

Community Garden even is April 25 at Greasy Creek

Greasy Creek Baptist Church will host a Community Garden on April 25 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. CT. Central Farmers Supply will be the local vendor

and there will be many giveaways. There will be free garden planning, maintenance advice, preservation advice, activities for children,

lunch and more. For more information, call 270-405-4900 or 941-286-4836. The pastor, Bro. Adam Scott, invites the community.

Scholfields to sing at Gods House

The Schofields from Jamestown Tennessee will be singing at "Gods House" in Mt. Sherman

on Sunday morning, April 12 at 11 a.m. ET. The church is located at 2323 Mt. Sherman

Ward Road, Magnolia, KY 42757. Everyone is invited to attend.

The life and mysterious death of Asa Akin

Green County has known its share of colorful, even shady, characters, but few of their stories have ended with such mystery as that of James Asa "Asa" Akin. More than eighty years after his death, there are still more questions than answers.

Born January 25, 1896, in the small northern Green County community known as Celery, Asa's parents were Fielding Richard Akin and Mary Lissie Scott Akin. At age nineteen, he married Lennie Thompson, age sixteen, on January 9, 1916. The ceremony was performed at Mt. Sherman by G. L. Pepper with Simon Ford and C. C. Bell acting as witnesses.

When the First World War called, Asa answered. He enrolled in the U.S. Navy at Louisville on July 16, 1918, serving as a Seaman 2nd Class, US-NRF. His service included 118 days at the Great Lakes Training Station from August to November 1918, followed by duty aboard a receiving ship in New York. He later reported to the Naval Demobilization Station in Pittsburgh.

By 1930, Asa was renting a home on Jefferson Street in Louisville, working as a machinist in the railroad shops. His wife and younger brother, Tommie, a Louisville police officer, were living in the household with him.

Sometime in the early 1930s, Asa returned to Green County. By age 43, he was living on a farm in the Eve community and working as



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a farmer. He and Lennie owned their home, valued at \$300.

During the 1930s and early 1940s, Asa operated a small store and filling station near the Green-LaRue County line. His name appeared in the local newspaper on May 30, 1935, when he was "picked up by Federal authorities... charged with handling and selling stolen products, such as sugar, lard, cigarettes, etc." It was the first public sign that his business dealings were drifting into dangerous territory.

More serious trouble followed during World War II when gasoline was rationed and federal regulations were strict. In May 1943, Asa was sentenced in federal court to one year and one day in prison for violations of gasoline rationing laws. He was convicted of making false statements to the War Price and Ration Board and selling gasoline without receiving coupons. Irregularities uncovered by investigators included falsified emergency transfer forms and a shortage of 847 gallons in his storage tanks. Asa pleaded guilty and received the minimum sentence.

The most dramatic chapter of Asa Akin's life came at its end. On March 31, 1944, his car was found overturned in Larue County with seven gallons of liquor inside. A warrant was

issued for him on a liquor transportation charge. Federal investigators who knew him personally later said they believed he was in danger.

On April 4, Asa walked into Citizens Union National Bank in Louisville and deposited seven checks totaling \$360. Strangely, he deposited no cash, though he was known to carry \$700 to \$1,000 on him at all times. After that day, no one saw him alive again.

On April 27, 1944, a body was pulled from the Ohio River near Brenner Lane and Cane Run Road. The police report noted the man "had received a lick on the head." With no identification, he was buried the next day in the Jefferson County Cemetery.

More than a month later, clothing and laundry marks finally revealed the truth: the body was James Asa Akin, age 48, of Creel, Kentucky. His brother Tommie identified him after the body was exhumed.

County police opened an investigation. Federal officers voiced their suspicions. But no one was ever charged, and no explanation was ever found, leaving Asa's family wondering what had happened to their loved one.

Asa Akin was buried in the Buffalo Cemetery in LaRue County. For some, he is remembered as a hardworking veteran and merchant; for others, as a man whose choices led him into conflict and to the unanswered questions surrounding his death.

Greensburg-Green County A proud past — A promising future

Way Back When

1966 – Lynn Wright and Larry Moran celebrated their birthdays with a party at the 88 Roller Rink

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April 12, 2006 Hail storm causes damage - The southwest section of Green County from Gabe to Bramlett was battered by three-inch hail. **Doughnut fundraiser** - Summersville Elementary School PTO sponsored a fund raiser of Krispy Kreme doughnuts. The event raised \$1,900 to benefit the students.

Garden show scheduled - The Cumberland Trace Farm, Home and Garden Show will be held April 22 and 23.

DeSpainis Rotary speaker - Local historian Joe DeSpain gave a history of taverns in the county at the Rotary Club meeting. Taverns were legally operated in Green County for 88 years beginning in the late 1700s.

April 10, 1996 Teens injured - Two local teenagers, Steven J. Bowles and Shawn Owens, were injured in a two-vehicle accident in Campbellsville Monday night.

Anniversaries - James and Alma Givens will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary April 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Corbin will observe 25 years of marriage April 14.

Egg hunt at park - Dozens of children and their parents participated in the Community Easter Egg Hunt at Legion Park.

Over the Trails, John H. Ewing, Jr. - Ned and Ted Higgaon and helpers burnt 1,000 yards of tobacco beds for their 1950 tobacco crop.

April 10, 1986 Illegal dumping a problem - Illegal dumping of trash remains a problem in the county.

Prom queen - Sherri Newton was crowned the 1986 Prom Queen.

Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Clark will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary April 20.

Park receives donations - The summer baseball and softball leagues at Green County American Legion Park received \$3,200 in donations.

