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New 4-H Agent is ready to work



Paighton Lewis, a recent graduate of the University of Kentucky, is the new 4-H Extension Agent in Estill County.

The Estill County Extension Service has a new 4-H Extension Agent.

Paighton Lewis started her new job on September 1. She was given Labor Day off so she actually began working the following day.

Lewis is an Ohio native who grew up with 4-H. She was always involved with the agriculture industry.

"I showed market lambs and breeding sheep while growing up," she stated.

When she was getting ready to graduate from high school, she visited the campus of the University of Kentucky and decided that was where she wanted to go.

She graduated from UK in May with a degree in Animal Science.

Lewis said her first year, she wants to continue what the former 4-H agent, Isaac Hollon, had done.

Hollon left the Estill County job to take a job with state 4-H.

Next year, Lewis plans to start a 4-H club for home-schoolers.

She wants to add more life skills, such as balancing a check book and changing oil and tires on a vehicle.

She also wants to build up the textile and needlework programs, and start a horticulture club.

There are also plans for a livestock judging team which will enter contests.

Currently, there are 4-H clubs for poultry, cooking, livestock, after school crafts, country ham, woodworking, summer garden, and small engine.

There are also clubs for the Cloverbuds, younger kids, and the teen club.

The 4-H agent and her assistant, LaDonna Dawes, will go into the school for clubs. These clubs elect officers, will give speeches, and do multiple activities.

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KSP's investigation of stolen goods leads to two arrests on drug charges

Kentucky State Police arrested two on drug related charges after going to 8907 Winchester Road on Friday night to investigate a stolen television and Playstation 4.

Trooper Ty Robinson made contact with the property owner at the door, and said he could smell a strong odor of marijuana coming from the residence.

He asked Wade Smith, 52, where the television was. "I

don't have the TV anymore," Smith reportedly replied.

The trooper then asked Smith where the weed was because of the smell. He was taken to a back bedroom in the trailer.

The citation states that Robinson saw a plate with suspected marijuana on it. He added there was a digital scale on the window with a piece of paper on it with crystal methamphetamine

wrapped inside. Next to the scale, there was another piece of paper with more crystal methamphetamine on it.

The trooper said he told Smith he was under arrest, and he ran out the front door. Robinson said he called out numerous times, "State Police, stop running."

As he gained on Smith, he said Smith fell, running down a hill. Robinson fell

on top of him. The citation states that that Smith kept his hands under his body. The trooper physically removed him from thorn bushes to a grassy area where his hands could be seen.

Troopers noticed a knot on Smith's collar bone area they thought was a broken bone. He was transported to Marcum & Wallace Hospital for treatment.

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Driver flees traffic checkpoint; leads KSP on crash which ends in a pond

An Irvine man was arrested after fleeing from state police at a traffic safety checkpoint on the by-pass on Sept. 1 (Labor Day).

Trooper J. Bobea said he noticed a driver was swaying back and forth with droopy eyes and slurred speech. He asked the driver for his license. "I don't know sir," the man replied.

The trooper said he asked the driver to pull over to the

right shoulder, and he did.

As he pulled over, the trooper said the man immediately attempted to flee.

The trooper said he ran to his vehicle and initiated his emergency equipment, while giving verbal commands for the man to pull over.

From the bypass, the man turned right onto Richmond Road. The trooper said the top speed was 75 miles an hour, but the man was driv-

ing all over the place while failing to use his turn signal.

The man then made a left turn onto Clear Creek Road and onto McIntosh Road. The road is undeveloped at its end. The trooper said the man continued down that road which was covered in very tall weeds, bushes, and mud.

He and Trooper Caudill left their vehicles and continued a foot pursuit.

The citation says they witnessed the man drive his 2005 Chevrolet SUV into a pond. The man was not in the vehicle anymore. The trooper opened the vehicle to see a loaded .22 caliber pistol on the driver side floor board. There was also additional ammunition.

Baber's Towing was called to remove the vehicle from pond.

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Irvine discusses buying security cameras

A lot of small items were taken care of by the Irvine Council at Monday's meeting.

Mayor James Gross having security cameras installed in the fire department, city hall, and one outside the police department. He had received quotes for the cameras, but told the council he needed to find monies for the cameras.

