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Thomas Logan, MD Matthew Taylor, MD



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Paul Tennant, MD

### **Ohio County** SPECIALTY CARE Ear, Nose and Throat

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# Ohio County Healthcare announces expansion of ENT services and locations

### Midwest Ear, Nose, & Throat merges with OC Healthcare

### **Sponsored Feature Story**

HARTFORD, Ky. - Ohio County Healthcare is delighted to announce the expansion of its Ear, Nose, and Throat (ENT) services, providing enhanced healthcare options for the community.

Ohio County Healthcare continues to deliver on its promise to build surgical excellence in the community by adding more experienced and skilled ENT specialists to its team.

On May 30, Midwest Ear, Nose, and Throat Head & Neck Surgery P.S.C. owners, Thomas Logan, MD and Matthew Taylor, MD, officially merged their otolaryngology practice with Ohio County Healthcare.

This qualified team joined the current OCH ENT team of John Ruth, MD, Paul Tennant, MD, and Rowgena Cain,

Under the agreement, Midwest will re-brand as Midwest Ear, Nose, & Throat, a service of Ohio County Healthcare. Midwest will continue to provide the same competent and trusted treatment for a wide range of Ear, Nose, and Throat services.

#### **Outpatient Appointments:**

Midwest ENT providers (Dr. Logan, Dr. Taylor, and Ms. Theresa Rhineburger, APRN) will continue to practice at the Owensboro location, 2841 New Hartford Road. John Ruth, MD, Paul Tennant, MD, and Rowgena Cain, APRN, will continue to practice at Ohio County Specialty Care, 1215 Old Main St. Hartford, KY. All currently scheduled office appointments will remain the same.

#### **Emergency Care**

The physicians of Midwest ENT will no longer be participating in call coverage services through Owensboro Health Emergency Room. Dr. Logan and Dr. Taylor will be sharing emergency call coverage at Ohio County Healthcare with John Ruth, MD.

### **Surgical Services**

Dr. Logan and Dr. Taylor will only provide surgical services at Riverview Surgery Center and Ohio County Healthcare. Dr. Ruth will only provide surgical services at OCH.

#### Audiology

Both Alissa Gable, AuD and William Speer, AuD will continue to provide audiology services at the Owensboro office. These services include Hearing Loss (testing, treatment, protection methods, and tinnitus assessment) and Hearing Aids (styles & selections, fitting & counseling, accessories, and service/repair). Susan Driskill, AuD will continue to provide audiology services at the Hartford Office.

The Midwest will continue to provide treatment for balance disorders including Dizziness, Vertigo, BPPV, and Balance & Vestibular testing.

#### How long will I wait for an appointment?

Approximately 18 months ago, Midwest ENT went from five providers to three providers. This has created additional wait times for office visits and surgical services. The addition of Dr. Ruth to a fulltime position with Ohio County Specialty Care, and the recruitment of new providers to our community, will open more appointments for patients to be seen in both Owensboro and Hartford.

"Ohio County Healthcare is fortunate to welcome these highly skilled surgeons and staff members to the OCH family," states Shellie Shouse, C.E.O. "We are thankful for all of the OCH team members both new and existing who are focused on building surgical excellence for our communities. OCH is excited to have the opportunity to provide outstanding care to the valued patients of Midwest ENT."

For more information, visit OCH cares.com.



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# Jerusalem Ridge Festival offering great performers at historic venue

### Tickets are available including VIP packages

**By Lee Bratcher** Feature Story

ROSINE, Ky. — The Jerusalem Ridge Festival has been a mainstay in Rosine for many years now, and after taking a break during the pandemic, the festival is back and as strong as ever.

The 2023 Jerusalem Ridge Festival is set to give fans from all over the world four fantastic days of Bluegrass Music, Sept. 7-10. Among those appearing at this year's festival will be Larry Sparks and the Lonesome Ramblers, Donna Ulisse, The Kody Norris Show, The Baker Family, Lonesome River Band, Lorraine Jordan & Carolina Road, The Finley Boys, Kings Highway, Caney Creek Gang and many more.

Over 30 bands in total will be playing that weekend.

The Kody Norris Show is a fast-rising group in the world of Bluegrass. The band is rooted deeply in American folk music mixing hillbilly, country and Bluegrass music. The band has many influences, Bill Monore, The Stanley Brothers,



Fast-rising stars The Kody Norris Show will be featured at the 2023 Jerusalem Ridge Bluegrass Festival this year! Norris has crafted a performance that harkens back and tips a hat to the traditions created by Bill Monroe, Jimmy Martin's showmanship, and the Stanley Brothers' harmonies. Top notch picking is center stage, but humor and visual flash are part of the entertaining package.

