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# An evening of art and music

Grayson Gallery showcases Appalachian talent

By Charles Romans  
*Carter County Times*

The Grayson Gallery & Art Center played host to an evening of art and music last Friday, September 25, for their monthly Final Friday event. The featured artist, Michelle Ward-Ciancio, was the 2024 winner of the APPY (Appalachian Arts & Entertainment) Award for Best Painter in the artist category

of the awards. Dan and Mindy Click from the Grayson Art Gallery presented the award to Ciancio, and the presentation led to an unexpected treat for area art and music lovers. Ciancio, who is originally from Olive Hill, exhibited nearly fifty original art pieces at the Grayson Gallery that were available for art lovers to purchase, as were prints of many of the originals on display. Ciancio's work will be on display at the gallery through mid-October and a portion of the proceeds from art sales and donations will be passed on to a local endowment via the Carter County Community

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Award Winning Artist Michelle Ward-Ciancio showcased nearly fifty paintings at the Grayson Gallery & Art Center's Final Friday event. (Photo by Charles Romans, Carter County Times)

# Where should the money be spent?

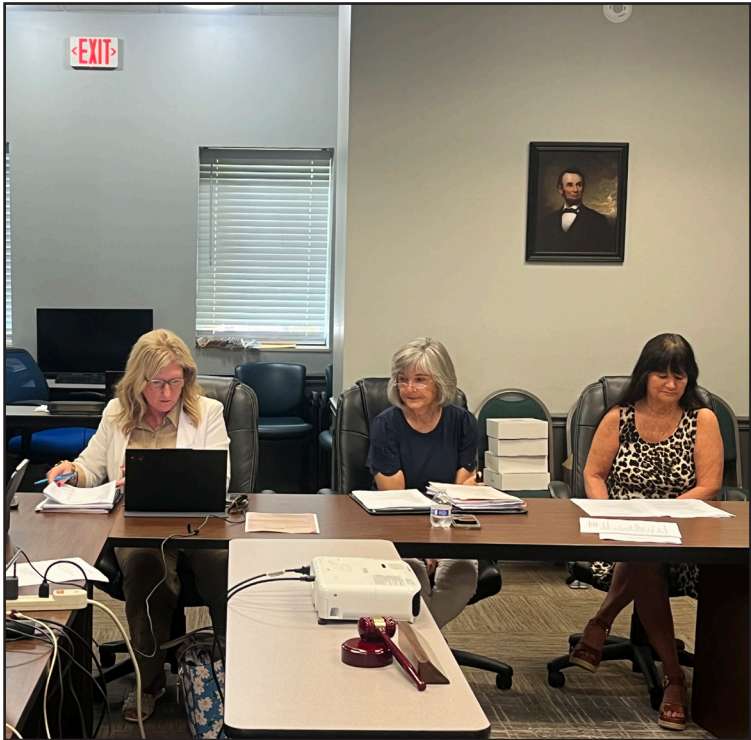
Tourism commission discusses projects and grants

By Charles Romans  
*Carter County Times*

Grayson Mayor Troy Combs updated the Grayson Tourism Commission on the status of grants during their last regular meeting. "The most important thing to relay is that we have confirmed we have three projects that have been preapproved," Combs told the commission.

The three projects, he said, totaled approximately \$400,000. "These are matching funds," Combs explained. "Which means that for every dollar we are given we have to contribute a dollar. Therefore, if we were to proceed with accepting the funds and to utilize them, our liability would be \$400,000." "It's often perpetuated in this community that this commission is sitting on half a million dollars and not doing anything," Combs told the commission in the public meeting. "That in fact is false," he continued. "The commission has been building up their reserve in anticipation of utilization of the

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Coordinator for the Innovation Startup Pipeline at SOAR, Colt Swint, addresses the Grayson Area Chamber of Commerce. (Photo by Charles Romans, Carter County Times)

# Tourism, conservation, and Doc

Dr. Webb Day recognized by fiscal court

By Charles Romans  
*Carter County Times*

Carter County Tourism Director Carl Burton addressed the fiscal court at their September meeting and spoke about Appalachia's Front Porch. The group has met three times and Burton said he was very pleased with the progress. Appalachia's Front Porch, Burton explained, covers Boyd, Carter, and Greenup counties in Kentucky. It also covers Cabell and Wayne counties in West Virginia, and Lawrence County, Ohio. "We are a collective working through the Foundation for the Tristate," Burton told the court.

Burton explained that Appalachia's Front Porch is where everything is being promoted. "We are trying to get the word out," he said. "Whether it's Camden Parke or Carter Caves. And I feel this is the answer to getting not only the word out about what we are doing, but about everything you can drive to within 45 minutes to an hour." Burton said it was a good thing because what is listed through Appalachia's Front Porch are things that can be experienced within a day rather than something requiring an overnight stay. Burton also told the court that Carter County will be hosting the next meeting at Carter Caves. The meeting is open to the public, and they are encouraged to attend. Burton stressed that Appalachia's Front Porch is

a great way to highlight what communities have to offer. "It's like the Bigfoot Festival we just had in Olive Hill. You can't measure the people who attended that local event in the hundreds," Burton said. "Because those numbers are in the thousands." In other business, Brandon Lavoie spoke to the fiscal court and officially requested that August 5 of each year be designated as Doc Webb Day in Carter County. Lavoie said in a recent social media post he had asked community members to share their memories of Dr. Webb, and the response was overwhelming. Community members shared memories of his medical practice, Camp Webb, and his work in conservation, among other things.

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# 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.

- Jason Allen, 43, of Richmond, arrested by Grayson PD, for failure to appear on a citation for a misdemeanor, arrested and booked September 21.
- Jason Runyon, 44, of Morehead, arrested by Olive Hill PD, for failure to appear on a citation for a misdemeanor, arrested and booked September 21.
- Adrian Frei, 29, of Morehead, arrested by Montgomery County Sheriff, on a charge of procuring or promoting the use

- of a minor by electronic means, arrested and booked September 22.
- Jennifer Roninette, 48, of Catlettsburg, arrested by Boyd County Jail, for failure to appear on a citation for a misdemeanor, arrested and booked September 23.
- Russell White, 57, of Grayson, arrested by Carter County District Court, on a charge of contempt of court, arrested and booked September 23.
- Benjamin Stone, 38, of Grayson, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, on a hold for drug court, arrested and booked September 23.
- Mickey Stanley, 47, of Ashland, arrested by Boyd County Jail, on charges of failure to

- pay support, and two counts of failure to appear on a citation for a misdemeanor, arrested and booked September 24.
- Craig Baier, 34, of Garrison, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, on a charge of theft by unlawful taking or disposition – automobile valued at more than \$1,000 but less than \$10,000, arrested and booked September 24.
- Timothy Raybourn, 68, of Olive Hill, arrested by Kentucky State Police, for failure to appear on a citation for a misdemeanor, arrested and booked September 25.
- Jessica Groves, 38, of Sharpsburg, arrested by Grayson PD, on charges of first degree possession of a controlled substance (carfentanil or fentanyl derivatives), and possession of drug paraphernalia, arrested and

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This Week's Obituaries

William Jess Collins, 72

Larry Garnett "Joe" Henderson, 73

Howard "Junebug" Smith, 78

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# LIFESTYLE



## My mother's roast potatoes: Shaken, not stirred

My mother was not what anyone could call an enthusiastic cook. She cooked because her family insisted on needing dinner every evening. But she could make a roast potato better than anyone.

Her potatoes came out of the oven deeply golden and crisp outside, with soft, fluffy centers. They were flavorful enough to eat just as they were, no butter, toppings or gravy required. Although, if you enjoy gilding lilies, a little gravy never hurts.

Like many British cooks, Mom began with russet potatoes, peeled and cut into generous chunks. She boiled them until nearly cooked through, drained them and gave the covered pot a vigorous shake. That rough treat-

ment wasn't incidental. It created ragged, floury edges that became extraordinarily crisp in the oven. Her seasoning was salt. Pepper was considered "spicy" to her cautious British palate. My American father compensated by adding enough pepper at the table to make his potatoes blackened.

Her big trick was adding a little baking soda to the cooking water. The alkaline water helps soften the potatoes' outer surfaces and release more starch. Shaking creates a craggy coating that becomes wonderfully crunchy in the oven.

