Salvation Army celebrates National Doughnut Day

STAFF REPORT

ASHLAND Many might not realize the connection between doughnuts and The Salvation Army, but it dates to World War I, when women volunteered with the group to go to France and distribute supplies, physical and emotional support and doughnuts near the front lines.

In honor of that service, The Salvation Army of Northeast Kentucky will offer coffee and doughnuts from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the Thrift Store at 2212 Carter Ave.

Major Jason Swain said the treats are free to all.

"National Doughnut Day is a meaningful holiday for us, serving as an important reminder of the impactful work we do daily to support our neighbors," Swain said.

The first Friday in June is known as National Doughnut Day; the first occurred in 1938, in Chicago, to honor the Salvation Army volunteers who came to be known as the "Donut Lassies." Doughnut sales were a fundraiser to help others during the Great Depression while boosting the popularity of the fried dough treats in the United States.

Now, 87 years later, The Salvation Army continues to provide essential services and programs to those in need. In northeast Kentucky, The Salvation Army helps more than 1,100 each year by providing shelter, food, clothing items, personal hygiene kits and Christmas gifts for those in need.

"We take pride in being part of the nation's largest nongovernmental provider of social services and serving the Northeast Kentucky community," Swain said. "Today, we not only celebrate a beloved treat but also our ongoing commitment to serve as a positive light in people's lives."

For more information, visit SalvationArmyAshland.org or call (606) 329-2874.

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Raymond Crisp smiles while showing off a board displaying 80 words that describe him. It was a gift for his 80th birthday.

Everybody loves Raymond, indeed

Eight years ago, I gladly participated in a project at church in which dozens of us chose 80 words to describe a cherished member for his 80th birthday.

I don't recall which of my words landed on the board, which Summit Nazarene gifted him, but I do know the first word that pops in my mind when I think of Raymond Crisp: Wisdom.

In giving this board another glance, "wise" is displayed in big green letters.

Any time Raymond spoke, I did my best to listen closely because they were truly words from the wise.

Raymond was a local legend in Summit — and not just because of killer onion rings, delicious hot dogs and some of the best ice cream in the Tri-State. Sure, Crisp's Dairy Treat and its steady status in the community is quite a fitting symbol to be synonymous with Raymond, but he was much more than the owner of the vintage restaurant.

I knew Raymond as an esteemed elder in the church, a teacher, a friend, a great family man and a humble servant of God.

Some of my favorite church memories are linked to Raymond or his family.

In my early childhood — before moving to the Cincinnati area — my Sunday-morning routine was to find Hazel Crisp, Raymond's mother, in her favorite pew in the middle of the sanctuary at Summit Nazarene. She'd spend precious time with each child prior to the service starting. Sometimes she'd give us candy — if I remember right, it would be either butterscotch discs, peppermints or strawberry hard candy — but she'd always give us a hug and kiss on the cheek.

AARON SNYDER

The love she and her husband, Arthur, showed to others is the same love and kindness I saw from their son, Raymond, and his late wife, Shirley.

After moving back to Ashland in my early 20s, my wife and I began attending Summit again.

Every Sunday, there was Raymond. Consistent, caring, Christ-like.

He had an infectious zest for life, and stayed active — always working hard at whatever he devoted his time and energy to.

I was asked to teach a class. After much prayer, I did. I still teach.

It's humbling to be a Sunday school (now called Life Group) teacher in the same church Raymond taught for so many years. It was even more humbling to teach a class in which Raymond participated. I loved hearing him read the Bible. I enjoyed listening to him pray.

I served on the church board with Raymond, too. He was always put thorough, intelligent thought into any decision. Once again, wise.

Raymond Crisp will be missed by all who knew him. He passed away on Wednesday. Visitation will be this evening at Summit Nazarene from 6-8 p.m. The funeral is scheduled for Saturday at 1 p.m.

Crisp's Dairy Treat is closed today after 3 p.m. and all day Saturday.

Reach **AARON SNYDER** at asnyder@dailyindependent.com or (606) 326-2664.

Help ... my employer's health plan denied $22,000 claim

Dear Toni:

My oncologist's office manager advised me that because I am over 65, I may want to apply for Medicare and leave my employer health insurance. Linda, the office manager, said that my health plan denied my claim for my cancer treatment because the plan considers it to be experimental and will not approve paying for this care.

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The specific cancer treatment costs me over $22,000 per month which I am paying from my 401k, draining what I need to retire. I am not retiring from my job but using the 12 weeks of vacation time I have, so that I do not lose my current full-time salary.

Linda said that Medicare will pay and provide the care I need because she currently has patients on Original Medicare with a Medicare Supplement. She files their claims without a problem. I need to know how to begin my Medicare benefits as quickly as possible. Please advise me what I need to do. Thanks, Toni.

— Bart from Memphis, Tenn.

