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Last Friday Mt. Vernon firefighters were called to Paul Street where a mobile home was being rented by Ottie Kirby, 47, was completely engulfed in flames. Firefighters were not sure what caused the blaze. The mobile home is owned by Edna Kirby and was one of 18 calls responded to by Mt. Vernon and Rescue Units in the past 20 days.

25-year-old dies in auto accident in Pulaski Co.

Funeral services were held last Saturday for a Brodhead woman who died in a two-car collision in Pulaski County on December 28th.

According to an accident report filed by the Pulaski County Sheriff's office, Scarlett Shade Jones, 25, of Purr Rigsby Rd., died in the 9:30 p.m. accident which occurred on North Hwy. 461.

According to the report, Jones was traveling north when she lost control of her car and struck a guardrail which caused her to enter the southbound lane of Hwy. 461.

Police said when Jones' vehicle crossed into the southbound lane of the roadway, it collided head-on with a vehicle driven by Vincent F. Pickens, 52, of Berea.

Pickens and his passenger, Glenna D. Jones, 49, both of

Village Drive, were severely injured in the crash and were airlifted from the scene to the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

A complete obituary for Ms. Jones, who was a student at National College in Richmond, appears on page A-4 of this week's Signal.



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Larry Goff Construction Company has begun cleaning up the additional 20 acre site that has been purchased by the Rockcastle Fiscal Court as an add-on for the Rockcastle Business Park South. The additional 20 acres is located on Old 461 and Hwy. 150. The cost of the acreage, which was owned by eight different landowners, was approximately \$900,000. One of the eight land owners in the 20 acre tract, Barbara Baker, declined to sell her property and the Fiscal Court is attempting to obtain it by condemnation proceedings. Agreements have been reached with all of the other seven landowners.

A brief look at the headlines from last year

2008: The Year of taxation Rockcastle

By: Richard Anderkin

When January started in Rockcastle County last year, residents, visitors and those just passing through began paying 3% more for food they purchased at restaurants within the city limits of Mt. Vernon.

That new tax was put in place in 2007 by the Mt. Vernon City Council at the request of the Rockcastle Tourist Commission, who is splitting the tax revenue with the city.

Tourism CEO Susan Laws said at the last Mt. Vernon City Council meeting in December that the tax would generate between \$20,000 and \$30,000 a month.

46-year-old Steve Isaacs, a former Kentucky Fish and

Wildlife officer who worked in Rockcastle, was sentenced to six months in jail and ordered to pay \$9,500 in restitution after pleading guilty to mail fraud.

David King, an owner of King Bottling Company in Climax announced he would no longer provide free water for residents of the area, because vandals continued to tear up the distribution mechanism.

A few weeks after King's announcement, some local residents agreed to oversee the

operation and to keep the area clean, which prompted King to reverse his decision.

47-year-old Clyde Chasteen was indicted on 50 counts of incest and 50 counts of sodomy. He later pled guilty to two of those counts and was sentenced in July to seven years in prison.

The Rockcastle County Board of Education gave Superintendent Larry Hammond a one year extension on his

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Heating crisis program in Rockcastle County began on Monday

The Rockcastle County Daniel Boone Community Action Agency began the "Crisis" portion of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) that assists households in a heating crisis on Monday morning.

The deepening of cold winter weather, combined with rising utility costs, leaves many households unable to fully meet heating bills or purchase sufficient bulk fuel to keep their families safe and warm.

Last year over 1,000 county residents received financial assistance and emergency services from the LIHEAP Crisis component.

A household shall be considered to be in a home heating crisis situation when the household meets the basic LIHEAP eligibility criteria and:

- the household is within four (4) days of running out of fuel if bulk fuel, (coal, fuel oil, propane, kerosene, or wood), is the heat source.
- the household has received a past due/disconnect notice if natural gas or electric is the heat source; or
- the household's home heating costs are included as an undesignated portion of the rent and the household has received an eviction notice for non-payment of rent from the landlord.

For all bulk fuels (wood,

coal, propane, fuel oil, kerosene) verification of a crisis situation may be self-declaration by the applicant. For natural gas and electrically-heated households, the applicant must present an appropriate disconnect notice from the vendor.

Applications are being taken Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, on Main St., in Mt. Vernon.

LIHEAP is a statewide initiative sponsored by Community Action Kentucky in partnership with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS).

Daniel Boone officials said applications will taken until the local office is notified that funds have been depleted.

Update addresses for alarm systems

If you have an alarm system in your home, please be sure that your alarm company has your new physical 911 address.

According to Rockcastle County 911, several alarm companies still have the old route and box addresses and there is no way to cross reference the old address to find the new address. This could cause a delay in an emergency response.

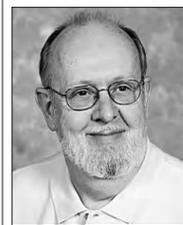
If you have any questions about your new physical address, please call the 911 office at 606-256-2121.



Tipton retires

Brodhead Postmaster Liz Tipton, shown above, front center, retired from her position with the U.S. Post Office on December 31st after 27 and half years with the postal service. 18 of those years was spent as postmaster at Brodhead. On hand to help her celebrate her retirement were, from left: rural carrier Oscar Fain, retired carrier Johnny Alcorn, rural carrier Phillip Payne, Officer in Charge Rick Bryant, Livingston Postmaster Melody Salyers, who trained Bryant, and part-time clerk Carol Liming. Bryant has been with the post office for 22 years, working in Lexington all during that time. At left, Tipton gives a piece of cake to Steve Owens, a longtime post office customer, who was one of many that also helped Tipton celebrate her retirement. The Brodhead Post Office serves approximately 1,725 addresses. (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)





Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

"Silver in the mine"
A few weeks ago I gathered information for an article about six Powell County teachers who achieved the status of National Board Certification. When one of the honored teachers asked, "How long did you teach chemistry?" My answer, as always, brought a shocked look to the one asking the question - "Thirty-eight years," I replied.

Each time I reiterate the 37 years, I myself am amazed that I was able to last that long in the classroom. I suppose one reason was that I started at the young age of 20.

When I graduated from Mt. Vernon High School on a Friday night in May of 1962, my automobile was packed to make the switch to UK on the following Monday. I received my degree in 1965 and began my teaching career in the middle of that year.

Even as a freshman at UK, my decision had been established concerning my chosen profession - to teach high school science. While a student at Mt. Vernon High School, I was so impressed with the instruction provided by Dorothy Landrum (Biology) and Charles "Tuck" Baker (Chem-

istry) that I wanted to be just like them. So my mind was made up - a teacher I would be.

In my first freshman biology class at Campbellsville High School, there was a young man by the name of Roger Chelf, sitting near the back of the room. Roger did not make eye contact with me, nor did he ask any questions concerning my lessons. It was evident that he was not as popular as many of the "privileged" children in the class. As the class progressed, he continued to be extremely quiet and reserved.

As time passed, Roger appeared bored and uninterested in the subject of biology. I was determined to learn about his disinterest in my class. I used my planning period to visit the guidance counselor in order to see how Roger was doing in his other classes. Much to my dismay, he was failing every class - even though he had tested quite well.

The next day I asked Roger to remain after class, hoping we could make a connection. His first comment was, "I don't have any textbooks." Without asking why, I simply walked to my desk and handed him my

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Inexpensive places worth visiting in 2009

Among the many great things about living in Kentucky is you don't have to travel far or spend a lot of money to have a great time.

And that's a pretty good thing considering the current state of the economy.

After years of traveling from border to border, and sometimes just over the line, below is my list of inexpensive and outstanding places worthy of a visit in 2009.

Frankfort Cemetery

A lot of people know this as the burial place of Daniel Boone, but he and wife Rebecca are surrounded by many of the state's most famous citizens. The grave markers of 18 Kentucky governors, including William J. Gobel, the only sitting governor to die by assassination in the U. S., make this a great place to take the kids for a lesson in Kentucky history. Pick up a brochure at the visitor center as you enter the cemetery, and it will help you identify the graves of Kentucky's greatest sculptor; the handsomest man in America; the guy who invented Bibb lettuce; and a man who walked barefoot from Covington to Frankfort to serve as a pallbearer for Daniel Boone. I admit that visiting a cemetery may not be the most fun thing on this list, but I haven't met many people who aren't dying to go back.

The Bluebird Café, Nashville, Tennessee

One of my biggest regrets in life is not having gone there early and often. Seven nights a week you can spend a few hours at this awesome place listening to new songwriters and veterans of the craft who have penned some of the biggest hits of all time. Recently, on only our second visit ever, my wife and I got to hear Tony Arata share his story of writing the Garth Brooks mega hit, "The Dance". Also performing that night was the elderly but lively man who wrote hit after hit for Charlie Rich and dozens more. Get there at 5:30 p.m. and you'll likely be able to sit on a pew for free, or you can sit at a table for \$7. No matter where you sit, you'll be within a few feet of the performers in this very small venue in a strip shopping center.

Bardstown Road, Louisville

About three very walkable miles of roadway lined with wall-to-wall unique shops, restaurants, quaint book stores, music stores, etc. Basically, this is Kentucky's version of Greenwich Village in New York City.

Frankfort Avenue, Louisville

This street offers nearly everything you'll find along Bardstown Road, but it is not as pedestrian friendly due to the shops being spaced farther apart. Great places for browsing and window shopping.

Kingdom Come State Park

Remote and tranquil with a fantastic view, this is a Kentucky treasure that probably

doesn't get the attention it deserves. If ever there was a place to simply "get away from it all," this gem near Harlan is it.

Madison, Indiana

One of the cleanest, most historic towns in America with a Main Street reminiscent of small towns of the 1940s and 50s. Located along the Ohio River, the drive over from Kentucky includes a scenic view from the mountainside and a very old and beautiful bridge.

Dixie Chili, Newport

I know my hot dogs. And I know this little eatery at 733 Mommouth Street in downtown Newport has the world's best. There's a good reason this place started by Nicholas Sarakatsannis has been around for over 75 years, and you'll know what it is as soon as you pop the first cone in your mouth. One cone will set you back \$1.45.

Alpine Mountain Top Resort, Burkesville

Ever wanted to have your own very private, romantic and secluded get-away place? This is it, complete with a pool and balconies overlooking the town of Burkesville far, far below. Travel here on a weekday and there's a good chance you'll get to have the whole place to yourself. While you're here, check out the village of Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee, located just a few minutes away.

Fulton County

Kentucky's westernmost county is also one of its most unique. Miles and miles of fertile flatland along the Mississippi River make traveling the rural roads here a mind-blowing experience. Walk behind the public library in Hickman for a spectacular view of the Mississippi River, and travel out to New Madrid to learn about the earthquake that totally reshaped this section of Kentucky in 1811-12.

Green Turtle Bay Resort, Grand Rivers

During the years I served on the Kentucky Press Association

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Points East

By Ike Adams

I'm writing this column late on the first Friday evening in January 09, three days before I'll be 60 years old. If you called me on Monday with the happy birthday cheer, you already know that we are no longer on speaking terms. I took the greetings glumly.

If, perchance, it just now crossed your mind to make a belated call, now that you know I've hit the big six ohh, and you want to wish me well. STOP! Because chances are we still are friends and wouldn't it be nice to stay on peaceful terms for at least another while.

I am determined to become a grumpy old man and there's not much you can do stop it.

Well, actually there is. You may have a magic wand. In which case I'd be most appreciative of having you wave it over my shoulders and bringing back the golf swing that enabled me to take up the game for a few years back in the nine-

ties when I could consistently hit the ball off the tee and keep it in the fairway for 250 yards or so.

What a rush that was back then. I never had a short game but I enjoyed leaving deep divots and occasionally breaking off the heads of pitching wedges on my swing just short of the greens and looking for my ball out in the poison ivy that normally surrounded them. I used to keep count of the holes on which I shot par and actually topped out at well over a hundred. Then I started counting birdies and got to 31 before my right shoulder went kaput about the time I was getting good enough to finish nine holes without having to stop at every other one and let some old ladies play through.

Uncle Arthur came to visit me about ten years ago when I had barely turned 50. Now, no

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A Low Thyroid

Presented by Dr. George W. Griffith

The thyroid gland takes a lot of blame when people have fatigue, weight gain, or a variety of other symptoms. In many of these cases though, the thyroid has nothing to do with the symptoms.

When the gland is actually too low or inactive the symptoms are often insidious and non-specific. Usually there will be constipation, dry skin, and an intolerance to cold weather. Later, there may be a moderate weight gain and fatigue. Some people may develop a lower voice, hair loss, or even heart problems.

The diagnosis of hypothyroidism can be made by simple blood tests that will tell your doctor exactly how the thyroid is functioning. If the tests are normal, it

is generally not wise to "try a little thyroid" to see if it gives you more energy. Only when the thyroid is too low by laboratory measurements should it be treated, and then it is easily done with a medicine taken once a day.

When the thyroid is low, the supplement will need to be taken indefinitely; the thyroid is unlikely to return to normal. In fact, it is more likely that it will become less and less active, so yearly blood tests for the thyroid level are worthwhile, even after starting the medicine.

Since salt has become iodized, hypothyroidism caused by iodine deficiency has disappeared along with the large goiters that iodine deficiency used to cause. Now, if a person develops an enlarged thyroid, one must check for tumors.

If a person's symptoms are not explained, further testing should be done to look for diabetes, anemia, a low potassium, tumors, side effects of medicines, and many other possible causes.



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Our Readers Write

Toys for Tots Foundation expresses gratitude...

Dear Editor,
On behalf of the Toys for Tots Foundation of Rockcastle County, we would like to take this time to express our gratitude to several individuals, businesses, organizations, and agencies.

This year we were able to once again serve many families in order to help them have a more joyful Christmas. It was a great success, and we could not have done it without the generous help of so many. We would like to thank all of those in the county who donated toys and funds to this great cause. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

We would like to thank Community Trust bank of Mt. Vernon (both branches), Mt. Vernon IGA, Wendy's, Citizens Bank (Mt. Vernon & Brodhead), Rite Aid, PBK Bank, Dollar General (West Main St.), B&L Grocery (Hwy 70), Rockcastle Co. High School, Brodhead Elementary School, and Mt. Vernon Elementary School for being toy drive and donation centers.

Special thanks to the Rockcastle Co. High School for again providing the facility for the toy give-away.

We would also like to thank the Mt. Vernon Signal, the Rockcastle Area Technology Center, Teresa Vanzant and the Circuit Court Clerk office, Northside Baptist Church, Pizza Hut, the U.S. Attorney Office of London, KY, the RCHS Student YMCA Club, Northside Student Ministries, and Brad and Sundae Park of McDonald's.

Thanks to any we may have failed to mention who participated, donated, or supported this program in some way. This certainly would not have been possible without the cooperative effort of everyone involved. Thanks again and God bless you!

Sincerely,

GySgt Ryan Loudermilk
US Marine Corps Reserve
Jon Burdette, Youth Pastor
Northside Baptist Church

Believer in God...

Dear Editor,

I, Chuck Davis, also known as Sir Charles Tony Davis II, do believe that YHWH, or the one and only God, did, through His wisdom, grace and mercy, send His only begotten son, Yahushua or the King of King and Lord of Lords, Jesus Christ, to earth, who was born, died on the cross and was raised the third day and saved me of my sins.

