

## Letter to the Editor

### Dear Editor:

The only time many people pay attention to their local school board is when there's a tax vote, but school board members do much more than just setting tax rates.

Green County school board members, elected by the people, are responsible for our community's most precious resource and the key to its future – our children and their educational opportunities.

Maybe they serve to improve those opportunities for their children, maybe they do it to ensure our community is poised to meet the future with a highly educated workforce able to improve the local economy, or maybe they do it because they believe in the role public education plays in creating a better Commonwealth for all citizens.

However, whatever the reason, the Green County board members serve with minimal compensation and maximum effort. Board



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**January is School Board Recognition Month. Green County School Board Members are, from left, Mike McCubbin, Clevis Jeffries, Marcy Goff, Marshel Davis and Dan Hedgespeth.**

members spend hours reading materials and digging into reports to prepare for long, detailed meetings. State law requires members to obtain training on finance, ethics, leadership and other topics.

When changes are made at the state level, such as new graduation requirements, school board members look at their policies and bud-

get to decide how to meet the new requirements.

In addition, most importantly, school board members are members of the community; they must be prepared to answer questions about district operations at the grocery store or at the board table.

School Board Recognition Month in January is a good time to

recognize Green County school board members Marshel Davis, Marcy Goff, Dan Hedgespeth, Clevis Jeffries and Mike McCubbin for their work. It's my hope that the people in our community will take a few moments to thank them and to learn more about the work of our school board members who bear the tremendous responsibility of ensuring

the long-term success of our school system – and of our community's children.

**Sincerely,  
William L. Hodges.**

## Board

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"The voters in Green County have elected these local leaders, who work to give every child in every classroom access to high quality teaching and learning," said William L. Hodges.

"At a time when state and federal funding continues to shrink, our school board members haven't flinched in the face of the challenges or shied away from their responsibilities," he said.

"Our community can be very proud of this team of board members, and I'm proud to be their partner in striving for education excellence for our children."

## Clevis turns 70!



Photo submitted

Clevis Jeffries turned 70 last Friday. He celebrated via Facebook Live with a plethora of birthday cards, cupcakes and gifts. From friend Tim Darnell, Jeffries was gifted a special framed copy of the retirement article that appeared in the December 16 Greensburg Record-Herald. The display was framed by Green County's very own, Colvin's Frame Shop.

## Blakelynn's Blankets



Photo by Angelina Alcott



Blakelynn Begley, surrounded by Time Out employees, recently kick-started a blanket collection called Blakelynn's Blankets. The tiny pageant competitor, who currently holds Mini Miss Campbellsville Pageant Productions Spokesmodel, Little Miss Kentucky Photo Supreme, and Little Miss US Photo Supreme titles, wanted to create a community service project with the availability to expand. Currently, blankets are being collected in Taylor County, Adair County, and Marion County. The four-year-old has the collection box for Green County inside Timeout and each time the box fills, the blankets will be donated to Green County Community Action to be handed out as needed, left photo. Begley has a goal of collecting 100 blankets for Green County during the month of January. To donate a new blanket, drop off during Timeout's normal business hours.

Did someone celebrate a special birthday recently? Send it to us [news2@record-herald.com](mailto:news2@record-herald.com)



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