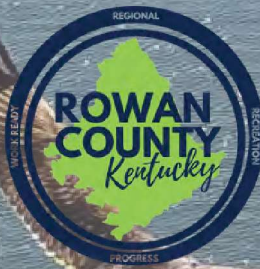


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Blacktopping Complete!

Let's give a pat on the back to the dedicated team at the Rowan County Road Department for successfully completing another year of annual blacktopping! Their hard work and commitment to maintaining our local roads are truly commendable. Thank you for your tireless efforts in keeping our roads in top condition, ensuring that we can all travel safely. Well done!

Keep reading on page 2 for a full list of blacktopped roads separated by funds and district, as well as bridges repaired this year. *(Pictured Above: Pattie's Lick Road)*

BLACKTOPPING COMPLETE!

COMPLETED-COUNTY FUNDS

District 1

Grayson Drive
Dale Hollow
Cave Run Ct.
Valley View Rd.
West Wood
Copperas Hollow
Jackson Drive
Smokey Valley

District 2

Triplett Rd
Doe Run
Sylvan Chase
Kingsolver Ct.
Rubio Place
Brosi Ct.
Cotter Way
Arnow Way
McClanhan Ct.
Still Place
Grafton Ct.

District 3

View Lane (in progress)
Jerralls Rd
Hogtown Cem.
W. Calavert Rd.
Veterans Ln. (in progress)
Fall Lane (in progress)
Woodlawn Tr. (in progress)
Sunnyside Ln. (in progress)
Rose Road (in progress)
Rob's Mtn (in progress)
Oak Brook

District 4

Little Perry

COMPLETED-FLEX FUNDS

Winding Way
Logan Hollow
Luallen Ct.
Kennedy Ct.
Washington Cir.
Clinton Dr.
Roosevelt Blvd.
McBrayer Rd.
W.P. Mabry Rd
Andy White Br.
Patties Lick Rd.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

Thanks to Discretionary Funds presented by Governor Andy Beshear, we paved:

- Clearfork Road

Next year we will be able to complete paving:

- Sugarloaf Mountain Road
- McBrayer Road
- Morgan Fork Road

BRIDGES REPAIRED

- Cimarron Bridge
- Gene White Bridge
- Messer Bridge
- Old Hilda Bridge (in progress)



Left to right: W. Calavert Road, Hogtown Cemetery Road, Jerralls Road, W. P. Mabry Road. Background: Patties Lick Road. Above: Messer Bridge

Annual 'Antler Alert' by Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Reminds Drivers of the Hazard Created by Deer on the Move

The annual "Antler Alert" issued by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) reminds motorists that the peak season for deer-vehicle collisions is upon us. About half of all deer-related crashes occur during the last three months of the year, with November having the most. KYTC Secretary Jim Gray said, "That's why we take time each year to remind drivers to use extra caution now through December as deer and other wildlife are on the move. While deer can show up at all hours, they create a particular hazard at dusk and at night when visibility is not the greatest."

According to Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Acting Deer Program Coordinator Joe McDermott, deer mating season is triggered by shorter days and cooler nights, putting deer on the move. Farmers harvesting crops contribute to this movement as deer are forced to range farther afield for forage and hiding places. Pressure from hunters also contributes to deer activity. McDermott said, "Deer essentially have blinders on during this time, which makes them particularly susceptible to motor vehicle collisions."

In addition to causing vehicle damage, deer can be hazardous to humans. In Kentucky, 3,083 highway crashes involving deer were reported to police in 2022, up about 100 from the 2021 numbers. There were four reported fatalities and 20 serious injuries due to deer collisions in 2022. A list of deer-vehicle crashes listed county-by-county can be found under additional resources below. Its 2022-2023 numbers indicate Kentucky ranks 18th nationally for deer collisions, with drivers having a 1 in 91 chance of hitting a deer.

The Transportation Cabinet offers these driving tips:

- Slow down immediately upon spotting a deer crossing the roadway; they tend to travel in groups.
- Don't swerve to avoid a deer, which can result in a more serious crash with an oncoming vehicle or roadside object.
- In the event of a crash, keep both hands on the wheel and apply brakes steadily until stopped.
- Always wear a seat belt.
- Keep headlights on bright at night unless other vehicles are approaching.
- Eliminate distractions while driving: Phones down!
- Drive defensively, constantly scanning the roadside, especially at dawn and dusk, when deer are most active.

Motorists are asked to report all deer-vehicle collisions to police. KYTC traffic engineers use the crash data to aid in placing deer-crossing warning signs and other safety measures.

Additional Resources

<https://transportation.ky.gov/Documents/Crash-Deer-2022.xlsx>

<https://transportation.ky.gov/Documents/2022-Reported-Deer-Collisions-Kentucky.pdf>

County Preparing for Winter Weather Events

The Road Department is preparing for winter weather events to come. They are readying equipment and have plenty salt in reserves. Rest assured that these dedicated employees are doing their best to maintain our county roads.

With the possibility of winter weather events on the way, we would like to remind everyone that there are some great resources available to keep everyone informed of emergencies. The Smart911 app allows cellphone users to receive community emergency messages, including dangerous weather conditions, missing persons, road closures, and other urgent notifications. The app is available for Android and iPhone, with optional location services if you want to receive alerts based on your current location rather than just your home address. If you use a landline, Rowan County Alert sends the same messages as a recorded call with the caller ID 606-784-2618. Busy numbers and numbers that do not connect will be redialed up to 3 times.

