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Green County's Area Technology Center (ATC) Principal Jordan Turner met with Kentucky State Representative Brandon Reed and U.S. Congressman Brett Guthrie last Wednesday. The ATC is helping many students become prepared for the work force upon high school graduation.

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Guthrie said that people are still concerned with Covid and the regulations surrounding the illness. "We want people

to be smart about it," Guthrie said. "Wear a mask if you need it, if you are sick, but I don't believe everyone should be required to wear a mask all the time."

Gas prices are another concern for

many people, Guthrie said.

"That is solely because of Joe Biden," Guthrie said. "There's no other way to say it. Laws are in place to allow drilling and production of oil and gas but the permits to



State Representative Brandon Reed (on the left), U.S. Congressman Brett Guthrie (third from left) and Todd Conley (right), representing the local Industrial Foundation, met with representatives and employees from Commercial Speciality Truck Holdings last week. CSTH is Greensburg's newest factory.

GC Fiscal Court approves Locust Grove Rd. Project

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Green County Fiscal Court, in a special called meeting Thursday, September 7, approved Resolution No. 09-07-2023 authorizing Judge-Executive John Frank to enter into an agreement between the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways, and Green County regarding the resurfacing of a portion of Locust Grove Road with state contingency funding to-

taling \$89,250.

"There is always a huge need for financial assistance from the State to help us in resurfacing roads. We maintain a list of the larger roads in the county that need resurfacing and we are constantly asking for assistance. That list currently exceeds \$750,000," said Judge-Executive Frank. "We are very thankful to have received \$89,250 to be used on Locust Grove Road. We were able to resurface one-half of the

road approximately two years ago. This project will finish resurfacing the entire road."

In other business, magistrates approved:

- (1) The Motor Vehicle and Watercraft Tax Rates for 2023 of 13.5 cents per \$100 of assessed value;
- (2) The Discretionary Funding Agreement;
- (3) The appointment of Ronald Curry to the Ambulance Board to fulfill the term of the late Devi Bradshaw;

- (4) The contract for janitorial services at the Judicial Center;

- (5) The first reading of the amended Administrative Code;

- (6) The boundary map for the County's magisterial districts.

Guthrie hosts roundtable on the drug overdose epidemic

Congressman Brett Guthrie (KY-02), who serves as the Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee Subcommittee on Health, brought together law enforcement officials on Thursday to discuss the overdose crisis and how law enforcement can help combat the drug overdose epidemic and keep illicit drugs off our streets.

"The United States tragically lost a record number of Americans to drug overdoses in 2022, most of which was driven by illicit fentanyl. In Kentucky, fentanyl poisonings have contributed to over 70% of all drug overdose deaths in the last three years. Law enforcement officers are on the frontlines everyday fighting to keep these poisons off our streets, and we must work together to prevent these tragedies. As Chair of the Health subcommittee, we are working to equip law enforcement with the tools they need to prevent overdose deaths entirely. This year, under my leadership, the House passed the HALT Fentanyl Act, which would permanently schedule fentanyl related substances as a schedule 1 drug to keep our communities safer. We're also working to schedule Xylazine, also known as TRANQ, as a schedule III drug to help prevent a new wave of the overdose epidemic from haunting our communities. I look forward to our continued partnership with state, local, and federal law enforcement to ensure we end

this crisis once and for all" said Guthrie.

Background:

In 2018, with Representative Guthrie's help, the Energy and Commerce Committee led the passage of the Substance Use Disorder Prevention That Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act (SUPPORT Act). This legislation provided access to substance use disorder treatment services for the most vulnerable seeking to overcome addiction. Specifically, the legislation provided coverage for certified opioid treatment programs for patients on Medicare and temporarily provided coverage of medication assisted treatment for Medicaid recipients.

The SUPPORT Act also included policies designed to prevent addiction entirely by through greater access to U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved non-addictive pain management alternatives for Medicare beneficiaries and strengthened coordination between the FDA and U.S. Customs and Border Protection to prevent illicit drug trafficking at our Southwest Border and through the mail.

H.R. 467, The HALT Fentanyl Act passed the U.S. House earlier this year and ensures the temporary scheduling of fentanyl-related substances will become to our continued partnership with state, local, and federal law enforcement to crack down on this illicit poison. Only two

milligrams of fentanyl can be a deadly dose, so it is critical to keep this out of our communities.



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WHEN: Friday, September 22, 2023

TIME: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Taylor County Extension Office
1143 S. Columbia Avenue
Campbellsville, KY 42718

Event Co-Sponsors:



You are invited!

The Senior Resource Summit event is designed to help guide seniors, their families, and caregivers on services and products that will enrich the lives of the aging population in our community.

More than 20 vendors will be available to answer your questions!

SPEAKERS

4:00 p.m. *How to Prepare for the High Cost of Growing Older*
John Dotson, Kentucky Elder Law, PLLC Attorney at Law

5:00 p.m. *Understanding a Hospital Stay Today – What to Expect from Admission to Discharge*
Taylor Regional Hospital Case Management

6:00 p.m. *Family & Consumer Science – Embracing Life as we Age*
Taylor County Cooperative Extension Service
AND
Understanding Hospice vs. Palliative Care
Hosparus Health and Pallitus Health Partners

7:00 p.m. *Pharmacy 101: Everything you need to know about Pharmacy*
Hometown Pharmacy and Eastridge Phelps Pharmacy

TO RSVP OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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