He said that all doors are kept closed at the fire department, except the front one.

"In the past nine years, we've lost two generators over there," stated Fire Chief Tony Murphy.

Murphy added that most businesses now have security cameras.

The mayor said that Randy Idford had contacted him about zoning and planning regulations for a sign at the new library.

He has been in contact with the state highway department about coordinat-

ing street lights in the city

Damage was done by a contractor to the loop at the intersection of Madison Avenue and River Drive. The state has put the light on manual.

Councilman Bill Arthur asked if the light could made to flash, because it stops traffic on River Drive when there is nothing on Madison.

Gross said he has also asked the state to look at the problem of traffic being backed up from Estill Avenue to downtown on Friday afternoons.

City Clerk Robin Powell said she is currently printing tax bills. They will be mailed the last week of the month.

Police Chief Brad Smith had received complaints about the yard sale being held in a tent on Main Street.

City ordinances limit the days a resident can have yard sales. Permits are also required from city hall.

Councilman Arthur said he is still seeing garbage piled on top of cans and cans with no lids. The city has an ordinance prohibiting this.

Gross was asked to have the sanitation workers to make a list of the violators, and letters will be sent to them.

Gross informed the council that he was advertising for applications for the street department.

Trick or Treat night was set for Thursday, October 31.

Before adjourning, Fire Chief Murphy said it was 18 years ago when the 911 bombings occurred.

Since then, over 200 firefighters who responded to the World Tower in New York have died from diseases related to the bombings.

"(Revive River Drive" really went well this year," stated Councilman Farmer.

The others agreed.

The former dry cleaning building owned by the city is vacant. Gross said it appears to be leaking.

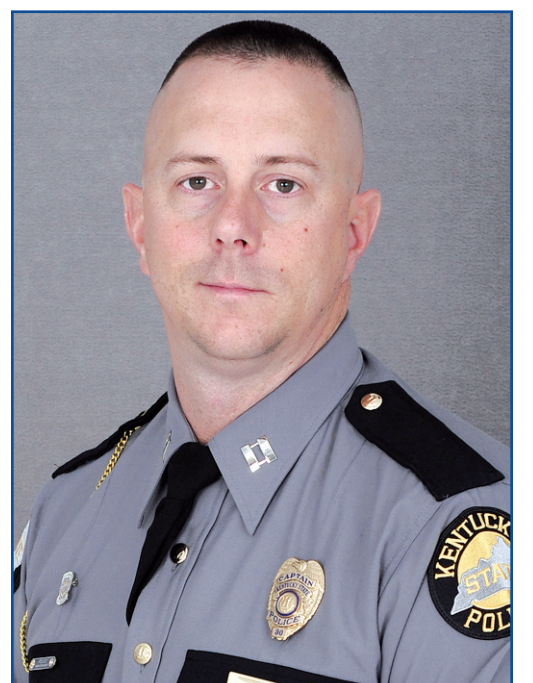
Council members asked if the mayor had anyone interested in renting it.

KSP Appoints New Post 7 Commander

The Kentucky State Police, Richmond Post is now under the command of Captain Jeremy Hamm. Captain Hamm received his KSP commission in October of 2003 and was most recently appointed as the Post 7 commander on September 1, 2019. Captain Hamm is a lifelong resident of Richmond, KY and most recently served as the Commander of Financial Grants Management at Headquarters in Frankfort. Captain Hamm began his career as a Trooper assigned to the Morehead KSP Post, and later transferred to the Richmond KSP Post where he worked as a Trooper and Detective. Upon promoting to Sergeant in 2014, Hamm was assigned to Internal Affairs before transferring to the Financial Grants Management Branch.

"I am very honored and excited to serve the residents where I was raised and currently live" says Captain Jeremy Hamm. "I look forward to strengthening relationships with other police agencies, community leaders, civic organizations, schools, and citizens in the KSP Post 7 district."

In addition to Captain Jeremy Hamm, the Richmond KSP Post welcomes two new Lieutenants and a new Sergeant.



Post 7 Commander Jeremy Hamm

The new additions to the KSP Post 7 supervision includes Lieutenant Jason Gabbard of Campton, Lieutenant Rodney Wren of Danville, and Sergeant Gregory Newman of Richmond.

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