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From Ink to Legacy: Remembering James Gardner

James Henry Gardner, 88, Horse Cave, passed away Monday, April 6, 2026, at Signature Healthcare of Hart County, with his loving wife at his side. He was a member of Horse Cave Baptist Church. He retired



James Henry Gardner

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HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Job Cuts, Staff Raises, and Policy Changes



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The April Board meeting was held at Bonnieville School, with all Board Members in attendance.

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The Hart County Board of Education met in regular session on April 16, 2026. All Board Members were in attendance, as well as Superintendent Bo Chenoweth.

New Business

The Board eliminated what were deemed as unnecessary or unfunded positions, including

a third school psychologist (originally grant-funded) and a floating band position. Chenoweth noted that both areas remain fully staffed across the district.

The Board also eliminated the NDCC/JROTC position due to declining enrollment in the program and staffing allocation cuts. This resulted from a request from the high school

Site Based Decision Making (SBDM). Chenoweth explained that the program did not meet the growth requirements for Department of Defense funding. The district is discussing pathway options with Barren County Schools for HCHS students currently in the JROTC program.

Additionally, the board awarded **BOARD** | CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO

New Eyes On the Road

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Across Hart County, license plate recognition cameras are giving local law enforcement another tool to investigate crimes and track vehicles moving through the area.



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Flock cameras are not intended to invade personal privacy, but rather to enhance public safety within the community.

Hart County Sheriff

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Children's Business Fair Happening Saturday



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Caroline's Creations will be at the business fair to offer a variety of handmade sewn items like pillows, along with 3D printed items.

Special to the News-Herald

Fair is quickly becoming one of the most inspiring

The 2nd annual Munfordville Children's Business

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A Father, A Son, One Song, And A Lifetime In The Making

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There's something special about a song when it's been carried through a lifetime - played on small stages, in living rooms, and passed from one set of hands to another.

For Steve Jewell Jr. and his dad, Steve Jewell Sr., "Life On The Road" isn't just a song. It's a thread that's tied their lives together for decades. And now, it's finally been recorded side by side.

"'Life On The Road' was written by my dad, Steve Jewell Sr. He wrote this song back in 1982," Jewell Jr. said. "It's a song I've heard him play my whole life

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Steve Jewell Jr. and Steve Jewell Sr. share a legacy built through years of music and now captured in their latest recording, "Life On The Road."

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