Moderate heat matters, too. Starting potatoes in cold water helps the centers and outsides cook evenly. Bring them to a boil over medium-high heat, then reduce the heat promptly. High heat can leave the centers lagging while the outsides soften excessively and begin breaking apart. Remember this when making mashed potatoes, too; unevenly cooked potatoes is what causes lumps.

Finally, let the potatoes steam dry, preheat the oil and leave room between pieces. Crowd them and they steam politely. Give them elbow room and they develop bronzed, brittle shells that make people stand there and

eat them right off the baking pan.

**MOM'S MAGNIFICENT ROAST POTATOES**

Yield: 4-6 servings  
Total Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

*3-4 pounds russet potatoes*  
*1 tablespoon kosher salt, plus more for serving*  
*1/2 teaspoon baking soda*  
*1/4 cup olive oil, divided*  
*Black pepper, optional*

Preheat oven to 400 F. Peel potatoes and cut them into 2-inch chunks. Place in a large pot and add enough cold water to cover them by 1 inch. Add kosher salt and baking soda. The water should be well seasoned. Think ocean water, not bathwater.

Bring to a boil over medium-high heat, reduce heat and simmer 10 to 15 minutes, until nearly cooked through but not falling apart. A knife should meet just a little resistance in the center.

Meanwhile, pour 3 tablespoons olive oil onto a large, rimmed baking sheet. Place it in the oven for about 10 minutes, until the oil is hot and shimmering.

Drain potatoes thoroughly and let them steam dry in the colander for 2 minutes. Return them to the pot with lid and shake



*Shaken, not stirred, and roasted to a magnificent crunch. (Photo Credit: www.JasonColblentz.com)*

vigorously. Like James Bond's martini, they should be shaken, not stirred. Their surfaces should become rough, floury and slightly mashed around the edges.

Drizzle with the remaining tablespoon olive oil and turn gently to coat. Carefully transfer potatoes to the hot baking sheet; they should sizzle on contact. Turn each piece in the oil and arrange with space between them. Give them a liberal sprinkle of salt.

Roast without disturbing for 25 minutes. Turn the pieces and roast 15 to 20 minutes longer, or until deeply browned, crisp and audibly crunchy. Optional: Broil them a few minutes for extra

color and crunch.

Serve hot, after sampling at least one directly from the pan for quality control purposes. This is both wise and necessary!

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## Ask Daryl: Your Professional Organizer Space savers

We all have way too many clothes and not enough closets or drawer space to hold them. Well, there are some solutions.

1. Instead of folding try rolling. For items like t-shirts, pajamas, scarves, and under garments, try rolling them up. They will be easier to find and take up less drawer space.

2. Fold bras in half with the sides inside the cups. Then place them overlapping each other.

3. Use closet shelves for seasonal or seldom used attire. Fold and store in containers with lids and mark with what is inside.



**Daryl Ashley**  
Guest Columnist  
Confusion Solution

4. Separate casual pants from dress ones. Layer two or three on regular hangers or use multi clip pants hangers.
5. Roll socks flat in pairs, not in a ball.
6. Install hooks on closet walls for belts and bags.
- While you are putting things away, ask yourself if there are things you can donate. That will save you tons of space.
- It's as simple as that! *Send your questions and comments to me at info@confusionsolution.com*

## Joyful Noise

# Fruit bearing prayers!

By Pastor Naomi Mitchell  
for *Carter County Times*

John 15:7 says, “If you abide in Me and My words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done unto you.” If the words of Jesus abide in us, then the result will be that you pray with power and effectiveness.

One little word here in this verse gives us a clue of how this will be done. That word “abide” means

to “live, dwell, accept or act in accordance with a rule.” Just get filled with Jesus and His words will live in you!

Sometimes it feels like we’re being attacked from all sides, and indeed we are. Ephesians 2:2-3 mentions three sources of attacks: “this world, the ruler of the kingdom of the air (Satan) and the cravings of our flesh.” It’s not surprising we get weary in the battle!

Think about this, prayer is for fruit-bearing. God designed prayer to give his disciples the joy of bearing fruit while God Himself gets the glory. We can see this in the connection between verses 7 and 8 and then in verse 16. If you abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it shall be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit,

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AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

## UK Opens Meats and Foods Industry Advancement Center to strengthen Kentucky agriculture

VERSAILLES — The University of Kentucky Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment celebrated the opening of the Meats and Foods Industry Advancement Center today with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the C. Oran Little Research Center in Woodford County.

The nearly 30,000-square-foot center brings research, teaching, Extension and industry support together to advance meat science, food safety, workforce development and value-added production. Designed with processors supporting local producers in mind, it includes a 56-seat classroom connected directly to the processing area, providing students with hands-on

learning throughout the product development process.

“This center reflects what it means to be Kentucky’s land-grant university,” said University of Kentucky President Eli Capilouto. “Everything we do is to advance the state we were created to serve. By connecting our research and Extension expertise with the needs of producers and industry partners, we can help strengthen businesses, develop our agricultural workforce and create new opportunities for communities across the Commonwealth.”

Specialized spaces will support the development of products such as hams, sausages and other value-added foods. A sensory laboratory will allow

researchers and businesses to evaluate consumer response to new products, while an on-site market will offer meat products developed at the center and other Kentucky agricultural products.

The facility will operate under U.S. Department of Agriculture inspection for cattle, pigs, sheep, goats and poultry. These capabilities will help businesses improve food safety, develop and test new products, train employees and explore opportunities to increase the value of agricultural products grown in Kentucky.

“This center demonstrates what is possible when we lock arms and move forward together,” said Kentucky Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman. “It is going to prepare our workforce, support our local processors, unlock new opportunities for our

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**Rebecca Konopka**  
Carter County  
Extension Agent



The Meats and Foods Industry Advancement Center ribbon-cutting ceremony invited distinguished guests and the community to the C. Oran Little Research Center in Woodford County. Photo by Sabrina Hounshell.

| Kentucky Dept of Agriculture<br>Livestock and Grain Market Report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |                   |                  |
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| Compared to last week, feeder steers trended steady to 10.00 higher, with lighter-weight steers showing the strongest gains. Yearling steers were steady to firm on a light test. Feeder heifers were mostly steady to 8.00 higher, with some instances slightly lower depending on quality and supply. Demand was good to very good for all classes with buyers paying premiums for long-weaned and high-quality groups. Slaughter cows were mostly 3.00 to 8.00 lower with moderate demand. Slaughter bulls were mostly steady to 4.00 higher. Overall, the market was much stronger this week fueled by more favorable tempeatures and active buyers. <b>Week ending 9/26/26</b> |                  |                   |                  |
| Courtesy of https://www.kyagr.com/                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                  |                   |                  |
| Steers (M&L 1-2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | This Week        | Prior Week        | Last Year        |
| 350-400 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 467.80           | 471.72            | 447.91           |
| 400-450 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 444.16           | 439.53            | 420.94           |
| 450-500 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 431.95           | 420.59            | 410.96           |
| 500-550 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 395.74           | 381.77            | 385.26           |
| 550-600 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 374.38           | 365.66            | 374.95           |
| 600-650 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 358.16           | 345.10            | 356.95           |
| 650-700 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 349.02           | 345.29            | 347.49           |
| 700-750 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 343.24           | 339.06            | 341.34           |
| 750-800 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 332.70           | 331.90            | 345.60           |
| 800-850 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 317.92           | 320.79            | 326.80           |
| 850-900 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 315.83           | 306.79            | 331.33           |
| Heifers (M&L 1-2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |                   |                  |
| 300-350 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 422.55           | 410.98            | 384.72           |
| 350-400 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 410.97           | 404.35            | 394.54           |
| 400-450 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 393.46           | 381.18            | 375.83           |
| 450-500 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 368.74           | 366.91            | 365.41           |
| 500-550 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 348.98           | 347.63            | 357.56           |
| 550-600 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 334.12           | 333.62            | 345.05           |
| 600-650 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 323.98           | 321.45            | 330.38           |
| 650-700 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 316.29           | 311.04            | 322.28           |
| 700-750 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 305.24           | 298.51            | 307.50           |
| 750-800 lbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 288.20           | 299.76            | 293.75           |
| Slaughter Cows                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                  |                   |                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <u>Average</u>   | <u>High</u>       | <u>Low</u>       |
| Breakers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 127.00-163.00    | 145.0-184.00      | 132.00-151.00    |
| Boners                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 125.00-161.00    | 145.00-179.00     | 101.00-145.00    |
| Lean                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 102.50-145.00    | 128.50-170.00     | 82.50-142.00     |
| Slaughter Bulls                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                  |                   |                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <u>Average</u>   | <u>High</u>       | <u>Low</u>       |
| Yield Grade 1&2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 165.00-213.00    | 190.00-219.00     | 137.00-192.50    |
| Sep 10, 2026 Bowling Green, KY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                  |                   |                  |
| SLAUGHTER GOATS: 122                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                  |                   |                  |
| <b>Kids-Selection 1-2</b> 54 lbs 340.00; 68 lbs 340.00. <b>Selection 2</b> 51 lbs 415.00; 62-63 lbs 300.00-340.00; 84 lbs 290.00.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |                   |                  |
| SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 364                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                  |                   |                  |
| <b>Hair Breeds-Choice &amp; Prime 1-2</b> 60-68 lsb 325.00-342.50; 76-78 lbs 325.00-327.50; 88 lbs 260.00; 92 lbs 255.00; 109 lbs 230.00; 117 lbs 227.50. <b>Choice 2</b> 50-57 lbs 355.00-390.00; 67 lbs 325.00; 75 lbs 320.00; 95 lbs 270.00. <b>Woolled-Choice &amp; Prime 1-2</b> 78 lbs 315.00; 100lbs 280.00; 143 lbs 197.50; 205 lbs 150.00.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                  |                   |                  |
| GRAINS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                  |                   |                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <u>This Week</u> | <u>Prior Week</u> | <u>Last Year</u> |
| Corn                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 4.53-5.22        | 4.68-5.21         | 3.72-4.26        |
| Soybeans                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12.18-13.50      | 12.04-13.49       | 8.94-9.96        |
| Red Winter Wheat                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 6.31-7.32        | 6.42-7.36         | 4.77-5.22        |

