

KAYS BRANCH AND BEYOND

BY WANDA NEW

Welcome to another new month so soon. Fall doesn't start until Sept. 22 but it is feeling like it already, but it feels so wonderful not to be hot. We are in much need of some rain, maybe some coming Wednesday and Thursday? It felt so good outside this week I hated to come in the house to do things I need to do there but it will mostly wait. Ray has bushhogged for me several hours this week, he likes to see it look pretty but i usually wait until after frost so the weeds die down and I can see what's under the very tall weeds, just like bushes.

Seems like everybody's gardens and fields just turned into wilderness suddenly after all the rains in July but now the yards aren't growing much because it's so dry.

Fay is working very hard watering to save her flower beds and her late beans and garden. She is always at war with ground squirrels eating up everything, but she did catch one big one this week. Her tomatoes were like everyone's i hear, cracking open after growing too fast and they did not get to can any of them. They did get out one day and ate at Longhorns. Her nephew David and wife came to visit Fay and Jennifer one day and talk about the Viking cruise they went on in England and had a great time.

I did get to can 7 quarts of green beans last week but that's the end of the beans. Barbara's almost 170 tomato vines didn't allow any to be canned but we've enjoyed eating what we can. Sadly, we gathered Tuesday evening to pay our respects to Phil Cook who lost his life in a UTV accident. It's not a good way to keep in touch with friends but it happens too often. Please everyone be very careful on these vehicles. Trina Schimmoeffers new house is coming along. It's called ICF, insulated concrete Forms with a R50



Charlie and L.A. Riddle man the grill during the "River Town Revival" last Saturday at Monterey Park. The food provided by the Monterey Fire Department was so good members had to head into town to buy more.



Children play during the "River Town Revival" last Saturday, which featured a tiny home being donated to a family who lost their home during this year's flood.

insulation factor so it should be easy to heat and cool. Hopefully the great weather will continue so they can make progress. She was one of four poetry readers on Fri at the Presbyterian church, and they had a great crowd. Hannah, Connie May, Pat and Dara were there as well as Charlie and Laurie and Neighbor Casey to support her talent. After the poetry Hannah and friends took in the last sum-

mer concert on the Old Capital lawn while Pat and Dara went to see the Big Chill at the Grand Theatre. Chris and Joel flew to Washington D.C. over the weekend to watch Sophie play her first college volleyball game. The family drove to Bowling Green Ohio to watch Phillip play his first away football game. He is in his last semester in Pennsylvania college. Eric is back in college playing soc-



The crowd listens to one of several musical acts that performed during last Saturday's "River Town Revival" in Monterey Park.

cer. Mark Schimmoeffler is in Berea for 6 days for a clay/stucco house building workshop which is the type he has built for Jennifer and himself. Hannah was cooking supper Sunday for Jennifer while he was gone and also invited Merry Beth Robson while her husband was on a hiking trip. Last Sunday she and Deb were on the way to Lex. Tomato Fest and ran out of gas, fortunately they got on the side lane and coasted to within very short distance of a gas station. She was shocked to think she was distracted and never noticed the gauge, but it worked out. Tuesday she was in Louisville to meet her traveling friend, Sarah , who was having car repairs done so they met another friend and had supper at a fancy Korean restaurant and stayed at a motel. Saturday Hannah went to the annual Woods and Water Land Trust meeting. There was about 50 people there and she won the bid on a tour of Josephine Sculpture Park with Melanie Van H. The Harrods spent the weekend playing music, Friday in Madison, Indiana then on to Waynesville Ohio to a big party of fun music, people and food on a big farm there.

