

Public Service Announcement

**ENJOY
FIREWORKS
SAFELY!**

Gallatin County Emergency
Management Office
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According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), an estimated 9,700 people were treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries associated with fireworks. More than half the injuries were burns and most involved the hands, eyes and head and 50 percent of the victims were children under age 15.

As the July 4th holiday approaches, the Home Safety Council urges families to enjoy fireworks the safer way, by attending locally sanctioned fireworks shows presented by professionals who adhere to safety codes.

Fireworks are not toys, they are devices designed to reach high temperatures, to burn and spark, and to explode and launch. They are unpredictable by nature and too dangerous for nonprofessional users.

Dr. Gary Smith, Director of the Center for Injury Research and Policy at Columbus Children's Research Institute in Ohio conducted a 22-year study of fireworks injuries treated in emergency rooms. What he found may help you understand the risk. Here is a sampling:

67 percent of sparkler-related injuries were among children 5 years or younger

70 percent of patients treated for all fireworks injuries were male

Adult supervision was present in 54 percent of the cases

The eyes were injured in nearly one-third of the cases

The average age of patients was eight and ½ years

Although many states permit fireworks use by consumers, only trained and experienced experts should use or transport fireworks. Read more about fireworks regulations in your state.

Be aware fireworks safety is not a supervision issue. A fireworks injury can happen in the blink of an eye, whether or not a parent is standing by with a bucket of water. During the holiday, keep in mind that the safest amateur use of fireworks is none at all.

Blood donors still needed

Only you can prevent blood shortages, and that starts by donating blood at an upcoming Kentucky Blood Center blood drive in your community.

Blood cannot be manufactured. That means the health of the blood supply – and the patients who rely on it for a variety of needs – is entirely dependent on donors giving blood at drives like this one.

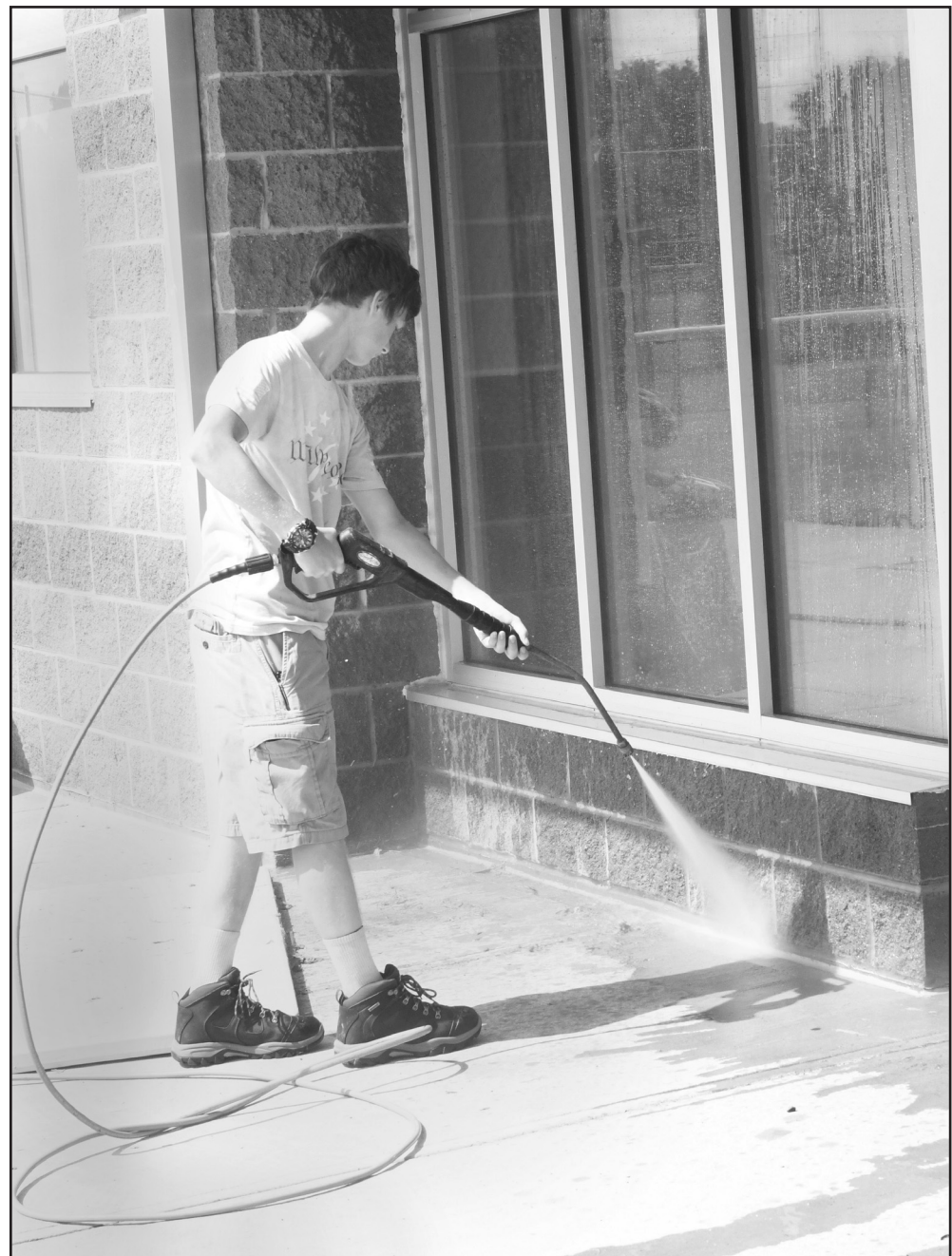
**Gallatin County
Public Library
Monday, July 6 from
Noon–5 p.m.**

