

Pepper blight

My peppers are actually starting to rebound after a slow start early season. I think it was too wet for their liking. I was careful not to set them out too early during this year’s cool spring (peppers do not like cool temperatures and will be stunted, just like tomatoes, if they are exposed to such). Last year it was hit and miss; this year looks like it might be the same. I probably have pepper blight living in the garden!

About 45 years ago a fungus was discovered in pepper crops in New York and since it has spread as far as California and Florida. It has been in our midst for a while, now, with proof in my pepper patch over the last few years. The fungus in ques-

tion causes phytophthora blight in peppers. Some refer to the sudden wilting of peppers as damping off, phytophthora root rot,



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crown rot or stem and fruit rot. Clearly the fungus impacts the entire plant. I first had a problem with this blight in my pepper patch about 10 years ago, rainy summers seem to make it worse.

Phytophthora blight attacks all parts of the plant and usually becomes apparent as the plant begins to fruit, mid-season, and when the weather becomes hot and plant stress increases. You may see spots on the foliage or lesions on the stem. Fruit may develop water-soaked spots and turn moldy. The seeds inside become infected, as well, so do not save seed

from infected plants...this is how it initially spread across the country.

If you have had pepper blight in the past it is likely that the fungus continues to exist in your garden soil. The fungal spores can spread far and wide by wind and water so it may be difficult to control in the average backyard garden by simple crop rotation. Plus, the fungus has various hosts including egg-plant, tomatoes, and cucur-bits (cucumbers, squash, melons...).

So, what can we do? Well, some cultural practices can help but it is a tough disease to combat. Plant pathologists recommend that we practice crop rotation (but not with other host plants); be sure that your soil is well-drained; plant in raised beds or on a ridge to maximize drainage; mulch to avoid splashing soil; use

soaker hoses when irrigating; and only purchase certified seed.

I do have this year’s peppers planted where only root crops have been planted for the last 4 years so maybe that is the trick to a clean crop this year. They are mulched well and producing peppers thus far but the symbiotic relationship between the forces of nature may mean that the fungus eventually spreads

and becomes a problem here, too.

Considering all the things that can go wrong in the garden I think that we cannot underestimate the power of good cultural practices for all our crops that share a garden space. Do it right from the beginning, amending the soil to improve drainage and fertility; if this seems impossible then build a series of raised beds. Keep the gar-

den clean, removing diseased debris quickly and managing the weed-to-plant ratio. Try to keep soil moisture moderated, do not over-fertilize and get mulch down as early in the season as you can manage. And, if all else fails forego planting peppers for a couple of years and keep an eye on your tomatoes...if they stay healthy then maybe the peppers can come back to the garden.

Kentucky first to capture high-res aerial imagery of entire state

Free public access to statewide aerial imagery boosts disaster response, infrastructure, and more

FRANKFORT — Last week Gov. Andy Beshear announced that Kentucky is the first state in the nation to capture high-resolution aerial imagery of its entire geography. These photographs are free to access and open to the public online at the KYFromAbove Explorer. All of Kentucky’s certified 911 call centers now have access to this geographic and light detection and ranging (LiDAR) data, which helps operators and first responders find and rescue people in distress.

“These images help us rescue people in danger and build back stronger after devastating storms,” Gov. Beshear said. “They also help businesses looking to invest here find the perfect place for their New Kentucky Home.”

Mike Sunseri, Kentucky Office of Homeland Security deputy executive director and 911 Services Board administrator, said, “The KyFromAbove aerial photography initiative is highly beneficial to public safety. Adding the ability to leverage oblique imagery is another valuable tool in the toolbox to increase situational awareness for first responders during emergencies and better direct emergency response.”

Aerial images also make it easier for emergency management leaders to assess damage after natural disasters and find safer places to rebuild.

In addition, they can enhance: economic site development and selection;

plan and design work for infrastructure projects; high-speed internet deployment; wildlife management; property assessment; and a variety of projects undertaken by engineers, surveyors, real estate firms, commercial developers, roofing and fencing contractors, consultants, and other professionals.

In the spring of 2024, Kentucky became the first state in the country to achieve statewide coverage of oblique (side-angle) imagery. Now, Kentuckians can view both ortho (top-down) and side-angle photographs of all 120 counties – 40,660 square miles – at a stunning three-inch resolution.

The Governor said KYFromAbove provides an unprecedented view of Kentucky’s beautiful landscape and context for hundreds of map layers in state and local government agencies.

Normally, oblique imagery is restricted to those with the resources to pay for a licensed product, but the completion of this project removes that barrier and levels the playing field. In the past, data of this quality was only available to Kentucky’s larger cities and counties, but now, every community will benefit, along with the private sector and all Kentuckians and visitors.

The imagery was captured during leaf-off conditions starting in the fall of 2022.

The 2022-24 biennial budget allocated \$17 million for this pioneering, statewide aerial mapping project.

KyFromAbove distributes all data within the public domain. Accordingly, the new oblique and ortho imagery is being stored in a publicly accessible cloud folder (AWS S3) thanks to the Amazon Open Data Sponsorship program.