You can sign up for Smart911 by visiting rcky.us/rowan-alert-smart-911.

AN INSIDE LOOK: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BY SAVANNAH JACKSON

Emergency management plays a crucial role in preparing for, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impact of various disasters and emergencies. These duties are essential to protect the safety and well-being of residents and communities. Local emergency management in Kentucky entails a well-coordinated effort by local governments and agencies within their respective jurisdictions. Each county typically maintains its local emergency management agency, overseen by a local director, working in collaboration with elected officials, first responders, and other stakeholders.

The Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS) that require local governments to develop and maintain emergency management plans are primarily found in KRS Chapter 39B, which deals with "State and Local Government Emergencies." Specifically, it is KRS 39B.020 that outlines the requirement for local governments to develop and maintain emergency management plans. This statute specifies the responsibilities and obligations of local governments in preparing for and responding to emergencies and disasters. KRS 39B.020 states, in part: "(1) Each local government shall develop and maintain an emergency operations plan for its jurisdiction which shall be in accordance with the federal emergency management system and any federal legislation." This means that every local government in Kentucky is mandated to establish and continually update an emergency operations plan. These plans must be consistent with federal emergency management standards and any relevant federal laws that pertain to emergency management.

The content and specific details of these emergency operations plans may vary by jurisdiction, as they are intended to address the unique needs and vulnerabilities of each locality within the state. Local governments are responsible for ensuring that these plans are kept up-to-date, well-coordinated, and that they involve various stakeholders, including emergency responders, public health officials, and community organizations. This is crucial for effective disaster preparedness and response efforts at the local level.

The Rowan County Emergency Management Office is affiliated with many programs, including Earthquake, Mitigation, Search and Rescue, Responder Training, Local Emergency Planning Committee, Kentucky Department of Homeland Security, and Amber Alert. Rowan County Emergency Management plays an active role with the Public Assistance program that, during times of declared disasters, will coordinate with the Commonwealth of Kentucky and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to offer assistance to those who qualify. Our office staff is available or on call 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. Our Emergency Management Director, Jarred Moore, is responsible for developing and maintaining emergency operations plans and facilitating coordination among local agencies, state authorities, and the public.

Emergency management also involves a great deal of public education and outreach, conducting or coordinating training and exercises, oversight of resource management, and implementation of mitigation strategies. Their work ensures that communities are well-prepared, informed, and resilient when facing various emergencies and disasters, making them a crucial part of Kentucky's emergency management system.

COUNTY APPOINTS RYAN GLOVER AS NEW DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

On Friday, October 13, Ryan Glover took the constitutional oath and was sworn in by Judge Clark as Deputy Emergency Management Director at 3:00 PM at Morehead, witnessed by EM Director Jarred Moore and Director of Operations Dylan Lambert.

We are thrilled to announce Ryan Glover as our new Deputy Emergency Management Director. With Ryan's extensive experience as a first responder and his dedication to public safety, we are confident he will play a crucial role in enhancing our county's preparedness and response efforts. Please join us in congratulating Ryan on this well-deserved appointment, and let's welcome him warmly to his new role. We look forward to his positive impact on our community's safety and well-being.



MEMBERS OF ROWAN COUNTY DIVE TEAM COMPLETE DRY SUIT CERTIFICATION

Four members from the Rowan County Dive Team went to Laurel Lake to complete their Dry Suit Certification. This allows the team to be able to dive in very cold water temperatures.



ROWAN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EVALUATES HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RELEASE EXERCISE

Rowan County Emergency Management Director Jarred Moore traveled to Greenup County to evaluate a hazardous material release exercise. The exercise was a full scale functional exercise involving local industry, schools, assisted living facility, and all emergency services. There were more than 100 key players.



Emergency Management Director Jarred Moore visited Rodburn Elementary as a guest speaker. He discussed severe weather, emergency preparedness, and fire prevention.



Rowan County Codifies E-911 Addressing Policies

911 is the number most people in the U.S. call to get help in a police, fire or medical emergency, but what's lesser known is how this system works. A 9-1-1 call goes over a dedicated phone line to the 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), and the trained personnel sends help to the location of the emergency. Enhanced 9-1-1, or E9-1-1 is a system which routes an emergency call to a PSAP, and automatically displays the caller's phone number and address. Phase II wireless allows the cell phone call to route to a PSAP and may also show the dispatcher the address of the cell tower supporting the cell call and the latitude and longitude of the caller's location. The dispatcher then can place the latitude and longitude and a map located in the dispatch center and get an approximate location of the caller. This kind of geolocation is needed in many emergency situations and helps authorities respond.

Correct addressing is critical to this process and to emergency response itself. The process of mapping and addressing the county is directed by the 911 Board and the 911 GIS Address Agent or their designee. All properties in the county are assigned a numbered address, in order to provide adequate and prompt fire, police and emergency medical services to the residences of the county. It is necessary for all such emergency personnel to readily identify residential, commercial and industrial structures by the assigned street number at all times during the day and night.

Codifying existing E-911 Addressing policies into an ordinance helps clarify the relevant rules and authorities on this matter, strengthening its important role in emergency response for our community.

Local Firefighters Attend Training for Vehicle Stabilization and Safe Victim Removal



The Rowan Review Reaches 1300 Subscribers!

The Rowan Review has reached 1300 subscribers! Over three and a half years ago, we started publishing the Rowan Review to raise awareness of what's going on locally, particularly within county government. As your public officials, we prioritize having free, easily accessible information for everyone in the community about what we do.

