

# Woman plants "Seeds for Jesus" and you



Beulah Moore holds gourds which were picked off this plant that mysteriously grew at her residence. It is long as several car lengths. Her dog, Phoebe, loves having her photo taken.

After Beulah Moore moved to Wallace Circle a few years ago, she started a ministry called "Seeds for Jesus."

Each spring, she plants flower seeds. After the flowers bloom, she gives away bouquets. She saves the seed and keeps some to replant. She also gives seed to others to plant.

This year she was surprised when a humongous plant covered one end of her driveway. It bloomed. Until the fruit started producing, Beulah didn't know what it was.

She picked several of the yellow "squash" to show to others. She learned it is a gourd plant.

Last fall, Beulah said she had a bucket of flower seeds which she tossed in the area where the lengthy gourd plant now is. Flowers came

up, but so did the gourd plant.

How the gourd got there is no longer a mystery. Beulah had gourds in her fall decorations at this spot. Seeds from one of the gourds sprung up. Beulah was at one of the lowest points of her life in when she started her ministry.

She said she was encouraged by Brenda and Ronnie Reams at Union City Baptist Church, where she became a member. She calls Brenda and Ronnie "Momzie and Popzie." She has another encourager, Lynita Brown, who she calls Momma. Two friends from Rhinelander, Wisconsin, Laurie and Ted Fiffrick, help financially support Beulah's "Seeds for Jesus."

"It's all about God ... He is the reason I am miraculously living over and over. He spared me," Beulah says.

Every inch of growing space at Beulah's home on Wallace Circle is covered with flowers. As testimony to her belief in Christ is the large cross at the side of her home. The cross is made from railroad ties. Perennials grow inside it.

For Beulah, sharing flowers and seeds in Estill and Madison county is not where her mission ends. She said missions are everywhere. She has been to the Philippines twice and Mexico once to share what Jesus Christ has done for her.

If you would like some flower seed, you may message Beulah at her facebook page.



Beulah Moore is standing at the foot of a cross flower garden that she planted at her residence. Perennial flowers are now in bloom. The outside of the cross is made of railroad ties.

# School board discusses fundraisers

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Saylor added that none of the principals will approve a roadblock at this time. The board unanimously agreed to add fundraising roadblocks into the prohibitions section of the fundraising policy.

"In 20 years in the athletic administration, the number one complaint I get is that people are standing in the road," stated Arthur Ballard.

"We've got great booster clubs and great parents, let's just take away this liability," said Mr. Saylor.

The board went on to discuss and approve a Go Fund Me account. According to Angie Howell a separate bank account would have to be opened up in order for groups to utilize the Go Fund Me website. Mr. Saylor explained that a group or booster club could raise money through the website and funds would be distrib-

uted to that group or organization through Central Office. Vice-chairman L.W. Beckley made the motion to open the bank account for the fundraising website.

Steve Tipton went before the board to explain about the benefits of having a Bass Fishing group for 8th - 12th graders. Tipton said that bass fishing is a popular and growing activity among high schools in the state and his mission is for students to receive scholarships from this activity. He said that the group is required to participate in five tournaments each year and that no money would be required from budget. He added that the expense for students would be \$10 and parents would be required to pay \$25.

Tipton said that no fishing experience was necessary and that if a student didn't know a thing about fishing

then he would teach them. He added that he has made several contacts over the years and that he hopes that those contacts will assist him in making the group a success. Tipton also said that he will be doing interviews with both local newspapers as well as the local radio station in hopes of getting the word out there about the group.

"Everything we can offer them is another avenue to keep them away from drugs and give them something to do," added Mr. Saylor.

Robbie Starling said that he wanted to put to rest rumors about why he was not running for re-election in the fall. He said that he has enjoyed the time that he has spent on the board but he doesn't plan on living in Estill County in four years and that's why he didn't run again.

