

Quinn Minute: My business card

by Rix Quinn

I just ordered new business cards, and I look refreshed. But maybe that's because I used my ten-year-old retouched photo instead of a current one.

Even if you don't have a job, a card lets you display credentials. You never get a second chance to make a first engraved impression.

Sadly, folks often rank us by what we call ourselves. I have alternately titled myself an analyst, strategist, and thought partner. I don't know what all those words mean, but I think I can define two out of three.

My friend Bob works only part-time and takes lots of naps. But his business card claims he's a "futurist," so you'll consider him a forward thinker.

Educational titles on cards impress me. If you've got more degrees than a thermometer, a calling card is the place to display them.

Also, if you are certified in a field nobody understands, that is also splendid.

How do you make your card stand out? Get it printed on colored paper, make it a "fold-over" card, or put your photo on it.

What's the most impressive job name? Personally, I always wanted the title of "manager" of whatever corporation I worked for. I don't really care what I manage... even if it's just handling out paper clips. It just means I'm in charge of something.

One of my friends started a business and selected a title sure to impress anybody.

His business card reads "Galactic Space Commander."

JS Touring Presents Jerry Seinfeld at ECU Center for the Arts on Feb. 5, 2026

Submitted by Sarah Baker
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RICHMOND, Ky. (Nov. 14, 2025) — The ECU Center for the Arts and JS Touring announced today that America's premier comedian, Jerry Seinfeld, will perform on the ECU Center for the Arts stage on Feb. 5, 2026. Tickets go on sale to the general public on Friday, Nov. 21, 2025, at 10 a.m.

America's premier comedian, Jerry Seinfeld, comes to the ECU Center for the Arts stage in Richmond, Kentucky, to perform his newest stand-up routine on Feb. 5, 2026, at 7 p.m. Seinfeld has been hailed for his uncanny ability to joke about the little things in life that relate to audiences everywhere.

Jerry Seinfeld's comedy career took off after his first appearance on The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson in 1981. Eight years later, he teamed up with fellow comedian Larry David to create what was to become the most successful comedy series in the history of television: Seinfeld. The show ran on NBC for nine seasons, winning numerous Emmys, Golden Globes, and People's Choice awards, was named the greatest television show of all time in 2009 by TV Guide, and in 2012 was identified as the best sitcom ever in a 60 Minutes/Vanity Fair poll.

His latest Emmy-nominated Netflix projects include Jerry Before Seinfeld and 23 Hours to Kill, along with the highly acclaimed web series, Comedians in Cars Getting Coffee. Seinfeld has also starred in, written, and produced movies (Comedian, Bee Movie), directed and produced a Broadway hit (Colin Quinn: Long Story Short), and wrote three best-selling books (Is this Anything?, The Comedians in Cars Getting Coffee Book, and Seinlanguage) and a children's book (Halloween). He stars in the Emmy-nominated comedy film, Unfrosted, which he directed, co-wrote, and produced. Seinfeld continues to perform both nationally and internationally.

Looking back to Nov. 17, 2018

Written by Jonathan Wright

The following information was entered into the Nov. 17, 2018, edition of The Ledger Independent:

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Drug loitering ordinance planned

ABERDEEN, Ohio — Aberdeen police could gain the authority to stop and investigate potential drug activity as it happens if village council members approve a proposal from the police chief.

The ordinance is expected to be introduced by the Aberdeen Police Department during the next village council meeting. According to Chief David Benjamin, the ordinance will give officers more authority to stop and investigate suspected drug activity.

"We're just looking at every tool we can to combat our drug problem," Benjamin said.

Under the proposal, officers could approach and even detain individuals who are known to have a history with drugs, and who appear to be loitering for either a

drug deal or some other drug-related activity.

"A police officer who observes a person loitering under circumstances which provide the officer with a reasonable basis to believe that the person intends to engage in unlawful drug-related activity may detain the individual for the purpose of investigating whether the person is in violation of (b)," according to the proposal, with "(b)" indicating it is unlawful for any person to loiter in a public place with the intention of engaging in unlawful drug-related activity.

Under this proposal there are also a myriad of factors that have to be met for a police officer to be able to detain an individual. Some of these factors include whether the person in question attempts to conceal suspicious objects to the person loitering in an area that it notorious for unlawful drug-related activity.

The proposal goes on to indicate once a person is detained, if the police officer develops probable

cause for unlawful drug activity, the officer can order the individual to immediately leave the location where they are loitering and to remain 500 feet from the location for five hours.

Should the individual refuse to comply with the order, the police officer could arrest the person and charge them with a misdemeanor fourth-degree loitering with the intent of engaging in unlawful drug related activity.

When it comes to ordinances and proposals such as this one, Benjamin said this is not his first during his career in law enforcement.

