

May

The Center helps to raise approximately \$1,000 to benefit God's Food Pantry: On May 24, The Center hosted a luncheon to benefit God's Food Pantry. Together, with Clear Channel Radio and Cellular One, approximately \$1,000 was raised, with all proceeds going to God's Food Pantry.

The keynote speaker was Reggie Hanson, assistant UK men's basketball coach. Hanson played for Pulaski County High School for coach Dave Fraley, who also made an address during the luncheon.

Lunch was catered by Johnny B's Bar-B-Q.

Tim Ball named customer service manager for Public Safety: The Center welcomed Tim Ball to the Public Safety team as customer service manager on May 9.

"I am anxious to help fulfill The Center's mission as the customer service manager of the Public Safety Department. The Center is doing so many wonderful things through the LET Project and it is rewarding to know that I will be a part of such a beneficial program," said Ball.

According to Lonnie Lawson, President and CEO of The Center, Ball will provide communication between The Center and the law enforcement agencies in the 42-county service area. He will also handle project management duties in regard to completion of the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), a component of the Law Enforcement Technology (LET) Project.

CenterNET2 presented Law Day: During the month of May, CenterNET2, the new updated videoconferencing technology offered by The Center, presented UK's College of Law to 24 area high school students on May 9, 10 and 11. The 15 students from Corbin High School and nine from Monroe County High School joined in for the live videoconference with experts from the UK College of Law.

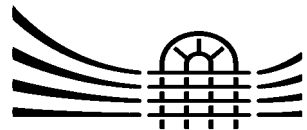
These students, who are interested in pursuing a career in law, had the opportunity to participate in three topics including "music copyright," "forensic law" and "basics of civil dispute resolution."

The University of Kentucky is planning more "virtual field trips" to be offered this fall.

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- On Friday, May 6, Wal-Mart donated \$1,000 to The Center for its community service projects. This was a part of Wal-Mart's Good Works effort.
- SEKTA presented Kathy Melton of Albany, with the first 511 state park overnight stay get-a-way. She is the first winner out of 12 to be named. To register, Melton simply mentioned the ad in Kentucky Living Magazine after calling 511 and asking for tourism.
- PRIDE recognized exceptional contributions to the environment of Southern and Eastern Kentucky at the Fifth Annual PRIDE Envi Awards on May 16. Approximately 700 people attended the event at The Center. The winners were: Boston Elementary School, Elementary School Campus of the Year; North Laurel Middle School, Middle School Campus of the Year; Southwestern High School, High School Campus of the Year; Lake Cumberland Community Action Agency Head Start, College/Community Project of the Year; Higgins Blair, Tony Turner Volunteer of the Year; Whitehouse Homemakers Club, Rogers-Bickford Environmental Leadership Award and Tom Biebighauser, Kentucky PRIDE Award. WYMT-TV will broadcast the awards program at 7 p.m. ET on June 20 and KET will air the show at 9 p.m. ET on June 28.



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Review a look ahead... Preview

June

Communications enhanced between Law Enforcement, Fire, and EMS services: John Parker, project manager for the Mobile Data Expansion Project for Fire and EMS for The Center, has scheduled **Joint Application Development** sessions for the 42-county service region.

These meetings are **information gathering sessions** used to document the business requirements for the wants and needs of the 42 counties ensuring the selection of a **software application** that reaches the goal of improved **communications** between Law Enforcement, Fire, and EMS services.

There will be two sessions at **The Center** on **June 13** and **14** as well as the **Rural Law Enforcement Technology Center** in **Hazard** on **June 15** and **16**.

These efforts are made possible through **homeland security grant money**.

Volunteer Appreciation luncheon to be held at The Center: On **Thursday, June 30** from **11:30 – 1:30 p.m.** The Center will host a luncheon to show **appreciation** for all their **volunteers**.

"We appreciate all that our volunteers do for us throughout the year," commented Nancy Phelps, The Center volunteer coordinator. "We can count on them to be there whenever we need them. They are such a pleasure to work with."

The theme for this year's event will be "**It's Fair Time!**" **Prizes** will be given during the **festivities** and **special awards** will be presented to those volunteers that have accumulated a certain number of **service hours**.

Lunch will be provided by **Shaffer's Catering**. Staff members will be assisting with the event.

Invitations will be sent to all volunteers.

First Class of Rogers Scholars arrives June

19 - 24: The Center will welcome the **first class of 2005 Rogers Scholars** on **June 19**.

The week will begin with **Center tours** and include a **welcome reception**, **leadership** activities, **etiquette**, **ballroom dancing**, a presentation by **James Malinchak**, activities at the local **YMCA** and concluding with **graduation** on **Friday, June 24**.

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- New Horizons Learning Center, in partnership with The Center will offer **IT technical certification programs** during the week of **June 6-10**. The following classes are offered: **A+ Hardware** or **Operating Systems, Net+**, all **MCSA** classes and all **MCSE** classes. Classes will meet in The **Center classroom** located on the second floor from **8 a.m. until 5 p.m.** For more information, or to register, call New Horizons Learning Center at 877-845-6394 x232.
- The Center will host the monthly **Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce** meeting on **Tuesday, June 7** at **12 p.m.**
- The **Kentucky Young Republican Federation Annual Convention** will be held at The Center on **June 3** and **4**. Statewide officers will be selected during this meeting. **Fifth District Congressman Hal Rogers** (KY-05) will be the keynote speaker during the luncheon on **June 4**. Contact **Jeffery Edwards** at jee_11@yahoo.com to RSVP.
- **UNITE** will be showing **Choices, the Sam Catron** story on **June 13** at **7 p.m.** in The **Center theatre**. Food and drinks will be served during a **reception** starting at **6 p.m.** along with entertainment by a **jazz band**. Seats are on a first-come-first-serve basis. To request **tickets** contact Rosie at **677-6179**.