



Bracken County's Revolutionary War Patriot Series




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Bracken Co. Homemakers to Hold Annual Meeting

The Bracken County Homemakers will hold their annual meeting next Thursday, June 25 at the Bracken County Extension Office. Registration starts at 6 pm and the meeting begins at 6:30. Dinner will be catered by Jackie Hamilton.



The guest speaker is Brandon Severn, who posts his tours of local small towns on the Internet. Brandon, who is also an assistant pastor at Bridgeway Church in Amelia, Ohio, began a health journey by hiking trails and recorded himself. After an injury, his focus changed to walking around small towns, including Augusta. He researches the history of each town and adds his commentary as he strolls

past town landmarks. His entertaining videos have attracted 50,000 viewers. Brandon hopes that his videos will inspire others to visit historic sites in these small towns.

Tickets for the annual meeting are \$18, and will be available at the Bracken County Extension Office until this Friday, June 19.

Rudolph Black, Sr.

Rudolph Black Sr. was born in Anne Arundel County, Maryland on March 14, 1762, son of William Black and Catherine Buebout. The earliest members of the Black family line came to Virginia in 1637.

Rudolph Black Sr. volunteered for service in the American Revolution in Baltimore, Maryland in the spring of 1778. He enlisted under Capt. Mark Cox for a 3-month term. He was assigned in the Virginia Militia for units under Gen. Washington, for the purpose of going to the Battle of Monmouth in June of that year. Rudolph became sick before the company reached its destination and was sent home for 2 months.

Rudolph enlisted again in 1778 under the command of Gen. Mountjoy Bayly. Rudolph was assigned to guarding prisoners captured by companies serving under Gen. John Burgoyne.

Rudolph married Nancy, maiden name unknown, around 1786. They had six children; Catherine, Rudolph Jr., Elizabeth, Walter or William, Buckner, and Sarah. Rudolph Jr. was born in Bracken County

and remained in the area until his death. Daughter Catherine married John Burkitt, died in Bracken County in 1877 and was buried on the family property known now as Burkitt Cemetery near Lenoxburg on Hwy. 1019. Her sister Sarah was also buried in Burkitt Cemetery.

Rudolph Sr.'s son Buckner married Rachel Frazee and they are possibly buried in Maple Grove Cemetery, Germantown. Elizabeth married Edward Walton in Bracken County and they were buried in Augusta Hillside Cemetery.

Black stated he moved to Kentucky after the war and descendants believe he came to this area before 1790. A news article in the *Paladium* on November 18, 1800, stated that Rudolph Black served as a Bracken County Justice of Peace in 1800. He applied for a Revolutionary War Pension December 16, 1833 at age 71 in Bracken County when he personally appeared before the court. He was recorded on the 1835 Bracken County Pension statement. He died in Bracken County, KY in 1840 with unknown burial details.

Men's Health - Make Small Choices for Healthy Future

Small choices made today can lead to a healthier tomorrow. Use these tips to take charge of your health.

A healthy eating routine and regular physical activity can help control your blood pressure, blood sugar, cholesterol, and weight. By keeping these numbers in a healthy range, you can lower your risk of serious health problems like type 2 diabetes and heart disease.

Make small changes every day.

Small changes can add up to big results — like lowering your risk of type 2 diabetes or heart disease. Take the stairs instead of an elevator or

escalator, try a salad or mixed vegetables as a side instead of fries, and drink water or unsweetened iced tea instead of soda or other sugary drinks.

Be sure to talk to family members to find out which diseases run in your family. Then share this information with your doctor.

Join family and friends in physical activities, such as a hike or playing pickup basketball.

Get more ideas for small changes you can make to stay healthy by calling the Bracken County Health Department at 606-735-2159.

Living in the Doghouse

by Vanessa Ferrell



Rose Meets Bambi

Every year the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife sends an article about young animals who are stashed by bushes or fences while the mothers go feed. I'm sure you've read them and like me, never considered you'd ever encounter a baby animal.

When my sister and

I were in grade school in Wisconsin, we attended Smith Valley School. It was surrounded by woods and farmland. There was a semi-tame deer kids called Flag. On one exciting day, Flag entered the school. That is about the closest I've been to a wild deer (I am not counting the deer who live in Fort Sam Houston's Quadrangle in San Antonio).

Rose and I were walking one day (funny how my stories always start with that phrase) and heading homeward. Rose became riveted to a portion of a fence. If she could have wriggled through the wire, she would have. After a while I came up to her to see what was so interesting, and spotted a fawn's orange and white fur in a grassy hollow a few feet away from the fence. Knowing that she couldn't reach it, I finally coaxed her to continue home.

