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## Uncertainty looms as covid rates break records in August

County health officials report 835 new cases as state of emergency for covid in question

By STACIE BARTON  
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As legislators and the governor face the end of an 18-month executive order declaring a state of emergency due to the covid-19 pandemic, the future of Kentucky's official response to the virus is uncertain. Laws enacted during the 2021 legislative session meant to curtail Gov. Andy Beshear's power to act in an emergency were upheld by the Kentucky Supreme Court on Aug. 21.

August ends with Muhlenberg County Health Department reporting 442 active cases, and 835 cases total for the month. The state's covid-19 dashboard reports seven deaths in the county this month.

Kentucky is seeing high case numbers throughout the commonwealth, with 2,619 cases announced on Aug. 30.

The state is facing the worst of the pandemic and hospitals are reaching capacity in many areas. Owensboro Health Muhlenberg Community Hospital reported five total patients hospitalized with covid-19 on Aug. 26, with two in critical care.

"We have eight covid inpatient beds, seven outpatient covid beds, and five long-term care nursing home covid beds," said Kathy Myer, the hospital's vice president of patient care services. When a patient doesn't progressively improve and requires intubation and support of a ventilator they are transferred to Owensboro Health Regional Hospital, she said.

The regional hospital has 70 total covid-19 patients, 20 in critical care and eight on a ventilator, according to data shared on Aug. 26.

Gov. Andy Beshear said he believes the only way an indoor mask man-

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## "Muhlenberg Remembers" will reflect on the 20th anniversary of 9/11

Planners say outdoor events conceived with covid-19 safety in mind

By STACIE BARTON  
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Greenville Tourism Commission met with city officials, first responders and local healthcare professionals before deciding at a meeting on Aug. 26 to move forward with plans for Muhlenberg Remembers, a commemoration of the 20th anniversary of 9/11 to be held in Greenville Sept. 7-11.

When the tourism commissioners began planning this multi-day event in March, they had covid-19 restrictions in mind. Tourism president Sabrina Scott said at the time, mandates hadn't yet been lifted.

"We were looking for something safe, because at the time covid was so bad. We were looking for something outdoors," Scott said.

The commission came up with a series of small, outdoor events, meant to draw crowds for a few hours each evening. Even with the covid-19 mandates lifted, these events fall under state guidelines to limit the spread of the virus.

The commemoration will begin on Sept. 7 with a concert held outdoors in downtown Greenville. There will be a limited number of tickets sold for the event, a move organizers say will help control the crowd size. Darryl Worley will perform his country music hit "Have You Forgotten?", a 9/11 tribute ballad released in 2003.

The week also includes several opportunities for the community, and especially young people, to learn more about the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

One way to help teach about the anniversary is through a partnership with SOAR, an early childhood development agency in the county. They will be co-hosting the Sept. 8 event, "SOAR with First Responders", a chance for youngsters to talk to local firefighters and police officers, and receive a free book about 9/11. They will be providing copies of "Towers Falling", a young adult

**MUHLENBERG REMEMBERS:**  
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A twisted I-beam from the rubble of the Twin Towers is the focal point of a memorial in downtown Greenville. Tourism officials say it brings visitors to the community. (Leader-News photo/Stacie Barton)



Muhlenberg County High School's Marching Mustangs performed at the annual Ice Cream Supper on Aug. 28. The band previewed their show, called "Radioactive", for the upcoming competition season. More photos on A-2. (Leader-News photo/Steve Smith)



## WHAT CAN I SAY

TO CONVINCE YOU TO GET VACCINATED?

"Nearly all of our unvaccinated patients who have COVID ask us if they can get the vaccine before going on a ventilator. I have to look them in the eye and tell them I'm sorry, but it's too late right now. That's heartbreaking because we have to watch them suffer, and we even lose patients. **Let's get past this pandemic by getting the vaccine.**"

- DR. HEATHER GARRETT

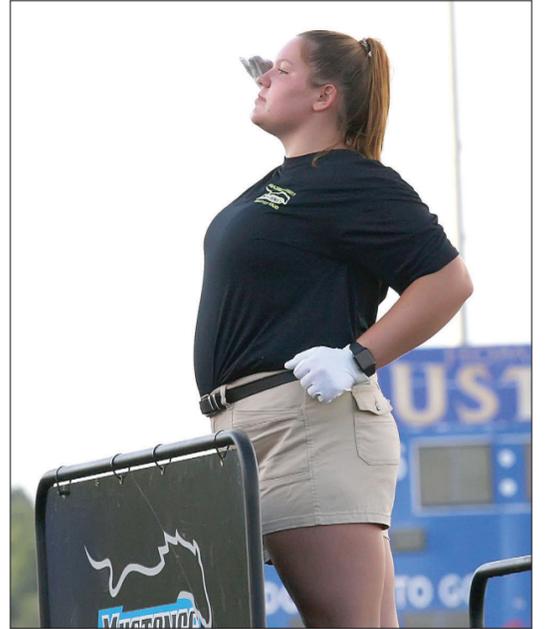
OWENSBORO HEALTH MUHLENBERG COMMUNITY HOSPITAL



Hear from local doctors about the vaccine at OwensboroHealth.org

# Muhlenberg County High School Marching Band Ice Cream Supper

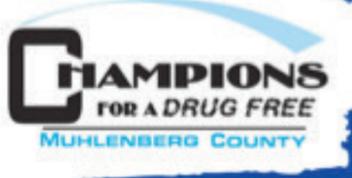
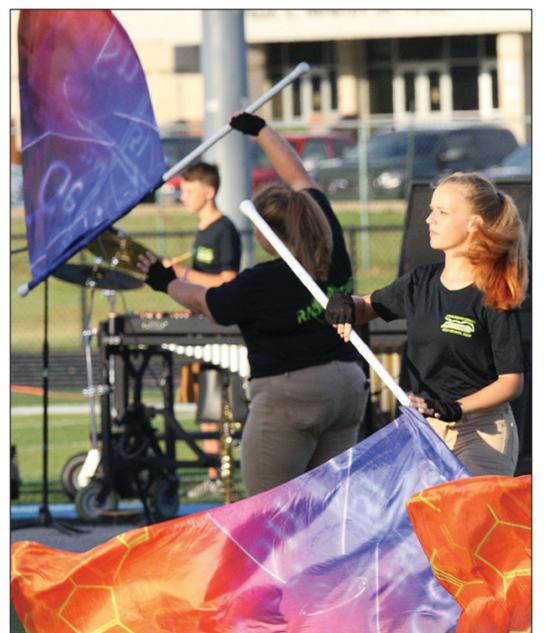
It's the start of marching band season, and in Muhlenberg County, that means it's time for the Ice Cream Supper, held on Aug. 28 at Mustang Stadium. The band previewed their show, titled "Radioactive", and volunteers provided gallons of homemade ice cream. The event is a fundraiser for the band. The 31st Annual Muhlenberg Marching Classic will be held on Oct. 2 at Mustang Stadium. The event draws bands from around the region to compete. (Leader-News photos/Steve Smith)



**FENTANYL HAS BEEN FOUND IN DRUGS IN MUHLENBERG COUNTY.**



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# Drug trafficking charges against Bellamy dropped

Charges against a Beechmont man have been dropped in a drug trafficking case, according to an order made in Muhlenberg County Circuit Court on Aug. 10. Jonathan Bellamy, 37, was arrested on Jan. 8 after a 30-mile chase.

