

# REAL NEWS FROM BARTLEY REAL ESTATE

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### Upcoming Events

Having a yard sale?

Let us post your next event in this space FREE!

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## LET'S TALK TURKEY!

The red or pink fleshy growth on the head is called "caruncle."

The bright red appendage on the neck is called "wattle."

The black lock of hair found on the chest of the male is called "beard."

Frozen, fully stuffed turkeys, ready to cook, were introduced in 1955.

Long before Europeans came to America it was the Aztecs who used to domesticate turkeys to use them as food. They also used turkeys for religious sacrifices and their feathers for decoration.

The turkey was considered a sacrificial bird in Mexico.

Turkey is the state game bird of Alabama.

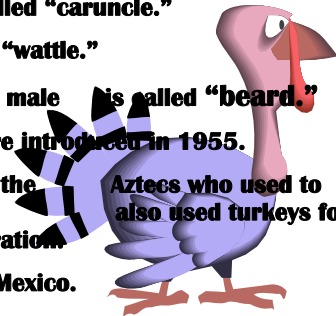
The Wild Turkey is the official state bird of Oklahoma.

Turkey eggs are tan with brown specks.

Domesticated turkey hens that are artificially inseminated, lay around 80 to 100 eggs during a 25 week laying cycle and each egg takes 28 days to hatch.

The typical 15 pound turkey is 75% white meat and 30% dark meat; the white containing less calories and fat.

Benjamin Franklin wanted the turkey to be the official bird of the US but eventually lost out to the bald eagle.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM YOUR HOMETOWN REAL ESTATE TEAM...



### IMPORTANT INFO ABOUT FIRST TIME HOME BUYER TAX CREDIT

At a glance...

- # The tax credit is available for first-time home buyers defined as buyers who have not owned a principal residence during a 3-year period prior to purchase.
- # The maximum credit amount is \$7500.
- # The credit is available for homes purchased on or after April 9, 2008 and before July 1, 2009.
- # Single taxpayers with incomes up to \$75,000 and married couples with incomes up to \$150,000 qualify for the full tax credit.
- # The tax credit works like an interest-free loan and must be repaid over a 15-year period.

\*Source: [www.federalhousingtaxcredit.com](http://www.federalhousingtaxcredit.com)

MEET GENE



Gene McMurry, a graduate of the University of Kentucky with a Master of Science Degree in Animal Nutrition has been with Bartley Real Estate since he earned his license in 1995. He was appointed in 1969 by UK as County Agricultural Extension Agent and served for 18 years. He also served as technical advisor to the Kentucky Dept of Education Office of Vocational Education during which time he wrote curriculum for the Vocational Agriculture program. Gene is currently employed with RECMIX of Kentucky and works out of the North American Stainless Steel plant as Regional Director for Agriculture Marketing and Research responsible for developing agricultural uses for the RECLIME byproduct from the manufacture of stainless steel. Gene was elected in 1994 as County Judge Executive of Carroll County, a position he filled until 2003. He and Sue Gullion have been married for 36 years; have three children, eight grandchildren, and one great granddaughter.

PACKING YOUR EMERGENCY TRAVEL KIT



- First Aid kit
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Flares and a white flag for indicating stress
- Jumper cables
- A car jack and ground mat for tire changes
- Work gloves and a change of clothing
- Basic repair tools
- Duct tape
- Extra water and paper towels
- Non-perishable food
- Extra prescription meds
- Windshield washer fluid
- Maps
- Blankets

**DOGS ON THE RUN**

A DAILY TEN TO 15-MIN WALK IS A GOOD START FOR YOUR PUPPY THEN YOU CAN BUILD TO AN HOUR PER DAY WHEN ROVER SEEMS UP TO IT. HERE ARE A FEW PRECAUTIONS:

- # IF PUP WANTS TO STOP LET HIM. DOGS THAT OVERDO IT CAN SUFFER STRAINED TENDONS OR LIGAMENTS.
- # KEEP ROVER ON A LEASH EVEN WHEN YOU RUN TO AVOID CARS OR TERRITORIAL ANIMALS. PUT REFLECTORS ON ROVER'S COLLAR AND YOUR CLOTHES.
- # CONCRETE AND ASPHALT ARE TOUGH ON PAWS ESPECIALLY ON HOT DAYS. RUN ON GRASS OR DIRT.
- # MAKE SURE ROVER HAS PLENTY OF FRESH WATER. TAKE SOME ALONG ON LONG WALKS OR RUNS.



