

# THE WAY WE WERE

## 40 YEARS AGO Oct. 4, 1984

Inside the Lawrenceburg First Baptist Church, the air was electric with excitement as members, former members, former pastors and staff, and guests enthusiastically celebrated and reminisced 150 years of memories. From the opening spine tingling, Echo reverberating "praise God from whom all blessings flow" to the concluding emotion-filled, tear-welling "blessed be the tie that binds" sung by a more than 700 voice chorus, the 150th anniversary celebration grew and climactic intensity. The celebration actually began in June with the reading of historical vignettes during each Sunday worship service.

"We started in June, that's when the founding of the church took place, but decided we would have the whole month of September observed," said Woody Gash, chairman of the 150th anniversary committee. special activities during the month included concerts by the hymns of Harmony and Sanctuary choir, a message by Dr W Morgan Patterson, president of Georgetown College, and a special combined sacred concert September 29th by Mr and Mrs Ron Goodwin, professors of Music at Clear Creek Baptist school, and the mixed choir of the Evergreen Missionary Baptist church.

An Anderson County jury has found a Lawrenceburg man guilty of being a persistent felony offender and recommended 6 years in the penitentiary. The same man, 24-year-old Timothy

Brothers, was tried on four other charges and found guilty on three of them. The jury recommended one year on each of the three, plus a fine on one of them. He was ordered to appear October 8th before judge Harold Saunders for a pre-sentencing hearing. After the jury had returned their verdicts in the four cases, the panel was informed by judge Saunders they were not through and the second degree persistent felony case was presented by the Commonwealth Attorney.

Brothers was on probation for 3 years after being convicted in January of 1983 of facilitation to robbery in the first degree when he was indicted on the other offenses. One case of third-degree burglary charged the defendant with entering the home of Mary Reynolds with the intention of committing a crime. The second case of third-degree burglary charged him with entering the garage of CB Boggs without permission. The verdicts in both cases were guilty as charged with a recommended sentence of one year in the penitentiary on each. Brothers was charged with being in possession of burglary tools on December 9th of last year. He was said to have a set of cable Cutters in the Commonwealth and said there was no doubt he had used or intended to use them in the commission of an offense involving theft. Brothers remains in jail while waiting for his presenting hearing on October 8th.

For Anderson County High School students were suspended

Tuesday of last week on drug related charges. According to school officials one of the users was charged with buying marijuana at school and all four were in possession of marijuana. Suspensions of the four are for an indefinite period of time, pending further action by the Anderson County Board of Education at their regular October 15th meeting, according to Sunny Fentress, Anderson County High School principal. City police were called on Tuesday to review the evidence and their test proved it to be marijuana. Calling drug use a parental and community problem, Larry Barnett, assistant principal, said the schools inherit a problem that is fostered in the community, but valve drug use would not be tolerated Anderson high. investigation is continuing, according to Barnett and Fentress.

## 25 YEARS AGO Oct. 6, 1999

A newsletter that Mayor Gary Chilton claims was generated to keep the public informed of activities at the Lawrenceburg sewer plant is raising quite a stink. By Saturday, most city residents had received a newsletter from Lawrenceburg government and mayor Chilton's office.

Citizens insist he's just following the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines that say every sewer customer must be informed of Wastewater treatment. Chilton rejected using the Anderson News to inform sewer customers, saying half the county doesn't even read the

local newspaper. The latest available circulation figures show the news with a 71% penetration in Anderson county.

"Government agencies are required by law to publish certain information, and state laws explicitly tear and require that this information must be published in a newspaper meeting certain criteria," said David Thompson, executive director of the Kentucky process association. "Furthermore, state law defines what those publications are, and for the city of Lawrenceburg in Anderson County, The Anderson News is the only publication that meets the requirements."

A new legal firm has taken over the city of Lawrenceburg's defense against allegations of improperly delaying the development of a local mobile home park. The switch, apparently not expected by city officials, came September 29th at the opening of an interesting circuit court hearing scheduled to consider a request for a temporary injunction against Mayor Gary Chilton and James Peach, the city's zoning enforcement officer. Because of the change, Judge Williams Stewart granted a continuance while the new attorney reviews the case and decides what to do next. A lawsuit filed in late August alleges Chilton and Peach conspired to stop or delay expansion of the mobile home park at 1141 Versailles Road.

Her legal action claims the conspiracy resulted from Chilton's personal animosity over the past real estate dealings. should

the city lose the lawsuit, the insurance carrier normally would pay any judgment arising from official errors or omissions. But, by naming Chilton and Peach as defendants individually, Hayden has alleged the two stepped outside their official capacity.