Chuck Davis

Trolley Shopping Nights a success...

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the City of Mt. Vernon and the Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle County Tourist Commission we would like to thank everyone who helped to make the Trolley Shopping Nights successful. First of all we would like to thank Shirley Cummins and her staff at RTEC for the use of the trolleys. The drivers, Tracy Barron, Ronnie Mink and Jerry Harrison did a superb job of keeping the trolleys running on schedule and assisting the trolley guides and patrons. A special thank you goes out to those volunteer trolley guides: Jerry Pensol, Pam Perry Combs, Michael Howard, Iris Parker and Mary McNew.

We would also like to express grateful appreciation to our volunteer, out of town judges who judged the decorated merchant storefronts. Each participating merchant who chose decorated in this year's theme "A Musical Storybook Christmas". First Place was awarded to Jones Furniture and Collectibles, downtown Mt. Vernon. Second Place went to the Country Music Store at Renfro Valley. The BitterSweet Cabin Village Craft Shop located on the Renfro Valley grounds took Third Place.

To the participating merchants - - Thank you for going above and beyond this year in decorating, contributing to the gift basket and hosting shoppers in a special way providing refreshments and that unique

Christmas shopping experience. The gift basket was enormous and filled with wonderful gifts from almost all of the participating merchants. What a great representation of locally available gift items it was!! In a drawing held on Friday, December 19 the basket was won by Peggy Robbins of Brodhead.

And last but certainly not least - To those patrons who did choose to come out and support you community by shopping locally - A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!! You are exemplary of great citizens who really care about making a difference here in Mt. Vernon during these otherwise tough economic times!

Mayor Clarice Kirby

Abused and neglected children need your help!

Dear Editor,

Court appointed volunteers serve as advocates for these special children. Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers are appointed by the Family Court Judge to work with others involved in the case toward the child's placement in a permanent, loving home. The goal is for the best possible environment to be chosen for the placement of each child. Due to the lack of funding, this program is in danger of being discontinued.

Locally, the CASA program has been helping abused and neglected children in Lincoln, Pulaski and Rockcastle counties since June of 2006, after receiving a National CASA grant. Today, the program plays an active role in the CASA movement throughout Kentucky, serving the 28th Judicial Circuit Court District, which consists of Pulaski, Lincoln and Rockcastle Counties. Over 20 children have been served by CASA and our volunteers have logged hundreds of hours without any compensation other than the satisfaction of helping a child in need.

Funds are not presently available to pay the \$2,200 due in program insurance. As of January 15, 2009, funds will not be available to pay the program director, which is required to oversee the training and performance of advocates that are working with the children. I am asking you for a special gift of \$10, \$15, \$25 or more to keep our program in operation and serving our abused and neglected children. Your gift will allow volunteers to continue making a difference in the lives of these children and allow us to continue meeting the needs in our community.

Jerry Bailey, program director, is willing to remain on a volunteer basis while we seek additional funding, so service to the children will not be interrupted. Yet he cannot continue to do so indefinitely. Can we count on you for a gift of \$10, \$15, \$25 or more so that we can continue to serve the abused and neglected children in our area?

Send donations as soon as possible to:

28th Judicial Circuit CASA
c/o Jerry W. Bailey, Exec. Dir.
4160 U.S. Hwy. 27 South
Stanford, Ky. 40484
606-365-0919

Sincerely,

Gary King, president
28th Judicial CASA
Board of Directors

How does this increase tourism?...

Dear Editor,

I want to remind everyone the city gets 1/2 the tourism food tax to be used for tourism related expenses (started last year.)

Here's an example of how the mayor is spending some of that money:

(1) Bittersweet Festival. In 2007 the city spent \$5518 vs \$12,838 this past year. \$4150 music, \$1700 decorations, \$659 for 160 T-Shirts, \$1220 food, \$3160 Employee O/T pay.

(2) July 4th. In 2007 city spent nothing vs \$4000 this past year. \$1600 music, \$632 food, \$1776 for 42 flags in front of Renfro Valley.

(3) Halloween. In 2007 the city spent \$689 vs \$2030 this past year. \$200 music, \$348 in ads, \$850 for inflatable alliga-

tor and slides, balance in decorations.

I ask you, how does this increase tourism?

Sincerely

Rick Courtney

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

copy of Modern Biology. His eyes opened wide, and he exclaimed, "I can't take your book!"

"Sure you can," I replied, "Tomorrow I want you to be able to discuss with me and the rest of the class the assignment that I gave you today." I told him to follow me to the bookstore, and I gave him the rest of his textbooks. He looked at me with gratitude in his sad little eyes. He finally said, "Thank you so much, Mr. Griffin. You will not be disappointed in me."

Benjamin Franklin once said, "Genius without education is like silver in the mine. Because of Roger's academic scores, I just knew he was capable. I was determined to make him be part of the class discussions.

The next day, Roger raised his hand in response to every question that I asked! I called on him several times, and the rest of the class watched in disbelief. His answers were quite profound and accurate.

At the end of class that day, Roger approached my desk and said, "I love this class, Mr. Griffin, and you will not be disappointed in me again." I never was. When it came time for grades to be posted, Roger had the highest average in my biology class.

The following year, he took my chemistry class and again had the highest grade. When he graduated, he was awarded the honor of Salutatorian. On that day, with tears flowing down his cheeks, he hugged me and said, "You are my favorite teacher, Mr. Griffin." Those remarks made me feel like Dorothy Landrum and "Tuck" Baker rolled into one. Do you now understand why I taught for 38 years?

"Much I have learned from my teachers, more from my colleagues, but most from my students." (The Talmud) The profession has changed over the past 40 years. The majority of the 3 million teachers in the United States have at least a Masters Degree and an average of 15 years experience. "Today, teachers are more educated and experienced than ever before," said NEA President Reg Weaver. "It's extremely reassuring to know that public school students are being taught by some of the most talented educators this nation has seen in more than 40 years."

I was proud to be a life-long member of the teaching profession. (My dear mother taught school for many years herself; and my brother also taught for a while.) Someone once said, "Teaching is the essential profession, the one that makes all other professions possible."

It is time we give teachers our undivided support and encouragement. Most of them enter the profession to help shape future generations. Untapped potential is always silver in the mine!

(You can reach me at mtman@mis.net or you can drop me a line at P.O. Box 927-Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

"Ken & Tucky"

(Cont. from A2)

Board of Directors, this was the favorite destination for our fall retreats. Among the many attractions here is Patti's 1880's Settlement Restaurant, a very unique and historic eatery famous for pies and pork chops.

Natural Bridge State Park, Slade

From a drive through the very narrow Nada Tunnel to the breath-taking ride on the chairlift, and mile after mile of scenic trails, this park has it all.

Perryville Battlefield State Park

Regardless of how many times I visit this now tranquil place, I always stand in awe of what happened here on Oct. 8, 1862. There were 38,000 Union and Confederate troops fighting in the largest Civil War battle in Kentucky, and when the dust had settled, 7,500 casualties.

Irish Acres, Nonesuch

Prepare to stay for hours and be entertained by roaming among two floors filled with antiques, jewelry, artwork, and other "sensory stimulating" artifacts in this former school-house.

Pioneer Playhouse, Danville

No list of places to visit in and around Kentucky would be complete without including the home of the state's oldest outdoor theatre. Founded by the late Colonel Eben Henson in 1950, his family continues the summer tradition of hosting wholesome family entertainment. The 2009 season kicks off June 5 and runs through August.

Happy travels.

Attention BRODHEAD WATER CUSTOMERS

Due to the installation of a new water line, Brodhead Water System has called a

BOIL WATER ADVISORY

until further notice for the following areas:

Hwy. 1505 beginning at the junction of Hwy. 150 to the end of Hwy. 1505 and all streets or roads that junction with Hwy. 1505

This Boil Water Advisory will not be lifted until the water line and tank are completed.

Watch next week's Signal for IGA's money-saving circular!

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LEADERSHIP ROCKCASTLE

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR CLASS OF 2009

This year's program will kick off February 20th. It will consist of an opening two-day session at a location outside the county and followed by nine additional monthly sessions. Eight sessions will take place each month from 9AM to 1PM at various locations around the county.

A full day session will take place in March so the group can tour the State Capital, attend a committee meeting and observe legislators in session in the afternoon.

Anyone interested in this program should contact the Rockcastle County Development Board at 606-256-8007 or email Lynn Tatum at ltatum@rockcastlecountyky.com or Corey Craig at 256-2500 or email ccraig@citizensbankkrb.com.

- Strengthen communication, organizational and economic development skills
- Become involved in the community
- Effectively guide development initiatives by increasing knowledge, networking and leadership skills
- Discuss important county issues such as: new sewer plant, planning and zoning, comprehensive tourism plan, etc.
- Tackle new leadership challenges within your company and community
- Session topics include effective meeting, communications skills and conflict resolution

This program is for individuals that want to see Rockcastle County prosper, grow and have quality of life issues addressed!

Obituaries



Ruth Leger Huff

Ruth Leger Huff, 95, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, December 25, 2008 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Wildie, KY on October 1, 1913 the daughter of Henry and Mary Alice Baker Leger. She was a retired cook for Roundstone School and had been the oldest member of the Conway Baptist Church.

She is survived by: two daughters, Lorraine Hoskins of Indianapolis, IN and Edna (John) Williams of Mt. Vernon. She was preceded in death by: her husband, Charlie Huff; one son; four brothers; and four sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 28, 2008 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jim Ritchey. Burial followed in the Riddle Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Billy Ray Leger, Calvin Leger, Calvin Leger, Charles Leger, Jimmy Leger, Jody Leger and William Leger.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.



Stacy Mason

Stacy Mason, 30, of Sand Hill, died Thursday, January 1, 2009 at his home.

He was born November 8, 1978, at Rockcastle County Hospital to Eugene and Alice Hubbard Mason. He was a member of the Sand Hill Baptist Church. Stacy enjoyed being outside with his bulldogs and writing music. His dream always was to have his own band. Not only was he a talented singer but also writer as well. He expressed himself thru words and music. He also enjoyed watching sports. He had been a Masoner for the last six years.

Stacy will never be forgotten and always loved by everyone he came into contact with. He had a carefree spirit and would help anyone any way he could.

Those left to mourn his passing include: his parents, Alice and Eugene Mason of Sand Hill; two brothers, Jason Eugene (Rebecca) Mason and Kevin Mason, also of Sand Hill; his girlfriend of four years, Lisa Durham of Mt. Vernon; Grandmother, Glessie Hubbard of Livingston and a host of friends and neighbors include special friend John Pope of Mt. Vernon.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Rosie & Ernie Mason and Frank Hubbard, special friend, Chris Hurley,

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 5, 2009 at the Sand Hill Baptist Church with Bro. Tommy Miller officiating. Burial followed in the Mason Family Cemetery at Sand Hill.

Casket bearers were Donnie Lamb, Ronnie Lamb, Charles Lamb, Brandon Lamb, Matthew Faulkner and Jordan Taylor. Honorary Casket bearer was John Pope

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Stacy Mason Burial Fund, P.O. Box 658, Brodhead, Ky. 40409

Condolences can be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com



Scarlett Shade Jones

Scarlett Shade Jones, 25, of Brodhead, died Sunday, December 28, 2008. She was born in Richmond, KY on September 16, 1983, daughter of Michael Jones and Mary Jane Price Jones. She was a student at National College in Richmond.

She is survived by: her father, Michael (Gail) Jones of Mt. Vernon; her mother, Mary Jane Jones of Brodhead; two brothers, Jacob Jones of Brodhead and Jeremy Shawn Jones and his companion, Natalie Albright; one step brother, Joey Bullock of Mt. Vernon; and one step sister, Judy Mason of Pine Hill; maternal grandmother, Marion Price of Somerset; paternal grandmother, Mary Ida Jones of Mt. Vernon; and several aunts and uncles.

She was preceded in death by: her stepfather, Gary Earl Shepherd; maternal grandfather, Stanley Price; and paternal grandfather, Hewitt Jones.

Services were held Saturday, January 3, 2009 at Morris & Hislope Funeral Home with Bro. Shelby Reynolds officiating. Burial was in Eubank Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at www.morrisandhislope.com



Carolyn Marie Klotz

Carolyn Marie Klotz, 58, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, December 29, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital after a long illness. She was born on December 20, 1950 in Cleveland, OH the daughter of Harry and Nina Fisco Disalvo. She was a homemaker.

Survivors are: her husband, Ronald Edward Klotz of Mt. Vernon; one son, Adam (Cathy) Hennie of Cincinnati, OH; three grandchildren, Patrick, Matthew, and Megan.

Cremation was selected by the family, and arrangements were by the Cox Funeral Home.

Memorials are suggested to: The American Cancer Society, NCICFUL P.O. Box 102454, Atlanta, GA 30368-2454.

Jean Mackey

Jean Mackey, 69, of East Ridge, TN, died Monday, December 29, 2008. She was a native of Rockcastle County.

Survivors include: her husband, Harry Mackey; one son, Chris (Lisa) Mackey of Mt. Vernon; two grandchildren, Johnny Mackey and Katie Mackey, both of Mt. Vernon; her mother, Bessie Hickey of Orlando; one sister, Darlene (Wilbur) Weaver of Orlando; two brothers, Ballard (Judy) Hickey and Patrick (Joann) Hickey, both of Dayton, OH as well as many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Elmer Hickey and one brother, Winfred Hickey.

Funeral services were held Thursday, January 1st at the East Chapel of Chattanooga Funeral Home with Pastor Paul Champion officiating. Entombment was in the Lomerick Cemetery Mausoleum.

Please share your thoughts and memories at www.mem.com



Michael Dario Glovak

Michael Dario Glovak, 44, husband of Jennifer Leear Glovak, of Paint Lick and formerly of Brodhead, died Thursday, January 1, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital.

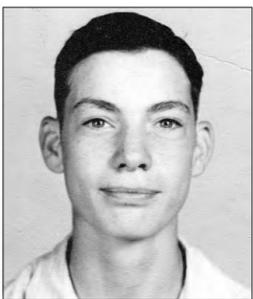
He was born on August 23, 1964 in Mt. Clemens, Michigan, a son of Frank Dario and Janet Hagedorn Glovak. He was a Roman Catholic whose vocation was that of Master Carpenter. His hobbies and interests include fishing and hunting and family time. On July 7, 2007 he was united in holy matrimony to Jennifer Sue Lear.

Those left to cherish his memory include: his wife, Jennifer Sue Glovak of Paint Lick; his parents, Frank Dario and Janet Glovak of Mt. Vernon; maternal grandmother, Ernestine Hagedorn of Romeo, Michigan; his children, Chad Lowell Glovak and fiancée Kristie of Richmond and Brady Scott Lear of Brodhead; one brother, David Dario Glovak and fiancée Trina of Richmond; one sister, Lisa Marie Roberts and fiancée Calvin of Irvine; uncles, John (Linda) Glovak of Salyersville; Larry Hagedorn of Lansing, Michigan, Paul (Donna) Hagedorn of Metorma, Michigan; aunts, Elaine (Mike) High of Baton Rouge, LA, Lorraine Hartley of Polk City, FL, Theresa (George) Shaffer of Corona, CA and Sharon (Gary) Orr of Romeo, MI; as well as six nieces and two nephews, special great nephew, Brandon Skinner, & friends and neighbors.

