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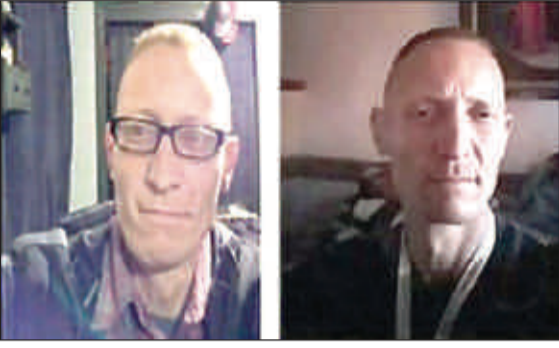
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Brian Scott

Deputies search for missing Pendleton man

BY CHRIS BROOKE
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Henry County Sheriff's deputies continue to search for a 39-year-old Pendleton man who has been missing since Feb. 10, after a member of his family made a missing persons report Feb. 14. Brian Michael Scott's family sought help after not hearing from him as usual through phone calls or posts on Facebook, according to Deputy Chase Dewitt. The sister advised the last time Scott had been seen was when his friends were giving him a ride in Henry County Feb. 9.

"He freaked out, told them to stop the car, jumped out and ran into a field on [Ky.] 146," Dewitt said.

Camera footage showed that Scott went to the Pilot station in Pendleton Feb. 10 at 4:30 a.m.

At that time, a nude man knocked on the door

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Junior Leadership creates county slogan

BY CHRIS BROOKE
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All it took for Henry County to adopt a slogan was a brief presentation by the young people in Henry County Junior Leadership to fiscal court Feb. 20.

As the eighth grade students from Henry County Middle School go through an abridged version of Leadership Henry County, they continue to make progress on their project, which involves extending a warm welcome to visitors.

After learning about Henry County's history, government and businesses, the students including Morgan Brent, Sarah Abney, Kieleigh Fultz, Sophia Harrod, Elliot Raymer, Eden Richmond and Kayla Harger embarked on a project to install welcome signs at four spots around the county,

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Above, Jenny Vaughn, co-owner of Pink Elephant Farm in Smithfield, pulls beets for use in the community-supported agriculture cooperative that provides all kinds of foods for subscribers by partnering with Valley Spirit Farm, which includes the Fietcher and Monroe families, pictured below.

Country Co-Op

Pink Elephant and Valley Spirit team up on CSA

BY TAMMY SHAW
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The owners of Pink Elephant Farm and Kitchen, Smithfield, and Valley Spirit Farm, Campbellsburg, joined forces recently to merge their CSA operations. Their shared philosophy of healthy, chemical-free, natural food for area families is gaining customers around Henry County.

Community supported agriculture programs take the form of a flat-fee subscription service for customers who receive fresh produce, dairy and meat.

Besides foregoing pesticides and insecticides at both farms, Valley Spirit raises antibiotic- and hormone-free animals that graze grass their entire lives, according to Valley Spirit co-owner Joseph Monroe.

"We rotate the cattle twice a day to improve

and renew the soil," friend and business partner Caleb Fietcher said.

Valley Spirit owners, friends Monroe, his wife Addie Scott-Monroe and Fietcher and wife Kelly met in their home state of Indiana during college.

When they first visited Henry County, the landscape reminded the farm-

ers of the rolling green hills in the French countryside, Monroe recalled.

The Fiechtchers and Monroes farm beef, pork and vegetables and this fall, a newly planted apple orchard. All three lived in rural communities or farmed before moving to Kentucky in 2014.

There's a deep agricul-

tural tradition in Henry County, the three families agreed. Customers can eat practically their entire diet from these two farms.

"If a customer wanted to, they could get 100 percent of their food from our CSA," Pink Elephant co-owner Jenny Vaughn

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said. However, most customers opt for 70 to 80 percent, according to her business and life partner, Justin Owings.

When Vaughn and Owings met in 2010 at a farmers' market in Nashville, they had a vision for a rewarding life — move to the country and buy a farm. The couple initially looked in Jefferson County, but soon settled in Henry. Jersey cattle and chickens roam Pink Elephant alongside a one-acre blueberry field and others containing a variety of vegetables.

When still living in Tennessee, Vaughn worked in restaurants and became a pastry chef before joining a business incubator — a shared commercial kitchen for fledgling eateries.

Owings studied urban agriculture in Nashville during and after college. As their relationship grew, they developed their plan, which included making a living, thriving in a country setting, bringing back valuable top soil, raising their upcoming child in nature and helping neighbors by providing healthy produce from community-supported agriculture.

The Valley Spirit owners shared the vision of living in the country, raising their families in natural surroundings and making a living off the land. To get to know people, Vaughn and Owings invited neighbors to potlucks at their home, originally built by Col. Richard Callaway for his daughter in the 1810s.

Since moving into the farmhouse, neighbors have shared anecdotes about the land's rich history with the couple.

