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## Meeting basic needs

### Masonic Lodges organize hurricane relief

By: Charles Romans  
*Carter County Times*

“They are urging landowners who have large, flat areas to paint an ‘X’ on them, so helicopters have a place to land,” local man Danny Harbison said.

Harbison said that’s how bad the devastation is in North Carolina following the landfall of Hurricane Helene. The areas of North Carolina most devastated are much like our own region, with many residents living on remote hills and up hollows with limited access by

road. The hurricane tore through North Carolina and surrounding states with winds reaching up to 106 mph and rainfall measured between 13.21 to 30.78 inches, leaving almost total devastation in its path.

Trees were broken or torn out of the earth, roadways were washed away, and homes were destroyed. Many of those whose homes survived were isolated without water or electricity; and those fortunate enough to own generators faced a different problem – how to get fuel to operate those generators. The same held true for those who owned chainsaws and had the potential ability to at least assist in clearing a path through the destruction. Harbison said that one man walked nearly 20 miles to find an open station

to purchase gas, only to clear his end of a road that ultimately went nowhere. It had washed out beyond his property.

Harbison said that the people of North Carolina and Tennessee have been forced into survival mode without even the basic needs for that survival. Many have lost their homes, and what homes survived the devastation have become isolated, impromptu shelters for multiple families.

“They are struggling,” Harbison said. “And they are in dire need of everything from drinking water to baby formula.”

Diapers, toothbrushes, toilet paper, and feminine hygiene products were also high on the list of needs, he said.

With no way to properly

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*Supplies packed and awaiting shipment. (submitted photo)*

## Blessing those in need

### Burlap Blessings is a thrift shop with a mission

By: Charles Romans  
*Carter County Times*

All too often those in our region experience a shortage of basic needs. It’s something local woman Sandy Ratcliff said she first noticed while working as a ‘substitute everything’ for the school in Hitchins, where she originally saw the needs of school children. Later she took a position as the director of the senior citizen center in Grayson, and while there she saw the needs experienced by seniors in the area. She remembered the needs of both of those at-risk groups when she began buying abandoned storage building lots.

“I was giving the stuff away,” Ratcliff said.

There were items in those storage buildings that were still usable, she said, so she wasn’t about to throw it away. This led to her renting her own storage building in order to store the salvaged goods until she could give it to those in need. Then that storage building grew to five storage buildings, all of which she was paying for monthly.

It was during this time that Ratcliff also retired from working in the public, so that she could take care of her ailing mother. After her mother passed away, she decided that she needed to do something to remedy the needs she had seen with children and older adults. Fortunately for her, a good rental opportunity presented itself and she was finally able to do something she

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*Sandy Ratcliff (Photo by Charles Romans, Carter County Times)*

## A knight to remember

### KCU gala welcomes Duck Dynasty’s Alan Robertson

By: Charles Romans  
*Carter County Times*

Kentucky Christian University will be holding a gala event on November 9 to support the university’s student scholarship programs. The event, A Knight to Remember, will be a semi-formal event at the university’s Lusby Center and will feature a plated meal, with music by members of the KCU Worship Collective, and special guest speaker Alan Robertson.

Many will remember Alan as

*See KNIGHT on A-3*

the older brother on the popular A&E Network television series Duck Dynasty. What they might not know, however, is that he also served in both full time and volunteer ministry at the White Ferry Road Church in West Monroe, Louisiana, for over 35 years. He pastored the church for over 22 years before returning to the family business, Duck Commander, and at that point began appearing on the show. Robertson and wife Lisa have co-authored



*Alan Robertson (Submitted photo)*

## Weekly arrests report

The following individuals were arrested and booked into the Carter County Detention Center over the past week. This list includes local arrests only. It does not include federal inmates being housed at or transported through the detention center.

- Jessica George, 42, of Flemingsburg, arrested by Kentucky State Police, on two counts of failure to appear, arrested and booked September 30.
- Timothy Woods, 44, of Grayson, arrested by Carter County Detention Center, on charges of operating on a suspended or revoked operator’s license, possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to appear, third degree assault of a police

or probation officer, first degree fleeing or evading, and resisting arrest, arrested and booked September 30.

- Brianna Litz, 25, of Olive Hill, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, on charges of fourth degree assault with minor injury, and fourth degree assault (child abuse), arrested and booked September 30
- Parish Hamm, 30, of Morehead, arrested by Carter County Circuit Court, charges unavailable, arrested and booked September 30.
- Kayla Carver, 31, of Olive Hill, arrested by Olive Hill PD, on charges of failure to appear, third degree fleeing or evading police, and resisting arrest,

- arrested and booked October 1.
- Dustin Young, 38, of Denton, arrested by Kentucky State Police, for failure to appear, arrested and booked October 2.
- Kristie Williams, 44, of Olive Hill, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, for failure to appear, arrested and booked October 3.
- Brett Bush, 41, address unavailable, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, for failure to appear, arrested and booked October 3.
- Anna Gillispie, 34, of Ashland, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, on a probation violation for a technical violation, arrested and booked October 3.
- Brandi Conley, 42, of Grayson, arrested by Grayson PD, for failure to appear, arrested and booked October 3.
- Jeremy Nichols, 47, of Cheshire, OH, arrested by

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**This Week’s Obituaries**

**Lester Ray Bond, 76**  
**John Elbin Erskine, 72**

**Larry Gene Kees, 76**  
**Johnny Sherman McDowell, 71**

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# LIFESTYLE



## Spread the warmth: Homemade pumpkin butter to embrace autumn

As the air turns crisp and the leaves start to fall, nothing ushers in the coziness of autumn like the rich, spiced aroma of pumpkin. Whether you're planning a festive breakfast or just looking to savor the season, homemade pumpkin butter is a simple way to bring a taste of autumn into your every day. Slather it on toast, swirl it into oatmeal or pair it with your favorite baked goods -- it's the perfect companion to chilly mornings and sweater weather.

This recipe makes three cups of pumpkin butter, but if that

feels like too much of a good thing, it can easily be halved. And remember, it makes a wonderful foodie gift as the holidays draw near!

### HOMEMADE PUMPKIN BUTTER

Yield: 3 cups  
Total Time: 30 minutes

- 1 (29 ounce) can pumpkin puree, NOT pumpkin pie filling
- 1/2 cup apple juice or apple cider
- 1/2 cup dark brown sugar
- 1/4 cup honey or pure maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon table salt
- 1 tablespoon butter

#### Stovetop Instructions:

In a large, heavy bottom saucepan, on medium-high heat, combine all ingredients except the butter. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Reduce heat to low and simmer 20-25 minutes, stirring frequently. The pumpkin butter will become smoother and thicker as it is heated and stirred.

For an even thicker consistency, continue heating and stirring over low heat for an additional 10-15 minutes.

When the pumpkin butter reaches the desired thickness, remove from heat. Taste and adjust seasonings as needed, adding more sugar or pumpkin pie spice or salt to balance the flavors to your taste. When you're satisfied, add the butter and stir as it melts into a beautifully glossy finish. Let cool completely.

#### Slow Cooker Instructions:

In the crock of your slow cooker, combine all ingredients except the butter. Cover and cook on high for 3-4 hours. During the last 45 minutes of cooking, remove the lid to allow the pumpkin butter to thicken. Turn off the heat and add the butter. Taste, adjusting seasonings as desired. The pumpkin butter will thicken as it cools. Let cool completely.

#### To Store:

Store in glass jars refrigerated for up to two weeks or freeze in freezer for up to three months.

Pumpkin butter pairs wonderfully with a variety of flavors! Here are some ideas:

- Warm Toast or Biscuits: Spread pumpkin butter on warm toast, biscuits or English muffins for a cozy breakfast or snack.
- Pancakes or Waffles: Use it as a topping for pancakes or waffles, adding a dollop of whipped cream for an extra treat.



Spiced homemade pumpkin butter -- cozy up to the season with this fall favorite! (Photo credit: www.JasonCoblentz.com)

- Oatmeal or Yogurt: Stir a spoonful into oatmeal or swirl it into yogurt for a fall-inspired twist.
- Cream Cheese or Butter: Mix pumpkin butter with room temperature cream cheese or butter to make a delicious spread for bagels or crackers.
- Brie or Goat Cheese: Serve it with creamy cheeses like brie or goat cheese on a cheese board, paired with crackers or sliced apples.
- Ice Cream: Drizzle it over vanilla or caramel ice cream for a sweet and spiced dessert.

With just a handful of ingredients and a little simmering, you'll

have a jar of pure autumn bliss. Pumpkin butter is a beautiful reminder that even in the busiest of seasons, we can pause and enjoy the simple comforts. Make a batch to share or keep it all to yourself (I won't tell!). No matter how you enjoy it, this pumpkin butter is sure to become a fall favorite.

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## Joyful Noise

# Faithfulness and truth

By: Pastor Naomi Mitchell  
for Carter County Times

I have good news for you! In a world where everything seems to be chaos or on the brink of disaster there is one thing for certain, God's counsel (Word) hasn't changed! His Word is forever settled! The thoughts of God's heart are still to all generations. His thoughts are about you and me right now at this very moment, everyday!

Psalm 33:11, "The counsel of the Lord standeth forever; the thoughts of his heart to all generations." Isaiah 25:1 says, "O Lord, thou art my God; I will exalt thee,

I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful things; thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth." Psalm 33:4 says, "For the Word of the Lord is right; and all His works are done in truth."