He was preceded in death by an infant sister, Catherine Christine Glovak and an aunt, Mary Catherine Gill.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 4, 2009 with Bros. Luther Allen and David Hansel officiating. Burial followed in the Oak Hill Cemetery. Casket Bearers were John Glovak III, Tim Wagers, Steven Glovak, Brent Ray, Tim Ray and Jackie Woodall.

Condolences can be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com



Roger Monk

Roger Monk, 61, of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday at the Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital in Somerset. He was born on October 13, 1947 in Rockcastle County the son of the late Dewey and Freda Bozell Monk. He was a self employed Drywaller, an avid UK Basketball fan, enjoyed rabbit hunting, listening to his beagle run, country music, the outdoors and wildlife.

Survivors are: one son, Robert (Melinda) Monk of Mt. Vernon; one daughter, Lavone (Jeffrey) Jett of Mt. Vernon; three sisters, Alpha McClure of Ventura, IA, Mary Hayes of Mt. Vernon, and Sue Prestholt of Clear Lake, IA; and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by: four brothers, Carlos, Paul, Leroy, and Donald Monk; and two sisters, Joyce Moore and Barbara McGunnis.

Services were held Wednesday, December 31, 2008 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Jack Stallsworth officiating. Burial was in Maret Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Roy Bullock, Tony Monk, Stanton Hayes, Sam Alcorn, Ronnie Bullock and Leroy Monk.



George Washington Phillips

George Washington Phillips, 66, of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, January 3, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born in Rockcastle County on January 12, 1942 the son of George Washington and Eva Marie Moore Phillips. He was a retired self-employed construction worker and dry waller and of the Baptist Faith.

He is survived by: his wife, Rosella McFerron Phillips; three sons, Bobby Darrell (Terri) Miller of Muncie, IN, Larry Hasty and Gary Hasty, both of Mt. Vernon; three daughters, Kathy (John) Bryant of Mt. Vernon, Tammy Bullen of Waco, and Leann Franks of Bosier City, LA; two brothers: Earl (Judy) Phillips and James Carol Phillips, both of Mt. Vernon; two sisters, Shirley Monk of Mt. Vernon and Annabelle Goldie of Berea. Also surviving are seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Phillips was preceded in death by one grandson and one brother.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Eddie Nation. Burial followed in the Ottawa Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Greg Cowan, Tony Monk, Rick Neal, Billy Phillips, Earl Phillips, James C. Phillips and Robbie Phillips.

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Zelma Fern Cromer

Zelma Fern Cromer, 89, of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, December 21, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born in Cedarville, KY on July 25, 1919 the daughter of Lee Roy and Lola Bell Smith Doan. She was a homemaker and a member of the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ.

She is survived by: five sons, Keith (Victoria) Cromer of Mt. Vernon, Calvin (Sandy) Cromer, Joe (Darlene) Cromer, Marvin (Rhonda) Cromer, all of Cincinnati, OH and Melvin Cromer of Mt. Vernon; seven daughters, Sylvia (Lonnie) of Mt. Orab, OH, Bernice Mink of Clarksville, OH, Naomia (Everette) Renner of Mt. Vernon, Glenna (Lee) Barrett of Lula, GA, Nina Mink of Brodhead, Phyllis (Harold) Cox of Nashville, IN and Zelma (Kenny) Gabbard of Mt. Vernon. Also surviving are 33 grandchildren, 46 great grandchildren and 18 great great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Arlie Cromer; two brothers, Bernard and Carter Doan; one sister, Joyce McFerron; and two grandsons, Gary and Russell Rice.

Funeral services were conducted December 24, 2008 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Ova Baker. Burial followed in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: David Mink, Jeff Mink, Eric Renner, James Renner, Randy Renner and Jimmy Rice.

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Pauline Alexander

Pauline Alexander, 69, of Fairview Loop Rd. Berea died Sunday, December 28, 2008 at her home. Pauline was an employee at Parker-Seal Company in Berea, a homemaker, and attended church at Fairview Baptist Church.

Pauline was the daughter of the late Robert and Mollie Chasteen Croucher and was preceded in death by her husband L.A. Alexander Jr. She was also preceded in death by her brothers, Edward Croucher, Willard Croucher, Bobby Earl Croucher, and sister-in-law Dorcie Croucher.

Pauline is survived by: her children, Delilah (Jeff) Blair, Faye (Roger) Rucker, Bob (Ann) Alexander, Tim (Vicki) Alexander and Mike (Angie) Alexander; 21 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 31, 2008 at Lakes Funeral Home with Rev. Vaughn Rasor and Bro. Jeff Reed presiding. Burial followed in the Chasteen Cemetery.

Pallbearers were grandsons: Donnie Adams, Saben Blair, Jamie Linville, Jeffery Linville, Robert Lee Alexander, Chris Alexander, Russell Riddell, Stephen Riddell, Aaron Ponder, Jeffrey Alexander, and Kevin McClure.

Honorary pallbearers were her brothers: Robert (Mildred) Croucher Jr., Bert (Barbara) Croucher, Roy Lee (Velma) Croucher and J.B. (Jo Ann) Croucher.

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Obituaries



Ruth Etta Brown

Ruth Etta Brown, 82, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, December 30, 2008 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Rockcastle County on May 8, 1926 the daughter of Jarvis Jackson and Etta Tallant Noe. She was a retired teacher's aide for the Rockcastle County School System and a member of the Conway Missionary Baptist Church.

She is survived by: one son, Bill Louis (Sharon) Griffin of Cincinnati, OH; one brother, Billy Keith Noe of Cincinnati, OH; four grandchildren, Tawni and Gil Williams, Bobby Griffin, Eric and Amy Childress and Blake Childress; and six great grandchildren, Ashley and Mike Spurlock, Bradley Williams, Brandon Childress, Brooke Griffin, Dalton Childress and Audrey Childress. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by: one son, David Lee Griffin; one daughter, Kimberly Sue Childress; one brother; and three sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 3, 2009 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jim Ritchey. Burial followed in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Blake Childress, Brandon Childress, Eric Childress, Bobby Griffin, Nicholas Nolan and Bradley Williams.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.



Zelma Edith Hayes

Zelma Edith Hayes, 84, of Brodhead, died Friday, December 26, 2008 at the UK Medical Center in Lexington. She was born on October 19, 1924 in Rockcastle County the daughter of the late William Riley and Fannie Norton Whitaker. She enjoyed reading, spending time with her family, and was a member of the Skaggs Creek Baptist Church.

Survivors are: three sons, Donnie (Charlotte) Hayes of Brodhead, Ronnie (Lisa) Hayes of Mt. Vernon, and Tommy Hayes of Brodhead; nine daughters, Darlene (Butch) Carl and Sue (Steve) Tracy, both of Versailles, Donna Jean (Bobby) Brock of Edgewood, Lois (Rolen) Gabbard of Independence, Liz (Donnie) Whitaker of Mt. Vernon, Verla Rose(Lowell) Mink and Sandy(Charles) Bullen, both of Brodhead, Jennifer (Jerry) Jackson of Nicholasville, and Roberta Dyer of Nashville, TN; one sister, Wilma McCulley of Stanford; 22 grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren; one great grandchild; and a host of church friends.

She was preceded in death by: her husband, Robert Hayes; one infant son, Steven Lee Hayes; one granddaughter, Jamie Leigh Bowling; and three brothers, Lawrence, Chester, and Robert "Gus" Whitaker.

Services were held Monday, December 29, 2008 at the Skaggs Creek Baptist Church with Bros. Bill Wagers and Bill Hammonds officiating. Burial was in Skaggs Creek Cemetery. Arrangements made by Cox Funeral Home.



Etta Cromer Rowe

Etta Cromer Rowe, 89, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday December 30, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born on March 17, 1919 in Rockcastle County the daughter of the late Logan and Armlida Cromer. She was a homemaker, enjoyed cooking, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors are: one daughter, Mrs. Rose Thacker of Richmond; five grandchildren, Doug Rowe, Jr., Sheri Rowe, Mike Thacker, Tammy Barron, and Clarissa Noakes; four great grandchildren, Michele, Jacqueline and Heather Barnes, and Caitlin Rowe; two nieces, Ruby McFerron, and Elizabeth Johnson; and two nephews Bill Payne and Jimmy Dale Payne. She was preceded in death by: her husband; Arthur Rowe; two sons, Ken and Doug Rowe; two brothers, Raymond and Virgil Cromer; and three sisters, Ellie Isaccs, Roberta Cromer, and Nellie Payne.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 2, 2009 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Eddie Nation officiating. Burial was in Cresthaven Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Doug Rowe, Jr., Mike Thacker, Bobby Barren, Leon Rowe, James Arthur Rowe and Roger Rowe.

Send condolences to the family at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com



Mildred Mae Gray

Mildred Mae Gray, 58, of Brodhead, died Monday, January 5, 2009 at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington. Mildred was born in Danville on May 30, 1950, the daughter of the late Johnny and Mildred Lucille (Shaffer) Durham. She was a former employee of Gulf States Paper and BPI in Stanford and was a member of Northside Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon.

She is survived by: a daughter, Christy (Scott) Harper of Brodhead; a son, Charles Wayne Gray of Crab Orchard; a sister, Virginia (David) Roberts of Campbellsburg; a brother, Charles Durham of Stanford; three grandchildren, Bradley, Tyler & Hailey. In addition to her parents, Mildred was preceded in death by her sisters, Ruth May and Betty Jean Durham and brothers, Ben, John Emory and Jimmy Durham.

Pallbearers were Bobby, Michael Wayne, Charles E. and Willy Ray Durham, Donald Hendrickson and Timothy Poynter.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, January 8th (today) at McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Chad Burdette and Bro. Junior Fields officiating. Burial will follow in the Buffalo Springs Cemetery.

Death Notice • Mrs. Melberta Robbins

Melberta Cash Robbins, 78, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital.

Visitation will be Thursday, January 8th (today) from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, January 9, 2008 at 2 p.m. at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Bro. Luther Allen officiating. Burial will follow in the Piney Grove Cemetery. A complete obituary will appear in next week's Signal.



Wilby Lee Pennington

Wilby Lee Pennington, 69, of Copper Creek, died Tuesday, December 30, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital.

He was born on May 3, 1939 in Geary, Okla., a son of the late W.C. & Nancy Jane Lindsey Pennington. He was a self-employed painter who was a member of the Baptist Faith. His hobbies and interests include fishing and listening to country music.

Those left to cherish his memory includes: his longtime companion, Dorcie Ilene Craighead of Copper Creek; his son, Richard W. Pennington of Texas and a stepson, Rodney Candy Fire of Oklahoma; two brothers, Charles (Beatrice) Pennington of Oklahoma and Alonzo (Cora) Pennington of Arizona; two sisters, Julia Brown and Willie Mae Mitchell, both of Oklahoma; several grandchildren as well as a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Wilby Lee Pennington, Jr.; three brothers, William Carlton, James and Roscoe Pennington; four sisters, Inez and Neoma Seigman, Juanita Beasley and Janell Lowman.

Funeral services were conducted January 2, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Bro. Luther Allen officiating. Burial followed in the Sand Hill Cemetery.

Condolences can be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com



Chrystal Powell

Chrystal Hundley Powell, 67, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, December 25, 2008 at St. Joseph Hospice Care Center in Lexington. She was a Berea native, born January 20, 1941, daughter of the late Herman and Sue Ella Slone Hundley, homemaker, member of Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene, and had been a resident of Rockcastle County for the past 22 years.

Survivors include: her husband, William Powell; two children, Billy (Nancy Jo) Powell and Penny (Charlie) Hensley, all of Mt. Vernon; two sisters, Claudia (Boyd) Wren of Mt. Vernon and Daphne (Jerry) Baird of Williamsburg; seven grandchildren, Corey Powell, Kasey Powell, Brittney Schalk, Jenni Schalk, Charles Hensley, Sonya Black and Hunter Kenney; and two great grandchildren, Karis Igo and Gage Hensley.

Funeral services were held Sunday, December 28, 2008 at Reppert Funeral Home in Berea with Bro. Wallace Thornton officiating. Burial followed in Scaffold Cane Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Kendall Gadd, John Powell, Hunter Kenney, Oscar Gregory, Billy Putteet, James Powell.



Mayzell Mary Ries

Mayzell Mary Ries, 71, of Brodhead, died Monday, December 29, 2008 at her residence.

She was born on July 21, 1937 in Cincinnati, Ohio, the daughter of late Henry and Anna Lunsford Ries. She was a member of the Protestant faith, who had held several public works positions including working at the Brodhead Senior Citizens. Her hobbies and interests include animals, painting, crocheting and writing poetry.

Those left to cherish her memory include her son, Dennis (Brenda) Thomas of Brodhead as well as a host of friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 31, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Bro. Rick Reynolds officiating. Burial followed in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

Condolences can be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com



Hershel Halcomb

Hershel Ballard Halcomb, 56, of Little Wolf Creek Road, Williamsburg, died Saturday, December 20, 2008 at his home in Williamsburg. He was born in Rockcastle County on April 30, 1952 to the late Ernest Mason and Bertha Halcomb. He was also preceded in death by a brother, Lonnie Halcomb.

He is survived by: his wife, Melinda Sue (Moses) Halcomb of Williamsburg; a daughter, Brittani Johnson of Williamsburg; a son, Ronnie Johnson of Williamsburg; a granddaughter, Jadyann Johnson of Williamsburg; an aunt, Gladys Mason of Mt. Vernon; his brothers, Anthony Mason of Mt. Vernon and Tim Mason of Williamstown; his sisters, Alicia Bengel, Pam Sturgill and Michelle York, all of Mt. Vernon; several nieces and nephews and a host of other friends to mourn his passing.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 23, 2008 at the Croley Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Mike Moses and Rev. Elmer Parks officiating. Burial followed in the Thomas Cemetery in the Wolf Creek Community, of Williamsburg.

This obituary courtesy of Dowell and Martin Funeral Home



Edith Irene Hopkins

Miss Edith Irene Hopkins, 85 of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, December 20, 2008 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Rockcastle County on December 29, 1922 the daughter of Elijah and Leila Mae Hunt Hopkins. She was a retired seamstress and a member of the non-denominational faith.

Miss Hopkins is survived by several nieces and nephews and was preceded in death by four brothers: Earl, John, Wade and Berl Hopkins and one infant sister.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 23, 2008 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Eddie Nation. Her nephew, Leo Hopkins, delivered the eulogy. Burial followed in the Mareburg Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jordan Hopkins, Joseph Hopkins, Mark Hopkins, Mike Hopkins, Wes Hopkins and Mike Ritchie.

Donations are suggested to one's favorite charity or to the Gideons International.

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Bernes Lee Cromer

Bernes Lee Cromer, 84, of Livingston, died Christmas Day, 2008 following a lengthy illness. He was born in Rockcastle County on March 31, 1924 the son of Dewey and Laura Tackett Cromer. He was a retired truck driver for the State Highway Dept. and was an Army veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Livingston Baptist Church.

