

## COMMUNITY

School Board  
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has been approved for up to \$500 million in capitol improvements.

Teager said the building was constructed in 1948, and there was a lot of local emotional attachment to it. It had served as the Morehead Grade School and as Morehead High School in the 1960s, he said. It later served as Rowan County Middle School and the Board of Education Office.

The building was most recently used to house students from Clearfield Elementary School while extensive renovations took place at Clearfield during the 2023-24 school year.

He said the school district currently spends \$200,000 per year for utilities and upkeep at the building. Once UK St. Claire takes it over in January, they become responsible for those expenses.

Homicide  
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ceased at a residence driveway.

The deceased was identified as Christian Mabry, 39, of Christy Creek Road. Mabry's body was transported to the State Medical Examiner's Office in Frankfort for an autopsy.

According to Coroner John Northcutt, the investigation is still ongoing. Attempts to contact Kentucky State Police Post 8 were not returned at press time this week. The investigation is being conducted by Northcutt and KSP Sergeant Newt Robinson.

Funeral services for Mabry are scheduled for Sunday, January 18, at Northcutt & Sons Home for Funerals.

Deceased man  
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pronounced the 37-year-old male deceased at 1:13 p.m.

Northcutt said, following an investigation,

## NOTICE TO ALL ROWAN COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS

Pursuant to KRS 132.220, it shall be the duty of all persons owning or having any interest in any real property or tangible personal property to list such property with the Property Valuation Administrator of the county in which the property is located.

If you have made any improvements, new construction, purchased a mobile home, or have made any kind of change to your real property during 2025 including the removal of property, we need an update as of January 1, 2026 by the deadline of March 1, 2026.

All businesses must file a tangible personal property tax return. These returns are due in our office by May 15, 2026. Please note that unlike income tax filings there are no extensions for Personal Property returns. All returns filed after May 16 will be subject to a penalty and will be addressed and billed by the Department of Revenue in Frankfort, KY. 2026 Personal Property Tax Forms and Instructions are available in excel format. Please request the forms with an email message to carmen.swim@ky.gov, or stop by our office for a printed copy.

If you are totally disabled or will reach your 65th birthday during 2026, you may be eligible for the Homestead Exemption. An application for this exemption may be filed in our office.

For further information regarding the listing of property, both real and/or personal, or the Homestead Exemption please call 606-784-5512.

At your service,  
Carmen Eldridge Swim  
Rowan County Property Valuation Administrator  
www.rowanpa.com

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## HUGE AUCTION

Rt. 52 Ripley, Oh. 45167

Open For Inspection Mon-Sat. 10:00-2:00

1 Acre Building Full!!!

**Sun. Jan. 11th 10:00**

Take Uchiha TB175 Excavator

JD 26G Mini- Case TR270 Skid Steer-Toro STX26 Stump Grinder- 2014

Honda Pioneer SXS- 2012 Chevy Cruze- 2005 Dodge Dakota 4x4- More Coming In

Tables Full of Hand & Power Tools- DeWalt- Milwaukee & Others- Scaffolding- Ladders-

Come Out & Look or See Web Site

Guns From Private Collection- Call or See Web For List

Antiques- Household & Furniture

Indian Head Pennies- Paper Money- & Other Coins- Old Pocket Watches

New Building Material- Lots of Items Come & Look!!!

All Sold As Is- 1st Time writing a Check Bring Bank Letter of

Guarantee Announcements made day of Sale take precedence over any printed material.

4% if paying by CC. Items may be picked up later.

Absentee Bids Welcome

**Towler's Auction Service Inc.**

**Randy Myers Auctioneer**

513-315-4360

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Upcoming Auction Sun. Jan. 18th Ripley Appox 100 Guns

Board member Brenda Stamm asked what would happen if payments were not made. Teager said the school district owns the property until it is paid off in three years. He said if it is not paid off, the property would be put up for auction.

Stamm also noted that the purchase agreement includes a right for UK St. Claire to renovate or demolish. Teager explained that the Kentucky Department of Education would not allow the school district to do any further renovations on its own to the building and would direct the district to demolish the building and build a new facility, which would cost \$30 to 40 million. He said the property value of the site would go up if there was no building on it.

As part of the property sale process, board members also approved a BG-1 project estimate, a new

requirement for all school districts who sell property.

Board members also voted during the meeting to approve a BG-1 project estimate HVAC renovation at McBrayer Elementary School. According to the BG-1 document, the total estimated cost of the project is \$4.6 million.

Board chairman Jeff Patrick said the board has "no more important thing on our plate right now than the McBrayer HVAC." He said the safety concerns, the inability to work on it, and the fact that the fire department was called four times this past year to the school made its renovation necessary.