His counsels of old are faithfulness (they do not fail) and truth (the purposes of God are firm and will certainly be fulfilled).

When we think about all the wonderful things the Lord has done, it is easy to make the decision to worship the Lord. God wants our worship to be filled with thought and remembrance of God's great works, not only an emotional response. When

we remember the greatness and permanence of God's Word, it makes us want to praise Him. What is more reliable, more everlasting, more enduring than the Word of God?

In the book of Isaiah, Jesus is called "Wonderful Counselor" when the prophet writes about the coming Christ. Isaiah 9:6 says, "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Jesus is called the Wonderful Counselor because He alone can give

us guidance, help, and deliverance through His wisdom and miracles. He causes everything to work together for a twofold purpose: The greatest good of mankind and the highest glory to God.

Reminder of Psalm 33:11 which says, "The Word of the Lord standeth forever, the thoughts of His heart to all generations." No matter what is going on in this great big world which includes your little world, "The Word of the Lord that stands forever"

has already told us about things that will come. We have the assurance that "the thought of His heart is to all generations" and that "the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cry."

Psalm 34:7 says, "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them." Psalm 35:9 says, "And my soul shall be joyful in the Lord: it shall rejoice in His salvation."

Get into the Word and find out more about His counsels of old that are faithfulness and truth to all generations. Be joyful and rejoice that His

thoughts are higher than our thoughts and His ways are higher than our ways. To find out more about what His thoughts are for you, open your Bible! Stop worrying, Gods got this! Amen! So be it!

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## Extension Notes

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### AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

## Fall is a good time to sample soil

Fall is a great time to take soil samples for fertility analyses. Doing it now can allow you plenty of time to follow fertility recommendations before planting season, and that could end up saving you time and money. When you receive the soil test results, look at the recommendations for lime and pH, a measure of soil acidity that affects plants' uptake of all nutrients. If the soil pH is too low, it decreases the uptake of essential nutrients, and elements like aluminum and manganese can become toxic to growing plant roots.

Applying limestone neutralizes soil acidity. Because agricultural lime takes about six months to break down and react with the soil, you should apply it in the fall so it will be fully effective in the spring. Unlike fertilizer, you really only need lime every three to five years, depending on your crop rotation and nitrogen fertilizer history. The only way to determine if your fields will need lime next year is by soil testing this fall.

All the recommended fertilizers, except nitrogen, also can be applied in the fall. Often a fall application will save you considerable money, because

fertilizer prices generally are cheaper in the fall as a result of lower demand. In addition to lower fertilizer prices, it's easier to get the spreader truck in the field during the fall because the soil is usually drier.

If you don't soil test, you can only guess at the fertility needs of your fields, and far too often assumptions are wrong. Guessing at the amount of fertilizer to apply often results in applying more than the recommended rate. Some producers want to be sure there's plenty of fertilizer available in case they have a bumper crop next season. However, studies have shown that crops need the same amount of fertilizer in a good year as in a poor year.

If you're interested in collecting fall soil samples, contact the Carter County Cooperative Extension office. We can give you details on how to take accurate soil samples. Soil probes are available for checkout from the office. Currently, the Soil Conservation Office has a grant that pays for up to 15 soil tests for Carter County residents.

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#### Upcoming Events

- The Grayson Farmer's Market is open on Saturdays from 9:00 AM until noon. The market is located in the shed behind the Extension Office. The Olive Hill Farmer's Market is located in the Save-a-Lot parking lot and is open on Saturdays and Wednesdays at 8:00 AM and Mondays at 3:00 PM until sell out each day.
- The deadline to request free hay analysis through the East KY Hay Contest is October 11th. Call 474-6686 to schedule you hay sampling.
- Northeast Area Livestock Association – Tuesday, October 29th @ 6:00 PM; Topic – Livestock Drinking Water; Speaker: Dr. Steve Higgins, UK Director of Environmental Compliance

## Kentucky Dept of Agriculture Livestock and Grain Market Report

Compared to last week, feeder steers sold mostly 5.00 to 10.00 higher and heifers 3.00 to 5.00 higher with exceptions sharply higher. Yearling steers and heifers sold steady to 5.00 higher. Demand was good to very good for all feeder and yearling classes with buyers showing best interest for weaned and preconditioned packages. Slaughter cows were unevenly steady with trends reported 3.00 lower to 3.00 higher and slaughter bulls were mostly steady to 3.00 higher. Demand was moderate to good for all slaughter classes.

Courtesy of <https://www.kyagr.com/>

Week ending 10/5/24

STATE AVERAGES			
	This Week	Prior Week	Last Year
<b>Steers (M&amp;L 1-2)</b>			
350-400 lbs	291.45	288.84	250.42
400-450 lbs	277.64	274.40	242.91
450-500 lbs	279.31	271.45	244.69
500-550 lbs	270.81	267.47	236.06
550-600 lbs	263.48	258.35	234.11
600-650 lbs	252.65	244.39	229.24
650-700 lbs	242.70	241.74	224.74
700-750 lbs	237.81	235.55	223.93
750-800 lbs	237.70	234.05	224.43
800-850 lbs	224.43	225.95	226.75
850-900 lbs	225.36	228.76	218.73
<b>Heifers (M&amp;L 1-2)</b>			
300-350 lbs	252.58	255.86	215.12
350-400 lbs	258.00	244.30	216.17
400-450 lbs	245.53	246.03	215.00
450-500 lbs	242.44	236.25	213.84
500-550 lbs	237.91	232.04	211.43
550-600 lbs	232.03	228.45	212.48
600-650 lbs	228.14	219.42	207.92
650-700 lbs	223.15	218.76	200.92
700-750 lbs	208.76	211.68	195.77
750-800 lbs	215.56	213.11	197.68

WEEKLY COW SUMMARY			
	Average	High	Low
<b>Slaughter Cows</b>			
Breakers	109.00-130.00	122.00-141.00	102.00-119.00
Boners	96.00-130.00	121.00-148.00	91.00-120.00
Lean	86.00-127.00	102.00-137.50	89.00-119.00
<b>Slaughter Bulls</b>			
Yield Grade 1&2	128.00-165.00	151.00-177.00	104.00-149.00

Sep 26 2024 **Bowling Green, KY**  
**SLAUGHTER GOATS: 185**  
**Kids: Selection 1** 53 lbs 290.00; 69 lbs 252.50. **Selection 2** 55 lbs 265.00; 65 lbs 255.00; 80-85 lbs 107.50-235.00. Selection 2-3 38 lbs 155.00; 52 lbs 207.50; 63 ...  
**SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 597**  
**Hair Breeds-Choice & Prime 1-2** 55-56 lbs 242.50-245.00; 67 lbs 197.50-202.50; 76-77 lbs 192.50; 88 lbs 177.50-180.00; 110 lbs 132.50-147.50. **Choice 2** 49 lbs 237.50; 57 lbs 237.50; 68 lbs 165.00; 73 lbs 170.00; 85 lbs 162.50; 110 lbs 137.50; 147 lbs 115.00. **Wooled-Choice & Prime 1-2** 96 lbs 162.50; 160 lbs 167.50.

Week ending 10/5/24

GRAINS			
	This Week	Prior Week	Last Year
<b>Corn</b>	3.73-4.84	3.54-3.98	3.79-4.73
<b>Soybeans</b>	9.27-10.20	9.21-10.55	11.28-12.41
<b>Red Winter Wheat</b>	4.78-5.37	4.66-5.29	5.20-6.17

**Arrests** from A-1

Grayson PD, on charges of second degree assault, first degree strangulation (non-domestic violence), menacing, and being a fugitive (warrant not required), arrested and booked October 3.

- Sharon Lay, 56, of Nicholasville, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, on a charge of public intoxication on a controlled substance (excludes alcohol), failure to appear, and non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines, arrested and booked October 4.
- Elijah Littleton, 33, of Olive Hill, arrested by Carter County District Court, for non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines, arrested and booked

October 4.

- Jesse Wilson, 42, of Olive Hill, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, for failure to appear, arrested and booked October 4.
- Robert Fosson, 59, of Grayson, arrested by Carter County District Court, for non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines, arrested and booked October 4.
- Rita Tackett, 60, of Grayson, arresting agency unavailable, for failure to appear, arrested and booked October 4.
- Larry Boggs, 69, of Olive Hill, arrested by Olive Hill PD, on a charge of first degree rape of a victim under 12 years of age, arrested and booked October 4.

- William Bailey, 34, of Vanceburg, arrested by Kentucky State Police, on charges of first degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), operating a motor vehicle on a suspended or revoked operator's license, non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines, and failure to appear, arrested and booked October 4.
- Shannon Preston, 48, of Grayson, arrested by Carter County Circuit Court, on a hold for drug court, arrested and booked October 4.
- Geoffrey Burchett, 46, of Olive Hill, self-surrender, weekender, arrested and booked October 4.
- Billy Ingles, 24, of

Grayson, arrested by Grayson PD, on charges of failure to appear, second degree unlawful imprisonment, second degree wanton endangerment, fourth degree assault with minor injury, and first degree criminal mischief, arrested and booked October 4.

All of the charges listed are arrest charges only, and do not indicate an indictment or a conviction for the charges in question. All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Information is compiled from publicly available sources, but may not be comprehensive.

