist Health Paducah. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 6, 2026, at Brown Funeral Home in Mayfield, Kentucky, with Rev. Doug Cruise officiating. Burial followed in Hopewell Cemetery.

Catherine Clayton Tibbs, born December 11, 1954, in Orléans, France, entered the presence of her Lord surrounded by the love of her family on July 30th, 2026. Celebration of Life Services will be held 6 PM Friday, August 7, 2026 at the Brown Funeral Home in Mayfield with Dr. Mike Baker officiating. Memorial Visitation will be held after 4 PM on Friday.

HICKMAN

Nora Jean Wall Henry passed away peacefully from this life July 30, 2026. Funeral services for Mrs. Henry will be held at Hornbeak Funeral Chapel on Friday, August 7, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery immediately following.

Donald Ramsey of Hickman passed away Thursday in Huron, OH. Graveside services for Mr. Donald Ramsey were held at 11 AM Wednesday, August 5, 2026, in the Brownsville Cemetery. There will be no visitation held.

LIVINGSTON

Debra Jean Thomas, 72, of Marion, passed away Friday, July 31, 2026 at Baptist Health Paducah. Memorial services will be Saturday, August 8, 2026 at 1 PM in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Bro. Ross Atwell officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 11 AM until the funeral hour in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services.

Billy Joe Pierce, 87, of Salem passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, Friday, July 31, 2026 at Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation. Funeral services were held on Tuesday August 4, 2026 at 11AM in the Chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Bro. Mickey Brown officiating. Burial followed in Pinkneyville Cemetery.

LYON

Martha Croft Wilson, 82, of Eddyville, passed away Sunday, August 2, 2026, at Baptist Health Hospital in Paducah. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, August 7, 2026 at Lakeland Funeral Home with Bro. Tim Perdue officiating. Burial will follow in Rolling Hills cemetery. Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 6, 2026 at Lakeland Funeral Home.

MARSHALL

Henry Lee Dockins, 80, of Benton, KY, passed away on Sunday, August 2, 2026 at Anna Mae Owen Residential Hospice House. A celebration of life will be held on October 10, 2026, venue to be announced. Imes Funeral Home is entrusted with caring for his family.

Valetta Jo Sirls, 81, of Benton, Kentucky, passed away on Monday, August 3, 2026, at her home. A funeral service was held at 1:00 PM on Thursday, August 6, 2026, at the Life Celebration Center of Filbeck-Cann with Bro. Gary Knuckles officiating. Burial followed at Benton Cemetery.

Debora Kay Dudley, 66, of Benton, Kentucky, passed away on Friday, July 31, 2026, at her place of residence. There are no services scheduled at this time. Filbeck-Cann Funeral Home of Milner & Orr is handling the arrangements.

Marilyn (Marly) Brasel, age 81 of Gilbertsville, KY passed away on Sunday, June 7, 2026 surrounded by loved ones at the Ray and Kay Eckstein Hospice Care Center in Paducah, KY. A celebration of life event will be held on 8/8/26 at 3pm at the following address please join us in remembering the life of Marilyn “Marly” Brasel. The Beer Garden, 3540 US-641 Nth, Benton, KY 42025, (270) 252-9137.

Suzume Aurora Renee Smith, age 5 weeks and 2 days, of Paducah passed away on Saturday, August 1, 2026 at Baptist Health Hospital. A memorial service will be held at 12:00 PM on Sunday, August 9, 2026 at Collier Funeral Home, 211 West 5th St. Benton, KY 42025. The visitation will be held from 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM on Sunday, August 9, 2026 at Collier Funeral Home.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of **Danny Owen Washburn**, 79 of Benton, Kentucky, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, veteran, and friend. He passed away on Thursday, July 30, 2026, after a brief illness with cancer. A funeral service was held at 1:00 PM on Monday, August 3, 2026 at Collier Funeral Home with Bill Rowley officiating. Military rights and burial followed at McNatt Cemetery.

McCRACKEN

Sharon Lee Kiebler, age 72, of Lone Oak, passed away peacefully at her earthly home to be with her Heavenly Father on Monday, August 3, 2026, at 4:54 a.m. at Baptist Health Paducah. Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, August 6, 2026 at the Lone Oak Chapel of Milner & Orr Funeral Home with Rev. Bob Martin officiating. Burial followed at the Bethel Cemetery in Livingston County between Joy and Lola, Kentucky.

Richard “Rich” Lee Ogle, 53, of Ledbetter, Kentucky, passed away on August 2, 2026, at the Ray and Kay Eckstein Hospice Care Center at Mercy Health Lourdes in Paducah, Kentucky. The family will hold a private memorial at a later date. Milner & Orr Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Paducah are in charge of all arrangements.

Laura Dotson-Dodson, born on June 1, 1971, in San Francisco, California, passed away on August 1, 2026, in Paducah, Kentucky. There are no services scheduled at this time. Milner & Orr Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Paducah are in charge of arrangements.

