

Early Deadline

The Record-Herald Office will be closed Monday, Jan. 17 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day. The deadline for the Jan. 19 R-H will be Friday, Jan. 14 at 2 p.m. CT.

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Rescuers save lives during flooding Warn of water dangers

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New Year's Day started off with life-saving acts by Green County Emergency Services. During the flooding January 1, Major Bill Matney said Greensburg-Green County Fire and Rescue received a call that people were stuck on top of a car near the bridge at Coburg. "When we got there, we also saw a female had attempted to drive across the flooded bridge," Matney said. "The water had washed

her car off the roadway; she was out of the car." "We went right after her because she'd been in the water a long time," he said. "We could see her-- she was hanging onto a tree on the left side of the channel. We started working toward her. When Campbellsville got there with their boat, we were in a back-up position, ready to help." Another boat was deployed downstream to assist Campbellsville Fire Chief Chris Taylor's effort safely. "They didn't make it and got washed away, moving about a half a

mile," Matney said. "Chief Taylor barely got to save her," Matney said. "He got to her, they got her in the boat, but I didn't think he was going to make it out. He hit trees and logs. He is very fortunate he got to her—and she is very fortunate she is alive. The water was really cold and she was hypothermic." Three Taylor County Rescue personnel in a second boat ended up with more difficulties, including the rescue of one of their own after he was ejected from the boat in the rapid-moving water.



Photo submitted

Rescuers work to remove flood victims and get them to safety.

"The boat from Taylor was instrumental in saving lives," Matney said. "It's rare that rescuers end up in the water and not perish." The individuals trapped on top of the car were rescued safely. **See Rescue page 12A**

Snow turns Green County white



Photos submitted

Jett and Dezmond Garner enjoy the big snow that hit Green County and surrounding areas last week.



Stellan VanMeter, 17 month old son of Landon and Laura Beth VanMeter, wasn't sure what to think about his first snow.

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Blake Phelps, daughter of Colt and Taylor Phelps, enjoys her first Green County snowfall.

First Baby of 2022



Photo submitted

Waylon Mitchell Thompson is Green County Record-Herald's First Baby of the Year. Waylon was born January 4, 2022 at 7:47 p.m. to parents Taylor and Kelly Thompson at TJ Samson Community Hospital. He weight 6 pounds, 7 ounces, and was 19.5 inches in length. He is the grandson of Grant and Jasmine Lee and Thomas and Cindy Hughlett. This sweet baby boy wins numerous prizes from local advertisers worth hundreds of dollars for being the first baby of 2022.