**Hurricane** from A-1

store, much less a means to prepare food, Harbison said nonperishable food items were crucial to the survival of those devastated by the hurricane. Foods like peanut butter, canned beans, ravioli and other canned pastas, canned beef stew, and other foods that do not require cooking and can be eaten cold are at the top of the list. Folks might also consider sending can openers to go with those foods, because many have lost everything they own and escaped their homes with little more than the clothes on their backs. Personal hygiene products such as hand sanitizers and wet wipes are also needed to prevent further sickness due to contamination caused by the flooding. Gas cans and bleach are also high priorities, along with buckets with lids and trash bags.

Harbison is currently the Master of Smith Lodge in Flatwoods, Kentucky, and said that his Masonic Lodge and others in the district have joined

together to collect these most crucial survival items for those affected by the hurricane's devastation. He said that former Lodge Master Charlie Young was especially touched by the plight of children caught in the path of destruction.

"The thought of young children going hungry and babies being without formula was more than he (Young) could take," Harbison said. "So, we were determined to do everything we could to fix that problem."

Harbison said that coordination is key, and that after the relief items have been gathered it can be problematic to ensure that those items make it to the hands of those who need it. To this end, he said the Masons are working with the Christian Appalachian Project, a local group that has been certified to enter the affected areas.

"They have been doing wonderful work in the Appalachians for decades," Harbison said. "And they have earned our trust."

The Masonic Lodges involved so far (and the list continually grows, Harbison said) in the relief efforts are Smith Lodge, Greenup Lodge, Greenhill Lodge, Poage Lodge, Olive Hill Lodge, and Rush Lodge – but members of the entire Masonic District 27 are expected to support the effort. The gathering of items will end on October 19, at which point the aid will be delivered to the Christian Appalachian Project in Paintsville, Kentucky, then sent into the affected areas.

The general public is also encouraged to donate nonperishable items to the relief efforts. Items can be dropped off at Smith Lodge, 2204 Argillite Road in Flatwoods (across from the Marathon Station), from 8 – 12 in the morning, and 4 – 8 in the evening, Monday through Saturday. If another time or location for drop off is necessary, that can be arranged by calling 606-831-4025, or by contacting your local Lodge Master, Harbison

said.

Also, on October 19 there will be a fundraiser for relief in the parking lot of Smith Lodge, where you can get a sandwich, a side, and a drink for a donation, he said. The food for relief will be provided by Raceland City Council Member Carlos Holbrook, who has also been invaluable in all other phases of the relief effort, Harbison said. He also thanked Zach Whitt, at Whitt's Tire Town for the use of storage units, and Kevin White, at White's Meat Market, for donating the meat for the fundraiser barbecue.

"The people struck by the hurricane have literally lost everything," Harbison said. "And anything we can do or donate helps them to survive and get through this. It also lets them know they aren't alone, and that people care about them."

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**Knight** from A-1

three books, and Robertson is now the host of Blaze TV's Podcast 'Unashamed' with his father Phil and brother Jase Robertson.

"The idea is to engage support from the community and sponsors for the university," KCU Director of Development Danny Stamper said of the event. "We want to get everyone on campus to see what we are doing and support what we are about."

The event is geared toward the specific purpose of helping students, Stamper said.

"One of the things I have noticed since I have been here is the general assumption that we get a federal and state budget. Students can get federal aid," Stamper said. "But the university does not. We are a private institution, so there is no line item in the state or federal budget that supports us. We operate off of student tuition and donor support."

Stamper said that lack of government support makes the university mindful of what they are doing and that they work to be responsible with their finances and make them go

as far as possible.

"We do not have unlimited income, but it has been that way since day one," he said.

This is a testament to the university's diligence considering it has been operating for 105 years, he noted.

"And we would like to manage thing so that we are here another 105 years or longer," Stamper said. "We have gone through a number of changes over the last several years, and we are doing more to get the community involved and show the county and the surrounding area what we do."

The closest other Christian universities would be Alice Lloyd or Asbury, or Ohio Christian University in Ohio, Stamper said. He added that KCU serves an important student market in the area and said that a lot of the university's students are local; a number that continues to grow. He also noted how important it is to the university to support their students in any way possible, and help them on the path to educational success.

"A lot of our students

get an aid package," Stamper said.

That package can include federal grants and student loans, as well as the scholarships the university currently offers.

"The tuition ends up being about \$3,500 per semester," he continued.

One of the things the college has started to help offset the costs to the students, beyond their federal or state aid funding, is the Commonwealth Commitment Scholarship, Stamper said.

"We don't want a shortfall on the students funding to prevent them from being able to attend school. So, we are using that fund to bridge that gap."

The program was initially funded out of the university budget in order to make it work, Stamper said. The gala event is part of a means to secure funding for the students from another source.

"My goal is to raise \$100,000.00," Stamper said.

"There is a link on the school's website that also allows individuals to donate to the program, with a drop-down tab for

Commonwealth Commitment. We are a 501c3, so donations are tax deductible," he added. "And all sponsorships and donations go to fund that program."

Stamper said that anyone needing further information can contact him at 606-474-3282 or email him at [dkstamper@kcu.edu](mailto:dkstamper@kcu.edu). The event will accommodate 470 people, Stamper said.

"My biggest goal is to see every single seat filled," Stamper said.

Not just for the fundraising, but so the community can understand what KCU offers students, and what they could offer back to the community.

"This school has a personal touch," Stamper said of KCU. "The professors are accessible and easy to reach when needed. No one gets lost in the shuffle, and everyone here wants you to succeed."

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# CALENDAR

- **10/9: Olive Hill Farmer's Market @ 8 a.m.** | Save-A-Lot parking lot
- **10/9: Girl Scouts meeting @ 5:30 p.m.** | Carter County Public Library - Grayson
- **10/10: Grayson Farmer's Market @ 2 p.m.** | Carter County Extension Office Shed
- **10/11: Olive Hill Farmer's Market @ 8 a.m.** | Save-A-Lot parking lot
- **10/11: Grayson Farmer's Market @ 9 a.m.** | Carter County Extension Office Shed
- **10/14: Quilts for Veterans Sew Days @ 9 a.m.** | Carter County Extension Education Center | For questions call 606-474-6686
- **10/14: Homeschool group meeting @ 12 p.m.** | Carter County Public Library - Grayson
- **10/14: Olive Hill Farmer's Market @ 3 p.m.** | Save-A-Lot parking lot
- **10/14: Game Night @ 5 p.m.** | Carter County Public Library - Olive Hill
- **10/14: Carter County Fiscal Court @ 6 p.m.** | Carter County Courthouse
- **10/15: Homeschool group meeting @ 6 p.m.** | Carter County Public Library - Olive Hill
- **10/15: Olive Hill City Council @ 6 p.m.** | Olive Hill Senior/Community Center
- **10/16: Olive Hill Farmer's Market @ 8 a.m.** | Save-A-Lot parking lot
- **10/17: Grayson Farmer's Market @ 2 p.m.** | Carter County Extension Office Shed
- **10/17: Olive Hill Area Chamber of Commerce meeting @ 6 p.m.** | Giovanni's of Olive Hill
- **10/17: Grayson Book Club @ 6 p.m.** | Carter County Public Library - Grayson

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**Commercial Bank of Grayson**

## Welcome to our house!

### KCU hosts open house event

By Charles Romans  
Carter County Times

Kentucky Christian University will be having an Open House on Tuesday, October 15, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. to welcome potential new students. The event is designed to both showcase what the university has to offer and to give students a first look at what life is like on a college campus. Nathan Yates works in the Admissions Office, and is also an adjunct professor who teaches Introduction to The New Testament and College 101 at KCU. Yates said the university is happy to welcome everyone to the open house on October 15.

“We’ve invited the high schools in our area and surrounding areas,” Yates said. “They will come in, get a bag with KCU information and other ‘goodies,’ and we will treat them to breakfast. We will go to Chapel after the breakfast so they will get experience what life will be like during their stay. After Chapel, we will give them a presentation that covers tuition, sports, majors, and things like that.”

Yates said the school has updated their open

house for this year to include games like the ‘Minute to Win It’ to get students ready to go. After the games and presentation there will be a tour of the KCU campus which includes a game of disc golf.

“We have disc golf on campus,” Yates said. “And whoever gets a hole in one receives a gift card.”

Lunch follows the tour, and after lunch the group will separate into students and parents, respectively.

“That gives the parents some time to talk about their concerns for the student’s first semester and discuss things like financial aid. And the students will be taken over to our McKenzie Student Life Center. That’s where our coffee shop is, so we’ll get them free drinks from Starbucks and then take them into the student lounge where they can relax. They can also talk to the deans of the departments and the coaches if they are interested in sports.”

He said they’ve been reaching out to prospective students in various ways.

“We have an admissions counselor who has been going to schools in our area and around the state,” Yates added. “She has been giving out posters for the upcoming open house and has also been giving those out to the high school counselors.”

See **OUR HOUSE** on A-6

## OBITUARY

### Lester Ray Bond 1948 – 2024



Lester Ray Bond, age 76, of Olive Hill, Kentucky, passed away Friday, October 4, 2024, at UK-St. Claire Hospital in Morehead, Kentucky.

He was born Monday, March 22, 1948, in Carter County, Kentucky, to the late Theodore and Sara Wanda Riley Bond.

