HAPPENINGS IN THE FINAL WEEK OF 2025

HAPPENINGS IN BULLITT COUNTY

St. Aloysius New Year's Eve

Dinner, Dance St. Aloysius will host a New Year's Eve dinner and dance

on Wednesday, Dec. 31. Tickets are \$35 per person and includes a meal, tea/lemonade/water and dancing. The event runs from 7 p.m. until 12:30 a.m.

Soft drinks and beer available for purchase.

The parish hall is located at 187 S. Plum Street in Shepherdsville. Call 543-5918 or email secretary@stafalcons.com for tickets.

Soil Conservation board to meet

The Bullitt County Soil **Conservation District Board** will not have a meeting in December.

Meetings will resume in January and it will be at a new location.

Meetings will be held on the fourth Monday of each month in the fellowship hall of Davidson Memorial United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. The church is located at 249 South Buckman Street in

TOPS Chapter 2700 opens A new TOPS chapter is those looking to lose weight.

TOPS 2700 meets each Monday at the Hillview Christian Community Church on the corner of Brooklev Drive

meetings start at 10 a.m. All invited. For more infor-

mation, call 502-594-9339. Salt River Masonic fish frv The Salt River Masonic

p.m. and continue until it runs out. Fish dinners and ala carte items sold. All proceeds go

to help projects in the community. Everyone is invited. The

lodge is located on Duane Way off Fisher Lane and Highway 44 East in Mount Washington.

Diabetes support group The Bullitt County Health Department will host a

topics related to diabetes management. Each session will offer guidance and support toward achieving your diabetes management goals while building a community

Meetings will be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 10-11 a.m. in the community room at

the health department. Everyone is invited to

Supplemental Commodi-

ties for Seniors Signups have begun for

supplemental commodities for seniors in the Hillview area.

years of age and meet the income limit of \$1,632 per month.

For more information or to sign up, call Mike at 502-957-5280 ext. 205.

Multi-Purpose Community Action Agency needs volunteers to deliver meals to

You can commit to delivering only one day or more if you choose. It is about a 2hour commitment.

Volunteer must provide their own transportation. Mileage can be reimbursed if

routes throughout Bullitt County, so you may be able to choose the route that suits you best.

Contact Nichole Schank at the senior center, by dialing 1-502-543-4077 and choosing 2 on the menu. You may leave a message if no one

Adults over 60 can join MPCAA for lunch, socialization, and fun activities at 214

Shepherdsville KY. Call Nichole for a reservation.

She can also be reached by e-mail at nic-

hole@mpcaa.org." GriefShare recovery **Bullitt Lick Baptist Church** hosts the 14-week GriefShare

grief recovery seminar and support group.

The meetings will be held at the church located at 2975 Highway 44 West in Shepherdsville.

GriefShare features nationally recognized experts on grief recovery topics.

For more information, call 543-2483 or email griefshare@bullittlickbaptist.org

TOPS 312 meets each Thursday

The TOPS 312 chapter in Hillview meets every Thursday evening.

It will be held from 5-6:30 p.m. at the Hillview Community Center on Prairie Drive.

The group meets every Thursday and everyone who is interested in losing weight

is invited to attend. **Grace Community service**

Each Sunday, Grace Community Church will invite the public to its 10:30 a.m. ser-

And then, you will be invited to stay for a free "soup lunch" afterwards.

The church is located at 1775 Brooks Hill Road. Steven Shelton is the pastor.

All are invited to feed your soul and then your belly. Overdale Global reopens food pantry

The Overdale Global Methodist Church has reopened reopen its food pantry.

The church is not part of a large pantry but wants to do its part to serve the commu-

God has blessed us and He has told us to "feed His sheep."

There will be non-perishable food, such as canned vegetables and fruit, canned meat, boxed pasta, paper products and much more.

The church is located at 515 Overdale Drive next to the elementary school in Hil-

The pantry will be open the third Tuesday of each month from 1-3 p.m.