Arrests from A-1

booked September 25.

•Michelle Risner, 43, of Grayson, arrested by Carter County Jail, on a hold for drug court, arrested and booked September 25.

•David Harlow, 48, of Grayson, self-surrender, weekender, arrested and

booked September 25.

•Rodney Hall, 42, of Olive Hill, arrested by Grayson PD, on charges of alcohol intoxication in a public place, and second degree criminal trespass, arrested and booked September 25.

•Amos Reynolds, 38, of

Flatwoods, arrested by Kentucky State Police, on a charge of violating a Kentucky emergency protection order/domestic violence order, arrested and booked September 26.

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.

Art from A-1

Fund, making future grants possible to nonprofit agencies in Carter County.

“I’m originally from Olive Hill, and my dad lives in Rush,” Ciano said at the event, noting her ties to the region.

The artist said she has been seriously painting for about eleven years leading up to her current award. She works mostly in acrylic painting but has tried others, she said. Her favorite style of painting is portraiture, and she began that style around 2020 during the COVID Pandemic. That style is very much her “driver,” she said.

“I love painting people.”

Ciano said that

numerous times after Dan and Mindy Click presented her award, they invited her to come to Grayson. And being a Carter County native, she was eager to do just that, though the logistics had to be worked out now that she resides in northeast Ohio. When Dan Click invited her to be the kickoff of sorts for Final Fridays, she said she would come. But there was one condition.

The condition was simple, she said.

“We are going to raise money for the community that raised me,” Ciano said. “He said, ‘You got it!’ So, that’s why we decided to donate the net proceeds of the show to the Carter County Community Fund.”

Ciano said she was also pleased with the music performed at the event by the phenomenally talented Corduroy Brown, the musical alter ego of award-winning West Virginia native Allen Brown.

Ciano and Brown know each other through social media and other social connections, and she said she is also a really big fan.

“I have always loved his music, and when I reached out to him to tell him what we were doing, he said he would love to come play at the show. And he is donating a portion of his merchandise sales to the Carter County Community Fund as well.”

Ciano said it makes her happy when her art can

be used to help others.

“I think at the end of the day we all belong to each other,” she said. “Regardless of politics or world view, we are all human. And we should all look out for each other.”

Dan Click of the Grayson Art Gallery said that art moves people, and events such as the evening with Ciano and Brown helps move people together. He encourages everyone in Carter County and beyond to come into the art gallery and enjoy the works of local artists from around the region.

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# Keeping older residents safe

## Grayson implements elder check system

By Charles Romans  
Carter County Times

The City of Grayson Emergency Management recently issued a

press release concerning an automated check in system called ConfirmOK. The service is offered to residents of Grayson who are aged 55 and up and living by themselves. Grayson’s emergency management directors said the automated alerts will allow first responders to be dispatched and assure that help arrives quickly during an emergency.

The process of signing up is relatively simple. Grayson residents will sign up to receive a phone call at a time convenient for them; Monday through Friday. Then, when the number 606-331-5016 comes across the caller ID, the resident will pick up the phone and simply press “1.” This simple response will notify ConfirmOK that the resident is okay and

does not need assistance. In the case of a missed call, the automated system will retry the resident’s number two more times. If no one answers after these additional attempts dispatch will be notified so that an officer from the Grayson Police Department can physically check on the resident.

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Agriculture from A-2

producers and strengthen the agricultural economy of the Commonwealth for generations to come.”

The Meats and Foods Industry Advancement Center will also strengthen the college’s ability to serve Central Kentucky by housing members of its Central Region Extension team.

“This center gives our faculty, specialists and Extension professionals another important place to work directly with producers, entrepreneurs and industry partners,” said Jennifer Hunter, associate dean for Extension and director of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service. “The knowledge and resources available here will help Kentuckians address real-world challenges, explore new ideas and move promising products from concept to market.”

The facility was designed by Morris Workshop Architects and Kirksey Architecture and constructed by Messer Construction.

“The opening of the Meats and Foods Industry Advancement Center marks an exciting new chapter for the C. Oran Little Research Center and Kentucky agriculture,” said Kentucky Rep. Daniel Fister. “As vice chair of the House Agriculture Committee and a representative of Woodford County, I am proud to see this investment strengthening the University of Kentucky’s commitment to research, education and innovation that supports our farmers, livestock producers and food industries. This facility carries forward Dr. Little’s vision while preparing the next generation of Kentucky agricultural leaders for the opportunities ahead.”

The new center is part of a broader series of transformational capital investments across Martin-Gatton CAFE. The Martin-Gatton Agricultural Sciences Building opened in May, followed by the reopening of Scovell Hall in July. The college is also rebuilding research facilities at the Robinson Center in Jackson and the UK Research and Education Center in Princeton.

“Kentucky has made important investments in meat-processing infrastructure, and this center will build on that progress through research, training and food-safety expertise,” said Laura Stephenson, vice president for land-grant engagement and dean of Martin-Gatton CAFE. “Our role is to listen and provide the expertise Kentucky producers and processors need to solve problems, develop new products and create more value here in Kentucky.”

Construction continues on the Agricultural Research Building, which is expected to open next year

and become one of the nation’s premier agricultural research facilities.

Together, these investments are expanding the college’s capacity to educate future leaders, advance research, strengthen Kentucky’s agricultural and food industries and improve lives in communities across all 120 counties.

“Agriculture has always been a cornerstone of Kentucky’s economy and our way of life. With investments like this, Kentucky will remain at the forefront and be strong for years to come,” said Kentucky Sen. Donald Douglas.

“The Meats and Foods Industry Advancement Center builds on more than a century of agricultural research and education at the University of Kentucky while giving our students, producers and industry leaders access to the modern facilities they need to compete and succeed. I’m proud of the General Assembly’s continued commitment to UK and Kentucky agriculture, and I look forward to seeing the opportunities this facility creates across the Commonwealth.”

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**Upcoming Events:**

- The Olive Hill Farmer’s Market is located in the Save-a-Lot parking lot and is open on Wednesdays (through September) & Saturdays from 8:00 AM until sell out. The Grayson Farmer’s Market will be open on Saturdays at 9:00 AM until sell out throughout September and is located in the shed behind the Extension Office. The Grayson market accepts SNAP EBT now.
- Little Sandy Beekeepers – Tuesday, October 6th @ 6:30 PM; Topic: Fall & Winter Management
- Carter/Greenup Farm & Family Field Day – October 13th @ R&J Farms in Garrison. Registration starts at 4:00 and the program begins at 5:00.

