

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Cedar Pointe Properties, LLC, of Leitchfield, sold Lot No. 161B of Second Revised Plat of Holiday Rough Lots 157-158A, 159A, 160A, and 161A creating new lots 157-158B, 159B, 160B, and 161B, to Gregg & Ashley Allen, of Elizabethtown, Ky., for \$20,000 on Aug. 15.

William & Judith S. Payne, of Owensboro, Ky., sold Lots 62, 63, and 64 of Flo's Hideaway on Rough River to Ryan & Stephanie Brewer, of Leitchfield, for \$75,000 on Aug. 15.

Janice & John Long, of Port Richey, Fla., sold a 0.479-acre tract in the Janice Horsely Long Shrewsbury Road Property to William Scott, of Caneyville, for \$16,000 on Aug. 17.

Zita Elmore, of Clarkson, sold a tract of land near the south end of Hawkins Lane, approximately 975 feet southwest along said road from its intersection with Miller-Nosey Road, to Travis & Leah Haycraft, of Clarkson, for \$12,000 on Aug. 21.

Melissa & Thomas Wheatley, of Hardinsburg, Ky., sold a tract of land 2 miles east of Clarkson and abutting the north right-of-way of Kentucky Highway 224 to Austin Decker & Sydnie Higdon, of Leitchfield, for \$300,000 on Aug. 21.

Michael & Angela Alvey, of Taylorsville, Ky., sold Lot No. 37 Concord Point to Crable Properties, LLC, of Vine Grove, Ky., for \$120,000 on Aug. 22.

Travis & Kirsti Barnett, of Cecilia, Ky., sold Lot Nos. 134, 135, and 136 of Fawn Hill on Rough River to Stephen Zachery, of Clarkson, for \$5,000 on Aug. 22.

Michelle Frank, of Leitchfield, sold Lot 23 of Willow Ridge to Gavin Childress, of Leitchfield, for \$21,000 on Aug. 22.

Forever Nature, LLC, of Elizabethtown, Ky., sold Lot 11 of Pearl Hollow Subdivision to Tasha & Melissa Bucalo, of Clarkson, for \$24,000 on Aug. 22.

Milton Tyler Ashby, trustee of the MBET Trust dated May 12, 2020, of Santa Rosa Beach, Fla., sold a tract of land on Hunting Fork Creek to Robert C. McBurney, Jr., and Victor Girod, of Carrollton, Ky., for \$120,000 on Aug. 25.

Linda & Brian Bradley, of Clarkson, sold Lot 6 of Fairview Estates Subdivision to Samuel R. Fentress, of Caneyville, for \$154,000 on Aug. 25.

William & Kimberly Schmidt, of Midland, Texas, sold a tract of land in the Lone Oak community, abutting the west right-of-way of Jesse Skaggs Road approximately 2,100 feet south of its intersection with Hickory Flats Road to Darren Embry & Taylor Poteet, of Leitchfield, for \$303,000 on Aug. 25.

Kayla & Chervis Chanthavong, of Clarkson, sold a parcel of land on the Concord to Short Creek Road, about two-and-a-half miles north of its junction with KY State Highway No. 54, to Barbara T. Bryant, of New Braunfels, Texas, for \$175,000 on Aug. 26.

Amos & Dena Miller, of Upton, Ky., sold a house and lot in Millwood to Lots, LLC, of Leitchfield, for \$40,000 on Aug. 26.

LIZOTTE AND SULLIVAN TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Jessica Lizotte and Van Sullivan, of Leitchfield, will celebrate their 11th anniversary on Sept. 1 at 8 a.m. The couple has four children, Jasper, Elijah, Gaara, and Rhyzen.

CORRECTION

In the story "Fundraising for 10th Ducking Hunger Regatta underway," it should state the second place prize is \$500 cash.

AWARD

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because he lives in and grew up in Grayson County.

"I don't have a healthcare agenda; I've got a rural community agenda," said Meredith, who was born in Louisville before his family moved to Grayson County when he was 8 years old, something he calls "one of the greatest blessings of my life."

"And what I fight for are rural communities and our way of life, and, I'll tell you, we're not treated fairly," he said.

According to Meredith, many in the state legislature are intimidated by healthcare because it is so complex, so he is glad to have the voice he does on this topic.

"These are challenging times," he said, adding, last summer, the secretary for the Cabinet of Economic Development testified during an interim joint committee meeting for health services that without rural hospitals, industry cannot be recruited to those areas.

"So it's just not important from the standpoint of healthcare but economic development," Meredith said.

