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**Courthouse  
News**



**DEEDS**

Recorded by County Clerk Jennifer Free.

Megan Jacobs and Don Hodge to Don Hodge, two tracts of 4.57 and 7.01 acres on McCarty Ridge Road, Bracken County.

Justin T. Pelle as Administrator of the Estate of Angela Terhaar, to Jamie Lynn Little, 217 KY Route 19, Brooksville.

**GRAND JURY  
INDICTMENTS**

The Bracken County Grand Jury handed down a superseding indictment on Edward J. Day on Thursday, February 19, 2026.

Edward J. Day was indicted on the following charges: 4 counts of sexual abuse 1<sup>st</sup> degree victim less than twelve years old; two counts of rape 1<sup>st</sup> degree victim less than twelve years old; and 29 counts of use of a minor in a sexual performance less than sixteen years old.

**District  
Court  
News**

**DISTRICT COURT**

Heard on Tues., February 17, 2026 by District Court Judge Kim Razor.

Nickerson, Crystal D., show cause payment, owes \$2,336.30, continued to 8/18.

Thornton, Jacob T., show cause payment, paid in full.

Baker, Elizabeth, review, has not completed diversion course.

Darnell, Craig Allen, (1) operating on suspended/revoked operators license, 30 days, cd 2 years; (2) failure to or improper signal, \$20 fine; (3) no/expired KY registration receipt, \$100 fine; (4) failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance 2<sup>nd</sup> or greater offense, \$100 fine.

Golden, James Allen, case review, continued to 4/28.

Jenkins, Robert A., continued to 3/10.

Jett, Adam L., (1) speeding 26 mph over/greater, amended to 25 mph over, \$50 fine and court costs.

Kaba, Michael D., to review 3/10.

Koch, Brandon, continued to 5/26.

Stanton, Bradley William, (1) alcohol intoxication in a public place - 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> offenses; (2) disorderly conduct, 2<sup>nd</sup> degree; (3) harassing communications, continued to 3/24.

Suesz, Billy Thomas, continued to 4/14.

Thomas, Clinney R., continued to 3/3.

Turner, Tammie, continued to 4/14.

Waples, Shanna K., diversion review, diversion completed, dismissed.

Wood, Gary, two cases, failed to appear, issued notice for 3/3.

Day, Edward, contin-

ued to 5/19.

Hadden, Branden L., continued to 3/17.

McCormick, Dustin, two cases continued to 3/17.

Blevins, Kaylee Madison, (1) failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1<sup>st</sup> offense, directed to enroll in Advent diversion program, to review 9/22.

Gill, Timothy Allen, show cause payment, owes \$1,073, continued to 6/16.

Gillespie, Grant, (1) speeding 15 mph over limit, paid in full.

Holtz, Benjamin, (1) driving on DUI suspended license-1<sup>st</sup> offense, continued to 3/24.

Hugues, Christopher M., (1) speeding 17 mph over limit, continued to 3/3.

Kidwell, Marcus A., show cause payment, owes \$63, continued to 3/10.

McDonald, Rachel Ellen, (1) speeding 23 mph over limit, directed to enroll in state traffic school and court costs.

McGuire, Kevin J., continued to 3/10.

Muquit, Kahlil Abdul, show cause payment, owes \$223, failed to appear, issued notice for 3/17.

Robinson, Robbia N., (1) operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, 1<sup>st</sup> offense (aggravating circumstances); (2) attempted disarming a peace officer; (3) assault 3<sup>rd</sup> degree - police/probation officer - identified, continued to 3/3.

Sierra, Cody, continued to 4/7.

Staggs, Abigail Ruth, (1) speeding 23 mph over limit, directed to enroll in state traffic school and court costs.

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Senator Shelley Funke Frommeyer's  
**Legislative  
UPDATE**



**Bills Pass Through Senate**

At this stage of the session, nine of the Senate majority's 10 top-priority bills have been filed and passed the Senate.

The first bill of this session to become law and be signed by the governor is **Senate Bill (SB) 172**. Under the bill, upon request from your utility company, the PSC could prevent sudden spikes in utility bills from fuel surcharges by allowing the costs to be spread out over time.

We celebrated Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten season, with a special distribution of ashes. I was honored that my deacon, Deacon Scott Folz from the Cathedral Basilica of

**March Madness**  
**CHILI COOK-OFF**  
**SHOCKER!**

**SATURDAY MARCH 7th 2026!**

**AT THE AUGUSTA PUB**

**HOT & EXTRA SPICY!**

**SCANDAL IN THE KITCHEN!!**

**HOMEMADE CHILI BATTLE GETS SPICY!**

**WHO WILL TAKE THE CROWN?**

**JUDGING DRAMA!**

**WINNERS REVEALED AT 2PM!**

**CHILI CHAOS!**

**SPORTS SHOWDOWN!**

**KENTUCKY vs FLORIDA SHOWDOWN AT 4PM!**

**Rumpke Reminder:  
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Batteries play a key role in our modern lives. Remember to properly dispose of batteries at the end of their life. Waste and recycling facilities and collection trucks, including those operated by Rumpke, experience numerous fire events annually from improperly discarded batteries.

The National Waste & Recycling Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service has launched a national campaign highlighting the urgent issue



of improper battery disposal and the fire risks associated with placing batteries in trash and recycling containers. When disposed of improperly, these batteries can overheat, get crushed, explode and start fires that are difficult to extinguish.

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death benefits and tuition waivers to include search and rescue personnel who lose their lives while performing official emergency operations.

**SB 69** establishes an Autism Spectrum Disorder Trust Fund and allows voluntarily contributions of state income tax refunds.

**Senate Joint Resolution 74** directs the development of a statewide fiscal map of substance use disorder programs and funding.

**SB 70** strengthens oversight of Kentucky's public pension systems.

**SB 80** proposes a constitutional amendment to restore voting rights to individuals convicted of certain non-violent felonies after they have completed their full sentence.

**SB 85** allows retirement benefits from Kentucky's public pension systems to be directed into a special needs trust

for a disabled beneficiary.

**SB 104** establishes a 25-foot safety zone around first responders while they are performing official duties.

**SB 127** clarifies how the cost of unused annual leave is funded.

**SB 141** modernizes Kentucky's public notice laws.

**SB 152** strengthens school leadership and accountability.

**SB 154** strengthens Kentucky's voter ID law.

**SB 159** strengthens Kentucky's response to missing persons cases.

Each of these bills now advances to the House for further consideration.

If you have questions about legislation or would like to share your thoughts on an issue, please reach out to my office at 502-564-8100 or by email at [shelley.funkefrommeyer@kylegislature.gov](mailto:shelley.funkefrommeyer@kylegislature.gov).

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