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Wright releases book

"Greensburg Memories – Life on Henry Street in the 1940's and 1950's"

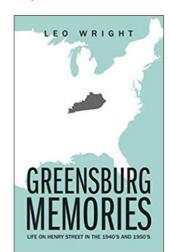
By Lanny Tucker

SPECIAL TO THE R-H

Leo Wright, a Green County native who now resides in Louisville, writes of growing up in his beloved hometown in "Greensburg Memories – Life on Henry Street in the 1940's and 1950's." This 554page book is published by Author House.

Wright lived on Locust Grove Road until 1942, when his family moved to Greensburg. He resided on Henry Street until leaving for college in 1954.

In this book, Wright shares numerous stories of a different era. It was a time when Greensburg



had auto dealerships and a train, when the square was crammed with businesses, when Greensburg had two 24-hour restaurants, and when home delivery of milk in quart bottles was made by the Haywood Mitchell

Wright is the son of A.T. "Tom" Wright and Morton Earl Blakeman Wright. For several years, his father was a mail carrier in the county (the route was won by bid). Wright tells of accompanying him. In addition to routine mail, they also delivered live baby chickens in cardboard boxes, and blocks of ice.

Wright's father was a policeman from 1958 until 1962. His mother was manager of the American Needlecraft.

Wright tells of the Needlecraft, the L & N Depot, the footbridge, the Hobson House, Durham Hardware, the three barbershops in town, and more.

One of Wright's

most vivid memory is Omar Shuffett returning home from World War II. Shuffett served in the Air Force. After being captured in the Philippines, he survived the 66-mile Bataan Death March and spent the next three years and four months enduring suffering and humiliation as a Japanese prisoner of war. Businesses were closed and schools were dismissed as thousands filled the square to welcome Shuffett home.

"Greensburg Memories" is available on Amazon, on the Author House web site, and will soon be at the Glover's Station Antique Mall.

Sunshine Week March 14-20

Let government know who's boss

By Ken Paulson

When government fails, it's the rare public official who says, "Oops. My fault."

That's human nature, particularly for officials in the public eye who may have to run for office again. No one wants to be held directly responsible for letting the public down.

Case in point is the recent catastrophe in Texas, when unexpected winter storms left 4 million homes without power, ruptured pipes and tainted the water supply for many.

Texas' energy grid essentially collapsed. While Texas Gov. Greg Abbott was quick to blame frozen wind turbines, the cause was much more complex than that. To truly understand how things went so terribly wrong will require time, study and research.

So, too, with the coronavirus vaccine

distribution. In this state and others, residents are frustrated with the slow rollout of vaccines. Is it poor distribution? Politics? A flawed strategy? These are literally matters of life and death.

But how do you get to the truth when public officials so rarely step up to take direct responsibility for failures?

The answer is public records. And public meetings. And access to the information that taxpayers deserve.

States throughout the country have laws that guarantee access to government records and meetings. But the details vary widely and there are many statutory exceptions. New challenges to access emerge every year in virtually every state.

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If you aren't shopping at this sale this week, you should be

The area's biggest seasonal children's consignment sale is preparing to set up their one-week-only pop-up consignment store this week. The one-stop shopping experience will fill the Bluegrass Sportsplex in Elizabethtown with children's items, all for sale on behalf of local families.

The sale starts Thursday.

Facial coverings and social distancing floor markers will be a part of the sale this season so that sellers and shoppers can participate and stay safe.

Just like the closets, toyboxes, garages, and basements of the families that sell their outgrown items at the Kentucky Kids Consignment Sale, the sale itself has been busting at the seams for the past several years. Held in Elizabethtown since 2004, this fall marks the third season that Bluegrass Sportsplex will host the sale.

A record-setting 875 families will bring over 90,000 items to spread across the soccer field & basketball courts of the 50,000 square foot space. That's plenty of room to showcase the infant to tween clothing, shoes, toys of all types, sports equipment, books, nursery and toddler furniture,



Photos submitted

The Kentucky Kids Consignment Sale is in Elizabethtown March 18-20 and has many sellers from the local area included in the 875 total sellers. Clothes range from infant to teen sizes and there is a plethora of toys, books, games, furniture, home decor, and more.

baby gear and more including household furniture & home decor items, while still allowing plenty of space for shoppers to stay physically separated from each other.

Green County's Christy Marr is a seasoned seller at the

"I've been a seller for several years," Marr said. "It's a great way to uncluttered my kids' closets and with that money, replenish their closets. Spending less on second hand items that are still in great shape makes more sense to me than spending a lot more buying them new."

After a few days of

setup, the event will be open to the public for shopping starting Thursday. Most of us are well aware that kids grow out of their belongings long before they are worn out. Kentucky Kids Consignment Sales sees this as a wonderful opportunity for parents and grandparents to clean closets, make some extra cash, and shop for new and like-new children's items in a way that keeps products and packaging out of landfills and support another family.

All items for sale are consigned by individual area families who prepare, tag and price their own items at home using an easy

online tagging system, which also tracks sales each day of the event for the seller to view. Sellers choose whether to discount items on the final day of the sale event whether they want unsold items returned at the end of the sale or donated to local community organizations.

The sale week schedule and procedures have been adjusted to ensure that the Kentucky Healthy at Work guidelines for retail can be met. Items are displayed with all similar sizes and types together to create an enormous store.

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