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Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, this day of
Jugust , 2024, came Holly Willard personally known to me, who being
duly sworn, states as follows: that she is the Bookkeeping Assistant of the
Kentucky Press Service Inc. and that she has personal knowledge of the contents of this
affidavit; and that the publications included on the attached list published the Legal Notice for
Duke Energy. Signed Holly Mwlland
Notary Public Normin J. Howard My commission expires $9-18-2024$ $9 + 14119$
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List of newspapers running the notice for Duke Energy Attached tearsheets provide proof of publication:

Covington KY Enquirer—6/26, 7/3 & 7/10
Falmouth Outlook—6/25, 7/2 & 7/9
LINK nky—6/28, 7/12 & 8/2
Warsaw Gallatin Co. News—6/26, 7/3 & 7/10
Williamstown Grant County News—6/27, 7/4 & 7/11

Jemi spills the beans on...

Impressions from my days at the PC fair

The children grabbed each other by the hand and danced off in the direction of the merry-go-round, toward the wonderful music and the wonderful adventure and the wonderful excitement, into the wonderful midway where there would be no parents to guard them and guide them, and where they could be happy and free and do as they please. Mrs. Arable stood quietly and watched them go. Then she sighed. Then she blew her nose.

"Ďo you really think it's all right?" She asked.

"Well, they've got to grow up some time,' said Mr. Arable. "And a fair is a good place to start, I

— E. B. White, excerpt from Charlotte's Web

Monday

At 7 p.m., while the city kids were probably in their homes, safely tucked away in their beds or perhaps on their iPads and such, the children at the Pendleton County Youth Fair were revving up their engines and leaving dust in their wake under a 91-degree Fahrenheit sun.

A heat advisory had been issued for the duration of the fair, but that did not stop the little champs from putting on their helmets, climbing onto their ATVs and dirt bikes, and

competing – ride or die. You saw, heard and smelled everything you could and couldn't imagine that night: wheelies, deafening engines, little



girls in hot pink outfits beating boys twice their size, family gatherings, cigarette smoke, gasoline, sweat and the good ol' national anthem. Americana outside the watchful eyes of appropriators and critics.

Over in the pen, little boys were decked out in protective gear (not overprotective of course) and mutton busting. Somehow the folks overseeing the event always knew when a child had to be pulled off the sheep for their own safety or when to let a kid take the reins and go down with the animal.

And there is nothing like a sheep giving a final explosive jump into its little enclosure at the side, legs completely kicked out, to send the crowd roaring with laughter.

With fiery focus, determined eyes, and a whole lot of fun, the kids played, competed, hooted, and hollered until the sun went

Tuesday

The stands were packed with

all sorts of spectators – men, old men, elementary schoolers to young adults (dressed in an array of styles), young mothers, grandmas and cute babies - all there feeling the rumble of engines like a loud drum reverberating through your entire being.

And loud it was when a tractor or truck got ready to haul the

Black exhaust would obscure the sky as the vehicle skipped across dirt, wheels barely touching the ground sometimes.

But the best part was watching the competitors getting ready. Most were up in years (some more than the rest), survivors, in other words, history in their gaze, strength in their bones and victory within sight - a reminder they were once children, too.

Wednesday

There were the kids squealing with joy while chasing after the greased pig, those watching trucks grind dirt and spew dust in an epic tug o' war, the youth in groups walking around near

And then there were the showmen over in the livestock

Families, farmers, and curious spectators filled up the stands and watched with pride as the judge inspected cattle and evaluated the young showmanship class's ability to present their animals despite the challenges they faced in the ring.

You got the feeling it was more than just expertise, the lessons learned, and the celebration of a crucial culture. It was the legacy of generational hard work spanning decades, and it was hope for the future.

Thursday On a beautiful — and hot evening on Thursday night, the fairgrounds were bathed in a picturesque orange, the sun giving everything it touched a golden glow.

Horses galloped across fairy dust and riders were like Valkyries bursting out from behind the clouds, silver-lined from heaven-

"Papaw, this is right!" a young man cried out in frustration over on the pulling track.

The blindfolded competitor was being led through an obstacle course by his grandpa who could see but did not have any control over the steering wheel. 'This really is a test of a mar-

riage," the announcer commented with a chuckle as a couple who were three-time champions of "backseat driving" weaved between flags and drawn lines, bickering as they went.

Anger, laughter, wins, losses, dirt, sweat, and sun — that's what families are made of.

Friday

I attended one of the most anticipated events of the fair (I'm assuming based on crowd turnout by the end) and was sitting in the "splash zone" amongst children screaming with joy and adults whooping as the cars sped

Large mud globs hit my shoulder, cheek, mouth, and eventually my eye (I got a little too bold and refused to dodge) while I marveled at the skillful competitors' ability to make sharp, quick turns and create space by hitting cars and cutting

Truly there is nothing that makes you feel more alive than

> being part of a crowd screaming for cars to smash into each other and getting pelted by dirt as drivers swerved

past the stands.

There is also nothing that makes you feel like you are truly part of a crowd more than sitting together in the sweltering heat and staring at nothing in particular while waiting for time to pass and the event to start.

And finally, when the track was cleared, the water sprayed, the lights turned on, and the demolition derby began, I stood with everyone else and watched metal scrape metal until only one engine was running.

Most competitors for that particular event were young, or at least relatively young in the grand scheme of things, and had probably done this since their childhood if not from the moment they were old enough to be able to move any of their limbs.

And one day their children will probably be doing the same a childhood one can only dream of and learn to appreciate when the past has gone by.

Throughout the fair, I sat among families, community playmakers, and people from across the county while spectating all sorts of events, talents, and competitions featuring people of every age.

And then I thought about what the Pendleton County Youth Fair must've been like in the good old days.

That night I drove past the Falmouth neon sign lit in red and blue (back to its full glory!) and under a beautiful strawberry full moon that followed the Summer Solstice of the previous day — the end of a season and the beginning of a new one.

Jemi Chew is the Outlook's summer intern. She is majoring in journalism at the University of Kentucky. Last week, she attended her first Pendleton County Youth

Contact her through the office number 859-654-3332.

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General Service - Rate GS

Present Rates Rate GS. General Service **Proposed Rates** Rate GS, General Service

\$0.04/ccf

\$0.03/ccf

Firm Transportation Service - Large Rate FT-L

Proposed Rates

Present Rates Rate FT-L, Firm Transportation Service - Large

Rate FT-L, Firm Transportation Service - Large

\$0.00102/ccf

Interruptible Transportation – Rate IT

Present Rates Proposed Rates

Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation

Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation

\$0.00082/ccf \$0.00115/ccf

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For further information contact:

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Journalist from PCHS comes back to Kentucky

By Nila Harris

BUTLER — Alex Valentine has always enjoyed reading and writing, so it came as no surprise that this 2011 Pendleton County High School graduate would major in English while attending Thomas More on a baseball schol-

But an internship at River City News (now Link NKY), "and it became crystal clear that journalism was what scratched the itch in my brain," Valentine said. He switched his major

arsnip.

to communications. Since, Valentine has followed his journalism dream through three states before landing back in Kentucky to serve as the managing editor of the Lexington Herald Leader beginning July 15th.

While completing an internship in Covington, Valentine realized that during the tumultuous time of 2014 within the news industry, with people being laid off and newspapers closing, "I needed to be good. I needed a boot camp."

This spawned the decision to attend Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, ranked No. 7 for top journalism schools according to scijournal.org. After completing his

bachelor's degree in communications at Thomas More, Valentine finished his college education with a master's in journalism from Northwestern.

Following graduation, he began his career in Twin Falls, Idaho, as a sportswriter for the Magic Valley Times-News. This combined his writing with his other love — sports. Next stop on his jour-

ney was Davenport, Íowa, doing investigative stories, digging into local issues and records. His last journalism trav-

els led him to the city of the

Gateway Arch — St. Louis

is Post-Dispatch. He start-

- working for the St. Lou-



Alex Valentine

ed as night editor, receiving promotions to digital editor, then finally as public safety editor, writing about "cops, crimes, and court."

Valentine has enjoyed the various journalistic roles he has held, which has given him "a taste of telling stories, how government works, how public safety works, why things are the way they are, getting in on the ground floor — this is the way it works and how

In his role as managing editor for the Herald Leader, Valentine will manage the day-to-day activities of news, sports and photos, and keep "the trains running and on time."

He will oversee 30 people, edit stories and have more responsibilities than in his other jobs, which, he admitted, is both exciting vet terrifying.

He said he is extremely grateful and thrilled to be back in Kentucky. Valentine's parents, Greg and Sharon of Butler, share his sentiment. "Alex's first job in Twin

Falls was an all-day flight with a layover away, so we didn't see them (Alex and his wife Amber) during that time. For him and Amber to now be just an hour or so away is an answered prayer, for sure," Sharon said. "Also, Alex has always

been a devoted UK Basketball fan, and with the exciting changes in that program, this will be an especially fun time for him to live and work in Lexington.