Kathryn James Strohmeier was born into the arms of Jesus on July 31, 2026. Though our precious daughter never took a breath in this world, she was deeply loved, wonderfully made, and treasured from the very beginning. Though our time with her was brief, her life has left an everlasting imprint on the hearts of her family. Funeral services were held at 11:00 am on Wednesday, August 5, 2026 at Milner & Orr Funeral Home of Paducah with Pastor Mickey Brown officiating.

Imogene Paschall Carlin, age,94, of Paducah Kentucky, passed away on Monday August 3, 2026, at Ray and Kay Eckstein Hospice Center. A funeral service will be held at 1:00PM Saturday August 8th at Lindsey Funeral Home 226 N. 4th St. Paducah, KY. with Micah Whitaker officiating. Burial will follow at Maplelawn. Visitation will be held from 11:00 until service hour of 1:00.

Brandon Lee Brenner, 46, of Paducah passed away on Friday, July 31, 2026, at his home. Friends visited the family from 5:00 pm to 7:00p m on Sunday, August 2, 2026, at Lindsey Funeral Home.

Lana Shelby Lester, 86, of Kevil, Kentucky, passed away peacefully at her daughter’s home on Thursday, July 30, 2026. In accordance with her wishes, a private celebration of life will be held by her family at a later date on Honeymoon Island. Cremation arrangements have been entrusted to Lindsey Funeral Home.

Ellen Marie (Medlin) Smothers - Beloved Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother passed peacefully on Thursday, July 30, 2026, at her home in Paducah, Kentucky after a brief illness. A graveside service will be held Saturday September 5th, 2026, at 11:00 am at Ebenezer Church Cemetery near Galatia, Illinois

TRIGG

Chief Master Sargent (Ret.) Donald F. Young, United States Air Force, 90, of Cadiz, Kentucky, died on July 30, 2026, at Murray Hospital at 3:54 am. At this time no service will be held, but a Celebration of Life will be planned at a later date. King’s Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Wm. Harold Wilson, age 80, of Cadiz, Kentucky, passed away on Thursday, July 30, 2026, at Alive Hospice in Nashville, Tennessee. Funeral services were held at Goodwin Funeral Home at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, August 5, 2026, with Bro. Tim Morgan and Bro. Ed Carl officiating. Burial with military honors will follow at East End Cemetery, where he will be laid to rest with his late wife Beverly.

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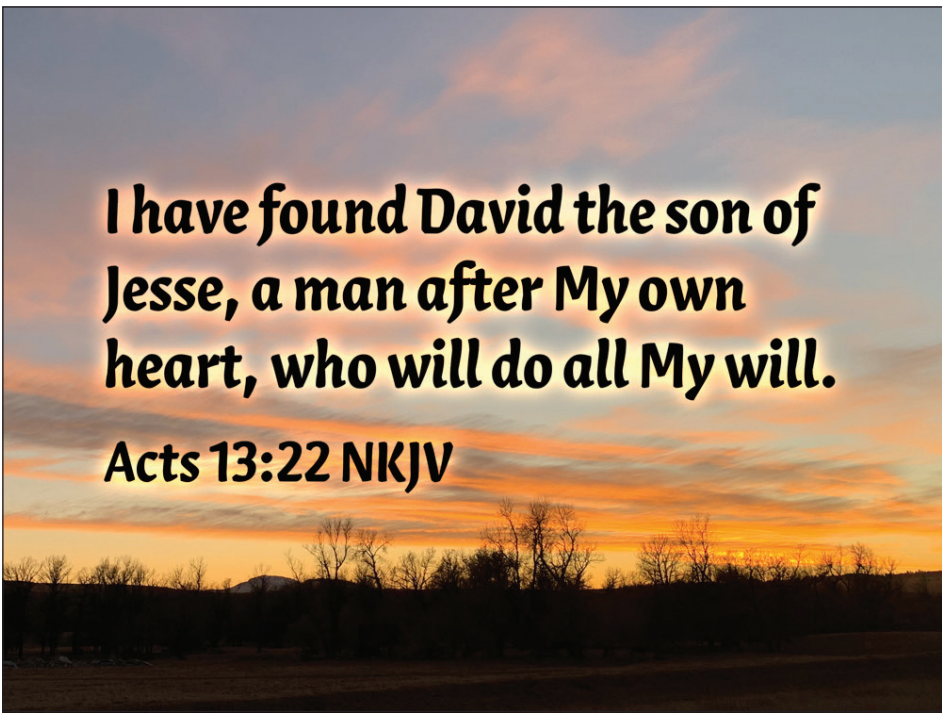
Mercy and Forgiveness

Eight defining moments reveal secrets to David’s heart

By Teresa LeNeave
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The biblical life of King David is often remembered for military victories, political leadership, and personal failures. Very often his personal failures are what preachers choose to teach from the pulpit. Yet a closer examination of Scripture reveals another defining characteristic—his remarkable capacity for forgiveness and mercy, even toward those who sought his life.

David’s relationship with King Saul illustrates this theme. Although Saul repeatedly pursued David with the intent to kill him, David consistently refused to retaliate. On two occasions, he had the opportunity to take Saul’s life but instead chose re-



straint, declaring that he would not harm “the Lord’s anointed” (1 Samuel 24). Even cutting a corner from Saul’s robe troubled David’s conscience, demonstrating his deep respect for God’s authority.