He said that while the estimate gave him "sticker shock," Patrick added, "It's going to be fixed, and it's going to be fixed right."

Current plans are to have the renovation done during summer 2026 while school is out for break.

Mullins  
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Mullins, who was reported to have been on some type of drug and had attacked his grandfather Danny Tackitt with an axe, sitting in a chair.

Wright asked Mullins, 24, to stand and conducted a "Terry Frisk," which is defined as a brief search of an individual based on reasonable suspicion to determine if a weapon is present. After feeling a bulky item in his front right pocket, Mullins advised Trooper Wright that it was a vape, and he gave consent to remove it. Mullins also advised Wright that he had a loaded needle in his front right pocket and two syringes in his left pocket. Wright said he did not observe any loaded needles and did not observe Mullins with an axe.

Michael Mullins told Trooper Wright that the grandfather was upstairs and bleeding from his head, so Wright said he detained Connor Mullins in his vehicle and went to check on Tackitt. Trooper Wright said as he approached the stairs inside, he observed a trail of blood on the floor and leading to the staircase and a Native American toma-

hawk sitting in chair by the stairs. He also observed more blood on the stairs. He made contact with Tackitt inside a bedroom at the top of stairs applying pressure to his head. Wright then request Rowan County EMS on scene.

Wright spoke with Tackitt's wife, Jane, who said that he had picked up Connor Mullins from a friend's house. She said they were in the living room when she heard a loud sound and heard Tackitt yell, "No Connor!" She said she observed Mullins hit Tackitt with the tomahawk. She said she then called Connor's mother and asked her to call 911. She also said Michael had come over to help Connor calm down.

Michael Mullins told Trooper Wright that after he had Connor calm down, Connor told him he was "going to prison

for a very long time and that he should've killed him." Wright transported Connor Mullins to the Rowan County Detention Center.

Mullins was charged with one count of assault, first degree, domestic violence; one count of terroristic threatening, third degree; and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia. He is currently lodged in the Rowan County Detention Center under \$50,000 cash bond. He appeared in Rowan District Court on Monday for arraignment and is scheduled to appear in court again on February 9.

Trooper Wright also noted that Danny Tackitt was airlifted to St. Mary's in Huntington for his injuries.

All individuals are considered innocent until proven guilty or pleading guilty in court.

Property  
Transfers  
Notice

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it was determined that the man had taken his own life. No information about his identity has been released.

The incident was investigated by Morehead Police Department Patrolman Leighton McNabb and Coroner Northcutt.

## Public Notice

The following information is provided by the Gateway Area Development District (GADD), a regional planning and development organization, pursuant to KRS 65A.080.

The location of GADD's most recently adopted budget, financial statements, and most recent audit information is on file and available for inspection at 110 Lake Park Drive, Morehead, Kentucky 40351 during business hours, or online at www.gwadd.org.

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PROBATE FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR  
THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2025

CASE NUMBER 23-P-146  
ESTATE OF: VINCENT MAGGIO  
FIDUCIARY: ANGELA MAGGIO  
ADDRESS: 51 SPRING STREET NORTH, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
DATE OF HEARING: FEBRUARY 13, 2026

CASE NUMBER 23-P-97  
ESTATE OF: JOHN ERIC PETERSEN  
FIDUCIARY: SONJA PIA TEEL HARLEY  
ADDRESS: 7950 ALMEDA COURT, LORTON, VA 22079  
DATE OF HEARING: FEBRUARY 13, 2026

CASE NUMBER: 22-P-74  
ESTATE OF: DANNY MYNHIER  
FIDUCIARY: REBECCA MYNHIER  
ADDRESS: 1477 DRY CREEK ROAD, PO BOX 422, CLEARFIELD, KY 40313  
DATE OF HEARING: FEBRUARY 13, 2026

CASE NUMBER: 17-P-35  
DECEASED: CAROL ADAMS  
FIDUCIARY: TIM ADAMS  
ADDRESS: 2115 US 60 EAST, LOT #1, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
DATE OF APPOINTMENT: FEBRUARY 13, 2026

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State of Kentucky  
County of Rowan

I, Kerry M. Jessee, Rowan County Fiscal Court Clerk in and for said county and state do hereby certify that on the 16th day of December 2025 the Fiscal Court adopted an Ordinance incorporating Community Way into the Rowan County Road System. Copy on file in County Clerk's Office.

Ordinance #20-25

Given this the 17th day of December 2025.

Kerry M. Jessee  
Rowan County Fiscal Court Clerk

State of Kentucky  
County of Rowan

I, Kerry M. Jessee, Rowan County Fiscal Court Clerk in and for said county and state do hereby certify that on the 16th day of December 2025 the Fiscal Court adopted an Ordinance whereas the County of Rowan has realized unbudgeted receipts in the amount of \$317,822.03 in the General and Jail Funds as presented by the County Treasurer. Copy on file in the County Clerk's office.