Jimmy Martin to name a few. The band also sprinkles in influences from the Grand Old Opry and Vaudeville. Besides being incredible instrumentalists and singers, the group is also funny and very entertaining. More than a band, The Kody Norris Show truly is a show.

Another rising star in the world of Bluegrass is Donna Ulisse. Ulisse is a bonafide songwriting genius as she's won several Songwriter of the Year awards from both the International Bluegrass Music Association and the Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass Music of America.

In 2022, she won the SPBMA Female Vocalist of the Year award. Ulisse also plays gospel music during her shows. She's a must-see at the festival.

There will also be a
one-time performance
from Wayne Lewis and
Don Rigsby alongside Joe



The late Dr. Ralph Stanley talks to the crowd at the 2005 Jerusalem Ridge Festival. Stanley played the festival multiple times before his death in 2016. (Photo by Dustin Bratcher)



Much like many festivals, the Jerusalem Ridge Festival is building its way back following the COVID pandemic but past festivals were attended by thousands of bluegrass fans. (Photo by Dustin Bratcher, Jerusalem Ridge Festival circa 2009)

Ridge.

Isaacs, Johnny Lewis and John Rigsby for a Sandy Hook Reunion.

It all takes place at the Bill Monore Homeplace.
The stage is built among the trees on Jerusalem

Ridge and many past Bluegrass legends have spoken about how honored they were to play the stage on the Ridge. It truly is hallowed ground for Bluegrass

In addition to the incredible musical performances, there will be vendors at the festival selling crafts and food. There will also be several games of horseshoes being pitched, corn hole being tossed and an old-fashioned Cake Walk.

artists and fans. You can

almost feel the warmth

from Bill Monroe's spirit

as music is played on the

You can also expect to make lifelong friends with folks from all over the world as in just the last four years, people from 36 states, including Alaska, have come out to the festival. There were also visitors from Canada, Japan and other foreign countries. Bluegrass

music is more than just Kentucky's music, it's the world's music.

Ohio County Tourism Director Jodie Flener believes every fan should attend the Jerusalem Ridge Festival at least once as it emanates from the origin of Bluegrass music.

"Every Bluegrass fan needs to experience music from the stage on the farm where Bill was born and raised," said Flener. "Jerusalem is the real deal of festivals."

Tickets for the
Jerusalem Ridge Festival
can be purchased online
at jerusalemridgefestival.
com. Ohio County
residents can purchase
tickets at the gate during
the festival for half price.



IBMA Songwriter of the Year for 2016, Donna Ulisse will also be performing at the Jerusalem Ridge Festival in September.

# OC Public Library Q3 Calendar of Events



Tuesdays in July, Aug., & Sept.

OC Public Library Annex Owensboro Community & Technical College SkillTrain - GED. College & **ESL Training** 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

July 1, Aug. 12, Sept. 9

Ohio County Public Library Teen Volunteers & Movie 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Grades 7 - 12

July 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 31, & Aug. 1

Ohio County Public Library Interactive Play Space Ages 2 - 12 with adult supervision 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

July 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, Aug. 2, 3, & 4

Ohio County Public Library Interactive Play Space Ages 2 - 12 with adult supervision 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

July 15, 22, 29, Aug. 5

Ohio County Public Library Interactive Play Space Ages 2 - 12 with adult supervision 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

July 10, Aug. 14, & Sept. 11

OC Public Library Annex Books & Beyond Book Club Ages 18 and up 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

July 11 OC Public Library Annex Color Connection Coloring Club Ages 14 and up

July 11, Aug. 22, & Sept. 12 Ohio County Public Library

Famished for Fiction Teen Book Club Grades 7 - 12 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

July 15, Aug. 19, & Sept. 16



Ohio County Public Library Crochet Corner Ages 14 and up 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

413 South Main Street in Hartford, Ky.

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July 18, Aug. 15, Sept. 19

Ohio County Public Library Trivia Night Ages 14 and up 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

July 20, Aug. 17, Sept. 21

Ohio County Public Library Teens Only Program Grades 7 - 12 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

July 25, Aug. 1, Sept. 5 OC Public Library Annex Techie Tuesday Ages 14 and up 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