Lester enjoyed fishing, loafing, and hunting. He also loved the outdoors, listening to bluegrass music, taking drives to Lewis County, Kentucky and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sons, Andy Bond, Jimmy Liles; five brothers, Charles Bond, Elmer Bond, Jack Bond, Phillip Bond, Danny Bond; five sisters, Rema Pendulum, Zelma Bond, Stella Stricklin, Esta Stigall and Mary Conn.

Lester is survived by one son, Josh (Kelly) Bond of Olive Hill, Kentucky, two daughters, Tammy Reed and Sarbrina Liles, both of Olive Hill, Kentucky; six grandchildren, Andra Bond, Jordyn Bond, Mya Bond, Nevaeh Bond,

Taylor Bond, and Alexis Bond; one brother, Roger Bond of Mansfield, Ohio; three sisters, Virgie (Carol) Barker, Judy (Leroy) Stone, Betty (Roger) Bailey all of Olive Hill, Kentucky; two sisters-in-law, Nettie Lou Bond and Shirley Bond, both of Mansfield, Ohio; mother of his two sons, Sarah Stampfer, along with many other family and friends who will sadly miss him.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Thursday, October 10, 2024, at Globe Funeral Chapel, 17277 West US Hwy 60, Olive Hill, Kentucky with Brother Marcus McCleese and Brother J.C. Bond officiating. Burial will follow in Kentucky Veterans North East Cemetery, in Grayson, Kentucky.

Friends may visit from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., Wednesday, October 9, 2024 and after 9 a.m., Thursday, October 9, 2024, until the service hour at Globe Funeral Chapel.

Brian Conn, Jason Conn, Allen Wilson, Phillip Blevins, Phillip Carter, Mark Tackett, will serve as pallbearers.

Roger Bond, Leroy Stone, Roger Bailey, Lonnie Tackett, Jeff Arnett, Steve Lewis, Ronnie James, Everett Stamper, all Vietnam Veteran that fought and sacrificed for their country will serve as honorary pallbearers. Welcome Home, Brothers.

Globe Funeral Chapel in Olive Hill, Kentucky is honored to serve the family of Lester Ray Bond.

### John Elbin Erskine 1952 – 2024



John Elbin Erskine, age 72, of Olive Hill, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, September 29, 2024, at his residence.

He was born January 20, 1952, to the late Lovell and Willimita Lunsford Lawhorn.

John worked 30 plus years as a welder at the Army Tank Plant in Lima, Ohio. He was an outdoors man, he loved farming, building and working with horses.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two daughters, Sumar Erskine and Shelly Erskine; one brother, Sonny Lawhorn; one sister, Diane Moore; one grandson, Warren Erskine.

John is survived by his loving wife of twenty-one years, Earlene Erskine; three sons, Billy Jack

Skaggs, Ronald “Tater” Skaggs and James Edward Skaggs, all of Olive Hill, Kentucky; three daughters, Tracey Lynn (Timmy) Dickerson, Kelly Layne, both of Olive Hill, Kentucky and Penny Strawser of Van Wert, Ohio; eleven grandchildren; fifteen great grandchildren; two brothers, Darrell Erskine and Bobby Erskine both of Frostproof, Florida; one sister, Laura Barker of Grayson, Kentucky, along with many other family and friends who will sadly miss him.

Funeral services were held 12 noon, Thursday, October 3, 2024, at Globe Funeral Chapel, 17277 West US Hwy 60, Olive Hill, Kentucky, with Brother Bobby Day officiating. Burial followed in the Erskine Family Cemetery at Hickory Flats Hill in Olive Hill, Kentucky.

Friends visited after 11:00 a.m., Thursday, October 3, 2024, until the service hour at Globe Funeral Chapel.

Family and friends served as pallbearers.

Globe Funeral Chapel in Olive Hill, Kentucky is honored to serve the family of John Elbin Erskine.

### Johnny Sherman McDowell 1953 – 2024



McDowell of Owensboro, Kentucky, Johnny Ray McDowell, Joseph Shane McDowell both of Olive Hill, Kentucky; four daughters, Melonye Fowler of Owensboro, Kentucky, Carrie O’Kelly of Grahn, Kentucky, Johnda McDowell and Mirakle McDowell both of Grayson, Kentucky; twenty grandchildren; one great-grandchild; three sisters, Diana (Carlos) Duncan, Ella (Howard) Duncan of Grahn, Kentucky, Denise (Tim) Orcutt of Upper Tygart, Kentucky, along with several nieces, nephews and other family and friends who will sadly miss him.

Johnny Sherman McDowell, age 71, of Olive Hill, Kentucky, passed away Friday, September 27, 2024, at UK - Saint Clarie Hospital in Morehead, Kentucky.

He was born Monday, June 22, 1953, in Carter County, Kentucky, to the late Roy Sherman McDowell and Dorothy White McDowell Davis.

Johnny proudly served his country in the United States Army and he enjoyed riding his motorcycle and fishing. He loved taking care of his children and grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two daughters, Mary Ann McDowell, Gloria McDowell; two brothers, Allen McDowell, Dewey McDowell; one sister, Rosie Burchett.

Johnny is survived by his loving wife of thirty-seven years, Jackie Daviault McDowell; three sons, John Steven

Funeral services were held 1 p.m., Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at Globe Funeral Chapel, 17277 West US Hwy 60, Olive Hill, Kentucky, with Brother Jason Lewis officiating. Burial followed in the McDowell Cemetery, in Grayson, Kentucky.

Friends visited after 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 2, 2024, until the service hour at Globe Funeral Chapel.

Johnny Ray McDowell, Landon McDowell, Tyler McDowell, Carlos Duncan Jr. served as pallbearers.

Globe Funeral Chapel in Olive Hill, Kentucky is honored to serve the family of Johnny Sherman McDowell.

### Larry Gene Kees 1948 – 2024



Larry Gene Kees, age 76, of Sandy Hook, KY went home to be with the Lord, Friday, October 4, 2024, at Elliott Nursing and Rehabilitation after an extended illness.

Larry was born July 7, 1948, to the late Herman and Juanita Kees of Willard, Kentucky.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Stephanie Kees and one brother, Michael Kees.

Larry was an electrician and retired from Kentucky Electric Steel. After retirement, Larry spent his time helping others, whether it was visiting and helping neighbors farm, fixing things for his family, woodworking, or clearing off driveways in the winter, he was always willing to help anyone who needed him. Larry loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He was so proud of the family he and Dianna had created.

Larry is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Dianna Hutchinson Kees;

two sons, Sam Riggs and Nathan (Jolena) Kees both of Grayson, Kentucky; four grandchildren, Brittany (Jonathan) Kissinger, Jesse Kees, Jamie (Christina) Kees, and Jackie Kees. great-grandchildren, Aydin and Kaydin Kissinaer; mother-in-law, Phyllis Hutchinson; two nephews, Joshua and Raymond Kees, along with a host of extended family and friends.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m., Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at Grayson Funeral Home and Cremation Services.49 McCoy Road, Grayson, Kentucky, with Brother Guy Moyer officiating. Burial will follow in the Kees Family Cemetery.

Friends may visit after 11 a.m., Wednesday, October 9, 2024 until the service hour at Grayson Funeral Home.

Nathan Kees, Sam Riggs, Jesse Kees, Jonathan Kissinger, Josh Kees, Raymond Kees, Joseph Adams and Shane Elam will serve as pallbearers.

Jamie Kees, Aydin Kissinger, Kaydin Kissinger will serve as honorary pallbearers.

Bryan Hutchinson, Herman Conn, Gary Hanshaw.

Grayson Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Grayson Funeral Home.

The family would like to thank the Route 504 Fire Department, Sandy Hook Volunteer Fire Department and Elliott County EMS.

### October 12

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**First Amendment:** Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

## Guest Editorial

### Kentucky's Largest Association for School Leaders Adopts Resolution Opposing Amendment 2

*(Editor's Note: We agree with the stance taken by the Kentucky Association of School Administrators. We believe Amendment 2 will result in less school funding, increases in local property tax rates, and – in most cases – will amount to a giveaway to families who can already afford private school, without doing anything to make those same options affordably accessible to working class families. We need only look at the experiences of other states with similar laws, like Arizona whose voucher program is ready to bankrupt the state – costing Arizona tax payers more than \$330 million last year, and on track to cost them another \$429 million this year, while subsidizing ski passes for wealthy families – to see this is a bad idea.)*

FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Association of School Administrators (KASA) adopted a formal resolution opposing the proposed Constitutional Amendment 2 that will be on November ballots.

The unanimous vote taken on September 13 signals an important statement from the organization, which represents more than 3,300 members representing every county and every school district in Kentucky.

The resolution reads, in part:

“Voters should seriously consider the unintended and adverse consequences Amendment 2 will have on our public schools and local communities...

We urge voters to cast a ‘NO’ on Amendment 2 and send a resounding message that the people of Kentucky support public education and oppose public funds for private schools.”

“KASA members have been very clear in telling us they want us to send a strong public message on this issue that could, and in other states has, caused dire harm to public schools and the students they serve,” said KASA Chief Executive Officer Dr. Rhonda Caldwell.

“The fact is this amendment is an attempt to undermine our constitutional rights. The courts have repeatedly established this fact, and this last-ditch effort by groups outside Kentucky is an attempt to convince you otherwise. Those out-of-state groups want to profit off of us as they have in other states where their misleading campaigns prevailed. Kentuckians are smarter than that, and we don’t need opportunists telling us how to govern,” she added.