Sometime during the ride from Lexington back home, Dustin Hume managed a Houdini like move, and slipped out of the handcuffs officers had snapped on him earlier. When detective Victor Welch reached the Lawrenceburg police department, he was prepared to take Welch by surprise and then attempt to flee for his freedom. Picked up the following night by the University of Kentucky police for trespassing, Hume, age 23, a driver, allegedly had taken checks belonging to his grandfather and cashed them. The Lawrenceburg Police Department held a felony warrant for Hume's arrest for 21 counts of criminal possession of a forged instrument.

Following him sprinting up Court Street and South along the railroad tracks with local police summoned by a shout from Welch trailing him, he found himself faced with another felony charge, escape. For about 30 to 45 minutes, officers fanned out to search through the brush beside the tracks, Klein to top train cars to check for Hume's presence, and searched and hiding places between the cars. adjacent to Lawrenceburg Supply company, County Police Officer Steve Bowen recombated the area and located Hume lying in the nearby brush. Hume offered no further resistance as he was brought in.

# HAPPENINGS IN ANDERSON COUNTY

## ANDERSON HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAS GUEST SPEAKER

The Anderson County Historical Society will hold a meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. We will meet at The Kavanaugh School, 241 East Woodford Street. Parking is limited, so please ride with a friend.

Mrs. Rhoda Kavanaugh, wife of Dr. Charles Kavanaugh, founded a school in her home in 1904. It was known as Kavanaugh Academy 1904-1909; Anderson County High School 1909-20; Kavanaugh High School 1920-49. Mrs. Kavanaugh was principal for 41 years. Under her direction, the school ranked among the nation's foremost preparatory schools for Annapolis and West Point. The current owner, Annika Bruggeworth, will give us a tour of the building and show her Kavanaugh memorabilia. Kent Smith will tell about Mrs. Kavanaugh's life. Meetings are free and everyone is welcome to attend.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST HOSTS CLOTHING GIVEAWAY

The Lawrenceburg Church of Christ will be having a "Clothing Giveaway" on Saturday, October 5th & 19th, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. The clothes are free for anyone who needs them. The church has a "Clothing Closet" where they bring clothes that no longer fit, but are in good condition. Throughout the year they provide help for people to have clothes after a fire or during financial difficulties. The "Clothing Giveaway" provides a time when the clothes can be spread out to make it easier for people to come and find the right sizes for their



The Kavanaugh home in 1925

family. Clothes for adults and children of all ages will be available. The church building is located at 558 South Main Street. The "Clothing Giveaway" will be in the annex at 102 Franklin Street behind the church building. For more information call (502) 839-4135.

## KIWANIS CLUB OF LAWRENCEBURG TO ROAST JUDGE GRITTON

The Kiwanis Club of Lawrenceburg will have its First Annual Celebrity Roast on Thursday, Oct. 17, beginning with a social hour at 6 p.m. The event will be held at The Woodford, 203 East Woodford Street, Lawrenceburg, KY. The formal sit-down dinner and celebratory roast will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a cash bar open at 6:00.

The club will be roasting the Honorable Orbrey Gritton, Anderson County Judge Executive, with Mark Crutcher, a local realtor, serving as the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. There will be three people acting as roasters, who will share stories about Judge

Gritton that you have never heard before! Laughter and fun times will certainly be ingredients at this gathering!!

The primary purpose of the event is to support the Key Club of Anderson County High School. Funds will assist in helping high school Key Club members participate in the Kentucky-Tennessee District Convention, Key Club International Convention, and to help with local projects in the schools and community.

There are over 200,000 Key Club members across the world in 82 countries. High school students learn to be student leaders and to participate in community service. Key Club International is the largest Service organization in the world with over 4,000 students enrolled in the Kentucky-Tennessee District Key Club.

The local club Kiwanis Club would like to open

similar clubs in elementary and middle schools (either in public or private schools) to help teach students to participate in the success of their community.

Admission to the event is \$50 per ticket or a table of 8 attendees will be \$400. Proceeds from ticket sales and onsite donations will be used to support the Key Club at Anderson County High School.

For more information on the Kiwanis Club of Lawrenceburg or the Celebrity Roast, contact Donna C. Drury at (502) 517-1938 or email donnacraindrury@gmail.com.

## ANDERSON HISTORY MUSEUM HAS NEW HOURS

The Anderson County History Museum is located at 108 E. Woodford Street, in a former Carnegie Library built in 1908. It is filled with local artifacts that tell Anderson County's history.

It is now open on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. You can also make an appointment to visit the museum on other days by calling Historical Society President George Geoghegan, or the Anderson Public Library.

The contact information is posted on the door at the museum. Admission is free.

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