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Erhardt voted PrepHoops player of the week
Spencer County sophomore guard Luke Erhardt received a prestigious honor last week.

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Bears win two out of three at Christmas Classic
The Bears had more tournament play Dec. 20 – 22 in Gatlinburg, TN.

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Lady Bears grow from tough losses
The Spencer County girls' basketball team started off the season hot – winning its first four games, including district wins over Woodford County and Shelby County. Then the Bears ran into defending region champions Anderson County, and hung tight – falling 50-38 to give the Bearcats their closest contest at that point.

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Pictured, from left, are Bill Wood, Richard Morris and Sheriff Scott Herndon.

Sheriff takes donations to Western Kentucky

BY JEFF SOPLAND
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Bill Wood and Richard Morris with the Taylorsville Fire District and Spencer County Sheriff Scott Herndon drove to Dawson Springs in Western Kentucky with a trailer of donations on Dec. 20.

The sheriff's office extended its thanks to those who helped with the donations. "Thank

you to Spencer County EMS, Taylorsville-Spencer County Emergency Management, Taylorsville-Spencer County Fire Protection Services for joining together to provide several drop off sites for your donations! Above all else thank you to the Spencer County Community for being so giving and making sure our neighbors in western Kentucky have plenty of supplies!"



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The donated items from Spencer County were added to the other items in Dawson Springs.

Ray Jewell Park Phase 2 lighting still an issue for Fiscal Court

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At the Dec. 6 Fiscal Court meeting, members of the court felt that they were caught off guard with the additional \$76,892 needed to put up lights at Ray Jewell Park. The bid was recommended to be awarded to Knight Electric by Eric and Erika from QK4 Engineers.

Magistrate Mike Moody, District 1 Taylorsville, voiced his concern. "The costs are significantly higher than expected. And the memorial was added on but not discussed." Spencer County Judge Executive John Riley responded with "Due to rising costs of labor and materials, the costs exceed the expected \$49,500 match amount from the 50/50 grant. And the flag pole that is currently there is not properly lit, so it is fitting to add a memorial area with

a new lighted flag pole for Jackson Bayers and others in the baseball association. The field is already called the Jackson Fields."

M. Moody suggested that the court "step back and take another look." Magistrate Tim Brewer, District 2 Waterford, added that he too "needed to see more information." Without taking a vote, Riley decided to pass the agenda item to the next meeting on Dec. 20.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDGE

In the Communications from County Judge Executive portion of the meeting, Riley spoke about the legislation that was recently passed in the Senate that would give local governments more flexibility to spend COVID relief dollars (ARPA funds) on infra-

structure projects. The legislation was titled the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act (S.3011).

Senator Rand Paul said in a letter sent to the court. "By providing the flexibility to unlock these COVID dollars, Kentucky stands to supplement its investment in infrastructure by over \$1.7 billion, without adding to the federal debt. Specifically, the bill empowers localities to spend the greater of \$10 million or 30% of their relief funding on infrastructure. The bill includes no federal mandates and creates a pathway for better-off localities to retain their relief funding for deficit reduction purposes, should they choose to do so. Simply put, I supported this bill because it provides a

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NEW CANDIDATE FILINGS, WEEK OF DEC. 20 — 24

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There were three new candidate filings in Spencer County last week. William Eldridge, Magistrate District 5 Little Mount/Mt. Eden; Martha Allgeier, Magistrate District 2 Waterford; and Katelyn Gartin, Coroner. All are registered Republicans.

PRIOR FILINGS

Incumbent James Allen Tipton, State Representative for House District 53; incumbent S. Marie Hellard, Family Court Judge; incumbent Scott Herndon, sheriff; Jonathan Bentley, sheriff; Darrell Herndon, jailer; incumbent Lynn Hesselbrock, county clerk; Sherrie Coulter, county clerk; Scott Travis, judge-executive; Colin King, sheriff; Tim Brewer, current District 2 Waterford magistrate, judge-executive; incumbent Jim Travis, District 3 Elk Creek magistrate; Lynette Mason, judge-executive; incumbent Brett Guthrie, Congress; Incumbent Kim Stump, Spencer County PVA; Corey Thomas, Spencer County Attorney; John Hamilton, Spencer County Judge Executive; Zack Cotton, magistrate, Campbranch; and Bill Wood, magistrate, Waterford. All are registered Republicans.

Filings for next year's election run through Jan. 7, 2022, and June 9, 2022, in non-partisan races for school board and city council.

CIRCUIT COURT INDICTMENTS

BY STAFF REPORT

The following indictments were handed down by the Spencer County Circuit Court on Dec. 15:

Alicia Brittany Aubrey, 2474 Grays Run Road, Taylorsville, was indicted on one count illegal possession of a controlled substance in the first degree, methamphetamine, second offense, a class D felony; one count illegal use or possession of drug paraphernalia; one count illegal possession of a controlled substance in the third degree, drug unspecified; and one count possession of controlled substances not in original container, first offense, all stemming from an incident on Nov. 17.

Kimberly Faye White, 141 Hill Street, Taylorsville, was indicted on one count illegal possession of a controlled substance in the first degree, methamphetamine, a class D felony; one count illegal use or possession of drug paraphernalia; and one count possession of marijuana, all stemming from an incident on Oct. 22.

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