KASA represents school leaders in every Kentucky county and is working to ensure that its 3,400 members are working in a legal and responsible manner to ensure their colleagues and neighbors understand the negative consequences of Amendment 2.

The attached copy of the KASA resolution lays out key reasons why we consider Amendment 2 a bad policy for public schools, taxpayers, and most importantly, Kentucky’s children.

As the largest school administrator group in Kentucky, KASA represents more than 3,300 education leaders from across the commonwealth. Since its formation in 1969, KASA has been dedicated to connecting education leaders with policy-makers, legislators, and other key stakeholders, while providing invaluable support and resources to Kentucky’s school administrators.

A Resolution Opposing Amendment #2 to the Kentucky Constitution

WHEREAS, Kentucky’s system of public schools educates all children without regard to disabilities, language barriers, race, or creed; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 2 portends to equip families with more choices while instead giving private schools the choice to decide who they will educate with no accountability as to how they educate students, and

WHEREAS, Amendment 2 would enable scarce financial resources to be diverted from public education at a time when public school funding has fallen well below the levels necessary to attract and retain teachers and other staff; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 2 would specifically enable the General Assembly to disregard sections of the Constitution that require public schools to be adequately and equitably funded; and

WHEREAS, Seventy-five percent of private school voucher programs in other states are used by students from middle and

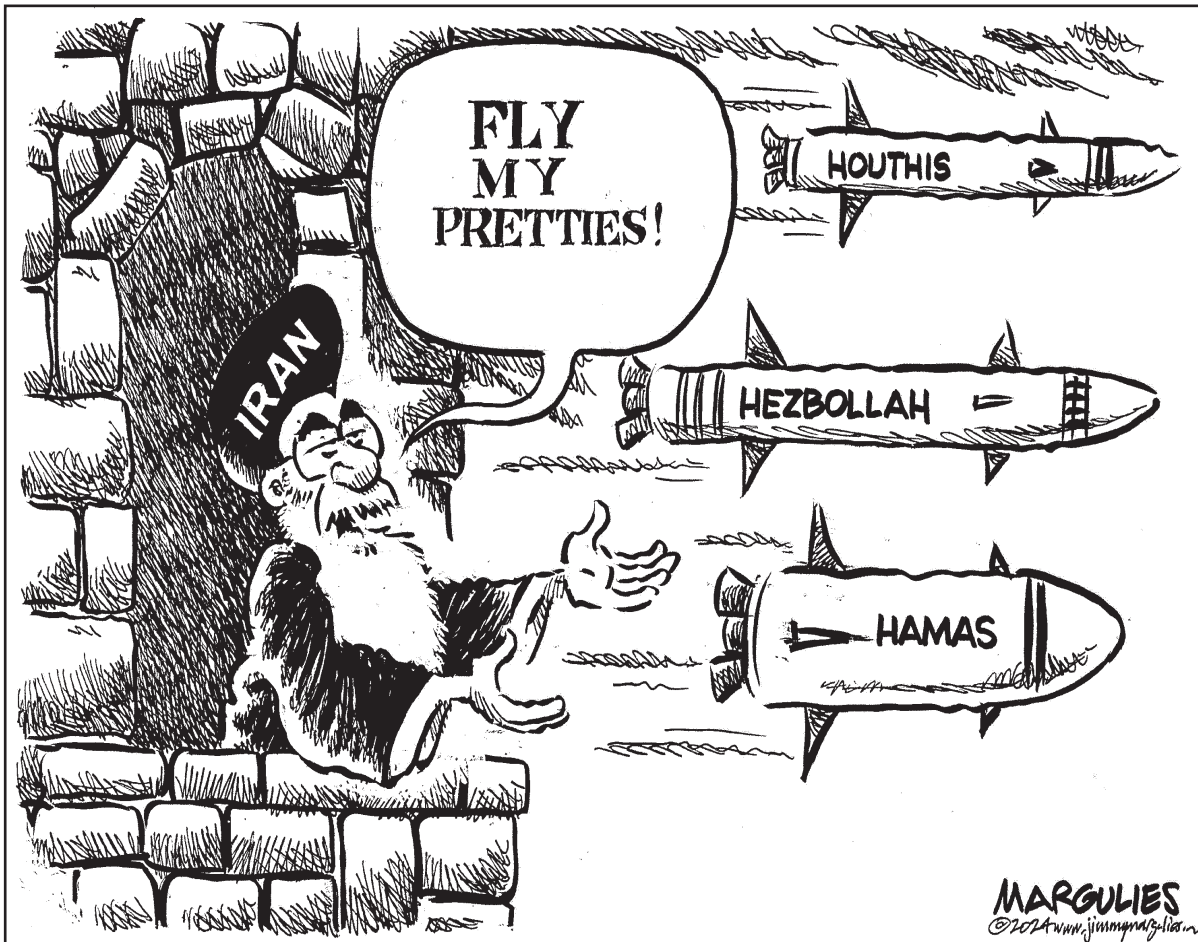
See AMENDMENT on A-8

## Carter County Times

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### Helene told us sights, smells and sorrows of flooding never go away.

I normally don’t think of myself as a flood survivor, but the death and destruction brought to the Southeast U. S. by Hurricane Helene brought back a rush of memories.

Our family home was in what used to be called the “Blue Camps” neighborhood on KY 773 in Hitchins. It flooded at least three times while I was growing up there with my parents, brother and sister.

Later, it flooded twice more while our widowed mother lived there alone. In fact, my late brother, Dave, and I paddled a canoe through the house in about five feet of water during the last major flood a few years before Mom died in 1986.

At the time, we again pleaded with her to move away but that old house was the only place she had lived as a wife, mother and grandmother and there were just too many memories to leave behind.

The original houses in that subdivision were built with solid wood walls rather than drywall so cleaning up was mainly a matter of shoveling and hosing out the mud, scrubbing all exposed surfaces with bleach water and then drying the walls and floors.

I vividly remember my grandmother Minnie using

roaring fireplaces and coal-fired stoves to heat the house so much that sap oozed from the old flooring.

Family and friends whose homes escaped the flood came to help as we cleaned and tried to reclaim damaged belongings like childhood photographs.

But each time I get a whiff of dried creek mud I flash back to those childhood hours anxiously watching muddy water creep closer and closer until we had to move to higher ground.

It saddens me to realize that today, more than six decades later, other little children and their families have been reliving those same scary, stinky experiences and, sadly, more than 200 persons have perished with many others missing.

Please join me in giving donations to the Red Cross or other relief groups working in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia, Florida and elsewhere.



Keith Kappes  
Columnist  
Carter County Times

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### Filling bellies ... and hearts

I’m having a love affair.

It’s no secret—my wife is fully aware. In fact, she’s often my willing accomplice. Sometimes, we sneak away in the morning. Other times, we rendezvous in the afternoon. But more often than not, our adventures take place late at night, after the kids are asleep.

Yes, I’m in love—with food.

Now, I hesitate to call myself a “foodie.” That term carries a certain air of pretension I find unappealing. While I won’t turn down a gourmet meal, I’m just as comfortable at a ramshackle food truck or a barbecue joint that looks like the health department might condemn it any minute. Great food isn’t about price or setting; it’s all about flavor.

But food is more than just a pleasurable experience. It has deeper meaning, as my friend and pastor, Patrick DeVane, reminded me with a story about World War II and bread.

During the Blitz, when the German Luftwaffe relentlessly bombed London, many children were orphaned overnight. As soon as these children were found, they were taken into orphanages. Unsurprisingly, they had trouble sleeping. Despite all efforts, nothing helped—until someone discovered a simple solution: if the children held a piece of bread in their hands as they slept, they rested easier. When one older child was asked why this comforted them, he said it was twofold: holding the bread meant they had already eaten that day, and it promised they would have

something to eat the next day.

That story resonated with me. Food is nourishment, yes, but it’s also security—sometimes in ways we don’t fully understand. For some, food is a favorite pastime. For others, like those children, food represents survival.

Unfortunately, that security is not a reality for everyone. This past month, I attended a fundraising event for the AMEN House in Georgetown, Kentucky. For 34 years, the AMEN House has been working to alleviate hunger in Scott County. Their mission is simple, but the work is anything but easy. It requires immense dedication and coordination—and despite all efforts, hunger is a battle that can never be fully won.

One of the evening’s speakers, Olivia Gillis, who works with the Family Resource and Youth Service Center, shared a powerful story. She spoke about the local backpack program, which provides food to children in need during the weekends. While schools can ensure meals during the week, many children go without adequate food once they leave on Friday. Olivia’s office coordinates with charities like the AMEN House to fill backpacks with food for the weekend. She recalled one middle school student who was thrilled to find a box of spaghetti in their backpack.

As I sat there, picking at a plate of brisket I thought had too much fat, I was hit with a wave of guilt. A box of spaghetti, even with the rising cost of groceries, still costs less than a dollar. And yet, for some, it represents more than a meal—it’s a lifeline.

See BELLIES on A-6



Tommy Druen  
Guest Columnist  
Carter County Times

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Blessing from A-1

had always wanted to do; something that would allow her to both help those in need and eliminate some of her storage bill.

This was the beginning of her business, Burlap Blessings and More, located on Route 1, just past East Carter High School.

"I started posting that we would have a thrift store/outreach," Ratcliff said.