Bellamy was the passenger in a vehicle being driven by Toby Taylor, 37, of Radcliff, who was driving on a suspended license and led a Muhlenberg County Sheriff's detective on a chase from Ebenezer to Lake Malone State Park.

Taylor received multiple charges, including first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and tampering with physi-

cal evidence. This is according to a report from Muhlenberg County Sheriff's Office.

The sheriff's report said Taylor threw cash and what officers suspected was drugs out of the window of the vehicle during the chase.

Bellamy was charged with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine), and tampering with physical evidence. Bellamy is a co-defendant with Taylor in the case, and the dismissal is in accordance with an agreement with the Commonwealth's attorney to provide a statement against Taylor and testify, if necessary.

## MUHLENBERG REMEMBERS: Continued from FRONT

novel about children growing up in the aftermath of 9/11. For younger readers they will provide copies of "What Were the Twin Towers?"

The main focal point of the remembrance will be the Tunnel to Towers 5K run, to be held at 8 a.m. on Sept. 11. Starting in Veterans Plaza in downtown Greenville, the run honors those who perished in the Twin Towers in New York City, as well as first responders and military troops.

The Tunnel to Towers Foundation was established by the family of Stephen Siller, a firefighter who died saving others at Ground Zero on 9/11. He had left the fire station after ending his shift, and heard the news of a plane striking the first tower. When he turned around to head back to the station, the entrance to the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel was already closed for security reasons, the foundation's website says. He then strapped 60 pounds of equipment to his back and took off running toward the towers. The 5K run honors his journey.

Each year, Tunnel to Towers Run, Walk, Climb series features events in approximately 70 cities around the world. This year, Greenville has been chosen to host an event.

Scott said working with the foundation has been a learning experience about what the families who lost loved ones on 9/11 go through. The organization was founded just months after Siller's passing, and their first 5K run was held a few weeks after the one-year anniversary of 9/11.

Siller was the youngest of seven siblings, and orphaned when he was a

teen. He was raised by his brothers and sisters, and they wanted to do something in his honor when they started the foundation.

The foundation uses funds raised from these events along with donations to build mortgage-free "smart homes" fitted for accessibility for veterans and first responders who have catastrophic injuries. The homes are tailored to the specific needs of the recipient, and include features like wider halls and doorways, special showers, and automated features like lighting, heating and cooling.

"They said they wanted it to be symbolic," Scott says of the 5K run. The race in New York City traces Siller's steps through the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel into lower Manhattan.

Siller's family was also looking for a way to celebrate Stephen's life. The 5K held in New York City each year is followed by a block party, with music and food and celebration.

Here in Greenville, there will be a post-race block party too, with food trucks, a parade and live music, beginning at 10 a.m. There will also be a fireworks display and a lighted tribute in downtown Greenville starting at 7 p.m. on Sept. 11.

"It was a hard decision," Scott said, of moving forward with the events during the current spike in covid-19 cases in the county. They have decided to cancel the inflatables and move the only indoor event outside, to avoid spreading the virus. They will also promote safe distancing and encourage people to wear masks.

## CORRECTION:

In the Aug. 24 edition of the Leader-News, page A-3, an article titled "Party chairs urge counties to put aside politics and consider vaccination" implied Paul Barrett, chairman of the county Republican Party, was speaking in the role of party chairman. Barrett would like to express that he was representing himself, and not the county Republican Party.

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Kentucky Department of Aviation Commissioner Mark Carter visited the Muhlenberg County Airport on Aug. 24 to receive briefings on plans for future growth and development at the airport, and tour the Madisonville Community College Aviation Program facility. Commissioner Carter toured the airport, classroom and flight simulators building. The MCC program will train airplane pilots at the Muhlenberg County Airport, and helicopter pilots at the Madisonville Airport. From left to right are: Airport Manager Ed Tackett; Airport Board Vice Chairman Greg Armstrong; Manager of Property and Assets Madisonville Community College, Ray Gillaspie; Garver USA Project Engineer, Garrett Wright; Airport Board Chairman A.D. Pollock; Kentucky Department of Aviation Pilot Michael Riensche; Kentucky Department of Aviation Commissioner Mark Carter; State Representative Melinda Gibbons Prunty; Chief Pilot for Madisonville Community College Airplane Program Mile Kehoe; Chief Pilot for Madisonville Community College Helicopters Program Tom Stanton. (Photo/Submitted)

## Baptist Health suspends visitors due to covid-19 surge

Effective last week, Baptist Health Madisonville is suspending visitation for most patients in the hospital and medical group practices, and allowing only essential caregivers to accompany patients for medical appointments or tests. There will be very limited exceptions. This includes the Baptist Health clinic in Powderly.

"Our community is again experiencing a significant surge in the Covid positivity rate," stated Christy Littrell, chief nursing officer at Baptist Health Madisonville. "This change, while difficult, is for the increased safety of our patients and to aid in protecting the health of our staff so they can continue to be healthy to

provide care for those in need."

"We must keep patient and staff safety our top priority," added Littrell.

The main hospital entrance will be closed to all visitors and no floral deliveries can be accepted at this time. Visitation will be stopped for all hospital inpatient units including the Critical Care Unit. The Merle M. Mahr Cancer Center will only allow one essential caregiver if necessary and must be pre-approved by the unit director.

At the hospital, one essential caregiver is allowed for patients under age 18 (one parent or guardian); women in labor (one birthing partner); NICU (both parents); End-of-life pa-

tients (one clergy member upon request); hospice or end-of-life patients (family visitation on case-by-case basis); dependent patients who require assistance (one caregiver); and Emergency Room patients (one support person if patient is non-Covid).

Those allowed to accompany a patient will be screened prior to visitation and must wear a mask at all times in the facilities.

For Baptist Health Medical Group offices and outpatient facilities, a single essential caregiver will be allowed for children under age 18 (one parent); dependent adult who requires assistance (one caregiver); and OB/GYN office visits (one support person).



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OPINION

Yonts was one of the hardest-working legislators in the General Assembly

By JERRY P. RHOADS

Having been former State Senator for Muhlenberg and Hopkins Counties for 12 years, I had the privilege of serving with Representative Brent Yonts throughout my tenure. I wanted to take this opportunity to reflect on the outstanding service of my friend and legislative partner and colleague, Brent Yonts.

First, I wish to offer my sincere condolences to Jan and their family on the untimely passing of Brent – and my thoughts and prayers will be with them.

Soon after I began my service in 2003, Brent and I quickly developed a very close relationship, which was built around our mutual desire to effectively serve our constituents in Muhlenberg and Hopkins Counties.

Brent deservedly developed a reputation as one of the most hard-working legislators in the General Assembly. Even with the two chambers of the legislature controlled by separate parties, Brent was able to accomplish many of his legislative goals through his tireless determination and perseverance.

One of his greatest accomplishments was the passage of a compre-

hensive mine safety bill, which has undoubtedly saved many lives and prevented many injuries. When Brent saw a need that could be legislatively addressed, he simply would not take no for an answer. Rather, he viewed negative feedback as a challenge to work even harder to accomplish his goals.