"We really couldn't be happier," she said.

Independence Day celebrates remarkable journey for U.S.

By Sen. Shelley Funk Frommeyer

Let us reflect on our nation's remarkable journey, which started as a country that sought freedom from British oppression over 4,000 miles away.

Our nation's founders, driven by enlightened thought, fought tirelessly for the most extraordinary human experiment in self-governance the world has ever known.

Today, our men and women in the armed forces continue to serve with unwavering dedication to

maintain this precious gift.

Thirteen colonies, under the thumb of a king an entire ocean away, took a courageous stand and declared independence against tyranny, a testament to the indomitable spirit of our

The colonies became the United States and defeated the most powerful army the world had ever known.



Funk Frommeyer

Inalienable rights were declared for all the world

Those who courageously outlined the philosophical and practical grievances against King George became marked men, along with all sympathetic to the words penned on the Declaration of Independence's five pages of parchment.

The price of the birth of a new nation was blood, sweat, tears and death.

Enlightenment

patriots' sacrifice formed a government of, by and for the people that, above all else, must recognize and protect the God-given rights endowed

While not a perfect union, America's Independence Day began a journey toward a more perfect union.

Since the sun set on the British flag and dawn first graced the stars and stripes of Old Glory, America has stood as the shining city on the hill for all to see.

Today, the great nation we will celebrate once more on the Fourth of July remains a beacon of hope for the weary traveler — those who dream. As President Ronald

Reagan once said, America is built on rocks stronger than oceans, windswept, God-blessed and teeming with people of all kinds, a testament to our resilience and diversity.

Reagan also spoke of liv-

ing in harmony and peace.

While it may not always appear to be true in this modern era of hyperpolarization, social media, and a news cycle with no clear beginning or end, we should count ourselves fortunate to live in a nation where our differences are debated, though feverishly, within the bounds of a constitution that — like the Declaration of Independence signed on July 2, 1776, and adopted on July 4 — recognizes the rights endowed to all and provides a framework of government by which our differences can be settled. Embracing this and our

responsibilities as citizens of the United States is imperative. What does citizenship

truly mean?

Consider citizenship as legal status and a profound commitment to civic responsibility.

Imagine it as a vibrant tapestry of rights and duties, in which each citizen is a unique tile in the mosaic, representing a piece of the American spirit.

It's like donning a cloak woven from the threads of responsibility belonging, and shared destiny.

Imagine it as a passport to a grand carnival of civic engagement, where every citizen becomes a performer in the dance of the republic, adding their unique hue to the canvas of society. Each citizen's voice,

when harmonized, has the

power to build commu-

nities, shape policies, and

weave the fabric of our nation's identity. Despite our differences, we are united in our desire to achieve the American

Whether through service to others in the armed forces or the public sector, starting a family, becoming a homeowner, achieving higher education, or building a career, we are all part of the same narrative, the

dream.

same dream of self-governance.

I hope you and your family have a safe, happy, and freedom-filled Independence Day!

Frommeyer, R-Alexandria, represents the 24th Senate District, including Bracken, Campbell and Pendleton Counties and part of Kenton County.

She is a Senate member of the Interim Joint Committees on Appropriations and Revenue; Economic Development and Workforce Investment; Education; Health Services; and Tourism, Small Business, and Information Technology. Funke Frommeyer is co-chair of the Budget Review Subcommittee on

Justice and Judiciary. Additionally, she is a member of the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee, the 2024-2026 Budget Preparation and Submission Committee, and the Workforce Attraction and Retention Task Force.

Kentucky leaders mark 100th anniversary of state parks system

tourism and parks leaders the 100th anniversary of

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

RECREATION AND CULTURE

CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS

FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE

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DISTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER GOVT AGENCIES

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Adopted this 25th day of June, 2024

5000 GENERAL GOVERNMENT

GENERAL SERVICES

CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS

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LEASES

ROADS

PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY

OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES/SVC

GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

BUDGET SUMMARY

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF PENDLETON COUNTY,

SECTION ONE: The following budget is adopted for the Fiscal Year

2024-2025 and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes

General Fund

Road Fund

Jail Fund

Local Government Economic Assistance Fund

Federal Grants

Fire Department Fund

911 Fund

HRA CONTRIBUTIONS FUND

PENDLETON COUNTY OPIOID FUND

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

COUNTY CLERK PERMANENT STORAGE FEES

Mental Health Fund

Educational Fund

Total Budget Appropriations

Total

Total

PENDLETON COUNTY FISCAL COURT

FRANKFORT — Gov. at the Old State Capitol Andy Beshear joined state Monday to commemorate

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515,100.00

120,160.00

326,331.00

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769,939.00

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the Kentucky State Parks system. During the celebration,

the Governor highlighted the importance of investing in state parks and urged the public to show their support by visiting.

"Our state parks have provided unforgettable experiences for families for 100 years, from hiking the scenic hills of Appalachia to boating on the sparkling waters in Western Kentucky," Beshear said.

"Kentucky tourism is a \$13.8 billion industry, and our state parks play a significant role in offering unique opportunities to travelers.

"As we celebrate the

anniversary,

I encourage everyone to support our state parks by exploring the wonderful experiences they provide." In 1924, the Kentucky

General Assembly established a parks commission under the leadership of

State Geological Surveyor Dr. Willard Rouse Jillson. In 1926, Pine Mountain, Natural Bridge, Fort Harrod and the now-closed Blue and Gray were recognized in the legislative record as the first four Kentucky State Parks.

On July 1, 1924, Dr. Jillson delivered a historic speech to the General Assembly, underscoring the importance of acquiring and preserving natural parks under state custodianship for the enjoyment of future generations.

Kentucky is home to 44 state parks, including 17 resort parks and 13 golf courses, with mountain ranges, waterfalls, wildlife, scenic hiking trails, caves to explore, fishing, boating, kayaking, nationally recognized golf courses, camping, lodges, historic sites, museums and more offering opportunities for exploration, entertainment and education.

centennial

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Firm Transportation Service - Large Rate FT-L

Present Rates Rate FT-L, Firm Transportation Service - Large

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\$0.00084/ccf **Proposed Rates** Rate FT-L, Firm Transportation Service - Large \$0.00102/ccf

Interruptible Transportation - Rate IT

Present Rates

Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation **Proposed Rates**

\$0.04/ccf

(1.33)%

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For further information contact: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY

DAVID S. FIELDS, COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY All interested persons and organizations in Pendleton County are hereby notified that a copy of the county's adopted budget in full is available for public inspection at the Office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

State: Clean, drain, dry boats to protect Kentucky waterways

By Kentucky Fish and Wildlife

FRANKFORT — As warm weather beckons outdoor enthusiasts to the state's waterways, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is asking those recreating on the water, including Kincaid Lake and the Licking River, to prioritize cleaning their watercraft, gear and footwear to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species and safeguard the state's aquatic ecosystems and wildlife.

More than 100 aquatic invasive species have been identified in Kentucky, comprising non-native species introduced to the state from other parts of the U.S. or globally.

Key invasive species include various carp species, zebra mussels, several crayfish species and multiple aquatic plants like hydrilla, curly pondweed and Eurasian watermilfoil.

"Aquatic invasive species pose a significant threat to Kentucky's aquatic biodiversity, public infrastructure, economy and recreational opportunities," Dave Dreves, Fisheries Division director with Kentucky Fish and Wildlife,

"Most aquatic invasive species in the state lack natural predators or competitors, so they can reproduce and spread rapidly.'

Aquatic invasive species can be spread various ways, including sand, mud, dirt and water, often hitchhiking on boats and gear.

People further exacerbate the issue when they unknowingly introduce non-native species to Kentucky waters by dumping fish from aquariums, discarding unused bait in waterways or intentionally stocking fish illegally.

recreationists can play a crucial role in preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species by following these simple actions after visiting a waterbody: Clean: Remove

any plants, mud or debris from boats, equipment and gear before you leave. Cleaning boats with high-pressure, hot (120 to 140 degrees) water is recommended, if available. Scrubbing with a stiff brush can help dislodge any clinging organisms.

Drain: Empty all water containing devices, such as motors, bilges and live wells, prior to leaving a water access area. Draining equipment helps to remove any aquatic hitchhikers.

Dry: Allow boats and equipment to dry completely in the sun for at least five days, or wipe with a towel before visiting another waterbody. Drying is crucial to ensure that any remaining aquatic invasive species are removed.



Zebra mussels are shown encrusted on a boat propeller. Photo by Kentucky Fish and Wildlife.

Upon invading new habitats, aquatic invasive species disrupt ecosystems by outcompeting native species for resources, altering habitat structures, degrading water quality and changing nutrient cycling. Aquatic invasive species

can also act as carriers of pathogens (bacteria, viruses or parasites) that can infect native wildlife.

