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## Magician Lance Burton's Memorabilia Exhibit

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Each month the owners of Highland Station Gallery, Alan and Anne Bird, offer the community an opportunity to experience an art exhibit showcasing the work of an individual artist. Past exhibitions have included paintings, sculptures, pottery, quilts, fiber arts, and more. This month the “feature artist” is Master Magician Lance

Burton. Upon entering the gallery, attendees will be able to walk through and view select memorabilia from Mr. Burton's private collection including pieces from the 70's, 80's, and 90's. During the opening evening on June 5 between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Master Magician Lance Burton will be present to meet everyone.

Ms. Bird says she first met Lance around 1975 at The Brown School

in Louisville when his best friend was one of her students. She said it has been exciting to work with Mr. Burton on this exhibit and see and hear about his journey as a magician. Ms. Bird said Mr. Burton has been all over the world and met many well-known celebrities and the exhibit will include photos of encounters with some of these famous individuals.

Take the short drive

out to Highland Station Gallery located at 3292 Wheeler Hill Road and view this unique exhibit Mr. Burton has kindly offered for public viewing. The exhibit opens June 5 and runs through June 14. For information regarding specific days and times the gallery is open visit the gallery's website (<http://HighlandStationGallery.com/>)



Four Lindsey Wilson College Bonner Scholars and two staff members spent seven days in May serving at Oak Life School of Orphan Care and Love in Action Center for Children, where they helped organize and renovate a bazaar whose sales support the mission efforts. From left: Bonner Assistant Director Yayi Sonnabend; Abby Girdler '26 of Somerset, Kentucky; Cassidy Harrison '26 of Park City, Kentucky; Elizabeth Pirtle '26 of Fulton, Kentucky; Shaye Anthony '26 of Somerset; and Director of Civic Engagement, Student Leadership and the Bonner Scholar Program Kisha Burton.

## A Week in Mexico Deepens Lindsey Wilson College Students' Passion for Serving

Students stretch their boundaries through work with Oak Life School of Orphan Care, Love in Action Children's Home.

COLUMBIA, KY. (06/04/2025) For a group of Lindsey Wilson College students, a week of service in Mexico was a life-changing experience.

Four Lindsey Wilson Bonner Scholars and two staff members spent seven days in May in Chapala, Mexico, where they worked with an orphanage that serves the city of about 50,000 in the state of Jalisco.

The trip was part of the students' preparation for their senior year as Bonner Scholars, a Lindsey Wilson group dedicated to service learning. While in western Mexico, the group worked with Oak Life School of Orphan Care and Love in Action Center for Children, where they helped organize and renovate a bazaar that supports the mission efforts. It was the second consecutive year the Lindsey Wilson Bonner Scholars have worked with the mission groups.

“Through our trip, I learned to reflect on

communities out of my own,” said Shaye Anthony '26, a biology and psychophysiology major from Somerset, Kentucky. “Culture in

Chapala is beautiful and rich. The people there are so very genuine, and the girls I met at Love in Action will forever follow me in my life. In the end, I felt more open to people, despite my introverted self, and my passion for serving people has never felt stronger.”

Stretching students Encouraging a passion for service is a big reason for the international service trip, according to Lindsey Wilson Director of Civic Engagement, Student Leadership and the Bonner Scholar Program Kisha Burton.

“The Bonner model is developmental, which means that by the time a student gets to their senior year they have been stretched and developed in such a way that they are ready to be challenged, which is to experience a different culture,” said Burton. “This trip is the culmination of their time in the

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Alan Bird working to finish the display.

## First & Farmers National Bank Gives \$10,000 to Lindsey Wilson College

Gift celebrates long partnership, supports Lindsey Wilson Fund. COLUMBIA, KY. (06/04/2025) First & Farmers National Bank and Lindsey Wilson College have a strong history, and to celebrate that relationship First &

Farmers gave \$10,000 on Tuesday, June 3, to the Lindsey Wilson Fund.

The Lindsey Wilson Fund, which supports the Lindsey Wilson mission, helps meet

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First & Farmers National Bank officials present a facsimile check representing the bank's \$10,000 to the Lindsey Wilson College Fund on Tuesday, June 3, in front of the college's L.R. McDonald Administration Building. From left: First & Farmers Assistant Vice President/Branch Manager/Loan Officer Candace Petty; First & Farmers Assistant Vice President/Loan Officer Sarah Jessie, Assistant Vice President/BSA Officer Hali Lawson, Lindsey Wilson President William T. Luckey Jr. and Lindsey Wilson Vice President for Administration & Finance Mark Coleman.



A snippet of items that will be available for viewing.



## City Council Meets on Monday

The Columbia City Council met in regular session on Monday.

They had first reading of the budget amendments and the budget for 2025-2026.

The new budget includes: a five percent raise for city employees, a seven percent rate increase for insurance for the next year, a new salt bin to be located at the maintenance building on Hudson Street, and a couple of gas projects to be initiated by the Columbia Gas Department.

The council approved the following streets for paving: Allen Street, Taylor Street, Ewing Street, Water Works Street, Grissom Street, and North

High Street. Bids are to be submitted by Thursday, June 12, at close of business.

Mayor Hoots gave an in depth report on approximately \$14 million in grants that the City of Columbia is currently working on.

The City Police Department's report showed 877 calls for service/contacts during the month, 86 citations, and 18 accidents investigated.

Assistant Chief Drew Conn and Administrative Sergeant Trevor Foster completed 40 hours of Norse Tactical in-service training during the month. K-9 Matt has been retired during the month with ten years of service.

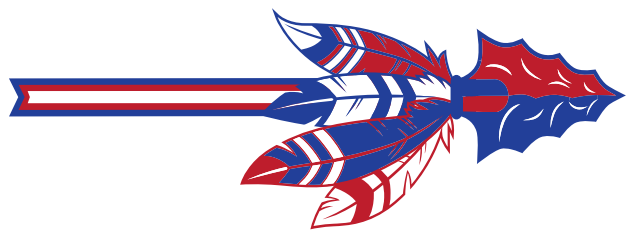
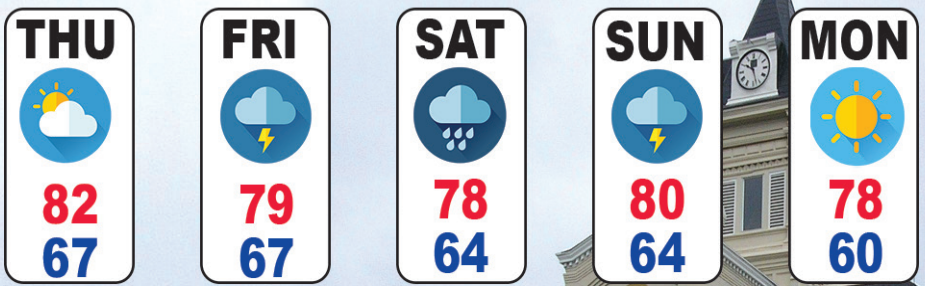
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