Brent and I worked hand-in-hand in the House and Senate to

successfully accomplish many capital and transportation projects for Muhlenberg and Hopkins Counties. He had a passion for public service and took great pride in helping his constituents.

In my 12 years of service with Brent, he demonstrated an attitude of cooperation and collaboration, always with the goal of making Muhlenberg and Hopkins Counties and the

entire Commonwealth better places to live. He accomplished this goal and his family can be very proud of the fine legacy he has left.

*Jerry P. Rhoads is a former member of the Kentucky State Senate, representing District 6, which includes Muhlenberg County, from 2003-2015. He served as Minority Whip from 2009-2014.*

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date can be put in place at this time is by the legislature. “It would take the vote of the General Assembly, I don’t have the authority to do that now,” he said.

“I can’t do that now, and I get that, and I’ll provide all of the information I can to the General Assembly. Hopefully they will make the best decision they can. But I am begging you out there, put on that mask. We desperately need for you to do it again,” he said in an Aug. 26 press conference.

The law does allow Beshear to issue a 30-day state of emergency. However, the current state of emergency covering the covid-19 pandemic applies to any variant that comes thereafter, and expires when an injunction by a Franklin Circuit Court expires, Gov. Beshear said.

On Aug. 26 the Lexington Herald-Leader reported Franklin Circuit Court Judge Phillip Shepherd said he will follow the Supreme Court’s instructions for him to dissolve the injunction, but he will wait until the court hears more about the work between the Democratic governor and the Republican legislative leaders to come to an agreement on new covid-19 emergency orders. Shepherd asked the parties involved to report

back to him on Sept. 7.

A special session of the Kentucky General Assembly to act on extending the covid-19 state of emergency may be on the horizon, at an estimated cost of \$68,000 a day according to the non-partisan Legislative Research Commission.

One issue parents and school administrators alike are grappling with is the lack of NTI, or non-traditional instruction, days available in the 2021-22 school year.

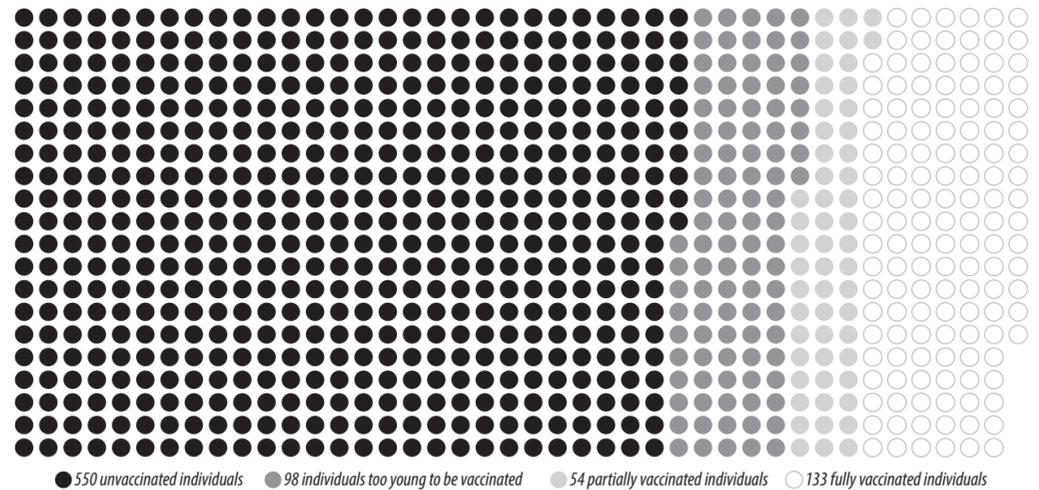
“According to House Bill 208, school districts are limited to 10 non-traditional instruction days (NTI) for the year, unlike last year when the number was unlimited,” said an announcement from Muhlenberg County Public Schools. Once the 10 days have been used, the district will begin adjusting the school calendar with makeup days.

“We’re pushing for flexibility,” said Muhlenberg County Public Schools Superintendent Robby Davis. Last year, if one grade level or group of classes in one school had too many people in quarantine, there were unlimited NTI days which allowed the district to send everyone home for a few days, in just that affected group. This year, if one grade level or one school has to close for a few days, that would be taken from the 10-day limit, Davis said.

State Representative Melinda Gibbons Prunty,

New covid-19 cases, reported by Muhlenberg County Health Department Aug. 1-30

This data was compiled throughout the month of August, 2021 using the numbers provided each day by the Muhlenberg County Health Department. There were a total of 835 new covid-19 cases reported in August, the most in one month during the pandemic. Of those 835, 550 were unvaccinated, 98 were too young to be vaccinated, 54 were partially vaccinated and 133 fully vaccinated.



● 550 unvaccinated individuals ● 98 individuals too young to be vaccinated ● 54 partially vaccinated individuals ○ 133 fully vaccinated individuals (Leader-News graphic)

who represents Muhlenberg County in the State General Assembly, voted in support of House Bill 208. She also supported bills limiting the governor’s emergency powers to 30 days in the future.

“Previous law regarding a governor’s emergency powers was passed with flood, tornado or other short-term emergency in mind,” Rep. Prunty said in a written statement. “It was not anticipated that an emergency order could be ongoing for a year and a half or indefinitely without input from the legislative branch. The governor still has the authority to enact emergency orders, however, now he must consult the legislature after 30 days,” she said.

A special called meeting of the Interim Joint

Committee on Education will be held this week to discuss the current situation in schools, Rep. Prunty said. She is a member of that committee.

As the public awaits action by the General Assembly on covid-19, Republican leadership is vague on what type of measures they will support.

Kentucky Senate President Robert Stivers shared one plan he has for encouraging Kentuckians in his home county to get vaccinated, in a press conference on Aug. 24. In Clay County, he said an advertising campaign is underway, featuring local influencers talking about how and why to get vaccinated. There will be vaccine clinics and incentives such as wrist bands and

pizza coupons to encourage people to get vaccinated. Stivers said there will also be drawings for cash and University of Kentucky basketball tickets.

“We are not mandating, we’re encouraging and incentivizing based on a lot of collaboration between a lot of people, and community leaders. This is not something that requires a special session,” Stivers said. Focusing on the 20 counties with the lowest vaccination rates, Stivers said the local response will create community engagement. He said it could be easily ramped up in many counties.

Stivers said this is the direction he will encourage members of the General Assembly to go. Statewide mask mandates will most likely not

be enacted by the General Assembly, Stivers said, but perhaps some targeted mask mandates may be enacted around certain industries, such as in the prison environment. Masks in schools should be decided by local districts, he added.

At this time, a regulation from the Kentucky Board of Education requiring students and staff in Kentucky’s K-12 school wear masks indoors is still in effect. Kentucky lawmakers met with Kentucky Board of Education officials and Commissioner of Education Jason E. Glass on Aug. 17 to discuss the mask requirement. The Administrative Regulation Review Subcommittee voted 5-2 to find the board’s regulation deficient, but it was not repealed.