He said rural healthcare providers are in a fight for their survival right now.

"I know you all have heard the statistic that 35 hospitals could close as a result of the changes to Medicaid; I can tell you that's a gross exaggeration," said Meredith. " ... Don't be scared. Be concerned, but don't be scared; nobody's going to let 35 hospitals in the state of Kentucky close — that'd be half our rural hospitals. Not only would that be devastating to the delivery of healthcare in Kentucky, but it would be devastating to the economy of Kentucky. It's just not going to happen."

Meredith also noted that most of the major provisions of the Big Beautiful Bill don't go into effect until 2028, which is two election cycles for congressmen and women.

"And they're going to hear more and more about this," he said. "I can guarantee you there's going to be changes to it, but it gives us a great opportunity to restructure our Medicaid program. It has to be restructured. Healthcare has to be restructured."

Meredith said the United States spends \$14,000 per capita (for each person) on healthcare, compared to Germany at \$8,500 and China at \$1,000.

"We can't be competitive in an international market with that kind of disparity in healthcare costs," he said. " ... I think, realistically, we could reduce healthcare costs by 30% in this country."

According to Meredith, if the U.S. could do that, it would equate to \$7,500 families could save on health insurance premiums.

He said the legislature is also proud of reducing the state income tax from 6 cents to 3.5 cents, which will become effective in January and "put over \$1,500 back in families' pockets each and every year, and we're working on getting it to zero."

Meredith now serves on the newly developed Medicaid Oversight and Advisory Board, which has been tasked with restructuring the program. He said when he joined the state Senate in 2017, the budget for Medicaid was \$10 billion; it is now \$20 billion.

"We can't continue on this trajectory, so I'm hoping what we're going to do through this new Medicaid oversight board is restructure healthcare for Kentucky that may be a model for the rest of the nation," he said. "I know that's very ambitious, but, again, I'm hoping by the year 2030 we can reduce healthcare costs by 30%, and that'll make our community stronger and that'll make our nation stronger. But it won't happen if we don't take care of rural healthcare."

According to Meredith, the legislature's "biggest sin" is that 40% of Kentucky residents live in rural areas, but only 17% of primary care physicians work in rural Kentucky.

"I'm grateful for this community, and we have to continue to support it," he said. "So the role that you can play

is, talk to people when you hear this (legislation) that's going to come out, and tell them how important rural healthcare is. The biggest divide we have in Frankfort right now is not Republican and Democrat ... The biggest divide in Frankfort right now is urban versus rural, and it's a challenge. ... They just don't understand what we face."

Meredith said he is also working on the payment parity issue between rural and urban healthcare providers.

"If we're going to recruit people to rural communities, we can't do it at a salary and benefit disadvantage, and there's no reason why we should," he said. "So I'm pushing that we should be paying, particularly our healthcare providers, more in rural Kentucky because the challenges are more. And they'll answer with, 'Well, we can't afford that.' You can't afford not to."

OHTLMC CEO Ashley Herrington said the hospital was honored to host the event.

"This is obviously extra special here at Twin Lakes because of Sen. Meredith's service here in this community at this hospital, the former Twin Lakes Regional Medical Center for 30 years as the CEO," Herrington said.

" ... I'd be remiss not to say how much of an impact you've had on healthcare, despite the fact that you may not have had a healthcare agenda, you have been a tremendous asset to all healthcare organizations throughout the commonwealth, and we absolutely appreciate it here at Twin Lakes," Herrington continued, addressing Meredith. "And we're proud to say that you got your start here at Twin Lakes."



Courtesy photo

The Grayson County Alliance utilized its HOKC grant to purchase a wire shelving system for the Shop for Yourself area at its Food Pantry.

Grayson County Alliance receives HOKC grant

Grayson County Alliance is proud to announce it received a grant from the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels (HOKC) in the amount of \$4,000 to purchase a wire shelving system to establish a Shop for Yourself area at the Food Pantry.

"This shelving system is giving us an opportunity to get more food in the hands of our friends and neighbors in need. Empowering families to make selections that best meet their family's nutrition needs helps us demonstrate the respect we have for our friends and neighbors," said Debbie Childress, Grayson County Alliance executive director.

The Grayson County Alliance's (GCA) mission is to feed its community, teach life skills, and empower family stability. GCA seeks to achieve that mission by serving lower income families struggling with food insecurity. Its food pantry program provides basic food support through the USDA Commodities programs, donated, purchased, and rescue food programs. In addition to the Food Pantry,

GCA also provides free tax filing, and free financial literacy education.

