

Greensburg-Green County
A proud past — A promising future

Way Back When

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Two recognized posthumously - Two Green County World War II soldiers, Pfc. George Robert Cowherd, Jr. and Cpl. Harlon Haskins, received Congressional Gold Medals and other awards posthumously for their service as Tuskegee Airmen in World War II.

Head Start visits Road Department - Green County Head Start students visited the County Road Department and learned how the workers insure that roads are passable during winter snow storms.

Paul Harris Fellows - Greensburg Rotary Club members recognized Brad Hodges, Steve Curry, Walt Gorin, C.W. VanArsdale, Mike McCubbin, Gaye McCubbin, Lisle Cheatham and Jay Shofner as Paul Harris Fellows for donations.

Jeffries named finalist - Greg Jeffries was a top four finalist in competition at the 59th Annual Kentucky Auctioneer Convention.

Feb. 22, 2006

County receives federal funds - Green County was chosen to receive \$5,005 to be

used for heating assistance for the needy.

Rotary Valentine dinner - Greensburg Rotary Club members and spouses enjoyed a buffet dinner and gospel music sung by Anthony Meadows at the Feed Barn at Exie on Valentine's Day.

Homecoming Queen - GCHS Senior Samantha Jones was crowned homecoming queen.

Valentine's Day Royalty - Kyla Bale and Seth Hedgespeth were crowned king and queen at the Summersville Elementary School PTO Valentine's Day party. Ariel Wakefield and Ryan Pollard were crowned prince and princess.

Feb. 21, 1996

Change for FOL - When operations ceased at the Greensburg Fruit of the Loom plant in 1995, the facility became a parts and equipment distribution warehouse for the company's manufacturing facilities across the country.

Food bank - The Green County Food Bank, operated by the Green County Ministerial Association, will soon be in operation in the former jail area of the County Courthouse.

Anniversary - Mr.

and Mrs. J. W. Coakley celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary Feb. 16.

Academic Team wins - The Green County Middle School Academic Team won the Regional Championship by a 20 point margin in competition at Cumberland County Middle School.

Feb. 20 1986

Area digging out - With eight inches of snow on the ground, an additional ten inches fell on Friday bringing activity in the area to a stand still.

Truck wrecks near Exie - An Edmonton Manufacturing truck ran off the highway near Exie and snapped off a utility pole causing a loss of power for the area.

Mercury hits 75 - The temperature climbed to 75 degrees on Tuesday melting most of the snow that fell over the weekend.

Store building burns - The former Posey Grocery building on US 68 south of Greensburg was destroyed by fire.

Feb. 26, 1976

Broiler business in county - There were 21 broiler growers in Green County who produced 2,269,400 chickens for the Arpac Company of Corydon, Indiana during 1975.

Free phone service - Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Chaudoin and Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Hedgespeth of Donansburg have free phone service. Each family uses an old fashioned crank type phone with a line connecting their homes.

Bale celebrates birthday - John I. Bale celebrated his 86th birthday on Feb. 6 with family and friends.

Donansburg, Dolye Webb - Gary Robertson got a finger cut off at Pierce School.

Feb. 24, 1966

Grassfire - Green County firemen were able to control and extinguish a grass fire that burned over 25 acres of the O.P. "Beck" Hancock and Rufus Hancock farms.

Dudley dies in accident - Willie Ben Dudley, a seventeen-year-old GHS junior, was killed in a two-vehicle collision Feb. 12.

Price serves in W. Germany - Army Pfc. Henry S. Price was assigned to border patrol with the 14th Armored Calvary Regiment in West Germany.

Masons confer degrees - Greensburg Masonic Lodge No. 54 conferred Fellowcraft Degrees on Woodson Risen, Tommy Milby, Larry Jones and Rollin McQueary.



Presidential record holders

The presidency is the highest office an individual can hold in the United States. Though that's the same for everyone who earns a spot in the Oval Office, each presidency is unique, and some presidents have even set records during their time at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Shortest term

William Henry Harrison has the record for the shortest term in office. Inaugurated on March 4, 1841, at the age of 68, Harrison served for just 31 days. He was the oldest man elected president at the time, and he died from pneumonia shortly after winning the election. Historians believe Harrison perished from the illness after delivering a two-hour inaugural address in the freezing weather without a coat. James A. Garfield has the second shortest term, as he was in office only 199 days before dying from complications after being shot.

Longest term

Franklin D. Roosevelt spent more time in office than any other American president. FDR was elected four times, beginning in 1933. Roosevelt's lengthy time in office contributed to the ratification of the 22nd Amendment in 1951, which established term limits that limited presidents to two four-year terms.