David’s mercy continued after Saul’s death. Rather than celebrating the fall of his greatest enemy, he mourned both Saul and Jonathan, composing the famous “Song of the Bow” (2 Samuel 1). Significantly, David’s lament praised Saul’s strengths and never mentioned his failures, offering a striking example of honoring an opponent instead of dwelling on past wrongs.

The same response appeared when Saul’s son, Ish-bosheth, was murdered. Expecting praise, the assassins presented David with the victim’s severed head. Instead, David condemned their actions and ordered their execution, refusing to endorse revenge disguised as

justice.

David’s compassion extended even to his own rebellious son, Absalom. After Absalom’s death, David openly grieved, crying, “O my son Absalom, my son, my son!” His sorrow overshadowed any sense of political victory, revealing a father’s heart rather than a conqueror’s.

His loyalty also endured beyond Jonathan’s death. Honoring a covenant made years earlier, David sought out Jonathan’s disabled son, Mephibosheth, restoring Saul’s estate to him and welcoming him to the king’s table. Later, when conflicting reports arose concerning Mephibosheth’s loyalty during Absalom’s rebellion, David chose a measured response instead of acting out of anger.

David’s final recorded example of selflessness came after his sinful census brought judgment upon Israel. As the nation suffered, David accepted full responsibility and pleaded with God to spare the people, describing them as “these sheep” and offering himself in their place.

Although David’s life included serious moral failures which include adultery, deceit, and the arranged death of Uriah, scripture consistently portrays him as a man whose heart sought after God. As a result, even God called David “a man after His own heart”. The secret: A heart of mercy and forgiveness which is the same kind of heart God has.

OUR GUIDE FOREVER

Bro. Brandon G. Bramlett
Bandana Baptist Church

We never saw him again. Even when we did, we barely caught a glimpse of him. But before we parted ways, he smiled and said, “And that concludes our tour of Marvel Cave, ladies and gentlemen.” Our tour guide was off to lead another party of curious cavers after escorting us through the winding passages, spears of stalactite, and dripping cavernous chambers within this historic cave which lies 500 feet beneath Silver Dollar City. His only job was to direct us through a cave—not back to our cars, hotels, or other attractions in Branson, Missouri. While our guide knew every-

thing about caves, he wasn’t an expert in everything—he could only take us as far as his knowledge would take him.

There is, however, a Guide whose knowledge is limitless—and therefore, whose guidance is limitless. “For this God is our God for ever and ever,” wrote the psalmist, “he will be our guide even unto death” (Psalm 48:14, KJV). The Lord leads His people through every season of life and His guidance does not end until He brings them to their heavenly home. The great Shepherd steers His saints through life and toward life everlasting: “Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory” (Ps. 73:23-24).

He can straighten the most winding paths with His wisdom, brighten the darkest valleys by His illuminating light, and carry His people through the most tempestuous of life’s storms. No matter how heavy the burden, how confusing the decision, or how uncertain tomorrow may be, the God who knows the end from the beginning promises, “the LORD will guide you continually” (Isa. 58:11a). Even if you rode to the edge of the galaxy on the rays of the sun or descended to the floor of the ocean, the Lord would be there to lead the way: “If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me” (Ps. 139:9-10). And while every tour guide eventually says goodbye, the Lord says, “I will never leave you nor forsake you” (Heb. 13:5). Moreover, He doesn’t merely tell believers where to go

—He goes with them: “It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you” (Deut. 31:8a).

It is no wonder why generations of believers have prayed and found comfort in singing the words of “He Leadeth Me” by J. H. Gilmore (1834—1918), which says, “He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with

heavenly comfort fraught! Whate’er I do, where’er I be, still ‘tis God’s hand that leadeth me. Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden’s flowers bloom, by waters calm, o’er troubled sea, still ‘tis God’s hand that leadeth me.”



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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

C - Confess Jesus is Lord
If you confess with your mouth “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead you will be saved. - Romans 10:9

The Beauty of God’s love and forgiveness

By William F Holland Jr.
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I remember when I was around 10 years old, there was a girl at school who was a couple of years older than me who was constantly being teased and treated harshly. I can see her clearly, as if it were yesterday, even though it was over 50 years ago. She was a stocky girl with tangled jet-black hair, and her clothes were often wrinkled, but what really caused the negative attention was her constant runny nose. There are many reasons why children are mean, but as a shy child, I’m ashamed to admit that I was a part of the crowd of spectators that quietly witnessed the daily harassment of this poor young lady. How I wish I dared to stop them, but I was just a scared, skinny kid who was thankful that they were not picking

on me. After months of mean and rude comments, the rest of the students eventually learned who she was and made sure to stay far away from her. Not only was everyone afraid of catching her “cooties,” whatever that meant, they also definitely did not want to be associated with her and risk being included as another target. I rode the same bus as she did, and one afternoon, I observed an act of cruelty that was even more disturbing than the daily ritual of causing trouble. I will never forget that day, as it was one of those muggy fall afternoons, and the bus was packed. I just wanted to get home. There were a few older boys that we used to call red-necks who rode the bus, and they began their daily routine of taking turns hitting