For example, the invasive hydrilla plant is linked to the transmission of a bacterium that produces a neurotoxin responsible for avian vacuolar myelinopathy, a fatal neurological disease that affects raptors and

Invasive species may also introduce new pathogens or parasites to native populations, exposing them to diseases for which they have no natural defenses.

This can lead to population declines or even extinctions among native species.

Prevention is the best defense against aquatic invasive species," Jeff Herod, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's Aquatic Nuisance Species coordinator, said.

'Once an aquatic invasive species infiltrates an aquatic ecosystem, controlling them becomes costly and complete eradication is nearly impossible. Our goal is to identify and address potential introduction pathways for aquatic invasive species, as any pathway could facilitate the spread of multiple invasive species."

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife is currently in the process of revising its State Aquatic Nuisance Species Plan, which outlines high-priority aquatic invasive species and the department's strategic approach to preventing their spread.

Sightings of aquatic invasive species in Kentucky can be reported to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's Information Center at info. center@ky.gov.

Include the location where the aquatic invasive species was found and a photograph of it along with your telephone number or email address.

Financial struggles cancel KY weddings

BadCredit.org

In a significant blow to the Kentucky wedding industry, recent research conducted by BadCredit.org reveals that an estimated 9,251 couples in Kentucky will not be tying the knot this summer due to poor credit.

BadCredit.org surveyed more than 3,000 couples and discovered that many say they have been forced to postpone or cancel their wedding plans entirely due to financial constraints, particularly those stemming from inadequate credit scores.

Personal loans have traditionally been a popular method to finance weddings. However, couples with subprime credit often find themselves ineligible for such borrowing oppor-

Even those who aren't reliant on loans grapple with other financial hardships that make the costs associated with weddings difficult to manage. With inflation

mounting costs adding to the pressures, many couples are reconsidering their The study also unveiled

significant regional dispar-For example, in Dela-

ware, an estimated 4,444 weddings will not take place due to financial bar-While this figure is

lower than in many other states due to Delaware's smaller population, couples here are the most disproportionately affected by financial constraints compared to other regions. On the other hand,

to fund their weddings and are less affected by poor credit overall. However, the state is still projected to see 2,132

couples in Arkansas ap-

pear to rely less on credit

fewer weddings this season, according to the survey. Despite these challenges, many Kentucky couples remain optimistic about the future.

Among the survey respondents who said they had to postpone their nuptials this year, 61% said they hoped to get married in 2025, and 29% said they intend to wed within the next three years.

Forty percent of couples surveyed said the postponement had strengthened their relationships. However, 28% admit-

ted that delays led to tensions, and 7% even reconsidered their relationships due to the financial strain. When asked to choose between a lavish wedding with significant debt and a

modest ceremony with financial stability, 88% opted for a modest wedding, preferring not to carry more debt into their mar-Nevertheless, some respondents revealed they would go to extreme

lengths to fund their wedding: 54% of respondents would consider slashing essential expenses such as food and rent, 23% indicated they would sell personal or family heirlooms, and a less financially cautious 22% said they would take out a high-interest

Despite the burdens that financial challenges can place on a relationship, love prevails for many couples in the survey.

Nearly half (47%) of those who previously financed their weddings on borrowed money said they had no regrets in doing so. "Ultimately, this re-

search provides a sobering glimpse into how financial pressures impact modern relationships" said Jon Mc-Donald, senior editor at BadCredit.org.

"The need to make prudent decisions amid these challenges is apparent, and the value of starting a marriage on sound financial footing has never been clearer," McDonald said.

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New program prepares residents for good jobs

Team Kentucky

FRANKFORT — Gov. Andy Beshear announced Monday that Kentuckians seeking to enter the workforce now have free access to a new online learning program to help prepare them for good jobs in several high-demand industries

Team Kentucky offers free access to the Ready for Industry program thanks to \$5 million in funding awarded to the Education and Labor Cabinet through a federal Quality Jobs, Equity, Strategy and Training grant.
Each Ready for Indus-

try® course is 15 to 20 hours of instruction designed to help jobseekers understand what it's like to work in several high-demand industries, like manufacturing, health care, information technology, transportation, distribution and logistics and architecture and construction.

'Our economy is on fire, and Team Kentucky is committed to ensuring the record job growth we are experiencing has a skilled and ready workforce prepared to take on these new opportunities," Beshear said. "This program will help

many Kentuckians with the skills and knowledge needed to find a good-paying job in our rapidly growing job market," he said.

by teaching them common

terminology and workplace

practices; career opportu-

Ready for Industry is designed to prepare individuals seeking work in high-demand industries

nities and job descriptions; current issues and trends; career pathways, education and professional certifications and workplace expec-

tations. Throughout the learning process, participants will also have access to a support team to assist them with any questions or con-

Kentucky is only the fifth state in the nation to provide free, statewide ac-

cess to the program. As a result, businesses, workforce development partners, educational institutions and other organizations across Kentucky are invited to take advantage of this no-cost opportunity to enhance the skill sets of their employees, job candidates and students.

"As Kentucky's lead workforce development agency, our aim is to enhance the state's economic landscape by developing a workforce that is not only ready but thriving in its respective industries," Education and Labor Cabinet Secretary Jamie Link said.

'Ready for Industry provides an invaluable platform for our workforce to advance and excel in the highest-demand sectors. We are thrilled to pro-

vide this free resource as we stand with our employers and workers on their journey of growth and success." Organizations interest-

ed in becoming a Ready for Industry partner can visit ReadyforIndustry.com/ KY to sign up for a free account or visit their local Kentucky Career Center to gain immediate access to the program's resources.

MORE

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USDA reminds producers to file crop acreage reports

BY USDA FARM

SERVICE AGENCY U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural producmake an appointment with their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office to complete crop acreage reports before the

applicable deadline after planting is complete.

"Many USDA To learn more, programs require producers to file an accurate crop acreage report by

the applicable deadline in tive Director in Kentucky.

"Once planting is complete, call your local FSA office to make an appointment to report your acreage. We also encourage you to take care of any other FSArelated business during your appointment.'

An acreage report documents a crop grown on a farm or ranch, its intended use and location. Filing an accurate and timely acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planted acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits.

HOW TO FILE A REPORT

Acreage reporting dates vary by crop and by county. Contact your local FSA office for a list of acreage reporting deadlines by crop.

To file a crop acreage report, producers need to provide:

- Crop and crop type or variety
- Intended crop use
- Number of crop
- Map with approximate crop boundaries
- Planting date(s)
- when applicable
- Producer shares • Irrigation practice(s)
- applicable
- mation

ACREAGE **REPORTING DETAILS**

The following excepreporting dates:

• If the crop has not been planted by the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 15 ner customer record is calendar days after planting is completed.

 If a producer acquires additional acreage after the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 30 calendar days after purchase or acquiring the lease. Appropriate documentation must be provided to the county office.

Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) policy holders should note that the acreage reporting date for NAP-covered crops is the earlier of the dates listed above or 15 calendar days before grazing or crop harvesting begins.

PREVENTED

PLANTED ACREAGE Producers should also report crop acreage they intended to plant but ris administration, were unable to because of a natural disaster, including drought. Prevented planted acreage must be reported on form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, no later than 15 calendar days after the final planting date as established by FSA and USDA's Risk Manage-

ment Agency (RMA). FSA recently updated policy that applies to prevented planted acreage

due to drought. To certify

the following must apply:

• The area that is preers in Kentucky should vented from being planted has insufficient soil moisture for seed germination on the final planting date for non-irrigated acreage.

 Prolonged precipitation deficiencies that meet the D3 or D4 drought intensity level as determined by the U.S. Drought Monitor.

• Verifiable infororder to receive program mation must be collect-benefits," said Dean ed from sources whose Schamore, State Execu-business or purpose is recording weather conditions as determined by

CONTINUOUS CERTIFICATION OPTION FOR PERENNIAL FORAGE

Agricultural producers with perennial forage crops have the option to report their acreage once, without having to report that acreage in subsequent years, as long as there are no applicable changes on the farm. Interested producers can select the continuous certification option after FSA certifies their acreage report. Examples of perennial forage include mixed forage, birdsfoot trefoil, chicory/radicchio, kochia (prostrata), lespedeza, perennial peanuts and perennial grass varieties.

Once the continuous certification option is selected, the certified acreage will roll forward annually with no additional action required by the producer in subsequent years unless the acreage report changes.

FARMERS.GOV PORTAL

Producers can access Planting pattern, their FSA farm records, maps, and common land units through the farmers.gov customer portal. · Acreage prevent- The portal allows producfrom planting, when ers to export field boundaries as shapefiles and • Other required infor- import and view other shapefiles, such as precision agriculture boundaries within farm records mapping.

