

Fatal
 driver's side portion of her vehicle causing it to overturn.
 The ongoing investigation is being conducted by CVE Officer Mark Puckett. HWY 30 was shut down to traffic from Egypt Welchburg Road (KY 3443) to HWY 421 for several hours while officers reconstructed the accident. McDaniel, a 70-year-old An-nville resident, was pronounced deceased at the scene by the Jackson County Coroner's Office.

Judge
 will do for our county.
 We currently have auditors working on our FY-18 Audit. Things are going well in this audit and I don't anticipate the process to take as long as it has in the past. We were happy that the State Auditor's Office released us to hire our own independent auditor this year and count that as a vote of confidence towards our office. We are still working hard to correct any issues that we had in past audits and have made great progress towards that very thing. The FY-17 Audit was the first one we have had in several years that form an official opinion on. That's a good thing and we won't to keep that going.

I intend in the next few months to examine our community needs. With the 2020 Census around the corner, we will be preparing to educate everyone on how to complete the Census and the importance of an accurate count of population for our county. Population has a lot to do with opportunities a community can grasp. I also intend to move forward with our application to move up from a "Work Ready Community in Progress" to a "Work Ready Community". This will not be an easy or overnight task by no means, but it is attainable through hard work and dedication.

I would like to encourage everyone in the coming year to show pride in their respective neighborhood. I believe most of our citizens want to have a good appearance to those that travel through or visit our county. This year we may try to even introduce some type of recognition for the cleanest and most attractive community in Jackson County. This is an idea I have been throwing around in my head that might promote some cleanup for our county. I'm open to ideas for this type of contest and would be glad to hear from anyone on this.

God Bless

Scholar
 than me on a holiday of thanks," Johnson said. "It helped me understand what life is like in the county around me and that I can do a lot to help."
 The local food bank normally serves around 400 families per month, but the need for donations increases dramatically over the holidays.
 Johnson, through her "Show Your Thankfulness by Donating to the Jackson County Food Bank" campaign, collected 810 food items (with an estimated value of \$1,849) and more than \$200 in donations for families who otherwise might not have had a Thanksgiving dinner.
 "She collected more items by herself than any other donor has" for the Jackson County Food Bank, said food bank founder Joyce Marks.
 Johnson partnered with Rite Aid of McKee, Jackson County High School, An-nville Baptist Church, Letterbox Baptist Church, Jackson County Food Bank, Joyce Marks, Jackson County Judge-Executive Shane Gabbard, David Wilson, Walgreen's Corporation, and Appalachian Wireless to carry out the Rogers Scholars community service project.

"I want to thank everyone who helped make this project so successful, whether it was through donations, helping to deliver food, or getting the word out," Johnson said. "I would not have been able to do this project without the training from Rogers Scholars."
 Johnson, daughter of Tony and Tammy Johnson of An-nville, graduated from the 2018 Class of Rogers Scholars.
 Rogers Scholars—The Center for Rural Development's flagship youth program—is an intensive one-week summer camp that provides valuable leadership experience and exclusive college scholarship opportunities to help

rising high school juniors in Southern and Eastern Kentucky seize their full potential as the region's next generation of leaders and entrepreneurs.
 For more information about Rogers Scholars, contact Allison Cross, community liaison and youth programs coordinator, at 606-677-6019 or email across@centertech.com. Visit www.centeryouthprograms.com to learn more about the Rogers Scholars program.
 Established in 1996 through the vision of U.S. Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers, (KY-05), and other leaders, The Center for Rural Development is a nonprofit organization fueled by a mission to provide leadership that stimulates innovative and sustainable economic development solutions and a better way of life in Southern and Eastern Kentucky. In its 45-county primary service region, The Center provides innovative programs in leadership, public safety, technology, and arts and culture. The Center is committed to constantly expanding its capabilities in order to deliver a range of key services throughout Kentucky and the nation.

Review
 He is joined by Rep. Suzanne Miles, R-Owensboro, who was elected Majority Caucus Chair, and Rep. Chad McCoy, R-Bardstown, who was elected Majority Whip.
 We lawmakers spent the rest of the week receiving committee assignments, adopting House rules of procedures, attending training seminars, and addressing an election contest involving one district seat. We also got down to the people's business—filing bills and resolutions on issues affecting the Commonwealth.
 A few legislative leaders have said that public pension reform is likely this session. Should a new pension bill be considered, it remains to be seen whether that

legislation will be a new pension fix or will look similar to previous legislation. Many lawmakers have expected to revisit the pension issue since late last year when SB 151 was ruled unconstitutional by the state Supreme Court. On a positive note, a Public Pensions Working Group has been formed, consisting of a bipartisan group of legislators, including Rep. Travis Brenda, R-Crab Orchard, a public school teacher in Rockcastle Co.