He is survived by: his wife of 29 years, Bobbie Jean Cordial Cromer; and three sisters, Ruby Buxton of Cincinnati, OH, Dessie Calhoun of Apopka, FL, and Opal McDaniel of Morristown, TN. He was preceded in death by: a brother, James Wayne Cromer; and a sister, Jewell Thomas.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 29 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Steve McKinney and Bro. Wayne Henson. Burial was in the Phelps Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Danny Bates, Joel Boucher, Gary Calhoun, Omar Cordial, David McDaniel, Gary Hall, Chris Kirby, Coy Kirby and Doug Thomas.

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Pearl Cameron

Pearl Cameron, 81, of Shelbyville, died Sunday, January 4, 2009 at Jewish Hospital in Louisville.

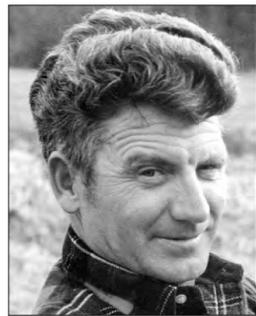
A native of Rockcastle County, Mrs. Cameron was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon.

Besides her parents, Henry and Elizabeth Robinson VanWinkle, she was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Cameron; a daughter, Linda Gale Cameron; three sisters, Ruby, Ruth and Elsie and a brother, Henry, Jr.

Survivors are four daughters, Shirley Burdine of California, Sharon Cameron of Shelbyville, Judy Peyton of Eminence and Charlotte Cameron of Smithfield; two sons, Dowell (Bernadette) Cameron of Mt. Vernon and Marshall (Renee) Cameron of Campbellsburg, Ky.; seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday, January 9th at Prewitt Eminence Funeral Home with Rev. Carl Rucker of Campbellsburg officiating. Burial will be in Eminence Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Thurs., January 8th at Prewitt Eminence Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Kosair Children's Hospital.



Aden Bradley Owens

Aden Bradley Owens, 72, of Richmond, died Sunday, January 4, 2009 at his home. He was born on September 9, 1936 in Rockcastle County the son of Mrs. Thelma Riddle Owens of Mt. Vernon and the late Albert C. Owens. He was a former employee of K&K Contracting Company. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, fishing, hunting, and was a member of the Christian faith.

Survivors are: two sons, Aden Bryan (Kathy) Owens of Richmond, and Ronnie Lee (Lori) Owens of Somerset; four brothers, Tilmon Owens of London, Alvin Owens of Louisville, Delbert Owens of Norfolk, VA, and Norman Owens of Mt. Vernon; two sisters, Mrs. Vonnice Mink of Livingston, and Mrs. Debbie Oliver of London; six grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Vera Mae Arnold Owens.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, January 7, 2008 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bros. Ova Baker, Gene Wells, and Ronnie Pennington officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Ronnie Lee Owens Jr., Brad Lovely, Chris Owens, Stevie Owens, Brandon Owens and Tom Hodge.

Send condolences to the family at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Lease Agreement
Between
Rockcastle County, Kentucky
and
Community Trust Bank

(New Industrial / Business Building Facility Project)

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Notice of Intent to Lease from the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court requesting the State Local Debt Officer to approve the execution of certain Lease Agreement between the County and Community Trust Bank and the financial plan whereby the County proposes to enter into a lease agreement in an amount not to exceed \$2,700,000, proceeds of which will be used for a new building facility project in one of Rockcastle County's industrial parks, a hearing was held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, on the third floor of the Rockcastle County Courthouse (CenterNet Room), at which time the fiscal court will entertain a motion to hear the second reading of the approved ordinance and subsequent lease. Further, a public hearing will be held in Frankfort, Kentucky, on Tuesday, January 13, 2009, at 2:00 pm (Eastern Time) in the Conference Room, Department for Local Government, 1024 Capital Center Drive (U.S. 60 East) to entertain the petitioner's request for this purpose and to consider whether or not said lease and financial plan should be approved.

Petitioner, Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, is publishing this notice to comply with KRS 66.310 to notify the public that the petitioner intends to enter into this lease and subsequent indebtedness in the total amount and at the terms set out herein. Specific questions about the type of project should be directed to the petitioner.

At these hearings, any taxpayer may appear and will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Buzz Carloftis
Judge-Executive
Rockcastle County

Lonnie Campbell
State Local Debt Officer
Commonwealth of Kentucky

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

Small Claims

Timothy Lee Huff vs. Jack Stevens, \$225 plus claimed due.

Robinson Feed and Supplies LLC et al vs. Maggie Stivers, \$1,500 plus claimed due. S-00025.

Circuit Civil Suits

Heather Reynolds Adams vs. John Dale Adams, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Capital One Bank vs. Carolyn L. Rice, \$5,851.52 plus claimed due.

Luther Bustle vs. Anna Bustle, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Regional Acceptance Corp. vs. Marc E. Helms, \$9,501.44 plus claimed due.

Cabinet for Health and Family Services, ex rel Crystal Stewart vs. Jason B. Stewart, complaint for medical support and child support.

Capital One Bank vs. Delores Gray, \$5,546.12 plus claimed due. C-00351.

District Court

Capital One Bank vs. Thomas K. Quarrels, \$560.40 plus claimed due.

Asset Acceptance Corp LLC vs. Joann Barnes, complaint.

CACH of Colorado LLC vs. Louise Smith, \$2,239.96 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank vs. Dew

Carrera, \$2,645.92 plus claimed due.

David Green and Associates vs. Tim Wayne Cottrell, \$2,604.17 plus claimed due.

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Josh Stewart, \$2,267.97 plus claimed due. CI-00320.

Marriage Licenses

Angela Owens, 26, Brodhead, social worker to Chaz Cable, 25, Brodhead, supervisor. 12/19/08.

Melessa Ann McKinney, 38, Brodhead, Rockcastle County Board of Education to Kevin Scott Rickett, 33, Williamsburg, self-employed. 12/23/08.

Sheena Swinney, 23, Berea to Jeremy Howard, 22, Berea, factory. 12/29/08.

Amanda Nichole Juliet McClure, 29, Mt. Vernon, supervisor to Dwayne Steven Bradley, 28, Livingston, unemployed. 12/30/08.

Deeds Recorded

Sheila Gilford, trustee and Bernes and Bobbie J. Cromer, property in Rockcastle County, to Christopher and Heather Kirby. Tax \$50.

Jeff and Anissa Cromer, property in Lear Crest Subdv., to Christi L. Henderson. Tax \$5.

James and Barbara Barnes,

property in Hill View Subdv., to Noreen V. McClure and Kimberly Ann Hunter. Tax \$55.

Ford Brothers, Inc., property in Mt. Vernon, to Timothy L. and Carolyn F. Martin. Tax \$32.

Jackie and Georgeanna Blackburn, property in Rockcastle County, to Darlene Denny. Tax \$2.

Walter and Fronie Collins, property on Trace Branch Road, to George and Robin Bills. Tx \$25.

Stephen and Jill Ponder, property in Rockcastle County, to Carolyn K. Powell. No tax.

HSBC Mtg. Services, Inc., property in Rockcastle County, to Vincenzo Esposito. Tax \$67.

Stephen Eric Childress, property in Rockcastle County, to Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority. Tax \$20.50.

Rodger and Eva Payne, property in Rockcastle County, to Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority. Tax \$73.50.

Ricky and Sharon Mullins, property in Rockcastle County, to Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority. Tax \$41.00.

Eric and Karen Moore, property in Rockcastle County, to Rockcastle County Industrial Authority. Tax \$41.00.

Sammy L. and Judy M. Ford and Danny R. and Sue H. Ford, property in Rockcastle County, to Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority. Tax \$219.

Jeanna and Scotty Moore, property in Rockcastle County, to Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority. Tax \$29.20.

Roman and Eva McFerron, property in Rockcastle County, to Rockcastle County Industrial Authority. Tax \$26.50.

Cresthaven Cemetery Co., lots, to Martha Chaney. No tax.

Cresthaven Cemetery, lots, to Martha Chaney. No tax.

Geraldine C. Anglin, property in Rockcastle County, to Lynda A. and William Terry Robbins. No tax.

Herbert Carlton Smith, property in Willailla section, to Herbert Carlton Smith and Herbert Steve Smith. No tax.

Danny R. and Sue H. Ford and Sammy L. and Judy M. Ford, property in Mt. Vernon, to Michael L. McClure. Tax \$175.

Daniel N. Mills, property on St. Hwy. 1326, to Kimberly Kulhavy. Tax \$127.

George and Rosella Phillips, property on Poplar St., to Roman and Eva McFerron. Tax \$15.

Damien C. Mallen, property

near Clear Creek Road, to Timothy and Mary Denise Poindexter. Tax \$34.50.

Kenneth Ray Owens, property on Chestnut Grove Road, to Lyndsay Owens. No tax.

Michael and Catherine Startzman, property in Rockcastle County, to Kenneth Ray Owens. Tax \$108.

District Civil Suits

Joyce E. Carpenter: receiving stolen property, under \$300, sentencing order entered.

Jonathan Houk: receiving stolen property under \$300, sentencing order entered.

David Barnes: hunting with improper shotgun, \$50 fine and costs.

Andrew E. Chulu: no/expired registration plates, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

William C. Conrad: hunting with improper shotgun, action slip.

Greg A. Gomez: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Lucas W. King: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; public intoxication, \$50 fine.

Randy Singleton: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine and costs.

Heather I. Whitehead: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; public intoxication, \$50 fine.

James R. Wynn: fines/fees due (\$473), bw issued for fta/10 days in jail or payment.

Crystal Fields: speeding, \$28 fine plus costs; failure to produce insurance card, \$28.39 fine.

Speeding: Johnathon L. Regester, paid \$26 fine and \$133 costs;

Mark A. Barrett: alcohol intoxication, time served; public intoxication, time served; giving officer false name and/or address, \$100 fine.

Fred J. Durham: speeding, no operators/moped license, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, failure to wear seat belts (3 counts), 30 days each/concurrent.

Daniel Hale: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Zachary T. Thompson: use/possession drug paraphernalia, sentencing order entered.

Anthony W. Vanausdal: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

"Points East" (Cont. from A2)

matter how much glucosamine and senior citizen vitamins I consume, he will not go away. I've also tried every arthritis medicine I can find but he seems to be solidly stuck atop my back and tightly locked around my shoulders.

I can still manage to use a garden hoe for up to thirty minutes at a time if I don't need to use my arms for anything else for a week or so but I've long since given up fly fishing. Someone actually gave me a high dollar fly line for Christmas. I'm wondering if the same sporting goods store also carries arm slings in which case I may trade it back in.

I've learned to cast my spinning rods with a flick of the wrist and get almost as much distance as I once did with a whole arm swing. This works fine until I hook a good sized fish and have to use much upper arm motion to reel it in. I recently caught a catfish in the 15 pound range from a friend's pond and then had to run to town and track down some extra strength pain killers while everybody else kept fishing. I may be the only fisherman on the planet who manages to get his hook into the water and then starts hoping that no respectable fish actually takes the bait.

Another friend received a nice 12 gauge shot gun for Christmas and stopped by to show it off.

We put up a couple of paper targets to see how well it patterned and I took the second shot. Hugeeee mistake! The pain in my shoulder was so intense that I literally shed tears.

So now I'm thinking about taking up checkers as soon as I can find somebody who will make the moves for me.

In the meantime I am living proof of the notion that this business of growing old is not for sissies.

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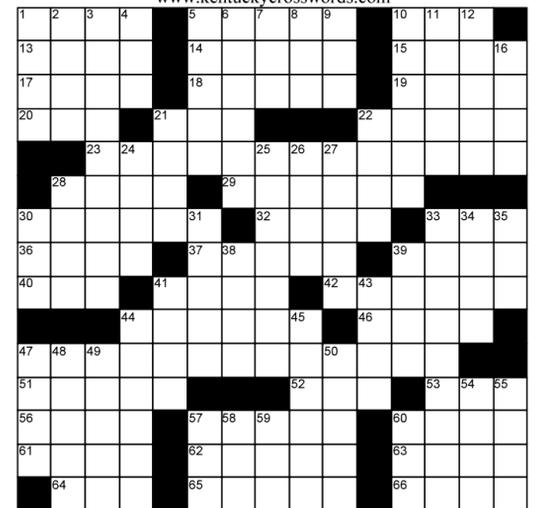
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Remove, as a hat
 - 5 Farm units
 - 10 Swindle
 - 13 Monster
 - 14 Martha ___ Collins
 - 15 Regrets
 - 17 KY county of Oneida Baptist Institute
 - 18 KY county, formed in 1792 from Lincoln and Nelson
 - 19 Teen affliction
 - 20 KY Rep. Lucas
 - 21 Coal mine
 - 22 ___ Getz Museum of Whiskey History, Bardstown, KY
 - 23 Place to buy a yearling?
 - 28 Timer positions
 - 29 Correct
 - 30 Snapshots
 - 32 Fancy marbles
 - 33 Opposite of post-
 - 36 Ventilates
 - 37 Legends
 - 39 Long time
 - 40 Realtor's offering
 - 41 Swain
 - 42 Longed for
 - 44 Medium's gathering
 - 46 "No ifs, ___"
 - 47 Discount store headquartered in Allen Co.
 - 51 KY county, named for the "united" wishes of its residents
- DOWN**
- 1 Herrington Lake feature, e.g.
 - 2 He brought thoroughbred racing to US
 - 3 Home of Kentucky State University
 - 4 Palin impersonator
 - 5 Thickening gum
 - 6 KY county of Grayson Lake State Park
 - 7 Seed bread
 - 8 WSW's opposite
 - 9 Short title for McConnell
 - 10 Like a lawn
 - 11 Soapweed
 - 12 Kind of code
 - 16 Parched
 - 21 Mexican money
 - 22 Chances
 - 24 Young newts
 - 25 Bibb type of this vegetable was invented in 3 Down
 - 26 Asian nurse
 - 27 Chatty
 - 28 It joins the Tennessee at Paducah
 - 30 Chum
 - 31 Makeup problem
 - 33 Home county of the Kentucky Wool Festival
 - 34 Some deer
 - 35 Cease
 - 38 Yin's opposite
 - 39 Tolstoy heroine
 - 41 Kentuckian, infamous Judge Roy
 - 43 Three-time Derby winning jockey
 - 44 Catchword
 - 45 Paint type
 - 47 Sprinkle
 - 48 Burger topper
 - 49 Jargon
 - 50 School assignment
 - 54 Kind of list
 - 55 "Highest point" in Christian Co.
 - 57 Larue County's most famous son?
 - 58 Lipton product
 - 59 One of KY's first congressmen
 - 60 Biblical boat

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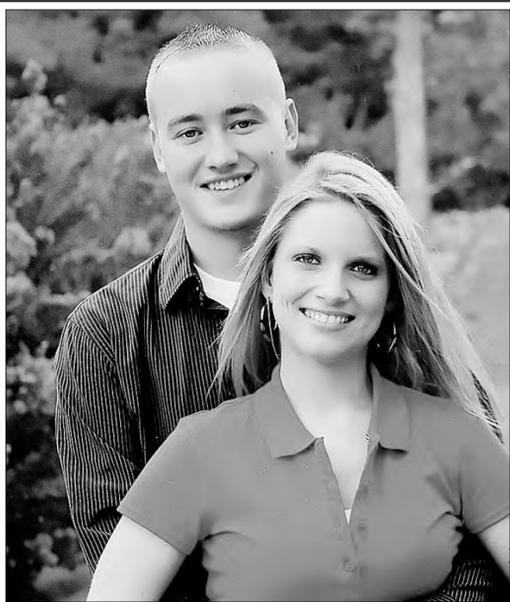
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Troy and Sandy Bradley of Mount Vernon, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Brooke, to Joshua Lee Gabbard, son of Donald and Donna Gabbard of Berea.

