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For I was hungry...

Bethany House seeks funding for new cooler

By Jeremy D. Wells
Carter County Times

Since opening their doors in 1982, and incorporating as a non-profit organization nearly a decade later, Bethany House has helped countless families with access to fresh produce, holiday meals, and warm winter clothing. But a significant part of the charity's mission – providing food to the hungry – is in jeopardy if they can't secure the funding they need to replace their faulty walk-in cooler.

The cooler, an integral piece of equipment that allows Bethany House to accept and store donations of fresh meat and produce, went down earlier this summer. The cost to replace it, a whopping \$13,000, is well outside the charity's budget. So, they did what so many individuals and organizations in need do today – they decided to crowdsource the funding. And while donations have been generous, they are still well short of their \$13K goal. Laura Eklund, who serves on the board of directors for the charity, explained that after the cooler went down, they had to quit accepting donations from various sources, because they

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Volunteers with Bethany House sort food donations in this file photo. (Photo by Jeremy D. Wells, Carter County Times)

A place for imagination

Smith Dungeon brings games to life

By Charles Romans
Carter County Times

There is a place where WWII Tanks compete for every inch of hard-won ground. Dice roll, calculating near misses and catastrophic hits, and fantastic tales are spun with the flip of a brightly embossed card. Measurements are taken and retaken, possibilities are considered, strategies are made and unmade by the cleverness of opponents. It is a place of soldiers, of elves and dwarves, of science and magic. The place might sound like

it is made for children – and in reality, it is. But that shouldn't deter anyone from visiting because as Smith Dungeon co-owner Shaun Smith said, "Everyone who walks through that door is a kid. At least for a while." Smith Dungeon, in downtown Grayson, is a game store that, more than anything else, prides itself on being a place where everyone can come in and enjoy themselves in a family friendly atmosphere. "We're all family here," co-owner Rebecca Steele Smith said. In fact, the whole idea for the game store came about because friends and family regularly came to the Smiths' home to

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(Photo by Charles Romans, Carter County Times)

Roads and trucks

Fiscal court discusses county maintenance schedule and fire engines

By Charles Romans
Carter County Times

The Carter County fiscal court held their regular monthly meeting last Monday, September 8. The meeting began with a moment of silence for the family of James Wilburn. Carter Judge Executive Brandon Burton remembered Wilburn for serving on the court and also for being a

good friend. "Our hearts are with the Wilburn Family," Judge Burton said. The first item on the court's agenda was a public hearing concerning Mobley Flats Road. The hearing was to give any interested parties the time to speak on the county taking .25 miles of the road into the county maintenance schedule. The motion to accept it into the schedule passed unanimously, and there was some discussion about grading another portion of that road that connected to Slone Cemetery. The court decided to look into the potential grading, and it will be discussed at a later date before any action is taken. In other business, the fire chief of the Grayson VFD, as

well as Grayson mayor Troy Combs, brought it to the attention of the fiscal court that the City of Grayson has a tank on one of the city's trucks that is in dire need of repair. The chief said that they would like to start the loan process to have the tank in question repaired. The repairs are expected to be done by a company in northern Kentucky. The truck in question is a 2009 model, and the chief said the repair is essential due to the fact that it responded to every fire. "The truck itself seems to be doing really well," the fire chief told the court. "It just needs to be replaced from the pump back." "We fully intended to make this payment," Combs said of the tank repair. "But now we are considering purchasing another engine truck."

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Weekly arrests report

The following individuals were arrested and booked into the Carter County Detention Center over the past week. This list includes local arrests only. It does not include federal inmates being housed at or transported through the detention center.

- Amanda Polling, 38, of Grayson, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, on two counts of failure to appear, arrested and booked September 8.
- David Haney, 46, of Grayson, arrested by Kentucky State Police, for failure to appear, arrested and booked September 8.
- Elmer Ray, 34, of West Monroe, LA, arrested by Bath County Court, on a charge of alcohol intoxication in a public place.
- Donna Stockdale, 62, of Olive Hill, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, for failure to appear, arrested and booked September 10.

- Michael Adams, Jr., 51, of Grayson, arrested by Department of Corrections, on a probation violation (for a felony offense), arrested and booked September 10.
- Patricia Baier-Carter, 54, of Grayson, arresting agency unavailable, on charges of operating a motor vehicle on a suspended or revoked operator's license, leaving the scene of an accident – failure to render aid or assistance, failure to maintain required insurance, and failure to produce an insurance card, arrested and booked September 10.
- Vanessa Gollihue, 33, of Grayson, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, on a hold for drug court, arrested and booked September 10.
- Jonathan Blevins, 47, of Olive Hill, arrested by Carter County Sheriff, on a charge of flagrant

- non-support, arrested and booked September 11.
- George Caldwell, 50, of Webbville, arrested by Kentucky State Police, on three counts of non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines, arrested and booked September 11.
- Shira Tackett, 40, of Flatwoods, self-surrender, weekender, arrested and booked September 12.
- Leonardo Gomez, 24, of Ashland, arrested by Greenup County Sheriff, serving a warrant for Homeland Security, on an immigration detainer, arrested and booked September 12.
- Joseph Burton, 50, of Olive Hill, self-surrender, weekender, arrested and booked September 12.
- Patrick Young, 47, of Grayson, self-surrender, weekender, arrested and booked September 12.
- Jason Runyan, 43, of Grayson, arrested by Grayson PD, on a

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