COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY **41ST Judicial District** LESLIE CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO.: 18-CI-00151

mtag as custodian for MGD-KY, LLC, plaintiff,

VS.

Unknown heirs of johnny lewis, ET. AL,

DEFENDANTS.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the Summary Judgment, Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the LESLIE Circuit Court granted on the 7th day of May, 2025 and filed in the office of the Leslie Circuit Clerk, for the sum of what it will bring, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Hyden, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder at public auction on Wednesday, the 4th day of June, 2025, at the hour of 1:00 P.M., or thereabouts, for cash or ten (10%) percent down, with the balance to be paid within thirty (30) days, the following described property to-wit:

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 6630 Cutshin Road Cutshin, KY 41776

PARCEL # 168-00-00-073.00

Tract 1

Beginning on a sycamore tree; thence up the hill 80 feet to the highway right-of-way line 50 feet; thence down the hill 80 feet; thence down the creek 50 feet to the beginning.

Tract 2

Beginning on a locust post on the upper side of the road that leads to Wilson Baker's house, thence up the hill twenty poles with the upper side of the coal schute to a marked rock; thence around the hill up the creek eight poles to a marked rock; thence around the hill up the creek eight poles to a marked rock; thence down the hill twenty poles to the upper side of the road; thence down the creek with the road eight poles to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Johnny Lewis, by deed dated December 8, 1999, recorded in Deed Book 146, Page 197, in the Office of Leslie County Clerk.

This property will be sold for cash or ten percent (10%) down, with thirty (30) days to pay the balance at the option of the purchaser. Unless the purchaser so elects to pay cash, the purchaser of the property so sold shall give bond for the purchase price with good surety approved by the Master Commissioner in making the sale, which bond shall be payable to the Master Commissioner and shall bear interest at the rate of six (6%) percent per annum from the date thereof until paid. The bond shall have the full force and effect of the judgment and should execution be issued thereon, no replevy shall be allowed. A lien shall exist and be retained by the Master Commissioner on the property so sold under this Judgment as security for the purchase money.

> KENNETH A. BUCKLE, ESQ. MASTER COMMISSIONER LESLIE CIRCUIT COURT

CERTIFICATE

This will certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via KCOJ eFiling and/or U.S. Mail, First Class, postage prepaid, upon the following: John M. Lally, Esq. 1387 S. 4th Street

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This 8th day of May, 2025.

KENNETH A. BUCKLE, ESQ.

Head Start Stories

of purpose and a belief that learning was something to be cherished."

Growing up in a rural community, Jocelyn saw firsthand how vital early childhood education was for long-term success. The encouragement she received from her Head Start teachers planted the seeds of a lifelong commitment to education. As a young girl, she dreamed of becoming a teacher. Today, as principal, she advocates fiercely for the importance of early learning and continues to support programs that serve the youngest learners in her school.

"Head Start gave me a head start," Jocelyn reflects. "It helped shape who I amnot just as an educator, but as a leader who understands the power of beginning early and believing in every child's potential."

Sandra Johnson Former Hazard Independent Schools Superinten-

dent Sandy Johnson reflects on a life shaped by perseverance, growth, and a lifelong love of learning. As she looks back over the decades, one formative experience stands out as the spark that set her journey in motion: the summer she attended Head Start, Some of Sandy's earliest and most vivid memories of social interaction with children her own age come from that summer. In the warm, welcoming environment of Head Start, she began developing the foundational skills that would support her throughout her life. It was more than just preparation for kindergarten—it was where she first discovered the joy of learning, the importance of connection, and the confidence to explore the world around her. With the gentle guidance of her teachers and the encouragement of her peers, Sandy became an engaged learner from the very beginning. The lessons she learned during that time-how to listen, collaborate, ask questions, and express herself-proved to be essential, not just in school, but in every stage of her life. Those early seeds of curiosity and determination continued to flourish San dy pursued a career in education, rising through the ranks with a strong commitment to student success and equity. Her journey came full circle when she served as superintendent for Hazard Independent Schools for 14 years, leading with the same passion and purpose that had been ignited in her during that first summer in Head Start. Her leadership impacted countless students, educators, and communities—always grounded in the belief that every child deserves a strong start.