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QUALIFICATIONS:

- College degree in journalism, English, related field or equivalent experience
- Understanding of journalistic ethics and legal/libel knowledge is helpful
- Effective organizational and time management skills
- Ability to work on tight deadlines
- Good communication skills
- Initiative to pursue news/feature/photo opportunities
- Sharp sense for news photography; keen eye for photos, strong sense of ethics.
- Ability to write effective, accurate cutlines.
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ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Cover assigned beats and breaking news with timely stories and photos.
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- Participate in news budget meetings, and project planning meetings.
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- Write effective, accurate cutlines

Interested individuals should send their cover letter and resume’ to
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NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE — BUDGET SUMMARY		
AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.		
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF MARION COUNTY, KENTUCKY:		
SECTION ONE. The following budget is adopted for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.		
GENERAL FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
5000	General Government	\$2,834,000.00
5100	Protection to Persons and Property	\$599,000.00
5200	General Health & Sanitation	\$2,448,500.00
5300	Social Services	\$307,000.00
5400	Recreation & Culture	\$70,000.00
6300	Transportation of School Children	\$20,000.00
7000	Debt Service	\$485,700.00
8000	Capital Projects	\$2,229,000.00
9000	Administration	\$4,292,800.00
Total General Fund		\$13,286,000.00
ROAD FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
6000	Transportation Facilities & Service	\$0.00
6100	Roads	\$3,739,000.00
6400	Other Transportation Facilities & Service	\$0.00
9000	Administration	\$296,000.00
Total Road Fund		\$4,035,000.00
JAIL FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
5100	Protection to Persons & Property	\$5,108,100.00
7000	Debt Service	\$0.00
8000	Capital Projects	\$0.00
9000	Administration	\$1,770,900.00
Total Jail Fund		\$6,879,000.00
L.G.E.A. FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
5100	Protection to Persons & Property	\$20,000.00
9000	Administration	\$150,000.00
Total L.G.E.A. Fund		\$170,000.00
EMS FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
5100	Protection to Persons & Property	\$1,947,000.00
9000	Administration	\$541,000.00
Total EMS Fund		\$2,488,000.00
EVENT CENTER & SPORTSPLEX FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
5400	Recreation & Culture	\$336,400.00
9000	Administration	\$45,600.00
Total Event Center & Sportplex Fund		\$382,000.00
OPIOID SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
9000	Administration	\$207,000.00
Total Opioid Settlement Payments Fund		\$207,000.00
NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY PROGRAM FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
5400	Intergovernmental Revenues	\$100,000.00
Total Rescue Squad Fund		\$100,000.00
COUNTY CLERK PERMANENT STORAGE FEE FUND		
Category	Purpose Budget Appropriations	
5000	County Clerk Permanent Storage Fee Expense	\$126,000.00
Total County Clerk Permanent Storage Fee Expense		\$126,000.00
TOTAL BUDGETED APPROPRIATIONS		
Total General Fund		\$13,286,000.00
Total Road Fund		\$4,035,000.00
Total Jail Fund		\$6,879,000.00
Total L.G.E.A. Fund		\$170,000.00
Total EMS Fund		\$2,488,000.00
Total Event Cenyer & Sportsplex Fund		\$382,000.00
Total Opioid Settlement Payments Fund		\$207,000.00
Total National Scenic Byway Program Fund		\$100,000.00
Total County Clerk Permanent Storage Fee Fund		\$126,000.00
Total Budget		\$27,673,000.00

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

All interested persons and organizations in Marion 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.

David Daugherty
Marion County Judge/Executive



LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MARION CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION I
CASE NO. 25-CI-00033

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC

PLAINTIFF

v. NOTICE OF MASTER COMMISSIONER’S SALE

KELLY A MILLIOSA, ET AL.

DEFENDANTS

In order to comply with the judgment and order of sale entered on May 9, 2025, in the Marion County Circuit Court, Division I, Case No. 25-CI-00033, I will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder at the Marion County Judicial Center, 121 N. Spalding Avenue, Lebanon, Kentucky, on Friday, July 11, 2025 at 10:30 a.m., the hereinafter described property, according to the following terms and conditions to raise \$137,114.72 for the plaintiff plus interest, charges, costs and attorney fees.

Property Address: 339Long Avenue, Lebanon, KY 40033
Parcel No. LE-03-09-05

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

The following described real property located in Marion County, Kentucky:

Being Lots 5 and 6 in Block B in what is known as Boldrick Court, Lebanon, Marion County, Kentucky, as per plat of record in Deed Book 57, at page 117, in the Marion County Court Clerk’s office.

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

Being the same property conveyed from James W. Thompson and Aileen B. Thompson, a married couple to Kelly A. Milliosa, single by virtue of a deed dated April 28, 2022 and recorded April 28, 2022 at Deed Book D350, Page 590 of the Marion County, Kentucky real estate records.

At the time of the sale the successful bidder shall either pay full cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on credit for 30 days. If the purchase price is not paid in full, the successful bidder shall execute a bond at the time of the sale with sufficient surety approved by the master commissioner prior to the sale to secure the unpaid balance of the purchase price. **Any surety executing a surety bond for the unpaid balance of the purchase price must be pre-approved by the master commissioner no later than noon, two (2) business days prior to the date of sale.** The bond shall bear interest at the rate of 4.5% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and shall have the force and effect of a judgment. In the event the successful bidder is the plaintiff, then in lieu of the deposit the plaintiff shall be allowed to bid on credit up to the judgment amount. The successful bidder is responsible for all real property and unpaid ad valorem taxes assessed for the current year and all subsequent years. This property sales “as is” “where is” with no warranty of title.

PHILIP S. GEORGE, JR.
MARION CIRCUIT COURT
MASTER COMMISSIONER