Hello Bart:

A health care professional advised me that many of the new cancer procedures are not approved by individual and employer group health insurance plans. The doctor said that these procedures are generally approved with "Original Medicare" and his office has referred his patients to my website at www.tonisays.com to contact the Toni Says Medicare team because enrolling in Medicare past 65 while still employed is complex. (Chapter 1 of my Medicare Survival Guide Advanced edition helps Americans understand enrolling in Medicare, step by step, under most scenarios.)

Enrolling in Original Medicare past 65, while employed and leaving employer benefits, is the same whether:

1. Health issues are not covered by an employer health plan: You (or your spouse) are still working with health issues (like Bart) and the employer health insurance plan is not covering the doctor's procedure. Even though you are not retiring, you need to enroll in Medicare.

2. Laid off: You (or your spouse) are laid off and need to enroll in Medicare.

3. Retiring past 65: You (or your spouse) decide to retire past 65 and need to enroll in Medicare.

The process to enroll in Medicare past 65 must be followed correctly, and is as follows:

1. Social Security forms: Request for Employment Information (CMS-L564) must be signed by the employer's human resource representative for you and/or your spouse who are covered on company benefits. Application for Enrollment in Medicare Part B (CMS-40B) must be filled out and signed by you (and your spouse if they are also enrolling in Medicare). These two forms are available at the Social Security website (SSA.gov).

2. At the top of the Request for Employment Information (CMS-L564) form, it

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Sealed bids for **Interior Renovations at Dev. 86-001 & 002** will be received by the Housing Authority of Lawrence County, 101 Gene Wilson Blvd., Suite 200, Louisa, Kentucky 41230 on **Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.** and then will be publicly opened and read aloud. Prior to the opening of the envelope, the names of all contractors listed shall be read aloud and incorporated into the bid.

The plans, specifications, and other contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

Cauthen & Associates, LLC
9047 Executive Park Dr., Suite 221
Knoxville, Tennessee 37923

Dodge Data & Analytics
Construct Connect
Builders Exchange of Kentucky
Lynn Imagining, Lexington, Kentucky
Contractors Association of West Virginia

Prospective bidders may obtain copies of the Contract Documents from Raylon Harness, Cauthen & Associates, LLC, 9047 Executive Park Dr., Suite 221, Knoxville, TN 37923. A deposit of $200.00 is required for one set of Contract Documents. All bid deposit checks or drafts shall be made payable to Cauthen & Associates, LLC. Requirements for bid deposit refunds can be found in the expanded Advertisement for Bids bound within the Project Manual.

All bidders must be licensed Contractors as required by 815 KAR 8:010 of the Kentucky Administrative Regulations and as required by the local municipality. All bidders shall provide evidence of a license in the appropriate classification before a bid can be considered. Reference is made to the Instructions to Bidders for Contracts contained in the Project Manual for further bidding information.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Walk Through and Prebid Conference
At **11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 24, 2025**, a prebid conference will be held by the Housing Authority of Lawrence County, 101 Gene Wilson Blvd., Suite 200, Louisa, Kentucky, for the purpose of answering questions bidders may have and to consider any suggestions they may wish to make concerning the project. Immediately following the prebid conference, a walk-through of the project(s) will be held by the Owner. Although not mandatory, all contractors are recommended to attend this walk-through and prebid conference.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Boyd County Fiscal Court is accepting RFPs for Design-Build Services For it's Wellness and Athletic Center Project, for more information, please Visit https://boydcountyky.gov.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On June 3, 2025 the Boyd County Fiscal Court approved a Budget Amendment relating to the Fiscal Year 24-25 annual budget whereas the Boyd County Fiscal Court realized unbudgeted receipts. The Budget Amendment in it's entirety is available for review in the Boyd County Judge Executive's Office during regular business hours.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Boyd County Career and Technical Center is in search of the equipment listed below. If your company sells this equipment and you would like to be submit a bid, please pick up a bid response form from BCPS District Office or Boyd County CTC and return it by 3:00pm on 06/13/25 to the Boyd County Board of Education, 1104 Bob McCullough Drive, Ashland, KY 41102. Interested vendors can contact the Boyd County CTC at 606-928-7120 for specifications.

For Industrial Maintenance:
Laser Alignment Tool
Alignment Jig with Dial Indicators
Electrical, Hydraulic, Pneumatic Trainers
For Agriculture:
Flat Filler
Bovine Injection Simulator
Steel Pesticide Cabinet
For Construction:
Industrial Planer, jointer, router table, bead blaster, safety saw, and dust collection.
For Family Science:
Long arm Stationary Machine
Embroidery Machine
For Health Science:
CPR Training Equipment
Anatomy Table
Industrial Shop Spaces:
Fork Lift
General Purpose:
7-9 Passenger Van

The Boyd County School District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to award multiple bids.

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