

# Greensburg-Green County A proud past — A promising future *Way Back When*



This painting by Sylvia Collings, completed in 2006, depicts the old mill at Ote.

## Ote, where the well was sucked dry

The following excerpt is taken from "History Among Us" by Lanny Tucker, published in 2007:



Green County Public Library Genealogy  
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zer. It was named for Overton "Ote" Hatcher, a storekeeper at the former C.C. Mitchell's Store. A gentleman visited the store, wanting the name of the community for a map. The area didn't have a formal name, so Ote gave it one.

For many years, the store was a hub of activity. C.C. Mitchell's Store contained a post office, and barbershop. The general store was open until 1996 under the ownership of C.C. Mitchell's son, Willard. The Springdale Farm Dairy, operated by Haywood Mitchell, delivered milk to Greensburg High School. The Mitchell Mill started in 1910. And within a few years a corn crusher, grist mill, and flour mill were added.

The Mitchells are direct descendants of early Green County settler, Thomas Mitchell. His brother-in-law

was Thomas Crawford, whose wife was Jane Todd.

Slightly south of Ote was Moodyville, named for former residents of the area. Oral history indicates a tavern was located there, and evidence has been found indicating two blacksmith shops. North of Ote lays Candy Gap, where a traveling candy salesman is said to have been robbed and killed. And an early road to Greensburg concluded on what is now Hill Street.

The road on which Ote is located, Blowing Springs, derives its name from a feature which is discussed in William B. Allen's book: "About two and a half miles from Greensburg, on the Columbia road, is a very noted spring called the Blowing Spring, from the fact there is a continual strong current of air issuing from the cave out of which the spring runs. There is a large steam flouing and saw mill within forty yards of the mouth of the cave, and a large distillery being constructed..."

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SPECIAL TO THE R-H**

**May 10, 2006**

**Vote on Tuesday**

The 8,234 registered Green County voters are urged to go to the polls Tuesday. There are 3,199 registered Democrats, 4,844 Republicans and 191 others.

**National Day of Prayer**

Around 70 people met at the Old Courthouse to pray for our churches and families, media and education.

**Bennett is Rogers Scholar**

Daniel Rogers, a GCHS sophomore, was selected to participate in the Center for Rural Development's Rogers Scholar Program.

**Historical play in September**

"Lincoln's Other Mary - The Trial", written by Lanny Tucker and sponsored by the Kentucky Historical Society, will be presented by local talent in September.

**May 8, 1996**

**Two injured**

Billey Blaydes and Karla Burton were injured in a two-vehicle accident on Russell Creek Hill.

Ray wins "Run for the Roses" - Mikie Ray won the GES Run for

the Roses on his trusty stick horse Charlie.

**Track team ranked third**

GCHS boys' track team ranked third in the State Class AA competition.

**Prom royalty**

Reigning over the 1996 GCHS Prom were Queen Jessica Keltner and King Bryan Stilts.

**May 8, 1986**

**Newton awarded scholarship**

Sherri Newton, GCHS senior, was the first recipient of the Doug Ford Memorial Scholarship.

**Upcoming birthday**

Nettie Mars will celebrate her 86th birthday May 10.

**Teachers receive award**

Green County Head Start teachers, Pat Rogers, Maxine Judd, Delia Dehoney and Carolyn Buchanan, were honored with an award for seventeen years of outstanding service.

**Pierce, Mrs. L. W. Davis**

We have not had enough rain to wet the ground since the fifteen-inch snow in February.

**May 13, 1976**

**Costly vandalism at park**

The destruction of facilities at the American Legion Park was especially bad over

the winter and will be costly to repair.

**Jaycee of the Year**

Benny Montgomery was named the Jaycee of the Year at the annual banquet held at the TGT Clubhouse at Gabe.

**Showing at the Skyline**

Peter Fonda and Susan George starred in "Dirty Mary, Crazy Larry". "Vanishing Point" featured Barry Newman.

**Graham celebrated birthday**

Pearl Graham celebrated her 90th birthday with her family and friends.

