



Rowan Review

The latest news and announcements in your county.

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This month we were joined by Governor Andy Beshear and Senior Advisor Rocky Adkins to honor several first responders whose heroic efforts in the Eastern Kentucky floods resulted in the rescue of approximately 100 Kentuckians.

These individual's exceptional performance, professionalism, and dedication to duty reflect great credit upon themselves, the first responder community, Rowan County, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

On the next page is a write up of the events precipitating these awards.

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Recognizing Rowan Countians Who Helped with Swift Water Rescues in Southeastern Kentucky

Heavy rains fell in eastern Kentucky on the night of Wednesday, July 27th and continued into the early hours of the following morning, causing a historic flash flooding emergency. This made roads impassable and displaced hundreds of residents, while trapping hundreds of others.

On that morning of Thursday, July 28th, 2022, Rowan County Emergency Management Director Jarred Moore received a request for mutual aid from KYEM Area Director Chris Hecker to deploy any available swift water assets to assist with the rescue and evacuation efforts. Director Moore immediately set out to establish communications, assess needs and receive orders in Hazard. The route became impassable due to high waters in Jackson where KY 476 meets KY 15. There he met fellow Rowan Countians with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Law Enforcement Division who were already on scene and assisting with evacuations.

Director Moore then communicated back home to rally units from the Morehead Fire Department and the Farmers Volunteer Fire Department. The Route 377 Volunteer Fire Department's swift water response team remained in Rowan County as a reserve force, as our community was still under a flood watch at that time. After readying two boats crewed with swift water technicians and operators, our teams arrived mid-afternoon to begin assisting in rescue and evacuation of residents of the downtown Jackson and the Quicksand community, working along KY 2464 and KY 2472 and pulling residents from the water as they went.

At approximately 1900 hours, it became apparent that the waters of Troublesome Creek in Jackson would soon crest over KY 15 into Fish Pond Loop, where many residents still remained in homes as flood waters had never before crossed that high-banked road. Rowan County assets in conjunction with many other agencies from across the Commonwealth quickly set upon the neighborhood to evacuate the families before they became trapped or swept away.

As nightfall set in, many crews were ordered home when adverse weather conditions including thunderstorms, torrential rains, coupled with the low visibility made it too dangerous to continue to operate in the torrid waters. The majority-volunteer crews from Rowan County stayed in the water until approximately 0100 hours on Friday morning. In total, Rowan Countians played a hand in well over 100 rescues.

The following first responders from Rowan County were deployed that day to help in the rescue efforts.

Jarred Moore – Rowan County Emergency Management

From the Morehead Fire Department: Matt Brown, Cova Cornett, Christian Lewis, Jordon Clark

From the Farmers Volunteer Fire Department: Ryan Glover, Shane Ramey, Kyle Bowling, Adam Hicks

From the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Law Enforcement Division: Andy Amburgey, Tim Brett, Brad Stafford

From the Clark County Fire Department: Sam Ray

These individual's exceptional performance, professionalism, and dedication to duty reflect great credit upon themselves, the first responder community, Rowan County, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky.



Road Improvements Across the County: Blacktopping Season Now Underway

Here we've got all of our road paving projects accounted for.

Some are already underway, and this list will likely be completed by mid to late October. Our hope is to finish these promptly, weather permitting and barring any supply chain issues.

We have been working hard to obtain funds as well as to complete tile replacement projects beforehand. We have \$400K in county funds, \$277,522 in flex funds, and \$391,850 in discretionary funds for a total of over \$1 million. This will be the fourth year in a row we've laid over a million dollars in blacktop.

Although we can't get to them all at once, we are trying to prioritize the roads in the worst condition with the most people. Below is the full list organized by funds and district.

Check out our Facebook page @RCFiscalCourt for road closure information.

Flex Funds

District 1

Big Brushy Rd
Maple Ln

District 2

Hungry Hollow
Greenbend Rd

District 3

Upper Lick Fork
Rosedale Rd
Jones Cem Rd

District 4

Trickum Br
Island Fk
Country Ln
Masters Cem Rd

County Funds

District 1

Overlook Dr
Fleetwood Ln
Sierra Trail
Wyoming Way
Stellar Nights
Ellington Loop
Treebrook Ln
Fuoss Rd

District 2

Bentley Day Rd
Sun Eagle St
Bluebank Rd
Coldiron Hollow

District 3

Daffy Duck Rd
Old House Ck
Cold Springs Rd
Jones Ridge
Williams Br
Weaver Ridge

District 4

Withrow Rd
Vista View Dr
Buckner Br
Glenwood Fork
Buffalo Branch
Pond Lick

**Discretionary Funds will be used to pave
all 8 miles of Bullfork Road**

Community Contributions: Morehead-Gateway Helping Hands, Inc.