Producers can view, tions apply to acreage print and label their maps for acreage reporting purposes. Level 2 eAuthentication or login.gov access that is linked to a USDA Business Partrequired to use the por-

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MORE INFORMATION For questions, producers should call their FSA county office. To find their FSA county office, visit farmers.gov/ service-center-locator. USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. In the Biden-Har-USDA is transforming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices,

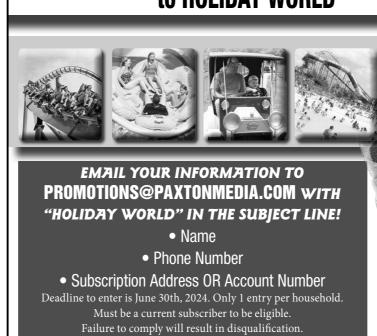
making historic invest-

prevented planted acre- ments in infrastructure age due to drought, all of and clean energy capabilities in rural America and committing to equity across the department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit usda.



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Between June 11 through June 24, the Grant County Sheriff's Office:

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- and/or subpoenas • Spent 24 hours
- serving court • Had 1 Emergency
- Protective Order • Responded to 2 accidents (out of county residence)
- Executed 4 arrests/ warrants (out of county residence)
- Drove 552 miles transporting prisoners

ACCIDENT

6/19 — Deputy Ruey Couch responded to a non-injury accident at 9:45 a.m. on Taft Highway involving and

unknown vehicle and a 2019 Chevrolet driven by Amanda Brugan, 38, of Dry Ridge. The accident was a mirror strike.

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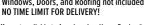
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POSTED PROPERTY LISTINGS ARE BELOW.

Property of Doering Family Ltd. Partnership on Dry Ridge Mt. Zion Rd., Dry Ridge.

PROPERTY LOCATED AT - 5340 Stewartsville Rd., Williamstown.

Dimitt Property 7120 Warsaw Rd Dry Ridge (Old Kelly Martin Farm).

Dishon Farms, Verona-Mt. Zion Rd., Vallandingham Rd. and Arnold's Creek Rd.

Henry Family Farm at 1115 Smokey Rd., Williamstown, KY 41097.

Property listed for Rita Snow at 5220 Sherman Mt. Zion Rd, Dry Ridge, KY 41035.

MARTIN PROPERTY-lots on Sunny Hill Drive, Dry Ridge, KY.

DEGLOW, RICHARD & LINDA. Farm at 1495 Heekin Road, Williamstown, KY.

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CENTER

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child who walks through our doors leaves with a smile and unforgettable memories," she said.

The center's entry fees are as follows: \$12 per child aged 2 and above for Grant County residents; \$8 per child aged 2 and under for Grant County residents; and \$15 per child for non-residents.

"We believe that these pricing tiers strike a balance between affordability for our local community members and fair pricing for visitors from outside the county," Gordon said. "Our aim is to provide a value-packed experience that is accessible to families of all backgrounds while also covering the operational costs of running a high-quality indoor playground."

The center is designed not only for children but also for their parents.

"Our indoor playground is not just a place for kids to have a blast—it's a haven for parents to unwind and relax while their little ones play and explore," Gordon said.

"We envision a space together, creating cher-

May 30, 2024

Kentucky 41035.

City Administrator/ABC

824-3335)

Sincerely, Ken Little

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Short-term Rental (Airbnb) located at 122 Sheffield Drive Dry Ridge,

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Dry Ridge Municipal Building located at 31 Broadway, Dry Ridge,

Any Further questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at (859

GRANT COUNTY SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT

1 Farrell Dr Crittenden, KY 41030

ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Grant County Sanitary Sewer District ("District") is requesting Statements of Qualification and Experience from Engineering Consulting Firms qualified and experienced in the field of Waste

Water Treatment Plant Engineering design, construction, and

oversight. The District plans to award a professional services contract to an Engineering Firm to provide all engineering services related to

the design, implementation, supervision, oversight, and completion

of a Waste Water Treatment Plant Expansion to a permitted design flow of 0.45 million gallons per day (MGD) with a design peak flow capacity of 1.5 MGD and related pump station improvements. Engineering Firms interested in being considered for this opportunity are required to submit an RFQ Response to the District on or before

September 2, 2024. For more information on how to submit a

qualifying Response to this RFQ, please visit the District website at www.gc-ssd.org or contact the District at One Farrell Drive,

Crittenden, KY, 41030, Mr. Paul Harp, Phone: 859.428.5341 (direct

line); Fax 859.428.1293; or Email: pharp@bpwd.org.

RE: Notification of Public Hearing on July 17th, 2024 at 6pm

For: Conditional Use Permit for Short-term Rental (Airbnb)

a welcoming and vibrant our guests." environment."

convenient location will become a hotspot for families, regardless of the weather.

"With the convenience of our location, parents will no longer have to endure long drives in extreme weather conditions just to provide their children with a fun outlet," she said. "Whether it's scorching hot or bitterly cold outside, our indoor fun center offers a perfect retreat for families seeking a break from the ordinary."

The center aims to be versatile, offering a variety of activities and events.

"From hosting birthday parties filled with laughter and excitement to providing a cozy setting for date nights where couples can unwind and reconnect, our indoor fun center is designed to be a place where memories are made and special moments are shared,"

Gordon said. "We are open to exploring new ideas and concepts suggested by our patrons. Whether it's lock-ins, themed events, or any other creative concept that sparks excitement, we are eager to embrace it and give it a try. Our goal is where families can come to be a hub of innovation and fun, where every visit ished memories and brings a new adventure enjoying quality time in and a fresh experience for

Gordon expressed deep Gordon hopes the appreciation for her father and her husband, Todd Gordon, for their endless support and help.

"I really just want to thank my dad for all his support during the last three months. He has worked tirelessly and endlessly to make this dream of mine come true. He's been by my side the whole process, and the time we've spent together will forever be cherished. I can't thank him enough."

Her gratitude extends to her husband, Todd. "I am also blessed with an incredible husband who stands by me through the long hours dedicated to crafting our fun center," she said.

As the opening day approaches, Gordon's excitement is palpable.

"As we eagerly anticipate opening our doors to the community, our great-

est joy lies in the prospect of community and belong- and savor the simple joys

of giving back to William- ing, where every visit to of family time. We can't stown," she said. "Our our indoor playground is wait to welcome you all to dream is to foster a sense a chance to connect, relax, our fun-filled sanctuary."

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\$0.12/ccf

\$0.14/ccf

General Service - Rate GS

Present Rates Rate GS, General Service

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Firm Transportation Service - Large Rate FT-L

Present Rates

Rate FT-L, Firm Transportation Service – Large \$0.00084/ccf **Proposed Rates** Rate FT-L, Firm Transportation Service - Large \$0.00102/ccf

Interruptible Transportation - Rate IT

Present Rates

Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation \$0.00082/ccf **Proposed Rates** \$0.00115/ccf Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation

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INVITATION TO BID

Proposals with bids will be received by the Northern Kentucky Independent District Health Department (hereafter "NKY Health") on or before the date listed for the following:

OPENING:

Employee Group Life Plan

GRANT COUNTY SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT BY: /s/ <u>Charles Givin</u> CHARLES GIVIN, CHAIRMAN

12:00 NOON Eastern Standard Time Time: July 19, 2024 Date:

Location: Northern Kentucky Independent District Health Department Office of the Human Resources Administrator 8001 Veterans Memorial Drive, Florence KY 41042 859.344.5476

Fax 859.363.2101

Specifications can be obtained by downloading the full RFP from our website at https://nkyhealth.org/requests-for-proposals/. Alternatively, you may email hr@nkyhealth.org to request a copy. Sealed proposals must be clearly marked NKY Health Group Life RFP on the outside of the envelope and must include four paper copies and one single electronic document in .PDF format containing all information submitted on paper. Proposals will be opened and read aloud on July 19th 2024 at 12 NOON EST. Once that deadline occurs, we will not accept any additional bids. NKY Health reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any informalities, and to negotiate for the modifications of any proposal or accept that proposal which is deemed the most desirable and advantageous from the standpoint of customer value and may not, on its face, appear to be the lowest and best price. No proposal may be withdrawn for a period of six (6) months after the scheduled proposal opening date. NKY Health cautions bidding vendors to assure actual delivery of mailed or hand-delivered proposals directly to NKY Health prior to the deadline set for opening proposals. Confirmations of timely receipt of the proposal may be made by calling 859.344.5476 or emailing hr@nkyhealth.org (preferred), before proposal closing time. Any proposal received by NKY Health after the established deadline will be returned unopened.

