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## Fiscal court repeals insurance tax

By MARY MEADOWS  
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Fiscal Court unanimously approved repealing its 6 percent insurance premium tax last week, prompting questions about how the in-

coming fiscal court will deal with the revenue loss.

When the fiscal court held the first reading of its new budget in May and its proposed insurance premium tax repeal on June 5, that budget set expected revenues from the tax at

\$600,000.

But since that time, the projected revenue from the tax has increased to \$1.4 million — and the fiscal court's decision to remove those revenues from the county's coffers prompted questions and words of caution from

Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley during its Friday meeting.

The fiscal court did not discuss the increase in insurance tax revenues detailed in the budget before voting

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## David resident dies in tractor incident

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A farm tractor incident on Friday claimed the life of a David resident.

Emergency responders were called to Triple S Road in David on June 15, following reports of a tractor incident that caused the death of Denver Shepherd, 77.

Kentucky State Police Spokesperson Trooper William Petry reported that the agency received a call just after 6 p.m., saying a farm tractor had overturned in the creek and the operator was trapped under it.

Officials reported that call was made by a Fed Ex delivery driver, who spotted the tractor in the creek while delivering packages.

The coroner's office arrived on scene short-

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Adalyn Ramey sings "Girls Just Want to Have Fun" during opening night at the opry. She and other Junior Pros members are "singing through the decades," this season in a 16-song set that features songs that span from the 1950s.

Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

## Ky. Opry opens for season; will honor Kinzer Saturday

Mark Stephens, one of three creative directors for the Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky Opry, has been playing professionally for more than four decades, spending most of that time with the Full House Band. Stephens said his favorite part of this season's show is the movie medley, which features theme songs from popular movies.

Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows



SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

The Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky Opry opened its summer season at the Mountain Arts Center on June 16, and the show continues on Saturdays throughout the summer.

This weekend, people who arrive prior to the show have

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## Appalachian Wireless raises \$13K for Soul Food

Appalachian Wireless officials pose with Soul Food volunteers during the company's 12th Annual Community Outreach Golf Benefit, which raised nearly \$13,000 to feed children this month.

Submitted photo



A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Appalachian Wireless raised nearly \$13,000 to help feed children this month.

The company hosted its 12th annual Community Outreach Golf Benefit at StoneCrest on June 8, raising \$12,915 for Soul Food, a nonprofit organization that provides food to children in Floyd and Johnson counties

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