September is hunger action awareness month, and there are many organizations working to combat food insecurity in the Rowan County area. One of these is Morehead-Gateway Helping Hands.

Morehead-Gateway helping hands' mission is to work tirelessly to fight hunger in Rowan and surrounding counties. Since its inception in 2009, it has been recognized by the IRS as tax-exempt due to its charitable programs. They are currently gathering food for the 600 children enrolled in their Weekend Backpack Snack Program, as well as gathering food and turkeys for food boxes for at least 400 families they will feed during the upcoming holidays, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Being located in the heart of downtown Morehead allows them to see first-hand the needs of the individuals and families in our community and give immediate aid. Thanks to their volunteer base and growing number of supporters, they have made great strides in the ongoing fight against hunger and poverty for all those living among us who are struggling to make ends meet.

On October 1st, Morehead-Gateway Helping Hands will host a silent auction and fundraiser to support its mission and in celebration of its 13-year anniversary. For more information, they can be reached by phone at (606) 740-0223 or (606) 780-9704. Their present office hours are Monday through Saturday from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm. Stop in for a visit at: 204 Morehead Plaza, Morehead, Ky.

"As the hands and feet of Christ, we give, we care, we help, we love without prejudice."

Board of Directors:

Wanda Fultz, Founder/Director
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Melanie Reffitt, Assistant Director
Kelly Blankenship, Vice President
Shannan Hutchinson, Secretary
Randy Aaron Cassidy, New Board Member
Patricia Keenan, long standing Board Member
Angela Muse, Finance Committee
Steven Caudill, Finance Committee
Ann Ulery, Bath County Board Member

Haldeman Community Center Afterschool Program Returns

The Haldeman Community Center is again offering a program for our youth: an afterschool program.

The HCC After School Program will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from now until November 17. The program is for students in grades K through 5th grade. They can ride the bus from Rodburn or get dropped off. They will provide a snack. With the help of MSU students, tutoring is available. They also have a variety of learning opportunities depending upon the talents of those helping at the time.

For more information, contact Jeannie Justice, MSU Coordinator, at 772-341-1394 or Mari Johnson, HCC President, at 219-921-6062.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES



Steve Kelsey
Road Foreman

Blacktopping season is now underway! Check page 2 for the full list of roads, organized by funds and district.

Follow @RCFiscalCourt on Facebook for information on road closures as our projects continue.

Winter is coming, and we already have salt in reserves. We have also received a bid for more. Rest assured that we are preparing for weather events to come.



Danny Blevins
Ambulance Service

Our ambulance fleet remains healthy and busy. We are planning to rehab one of our vehicles with all new parts, and all the parts have been ordered under a three year warranty. This will only cost us about a third of what a new vehicle would.

We are working on a new mileage tracking method for oil changes and routine maintenance with the road department.

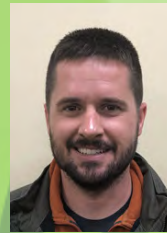


Wes Coldiron
Jailer

COVID cases are down in the jail.

We now have 20 inmates in our work release program.

For information on inmate services, visit rky.us/inmate-services. For visitation and inmate information, visit rowanky.gojail.com.



Tyler Brown
Solid Waste and Floodplain

In our cleanups so far this year, a total of 291 miles have been cleaned with 6,740 bags total. The Recycling Center has recycled 106,000 pounds of garbage this month.

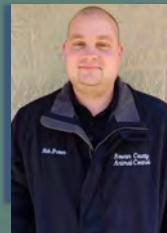
We have a free disposal day at the Waste Management dump scheduled for October 1st from 8am to noon. All loads must be tarped to avoid spillage. Hazardous materials will not be accepted.



Mike Mackin
Finance Director

For information on alcohol licensing or occupational taxes, I can be reached at 606-784-6218 or michael.mackin@rky.us.

We have also launched an ABC webpage, rky.us/alcoholic-beverage-control, where you can view our alcohol license application guidelines and recommendations as well as the Rowan County Alcohol Sales Ordinance.



