

Out of the Past

10 YEARS AGO Week of May 25, 2016

A lawsuit against Coroner Tommy Clark was dismissed in U.S. District Court and sent back to Casey Circuit Court. Clark's attorney also filed a motion to dismiss the lawsuit in circuit court. The lawsuit arose after Clark ruled a woman deceased by suicide. The family disagreed and said that an autopsy should have been performed, and that a boyfriend killed her.

Traffic lights were reinstalled at the intersection of Middleburg Street and Hustonville Street (KY 49 and KY 70) in downtown Liberty after the utility poles supporting the lights were replaced. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet said that the lights would blink for about a week until they were fully in service.

Clerk Casey Davis reported that turnout was light for the primary election with just 19% of registered voters participating.

A Casey County man pleaded guilty to a charge reduced from attempted murder down to assault second degree, after the victim, who was living in Texas, refused to testify or cooperate with law enforcement.

Homer Hecht retired after ministering at Liberty First Christian Church for 27 years.

Obituaries: Donald "D.A." Austin, 67; Lewis Barlow, 82; Vera Mae

Carman, 77; Ashley M. Garrett, 32; John Bradley Whited, 43.

20 YEARS AGO Week of May 24, 2006

Relay for Life raised \$67,500 for cancer research.

Casey Davis filed for a re-canvas for the County Clerk's Office. Davis challenged incumbent Eva Miller for the Republican nomination and lost by a seven-vote margin.

A head-on collision on U.S. 127 killed a Tennessee man and injured four other people.

Members of Garlen Whitis' technology construction class and Mike True's electrical classes built a house that was certified as Touchstone Energy Home.

Eight-nine of the 131 seniors who completed the ACT Work Keys Test received certificates.

Casey County Fiscal Court's budget increased by \$2 million.

Three people were indicted over a break-in at Beard Trading Post.

East Casey County Water District was concerned during its monthly meeting as it discussed the need for a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant.

Thirty-five seniors shared approximately \$380,000 in scholarships.

Obituaries: James B. Delk, 76; Lee A. Graham, 89; Helen L. Harvill, 68; Essie Jewel Luttrell, 69; Clifton Lynn, 83; Marshall M. Marple, 66.

30 YEARS AGO Week of May 22, 1996

About 24 people attended a Casey County Fiscal Court meeting to oppose certain road name changes in the county's preparation for an emergency 911 service.

Kentucky State Police awarded three Casey County officials — Deputy Dennis Allen and EMTs Ron Luster and Bill Callinan — for their heroic efforts in responding to a double-shooting near Bethelridge. A mother and a daughter were both shot in their home and the mother died of her wounds.

Gale Meeks, 22, a murder suspect in the stabbing death of Tracy Glenn Earles escaped from the Casey County Jail and was on the run for nine hours before being apprehended by local officials on Shugars Hill Road. Jailer Tommy Miller blamed the escape on understaffing at the jail.

Marilyn Hines, 42, received a 20-year sentence for the March 1995 shooting death of Larry Pemberton at her home in the Dry Ridge community.

A ground-breaking ceremony was held for the Liberty branch of Farmer's Deposit Bank on Wallace Wilkinson Boulevard.

An open house was held at Casey County Bank to introduce customers to the bank's new automated teller machine.

Obituaries: Pina Hester Cox, 78;

Tiona Catherine Toms, 93; Lillie Sowers, 91; Stephen Harold Gillock, 25; Donald Franklin Turpin, 35; Anna W. Hall, 89.

40 YEARS AGO Week of May 21, 1986

The City of Liberty received a \$750,000 CDBG to make improvements to the city's sewer system. The total cost of the project was estimated at \$1.5 million.

Casey County High School graduation was scheduled for May 27, with members of the graduating class performing special musical selections.

Recent dry weather took its toll on tobacco bed plants, leaving many growers short of plants.

Robbie McQueen was chosen Star Chapter Farmer during a Casey County FFA banquet.

Liberty City Council gave first reading to a \$1.2 million budget for the 1986-87 fiscal year.

Chester and Zelma Wright celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

The county's first chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous was formed.

Obituaries: Ravon Ross, 83; William Lawrence Griffin, 82; Euphia Toms, 79; Green Lee Bastin, 91; Elmer Stafford, 76; Garland Purdom, 72; Dr. George M. McClure, Jr., 81; James A. Sallee, 58.

50 YEARS AGO Week of May 20, 1976

State approval of a landfill site for the City of Liberty was still pending even though a public hearing officer had given approval on the site.