Brooke is a 2005 graduate of Rockcastle County High School. She attends Somerset Community College and will be receiving an Associate's degree in Registered Nursing in May 2009. Josh is a 2005 graduate of Madison Southern High School and is employed by Berea Municipal Utilities.

The couple is planning a wedding for August 2009.



On December 29th, God has blessed Nelce and Bonnie Drew with 20 years of marriage. Happy anniversary Hon. Your brown eyes forever and always.

Library News



Pam Chaliff

What better way to spend a winter day than curled up with a good book. Why not visit your local library and browse the shelves to find that perfect read. Danielle Steel's, Nora Roberts', Stuart Woods' newest novel or maybe an old favorite by Grace Livingston Hill or Louis L'Amour, all of these are waiting for you at the Rockcastle County Public Library.

The Kentucky Department of Revenue did not make state tax forms available to the library this year. If you need a state packet, you can call 502-564-3658 or write to **Forms: Kentucky Department of Revenue, Frankfort, Ky. 40620.** The web site is www.revenue.ky.gov. The library staff will copy forms for a small fee. The federal 1040 form is available at the library. All of the federal forms have not been shipped at this time but we should receive these any day.

Be sure to stop by the library and register your children for "Books for Bikes: Reading for Wheels." Registration for this program will continue through January 24th. Don't forget Story Hour, Tuesdays at 1 p.m. and crafts for ages 6-10 Tuesdays at 4 p.m.

The library is open 10-6 Monday through Friday and 10-4 on Saturday. Ph. 256-2388.

Notice of change of date for Fiscal Court Meeting

Due to a conflict with a public hearing in Frankfort, the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court will not meet on Tuesday, January 13th at 1 p.m. for its regular monthly meeting. The meeting will instead be held on **Wednesday, January 14th at 1 p.m.**

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ORDINANCE NO. 08-10

An ordinance of the City of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky establishing rates and charges for the use of and the services rendered by the municipal water system of the said city, and providing for the collection and enforcement of such rates and charges.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky (hereinafter referred to as the City), has determined and declared it to be necessary and conducive to the protection of the public health, safety, welfare and convenience of the City to collect charges from all users of the City's Water Treatment Facility and Distribution System (hereinafter referred to as the Water System); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in connection with collecting the charges that a system of user charges be established in order to provide funds needed to pay for the operation, maintenance and replacement and debt service expenses associated with the City's municipal water system;

NOW, Therefore, be it ordained by the City Council, of the City of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky that the following user charges are amended for the City's municipal water system.

Section 1. Statement of Purpose

It is the purpose of this Ordinance to establish user charges in the City of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky to provide funds needed to pay for the operation, maintenance and replacement (OM&R) and debt service expenses associated with the City's municipal water system.

Section 2. Monthly Water Charges

The charges for the water services by the City of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky are hereby fixed and established on a monthly basis as follows:

2.1 Minimum Monthly Water Bill for Residents of the City.

The minimum monthly bill for the service to residents of the City, which minimum bill entitles each customer to 0 gallons of water each month for such minimum charge, shall be six ~~seven~~ dollars and eighty four cents (~~\$6.80~~) (\$7.04).

2.2 Monthly Water Rate for Residences of the City

The following monthly rates for the water service for all resident water customers of the City's municipal water system shall be based on the customer's monthly water consumption and shall take into account (a) the operation, maintenance and replacement costs of the municipal water system; and (b) the debt service requirements of the bonds and loans issued on behalf of the City's municipal water system.

The monthly water rates for residents of the City are as follows:

		Rate per 1000 gallons
First	8,000 gallons	\$2.68
		\$2.77
Next	40,000 gallons	\$2.65
		\$2.74
All over	48,000 gallons	\$2.59
		\$2.68

2.3 Minimum Monthly Water Bill to Non-Residents of the City

The minimum monthly bill for non-resident water customers of the City's municipal water system, which minimum bill entitles each customer to 0 gallons of water each month for such minimum charge, shall be nine dollars and sixty-five ~~ninety-nine~~ (~~\$9.65~~) (\$9.99).

2.4 Monthly Water Rate for Non-Resident Water Customers

The following monthly rates for the water service for all non-resident water customers of the City's municipal water system shall be based on the customer's monthly water consumption and shall take into account (a) the operation, maintenance and replacement costs of the municipal water system; and (b) the debt service requirements of the bonds and loans issued on behalf of the City's municipal water system; and (c) the higher cost of performing maintenance work outside the boundaries of the City as opposed to maintenance inside the city limits.

The monthly water rates for residents outside of the city in addition to the minimum monthly water bill are as follows:

		Rate per 1000 gallons
First	8000 gallons	\$2.68
		\$3.88
Next	40,000 gallons	\$2.65
		\$3.84
All over	48,000 gallons	\$2.59
		\$3.75

2.5 Monthly Water Rate for Wholesale Water Customers

Section 3. Effective Date for Water Charges

The foregoing water rates and charges shall be effective as to existing water customers on the City's municipal water system for the next monthly billing beginning immediately after the effective date of this Ordinance, and shall be effective as to the respective premises of new customers beginning on the date on which each customer connects their premises to the water lines made available to such premises.

Section 4. Severability

If any clause, provision, paragraph or section of this Ordinance is ruled void or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder hereof is intended to be enacted and shall be in full force and effect not withstanding.

Section 5. All Former Provisions Repealed

All City ordinances, orders, resolutions, motions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith, are repealed.

Section 6. Effective Date of Ordinance

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, recording and publication as provided by law.

This Ordinance, as state above, is hereby enacted this 18th day of December, 2008.

Attest: /s/ Jeanette Robinson, City Clerk

/s/ Clarice R. Kirby, Mayor, City of Mt. Vernon

Date of First Reading: December 15, 2008

Date of Second Reading: December 18, 2008

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Providence church of Christ dates back to 1939

We appreciate the *Mt. Vernon Signal* for giving us an opportunity to tell you about who we are as a local congregation in Rockcastle County.

A brief history of the Providence church of Christ. In February of 1839, a group of people met and started keeping minutes of the meetings and recorded the name as New Providence.

This is the first recording we have of the Providence church. From a study of this record, and circumstances around it, we must come to the conclusion that Providence had a meeting place prior to this date. It is reported by older members (some who have passed on) that Provi-

dence was a Baptist church in the beginning.

This record of 1839 leads one to believe that this could be the point of change from a Baptist to a new testament church. A study of the minutes of meetings from 1839 for several years, on some occasions recorded the speaker as our "Baptist preaching brother." No doubt the restoration plea, of getting back to speaking where the Bible speaks and being silent where the Bible is silent, led to the change of simply being a church based on the pattern given us in the new testament.

The first and oldest deed to the present property of the

Providence church of Christ was written August 15, 1895 and was recorded in 1895 and again in 1900. Daniel and Alice Brown to the church of Christ at Providence. This deed calls for one half acre to join the old two acre church tract, also a deed of one acre written by Shadrack and Elisa Herrin to the church of Christ at Providence. This deed was dated May 1, 1886, and includes the church house. The deed was updated in December 2005 to include another one acre of land donated by Neil and Valerie Sluder. Since the deed of Alice and Daniel Brown was written that a new church house could be

built, the house mentioned in the Herrin deed could have been the original building and was located on the lower side of the old cemetery. A drawing inserted on the Brown to Providence deed shows a tract where the old cemetery is located, with a pictured block which could represent the original church house. It is recorded the present meeting house was in use in 1896. This deed carries a restriction clause which forbids any instrument of music, fair, festivals, or other practices unauthorized in the New Testament be held on said property or any building thereon.

It is the intent and purpose of the present membership to embrace the truth and continue therein, that the cause of Christ might be upheld, and the borders of the Kingdom enlarged that we might stand justified in the great and final judgment

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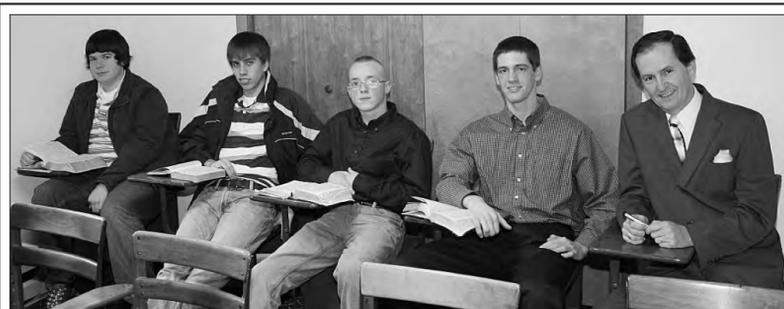
Danny McKibben, who has been the preacher at the Providence church of Christ for over 20 years, brought the message on Sunday morning.



The current Providence church of Christ building has undergone many changes since its construction around 1900.



Some of those in attendance in a combined Nursery and Pre-School Sunday School Class at Providence church of Christ on Sunday were front row, from left: helper Emily Craig, Walker Craig, teacher Nicole Helton, Molly Craig, Noah Helton, Hayden Powell and Laura Hughes. Back row, from left: helper Thelma Bullock, Samuel Burdine, Emily Reynolds, helper Darlene Brown and Micah Hughes. Some of those not shown were: children, Jacob Cook, Amanda Lawrence and teachers, Lisa Hopkins, Wanda Burdine and Kathy McKibben.



Members of the Young Men's Sunday School class in attendance on Sunday at Providence church of Christ are shown above, from left: Ethan Miller, Dustin Reynolds, Casey Hansel, Steven Brown and teacher Danny McKibben.



Some members of the Primary Sunday School Class at Providence church of Christ are shown above, from left: Conner Cummins, Alexis Johnson, Selena Burdine, Seth Hughes, teacher Virginia Hansel, Savannah Neeley and teacher Shirley Martin.

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Renfro Valley, Ky.
Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhbp_7@yahoo.com

Berea Reformed Evangelical Church
1309 Hwy. 21 • Berea
859-248-1600
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study 6 p.m.
Xon Hostetter, Pastor

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's Church 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Video services Tues., Thurs., & Sat. at 11 a.m., 4 p.m. & 9 p.m.
Channel 3 - New Wave
Cable Channel 5 in Berea and Richmond 1 p.m. Wednesdays
Pastor: Don Stayton
Associate Pastor/Youth: Bro. Jeremy Ellis
Kids for Christ Children's Ministry: Bro. Jarrod Amxy
Secretary: Jo Roberts
Music Director: Dan Dull

Blue Springs Church of Christ
7 miles south of Mount Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd)
Services: Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Preaching Brethren
Zade McClure, Gary Reppert, Coy Cromer, Marcus Reppert
Contact Info: Marcus Reppert
104 Byrda Way • Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-308-2794
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Bride of Christ Church
High St. Mt. Vernon
Sunday Services 7 p.m.

Brodhead Baptist Church
Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
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Lonnie Reese McGuire, Pastor
Calloway Baptist Church
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wade Johnson, Minister

Climax Holiness Church
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
3rd Saturday of every month at 7 p.m.
1st Sunday of each mo. at 11 a.m.
Darrin Sloan, Pastor

Conway Missionary Baptist Church
U.S. 25 between Mount Vernon and Berea
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings:
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Bro. Jim Ritchey, Pastor
859-200-2679/859-228-0342
Sunday School Director
Ronald Sears • 606-256-5709
606-256-2829

Cornerstone Fellowship
50 Lovell Ct. - Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Terry Fletcher, Pastor
606-256-1645

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Stephen Vanhook, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Dixie Park Cornerstone Baptist Church
700 N. Powell St.
Berea, Ky. 40403
859-623-8292 • 859-985-2484
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Gene Smith, Pastor

Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
RAs and GAs 7 p.m.
Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Raser, Pastor
606-256-3722
email: fairviewbapt@aol.com

Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church
Thursday Worship 7 p.m.
Sunday Worship 6 p.m.
Pastor: Benton Hurd

Faith Chapel Pentecostal S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Virgil Bustle, Pastor

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Services
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Kenny Shubert, Youth Pastor

Flat Gap Baptist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
James Poynter, Pastor
606-256-3969

Flat Rock Missionary Baptist Church
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky. 40460
859-925-4048
Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Providence Elder Barry Todd taught the Adult Sunday School Class on Sunday morning.



Some of those in attendance at Sunday Services at the Providence church of Christ are shown from left: Dana McKinney, Roy Reynolds and Kristi Reynolds. McKinney also serves as a teacher in the Primary Sunday School class and Reynolds gave the opening prayer on Sunday.



Member Chris Craig led the singing at Providence church of Christ on Sunday morning.



Members of the Young Ladies Sunday School class, who were in attendance on Sunday morning are shown above, from left: Dalton Cummins, teacher Janice Miller, Mackenzie Craig, Andrea Gonzalez, Angelica Craig and Holly Brown. (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Those in attendance in the Women's Sunday School Class at Providence church of Christ on Sunday morning are shown above, front row, from left: Shirley Long, Elaine Cummins and Pat Blanton. Second row, from left: Diane Adams, Barbara Thompson and Doris Caldwell. Back row, from left: Janet Burdine and Kathy McKibben, who taught Sunday's class.



The oldest member of one of the largest congregations in the county, the Providence church of Christ, is Mrs. Edna Caldwell, shown in the above photo, front row, on the left. Sitting beside Mrs. Caldwell, who is 92, is Mrs. Mae Doan, also a longtime member of Providence. Behind them are: Lisa Hopkins, Pat Blanton and Lorene Lawrence. Shown behind them are: Nina Burkhart, Doris Lawrence, Alma Cable, Savannah Neeley and Jeremy Neeley.



Those in the middle school Sunday School class at the Providence church of Christ on Sunday morning are shown above, from left: Matthew Gonzalez, teacher, Eric Shelton, Leah Hughes and Kayla Reynolds.

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ing elders and deacons, Acts 14:23, Phil.1:1, and we believe in being autonomous, I Pet.5:2-3 (self-governing under Christ our head). We seek to worship the Father in spirit and in truth, Jn.4:23-24, in the 5 acts of worship listed in the new testament

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Deacon Pat Craig handed Herbert Ray Adams an offering plate at Sunday's Worship Service at the Providence church of Christ.



Some of those in attendance at Providence church of Christ on Sunday morning are shown above, from left: longtime Elder Gatliff Craig, Mabel Cash, Shirley Long, Deacon Billy Long, and Regina Cash.



Taking time for some fellowship between Sunday School and Worship Service on Sunday at the Providence church of Christ were from left: Paul Hansel, Billy Long and Joe French.