Nick Brown
Animal Control Officer

To see what animals we have in the shelter, visit rky.us/animal-control. Consider adopting instead of shopping for a pet, and please spay/neuter your pets. This does so much to reduce animal overpopulation in our area and helps us save more animal's lives.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE RECOGNIZES ROWAN COUNTY AS STORM READY

The National Weather Service (NWS) has recognized Rowan County as a StormReady Community. This indicates that Rowan County Emergency Management has done everything possible to improve emergency first responder and community preparedness in the event of a natural disaster. With communications and infrastructure in place, along with severe weather awareness, it is no doubt that loss of life and property will be minimized in the future. We are so proud of everyone involved in the compliance process.

To stay prepared in emergencies, sign up for Rowan Alert today. The Smart911 app allows cellphone users to receive community emergency messages 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. You can sign up for Smart911 by clicking [here](#) and download the app by clicking [here](#) or visiting us at: <https://www.rky.us/rowan-alert-smart-911>.

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS: AMERICAN LEGION POST 126

"The American Legion: Veterans Strengthening America."

The American Legion's vision is to enhance the well-being of America's veterans, their families, our military, and our communities by their devotion to mutual helpfulness. Our local American Legion Post has many efforts underway in Rowan County to support this vision, and they work hard to help our veterans and our community as a whole.

Every Wednesday at 8am, free breakfast is offered for veterans at the post. Their Service Officer is present to help veterans fill out forms for VA medical care. Additionally, they're involved with promoting patriotism among our youth. In collaboration with the Veterans Foundation, they help sponsor monetary awards for the winners of the annual Veteran's Day contest. They sponsor two children's field trips to Washington DC and recently made additional contributions for this year's trip (more detail on page 7). They've also sponsored T-shirts for the Cadet Challenge, a military skills challenge for the Rowan County Senior High School's ROTC program. Around Thanksgiving, they work with the Rowan County school system and DOVES to identify families in need to buy them turkeys for Thanksgiving dinner.

These are just some of the many endeavors our veterans take on to support our community. Active duty service members can join with their first year of dues paid for, at no cost to them.

Board

Larry Porter- Commander

Jimmy Epperhart- First Vice

Randy Ignram- Second Vice

Mike Mackin- Adj

Bill Bolen- Finance officer

Dennis Winburn- Sergeant of Arms

Rupus Williams- Chaplain

Terry Hall and Gerald McDaniels- Service Officer

At large board members:

Larry Law

Woody Clark

Mike Egham

American Legion Donates to Rowan County Senior High School ROTC, 5th Grade Washington DC Trip

As part of their ongoing support of our community, the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 126 and The American Legion Post 126 equally contributed to the donation of \$3,600 for the 5th Grade Washington DC trip. American Legion Post 126 presented a donation of \$5,060.00 for the High School ROTC Program.

Pictured are (L to R) are First Vice-Commander Jim Epperhart, Post 126 Commander Larry Porter, Rowan County Schools Genny Jenkins and Past Post 126 Commander and current Rowan County Judge Executive Harry Clark. The second picture shows the above persons plus (L to R) Bill Bolen, Dr. Silas Session, Larry Law, and Mike Mackin.



Beats in the Burn: Family Friendly Live Music at Rodburn Hollow Park

Looking for some family-friendly events in Morehead? Friends of Rodburn Hollow Park is hosting "Beats in the 'Burn" on every Monday until Oct. 17: an outdoor, family-friendly music series from 5:30-7:30pm at the first shelter in Rodburn Hollow Park. Two or three groups will perform each day, and some nights there will be a food truck. Please bring your own lawn chairs.

A free mini concert series at Rodburn Hollow Park
12 local groups play Old Time, Americana & Roots music
5:30 - 7:30pm

Bring your instruments for jamming after the concerts

BEATS IN THE 'BURN

presented by
Friends of Rodburn Hollow Park

Monday, Sept 12, 19, 26 and Oct 3, 10, 17 - rain or shine!

Bring some chairs and let the kids explore the park!

