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NOTICE

The Carter County Detention Center is accepting bids for a roof replacement. We are seeking quotes to:

- Clean and prep the existing roof membrane for roof replacement.
- Remove the existing roof membrane from all roof walls, curbs, and roof penetrations.
- Install a fully adhered rubber system, or comparable metal gauge standing seam roof system, in accordance with standard specification details.
- Installation bids should include flashing of all roof penetrations in a watertight manner, fabrication and installation of gravel stop and drip edges at all required locations, and removal of project debris from site.

Bids may be sent to Carter County Detention Center, 13 Cross Bar Road, Grayson, KY 41143, or contact the office by phone at (606)475-1646, ext. 123.

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Data Centers

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raising a single local tax rate.

We don't have to choose between protecting our communities and creating jobs. Good policy does both. That's the standard Kentuckians should expect, and it's the standard we should continue to demand.

Economic development should never come at the expense of the people who already live here. That's why Kentucky's approach matters. When developers pay the full cost of the infrastructure they require, modern technology minimizes environmental impacts, and communities

receive lasting economic benefits. We can welcome investment without asking our citizens to shoulder the burden.

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communities will see a massive economic wind-fall.

Please visit [Legislature.ky.gov](https://legislature.ky.gov) for information on Senate Majority Caucus members, legislative committees, and additional resources, including legislation enacted during the 2026 Legislative Session.

Time

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tears.

Remember the DOGE dividend—the promised reward for that “government efficiency” they were bringing us? No checks were ever authorized. But Amazon recently reported receiving roughly \$600 million in tariff refunds. Corporations receive relief

in nine figures. Working people receive another opportunity to refinance the radiator.

I don’t want a yacht. I don’t need a second home. I want the electric bill to arrive without making my chest hurt. I want to buy my kid a coffee and a donut without wondering

whether that twenty dollars should be held back for gasoline.

All my bills are paid. I have a good job. I work whenever work is available. By every traditional measure, I’m doing fine. So why does survival still feel like something I’m failing at?

The American economy doesn’t have to make you homeless to take life from you. Sometimes it does it twenty-eight dollars at a time. Sometimes it takes your evening at the diner.

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Bookstore

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The mobile bookstore is set up in a box truck, Ludwig said.

“Just picture a white FedEx Truck,” she explained. “It is plain white and has our logo on the side.”

Inside are shelves and a display area where customers are able to look through the available titles.

“Lisa and I are both moms and as small business owners that have our own families, we understand that times are hard for everyone,” Ludwig said. “And making a 30 minute or more drive to a bookstore can be overwhelming. With us being a mobile bookstore, we hope to eliminate that burden by bringing the bookstore to you.”

In the interest of convenience, Ink & Ivy also takes orders through

their website which can be accessed through their Facebook Page. Customers can opt to have their purchases shipped, or arrange for “in store” pickup when the mobile bookstore sets up. Ink & Ivy posts their weekly schedule each Sunday so customers can keep track of where they plan to be each week. They also do pop-up events, markets, and festivals in addition to setting up the truck throughout the community.

Ludwig said they sell mostly new books, but they do have a used section and take donations. She said anyone wishing to discuss that aspect of the mobile book store should send a message on Facebook or reach out through email. Typical genres that are available in new and used books include Dark

Romance, Fantasy, Drama, Thriller, Children’s, Young Adult, Sci-Fi, Romance and virtually any and every interest readers might have. They also sell the popular Blind Date with a Book and Blind Date with a Kindle, and carry accessories, specialty tumblers, and more.

“We have something for everyone. If there is a book that someone is wanting, we can get it!” Ludwig said. “We want to bring more to the community and get more people interested in reading again.”

Their Facebook is Ink & Ivy Bookstore, and the website is <https://ink-and-ivy-bookstore.square.site/> The are also able to accept a wide variety of payment methods, including cash.

On August 7-8 Ink & Ivy will be set up On US

60 with Ashley McGlone of The Lovely Brush with Ashley for an event coinciding with the Route 60 Yard Sale.

“We will be set up on Friday and Saturday for sure, and possibly

Sunday,” Ludwig said.

The mobile bookstore, which can accommodate between 500 and 600 books on their shelves, is looking forward to serving the community and offering something else for

shoppers to peruse during the popular event, Ludwig said.

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Bluegrass

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that helps keep him focused and in the present.

“Playing music is one of those rare activities where you really have to put all of your mental and physical focus into it,” he explained. “You can’t wander off or think about whatever is eating at you while you practice. You are totally in the present, and your whole purpose in that given moment is to create something.”

And, Stamper added, “What’s really nice is that sometimes you can make something others enjoy, and help them have a little escape too. My grandfather always sat on the porch and played his banjo for the family when I was a kid, and I can remember being totally awestruck by it. It’s nice to give other people that experience from time to time.”

And that’s exactly what Stamper did with the Bluegrass Wind Ensemble.

“It was a hoot!” he said. “Being surrounded by such talent is so special. I was not a BWE regular, and yet everyone made me feel like I’ve been playing with them for years. There really is something almost primordial about playing live with a group.”

And taking on such a unique arrangement, he said, was also fantastic, describing it as “a trip.”

“Logan... approached me at the start of the summer looking for a banjo player. To play Sousa. I had never heard of such an idea, nor had any of

my friends or family. I couldn’t refuse. If you haven’t seen it, I picked along with the harp and piccolo parts. Logan did a great job of integrating the banjo and actually arranging it like a bluegrass part; for instance, during the first couple of pages, the banjo part would pinch and softly roll, like an actual bluegrass backup arrangement.”

“Actually, performing the part was equally insane,” he continued. “Throughout middle and high school, I was usually situated in the back of the band with the rest of the low brass. Needless to say, I was shocked when I found out I’d be playing in front of the entire band, unshielded by the trumpets and woodwinds like I was used to.”

But, Skidmore noted, Stamper more than rose to the occasion, turning in a stellar performance.

Stamper and Skidmore were joined by fellow East Carter High School alumni and students including Sarah Gollihue, Allyson Robinson, and Landon Newell.

BWE founder Johnson said he was glad to finally bring Bluegrass arrangements and instrumentation to the ensemble.

“For the past 20 years or so I am sure people have attended our concerts with the hope of getting some outstanding Bluegrass music,” he said. “This year we finally did it! Adding Cameron in

on the Stars and Stripes Forever was a fantastic moment.”

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