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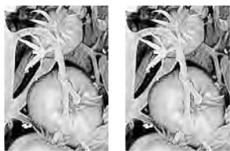
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Rockets defeat district foes, Casey County and Somerset

The Rockcastle County Rockets are 2-1 in district play after two big wins this week over district opponents, Casey County and Somerset.

Last Friday night the Rockets traveled to Casey County where they defeated the 3-11 Rebels 62-38.

The Rockets led by nine at half-time and used a full court man to man defense in the second half to pull away from the Rebels, winning by 24.

"We are playing better half court offense because we have had more time to work as a team," said head coach Benny Blanton.

"And, although we didn't have that many wins over the holidays, we are playing better defensively," he said.

"We've got a lot of work to do to get where we want to be, but two district wins is always good - I just hope these players can keep up their intensity against Pulaski County on Friday night," Blanton added.

At Casey County, senior Spencer Mullins led all scorers with 22, Derek Thacker had 13, Jamie Todd 10, Bryan Clontz 8, Dustin Reynolds 5 and Matt Bullens 4.

On Tuesday night the Rockets hosted Somerset and avenged an earlier season loss, downing the 8-7 Briarjumpers, 64-59.

Four Rockets were in double figures led by Thacker who had 18. Todd scored 13, Bullens 12, Reynolds and Mullins 6 each and Clontz, 5.

At Casey County the Rockets shot 52% from the floor and, while they didn't shoot quite as

well against Somerset, hitting 48% of their shots, the team is shooting the basketball much better.

"When you shoot the ball fairly well, every other part of the game, including defense, seems to pick up," Blanton said.

During the two week holiday period the Rockets went 2 and 5, including the three games they played in the Capitol City Invitational.

Against Western Hills, the Rockets lost 68-54.

Mullins, had 25 in that game, Bullens got 15, Matt Lunsford 6, Thacker 5 and Todd and Clontz, 2 each.

Against Shelby County the Rockets lost 55-33.

Thacker led with 13, Mullins got 9, Todd 5, Clontz 3, Lunsford 2 and Bullens 1. Against Lafayette the Rockets lost 99-73.

Bullens had 23, Todd 13, Mullins and Clontz 11 each, Thacker 9 and Reynolds 2.

In the Wayne County Invitational the Rockets were 2-2.

In the first game the Rockets defeated Monitcello 56-40.

Mullins had 14, Reynolds 11, Clontz 10, Bullens and Thacker 7, Todd 3 and Lunsford and Travis Carpenter, 2 each.

Against Louisville Eastern the Rockets lost 74-51.

Mullins and Todd each had 12, Bullens 8, Thacker 4, Clontz, Lunsford and Carpenter 3 each and Reynolds 2.

The Rockets lost to Russell County 59-39 in the third round

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RCHS senior point guard Bryan Clontz looks for room against Casey County on Friday night. Clontz had 8 points in the 62-38 victory.



Rocket junior center, Derek Thacker goes up for two against Casey County on Friday night. The Rocket big man scored 13 Friday night and also led his team in scoring on Tuesday night against Somerset with 18.

Ranked 14th statewide

Lady Rockets fall at Casey; beat Somerset once again

By: Richard Anderkin

The Rockcastle County Lady Rockets, who are ranked 14th in the state, lost to Casey County on Friday night, but rebounded quickly on Tuesday night to defeat the Lady Jumpers of Somerset.

The loss at Casey and the win against Somerset, gives the Lady Rockets a 2-1 record in district play.

Friday night, the Lady Rockets missed 24 shots inside the foul line area, to lose their fourth game of the season, 43-32.

The Rockets, who trailed by six at intermission, managed only two points in the fourth period, after pulling within two at the end of three quarters.

"We simply didn't shoot the ball well enough to win," said head coach Chrysti Noble.

"We made some mistakes that a veteran team shouldn't make in a district game, but the bottom line is that we did a good job to get open shots and those shots simply did not go in," Noble said.

For the night the Lady Rockets shot 26 percent from the floor.

The loss dropped the Rockets to 10-4 on the season.

Sophomore Sara Hammond led the Lady Rockets in scoring with 15 and was the only Lady Rocket in double figures.

Angie Lawrence had 7, Ashley Robinson, 4 and Jillisa Lay, Mary Saylor and Jackie Alexander, 2 each.

After losing to Casey on Friday night the Lady Rockets bounced back quickly to defeat the Lady Briarjumpers of Somerset on Tuesday night for the second time this season, 65-36.

The Lady Rockets fell behind 8-0 to start the game, but by the end of the half they had righted the ship and were ahead 23-16.

Nine Lady Rockets were led in scoring by senior Mary Saylor who had 17. Hammond got 14, Alexander, 13, Lawrence, 6, Robinson, 5, Lay and Nicole Locklear, 3 each and Katy Mattingly and Kristen Abney, 2 each.

Lady Rockets are champs Cumberland Falls Classic

After defeating Middlesboro and Allen County-Scottsville in the first two rounds of the Cumberland Falls Classic, the Lady Rockets had little trouble with Jackson County in the championship game.

The Lady Rockets defeated the Lady Generals 80-47 behind a balanced scoring attack.

Junior Jackie Alexander led all scorers with 19, Hammond had 15, Saylor, 12, Locklear, 9, Lawrence, Robinson and Mattingly, 8 each and Abney 1.

After the Cumberland Falls Classic, the Lady Rockets traveled to Bowling Green in an attempt to defend their title from a year ago in the Greenwood Classic.

The Lady Rockets played

well winning three of four games, but failed to defend their championship.

The Lady Rockets defeated Muhlenburg North, 72 to 38 in the first round of the tournament.

12 Lady Rockets were led in scoring by sophomore Sara Hammond with 17.

Others scoring: Saylor 12, Mattingly 5, Alexander 8,

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Rocket senior Spencer Mullins looks for an open teammate in Friday night's win over Casey County. Mullins led his team in scoring with 22. The Rockets, who also defeated Somerset on Tuesday night, will host Pulaski County on Friday night.



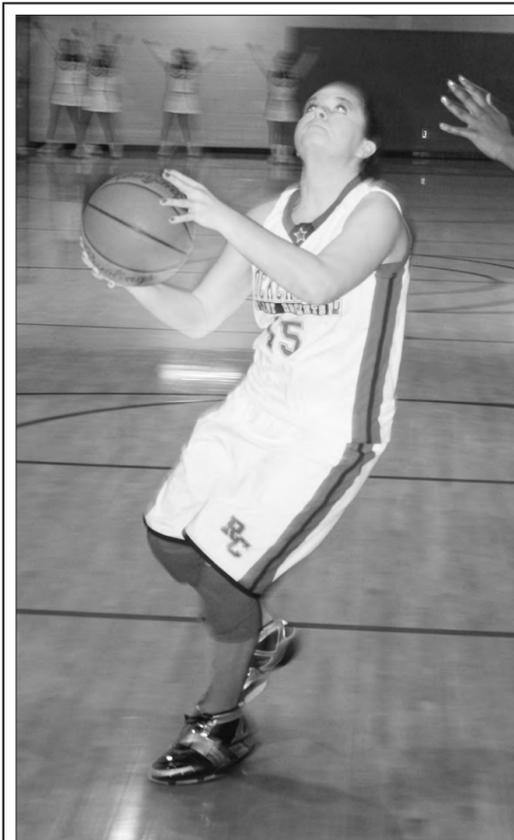
Lady Rocket senior Mary Saylor drives to the basket against Casey County on Friday night. The Lady Rockets fell to Casey County, 43-32, but bounced back to defeat Somerset on Tuesday night. Saylor led all scorers on Tuesday night with 17. Also in the photo is senior Ashley Robinson. (Varsity photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Lady Rocket sophomore center Sara Hammond puts in two of her 15 points against Casey County on Friday night. Hammond also scored 14 against Somerset on Tuesday night. The Lady Rockets host Pulaski County on Friday night in their third straight district double header with the boys.



Senior Lady Rocket Ashley Robinson puts up a shot against Casey County on Friday night. The Lady Rockets lost the road game but bounced back to beat Somerset on Tuesday night. The 11-4 Lady Rockets are ranked second in the 12th region and 14th in the state.



Lady Rocket senior Sasha Bullock goes for two against the Lady Briarjumpers on Tuesday night. The Lady Rockets won 65-36 and will host Pulaski County on Friday night.

Freshmen girls lose to Casey

After some time off, the Rockcastle County High School Boys and Girls Freshman and Junior Varsity teams were back in action on Saturday when they faced Casey County.

The freshman girls started the day off in a close game

against Casey and would keep it tight until the end.

The Lady Rockets wound up losing a close one 24-23, and were led in scoring by Kadi Cobb with 12.

Other Lady Rockets contributing were Holly Ham, Sara Adams and Michaela Hunter all with 3, while Katie Cowan and Alexis Chasteen each had 1.

JV girls easily defeat Casey

The Junior Varsity Lady Rockets jumped out of the gate quickly and never let up as they dominated Casey county by 21, winning 50-29.

Kristin Abney was the leading scorer for the Lady Rockets with 12, Cheyenne Hensley got 9, Ella McQueary 7, Shanlee Burton and Angie

Lawrence 6 each, Casey Sturgill and Kadi Cobb each with 3 and Sydney Arvin and Michaela Hunter had 2 each.

Freshman Boys lose to Casey County

The freshman boys team started off the day good by keeping their game with Casey County close, but the halftime adjustments from Casey would prove to be too much with the Rock losing 52-38.

Jordan Whitaker led the team in scoring with 11 and was followed closely by Ben Lake with 10, Jadon Brock got 6, Zach Reams 5, Cody Noe 4, and Will Reynolds 2.

Rocket JV lose to Casey

The Junior Varsity Boys led throughout most of their game against Casey county only to come up short by a point falling 52-51.

Travis Carpenter and Grant Burdette played great, with Carpenter getting 18 and Burdette adding 17 of his own. Other rockets contributing were Matt Lunsford with 7, Dakota Mahaffey 4, Josh McKinney 3 and Brandon Burdette 2.

Freshman girls, JV win

Monday night, the Lady Rocket Freshman and Junior Varsity teams had a big night as they took down Southwestern in both match-ups on the road.

The freshmen won 27-19 and were led in scoring by Michaela Hunter with 8. Holly Ham had 7, Katie Cowan 6, Kadi Cobb 4, and Alexis Chasteen ended up with 2 on the evening.

The JV squad also had a good night, winning easily over Southwestern 46-19 and were led in scoring by Sydney Arvin with 21 points. Other Lady Rockets getting in scoring action were Ella McQueary and Alexis Chasteen with 6 each, Michaela Hunter got 4, Shanlee Burton 3 and Holly Hamm 2.

Middle School teams lose to Lincoln Co.

The Rockcastle County Middle School Boy's Basketball teams were back in action hosting Lincoln County on Monday night.

It was not a good night for the ROCK as the the 6th, 7th and 8th grade teams all fell to Lincoln County by double-digit deficits.

The 6th grade team couldn't get their offense going and found themselves down 29-0 in the second quarter and would go on to lose 60-10.

Chase Burdette, Kyle Denny, Dakota Hasty, Lane Jasper, and Jacob McKinney all had 2 points each. The 6th graders are now 3-9 on the season.

The 7th grade team kept it a bit more competitive, but Lincoln County proved to be too much winning 50-27.

Corey McPhetridge again had a great game as he led the Rockets in scoring with 19 and Devin Poynter, John Hughes, and Tyler Harper each had 3 points. The 7th grade team is now 3-10 on the year.

The 8th grade squad couldn't overcome Lincoln County's defensive pressure as they too fell to the Patriots 64-

28. Ben Allen led the team in scoring with 12, Bryson Amyx had 8 and Ashton Arvin and Tyler Smith got 4 each. The 8th grade team is now 1-11 on the season.

All three teams will return to action next Monday night at Casey County.

"Rockets"

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of the tournament.

Thacker had 10, Mullins and Todd 8 each, Clontz 6, Bullens 5 and Carpenter 2.

In the final game of the tournament the Rockets defeated North Jackson, Alabama 63-44.

Mullins led his team in scoring again with 19. Bullens, Thacker and Reynolds got 9 each, Todd 5, Jarred Smith 4 and Clontz and Derrick Pittman 3 each.

The Rockets, who are now 7-8 on the season will host Pulaski County in another district match-up on Friday night.

The boys play the second game of a doubleheader with the girls, who tip things off at 6 p.m.

"Lady Rockets"

(Cont. from A12)

Robinson, 6, Lawrence 9, Locklear, Lay, Bullock, Sydney Arvin and Ella McQueary, 2 each and Abney, 4.

The Rockets lost to Nelson County, the 15th ranked team in the state, 46-43 in the second round.

The game was close throughout with the Lady Rockets having a one point lead at the end of three periods, 38-37.

Hammond had 12 to lead the scoring for the Rockets, Alexander, 11, Saylor, 8, Lawrence, 7, Mattingly and Robinson, 2 each and Abney, 1.

In the third round, the Lady Rockets beat Christian County, 58-48.

Hammond and Alexander combined for 42 of the Lady Rockets' 58 points. Hammond had 22 and Alexander, 20.

Saylor and Locklear got 2 each, Mattingly 3, Robinson 5 and Lawrence, 4.

In the final game of the tournament for the Lady Rockets, they defeated Green County 62 to 46.

Hammond had 16, Saylor 15, Alexander 14, Robinson 7, Lawrence 4 and Mattingly 2.

The Lady Rockets will host the 3-8 Pulaski County Lady Maroons on Friday night in a double header with boys.

The Lady Rockets will play the first game on Friday night beginning at 6 p.m.

Email sports items to us at

mvsignal@windstream.net



Rocket JV player Matt Lunsford scored seven points in a losing effort against Casey County on Saturday.



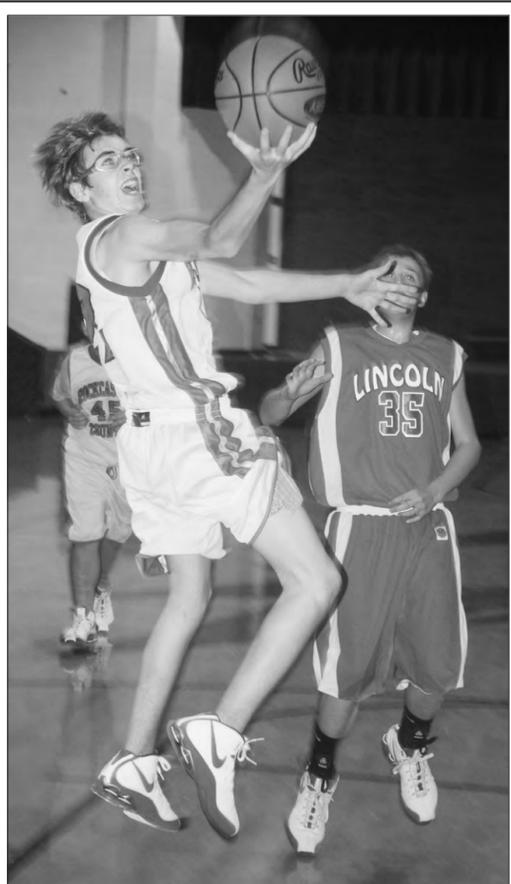
Lady Rocket Cheyenne Hensley applies the pressure in the JVs win over Casey County on Saturday. Hensley scored 7 points.