Callaway, occasionally referred to as Calloway, was a frontiersman and early Kentucky settler, a colleague of Daniel Boone on the Wilderness Road and co-founder of Boonesborough. And Callaway owned a large parcel of land that was subdivided over the years, down to the 27 acres that makes up Pink Elephant.

The couple regularly finds reminders of days past — arrowheads and Civil War bullets — in the fields.

Valley Spirit is a larger operation with 118 acres and, in addition to the local CSA, they sell at the St. Matthews and Anchorage farmers' mar-

kets and to select restaurants in Louisville.

Subscribers sign up for what they prefer and pay a flat fee, dependent on family size and composition, for fresh produce, meat, yogurt and raw milk, bone broth, eggs and fermented vegetables like pickles and sauerkraut under the CSA agreement. Three other partners bring bread, honey and sorghum to the table.

The three families take farming seriously.

"We have a responsibility," Owings said. "People come to us and want healthy food for their children who are ill. It adds a level of intensity to our daily work."

"It can be stressful, hard and challenging at times," Owings said.

When windstorms swept the area last year, Pink Elephant lost a greenhouse and the roof to the chicken coop. "We kept picking up pieces of greenhouse all along the river," Owings said.

Lack of power made it tough to prevent baby chicks from dying. "We set them by the fireplace so they wouldn't die from hypothermia," Vaughn said.

"And they had ducks in the bathtub," Fietcher chimed in.

"It's a story now. The farm creates memories and stories to share," Owings said.

Scott-Monroe thinks there's a romanticized version of living on a farm.

Farmers can lose a crop or an animal, but Monroe said the place is also full of life and a great way to raise a family. The partners would like to see more young people take up farming. "It's so great here," Owings said.

"There's a responsibility and an intimacy between farms and pro-

viding food for families," Fietcher added.

That closeness to family and land are the key reasons that the CSA owners wanted to live on a farm. "We would be miserable in the city," Scott-Monroe said. Her husband agreed.

"We couldn't imagine a better way to raise our children. We get to see them all the time, they're free to run naked if they want and we can teach them to swim in the pond."

"A fair amount of people stop in and say hi, but I think they want to know what we're doing. We're doing things a little bit different from traditional farming," Vaughn said.

"They don't laugh at us as much now," Owings said about farmers they've asked for advice. "They not only answer our questions, they ask us questions."

Their CSA model isn't typical. Instead of harvesting then portioning the same foods out between customers, the partners produced an online ordering system.

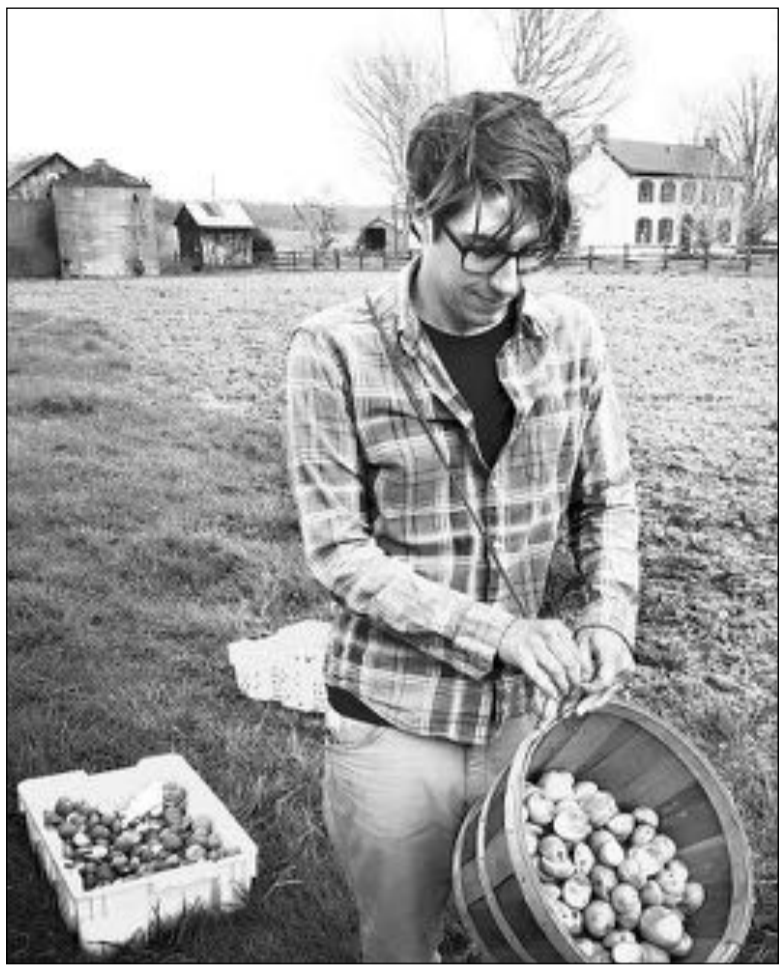
Customers pick preferences. Some like okra, others don't, so subscribers get what they want as long as it's in season and available.

