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Students in the HCHS culinary pathway provided lunch for the Cynthiana Lions Club's Youth Day participants Nov. 17.

Youth Day 2026: 'It's Cool!'

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"It was cool"—that was the common refrain from the Harrison County High School students who participated in the annual Youth Day hosted by the Cynthiana Lions Club. Youth Day is a long-standing Lions tradition in which high school students have an opportunity to spend one-on-one time with city and county elected officials learning the function and operation of each office.

Mayor Isaac Dailey was our Youth Day Chair, and he did an amazing job organizing this event. Over two dozen government officials participated with each being assigned at least one student counterpart whose selection came by way of mock elections held earlier this month.

Many thanks to Superintendent Harry Burchett, Assistant Superintendent Jenny Lynn Hatter, social studies instructor Nichole Caskey and Harrison Co School Board member Mary June Brunker for facilitating on behalf of the school. A special shout-out to Family & Consumer Sciences instructor and chef extraordinaire Jennifer Grause and her culinary team for providing the delicious meal. Not least of all, the Lions CLub extends grateful appreciation to Cynthiana Christian Church for providing the venue.

Youth Day tells us we're in good hands with the next generation of leaders; the Lions Club is honored to continue sponsoring this annual event.



Betsy Smith

Members of Cynthiana's chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American revolution arrived early to offer donuts, hot chocolate and coffee at the Nov. 11 Veterans Day ceremony at Battle Grove Cemetery. From left: Gail Kesterson, Marilyn Elfers, Sandy Craddock, Wilma Bonar and Carol Bowen.

Cynthiana DAR serves refreshments at Veterans Day ceremony

The Cynthiana Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met at Battle Grove Cemetery on Wednesday, Nov. 11, to serve coffee, donuts and hot chocolate to veterans and others who attended the Veterans Day ceremony.

After having lunch, the monthly meeting was held.

Upon checking the minutes, Secretary Wilma Bonar reported the Cynthiana DAR has been providing refreshments at the Veterans Day ceremony since the tradition was begun by Sally Kinney on November 11, 2009.

The chapter previously sent a donation to the Indian Veterans of South Dakota. Gail Kesterson asked if the chapter would also be willing to pay postage to send several sleeping bags to them. A motion was made and approved.

The next meeting will be held Dec 4.