MONTHLY COMMUNITY EVENTS

SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER 2022

WEEKEND 9/23-24

KENTUCKY SILVER MUSKIE OUTING
CAVE RUN LAKE AT 9/23

CAVE RUN STORYTELLING FESTIVAL
9/23-24 AT TWIN KNOBS, VISIT
CAVERUNSTORYFEST.ORG

ROWAN COUNTY'S "SPECIAL"
PARADE, 9/24, 11 AM - 5 PM
MOREHEAD CITY PARK

MSU STAR THEATER
PLANETARIUM SHOWS
9/24 AT 11 AM FOR FAMILIES,
1:30 PM FOR ALL AGES, 6:30PM
FOR A LASER SHOW

LIVE MUSIC AT SAWSTONE
BREWING CO., 9/24, 7-10PM

LIVE MUSIC AT FRANKIE'S PLAZA,
9/24 AT 9PM

WEEK OF 10/2

LIVE MUSIC AT SAWSTONE BREWING
CO., 10/2, 3-5PM

LIVE MUSIC AT THE VENUE, 10/7, 8PM

LIVE MUSIC AT FRANKIE'S PLAZA,
10/7, 9PM

HOPEHILL BASS TOURNAMENT AT
CAVE RUN LAKE, 10/8

RECURRING EVENTS

BEATS IN THE 'BURN: LIVE MUSIC AT RODBURN HOLLOW PARK,
EVERY MONDAY, 5:30-7:30 PM

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

CREATIVE COLORING FOR ADULTS AT THE ROWAN COUNTY
PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3RD MONDAY MONTHLY, 11AM-1PM

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

A GOOD YARN- SIT AND STITCH AT COFFEE TREE BOOKS,
TUESDAYS AT 4PM, SATURDAYS 10AM-1PM

ON BOARD- GAME NIGHT FOR 13+ 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

WRITER'S WORKSHOP FOR 13+ AT ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC
LIBRARY, LAST WEDNESDAY MONTHLY, 4:30-6:30 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT COMMUNITY EVENTS:

ROWAN COUNTY ARTS CENTER
CALL: 606-783-9857
EMAIL: RCAC@MOREHEADTOURISM.COM
VISIT: ROWANCOUNTYARTSCENTER.COM

ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
CALL: 606-784-7137
VISIT: ROWANCOUNTYLIBRARY.ORG

KENTUCKY FOLK ART CENTER
CALL: 606-783-2204
EMAIL: KFAC@MOREHEADSTATE.EDU
VISIT: MOREHEADSTATE.EDU/KFAC/

MOREHEAD CONFERENCE CENTER
CALL: 606-780-9694
EMAIL: MCC@MOREHEADTOURISM.COM
VISIT: MOREHEADCONFERENCECENTER.COM

RAILROAD AND HISTORY MUSEM
CALL: 606-784-5122

ROWAN COUNTY VETERANS' MUSEUM
CALL: 606-776-3147

WEEK OF 10/9

FALL CRAFT NIGHT AT THE ROWAN
COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
10/13, 5PM - 6:30 PM

LIVE MUSIC AT THE VENUE
10/14, 8PM

CAVE RUN LAKE TRAIL FEST
OCTOBER 15 @ 6:00 AM - 9:00 PM
50K
DISTANCE: 31 MILES
TIME: 7:30AM-5:30PM

MARATHON
DISTANCE: 26.2 MILES
TIME: 7:30AM-5:30PM
5 MILE
START TIME: 9:00AM

RACE DAY PACKET PICKUP AND
CHECK IN
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10 6AM-7:50AM
TWIN KNOBS RECREATION AREA

WEEK OF 9/25

SILAS HOUSE AUTHOR EVENT-
LARK ASCENDING, 9/30, 6 PM
COFFEE TREE BOOKS

GOURD FESTIVAL AT HALDEMAN
COMMUNITY CENTER, 10/1, 10AM-2PM

OC-TUBA-FEST AT HALDEMAN
COMMUNITY CENTER, 10/1, 10AM-2PM

MAKER'S MARKET AT ROWAN COUNTY
ARTS CENTER, 10/1, 11AM-3PM

MSU STAR THEATER CELEBRATION
10/1, 5-8:30PM

LOCATIONS AND HOURS

KENTUCKY FOLK ART
CENTER:
MONDAY-THURSDAY:
10AM-4PM

ROWAN COUNTY ARTS CENTER:
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 10AM-4:30PM
SATURDAY & SUNDAY: BY
APPOINTMENT ONLY

ROWAN COUNTY
VETERANS' MUSEUM
SATURDAY 10AM-2PM
OTHER TIMES BY
APPOINTMENT

ROWAN COUNTY PUBLIC
LIBRARY:
MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9AM-7PM
FRIDAY & SATURDAY:
9AM-5PM

MOREHEAD RAILROAD
AND HISTORY MUSEUM
FRIDAY AND
SATURDAY 11AM-5PM

HALDEMAN MUSEUM
WEDNESDAY- SUNDAY
10AM-8PM

Fiscal Court Appoints New County Treasurer

After 29 years of dedicated service to the people of Rowan County, our long-time Treasurer, Michele Jessee, will officially be retiring from her position on September 30. This is a person who has served faithfully under the administrations of four Judge-Executives and well over a dozen magistrates. She carries with her the extensive wisdom and knowledge that comes with a long and successful career. It has been a bittersweet realization for all of us as her retirement day edges closer. We are sad to see our good friend go, but we are very happy that she will be enjoying the retirement she has earned. When we think of somebody who is hardworking, knowledgeable, dedicated, and caring, we think of Michele.

