

COMMUNITY

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tion of Goose Creek Road for residential purposes. Judge-Exec. Hamilton said he had received an email regarding the project from BlueGrass Engineering, but the court recommended that the water line not be placed in the ditch line. The owner of the property said he would pay the contractor himself. The court decided to table the issue until next month's meeting to get more research regarding the project.

The court discussed Board of Appeals appointments. Any appointment would have to have a knowledge of real estate and be at least a 5-year resident and property owner in Nicholas County. The court would come up with some names, and they would make their appointments at next month's meeting.

The court approved a Community Project Funding application for infrastructure improvements for the joint industrial park between Bourbon and Nicholas County. The previous application process in 2024 was technically awarded \$1 million, but the year-long budget in Washington, DC was not approved. So, the application will be resubmitted.

The court discussed the 12" industrial park waterline, and 2026 ARC Power grant, and approved a \$23,000.00 cost overrun resolution. Judge-Exec. Hamilton said that the money for the overrun is there, and this resolution would release the funds, if needed.

The court approved permission of the court-

house yard for the following... Nicholas County Tourism for a car show on Memorial Day weekend; the Carlisle Rotary Club on Sept. 27th for Saturday in Carlisle; and the Christian Church for an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19th.

The court approved the hiring of Mason Fryman as part-time paramedic and Kelby Gill as part-time EMT at the Nicholas County EMS. The March run volume for the EMS was 66 runs.

The court approved to move Nicholas County Road Dept. employee Jackie Treadway from full-time to part-time, and to advertise for a full-time employee, as well.

The court acknowledged the Property Valuation Quietus; approved the jail budget; acknowledged that the budget would be to the magistrates by May 1st, which they will have a budget workshop before next month's meeting; approved the quarterly reports; acknowledged that the quarterly reports will be in Frankfort by April 20th; approved the Treasurer's transfers; approved the Treasurer's report; and approved to participate in the Road Aid Cooperative Agreement, which is done every year.

The meeting then went into closed session, and resumed some time later, with no action taken.

The court approved rescinding the County Information Liaison position, with a vote of 4 to 2; and approved to transfer the funds from that position to the Nicholas County Sheriff's Department, with a vote of 4-2.

The court approved a KACo (Kentucky Association of Counties) project, with would acquire funds for a certain project to fix the current issue.

Interim NCHS Principal Mrs. Stacey Allison, reports to the board that she and her staff are working on end of the year activities, including testing, and getting graduates college and career ready. She also said that the ACT average this year was up by one point from last year, which Superintendent Bechanan says may not seem like much, but is a huge jump for the school.

NCES Principal Mrs. Nikki Orazen, reports to the board that the school had their best attendance week, at 95%, since the very first week of school. She said that she and her staff are committed to keeping the children focused and engaged, and the teachers motivated till the end of the school year, and getting the children ready for testing. She also mentioned the upcoming Award Day, and end of the year conferences with the teachers.

Pre-School & Food Service Director, Mrs. Amy Switzer, reports to the board that the summer feeding program will continue again this summer, beginning on June 5, 2025, in the early evening. She does anticipate there will be a

ect.

The court discussed the Nicholas County Cooperative Extension request and said while the request was interesting and that they wanted to do the fair and right thing, the court approved to form a committee to have an on-site visit, and report their findings back to the court.

The court discussed various roads that need work, including Collier, Watkins Lane, Dunn Hill, Scrubgrass Hill, Stoney Creek Hill, and more. Road Dept. Supervisor Pat Dunn would get a list of roads from the magistrates, and get cost estimates, as well. Judge-Exec. Hamilton said the court had been awarded \$570,000.00 for Locust Grove, and the court approved to bid that project out.

Judge-Exec. Hamilton gave some updates regarding the nursing home, and said the fire door and wall had been installed, as well as an alarm keypad. He said that these improvements met the standards for the nursing home to begin inspections for Medicare/Medicaid approval.

The judge also spoke about a recent meeting with FEMA representatives regarding the recent flood damage, and said that he had another meeting scheduled for next week, as well. He did mention that it was definitely a work in progress, and that there was at least 2 to 2 ½ million dollars in damages from the last three weather events that impacted the county.

The judge also said the recent Spring Clean-Up was a success, and that there was a big crowd, and had 13 to 14 dumpsters that had been filled.

The meeting was subsequently adjourned.

lot of kids utilizing this program.

District Administrator, Mrs. Alicia Hughes, reports to the board that attendance for both schools are very much improved from last year, and that she is working on employment opportunities for summer positions, and for next year's school year, as well.

Mr. Rob Hughes reports to the board that construction at the football field is moving along, in spite of the rain delays.

Transportation Director, Mr. Dennis Jackson, spoke to the board about the recent flooding issues when it came to the buses, and hoped that the inclement weather incidents were now behind us for the remainder of the school year.

Superintendent Doug Bechanan gave the staff of both schools a shout-out and complimented them on all that they have accomplished as the school year winds down. He said construction is going well, and that attendance is phenomenal and unlike any other year. He concluded by saying that good things are going on at the Nicholas County School System.

The meeting was subsequently adjourned.