"It's an ordinance I've used in the past in other communities," he said

To view the ordinance proposal in its entirety, you can visit the Aberdeen Police Department's Facebook page where it is posted in the comments of the related post.

The next Aberdeen Village Council meeting, where the proposal will be held, is on Dec. 1.

Infant botulism cases at 23, including 1 in Kentucky

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FRANKFORT, Ky. (KT) – The FDA and CDC, in collaboration with state and local partners, continue investigating a multistate outbreak of infant botulism, which has now sickened nearly two dozen children, including one case in Kentucky.

Epidemiologic and laboratory data show that ByHeart Whole Nutrition infant formula might be contaminated with Clostridium botulinum, which is causing infant illness in multiple regions of the country.

As of November 14, 2025, a total of 23 infants with suspected or confirmed infant botulism and confirmed exposure to ByHeart Whole

Nutrition infant formula (various lots) have been reported from 13 states (see map). Laboratory confirmation for some cases is ongoing.

For 22 cases with illness onset information available, illnesses started on dates ranging from August 9 to November 11. All 23 infants were hospitalized. No deaths have been reported to date. For 22 infants with age and sex information available, they range in age from 16 to 200 days and 10 of them, or 45 percent, are female.

As part of this investigation, officials in several states have collected leftover infant formula for testing. On November 8, 2025, preliminary laboratory results reported by the California Department of Public Health

suggest the presence of the bacteria that produce botulinum toxin in an open can of ByHeart infant formula (lot 206VABP/251131P2) that was fed to an infant with infant botulism.

Besides the case in Kentucky, other states with cases include Arizona (3), California (3), Illinois (2), Michigan, Minnesota (2), North Carolina (2), New Jersey, Oregon (2), Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas (3) and in the state of Washington.

Additional testing is underway, and results are expected in the coming weeks. Detection of Clostridium botulinum in infant formula is difficult, and a negative test result does not rule out the presence of the bacteria in the product.

FDA's investigation, including onsite inspections and sample collection, is ongoing to determine the point of contamination.

The CDC and FDA recommend that parents and caregivers should not use ByHeart Whole Nutrition Infant Formula containing lot numbers 206VABP/251261P2 and 206VABP/251131P2, both with use by dates of Dec. 1, 2026, and should throw the product away immediately.

If your child is experiencing symptoms after consuming ByHeart Whole Nutrition Infant Formula and you still have the formula in your home, please record the information on the bottom of the package before throwing it away.

Sen. Shelley Funke Frommeyer participates in Appalachian Proud Commissioners' Summit

Submitted by Angela Billings

FRANKFORT (Nov. 14, 2025) — Sen. Shelley Funke Frommeyer, R-Alexandria, joined Agriculture Commissioner Jonathan Shell and leaders from six Appalachian states today at the Appalachian Proud Commissioners' Summit, a strategic gathering focused on scaling rural economic opportunity through agriculture.

Hosted at the Kentucky Exposition Center

in Louisville, the summit brought together commissioners from Kentucky, West Virginia, Tennessee, Virginia, Ohio, and Georgia to sign a multi-state compact and commit to a shared vision of agricultural advancement rooted in Kentucky's proven models.

"This summit highlights what can be accomplished when we empower farmers, embrace conservative economic strategies, and lead with local solutions," said Frommeyer. "Kentucky is at the forefront of shaping a healthier, more prosperous future for Appalachian communities, and I'm proud to play a role in that."

Summit highlights:

Compact signing: Agriculture commissioners signed a joint agreement to expand the Appalachia Proud brand, a sub-brand of Kentucky Proud, as a regional force for agricultural marketing and economic growth.

Multi-state MAHA strategy: Aligns with the

Make America Healthy Again agenda, promoting responsible nutrition, food infrastructure, and small business development.

ARC ARISE grant: The coalition will pursue a \$10 million Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) ARISE grant to replicate Kentucky's Buy Local and POP marketing programs across the region.

Public-private collaboration: The summit showcased partnerships between agriculture, the Small Business Administration, conservative policy organizations, and local innovators.

The event reinforced Kentucky's leadership in rural economic policy while building regional momentum for scalable, farmer-first solutions. It concluded with the Farm City Luncheon, part of the North American Livestock Expo, where Kentucky's agribusiness success stories were on full display.

About Appalachia Proud

Launched in 2014, Appalachia Proud is a special designation under the Kentucky Proud program that celebrates and supports agricultural producers in eastern Kentucky's 54-county Appalachian region. Members use the exclusive Appalachia Proud logo to showcase the origin and quality of their products, building trust with consumers and pride within their communities.

This regional brand embodies the values of hard work, innovation, and rural resilience, positioning Kentucky's Appalachian farmers at the heart of a growing movement for economic development, improved nutrition, and community-based solutions.

As Kentucky leads the charge in expanding this model across state lines, Appalachia Proud continues to demonstrate that the mountains aren't just full of beauty — they're full of potential.

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