

Sports Corner

By Gary Kidwell



The 2021 Lewis County Lions' basketball team had a very exciting season. This team reached the finals of the 16th Regional Tourney held at Morehead State University. They were defeated by the Ashland Blazer High School Tomcats, with a record of 33-0, by a score of 84-60.

The Tomcats started the game with seven three pointers in the first quarter and ended the game with 17 on 27 attempts for 63% shooting.

Lewis County entered

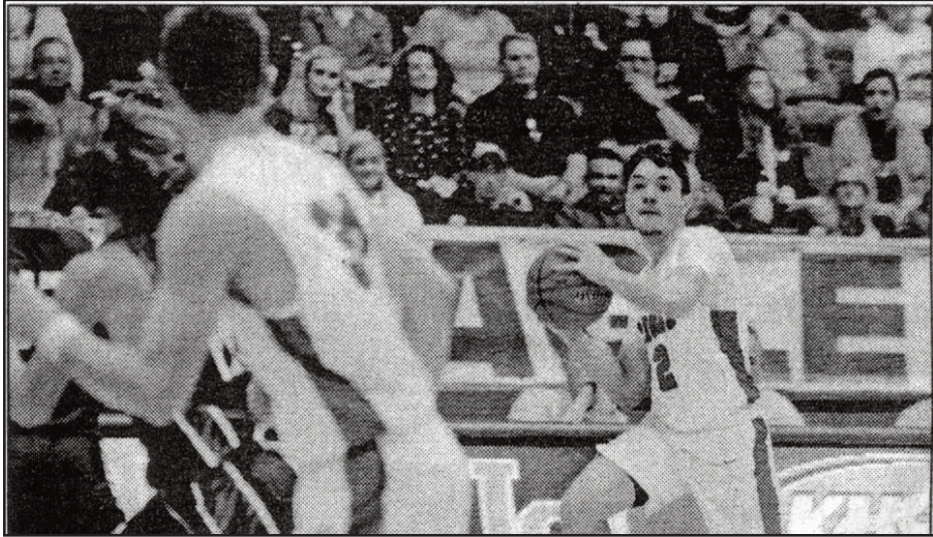
had 13 points and he finished his senior season with the most points in a single season with 787 points. Sam had been a ball boy for Coach Hampton since he was a third grader, and had been with the Lion basketball team for 10 years. Coach Hampton said, "Sam seems like a son to me." He ended his career tied for third with Ralphie Davis Jr. for most points ever in a Lions uniform.

The loss to the Tomcats put the Lions Cinderella run to an end with an 18-16

County Lions in the early eighties. David now resides in St. Paul, with his wife, Keri. They have two daughters, Emily and Samantha, who both live in Florida. It is always nice to talk with former players.

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Sympathy goes out to the family of Marlene O'Cull, who passed away last week. She was a fine Christian lady and very devoted to her family. Marlene was preceded in death by her late husband of 59 years, John O'Cull. She is



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Lewis County's Bailey Thomas looks to make a pass up the court during the 2021 16th Region Championship against Ashland Blazer in Morehead.

the game hot, winners in nine if their last ten games as an improbable run as the #4 seed in the 63rd District Tourney. They won the district tourney that turned into a regional final appearance for just the second time in school history.

Their hopes of making their first trip to Rupp Arena were quickly dashed with four Ashland threes in the first four minutes of play. The Tomcats went on to hit seven threes in the first quarter and the Lions found themselves down by a score of 23-2 at the end of the first quarter.

The Lions scored 12 times the points they scored in the first quarter, but the long range barrage continued by the Tomcats with 12 three pointers in the first half. This was only one shy of the 16th Region tourney game record, which was 13.

The Tomcats led 55-26 at halftime, but the Lions did not give up. A silver lining came when the fourth quarter began. Sam O'Keefe

record, a second 63rd District title, and now wanting more, as they got a taste of a regional title.

Scoring for this amazing Lewis County team had O'Keefe, 13; Liles, 11; McCann, 11; Thomas, 6; Gerike, 4; Yates, 3; H. Jordan, 3; I. Jordan, 3; Spencer, 2; Sizemore, 2; and Gilbert, 2.

Kidwell's Keynotes

The Lewis County Lady Lions' softball team had their Senior Night this past week. The Lady Lions have only one senior on their team. The lone senior is Kaylen Case and she has played for the Lions for eight years. Kaylen has signed a letter of intent to play her college softball with Kentucky Christian University in Grayson. Kaylen is the daughter of Chad and Jera Case of Tollesboro. Congrats to Kaylen!

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It was good to see David Chidrey this past week, David was a fine baseball player for the Lewis

survived by her three children, John (Eugena), Christa, and Kimberly (Stewart), eight grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. Marlene will be sadly missed by her family and many friends in the area.

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Congrats to Drew Noble and Julian Puente for making the 2025 All-Ashland Area Team. The team is made up of all schools in the 16th Region and Lawrence County. Drew is a senior at LCHS and Julian is a junior for the Lions. A big congrats!

Sportstumper: Who has always been known as "Mr. Lion" at the Lewis County High School for all his help with sports throughout the years?