She kept nosing along the fenceline, then suddenly a fawn sprang up from a tuft of weeds, uttering a "maaa" cry like a child's bicycle horn. He was about knee high, graceful and cute as a button. Rose was caught off guard, but quickly tried to get a closer look, but I pulled her back so the tiny thing wouldn't get scared and run off.

I dearly wanted to touch him, but realized that, like a snake that crawls into your front porch, you have to keep your distance from wild creatures. Later that week on the way to work, a doe standing in a yard guarded her capering fawn. It may have been Bambi, although he looked a bit bigger. Every time I pass that house I think of him and smile. At least for a while, Rose is on a short leash when we walk, to keep the wild babies safe.

Homegrown Care: Raising Kentucky Together Workshop

Community members interested in starting an in-home childcare business, expanding an existing childcare program, or learning about available funding opportunities are invited to attend Homegrown Care: Raising Kentucky Together, a free informational workshop on Thursday, June 18, 2026, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the Mason County Extension Office. The event is hosted through a collaborative effort of regional workforce, economic development, education, and childcare partners working together to address childcare needs across the region.

Participants will hear from experts representing the Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC), Appalachia Early Childhood Network (AECN), Child Care Aware of Kentucky, Maysville Community and Technical College (MCTC), and the Kentucky Career Center. Presentations will cover topics such as opening a childcare business, expanding an existing program, licensing and certification requirements, workforce development resources, training opportunities, and available financial assistance programs.

Featured presentations include:

- Kentucky SBDC Childcare Initiative – Information on starting, expanding, or purchasing a childcare business.
- Appalachia Early



Childhood Network – Understanding certified versus non-certified childcare and provider support resources.

•Child Care Aware of Kentucky – How to open a licensed childcare program and access coaching services.

•MCTC – Training and educational opportunities.

•Kentucky Career Center – Workforce, career development, and grant resources.

Light refreshments will be provided. Pre-registration is encouraged and has been extended through June 17 at 12:00 p.m.

The event is presented in partnership with the Buffalo Trace Area Development District SWATT Team, Kentucky Career Center, Kentucky SBDC, SKED, Child Care Aware of Kentucky, Appalachia Early Childhood Network, MCTC Workforce Solutions, Buffalo Trace Area Development District, Gateway Area Development District, and MMCIDA.

For more information or to register, scan the QR code on the event flyer or contact the Kentucky Career Center.

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Vehicle Maintenance Tips at July's "Lunch & Learn"

Learn how to keep your car running its best with routine maintenance during the free "Lunch & Learn" session on Wednesday, July 15 at 11:30 am.

"Lunch & Learn" programs are held each month at the Bracken County Extension Office, located at 1120 Brooksville-Germantown Road. Attendees will enjoy a light lunch and have a chance to win a \$25 gift

card at each session.

To register, contact the Extension Office at 606-735-2141.

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AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF BROOKSVILLE, KENTUCKY ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 7/1/2026 THROUGH 6/30/2027 BY

ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, an annual budget proposal and message has been prepared and delivered to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed such budget proposal and made necessary modifications,


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF BROOKSVILLE,

SECTION 1: That the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning 7/1/26 and ending 6/30/27 is hereby amended as follows:

	General Fund	Utility Fund
Resources Available:		
Fund balance carried forward	500,000	350,000
Estimated revenue		
Property taxes	100,000	
Licenses and permits	314,000	
Intergovernmental revenues	21,400	
Intergovernmental CC Project	750,000	
Charges for Services	60,000	
Rural Dev/CC Project	185,000	
Other	3,100	721,000
Total estimated revenues	1,433,500	721,000
Total resources available for appropriation	\$ 1,933,500	\$ 1,071,000
Appropriations:		
General Government	\$ 250,846	\$
Police	105,900	
Fire	12,000	
Streets	87,200	
Sanitation	60,000	
Covid Relief Fund Expenditures	106,404	
Public Utilities		718,350
Community Center Project	935,000	
Total Appropriations	\$ 1,557,350	\$ 718,350
Inter Fund Transfer Covid Relief	\$ 106,404	
Excess resources over/under app.	\$ (17,446)	\$ 2,650
Estimated fund balances end of fiscal year	\$ 736,650	\$ 352,650

SECTION 2: That this Ordinance shall be in effect on 7/1/26.


 MAYOR,
 City of Brooksville


 ATTEST,
 CITY CLERK