Thanks to the writing, editing, and publishing by Savannah Jackson and the distribution efforts led by Carlos Bowman, we've ensured that important information about Rowan County is made available to the public every month. Transparency is very important to us, and this is one part of it. We also want to share good news about what's happening in our community, demonstrating what we already know: that Rowan County is a truly great place to live, work, and visit. We hope to highlight the importance of all the work by dedicated citizens that goes into implementing positive change in our county. We grow closer to this goal with every edition.

All you have to do is sign up at rcky.us/review to receive this great monthly resource at no cost to you.



SCSEP

Senior Community Service
Employment Program

WE ARE

RECRUITING

IN ORDER TO QUALIFY

- Be 55 years of age or older
- Be Eligible to work in the United States
- Have an annual Income not more than 125% of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines
- Be Currently Unemployed

As a SCSEP participant you can improve your skills, and help the community while supplementing your income.

If you are interested, we would love to hear from you!



CONTACT US TODAY

scsep@bsacap.org
606.789.6517



Kentucky Area Development Directors Meet in Rowan and Tour Region

The Kentucky Area Development Directors (KADD) met this month at the Gateway Area Development District (GADD) office here in Rowan County. Those present for the meeting traveled to the Gateway Regional Kitchen to tour the recently expanded facility, as well as Morehead State University's Space Science Center.

The Gateway Regional Kitchen accommodates Menifee, Bath, Montgomery, Morgan, and Rowan counties and served 105,887 meals during the fiscal year 2022-23. The tour included a look at GADD's Motor Meals, a food truck serving free, hot meals to anyone age 60 and up in the above-mentioned counties. Check out our highlight below for more information on the program.

The Space Science Center at Morehead State University is a \$15.6 million support facility containing classrooms, laboratories, and offices. It is a great asset to our community.

Thank you to everyone on the GADD team for showing hospitality on behalf of our region. Interested in learning more about the services GADD provides? Visit www.gwadd.org.



About the GADD MotorMeals Program

Gateway Area Development District (GADD) has launched a mobile meal distribution site program, MotorMeals. GADD, who operates the senior centers in Bath, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, and Rowan Counties, will canvas the region targeting populated areas, communities, and housing developments to provide seniors with a hot nutritionally-qualified meal. The MotorMeals food truck will be set up at various locations within the region each week from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, excluding holidays and inclement weather days. The program is already underway, and a complete schedule can be obtained by contacting your local senior center, visiting www.gwadd.org, or by following GADD on its Facebook and Twitter social media platforms.

The MotorMeals program, made possible by financial assistance from the Kentucky Department for Aging and Independent Living (DAIL), via Expanded Senior Meal Program (ESMP) funding authorized by Governor Andy Beshear and the Kentucky General Assembly, will serve those 60 years of age and older across GADD's five-county service region. Services provided through the MotorMeals program will include meal and nutrition services, information and assistance, and outreach resources.

To participate in the program, individuals must be enrolled, or enroll, in a GADD senior center program. Signing up is quick and easy, and can be completed over the phone by contacting your local senior center. Individuals will be limited to one (1) meal per person each serving day, and meals will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis; individuals must be present to receive a meal. The meals are provided at no cost; however, a \$1.00 donation is suggested. For more information on the MotorMeals program, eligibility requirements, or other services offered through GADD's Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living, please contact your local senior center site or GADD's Aging and Disability Resource Center at 855.882.5307.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES



Steve Kelsey
Road Foreman

Blacktopping is completed. Check out a full list of newly blacktopped roads on page 2. Bridge repairs on Old Hilda are underway. Our snowplow and salt are ready for the winter. Follow @RCFiscalCourt on Facebook for road closure updates.



Homer Lewis
Ambulance Service

Following former EMS Director Danny Blevins' retirement, Homer Lewis has been named Interim EMS Director. We welcome him into the interim role and look forward to his contributions. New defibrillators are set to arrive this month. These will provide real-time EKGs and greatly improve emergency cardiac care.



Wes Coldiron
Jailer

The jail is full. There are no updates from the Rowan County Detention Center at this time. To view our booking and inmate services, visit <https://www.rcky.us/detentioncenter>.



Tyler Brown
Solid Waste and
Floodplain

Litter abatement is currently around 305 miles, 26 dump sites, and 6,329 trash bags total. The Recycling Center recycled 83,000 pounds of cardboard last month. We held a free dump day this month with a great turnout.



Mike Mackin
Finance Director

I want to recognize Cynthia Pennington for all the work she does. She is a great asset to our office. For further information on alcohol license applications, business regulations, occupational tax, and net profits, I can be reached at 606-784-6218 or michael.mackin@rcky.us.



Nick Brown
Animal Control
Officer

To see the animals we have in the shelter, visit rcky.us/animal-control and follow our Facebook page, @RowanDogPound. Consider adopting instead of shopping for a pet and visit us today. The Tri-County Animal Shelter accepts checks, debit, and credit. To learn more about how animal control works in Rowan County, visit rcky.us/news/animal-control-in-rowan.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: WALT CASSITY

If you've noticed just how nice your grounds at the Courthouse and Judicial Center have been looking this year, Walt Cassity is one of the gentlemen responsible for that. Walt signed on with us some time ago as a part-time groundskeeper, and has waged his own one man war on the leaves and weeds. He puts in a lot of time at it, and he takes pride in his work because our citizens should have a respectable building to do their business in. Not to mention he's a stand up guy who would do anything for anybody, and we really appreciate him.