Answer: Dennis Prater. Until next week this is the Old Righthander leaving you with this thought, "A trophy carries dust, memories last forever."

To reach Coach Kidwell e-mail garykidwell@hotmail.com.

Licking Valley Senior Citizens meeting

Herald Report

Senior Citizens (Licking Valley) Front Street in Vanceburg has meetings every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00 a.m. Judy Craycraft is our director.

Everyone over 60 years old is invited. Meals are \$1.50 and most are delicious. Sometimes we play Bingo, sometimes exercise or do crafts.

We have had several new people lately, Leslie, from California, Tammy, from Texas, and Lynn, from Michigan. We don't know what drew them to Lewis

County but we are glad.

Thursday we had 35 for lunch. We have a Licking Valley employee Patty, who likes to bake and her cakes and pies are delicious. She bakes something every month to celebrate the birthdays for the month.

Senior Citizens have mission work. Every two months we take chips, Moon Pies, Little Debbie cakes, etc. to the Nursing Home.

Come out and visit one

time and I think you will return.

Lewis County Farm Bureau will be closed on Saturdays beginning 5/10/25.
60 Market St.
Vanceburg, KY
606-796-2132



Garden seed distribution

By Judy Craycraft

Licking Valley Community Action will be taking applications for Garden Seed Vouchers May 19, 2025, starting at 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m., 210 Front Street, Vanceburg. All applicants must bring Social Security card(s), birth dates, verification of all household income, and verification of residence. Each person must complete their own application. This is one day only! A limited number of vouchers will be available. For more information, contact Judy Craycraft at 606-796-3893.

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Lewis County Farm Bureau scholarships awarded

By Kristi Arthurs

Lewis County Farm Bureau is pleased to announce the winners of the \$1,000 annual scholarships and \$500 Ag scholarships.

Kiyeanna Evans is the daughter of William and

Melissa Evans and will be attending Maysville Community and Technical College to earn a degree in nursing.

Levi Carter Ervin is the son of Jeremy and Jessica Ervin and will be attending Maysville Community and

Technical College where he is enrolled in the Welding program.

Colson Duff is the son of Todd and Shauna Duff. He will be attending Morehead State University to study Construction Management.

Maddison Erwin is the daughter of Kelly and Greg Erwin. She will be attending Maysville Community and Technical College to obtain a degree in Physical Therapy.

Dawson Polley is the son of Jennifer Polley. He will be attending Maysville Community and Technical College for the HVAC program.

Creighton Arnold is the son of Beth and Christian Arnold. He is enrolled in the HVAC program at Maysville Community and Technical College.

Isaac Bocook is the son of Rebecca and Greg Bocook. He will be attending Morehead State University to study Middle Grades Education.

Lewis County Farm Bureau congratulates all the winners and wishes them much success in their endeavors.

Scholarships will be awarded at the annual meeting on Sunday, August 3, at Ruggles Campground.



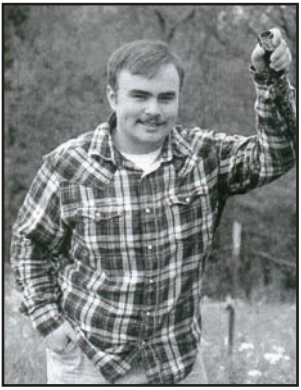
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Attention LCHS Class of '70

Please contact one of the classmates below if you plan to attend our 55th Reunion on June 7, 2025.

It's \$25 per person for a catered meal. We do need a head count ASAP. Any classmate who was part of this class who didn't necessarily graduate with us is also invited. We look forward to seeing you and hope to hear from you right away.

Dan McCane (606) 796-3669
Sandra Rouse (606) 584-1757
Joe LeMaster (606) 776-9688
Barb McCann (937) 271-8000

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Advertisement for Bids

Project No. 22-049
Lewis County Fiscal Court and Camp Dix Volunteer Fire Department

Separate sealed bids for the renovation and expansion of the Camp Dix Fire Station for Camp Dix Volunteer Fire Department (Lewis County, KY) will be received by the County at the office of Lewis County Judge Executive George Sparks, 112 Second Street, RM 201, Vanceburg, KY 41179, until 1:30 P.M. local time Friday, May 23, 2025, and then at said location in the Courtroom publicly opened and read aloud.

A pre-bid meeting can be held by appointment only by contacting the architect at 740-354-6621. The Camp Dix Volunteer Fire Department is located at 10494 KY-59, Vanceburg, KY 41179.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bond, and other contract documents may be examined at the following:

Buffalo Trace Area Development District, 201 Government Street, Suite 300, Maysville, KY 41056, during the hours of 8:00AM to 4:30PM M-F. Lewis County Courthouse at 112 2nd Street, Vanceburg, KY 41179, during the hours of 8:00AM to 4:30PM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, or 8:00AM to noon on Wednesdays.

Copies may be obtained at the office of the Architect at 1010 Coles Blvd, Portsmouth, Ohio. By phone at 740-354-6621, or email at mspencer@tshdarchitects.com.

The owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids. Each bidder must deposit his bid security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract. These include Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246. Further, Title VI Minority bidders are encouraged to bid.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

May 6, 2025

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