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Several officials were on hand for the unveiling of the Camp Dix Fire Station/Community Center. Pictured (L-R) are Senator Robin Webb, Representative Patrick Flannery, Judge Executive George Sparks, Senior Advisor to the Governor Rocky Adkins, Magistrate Mark Horsley, and CDFD representative Troy Hughes.

Camp Dix Fire Station/Community Center unveiled

By Dennis K. Brown
The Camp Dix Volunteer Fire Department officially opened its new fire station and community center last week during a ceremony at the facility on KY 59.

The event marked a significant milestone for the Camp Dix community and recognized the dedication of volunteer firefighters, along with the years of effort required to complete the renovation and expansion project.

Judge Executive George Sparks welcomed those in attendance and emphasized the importance of the project in strengthening emergency services across Lewis County.

“Our volunteer fire departments are the backbone of public safety in

our rural communities,” Sparks said. “This new facility is not only well deserved, but also an important investment in the safety and future of this community.”

Speakers during the ceremony included Camp Dix VFD representative Troy Hughes, Magistrate Mark Horsley, State Representative Patrick Flannery, State Senator Robin Webb, and Rocky Adkins, senior advisor to Governor Andy Beshear.

Each speaker highlighted the cooperation between local, state and regional partners that made the project possible, noting the role of the Buffalo Trace Area Development District in helping secure support and funding.

Officials said the new facility will enhance emergency response capabilities in the Camp Dix area while also serving as a gathering place for community events and activities.

Hughes spoke on behalf of the department, recognizing the commitment of the volunteer firefighters who serve the area and the community members who supported the project from its early stages.

The project has been a long time in the making, reflecting years of planning, coordination and determination by local leaders and volunteers.

“This is a great example of what can be accomplished when people work together,” Sparks said. “We are proud of

what has been achieved here and grateful to everyone who helped bring this project to life.”

Follow the QR code for a video of the ceremony or visit <https://youtu.be/lvaabkZockg>.



Hughes honored for decades of service

By Dennis K. Brown

Lewis County Fiscal Court recognized long-time emergency medical technician Lynna Hughes during its April meeting, presenting her with a Certificate of Appreciation for nearly three decades of service to the community.

Hughes, who began her career as an EMT in 1997, was honored for her dedication, professionalism and compassion in providing emergency medical care to the citizens of Lewis County.

The recognition, presented by Judge Executive George Sparks, highlighted Hughes’ long-standing commitment to public safety and her role in responding to countless emergencies over the years.

“Since beginning your career as an Emergency

Board of Education recognizes students

By Dennis K. Brown

The Lewis County Board of Education met in regular session Monday evening, approving a wide range of personnel, operational and policy items while also recognizing student achievements across the district.

Board members recognized several students and programs during the meeting. Summer Smith was highlighted for her work as a WIOA Technology Intern. Members of the Lewis County Middle School Academic Team were also recognized, including Kinslee Dyer, Skarlette Morrison, Reid Patton, Paxton Porter, Tucker Tackett, Jennifer Watson, Keagan Ford, Josiah Hylander, Easton Stamm, Ashley Bradford, Cole McGlone, Ramzi McAdams-Thornton, Willow Nolen, Phoenix Rizzo, Alexa Thomas, Gavin Weddington, and Ava Williams.

Students from Garrison and Tollesboro elementary schools were honored for academic achievements, including

mastering 1,000 sight words and completing Lexia and Lexia PowerUp programs. Recognized students included Andrew Watson, River Golsby, Jaelyn Welch, Jessa Bivens, Cassadee Owens, River Rochester, Matilda Ronk, Mykal-Shae Gibson, Christopher Watson, Brookelynn Jamison, Thatcher Nolan, Arlo Wilson, Lukas Higgins, Bella Sparks, Kenton Speer, Aubrey Bloomfield, Bryson Cooper, Peyton Howard, Brynlee Johnson, Ava Lumpkins, Lillie Maddix, Harper Osborne, Reid Patton, Lane Porter, Carol Singler, Tucker Tackett, Sophie Brown, Brooklyn Carrington, Emberleigh Cole, Zechariah Cooper, Rafe Knell, Jennifer Watson, Lincoln Hampton, Gatlin Gooding, Nova Hord, Mina Mouw, Jasper Wheeler, Johnny Grigson, David Carroll, Briar Skidmore, Grant Parker, Maria Zamora, and Sarek Applegate.

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LCHS Prom Royalty crowned



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2026 Prom King and Queen Camron Farris and Jerra Lucas were crowned during the LCCHS Prom on Saturday.



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Lynna Hughes was honored for her service to the county during the April fiscal court session. Pictured (L-R) are Judge Executive George Sparks, Magistrate Joey McCann, Magistrate Woody Underwood, Hughes, Magistrate Johnny Osborne and Magistrate Mark Horsley.

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