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Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) classes begin July 8, 2025. Register by June 27, 2025.

Meeting for EMT classes will be held June 27, 2025 at 5 p.m. at Knox County Ambulance Service 223 Gregory Ln., Barbourville, KY 40906 606-546-9722



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— MEMORIAL DAY 2025 —

Remembering the Fallen



Maj. Tyler Shields was the keynote speaker for Monday's service honoring Memorial Day. Garrett Garland was one of two men honored for their service. Special music was provided by the Barbourville Memorial Day Choir, and taps played by Jared Ferguson.

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The 2025 Memorial Day Service was held at Barbourville City Cemetery on Monday, May 26, in traditional fashion.

Lt. Jacob Cook of the U.S. Army Kentucky National Guard led the ceremony, which included an

invocation by Chaplain (CPT) Michael Hartley of the U.S. Army National Guard. The Presentation of Colors was conducted by the Knox Central JROTC.

The Barbourville Memorial

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Man wanted in Stinking Creek robbery, shooting behind bars

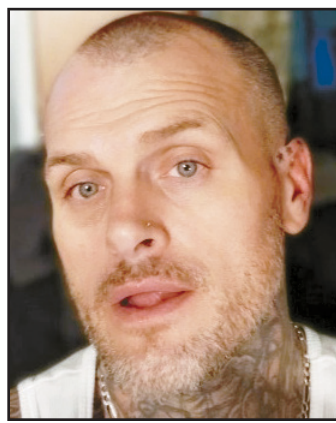
BY CHARLES MYRICK

Publisher

The primary suspect in a Stinking Creek shooting over two weeks ago is now behind bars.

Following a manhunt lasting more than two weeks, the primary suspect in a shooting at Stinking Creek is now behind bars.

The Knox County Sheriff's Office is reporting that Daniel Dale Edwards, 42 of Hinkle, was arrested at approximately 12 p.m. on Friday, May 23 in the Turkey



Daniel Dale Edwards, 42

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KSP releases identity of woman found deceased

STAFF REPORT

A positive identification of a deceased woman found on Friday, May 16 in Flat Lick has been released.

Kentucky State Police report that Knox County Coroner Mike Blevins notified the agency the deceased individual is Tammy Faye Tindell, 54, of Bell County.

Tindell's body was discovered on the side of Tom Kit Baker Road in the Flat Lick community of Knox County on Friday, May 16. Initially responding to the scene was the Knox County Sheriff's Office, which requested assistance from Kentucky State Police.

KSP is in charge of the continuing investigation.

Knox County man indicted on federal drug, firearm charges

BY CHARLES MYRICK

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A Knox County man is facing serious federal charges after a grand jury indicted him for allegedly trafficking multiple dangerous narcotics and illegally possessing a firearm, despite a prior felony conviction.

John Everett Carr was charged this week in a two-count federal indictment alleging he intended to distribute methamphetamine, fentanyl, and heroin, a potent and often deadly cocktail of controlled

substances, and possessed a firearm in violation of federal law due to his criminal history.

Federal prosecutors say Carr was found in possession of the drugs and a Hi-Point 10mm rifle on November 7, 2023. The indictment accuses him of violating 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), a statute targeting drug trafficking, and 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1), which prohibits felons from owning firearms.

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Fiscal Court sees progress on multiple projects

BY NIKKI STANLEY

Reporter

The May 2025 Fiscal Court meeting resulted in some long-awaited projects finally gaining traction, with a project that has been in the works for over six years receiving the grant money requested. The funding will allow for tangible changes to be made

throughout various phases of the project.

One of the initiatives gaining momentum involves the relocation of utilities, such as high-pressure gas lines, for a new access road construction

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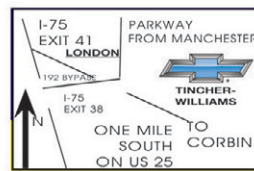
The Knox County Fiscal Court met in regular session on Friday, May 23 in the office of Judge-Executive Mike Mitchell. The fiscal court was joined by Keith Greene, Communications Director for KCEOC.

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