# CALENDAR

- **9/30: Olive Hill Farmer's Market @ 8 a.m.** | Save A Lot Paking Lot, Olive Hill
- **10/1: Carter County Library Board @ 6 p.m.** | Carter County Public Library - Grayson
- **10/2: Sit & Sew @ 9 a.m.** | Carter County Extension Education Center | For more info or to RSVP call 474-6686
- **10/3: Olive Hill Farmer's Market @ 8 a.m.** | Save A Lot Paking Lot, Olive Hill
- **10/3: Grayson Farmer's Market @ 9 a.m.** | Carter County Extension Office Market Shed
- **10/5: Quilts for Veterans Sew Days @ 9 a.m.** | Carter County Extension Education Center | For questions call 474-6686
- **10/5: Open Art Studio @ 10 a.m.** | Grayson Gallery & Art Center
- **10/5: Carter County Tourism @ 5:30 p.m.** | Carter Caves State Resort Park
- **10/6: Olive Hill Farmer's Market @ 8 a.m.** | Save A Lot Paking Lot, Olive Hill
- **10/6: Building Club @ 4 p.m.** | Carter County Public Library, Olive Hill
- **10/6: Rattlesnake Ridge Water Distict Board meeting @ 4 p.m.** | Rattlesnake Ridge Water District office
- **10/6: Little Sandy Beekeepers Association @ 6:30 p.m.** | Carter County Extension Office | Topic: Fall & Winter Management
- **10/7: Olive Hill Farmer's Market @ 8 a.m.** | Save A Lot Paking Lot, Olive Hill
- **10/8: Grayson Tourism and Convention Commision @ 6 p.m.** | Grayson City Building Meeting Room
- **10/9-10/11: Vandalia Renaissance & Fantasy Faire** | Carter County Shrine Park, Olive Hill

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## Pet of the Week

Leo is a male mixed breed, weighing in at 48 pounds, and believed to be around a year or two old. He’s very friendly, good with other dogs, and walks on a leash. Leo is already neutered, and has a free adoption to an approved home. Stop by the Carter County Animal Shelter and meet him or call 475-9771 for more information.

Shelter hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Saturday by appointment.



## CITY OF GRAYSON

Throughout the months of September and October the Grayson Police Department will be conducting safety check points throughout roadways within the city limits, at pre-approved locations.

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Joyful Noise

from A-2

and so prove to be my disciples.

God gets glory when we bear much fruit because we have prayed, and God has answered.

“By this is my Father glorified” — that is, by your asking Him for things, and His giving them to you, He gets glory as the one who is rich and

good enough to answer prayer. But also “By this is my Father glorified” — that is, that you bear much fruit. The implication is that God gets glory when we bear much fruit because we have prayed, and God has answered. Therefore, the primary point of prayer is fruit-bearing. Prayer is for fruit-bearing.

Tourism

from A-1

grant money.”

Combs said there were other reasons, giving an example of the commission potentially losing revenue based on what he called cataclysmic circumstances.

Combs said the question that is being asked, and that had been addressed in a recent Department of Local Government meeting, was about what the priorities of the tourism commission were.

“So, this commission will be left to decide what actions need to be taken,” he said.

Some of the priorities which the commission is

expected to address are the sensory garden (at \$187,000), shade for the amphitheater, the walking trail and bridge, walking trail enhancements, and shade structures and benches on the trail.

“The next project is an inclusive swing set,” Mayor Combs discussed. “And two regulation basketball courts with lights and fencing, (and) four pickleball courts with lights and fencing (at \$125,000).”

“At this time the obstacle that was discussed that is prohibiting us from accepting these funds

Charles Spurgeon said, “We do not have to earn our way into prayer. We pray with confidence because God is full of grace, NOT because we are good enough.” He said, “The soul-enriching path of prayer is open to the very weakest saint.”

No matter who you are, if you’ll abide in Christ

and let His Words abide (live, dwell) in you, He has promised to give what you ask for in accordance with His Words. It says “His Words” not ours. His Words are truth and life. We must never cease to pray. No case is hopeless while Jesus lives. (Charles Spurgeon)

If you expect the Lord

to answer your prayers (fruit bearing prayers) then examine yourself. See if you truly are abiding in Him and His Words abiding in you. If you are then you should certainly be receiving answers to your prayers doing it God’s way! Amen! So be it!

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Road, (P.O. Box 856), Jackson, Kentucky 41339. Send Comments/Prayer Requests: Pastornaomi-4god@gmail.com. FB: JoyfulHoprayer. Services: 10am Sunday and Joyful Kids Class at 10:30am, 6:30pm Thursdays. Radio Broadcast: WJSN 97.3 FM & WEKG 81.0 AM Sundays 1-2pm.

Utility personnel receives professional designation

Jason Burks, Assistant Utility Foreman at Grayson Utilities Commission recently completed all course requirements necessary for designation as a Utility Management Professional (UMP). This designation, sanctioned by the Kentucky Rural

Water Association, is awarded to participants of the Utility Management Institute (UMI) who have completed six short-courses in practical water and wastewater utility management. The courses are: Utility Management 101; Utility Organization; Reg-

ulation and Law; Utility Finance and Administration; Human Resource Management for Utilities; Modern Technology and Utility Management; and Public Relations in Utility Management.

The UMI has been developed, with funding

from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPS), to offer training to managers-and others interested in becoming managers. Utility Management Institute courses have been offered since 1999. There are currently over 900 participants active in the UMI with 663 recipients of the prestigious UMP designation.



Jason Burks (submitted photo)

OBITUARY

Howard "Junebug" Smith

1943 – 2026



Howard “Junebug” Smith Jr, age 78, of Olive Hill, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, September 20, 2026, at Carter Nursing and Rehabilitation.

He was born Saturday, December 20, 1947, in Carter County, Kentucky, a son of the late Howard Burl and Eva Mae Carroll Smith.

He enjoyed loafing and hanging out with his friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Mary

Smith, one brother, Raymond Smith.

Junebug is survived by one son, Howard Dale Smith of Olive Hill, Kentucky; one daughter, Marsha Smith of Wheelersburg, Ohio; two brothers, Kenny (Teresa) Smith of Olive Hill, Kentucky, George Smith of Wichita Falls, Texas; 2 sisters, Judy Jordan of Middleton, Ohio, Wanda Davis of Grayson, Kentucky, along with many other family and friends who will sadly miss him.

Friends visited from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m., Wednesday, September 23, 2026 at Globe Funeral Chapel, 17277 West Us Hwy 60, Olive Hill, Kentucky.

Globe Funeral Chapel in Olive Hill, Kentucky is honored to serve the family of Howard “Junebug” Smith Jr.

William Jess Collins

1954 – 2026



William is survived by one son Harley Collins of Olive Hill, Kentucky; one daughter, Hailey (Keith) Madden of Worthington, Kentucky; four grandchildren, Zachariah, Celina, Trinity, Stevie; one brother, J. C. Collins of Olive Hill, Kentucky; one sister, Tammy Smith of Hitchens, Kentucky, along with many other family and friends who will sadly miss him.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Tuesday, September 29, 2026, at Globe Funeral Chapel 17277 West US Hwy 60, Olive Hill, Kentucky, with Brother Todd Antrobus officiating. Burial followed in Garvin Ridge Cemetery in Olive Hill.

Friends visited after 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 29, 2026, until the service hour at the funeral home.

Harley Collins, JC Collins, Ronnie Sexton, Robert Sexton, Nick Wilson and Scotty Madden will serve as pallbearers.

Globe Funeral Chapel in Olive Hill, Kentucky is honored to serve the family of William Jess Collins.

William Jess Collins, age 72, of Olive Hill, Kentucky, passed away Thursday, September 24, 2026, at his residence.

He was born Wednesday, September,1954, in Dayton, Ohio, a son of the late Harran and Mary Cooley Collins.

William enjoyed watching American Pickers, being outdoors and hanging out with his friends, especially his grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Anita Brook Collins; four children, Christopher Collins, Keshia Collins, Jess Collins, Ricki Rena Collins; one stepbrother, Larry Willobhy and one sister Diana Littleton.

Larry Garnett "Joe" Henderson

1952 – 2026



Larry Garnett “Joe” Henderson, age 73, of Olive Hill, Kentucky, passed away Wednesday, September 23, 2026, at Adena Regional Medical Center.

He was born Saturday, November 19,1952, in Carter County, Kentucky, a son of the late Garnett “Sugarfoot” and Gertrude Workman Henderson.

