



Director Tony Wilson explains the virtues of the new facility.



One of the county's ambulances has an animal adoption theme.

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for animal care,” said Wilson, who has been with the department for 18 years. Wilson said this was a state-of-the-art facility and Summers said it would rank among the top in the state. The climate-controlled, clean kennels are a far cry from the outdated facility on Highway 245. Both said a lot of thanks needed to be given, especially the fiscal court

members who agreed to spend the money. “This is a new era for animal care,” said Wilson. The facility has eight full- and part-time employees. The facility is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. It is closed on Wednesday and Sunday. Donations are always accepted. Volunteers are also encouraged to sign up to help. For more information, call 502-543-8686.



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helped to fund the event. Ministerial Association

president Tina Lord said 300 backpacks were prepared for distribution to elementary-aged students. Any backpacks not distributed during the event would be individually

distributed to various students through the churches. The event included free haircuts, hot dogs and chips, face painting, bouncies, popcorn, cotton candy and

SnoCones, along with free family photos. “The kids play and have fun while we give back to our community,” Lord said. “It’s a free event all the way around.”

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shape that he can remember. Only a few instructional positions are open. The bus routes will be covered but there is still a need for more drivers. There is a pool of 12 substitute drivers and more are needed, said Bacon. Recruiting and retaining employees would continue to be a challenge. Bacon said the district must find ways

to keep making a salary and benefits package that is attractive for teachers, classified and bus drivers to stay employed locally. The district welcomed five new principals and Bacon said all came from outside BCPS. Bacon said the new school leaders bring enthusiasm and new ideas to the county. The leadership held last month was the best Bacon has experienced as he said the key is getting all the individuals on the same page. Realizing that all the administrative hires at the

building level came from outside, Bacon said one goal is to provide assistant principals and instructional coaches the training needed to seek promotions in the future. With few vacancies existing, Bacon said that it is pleasing to know that applications are up and many people want to come work in Bullitt County as they realize all the good things which are happening. Facilities are in good condition. Bernheim Middle

has completed its renovation and expansion. The renovation of the former Old Mill Elementary into expanded space for Bullitt East High should be completed by the end of this school year. And the physical science fieldhouse at North Bullitt High should be completed by the end of this September. Fieldhouses at the other two high schools should be ready by the end of next summer.

As the new school year starts, parents are encouraged to realize a few new rules are now in place. There is a specific communications policy to ensure the proper platforms are used to share information from BCPS employees and students. And there is also a state law requiring cell phones, pagers or Smart Watches to be put away during instructional time. The only time those devices may be used would

be during lunch. Bacon said that parents are needed to inform their children of the new cell phone policy. The lone exception would be youngsters who have a medical condition that would require constant contact with parents. Parents are also encouraged to use the BCPS app as the main source of communication. “We’re excited,” Bacon said of the beginning of another school year.

## UNITS

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The builders estimated that the apartments would rent for \$1,150-\$1,400 a month, depending upon the size. The property is located just south of Highway 245 and sewers could connect to the new Grand Resort complex proposed on the county property. Councilmember Faith Portman offered the lone concern. She said there is a gentleman located on property next to the Dennison tract. Her concern was that the property owner might not get barriers to protect his view. She was also concerned that surrounding property owners were not aware of the annexation. City attorney Katherine Dozier said that since it was a consensual annexation, there was no notification requirement by law. Portman suggested they should be notified so they could learn what the project proposed. Moore said that the annexation makes perfect sense. There are many people who work at the numerous warehouse facilities there is not enough local housing for them to reside. The housing units would provide people a place to live in the city. Shepherdsville mayor Jose Cubero said that it seems to

be the right fit for the city and the area. He said like another proposed residential development in the area, it allows Shepherdsville to grow and traffic would be focused around the Highway 245 corridor and not downtown. The council held the first reading on the annexation request with the final vote expected at the Aug. 11 meeting. In another residential matter, another public hearing will be held on Monday, Aug. 11, for a rezoning request off Beech Grove Road. Due to changes in the original proposal, another public hearing will be held. The developer is looking to build townhomes off Oak Grove Road and Beech Grove Road. The original number of townhomes was 19 but Dozier said that has been decreased due to public concerns. Councilmembers still had questions on how the HOA that covers the existing Oak Grove homes would be affected by the townhome development. The townhomes are expected to have driveways that will access the existing road and a fence is also in question. There was also a concern at the original public hearing over the feasibility of placing the 19 townhomes on a one-acre lot. The public will be allowed to speak at the new hearing, which begins at 6 p.m. on Aug. 11, at the government center.

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