

Republican Women present scholarships



JANE REID KLEYN/The Springfield Sun
The Washington County Republican Women’s Club presents two scholarships on Thursday. Jordan Frye and Jesse McClain pose with State Representative Kim King for a photo after the presentations at Los Tres Restaurant. The scholarships are funded with proceeds from the annual Lincoln Dinner.

More than \$1B now available to fight the drug crisis in Kentucky

AG Coleman announces new \$73M settlement with Purdue Pharma

FRANKFORT — Attorney General Russell Coleman announced last week an additional \$73.1 million settlement with Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family for their devastating role in Kentucky’s drug crisis. This announcement brings Kentucky’s total recovery to more than \$1 billion from settlements with the companies behind the worst man-made crisis in the Commonwealth’s history.

“For too long, Kentucky families have been suffering the deadly consequences of those behind the drug crisis. These resources won’t bring back lost loved ones, but they may be able to prevent future tragedies,” said Attorney General Coleman. “With more than \$1 billion, Kentucky is investing in prevention, treatment, and recovery programs that will save lives and turn the page on this crisis.”

Kentucky previously settled with Purdue Pharma in 2015 for \$24 million. That

settlement ended the bulk of the Commonwealth’s claims against the company and the Sackler family.

On Monday, June 16, attorneys general from 55 states and U.S. territories agreed to a \$7.4 billion settlement with Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family. Next, local governments across the country will be asked to join the settlement contingent on bankruptcy court proceedings.

Under the Sacklers’ ownership, Purdue made and aggressively marketed opioid products for decades. The settlement ends the Sacklers’ control of Purdue and their ability to sell opioids in the United States. This settlement in principle is the nation’s largest settlement to date with individuals responsible for the opioid crisis.

According to the system created by Kentucky’s General Assembly, 50% of the settlement funds will be distributed by the Kentucky Opioid Abatement Advisory Commission. The other half of the settlement funds are distributed to cities and counties according to a predetermined formula. Last week, General Coleman announced the Commission’s latest funding opportunity to support research that addresses the drug epidemic in Kentucky.



Photos courtesy of the Washington County Sheriff’s Office
Some of the flooding, mudslides, and downed trees in Washington County early last week are shown.



FLOODING

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Previously, on Sunday, June 15, the Rescue Squad responded to a partially submerged vehicle. The driver was the only occupant of

the vehicle and had gotten himself safely out of the vehicle.

On Monday, June 16, the Sheriff’s Office reported hazardous conditions on Highway 150 in the construction zone in The Burg near Bourbon Trail BBQ & Amish Deli for limbs down near the road.

The office also reported standing water and fog in many areas on Monday.

The weather is about the change! No rain is in the forecast for the near future but temperatures are expected to hit the high 90s later this week and into the weekend.

NOTICE TO WASHINGTON COUNTY TAXPAYERS

BRETT BARRY, WASHINGTON County Clerk, pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that the 2024 Delinquent Real Property Tax Bills (Certificates of Delinquency) will be published in the **SPRINGFIELD SUN** on **JULY 2ND, 2025**. The list of Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection during the hours of **9AM TO 430PM** at the County Clerk’s office located at **117 NORTH CROSS MAIN ST, SPRINGFIELD**. This list may also be viewed on the **SOFTWARE MANAGEMENT** website. The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the website is **http://kydtax.smlc.us**. The tax sale will be held on **AUGUST 5, 2025** beginning at **10AM**. All interested participants must register with the County Clerk’s office by the close of business on **JULY 28, 2025**. Please contact the County Clerk’s office if you need additional information about the tax sale registration process, the required registration fee or the deposit amounts that will be needed. Taxpayers can continue to pay their delinquent tax bills to the County Clerk’s office anytime prior to the tax sale.

Please Note: All payments must be received in the County Clerk’s office prior to the tax sale date listed in this advertisement. Payments received after the tax sale has been conducted will be returned without exception. Some delinquencies – although they have been advertised – will be excluded from the tax sale in accordance with the provisions of KRS 134.504(10)(b). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Washington County Clerk’s office at **859-336-5425**.