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necessary zoning permits. Clark told the board the lodging units were not developed specifically as vacation rentals but have existed for decades as housing associated with his horse training operation. He said the accommodations are frequently used by horse owners and clients who travel to observe training sessions or work with animals on the farm. "These buildings have been there 30 years," Clark said, explaining that the units were originally built

to house employees and visitors involved in his equine business. Clark said he occasionally makes the units available through online rental platforms but primarily reserves them for clients connected to the farm. Following discussion, the board unanimously approved the permit, concluding the use would not be detrimental to neighboring properties and was consistent with a longstanding agricultural operation. The board later considered an application from Terry and Judy Bell for a short-term rental on

Chenault Bridge Road near Herrington Lake. Staff reported the property sits on approximately 0.26 acres and is the only short-term rental currently operating in that immediate area of Boyle County. The Bells told board members they purchased the property in December and were unaware a conditional use permit was required because the home had already been operating as a vacation rental before they acquired it. They said the property is marketed through Evolve and listed on several vacation rental platforms. According to the owners, the rental has a two-

night minimum stay requirement and prohibits parties, large gatherings, and pets. Occupancy is limited to six guests, and exterior security cameras monitor activity outside the home. The Bells also noted that guests do not have access to the lake or private docks. During the public hearing, Kings Mill Road resident Rich Murphy spoke in opposition to the application. Murphy questioned whether the property qualified for grandfathered status under previous regulations and expressed concerns about noise, parking, litter, septic capacity and the possibility

of additional short-term rentals being introduced in the area. Murphy also cited prior issues he said had occurred with another vacation rental near the lake, including complaints involving noise, fireworks and parking along narrow roadways. He argued that approving additional short-term rentals could change the character of the neighborhood and potentially affect nearby property owners. Board members questioned the Bells about parking arrangements, screening between neighboring properties and rental restrictions. The

owners said they are planning landscaping improvements and repairs to existing retaining walls and reiterated that renters are subject to strict rules regarding occupancy and behavior. All approved short-term rental permits were subject to conditions requiring owners to remain current on local transient room taxes and obtain any required zoning documentation within 14 days. Staff indicated the county is continuing efforts to ensure all existing short-term rentals comply with local regulations and permitting requirements.

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greatest country in the world. We can say, be and dream as big as we want to in this great country." Montgomery said the anniversary is a chance to thank people he believes often do not receive enough recognition. "We just don't give it up enough for all of our great American heroes and our first responders," he said.

"They keep us safe, and we know we can count on them." He sees his own story as proof of what the country makes possible. "A simple poor boy like me can become a member of the Grand Ole Opry and become a country music star," he said. "That's what being an American means to me." That career has also carried loss. Montgomery Gentry almost ended in 2017 when Montgomery's

longtime partner, Troy Gentry, died in a helicopter crash. The two had promised each other that whoever was left would keep the band going. Montgomery is still keeping his word. "I'm keepin' it going, I'm keepin' my promise," he said. "A day don't go by I don't talk about him. A day don't go by I don't miss him." Keeping that promise has meant staying on the road and returning to the

studio. Montgomery released "Home Run," a six song EP, on Nov. 1 through Average Joes Entertainment. The project includes a new version of "Hillbilly Shoes," the song that opened Montgomery Gentry's debut album, "Tattoos & Scars," and served as the duo's first single. Montgomery released a 25th anniversary edition of the song ahead of the EP. The new music leans on family and old friends. His

younger brother, country singer John Michael Montgomery, joins him on a duet called "Brotherly Love." The title track was co-written by Ashley Gorley, a Danville native and one of Nashville's most successful songwriters. "I run into his dad at Lowe's all the time," Montgomery said of Gorley. He said the song captured a feeling he knows well. "When I cross that

Kentucky state line, it's like, baby I'm home." As for the Danville show, Montgomery promised the same unpredictable night that has followed his band for years. "When we hit the stage, anything can happen, and it usually does," he said. He has no plans to stop performing. "I want to play until the good man upstairs goes, 'Well, I need ya now,'" he said.