Joe enjoyed driving and working on fast cars; smoking and drinking coffee; loafing and hanging out with his friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by Brent Stevens, whom he raised as his son; four brothers, Lonnie Henderson, William Henderson, Dany Henderson, Sherman “Eckie”

Henderson; three sisters, Brenda Henderson, Malinda Henderson and Donna Henderson.

Joe is survived by Phillip Stevens, Richard Stevens, whom he raised as his sons; several nieces and nephews; special caretaker, Levi McDowell, along with many other family and friends who will sadly miss him.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Monday, September 28, 2026, at Globe Funeral Chapel 17277 West US Hwy 60, Olive Hill, Kentucky, with Brother Jeff Williams officiating. Burial followed in Bethel Cemetery in Carter County.

Friends visited after 11:30 a.m., Monday, September 28, 2026, until the service hour at the funeral home.

Eddie Stevens, Danny Henderson Jr, Josh Henderson, Nathan Henderson, Jeremy Henderson and Robbie Stevens served as pallbearers.

Globe Funeral Chapel in Olive Hill, Kentucky is honored to serve the family of Larry Garnett “Joe” Henderson.

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# OPINION

EDITORIALS | LETTERS | COLUMNS | COMMENTARY

**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

### There’s an easy way to save lives from sudden cardiac arrest

By Sarah Katzenmaier  
*Kentucky Lantern*

On Oct. 24, 2021, dressed as a zombie and dancing in Lexington’s annual Thriller Parade, I collapsed from sudden cardiac arrest and died in front of the Kentucky Theatre.

Main Street was packed with a thousand zombies and 10,000 spectators, making it impossible for an emergency vehicle to navigate through the horde of zombies. If not for the heroic actions of Charlotte Callan, who performed CPR for over 10 minutes, I would not be here today. She kept oxygenated blood flowing to my brain until paramedics arrived to shock my heart back to life with an Automated External Defibrillator. Charlotte was later honored by Mayor Linda Gorton with the Spirit of Lexington Award.

The irony of my story is that while Charlotte was desperately pumping my chest in the street, there was an AED inside the office of the Kentucky Theatre. But no one knew how to find it, because Lexington doesn’t have them mapped! Knowing where AEDs are, saves lives; this asset could have saved critical minutes. In a sudden cardiac arrest event, every second matters; survival rates drop by 10 percent for every minute that passes without defibrillation. Having an AED nearby and accessible while waiting for an ambulance can mean the difference between life and death.

Today, Charlotte and I are working together on a grass-roots initiative to ensure that no one in Lexington dies next to a hidden defibrillator. We have launched the Cardiac Crusade / Lexington Re-start a Heart initiative, with a volunteer team of Cardiac CATS. Our goal is to make Lexington a more heart safe community.

If you download the PulsePoint AED app (NEAR) and look at Lexington, you can see all our mapped AEDs. Only the gold shields represent verified, functional AEDs that 911 dispatchers can use to direct bystanders. If you look at our neighbors in Nicholasville, or at progressive cities like Buffalo and Boston, their maps are filled with gold shields. Boston over-achieved and has grown to include areas all over Massachusetts.

When I started laying the groundwork for this campaign in January, Lexington only had 4 Verified AEDs on the map. Since then, we have mapped over 150, but we need a lot more.

The data shows that mapping AEDs saves lives. Cities that have successfully mapped their AEDs and made their communities aware of this initiative—such as San Diego—have seen sudden cardiac arrest survival rates skyrocket from less than 10 percent to greater than 60 percent. This initiative helps every single citizen regardless of age, health status, or zip code, because sudden cardiac arrest can strike anyone, anywhere, with absolutely no warning.

I am leading this initiative and have been working with city leaders to prepare for this campaign to map AEDs across Lexington. The Lexington Fire Department, E911 unit and PulsePoint, along with Cardiac Crusade, are working together to ensure the software supports any needed upgrades. Our local emergency responders are already collaborating directly with their counterparts in Buffalo to replicate their success. Councilmember Tyler Morton, City Council and the Mayor’s office have promised their support in spreading the word. Governor Andy Beshear supports this initiative, and we hope to include all of the Commonwealth in the future.

We still need more volunteers and more healthcare sponsors to help us complete our city’s map. UK Healthcare has generously pledged to recruit medical students who can earn practicum hours by mapping AEDs, as the PulsePoint AED app tracks AEDs mapped in your profile. The American Heart Association has stepped up as our foundational sponsor and provided capital funding. Now, we need your help!

You can become a “Cardiac CAT” today. Download the PulsePoint AED app (NEAR) and look for AEDs at the places you regularly visit—your office, gym, or grocery store—and see if their AEDs are on the map. You can take a free online training course through the Cardiac Crusade website to become a certified verifier, allowing you to log and verify AEDs while running everyday errands. This is not limited to Lexington; you can add an AED to the PulsePoint AED map anywhere you see one!

See **CARDIAC ARREST** on A-6

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### Trump Administration makes magic things happen with vehicles?

Over the course of one year and one unfinished, undeclared war in the Middle East, I was almost convinced that the current leadership in Washington had worked a miracle with motor vehicles and their fuel.

I drive a 2018 model compact SUV manufactured by General Motors and equipped with a 15-gallon gasoline tank. One year ago, my car’s tank could be filled with 87 octane gas for \$48.75.

Six months later, without any change in the tank’s capacity, it could hold \$56.25 worth of gasoline. Add another six months and the little-car-that-could was filled to the brim with gas valued at \$63.75.

I excitedly shared my startling statistics with some colleagues but they quickly discredited my research on the basis that the problem had nothing to do with changing the fuel tank capacity but with the per-gallon price of gasoline at the pump.

A year ago, that “regular” gas cost \$3.25 per gallon at the pump. Six months later it was \$3.75 and last week it was \$4.25. That represents a 24 percent increase which obviously exceeds the 3.4 percent

official rate of inflation. As I pondered the rising cost of gasoline, I noticed at an I-75 truck stop two nights ago that diesel fuel was selling at \$6.64 per gallon and there seemed to be more big rigs parked than usual.

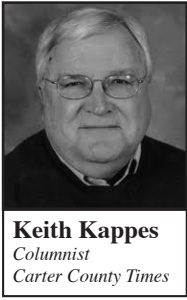
A close relative buys thousands of gallons of diesel fuel each month for his trucks and earthmoving equipment in the construction business. He says the unanticipated fuel cost increase is rapidly reducing his profit margin on projects won by bidding many months, even years ago.

A surprising impact story recently developed right here in Kentucky when several school districts said they wouldn’t have enough money to cover the cost of diesel fuel for their buses.

The funding shortfall is a result of the schools getting \$93 million less in state appropriations to pay transportation costs than requested.

But the state finished the last fiscal year with a budget surplus of only \$418 million!!!

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**Keith Kappes**  
Columnist  
Carter County Times

### Go Sox!

After three straight seasons of 100-plus losses, including the worst record in modern baseball history, the Chicago White Sox are going to the playoffs.

Will they win the World Series? No. Not with that pitching staff. But that's not the point. This team fought its way out of a rebuild with a roster full of rookies, a Japanese slugger in Munetaka Murakami who plenty of people swore couldn't hit American pitching, and a first-time manager in Will Venable who had a lot of upside and nothing to show for it until now. Hope hits hardest when you didn't see it coming.

I know it's just sports. But this one means something to me. I grew up in Bridgeport and Canaryville, in the shadow of the ballpark. The Cubs are a national brand now. The White Sox belong to the South Side, to the neighborhoods where the streets go by numbers, places that have spent decades being told what's wrong with them. If you've lived in Eastern Kentucky for any length of time, you know that feeling. Somebody is always writing the obituary for where you're from. And you're still here, still showing up.

I don't let sports run my life. My day isn't ruined when a team loses. I'm not the millionaire out there playing for his daily bread. I'm the broke writer trying to keep his head above water. I'm a fan, just like everyone else who pulls on a jersey. What the Sox give me is a break, a reminder that some little things are wonderful when a lot of stuff absolutely sucks.

Last season, half the concession stands at the ball-

park weren't even open. This year you have to throw elbows to get in line for a Polish with onions. Walk into a beef joint on the South Side and the Sox are back on the TVs, instead of some guy at the counter

hollering, "Why put 'em on? To watch 'em lose?" When the team wins, the hot dog vendor makes a little more, so does the guy selling bootleg jerseys outside, so do the stadium workers picking up extra shifts. When one thing goes right, a whole neighborhood feels it.