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**Community Calendar**

**Meetings**

- The Aug. 26 meeting of the Muhlenberg County **FISCAL COURT** has been canceled. A special called meeting will be held on Aug. 31 at 4 p.m.
- **POND CREEK WATERSHED** will hold a special called meeting on Sept. 1 at 1 p.m. at 340 Dean Rd. in Greenville.
- **MUHLENBERG COUNTY TOURISM COMMISSION** will hold a special called meeting via Zoom on Sept. 3 at 9:30 a.m. Call 270-543-6672 for information on how to join.
- **CENTRAL CITY CITY COUNCIL** will hold their regular monthly meeting on Sept. 8 at 5 p.m. Meetings are held at city hall.
- Muhlenberg County **FISCAL COURT** will hold a regular meeting on Sept. 9 at 4 p.m. at the fiscal court room, second floor of the Muhlenberg County Courthouse.
- **GREENVILLE CITY COUNCIL** will meet on Sept. 9 at 5 p.m. The council meets at the city building.
- If you have been thinking about **VOLUNTEERING WITH CASA**, an informational meeting will be held via Zoom on Sept. 13 at 12 p.m. with a second session at 4 p.m. CASA provides trained volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in the courts, in schools and in the community. RSVP to ahawk@midwestcasa.org for more information.
- **BREMEN ELEMENTARY SBDM** Council will meet on Sept. 13 at 2:45 p.m. in the school’s library.

**Happenings**

- **HOPE2ALL FOOD PANTRY** will be closed on Sept. 6. They will reopen on Sept. 7 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **10th Annual QUALITY CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET** will be held Sept. 11 with registrations beginning at 9 a.m. Entry fee is \$10. Categories include car, truck, tractor, motorcycle, best rat rod, and Jeep. Rain date is Sept. 25. Show is located at 8379 Huntsville-Quality Rd. in Lewisburg. Call Roger Tanner at 270-726-5155 for more information.
- Greater Muhlenberg Chamber of Commerce will host their **ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC** on Sept. 17 at Central City Country Club. Tee times begin at 9 a.m. Teams and sponsorships welcome, prizes for first place, and hole-in-one contest. For more information or to sign up, call Dorothy Walker at 270-338-5422.
- United Way of the Coalfield **GOLF SCRAMBLE** is Sept. 17 at the Lakeshore Country Club in Madisonville. This event will kick off the 2021-2022 campaign with a noon tee time. The United Way is looking for sponsors for the event, at different levels of giving. For more information contact Dee Padgett at 270-821-3170. United Way of the Coalfield supports 15 programs in Hopkins and Muhlenberg counties.
- A one-mile **WALK FOR LIFE** will be held on Sept. 18 from 4 to 7 p.m. starting at Pathway of Hope, 210 S. Boggess in Greenville. Registration is \$10, t-shirts are \$15, with prizes for grooviest get-up, hippest hair-do, and outtasight spirit for life. Call Pathway of Hope at 270-377-0045 to register.
- Do you have **QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR MEDICARE?** Cheryl Spain at the PACS Muhlenberg County Senior Citizens Center can assist with Medicare questions. She offers one-on-one counseling (by appointment) referrals to correct agencies, help understanding Medicare and/or Medicaid coverage and supplemental insurance, help understanding and comparing supplemental policies and plans, help filling out prescription drug discount program applications and help applying for public benefits. Contact your PACS SHIP counselor today at 270-338-6222.

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Email to editor@ky-leadernews.com

# OBITUARIES

## Oma "Joyce" Grant

Oma "Joyce" Grant, 81, passed away Tuesday, August 24, 2021. A native of Cleaton, she was a district supervisor for White Castle, a member of Eastern Star Middletown Chapter #319 and Meadow Hill Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clinton B. Grant.

Survivors include her daughter, Karan Nolan; stepson, William Grant; grandchildren, Kevin, Cindy, Kyle and Launa; nieces, Patricia Gonzalez and Lisa Fiorello; nephew, Johnny Fiorello.



Funeral services were held Saturday, August 28, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Highway, Louisville, Burial followed in Louisville Memorial Gardens West.

## Christopher Alan Gibson

GREENVILLE - Christopher Alan Gibson, 51, of Greenville, died Friday, August 27, 2021 at his residence. Born May 31, 1970 in Greenville, the son of the late Allen Ray Gibson and Barbara Sue Wilson Gibson. He had worked for the Owensboro Health Muhlenberg Community Hospital as a scheduler.

Survivors include his

brother Mitchell Scott Gibson of Greenville; a nephew and a niece.

Funeral services were private. Gary's Funeral Home in Greenville was in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, friends may donate to the Christopher Gibson Funeral Fund at Gary's Funeral Home, P.O. Box 406, Greenville, KY 42345.

## Bonita "Bonne" Y'vonne Stewart Welborn

CENTRAL CITY - Bonita "Bonne" Y'vonne Stewart Welborn, 58, of Central City, passed away Saturday, August 28, 2021, at Owensboro Health Muhlenberg Community Hospital. Born February 19, 1963, in Muhlenberg County. She was of the Baptist faith. She was preceded in death by her mother, Emily J. Bodine Stewart; father Randall Earl Stewart; sister Kimberly A. Stewart; and niece Cierra Stewart.

Survivors include her husband, Terry Welborn

of Central City; children Shellie Manns of Central City, Brandi M. Griggs of Murfreesboro, Tenn., Dustin Bishop of Central City, Stormy Bishop of Madisonville, and Aryan Welborn of Central City; ten grandchildren; several aunts, uncles, cousins, and life-long friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 31, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at Tucker Funeral Home in Central City, with Rev. Greg Brooks officiating. Online condolences may be made at [www.tucker-funeralhomes.com](http://www.tucker-funeralhomes.com).



Annie L. Bard  
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**Psalms 85**  
**Lord, thou hast been favourable unto thy land: thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob.**

**2 Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people, thou hast covered all their sin. Selah.**

**3 Thou hast taken away all thy wrath: thou hast turned thyself from the fierceness of thine anger.**

**4 Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thine anger toward us to cease.**

### LEGAL NOTICES

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MUHLENBERG CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 20-CI-00047**

CITY OF GREENVILLE, PLAINTIFF Vs.

#### NOTICE OF SALE

Count IV  
JOHN KEATING AS ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF RACHEL DUKES, et al, DEFENDANTS

Judgment \$3,744.48

Pursuant to the Judgment of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner will sell at the **Veteran's Mall between the Judicial Building and the Muhlenberg County Courthouse (if rain-Courthouse front porch)**, Greenville, to the highest bidder on **Thursday the 16th day of September, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., C.T.**

**Property Address: 235 West Depot Street, Greenville, KY 42345**  
**PVA Number: 091-03-**

## Around Muhlenberg County

**5 Wilt thou be angry with us for ever? wilt thou draw out thine anger to all generations?**

**6 Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?**

**7 Shew us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation.**

**8 I will hear what God the Lord will speak: for he will speak peace unto his people, and to his saints: but let them not turn again to folly.**

**9 Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land.**

**10 Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

**11 Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

**12 Yea, the Lord shall give that which is good; and our land shall yield her increase.**

**13 Righteousness shall go before him; and shall set us in the**

way of his steps.