Dare to Care in Lebanon Junction The Dare to Care program

in Lebanon Junction provides food on the third Monday of each month at 10 a.m. To sign up for a food box,

go to the St. Benedict parking lot. This is a new procedure to assist with traffic flow and safety in the area.

Karaoke at Legion Post The American Legion Post 157 will host weekly karaoke night.

This happens each Friday from 8-11:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited. the post is located on Cedar Grove Road at Old Preston

Highway in Shepherdsville. VFW Post 5710 hosts Veterans Luncheon

The VFW Post 5710 in Shepherdsville will host a variety of events.

Every Sunday and Tuesday at 7 p.m., bingo sessions will be held. Everyone is invited. You must be at least 18 years old to play games.

Karaoke is held on Friday and Saturday evenings.

The public is invited. The post is located on Highway 44 West in Shepherdsville.

Celebrate Recovery Faith Assembly of God will

host Celebrate Recovery every Friday evening.

Everyone is invited. The sessions begin at 6:30 p.m.

The church is located at 6811 S. Preston Highway in Lebanon Junction.

543-1457. First Baptist Monday meals The First Baptist Church in

For more information, call

Shepherdsville has resumed its Monday meals. The community is invited

for a free meal each Monday at 6 p.m. Doors open at 5:50

You can enter at the back or side doors.

The church is located on South Buckman Street next to the county courthouse.

Bullitt Ministerial group to The Bullitt County Ministe-

rial Association will meet on the first Wednesday of each month at Mr. Gattis.

The meeting begins at 1 p.m. All pastors and representatives of Bullitt County ministries are invited.

For more information, contact pastor Randy Pace at

Hillview Church Dare to

The Hillview Community Christian Church food pantry and Dare to Care program will be held on the second

and fourth Thursdays of the

It will be open from 4:30-6

The drive-thru food pantry will be located at the City of Hillview Annex Building at 1191 Hillview Boulevard.

Only those in Hillview, Pioneer Village and Brooks are eligible for this site.

Anyone who would like to help, canned goods are desperately needed. They can be dropped off at the Hillview Government Center. First Nazarene Dare to

Shepherdsville First Church of the Nazarene is hosting a Dare to Care food distribution every Tuesday.

The drive-thru food bank will be at the old Melton Food Mart every Tuesday from 5-6 p.m.

Bring something with your address and a photo ID to receive assistance. This is for the 40165 and

40177 zip codes only. Bring boxes, bags or other containers to carry your food.

The drive-thru pickup is located on North Maple Street off Highway 44 East in Shepherdsville.

HANDS program helps expectant parents

Having a baby or have a new baby? Check out the HANDS pro-

gram. It is free and voluntary. A highly-skilled HANDS worker will provide fun, interactive activities to teach you and your baby to be the

best you can be. For more information, call the Bullitt County Health

Department at 955-5355. MW Lions Club fish fry Fri-

The Mount Washington

Lions Club will host a fish fry on the second Friday of each month. Fish will start frying at 4

p.m. and goes until everything is sold, which is normally 5:30-6 p.m. The next will be on Friday, Jan. 9.

Everyone is invited. The fish fry will be at 810 N. Bardstown Road in Mount Washington.

Proceeds help to benefit projects in the community.

Bluegrass music in Hillview The Hillview Government Center is again hosting Bluegrass Music and fish fry each Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

The public is invited to the free singing and the chance to purchase fish dinners.

The government center is located on Crestwood Lane

in Hillview. Masonic Lodge breakfast

Bullitt Masonic Lodge 155

all-you-can-eat breakfast will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6. From 7-10 a.m., the public is invited to breakfast. The

buffet cost is \$11 a person. The breakfast will be held the first Saturday of each month.The next will be on

Saturday, Jan. 3. The lodge is located on High School Drive next to Bullitt Central High School. Everyone is invited to attend.