The City of Liberty received a state grant to construct a mini park on the Liberty #1 school grounds. Plans for the park included an asphalt area for a tennis and volleyball court, and an outdoor basketball court. A play area was also planned for preschool students, along with park benches installed for spectators.

Retired Liberty restaurant owner Earl Land, Sr., 73, died at the Casey County Hospital following a long illness.

The Casey County Bicentennial Heritage Corporation was offering a \$100 savings bond to the person who could come up with and draw the best emblem for the county.

Casey County High School was preparing to graduate 155 seniors on May 27.

A 100-count bottle of Hy Top aspirin was 32 cents at Superior Food Market.

Five cans of American Beauty mixed vegetables were \$1 at A&D Super Market.

Obituaries: Delmer M. Hughes, 50; Joseph Franklin Henson, 87; Maude Ann Lindsey, 43; Irene Wethington, 55.

SENIORS

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Presenters: Tracy Perkins, System Volunteer Coordinator, Debra Bottoms, Ephraim McDowell Regional Center's Auxiliary & Volunteer

Casey County Hospital Scholarship

Recipients: Ethan Pierce, Nixmari Catalan-Dominguez, Kylie Fortney, Laylah Abell, Omeara Campbell, Amelia Price, Gavin Emerson. Jake Weddle, Riley Mondie, Elizabeth Forbes, Dylan Kaylesubal, Kloe May, Railee Wilcher, Julia King, Mary Addison Harris, Landon

Pierce, Braydon Irvin, Brady Johnson \$75,000

Presenters: Rex A. Tungate, CEO; Casey Co. Hospital Board of Trustees

Inter-County Energy

Recipient: Riley Mondie \$1,000

Presenter: John Henry Russell, Director

Middle Cumberland Education Association

Recipient: Mia Price \$500
Presenter: Kim Davis, Local KEA President

Casey Creek Lodge # 536 Masonic Scholarship

Recipient: Molly Gill \$250
Presenter: Dr. Breece Hayes

Apple Festival Scholarship
Recipient: Walker Emerson

\$500
Presenter: Apple Festival Committee Member

Herff Jones "Believe in You" Scholarship

Recipient: Walker Emerson \$500

Presenter: Kyle Durham, Dean of Students

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

University of Louisville
Recipients: Jayce Fair, Dylan Kalyesubla, Breyanna Lilly, Vrut Patel. Jaxton Brown
Presenter: Kyle Durham, Dean of Students

Bellarmine University

Recipients: Porter Carnahan, Layla Blevins \$262,000 4 years

Presenter: Kyle Durham, Dean of Students
Morehead State University
Recipients: Laylah Abell, Nixmari Catalan-Dominguez, Kylie Fortney, Lillie Tillquist \$72,000 4 years

Presenter: Thomas Roberts, History Teacher

Taylor County RECC Scholarship

Recipient: Dylan Kalyesubula \$1,000

Presenter: Michelle Buck, English Teacher

Eastern Kentucky University
Recipients: Emily Pittman, Audria Clements, Aslan Wethington, Aldin DeRosier, Cara Woodrum \$88,000 over 4 years

Presenter: Michelle Buck,

English Teacher
Lindsey Wilson University

Recipients: Prisila Medorio, Natalie Bell, Jake Weddle, Brayden Irvin total of \$276,284 over 4 years

Presenter: Tailor Brumfield, Admissions Counselor

Yale University

Recipients: Elizabeth Grider \$361,540 over 4 years

Presenter: Derek Commer, History Teacher & Academic Team Coach

Campbellsville University

Recipient: Landon Pierce
Presenter: Derek Commer, History Teacher & Academic Team Coach

Somerset Community College

Recipients: Elizabeth

Forbes, Megan Robertson, Christopher Oakley, Kaden Farris, Brian Flores-Ruiz \$34,080 over 2 years

Presenter: Suzanna Powell, Scholarship Coordinator

University of Kentucky

Recipients: Karmen Cundiff, Molly Gill, Julia King, Riley Mondie, Amelia Price, Gavin Walker Emerson, Angela Trokthi, Benjamin Wiseman, Amy Lee \$297,000 4 years

Presenter: Meagan Foust, Casey County 4-H Agent

Casey County Health Ambassador Scholarship

Recipients: Riley Mondie, Arionna Kelley \$1,000 (\$2,000)

Presenter: Meagan Foust, Casey County 4-H Agent

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