Prayers and get well wishes for all essential workers, Pride Johnson, Elijah Whitaker, Barbara Bishop, Garlord Shelton, Diana Gregory, Tonya Gregory, Minister Janet Cunningham, Homer Stevenson, Arlene Hightower, Charles Burden, Leola Johnson, Annie L. Bard, Grace Sweeney, Jr., Etta Hocker, Mrs. Dorothy Martin, Hunter Gamble, Tonya Gregory, Nancy G. Walker, Marjorie Harper, Janice Hines, Mark Mayhugh, Mack Arthur Dykes, Jr., Johnnie Day, Eura Dell Johnson, Patricia Moppins, Sister Lois Evans, Martha Stevenson, Linda Johnson, Chenille Bowman, Gwen Perry, Ronald (Nick) Dunn, Andrew Hawkins, Mildred Cox, Nancy Cunningham, Pastor Otis Cunningham Sr., Hannah Wells, Barbara and Hayes Shelton, Oneida and Curtis Shelton, Micky Mayfield,

Tammy Hawkins, Angie Hinton, Mary Stuart, Nancy Hall, Jimmy Talbott, Ada Wimbley, Jean White, Terry Talbott, pastor Michael Cunningham, Connie Talbott, Sonja Smith, Phyllis Boyd, Roger Bard Jr., Aaron Lindsey, Sharon Bard, Sonya Connors, Daphne Mayfield, Vickie Hampton, Gwen Allen, Bryan Hawkins, Blanche Hawkins, Eva Nell Cheatham, Earlene Williams, Rose Talbott and the elderly, tragedies all over the world, United States of America, President Joe Biden and his cabinet, the Veterans and their families, earthquake survivors, the Haitians, tornado victims and their families, the world, all of our leaders and their families, my prayers are for all of the sick and shut-ins.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Tonia Lou Bard. May God comfort them.

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**03-037.000 Deed Book 491, Page 133**

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MUHLENBERG CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 20-CI-00078**

MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP, PLAINTIFF Vs.

#### NOTICE OF SALE

SHELBY KATHERINE BENSON, et al, DEFENDANTS

Judgment \$4,441.73

Pursuant to the Judgment of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner will sell at the **Veteran's Mall between the Judicial Building and the Muhlenberg County Courthouse (if rain-Courthouse front porch)**, Greenville, to the highest bidder on **Thursday the 16th day of September, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., C.T.**

**Property Address: State Rt 2107 1195, Drakesboro, KY 42337**

**PVA Number: 177-00-00-049.000 Deed Book 510, Page 7**

All property is sold in accordance with the legal description in the Judgment.

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*In Memory of our parents*

**James L. Nanny and Eunice R. Cashion**

(Pictured: Eunice, Big Jim, Little Jim, Ruth, Joy and Merri)

**Our Mom:** Eunice Amanda Ruth Cashion was born in Newport News Va. January 1, 1940 and became an Angel on November 18, 2018.  
**Our Dad:** James (Big Jim/Jim) Leonard Nanny was born in Central City, Ky. on January 10, 1940 and became an angel on July 29, 2021.

Eunice and Jim are survived by their four children: James L. Nanny 2nd (aka Little Jim) (Melanie), Ruth E. Roman (Angel), Joy J. Dombrowski Gantt, and Merri Nanny. Nine Grandchildren: Dustin, Tiffany, Karissa, Justin and Jesse Nanny, Matthew, Nathaniel, Elizabeth and Nicholas Roman. Joshua and Peter Dombrowski, and Multiple Great grandchildren. Amanda is survived by her sisters, Winnie Silk and Molly Duris. Jim is survived by his brother, Perry Nannie, Jr.

They both were preceded in death by their grandson, Joseph Dombrowski. Eunice was preceded in death by both her parents, Lloyd and Virginia Cashion. Jim was preceded in death by both his parents, Estill Perry and Juanita Nannie, and his sister, Edna Benson.

Our Mom and Dad joined the Airforce soon after high school and were stationed at a base in California where they met and fell in love then married in 1960. After settling into marriage Mom was Honorably discharged from the Airforce so they could start a family. Dad stayed in the Airforce but was later injured and became a disabled veteran. They bought a house and settled down in Elkton, Kentucky until they divorced after 16 years of marriage.

Mom loved to travel and moved from state to state but eventually settled down in Clarksville, Tn. Mom loved her kids. She was there for them always. We may not have understood all of her methods but at least she was there, and we knew she cared. Life was an adventure to our mom, and she encouraged us to experience as much as we could. Granted, some mistakes were made at times, but we had fun with our mom. She was a very stubborn but forgiving person so we were allowed to learn from our mistakes without judgment.

Mom was an exceptional artist and she loved the fact that several of her grandchildren also have her artistic talent.

We each had special times with our Dad and at times were able to feel close to him. But other than that we think he knew we felt the distance created because of the life he chose. A life without his biological children. Because of this distance we were not able to get to know our dad as adults and that, sadly became his loss.

For reasons we do not understand, his death was only posted on Facebook and spread by word of mouth but otherwise kept secret. We, his biological children, found out from a third party.

Even though we experienced so many ups and downs growing up we want everyone to know we loved both of our parents very much and we all hope that they both knew how much we loved them. We celebrate the New Life our parents have and rejoice in knowing that they were both saved and have gone to Heaven.

*Mom and Dad we love you and hope you both Rest in Peace.*

*Thank You*

He had many titles in his life, but to all of us he was simply the man who was unceasingly devoted to us. We know many of you feel the terrible loss we feel. We have been blessed with unwavering prayers and concern from countless people whose lives he touched. Though it is impossible to properly verbalize what your support means to us, we hope you all know we will never forget. To our family, friends, church families, co-workers and the community we were all raised in - thank you! We are devastated but, are comforted by the memories you've shared and the love you have shown.

The healthcare workers at both the Greenville and Owensboro hospitals provided tireless and excellent care. We will always be grateful to them. Covid is unforgiving and cruel. If you are eligible, please get vaccinated.

With Love and Gratitude,  
The family of

**BRENT YONTS**

## DISTRICT COURT

The following fines were recently handed down in Muhlenberg County District Court:

- Delbert Glenn Chumley, theft by unlawful taking or disp. shoplifting, \$413, banned from Rural King
- Dale Phillips Bybee, two counts of third degree criminal trespassing, \$100
- Crystal Denny, second degree cruelty to animals, \$293
- Shaun Denny, second degree cruelty to animals, \$293
- Stephanie Allen White, third degree, first offense trafficking in a controlled substance (drug unspecified); first degree, first offense trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine), \$743
- Rita Garrett, theft by unlawful taking or disp. shoplifting under \$500, \$343, 40 days home incarceration
- Ashley B. Brown, operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, \$793
- Christa Michelle Shepherd, theft by unlawful taking or disp. shoplifting under \$500, \$343
- Jmeko Mary Buchanan, speeding, \$203

- Kaylob Joshua Dones, failure to wear seat belts, \$25
- Fedegarik Earin Henderson, speeding, \$163
- Daniel Lavelle Higgs, failure to wear seat belts, \$25
- Maci Corene Phillips, speeding, \$163
- Amanda Jane Stephens, fourth degree assault, domestic violence, \$218
- Colby Wilson Colyer, failure to wear seat belts, \$25
- Gavin Matthew Edmonds, failure to wear seat belts, \$25
- Michael Robert Harris, failure to wear seat belts; operating motor vehicle under the influence of controlled substance, \$803
- Scotty Lee Piper, theft of services, \$587.97
- Dana Nicole Smith, failure to wear seat belts, \$25
- Jordan T. Summers, third degree criminal mischief, \$318
- Melony Kaye Ewing, failure to wear seat belts, \$25
- Arredondo Ramirez Fidencio, operating vehicle with expired operators license, \$293
- Brian Lane Smith, second degree disorderly conduct; public intoxication of controlled substance, \$398