Is it a distraction? Yes. I need the dopamine hit of a home run sailing over the wall or a pitcher going lights out, the same as Caleb Williams lacing a pass into the hands of one of his receivers. (Sorry, Bengals fans.)

I have to find joy where I can get it. I keep flowers in my house because they make a place look nice and class the joint up a little. Same with lighting a candle, or hanging the photo you love instead of leaving it in a box somewhere. After long days in the salt mines, we're all chasing a smile we forgot we had.

Baseball is one of our last communal experiences in a digital world. We watch the games, we talk about them, we make bets and pin our hopes on them. For the lifers, we never took our Sox hats off. It's a curse we're born with. But we'd appreciate some company.

I'm trying to get my kids into baseball, and it's a lot easier when your team wins.

It costs \$60 to fill up my Hyundai. The crack in my windshield has only gotten bigger. I needed this.

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**Cardiac Arrest** from A-5

I invite everyone—citizens, business owners, and potential corporate sponsors—to join us for our campaign kickoff press event on Oct. 16 at 5:00 p.m. at West Sixth Brewery, another sponsor. Let’s work together to make

**Fiscal Court** from A-1

“Those memories of his service became part of the lives of people across this county,” Lavoie told the court.

“His name also remains present through Camp Robert C. Webb at Grayson Lake,” he added. “Since 1969 the camp has helped Kentucky’s young people learn about conservation and the outdoors.”

Lavoie said that camp continues to foster those same values in young people from across the region.

The fiscal court discussed the matter briefly before unanimously voting to designate August 15 as Dr. Robert Webb Day in Carter County.

Lexington and all of the Commonwealth a more heart-safe place to live.

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The court also voted to allow FIVCO to pursue CDBG grants, and to begin the process to take Empress Drive into the county road maintenance schedule. A motion was also made to extend Arabian Lane, and both motions passed by unanimous vote. A motion was made to approve fiscal year 2027 CV06 Flex project 21833 Agreement Resolution 454, which passed unanimously. The landfill project expense agreement was also discussed by the fiscal court but was tabled during that meeting.

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## Paint the town purple

Staff Report  
*Carter County Times*

The Relay For Life of Carter County Committee is inviting everyone to participate in a celebration to raise awareness of their fundraising goals and the three reasons they hold the Relay for Life:

To celebrate the lives of all survivors.

To remember loved ones and friends that we have lost to the dreaded disease of cancer.

To fight back, and help fund research to find a cure in our lifetime.

During the week of October 3–10 Relay for Life is planning to “Paint the Town Purple,” and they’re asking for the community’s help. Purple is the color for Relay for Life and for survivors. If individuals or businesses would like to participate, the group is asking you to “please put

**Elder** from A-3

Management reported that, unfortunately, four people have been found deceased in Grayson through August.

“We do not want another statistic,” Assistant Emergency Management Director Joanne Dunfee said. “If responders believe a medical emergency is happening, and the resident cannot answer the phone, the person may be found sooner.”

Emergency management will be the lead in this program and applications for this service may be picked up at Walgreens, Horton Brothers and Brown, Medi-Save, or Primary Plus. Once the form is filled out, it may be dropped off at the Grayson City Building or the Grayson Fire Department. If you need help filling out the form, emergency management will be glad to come to your home and fill out the application with you. For answers to any questions, residents can call 606-315-4119.

Dunfee said she believes this free program will be another way to protect the city’s older residents and will definitely help save lives in an emergency. It will also be another way to give them and their families peace of mind knowing that someone is checking in on them or their loved ones who desire to remain in their own homes.

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purple in your store windows or yards, and display purple bows or balloons.”

“We can make a difference in the lives of people with cancer by helping do what we can, where we are, with whatever we have,” Relay spokesperson Becky Walker noted.

The Grayson Relay for Life event will take place on Saturday, October 24, at Gregoryville Christian Church, in Grayson, with a survivor dinner held at 6 p.m. The organization noted they “would love to see you there.”

For more information on Relay for Life, Paint the Town Purple, and

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| Carter County Board of Education 2027 Working Budget |               |                 |                  |                |              |              |           |               |
|                                                      | General       | Special Revenue | Student Activity | Capital Funds  | Debt Service | Food Service | Childcare | Total         |
| Beginning Balance                                    | 6,462,036.00  | -               | -                | -              | 5,355,494.45 | 1,189,620.00 | -         | 13,007,150.45 |
| Revenues                                             | 43,244,324.80 | 7,049,254.40    |                  | 5,061,446.00   | 1,072,126.92 | 4,517,188.00 | 35,911.00 | 60,980,251.12 |
| Expenditures                                         | 44,550,005.77 | 7,124,988.00    | 60,936.00        | -              | 3,321,938.11 | 4,217,463.53 | 59,856.00 | 59,335,187.41 |
| Transfers In (out)                                   | 109,712.08    | 75,733.60       | 60,936.00        | (2,707,337.46) | 2,707,337.46 | (270,326.68) | 23,945.00 | 0.00          |
| Ending Balance                                       | 5,266,067.11  | -               | -                | 2,354,108.54   | 5,813,020.72 | 1,219,017.79 | -         | 14,652,214.16 |

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GRAYSON DAM WATER CONTROL PLAN UPDATE  
CARTER COUNTY, KENTUCKY**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District, by this Notice of Availability (NOA), advises the public that the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the Grayson Dam Water Control Plan Update is complete and available for public review. The project is located in Carter County, Kentucky. A Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is anticipated for the proposed project. A Draft FONSI is included with the DEA for public review.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the DEA and draft FONSI must be available to the public in the affected area for thirty (30) days for review and comment. Final determination regarding the need for additional NEPA documentation will be made after the public review period, which begins on or about September 23, 2026. Copies of the documents may be viewed at the following location:

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The documents may also be viewed at the following website:  
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Huntington District Corps of Engineers  
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Email: Megan.B.Wilburn@usace.army.mil

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Rattlesnake Ridge Water District  
REQUEST FOR BIDS**

Rattlesnake Ridge Water District (RRWD) is soliciting bids from experienced contractors to replace waterlines at several locations using Horizontal Directional Drilling. Companies desiring to provide services must submit sealed bids through the DFS Procurement Services Portal at [dfs.bonfirehub.com](https://dfs.bonfirehub.com). The full RFB can also be reviewed at [erassist.com/work](https://erassist.com/work). All bids must be submitted by 2:00 p.m. on October 14, 2026. Bids will be opened publicly at 3:00 pm in the Rattlesnake Ridge Water District office, 5302 S St Hwy 7, Grayson, Kentucky 41143. Award will occur at a To-be-announced special meeting of the RRWD. The meeting will be announced via public notice in the DFS Procurement Portal.

**SALE**

**Estate Sale. October 3 & 4.** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 4108 Rattlesnake Ridge, Olive Hill, KY. Furniture, kitchenware, home decor, pictures, freezers, and more. Cash only. No early admittance

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**The Tackett-Knipp-Ash Cemetery** has been cleaned off at 563 Hawkinsmith Road, Olive Hill, KY. If you have family there, feel free to visit.

other Relay related events, contact Linda Arnett, at (606)255-0573

*Contact the writer at editor@cartercountytimes.com*



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**SATURDAY, OCT 24<sup>TH</sup>**

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**6:00 PM**  
**Survivor Dinner**

A special meal to honor and celebrate our survivors.



**7:30 PM**  
**Walking**

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**8:00 PM**  
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CARTER COUNTY STRONG

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

To all interested citizens of Carter County, Kentucky

The Kentucky Department for Local Government (DLG) is accepting application material under the 2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The Carter County Fiscal Court intends to apply for assistance to provide public services for Recover Kentucky facilities, Genesis Recovery Center. The Carter County Fiscal Court will hold a public hearing prior to the submission of the required application form. The public hearing will be held on Monday, October 5, 2026, at 10:00 am EST/ 9:00 am CST, at the Carter County Courthouse, Room 201. The purpose of this hearing is to obtain views on housing and community development needs, review proposed activities, review the proposed application, and solicit public comments. Technical assistance is available to help groups representing low- and moderate-income persons in developing proposals.