**May 12, 1966**

**Curry retires**

L. G. Curry, Principal of GCES, retired after 38 years of service in the educational field.

**Moore raises flag**

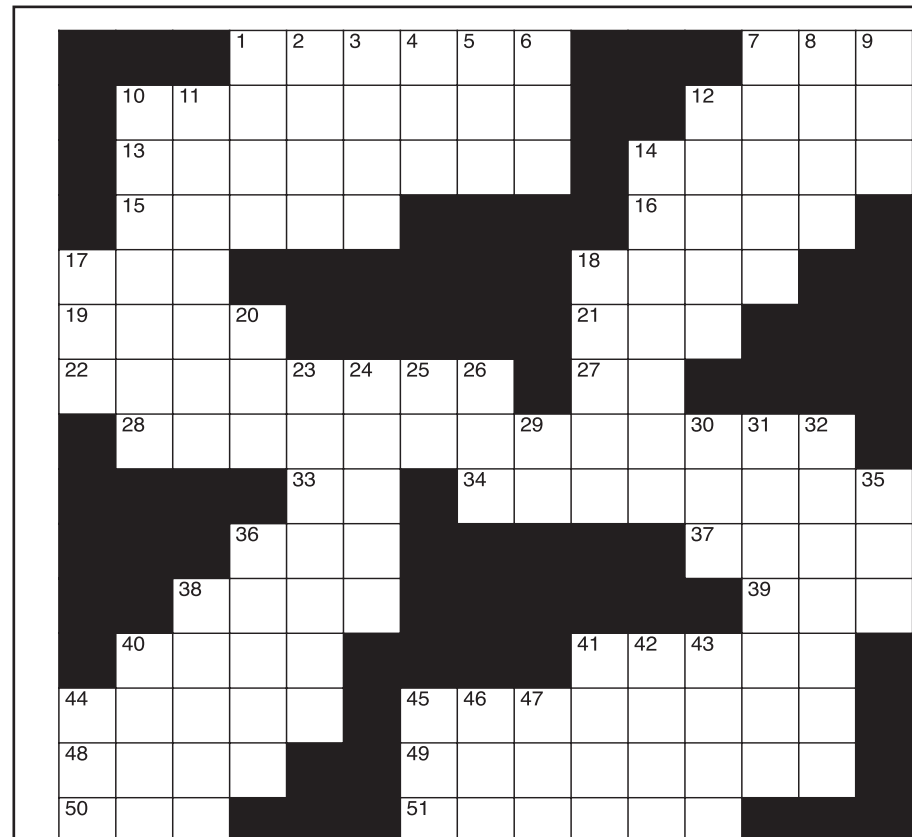
Marine Lt. Bill Moore raised the first American flag at the new Green County Library. Moore has recently returned from service in Vietnam.

**Track team claims trophy**

Coach Car Deaton's GCHS track team claimed the SKAC Championship trophy.

**Little Barren, Mrs. Robert Clark**

There is a lot of farm work being done now. The women folks are busy spring cleaning.



- CLUES ACROSS**
- 1. Large dung beetle
  - 7. Gambling game \_\_-lo
  - 10. Further along
  - 12. Type of tobacco
  - 13. Looked for
  - 14. Silk fabric
  - 15. Computer method to solve equations
  - 16. As fast as can be done (abbr.)
  - 17. Tear
  - 18. Brews
  - 19. "Famous" cookie baker
  - 21. Women's Army Corps
  - 22. Front parts of an animal
  - 27. It's causing quite a stir
  - 28. Beloved March holiday
  - 33. 12th letter of the Greek alphabet
  - 34. More impudent
  - 36. Indicates center
  - 37. Young woman (French)
  - 38. A cause of distress
  - 39. Santa's helper
  - 40. Hillside
  - 41. Many wombs
  - 44. Is afraid of
  - 45. Popular baked goods ingredient
  - 48. Popular computers
  - 49. Conceiving of
  - 50. Google certification (abbr.)
  - 51. Sturdy

- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Peruse quickly
  - 2. Automobiles
  - 3. Razorbill genus
  - 4. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
  - 5. Consumed
  - 6. A place to sleep
  - 7. Small seeds
  - 8. Legendary law man Wyatt
  - 9. Female sheep
  - 10. Indigenous peoples of eastern Siberia
  - 11. A place ships dock
  - 12. Reciprocal of sine
  - 14. Discomfort
  - 17. British Air Aces
  - 18. Exit sleep
  - 20. Solar energetic particle
  - 23. Plagues characterized by starvation
  - 24. Short musical composition
  - 25. Trauma center
  - 26. Habitual twitching
  - 29. A place where checks are exchanged (abbr.)
  - 30. Decameter
  - 31. Hinged surface in a wing
  - 32. Shouting
  - 35. Sports official
  - 36. Volcanic craters
  - 38. Supportive device
  - 40. It's part of a rosary
  - 41. Two-toed sloth
  - 42. Body art
  - 43. Let out
  - 44. Foreign medical graduate
  - 45. Nonprofit journalism organization (abbr.)
  - 46. Couples say it
  - 47. Bird's beak
- Answers on page 5A**

## SUDOKU

	9		2	1			5	
			3	7	6		9	2
6		4					3	
9		7			8	5	2	1
					3			
5		8						9
8				5		7	4	3
4	7		1					
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**Fun By The Numbers**

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

**Here's How It Works:**  
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

6	1	2	7	4	8	9	5	3
5	8	5	9	3	2	6	7	4
8	4	3	7	6	5	9	2	1
5	4	8	7	2	1	3	6	9
2	6	1	5	9	3	8	7	4
9	3	7	4	6	8	5	2	1
6	2	4	9	8	5	1	3	7
1	8	5	3	7	6	4	9	2
7	9	3	2	1	4	6	5	8

**ANSWER:**