UPDATES ON NEW SENIOR CENTER BUILDING

Progress continues on the new Senior Center Building. The Fiscal Court authorized Judge Executive Harry Clark to finalize documents. This will be completed in the coming weeks. We will likely begin the process of going out to bid around December.

Keeping the public informed of everything we do is of utmost important to us in the Rowan County Fiscal Court, and publishing information like this is part of it. We broadcast all our Fiscal Court meetings live on Facebook at @RCFiscalCourt, post the minutes to our website rcky.us, and, as you know, publish this newsletter every month. We hope these free and easily accessible resources will help keep our populace up to date on everything we do as your county government. We frequently update our online resources, so take a look at our website and Facebook to see what's new!

MONTHLY COMMUNITY EVENTS

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2023

ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY RECURRING EVENTS

WEEK OF 10/24

COMMUNITY SQUARE DANCE- JOIN KENTUCKY CENTER FOR TRADITIONAL MUSIC FOR A FREE COMMUNITY SQUARE DANCE! NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE NEEDED. EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE CAMPUS OF MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY INSIDE ADUC. 10/24 AT 6:30-8:30 PM

MOREHEAD HARVEST FESTIVAL
10/27 - 5PM-9PM
10/28- 8AM-7PM
10/29 - 1PM-7PM

FOOD VENDORS - GAMES - PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST - SCARECROW CONTEST - TRACTOR SHOW - CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT - HAYRIDE - CAKE WALK - SINGING - CRAFT VENDORS & MUCH MORE!! SUNDAY - OLD FASHION DAY - SOUP BEANS COOKING ON AN OPEN FIRE!! VENDOR SET UP & INFO. - JEFF FANNIN - 606-776-2639 - JEFF@PRINTUSA.COM

POPPY MOUNTAIN TRAIL FEST 2023 HIT THE TRAILS AT POPPY MOUNTAIN TRAILS FEST ON 10/27-28. ENJOY LIVE MUSIC FROM COREY HEDGE & KENTUCKY MUSIC MAFIA ON 10/27 AND A PERFORMANCE BY CHASE MATTHEW ON 10/28. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT (606) 356-5785

MKM SOAP AND HALDEMAN BRICKYARD HALLOWEEN TRUNK OR TREAT 4500 OPEN FORK RD AT 6 PM TO 9 PM ON SATURDAY 10/28.

ALL ARE WELCOME. THEY ARE ALSO ASKING THAT ANY AND EVERYONE WHO WANTS TO HAND OUT CANDY TO THE KIDS TO COME ON OVER AND HAVE SOME FUN. BUSINESS ARE WELCOME TOO! PLEASE GET HERE EARLY TO SET UP AND DRESS UP. COSTUMES ARE A PLUS. NEED INFO? CALL THEM AT 606-780-4043.

YAK HUSBANDRY & RESEARCH CONFERENCE DERRICKSON AGRICULTURAL COMPLEX ON OCTOBER 28. REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8:30AM. LUNCH IS PROVIDED. FREE EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION ON RAISING YAKS. VISIT [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/YAKCONFERENCE](https://tinyurl.com/yakconference)

CAVE RUN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: HAUNTED HARMONIES 10/29 FROM 3-5PM AT THE MOREHEAD CONFERENCE CENTER

WEEK OF 10/30

MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING WEEK 10/30-11/4

SAY BOO! TO DRUGS ON MAIN STREET, MOREHEAD, OCTOBER 31 FROM 6-8PM. FREE!

TRICK OR TREAT OCT 31 FROM 6-8PM

LATER EVENTS

RODEO- MOREHEAD ULTIMATE BULLS, BRONCS, AND BARRELS SHOWDOWN WILL TAKE PLACE AT DERRICKSON AGRICULTURE COMPLEX ON NOVEMBER 17, 18, AND 19! YOU CAN FIND TICKET AND EVENT INFORMATION AT THE WEBSITE LINKED.

[HTTPS://WWW.ROTEOTICKET.COM/MOREHEAD-ULTIMATE-BULLS-BRONCS-AND-BARRELS-SHOWDOWN/RODEO-INFORMATION](https://www.roteoticket.com/morehead-ultimate-bulls-broncs-and-barrels-showdown/rodeo-information)

CHRISTMAS BAZAR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 10AM - 2PM COME OUT TO THE HALDEMAN COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THE 6TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF VENDORS AND INDEPENDENT CONSULTANTS. LUNCH WILL BE SERVED. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MARI AT 219.921.6062

AIRPORT BREAKFAST

The Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 1525 (The Bluegrass Flyers) serves a nutritious breakfast at the Morehead-Rowan County Clyde A Thomas Regional Airport the 1st Saturday of each month, 8:00 - 10:30 AM. The price of \$5.00 goes to support student flight scholarships and youth flying activities such as Young Eagles. Come out and look at airplanes, meet our members and talk aviation as long as you like. We also welcome new members. You don't have to be a pilot or have a plane - Just an abiding interest in aviation or the opportunity to help young people explore and achieve their flying dreams.

