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Trail of Tears Water Route Adventurer makes stop at Wickliffe waterfront

by Kelly Paul
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WICKLIFFE- The waterfront in Wickliffe got to play a part in history-in-the-making on the evening of July 10th and the morning of July 11th as expedition-adventurer Dale Stewart made an overnight stop while on his latest expedition featuring the Trail of Tears Water Route.

In the early morning hours of the 11th, Stewart told the tale about the "whats" and "whys" of his expedition. It was a unique opportunity to hear first-hand from such a renowned adventurer whose last expedition was living with the Mayan Indians. In his 25 years of going on adventures, this was his first one ever done in the United States.

Stewart said he had been planning this trip since August of last year. He had wanted to do something in the United States and began to do some research. Living in West North Carolina, he has had a lot of interest in the Cherokee Indians. He said he began talking to some friends and found out about the water route. "Most people know about the Trail of Tears; very few



Dale Stewart made an overnight stop at Wickliffe waterfront while on his latest expedition featuring the Trail of Tears Water Route.

Photo by Kelly Paul

people know about the water route," Stewart said. When he saw that the route had never been paddled, the adventure was on.

Stewart began his journey on June 18th when he set out from Chattanooga, TN. He went down through Alabama and back up through Kentucky and met up with

the Ohio River on his way west to the Mississippi River. It was here that he made an over-night stop in Wickliffe. On Wednesday, he set out headed down the Mississippi where he would stop at Columbus-Belmont Park to meet up with his film crew.

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Little Miss Petite and Little Miss/Little Master



Kloe Gorham

The Little Miss Petite pageant was held on Monday evening at the Ballard County Fair Grounds. Kloe Gorham was chosen as this year's Princess and Ella Sterling was Runner-up. Others that competed in the pageant were Lydia Grace Woodall and Trinity Williams.

The Little Miss/Little Master Pageant was also held Monday evening at the Fairgrounds. Brooke Newton was crowned Queen and Mikey Piper was crowned King. Haaven Holdman was given the title of Princess. Others that competed in the pageant were Johnna Riggs, Emily Dulworth, Kennady Alexander, Kenna Bodell, and Kylee Bodell.

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Brooke Newton and Mikey Piper

Farmer's Market highlighted at Chamber breakfast

Submitted by Jason Paul

LA CENTER - The Ballard County Chamber of Commerce held its monthly breakfast on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at the Bluegrass Restaurant. The guest speaker was Elaine Jarvis, President of Neighbors Unifying Ballard County (NUBC). She was speaking on behalf of the Farmers Market. Jarvis informed the Chamber members about the plans and goals of NUBC. One of the main goals is to unite all of the areas in Ballard County.

Jarvis stated that the Farmers Market can be used for other events than just selling produce. People can use the Farmers Market to sell their goods and wares or use it as a place to hold garage sale like items. Jarvis let the Chamber members know that there will be a kid's day/yard sale day called "Back to School" featuring gently used clothing on Satur-



day, July 21st. In October, there will be a Trick or Treat at the Farmers Market where kids can pick out their pumpkin and there will also be a costume day. The event will be called "It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown". In November, Jarvis plans on having a Christmas tree lot at the Farmers Market as a fundraiser for the food pantries and the local rescue squad. Jarvis further explained that the Market can be used for church functions and the church will not have to pay the daily use fee or even for car washes for

fundraisers for your group. Plans for the future include expanding the area to include a building, bathroom facility and a green house where the local 4 H club and Agriculture students can grow plants from seeds. Jarvis informed the chamber members that over 300 people attended the recent bazaar at the Farmers Market.

Other items discussed at the breakfast were as follows. Jackson Purchase ACA will now be called River Valley Ag Credit. Emergency Management Director Anita Bugg stated that Ballard County is still under a burn ban. Bugg invited the Chamber members to attend a water body and search rescue training at Drake Lake on Thursday, July 19th. Jerry Pace of the Industrial Board will be next month's speaker. The next breakfast will be held on August 14, 2012 at 7:30 am at the Bluegrass Restaurant.

Fiscal Court officially names Herschel Jones Bridge

by Kelly Paul
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WICKLIFFE-The Ballard County Fiscal Court held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 17th. Visitors to the meeting included Stanley Hunt with the Cemetery Board and Jane Cooper with the Fair Board. Hunt was at the meeting as a representative of the Cemetery Board, and Cooper was at the meeting to express the Fair Board's gratitude for the Fiscal Court's role in the construction of the new concession stand at the fairgrounds.

Michael Clarke of the Ambulance Department gave the ambulance report, which included 86 calls. He says call volume has remained the same, averaging in the upper 80s. Clarke asked that the Fiscal Court approve a program that would aid in processing forms, doing inventories, and helping with other clerical matters pertaining to the Ambulance Department. The Fiscal Court approved the program at a cost of \$2,100 a year.

Clarke also asked that the Fiscal Court consider adopting a camera system for the ambulances. This would aid the department in the event they are ever involved in a law suit such as the one in Carlisle County where a family is suing the Carlisle County Ambulance Department alleging that the department had responded slowly to an accident



in which a family member had died. Ballard County Attorney Vicky Hayden said, "From a legal standpoint, it [the camera system] is a good idea." Judge/Executive Vickie Viniard contended, "It would eliminate the 'who did what?'" The Fiscal Court unanimously approved purchasing 3 cameras at a cost of \$1,200 a piece to be mounted in county ambulances.

Emergency Management Director Anita Bugg informed the Fiscal Court of a mandatory NIMS (National Incident Management System) training that needs to be completed by Sept. 15. This training needs to be completed by the magistrates and other agencies involved in Emergency Management. Failure to complete the training will result in the denial of future Federal grants.

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Doom wins 1st place champion in Contest Showmanship II



Holly Doom is the daughter of Michelle & Wade Doom & sister of Trevor Doom of Barlow KY. She is the grand-daughter of Roy & Jackie Steele of LaCenter, Rose Knoth of Benton, & Holland Doom of Smithland. Holly qualified to attend the Ky State 4H Horse Show in Louisville thru the District 7 4H show in Murray Ky by placing 3rd in Contest Showmanship II and scoring qualifying runs in all events & scoring placing ribbons for State. While attending the 4H Ky State Horse Show in Louisville July 4-5, Holly became the 1st place cham-

pion in Contest Showmanship II out of 45 entries for Kentucky, winning two blue ribbons & a championship belt buckle! She also placed 13th in Contest Poles II. Overall, she ended the two days with one Champion blue ribbon, another blue ribbon, two red ribbons & one white ribbon! For her 1st year competing at State, she represented Ballard Co & Western Ky Very Well!! We are Very proud of her!

We want to extend a Huge Thank You to everyone who helped Holly prepare, we appreciate all of you!

School Clothes Vouchers Aug. 4

The Ballard County Welfare Association will be issuing School Clothes Vouchers on Saturday, August 4, 2012 beginning at 7:00am at the "Bomber Back-to-School Bash" in the Ballard Memorial High School band room. A parent or legal guardian MUST apply for the vouchers. To qualify for the vouchers you must have a child that attends school in Ballard County grades Preschool through 12th, have a Kentucky Medicaid card or meet the income guidelines. Please note change: Preschool children WILL be included if they qualify.