

Around Town

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PLEAS FROM THE POUND



TANGO
Tango, who's only an 11-month-old pup, has done the best he can to be a good boy. The big fellow has learned to walk on a leash. He's housebroken and even knows commands. He's learned all of that because he wants to please. He wants to be someone's best friend. However, Tango needs a best friend who doesn't have either cats or chickens. Tango can't keep himself from chasing those two other species. The intelligent yellow Labrador mix is fine with other dogs. Tango understands that species. Tango hopes that one character flaw won't doom him. He promises to make up for it by learning all sorts of other ways to please and entertain his family. The family just can't include cats or chickens.



MOWGLI
"He doesn't have a mean bone in his body," the shelter director said, describing Mowgli, who seems to apologize for using space. The sweet, two-year-old fellow is also always willing to share space. He's gracious and kind to other dogs and even cats. Mowgli wants a corner where he can rest and belong, without being any trouble. Of course, given time and reassurance, Mowgli will be much more than a worried, heartbroken bump on the floor. He's a sensitive, perceptive boy, and right now Mowgli realizes that he's been discarded. The kind dog is sure that it must be his fault. It isn't. Mowgli is a good boy. He's also a fellow who'd be grateful, with all his heart and soul, for a home.



CHURRO
Churro needs someone to love. The colorful, dainty, now-spayed calico had stored up infinite love to give to her anticipated kittens. But Churro's kittens died. Then, while the three-year-old cat was grieving, people delivered her to the shelter. Yet, to Churro, the shelter's cat room seems like the ideal place to offer people her unquestioning, unconditional love. The beautiful little lady hurries to greet every visitor. Churro gently, with carefully sheathed claws, puts her paws on her guest's leg, just to make sure that he knows that Churro wants to be good friends. Churro's demonstrating exactly how she'd hurry to welcome her person home at the end of every day. So far, no one has accepted Churro's offer to make life happier and more complete.



BOLO
Ten-week-old Bolo is one of the shelter's first spring puppies. The little guy is ready to learn everything, ready to become part of a family or a pack of two. However, as his sad, humble, apologetic face shows, Bolo will need to learn that he's welcome and wanted in the world. The fifteen-pound, copper-penny-cute puppy didn't feel either welcome or wanted during the first part of his life. That's sad for Bolo, but it gives some lucky person the opportunity to introduce Bolo to the human-pup bond. It's a very special feeling to be the one to amaze a puppy with love. The relationship that creates will be one that both species remember and appreciate for their entire lives. The sooner it starts, the better.



MOE
Under extreme stress, animals of every sort tend to show their true personalities. Shelter newcomer Moe's go-to behavior is inviting everyone to play. Even at his most insecure, the two-year-old, friendly fellow assumed the play bow, the position that every dog and many humans recognize. The stance shows that Moe believes the best about other creatures. Moe shows that when he meets other creatures on walks, too. The shelter staff tests dogs' reactions to three groups of creatures that challenge some pups: other dogs, cats and kids. Moe likes all three. This pup in his prime should fit smoothly into a family that has members who are willing and able to play. In fact, Moe might motivate his person to rediscover his under-used playful side

SHELTER ACCEPTANCE POLICY

The shelter is currently open to the public with some restrictions. We are asking the public to please call before coming to the shelter as we are doing business by appointment. If you need to surrender a pet or are interested in meeting a pet that is available for adoption, please call in advance and we will make an appointment. We are also asking that if you'd like to make donations or volunteer, to please call in advance as well so that we may make arrangements accordingly. Thank you for your continued support to the shelter and our homeless pets. You may contact us by email animalshelter@grantco.org or by calling 859-824-9403.

Editor's Note: Stories/photos of pets are submitted by shelter volunteers and not written by Grant County News staff.

AROUND THE COUNTY

- THURSDAY, MAY 8**

 - Grant County Board of Elections, 107 North Main Street, Williamstown at 9 a.m. For more information, contact Tabatha Clemons at (859) 824-3321.
 - Grant County Board of Education, regular meeting at 6 p.m., 820 Arnie Risen Blvd, Williamstown. For more information contact the Office at (859) 824-3323.
 - Williamstown Woman's Club at Williamstown Baptist Church, 214 North Main Street at 6:30 p.m. For more information contact ritasnowstorm2@gmail.com
- FRIDAY, MAY 9**

 - Williamstown Senior Center, 400 North Main Street, Williamstown 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Cindy Ray at (859) 824-6415.
- MONDAY, MAY 12**