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Employee Group Dental Plan OPENING:

12:00 NOON Eastern Standard Time Time:

Date: July 19, 2024

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Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE: COMMISSIONER'S SALE GALLATIN CIRCUIT COURT, CASE NO. 23-CI-00039 FIFTH THIRD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION PLAINTIFF

BETTY DUNCAN JOHNSON, ET AL DEFENDANTS

of the Gallatin Circuit Court entered September 15, 2023, in the above case, I shall proceed to offer for sale on the SECOND FLOOR LOBBY OF THE GALLATIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE in Warsaw, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, June 27th, 2024, at the hour of 1:30 p.m. or thereabouts, the following described property, to-wit: (SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale

Kentucky 41092 PARCEL No.: 35-EF-32 EXHIBIT "A"

Parcel No.: 35-EF-32

Dr., Verona, KY 41092 Legal Description: Lying in Gallatin County, Kentucky, to-

Commonly Known As: 224 Valley View

Being Tract #32 (Thirty-Two) 6.6362 acres, more or less in Edmondson Farm Division in Gallatin County, Kentucky, recorded on the 25th day of April, 1997, in Plat A, 72A, in the Office of the Gallatin County Clerk.

There is imposed a 75' setback line from the center of Valley View Drive, Midway Court and Hilltop Lane and no building or structure shall be erected within such setback from the center of the private roads, except for Lot #18 and Lot #27, which shall have a 60' setback line.

Lots #1 through and including Lot #32 in the Edmondson Farm Division are sub ject to an easement of a 60' private roads known as Valley View Drive and Midway Court and also a 30' roadway easement for Hilltop Lane. The private roads, Valley View Drive, Midway Court and Hilltop Lane will be maintained by all property owners of the above-described tracts in the Edmondson Fann Division on a prorated share, one lot-one share basis by all lot owners in the Edmondson Farm Division. Maintenance and repair on Valley View Drive, Midway Court and Hilltop Lane will be turned over to lot owners when 75% of the lots in the Edmondson Farm Division are sold, being 24 lots of Edmondson Farm Division.

Grantors hereby reserve utility easement of 50' in width as measured from the centerline of the county road for roadway expansion on the front and 20' in width as measured from the lot line on the sides and in the back of the lot for utilities.

Erosion Control: All lot owners and/or home builders are responsible for individual erosion control and proper driveways are to be constructed into each lot by the home builder or homeowner prior to construction.

Subject to any and all easements, restriction, conditions, and legal highways of record and/or in existence

Including that manufactured home more specifically described as 2000 Skyline C201, VIN/ Serial Number D238-0822-MAB, Certificate of Title Number 000880390005, which has become affixed to and is taxed as real property commonly described as 224 Valley View Drive, Verona, Kentucky, 41092.

Being the same property conveyed to Betty Duncan Johnson, married who acquired title by virtue of a deed from Russell E. England, unmarried, dated October 24, 2013, recorded October 29, 2013, at Deed Book 116, Page 470, Gallatin County, Kentucky records

Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants and to all legal highways and easements, 23-006255 PCW

Said property shall be sold for the purpose of collecting the following judgment debt: A judgment in favor of the plaintiff(s) in the amount of \$87,239.86 together with interest, assessments, taxes and costs herein expended.

TERMS OF SALE: The property shall be sold as a whole. The purchaser may pay all or part of the purchase price in cash, and may pay the balance of the purchase price on a credit of 30 days after date of sale; said credit shall be granted only upon the execution by the purchaser of bond, with surety thereon, and said surety shall be a lending institution, fidelity or surety company authorized and doing business in Kentucky or other surety approved by the Master Commissioner; an authorized officer of the surety must be present at the sale or must have given the Master Commissioner adequate assurance of its intent to be surety prior to or at the sale; said Bond shall be, and shall remain, a lien on the property sold as additional security for the payment of the full purchase price, and shall have the full force and ef-

bear interest at the rate of 4.25% percent per annum until paid. The purchaser shall be required to pay the sum of 10% of the bid amount in cash or certified check on the purchase at the time of sale. Risk of loss shall pass to the successful bidder at the close of the sale. The successful bidder at the sale shall, at bidder's own expense, carry fire and extended insurance coverage on any improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is fully paid, with a loss payable clause to the Master Commissioner of the Gallatin Circuit Court. Failure of the purchaser to effect such insurance shall not affect the validity of the sale or the purchaser's liability thereunder, but shall entitle, but not require, a lien holder herein, after giving notice to the Master Commissioner, to effect said insurance and furnish the policy or evidence thereof to the Master Commissioner, and the premium thereon or the proper portion thereof shall be charged to the purchaser as purchaser's cost. The property shall be sold subject to ad valorem taxes for the year 2024 and all subsequent years thereafter; easements, restrictions and stipulations of record; assessments for public improvements levied against the property, if any; existing zoning ordinances, statutes, laws, or regulations; and any facts which an inspection and accurate survey of the property may disclose. BIDDERS SHALL BE PRE-PARED TO COMPLY WITH THESE TERMS STEPHEN P. HUDDLESTON,

MASTER COMMISSIONER, GALLATIN CIRCUIT COURT P.O. Box 988, WARSAW, KY 41095, #859-567-2818.

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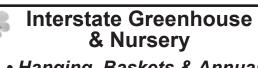
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Interruptible Transportation - Rate IT

Present Rates

Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation **Proposed Rates**

\$0.00082/ccf

Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation

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Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE: NOTICE OF THE GALLATIN COUNTY MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE DIVISION III GALLATIN CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO.: 23-CI-00123 MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP VERSUS

MEREDITH LAWRENCE, ET AL By virtue of a judgment and order of sale of the GALLATIN Circuit Court rendered MAY 28, 2024, the above case, I shall roceed to offer for sale on the SECOND . FLOOR LOBBY OF THE GALLATIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE (or the Gallatin Courthouse lawn, weather permitting) in Warsaw, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on THURDAY, JULY 25, 2024 at the hour of 1:30 p.m or thereabouts, the following described property to-wit:

SPARTA, KENTUCKY 41086 PVA PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 015-26-01 JUDGMENT: AMOUNT

ADDRESS: 103 HIGHWAY 465 EAST,

THE COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIP-TION IS PARTICULARLY SET OUT IN THE JUDGEMENT AND ORDER OF

SALE ENTERED IN THIS CASE. TERMS OF SALE: The property shall be sold as a whole. The purchaser may pay all or part of the purchase price in cash, and may pay the balance of the purchase price on a credit of 30 days after date of sale; said credit shall be granted only upon the execution by the purchaser of bond, with surety thereon, and said surety shall be a lending institution authorized and doing business in Kentucky, or a reputable fidelity or surety company, authorized and doing business in Kentucky, and only if

said surety be acceptable to the Commissioner of the Gallatin Circuit Court; and an authorized officer of the surety must be present at the sale or must have given the Commissioner adequate assurance of its intent to be surety prior to or at the sale; and said Bond shall be, and shall remain, a lien on the property sold as additional security for the payment of the full purchase price, and shall have the full force and effect of a Judgment; and said Bond shall bear interest at the rate provided by the Judgment up to Twelve (12%) Percent per annum until paid. The purchaser shall be required to pay the sum of 10% of the bid amount in cash or certified check on the purchase at the time of sale.

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All sales are "as is" and the Plaintiff, the Master Commissioner, and the Court shall not be deemed to have warranted title of the real estate to the purchaser.

Larry B. Dillon Special Master Commissioner

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Gallatin Circuit Court Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Neeley Family Distillery INC. DBA Neeley Family Distillery hereby declares its intention(s) to apply for a Distillers License- Class B, Direct Shippers License, Sampling License, Special Sunday Retail Drink License, NQ2 Retail Drink License, no later than June 10, 2024. The licensed premises will be located at 4360 Ky-1130, Sparta, KY 41086. The Owners are Royce Neeley, 190 Beverly Lane, Glencoe, KY 41046, Roy Neeley 190 Beverly Lane, Glencoe, KY 41046, Michele Neeley, 190 Beverly Lane, Glencoe, KY 41046. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 500 Mero Street 2NE33, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, within thirty (30) days of the date of legal publication

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LP VERSUS MEREDITH LAWRENCE, ET AL

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ADDRESS: 103 HIGHWAY 465 EAST, SPARTA, KENTUCKY 41086 PVA PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 015-26-01

JUDGMENT: AMOUNT

THE COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIP-TION IS PARTICULARLY SET OUT IN THE JUDGEMENT AND ORDER OF SALE ENTERED IN THIS CASE.

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Larry B. Dillon Special Master Commissioner Master Commmissioner's Office

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Appointee: Tina Louise Knapp 2197 Sparta Pike Sparta Ky, 41086

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UC Health

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This is why clinical trials, which allow patients to access new treatments that are still being tested, are a key component of what the blood cancer healing center has to offer.

Vince Richardson, 61, a former football coach and physical education teacher, knows firsthand the benefits of these new treatments.

His multiple myeloma returned over a decade after his initial diagnosis, so he received a new treatment known as CAR T-cell therapy through a clinical trial at UC Health. Richardson was nervous when his doctor told him

that he would be the first in the region to receive CAR T-cell therapy for his condition, but ultimately he says it was "amazing."

He felt much better than he did following stem cell

transplant, the standard treatment for patients with multiple myeloma.

"It was much easier than a stem cell," he said. "I wasn't as sick."