Rotary Club welcomes Adam Clifford

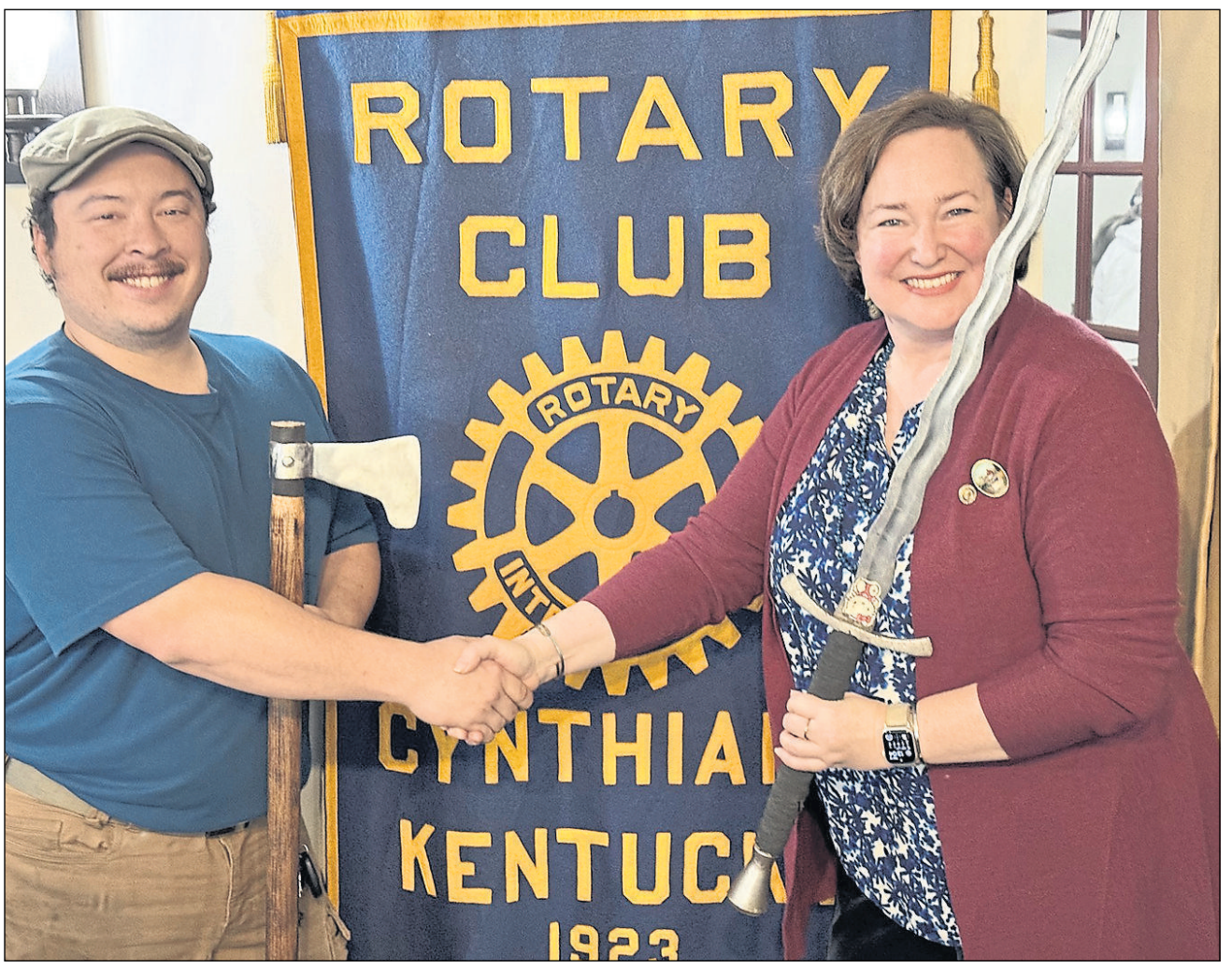


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The Cynthiana Rotary Club welcomed blacksmith Adam Clifford to their Nov. 19 meeting. Clifford shared the basics of metal and the forming of metals and brought examples of his work. The Rotary Club meets each Thursday at Bianckies Restaurant at noon. Pictured are Clifford and Rotary President Jennifer Owen.

Is your pasture running short? Know when to start feeding hay

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As fall turns to winter, many Kentucky beef producers face the same question: When should I start feeding hay?

The simple answer is to offer hay when pastures no longer provide enough forage to meet the herd's needs. Recognizing that point, however, takes a closer look at what's growing in the field.

Many factors influence forage availability, including drought, flooding, deep snow or ice, planting timing, soil fertility and stocking density. Frost, mud, calving season and crop residues, such as corn stalks, can also affect the decision.

From the cow's perspective, though, forage availability matters most. Research shows grazing animals reach maximum intake when pastures hold about 2,000 pounds of dry matter per acre. When availability drops to around 1,000 pounds per acre, animals can achieve only approximately 90% of maximum intake, which restricts nutrition.

Grazing also burns energy. As forage becomes scarce, cattle walk farther to fill up, and that extra effort reduces production efficiency. In one study, grazing sheep expended 170% more energy than sheep that were not grazing. Eventually, the energy an animal spends searching for forage can exceed the energy it takes in.

Forage height offers a practical way to gauge when that point is near. A cool-season pasture with about 90% ground cover holds roughly 250 to 300 pounds of dry matter per inch of

height per acre. At 3 to 4 inches, that equals about 750 to 1,200 pounds per acre — enough to support only 75% to 90% of maximum intake.

For tall fescue-based pastures, University of Kentucky Extension beef specialist Jeff Lehmkuhler suggests a trigger point of about 4 inches of forage height. Starting hay earlier rather than later gives cattle a better chance to reach maximum intake and maintain performance.

Late-season grazing decisions also affect the coming spring. Grazing stockpiled tall fescue can reduce forage production the following spring, but producers can use that to their advantage. Setting aside separate pastures for fall stockpiling and grazing helps plan spring rotations. Pastures not grazed in the fall typically green up faster, allowing earlier spring grazing while fall-grazed areas recover. Grazing stockpiled fescue short also improves seed-to-soil contact for frost-seeding legumes and reduces fescue competition.

Beef cattle producers might also consider combining stockpile and bale grazing as a winter feeding option. The higher forage quality of the stockpile grass can balance the lower nutrient content of hay. This approach can improve the nutrition of fall lactating beef cows.

Now is a good time to inventory standing forage and plan how to use what remains. Alfalfa can be grazed after Nov. 1 or the first killing frost without harming spring growth, as long as the ground is firm. Limit the time animals spend in the field to what they need to graze.