RECURRING EVENTS

TRIVIA NIGHT AT THE MOREHEAD HISTORY AND RAILROAD MUSEUM, SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 6 PM

PROJECT LINUS BLANKETEERS MEETS FIRST TUESDAY EVERY MONTH 4PM AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

AMERICAN LEGION POST 126 BINGO (CHARITABLE GAMING LIC#00002028) EVERY 1ST SUNDAY MONTHLY, DOORS OPEN AT NOON, FIRST BALL DROPS AT 2 PM

MSU STAR THEATER

OCTOBER 28

11 AM EXPLORING NEW HORIZONS
1:30 PM WHEN VENUS TRANSITS THE SUN (ADD A SHORT FILM ON EXOPLANET CROSSINGS)
6:30 PM LASER FRIGHT LIGHT

NOVEMBER 11

11 AM LEGENDS OF THE NIGHT SKY: ORION AND PERSEUS AND ANDROMEDA
1:30 PM ORIGINS OF LIFE
6:30 PM LASER ZEPPELLIN

NOVEMBER 25- NO THANKSGIVING WEEKEND SHOW

CITY-COUNTY CHRISTMAS DINNER

CELEBRATE THE CHRISTMAS SEASON WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS AT THE ANNUAL CITY-COUNTY CHRISTMAS DINNER. ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7TH FROM 4-7PM AT THE CARL PERKINS CENTER, START YOUR HOLIDAY WITH A COMMUNITY-WIDE CELEBRATION OF THE SEASON. A DELICIOUS FREE DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED BY YOUR CITY AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THIS FREE COMMUNITY EVENT. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

LOCATIONS, HOURS, AND CONTACT INFO

ROWAN COUNTY ARTS CENTER:
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 10AM-4:30PM
SATURDAY & SUNDAY: BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
ROWAN COUNTY ARTS CENTER
CALL: 606-783-9857
EMAIL: RCAC@MOREHEADTOURISM.COM
VISIT: ROWANCOUNTYARTSCENTER.COM

ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY:
MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9AM-7PM
FRIDAY & SATURDAY: 9AM-5PM
ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
CALL: 606-784-7137
VISIT: ROWANCOUNTYLIBRARY.ORG

MOREHEAD CONFERENCE CENTER
CALL: 606-780-9694
EMAIL: MCC@MOREHEADTOURISM.COM
VISIT: MOREHEADCONFERENCECENTER.COM
KENTUCKY FOLK ART CENTER:
MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10AM-4PM
CALL: 606-783-2204
EMAIL: KFAC@MOREHEADSTATE.EDU
VISIT: MOREHEADSTATE.EDU/KFAC/

ROWAN COUNTY VETERANS' MUSEUM
SATURDAY 10AM-2PM, OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT
CALL: 606-776-3147
MOREHEAD RAILROAD AND HISTORY MUSEUM
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 11AM-5PM
CALL: 606-784-5122
HALDEMAN MUSEUM
WEDNESDAY- SUNDAY 10AM-8PM
CALL: 606-780-4043

ZUMBA GOLD AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, EVERY MONDAY, 6 PM

CRAFTIN AROUND FOR 13+ AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 2ND MONDAY MONTHLY, 10 AM-2 PM

CARDBOARD SOCIETY AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, BOARD GAMES FOR GRADES 6-12, 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH, 2-4PM

STORYTIME AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY:
TUESDAYS AT 10:15 AM FOR TODDLERS
TUESDAYS AT 11:15 AM FOR PRE-K (3-5)
THURSDAYS AT 4 PM FOR AGES 5-12

DEVICE ADVICE AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1ST TUESDAY MONTHLY, 10AM-NOON

ON BOARD- GAME NIGHT AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, LAST TUESDAY MONTHLY, 4-6PM

CHOW CLUB- COOKING CLUB FOR ADULTS AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY- 4TH TUESDAY MONTHLY, 11AM-1PM

TEEN ANIME CLUB (13-17) AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1ST WEDNESDAY MONTHLY, 4:30-6:30 PM

LEGO CLUB FOR 5-12 AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 2ND WEDNESDAY MONTHLY, 4 PM

TEEN GAME NIGHT (13-17) AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3RD WEDNESDAY MONTHLY, 4 PM

PROJECT LINUS BLANKETEERS MEETS FIRST TUESDAY EVERY MONTH 4PM AT THE ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

DO YOU WANT YOUR COMMUNITY EVENT FEATURED IN THE ROWAN REVIEW?

Contact Savannah Jackson at 606-784-5151 or email savannah.jackson@rcky.us for a list of Rowan Review article/event submission deadlines and publishing dates.

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(FB- Steve Griggs/IG@DroneBufo)

ROWAN COUNTY HALLOWEEN DECORATION CONTEST

Judge Harry Clark would like to invite all the people of Morehead and Rowan County to participate in our Halloween Decoration Contest. Any Morehead-Rowan County resident or business (including nonprofits or other organizations with a physical location in Morehead-Rowan County) is welcome to join in on the fun.

You have the opportunity to win bragging rights, be featured on our Facebook page with over seven thousand followers, be featured in the November edition of the Rowan Review newsletter, and win some really nice prizes, including a \$100 prepaid Visa gift card donated personally by Judge Clark, a stay at the Hickory Flatts Fire Tower and Cabin, and a food basket donated by God's Pantry. Prizes will be awarded to residences only, although business will be judged as well in a separate category. Attached are some photos of previous winners.

