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\$281K contract for Lovers Lane Bridge awarded

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The Marion County Fiscal Court held a fairly routine meeting on Thursday, May 1. Magistrates accepted the bid of \$281,332.60 for the Lovers Lane Bridge from Todd Johnson Contracting. Again, no bids were received for the Animal Shelter. The court voted to extend the bid deadline for two additional weeks and re-advertise the project. The court held first reading of the proposed

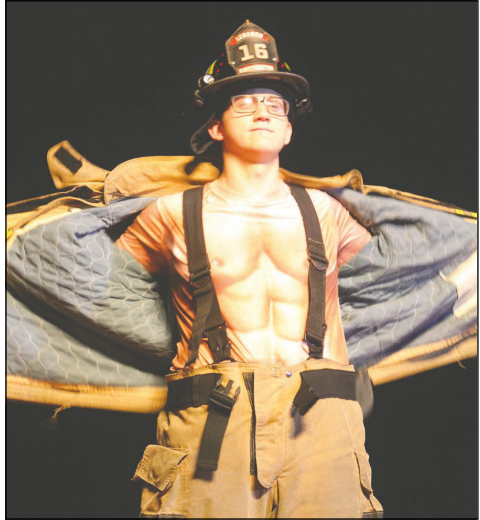
2025-26 budget. A budget meeting was held on Tuesday, May 6, for magistrates to make adjustments to the budget presented. Each spring the court must approve a bill for non-public student transportation for the current school year. The bill for \$21,263.40 will be sent to the state for reimbursement. The court meeting was suspended temporarily for public hearings on County Road Aid Funds and use of LGEA Funds for fiscal year 2025-26. There were no public comments on either, so court resumed, and

both were approved. The county voted previously to sell a house on Mulberry Street that the county no longer needs. Discussion was held on whether to sell the house through sealed bids or through a public auction. Magistrates voted to sell by public auction and the Lancaster Agency was selected through a blind drawing from local auction companies. At the last meeting of the court, the question was raised of possibly renaming some streets in Raywick when the county adopts them as county roads. Upon further investigation,

the court voted to keep the names of the streets the same. A request to place cameras on county garbage trucks was brought to the court. Magistrates agreed to a trial run with cameras on one city truck and one rural truck. The cost of the cameras and monitoring is \$123.55 per truck per month. Each truck will be equipped with three cameras – on with a 180-degree view on the back, one looking forward, and one positioned on the driver. The next meeting of the Fiscal Court will be Thursday, May 15, at 4 p.m.



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Cody Murphy chose Spiderman for the poise walk. The variety for the poise walk was extensive including Bugs Bunny, the Little Tea Pot, a unicorn, and so much more.



JANE REID KLEYN/The Lebanon Enterprise  
Braxton Benedict strips off the firefighter coat during the poise segment of the Junior Mister program on Sunday evening.



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Will Blake (right) steps forward to receive his crown and ceremonial tool belt as MCHS's 2025 Young Mister.

Blake crowned 2025 Junior Mister

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Often cited as the male version of the former Junior Miss program or Distinguished Young Women, Junior Mister is certainly not that. "Junior Mister is a comedy show that puts some junior and senior boys through the DYW-like fitness, poise and talent routines," wrote Jamie

Brown, MCHS Beta Club sponsor in a note to the Enterprise. On Sunday, May 4, Marion County High School Beta presented the 18th annual Junior Mister show. "This is a 100% charitable event that the students produce," Brown explained. "They have chosen the MCPS SEE BLAKE/PAGE A2

Contestant #9 Jaxson Hibbard responds to a bird call from Braxton Benedict, Contestant 13, before breaking into a well known bird dance during the talent portion of the Junior Mister program.

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Inmate assaults 3 MCDC deputies

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An incident at the Marion County Detention Center on April 28 left three deputies injured at the hands of an inmate. According to a press release from Marion County Jailer Barry Brady, the incident occurred at 11:37 p.m. when inmate Roosevelt Davis III, 23, was escorted from the recreation yard to the maximum security housing unit. Without warning, Davis charged Sergeant Jon Mullins, striking him in the face and knocking him backward. He then assaulted Lieutenant Rebecca Streeval, hitting her repeatedly in the face and head. Deputy Stephen Feese was also struck while attempting to assist Lt. Streeval. Deputy Francis Hoeck responded to the scene and deployed his taser, which subdued Davis at 11:38 p.m. All three staff members were taken to Spring View Hospital for evaluation. Sgt. Mullins and Deputy Feese were treated and released. Lt. Streeval was stat-flighted to the University of Louisville Hospital for further evaluation due to head injuries. She was later released, and according to Brady, she has a follow-up visit in six weeks. Davis is currently being held on Washington County charges of murder, attempted murder, and first-degree burglary. As a result of this incident, additional charges of third-degree assault-inmate assault on corrections employee, and second-degree assault, have been filed through the Marion County Attorney's Office. Davis was indicted in February by a Washington County grand jury for the Dec. 27, 2024, murder of Kadesha Burch in her home in Springfield. The indictment also charged Davis with the attempted murder of Frances Campbell, first-degree burglary, and two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment.



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