this girl on the head with heavy textbooks. We could tell it hurt by the sound it made. Of course, she started crying and telling them to stop, but this just made things worse. I felt very sorry for her, and even to this day, I become emotional when I recall this event. I think back and see myself as no better than a spectator at a Roman coliseum when Christians would be thrown to the lions. It’s no excuse that I was young, weak, and afraid. Anyway, everyone was cheering and mocking when suddenly, one of the boys grabbed her book bag and her purse out of her hands and started tossing everything out the window. I looked back and could see her books, notebooks, personal items, and papers blowing across the lawns as the bus barreled down the

road. I was in shock as I realized the importance of these things and, in my sadness, I wondered how anyone could be so vicious. This was beyond cruel, and just as sick is that I can still hear the crowd cheering and going into a frenzy with laughter. It seemed many thought this public display of brutality was entertaining and that it was somehow enjoyable to watch an innocent kid scream and cry. The bus driver was hollering for everyone to keep the noise down, but I’m not sure if he knew what was going on. The atmosphere was truly a madhouse, and as far as I know, nothing was ever done about it. I will never forget the look of horror on her face. When I was around 12, I was in a gym

class with around 20 other boys, but somehow one boy had everyone in the class terrified of him. Why didn’t we stand up to him? Statistics show that one in every three kids are bullied, and most of these situations are commonly kept secret. Sadly, some individuals have taken their own lives because life just seemed hopeless. Dan Pearce is quoted as saying, “People who love themselves don’t hurt other people. The more we hate ourselves, the more we want others to suffer.” Bullies are actually agonizing within their own conscience, and search for those they can punish to keep from dealing with empathy. However, as deep and hurtful as these attacks may be, we can turn to God

and ask Him to heal our hearts and help us forgive our enemies as we overcome the feelings of rejection and resentment. Our dignity may be assaulted, vandalized, and cruelly mocked, but it can never be taken away unless it is surrendered. Let go of the animosity and allow God to help you find closure and rise above the trials as you press forward in the beauty of his love and the holiness of his forgiveness. If we cannot find peace within ourselves, we will not find it anywhere.

Dr. Holland is a Christian minister, author, and community outreach chaplain. Ask for a free download of his song, “Intentions of the Heart” at psalmz103@gmail.com

JUST THINGS

By Gary Miller
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At least once a year I fish the Powell River with my friend, Michael. We live about an hour from each other, so these trips are planned a few weeks in advance. Our preferred way of fishing is with light tackle in kayaks. We both love everything the river offers. The Powell is a small river, and while there are some larger small-mouth bass, most of our trophies measure less than 15 inches. But the fight they put up, combined with the pull of the current, gives us plenty of thrills and hours of enjoyment. I am new to the river compared to Michael. My river fishing started only about 15 years ago. Michael’s began when he was a child with his dad and brother. Every time we go, I hear stories and lessons from those days on the river. Ed (his dad) was a local postal worker who spent his spare time floating from one stretch of river to the

other. He knew every place to put in and take out. Of course he had his favorite bait. And back then, it wasn’t kayaks, but Jon boats. A mess of redeyes was as good as any meal you could buy at the local grocery store. While I knew Michael and his whole family as a teenager, I never knew the priorities of his dad. What I’ve learned from our fishing trips is that Ed had a great sense of what was truly valuable. And what he valued most was what money couldn’t buy. I learned this after hearing story after story about how the river would sometimes swallow rods, reels, and anchors. Not to mention glasses, knives, and other tackle. While Ed and the boys had to learn to “deep-sea-dive” to try to retrieve these things when lost, Ed would eventually remind them that they were just that. Things. Replaceable things. There is nothing – no thing- that can trump the value of time on

the river, especially the ones with your sons. Rods will be broken. Reels will be lost. The river will claim whatever isn’t tied down. But the value of those memories will never diminish. In fact, with each passing year, they will become more valuable. How do I know? I hear it in every story Michael tells. I hope the things you value can’t be bought, bent, or broken. I hope they’re found in experiences, adventures, and people – maybe even in the moments that involve losing or breaking those things that were, after all, only things.

Gary Miller has written Outdoor Truths articles for 23 years. He has also written five books which include compilations of his articles and a father/son devotional. He also speaks at wild-game dinners and men’s events for churches and associations. Stay updated on Outdoor Truths each week by subscribing at Outdoor-truths.org

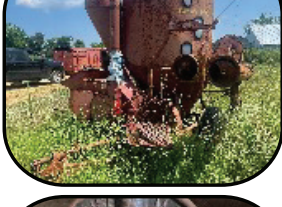
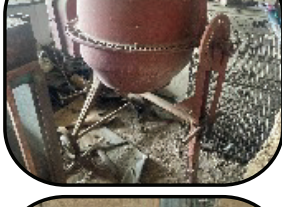
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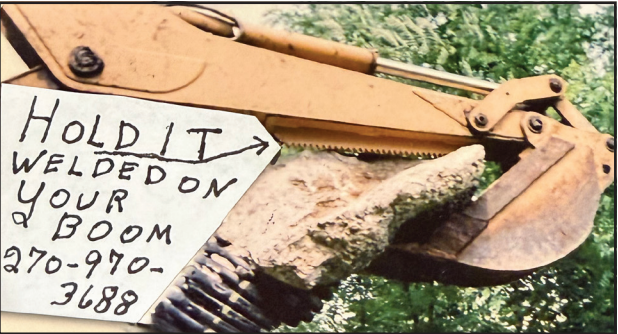
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2 Cemetery Lots (side by side) Located at Woodlawn Memorial Cemetery (in The Garden of the Good Shepherd). 6965 Old Hwy 45, Paducah, KY. \$5,000 for both

lots 2702-519-5449 or 270-841-5001.

