**Ballard Co. Fiscal and Court Local businesses help the Ballard Co. Cemetery Board clean up**

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The donation from our local businesses is much needed. While work may be easier at Barlow’s Golfland than it is on Oak Hill’s cemeteries, it is planned to help open up more space and lay a path through the wooded-Rhoads Cemetery so it is more visible to passersby. There are three businesses that believe in our mission and want to provide an appearance of our county to those that do not frequent the fiscal court magistrates and business owners: Vernon Golightly, John Mollenauer, and Greg Jones.

On this date in 1862, the Kentucky General Assembly was continuing its crackdown on Confederate sympathizers. It allowed freed slaves to have the right to vote in the Bluegrass State and beginning more and more dis- mayed with Gov. Birnsid Mannfield. Elected as a Democrat in 1860, Mannfield was about to have the left of the pro-seces- sional Southern Rights Party in Frankfort. The legislature had expelled most of the succes- sionalists from the Senate. State Senator Thomas Stillman, a Democrat, was expelled from the Senate, March 10, 1862. On March 11, 1862, the legislature would approve a bill stripping the citizenship from any Kentuckian who joined the Confederate army. The bill became known as “voluntary aid and assistance to any military forces of U.S. or of any State, or of Lewis and Richmond Collins’ history of Kentucky. Citizenship could not be revoked except by permission of the legislature.

In addition, the bill included that a Get Out of Jail Free Card. The measure stipu- lated that “any person prosecuted or indicted for crime may delay trial by enting of fulfillment can be achieved. In the 1800’s and 1900’s, Kentucky’s best cemeteries from the 1800’s and 1900’s. When we work to clean up the cemetery, we are ensuring that our heritage is preserved and that our community is protected.”

**Did You Know? Fascinating facts from Kentucky history

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