Tax changes could also be considered in the days ahead. House proposals to exempt certain taxes placed on educational, charitable or religious nonprofit institutions and to increase the state income tax exclusion for pensions to \$41,110 have been filed. It is uncertain whether or not more comprehensive tax reform will be taken up in the weeks ahead.
 A House proposal to legalize medical marijuana made it into the official session record this week after a bipartisan group of State Representatives filed a bill that would legalize the use of state-regulated medicinal marijuana by qualified patients. A proposal to legalize the possession, use and purchase of state-regulated cannabis, or marijuana, has also been filed this session in the Senate—yet both of these bills face some obstacles.
 The fact that medical marijuana is still outlawed at the federal level regardless of its legalization in some states is a concern to some lawmakers. A House resolution has been filed this session asking the federal government to set standards for "the safety and efficacy of the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes." It will be worth watching to see how much momentum the medical marijuana issue gains as this session moves along.
 School safety is also on our minds as we start off 2019. Bills related to school safety

have surfaced in both chambers, with legislation introduced this week in the House that would change current law to allow persons with a carry concealed deadly weapon (CCDW) license to carry concealed on the grounds of an elementary or secondary school or a college or university. The Senate, meanwhile, has made school safety its top priority this session by naming comprehensive school safety legislation as Senate Bill 1.
 This is just a sampling of the more than 200 bills filed so far this session. More legislation will be filed in coming days, with many bills and resolutions moving from committee on to the floors of the House and Senate for a vote in the weeks ahead. Legislative action is scheduled to resume the second week of February when we lawmakers return to the Capitol from our planned post-organizational break.
 You are invited to stay informed of legislative action on bills of interest to you this session by logging onto the Legislative Research Commission website at www.lrc.ky.gov or by calling the LRC toll-free Bill Status Line at 866-840-2835. To find out when a committee meeting is scheduled, you can call the LRC toll-free Meeting Information Line at 800-633-9650. If you would like to share your comments or concerns with me or another legislator about a particular bill under consideration this session, you can call the toll-free Legislative Message Line at 800-372-7181.
 Thank you for the opportunity to serve you in the Kentucky House of Representatives and to work together to improve both our district and all of Kentucky.

Sheriff
 go out to the family of the victim as well as the other involved party. God be with them during this difficult time.

Law enforcement officers respond to a volume of calls each week. Many times they are alone when they encounter dangerous individuals who would bring harm to them. The equipment we carry often keeps us safe in dangerous situations. We try to utilize professional demeanor, good communications skills, tact and diplomacy in every situation. At times, however, the situation requires us to utilize escalating levels of force, depending upon the circumstances, in order to survive while taking necessary enforcement action. Dangerous dogs, drunken and disorderly people, family disputes and high-risk warrant service is always a concern for our officers, but we maintain calm and try to do the right thing, the right way. Still, it is encouraging when someone from the public shares their appreciation with our personnel. Thank you.

We are investigating a high number of traffic accidents lately. I'm not sure what the primary cause is, but in nearly every accident someone did or failed to do something that resulted in the traffic accident. Thankfully, most accidents are relatively minor with no injuries. Still, we want to remind the public to wear their seat belts, avoid any type of distractions and slow down, particularly if the road surface is wet. It is much better to be safe than sorry.

Last week the Jackson County Sheriff's Office responded to eighty-five calls for service. We investigated ten traffic accidents, opened two criminal cases and made two criminal arrests. Our court security team continues to do a great job in the court room, serving papers and transporting prisoners. I am very pleased with the personnel in this office and I appreciate their work. We pray for protection and safety for our officers and those we encounter. God Bless

Fiscal Court Holds First Regular Meeting of New Year
 Jackson County Fiscal Court held their first regular meeting of 2019 on Thursday, January 10 at 1:00 pm. After devotion and the Pledge of Allegiance, Jackson County Judge Executive Shane Gabbard called the meeting to order. County Clerk Donald "Duck" Moore read the minutes of the last meeting which were approved. After the judge's report, district reports, the sheriff and jail reports, the sheriff's 2018 4th quarter report was approved along with the sheriff's 2019 budget.
 Being the first meeting of the new year, several appointments were made by the Fiscal Court. Earl Smith was appointed as dog warden for a four year term. Road supervisor, Robbie Belt, was appointed to a four year term. Jason Thomas was appointed as Solid Waste/Pride Coordinator for another four year term. Craig Bowles was appointed to a four year term as 911/EMS Coordinator. Jodi Gabbard and Rhonda Thompson were appointed to a four year term on the Jackson County Public Library Board. Jody Britton was appointed to a four year term as IT Director. Trash control officers were appointed for a four year term is Daniel Isaacs, Zack Bryant and Bobby Edwards.
 The Fiscal Court approved to give each local fire department \$2,500 each from the LGEA Funds. They also approved to pay Daniel Mathis Jr upon completion of the Community Kitchen repairs.
 The Fiscal Court set the time and date for the 2019 Fiscal Court meetings for the second Thursday of each month at 1:00 pm. They also approved to update the administrative code vacation time policy. The treasurer's 2nd quarter report was approved, as was the treasurer's bills and transfers. The next Fiscal Court meeting is set for Thursday, February 14 at 1:00 pm.

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