Patty Hood stated that she

had been on the board for 18 years and that she thought it was time for some younger people to get on the board. Hood said she didn't have a qualm about leaving and that it was time for some 'fresh eyes' on the board.

In consent items the board approved an extracurricular art teaching job at West Irvine, approved Bass Fishing as an extracurricular activity, approved a school wide fundraiser for West Irvine, and approved the GEAR UP partnership with Berea College, as well as many other items.

The board meeting adjourned and went into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810, paragraph (c), discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency. Superintendent Saylor reported that no action was taken during closed session.

# Fiscal Court Meets

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Judge Anderson said a tourist spends \$60 to \$100 a night in our community. He added the DBBB will bring tourists year round unlike the hiking trails, which are seasonal.

Estill Judge/Executive Wallace Taylor said the county road foreman would check the location the next morning and see if it is on the county road map.

"Just because it's not a county road, doesn't mean it's not a public passway," said County Attorney Rodney Davis.

If the cabled area is in the county road system, Davis will send a letter to the property owner to open the road.

All agreed the Mt. Springs Cemetery Road is complicated because it meanders between Estill and Powell counties.

An area for unlicensed vehicles, such as ATV's, also opened in 2016. It is known as Hollerwood Park.

Kathy Watson, librarian at the Estill County Public Library, addressed the fiscal court as she is required by law to do after tax rates are set.

"I'm very proud of the services we offer to the county," she stated.

Watson said the 39-year-old library has outgrown its 5,700 sq. ft. building on Main Street. They are looking to expand to at least 12,000 square feet.

Because the present library was built on a swampy area, it will be difficult to expand at that location. The library board is looking at several options.

Another obstacle is the cost of a new library. Money for library construction has been appropriated by the general assembly but not enough.

Watson said in the past, library board members have been setting aside funding for construction.

After a short discussion, the fiscal court voted to advertise for temporary county road employees.

Taylor said the road department is down to "bare bones" after an employee recently resigned to take a job in Madison County.

He stated one employee is off from the recycling center and three are off with injuries from the road department. He has no idea when Workman's Comp will allow any of the injured employees return to work.

Magistrate Gerald Rader said he thinks the employees at the road department are paid well.

The judge said the county is approaching winter and will need more employees for snow removal.

Taylor said not many places will let you work four days a week, 175 days a year. The four days are each ten hours long.

The magistrates then agreed to purchase a back hoe from John Deere, the lowest bidder. Taylor said the old back-hoe may bring \$15 to \$20,000.

Annual reports were accepted from the Conservation District, Chamberlain Branch Watershed, and Red Lick Watershed.

In the judge's address, he said road work was beginning Tuesday at Lafayette Estates. The road at Eck Hollow has been completed.

He mentioned going to court to hear a motion for dismissal on the county's lawsuit over T-norm.

"We'll probably be in court every month for several months to come," he said.

Another motion for dismissal is on the docket for Thursday, Oct. 6. This one is being requested by Advanced Disposal.

# Child injured in wreck; her father is arrested

As Deputy Daniel Smith was driving down Wisemantown Road just before 9 p.m. on Friday, a vehicle crossed into his lane before abruptly cutting back into its own lane of travel.

The vehicle then began squealing its tires.

The deputy turned around to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle, a silver Pontiac Grand Prix.

When Smith reached the vehicle, he said it appeared to have been wrecked. Both front air bags were deployed. The driver reportedly told Smith the airbags deployed when he struck a bump in the road.

The deputy said there was a six year old girl in the back seat with her feet sitting on a chain saw. The girl told the deputy they had wrecked.

When the driver stepped out of the car, Smith said

the driver used the car to balance himself. The driver also said he had drunk a pint of Ky. Best whiskey. The driver also told Smith that he took suboxone strips which were not prescribed.

The driver was identified as James Lee Farmer, 38, of Mt. Zion Road, Irvine.

Smith performed field sobriety tests and was given a breath test. He was taken to the hospital for a blood draw.