For Sale 1 Vault in Brookhaven Memorial Park, last one in the chapel. Holds 2 caskets. \$7,000.00. Call 270-556-0524

3 possibly 4 Grave Plots Woodlawn Memorial Gardens Paducah Ky. Trinity Garden section. Normally \$3700.00 each. Will sell for \$2500.00 each Call 270-970-0678

Storage Unit Sale. 3919 Cairo Rd., Paducah. May 8th 9-3:00 pm. Closed Noon-1:00. Tools, TV, Kewpie Dolls, Prom dresses, Karaoke Items. Rain Cancels. (5/8/26)

BORDER COLLIE PUPPIES, "working Parents" Best farm dogs, great pets, excellent service dogs. Negotiable price & deliverable. Shots, De wormed. Also Mlnis and 2 Chichuauha's. Call 573-414-4601 or 573-979-5373

For Sale, Sleep Number Plus, Twin Long ILE 360 smart bed frame flex fit, 360

remote, Call 270-556-0524 TFN mattress pad, 2 fitted sheet sets \$5,000.00

Elderly man needs House cleaner. And Physical Therapy Part Time. 270-994-3230

Housekeeper, 9-3 on Thursday. \$110.00 Jennifer Gay 270-994-7939

Are you looking for a private sitter, home health care, hospice, and elderly care services. Please contact Tina at 270-559-9181 nights, days and weekends available.

27 ft Car Hauler Cargo Trailer. Used once, 2-7,000 lb axels, 4,000 lb rear door ramp, Call for extras 303-

775-0310, \$11,300 (tfn)

For Sale: 2025 Diamond Trailer - 7' x 14', Enclosed, Fold Down Back Door, Side Walk-In Door, Tandem Axle, Electric Brakes, \$4,500. Call Don: 386-559-7004

20 by 40 3 room office with bath. 13th and Jefferson st. Paducah Ky. \$1200.00 per month call 270-210-4666

130868. This Incredible Customer Built 2015 property is amazing! Across the road 1,000 yards from KY Dam Village State Park, Dam, Marina, Restaurant/ Lodge. 2,000 yards from the Golf course! Less than 2 miles to Aviation Airfield, & I-24/69. 5 total bedrooms, 4 full baths, 2 half baths, 2 laundry areas & 3 gas log fireplaces! Vaulted & Cathedral ceilings. Detailed woodwork & moldings, polished marble, w/unique characteristics! Expansive Living room open to kitchen/breakfast area. Primary suite offers a custom tiled bath, heated floor & walk-in closet! Covered patio w/ wood burning FP. In-ground pool, privacy fence & gated concrete drive w/ ample parking, 2 1/2 car garage has apartment, extra lot & huge PRIVACY FENCE! CALL Jennifer Palmer Realty at 270-519-9000

27 Paradise Point Road • Gilbertsville, Kentucky • \$369,000 – MLS # 122709. 3 beautiful lots, over 1/2 acre sitting up HIGH on a hill with a SPECTACULAR BREATHTAKING VIEW OF KY LAKE in Cambridge Shores Subdivision! Build your Dream Home! Magnificent Stunning view of KY

FOR RENT

\$1,299 per month SINGLE FAMILY 3 BR, 1 Bath, Living Room, Kitchen, Utility Room. Central Heat & Air. Storage Shed. Located in CALVERT CITY. 1 month security deposit. 1 year lease. 270-709-0955

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

Awesome beautiful 2 Large lots! Brand New Home built just across the street. Great area on Barkley Lake. Over 1 acre, year round view of Barkley Lake! 1 mile to BRR Marina ! \$64,000.00 MLS # 121914. CALL Jennifer Palmer Realty at 270-519-9000. (tfn)

135 Allegheny Road • Gilbertsville, Kentucky • \$1,399,900 - MLS #

Lake! Enjoy all the amenities that Cambridge Shores has to offer. This quiet KY Lake neighborhood is the perfect place to call home! CALL Jennifer Palmer Realty at 270-519-9000

718 Marina Village Dr., Grand Rivers, Kentucky • \$610,000 – MLS # 130701. Beautiful Custom Built 3 bed 3 & 1/2 bath 2006, looks like a new Home sitting on 2 private lots in Prestigious Gated Marina Village Subdivision! Hardwood Floors,9 ft ceilings , many updates, large family room open to Kitchen! 2 Bedrooms on main level & one HUGE bedroom up. All bedrooms have a full bath. Kitchen has custom cabinetry! NEW HEAT/AIR UNITS IN 2023. Upstairs-2019. NEW DECK, 4 car garage heated & cooled, Storm Shelter, ALL FURNITURE, DECOR, TABLEWARE, BEDDING, LIGHTHOUSE PICTURES, Towels STAY PLUS NEW flooring that has not been installed. Take a golf cart ride to Grand Rivers, World Famous Patties Restaurant, antique shops & more! CALL Jennifer Palmer Realty at 270-519-9000

