

GCHS hosts Mini Cougar Cheer Clinic



Courtesy photo

The Grayson County High School cheerleaders hosted a Mini Cougar Cheer Clinic for kids ages 4 and up on Saturday. The clinic had 32 participants who learned cheers, motion placements, jumps, stunts, and tumbling.

Legislators hear from tourism officials on jobs, tax revenue

SUBMITTED

Legislators on the Interim Joint Committee on Tourism, Small Business and Information Technology recently received an overview from stakeholders about the status of Kentucky’s tourism industry.

Hank Phillips, president and chief executive officer of the Frankfort-based Kentucky Travel Industry Association, said the state of tourism in Kentucky is very strong.

“When we talk about the strength of tourism, the way we define that is in terms of the benefits that tourism provides to the people of Kentucky and the communities of Kentucky. Examples of that: over \$14 billion in economic impact from tourism, the support of nearly 100,000 jobs by tourism and the contribution of a billion dollars in local and state tax revenue,” he said.

The quality of life is another important facet of tourism. The experiences provided for tourists also benefit Kentuckians, he said.

“That’s a huge consideration by businesses in decisions to relocate to Kentucky and by families considering moving to Kentucky and working here,” he said.

Prakash T. Maggan, an executive with Lexington-based Rainmaker Hospitality, also testified and said the company operates 24 hotels in Kentucky and four in Ohio.



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Rep. Matthew Lehman, D-Newport, speaks during a meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on Tourism, Small Business and Information Technology.

“While our industry came back from COVID much more quickly and much more strongly than anybody would have ever anticipated, we are now seeing a lot of headwinds in our industry,” he said.

Maggan said the state transient tax and ensuing advertising it funds are vital to the tourism industry.

“And we want to make sure that that funding continues to support our local tourism offices. We need to make sure that they have all of the resources necessary to show off the attractions and natural resources in our state,” he said.

Lori Murphy-Tatum, tourism director for the City of Richmond, said the 1% funds are vital for the state’s department of tourism. She added that some people associated with Airbnb short-term rentals are not paying

the local transient tax.

“We are funded through transient tax. So, we get that from our hoteliers, from our bed and breakfasts and our short-term rentals,” she said.


Rep. Shane Baker, R-Somerset, asked if people are still coming to Kentucky but not staying in hotels.

Maggan said officials have seen a slowdown this year.

“We just want to make sure that, as the economic climate gets tougher for everybody, we’re continuing as best in our industry and giving us the best possible chance to come out with a recovery on the other end because, as all cycles go, we will have a rising tide again,” he said.

Rep. Adam Moore, D-Lexington, asked about the role artificial intelligence is starting to play in tourism.

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMISSIONER’S SALE
OCTOBER 14, 2025 at 11:00 A.M.
GRAYSON COUNTY JUDICIAL CENTER
LEITCHFIELD, KENTUCKY

GRAYSON CIRCUIT COURT, DIVISION I
CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-00129

CITIBANK, N.A., NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF THE NEW RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2019-6

PLAINTIFF


v.

RONALD P. SMITH JR., et al

DEFENDANTS

By virtue of an Order entered on September 5, 2025 the Master Commissioner will on October 14, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. or thereabouts, offer for sale the property described below. The property will be offered at public auction to the highest bidder on terms of TEN (10%) PERCENT down in the form of cash, cashier’s check or certified check, and the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, secured by a bond with sufficient surety, and bearing interest at the accruing interest rate as set forth below, per annum from date of sale until the purchase price is paid. A lien will be retained on the property sold until the purchase money is fully paid. Please contact the Master Commissioner’s office prior to the date of sale to ensure that you have all documents necessary to qualify to bid. Failure to verify the sufficiency of your down payment and your surety or letter of credit prior to the commencement of the Master Commissioner sales on this sale date will result in the Master Commissioner refusing your bid.
Property Address: 1298 Paradise Acres, Falls of Rough, Kentucky 40119
Parcel Identification Number: A 2-002 and A 2-003
Judgment Amount: \$ 82,183.37
Interest Rate: 4%
Appraisal: \$ 65,000.00
The real estate will be appraised. The purpose of the sale is to satisfy a judgment in the amount set forth above, plus interest and costs as set forth in the Judgment. However, bids will not be required to meet or exceed the appraised value. The real estate has been adjudged indivisible and will be sold as a whole, including all improvements. The Master Commissioner makes no warranties concerning the title or to the condition of the property. This property is being sold as is. The property will be sold free of liens of all the parties hereto and will be subject to all restrictions and easements of record. This property is being sold subject to the right of redemption in favor of the property owner under KRS §426.530.