The child was transported to the hospital with complaints of chest and arm pains.

Farmer was charged with driving DUI suspended license, first offense (aggravating circumstances), wanton endangerment first degree, and operating a motor vehicle under the influence second offense.

Farmer's bail was set at \$2,500 cash.

# Police activity reports

Less than a week after two weapons were reported stolen, an arrest has been made.

Rick Goosey reported the theft of two guns on Sept. 12. The guns were identified as a Mossburg 12 gauge pump and a Marlin 22 rifle.

Deputy Russell "Doc" Morris said the firearms were pawned the same day they were reported stolen at Hunt's Pawn Shop.

They were reportedly pawned by Randall Joe Goosey, 36, of Pea Ridge Road, Irvine. He was charged with two counts of receiving stolen property (firearm).

Bail for R.J. Goosey was set at \$5,000 cash.

A Winston Road man was arrested Friday on an electronic warrant (e-warrant) by KSP Trooper A. Brashear. The warrant charged Tommy Witt, 35, with theft by unlawful taking or disposition all others \$500

or more but under \$10,000.

Irvine Police Chief Brad Smith had obtained the warrant for Witt's arrest.

The warrant says that on May 9, 2016 Witt took an ATM card which belonged to Kim Nichols and used it to obtain over \$500 from an ATM.

A warrant for a Lee County man on Estill County charges was served on Sept. 11 by the Beattyville Police Department.

The local warrant on Anthony C. Thacker, 31, was obtained by KSP Trooper Josh Brashears in April.

It says on April 1, 2016 Thacker manifested extreme indifference to the value of human life, wantonly engaged in conduct which created a substantial danger of death or serious physical injury to another person.

The trooper says that Thacker intentionally struck another vehicle which was

occupied by his sister and two others. The impact caused the vehicle to strike a third vehicle which was occupied by three people.

One person was injured during the incident. The damages to the two vehicles exceeded \$1,000 each.

Thacker was charged with failure of non-owner operator to maintain insurance, six counts of wanton endangerment, first degree, and criminal mischief, first degree.

A man was cited for cultivating marijuana less than five plants on Thursday

Probation and parole officers went to the home of James W. Whitaker on Driftwood Drive in Ravenna to make a home visit with Whitaker's wife. A probation officer reportedly noticed two marijuana plants in plain view in the back road.

Deputy Daniel Smith was called to the residence. He stated he also saw the two

pot plants in plain view in the back yard.

Smith said that Whitaker said the plants were his, and he was growing them for his own personal use. Smith issued Whitaker a citation.

Elise Fauste, 60, of Louise Court, Irvine, was charged after a two-vehicle accident on Sand Hill Road on Friday. Deputy Daniel Smith said that Fauste rear-ended the vehicle in front of her and said her brakes had quit working.

An arrest warrant for a traffic offense was served Sept. 15 by Sheriff Gary Freeman on David Rue of Barnes Mtn.

Donald Fields, 55, was arrested Sept. 15 by Sheriff Freeman on a bench warrant for a criminal case.

Russell E. Smith, 55, of Leighton Road, Irvine was arrested on a bench warrant on a criminal charge Sept. 15 by Sheriff Freeman.

# Injured passenger taken to hospital

A woman was injured during a two-vehicle collision on Opossum Run Road on Sept. 12.

Sheriff Gary Freeman said a vehicle driven by Hympsel Willis was turning left from Opossum Run Road onto Trotting Ridge Road and turned into the pathway of a vehicle driven by Kenneth Rutherford.

Both drivers gave an address on Henry White Road, Irvine. Neither driver was

reported injured, but the female passenger in Rutherford's auto was transported to Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital. She was identified as Martha Berryman.

Willis' vehicle, a 2004 Chevy Silverado, was moderately damaged on the right side. Rutherford was driving a 2003 Ford Taurus which received moderate to severe damages on the right side.