Lady Rocket freshman Holly Ham goes for two against Casey County on Saturday. Ham had three points in a losing effort. (JV, freshman photos by: Kevin Canterbury)



Rocket freshman Jadon Brock drives to the basket for two of his six points against Casey County on Saturday.



RCMS 7th grader Tyler Harper puts up a shot in his team's 50-27 loss to Lincoln County on Monday night. Harper had three points in the game.



RCMS 8th grader Ashton Arvin goes for two of his four points against Lincoln County on Monday night.



RCMS 6th grader Kyle Denny puts up a shot in his team's game with Lincoln County on Monday night. All three RCMS return to action next Monday night.

“Review”

(Cont. from front)

contract, extending it through June 30th of 2011 and James and Louise Vanwinkle lost everything because of a fire at their Climax home.

Subway and Godfather's owner Jerry Pensol was elected President of the Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce and the Rockcastle Fiscal Court approved a budget of \$436,000 for Sheriff Mike Peters office for 2008.

Fire heavily damaged the building housing Appalachian Medical Equipment in Mt. Vernon and the state awarded the county \$165,000 to clean up an illegal trash dump at Boones Gap.

The Mt. Vernon City Council accepted the low bid of \$501,156 to construct a sewer line around Lake Linville and new water lines were being laid in the city of Livingston.

Rockcastle County High School head football coach Tom Larkey announced he would be leaving to take the head coaching job in Harlan County, after 23 years at the ROCK and former Rockcastle resident and Clark-Moores Middle School teacher Sharon Farthing Graves won a state education award.

Tommy Harold Mink of Brindle Ridge was inducted into the Rockcastle Farmers Hall of Fame and Mike Robbins received the prestigious Everett C. Brown Memorial Award for Community Service.

In February, an appreciation day was held for Bro. Jack Bruce, Director of Missions for the Rockcastle Association of Baptists and Troy Hansel was named Businessman of the Year at the annual Farmers-Business Banquet.

34-year-old Scott Parkey, a RCHS football assistant coach, was named to replace outgoing coach Tom Larkey by a unanimous vote of the school's SDBM council.

Renfro Valley Barn Dance entertainer and WRVK Radio disc jockey Pete Stamper received the prestigious Stephen Foster award from the Kentucky Broadcaster's Association and Sheriff Mike Peters bought two pieces of property behind the Rockcastle Courthouse from the Ford family for \$315,000. Peters is still in the process of moving part of the operation of the Sherrif's office to the purchased property.

Terry Montjoy of Mt. Vernon and Chris Spoonamore were indicted for stealing Christmas gifts in December of 2007 and would plead guilty later in the year.

Nicholas and Virginia Williams of Brodhead were both sentenced to prison terms in excess of 25 years after being found guilty of sexual abuse and incest involving their 21-month-old daughter.

RCHS seniors Kevin Canterbury and Courtney Bullock were crowned basketball homecoming King and Queen during homecoming festivities at the ROCK and Chris Anderson of Corbin was sworn-in as the new postmaster at Mt. Vernon.

60-year-old Russell Hines was killed in a logging accident in Lincoln County and the Rockcastle Hospital Board sold the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead to Signature HealthCare, a Florida based company.

The Rockcastle Tourist Commission announced they had purchased an option on a 20 acre site, where they hope to build a tourism and conference center and about 150 people attended the first Night of Hope at RCMS in honor of local cancer survivors and in memory of those who lost their battle with cancer.

750 people attended the Induction Ceremony for Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and the county got the first recordable snowfall of the winter on February 26th, when an inch of snow fell.

The month of March began with the RCHS Lady Rockets winning the 47th District title again with a 66-57 win over Casey County.

Junior and Sharon Monk lost everything in a fire at their mobile home on Low Gap Road and the family of Delbert and Brooke Slusher suffered the same fate when their home on Trace Branch burned.

Kenneth Yauger, 38, of Ramsey Trailer Park in Mt.

Vernon was arrested after he threatened to shoot two social workers and a state trooper. Yauger pled guilty later in the year to terroristic threatening and received six months in jail and was placed on probation for two years.

Over \$3,000 was raised for the UNITE Coalition at a benefit concert on the Renfro Valley Barn Dance stage and the \$750,000 sewer line project at Lake Linville got underway.

The RCHS Lady Rockets won the 12th region title for the fourth time in five seasons and 21-year-old Nathan Stewart of Brush Creek was arrested after police found over four pounds of pot in his vehicle at a safety check point. Stewart was later indicted on the charge and eventually pled guilty to trafficking in marijuana. He received one year in prison.

A tragic auto accident claimed the life of RCHS senior Brittany Pruitt on March 14th and Miss Kentucky Kaitlynn Postel, was guest speaker at a Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Mary Denny and her son Gary lost everything in a fire at their Chestnut Ridge home and the Lady Rockets lost again in the first round of the state tournament in Bowling Green.

John Ford was re-elected Chairman of the Rockcastle Republican Party and a new CT Scanner went into operation at Rockcastle Hospital.

175 people attended the annual Brodhead High School Alumni Banquet and citizens voiced their concern about a possible occupational tax in the county.

RCHS senior Morgan Thacker was named Indoor Field Event Athlete of the Year in Kentucky and, after 23 years, the East Ottawa Go-Cart Track closed.

37-year-old Regina Morgan died in a tragic auto accident on North Wilderness Road and Community Trust Bank gave property along Hwy. 150 in Brodhead to the city of Brodhead.

In April, local dentist Dr. John Parsons said his office had been closed 21 days since June 4th because of gas vapors coming from the soil underneath his building and over 400 people participated in the Redbud Health Walk at Renfro Valley.

5-year-old Brianna McClure was seriously injured when a hit and run driver forced her family's car off the New Brodhead Road and open houses were held at the new fire department buildings in Pongo and Mt. Vernon.

Police found five dead and 17 starving horses on property on Robinson Cemetery Road, near the Jackson County line. Jerry L. Campbell, 54, of London, was charged with cruelty to animals.

More than 200 people attended the second UNITE Appreciation Dinner and Rockcastle Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis began to paint a gloomy financial picture for the county's upcoming 2008-09 budget.

The RCHS Girl's Track and Field Team was ranked number one in the state in class 2A and Linda Taylor was elected the new Democratic County Chairman.

In May, Kentucky Supreme Court Chief Justice Joseph Lambert of Mt. Vernon announced he would retire from the high court in June and Hanson Aggregates announced they would spend \$6 million on an expansion at their Mt. Vernon plant.

Joshua Shane Rickles of Brodhead was sentenced to 57 months in federal prison after pleading guilty to an October 17th, 2007, bank robbery at Citizens Bank in Brodhead.

About 200 people attended the annual May Fest at the Kentucky Christian Assembly and 38-year-old Charles "Chuck" Marlow received 13 years in prison for numerous crimes.

Author Jeff Renner released a new book, "Three Springs and a Wilderness Station" which tells the story of the founding of Mt. Vernon and gives additional insight on town founder Stephen Langford.

100 people attended the National Day of Prayer on the Rockcastle County Courthouse lawn and longtime Rockcastle County Board of Education member Terry Burton resigned.

A truck driver for Somerset Food Service was killed in an early morning wreck on I-75

which closed the northbound lanes of the interstate for several hours and state officials told members of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court they would have to do something to raise revenue so their budget would balance.

The Rockcastle County School Board approved a 1% raise for employees and a Monticello man was killed in an auto accident on Hwy. 461.

Members of the Cedar Rapids Recreation Center learned they would probably not have a swimming pool for the first time since the club opened in 1968 and four companies bought up the 2007 delinquent property tax bills.

Only 17 percent of Rockcastle's registered voters went to the polls in the primary election and well known Renfro Valley entertainer Jim Gaskin died at the age of 70.

Graduation ceremonies were held for the 2008 graduates from the Christian Appalachian Project's GED program and the first reading of the county's one and half percent occupational tax was passed.

At the Brodhead Homecoming, Rita Shaffer was chosen Teacher of the Year, Brodhead 5th grade student Avery Bradshaw was named Citizen of the Year and Morgan Campbell was crowned homecoming queen.

Three fallen Rockcastle County lawmen, Sheriff Noah Tipton and deputies Charlie Ramsey and Leonard Davis were honored during a memorial service at the Department of Criminal Justice Training in Richmond and a London man died in an ATV accident near the Rockcastle River in the southern part of the county.

Graduation ceremonies were held for 185 graduates at RCHS, where valedictorian Holly Brown and salutatorian Amy Poynter, both spoke.

RCHS senior Morgan Thacker won the state championship in the long jump and junior Sarah McKinney won the state title in the 100 meter hurdles. The Lady Rockets, as a team, finished third in the state.

Although short on funds, the membership at Cedar Rapids Recreation Center voted to fix the swimming pool.

In June Russell Poynter, Jeff Vanhook and Mary Jo Hunt applied for the vacant board seat on the Rockcastle County Board of Education and the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association moved their office from Climax to Livingston.

In the span of less than a week the Rockcastle Fiscal Court imposed a one and a half percent occupational tax and the city of Mt. Vernon doubled their occupational tax to one percent.

Serious problems between Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby and volunteer firefighters came to a head, after the Mayor drove her car across fire hoses, during a fire at the corner of Quarry and Poplar Streets in Mt. Vernon.

Because of the incident and other problems between the Mayor and firemen, most members of the fire department resigned.

The home of Glenna Stevens on Old Hummel School Road was completely destroyed by fire and 24-year-old James Wynn of Orlando was electrocuted when he tried to cut copper from a Jackson Energy power line.

Lady Rocket stand-out Sarah Rowe was asked to walk on for the University of Kentucky Lady Cats and 300 people attended the second annual Fun Horse Show at the Fairgrounds in Brodhead, sponsored by the Just Horsin' Around club.

Chris Hall, 34, of Houston Point on Hwy. 150 was killed in an automobile accident, while returning home from his job as a paramedic in Garrard County, on June 21st.

Over \$35,000 was raised by the annual Relay for Life event and Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby was given the authority by her council to take legal action against former firefighters if they did not return all of their equipment to the city.

Over 600 people attended the annual Longest Day of Prayer and Health Fair and work began on the Richmond Street Sidewalk project in Mt. Vernon. (Editors Note: Headlines from the last six months of 2008 will appear in next week's Signal. RFA).

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**ROCKCASTLE COUNTY FISCAL COURT
NOTICE OF HEARING
AND
FIRST READING
ROCKCASTLE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK
EXPANSION AND
INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS**

An Ordinance authorizing a Lease for the financing of a project; providing for the payment and security of the lease; creating a sinking fund; and authorizing the execution of various documents related to such lease. The amount of said Lease is not to exceed \$2,500,000, with the term not to exceed 20 years, and shall be entered into with the Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust Program. The Lease will be established at a variable rate anticipated to be approximately 4.0%. The Fiscal Court retains the right to change to a 'fixed' rate at any time during the Lease for the protection of taxpayers. This Lease is for the purpose of reconstruction and new construction of infrastructure for the improvement of an existing Rockcastle County Industrial Park.

The financial commitment upon the County imposed by the Lease shall be a General Obligation Pledge as permitted under the Constitution of the Commonwealth, Chapter 66 of Kentucky Revised Statutes.

The magistrates of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court will hear the Second Reading at 10:00 in the morning, Friday the 16th of January, 2008, on the Third Floor of the Rockcastle County Courthouse. Any interested citizen of the County may be present.

/s/ Buzz Carloftis
County Judge-Executive

EXHIBIT G-1

[NOTICE INTENDED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE]

The Fiscal Court, at a meeting to be held on Jan. 16, 2008, at 10 a.m., 3rd Floor in the Courthouse will consider for passage, the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LEASE FOR THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE LEASE; CREATING A SINKING FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SUCH LEASE.

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Ordinance provides for approval of a lease with Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust for financing certain public improvements and provides a general obligation pledge to assess sufficient taxes to comply with the obligations to pay lease payments. The full text of the section relating to the pledge to levy and assess a tax to pay the lease obligation is:

Section 2. General Obligation Pledge. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and Chapter 66 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the "General Obligation Statutes"), the obligation of the Lessee created by the Lease shall be a full general obligation of the Lessee and, for the prompt payment of the Lease Payments, the full faith, credit and revenue of the Lessee are hereby pledged. During the period the Lease is outstanding, there shall be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the Lessee, in addition to all other taxes, without limitation as to rate, a direct tax annually in an amount sufficient to pay the Lease Payments on the Lease when and as due, it being hereby found and determined that current tax rates are within all applicable limitations. Said tax shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of said years are certified, extended and collected. Said tax shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that the other taxes of the Lessee are available for the payment of the Lease Payments and are appropriated for such purpose, the amount of such direct tax upon all of the taxable property in the Lessee shall be reduced by the amount of such other taxes so available and appropriated.

There is hereby established with the Lessee a sinking fund (the "Sinking Fund"). The funds derived from said tax levy hereby required or other available taxes shall be placed in the Sinking Fund and, together with interest collected on the same, are irrevocably pledged for the payment of all bonds or obligations issued under the General Obligation Statutes and all Tax Supported Leases, as defined in General Obligation Statutes, including the Lease herein authorized, when and as the same fall due. Amounts shall be transferred from the Sinking Fund to the Lessor at the times and in the amounts required by the Lease.

A complete copy of the Ordinance may be reviewed at the office of the Co. Judge of Rockcastle County.

By/s/ Buzz Carloftis

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and accurate summary of an Ordinance that has been prepared by an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

/s/ William D. Reynolds
LICENSED KENTUCKY ATTORNEY

Minds in the Middle

Congratulations to Mrs. Markita Mink's homeroom on bringing in the most food items for our annual drive for the Mt. Vernon Food and Clothing Mission. Her homeroom brought in over 2,000 food items! Congratulations also to the entire 7th grade Adventurers for being the team with the best effort. Mrs. Mink's class will win a popcorn and movie party and the team will win extra incentive time in the gym. RCMS was featured in the Lexington Herald Leader for their awesome effort this year. RCMS students donated about 6,000 food items.

Eighth graders who are applying for the Robinson Scholar Program need to turn their applications in to Ms. Cromer as soon as possible so that she can complete and mail those.

The nine weeks has ended and report cards will be sent home later this week.

It is time to prepare for the Kentucky United Nations Assembly. The Parent/Student informational meeting for KUNA will be held next Tuesday, January 13th, after school until 3:45 p.m. Aaron Anderkin, Regional Director for the Kentucky YMCA, will be here with financial aid applications and information about KUNA 2009. All Y-Club members and their parents who would like to find out more about KUNA should make plans to attend this meeting. In case of snow, the meeting will be held the first day we return to school.

Christmas was a special time at RCMS. Christmas dinner was especially nice with the table cloths and decorations, not to mention the awesome meal. The sounds of the season added to the special time with several staff members providing additional Christmas spirit. The band and choir also did a spectacular job with ringing out several Christmas selections. The Adventurers staff members filled the halls with the sounds of Christmas caroling as well. As usual, our awesome lunch bunch added to the festive occasion with their own style of entertainment. They never fail to put a smile on all our faces. Thanks to all the RCMS staff who made Christmas such a special time for our students.