Following the procedure, "I was ready to go home and start vacuuming," he said.



UC Health leaders participate in the ribbon cutting of the new blood cancer center. PROVIDED BY UC HEALTH

Will the blood cancer center help Cincinnati secure an NCI cancer designation?

UC Health executives are hoping that the new blood cancer center will bring them one step closer to getting an NCI cancer designation.

The Enquirer has previously reported on how the prestigious designation – which would unlock millions of dollars in federal funding and attract industry partners and talented health care workers alike – has

evaded the Cincinnati area for over 25 years.

Despite having six hospital systems, Cincinnati is the largest metropolitan area in the U.S. without an NCI-designated cancer center.

This fall, Shaw said that UC Health will be convening an external advisory board to help apply for the NCI designation. But the timing of the application itself was undetermined.

"We don't have a specific timeline yet," he said. "But I'm hopeful and optimistic it's gonna happen soon."

Jackson

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"There's times that you probably act more like a kid, there's times you try to act like an adult. And that's what he was. He was a kid, a young teenager, trying to walk into adulthood," Jackson said.

Jackie Jackson III would have turned 17 next month.

Jackson was in bed when he learned of his grandson's death

The pastor had just laid down for bed around $2\ a.m.$ Shortly after, his phone rang.

He keeps his phone on "do not disturb" when it's late but has his settings designed to allow certain contacts to reach him at night, he said. The call he received that night was from Jackie Jackson III's mother.

"I answered and she was screaming."

Being a point of contact after a shooting is nothing new for Jackson. He reacts with a pragmatic and composed demeanor, often without taking a beat to mourn, he said. Once he understood the situation, his attention shifted to taking care of his family.

Jackson is a pastor at Come As You Are Reach-Out Ministry. And he works at Everytown For Gun Safety as a program manager, so he's familiar with the trauma gun violence can leave behind.

"The first thing for me is to take care of folks, and I've done this work over a decade, and so it's like muscle memory," he said. "Once it hits me and it's kind of like 'Oh my God,' my next move, my next thought is what needs to happen for my family."

'God has anointed me to do this work'

Over years of experience, Jackson has developed the skills and self-possession needed to help gun violence survivors and victims' families after an incident, but he also feels as though he was called to do this by something greater.

"I'm not some magical or powerful person, but God has anointed me to do this work," Jackson said.

Even with familial ties to the victim, as with his grandson's death, he maintained a calm approach.

"There's something that he's placed in me that will allow me to detach from me personally and start dealing with the situation at hand," he added.

Much of his work as a pastor revolves around gun violence. People look to him as a voice of reason and support as they work through the grieving and trauma, he said, which takes its toll.

"They will talk with me sometimes when they won't talk to other people. You know, it's an honor, and it's almost like an anvil being dropped on your head as well"

What's next for the family

A GoFundMe has been organized to raise money for a funeral service. The family is trying to raise \$7,500 to

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cover those costs.
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The family is choosing to keep the funeral date and location private for now, according to Jackson.

His message to the culprit

Jackson encourages people with information about the shooting to reach out to police.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is urged to contact Cincinnati police at 513-352-3542.

To the shooter, his message is simple: "Go turn yourself in."

"If they can't figure out how to care about someone else's family, think about your mom, your dad, your brothers and sisters and just turn yourself in. It's serious."



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Vance

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It's known loosely as the New Right: One that's critical of the international free trade and foreign policy approach that defined the previous generation of Republicans, is staunchly nationalist and populist, and skeptical of the institutions that have served as the scaffolding of society, from universities and the media to elections and the court system.

"He's super smart, very sincere, a true believer," said Charlie Kirk, founder and executive director of Turning Point USA, a prominent conservative activist who is close to Trump and has been publicly advocating for Vance's selection as VP. "He represents the younger wing of the party."

Vance declined to be interviewed for this story. But he has publicly outlined his belief system at length, including in a recent op-ed with the New York Times' conservative columnist, Ross Douthat.

The Ohio senator's vision for the future of the Republican Party would mark a fundamental change to modern conservatism and to the country that goes well beyond what he's doing in his Capitol Hill office. Regardless of whether Trump chooses him to be a running mate, Vance's allies expect he will remain instrumental in shaping that future, either in the Senate, in Trump's cabinet, or as a future presidential candidate himself.

Kevin Roberts, president of the conservative think tank the Heritage Foundation, said he considers Vance a friend. There's plenty that pulls them together: Difficult childhoods and a commitment to Roman Catholicism, which Vance converted to a few years ago, to name a few.

"We also both believe that there needs to be a new conservative movement that is largely based on longstanding policy objectives, but also incorporates some newer ideas and some new constituencies into the movement," Roberts said.

"I think that Sen. Vance is the leader of that effort, at least among elected officials in D.C.," he added.

From decrying 'America's Hitler' to the inside circle

Vance grew up in Middletown, where he was raised in poverty and weathered a tumultuous family life marked



Ohio Sen. J.D. Vance gestures while speaking during a news conference on Capitol Hill on May 22 in Washington. He is on Donald Trump's list of vice presidential candidates. KENT NISHIMURA/GETTY IMAGES

by addiction and abuse. When he graduated high school, he did one tour in Iraq before returning home for college at Ohio State University and later ascending into the well-heeled worlds of Yale Law School and Silicon Valley venture capital, where he worked with conservative activist and investor Peter Thiel.

His experiences became the basis of "Hillbilly Elegy," the best-selling memoir published in the summer of 2016 that would paint a loving but unsparing portrait of the community he grew up in, blame the plight of the working poor on both structural and individual problems, and anger some locals in the process.

The book catapulted him to national fame, where he became a translator for liberal and centrist Americans who sought to understand the white working-class grievances that would help Trump notch an upset win of the presidency that fall. It also gave Vance a celebrity platform that would enable him to successfully run for Senate six years later.

In his memoir, the roots of Vance's politics were there – in his criticism of foreign intervention, free trade policies and betrayal by America's elites. He also insisted at the time that Trump was not the answer. Vance privately mulled whether Trump could be "America's Hitler" and publicly called him "noxious," "reprehensible" and "an idiot."

Vance did a 180 degree turn on Trump when he decided to run for the Senate in 2022. He became an avid sup-

porter of the former president and espoused a platform that dovetailed with Trump's own criticism of immigration, tech companies and traditional Republicans that they both said failed to deliver for the American people. He said he had been convinced over time that Trump would be an effective person to enact the policies he cared about.

In his interview with Douthat, Vance said in the years between writing "Hillbilly Elegy" and running for Senate, he didn't like what he saw in the respectable circles of "bipartisan consensus" he found himself in.

"I was confronted with the reality that part of the reason the anti-Trump conservatives hated Donald Trump was that he represented a threat to a way of doing things in this country that has been very good for them," Vance said.

"Like a lot of other elite conservatives and elite liberals," he continued, "I allowed myself to focus so much on the stylistic element of Trump that I completely ignored the way in which he substantively was offering something very different on foreign policy, on trade, on immigration."

Tucker, Thiel and Trumps

As he prepared for a Senate run, Vance started showing Trump he'd changed by enlisting a couple of key allies who had the former president's ear.

Thiel had employed Vance at Mithril Capital and later invested in his venture capital firm. Now the Silicon Valley titan was putting \$10 million into a Super PAC supporting Vance, immediately making him competitive in a crowded Ohio GOP Senate primary race.

Kirk had met Vance years before and came to like him. The conservative activist began making calls to strategists in Trump's inner circle in early 2021 that Vance would be worth paying attention to – and that he was a true convert, despite his previous comments.

At the same time, Vance was flooding the airwaves on popular conservative TV programs like Tucker Carlson's then-primetime slot on Fox News. According to a GOP consultant familiar with the relationship between Vance and Trump's oldest son, Donald Trump Jr. liked what he saw – including one key moment in which Vance slammed his primary opponents for endorsing a no-fly zone over Ukraine.

Thiel got Vance a meeting at Mar-a-Lago, where he first met both the former president and his son. Donald Trump Jr. would go on to be a close friend, advocating for Vance to his father in his Senate primary and, now, is a clear fan of Vance for vice president.

The former president "was won over by J.D.'s authenticity, his sincerity, his skill set," said Kirk. "He represented a younger voice."

The flip became a central point of the heated primary race in which Vance eventually triumphed. Trump's endorsement helped; the former president declared to Ohio voters that Vance "gets it now, and I have seen that in spades."

Within weeks of his inauguration to Congress, Vance became one of the first senators to endorse Trump's presidential reelection bid. His decision to return the endorsement favor was notable given the Republicans' lackluster 2022 midterm showing cast doubt on Trump's efficacy as a political kingmaker and when chatter about Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis' White House campaign still had plenty of promise.

Since then, Vance has been one of the most vocal Trump allies in the Senate. He led the charge against a Trump-condemned bipartisan border agreement and slammed the Manhattan judge that oversaw Trump's trial on hush money charges.