- David F. Adams, unauthorized use of motor vehicle, \$2,178.90
- Daniel Gene Harper, operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, \$928, 28 days home incarceration, drivers license suspended for 18 months
- Morris Hocker, public intoxication controlled substance (excludes alcohol); resisting arrest, \$543
- Morris Richard Hocker, public intoxication controlled substance (excludes alcohol), \$418
- Aaron L. Piper, instructional permit violations; license to be in possession, \$303
- Aaron D. Cisco, speeding; no operators/moped license; failure to produce insurance card, \$418
- Bobby Campbell, Jr., operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs/ect., \$888, 14 days home incarceration, drivers license suspended for 12 months
- Randell Ward, second degree criminal mischief, \$1,635.90
- Jeremy Dwayne Hobgood, receiving stolen property under \$500; \$738, 20 days in jail

## Chaney honored as National Beta Leadership Rep

It is with great pride that Muhlenberg North Middle School recognizes Lilly Chaney for being named a 2021-2022 National Beta Representative. The announcement was made during the National Beta Convention held in Orlando, Fla. this past June. Chaney will serve as one of only eight National Beta Representatives appointed across the nation.



Chaney was selected as the Regional Leadership Representative last fall, providing her with the opportunity to run at the National level this summer. Chaney was interviewed by National Beta staff, board members and current

representatives. She was selected during a panel interview alongside other candidates based on her ability to best represent the organization and motivate fellow Betas to lead, serve and achieve in new and impactful ways.

Chaney participated in extensive leadership training in July and will assist with the organi-

zation and implementation of Regional Leadership Summits throughout the year.

National Beta is the nation's largest, non-profit, educational youth organization with over 9,000 clubs and 500,000 members. Beta opens the doors of opportunity to positively impact the lives of students and enrich the environment of the community. Since 1934, Beta has prepared students in the 4th-12th grades to become tomorrow's leaders by recognizing their academic achievements, promoting character and social responsibility, fostering leadership skills and encouraging service involvement.

## DIVORCES

The following divorce decrees were recently handed down in Muhlenberg County Circuit Court:

- Jeffrey Humphries and

- Tamra Humphries
- Jeffery Byrd Williams and Patricia Ann Williams
- Sherry Gwynn Vincent and Jimmy Dewayne Vincent

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## Baptist Health announces \$15 minimum wage for hourly workers

Baptist Health announced on Aug. 26 a general increase for all staff as well as raised its minimum starting hourly wage to \$15 per hour for all full-time, part-time and temporary workers at its nine hospitals and medical group.

Kentucky's largest healthcare system made the announcement following approval by its board of directors on Aug. 24. The increase will be reflected in paychecks starting Oct. 1.

The new minimum wage rate will be for all entry-level positions. Entry-level employees could be paid more than the minimum based on their years of experience in the job. The current federal and state mini-

um wage rate is now \$7.25 an hour.

Hourly workers in pay ranges already above \$15 an hour will see additional increases to maintain parity.

"This completes the path Baptist Health began before the pandemic to ensure all of our employees have the opportunity to earn a living wage," said Angie Manino, chief people & culture officer.

"Each employee plays a vital role in our ability to provide exceptional care to those in our communities," said Gerard Colman, Baptist Health CEO. "These pay increases also acknowledge and recognize the heavy burden placed on staff over the last 18

months due to the pandemic."

"Our local staff continues to go above and beyond to support our community. This wage increase is very well deserved for all of their hard work," stated Robert Ramey, president of Baptist Health Madisonville. "This is a great start to our new organization and will help us to continue to grow our team for the future healthcare needs in our region."

The wage increase will be in effect for all Baptist Health employees on the payroll as of Sept. 1, which is the start of the health system's new fiscal year. The move is a more than \$51 million investment across the board.

## AT&T boosts network speeds for Muhlenberg County

AT&T customers and FirstNet subscribers in Muhlenberg County are getting better wireless connectivity, thanks to a new cell tower located along Fox Run in Greenville.

"Beyond delivering information where and when people need it, a robust wireless communications network can help save lives, particularly in rural areas," said State Rep. Melinda Gibbons Prunty. "Even though there is more work to be done, this improvement in wireless service not only will help people stay connected, but it illustrates how the Legislature's work to encourage private investment in advanced technology benefits communities like ours, as well as Kentucky as a whole."

By enhancing the area's 4G LTE coverage and helping give residents and first responders faster, more reliable wireless service, AT&T's investment will help customers get the most out of their mobile devices.

"We want our customers to have a great experience," said Hank Mangedot, regional director of external affairs, AT&T

Kentucky. "Investing in our wireless network is just one of the ways we continually work to provide better coverage for the community and its first responders, along with improved network reliability and increased capacity."

From 2016 to 2020, we invested more than \$1.3 billion in our wireless and wired networks in Kentucky. These investments boost reliability, coverage, speed and overall performance for residents and their businesses.

With 4G LTE service, customers can experience better network connectivity while streaming videos, sharing on social media or texting family and friends.

The new site will also benefit public safety and first responders on FirstNet - public safety's dedicated communications platform and give Kentucky's first responders access to always-on, 24-hours-a-day priority and preemption across voice and data. FirstNet is bringing public safety communications into the 21st century with new, innovative capabilities to help those users stay safe and save lives.

These enhancements also bring Band 14 spectrum to the area. Band 14 is nationwide, high-quality spectrum set aside by the government specifically for FirstNet. We look at Band 14 as public safety's VIP lane. In an emergency, this band - or lane - can be cleared and locked just for FirstNet subscribers. When not in use by FirstNet subscribers, AT&T customers can enjoy Band 14's added coverage and capacity.

FirstNet is the only nationwide, high-speed broadband communications platform dedicated to and purpose-built for America's first responders and the extended public safety community. It is built with AT&T in public-private partnership with the federal government. The FirstNet network is providing public safety with truly dedicated coverage and capacity when they need it, unique benefits like always-on priority and preemption, and high-quality Band 14 spectrum. These advanced capabilities help fire, EMS, EMA, law enforcement and 9-1-1 save lives and protect communities.