Youngest president

Theodore Roosevelt had the honor of being the youngest president to take office. He assumed the presidency in 1901 following the assassination of William McKinley. Roosevelt was 42 years and 322 days old at the time. However, John F. Kennedy holds the record for the youngest person to ever be elected president. Kennedy was just 43 years and 236 days old at the time of his inauguration in 1961.

Oldest president

Joseph Biden is the

oldest person to hold the office of U.S. President. On his final day in office in 2025, President Biden was 82 years old.

Non-consecutive terms

Grover Cleveland and current American president Donald Trump are the only presidents to serve non-consecutive terms. Cleveland was both the 22nd and 24th Commander in Chief, while President Trump was elected in 2016 and then again in 2024.

Offered resignation

Richard Nixon is the only president to resign from office. After the 1972 break-in at the Democratic National Committee headquarters in the Watergate complex, Nixon's administration headed a massive cover-up, which revealed abuse of power and obstruction of justice and led Nixon to resign in 1974 to avoid impeachment.

Presidential impeachment

Three presidents had impeachments brought against them: Andrew Johnson, Bill Clinton and Donald Trump. In fact, Trump was impeached twice. However, none of the impeachments led to a president's removal from office, which requires a two-third vote from Congress.

Highest IQ

With a score of 175, Harvard University graduate John Quincy Adams is credited with having the highest IQ among American presidents. President Adams also was fluent in seven languages.

Physical characteristics

James Madison, the shortest president, was 5-feet-4-inches tall, but had the third-highest IQ. At 6-feet-4-inches, Abraham Lincoln was the tallest president. Lincoln and Warren G. Harding both share the title for having the biggest presidential feet, coming in at a size 14 shoe.

Mr. Bibb's Story



Green County Public Library Genealogy
Laura Johnson

Dr. Flemming J. Bibb was born September 30, 1838, on the family homestead three miles west of Greensburg. He was son of Robert Bibb and Sarah Durrett Bibb, both natives of Louisa County, Virginia. The Bibb family migrated from Monroe County to Green County around 1830.

His father, Robert Bibb, served briefly as a lieutenant in the War of 1812, until illness forced his discharge. Robert lived a long life, dying on January 24, 1882, at age 89. Flemming's grandfather, James Bibb, had been an orderly sergeant in the Revolutionary War and later a prosperous farmer and slaveholder. James lived to nearly age 100, and family tradition held that his father had emigrated from Ireland.

On his mother's side, Flemming descended from John Durrett and Patsey Bibb Durrett, also Virginians who settled early in Green County. The Durrettts were substantial farmers of Irish descent.

Growing up on a farm, Flemming received a solid education and even taught two terms of school before turning to medicine.

In 1862, during the Civil War, Flemming

began studying medicine. He graduated from the Kentucky Medical School in 1865, and later, from the University of Louisville. After completing his training, he returned home and established his practice in Green County, where he would remain for the rest of his days.

The 1870 and 1880 census records show him living with his aging parents, already established as a physician. His father's early advice, "Son, treat all alike, show no favors to the rich," became a guiding principle of his practice.

For thirty years, Dr. Flemming Bibb served the people of Green County with a reputation that bordered on reverence. A moving tribute published at his death recalled that: "His sympathy seemed to be with the poor and he has visited and continued to visit many families who never paid him a cent, yet he considered it an imperative duty to administer to the poor, helpless and distressed." Neighbors remembered that his very presence in the sickroom brought

comfort, and that his patients trusted him deeply both as a physician and as a man.

He was a devoted member of Pleasant Ridge Church, where he contributed generously to its ministries.

Dr. Bibb, at age 49, married Alice Hazell, age 32, in Metcalfe County on August 13, 1889. A Green County native, she was the daughter of Burr and Lucy Hazell.

A dramatic episode recorded in connection with Dr. Bibb occurred in September 1895, when he joined Drs. Graham, Hubbard, Risen, Williams, Lewis, and others in a desperate attempt to save Miss Lulu Cannon, age 17. The operation lasted two hours and removed a sixteen pound tumor that had grown for seven years. The newspaper reported: "She never regained consciousness, but passed over the 'river' with the fading gleam of the setting sun."

In February 1896, Dr. Bibb was reported to be confined to his bed with a severe fever. Though he improved for a time, he died a few months

later on July 13, 1896, at his home near Webbs. The cause was listed as intermittent fever and congestion of the stomach. He was laid to rest in the Bibb Cemetery on Highway 88, among generations of his family.

Dr. Flemming J. Bibb lived on the land where he was born, cared for the people who had known him since childhood, and upheld a family tradition of duty stretching back to the Revolution. His medical practice, grounded in compassion rather than profit, left an enduring mark on the Community.

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