For more information on forage inventory and winter feeding, contact your Harrison County Extension office.

LEGAL NOTICE

MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE

The Master Commissioner of the Harrison Circuit Court will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder(s) at the Harrison County Justice Center, in Cynthiana, Kentucky, on Friday, December 4, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., the following properties listed below:

1. Pursuant to a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Harrison Circuit Court on October 21, 2026, in Civil Action No. 26-CI-00194 styled ***Kentucky Housing Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. Herbert Richard Williams and United States of America, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Defendants:***
420 East Pike Street, Cynthiana, KY 41031
Parcel ID# 103-3006-027-00-000
See Deed Book 378, Page 321.
The property is being sold to produce a sum sufficient to satisfy the judgments and liens as follows: (a) The costs of this action, including the Master Commissioner's fee, appraiser's fee and advertising costs; (b) Judgment for Kentucky Housing Corporation, Plaintiff, in the amount of $133,494.18, plus interest at the rate of 5.5% per annum from December 1, 2025 until paid, (c) Real estate taxes, plus interest and penalties, if any, for taxes assessed for the year 2025 and previous years. (d) Plaintiff Court costs and attorney fees.

Attorney for Plaintiff: Hon. Ben L. Rettig

2. Pursuant to a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Harrison Circuit Court on October 21, 2026, in Civil Action No. 26-CI-00159 styled ***Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Haley A. Allen and Unknown Spouse, if any, of Haley A. Allen, Defendants:***
104 Tolliver Lane, Cynthiana, KY 41031
Parcel ID# 103-4001-018-00-000
See Deed Book 377, Page 551.
The property is being sold to produce a sum sufficient to satisfy the judgments and liens as follows: (a) The costs of this action, including the Master Commissioner's fee, appraiser's fee and advertising costs; (b) Judgment for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, Plaintiff, in the amount of $122,384.70, plus interest at the rate of 4.875% per annum from July 24, 2026 until paid, (c) Real estate taxes, plus interest and penalties, if any, for taxes assessed for the year 2025 and previous years. (d) Plaintiff Court costs and attorney fees.

Attorney for Plaintiff: Hon. Daniel A. Cox

Terms of Sale:
All properties shall be sold upon the following terms and conditions unless otherwise noted: (1) The property shall be sold free and clear of all liens and claims of the parties to this action; (2) The purchaser shall be required to pay the sum of 10% of the purchase price in cash, certified funds or by other immediately verifiable collectable medium of exchange acceptable to the Commissioner, on the day of sale to apply on the purchase price; (3) The balance of the purchase price shall be due and payable within thirty (30) days after the day of sale; (4) The purchaser shall be required to execute a bond with good and sufficient surety thereon as approved by the Commissioner to secure the unpaid portion of the purchase price, the bond to bear interest at the rate the judgment bears, from the day of sale until paid, the bond to have the same force and effect as a judgment and shall remain a lien on the property as additional security until the purchase price is paid in full; (5) The purchaser shall have the privilege of paying all or any part of the purchase price or paying the bond before maturity by paying the balance of the principal together with all accrued interest thereon until the date of payment; (6) The purchaser shall obtain possession of the property upon confirmation of the sale by the Court and payment of the purchase price in full; (7) All ad valorem taxes on the property for calendar year 2026 and all subsequent years shall be assumed and paid by the purchaser. All real property taxes due and owing to Harrison County or the City of Cynthiana or City of Berry, if applicable, for 2025 and prior years will be paid from the proceeds of sale. (8) The property shall be sold subject to any assessment for public improvements levied against the property and subject to all rules and regulations enforced by the Cynthiana-Harrison County-Berry Joint Planning and Zoning Commission, all applicable health and safety regulations, all restrictions and easements thereon appearing of record in the Harrison County Court Clerk's Office, governmental laws and regulations affecting the property, and shall be subject to any unrecorded easements, discrepancies or conflicts in boundary lines, shortage in area and encroachments, if any there be, which an accurate and complete survey or an inspection of the property would disclose; (9) The purchaser shall bear the risk of loss on the improvements on the property and the risk of loss shall pass to the purchaser as of the day and time of sale; (10) The property shall be sold with any improvements thereon "as is"; and (11) The property shall be sold subject to such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America pursuant to 28 USC Section 2410, and the right of redemption of the Defendants, if applicable, and any rights or requirements imposed by Civil Rule 4.11, if applicable.

All bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Hon. John Lair
Master Commissioner
Harrison Circuit Court

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