HOKC awarded \$2.5 million in grants supporting 333 non-profits, impacting more than 4 million Kentuckians. Grants are made possible through donations from Kentucky Colonels throughout the Commonwealth and around the world who choose to exercise the honor of being named a Kentucky Colonel in a meaningful way.

According to Commanding General Gary Boschert: "2024/2025 was a challenging year for fulfilling Grant Requests, with \$5 million in total requests. We were able to distribute \$2.5 million through the Good Works Program that each of you generously supports. Every dollar you contribute to the Good Works Program goes out to nonprofits in the Commonwealth. Together we helped support more than 4 million people this year."

Grayson County Alliance is celebrating 25 years of non-profit work in Grayson County and continues to build a network of community partners to advocate

for and respond to the needs of its community. GCA is thankful for the hundreds of individuals and groups that support it with thousands of hours of volunteering each year. Visit [gc-alliance.com](http://gc-alliance.com) or call 270-259-4000 to learn more about programs, events and opportunities at GCA.

The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels is a 501(c) (3) entity dedicated to supporting charitable activities throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The organization is governed by an all-volunteer Board of Trustees. The "Kentucky Colonel" commission is an honorary title granted by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Since 1951, the organization has pursued its mission through annual grants totaling \$72 million to more than 1,700 nonprofits. Of those Colonels' contributions, each grant is thoroughly vetted by the trustees and staff. Though the corporate name is The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, most know it by its long-term trademark, KENTUCKY COLONELS. Visit [kycolonels.org](http://kycolonels.org) to learn more.

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rates, which are 3.8 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation for real property and 5 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation on tangible property. The real property rate has decreased from last year's rate of 4 cents, officials said.

The hospital district's 2026 motor vehicle and watercraft tax rate also remains unchanged from the past five years at 5 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

In other business, the

fiscal court:

\*Approved a resolution authorizing the Grayson County Judge Executive to serve as an ex officio member of the Leitchfield-Grayson County Economic Development Board. This is a non-voting position.

\*Repealed its appointments to the Edmonson County Water Board, as the Grayson County Water District has purchased the service previously owned by the Edmonson County Water District, so no Grayson County appointments are needed on the board.

\*Approved the statewide emergency management

mutual aid and assistance agreement.

\*Heard from members of the newly formed Grayson County Citizens for Democracy group — a local chapter of Kentucky Citizens for Democracy — who expressed concerns regarding the Grayson County Detention Center's working relationship with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). The group has scheduled an educational town hall event at 6 p.m. on Sept. 4 at the Centre on Main to discuss the issue further and invited county officials to attend.



La Grange Police Department Now Accepting Applications for Experienced Police Officers

Located approximately 20 minutes northeast of Louisville, KY, historic LaGrange is the seat of Oldham County, KY, home to one of the best school systems in the state. LaGrange is a charming, family-friendly town offering a mix of suburban tranquility with convenient access to healthcare and a variety of shopping and personal care services, catering to the needs of its residents.

Along with competitive pay, the City of LaGrange recognizes the importance of offering excellent health/medical coverage to help provide financial security for city employees and their families.

SALARY STEP PAY SCALE

Laterals: \$80,827 - \$83,552

Credit for up to 5 Years' Experience with KLEFPF

EXCEPTIONAL BENEFIT PLANS

Health, Dental, Vision, Life and Disability, CERS

Current Benefits Example thru Sept 30

Bi-weekly	100% Funded HRA	Out-of-Pocket Max
\$32 Employee	\$7,000 Single	\$7,000 Single
\$100 Family	\$14,000 Family	\$14,000 Family

LEAVE BENEFITS

FROM DAY 1

Vacation, Holidays, Personal, Sick, Bereavement

PROFESSIONAL PERKS

Uniform Allowance - Initial Uniform and Equipment Provided  
Take Home Fleet Program - within radius travel  
Annual Training and Certification Courses

The LaGrange Police Department operates with sixteen sworn police officers. In addition to uniform patrol officers, special assignments within the Department include Criminal Investigations personnel, a School Security Officer "SSO" and a narcotics detection K-9 Unit.

For Application and Position Requirements, Please Visit: [lagrangepoliceky.org](http://lagrangepoliceky.org)

YEAMAN DAYS  
Saturday Sept. 6, 2025



Fellowship with friends, family & neighbors. Meal will start between 11:30 & 12:00. Bring your favorite dessert/dish & enjoy the day!

Open pit cooked chicken, hamburgers & hotdogs!

Yeaman Community Center  
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