She had originally wanted to just do an outreach, she said, but the hurdles necessary to form a nonprofit were more than she was prepared for at the time.

"So, I just pay the monthly taxes, and that takes care of it," she said.

Ratcliff's merchandise pricing, however, is geared toward those who are unable to afford much. She regularly has 25 cent sales, because she said she wants people to have nice things, and a lot of people won't accept anything they might perceive as a handout.

"So, if they are paying a quarter, fifty cents, or a dollar, that makes them happy," she said.

When she started the business, Ratcliff said the main goal was to help individuals whose houses had burned, grandparents who by necessity were raising their grandchildren, young people in the foster care system, people who are recovering from addiction, and other individuals sent to her from other organizations. Those individuals can get what they need for free, she said.

"As long as I make the rent here, I could care less about the money," Ratcliff said. "I enjoy doing this, and I just want to give back to the community."

Ratcliff said that between donations and her storage buildings, she offers "anything and everything" at Burlap Blessings and More.

"And if I don't have it, I can probably find it," she added.

Currently Ratcliff said her hours are Tuesday through Friday from 10 am to 3 pm, and that after the car show season ends, she plans to add Saturday hours. She can be reached on her cellphone at 606-316-4977, or on her Facebook page, Burlap Blessings and More.

Contact the writer at charles@cartercountytimes.com

Bellies from A-5

According to Feeding Kentucky, over 200,000 children in our state—nearly 20%—experience food insecurity. This isn't just about not knowing what's for dinner. It's about not knowing if there will be dinner.

Even Anne Frank, in her short but profound life, understood this harsh reality. "Hunger is not a problem," she wrote. "It is an obscenity. How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

Our House from A-4

But posters and printed information can only convey so much information. The open house, he said, can help students and their families gain a better understanding of what the university offers.

"I think the open house gives students and their parents a way to see the campus differently," Yates said. "We'll have kids come all the time for campus visits. And most

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QUESTION-CARTER CANNABIS
Are you in favor of the sale of medicinal cannabis at a licensed dispensary and the operation of other cannabis businesses in Carter County, Kentucky?
YES
NO

ALL PRECINCTS

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 1
Are you in favor of amending Sections 145 and 155 of the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit persons who are not citizens of the United States from being allowed to vote in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, as stated below?

IT IS PROPOSED THAT SECTION 145 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Every citizen of the United States of the age of eighteen years who has resided in the state one year, and in the county six months, and the precinct in which he or she offers to vote sixty days next preceding the election, shall be a voter in said precinct and not elsewhere. No person who is not a citizen of the United States shall be allowed to vote in this state. The following persons also shall not have the right to vote:

- 1. Persons convicted in any court of competent jurisdiction of treason, or felony, or bribery in an election, or of such high misdemeanor as the General Assembly may declare shall operate as an exclusion from the right of suffrage, but persons hereby excluded may be restored to their civil rights by executive pardon.
2. Persons who, at the time of the election, are in confinement under the judgment of a court for some penal offense.
3. Idiots and insane persons.

IT IS PROPOSED THAT SECTION 155 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

The provisions of Sections 145 to 154, inclusive, shall not apply to the election of school trustees and other common school district elections. Said elections shall be regulated by the General Assembly, except as otherwise provided in this Constitution. No person who is not a citizen of the United States shall be allowed to vote in said elections.

YES
NO

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 2
To give parents choices in educational opportunities for their children, are you in favor of enabling the General Assembly to provide financial support for the education costs of students in kindergarten through 12th grade who are outside the system of common (public) schools by amending the Constitution of Kentucky as stated below?

IT IS PROPOSED THAT A NEW SECTION BE ADDED TO THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

The General Assembly may provide financial support for the education of students outside the system of common schools. The General Assembly may exercise this authority by law, Sections 59, 60, 171, 183, 184, 186, and 189 of this Constitution notwithstanding.

YES
NO

ALL PRECINCTS

Mail-In absentee request can be processed from now until October 22nd, you may call our office at (606) 474-5188 or go online to govote.ky.gov to put in your application for one of the following reasons.
I am not able to appear at the polls on election day due to the selected reason below:
1. I am a covered voter under the Kentucky Uniform Military and Overseas Act, KRS 117A.010
2. I am a student who temporarily resides outside the county of my residence.
3. I am incarcerated in jail but have not been convicted of the crime for which I have been charged.
4. I have changed my place of residence to a different state during a period in which my new state's voter registration books are closed (you will receive a ballot only for the offices of President and Vice-President of the United States).
5. I am temporarily residing outside of Kentucky but am still eligible to vote in the state
6. I will be absent from my county of residence on Election Day and on all of the days that in-person absentee voting is conducted.
7. I am a participant in the Secretary of State's crime victim address confidentiality program.
8. I am not able to appear at the polls on Election Day or on the days in-person absentee voting is conducted on account of age, disability, or illness and I have not been declared mentally disabled by a court of competent jurisdiction.
Excused In-person Absentee Voting before Election Day, October 23, 24, 25 and October 28, 29, 30, 2024. Must qualify for one of the above reasons.
In-person No Excuse Absentee Voting before Election Day, October 31st - November 2nd, 2024. Located at in the Fiscal Court Room at 300 W Main Street Grayson, KY 41143 and The Post Office in Olive Hill at 215 W Tom T Hall Blvd, Olive Hill, KY 41164
In-person on Election Day, November 5th, 2024 all precincts open.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Carter County Fiscal Court will be accepting sealed bids for 1 Mack Truck and 1 Low Boy Trailer. Sealed bids are to be turned in to the Judge Executive's Office located at 300 West Main Street, Room 227, Grayson KY 41143 no later than October 14, 2024, at 4pm. These vehicles have a reserve price which will serve as the minimum bid.
• 2024 Mack P164T - Last 4 Vin #3688, Reserve \$195,000.00
• 2001 Eager Beaver Trailer - Last 4 Vin #0001, Reserve \$20,000.00
Vehicle and Trailer may be inspected at the Carter County Maintenance Garage, please call the road foreman Jason Carroll at 606-316-8096 for further information. Bids will be opened and awarded October 14, 2024 at 6pm at the Regular Fiscal Court meeting.

LEGAL NOTICE
The City of Grayson will be holding a public auction on October 25th, 2024, at noon, at the City impound lot located at 591 East 5th Street, Grayson, Kentucky. Preview of the vehicles will be by appointment only, beginning 72 hours before the day of sale. Vehicles are sold "as is", without title (unless indicated), all sales are final. The City of Grayson reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Table with columns: YEAR, MAKE, MODEL, VIN. Rows include: 2008 Hyundai Accent, 2005 Dodge Caravan, 2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee, 2006 Pontiac Torrent, 1999 Oldsmobile Alero, 2019 KYMC K PIPE, 2010 Ford Fusion, 2007 Chevrolet Impala, 2007 GMC Canyon, 2000 Buick Lesabre, 2008 Chevrolet Silverado, 2007 Ford Explorer.
There is also a homemade trailer with a wench that will be sold.

For me, I am pledging to not wait another single moment. And I hope it is something you will consider as well.
We are fortunate to have so many organizations across Kentucky, like the AMEN House, that refuse to give up in the fight against hunger. I encourage you to find your local organization and get involved. Your support, whether through time, money, or advocacy, could make all the difference. In some cases, it could be a matter of life and death.
Yates said one of the best things about KCU is that from day one you are treated like family. And regardless of whether your class has five other students or thirty, each professor takes the opportunity to get to know you and help you on the path to

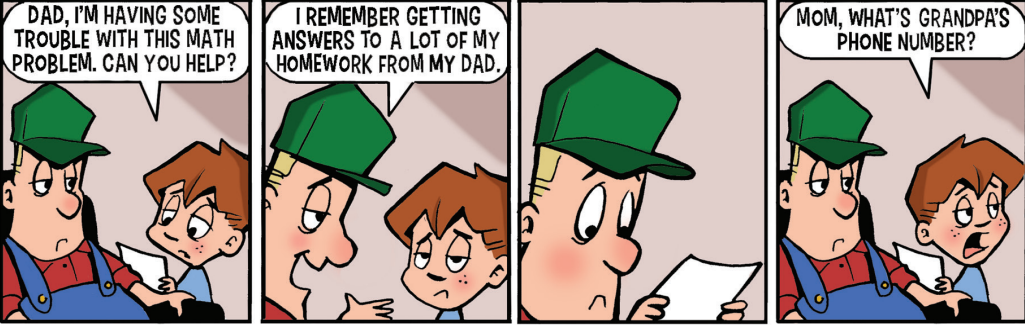
of those are set up by coaches. So, they'll come and get the same presentation and tour, and they'll get to speak to their coach; but unless they specifically request it or ask to, they don't get the opportunity to sit and talk with one of the professors. But during the open house, you will definitely have time to take advantage of that. That way if they are interested in nursing, but haven't told

success.
Contact the writer at charles@cartercountytimes.com

Looking to buy, sell or trade? Baving a yard sale? Looking to hire or trying to find work?
Post it in the CLASSIFIEDS!
Contact advertise@cartercountytimes.com

