



Cindy Hack, South Oldham Rotary Fabulous Floors owner Jill Marowelli, left, and South Oldham Rotary Club President Rachel Thompson.

Fabulous Floors named Business of the Month

BY STAFF REPORT

The South Oldham Rotary Club has recognized Fabulous Floors as its March “Business of the Month.” Jill Marowelli accepted the award on behalf of the company and shared its inspiring history.

Fabulous Floors was founded by Jill’s father, Lonnie McMahan, who launched the business in a mini warehouse. Originally known as “The Rug Man,” a nickname given to him by carpet suppliers in Georgia, the company has since grown into a thriving, family-run organization. Jill worked alongside her late sister, Julie McMahan-Doerr,

and today, Jill’s daughter, Katie Coulter, plays an integral role in the business. This May, Fabulous Floors will celebrate 35 years of serving the community.

Beyond their success in flooring, the company is deeply committed to giving back. They collect food donations for High-Point Charitable Services, contribute to Project Graduation, and have proudly sponsored girls’ Little League teams — fondly nicknamed the “Rug-ettes.”

The South Oldham Rotary Club applauds Fabulous Floors for its dedication to both business excellence and community service.

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“We are incredibly grateful to the Payton Samuel Head Family Trust Foundation for their generous contribution,” said Chief Matt York. “These devices will make a significant difference in our ability to provide life-saving care when every sound counts.”

The Pewee Valley Fire

Protection District continues to prioritize public safety through ongoing training, community engagement and partnerships with organizations dedicated to improving emergency response capabilities and is committed to safeguarding lives and property through emergency response, fire prevention and public education. The district emphasizes readiness, professionalism and community service.

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He further explained that the consultant would bring in more expertise, aiding the court in making more informed opinions and decisions.

Voegele also mentioned that he has someone in mind for the role, but that he could not confirm who it might be or how they would be compensated for their assistance.

While Voegele could not provide details about the executive sessions themselves, he did confirm that the Judge Executive’s Office had received two formal complaints questioning the application of the statute named to justify the usage of an executive session — the second of which invited Oldham County Chamber and Economic Development President David Bizianes, Economic Development Vice President Sandy Hamilton, Chief Financial Officer Stan Clark and Planning and Development Director Ryan Fischer.

Though he responded to both complaints individually, he also said that “the complaints have no validity. The Kentucky Revised Statute we cited allows for an executive session to discuss circumstances that might be involved with attracting a business to a community.”

“We have the ability to offer incentives to any business trying to locate in Oldham County if we feel incentive is appropriate to be discussed. There’s no hidden agenda ... if we do discuss incentives for any company coming to town, we don’t discuss them in public because it’s a negotiated item with an employer that might come here.”

In other news, the court approved:

- A contract for a state-required Noise Study associated with the proposed connection between Veterans Memorial Parkway near Kenwood Station Elementary with Highway 22 near Stock Yards Bank & Trust. The contract is with QK4, Inc. in the amount of \$29,760, of which 80% will be reimbursed by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and 10% will be reimbursed by the city of Crestwood.
- Fiscal Year 2026 Detention Center Budget, presented by Jailer Jeff Tindall, which expects \$8.1 million in total revenue — more than half of which to come from handling federal prisoners — and \$7.9

million in projected expenses. The net transfer to the general fund will be about \$179,000, which will be applied against the long-term debt for the Oldham County Detention Center.

- A contract with Onsite Health Solutions to conduct the annual biometric screenings for county employees.
- A proposal by McGregor & Associates, Inc. to switch the benefits administration program from bswift LLC to Employee Navigator
- The Solid Waste/Recycling annual report for 2024, presented by Oldham County Solid Waste/Recycling & Grants Coordinator Rebecca Zocklein.
- The hiring of Officer Langston Webb at the Oldham County Police Department as a three-year lateral from the University of Louisville Police Department effective April 14, 2025.
- The reappointments of Blaine Anderson and Lea Nachtman to the Oldham County Tourism Commission for terms expiring March 2, 2028, and Feb. 2, 2028, respectively.
- The reappointment of Clay Jones to the Sheriff Merit Board for a term expiring Jan. 17, 2027.
- The reappointment of Stan Clark to the Ambulance Taxing Board for a term expiring Feb. 1, 2027, in a vote of seven to one — Magistrate Bob Dye opposed and Wayne Theiss abstaining due to brief absence.

The court also heard an annual report from the Oldham County Conservation District, presented by Conservation District Board Chair Mary Lowry, including the following program information:

- Pollinator Cost-Share Program, where the conservation district will reimburse 50% of the cost of plants, up to \$150, to help community members implement native pollinator habitats. This past year, 53 applications were approved, bringing the total to 133 since the program began five years ago
- Geobin Composting Program, which has had 169 participants this past year, bringing the total to 557 since the program began in 2020.
- County and Youth Agriculture Investment Programs, where \$60,000 was made available in 2023 for county grants up to \$2,500 and youth grants up to \$5,000 — which, in 2024, had 13 and two grants approved respectively.
- Dead Animal Removal Grant, where the district received \$5,000 from the Kentucky Division of Con-

servation. Last year, the funds went towards the removal of 136 animal carcasses.

- Soil Test Cost-Share Reimbursement, which provides residents up to five free soil sample tests — the cost of which is split between the Oldham County Extension Office and the conservation district. This past year, 245 samples were taken.
- Calendar Photo Contest, where 12 winning photos of the county’s natural landscapes submitted by residents were made into a 2025 calendar available to participants, community partners and residents.
- Jim Claypool Art & Writing Contest, which two local winners. This year, Fifth-grader Laney Gardner placed second in the state for art and eighth-grader Everly East-erling placed first in the area for writing.
- H. Glenn Watson Scholarship, where two \$1,500 scholarships are given to graduating seniors pursuing conservation-related post-secondary education.
- Junior Conservation Board, composed of seventh to 12th grade Oldham County students.
- University of Kentucky Summer Forest Leadership Program, where the conservation district annually provides \$500 to sponsor an Oldham County student to attend the university program.
- Pumpkin Composting at Yew Dell Botanical Gardens
- Annual Tree Giveaway, where more than 2,500 tree saplings are given to county residents.
- Annual Awards Banquet at CityPlace in La Grange, celebrating program participants — to be held on April 24 at 4:30 p.m.
- Curry’s Fork Watershed Section 319(h) Grants
- Annual Lake and Pond Panel Management Field Day
- Kentucky Watershed Watch Support Hub, which allows for stream-sampling supplies at the conservation district office.

The court also heard the resignation of Miguel Arteaga from the Oldham County Recycling Center effective March 14, 2025.

Near the beginning of the meeting, Voegele removed the agenda item that would have asked the court to approve the design for the proposed police station for the sake of time due to the already lengthy agenda, he said.

The next Oldham County Fiscal Court meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. on April 15, 2025.



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