Though when one chapter has ended, another yet begins. Lauren Littleton was sworn in at this month's Fiscal Court meeting to carry out the rest of Michele's term as County Treasurer. Her ability to learn and great attitude were two things we identified early on as excellent traits for a position of this nature. We are very excited and lucky to have her talents here in Rowan County.



HALLOWEEN DECORATION CONTEST



For the third year in a row, Judge Harry Clark would like to invite all the people of Morehead and Rowan County to participate in our Halloween Decoration Contest.

Any resident or business is welcome to join in on the fun. They will be judged in separate categories. Prizes will be announced closer to the date.

TO ENTER...

Visit www.rcky.us/halloween to enter the contest. Entering is as simple as uploading a photo from your phone. We were blown away by last year's participation, and we'd love to see even more this time around. Get into the Halloween Spirit and decorate your home to be the prettiest, scariest, funkiest, or funniest in the county!

Entries are due by October 22, 2022 at midnight. After that, voting will begin on our Facebook page, @RCFiscalCourt. Winning entries will also be featured in the November issue of our county newsletter.

Good luck!

Harry Clark
Rowan County Judge-Executive

Daniel Boone Rails to Trails

Do you want to participate in family-friendly hikes in our area? Send your contact information to Daniel Boone Rails to Trails by emailing dbrtinfo@yahoo.com to be added to their distribution list that sends monthly announcements of hike locations. Carpool transportation is available.

Rowan County Courthouse Art Exhibit Reception



The Rowan County Fiscal Court invites you to join us for our next artists reception of the Rowan County Courthouse Art Exhibit, presented by Artisan Frameworks. This art rotation features art from local, regional, and international artists.

The event is Friday, September 30, from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at the Courthouse. It is free to the public and a great opportunity to meet local artists. We hope to see you there.

Annual Celebration of MSU's Space Science Center and Star Theater

October 1, 5 to 8:30 PM!

The Reopening of the Star Theater

Fully upgraded Full dome and Laser Systems

Learn About the Launch of Lunar Ice Cube

Kentucky's First Deep Space Mission

built right here at the Space Science Center

And International Observe the Moon Night!

See New Full Dome Planetarium Features

Short Videos on Space Exploration Missions

including Lunar Ice Cube

Enjoy Refreshments, Live Regional Music,

Local Folk Art, Hands on Science for the Kids

Followed by a star party at dark (weather permitting)

Admission \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids and seniors,
free for those under 5 and MSU staff and students



For Information contact star.theater@moreheadstate.edu or visit our website <https://www.moreheadstate.edu/college-of-science/earth-and-space-sciences/star-theater>

SHELTOWEE TRACE NOW ON FAR OUT APP



You can now navigate the Sheltowee Trace using the popular long trail guide app, Far Out!

Download the FarOut app, create an account, and you'll be able to find the Sheltowee Trace available for download. The ST guide includes a crowd-sourced style interaction where users can comment on preset waypoints about conditions or helpful information for other trail users. Additionally, the app uses little power and offers a few different battery-saving settings so your smartphone can be a multi-use device without being dead weight.

Please direct any communication about mapping discrepancies between Far Out and on-the-ground navigation to the STA at this email address—trails@sheltoweetrace.org.

FREE DISPOSAL DAY

SATURDAY, October 1, 2022

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**AT WASTE MANAGEMENT
LANDFILL IN ROWAN COUNTY
300 OLD PHELPS RD
MOREHEAD, KY 40351**

YOU MUST BE A CITIZEN OF ROWAN COUNTY
ALL LOADS MUST BE TARPED/TIED TO AVOID SPILLAGE

NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

TIRE COST WILL BE:

- \$6.00 FOR CAR TIRES
 - \$12.00 for COMERCIAL TIRES
- RATE IS PER TIRE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
ROWAN COUNTY SOLID WASTE OFFICE
Phone: (606)-784-6345
Email: tyler.brown@rcky.us



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SEE & BE SEEN

DURING HUNTING SEASON

National Forests and Wildlife Management Areas are open to hikers, horseback riders, mountain bikers and campers, even during hunting season. Share the forest without endangering the safety of others by following these tips.