July 28, Aug. 25, Sept. 15 OC Public Library Annex Dungeons & Dragons Ages 14 and up 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Aug. 15 & Sept. 19 Ohio County Public Library Board Game Bash All Ages Welcome 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Aug. 21 & Sept. 18 Ohio County Public Library BeTWEEN the Lines Tween

**Book Club** Ages 9 - 12 / Grades 4 - 6

4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Aug. 26 & Sept. 23 Ohio County Public Library Free Family Movie All Ages Welcome



Aug. 28 Ohio County Public Library Art Program for Adults Ages 14 and up 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Aug. 29 & Sept. 26 Ohio County Public Library Afterschool Program Grades K - 6 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Sept. 5

Ohio County Public Library Children's Art Program Grades 3 - 6 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sept. 7 Ohio County Public Library Home School Support Space All Ages Welcome

Sept. 11, 18, & 25

Ohio County Public Library Baby Romp & Rhyme Ages 0 - 24 months with caregiver 5:30 p.m. - 5:55 p.m.

Sept. 11, 18, & 25 Ohio County Public Library Toddler Time Ages 2 & 3 years with caregiver

6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 12 OC Public Library Annex Fall Crafts for Adults Ages 14 and up

Sept. 13, 20, & 27

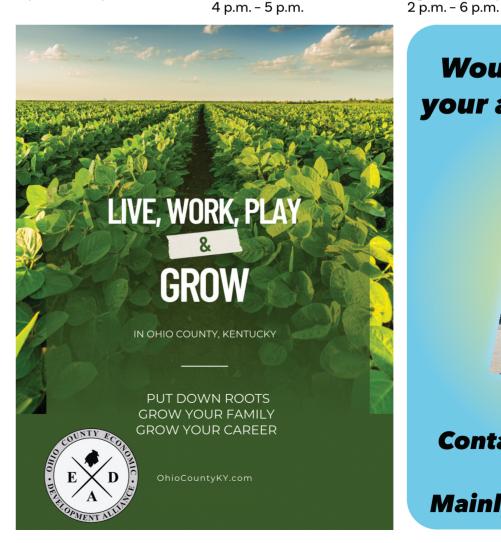
Ohio County Public Library Toddler Time Ages 2-3 years with caregiver 10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Sept 15, 22, & 29 Ohio County Public Library Stories & STEAM Ages 4 & 5 years 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

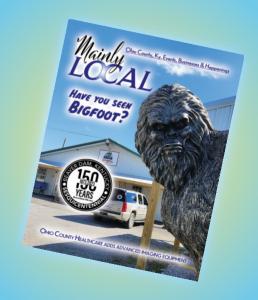


Sept. 30 Ohio County Public Library Lego League All Ages Welcome 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Contact the Ohio County **Public Library for more** information!



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# Brown's Farm goes big at home



Korey Brown with an assortment of ripe fruit and vegetables available for purchase at Brown's Farm Fresh Produce at 3605 Hwy 69 North in Hartford. They also offer locally grown beef and pork, homegrown flowers, local jam and jellies, a playland for kids to have fun, and more! (Photos by Dustin Bratcher)

### By Tara Ward

Mainly Local Business Spotlight

Twelve years ago, Michael and Korey Brown faced some tough decisions. Korey was battling breast cancer and Michael was struggling to keep the family's dairy farm afloat. When the creditors came calling, the Browns knew they had two choices — get bigger or get out. So, the family got out of the dairy business. What came next proves blessings can be bountiful when times are dark.

With the dairy farm behind them, the Browns turned the 25 acres surrounding their home on Highway 69 outside of Hartford into a produce farm. For nine years, Michael, Korey, and their family worked the farm and sold locally grown produce.

Three years ago, Korey, now having conquered her battle with cancer, decided to tackle a new adventure. Her dream was to grow and sell flowers. So, that's what they did next.

The Browns erected greenhouses and started

planting. Now, the greenhouses are bursting with succulents, ferns, petunias, and more! In the Summer, the Browns make and sell 5,000 hanging baskets. In the Fall, they'll grow and sell 5,000 mums.

But their dreams didn't end there.

Korey was a public school teacher and is always looking for ways to teach and engage with children. And with 25 acres, the Browns had room to build a fun and safe space for kids to enjoy the outdoors while learning about agriculture — the perfect field trip spot!

The Brown's Family Farm Playland opened with a jungle gym, slides, and a giant bounce arena. In the summer, kids can play for just \$6 each.

