# Mercer County Court News

## Dist. Criminal

**The following cases are on record in the Mercer County Circuit Court clerk's office:**

*(Editor's Note: The following abbreviations appear throughout court news: **ADE** - alcohol and drug education classes.)*

Johnathon Steverson, possession of drug paraphernalia, 26 days to serve.

James C. Carrier, rear license not illuminated, $25 fine.

Heather Lynn Cornish, obstructed vision/windshield, $25 fine.

Jamie Lee Davis, failure to wear seat belts, $25 fine invalid registration plates, $25 fine; invalid Kentucky registration receipt, $25 fine.

Sara Hall, theft by deception—include cold checks (two counts), 30 days to serve each count (concurrently), probation one year.

Amanda Jayne Hatfield, invalid registration plates, $25 fine.

Malory R. Ridgway, invalid Kentucky registration receipt, $25 fine.

Kimberly R. Tatum, shoplifting, 30 days to serve, probation one year, no contact with Walmart property.

Jeffery Allen Baker, speeding 14 MPH over the posted limit, $28 fine.

Maegan Cormack, 4th degree assault, 30 days to serve; 3rd degree criminal mischief, 30 days to serve (concurrent), probation one year.

Sarah Dell Jones, 2nd degree criminal mischief, 30 days to serve; leaving scene of accident/failure to render aid, 30 days to serve, consecutive, probation one year for both offenses.

Stephanie McClure, possession of marijuana, $100 fine.

Carrie Chapman, 2nd degree stalking, 365 days to serve; harassing communications, 90 days to serve (concurrent). two years probation after first 30 days.

Randall Darland, 2nd degree disorderly conduct, 30 days to serve; resisting arrest, 30 days to serve (concurrent), drunk in public, $25 fine.

Abigail Eve McAdams, improper signal, $25 fine; disregarding stop sign, $25 fine.

Llyric Devon Perkins, attempted possession of a controlled substance, 179 days to serve, probation one year.

Amber Rainey, shoplifting, 30 days to serve, probation one year.

Matthew Stephen Roby, failure to appear, five days to serve.

## Deeds

**The following property transfers are on record in the Mercer County Clerk's office:**

Rawleigh and Jill Honchel to John Honchel, property located in Mercer County, $55,377.75.

Lyndon and Tammy Gregory to Michael Thomas, two parcels of property located in Mercer County, $700,000.

Douglas E. and Charlotte H. Scudder to Geoffry Scott Patton, property located in Mercer County, $225,500.

Keith Samuels to Zachary Tindle and Marissa Satterly, property located at 216 Daisy Street, $170,000.

Larry Catlett, Master Commissioner of the Mercer Circuit Court to Ricky D. Cole and Chad D. Cole, property located at 1680 Danville Road, $815,000.

Randall Goins to Chad C. Wilson, property located in Mercer County, $20,000.

The Estate of Gustave Fritz Wolff III, Gretchen M. Wolff Shearer and Franz F. Wolff, co-executors, to the Shearer Family Trust, property located in Mercer County, estimated fair market value of $163,772.

The Estate of Gustave Fritz Wolff III, Gretchen M. Wolff Shearer and Franz F. Wolff, co-executors, to the Franz Frederick Wolff Trust, property located in Mercer County, estimated fair market value of $205,723.

The Estate of Gustave Fritz Wolff III, Gretchen M. Wolff Shearer and Franz F. Wolff, co-executors, to the Shearer Family Trust, property located in Mercer County, estimated fair market value of $15,000.

Linda B. and Thomas Stanley Riney to Johnathan Scott and Claire Rosario Noel, property located at 375 Harvey Pike, $1,140,000.

Brenda L. Bradford to Brenda L. Bradford and Danielle Lee Logue, property located in Mercer County, estimated fair market value of $55,000.

George and Denise Camic to FNF Rentals LLC, property located in Mercer County, $85,000.

## Civil

**The following civil cases were filed at the Mercer County Circuit Clerk's office:**

Citibank N.A. vs. Jesus Tejada, $5,922.42 plus any and all other relief.

Brendan Woods vs. Chloe Ulshafer and Frederick W. Ulshafer and State Farm Mutal Automobile Insurance Company, compensatory and contractual damages for a vehicular collision on June 30, 2024, in Mercer County plus any and all other relief.

Midland Credit Management Inc. vs. Frank Mattingly, $7,190.86 plus any and all other relief.