Combined, the two operations supply food to five to 10 families, hitting their goal of five CSA customers last year, and they are ramping up soon to serve 15 to 20.

Vaughn and Owings expect a baby in May and want to start small to gauge the workload before expanding.

"We're very happy that we reached our goal," Vaughn said. "It's just nice to be successful."

Contact Valley Spirit Farm in Campbellsburg at info@valleyspiritfarm.com. Reach Pink Elephant at pinkelephantfarmers@gmail.com



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Justin Owings milks a cow and harvests potatoes from the fields at Pink Elephant Farm. Owings studied urban agriculture in Nashville, Tenn., before meeting his life partner, Jenny Vaughn, and they decided to move to the country together and start a farm and a family.

GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE SALE

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2018 AT 11:00 A.M.

AT 12171 RIVER ROAD, CAMPBELLSBURG, KY 40011 OF 12171 RIVER ROAD, CAMPBELLSBURG, KY 40011



This is a three bedroom manufactured home on city water and septic. It is well located in a quiet neighborhood. It consists of a living room, kitchen, three bedrooms, and two baths. This property is considered unsuitable for the Rural Development, Housing Program. This would be an excellent buy for an investor interested in rental property or for resale after repairs.

An open house will be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.

The minimum acceptable bid for this property is \$67,525.00

Payments of the current year's property taxes are the responsibility of the purchaser.

Clear title to this property is not warranted. The U.S. Marshal's Deed is not a general warranty deed. Buyers are advised to have the property's title examined. Written notification regarding encumbrances on the property must be made to the Shelbyville Rural Development Office within 30 days.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, at 11:00 a.m., at 12171 River Road, Campbellsburg, KY, in order to raise the sum of \$87,446.74 with accrued interest of \$4,520.91 through April 13, 2015 with the total subsidy granted of \$2,104.32, escrow in the amount of \$1,361.07, late charges in the amount of \$75.40, and with fees assessed of \$1,354.63 for a total unpaid balance due of \$96,863.07. Interest is accruing on the unpaid principal balance at the rate of \$11.2468 per day after April 13, 2015, until the date of the Judgment, herein and interest thereafter on the Judgment at the rate of .66%, computed daily and compounded annually, until paid in full and for the cost of this action, pursuant to Judgment and Order of Sale, being Civil Action No. 3:15-cv-00085-GFVT on the Frankfort Docket of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, entered on 10/26/2016 in the case of United States of America vs Ashlee Quickert ET., AL, the following described property will be sold to the highest and best bidder:

A certain tract of land located in Henry County, Kentucky, on the south side of Ky. Hwy. 389, approximately 2.1 miles southeast of the intersection of Ky. Hwy. 193, and further described as: Beginning at an iron pin and cap, set this survey, (said point being 713.63 feet southeast of a wood post in the south Right-of-Way line of Ky. Hwy. 389 where it intersect the line of the parent tract (Joseph Quickert DB 99, Pg. 221)), in the south Right-of-Way line of Ky. Hwy. 389; thence, with said Right-of-Way line, South 79 Degrees 21 Minutes 09 Seconds East 300.00 feet, to an iron pin and cap, set this survey; thence, leaving said Right-of-Way line, with a New Division Line. South 14 Degrees 42 Minutes 54 Seconds West 200.00 feet to an iron pin and cap, set this survey; thence, with New Division Line, the following (2) two calls: North 79 Degrees 20 Minutes 34 Seconds West 300.00 feet, to an iron pin and cap, set this survey; thence, (North 14 Degrees 43 Minutes 11 Seconds East 200.00 feet, to the point of beginning, containing 1.374 Acres per survey performed by Marshall Bright Jr., PLS #3651 on April 10, 2008. BEING the same property conveyed to Ashlee Quickert by deed dated May 15, 2008 and recorded in Deed Book 259, Page 160 in the office of the Henry County Court Clerk.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent (10%) of the bid price (in the form of a Cashier's Check made payable to the U.S. Marshal) on the day of the sale with good and sufficient bond for the balance, bearing interest at the rate of .66% per annum until paid, due and payable in 60 days and said bond having the effect of a Judgment. Upon a default by the Purchaser, the deposit shall be forfeited and retained by the U.S. Marshal as a part of the Proceeds of the sale, and the property shall again be offered for sale subject to confirmation by the Court.

This sale shall be in bar and foreclosure of all right, title, interest, estate claim, demand or equity of redemption of the defendant and of all persons claiming by, through, under or against them, provided the purchase price is equal to two-thirds of the appraised value. If the purchase price is not equal to two-thirds of the appraised value, the Deed shall contain in a lien in favor of the defendant reflecting the right of the defendant to redeem during the period provided by law (KRS 426.530). Under law, the purchaser is deemed to be on notice of all matters affecting the property of record in the local County Clerk's Office.

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