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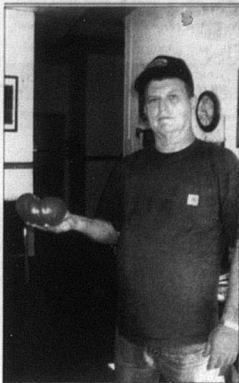


Photo by Joshua E Harper

Mr. Joe Ratliff showing his three pound Super Steak Tomato

Three pound Super Steak tomato belongs to Joe Ratliff. This big whopper was in his garden on Cliffway Drive.



Photo by Charles Mattice

A New Pet

Chelsea Bowman from Cynthiana said she enjoyed herself this weekend at the 227th Blue Licks Battlefield Commemorative event. Chelsea took home a new pet rabbit, which her mother purchased from one of the vendors at the park.



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I Scream For Ice Cream

Isiah Johnson, of Carlisle, enjoys ice cream in the shade of his front porch during a hot summer afternoon.

American Cancer Society

The American Cancer Society is currently funding more than \$1,163,000 in cancer research in Kentucky. The money goes to six grants currently in effect at various institutions including the University of Kentucky, University of Louisville and Hospice of the Bluegrass. On August 1, 2009, three additional grants totaling \$57,000 will take effect. This year alone, 24,000 people in Kentucky will be diagnosed with cancer, and 9,410 will die from some type of the disease. The American Cancer Society funds and conducts groundbreaking research that helps scientists understand cancer's causes, determine how best to prevent it, and discover new ways to cure it. As the largest private source of cancer research, the American Cancer Society has played a role in many major cancer breakthroughs, including chemotherapy, Pap tests, and mammography.

Lexington Bluegrass Association

Residential real estate sales by members of the Lexington Bluegrass Association of REALTORS® (LBAA) positively impacted the Nicholas County economy in 2009 as of June 30 with 12 reported sales totaling \$729,861. Sales continue to be a driving force in the Nicholas County economy when considering the multiplier effect on the area of buyers and sellers who purchase appliances, carpet, flooring, landscaping, etc. in response to their transaction needs.

Average days on market plummeted in June 2009 vs. June 2008 and year-to-date 2008 vs. 2009, falling 55% and 52% respectively. Inventory increased in Nicholas County 57% in June 2009 vs. June 2008.

As the region's leading advocate for homeownership, Lexington Bluegrass Association of REALTORS® understands the value and joy of owning a home. LBAA represents more than 2,300 REALTORS® located in Anderson, Bourbon, Boyle, Clark, Fayette, Franklin, Garrard, Harrison, Jessamine, Madison, Meigs, Montgomery, Scott and Woodford Counties. Visit www.lbaar.com or call 858-276-3503 for buying and selling resources and real estate listings. For additional information please contact Elaine Hanga, LBAA executive vice president, (858-276-3503) or via e-mail, Elaine@lbaar.com.

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<p>2003 Ford Explorer</p> <p>Low Miles, Low Payment</p> <p>was \$189 payment "0" down</p>	<p>2000 VW Beetle</p> <p>Hard-To-Find Manual Transmission, Lady Driven</p> <p>was \$198 payment "0" down</p>	<p>2002 Chevy Trailblazer LS</p> <p>Driven only 6,700 miles per year</p> <p>was \$245 payment "0" down</p>
<p>2002 Cadillac DHS</p> <p>Cadillac Luxury at a Low Payment</p> <p>was \$188 payment "0" down</p>	<p>2003 Chevy Tahoe LTZ</p> <p>Navigation, Sunroof, Backup Camera and Much More, Local Trade-In</p> <p>was \$50,000 now \$39,700</p>	<p>2003 Mitsubishi Eclipse GTS</p> <p>Drifter Special - Loaded</p> <p>was \$252 payment "0" down</p>
<p>2005 Cadillac CTS</p> <p>Sporty Luxury, Lady Driven</p> <p>was \$269 payment "0" down</p>	<p>Manager's Special</p> <p>was \$345 payment "0" down</p>	<p>2007 Dodge Nitro S1T 4x4</p> <p>Every Option Available, New Tires</p> <p>was \$345 payment "0" down</p>
<p>2007 Mazda CX-7</p> <p>Turbo Crossover</p> <p>was \$293 payment "0" down</p>	<p>2003 Ford F-250 Supercab</p> <p>Super Duty Diesel, 4x4</p> <p>was \$18,900 now \$16,980</p>	<p>2004 BMW X3-16</p> <p>German Engineered SUV</p> <p>was \$312 payment "0" down</p>

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