THUNDER OVER LOUISVILLE, THE OPENING CEREMONY FOR THE KENTUCKY DERBY IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST FIREWORKS DISPLAY.

THE SONG, "HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU" WAS THE CREATION OF TWO LOUISVILLE SISTERS IN 1893.

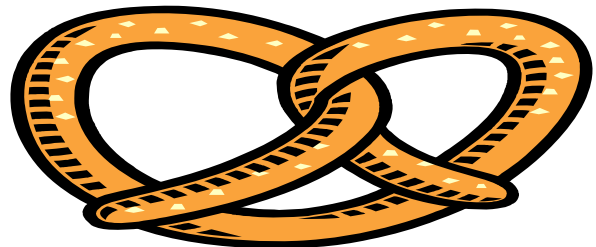
POST-IT NOTES ARE MANUFACTURED EXCLUSIVELY IN CYNTHIANA; EXACT QUANTITIES ARE A TRADE SECRET.

DANIEL BOONE AND HIS WIFE REBECCA ARE BURIED IN THE FRANKFORT CEMETERY.

MIDDLESBORO IS THE ONLY CITY IN THE US BUILT WITHIN A METEOR CRATER.

IN THE WAR OF 1812 MORE THAN HALF OF ALL AMERICANS KILLED IN ACTION WERE KENTUCKIANS.

THE RADIO WAS INVENTED BY A KENTUCKIAN NAMED NATHAN B. STUBBLEFIELD OF MURRAY IN 1892. IT WAS THREE YEARS BEFORE MARCONI MADE HIS CLAIM TO THE INVENTION.



FROM THE FARMERS ALMANAC FOR KIDS

- Q: HOW CAN I TELL IF AN EGG IS FRESH?
- A: IN WATER, A FRESH EGG WILL REST FLAT ON ITS SIDE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAN. A STALE EGG WILL STAND UP ON THE BROAD END. IF THE EGG FLOATS, IT'S MOST LIKELY SPOILED.
- Q: HOW DID THE PRETZEL ORIGINATE?
- A: THE PRETZEL IS A TRADITIONAL LENTEN FOOD THAT ORIGINATED OVER A THOUSAND YEARS AGO. SOME SAY IT WAS MADE TO RESEMBLE ARMS CROSSED OVER THE CHEST IN PRAYER (AN ANCIENT CUSTOM.) "PRETZEL" MAY HAVE COME FROM THE LATIN WORD *braccellae*, MEANING LITTLE ARMS.



### YOUR MONEY NOW

- MAKE SURE YOUR SAVINGS ARE SAFE**
- PAY DOWN CREDIT CARD DEBT**
- PAY BILLS ON TIME**
- GET HEALTH AND TERM LIFE INSURANCE**
- CONTINUE CONTRIBUTIONS TO RETIREMENT**
- STOP SPENDING WHAT YOU CANNOT AFFORD**



### 10 WAYS TO CUT ENERGY BILLS THIS WINTER

- ✚ **PLUG AIR LEAKS WITH CAULKING, SEALING, OR WEATHER STRIPPING.**
- ✚ **PROPERLY MAINTAIN THE HEATING SYSTEM YEARLY.**
- ✚ **INSTALL A PROGRAMMABLE THERMOSTAT TO SAVE \$\$ WHILE YOU'RE NOT HOME OR YOU'RE ASLEEP.**
- ✚ **SEAL AND INSULATE HEATING DUCTS.**
- ✚ **INSULATE! FOCUS ON THE ATTIC.**
- ✚ **CLOSE FIREPLACE DAMPERS WHEN NOT IN USE.**
- ✚ **LET SUNSHINE NATURALLY HEAT YOUR HOME.**
- ✚ **LOWER THE THERMOSTAT ON THE HOT WATER HEATER.**
- ✚ **INSTALL STORM WINDOWS OR TAPE CLEAR PLASTIC SHEETING TO INSIDE OF WINDOW FRAMES.**
- ✚ **USE COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS IN PLACE OF INCANDESCENT BULBS.**



### How To Stop.....

#### Cracking Your Knuckles



Ooh! I hate it when people do that! Sometimes I make joints crack, either accidentally or because it feels out of place and feels that it needs to crack, but people who just sit there cracking their knuckles makes me cringe! It's horrible! For some people cracking joints really grates on the nerves. Cracking joints is not harmful. Cracking joints is just popping bubbles in the fluid in your joints. However, if you're thinking about giving it up, think about it impairing your joint development and giving you arthritis if you carry on. Even though it's not true, it can help you give up.