738 Marina Village Dr., Grand Rivers, Kentucky • \$799,000.00MLS#136804. Quality Custom built 3 bedroom 3 full baths ,1/2 bath and 9 ft ceilings throughout. Built in 2006 in Prestigious Gated Marina Village Subdivision! Stunning Great room features wonderful brick fireplace, 25 ft high ceiling with beams, porch with stone gas stove, wood flooring, unique character open to kitchen for perfect entertaining! Large Kitchen plenty of cabinetry, pantry, bar stools & dining area. Primary bedroom suite on main level! Beautiful tray ceilings, walkout deck, bath has huge walk-in shower, walk-in closet, Jacuzzi tub, and double vanity. Half bath & utility room on main level. Guest bedrooms up, full bath, walk-in closet plus massive attic storage. Family room down, full bath, wine cellar, walkout patio, outdoor Kitchen, Pellet grill and BIG GREEN EGG grill built-in. Garage and work-

shop. APHW home warranty. Everything stays with full price offer!

643 Whitney Dr., Paducah, Kentucky • \$435,000.00 - MLS # 137569. Unique 3 bedroom 3 full bath West End home located in the desirable Pines Subdivision loaded with captivating character! Impressive living room features gas log fireplace , very tall vaulted ceiling & large stylish windows for plenty of light. Kitchen has plenty of cabinets, island, breakfast area, and pantry. Excellent primary bedroom with spacious bath, jacuzzi tub, double vanity, walk-in closet, surround sound, balcony overlooking deck & backyard. Ample storage space throughout the home. New refrigerator & microwave in 2026. Massive deck perfect for entertaining! Beautiful yard, trees and landscaping. Well insulated home so utility bills are low. Convenient to the mall area, I-24 and downtown Paducah. Underground Dog fence. CALL Jennifer Palmer Realty 270-519-9000

1875 St Rt 384 Mayfield, Ky \$315,500.00. MLS#: 26019260. Beautiful Absolutely Private home on 2.5 impressive acres with 4 bedrooms and 3 full baths! Extremely well built ! Only 5 miles to I-69 and Mayfield. Large updated kitchen with gorgeous tile, corian countertops and abundant cabinetry. Quality bar stools stay plus all appliances. All 3 full baths are updated with extra nice tile and countertops. There are 2 large living areas. Kitchen open to Living room. Utility room. Primary bedroom and bath separate from other bedrooms ! NEW paint , blinds and appliances since 2019. NEW roof in 2020. 2 car attached carport and 2 car detached garage. Large metal barn 80 x 32 great for any animals, hay, equipment storage, RV and more! It does have a few stalls in it. Door is 11 FT 7 in tall. Land is rolling and lays pretty. Plenty of road frontage. Paved driveway. Geothermal HVAC. Appraisal done in March of 2026 available upon request.

Seller is providing a one year home warranty at closing ~~ APHW.com Utility room or Guest bath would make great storm shelter! CALL Jennifer Palmer Realty 270-519-9000

2836 James Sanders Blvd., Paducah, KY. MLS #134672. High traffic location, Approximately 3+ acres off exit #4 I-24 on James Sander's BLVD between Texas Road House and Academy Sports. Great location for commercial development. Approximately 450 feet of road frontage, level, with all utilities. \$2,450,000, Carla Bridges @ REMAX at 270-559-8425

6330 Burchell, Paducah, KY. MLS #136950. Premier custom home in one of Paducah's most prestigious neighborhoods, The Grove, privately set on a cul-de-sac. Grand entry, open kitchen with butler's pantry, spacious living room with fireplace, office, craft room, and luxurious primary suite with his and hers baths and sitting area. Enjoy a large, covered porch with outdoor kitchen, screened porch and 3 car garage. Upstairs offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, playroom/bedroom and bonus room. The walkout basement includes 2 bedrooms, full kitchen, family room, patio, storage, mechanical room and concrete safe room. Elevator serves all floors. French country exterior, stone/brick/extensive landscaping and circle drive. \$1,595,000. Contact Carla Bridges @ REMAX at 270-559-8425

500 S 17th • Paducah, KY 42003 Commercial/Industrial - \$1,399,000 MLS Number • 125918 • 18,900 sq. ft. Outstanding professional office building in the heart of Paducah featuring approximately 15,600 sq. ft. of office space with 26 private offices, 4 bullpens, 2 conference rooms, kitchen/breakroom, 2 IT rooms, 3 laboratory rooms, multiple work areas, and storage closets along with 2300 sq. ft. warehouse area. Also has an approximately 1000 sq. ft. detached storage building. Contact Carla

Bridges @ REMAX at 270-559-8425

1114 Broadway, Paducah, KY. MLS #132732. Excellent opportunity for a client in need of a nice office building in midtown Paducah, centrally located in the heart of Paducah's business district with high traffic location. Dual access from Broadway and Kentucky Avenue. Current tenants are expected to move by late fall. \$459,900. Contact Carla Bridges @ REMAX at 270-559-8425

House For Sale Ranch style, 3 bedroom, 2 full baths, Cedar siding. Sits on 6 acres. 116 Darnell Rd. Benton 42025. Call 270-404-6972 for appointment.