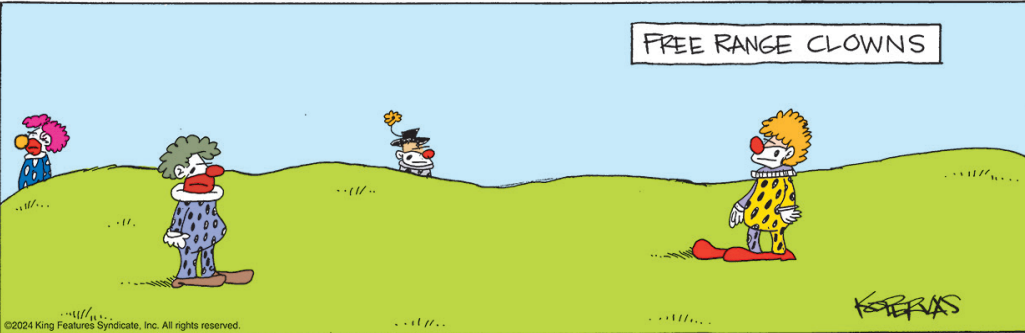
### Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



### Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



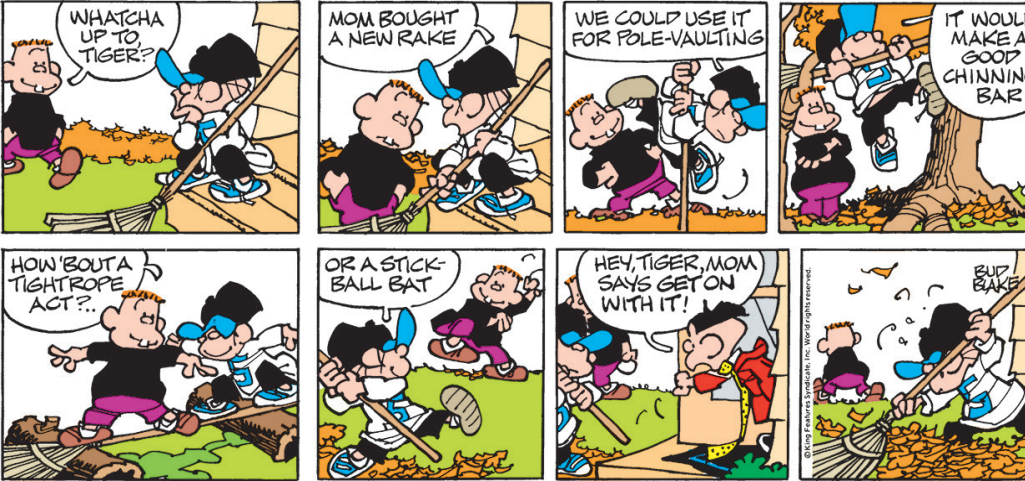
### The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



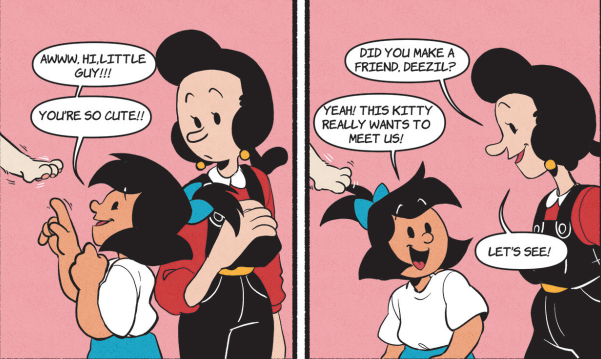
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by Bud Blake



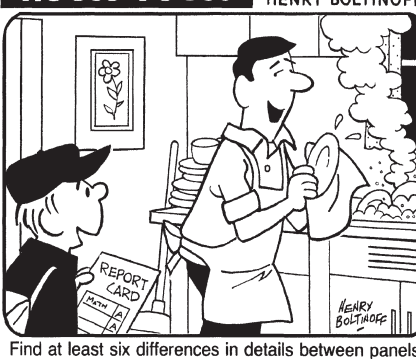
### OLIVE

By Emi Burdage



### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



### Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



### CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: O equals L

HGDV QFRBDQ MFJD RO HPLG  
F KMGDJD LT CQPJCQFJ GPK  
MTJDWX OFBLVDB, PL HFK F  
CTTQ-GFBWX OQFV.

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### SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Acute **HARPS** \_\_\_\_\_  
Mince **GATER** \_\_\_\_\_  
Hinder **MISTEY** \_\_\_\_\_  
Growl **LUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_

TODAY'S WORD

"They're \_\_\_\_\_ I can't wait to see the expression on my husband's face!"

### Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

- Depart \_\_\_\_\_ V \_\_\_\_\_ Rental agreement \_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_
- Perry Mason's job L \_\_\_\_\_ Twain character S \_\_\_\_\_
- Lure \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_ All-inclusive \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_
- Lead the way \_\_\_\_\_ D \_\_\_\_\_ Pretext \_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_
- Carpeting option \_\_\_\_\_ E \_\_\_\_\_ Men's hair stylist \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_
- Afternoon tea cake \_\_\_\_\_ O \_\_\_\_\_ Play division \_\_\_\_\_ E \_\_\_\_\_
- Not asleep \_\_\_\_\_ K \_\_\_\_\_ Conscious of \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_
- Prom dress \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ Configure \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_
- Rah! Rah! Rah! C \_\_\_\_\_ Gossamer S \_\_\_\_\_
- Chef's garment \_\_\_\_\_ P \_\_\_\_\_ Ohio city \_\_\_\_\_ K \_\_\_\_\_

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### GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
★★★ GO FIGURE!

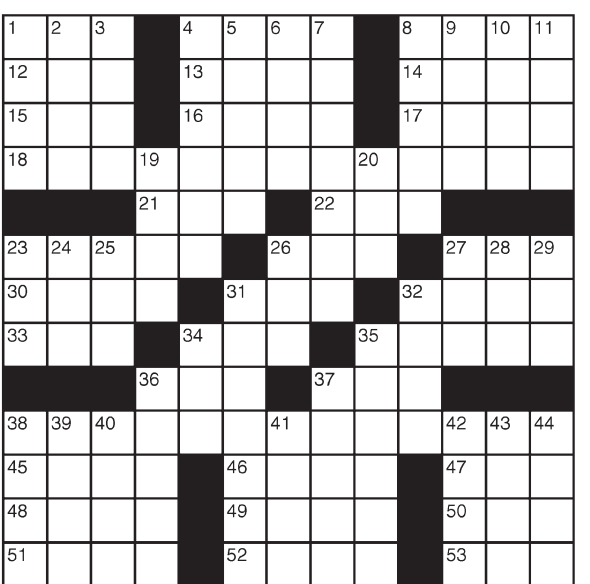
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	+	÷	=	6				
=		=	=					
4	1	7						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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### King Crossword

#### ACROSS

- "Kapow!"
- Makes a choice
- Release money
- Actress Merkel
- Boyfriend
- Celestial bear
- MSNBC rival
- Lawman Wyatt
- Some HDTVs
- James Caan's role in "The Godfather"
- Shoe width
- Aachen article
- Tire pattern
- LBJ's successor
- Faux — Harrison
- Shower bar?
- Chart format
- Brisk pace
- Vogue rival
- Microwave
- Curly cabbage
- Ken or Barbie
- Oklahoma tribe
- Eventful periods
- Actor
- Brisk pace
- Vogue rival
- Microwave
- Curly cabbage
- Ken or Barbie
- Oklahoma tribe
- Tampa Bay team, for short
- Domini
- "Death in Venice" author
- Exotic berry



- Heeded
- Quiet partner?
- Tropical tuber
- Paramount
- President Martin Van —
- Not pizzicato
- "This — outrage!"
- Zap with a beam
- Tide variety
- Author Yutang
- Recipe abbr.
- Kanga's kid
- Have dinner
- Carnival city
- Luau dish
- Gore and Pacino
- Farm pen
- "Continue!"
- Prepare potatoes
- Bashful
- Truck fuel
- Marsh bird
- Lowercase
- Bag
- Pac-12 team
- Hammer target
- Woody's son
- Rice-shaped pasta
- Vegan's no-no
- Big fair, for short

#### DOWN

- Tampa Bay team, for short
- Domini
- "Death in Venice" author

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### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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### WORD LADDERS

Can you go from MORAL to NOSES in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

MORAL

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

NOSES

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### Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIES: Where was "The Lord of the Rings" filmed?
- TELEVISION: What is the setting for the animated series "South Park"?
- SCIENCE: What is the most abundant element in the Earth's crust?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president proclaimed June 14 to be Flag Day?
- MATH: Which letter is contained in every odd number when it is spelled out?
- GEOGRAPHY: Both the Equator and the Tropic of Capricorn pass through which country?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of porcupines called?
- MUSIC: Which British singer/songwriter helped create many songs on "The Lion King" soundtrack?
- FAMOUS QUOTES: Who wrote the line about fall, "I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers"?
- LITERATURE: Which children's book features a fictional world where it is always winter but never Christmas?

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- New Zealand
- Colorado
- Oxygen (46%)
- Woodrow Wilson
- E
- Brazil
- A pickle
- Elton John
- Lucy Maud Montgomery, "Anne of Green Gables"
- "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" (Narnia)

SCRAMBLERS  
Today's Word  
solution  
1. Sharp; 2. Gate; 3. Slyme; 4. Rumble

WORD LADDER  
Answer  
MORAL, MODAL, MODEL, MODES, NODES, NOSES

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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

CryptoQuip  
Answer  
When Laurel came up with a scheme to film him as comedy partner, it was a foot-holdy plan.