Source: [www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk)

#### TRY THESE TIPS WHEN HOUSE HUNTING....

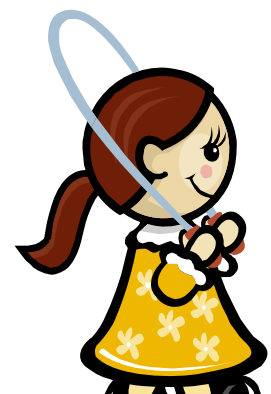
PUT APPLIANCES THRU THEIR PACES TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING IS WORKING - AND WORKING QUIETLY. IF YOUR PURCHASE INCLUDES THE WASHING MACHINE, DRYER, AND DISHWASHER, RUN A LOAD IN EACH OF THEM. BRING A FEW DIRTY DISHES AND TOWELS OF YOUR OWN. GIVE THE GARBAGE DISPOSAL A SPIN!

TURN ON AS MANY KITCHEN APPLIANCES AS POSSIBLE, SIMULTANEOUSLY, TO SEE WHETHER THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM CAN HANDLE THE STRAIN. TURN ON EVERY LIGHT IN EVERY ROOM AND BRING A SMALL APPLIANCE TO PLUG IN TO OUTLETS TO SEE IF THEY WORK. A PHONE CHARGER IS HANDY FOR THIS.

#### RULES FOR EXERCISING IN THE COLD WEATHER

- Check the temperature and wind conditions before you go out and do not exercise if conditions are dangerous.
- Keep your head, hands and feet warm.
- Dress in layers that can provide a trapped layer of dry air near the skin (avoid cotton sweats and other similar materials).
- Warm the air you are breathing if temperatures are below your comfort level (usually around 0°F).

Source: [American Council on Exercise](http://American Council on Exercise)



INGREDIENTS OF A GREAT REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT

- ✓ Central air conditioning is the most sought-after feature by most buyers.
- ✓ Buyers are serious about storage space including walk-in closets and a 2-car garage.
- ✓ Go with energy-efficient features in windows and appliances.
- ✓ A backyard is important with a fence preferably.
- ✓ Always keep resale in mind.

Source: [www.frontdoor.com](http://www.frontdoor.com)



PRESIDENTIAL TRIVIA

DID YOU KNOW THAT VICE PRESIDENTS WERE ORIGINALLY THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES RECEIVING THE SECOND LARGEST NUMBER OF ELECTORAL VOTES? THE TWELVTH AMENDMENT PASSED IN 1804 CHANGED THE SYSTEM SO THAT THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE VOTED SEPARATELY FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT. THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE HOWEVER GRADUALLY GAINED POWER OVER THE NOMINATING CONVENTION TO CHOOSE HIS/HER OWN RUNNING MATE.

HOW TO MAKE THE BEST HOT CHOCOLATE

ALL YOU NEED IS A GOOD-SIZED THERMOS FLASK OR PLASTIC JUG WITH A SCREW TOP.

1 PINT MILK

2 TBSP GOOD HOT CHOCOLATE POWDER

HANDFUL OF MARSHMALLOWS

HEAT MILK TO SIMMER. PUT A TBSP CHOCOLATE POWDER INTO EACH MUG. ADD A LITTLE WARM MILK TO EACH MUG JUST TO DISSOLVE POWDER. PLONK A FEW MARSHMALLOWS INTO EACH MUG.

WHEN THE MILK IS AT A SIMMER, POUR IT INTO YOUR JUG OR THERMOS. SCREW LID ON TIGHT AND SHAKE HARD FOR A MINUTE THEN POUR INTO MUGS. A LITTLE STIR AND YOU CAN SLURP YOUR WAY TO HEAVEN!

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