100 Acres sold all together. Livingston County, near Elementary school. store, fire department. Can be used for residential or commercial. 10 miles from Ky Lake 270-210-6697 (tfn)

37 Acres, Beautiful Building Site. 5050 Metropolis Lake Rd, W. Paducah. \$10,000 per acre. Call 270-210-4666 tfn

4 Adjacent 1 acres lots in Peninsula Subdivision on Lake of Egypt. Great year round fishing with no carp, barges, or big boats. 50 minutes from Paducah. \$29,995 for all four. Might divide into 2 parcels. Call owner 314-239-6676.

Large Ky Lake lot Mature trees, utilities, restricted to new construction or double wide. \$24,900. 270-970-8000 (tfn)

Beautifully and totally renovated condo in exciting Lower Town, Paducah, KY. Stainless steel and granite kitchen, original wood floors, two master suites with attached baths. Carport with storage. 2/3 -2,140 sq. ft. \$247,500. (972) 816-8766 (tfn)

401 E 12th St., Benton Charming and spacious 2,240 sq. ft. home. Immaculate property centrally located in Benton on a well landscaped corner lot. 3 Bedroom / 2 Bath. Expansive basement includes interior and exterior entrances. Workshop with additional outbuilding with concrete flooring for mower etc. \$269,900 Call Carla Bridges REMAX Realty Group at 270-559-8425

1.6 acres with hookups septic and well. 2357 State Rt 384 Mayfield Ky. \$20k FIRM 270-564-6774(TFN)

5.75 Acres, Paradise Haven. I-77 & Hwy 52. Bland

County Va. Hunting and surveyed, septic tank and well permits. Wooded and cleared building sies with roads. Taxes under \$200.00 per year. \$69,000.00 Ph. 270-226-2908 (tfn)

FARM FOR RENT

For rent pasture grazing for cattle in McCracken County, available now. 270-519-3567

CAMPERS FOR SALE

2021 JAYCO JayFlight SLX, 195 RB Travel Trailer (21-foot) Never been lived in. Bath tub - Shower combo. Closet, Queen size bed, Refrigerator, Microwave, 2-Burner Stove, Electric Awning, Radio & TV Hookup, Fold-Out stairs, Storage, 2-Water Tanks. KEVIL AREA. Asking \$18,000 Call 270-349-4962

For sale Pop camper 2001 Coleman Grand Tour Utah; \$3,000. 270-519-7849 TFN

BOATS FOR SALE

REDUCED 2008 20 ft. Crestliner 1950 SF series, easy load trailer, 175 HP Mercury motor, canopy, travel cover, 2 fish finders, radio FM/AM, much more, garage stored, valued at \$15K, sell for \$12,000. 270-665-0010 / leave a message.

14' Polar Craft Boat,Like new motor, electric start, trailer 1 fuel can, Minkota trolling motor, canopy, fish finder, battery. Benton Ky \$5,500.00. OBO 815-236-9455 (TFN)

AUTOS FOR SALE

For Sale. 2009 Mercury Milan 82000 miles. Bought August 2024 for commuting to work. No longer needed. Last Service June 2025 78,500 miles New Tires June 2025 78,800 miles. Price \$7500.00. Call 615-430-7544.

2015 Mercedes E-350 104,000 miles, Light grey Real nice vehicle, drives real nice. \$13,000 OBO call 270-493-2176

2007 Red Chevy Avalanche Truck, needs transmission and frame rusted.Selling truck for parts. \$3000. Please call 270-217-4980

2017 GMC Sierra Denali Crew Cab pickup, 99,000 miles, loaded, Beautiful truck, \$23,500. Please call... 270-519-3674 or 270-519-1254

1986 Chevrolet 4 x 4 Pickup, wrecked but a/c works \$2,000 cash or OBO. 327

Motor and 3 speed transmission out of 1980 Impala \$1,000 cash or OBO. Call 270-804-5399.

REDUCED 2010 Black Honda Fit Sport 4 door hatchback. Excellent mechanical condition minor cosmetic damage clear title \$4,500.00 OBO Cal 812-631-3921

GMC Yukon, 2 Wheel drive, 2010 ,has third row seating, 120,xxx miles, perfect condition, good tire tread. \$9,800. TEXT with serious inquiries only 270-519-3962 Text ONLY

FARM & LAWN EQUIPMENT

1996 8570 MF Combine Big motor, 30' GH, SCH Knife & drive, Maurer bin ext, flotation rears, second owner. C-Tech maintained. Approx. 3,000 hrs \$50,000 OBO. 419-615-0950

REDUCED 1987 John Deere Combine 7720 Titan 2, 4 wd, long auger, 30.5 x 32 tires, always kept inside shed. \$11,000 OBO 270-254-0318 3.2 Prong Hay Fork \$150; B275 Diesel International project tractor \$1,250. Call 731-487-7062.