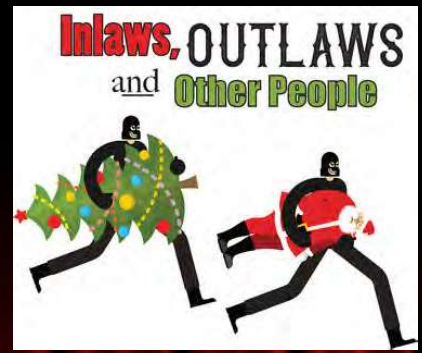
Visit www.rcky.us/halloween to enter the contest before midnight on Friday, October 27th. Entering is as simple as uploading a photo from your phone. We'd love to see more participation. Get into the Halloween Spirit and decorate your home to be the prettiest, scariest, funkiest, or funniest in the county! Good luck!



City/County Christmas Dinner Returning December 7th

Celebrate the Christmas season with your friends and neighbors at the annual City-County Christmas Dinner. On Thursday, December 7th from 4-7pm at the Carl Perkins Center, start your holiday with a community-wide celebration of the season. A delicious free dinner will be provided by your city and county employees and elected officials. Everyone is invited to this free community event. We hope to see you there.

Morehead Theatre Guild Presents Hilarious Christmas Comedy



The Morehead Theatre Guild will present its final show of 2023 just in time to kick off the holiday season. The play is a sidesplitting comedy called *Inlaws, Outlaws and Other People (That Should Be Shot)* by Steve Franco. It begins on a snowy Christmas Eve as Dad and Beth are busy preparing their annual dinner for the quirky relatives who are due at any moment. Mom is on a business trip to Vermont and her flight has been delayed due to the snow which continues to pile up as the scene unfolds and as the relatives arrive. Two robbers -- Tony and Vinny -- who have just held up a nearby store, knock on the door looking for a place to hide out. Diana Reeder, who is co-directing this show with Sara Lindsey, quips that "calling these two guys 'competent' is quite the overstatement." The relatives are persistently needy and continue to hound the robbers for everything from food and coffee to bathroom breaks. Then, to heighten the farce, uninvited next-door neighbors begin to show up at the door until pretty soon the house is so full there is nowhere for everyone to sit.

Cast members are: Mike Dobranski as Dad, Chloe Mace as Beth, Sara Katherine Manning-Beavin as Mrs. Draper, George David McKee as Bud, Jessica Taulbee as Bunny, Jenna McKee as Tracy, Pam Hammonds as Aunt Rose, J. D. Reeder as Uncle Leo, Daryl Thompson as Tony, Drew Henderson as Vinny, Dusty Salyer as Paul, Lily Jamison as Emily, Lorie Conley as Mrs. Wakowski, Lora Pace as Janet, and Kevin Bass as Officer Henley. Director Sara Lindsey affirms that "this show is so funny cast members and crew are finding it difficult to get through rehearsals." Reeder adds, "This show is a must-see; the comedy abounds and yet it will still put our hearts and minds in the right place as we enter the Christmas season."

The play will be performed at the Rowan County Arts Center two weekends -- November 3, 4, 5 and 10, 11, 12; Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are on sale now by calling 252-774-0351 and online at www.moreheadtheatre.org. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.



Caption: MTG players rehearsing a scene from "Inlaws, Outlaws and Other People (That Should Be Shot)." From left: Chloe Mace as Beth, Jenna McKee as Tracy, Jessica Taulbee as Bunny, George McKee as Bud, Mike Dobranski as Dad, J. D. Reeder as Uncle Leo, and Pam Hammonds as Aunt Rose.

Rowan County Public Library Updates

by Morgan Mullins

10/24, 5pm: Teen Creepy Craft Night

There's an eerie event for teens at the library October 24th, starting at 5pm: Look forward to some awful arts and cryptic crafts, accompanied by a Halloween movie! There's no cost and all materials are provided, but seating is limited; register on the library website at rowancountylibrary.org to save your spot.

10/25, 1pm: Crochet 101

The public library is offering a new 5-month course for those interested in learning to crochet (or dusting off your existing crocheting skills). Sessions begin October 25th at 1pm, with hooks, yarn, and patterns provided by the library at no cost. Seating is limited, but you only need to register once for all 5 classes; visit rowancountylibrary.org to sign up and learn more!

10/26, 5pm: Read for the Record

It's never too early to support childhood literacy, and you can do so by participating in Jumpstart's national Read for the Record program at the public library, October 26th at 5pm. Children ages 3-8 who participate in this free program will receive a copy of *With Lots of Love* by Jenny Torres Sanchez to take home! No registration is required.

Grave Sights: Through 10/31

The library's annual spooky story contest is back and accepting entries through Halloween! Community members can drop off a typed copy of their favorite or original story at the library or email it to marketing@rowancountylibrary.org, and RCPL staff will narrate it so everyone can listen to it on the library's website. Anyone who submits a story will be entered into a drawing for a Halloween-themed prize. You can read and listen to stories from previous years at rowancountylibrary.org/programs/gravesights.

Judge Executive Harry Clark, County Attorney Cecil Watkins, and Mayor Laura White Brown Proclaim October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Judge Harry Clark, County Attorney Cecil Watkins, and Mayor Laura White-Brown gathered at the DOVES of Gateway Shelter to proclaim October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and commend this observance to our citizens.

Domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all races, ages, gender, and income levels. It has become so widespread that it affects over four million Americans each year, and one in three Americans have witnessed an incident of domestic violence. Children that grow up in a violent home are believed to be abused and neglected at a higher rate.