In the fall, \$10 includes all the playland activities plus a corn maze, hay ride, and visit to the pumpkin patch.

Always a teacher, Korey hosts workshops and classes at the farm. Eager participants from New Harmony, Indiana, to Nashville, Tennessee, have traveled to Hartford to learn about caring and growing flowers, planting succulents, and creating beautiful hanging baskets.





The Browns also rent out their space for birthdays, family reunions, church picnics, and a variety of events. Families also love to schedule photography sessions in the gorgeous greenhouses surrounded by the beautiful blooms and greenery.

Brown's Farm Fresh Produce and Meat is located at 3605 Highway 69 North, Hartford, Kentucky, and is open April through Nov. 1 each year. The farm stand is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. You can even catch them open on Sundays in October.

In addition to the playland, the farm stand features all Kentucky grown produce, locally raised beef and pork, homegrown flowers, and local jams, jellies, honey, and more. Starting mid-September, the Fall season features a pumpkin patch, hayrides, and beautiful mums.

Follow Brown's Farm Fresh Produce and Meat on Facebook for updates on farm happenings.







### **Events in Hartford**

**July 17 - Summer Family Fun Day** @ Downtown Hartford - 1:30 p.m. more information on <a href="mailto:facebook.com/HartfordKY">facebook.com/HartfordKY</a>

**Aug. 26 - Summer Sizzle 5K** @ Hartford - 12 p.m. <u>raceentry.</u> com/summer-sizzle-5k-hartford/race-information

# **Events in Ohio County**

**July 17 - Homecoming Celebration** @ Echols Daystar Church of God - 11 a.m.

**Sept. 7-9 - Jerusalem Ridge Bluegrass Festival** @ Bill Monroe Homeplace <u>jerusalemridgefestival.org.</u>

Sept. 15-16 - Fordsville Days @ Fordsville

Kentucky Evangelistic Gospel Music Fellowship (KEGMF)

July 8 @ Sluggo's Restaurant, Centertown - 6 p.m

July 15 @ New Assembly Church - Hartford - 11:30 a.m.

Aug. 12 @ Burger King - Beaver Dam - 6 p.m.

Sept. 9 @ McDonald's - Beaver Dam - 6 p.m.

Oct. 7 @ Gospel Fest - OC Community Center - Hartford - 6 p.m.

Oct. 14 @ Lisa's Place - Beaver Dam - 6 p.m.

Nov. 11 @ New Lucky Garden - Beaver Dam - 6 p.m.

### **Events in Beaver Dam**

July 1 - Sparks in the Park @ BD Amphitheater - 6 p.m.

July 7 - Loose Wheel @ Sounds on 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7 p.m.

July 8 - Justin Cole @ Beaver Dam Farmers' Market

**July 15 - Brews & Balloons** @ Beaver Dam City Park - 12 p.m.

**July 21 - Crashing Naptster** @ Sounds on 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7 p.m.

**July 27 - 3rd Annual St. Jude's Hospital Bike Nite** @ Beef O'Brady's

July 21 - Crashing Naptster @ Sounds on 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7 p.m.

**July 25-28 Vacation Bible School** @ Lifepoint Baptist Church - 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. - 1005 W 7<sup>th</sup> St.

July 28 - Funky Luck @ Sounds on 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7 p.m.

July 29 - Rock the DAM 6 @ BD Ampthitheater

Aug. 4 - Blackford Creek @ Sounds on 2nd

Aug. 9 - Justin Cole @ Beaver Dam Farmers' Market

Aug. 11 - Chris Young @ BD Amphitheater

**Aug. 12 - The Beach Boys w/ Owensboro Symphony** @ BD Amphitheater

Aug. 18 - TAILGATE @ Sounds on 2<sup>nd</sup>

Aug. 19 - Queensryche @ BD Amphitheater

Aug. 25 - Billy Wood & Classic Country Band @ Sounds on 2<sup>nd</sup>

Sept. 1 - Whiskey Row @ Sounds on 2<sup>nd</sup>

Sept. 2 - Gin Blossoms & Sugar Ray @ BD Amphitheater

Sept. 8 - Andy Brasher Band @ Sounds on 2<sup>nd</sup>

Sept. 23 - HAIRBALL @ BD Amphitheater

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- -Enhance the business climate in Ohio County.
- -Be the catalyst for the development of Ohio County.
- -Be a force for cooperative actions that enrich the quality of life in Ohio County.
- -Be an organization that efficiently operates to meet members' needs and interests.



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