The following information concerning the CDBG program is available for public inspection at the FIVCO Area Development District office during regular business hours:

A. Amount of funds available and range of activities that may be undertaken.  
B. Estimated amount of funds proposed to be used for activities benefiting persons of low and moderate income.  
C. Records Regarding the past use of CDBG funds.  
D. A summary of other important program requirements.

**Comments on Application**

A copy of the CDBG application material will be on file at the Judge Executive’s office for citizen review and comment during regular business hours (8:00 am-4:00 pm) from Tuesday September 22nd through Monday October 5th, 2026, at 10:00 am. Comments on the proposed application may be submitted to the attention of Brandon Burton, Carter County Judge Executive until close of business on October 2nd, 2026.

**Non-Discrimination Clause**

The Carter County Fiscal court does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, religion, or disability. The Carter County Fiscal court provides upon request reasonable accommodation including auxiliary aids and services to offer individuals with disabilities an equal opportunity to participate in all services, programs, and activities. Any persons requiring special needs assistance or services for non-English speaking residents should contact County Judge Executive, Brandon Burton at 606-474-5366 at least five days prior to the meeting. The TDD number for the hearing impaired is 1/800-648-6057.

**NOTE: Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Contacts**

Department for the Blind  
1/877-KYBLIND  
American Printing House  
1/800-233-1839  
Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing  
For Interpreter Directory  
1/800-372-2907

**CARTER COUNTY TAXPAYER'S NOTICE**

The 2026 Carter County Property tax bills are now due and payable. If you do not receive your bill by October 15, 2026, please contact the Carter County Sheriff's Office at **474-5616**. When mailing in your payment please include your postcard or write the bill number on your check. **If you wish a paid receipt returned to you, please, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.** The Sheriff's Departments mailing address is **P.O. Box 1590, Grayson, KY 41143. We can now accept your Visa or Master card payment in person or over the phone. (Additional fee will apply to credit card payments.)** The following are the collection dates:

|                                        |                          |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2% Discount                            | 10-01-2026 to 11-01-2026 |
| Face Amount                            | 11-01-2026 to 12-31-2026 |
| 5% Penalty                             | 01-01-2027 to 01-31-2027 |
| 10% Penalty + 10% Sheriff's Add on Fee | After 01-31-2027         |

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:**  
All delinquent tax bills will be transferred to the County Clerk's Office as of the close of business on April 15, 2027. In addition to the penalties and fees that are applied by the Sheriff's Office, all payments made in the County Clerk's Office are subject to a 20% County Attorney's Fee, a 10% County Clerk's Fee and interest at 1% per month. The delinquency is also subject to being sold to a Third Party in the summer of 2027.

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
CARTER CIRCUIT COURT  
CASE NO. 26-CI-00042**

**KAR TAX LIEN PORTFOLIO, LLC**

**PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**TIMOTHY A. KOUNS; ROBIN MICHELLE MARTIN; COUNTY OF CARTER, KENTUCKY**

**DEFENDANTS**

Pursuant to the Judgment and Order of Sale in the Carter Circuit Court, entered on August 4, 2026, I shall offer for sale the property described herein at public auction on the Courthouse steps of the old Carter County Courthouse, 300 West Main Street in Grayson, Kentucky, on the **7th day of October, 2026 at or near the hour of 3:35 p.m.**, to the highest bidder on the following terms:

The aforementioned real estate shall be sold as a whole. The real estate shall be sold on a credit of thirty (30) days, with the privilege of the purchaser to pay for bid in cash in full, and if not paid in full then the purchaser shall make a cash down payment of at least ten percent (10%) of the purchase price to cover the costs of the judicial sale; and the purchaser shall execute a bond for the remainder of the purchase price, with good surety thereon, to be approved by the Master Commissioner of this Court, and bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of the sale, until paid; additionally, a lien shall be retained upon the real estate to be sold herein, to secure the payment of the balance of the purchase price within thirty (30) days of the date of sale upon which execution may be levied by the Master Commissioner of this Court.

**Description of the Property:** 379 Rocky Road, Grayson, Kentucky 41143. (For Legal Description see LSOT: Deed Book 269, Page 11, Carter County Clerk's Office.)

**Map/Parcel ID Number:** 083-00-00-009.03.

**NOTE:** Only delinquent ad valorem taxes shall be paid from the sale proceeds. The Purchaser shall be responsible for payment of the taxes for the current year and thereafter.

Honorable John P. Thompson  
Master Commissioner  
Carter County, Kentucky

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
CARTER CIRCUIT COURT  
CASE NO. 25-CI-00142**

**LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC**

**PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**SHERRI L. KAZEE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF SHERRI L. KAZEE; COUNTY OF CARTER**

**DEFENDANTS**

Pursuant to the Judgment and Order of Sale in the Carter Circuit Court, entered on August 19, 2026, I shall offer for sale the property described herein at public auction on the Courthouse steps of the old Carter County Courthouse, 300 West Main Street in Grayson, Kentucky, on the **7th day of October, 2026 at or near the hour of 3:30 p.m.**, to the highest bidder on the following terms:

The aforementioned real estate shall be sold as a whole. The real estate shall be sold on a credit of thirty (30) days, with the privilege of the purchaser to pay for bid in cash in full, and if not paid in full then the purchaser shall make a cash down payment of at least ten percent (10%) of the purchase price to cover the costs of the judicial sale; and the purchaser shall execute a bond for the remainder of the purchase price, with good surety thereon, to be approved by the Master Commissioner of this Court, and bearing interest at the rate of 7.375% per annum from the date of the sale, until paid; additionally, a lien shall be retained upon the real estate to be sold herein, to secure the payment of the balance of the purchase price within thirty (30) days of the date of sale upon which execution may be levied by the Master Commissioner of this Court.

**Description of the Property:** 5278 U.S. Highway 60, Rush, Kentucky 41168. (For Legal Description see LSOT: Deed Book 502, Page 54, Carter County Clerk's Office.)

**Map/Parcel ID Number:** 128-00-00-016.00.

**NOTE:** Only delinquent ad valorem taxes shall be paid from the sale proceeds. The Purchaser shall be responsible for payment of the taxes for the current year and thereafter.

Honorable John P. Thompson  
Master Commissioner  
Carter County, Kentucky

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICES

**Mail-In absentee** request can be processed from now until October 20th you may call our office at (606) 474-5188 ext. 230/231 or go online to govote.ky.gov to put in your application, you must qualify 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** is located in the Grayson location of the Carter County Clerk’s

office and will be available 8:30-4:00 on the following days October 21st, 22nd, 23rd and October 26th, 27th, 28th. Must qualify for one of the above reasons.

**In-person No Excuse Absentee Voting** before Election Day, October 29th- October 31st, 2026 from 8:00-4:00. Located at in the 1st floor of the Courthouse 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 3rd, 2026 from 6:00-6:00 all precincts open.

**Last day to register to vote is October 5th**

The Carter County Board of elections will be meeting October 13th at 10am to examine all Election machines.

PURSUANT TO KRS 424.290, “MATTERS REQUIRED TO BE PUBLISHED,” THE FOLLOWING RACES AND QUESTION WILL APPEAR ON THE VOTING MACHINES AND PAPER BALLOTS IN THE PRECINCTS LISTED IN CARTER COUNTY FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 3, 2026.