Only a coordinated community effort will put a stop to this heinous crime. This October, Domestic Violence Awareness month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services, and assistance to survivors. We commend the valuable contribution these people make to our community, and we are proud to call them our neighbors and friends.

Doves is a 24/7 emergency safe shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children, where all services are free and confidential.



Morehead Harvest Festival, Say Boo! to Drugs, and More Seasonal Events Return

Morehead Harvest Festival
October 27th, 28th & 29th
Morehead City Park

Friday 5-9PM	Saturday 8-7PM	Sunday 1-7PM
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SUNDAY - OLD FASHION DAY
SOUP BEANS COOKING ON OPEN FIRE

FOOD VENDORS - GAMES - PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST - SCARECROW CONTEST - TRACTOR SHOW - CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT - HAYRIDE CAKE WALK - SINGING - CRAFT VENDORS & MUCH MORE

Vendor Set Up & Info. - Jeff Fannin - 606-776-2639 - Jeff@PrintUSA.com

SAY BOO! TO DRUGS

October 31, 2023
From 6-8 pm
Main Street, Morehead, KY

This is a **FREE** event to protect the children of Rowan County on Trick or Treat night. For Churches, Businesses, Organizations or Individuals to register to set up a table, please email: Jeff@PrintUSA.com

TRICK OR TREAT

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31ST

6-8PM

MOREHEAD

CITY OF MOREHEAD

Pumpkin GLOW

ON THE STEPS OF THE FORMER MOREHEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT
 105 E. MAIN STREET
SATURDAY, OCT. 28TH
 7:00-8:00PM

Cave Run Symphony Orchestra

HAUNTED HARMONIES

October 29, 2023
3pm

Former Communities Demolished for Cave Run Lake

Article by Cindy Leach

Prior to 1969, farms and communities in the Farmers, KY area often suffered devastating floods from the Licking River and its tributaries. Although the Cave Run Lake project was not officially complete until 1974, the large earth and rock-fill dam's foundation and the control tower began restraining water, to some degree, in 1969. A placard bearing that date hangs on the face of the 167-foot high tower.

Yet despite these benefits of a flood control dam and future recreation facilities, there were consequences from building such a large reservoir. During that long construction period in the mid-to-late 1960s and early 70s, countless families were uprooted from their property to make way for the lake. Family farms were acquired or condemned by the government, old homesteads, where generations called home, were dismantled, and full cemeteries bearing the remains of loved ones were moved out of the water's path. Small communities literally disappeared and all that is left is memories.

Towns and communities that were destroyed for the lake were Alfrey, Bangor, Cogswell, Paragon and Yale (Bath County).

Alfrey

The Alfrey community disappeared-families were bought out and relocated elsewhere in the county. Many families left the area and there are still bitter feelings with some of the older generation.

Alfrey Crosthwaite was the original name of the one-room school. A new school was built and called Alfrey School. The school was located on River Road, between Nellie Alfrey's store and Alfrey First Church of God, before Cave Run Lake was established. It was located where Twin Knobs beach and campground is now, off KY 801 South.



*Top Left: Alfrey facing towards Yale; top middle and right near Alfrey; photos by Steve Griggs
Left to right below and background: construction of the lake, photos by US Army Corps of Engineers*



Bangor

Bangor had grist and stave mills and an extensive lumber mill and store, school and post office. Now it is just a boat ramp near the Menifee County line. Bangor, Kentucky was originally located in Morgan County until the formation of Rowan County in 1856. The community was originally called Knowlesburg/ Cassity Mills. The town, 15 miles from Morehead, in Morgan County was set up by Maine-born Harrison Knowles (1823-1894), who operated a sawmill and got the legislators to incorporate the town on March 18, 1871.

The Post Office was established at Cassity Mills on July 17, 1849 with Samuel Myers as Postmaster. In December 1850, Patterson Utterback took it over until 1855 when William Phillips became Postmaster. The Post office was discontinued and re-established several times until 1872. John Cassity was a gristmill operator on the Licking River's North Fork about a mile above the future Paragon community. He established the Bangor Post Office on June 22, 1868, which he probably named for Knowles hometown. In May 1889, Sanford A. Day moved the Post Office a mile north into Rowan County. The office moved again in 1897 to a site just north of the North Fork, which is now in Cave Run Lake. The office closed in 1960. Lucy Ellen Lewis Perry (1877-1977) was Postmistress at Bangor for 10 years and later she and her husband owned the J.W. Perry and Son General Merchandise Store in Bangor. In 1879-1880, J.J. Cassity was Postmaster and ran the local gristmill. He and his family were the only residents of a formerly thriving business center with an extensive lumber mill and store operated by the Licking River Lumber and Mining Company. C.H. Whitcomb was the supervisor of the mill, Matthew McClure had a sawmill and Bleare and Kimble had a stave mill.

There were several oil wells in Bangor. Ray Perry (1898-1980) owned and operated the Perry Drilling Company, which drilled oil, gas, and water wells. He owned several oil wells, which were in operation until they were sealed for the construction of Cave Run Reservoir. He was also one of the original stockholders of Southern States Cooperative and owned uranium mines in Canada. Ray owned land in Rowan and Bath counties that he subdivided and developed some of the land near Cave Run.



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Cogswell

Cogswell had a general store, school and post office and was located between Scott Creek and Clay Lick.

