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Two Owsley County Farms Named "Legacy Farms" by Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation



Owsley County Farm Bureau recently announced that Edd & Emma Harvey/ Dick & Maria Edwards/H&E Farms and the Tom Campbell Farm have each been named a "Legacy Farm" by Kentucky Farm Bureau (KFB). Edd & Emma Harvey/Dick & Maria Edwards/H&E Farms and the Tom Campbell Farm were recognized as Legacy Farms for their long-standing commitment to farming, contributions to the local community, and involvement in KFB.

KFB's Legacy Farm designation is awarded to farmers who have demonstrated a commitment to agriculture and the strengthening of rural communities. County Farm Bureaus across the state can nominate three local farms for the honor each year. Edd & Emma Harvey/Dick & Maria Edwards/H&E Farms has been active in production agriculture for 120 years. Today, the farm is run by Maria Edwards. It produces tobacco, corn and cattle, along with Rocky Mountain horses.

The Tom Campbell Farm has been active in production agriculture for 60 years. Today, the farm is run by Tom Campbell. It produces vegetables. "Kentucky Farm Bureau is proud to recognize the history, perseverance and hard work of our commonwealth's farm families," said Eddie Melton, KFB President. "We're grateful for everything Edd & Emma Harvey/Dick & Maria Edwards/H&E Farms and the Tom Campbell Farm contribute to their community and to Kentucky agriculture, and we're pleased to honor the generations of dedication that earned them this recognition."



OCHS Alumni Games
Women & Men's Basketball
November 21, 2026
Teams TBD. Also recognizing; alumni honorable mentions, alumni cheer, alumni band.
$30 if alumni participating in game, $10 player recognition not game participant, $10 honorary or memorial tribute, $5 all other entry/general admission.
Small concessions available. Checks accepted made to OC Varsity Basketball.
All proceeds to OC Varsity Basketball.

2026 Maroon & White Night

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OC Fiscal Court News for November 2026

By Lisa Robinson

The Owsley County Fiscal Court met in regular session on Monday, November 9, 2026. The meeting was called to order by Judge Executive Zeke Little. Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance and then an Invocation was given. A motion was made and carried to accept the reading of the minutes.

Linda Thomas, Secretary, gave the Treasurer's Report. "The General Fund has a cash balance of $164,700.75, the Road Fund has a cash balance of $983,620.81, the Jail Fund has a cash balance of $14,408.54 and the LGEA Fund has a cash balance of $30,996.73. The Solid Waste Fund has a cash balance of $19,079.66, the Parks & Rec Fund has a cash balance of $3,407.93, the LGEDF (Coal Severence) has a cash balance of $4,936.70 and the Clerk Storage Fund has a cash balance of $8,409.35. The Opioid Fund has a cash balance of $133,189.45, the Car Wash Fund has a cash balance of $17,097.99, the Land Acquisition CD has a cash balance of $93,212.60 and the Bridge CD has a cash balance of $1,090,915.26. The Land Acquisition Fund has a cash balance of $7,940.40 and the EKYSAFE Fund has a cash balance of $271,661.35." A motion was made and carried to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Judge Little said, "our next thing is the Closure of CR 1420 (Pendergrass Road – as we have always called it). They are wanting to close only the right fork. There is no one that owns any property on that section other than the one that asked for it to be closed." A motion was made and carried to run it in the newspaper and call this the first reading. He continued, "we also have another person wanting to close a section of CR 1103 (Will Baker Road) with 1,410 feet kept open. The road would close at his gate. It is a dead end road." A motion was made and carried to run it in the newspaper and call this the first reading.

"We have a Resolution for HB500 for Health Insurance for all county employees in the amount of $147,908.04 for one year. We need to sign it and send it back," said Judge Little. A motion was made and carried to sign the Resolution. Judge Little went on to say, "we also have a Resolution for HB900 for a grant application for up to $500,000 to be used on the Industrial Building. We can start to work on the building." A motion was made and carried to approve the Resolution.

"Next we have an Ordinance on Garbage Rates. Our Solid Waste Coordinator has said that everyone she has talked to says that our rates are too low. We really do need to raise the rates because tipping fees have gone up along with higher fuel costs and mailing the bills. The garbage rate is $14 per month. The 3 yard dumpster is $42.29, the 4 yard is $71.65, the 6 yard is $105 and the 8 yard dumpster is $143.39. It is still $10 per truck load and $20 per trailer. I hate to raise the rates because everyone is struggling. We need to do something. The Solid Waste Coordinator asked if we could do a senior citizen discount." Magistrate Jason Reed suggested $16 per month and a $1 raise each year and cap it at $18 per month. It could be revisited at that time and see what needs to be done. If you have already paid your garbage bill for the year, then you would not be paying the extra $2 per month. Senior citizens (over the age of 65) would be paying $15 per month and it would go up by $1 each year and would cap at $17. The new charge for dumpsters would be: 3 yard - $47; 4 yard - $77; 6 yard - $111 and the 8 yard would be $149. This is the first reading of this. A second reading will be held next month. A motion was made and carried to approve the new rates. The garbage service is a mandatory service.

The Road Foreman stated that everything is going good. Linda said that everything is good except that everything is getting so expensive. The guys are picking up more garbage and it is costing us more to tip.

A motion was made and carried to approve all Transfers. A motion was made and carried to pay all bills as long as we have the money. A motion was made and carried to renew Henley's contract to stay in the old jail.