## **FIVE DAY** forecast

**THURSDAY** 85/68



**FRIDAY** 87/70 Mostly Sunny



**SATURDAY** 88/71

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**MONDAY** 89/71 PM Thunderstorms



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▲ PHOTO LIYNN BLEDSOE Brandon Hayes, Kyle White from the 42284 Podcast and Matt Reynolds from WPIG.

Matt has some pretty big stories to share with everyone, and the best part is that Edmonson County has to be the mural capital now. Matt also suggested that the boys from the 42284 podcast help out with the event, which Vickie quickly agreed to.

Brandon Hayes and Kyle White are definitely two originals. From talking about fried bologna sandwiches to Kyle making everyone think his sister was adopted, the stories they told about growing up struck a chord with many attendees.

Rick Keith was the auctioneer for the night, where some great items were sold,



▲ PHOTO | LYNN BLEDSOE **Edmonson County's** distinguished Judge **Executive Scott Lindsey** even grew his mullet for the night.

such as Montana Grill and Mis Amigos dinners, hand-made knives, and canes that brought much-needed money into the pantry. Some of the gag items were a pig light, an opossum, and a homemade s'mores kit. You just never knew what was coming, and that just added to the fun.

Vickie Walker was very thankful to the guest comedians, Judge Scott Lindsey for the sound system, and all the volunteers who fixed concessions, took up money, and helped to set up for the event. The money raised will go towards providing senior food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas.



▲ PHOTO | LYNN BLEDSOE Matt Revnolds in all his glory.

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Edmonson expansion and would repair that. Montgomery said the LED railroad sign is still out, but they are working on getting it repaired or replaced.

Jailer Todd Vincent reported 17 inmates at Hart County Jail.

Parks and Rec. **Director Cody** Stewart stated little league volleyball was finished, and soccer is starting up. Steps for the disc golf course are being worked on to improve foot traffic. The walking bridge at HWY 70 was mentioned, and Stewart stated they will probably just replace it with a wooden bridge, which is what it had been for years.

The tourism report was given by Director Vanessa Ulm. Ulm stated the Trail Town trailhead items around the community center are still in the works and progressing. Ulm asked about pickleball courts and was told they have gotten one bid but are looking at others to try and get the price down. Ulm said a girls' camp from South Carolina is planning a twoweek trip down Green River and needs somewhere that they can park the van for a week while they are on the river because their take-out spot will be in Brownsville. She will have more information coming soon on that.

Magistrate TJ Massey presented rendering updates for the courthouse

from the Economic Development Committee. Plans still include a porch area, though this will not be as large as originally planned, with columns and a new sign near the judges parking area near the old Edmonson News building. ADA accessibility into the courthouse will be added to the side of the community building that faces Cross Main Street.

The current road ordinance led to a long discussion about roads being considered county roads and not private roads. Before a road can change its classification, it has to meet several requirements, such as a bus turnaround, ditches, and the number of homes, to name a few.

Kids on The Block, Sara Kitchens, asked the fiscal court for \$1030 to fund two educational programs to help prevent child abuse for children. A+s Medical volunteered to pay half if the county would pay the other half.

The National Health Center Week **Proclamation** was signed. A+'s Family Health Care CEO Patrick Merritt was on hand and explained a little about A+. They are a nonprofit and now have a pediatrician, are the fastest growing business in the county, and in general are great community partners. They will be hosting an open house on August 5 from



Proposed rendering.



▲ PHOTO | RRENE DUVALL

Rendering is not a final product but an idea of what it can look like. The obelisk will remain even though it is

12:00-1:00 pm.

The fiscal court set the county tax rate, which will remain the same except for real property, which will drop from 12.6% to 12.2%. The tax hearing was set for August 11 at 3:45 pm.

The fiscal court approved the following individuals to the Edmonson County Industrial Authority Board for a 4-year term beginning on 8/1/2025: Kevin Alexander, Janet Dennison, Roger Stevenson, and Larry Elmore.

The fiscal court acknowledged **Edmonson County** Conservation District's annual report for fiscal year 2025, annual financial report for 2025, and long-range

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plan.

The fiscal court approved the following: Edmonson County Conservation District tax rate for 2025, to add a 2007 Crown Victoria to the surplus list.

The fiscal court approved ordinance EC25-21 administrative code.

The special vehicle issue was discussed. Judge Lindsey stated that at the present time, it is illegal to ride one of these vehicles on the roads in Edmonson County, unless it is for farm use.

The next fiscal court meeting will be on August 11, 2025, at 4:00 pm in the upstairs courtroom.

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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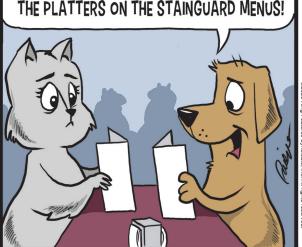
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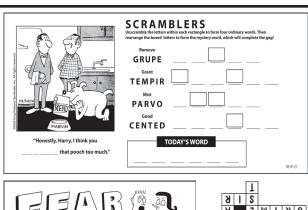
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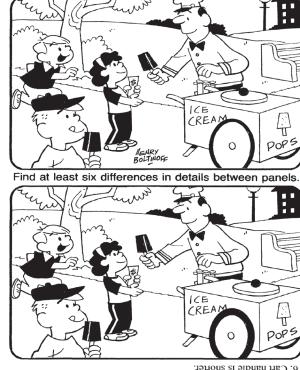
Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps

NOW THIS IS WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. ONLY QUALITY RESTAURANTS HAVE PICTURES OF









6. Cart handle is shorter. Differences: I. Arm is raised. 2. Stripe is added to sleeve. 3. Light is moved. 4. Lid on ice cream eart is moved. 5. Tire is thicker.

THAT WUZ A BIT AGGRESSIVE.







I LIVE IN A CRAPPY APARTMENT. WHY SHOULD CRABS HAVE IT BETTER?





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