Greg and Tonya Ross vs. State Farm Fire and Casualty Company, damages for a storm on May 25, 2024, in Mercer County plus any and all other relief.

Jessica Bee vs. John Watts, damages for a vehicular collision on Nov. 7, 2023, in Mercer County plus any and all other relief.

PennyMac Loan Services LLC vs. Randy L. Nemeth et al., $201,571.65 plus any and all other relief.

# Marriage Licenses

**The following marriage licenses are on record in the office of Mercer County Clerk Chris Horn:**

Kaitlyn McKenzie Korte, 22, of 102 Ewing Avenue, vet tech, to John Browning Beaven, 22, of the same address, electrician.

Suly Hadassah Smith, 20, of 352 Moore Lane, Walmart, to Garrett Jude Ganem, 18, of 5326 Cornishville Road, Walmart.

# Police News

*The following cases have been or are currently being investigated by the Mercer County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) or Harrodsburg Police Department (HPD). The information is drawn from police reports and public records at Boyle County Detention Center (BCDC). Anyone with information on cases still under investigation is urged to contact the HPD at 859-734-5120 or the MCSO at 859-734-4221. Unless otherwise noted, all subjects are being held at BCDC.*

*All charges are merely allegations. All defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond reasonable doubt in a court of law.*

## Crimes:

**Tuesday, Oct. 29**

• Kristina Bernice Swofford-McKnight, 40, of Lancaster, was arrested and charged with public intoxication—excludes alcohol and possession of drug paraphernalia. Arrest: Dep. Michael Raisor (MCSO). Released on recognizance.

• Randy Wayne Hendrix, 42, of Harrodsburg, was served with a warrant for violating the conditions of release. Arrest: Patrolman Austin Price (HPD). Released Nov. 1.

**Wednesday, Oct. 30**

• Bobby Richard Garland Jr., 51, of Danville, was served with a warrant for nonpayment of court costs, fees or fines. Arrest: Patrolman Austin Price (HPD). Released on a $134 bond.

**Thursday, Oct. 31**

• Randall Edwin Darland, 48, of Harrodsburg, was arrested and charged with 1st degree criminal mischief, 2nd degree burglary, 2nd degree fleeing or evading police on foot, 3rd degree terroristic threatening, theft by unlawful taking—auto, 2nd degree disorderly conduct and public intoxication—excludes alcohol. Arrest: MCSO. Bond: $100,000.

DARLAND

• Sheena Shurie Estes, 39, of Harrodsburg, was arrested and charged with drunk in public. Arrest: Patrolman Austin Price (HPD). Released without bond.

**Saturday, Nov. 2**

• Amanda Gail Coontz, 31, of Salvisa, was served with a warrant for contempt of court. Arrest: Patrolman Hunter Kelly (HPD). No bond.

COONTZ

**Sunday, Nov. 3**

• Zackary Zane Turpin, 36, of Danville, was arrested and charged with 1st degree possession of methamphetamine and served with a warrant for failure to appear. Arrest: Patrolman Austin Price (HPD). Bonds: $5,500.

TURPIN

• Todd Wayne Goodlett, 57, of Harrodsburg, was arrested and charged with 1st degree rape, 1st degree burglary, 1st degree assault and 1st degree wanton endangerment. Arrest: Dep. Michael Raisor (MCSO). Bond: $25,000.

GOODLETT

**PUBLIC (LEGAL) NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT**
**MERCER COUNTY EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Pursuant to Section 324, Title III of the 1986 Federal Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986, 42 U.S.C. 11001 et seq., the following information is provided in compliance with the Community Right-to-Know requirements of the SARA Law, and the open meetings and open records provisions of KRS 61.800, 61.805, 61.810, 61.823, 61.826, and 61.835. Members of the public may contact the Mercer County Emergency Planning Committee by writing Chris Goodlett, Chairman of the Mercer County Emergency Planning Committee, 207 West Lexington St. Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, or contacted by telephone at 859-734-6333. The Mercer County Emergency Planning Committee conducts meetings at Mercer County Emergency Management Office, 207 West Lexington St. Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, or at other locations, in accordance with the Kentucky Open Meetings Law. Members of the public may request to be notified of regular or special meetings as provided in KRS 61.820. Records of the Planning Committee, including the county emergency response plan, material safety data sheets, and inventory forms, or any follow-up emergency notices as may subsequently be issued, are open for inspection, and members of the public who wish to review these records may do so by making an appointment with The Director of Emergency Management Brad Cox ( Custodian of Records), at 859-734-6333for viewing during business hours at 207 West Lexington St. Harrodsburg , Kentucky 40330, as required by the Kentucky Open Records Law. The local 24-hour telephone number for purposes of emergency notification, as required by the SARA Law, is 859-792-3023 which connects to Bluegrass 911 center.**