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Ephraim McDowell for eight years, was nominated by a patient who praised her care during the birth of her daughter. In the nomination, the patient described Sharp as knowledgeable, attentive and reassuring throughout the labor and delivery process. The patient said Sharp helped create a calm environment, clearly explained

medical procedures and eased concerns when the possibility of an unexpected cesarean section arose. The nominator also credited Sharp with providing encouragement, maintaining communication throughout the experience and ensuring both comfort and confidence during a stressful situation. The patient's husband also expressed appreciation for Sharp's professionalism and support during the

delivery. Ephraim McDowell officials said the DAISY Award is designed to recognize nurses who make a meaningful difference in the lives of patients and families through both clinical excellence and compassionate care. The award is part of an international recognition program established by The DAISY Foundation. Healthcare organizations across the country participate in the

program by accepting nominations from patients, family members, co-workers, physicians and other healthcare professionals who witness exceptional nursing care. Nominations are reviewed by an internal committee, which evaluates submissions based on criteria related to compassion, professionalism and alignment with the organization's values. Selected honorees are recognized during a special presen-

tation attended by colleagues, supervisors, family members and, in some cases, the individuals who submitted the nomination. As part of the recognition, recipients receive a certificate, a hand-carved sculpture from Zimbabwe known as "The Healer's Touch," a DAISY Award pin and a copy of the nomination that led to their selection. Hospital officials said the program serves as an opportunity to recognize

the important role nurses play in caring for patients and supporting families during some of life's most significant moments. Nomination forms for the DAISY Award are available throughout Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center, Ephraim McDowell Fort Logan Hospital, Ephraim McDowell James B. Haggin Hospital and other Ephraim McDowell Health facilities.

REPORT

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Convention and Visitors Bureau Executive Director Kendall Clinton said the latest figures demonstrate the strength of the local tourism economy. "These numbers show what we already know, and that is that Boyle County has a robust tourism economy," Clinton said in the release. "At a time when travel growth has slowed nationally, Boyle County continued to move forward in nearly every key measurement." The report also highlighted long-term growth in Boyle County's tourism industry. Since 2018, tourism-

supported employment has increased from 634 jobs to 679 jobs, representing a 7.1% increase. During the same period, labor income associated with tourism rose from \$15.22 million to \$19.9 million, a gain of more than 30%. Tax revenues generated by tourism increased from \$4.8 million in 2018 to \$6.7 million in 2025, while visitor spending grew from \$63.4 million to \$84.5 million. Local growth in each category exceeded statewide growth rates over the same period, according to the study. Tourism officials said the numbers reflect the industry's growing role in supporting local businesses and public services throughout Boyle County.

Clinton noted that tourism's impact extends beyond attractions and events, supporting jobs in hotels, restaurants, retail stores and other businesses that depend on visitor spending. "More than likely, you have a friend, family member, neighbor or acquaintance here in Danville and Boyle County whose job helps support the local tourism economy," Clinton said. "Without visitors staying in local hotels, eating in restaurants, shopping and enjoying other locations in our community, these jobs wouldn't exist or the positive economic impacts that go with them." The report found that tourism remains one of

Boyle County's strongest economic sectors, generating millions of dollars in spending while helping support employment opportunities and local government revenues. More information about

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tourism opportunities and attractions in Boyle County is available at DanvilleKentucky.com.

UK launches mobile food trucks to serve all 120 counties

By Tom Latek
Kentucky Today

LEXINGTON – Through the University of Kentucky's Enterprise Services Partnership with Compass Group, the university is expanding its ability to serve all 120 counties across the state. Through the partnership, UK and Compass Group will work to launch two mobile food trucks, an initiative known as "Food Force One." The program is designed to bring access to fresh, nutritious meals, education



and outreach directly to Kentucky communities. "We exist to serve Kentucky and this initiative puts our mission into action," said UK President Eli Capilouto. "By taking our work and our knowledge beyond campus and into our communities, we're connecting people to the resources, education and support that can make a meaningful difference in their lives." "Strong communities are built on access, access to nutritious food, education and resources that support

health and well-being," said Blair Choate, a senior vice president with Compass Group. "As we continue building our partnership with the University of Kentucky, Food Force One reinforces a shared commitment to serving communities throughout the Commonwealth. By expanding access to food and public health programs, we can help build healthier communities while strengthening connections to Kentucky farmers and producers."

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