**OPEN BID**

Bluegrass Crossings Business Centre, located in Ohio County, at the intersection of I-165 and the Wendell Ford Parkway. Is accepting bids for the rental of its crop acreage. There are an estimated 375 tillable acres that Green River Regional Industrial Development Authority has available for rent. Presently, the Authority desires to approve the rotation to corn on a limited basis. Questions regarding the submittal of bids can be directed to [klogsdon1954@gmail.com](mailto:klogsdon1954@gmail.com). Bids need to be submitted to Kim Logsdon, Executive Director, at 1736 Brentwood Drive, Owensboro, KY 42301; by COB September 30, 2021.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
**MUHLENBERG CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 20-CI-00047**  
 CITY OF GREENVILLE, PLAINTIFF Vs.  
**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 Count II  
 UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ROGER CAMPBELL, et al, DEFENDANTS  
 Judgment \$3,921.50

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Pursuant to the Judgment of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner will sell at the **Veteran's Mall between the Judicial Building and the Muhlenberg County Courthouse (if rain-Courthouse front porch)**, Greenville, to the highest bidder on **Thursday the 16th day of September, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., C.T.**  
**Property Address: 336**

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College Street, Greenville, KY 42345  
**PVA Number: 109-02-13-002.000 Deed Book 481, Page 160**  
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Notice is hereby given that the Muhlenberg County Water District #1 will be flushing hydrants in all areas of the District during the month of September. This flushing is for the benefit of the system in cleaning out the water lines, but it may cause a temporary discoloration of water and people should act accordingly. The District apologizes for any inconvenience, but does this in order to provide the best possible distribution system for water it can and also to be in compliance with the rules and regulations of various agencies having jurisdiction over the District. 9-7c

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MUHLENBERG CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 21-CI-00228**

COMMONWEALTH BANK, INC., PLAINTIFF vs.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

DANIEL B. MORRIS, et al, DEFENDANTS

Judgment \$37,920.32

Pursuant to the Judgment of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner will sell at the **Veteran's Mall between the Judicial Building and the Muhlenberg County Courthouse (if rain-Courthouse front porch)**, Greenville, to the highest bidder on **Thursday the 9th day of September, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., C.T.**

**Property Address: 2589 Billy Drake Road, Central City, KY 42330**

**PVA Number: 102-00-0017.019 Deed Book 532, Page 547**

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MUHLENBERG CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 19-CI-00514**

MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP, PLAINTIFF vs.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

BOBBY DALE RAY, et al, DEFENDANTS

Judgment \$6,150.64

Pursuant to the Judgment of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner will sell at the **Veteran's Mall between the Judicial Building and the Muhlenberg County Courthouse (if rain-Courthouse front porch)**, Greenville, to the highest bidder on **Thursday the 9th day of September, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., C.T.**

**Property Address: 4698 State Rt 175 S, Graham, KY 42344**

**PVA Number: 040-04-03-025.000 Deed Book 457, Page 349**

All property is sold in accordance with the legal description in the Judgment.

The Sale shall be for cash or ten percent (10%) down with thirty (30) days to pay the balance, and the purchaser shall give a bond, with good surety, for the purchase price, payable to

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the Master Commissioner bearing interest at the rate stated in the Judgment. The purchaser shall pay the real estate taxes for the 2021 tax year and following years.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MUHLENBERG CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 20-CI-00049**

MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP, PLAINTIFF vs.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

JAMES D. SONNER, JR, et al, DEFENDANTS

Judgment \$3,944.86

Pursuant to the Judgment of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner will sell at the **Veteran's Mall between the Judicial Building and the Muhlenberg County Courthouse (if rain-Courthouse front porch)**, Greenville, to the highest bidder on **Thursday the 9th day of September, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., C.T.**

**Property Address: 231 N. Cherry Street, Greenville, KY 42345**

**PVA Number: 109-02-19-016.000 Deed Book 410, Page 508**

All property is sold in accordance with the legal description in the Judgment.

The Sale shall be for cash or ten percent (10%) down with thirty (30) days to pay the balance, and the purchaser shall give a bond, with good surety, for the purchase price, payable to the Master Commissioner bearing interest at the rate stated in the Judgment. The purchaser shall pay the real estate taxes for the 2021 tax year and following years.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MUHLENBERG CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 20-CI-00103**

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, PLAINTIFF vs.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

JERRY LEE BOYD, JR, AKA JERRY BOYD, et al, DEFENDANTS

Judgment \$100,804.21

Pursuant to the Judgment of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner will sell at the **Veteran's Mall between the Judicial Building and the Muhlenberg County Courthouse (if rain-Courthouse front porch)**, Greenville, to the highest bidder on **Thursday the 9th day of September, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., C.T.**

**Property Address: 912 Billy Drake Road, Central City, KY 42330**

**PVA Number: 103-00-00-006.002 Deed Book 568, Page 278**

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year and following years. Al Miller, Master Commissioner- 47715 428 North Second Street Central City, Kentucky 42330  
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The following Estates have been Probated and Fiduciary appointments made in the Muhlenberg District Court. Creditors are notified that all claims against said estates must be filed within six (6) months from the date of appointment.

On August 23, 2021, the estate of Debra Joyce Brown, 209 Highland Drive, Greenville, Kentucky 42345 to Heather J. Wells, Executrix, 209 Highland Drive, Greenville, Kentucky 42345. Attorney representing estate: Beau Sparks, P.O. Box 569, Greenville, Kentucky 42345.

On August 25, 2021, the estate of Harold Franklin Brewer, 2661 State Route 2584, Central City, Kentucky 42330 to Dodie Ann Hadley, Executrix, 512 Princeton Road, Madisonville, Kentucky 42431. Attorney representing estate: Elizabeth A. Bruce, 166 North Main Street, Greenville, Kentucky 42345. 8-31c

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**INVITATION FOR BIDS**

Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court will be accepting sealed bids on behalf of the Kentucky Department of Corrections for construction work on the Muhlenberg County Annex Building. Bid specifications may be obtained from Judge Executive Curtis McGehee's office located on the second floor of the Courthouse, P.O. Box 137, 100 South Main Street, Greenville, KY 42345 (270) 338-2520. Bids should be delivered or mailed to the above address by 2:00 p.m. September 23, 2021. Bids will be opened at the Fiscal Court meeting on the same date at 4:00 p.m.

Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive any irregularities. 9-14c

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**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Lease Agreement between Muhlenberg County and Lease One Magnolia (KACo Leasing Trust) (Mack Truck Purchase Project)

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Notice of Intent to Lease from the Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court requesting the State Local Debt Officer to approve the execution of certain Lease Agreement between the County and Lease One Magnolia (KACo Leasing Trust) in a principal amount not to exceed \$612,000. The proceeds will be used to purchase four (4) Mack dump trucks. A video conference hearing will be held via Amazon Chime on September 21, 2021 at 10:00 A.M., (Prevailing Eastern Time) to consider whether or not said lease and financial plan should be approved. To view the video conference go to <https://chime.aws/3928736893> Meeting ID#3928736893. You can use your computer's microphone and speakers; however, a headset is recommended or, call using your phone: United State Toll-Free (1):+1 855-552-4463, Meeting ID: 3928736893. One-Click Mobile Dial-In (United States (1)): +1 206-462-5569, 3928736893#, United States (1): +1 206-462-5569; International: <https://chime.aws/dialin->

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numbers/. Dial-In attendees must enter \*7 to mute or unmute themselves. To connect from an in-room video system, use one of the following Amazon Chime bridges: SIP video system: 3928736893@meet.chime.in or meet.chime.in or H.323 system: 13.248.147.139 or 76.223.18.152. If prompted enter the meeting ID: 3928736893#.

Petitioner, Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court is responsible for the publication of this notice and for the information contained herein. Specific questions about the type of project should be directed to the petitioners. The purpose of this notice is to comply with KRS 66.310 by notifying the public that the petitioner intends to issue bonds or other indebtedness in the total amount and at the terms set out herein.