**Meeting Room
209 W Market St
Warsaw, KY 41095**

Donors will receive a limited-edition “Only You Can Prevent Blood Shortages” T-shirt (while supplies last) as a thank you for doing their part to ensure a healthy blood supply.

Patients in Central and Eastern Kentucky count on KBC donors. Kentucky Blood Center provides blood to more than 70 local hospitals. Unfortunately, blood donations often decrease in the summer because of warm-weather activities, family vacations and no school.

Blood donors must be at least 17 years old (16 with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health, show a photo I.D. and meet additional requirements. Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome. To schedule a donation, visit kybloodcenter.org or call 800.775.2522.



Washing up

Brennan Schlueter used a pressure washer to clean the high school's sports annex on Monday. Working with him was Bo Ford. Photo by Kelley Warnick



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**Join us as we
celebrate America 250 years
at the Warsaw Independence
Day Parade!**

Saturday, July 4 at 1 p.m.

**12-Noon: Line up at the High
School Parking Lot**

Sponsored by:

Tadmor Masonic Lodge #108

For more info, call Jerry Webb at 849-6722 or
Ethan Moore at 859-743-1478

NOTICE TO GALLATIN COUNTY TAXPAYERS

Christina McEntire, Gallatin County Clerk pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that the 2025 Delinquent Real Property Tax Bills (Certificates of Delinquency) will be published in the Gallatin County News on July 8, 2026. The list of Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection during the hours of Monday – Friday 8:00 – 4:30 at the Gallatin County Clerk's office located at 803 East Main Street, Warsaw, KY. This list may also be inspected on the Software Management delinquent tax website. The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the website is <http://kydtx.smlc.us/> and on the Gallatin County Clerk website. The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the website is <http://gallatincountykyclerk.ky.gov>. The tax sale will be held on Thursday, August 13, 2026 beginning at 8:30 am. All interested participants must register with the Gallatin County Clerk's office by 4:00 p.m. on August 3, 2026. Please contact the Gallatin County Clerk's office if you need additional information about the tax sale registration process, the required registration fee or the deposit amounts that will be needed. Taxpayers can continue to pay their delinquent tax bills to the Gallatin County Clerk's office anytime prior to the tax sale. **Please note: All payments must be received in the County Clerk's office prior to the tax sale date listed in this advertisement. Payments received after the tax sale has been conducted will be returned without exception.** Some delinquencies – although they have been advertised – will be excluded from the tax sale in accordance with the provisions of KRS 134.504(10)(b). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Gallatin County Clerk's office at 859-567-5411.