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THURSDAY 61/42









News and Notes

USDA LOAN/GRANT ASSISTANCE

USDA Rural Development Office representative to discuss home loan programs and repair loan/grant programs available to low-income Monroe residents and assist with the prequalification package. Wednesday, February 14, 9 a.m. to 12: p.m.at the Monroe County Wellness Center. More information:

FISCAL COURT

Thursday, February 15, 9 a.m., Judge Executive's

QUILT CLUB

Saturday, February 17, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Monroe

African American experience in the U.S. Military. Free and open to the public.

TOURISM COMMISSION

Tuesday, February 20, 6 p.m., Economic Development Center

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCH 'N LEARN

Wednesday, February 21, 12 noon, Econom-Development Center. Guest:

BLACK HISTORY OF HORSE CAVE Randall Curry, Mayor of Horse Cave will speak on the Black History of Horse Cave: Past – Present - Future on Wednesday, February 21 at 3 p.m. in Room 131 at WKU-Glasgow. The public is invited to attend.

ARTS COUNCIL

Wednesday, February 21, 4:30 p.m., Economic Development Center.

FRIENDS OF OLD MULKEY Thursday, February 22, 11 a,m., Old Mulkey Gift

TOMPKINSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Thursday, February 21, 6 p.m., Economic Develop-

ment Center

RETIRED TEACHERS

Friday, February 22, 11 a.m., Red Barn BBQ

Legislative Update

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gressed steadily through the Senate as work on the budget and pension reform continues. We expect pension legislation to be filed in the coming days as we continue to sort out details on this complex issue. As for the budget bill, it is in the hands of the House, and we are hopeful that we in the Senate will receive a budget bill

Among a number of Senate bills passed this week was Senate Bill (SB) 96, which cleans up statutory language relating to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Senate Bill 91 is a government transparency measure that updates laws pertaining to city audits and financial accountability.

Senate Bill 101 modern-

izes laws pertaining to school district vacancies by reducing the vacancy notice required from a superintendent to the chief state school officer from 30 days to 15 days. This shorter notice stems from the ability to post jobs online, allowing school districts to fill them faster than before and creating shorter vacancies. Additionally, SB 101 requires electronic publication of the complete school laws of the state, which were previously published in a large, bound volume. The bill also requires school board candidates to file a transcript evidencing completion of the 12th grade or certified results of a 12th grade equivalency examination. an amendment I sponsored to the bill permits non-elected city and county employees to run for local school board service.

Senate Bill 88 prohibits the Kentucky General Assembly from imposing mandates on cities that require city expenditures or tax levies without fully funding the requirement or making the requirements contingent on city legislative body approval. Our cities are already strained without the additional burden of an unfunded financial mandate, and we hope this bill will prevent the waste of taxpayer dollars in such a manner.

ber of House bills this week that are now headed to the Governor for his signature. House Bill 157 updates campaign finance laws, while HB 146 reorganizes and updates some facets of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture. To those who have

We also passed a num-

reached out to my office in the past weeks, thank you for staying engaged during these early weeks of session. If you are interested in following legislation online, please visit the Legislative Research Commission's website at www.LRC. KY.gov. You can find out who represents you in the General Assembly, track bills through the legislative process, and learn more about the legislative branch and its numerous purposes. If you have any ques-

tions or comments about these issues or any other public policy issue, please call me toll-free at 1-800-372-7181.

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Obituaries

JANICE "JAN" TURNER

Janice "Jan" Turner, 78, of Tompkinsville, KY passed away Friday, February 9th, while in the company of family members, at her residence.

Jan was born in Tompkinsville, KY on October 18,

1939, a daughter of the late Gladys (Turner) and Jan retired from Philip Morris in Louisville, KY.

She was a member of Tompkinsville First Baptist Church. She was also a member Bethlehem Order of Eastern Star #538. On December 23, 1958, Jan married Roy Lee

Turner in Lafayette, TN. Other than her husband, Roy Lee, Jan is survived

by several nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents; and one

sister, Ruby Lee Turner. Funeral service was held at Yokley Trible Funeral Home on Monday, February 12th, 2018.

Burial was Bethlehem Cemetery.

RONNIE GOLMON VINSON

Ronnie Golmon Vinson, 65, of Glasgow, KY passed away Sunday, February 4th, at T.J. Samson Community Hospital.

Ronnie was born on December 14, 1952, a son of the late Lucille (Coulter) and Golmon Vinson.

He was of Christian faith. He was a farmer, saw mill worker, and factory worker. He leaves behind his wife of 45 years, Patsy (Raney)

Vinson; two sons Timothy Vinson, and wife, Samantha, of Glasgow, KY; Steve Wayne Vinson, and companion, Marilee Osborne, of Glasgow, KY; and a daughter, Tonya Scott, and husband, Michael, of Glasgow, KY; 14 grand kids and 2 great grand kids. Ronnie is also survived by three sisters, Ilene

Thomas, and husband, Richard of Louisville, KY; Fannie Carver, and husband, Ellis, of Smiths Grove, KY; Eula Vibbert, and husband, Wayne, of Glasgow, KY; two brothers, Richard Vinson, and wife, Cheri, of Franklin, KY; Terry Vinson, and wife, Tina, of Lafayette, TN. One uncle, Danny

He is proceeded in death by his parents, Golmon and Lucille Vinson; brothers and sisters, Ina Vinson Green, Tommy Vinson, Ruth Vinson Bray, Marsha Vinson, and Channy Vinson

Funeral Service will be held at Yokley Trible Funeral Home at 1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, February

Visitation is Monday 4:00-8:00 P.M. and Tuesday 6:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. at Yokley Trible Funeral

Burial is in White Cemetery.

Discouraging Trend



Contributor

It seems as there are a great many people who equate one's politics with one's worth. I am distressed that many who claim to be Christians are showing contempt for those of an opposing political view. In fact, I find it hard to understand how true followers of Christ can become so wrapped up in political philosophies, candidates, and parties that it seems to be the major source of

pride for them.

At John 18:36, Jesus said: "My kingdom is not of this world." There can be no other meaning attached to this statement except to say that the kingdom of God has nothing to do with the governmental kingdoms of this world except co-existence of a peaceful sort if possible (Romans 12:18). The number one focus of God's people must not, and cannot, become twisted so that it places a primary importance upon political matters. When Jesus stated at Matthew 6:33, that we are to seek FIRST the kingdom of God, and its righteousness, He placed the focus of all disciples where we must keep it. When those who claim to be disciples make political leanings a measure of friendship, or worse

a measure of real Christianity, they sever themselves from the nature of Christ. For those who make no claim to Christianity, or at least to the value of respecting human dignity, I suppose such would not be surprising, but in such a case when that one does not seek first the kingdom of God it is certain they shall not find it.



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CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Thursday, February 15, 5 p.m., Medical Center

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Thursday, February 15, 6 p.m., Historical Society

County Extension

BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM The South Central Kentucky Cultural Center, 200 Water Street in Glasgow, will host a Black History Month program by Lt. Col. (Ret) Donzell Moody on Saturday, February 17 at 1 p.m. He will speak on the

Sen. David Givens

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