Ordinance #19-25

Given this the 17th day of December 2025.

Kerry M. Jessee  
Rowan County Fiscal Court Clerk

State of Kentucky  
County of Rowan

I, Kerry M. Jessee, Rowan County Fiscal Court Clerk in and for said county and state do hereby certify that on the 16th day of December 2025 the Fiscal Court adopted an Ordinance whereas the Fiscal Court has realized unbudgeted receipts in the amount of \$750,000.00 in the CDBG Fund. This is an emergency amendment for the construction of the Rowan County Senior Center and payments for the construction due to funding being a CDBG Grant. Copy on file in County Clerk's Office.

Ordinance #22-25

Given this the 17th day of December 2025.

Kerry M. Jessee  
Rowan County Fiscal Court Clerk

## Legal Notice

Waltz Towing located at 6765 Cranston Rd, Morehead, KY 40351, will be auctioning off the following vehicles listed below.

James Zachary Raifsnider & Eagle Financial Services  
2004 Infiniti I35  
Vin #1NKDA31A14T205434

Todd Rinehart & Community Trust Bank Inc.  
2013 Chevy Cruz  
Vin #1G1PC55B7D7216242

Rose Marie Bates & Eagle Financial Services  
2005 Ford Freestar  
Vin #2FMZA57665BA62256

The auction will be held on January 28, 2026 at 10:00 am.

If you have any questions you can call 606-776-4829.

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## Winterfest

The Mt. Pisgah Church and Morehead Area Churches will host Winterfest at the Morehead Conference Center, January 19th - 23rd featuring Calvin Ray Evans, Brian Bauer, Mike Blanton and Evidence, The Yates Family and Garret and Kailee Fitch. Service time each evening will be 7:00 p.m. Questions, contact Tim Eldridge at (606) 776-3436. Everyone is welcome to attend. Pastor, Adam Cooper.

PROBATE ADVERTISEMENTS FOR  
THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2025

CASE NUMBER: 25-P-105  
DECEASED: BARBARA SUE PHILLIPS  
ADDRESS: 200 NORTHFORK DR., MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
FIDUCIARY: JEFFREY PHILLIPS  
ADDRESS: 2000 NORTH LINDEN, APT 0-106, NORMAL, IL 61761  
FIDUCIARY: THOMAS PHILLIPS  
ADDRESS: 6026 METTLER LANE, RICHMOND, TX 77469  
ATTORNEY: TRAVIS NEWMAN  
ADDRESS: 2420 FRANKFORT AVENUE, STE. 300, LOUISVILLE, KY 40206  
DATE OF APPOINTMENT: DECEMBER 22, 2025  
CREDITORS MUST FILE CLAIMS BY: JUNE 22, 2026

CASE NUMBER: 25-P-158  
DECEASED: PAUL W. BLAIR  
ADDRESS: 1596 PERKINS ST., MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
FIDUCIARY: SUANNE BLAIR  
ADDRESS: 1596 PERKINS ST., MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
ATTORNEY: EARL ROGERS  
ADDRESS: 154 FLEMINGSBURG ROAD, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
DATE OF APPOINTMENT: DECEMBER 03, 2025  
CREDITORS MUST FILE CLAIMS BY: JUNE 03, 2026

CASE NUMBER: 25-P-159  
DECEASED: WILLIAM (WILLIE) LEE PENNINGTON  
ADDRESS: 2729 SHARKEY ROAD, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
FIDUCIARY: GARNETTA D. PENNINGTON  
ADDRESS: 2729 SHARKEY ROAD, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
ATTORNEY: EARL ROGERS  
ADDRESS: 154 FLEMINGSBURG ROAD, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
DATE OF APPOINTMENT: DECEMBER 05, 2025  
CREDITORS MUST FILE CLAIMS BY: JUNE 05, 2026

CASE NUMBER: 25-P-162  
DECEASED: JACK LITTON  
ADDRESS: 55 FAIRVIEW DRIVE, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
FIDUCIARY: SHARON FRALEY  
ADDRESS: 483 PLUMMERS LANDING ROAD, WALLINGFORD, KY 41093  
ATTORNEY: JAMES SCOTT LITTON  
ADDRESS: 55 FAIRVIEW DRIVE, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
ATTORNEY: PAUL STOKES  
ADDRESS: 129 EAST MAIN STREET, MOREHEAD, KY 40351  
DATE OF APPOINTMENT: DECEMBER 15, 2025  
CREDITORS MUST FILE CLAIMS BY: JUNE 15, 2026