# What are gift card scams?

Financial Focus

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Gift Card Scams are the newest threat to today's world where cybercriminals commit financial fraud by tricking people into buying gift cards and sending them the gift card information. This popular scam is a preference for cybercriminals because gift cards are an easy substitute for cash, they are easy to purchase, and once the fraud is complete it's difficult to track down the scammer.

What are some examples of gift card scams?

The scams typically start when the cybercriminal contacts you with an urgent request for money. The scammer will imitate an IRS employee, tech support employee, or even a family member, and will tell you to go to a store (Target, Walmart, Walgreens, etc.) to purchase the gift card. After the gift cards are purchased, the cybercriminal will urge you to scratch off the panel on the back of the gift card, take a picture of the gift card information, and send them that picture to complete the financial fraud.

Another example might be where a family member or friend will reach out to you asking for help in purchasing a gift card online. They will ask you to buy it for them then claim to pay you back once you send over the gift card information.

Gift card scams can be easily avoided by following these best practices:

- Buy gift cards online directly from known and trusted sources.
- Proceed with caution on all urgent requests.
- Never send pictures or text messages to anyone that includes gift card information.
- Confirm with the gift card requestor in person or over the phone that they made this request before sending any money to them

What do I do if I am a victim of a gift card scam?

If you're the victim of a gift card scam, immediately contact the issuer of the gift card and report the scam to them. If you contact the issuer quick enough, you may be able to get a refund. Please be aware that some issuers may not provide a refund to the card.

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# $250,000 Beginning Farmer Loan awarded in Mercer County

Ten Beginning Farmer Loans totaling up to $2,275,475—including a $250,000 loan here in Mercer County—were recently approved by the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corp. The KAFC approved a tola of 14 agricultural loans totaling $2,950,475 for projects across the Commonwealth, including four Agricultural Infrastructure Loans totaling up to $675,000.

The KAFC participates with lenders to provide financing to producers making capital expenditures for agricultural projects through the AILP. Eligible projects include permanent farm structures with attached equipment that improves the profitability of farming operations. Producers may be eligible for up to $250,000 not to exceed 50 percent of the project.

The Beginning Farmer Loan Program is designed to assist individuals with some farming experience who desire to develop, expand, or buy into a farming operation. Beginning farmers may qualify for financing to purchase livestock, equipment, or agriculture facilities; to secure permanent working capital; for the purchase of farm real estate; or to invest in a partnership or LLC.

For more information on the programs offered by the KAFC, contact Bill McCloskey at Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy at 502-382-6093 or email kafc@ky.gov.

# LeMonds reappointed to state board

Chris LeMonds, principal of Burgin Independent Schools, has been reappointed to the Standards and Assessments Process Review Committee. Gov. Andy Beshear announced the appointment in October. In addition, the governor reappointed Grace-Nicole Burke of Danville, an educator at Boyle County Board of Education, to the Standards and Assessments Process Review Committee.

Since 2014, LeMonds has served as principal of Burgin Independent School. During that time, he developed a relationship with the Kentucky School for the Deaf through the College Career Readiness (CCR) Exchange Program between KSD, Burgin Independent Schools and Danville Independent. Additionally, LeMonds hosted KSD students as part of the 21st Century Learning Afterschool Program housed at Burgin Independent. Prior to working at Burgin, LeMonds served as both an administrator and teacher at Boyle County High School.

LeMonds' term on the committee will expire May 27, 2028.

LEMONDS

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## 14 Services Offered

**LeMayne Ellis, DVM**
*Bluegrass Animal Hospital*
210 Morris Drive, Harrodsburg, Ky.
*Grooming by Amanda*
**Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:00; Sat. 9:00-12:00**
**Phone 734-5546**

## 21 For Rent

FOR Rent – 2 bdrm townhouse, no pets, $700 mo., $800, 859-368-1255

**NEWSPRINT FOR SALE $1.00 BUNDLE THE HARRODSBURG HERALD**

## 23 Posted

**NO HUNTING OR TRESPASSING**
on property at
451 Votaw Road
Harrodsburg, Ky
40330