My sister's class of '67 "we're not getting any younger" reunion was a great time at Oddfellows Hall on Sat. Thanks Larry Dale. Thanks Danny Bourne and Linda Perry for organizing the annual event and including me as adopted classmate! There was about 56 there, I think. I enjoyed seeing everybody especially my best friend Mary Riddle Bailey. I have tried to reach most of my classmates to try to get together at Amigos on Sept. 6 at 1:30 like we did last July, whoever can come we will enjoy catching up with old friends. Saturday evening was a wonderful time to see so many neighbors and friends gathered at our little Monterey Park for the "River Town Revival", after a tough year of flooding, Much thanks to Emma Engelman for putting it all together, on behalf of Freedom Tiny Homes. They are giving the tiny home to Bo and Mary Raider who lost their home to the flood in April. Nancy Fouser was instrumental in helping Monterey, Dara Carlisle said she used to work with her at the State. They have fundraisers like this one to help raise funds to build the houses to give away. The weather was perfect, and the big crowd enjoyed music of 4 different

music groups. The Monterey Volunteer Fire Dept. grilled all evening on the grill loaned by Monterey Baptist to feed everyone without charge, but people were happy to give tips for all their efforts. They ran out of hamburgers and had to go to town and buy more. Jericho's Farmhouse served up delicious ice cream from their mobile truck and was certainly a crowd pleaser. The kids had a blast running and playing on the equipment. We hope to get more playground equipment in the future. It was a great night of a community celebration, Thanks to all who had a part to make it happen. I saw my neighbors, the Tabors there and Patrick Kennedy won one of the raffle prizes. Beth and Danny Conway's family was there. Brayden was with the Volunteer Fire Department as he is a member. Thanks to the department, they are always willing to help in our community. Some helped with the parking too. We are blessed to have so many willing people in our community, my hometown in the 50's. Do everything with a good heart and expect nothing, you will never be disappointed.

HORSE

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as green as they're used to, or that the nutrient profile doesn't quite match past years," Coleman said. "That doesn't mean it isn't safe to feed. It just means you need to know what you're dealing with." To avoid guesswork, it is strongly encouraged horse owners get their hay tested. Local Cooperative Extension Service offices can provide the tools and advice for collecting a sample and will help interpret the results from the horse perspective. This allows owners to balance their animals' diets properly and make the most of the hay's nutrients.


In addition to nutrition concerns, weeds are another issue. Coleman said that foxtail has been showing up in more hay fields. This plant can cause irritation and mouth sores in horses, making it a problem in the hay. He urged horse owners to closely inspect hay before purchase.

Knowing the weight of the bales one is buying is just as important as knowing the type of hay. "If you're purchasing 100 bales, there's a big difference between 50-pound bales and 40-pound bales," Coleman said. "That's 5,000 pounds of hay versus 4,000 pounds. If your horses require 4,500 pounds of hay, using the heavier bales would result in a slight surplus, while the lighter bales would leave you short. You really need to know what you're getting, both in quality and in weight." Coleman also recommends more controlled feeding practices. "Rather than offering free-choice hay, measure out what your horses need each day," he said. "That helps reduce

waste and makes your supply last longer. Also remember that hay from a second or third cutting could be different than the first. This makes it important for horse owners to make gradual changes to give horses time to adapt the same as if you were switching them from hay to grain." Due to all of these factors, Coleman advises horse owners to act early. "If you know you're going to need hay, don't wait," he said. "Line up your supply now and be prepared to work with more than one seller if necessary." For those who cannot secure enough hay, alternatives are available. Pro-

cessed forage products such as alfalfa cubes, alfalfa-grass

cubes or commercial hay pellets can help fill the gap.



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BARRY GRAVES and  
LISA MCBURNEY

PLAINTIFF

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

DEFENDANTS

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By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the Owen Circuit Court on August 12, 2025, I will sell at public auction on the front steps of the Owen County Courthouse, the property described herein located in Owen County, Kentucky, on **THURSDAY, September 25, 2025**, at the hour of **12:00 p.m.** prevailing time, and more particularly described as follows: Situated in the State of Kentucky, in the County of Owen and bounded as follows:  
**Property Address: 1305 Bethel Ridge Rd., Worthville, KY 41098**  
Map ID No. 004-00-00-019.00.  
**There is not a mobile home, doublewide and/or manufactured home included in the sale.**  
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