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GC Fiscal Court approves closure

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The Green County Fiscal Court, meeting in regular session Jan. 17, approved by a 4-1 vote the partial closing of Vivian Thompson Road subject to the completion of a suitable turnaround and landowner cooperation regarding livestock retrieval. The portion to be closed is some 950 feet located at the end of the road.

Magistrates Andrew Parson, Tim Darnell, Steve Lewis and Terry Aaron voted in favor of its partial closure. Magistrate Charles Judd voted against.

A public hearing on this matter was held prior to the court's regular session.

"Each magistrate had already viewed the portion of the road that was requested to be removed from the county road system, and after careful consideration and much discussion, the court did in fact vote to remove the 950-foot section at the end of Vivian Thompson Rd.," said Green County Judge-Executive John Frank.

Concerning old business, magistrates approved the following items.

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Snow and ice



Photo by Crystal Cecil

Green River sparkled Monday morning as the snow and ice barely budged from Saturday night's winter weather. Remaining ice and snow put Green County Schools on a one-hour delay yesterday morning.

Former Dragon named head football coach

BY CRYSTAL CECIL
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Under the right circumstances, anyone can be successful with hard work and preparation.

That is the belief of new Green County High School head football coach Jeremy Whitlow.

Whitlow, a 1998 GCHS graduate and current Director of the Green County Alternative Center, was named last week.

"I was very pleased

that Coach Whitlow accepted the position and I'm excited to see him take this Dragon team to the next level," said GCHS Principal Ben Davenport. "He's an outstanding guy, his energy and knowledge of the game along with his experience with football, both as a head coach and assistant coach, has me feeling eager for next season."

The position opening was posted shortly after GCHS Assistant Principal Hunter

Jackson stepped down as coach.

After screening numerous applicants, six candidates were interviewed. The decision to hire Whitlow was a collaborative effort made by Green County Superintendent of Schools Will Hodges, Athletic Director Tim



Jeremy Whitlow

Deaton, Davenport, and the Site Based Decision Making Council.

The former football Dragon has experience on his side, including 10 years of play and 16 years of coaching.

"He was always dedicated and a hard worker and he loved the game of football," said Whitlow's former coach, Jerry Cowherd, who coached the Dragons for 27 years, "I look forward to seeing his passion for football carry over to his coaching."

Whitlow has big plans for the Dragons, with success at the top of the list. He says the first goal is to make better men, which in turn creates better players, which results in a stronger team.

"It's gratifying to see that progression unfold," he said.

The new coach is currently working on his pool of coaches. He is planning to take advantage of local assistants and reach out for some new faces on

the sidelines.

Special assistants Whitlow plans to pull in include Chris Todd and Brad Todd.

Chris Todd is a former record breaking Elizabethtown High School quarterback who finished his high school career with over 10,000 passing yards and 120 touchdowns. He led the school to the first state championship in 22 years and set records at Auburn University as well.

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Super Blood Wolf Moon



Photo by Brandi Anderson

The Super Blood Wolf Moon total lunar eclipse Sunday night was something to see. Reader Brandi Anderson took this photo of the moon with her phone at 9:16 p.m. CT from her home on Summersville Road. The moon began edging into Earth's shadow Sunday evening shortly after 9:30 p.m. CT and was completely darkened at 10:41 p.m. The total-eclipse phase lasted a little over an hour; with the moon starting to see the light again at about 11:43 p.m. January's full moon is traditionally known as the Wolf Moon. Supermoons appear slightly bigger and brighter in the sky than "normal" full moons. The "blood" part refers to the color fully eclipsed moons often assume. Sunday's early morning snowfall made the moon appear especially bright.

Shuffett named Director

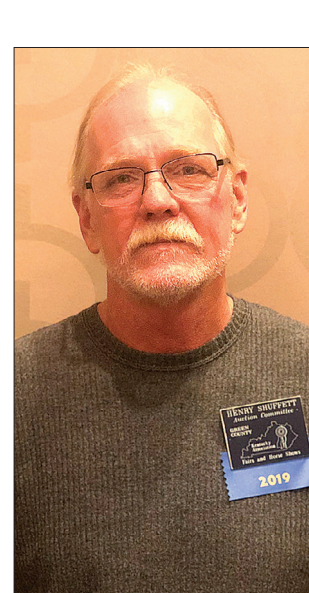
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Members of the Green County Fair Board spent the weekend at the Kentucky Association of Fairs and Horse Shows Convention held at the Galt House in Louisville. The convention ran Jan. 17-19.

Green County's Henry Shuffett was named Kentucky Association of Fairs and Horse Shows Zone 2 Director Friday morning. He was nominated by Terry Harvey of the Adair County Fair. Shuffett will work closely with all fairs in zone two, assisting and addressing any concerns of the fair.

Shuffett was also named Green County Fair Person of the Year in 2018.

Green County was awarded the Charlie Kachler Auction Award for most items and



Henry Shuffett

money raised. Items were gathered from several businesses in the community and auctioned off, with proceeds funding scholarships presented to high school applicants.

Greg Thomas, of the Adair County Fair, received the top award of the Kentucky Association of Fairs and

Shows, the L. "Doc" Cassidy Award. The award is given at the annual business meeting Saturday, for outstanding service and dedication to the association, of which Thomas was president in 2016. Thomas has been active in the state association for many years.

David Pace, of the Meade County Fair, was presented the 2018 William F. Taylor Lifetime Community Service Award, an award named for William F. "Bill" Taylor, the former Greensburg mayor, civic leader, fair chairman and 24-year association secretary who passed away just before the 2016 convention. This annual award honors "a hometown fair individual who is also recognized as a leader in other civic matters."

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Black History event is Feb. 2

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The Greensburg/Green County League of Citizens Foundation will sponsor its 20th annual February Black History program Saturday, Feb. 2.

The event will take

place at 5 p.m. CT at Green County High School.

Everyone is invited to be a part of the Black History Month celebration in honor of African Americans who have contributed to the growth and development of the United

States.

Keynote speaker will be Raleigh Police officer Billy "Bid" Gartin who is a former GCHS graduate.

For more information, call Jerry Cowherd at 270-932-7857 or 270-405-3621, or view next week's Record-Herald.