"I think that it actually makes him more relatable and even a better VP pick than others because he was a little Trump-skeptical early on," Kirk told USA TODAY. "He became a believer as he saw that President Trump implemented policies and decisions that were consistent with what he believes in. I think it's more genuine and real."

It also became a fundamental part of his story as he entered Washington, often cited by both Democrats and moderate Republicans as a shrewd power play that's evidence of a willingness to debase himself in pursuit of power

"I do wonder, how do you make that decision? How can you go over a line so stark as that – and for what?" Sen. Mitt Romney, R-Utah, said of Vance in a biography written by The Atlantic's McKay Coppins.

"It's not like you're going to be famous and powerful because you became a United States senator. It's like, really? You sell yourself so cheap?"

The end of 'neoconservatives'

If Vance is chosen as vice president, he would bring a radically different philosophy to the office than former Vice President Mike Pence, who during Trump's first term was guided by his evangelical Christianity but eschewed the rising populism in his party. Pence instead hued more closely to a traditional Reagan-style conservative in his domestic and foreign policy stances.

Earlier this month, Vance got on stage at Turning Point Action's "People's Convention" in Detroit and spoke about what he says conservatives want out of the 2024 elections.

"We are for an American nation that is built by American people that employs American workers," he said. "We've got to be self-sufficient. Make our stuff and do it for our own people."

That's the succinct version of an ideology Vance has outlined in the years since he re-emerged as a leader of the new conservative movement: That the so-called "rules-based international order" – marked by international cooperation, mutual defense and open markets – has been designed to benefit global elites and hurt working people, resulting in an America in decline.

That puts him at odds with most of the Senate's old guard, both liberal and conservative, that had their own fierce debates over foreign policy during the post-9/11 era while maintaining that the United States plays a crucial role in defending democracy around the world.

In February, after the Senate passed the foreign aid bill for the first time, Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., told USA TODAY that he knows "the majority of Republicans these days are in an isolationist place" and raised concerns that those members of the party "need to not just wet their finger and put it in the air and see which way the wind's blowing."

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Landsman open to Harris for president

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U.S. Rep. Greg Landsman Monday declined to say whether President Joe Biden should stay in the race.

At a press conference on a student housing bill at the University of Cincinnati on Monday, the Democrat from the Mount Washington neighborhood of Cincinnati said in response to questions that Biden must make the case to the American public that his Republican opponent, former President Donald Trump, is unfit for office. In a press release after the press conference, Landsman said "time is running out."

"The debate will last another week or two maybe longer, but I don't think much longer," Landsman told reporters on Monday. "Because the stakes of the election are so high. The other guy running, the former President Donald Trump, is unfit to be president of the United States. He tried to overturn an election. That alone is disqualifying."

Landsman: Kamala Harris 'can make that case'

If Biden can't make the case, maybe Vice President Kamala Harris can make the case, Landsman said on Monday.

"I do believe that the vice president, as a former prosecutor and somebody who's been leading on the need to restore reproductive freedom in the United States, can make that case," Landsman said.

Landsman is a freshman Democrat running in a competitive district that represents the Democrat



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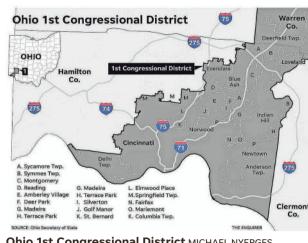
stronghold of Cincinnati, parts of suburban Hamilton County, and the Republican bastion of Warren County.

'I am not a doctor'

He said he isn't suggesting Biden should step aside. "At the moment, I'm not saying that he should do anything other than go out there and make that case as clearly as and compellingly as humanly possible," Landsman said.

He also wouldn't comment on the president's mental state, saying "I am not a doctor." ^{*}
"I don't know," Landsman said. "I mean, look. Is

Trump in cognitive decline?" Landsman said. "Obvi-



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ously, Biden's debate performance was problematic, mostly because I think he couldn't make the case or missed the opportunities."

As of now, it appears Biden has no intention of dropping out of the race. He wrote to congressional Democrats he will continue his push for a second term. The 81-year-old president, the oldest in U.S. history,

also called into MSNBC's 'Morning Joe' to push back on the growing calls to step aside.

"I've got a pretty good political instinct and here's the deal, it's not going to happen here," Biden said. "This time around, the American public is not going to move away from me as the average voter."

USA Today reporter Kathryn Palmer contributed.

Sen. Brown mum while other Dems mixed on Biden

Haley BeMiller

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Ohio Sen. Sherrod Brown sidestepped questions Monday about President Joe Biden's fitness for office as Democrats debate whether Biden should drop out of the presidential race.

"I'm not going to judge people in my party, what they're saying or what Republicans are saying," Brown told reporters in Youngstown, according to his campaign. "I'm not a pundit. I've talked to people across Ohio. They have legitimate questions about whether the president should continue his campaign, and I'll keep listening to people."

Brown's comments came nearly two weeks after the first debate between Biden and former President Donald Trump, where the president fumbled over words and lost his train of thought.

The event spurred a conversation among Democrats about whether Biden, 81, can continue running for reelection, defeat Trump in November and serve another four-year term.

Biden said he intends to stay in the race.

The issue underscores Brown's reluctance to wade into presidential politics as he runs his own campaign against Republican businessman Bernie Moreno. Brown is one of two Democratic senators seeking reelection in a state that was won by Trump in 2020, making him one of the most vulnerable incumbents in the country.

'Sherrod Brown votes with Joe Biden nearly 100% of the time, so it is unsurprising that he is standing by Biden as his obvious cognitive decline and inability to lead our nation is on full display to the American people,' Moreno said in a statement.

What are Ohio Democrats saying about Joe Biden?

The response to Biden's debate performance has

been mixed among other Ohio Democrats.

Rep. Joyce Beatty, D-Columbus, defended Biden after he talked with the Congressional Black Caucus on

"We saw the old Joe Biden," Beatty told MSNBC.

"He addressed the issue and said as he has said openly that the 90-minute debate, it was a mistake. He didn't do a good job. He was sick. He was tired. He hadn't rested enough. Since then, we've seen him make a comeback."

Rep. Marcy Kaptur, D-Toledo, declined to comment through a spokesman.

A spokesperson for Rep. Emilia Sykes, D-Akron, did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Like Brown, Kaptur and Sykes face tough reelection bids this year in two of the country's most competitive House districts.



Sen. Sherrod Brown speaks at a graduation celebration for the Columbus Building Futures Program in 2023. KYLE ROBERTSON/COLUMBUS DISPATCH

Former Congressman Tim Ryan, who ran for the U.S. Senate in 2022, called on Biden to drop out and pave the way for Vice President Kamala Harris.

House and Senate Democrats were expected to meet behind closed doors Tuesday to discuss the presidential campaign.

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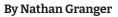
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Celebrating Juneteenth 2024: 'Today is a day of freedom'



Kimberly "DuWaup" Bolden announces the winners of the Juneteenth 2024 talent show. Photos by Hailey Roden | LINK nky



"Today is the day of reflection, right?" said Tracy Stokes, a Union-based business owner and motivational speaker, to the audience in the auditorium of the Lincoln-Grant Scholar House. "Today is a day of freedom. Today is a day of celebration."

Stokes was among those who took the stage June 19 to celebrate Juneteenth at the scholar house. The event showcased local social service agencies and featured food, vendors, music and, especially, the talent of local youth. At the same time, families packed into Randolph Pool, adjacent to the scholar house, to escape the week's high temperatures.

"It just amazes me to see how many awesome events are going on across the city, across the Tri-State and the country, even," said poet and author Kimberly "DuWaup" Bolden, originally from Elsmere, who emceed the talent show.

The Lincoln-Grant Scholar House takes its name from the Lincoln-Grant School system. The system began in 1866 with the William Grant High School, which was founded to educate local African-American children. In 1876, the school was established as an African-American public high school.

Eventually, the system expanded to include K-12 education, becoming the Lincoln-Grant School. In 1965, following desegregation, the students from the high school were integrated into Holmes High School. Earlier this year, Covington Independent Public Schools displayed photos and other historical memorabilia related to the school and honored Lincoln-Grant graduates.

What is now the scholar house, built in 1932 for the K-12 Lincoln-Grant School, continued operating as 12th District Elementary until 1976, when it was converted into the Northern Kentucky Community Center. In 2017, the building was converted again into the Lincoln-Grant Scholar House.

These days the scholar house is managed by the Northern Kentucky Community

Action Commission, which provides a variety of resources to local families in need. The building serves as live-in quarters for single parents pursuing full-time college, trade and other post-secondary education. Students receive housing assistance, career counseling and other services to help them establish long-term self sufficiency without taking on excessive debt. The building features a computer lab, a children's library, exercise facilities and an auditorium. About 45 local families use the scholar house's services, according to the community action commission's website.