Wear hunter orange so you can easily be seen and NOT mistaken for a deer.

-  **Hikers** should wear at least one article of hunter orange viewable from all directions such as a hat, jacket or vest. Cover your backpack with orange.
-  **Horseback riders** should wear a hunter orange vest and helmet cover. Use a hunter orange vest or rump sheet on your horse.
-  **Dogs** should wear hunter orange or other visible color on a vest, leash, coat, harness or bandana.
-  **Avoid wearing white or tan** during deer season. A glimpse of white clothing by a hunter in a forest could easily be mistaken for the tail of a deer.



Kentucky's Hunter Orange Clothing Law requires ALL HUNTERS and persons accompanying them, hunting for any species during the modern gun, muzzleloading, and youth firearm deer seasons, or a firearm elk or bear season, to wear solid, unbroken hunter orange color visible from all sides on on the head, back, and chest. Hunter orange garments must be worn as the outer coverings and must be worn at all times while in the field hunting.

Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources
301 KAR 2:172, Section 4



THE HISTORY OF DANIEL BOONE NATIONAL FOREST

ARTICLE BY SAVANNAH EAGLIN

The Daniel Boone National Forest has had a great impact in our region's history. This is the story of how it was explored, exploited, then came to be protected.

Not long after the colonization of the Americas began, both the French and British heard indigenous groups' accounts of our region's plentiful natural resources. Soon, they both tried to lay claim to the land. The northern portion was primarily used as seasonal hunting land by the Shawnee, who lived around Ohio, and the southern portion was owned by the Cherokee. Some of the first Europeans to explore the area were Rene Robert Cavellier in 1669 and Thomas Walker in 1750. Daniel Boone's first expedition, with the aim of preparing for later settlement, began in the late 1760s. Land appraisers found the lack of many existing permanent habitants to be very financially attractive, and after the Revolutionary War brought about the end of the Proclamation of 1763's order to stop colonization west of the Appalachians, more settlers were interested in the area. In 1792, Kentucky achieved statehood. A few years later, the Wilderness Road completed construction. It was a crucial part of all development in eastern Kentucky.

Commercial logging began and spread rapidly in the late 1800s, a time when few regulations existed, and quickly left a noticeable impact on the region. As a result of the deforestation, erosion worsened, and floods became more destructive. Many of Kentucky's once-abundant resources were suffering, and so were its people. Congress responded to this need by creating set aside "forest reserves" with the aim of sustainably responding to timber needs under federal management, which eventually led to the U.S. Forest Service's official formation in 1905. One notable Kentuckian, Mary Breckenridge, the founder of the Frontier Nursing Service, lobbied extensively throughout the early 1930s for protection of Kentucky's waterways and forests. She raised public awareness, wrote a book, communicated with National Forest Service leadership, and did nearly everything possible to try to ensure her two goals: the establishment of a national forest and the protection of headwaters of the watershed of the Kentucky River. In 1937, the Cumberland National Forest was formed with 409,567 acres, a fraction of the land the Daniel Boone now contains.

Following disastrous flooding in 1963, Kentucky Governor Combs recommended the establishment of National Forest units on the headwaters of major eastern Kentucky streams. Empowered with stronger legislation and favorable public sentiment, the forest service began to buy more land, including one transaction that was the largest ever single purchase by the US Forestry Service at that time. In 1966, it was renamed to Daniel Boone National Forest.

Now, the Daniel Boone National Forest's proclamation boundary is over two million acres. Roughly 700,000 of this is forest service owned land. This includes two federally recognized wildernesses, over 600 miles of trails, and over 250 recreation sites. This allows us not only to protect our vast natural resources but also to conserve this important part of our culture and recreation for future generations.

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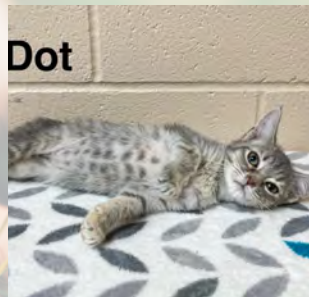
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TERRY KIDD, AMBULANCE SERVICE, 10/11

JARROD OWENS, AMBULANCE SERVICE, 10/20

TRACY HAMILTON, MAINTENANCE, 10/23