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Legal Notice

To satisfy delinquent accounts, the contents of storage units #149, #157, and #199 will be sold on October 10, 2025, at 8:30 AM at EZ Self Storage, 1402 Brandenburg Rd., Leitchfield, KY. Weather permitting. Terms are cash. EZ Self Storage reserves the right to bid. This notice is pursuant to KRS Chapter 359, Section 4. If an account is settled prior to the date of sale, the sale will not be conducted, and no notice of cancellation will be announced.



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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City of Leitchfield City Council will hold a public hearing in regard to the following request along with their regular monthly meeting on Monday, 10/20/2025; 6:00 p.m. (CST) at Leitchfield City Hall, 515 South Main Street. The hearing will be for the following:

RZ-25-137
Owner: Scotty Hack
Applicant: Scotty Hack
Location: 617 Johnson St.
Request: Zone Change from C-1 (Highway Commercial) to R-2 (Single Family Medium Density)

Questions or concerns should be directed to Tyler Harrell, Zoning Administrator, (270)-259-6363 at Leitchfield City Hall.

Redhawks place second in K-2 Jr. Pro championship



Courtesy photo

The Clarkson Redhawks K-2 Jr. Pro football team was the runner-up in the championship game against Butler County at Grayson County Middle School. Pictured are, back row, Roman Williams, Bennett Lanigan, Owen Sanders, Xavier Cole, Remington Hampton, and Holden Clark; seated, Wren Phelps, Crew Barrett, Carter Holzknicht, Kolton Wilkerson, Shepherd Williams, Myles Dennison, Cooper Willen, Copley Smith, Daniel Whobrey, and Raiden Hart; and coaches Wes Sawyer, Tyler Willen, Braxton Williams, and Roger Williams.

Wagering update given to lawmakers

SUBMITTED

Sports wagering is a relatively new pastime in Kentucky. The practice joined pari-mutuel wagering as a legal betting activity in the commonwealth in 2023.

Recently, representatives from the Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation told the Interim Joint Committee on Licensing, Occupations and Administrative Regulations that Kentuckians have wagered nearly \$5 billion in the last two years.

“Of the \$5 billion wagered, \$4.4 billion was won back by Kentucky players, meaning nearly \$9 out of every \$10 wagered has returned to a player in the form of winnings,” Hannah Simms, the corporation’s director of sports wagering, said.

Sports wagering revenue supports the state’s public pension system and problem

gambling assistance account, Simms added.

In the last two years, \$73 million in sports wagering revenue has gone to the public pension system, and \$2 million has been added to the problem gambling assistance account.

Since 2023, sports wagering has expanded to 13 retail facilities across 11 counties, Simms said. Additionally, 933 occupational licenses have been issued.


“These licenses are the individuals and companies who make up the sports wagering workforce in Kentucky and are helping ensure a responsible and accountable industry statewide,” Simms said.

Melissa Combs-Wright joined Simms in giving the committee an update on pari-mutuel wagering.



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House Minority Caucus Chair Al Gentry, D-Louisville, says he would like to see local governments benefit more from sports wagering during a recent Interim Joint Committee on Licensing, Occupations and Administrative Regulations meeting.




GRAYSON COUNTY NEWS

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PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICING, LLC

PLAINTIFF

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CONNIE MALIES, et al

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Property Address: 9286 Beaver Dam Road, Caneyville, Kentucky 42721
Parcel Identification Number: 049-00-00-030
Judgment Amount: \$ 188,503.95
Interest Rate: 3.625%
Appraisal: \$ 160,000.00
The real estate will be appraised. The purpose of the sale is to satisfy a judgment in the amount set forth above, plus interest and costs as set forth in the Judgment. However, bids will not be required to meet or exceed the appraised value. The real estate has been adjudged indivisible and will be sold as a whole, including all improvements. The Master Commissioner makes no warranties concerning the title or to the condition of the property. This property is being sold as is. The property will be sold free of liens of all the parties hereto and will be subject to all restrictions and easements of record. This property is being sold subject to the right of redemption in favor of the property owner under KRS §426.530.

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