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APARTMENTS FOR RENT

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APARTMENTS FOR RENT

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MISCELLANEOUS

WILL PICK UP or haul away scrap metal, old appliances, vehicles, air conditioning units and car or truck batteries. \$20 pick-up fee outside Johnson County. Call James for details at 606-793-3934. (12/15)

LOOKING FOR A nice 3-bedroom, 2-bath house or double-wide for rent in Louisa/Fort Gay area for 2 adults. Need ASAP. 606-495-7797. (7-8)

IF YOU WERE in the emergency room in Louisa, on Wednesday, July 9, 2025. I would like to speak to you, you may have information I need. This is very important. Call 606-939-0866. (7/8 pd)

DIABETIC SUPPLIES

Best Local Price
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LEGAL NOTICE

I've been appointed as Warning Order Attorney to notify UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES MICHAEL OSBORNE that a lawsuit affecting her legal rights has been filed in Floyd Circuit Court case #26-CI-00381. This person should contact attorney Jason Charles Reichenbach, Esq. regarding this matter by telephone at 1-606-788-0022 or in writing to P. O. Box 606, Staffordsville, Kentucky 41256. (7/8, 7/15)

LIBRARY NOTES

Louisa, hours of operation are Mon., Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Drive-up item return is available. Need a Notary, we have 2 on staff. Passport services available. Outreach service available, call the library or email tammy@lcplky.org; the Big Sandy News digital collection is completed. July 8, music and movement, 11 a.m. ages 5 and under, Paint and Snacks hour, 2 p.m., Outreach in Blaine (Diamond Art), 5 p.m.; July 9, story time, 11 a.m., (ages 2 and under), Crafting Corner: Bedazzled Ducks (all ages), 4 p.m., Genealogy Hour, 5 p.m.; July 10, story time, 11 a.m., (ages 3-5), Family Movie and snacks "Hocus Pocus" (all ages, 5 p.m.; July 11, Little Learners, 11 a.m. (5 and under), Diamond Art (ages: 14+, registration required), 1 p.m.; July 14, "Dig: into your history and Wreath Crafts (all ages, registration required)m 2 p.m., Night at the Museum: Murder Mystery (ages 15+, registration required); July 15, Music and Movement (ages 5 and under), 11 a.m.; July 16, Story Time (ages 2 and under), 11 a.m., Mountain Movers: "High School Musical" meet and greet and crafts, 3 p.m., Trivia Night: Summerween Edition (all ages), 5 p.m.; July 17, Story Time (ages 3-5), 11 a.m., Dino Roar! @ LCPL at 2 p.m.; July 18, Dino Roar!@ Fallsburg (all ages), 11 a.m., and at Blaine, 2 p.m., (all ages). Visit our Facebook page, www.lcplky.org or call 606-638-4497.

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The Johnson County Public Library, 444 Main Street, Paintsville is open Mon., Wed., and Fri., 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues. and Thurs., 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Like us on Facebook, on Instagram @johnson-countypubliclibrary, on YouTube Channel https://tinyurl.com/u9hw5kd, on the Web at www.jcplky.org or call 606-789-4355. July 9, Family Game Day, 1 p.m., Family Movie Night "Jurassic Park", 5:30 p.m.; July 10, Garden Club, 11:30 a.m.; July 13, Gentle Yoga, 1 p.m.; July 15, Tooth Time with Leo the Lion, 11 a.m.; July 16, Tied with Love, 4 p.m., BookTalk "Smoke and Silence: The Lives of Ol'Mort" by Tanner Levi Hunter Willis; July 18, Family Fun Day: Santa's Workshop, 11 a.m.

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The main branch of Martin County Public Library now at the Collier Center, 387 East Main St., Inez, (new phone number) 606-534-5390, fax number, 606-548-6629, open 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday; the Rufus Reed Branch Library, 1442 River Front Road, Lovely (606-395-6500), open Monday-Wednesday, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Drive-thru and walk-up window is open for faxing and copies.

MISCELLANEOUS

SIGHTINGS OF YOUNG BLACK BEARS INCREASE WITH SUMMER ROAMING

STAFF REPORT
BSN

FRANKFORT — Sightings of black bears have recently been occurring in neighborhoods, backyards, urban areas, and even on dash cams and doorbell cameras in areas of Kentucky not accustomed to seeing many of them. Biologists and game wardens with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources want the public to know that this is normal bear behavior and encourage the public to learn more about Kentucky bears to better understand and live safely with them.

In late spring and early summer, young male black bears get pushed out of areas where they were raised in eastern Kentucky by older and more dominant male bears for mating season. These juveniles may wander up to several weeks or more into unfamiliar territory in search of food, good habitat and prospective mates before instinctively returning to the mountains by the fall. Bears can travel 20 miles or more in a day if left undisturbed, and Kentucky bears have been suspected of traveling as far away as Missouri in recent years.