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Rodney Dale

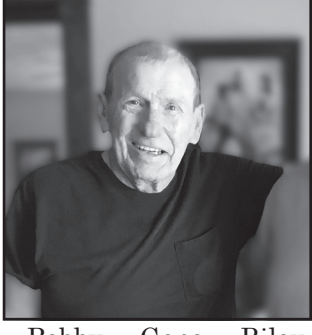


Rodney Dale 87 husband to the late Naomi Dale died Tuesday April 15, 2025 at Harrison Memorial Hospital. He was born on December 9 , 1937 to the late El-

sie Floyd Dale and Pearl Baker Dale. He retired from Wayne Supply. He was a hard-working man that enjoyed mowing yards, gardening and attending auctions with his brothers and grandson. He is survived by two sons Doug Dale (Billie Jean), Timmy Dale. Five grandchildren Tracy Dale, Tina Dale, Missy Dale, Wayne King and Shelly King (Chris McCarty, eight great grandchildren Hannah Howard, Jasmine Howard, Ann Howard, Gabby Howard, Noah Howard, Kimberly King, Kaitlyn King, Lexi McCarty and Steven McCarty, one brother Elsie Junior Dale. He was preceded

in death by a daughter Ruth King, five brothers John Elsie Dale, William Dale, Ollie Dale, Teddy Lee Dale and Edward Lee Dale, two sisters Susan Lullon and Rodney's twin sister Hattie Cadle. Funeral services were Wednesday April 23, 2025, at Carlisle-Clark Funeral Home with Bro. Steve Smith officiating with burial following in Evergreen Memory Garden Cemetery. Visitation was Tuesday 4 – 6 pm. Pallbearers were Doug Dale, Wayne King, Chris McCarty, Steven McCarty, Bill Combs and John Buckler. Carlisle-Clark Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Bobby Gene Riley



Bobby Gene Riley, 81, of Sharpsburg went to his Heavenly Home, Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at the VA Medical Center in Lexington, KY after a short illness. Bobby was born in Buckhorn, KY to the late Robert Riley and Bertie Friley Riley. He was a retired Sergeant in the US Army, Vietnam Veteran and was awarded a Purple Heart Cluster and a Bronze Star.

Bobby leaves behind his wife of 56 years, Brenda Curran Riley

of Sharpsburg, KY; a daughter, Melissa Riley of Carlisle, KY; a son, Jerry Riley (Crystal) of Mt. Washington, KY; sister, Louise Riley Curran of Carlisle, KY; sister-in-law, Darlene Riley of Auburn, IN; grandchildren, Chelsea Snyder (Eric), Abigail Noe (Trevor), Trevor Winburn (Summer), Megan Pagel (Brendon), Cara Riley, Carl Riley, Ashley Burbrink and Ben Pugh; great grandchildren, Oliver Snyder, Teagan Snyder, Alistair Snyder, Opal Pagel, Treyton Winburn, Silas Winburn, Miles Winburn, Josie Brooks and Dawson Barnett; a host of nieces and nephews; and his faithful chihuahua, Diego.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Anthony Gene Riley; brothers, John B. Riley (Wanda),

George "Jeeter" Riley (Jeanette) and Harry Riley; and sisters, Ida Dindo, "Skippy" Monroe (Frank), Jeanette Purvis (Earl) and Rose Purvis.

Funeral services were Saturday, April 19, 2025 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Owingsville, KY with Bishop Johnathan Nelson officiating, burial following Crown Hill Cemetery. Visitation was held 11 AM-12 PM, Saturday, April 19, 2025 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Owingsville, KY. Pallbearers were Trevor Winburn, Trevor Noe, Brendon Pagel, Carl Riley, Oliver Snyder and Shawn Becraft. Honorary pallbearers were Christopher Jones, Ben Pugh, Treyton Winburn, Alistair Snyder, Michael Tapp and Chris Jones.

Local book reseller has another big find, set for national publicity

By Cecil Lawson
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A Sharpsburg man who has had a string of luck finding valuable signed books has done it again.

Christopher Kidney, who has made the news over the past few weeks finding valuable signed copies of rare books, recently located another signed edition at the Goodwill Store in Morehead.

Kidney located a signed first edition copy of Oliver's North biography, Under Fire: An American Story, published in 1991. North is well-known for his role in the Iran-Contra Affair in the late 1980s, in which he was indicted for conspiring to defraud the United States by using proceeds from

the illegal sale of arms to Iran to fund the Contra rebels in Nicaragua. His charges were subsequently reversed on appeal, and North became a hero to conservatives in the United States and a political commentator and writer.

We previously reported that Kidney came upon signature of early baseball legend Honus Wagner inside a 1948 copy of The History of

Kidney
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NOTICE

The Robertson County Fiscal Court is accepting bids for an Emergency Communications System. Bids will be accepted through May 7, 2025 and specifications for the project are available through the office of the County Judge Executive at 26 Court St, Mt Olivet, KY; M T Th F 8:30 am- 4pm and W 8:30am-Noon. Bids will be open May 9th, 2025 at 10am at the County Judge Executive's Office.

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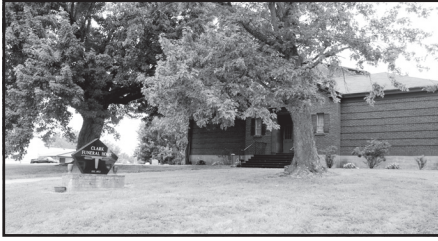
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