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Landowner shoots, hits an intruder

Detective: His actions appear justified

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FRANKLIN — A Simpson County landowner whose vacant property has been burglarized multiple times shot an armed, convicted felon Wednesday when the landowner encountered the man and another man on his property. Just before 2 p.m., the landowner, Jack Traugher, was checking on his property at 5456 U.S. 31-W when he found a black pickup truck and two men between an outbuilding and a semitrailer on the property, Simpson County Sheriff's Detective Eddie Lawson said.

The outbuilding, which is under video surveillance, is filled with antiques, collectibles and a Corvette show car. One of the two men Traugher found on his property, William Gabriel Creasy, 30, of Westmoreland, Tenn., was armed with a revolver, Lawson said. When Traugher saw the gun, he opened fire with his shotgun on Creasy, Lawson said. "The homeowner gave an initial statement, and the evidence we've found coincides with his statement, and at this time it does appear that the homeowner was legally justified ...," Lawson said. "But all of the facts and evidence will be turned over to a Simpson County grand jury in the near future." Creasy was taken to Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville. Lawson did not have Creasy's condition this morning. Vanderbilt does not release to the media the condition of anyone it considers a victim of violence. Creasy's brother, Caleb Creasy, 27, of Portland, Tenn., was taken into custody at the scene, Lawson said. Samantha Brooks, 20, of Portland, was with the two men and was taken into custody near Kentucky Downs after someone reported seeing a woman running

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Foundation Christian Academy fourth-graders sing Wednesday for residents at Colonial Center care facility. The students performed as part of their end-of-the-year community service project.

Photos by Miranda Pederson/Daily News

'GOOD DAY IN MAY'

Foundation Christian Academy students perform service projects



Above: Foundation Christian Academy fourth-grade teacher Charlie Abston (left) wishes James Price (right) a happy 100th birthday Wednesday at Colonial Center.

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Students in Charlie Abston's fourth-grade class at Foundation Christian Academy shuffled into Colonial Center care facility Wednesday bearing homemade cards, a basket full of gifts and a balloon to shower on resident James Price, who turned 100 this month. "We hear that one of your residents had a significant birthday," Abston said as students prepared to sing to a group of residents. "That's pretty amazing, so we thought we'd come over."

All FCA students went out into the community Wednesday to perform service projects, including visiting Colonial Center and other care facilities, sorting items at Life Care Ministries housed at University Heights Church of Christ, and delivering cookies to police and fire departments. "Each class is working on a service project," FCA Principal Melissa Young said. "We're calling it our good day in May."

Jack Ray, administrator of FCA, has known Price for several years and suggested a group from the school visit him as a service project. "We want our state to be compassionate like Jesus, to be unselfish," Ray said. "This is part of that."

Many students in Abston's class are in FCA's chorus, so he thought it would be good for them to sing on their visit to Colonial Center.

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Jurors view tape of fatal shooting in Logan County

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RUSSELLVILLE — Jurors in the Timothy Claytor murder trial received their first look Wednesday at home surveillance video footage that shows Dale Holloway being shot outside Claytor's home.



TIMOTHY CLAYTOR

The black-and-white footage shown Wednesday had no sound and was taken from a camera near Claytor's front door.

A 14-member panel was seated in Logan Circuit Court to consider the case against Claytor, 46, of Lewisburg, who is accused of murder in the shooting death of Holloway, 46, also of Lewisburg, on Aug. 30, 2012.

In the footage, Holloway can be seen walking unsteadily along a stone pathway toward Claytor's front door, moments after a pair of headlights appears. At the door, Holloway places a hand against the door frame before toppling rapidly onto his side on the ground.

The shooting was captured on a home surveillance camera system at Claytor's home at 2785 T. McReynolds Road. Claytor claims he acted in self-defense.

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Cave City local option election scheduled for July 22

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A local option election to determine whether package alcohol sales will be allowed in Cave City is set for July 22.

signatures. A total of 195 signatures were required to trigger an election, according to a news release from Greer. That is equal to 25 percent of the number of votes cast in Cave City at the last general election preceding the filing of the petition.

Barren County Judge-Executive Davie Greer on Wednesday issued an executive order setting the date for the election after verifying that a petition asking for a local option election included enough

It was filed May 14 with the Barren County Clerk's Office. Cave City Forward Committee members collected 291 signatures on the petition. Of those, 73 were

disqualified, leaving 218 legitimate signatures, according to the news release. Reasons for signatures being disqualified included a signer not being a registered voter or not residing in Cave City. Some were disqualified because they had duplicate signatures, because there was information missing or because they were not legible.

The question on the ballot will be "Are you in favor of the sale

of alcoholic beverages in Cave City, Kentucky?" said Amanda Sturgeon, election coordinator at the Barren County Clerk's Office.

Larry Mutter, a member of the Cave City Forward Committee, which circulated the petition, said the election would expand alcohol sales in Cave City from by-the-drink sales in restaurants to package sales. "We want Cave City residents to have the opportunity to say yes

or no on it," he said. The committee began collecting signatures in November and didn't turn the petition in earlier because committee members wanted to make sure they had more than enough signatures, he said. Though there might be opposition to the move, Mutter said committee members experienced no strong opposition when they were collecting signatures for the petition.

The committee approached the issue from an economic development standpoint, and many don't even drink alcohol, he said. Mutter used to manage a hotel in Cave City and said that, when hotel guests ask where they can get a six-pack of beer to drink in their room and learn that the closest location is in Bowling Green, they are unlikely to stay in Cave City.

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