1953 Farmall Cub Woods Belly Mower. to ad for 1950 8n Ford Tractor \$1250.00. 270-832-1281

1950 8N Ford tractor \$1,250.00. Call 270-832-1281. W0.5x32

King Kutter Bushhog 48" w/ PTO Connector, Like New. \$900 OBO. Benton, KY. 815-236-9455 (TFN)

MISC. FOR SALE

For Sale: New and Used Christmas Toys and Tools. Rosanna's Place Salem Ky. Thurs -Fri. 8-4. Sat. 8-1

Goodman 4 ton central heat & air split unit, hardly used. Call thomas 270-247-7589. (tfn)

Roofing supplies left over a job. GAF shingles, under lay, edging, nails. Retail value \$700. Your cost for lot \$250 cash and carry. 270-559-8467

Hunting equipment, trophy deer heads, tools, household horse and Indian items, thousands of like new items priced to sell. Traders Mall Flee Market June 13th

Glass Top Coffee Table, 2 matching end tables, and sofa table, great condition. Trimmed with brass. \$150 Call 270 519-7604

Sudoku Answers

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A Fancy Farm Picnic to Remember:

KY Secretary of State Michael Adams Endorses 1st District Rep. James Comer for 27 Governor’s Run



Republicans supporting James Comer(R) at Fancy Farm. (Photo by *Ciro Astarita*)



Democrats supporting Charles Booker(D) at Fancy Farm. (Photo by *Ciro Astarita*)

By CIRO ASTARITA
KPI Writer

FANCY FARM, Ky. - During the 146th Annual Fancy Farm Picnic on Saturday, Aug. 1, many sitting and aspiring Kentucky politicians gathered to deliver speeches. Whether they were supporting their party’s candidates or campaigning for office

from Bishop William Francis Medley of the Diocese of Owensboro. Dave “Buzz” Baker, a sportscaster and WKYT-TV account executive, then served as master of ceremonies for the political speeches.

The main opponents at the event were Charles Booker, the Democratic nominee for the U.S.

displayed a humorous graphic showing Beshear’s face superimposed over the state of Arizona.

Speakers included U.S. Sen. Rand Paul, State Sen. Jason Howell, state Rep. Kim Holloway, Democratic nominee for Kentucky’s 1st Congressional District John “Drew” Williams, Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman and many others.



Charles Booker(D) speaking to his supporters and advocating for socialized healthcare(Medicare For All). He is running against his opponent Andy Barr(R) for the Senate Seat. (Photo by *Ciro Astarita*)

Baker also acknowledged that Coleman is currently undergoing treatment for breast cancer, noting that she is winning her battle against the disease.

Secretary of State Michael Adams concluded the political speeches with what initially seemed like a routine introduction but later hinted at a larger political announcement. He began by expressing his support for Barr and reflected on his efforts to hold both Democrats and Republicans accountable during his time in office.

He then shifted to the 2027 gubernatorial race, saying, “I’ve dedicated



Andy Barr(R) speaking to his supporters on how he plans to bring economic development to KY through continued infrastructural development efforts, including but not limited to his support of a privately funded AI Data Center in Paducah, KY. (Photo by *Ciro Astarita*)

themselves, there was plenty of excitement to be found in this chaotic, yet truly fun and uniquely American tradition.

The Fancy Farm Picnic is held each year in Fancy Farm at St. Jerome Catholic Church and attracts visitors from across the country. Vendors serve a wide variety of food, including barbecue nachos, pulled pork sandwiches and, most famously, mutton.

Fancy Farm is located in Graves County and has a population of 403. The community’s median age is 56.5 years, according to the 2020 U.S. Census.

At 2 p.m., the political speeches began with an introduction by Steven Elder, vice president of U.S. Bank and a Murray State University alumnus, followed by an invocation

Senate, and Rep. Andy Barr, the Republican nominee. Their matchup follows Sen. Mitch McConnell’s primary loss in May, ending his tenure as the longest-serving Senate party leader in U.S. history. Before the event, organizers announced that McConnell would not attend after suffering a fall. He is currently recovering.

Throughout the event, Democrats repeatedly chanted, “Where’s Mitch?” while Republicans responded with, “Where’s Beshear?” The chants grew louder with each exchange.

Gov. Andy Beshear, a Democrat, did not attend the event and was criticized by Republicans for his absence. Beshear was reportedly in Las Vegas at the time. During his opening remarks, Baker

my career to our beloved Republican Party, and the best thing I can do—for my team—is to call on all Republicans to join me in supporting James Comer to be our next governor. James Comer is not only our strongest candidate for governor, he’s the best prepared to do the job. In 2027, let’s get with James Comer, and he will lead us to victory.”

Following the endorsement, Republicans held up signs reading, “Run Comer Run.” A reported biplane also flew over the event with a banner displaying the same message.

As Adams left the stage, Baker remarked, “In the TV business, that’s what we call a tease, but at least he kept everybody around till the end of the show.”



James Comer rallying support for his run coming up this November. (Photo by *Ciro Astarita*)