At this hearing, any taxpayer may appear and will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Dennis Keene  
Commissioner and State Local Debt Officer  
Commonwealth of Kentucky 9-7c

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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to discuss the Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court's intent to enter into a Lease with the Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust for the purpose of purchasing 4 Mack trucks, the project. The amount of said Lease is not to exceed \$612,000, and the term is not to exceed 18 months. The funds to repay the debt will be primarily derived through the county's excess revenues and road fund. 9-7c

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**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that **CCU Coal and Construction, LLC**, 544 Chestnut Street, P.O. Box 1027, Coshocton, Ohio 43812, has applied for **Phases II and III bond releases on Increments 20, 26, 27, 29, 30, and 31 of Permit No. 889-0169**, which was last issued on 23 August 2021. The application covers a total area of 21.24 acres, located approximately 2.2 miles southwest of Graham in Muhlenberg County.

The permit area is located approximately one-half mile south of the junction of U.S. 62 and KY 175, and 0.3 mile north of Thompson Creek.

The bond now in effect for Increment 20 is Bond #CIC-0169.19 in the amount of \$2,500. Its entire amount is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment 26 is Bond #CIC-0169.25 in the amount of \$17,600. Its entire amount is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment 27 is Bond #CIC-0169.26 in the amount of \$3,800. Its entire amount is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment 29 is Bond #CIC-0169.28 in the amount of \$5,100. Its entire amount is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment 30 is Bond #CIC-0169.29 in the amount of \$3,800. Its entire amount is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment 31 is Bond #CIC-0169.30 in the amount of \$4,200. Its entire amount is included in the application for release.

The following reclamation steps have been achieved on these incre-

ments for the Phases II and III releases: (1) Revegetation has been established in accordance with the approved reclamation plan and the standards for revegetation success have been met. (2) The lands are not contributing suspended solids to stream flow or runoff outside the permit area or increment in excess of regulatory requirements. (3) The provisions for sound future management of permanent impoundments have been implemented. (4) There has been successful completion of all surface coal mining and reclamation operations in accordance with the approved reclamation plan, such that the land is capable of supporting the approved postmining land use (pastureland). (5) There has been achievement of compliance with the requirements of KRS Chapter 350, Title 405, Chapters 7 through 24, and the permit. (6) The expiration of the latest five-year liability period occurred in January 2016.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by **Thursday, 21 October 2021**.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for **Tuesday, 26 October 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** at the Kentucky Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, Madisonville Regional Office, 625 Hospital Drive, Madisonville, Kentucky 42431. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by **Thursday, 21 October 2021**. 9-21c

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to KRS 132.027, and other applicable law, the City of Greenville shall hold a public hearing Wednesday, September 15th, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. local time, at the City Administration Building, 118 Court Street, Greenville, Kentucky, to hear comments from the public regarding the

**Proposed 2021-22 Tax Rates:**

Last year's property tax rate = \$.328 per \$100.00  
This year's property tax rate = \$.332 per \$100.00  
Proposed change in rate = \$.004 per \$100.00

	<b>Tax Rate per \$100 Assessed Valuation</b>	<b>Revenues</b>
Tax rate for preceding year	.328	\$592,572
Tax rate proposed for 2020-21 and expected return	.332	\$616,973
Compensating rate and Expected revenues	.320	\$592,939
Revenue expected from new real property	.332	\$ 0
Revenue expected from personal property	.2261	\$ 44,068

The City of Greenville proposes to exceed the compensating rate by levying a proposed tax rate which will be spent in the following areas of city government: administration, public safety, public works, and public services.

The Kentucky General Assembly has required publication of this advertisement and the information contained herein pursuant to KRS 132.027.

Leslie Cornette, City Administrator  
City of Greenville, Kentucky

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Muhlenberg County Board of Education will hold a public hearing in the Muhlenberg County Board of Education Board Room, 510 West Main Street, Powderly, KY 42367, on September 2, 2021 at 5 pm to hear public comments regarding a proposed general fund tax levy of 55.3 cents on real property and 55.8 cents on personal property.

The General Fund tax levied in fiscal year 2021 was 55.3 cents on real property and 55.8 cents on personal property and produced revenue of \$9,016,536. The proposed General Fund tax rate of 55.3 cents on real property and 55.8 cents on personal property is expected to produce \$8,470,662.06. Of this amount \$1,879,442.29 is from new and personal property. The compensating tax for 2022 is 53.9 cents on real property and 53.9 cents on personal property and is expected to produce \$8,240,103.79.

No additional revenue above 2021 revenue is expected.

The General Assembly has required publication of this advertisement and information contained herein.

## Walk By Faith Ministry provides 23 kids shoes



Walk By Faith Ministry, an entity of the Church of God of Prophecy located on Highway 431 South in Central City, provided shoes for 23 kids from Muhlenberg and Ohio counties on Aug. 8. This was the fourth year of this project, made possible by community donations and the staff at Hibbett Sports. Walk By Faith Ministry is nonprofit, donations are tax exempt, and accepted and appreciated year round. Help provide shoes for children in our community by mailing donations to: Walk By Faith/COGOP, P.O. Box 126, Central City, KY 42330. A tax exempt receipt will be mailed. (Photo/Submitted)

## Highest ever 'Ag tag' donations in 2021

FRANKFORT – Kentucky farmers donated \$731,627.67 to the Ag Tag Program for 2021 – the highest ever in program history, Commissioner Quarles announced.

The amount donated this year is \$119,884.59 more than last year's amount, and more than the previous highest donated amount, which was \$629,865.43 in 2017.

"I want to send a huge 'Thank You' to everyone who donated to the voluntary 'Ag Tag' program this year, surpass-

ing all previous records and showing how much our agricultural community means to the state of Kentucky," Commissioner Quarles said. "Through the years, the Ag Tag Program has succeeded in providing much-needed funding for promoting agriculture and educating Kentucky's youth on the importance of agriculture in our everyday lives. Your generosity will help ensure Kentucky agriculture has a bright future."

The voluntary donations are divided equally among Kentucky 4-H,

Kentucky FFA, and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA). This year each group will receive \$243,875.89.

The KDA uses its share of the Ag Tag funds for various programs such as the Ag Athlete of the Year awards, the Kentucky Leopold Conservation Award, Kentucky Women in Agriculture, and the University of Kentucky Grain and Forage Center of Excellence.

"The Kentucky FFA Foundation is thrilled with the 2021 Ag Tag campaign. We give half

of the funds given in each county back to the local chapters in that county, so this means a greater impact in each community," said Sheldon McKinney, executive director of the Kentucky FFA Foundation. "We also use Ag Tag donations to fund Ag Achievers grants, which offer much needed technology upgrades to agriculture classrooms across Kentucky, provide travel scholarships to our students competing at National FFA Convention, and provide a great experience for our students at

the Kentucky State Fair. The Ag Tag program has become a vital part of accomplishing our vision of Growing Leaders, Building Communities & Strengthening Agriculture."

"Farmer-supported Ag Tag dollars are instrumental in supporting 4-H programs in all 120 counties. Giving allows local 4-H programs to grow youth as leaders, build their communication skills, and develop them into active, engaged members of their community," said Melissa Miller, executive direc-

tor of the Kentucky 4-H Foundation. "Thank you to everyone who chose to make the \$10 donation and making this the best year on record in support of Kentucky's youth."

Kentucky motorists who buy or renew farm vehicle license plates, or "ag tags," may make a voluntary donation of up to \$10 to the Ag Tag Fund. Half of the 4-H and FFA funds go back to the county where the tag is purchased, where both organizations use the funds to support local programming, awards, and scholarships.

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