"This is the time of year when young male bears are usually spotted outside of their normal home range in the mountain counties of eastern Kentucky," said John Hast, Bear Program coordinator for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. "These young bears are just juveniles and are easily scared and confused causing them to wander into populated areas because they don't yet know any better. They may hide during the day and leave the area at night only to be reported being seen again a county or two away within a couple of days. Residents should keep their distance, remove all food sources and let the bear move on when he feels safe to do so."

Black bears have a natural fear of people and dogs, and adverse encounters are extremely rare. Never approach or feed a bear and keep a safe distance away. If a bear is posing an immediate danger, a person should yell and wave their arms to look more threatening to scare him off or call local law enforcement immediately.

Residents of an area where a bear has been spotted should secure their garbage in a garage

or other building, not leave pet food outside, and clean and securely store barbecue grills. These are all best practices in general for people to prevent problems with wildlife. Also, people should not use bird feeders in bear range or in areas where they have been recently observed. It is a violation of Kentucky law to feed bears or knowingly leave unsecured food available for them to consume.

The national website BearWise.org was established to help people live responsibly with bears. This easily-remembered website offers information and solutions to help individuals and communities coexist with bears, whether bears are just visiting or are permanent neighbors.

"Learning a little more about black bears will help keep any encounter in perspective and can ease any fears a community may have," Hast said.

In Kentucky, hunting bears is regulated and limited to defined seasons in the established bear zones in eastern Kentucky to ensure a sustainable and healthy population.

For more information about black bears, visit the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Black Bears webpage on its website at fw.ky.gov, or visit BearWise.org. Bear sightings may be reported to the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Information Center at info.center@ky.gov, or at 1-800-858-1549, Mondays-Fridays, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except holidays.

STEPHEN & AMY NEW MAKE \$1 MILLION GIFT TO MARSHALL ATHLETICS

STAFF REPORT
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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Marshall University Vice President and Director of Athletics Gerald J. Harrison announced that Stephen and Amy New have made a \$1 million pledge to Marshall Athletics.

"Amy and I are happy to be able to support the university that means so much to each of us," Stephen New said. "Our mothers went back to school as non-traditional students and we've had many family members who are Sons and Daughters of Marshall. We will continue to support – and encourage others to, as well – Marshall's mission to help Huntington, the state and our region. Go Herd!"

This generous gift from Stephen and Amy New, combined with the efforts of State Electric Supply and Dixon Electric, helped finalize the installation of new stadium lighting in Joan C. Edwards Stadium, which enhances an elite experience for all who experience games at "The Joan."

"The installation of our new state-of-the-art lighting system at The Joan is another significant investment in the future of Marshall Football and the game-day experience for our fans, student-athletes, and community," Harrison said. "We are incredibly grateful to Stephen New, State Electric and Dixon Electric for their tremendous partnership and support in helping us continue

to 'Take Care of Our House.' Their commitment to Marshall Athletics has helped bring this exciting project to life."

Over the last several weeks, work has been ongoing to get the stadium lights installed at Joan C. Edwards Stadium through the continuation of longstanding partnerships with State Electric Supply and Dixon Electric – both of whom have worked diligently to ensure the project's completion by the start of the 2026 football season.

State Electric Supply was integral in getting the project underway in a timely fashion by procuring all lighting and physical parts necessary to complete the installation.

"We are proud to be part of the new stadium lighting project and to support Marshall Athletics in many ways," said John Spoor, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of State Electric Supply. "The excitement they create, the talent they develop and the care for their student-athletes aligns with our State Electric Supply core values of 'Integrity, Teamwork and Stewardship.' We are proud to be a part of their success."

Following the procurement of those parts, the team at Dixon Electric has been hard at work with installation of the new lighting system – a process that is expected to finalize in the coming weeks, which ensures that fans will have a premium experience for the Herd's home slate and other events at Joan C. Edwards Stadium in 2026 and

beyond.

"Dixon Electrical Systems is proud to support Marshall University Athletics as both a trusted contractor and community partner," said Matt Simms, Vice President of Dixon Electric. "From the recent Joan C. Edwards lighting upgrades to our continued investment in baseball, football and all other athletic programs, we are committed to the success of the Thundering Herd."

The generous donation by Stephen and Amy New gives Marshall Athletics great momentum as the 2026-27 athletic year gets underway at the start of July.

To commemorate their generosity, the Working Press level at Joan C. Edwards Stadium has been named the New Family Level.

Joan C. Edwards Stadium's new lights will be unveiled at the 2026 home opener against Middle Tennessee on Saturday, Sept. 12.

"We can't wait to kick off the 2026 season and welcome Herd Nation back to The Joan for our home opener under the new lights this fall," Harrison said. "It's going to be a special night in Huntington, and we look forward to creating an unforgettable atmosphere for our fans."

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