Now, as she reflects on her achievements, Sandy credits much of who she is to getting that crucial head start-not only in academics, but in the skills, values, and confidence needed to thrive in life. Head Start, she says, gave her far more than an introduction to education. It gave her the foundation to become a lifelong learner, a leader, and a champion for children.

"I am now 61 years old and some of my first memories of social interaction with peers of the same age was the summer that I attended Head Start," said Johnson. "Attending Head Start prepared me to be an engaged learner. I attribute much of my success to getting a head start." These women stand as powerful reminders of the lasting impact Head Start can have. These are more than just success stories-they are testaments to the transformative power of early childhood education and a shining example of how investing in our youngest learners can build stronger communities for genera-

So Be It..... BEAUTIFUL FEET

Every Sunday afternoon a pastor and his 11-year-old boy handed out Gospel tracts. But one Sunday, the weather was terrible. It was cold, windy, and pouring rain. The boy bundled up in his coat and said, "Okay, Dad, I'm ready to go." His dad said, "Ready for what?" "It's time to pass out tracts, like we always do." "Son, it's freezing and raining hard. I don't think we should go out today." "But Dad, people are still going to hell, even if it's raining." The father paused. He couldn't argue with that. "Alright. You can go. Just be careful." "Thanks, Dad!" the boy headed

out into the storm. For two hours, he walked the streets in the rain, giving out tracts to anyone he could find. Soaked and shivering, he finally had just one tract left. The streets were now empty. He looked around, then walked towards the nearest house and rang the doorbell. No answer. He rang it again. Still nothing. He knocked. Waited. No one came. He turned to leave, but something in his heart told him to try one more time. He rang the bell again and knocked hard.

Finally, the door slowly opened. An elderly woman stood there looking tired and sad. "What can I do for you, son?" With a warm smile, the boy said, "Ma'am, I just want you to know - Jesus loves you. This is my last gospel tract. I came to give it to you." He handed her the little booklet. "Thank you, son. And God bless you." He turned and walked back into the rain.

The next Sunday, in church, the pastor asked, "Would anyone like to share a testimony?" From the back row, a woman stood up. No one in the church had ever seen her before. She began: "My husband passed away some time ago, and I have been completely alone. Last Sunday, I decided I couldn't go on living. So, I took a rope and a chair. I tied the rope to a beam. I then stood on the chair. I was about to step off... but the doorbell rang. Once. Then again. Then again. It wouldn't

began knocking loud and hard. I thought, "Who could that be? No one ever visits me." I went downstairs and opened the door. And there stood a little boy soaked with rain." He said, "Ma'am, Jesus loves you." Then he handed me this little booklet and walked away. I closed the door and read every word of that Gospel tract. Then I went back to put away the rope and chair. Today, I came here to receive Jesus as my Savior." There wasn't a dry eye in the

The Bible says, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news." Someone somewhere is needing to hear some good news today. Will you be the one to bring the good news to a broken soul? As a Jesus follower, my job is NOT to be the morality police, constantly checking up to see if others are behaving in a way that I deem "correct" or "righteous." Instead, my job is to love others in ways that heal their broken heart and set them free from all the unkindness's that hold them captive. We need to treat people like JESUS died for them. John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life."

When you feel invisible, remember this: God sees every tear, every prayer, every step. You are fully known and deeply loved. Your tears have been heard. been collected and counted by your Heavenly Father. You have not gone unnoticed. Your cries have awoken



the heart of God.

I pray for the hurt souls right now, Jesus. I pray in your mighty and matchless name that they find comfort in you, knowing that you will rescue them in this season. May all the tears they shed throughout this time of trials and attack from the enemy, be replaced with your love and victory. Amen!

God is always on time for those who need him. He will work through people in many unusual ways to reach the lost and hurting. Yes, reading this article is no accident. God loves you right now wherever you are! Your life matters to Him. AMEN! SO BE IT (5.14.25)

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