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4th Region All-Tournament Team: Kassady London, Jozie Allen, and Lily Blythe.

Unfortunately, the Lady Hornets fell to the Lady Wildcats 45-72.

Franklin-Simpson advanced to the Sweet Sixteen in Lexington.

Three Lady Hornets were selected to the 4th Region All-Tournament Team Kassady London, Jozie Allen, and Lily Blythe.

Metcalfe County last played for the 4th Region Championship in 1992.

That year, Kassady London’s mother, Lesley Huffman London, was a senior and her teammate was none other than current Lady Hornet Coach Heidi Coleman.

Earlier, the Lady Hornets claimed

their 5th straight 16th District Tournament Championship with wins over Russell County 56-46 and Cumberland County 55-47.

Metcalfe County finished the 2025 season 27-6, the second winningest season in school history behind the 1992 team that went 29-7.

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\$3,220 and that leaves \$28,856.64.”

The motion to accept the excess fees was made by Magistrate Kevin Crain, seconded by Magistrate Harvey Hawkins, and approved.

Next on the agenda was an update on the Tom Emberton statue.

Treasurer / Fiscal Court Clerk Page Edwards gave the update. “I spoke with Jason Neighbors earlier last week, and the Community Foundation had sent us out a check for \$30,000...And we did get an invoice from the sculptor, where \$20,000 is one payment and \$10 is another. So that takes care of the second and third payments. We’ve paid down \$5,000, so it originally started at 99 so this would be a total of \$35,000 that we’ve paid on. Jason also said that both of Judge Emberton’s children have visited with the artist and discussed their excitement in the project.”

“He (sculptor) has sent me some pictures if you all want to look at them later. Just to keep in mind, this is not what the finished project will look like it’s a small-scale piece, to get a better idea on the posture of how the statue will be sculpted upon hands and face will be sculpted in clay before it’s cast.”

And just a reminder, the artist she works in the Smithsonian Museum...I’ll be sending that \$30,000 check out today... This was raised and sent to us from the Community Foundation.”

The next item on the agenda concerned the health insurance for county employees and Jailer Randall Shive asked if bids could be taken, “I don’t know why we couldn’t. I don’t. Might get a

better deal. Open it up for a bid, a health insurance instead of what we got.”

Edwards explained that if they choose another health insurance provider besides KACO, they would be required to stay out of the KACO plan for a length of time before they would be allowed back.

Shive explained his issues with the current insurance. “Last year, I paid \$3,750 for my medical and then about \$700 on my doctor bills. Insurance couldn’t help any of because we’ve got a \$5,000 (deductible) last year I went to Pedigo Lessenberry, and he priced me a personal plan for \$595 a month for \$1,500 deduction, \$5,000 maximum out-of-your-pocket. And at that rate, if we’re paying \$1,000 a month for insurance, that would save \$400 per employee. And if you got 20 employees, that’s \$100,000 here, and save the county on insurance, I think it’s worth taking just a look at it.”

“...when I started, we had pretty decent insurance. It was through Mark Linkous down here, and then when we went to KACO, our insurance went to nothing,” exclaimed Shive.

Shive was asked if he had shopped around for a pharmacy and he replied, “Yes, I’ve got two different pharmacies that I deal with. Well, Walgreens out here, and medical arts, and both of them told me that I had the worst insurance of any county, state, or school employee that they had ever seen...I’ve got one bottle of medicine that I buy out of my pocket, because if I run it through my insurance is \$128 a month every three months. If I buy it out of my pocket, it’s \$19 something for three months prescription.”

Magistrate Ronnie Miller spoke up, “I don’t see the harm...I’ll make that motion that we take bids on the health care plan.”

The motion was seconded by Magistrate Daniel Bragg and it was approved.

The February financial statement and the budget transfers were approved. The planned closed session was canceled due to no changes in the property acquisition from the last meeting.

The inter-fund transfers included a matching amount of \$1,146 for a spay and

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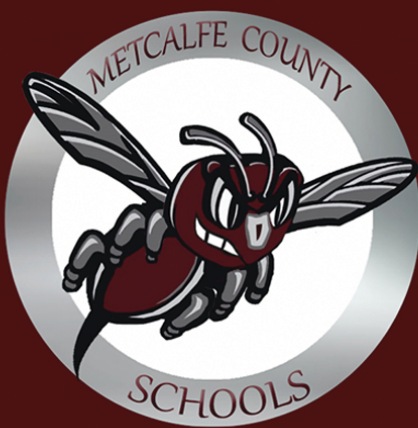
50th Wedding Anniversary



Larry Reece and Kathy Myatt were married on March 22, 1975 at Wisdom Cumberland Presbyterian Church. They have two children, Cindy Copeland (Billy) and Bradley Reece (Ann) and eight grandchildren.

A celebration is being held on Sunday, March 29th at 3 p.m. at the Wisdom Faith Christian Academy gym located at 365 Knob Lick- Wisdom Road in Edmonton. All friends and family welcome. Please RSVP by text or call 270-576-2090 or 270-774-1272. No gifts please.

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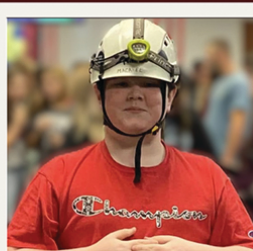
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