 - Grant County Historical Society Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Williamstown Baptist Church, 214 North Main Street. Contact Colton Simpson jcoltonsimpson@gmail.com for more information.
 - Grant County Public Library Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at the GCPL, 201 Barnes Road Williamstown, Kentucky. For information, call (859) 824-2080.
 - Williamstown Senior Center, 400 North Main Street, Williamstown 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Cindy Ray at (859) 824-6415.
- TUESDAY, MAY 13**

 - Williamstown Board of Education, 300 Helton Street, Williamstown at 6 p.m. For more information, contact the Office at (859) 824-7144.
 - Grant County Republican Party, Williamstown City Building, 400 North Main Street, Williamstown at 7 p.m. For more information contact Eldon Maddox at (859) 946-5029
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 14**

 - Grant County Joint Local Industrial Development Authority, 1350 North Main, Williamstown at 8:30 a.m. For more information, contact Jamie Baker at (859) 393-8390.
 - Grant County Special Ambulance Taxing District, Old Courthouse 101 North Main Street at 6 p.m. Contact the Fiscal Court Office at (859) 823-7561 (or Tony Morgan, (859) 992-7081) for more information.
 - Grant County Tourist and Convention Commission, 1350 North Main Street, Williamstown at 5 p.m. For more information, contact Jamie Baker at (859) 393-8390.
 - Williamstown Kiwanis, LaRosa's, 96 Blackburn Lane, Dry Ridge at noon. For more information, contact WilliamstownKy KiwanisClub@Gmail.com
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‘Skip the Line’ driver licensing state initiative announced

BY COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
TRANSPORTATION CABINET

New remote renewal-based licensing alternatives will provide Kentuckians opportunities to “Skip the Line” and avoid waiting at Driver Licensing Regional Offices across the state, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet announced. Options are now available using online, in-office and mail-in renewal forms.

“We’re working to do everything we can to provide alternative options for Kentuckians and reduce wait times at our Driver Licensing Regional Offices,” said Gov. Andy Beshear. “We encourage everyone to make a plan and skip the line if they can.”

In recent months, Kentucky’s licensing offices have experienced significant increases of in-office visits as customers come to renew a license, obtain a REAL ID or take advantage of free vision screenings now required by law. The Transportation Cabinet has been adding staff, implementing new line-management technology and adjusting procedures to make it easier for many customers to return to remote renewal options and avoid unnecessary waits.

Those “Skip the Line” renewal options include:

- For those who can, visit an eye specialist, ask for a vision screening form and upload it to renew online at DLRenewal.ky.gov.
- Visit a licensing office, get a vision screening, receive a passcode, then return home to renew online at DLRenewal.ky.gov.
- Visit a licensing office, get the vision screening, fill out a renewal form on site without waiting and receive a temporary license via email.
- Renew by mail: Print and fill out the mail-in form at Drive.ky.gov and attach a completed vision form from an eye specialist.

Need to upgrade or apply for a REAL ID; Change the address, marital status or photo on your license; Need CDL, hearing or noncitizen services; or Are a new Kentucky driver, and need a permit or license after passing a Kentucky State Police-administered test.

With less than a week until the May 7 REAL ID enforcement, the Transportation Cabinet is also reminding Kentuckians that this is not a deadline, but a federal enforcement date. Customers can still get one any time after that date and they have other options. Forms of REAL ID accepted by the

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Be prepared for an emergency!

The Williamstown Senior Center is presenting a community-wide Emergency Preparedness Event on Friday, May 16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Williamstown Baptist Church. Information and practice drills will help you be ready in care of fire, active shooter, severe weather or a hazardous material spill resulting from a train derailment. Lunch will be provided.



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ed, so kindly preregister. To register or get more information, call the Williamstown Senior Center at (859) 824-6415. The event is co-sponsored by the Grant County fire marshal, Grant County Emergency Management, State Farm, Dry Ridge Fire Department, Williamstown Fire Department, Williamstown Police Department, St. Elizabeth Hospital and U.K. Cooperative Extension Office. Williamstown Baptist Church is located at 214 North Main Street. The event is in the basement, so park in the lower parking lot.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to KRS 424.300 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b), NOTICE is hereby given that the Kentucky Public Service Commission has scheduled a public hearing in a case styled "In the Matter of the Electronic Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for: 1) An Adjustment of the Electric Rates; 2) Approval of New Tariffs; 3) Approval of Accounting Practices to Establish Regulatory Assets and Liabilities; and 4) All Other Required Approvals and Relief," Case No. 2024-00354, beginning Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, at the offices of the Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky. The purpose of the hearing will be to take evidence on Duke Energy Kentucky's electric rate request. Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to make oral public comments may do so by following the instructions listed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov. This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, www.psc.ky.gov.