



Greensburg-Green County A proud past — A promising future Way Back When

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SPECIAL TO THE R-H

Sept. 22, 2010
Crowd enjoys Cow Days - Beautiful weather and additional activities brought a large crowd to Cow Days.

Homecoming Queen - Candace Chase has been crowned the 2010 GCHS Homecoming Queen.

Charged in meth sweep - Ten people were arrested in Green County on meth charges after a year long investigation.

Apple peeling winners - The Cow Days apple peeling contest was won by a mother-son duo, Becky and Cody Bloyd.

Sept. 20, 2000
Students to build vehicle - Green County Vocational School students have plans to build an electric car and enter it in a cross-country race.

A lot of ham and eggs - Cow Days visitors who enjoyed the

Rotary Club ham breakfast consumed 14 hams and 90 dozen eggs.

5K winners - Will Hodges won the men's 5K run at Cow Days. A new women's record was set by Tiaga Miller.

Football princess - Latisha Yates is the 2000 Football Princess at GCMS.

Sept. 19, 1990
Blakeman dies in accident - Charles Hught Blakeman died Sept. 13 from injuries received when his tractor overturned.

Successful Cow Days - Despite some rainy times, a large crowd enjoyed the festivities of Cow Days.

Taylor raises fish - Marshall Taylor began trout farming in 1981. He served his product to appreciative customers from his tent at Cow Days.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Perkins, 60 years, Sept. 23; Russell and Joyce Bagby, 30 years, Sept. 8; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jeffries, 55 years, Aug.

3; Mr. and Mrs. Verden Milby, 50 years, Aug. 2.

Sept. 18, 1980
Tractor-trailer jackknives - A rain-slick road was the cause of a tractor-trailer jackknifing on Columbia Hwy. injuring the driver James Bassinger.

Grocery merger - The Houchen's food store chain and Malone and Hyde plan to merge in 1981.

Hwy. 88 open - The Bailey bridge over Green River on Hwy. 88 is open to traffic.

Record pumpkin - James and Opal Edwards grew a 150 pumpkin on their Haskingsville farm. Edwards says this is the largest he has ever grown.

Sept. 24, 1970
Long Hunters tour - Buses will provide transportation for guided tours of historical places in the county during the Long Hunters Festival Oct. 10-11.

Tree survives blight - There is an old time Chestnut tree on the farm of Lucian

Vance, Old Salem, that survived the Chestnut blight several years ago.

Patterson wins award - GHS Drum Majorette Janet Patterson won the first place trophy in competition at Central City as best drum major-ette.

Sept. 23, 1960
New water fountains for school - Twelve additional cold water drinking fountains have been added at the Green County school to serve the large number of students.

Tate fund report - The fund to benefit the Tate family has reached \$1,477. Buddy Tate recently underwent surgery at a Detroit, Michigan hospital.

Boy injured - Wilbert Dean Edwards, 4, was injured when he fell from a moving tractor.

Polio case in county - Six-year-old Joe Turner is hospitalized with polio.

Cow Days

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Merchants had 64 other prize drawings that day too. They gave away gifts like a set of white plates, a twenty-pound bag of sugar, ladies stockings, a man's hat, a watch, one gallon of syrup, and a chicken.

Besides the giveaways and the 4-H Club animal shows, there were other events that day too: a junior bird house contest, a small four-person orchestra played music to entertain the crowd, and a Reverend made a plea for the crippled children of Kentucky. Several ladies and high school girls went through the crowd taking up a collection to support them.

After the one Jersey Day, the name changed to Cow Day. The event was so successful for the local merchants that it was held nearly once a month. Back then most people didn't go to town very often, so this was a good way to get them there on a regular basis.

Despite the popularity of a monthly Cow Day, it only lasted for a little while. The Great Depression began and hard times fell on everyone. No one seemed to have money. Cow Day came to an abrupt end for a long time.

It wasn't until 1973 that the new president of the Rotary Club, George Huddleston, brought up the idea to revive Cow Day. Everyone thought that was a great idea and decided right away there would be more big prizes to give away, including a Guernsey heifer cow. The Rotary Club also hosted the first big ham breakfast.

The following year, 1974, Cow Day began to grow. Instead of one day, there were three days of activities planned. That's when the festival became an annual event, held each fall. People still come from all around, even from all over the country. A lot of churches and families have homecoming at this time of year. It's a time of true togetherness for our town.

Annie the cow has her own unique story. In 1979, Rotary Club President, Gene Man- no, had the idea to have a life-sized cow that could really be milked. She was to be a symbol for Cow Days.

After a long search, the Rotary Club found a company in Sparta, Wisconsin that could make a fiberglass cow. Annie has four aluminum containers inside to hold the liquid and clear plastic tubes for the liquid to travel through. She isn't refrigerated, so real milk can't be used. Instead they used Kool-aid and Ski. Annie was designed after the 1977 Grand Champion Holstein and is patented in Washington D.C, so she is the only one of her kind in the whole United States. She is 41 years old now and has served as a wonderful mascot for our festival.

Cow Days has been an important, long-standing tradition here that we all hope will return next year. With involvement from families and young people in our community our favorite fall festival will go on for many years to come.

4th Kentucky visits Campbellsville



Members of the 4th Kentucky Volunteer Infantry participated in a Civil War drill at Campbellsville Aug. 28-29. The 4th Kentucky was invited to tour the Tebbs Bend Battlefield by Mrs. Betty Jane Gorin of the Tebbs Bend Battlefield Association. Pictured are members at the Atkinson-Griffin House, visitor center of the Tebbs Bend Battlefield now at Green River Lake State Park.

Photo submitted

CVS flu clinic set for Sept. 24

CVS pharmacist Meg Lewis PharmD will be providing a flu shot if no insurance. Weather permitting, this will be a clinic at Greensburg Cumberland Presbyterian Church Sept. 24, from 4-7 p.m. CT. Please bring insurance/Medicare card; cost is \$40 the community.

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When supporting Rotary Club projects you are helping fund projects including: \$5,000 in scholarships for local high school seniors each year; joining with the Summersville Fire Dept on large tent for civic events; sale of stuffed bears to eliminate polio and provide bears for first responders to give to kids; Annie the Cow's upkeep; Christmas lighting contest; Donation of \$500 to the local food bank; \$6,700 to the Rotary Foundation covering childhood diseases, clean water, maternal and child health; Angel Tree providing gifts for deserving kids at Christmas; chili and food for drug awareness week; food for football players for one night; and many more!