STRAIGHT PARTY

☐ Republican Party

☐ Democratic Party

☐ Kentucky Party

UNITED STATES SENATOR

(Vote for One)

☐ Andy BARR  
Republican Party

☐ Charles BOOKER  
Democratic Party

☐ Christopher CAMPBELL  
Kentucky Party

☐ Write-in

ALL PRECINCTS

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE in CONGRESS

4th Congressional District

(Vote for One)

☐ Ed GALLREIN  
Republican Party

☐ Melissa Claire STRANGE  
Democratic Party

☐ Jeremy TODD  
Libertarian Party

☐ Write-in

IRON HILL, BUFFALO, SAWMILL, AND SMOKEY VALLEY

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE in CONGRESS

5th Congressional District

(Vote for One)

☐ Hal ROGERS  
Republican Party

☐ Ned PILLERSDORF  
Democratic Party

☐ Mikel WEIN  
Independent

☐ Gerardo SERRANO  
Independent

☐ Write-in

COURTHOUSE, GREGORYVILLE, NORTH MIDLAND TRAIL, OAKLAND, EAST GRAYSON/STINSON, NORTH RUSH, SOUTH MIDLAND TRAIL, SOUTH RUSH, STOVALL, ALPHA HALL, DENTON, HITCHINS, WILLARD, CEDAR GROVE, CLARK HILL, EAGLE HALL, GRAHN, PLEASANT HILL, PLEASANT VALLEY, SOLDIER, BRICKYARD, OLIVE HILL COURTHOUSE, AND UPPER TYGART

STATE SENATOR

18th Senatorial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Robin L. WEBB  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

ALL PRECINCTS

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

96th Representative District

(Vote for One)

☐ Patrick FLANNERY  
Republican Party

☐ Pamela LEWIS  
Democratic Party

☐ Write-in

PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR

(Vote for One)

☐ Leslie KISER-ROSEBERRY  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

(Vote for One)

☐ Brandon BURTON  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

COUNTY ATTORNEY

(Vote for One)

☐ Brian BAYES  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

COUNTY CLERK

(Vote for One)

☐ Amy GREER  
Republican Party

☐ Debbie JOHNSTON  
Democratic Party

☐ Write-in

SHERIFF

(Vote for One)

☐ Jeffrey MAY  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

JAILER

(Vote for One)

☐ R. W. BOGGS  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

CORONER

(Vote for One)

☐ George A. SPARKS  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

COUNTY SURVEYOR

(Vote for One)

☐ Write-in

MAGISTRATE

1st Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Chris HUDDLE  
Republican Party

☐ Anthony BRANHAM  
Democratic Party

☐ Write-in

COURTHOUSE, GREGORYVILLE, IRON HILL, NORTH MIDLAND TRAIL, AND OAKLAND

CONSTABLE

1st Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Brian STEVENS  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

COURTHOUSE, GREGORYVILLE, IRON HILL, NORTH MIDLAND TRAIL, AND OAKLAND

MAGISTRATE

2nd Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Morris SHEARER  
Democratic Party

☐ David JOHNSON  
Independent

☐ Write-in

CONSTABLE

2nd Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Danny DAVIS  
Democratic Party

☐ Write-in

EAST GRAYSON/STINSON, NORTH RUSH, SOUTH MIDLAND TRAIL, SOUTH RUSH, AND STOVALL

MAGISTRATE

3rd Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Millard CORDLE  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

CONSTABLE

3rd Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Johnny E. GIFFORD  
Democratic Party

☐ Write-in

ALPHA HALL, DENTON, HITCHINS, AND WILLARD

MAGISTRATE

4th Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Danny Joe HOLBROOK  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

CONSTABLE

4th Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Jhan B. JARRELL  
Democratic Party

☐ Write-in

CEDAR GROVE, CLARK HILL, EAGLE HALL, GRAHN, PLEASANT HILL, PLEASANT VALLEY, AND SOLDIER

MAGISTRATE

5th Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Eric "Bubba" JOHNSON  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

CONSTABLE

5th Magisterial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Phillip M. BLEVINS  
Republican Party

☐ Write-in

BRICKYARD, BUFFALO, OLIVE HILL COURTHOUSE, SAWMILL, SMOKEY VALLEY, AND UPPER TYGART

NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL BALLOT

DISTRICT JUDGE

37th Judicial District

(Vote for One)

☐ Rupert WILHOIT

☐ Write-in

ALL PRECINCTS

NONPARTISAN "SCHOOL CANDIDATES"

MEMBER BOARD of EDUCATION

2nd Educational District

(Vote for One)

☐ Miranda TUSSEY

☐ Write-in

NORTH MIDLAND TRAIL, EAST GRAYSON/STINSON, NORTH RUSH, SOUTH MIDLAND TRAIL, SOUTH RUSH, AND STOVALL

MEMBER BOARD of EDUCATION

5th Educational District

(Vote for One)

☐ Chris PERRY

☐ Katrina TACKETT

☐ Write-in

EAGLE HALL, GRAHN, PLEASANT VALLEY, OLIVE HILL COURTHOUSE, AND SMOKEY VALLEY; PART OF BRICKYARD

NONPARTISAN CITY BALLOT

MAYOR

City of Grayson

(Vote for One)

☐ Derrick McKINNEY

☐ Troy COMBS

☐ Write-in

PART OF COURTHOUSE, NORTH MIDLAND TRAIL, OAKLAND, EAST GRAYSON/STINSON, SOUTH MIDLAND TRAIL, STOVALL, AND ALPHA HALL

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# Two Carter County farms named “Legacy Farms” by Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation

GRAYSON — Carter County Farm Bureau recently announced that Seagraves/Sturgill Farm and Wells Family Farm have each been named a “Legacy Farm” by Kentucky Farm Bureau (KFB). Seagraves/Sturgill Farm and Wells Family Farm were recognized as Legacy Farms for their long-standing commitment to farming, contributions to the local community, and involvement in KFB.

KFB’s Legacy Farm designation is awarded to farmers who have demonstrated a commitment to agriculture and the strengthening of rural communities. County Farm

Bureaus across the state can nominate three local farms for the honor each year.

Seagraves/Sturgill Farm, located in Grayson, has been active in production agriculture for 86 years. Today, the farm is run by Henry Sturgill. It raises corn, tobacco, Hampshire hogs, hay, chickens and garden produce.

Wells Family Farm, located in Grayson, has been active in production agriculture for 110 years. Today, the farm is run by Clifford and Heather Wells. It raises beef cattle, tobacco, silage corn, hay, straw, fodder, garden veg-

etables, flowers, wildflowers, pumpkins, mums and gourds.

“Kentucky Farm Bureau is proud to recognize the history, perseverance and hard work of our commonwealth’s farm families,” said Eddie Melton, KFB President. “We’re grateful for everything Seagraves/Sturgill Farm and Wells Family Farm contribute to their community and to Kentucky agriculture, and we’re pleased to honor the generations of dedication that earned them this recognition.”



Seagraves/Sturgill Farm. (submitted photo)



Wells Family Farm (submitted photo)

## Hometown Harvest to bring fall fun, local vendors and community spirit to Olive Hill

OLIVE HILL — Fall is coming to Olive Hill, and the Olive Hill Chamber of Commerce is inviting the community to celebrate at Hometown Harvest, a new fall festival planned for Saturday, Oct. 3, at The Depot.

The free, family-friendly event will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will feature local vendors, food, shopping, entertainment and activities designed to give families a chance to enjoy the season while celebrating the community they call home.

The Chamber created Hometown Harvest to continue the spirit of Olive Hill’s longstanding fall tradition while bringing some new ideas to the event.

“When it was announced that ‘It’s Fall Y’all’ was cancelled, we knew how much that event and tradition had meant to our community over the years. We didn’t want to see that fall tradition simply disappear, so the Chamber decided to step in and continue the spirit of bringing our community together while adding a little Chamber flare of our own,” said Crystal Branham, president of the Olive Hill Chamber of Commerce.

She added, “Hometown Harvest gives us the opportunity to build on what people already loved about having a community fall event while introducing some new activities and ideas. Our goal is to create something that feels familiar, fun, and community-centered, but that can also grow and develop into a tradition of its own for Olive Hill.”

Families will have plenty of opportunities to participate throughout the day, including pumpkin painting, a Halloween costume contest for elementary-age children and a decorated pumpkin contest.

Participants in the decorated pumpkin contest should bring their pumpkins pre-carved or pre-painted.

The Olive Hill Fire Department will also sponsor a ‘pumpkin drop’, while the woodcarvers who participated in Olive Hill’s July 4th event will return to demonstrate their chainsaw art and carving skills.

Entertainment will be provided throughout the day by DJ JD Rayburn, adding music and energy to the festival.

In addition to the activities, Hometown Harvest will provide an opportunity for residents and visitors to support local vendors and organizations while spend-

ing the day in Olive Hill.

“More than anything, we hope people leave having made some good memories,” Branham said. “Events like Hometown Harvest are about giving our community a reason to come together, visit with neighbors, support local vendors and organizations, and let the kids have fun. We also hope it gives people another reason to

spend the day in Olive Hill and see some of the great things happening in our community.”

Vendor space is still available, and the Chamber encourages interested vendors to register as soon as possible.

Organizers have received significant interest in the event and are working to accommodate as many vendors as reason-

ably possible.

The Olive Hill Chamber of Commerce will continue sharing event updates, activity information, schedules and any last-minute announcements on its Facebook page.

Those with questions or interested in vendor registration can contact the Chamber directly through its Facebook page.

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