Juneteenth itself commemorates Union Army Gen. Gordon Granger's announcement of the abolition of slavery to enslaved people in Texas on June 19, 1865 – the last people to receive the message after President Lincoln enacted the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863. Juneteenth was made a national holiday in 2021 and is widely celebrated as both the end of slavery in the United States and as a commemoration of Black emancipation struggles generally.

The event's talent show featured three local young people: one elementary school student, Kingston Dawson; a high school student, Dante Hall Jr.; and a college student, Tayda J. As there were only three contestants, each won a cash prize.

Dawson sang a song. Hall, who was crowned Mr. Juneteenth in Florence last week, recited an original poem, and J. both recited a poem and sang a song. J. eventually won the top prize, taking home a cash prize of \$285.

"It's been an amazing event all together, and I'm just happy that we're taking a step forward as a community," J. told LINK nky after the show.

Likewise, Bolden said after the show it was good "just to know that it has really opened up to be as big as it is and to be able to be right here at this community center, where so many of these people who came to enjoy the talent show grew up and even went to school here. And now they're able to connect with the younger generation because of Juneteenth."



Juneteenth 2024 attendees leave the Lincoln Grant Scholar House on June 19

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training opportunities. In 2023, the Covington Life Science Lab inked a 99-year, \$12 million lease with the Port Authority for 15,000 square feet of space.

Zoning change may lead to development of fifth **Publix store in NKY**

There's no confirmation yet, but the developer behind the Cold Spring Pointe development, which will include a Publix grocery store, has received a zoning change to make way for a development called the Shoppes at Hebron Pointe that could include another Publix store.

The Boone County Planning Commission on July 3 approved a request from Cincinnati-based Midland Atlantic to change

the designation of 53 acres near Hebron from residential and commercial to commercial/planned development. The three properties involved are at the intersection of Graves Road and Worldwide Boulevard. The change must receive final approval from Boone County Fiscal Court

Midland Atlantic's plans call for a 55,325-square-foot anchor grocery store, along with four smaller retail spaces ranging from 3,200 to 22,080 square feet, and additional parcels for two restaurants, a convenience store and an additional retailer. Midland Atlantic specializes in grocery-anchored, mixed-used develop-

When asked by planning commission members, Midland Atlantic's development manager, Clayton Riney, declined to confirm the names of the project's tenants, but he shared the developer's tentative timeline for the project. "We will plan to close early '25 and start construction thereafter," he said. "It would be an early '26 opening."

The prospective Hebron location is among five the chain has announced in Northern Kentucky. Public Supermarkets Inc., the grocer's corporate parent, on July 2 announced it will build a store in Florence at the northeast corner of U.S. 42 and Farmview Drive. That 55,325-square-foot Publix Super Market is to be part of the Farmview Commons complex. The announcement said the plans also include a Publix Liquors store that will offer beer, wine and spirits.

The Florence announcement followed a July 1 confirmation of plans for a store at the intersection of Harris Pike and Madison Pike in Independence. That store is set to be around 48,000-square-feet and will employ about 140 people, according to a Publix news release.

Publix previously announced plans to open stores at Triple Crown Shopping Center in Walton and in Cold Spring at Alexandria Pike and Ky. 9, the AA Highway.

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Kentucky OKs incentives for Thermo Fisher Scientific expansion in Covington



The new 146,000 square feet industrial building that Thermo Fisher Scientific will call home. Photo provided | BE NKY Growth Partnership

new 146,000-square-foot industrial building in Covington officially has its first tenant - Thermo Fisher Scientific.

In late June, Kentucky unveiled a financial incentive package for Thermo Fisher, a publicly traded biotechnology company based in Massachusetts. The company pledged to move into the recently completed industrial building at 135 W. 38th St. in Covington's Latonia neighborhood.

Specifically, Thermo Fisher Scientific will move its sample management and biorepository operations into a 65,000-squarefoot space within the building. In addition, the company also plans to expand its Highland Heights-based central laboratory operation. In total, the company pledged to invest \$47.8 million and create more than 250 new jobs at both sites over the next eight years.

Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear touted the company's investment in Northern Kentucky. "I am thrilled to see Thermo Fisher once again choosing Kentucky to locate and expand its business," Beshear said in a news release. "I look forward to the company's continued success here in the commonwealth."

The Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority gave preliminary approval to a 10-year incentive agreement with the company under the Kentucky Business Investment program. The agreement can provide up to \$1.9 million in tax incentives if the company hits certain annual performance targets.

Thermo Fisher Scientific must create and maintain 69 full-time jobs for Kentucky residents across 10 years, as well as paying an average hourly wage of \$42.50 including benefits across those jobs. If Thermo Fisher Scientific hits those benchmarks, the company is eligible to keep a portion of the new tax revenue it generates.

Additionally, the finance authority approved Thermo Fisher for up to \$250.000 in tax incentives through the Kentucky Enterprise Initiative Act, which allows companies to recoup Kentucky sales and use tax on construction costs, building fixtures and equipment used in research and development and electronic processing.

It has been challenging to construct new industrial buildings in Covington due to a lack of viable space. This didn't stop Covington-based developer CovCor.

Last June, Covington and CovCor hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for the project, at which they unveiled plans to construct a 146,000-square-foot industrial building in Latonia - directly behind the revamped Latonia Commerce Center.

CovCor owns the eight acres on which the building was put up, according to Kenton County property records. Cincinnati-based ARCO National was the project's general contractor. Overall, the project cost around \$17.6 million.

Covington Economic Development Director Tom West teased the news of the incentive package during the Covington Business Council's monthly luncheon on June 27. "The city offered an incentive to Josh Niederhelman [CovCor's principal] for the first new industrial spec development in Covington in several decades," West said.

In April, Covington's city commission approved a 15-year, \$18 million industrial revenue bond package for CovCor that included reduced property taxes in exchange for the prospective increase in payroll taxes generated from prospective tenants of the industrial building.

Behind the new industrial building sits the Latonia Commerce Center, formerly Latonia Plaza. In 2021, a group of investors led by Niederhelman purchased the site for approximately \$3.75 million.

The new industrial building joins Keller Logistics, Enzweiler Building Institute and the Covington Academy of Heritage Trades in reorienting the complex around construction trades, logistics and industrial development.

Florence home has lake view

Address: 1792 Fair Meadow Drive, Florence

Price: \$495,000

Bedrooms: Four

Bathrooms: Three (plus one half-bath)

Square footage: 2,670

School district: Boone County

County: Boone

Special features: This home in the Hearthstone subdivision's Northlake section features a two-story foyer, hardwood-adorned spaces, a gas fireplace and a kitchen with stainless steel appliances and granite countertop. The home has a picture que lake view from the main floor and a deck, and the lower level has a possible fifth bedroom and a full bath. The home also offers a large patio overlooking a lake.

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Energy Kentucky or Company) hereby gives notice that, in an application to be filed no later than July 1 2024, Duke Energy Kentucky will be seeking approval by the Public Service Commission, Frankfort, Kentucky, of an adjustment of its Pipeline Modernization Mechanism (Rider PMM) rates and charges proposed to become effective on and after January 1, 2025. The Commission has docketed this proceeding as Case No. 2024-00191.

DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES

The present and proposed rates charged in all territories served by Duke Energy Kentucky are as follows:

Residential Service - Rate RS

Present Rates
Rate RS, Residential Service \$0.14/ccf Proposed Rates Rate RS, Residential Service \$0.12/ccf

General Service - Rate GS

Present Rates Rate GS, General Service \$0.04/ccf Proposed Rates Rate GS, General Service \$0.03/ccf

Firm Transportation Service - Large Rate FT-L

Rate FT-L, Firm Transportation Service - Large \$0.00084/ccf Rate FT-L, Firm Transportation Service – Large \$0.00102/ccf

Interruptible Transportation - Rate IT

Present Rates

Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation \$0.00082/ccf Proposed Rates
Rate IT, Interruptible Transportation \$0.00115/cc

IMPACT OF PROPOSED RATES

These rates reflect an increase in gas revenues of approximately \$8.772.358 for 2025 to Duke Energy Kentucky. The allocation of this

Rate RS – Residential Service	\$7,625,987	86.9%
Rate GS – General Service	\$1,097,071	12.5%
Rate FT-L – Firm Transportation Service (Includes DGS)	\$ 29,914	0.4%
Rate IT – Interruptible Transportation Service	\$ 19.387	0.2%

The average monthly bill for each customer class to which the proposed rates will apply will increase(decrease) approximately as follows:

Rate RS – Residential Service	\$ (1.00)	(1.33)%
Rate GS – General Service	\$ (3.90)	(0.95)%
Rate FT-L – Firm Transportation Service (Includes DGS)	\$ 0.34	0.04 %
Rate IT – Interruptible Transportation Service	\$ 29.90	0.05 %

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An exterior view of this Florence home. Photos provided | Missy Bricking with Keller Williams Realty Services



A look into this home's kitchen



This home's back deck overlooking a lake.