Dine-in or carryout available. Bullitt GOP meets Jan. 11 The Bullitt County GOP will meet on Thursday, Jan. 11, at 7 p.m. at the Shepherdsville

Government Center. The Republican Party normally meets on the first

Thursday of each month. Everyone is invited. **BCHS Youth Services food**

pantry The Bullitt Central Youth Services Center has a food pantry available to families in all Bullitt Central feeder schools. It will not be open

while school is out. For more information or to make a donation, call Christy Hardin at 869-6013 or christy.hardin@bullitt.kyschools.us

NB Lions Club to meet The North Bullitt Lions Club will meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

The Jack Taylor Lions Building is at 200 Cathy Way in Hillview. Guests are always invited.

McNeil Lodge hosts break-

McNeil Lodge 586 hosts its all-you-can-eat breakfast on the second Saturday of each The next breakfast will be

on Jan. 10. It will be held from 7-10 a.m. Donation is \$9.

The lodge is located at 145 Ash Street in Lebanon Junc-

Everyone is invited.

Egg distribution facility hatches in Hillview

STEPHEN THOMAS THE PIONEER NEWS

HILLVIEW—A new Grade A business has officially opened its new state-of-the-art warehouse location in Bullitt County.

A few dozen local officials and business representatives attended the ribbon cutting for Brooks Grading, a new egg distribution facility located in

The new facility contains 70,000 square feet of manufacturing space along with an additional 5,000 square feet of office space, providing two work shifts for about 100 employees.

Plant manager Mac Reed said the new location was the first of three egg-grading facilities to be opened in the interstate area over the next few years. Originally from Louisville,

Reed said he was hired to manage the location, selected due to its proximity with Interstate 65 and the Louisville "We have a proximity to our

farms," Reed said. "We own over 60 in Kentucky. The company is looking to triple its size overall in three years, mostly covering



the tri-state area.

Brooks Grading supplies HBF Foods, based in Tennessee. Reed said HBF Foods works with hard-boiled eggs and produces ready-to-eat products.

Oolie, which features eggbased dips and yogurts, is a major company supplied by Brooks Grading.

"We supply those eggs," said Reed. "Also, a majority of our business goes to Costco and

Sam's Club." According to Reed, pallet come in from the farms, with each truck containing 30 pallets. The eggs are tempered and then go into an assembly line.

Once loaded in, the eggs

Stephen Thomas

based on their sizes, and are

"We have over 190,000 eggs produced per hour," he added.

Brooks Grading is located at 213 N. Williams Lane, off of Brooks Hill Road. For more information on the company and the facility visit hbfgrading.com.

CITIES

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which no ambulances were available, including the need for two Hardin County units to help earlier in the day.

Also, there is the fact that Bullitt County is growing.

Moulton continued to say that he was not criticizing the county agency but Zoneton wanted to offer additional assistance to the people of its district.

But he said that response times of 40 minutes were not uncommon. While his firefighters would reach the victims much sooner, Moulton said there is also emotional strain on his staff trying to keep patients alive until EMS arrives.

Councilman Wayne Muscar said he has nothing but praise for Zoneton VFD. In fact, he had many of the firefighters in his classes at Hebron Middle.

His concern was House Bill 604 that would allow the 20-cent combined maximum to rise to 30 cents over time.

that bill have been held for years ambulances are used by many in Frankfort and there is no chance it would ever be

approved. Muscar said he was worried if the taxes tripled as many people are having a hard time

surviving at the current rate. The chief said his plan was the actually lower the EMS tax eventually. It would take a few years to get the debt paid and see how the budget said he could see that 10-

cent EMS rate being lowered. He reminded councilmembers that the rising costs to provide fire service and revenue which is locked in at 10 cents per \$100 is leading to the closure of many depart-

Councilman Gary Selby wondered how it would be more economical and cost effective for Zoneton to form its own EMS service with the ambulances and

personnel needed. Resident Martha Ferguson, who is certified to work in the First Responder field, was concerned with the number of units that respond to the scene. She said it was costly for personnel and the equipment doubt that the county has

needed when all of them might not be needed. She used as an example a

NARCON call for an overdose shouldn't require the ladder truck and other vehicles to respond. Ferguson said one or two people to administer the NARCON relief should be sufficient.