4	1	7		
=				
4	+	8	+	2 = 6
	+			
9	+	3	+	1 = 12
	-			
7	-	5	+	6 = 8

- ANSWERS
- Leave, Lease
  - Lawyer, Sawyer
  - Guide, Entire
  - Formal, Formal
  - Cheer, Sheer
  - Barber, Barber
  - Apron, Apron
  - Formal, Formal
  - Formal, Formal
  - Apron, Apron

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Amendment 2 from A-5
upper income families who were already enrolled in a private school and have never set foot in a public school; and
WHEREAS, Amendment 2 would divert public funds from rural areas to

fund private schools concentrated in a few urban areas; and
WHEREAS, Voucher programs in other states have led to the closure and consolidation of schools as students have used vouch-

ers to attend home school to escape truancy and disciplinary issues; and
WHEREAS, the passage of Amendment 2 will result in local property tax increases as school districts are forced to make up

the lost state tax revenue vouchers will divert to private schools;
NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Association of School Administrators that:

Section 1: Voters should seriously consider the unintended and adverse consequences Amendment 2 will have on our public schools and local communities.
Section 2: We urge

voters to cast a 'NO' on Amendment 2 and send a resounding message that the people of Kentucky support public education and oppose public funds for private schools.
For more information, call Linda Day at (606) 329-9304.

# Safe Harbor hosts annual candlelight vigil

ASHLAND – Safe Harbor of Northeast Kentucky will hold its annual Candlelight Vigil on Thursday October 17, 2024, at 5pm.
The event is in conjunction with October’s observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month and honors the memory of those individuals in Kentucky who lost their lives in the past year as the

result of domestic violence. This year’s vigil will honor the memory of 23 Kentucky women, children, and men.
Also, during the vigil, Safe Harbor’s annual White Ribbon Awards will be presented. The awards honor outstanding volunteerism and commitment to Safe Harbor’s mission.
This year’s honorees

include First Christian Church of Ashland and Boyd County Extension Services.
Safe Harbor is a domestic violence shelter that serves the counties in the FIVCO ADD area: Boyd, Greenup, Carter, Elliott, and Lawrence. The Ashland-based shelter and outreach program offers three levels of care, in-

cluding emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent, supportive housing (apartments) on site.
Immediately after the vigil, a brief reception will be held and artwork made by clients will be displayed and available for purchase.
Safe Harbor has occupied the former tuberculosis hospital complex

in Ashland for 30 years. During its three decades, Safe Harbor has housed 20,000+ women, children, and men.
“Safe Harbor provides individuals and families a safe place where they can take time to put their lives back together in order to leave an abusive relationship.” Mrs. Perkins said.
“Our program offers them

tools to become self-sufficient and independent. We are a holistic program that addresses everything a family needs.”

# Boggs pleads guilty to DUI

Sentencing date still to be set in 2021 case
Staff Report
Carter County Times
The attorney for Carter

County jailer R.W. Boggs has entered a guilty plea on his behalf in the case resulting from his June 2021 arrest on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol. Mason County Attorney John Estill, who served as a special prosecutor on the 2021 case, issued a statement noting

that the pending jury trial had been cancelled upon the filing of a guilty plea by Boggs’ attorney.
Estill said that he has contacted Special District Judge Tommy May, of Pike County, to set a date for sentencing.
Attorney Michael Curtis attached the guilty plea

form, signed by Boggs, to a letter sent to Judge May and copied to Estill, and dated September 23.
By signing the form, Boggs acknowledged he was guilty of a DUI and that it was his first such offense. He also acknowledged that he understood the possible penalties

associated with his plea included fines of up to \$500, and up to 30 days in jail or performing community service, as well as court costs, alcohol abuse treatment, and license suspension for up to six months.
The Commonwealth is free to suggest a lighter

sentence in exchange for a plea, though a judge has no requirement to agree to such a deal.
Contact the writer at editor@cartercountytimes.com

## SPORTS

# Kick for a cure

East and West soccer teams raise cancer awareness
By: Katie Barker
Carter County Time
The East and West Carter High School soccer teams came together in their cross-county rivalry match to compete and support a good cause;

cancer awareness. Each year the two teams play their county rivalry game in Grayson and honor one person in Carter County who has been diagnosed with cancer.
This year’s recipient is Amilya Nelson, a 5th grader at Prichard Elementary. Amilya has been diagnosed with a rare brain tumor called DIPG and is currently undergoing treatment in Lexington. All proceeds from the game will go to Amilya and her family to

help support them.
The Lady Raiders took on the Lady Comets for the first matchup of the night where the Lady Raiders would come away with a 7-1 win. East Carter was dominant throughout the whole game making smart passes and moving into space to open up scoring opportunities. Raider Addison Tiller led the defense and kept the Lady Comets at bay. Kaylee Hollingsworth however was able to dribble it past

the defense and passed the ball over to Sophie Martin to score the Lady Comets lone goal of the game.
The Lady Comets came back out in the second half and tried to keep the Raiders away but goalkeeper Sydney Cecil, with 16 saves on the night, wasn’t going to let it happen so easily. Cecil and Brooklyn Wilburn led the defense to slow down the Lady Raiders. The Lady Raiders found the holes in the defense though, scoring three more goals in the second half. The Lady Raiders finished strong, winning the game 7-1.
The boys game was

just as exciting with the Raiders starting the game strong with a goal from Riley Steele three minutes into the game. This set off an explosion for the Raiders, scoring another seven goals in the first half alone. The Comets just couldn’t keep up with the Raiders’ explosiveness. They tried to counteract it, but the East defense held up strong keeping the Comets away.
The Comets were able to score one goal by Jared Williams with seconds left in the first half. Williams dribbled around the defense and shot towards the upper corner of the net ending the first half. The

Raiders weren’t satisfied though and scored the final goal of the game from Caden Tussey. Tussey received the ball and dribbled around the defense shooting the ball into the back of the net winning the game 9-1
East Carter and West Carter start their district play this week. The Lady Comets and Lady Raiders played yesterday, October 8, and the boys played October 7 in the first round of districts.
Contact the writer at news@cartercountytimes.com

# Comets end tournament run

Eighth Grade Lady Lions triumph over Lady Comets
By: Katie Barker
Carter County Time
The West Carter 8th grade Lady Comets basketball team went head to head with Bath County Lady Lions in the first round of the OVC tourna-

ment. Through prevailing efforts, the Lady Comets fell in a 30-37 loss ending their tournament run early Saturday afternoon.
The Lady Comets started out strong with Charli Minor, with 10 points in the game, leading the offense down the court. The Lady Lions came out stronger in the first quarter scoring early and not allowing the Lady Comets to get the ball through the hoop until halfway through the first quarter when

Maylee Thomas, with 8 total points in the game, sank one in.
The Lady Comets came out stronger in the second quarter, scoring more points and getting more opportunities. The Comets were also able to keep the Lady Lions out of the net for a bit with passes being blocked and jump ball after jump ball. However, this defense wasn’t enough to stop the Lions as they took a 12-17 lead at halftime.
After halftime Minor

came back out to help get the Lady Comets their first lead of the game scoring multiple threes in the game. Adalyn Woods, 8 points in the game, helped lead the offense in the second half bring-

ing the ball up the court to try to keep their OVC tournament chances alive. The Lady Lions however brought their A game with their defense, being able to keep the Lady Comets out of the hoop and ultimately

winning. Despite the Lady Comets’ earnest efforts to come back with scoring opportunities, they ultimately fell 30-37, ending their OVC tournament run.
Woods and Minor were both named to the OVC All Conference team, being recognized after the game.
Contact the writer at news@cartercountytimes.com

# Comets advance in OVC

Seventh grade girls bring home win against Louisa
By: Katie Barker
Carter County Time
The West Carter seventh grade girls basketball team faced the Louisa Middle School Bulldogs in a grueling matchup where the Lady Comets would come out victorious in a 38-23 win for the first round of the OVC tournament in Morgan County.
The Lady Comets took the lead early on dominating the first half of the game. Kyleigh Callihan led the Lady Comets through-

out the game scoring 12 points. Callihan made great plays and passes, opening up opportunities to help push the Comets to a 19-14 lead at halftime despite back to back steals from the Bulldogs leading to back to back baskets.
The Bulldogs tried to prevail during the second half but ultimately were stopped by the Lady Comets defense who kept them out of the basket. The Lady Comets were able to have more opportunities led by Kinleigh Kiser. Kiser had multiple breakthroughs and passes to help the Lady Comets gain their lead.
The Lady Comets continued their valiant efforts through the fourth quarter coming out stronger and

able to score more. They were able to steal the ball and prevent the Bulldogs from gaining more scoring opportunities, and taking more for themselves instead. Despite the Bulldogs efforts, the Lady Comets came out victorious with a 38-23 win for the first round of the OVC middle school tournament.
Callihan, Kiser, and Tyanna Lunsford were named players of the game by Hype Sports Media who is covering the OVC Tournament. The Lady Comets were scheduled to play in the second round on October 7.
Contact the writer at news@cartercountytimes.com

Relay for Life 2024
Survivor Dinner 6:00 pm (Lusby Center)
Luminaria Ceremony 7:45 pm (Lusby Center)
American Cancer Society RELAY FOR LIFE
Survivors Need to RSVP for the Dinner 606-356-0682 606-255-0573
Save the Date
All activities are being held in Grayson at Kentucky Christian University
October 2024
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