

Quinn Simple Scenes: Stock show

By Rix Quinn

Imagine yourself in a sea of cows, surrounded by thousands of pounds of beef.

That’s how I feel when I go to one of our state’s stock shows, which attracts thousands of visitors.

Farmers and ranchers spend several days showing off animals which have taken months or years to raise.

I am a city boy. However, I have been to a farm, and I once owned two rabbits, a goldfish, and a chicken with irritable bowel. But I don’t really know animal habits.

That’s why I love the stock show. And up until recently, I didn’t know there were so many cattle breeds.

Then I found out somebody could breed cattle to improve the strength of both breeds. That also explains why I didn’t marry my cousin.

While at these shows, I walked around to see eight major hog breeds, and 50 to 70 chicken types.

But my favorite was the rabbit barn, which housed nearly 50 breeds.

One day on a high school field trip, we visited the cattle exhibit. One of the demonstrations was a machine that could milk several cows at the same time.

A rowdy classmate noticed one machine wasn’t hooked up, so he stuck a finger in the milker. It grabbed him, and would not let go.

One of the workers heard him yell, and jumped in to save the boy. Luckily, he escaped with only a swollen finger, a verbal scolding from the field trip sponsor, and a lifelong respect for milking technology.

But for him, it was a terrible scare. And it could have been udder disaster.

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Kentucky State Police Post 6 Traffic Safety Checkpoint announcement

Submitted by Kentucky State Police

DRY RIDGE, KY. (Aug. 1, 2026) – The Kentucky State Police, Dry Ridge Post, which provides coverage for Boone, Kenton, Campbell, Grant, Pendleton, Bracken, Robertson, Harrison, Nicholas, and Bourbon Counties, will be conducting periodic traffic safety checkpoints throughout the post area. These checkpoints will be conducted in an effort to enforce the traffic laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Special attention will be paid to occupant protection (seatbelt adherence), sobriety, insurance, and registration violations. A complete list of traffic safety checkpoint locations can be found at: <https://www.kentuckystatepolice.ky.gov/post-6checkpoints>

Traffic Safety Checkpoints are a valuable tool used to promote the safety and well-being of the public as well as providing police with visibility and interaction with the community. Checkpoints are utilized throughout the Commonwealth to help promote highway safety. Local police and county agencies may also assist the Kentucky State Police in conducting these Traffic Safety Checkpoints. All checkpoints will be set up in accordance with state law and in compliance with Kentucky State Police policy and procedure.

Traffic

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and Steam Furnace Road. A detour is set for State Route (SR) 781 to SR 348 to SR 125 to SR 41 to SR 781. The project is estimated to be completed by Thursday, Aug. 6.

A resurfacing project is ongoing on SR 32. Lane closures are expected between the Brown County line and Tranquility Pike. The ODOT states that traffic is being maintained by barrels. The project’s completion date is listed as Fall 2026.

Several culvert replacements will occur on SR 763 in Brown County beginning on Aug. 3, with each project being completed in one day.

The initial culvert replacement will occur on Aug. 3 between Suck Run Road and Brushy Fork Road. The road will be closed, with a detour from SR 763 to SR 41 to SR 136 to SR 125 to SR 763.

On Aug. 4, the second culvert replacement project will occur between Hickory Ridge Road and

Suck Run Road. While the road is closed, traffic will detour from SR 763 to SR 41 to SR 136 to SR 125 to SR 763.

Beginning on Aug. 5, SR 763 will be closed between Brushy Fork Road and Hickory Ridge Road. Traffic will detour from SR 763 to SR 41 to SR 136 to SR 125 to SR 763.

SR 763 will be closed between Huff Hill Road and SR 125 on Aug. 6. Traffic will detour from SR 763 to SR 41 to SR 136 to SR 125 to SR 763.

The project’s final culvert replacement will occur on Aug. 10 on SR 763 between Huff Hill Road and SR 125, resulting in a road closure. The detour is listed as SR 763 to SR 41 to SR 136 to SR 125 to SR 763.

An ongoing bridge replacement project is ongoing on SR 131 between Marathon Edenton Road and Woodward Road. SR 131 will be closed for the duration of the project, with a detour from SR 131 to SR 133 to U.S. 50 to SR 131. The project has an estimated completion date of Summer 2026.

A culvert replacement project is currently underway on U.S. 62

between Malblanc Road and Fin-castle Winchester Road. U.S. 62 will be closed for the duration of the project, with a detour from U.S. 62 to SR 32 to SR 136 to U.S. 62. The project will conclude later this summer.

CR 62, otherwise known as Ripley Road, is currently closed between Stringtown Road and Schwallie Road, with a detour from CR 62 to U.S. 52 to U.S. 62 to CR 62. The project is estimated to be completed by Fall 2026.

U.S. Route 50 will undergo a resurfacing. The ODOT notes that motorists should expect daytime lane restrictions from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on U.S. 50 between the Clermont County line and Snowhill Road. This project has an estimated completion date of Summer 2026.

Finally, a bridge replacement project is still underway on U.S. 52 between U.S. 68 and Cherry Street. Traffic is currently being maintained by a temporary signal until the project’s completion in Fall 2026.

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RISING, story of 2022 flooding in eastern Kentucky, available on Prime Video

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FRANKFORT, Ky. (KT) – The state’s documentary, RISING, is now available for streaming on Prime Video, with proceeds going to the Team Kentucky Emergency Relief Fund, which assists Kentuckians affected by catastrophic events like natural disasters.