Moulton said that sometimes the simple NARCON cases can develop into something much more serious. She then wondered why the

county just couldn't add a couple of ambulances in the area and avoid the additional tax. Ferguson said that if Zoneton's ambulances are tied up, it would still need help from Bullitt County EMS. She said

while operating the Alternative

Adult Day Care in Hillview, she

also had good response from

the county EMS. She felt there needed to be more information on why Zoneton is pursuing the EMS

agency Moulton said it was simply an avenue to help the community and to help Bullitt County Moulton said discussions over EMS. He understands that as a personal ride to the hospital but that would not change across

the country. He asked anyone with any questions to call him or go to

the department's website. Muscar had one more question relating to the possibility of a county EMS tax being imposed. This has been done

in other counties. While not wishing to get into would settle out but Moulton any rebuttal on what had been said, Summers did say that an unelected board would be in charge of that ambulance tax and there would be no checks

> and balances on the agency. The council went into executive session for about an hour before coming out to approve the resolution in support

of Bullitt Fiscal Court. There was no discussion by

the council. In the past week, the governmental officials in Hunters Hollow, Hillview and Pioneer Village all approved similar resolutions to join the county's protest of the CON.

"We will protest the EMS tax,"

said Summers. Summers said there is no the capability of providing excellent EMS protection. The county has 14 paramedics, 10 ambulances and six are on duty each day and night.

In discussions with the five mayors in affected cities, Summers said the message was clear – there is no need to impose a new tax on property owners when the current EMS is excellent.

With county attorney Tammy Baker attending the meetings with city officials, Summers said he wasn't going to argue the county's case in the media. However, he felt very confident of the information compiled to display the response and service provided by emergency responders.

When he contested a similar request several years ago by the Mount Washington Fire Protection District, Summers admitted that his argument was limited. At the time, Bullitt County EMS had only four ambulances and three

paramedics. Now, that situation has

changed. Units are now placed in Lebanon Junction, Nichols and the north end, including two at University of Louisville Health South Hospital. Another unit is currently housed at the

Of the two issues being raised by his constituents. Summers said people are worried because fire taxes will double and that they had never had a problem with Bullitt County EMS. "People are telling me they

just can't afford it," Summers

said of the new tax. "Lives are

Hillview Police Department.

paramount to me. I think we are doing a great job serving the people. He also knows that if the CON is granted, Bullitt County EMS

will still be making calls into the Zoneton territory. For example, after the Mount Washington Fire Protection District opted to start its EMS with two ambulances, the county is still making around 1,000 runs into that territory to make

medical runs. The county judge planned to make his protest to the application, which would trigger a public hearing. It is expected to be this spring before the formal hearing on the case is heard.

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bourbon production process. Another company which had proposed a digester operation in Lebanon Junction has not moved forward with those plans.

Suntory officials stated that it would continue to operate the visitor center and its Kitchen Table restaurant. The visitor center and

tourist attractions in Bullitt County and in the state. The distillery is at the start of the Bourbon Trail in Ken-It was in 1795 when the rebuilt the operation in 1933. Clermont operations.



front of the American Stillhouse several years ago. first bourbon was produced. Eight generations of the

After prohibition, Jacob Beam Beam family have led the

travel through wash tanks and our rinsed, then inspected with A.I. to search for cracks, blood

spots, and other imperfections. From there, the eggs head off into one of 24 packaging lanes, hand-stacked onto pallets for further shipment. Reed mentioned each pallet contained 720 dozen eggs.

Shepherdsville. Board meetings are open

to the public. open to provide support for

and Hillview Boulevard. Weigh in at 9 a.m. and

Lost 180 has started its monthly fish fry Fridays. On the fourth Friday of each month through October, the fish fry will start at 4

monthly support group led by a master certified health We will discuss a variety of

around diabetic health.

You must be at least 60

MPCAA needs volunteer

homebound seniors. Meals are delivered Monday through Friday.

requested. Meal delivery is set up on

Frank E Simon,