The Cogswell community was five miles south of Farmers and Fielding Alfrey established the Post Office July 1881. In 1906, William P Cogswell was Postmaster and Bert McKinney was the last postmaster when it closed in 1951. The Cogswell Post office had several locations in its history in the Scotts Creek area. There were two general stores – S. Alfrey and Brother and McKinney Brothers and later, B.L. Tabor and Son were local storekeepers.

Several Cogswell families, probably descended from Jedidiah Cogswell (1765-after 1850), settled the community of Cogswell in the 1850's. His son Jesse (1798-after 1880) married Didiamia and had at least seven children - William (1820s-1903), Thomas (1825-1865), John W. (1834-), Jedidiah (1836-), Isaac (1841-), James W (1844-), Jesse (1846-). Thomas and Isaac Cogswell owned 100 acres on Scotts Creek, which was Fleming County at the time, and William had 190 acres.



Paragon

Paragon had a post office and school and is the last road on the left before crossing into Morgan County on Highway 519. The 1880 Census states that David Myers was a merchant in Pierce Precinct and lived near John H. Day, who was a farmer. According to David Myers in 1882, the community of Paragon was originally called Martin.

Between April 30, 1879 and July 1880, William W. Phillips was operating a post office called Poppin Hill on the Rowan County side of the Licking River's North Fork. On April 14, 1882, storekeeper David Myers re-established the post office and changed the name to Paragon. In November 1884, William C. Brown moved it across the Licking into Morgan County but it was moved back to Rowan County in July 1908 to serve the newly completed Morehead and North Fork Railroad. The post office was closed in 1940.

The Paragon Railroad Station was near the Paragon or Poppin Rock tunnel. The Poppin Rock tunnel was 725 feet of solid rock bored by steel drills. The railroad construction crews boarded with local families including S.C. Brown and E.M. Brown of Paragon, Clay Barber, John Barber, Newt Peyton, J.M. Phillips, W. Forman, B. Forman and Dices. There was also a Perkins Camp and Camp Saddles, who boarded a seven-man crew from mid to late November 1906 until the track was opened in September 1907. The tunnel was covered over with dirt by the Kentucky Highway Department in 1991. Poppin Rock was supposedly named because the rock popped when the 725 foot hole was being cut, however railroad maps that predate the beginning on the tunnel construction show Poppin Rock Hill.

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Yale (Bath County) was the oldest community in Bath County. Yale at one time was heavily timbered, its lands rich with natural resources making it one of the most prosperous locations in the Bath County. The community was first settled by Samuel Gill around 1807-08.

The Yale community was off Zilpo Road. It was there that Gill constructed a mill and over the next several years, the settlement became a boomtown of sorts after the Sterling Lumber Company came in 1897. He acquired a 500-acre homestead, and several tracts of timber in the area. Two large mills were set up and 250 men were engaged in felling, sawing and curing lumber for the Yale Lumber Company and the Sterling Lumber Company.

In its glory days Yale had a post office, several large mercantile stores, two blacksmith shops, two grist mills, a saloon, two hotels, a barber shop, restaurants, dress shops, the Alum City Oil Company and the Little Dinky Railroad. During his years at Yale, Gill served at a Justice of the Peace of the County Court and Sheriff in Bath County.

The Yale post office operated from 1897 to 1954, apparently in several locations, including a few years on the Menifee county side of the river. Myrtle Cassity was the postmaster.

The Licking Valley Railway operated from 1896 to 1899 and was succeeded by the Licking River Railroad from 1899 to 1913. The railroad was owned first by the Sterling Lumber Company and later by the Yale Lumber Company and was a narrow-gauge line that hauled lumber, freight, and passengers along a route that was eventually 32 miles long and connected to the Chesapeake and Ohio at Salt Lick.

The railroad ran from Yale to Salt Lick and back. It carried freight as well as passengers and made two trips daily, stopping at places along the way called Alley, Licking Union, Caney and Ragland. This railway was used for the Ragland Oil Fields. Some early names from Yale were Alley, Fannin, Williams, Cassity, Hunt, McKinney, Lewis, Power, Jones and Ragland.

The community of Yale was located in the southeastern corner of Bath County, bordered by the Menifee County line and the Licking River. In 1913, when Yale Lumber Company sold out and left the area, all the equipment was shipped off, the remaining lumber was sold and the company houses were disassembled and shipped to Morgan County to be rebuilt in a lumber camp there. The land that was owned by the mill was given to Malvie Johnson, whose husband had been killed in an accident in the mill a few years before.

A Corps of Engineer employee stated that all of the buildings were destroyed before the lake was filled and over 28 cemeteries moved to New Alfrey cemetery. Some graves may still be underwater but the Corp did they best to make sure every grave they found was preserved.

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Tri-County's Pets of the Month



Foxy is an 11 month old female dog who is read for a fur-ever home. She knows some commands. She prefers women over men and is protective of her owner. She gets along with some dogs but is very selective. Consider stopping by the Tri-County Animal Shelter today!



Licorice is a sweet, shy female young adult cat. Once she warms up to you she is very affectionate and playful. She would likely benefit with a quieter home but is good with other cats. She is housetrained. Come meet Licorice today!

Call 606-784-4930

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Question of the Month

Where was the first sawmill in Rowan County located? Read next month's edition to find out!

Last Month's Question and Answer: When was Rowan County formed by the Kentucky General Assembly? 1856!

Employee Birthdays

STEVE KELSEY, ROAD FOREMAN, 11/6

JARRED MOORE, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, 11/21

TYLER BROWN, SOLID WASTE AND FLOODPLAIN, 11/25



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