RISING tells the story of the strength and resilience of Eastern Kentuckians as they undertake the most ambitious rebuilding effort in the nation following the historic 2022 floods. The 60-minute film chronicles the joint commitment of Gov. Beshear, state and local leaders to rebuild homes for survivors on abandoned coal mine sites out of the floodplains. Now, eight high-ground communities are either completed or in progress, with new homes on higher ground, protected from future flooding.

“RISING is a story that shows what’s possible when you put your people first, work together and demand a solution that will bring meaningful change and now it will reach the entire world through Prime Video,” said Gov. Andy Beshear. “With proceeds going toward our Team Kentucky Emergency Relief Fund, RISING will not only inspire people to see what’s possible following natural disasters, but it will also continue

to support Kentucky families affected by these types of challenges. I am so proud of what we’ve accomplished together, and even more proud that we can share the resilience and strength of our people through Prime Video.”

Last September, RISING premiered at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg. The film was then screened across Kentucky in Frankfort, Lexington and Louisville. A brief theatrical run also followed, with showings in Elizabethtown, Franklin, Grand River, Inez, Owensboro and Pikeville, as well as Cincinnati. Proceeds from the film screenings raised over \$48,000 for the relief fund.

To mark the four-year anniversary of the 2022 floods which claimed the lives of 45 Kentuckians, Gov. Beshear and First Lady Britainy Beshear visited Eastern Kentucky and provided updates on progress at the high-ground communities. Work continues in these neighborhoods, with two already completed.

Beshear still encourages anyone who was impacted by the flooding of 2021, 2022 or 2025 to visit HousingCantWait.org and fill out an interest form. A team member from Fahe will get in touch with applicants, determine eligibility for Disaster Recovery housing and provide help with the housing process.

Looking back to Aug. 3, 2018

Written by Jonathan Wright

The following information was entered into the Aug. 3, 2018, edition of The Ledger Independent:

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Students’ experiments sent to space

Many kids are told to shoot for the moon — Maysville Academy

student Emma Stone and Manchester High School sophomore Emma Grooms took a more literal approach.

Stone and her teammates’ proposal won Blast Off 2018 at Morehead State University Craft Academy this summer. Her team’s accomplishment will soon become a

building block upon the pursuit of knowledge, by having their experiment conducted within the environment of the International Space Station.

According to MSU’s website, Blast Off is a five-day residential camp which exposed students to exomedicine – a new frontier in medical research and innovation, which involves studying and experimenting medical solutions and how they react in the zero gravity environment that

space provides.

Grooms, another member of the team, received a scholarship from the South Central Ohio Educational Service Center, and the Ohio Association of Gifted Children in order to also attend the Blast Off program at MSU this summer.

Students work closely with biology educators to explore biological processes that may be affected by a microgravity environment. Blast Off participants competed in teams to design an experiment that will be built by Space Tango and carried out on the ISS.

The team project

centered around non-pathogenic E.coli bacteria which will be used to produce the recombinant protein GFP (green fluorescent protein) which replicates itself into the DNA. It then glows where the proteins are produced. This project will be sent into microgravity.

The growth of the E.coli bacteria will be measured using the GFP. The results of this experiment will be used as a stepping stone in discovering new bacterial reactions in space. If successful, Stone and her Team Cadets project could be used to produce

human growth hormones for astronauts’ hearts in space.

Stone and Grooms will be traveling to NASA in November for the blast-off of their experiment that will be performed aboard the International Space Station in January 2019.

MSU’s Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics partnered with the Department of Biology and Chemistry and Space Tango, a group which facilitates research and manufacturing in microgravity environments, to launch these biology experiments to the ISS.

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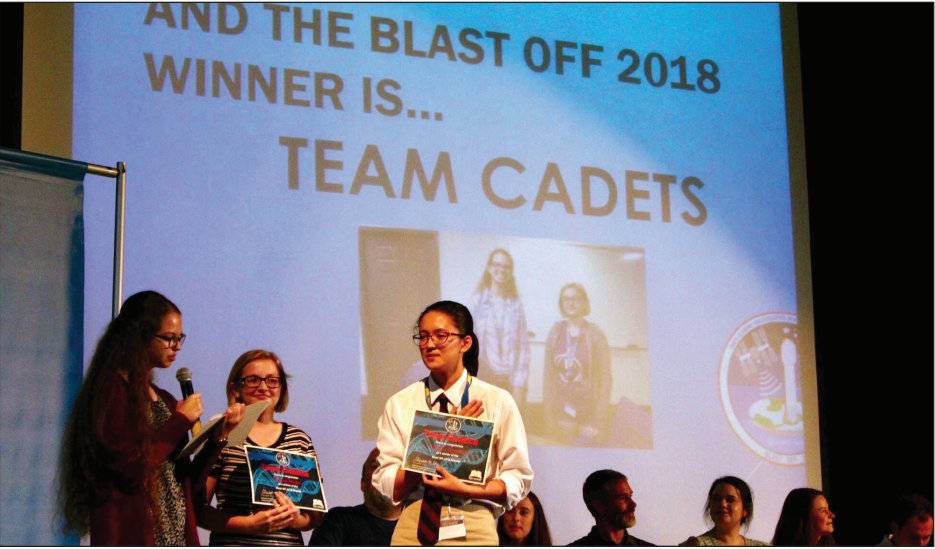
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