April 15, 1976 Street lighting improvement - The Greensburg City Council voted to install new street lights on Court Street.

Mell, Helen Blaydes - I have been

visiting my children in Indiana. It was cold all the time I was there with frost and ice several mornings.

Fire at landfill - Firemen rushed to extinguish a fire at the Greensburg Landfill. Russell Milby had tried to push the burning trash into a pond before the firemen arrived.

H. E. Shively Jewelers ad - Jesse McKinney is a talented watch repairman. He has been employed by Shively Jewelers for 21 years.

April 14, 1966 Library Open House - The Green County Library will hold an open house at its new location April 17. The library was moved from the Old Court House March 21.

Party at roller rink - Lynn Wright and Larry Moran celebrated their birthdays with a party at the 88 Roller Rink.

Durham elected sports queen - Susan Durham was crowned the 1966 GHS Sports Queen.

Newt, Mrs. E. G. Pierce - Miss Mary Ann Simpson was the finder of the golden egg and prize money at Pierce Elementary School.

Auction

SAT., APRIL 11, 2026 - 10:00 A.M.
Susan Pendleton Estate & The Late Raymond Pendleton


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3.27 +/- ACRES SELLING IN 2 TRACTS WITH THE RIGHT RESERVED TO GROUP BUY 1 TRACT OR AS A WHOLE USING OUR COMPUTER RUN MULTI-PAR SYSTEM REAL ESTATE: 3.27 acres by a 2024 survey. The property has long road frontage on Black Gnat Road and it is suitable for many uses. TRACT B: 1.70 acres improved with a stone and vinyl sided house containing 2 bedrooms, bath, living room, eat in kitchen, enclosed back porch, plus an unfinished basement. The house has central H/A. Outside there is a covered patio with attached storage shed. Other Improvements consist of: a detached garage approximately 30' X 24'. A metal sided building with concrete floor approximately 32' X 40' plus an attached shed. A metal sided open front building approximately 10' X 20', a tool shed and shop approximately 104' X 32', a metal and wood sided building approximately 16' X 40' and a combination set of buildings including a Z-Lock building with attached drive through carport and the outside stove building complete with a Taylor Wood Stove. TRACT A: 1.57 acres, all open with scattered trees, and no improvements. This tract has an entrance on Black Gnat Road and it is suitable for many uses. INSPECTION: The auctioneers will show the property by appointment. Call 270-465-7051, or attend Open Inspection, Thursday, April 2, from 11:00 A.M. to 12 Noon. Your inspection is invited and appreciated.

PERSONAL PROPERTY: SUV: 2017 Nissan Rogue (auto, cloth interior, new battery, odometer showing 51,035). TRUCK: 1995 Ford F-Super Duty (XLT badge, Power Stroke Diesel, 5 speed, dump bed, odometer showing 150,040). TRACTOR: Kubota M4900 (FWA, hour meter showing 783, Bush Hog M446 loader w/bucket). MOWER: Dixon Grizzly zero turn mower (60" cut, hour meter showing 2073). **TOOLS & MISCELLANEOUS:** 16' bumper hitch trailer, Huskee wood splitter, miscellaneous hand tools, GE dryer, miscellaneous scrap, building cleanouts. Plus Lots Of Miscellaneous Items Too Numerous To Mention.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Conveniently located between Campbellsville and Greensburg, this property is suitable for many uses from a personal home to investment property. We invite you to take a look at this property, and make any arrangements necessary and come prepared to BID & BUY, Saturday, April 11, 2026, at 10:00 A.M. This property sells at absolute auction where you, the buyer, will determine the price. The personal property can be inspected 1 hour prior to the auction.

TERMS: REAL ESTATE: 10% of purchase price day of auction (a personal check with ID, cash, or cashier check), along with the signing of a Real Estate Sales and Purchase Contract and Lead Based Paint Waiver. The balance due with delivery of deed on or before May 26, 2026. Simulcast bidders must register and be approved for bidding prior to the auction. Simulcast bidders must sign the purchase contract in person or by electronic signature within 24 hours of the conclusion of the auction and their earnest money deposit must be paid in person or by wire transfer no later than 5:00 P.M. on the second business day following the auction. Additional terms shall apply to simulcast bidders. (See auctioneers web site for complete terms). **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** Cash or good check with proper ID, or Credit Card (with a 3% convenience fee & \$1,000.00 max) day of auction. Simulcast bidders must register and be approved for bidding prior to the auction. Simulcast bidders must pay for any purchases in person or by wire transfer no later than 5:00 P.M. on the second business day following the auction and before items are removed. Additional terms shall apply to simulcast bidders. (See auctioneers web site for complete terms). **NOTE:** A 10% Buyers Premium will be added to all winning bids on the real estate and personal property to determine the final sales and purchase price. ALL BUYERS NOT KNOWN BY KESSLER AUCTION & REALTY CO. MUST HAVE A BANK LETTER OF GUARANTEE ADDRESSED TO KESSLER AUCTION & REALTY CO. OR CERTIFIED FUNDS. **NOTICE:** Any announcement made by the auctioneer from the auction block on the day of sale will take precedence over any printed material or oral statement. In an auction sale, all property is sold As Is. Where Is with NO warranty expressed or implied by the sellers or auction company. The information in this ad is believed to be correct but is not guaranteed. It is the responsibility of each potential bidder to make their own inspections or investigations and to bid on their judgment of value. The real estate is available daily by appointment with the Auction Company prior to the auction to make or have made on your behalf any inspections you choose, including lead based paint.

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