Animal Lovers organizational meeting Jan. 15

"Friends of Animals" is having an organizational meeting on Thursday, January 15th at 6:30 p.m. at El Cazador Mexican Restaurant in Mt. Vernon at 6:30 p.m.

The objective of the group is to help care for the animals in the Rockcastle Animal Shelter and to place more of the animals in homes and rescue shelters.

Animal lovers throughout Rockcastle County are encouraged to attend this meeting and find out how they can improve conditions for abandoned and unwanted animals in our county.

Mt. Vernon Message

School News

Progress Reports will be sent home on Tuesday, January 13. Watch your child's backpack for them!

Project Wisdom Readers for last week were:

Monday: Jacob Taylor

Tuesday: Whitney Thomas

Wednesday: Brooklyn Smithern

Thursday: Jeremiah Blevins

Friday: Our mystery reader was Pam McGuire.

PTG News

Our monthly PTG meetings is scheduled for Thursday, January 8 at 3:30. Please make plans to attend.

FRC News

FRC Family Literacy Night is scheduled for Tuesday, January 13 at 5:00.

FRC Adult Computer classes are each Monday from 6:00 until 8:00.

FRC/CAP GED Classes are each Tuesday from 1:00 until 2:00.

Our quote for this week is: "Our aspirations are our possibilities."

Rockcastle County 4-H Sewing Projects

4-H Youth Development

John McQueary

Rockcastle County Extension Office



The 4-H Sewing Projects will again be offered after school at each of the elementary schools. Sewing projects will be different than past years. There will be NO first class meeting; we will begin the classes on the appropriate dates listed below. This year the sewing projects will be conducted by local leaders and the Family & Consumer Sciences Agent. Following is the date and location of the first meeting at each school.

NOTE: Middle School and High School students may meet with the elementary school of their choice.

•February 2nd-5th
Brodhead Elementary

•February 16th-19th
Roundstone Elementary

•February 23rd-26th
Mt. Vernon Elementary

**Students will stay after school until 5:00pm. Students can be picked up at the front door or in the sewing room. Hazel Jackson and/or volunteers must see the individual who is picking up the student.

**Parents, you will need to provide transportation home after classes at 5:00pm PROMPTLY.

During the classes, your child will learn to use a sewing machine, follow directions and construct a useful item. First year students may make a drawstring tote bag. Second year students may make a zippered tote bag or purse. Third year students may make a gym bag. Fourth year students will make a backpack with lining. Fifth year students will make a 2 or 3 piece luggage set.

*Sewing Equipment

*6" inch ruler or seam gauge

*A Sewing box-large shoe

box is fine

*Pencil

*Straight Pins

*Tape Measure

*Dressmaker shears (scissors)

*Seam Ripper

Underlined items are most important for each child to have. The 4-H Program has some sewing equipment that can be loaned to 4-Her's for the week. Label all items with your name! Put it in some type of small box for easy storage at the school for the week.

2.) Fabric & Notions:

See attached list according to Unit Level.

**Prewashing of all fabrics is recommended! To prewash, simply put the fabric yardage in a regular load of laundry. You may line dry or dry the fabric in the clothes dryer. Iron the fabric if it is wrinkly.

3.) 1 large spool of thread to match the fabric. Cotton or cotton covered polyester thread is preferred-all purpose thread. 100% polyester thread does not sew well on the Extension Service machines. Quilting or upholstery thread will not work for these sewing projects.

**If your child wishes to participate in the 4-H Sewing projects, please complete the permission form given to your child by the Extension Service and return it to their teacher by January 15, 2009.

In Memory Celebration

A Potluck Dinner will be held at Arie and Jodie Shelton's Music Barn at Conway on Saturday, Jan. 17th from 7 to 11 p.m. in Memory of Pauline Alexander. Pauline enjoyed coming to the Music Barn for years to enjoy herself with family, friends and good music. So, bring a dish and come help us dedicate this night to "Nanny."



Hot Pursuit Will Be Playing

"What Is Written"

Let us begin our study today by looking at Jesus' statement in John 8:31-32, "Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." A disciple is a learner, pupil, student of the master or teacher, with a view to following the teaching the disciple receives. A true disciple of Jesus Christ will learn and follow his word, or as Jesus goes on to say the truth. God's word is the truth we must follow, John 17:17, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." Notice that Jesus says that the truth shall make you free. He did not say that error shall make us free. He did not say that false doctrine shall make us free. He did not say that ignorance shall make us free. He did not say that the commandments of men shall make us free. He did not say that the decrees of the Pope shall make us free. He did not say that human creed books shall make us free. He did not say that human wisdom shall set us free. He did not say that denominational church manuals shall set us free. He did not say that Mohamed and the Koran will set us free. No, he said that the truth shall make us free! Yes, the truth is what we should love, desire, seek, and pursue after. I am fearful that far too many in our world are satisfied with less than the truth. If would desire to study the word of truth, we would be glad to assist you in a Bible study. Can we study with you?

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Web Site: www.WhatSaihtTheScriptures.com

Time of Services: Sunday 10am Bible Study, Worship 10:40 & 5:00pm; Wed. 7:00pm. Radio program, Sun. 8am, 1460 AM

Notice of Change of Date for Fiscal Court Meeting

Due to a conflict with a public hearing in Frankfort, the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court will not meet on Tuesday, January 13th at 1 p.m. for its regular monthly meeting. The meeting will instead be held on Wednesday, January 14th at 1 p.m.



Franzeya Childress, daughter of Orville and Sharlene Childress of Brodhead, has made the University of the Cumberlands Dean's List for the Fall 2008 semester. Students who make the Dean's List must have a gpa of 3.50 or higher.

Four students earn honors

Four Rockcastle County residents have earned academic honors from Lindsey Wilson College for the 2008 fall semester.

Two students have been named to the President's List, and two students have been named to the Dean's List.

Named to the President's List are: Jason Dillingham, a human services and counseling junior from Mt. Vernon; and Angela Coffey, a human services and counseling junior from Mt. Vernon.

Named to the Dean's List are: Mary Brinson, a human service and counseling senior from Livingston; and Phillip Thomas, a Christian ministries junior from Mt. Vernon.

Students named to the President's List have a semester grade point average of 4.0 on a 4.0 scale in 12 hours of academic credit. Students named to the Dean's List have a semester grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 grade scale in 12 hours of academic credit.

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Meeting Location - Rockcastle County Board Of Education
(Rockcastle Teaching & Learning Center) / 245 Richmond Street

AGENDA

Regular Meeting

January 13, 2009

7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- A. Election of Officers
- B. Develop/Approve 2009 Regular Board Meeting Schedule
- C. Silent Prayer
- D. Roll Call
- E. Reading of Board Team Commitments

2. ADOPT AGENDA/ACTION:

3. COMMUNICATION:

4. OPERATIONS/ACTIONS:

- A. Approve minutes of the December 11 special meeting
- B. Approve bills for payment
- C. Approve Emergency Substitute Teacher Application TC-4:
- D. Approve Subaward Contract with Eastern Kentucky University
- E. Approve Superintendent to declare the following items as junk

6	Zenith TV's	(MVES)
1	Sanyo TV	(MVES)
1	Sharp TV	(MVES)
1	Magnavox TV	(MVES)
19	Phillips TV's	(BES)

F. Approve School Trip Forms

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- A. Review/Approve 2009-2010 Draft Budget

6. DISCUSSION/REVIEW:

- A. Review Monthly Financial Reports
- B. Review Superintendent's Personnel Action Report
- C. Other:

7. ADJOURNMENT:

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Hi, my name is Braydyn Devonte Rilee Allen. I was born April 6, 2008. My mommie is Amber Allen and my grandma is Virginia Allen of Mt. Vernon.

You see, my mommie was 8 months pregnant with me when she was in a car wreck with the McClure family on April 6, 2008. Everyone tells us that I am a special blessing from God because how my mom was hurt in the wreck. I would like to let my mommie know that I have been blessed twice for God gave me her as my mommie.

I love you so much. You take great care of me even on the days you are in pain from your injuries.

Just to let you know, even though the ladies from 8 to 80 think I am the most handsome guy they have ever met with my big blue eyes, you will always be number one in my heart.

The Allen family would like to thank everyone who stopped to help Amber after the wreck and all the people who prayed for her and Braydyn. God bless you all.

Braydyn and the Allen family



Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, left, is pictured with Peggy Robbins, winner of the basket drawing during the Trolley Shopping Nights held during the holidays.

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Bookmobile Schedule
Mon., Jan. 12: No service. **Tues., Jan. 13th:** No service. **Wed., Jan. 14th:** Pongo Fire Dept., stops off 461, Negro Creek, Bryant Ridge. **Thurs., Jan. 15th:** Day Health, Sr. Citizens, Carter Dr. Apts., Brindle Ridge.

Rockcastle Travelers Note
 Rockcastle Travelers are going to Washington, D.C. during Spring Break, March 31-April 4. There are still a few spaces left for this year's FAFSA. All college bound seniors and their parents are encouraged to attend this important meeting. The workshop will be held in the auditorium at 6 p.m. For more information, call Dale Whitaker at 256-4816.

Project Graduation Meeting
 There will be a Project Graduation 2009 meeting Monday, Jan. 15th at 6:30 in the high school cafeteria. Meetings will follow on the first Monday of each month. All parents/guardians of seniors are urged to attend.

UNITE Meetings
 UNITE monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. However, the location for January and February meetings has been changed to Pizza Hunt on Jan. 14th and Feb. 11th at noon.

Financial Aid Workshop
 A financial aid workshop will be held Jan. 15th at Rockcastle County High School. The purpose of the workshop will be to fill out this year's FAFSA. All college bound seniors and their parents are encouraged to attend this important meeting. The workshop will be held in the auditorium at 6 p.m. For more information, call Dale Whitaker at 256-4816.

Winter Wonderland in Berea
 Berea Parks and Recreation is excited to offer Winter Wonderland! This free special event has been specifically designed for individuals with special needs of all ability levels and ages! Join us on Jan. 16th from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Berea for dancing, games, arts and crafts, snacks and the celebration of winter. Call 986-9402 for more information.

RCIDA Meeting
 The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority holds its regular meeting the first Monday of each month at noon on the third floor of the courthouse.

NA Women's Meeting
 The Women's NA Serenity Group of Mt. Vernon meets each Monday at 8 p.m. at the Christian Appalachian Project Community Center, 64 Beiting Lane, Mt. Vernon. Open meeting - non-smoking.

Kiwanis Club Meetings
 The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at Renfro Valley Lodge.

Alcoholics Anonymous
 Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

Narcotics Anonymous
 Narcotics Anonymous meets Thursday nights at 8 o'clock behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

Volunteers thank Mayor and City Council for new truck

Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue Activity Report

December 16 - January 5

Thursday, December 18th
 Dispatched to an alarm activation at Northside Baptist Church. Seven firefighters responded with two fire engines to find no fire, only smoke from smoke machines being used in a performance.

Friday, December 19th
 Dispatched to a two vehicle accident on I-75. Upon arrival, found vehicle on its top. No occupants were entrapped. Assisted EMS with loading patients and Vehicle Enforcement with traffic control.

Saturday, December 20th
 Dispatched to Richmond Street in front of Cox Law Offices, to assist KSP with a hazardous materials incident involving homemade explosives, one of which exploded in the parking lot. Ten firefighters responded. Fire units used breathing apparatus to search a vehicle for other bomb making or hazardous materials. State Trooper Lafe Owens made two arrests in connection with the incident.

Saturday, December 20th
 Dispatched to an alarm activation at the church in Renfro Valley village. Upon arrival of firefighters and maintenance personnel it was determined that there was no fire, only an alarm malfunction.

Sunday, December 21st
 Responded to an accident involving two tractor trailer trucks on Hwy. 461. Upon arrival, the driver of one truck was trapped inside. Used Jaws of Life to free driver who was then transported by Rockcastle EMS. Ten firefighters responded.

Monday, December 22nd
 Dispatched to an alarm activation at KOA Campground. Upon arrival, found no fire.

Tuesday, December 23rd
 Responded to a tractor trailer fire on I-75 at mile marker 54. Six firefighters responded. While enroute, Rockcastle Sheriff's Deputies advised truck was not on fire, brakes had just overheated.

Wednesday, December 24th
 Responded to Hwy 1955 to a single vehicle accident. Seven firefighters responded. Upon arrival, patient was trapped in vehicle but advised he was not hurt just couldn't get out. Used Jaws of Life to extricate patient. Livingston Fire Department assisted.

Thursday, December 25th
 Dispatched to an accident on I-75 with entrapment. Eight firefighters responded. Upon arrival, found no entrapment and Berea Fire Department and Madison EMS were on scene.

Thursday, December 25th
 Responded to a single vehicle accident on I-75 at mile marker 63. Advised no entrap-

ment but vehicle was smoking. Eight firefighters responded. Once on scene, fire units forced hood open and cut battery cables to prevent fire.

Saturday, December 27th
 Responded to a structure fire on High Dry Cemetery Rd. to assist Pongo Fire Department. Six firefighters responded with pumper and tanker.

Saturday, December 27th
 Dispatched to a single vehicle accident on I-75. While enroute, advised to disregard, no fire or entrapment.

Saturday, December 27th
 Responded with Pongo Fire Department to the scene of previous structure fire at High Dry. Fire had rekindled. Five firefighters responded with two pumpers.

Thursday, January 1st
 Dispatched to a field on fire on East Fork Skaggs Creek Rd. Three firefighters responded and extinguished fire.

Friday, January 2nd
 Dispatched to a structure fire with possible entrapment on Paul Street. Nine firefighters responded with three fire engines. Once on scene, fire units began attacking fire, and conducted a search for any occupants. Fire was extinguished and homeowner was located at another location and was not home at time of fire.

Saturday, January 3rd
 Responded to Mount Vernon Greens Apartments. Female subject advised something exploded in or around her stove and stove had no power. Ten firefighters responded. Searched apartment, found no fire. Then fire units disconnected power to stove and notified apartment manager.

Sunday, January 4th
 Dispatched to a single vehicle accident with entrapment on I-75. Nine firefighters responded. Upon arrival, observed no entrapment and Rockcastle EMS had already removed patient. Assisted law enforcement with traffic control until vehicles were removed.

Monday, January 5th
 Dispatched to a vehicle fire at McDonalds. Eight firefighters responded with three fire engines. Mount Vernon Police Officer on scene advised that fire was out before units arrived. Fire units proceeded on to ensure there was no fire. Upon arrival, vehicle was smoking, fire was out.

NOTE: In 2008 Mount Vernon Fire Department responded to 213 incidents ranging from fire alarm activations, assistance to other fire departments and EMS, grass and forest fires, vehicle fires,

traffic accidents, to structure fires. At this time, the department currently has 21 members and its largest fleet of vehicles ever, while still awaiting the delivery of a fully equipped 2009 Freightliner Pumper, purchased in December. This new addition should be in service and fully operational before February 1st.

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Gustie Hurt, Jr., Deloris Hurt, et. al Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on November 14, 2008 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SIXTY THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY DOLLARS AND 18/100 (\$63,590.18) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the herein-after described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street
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Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.

Said real property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:

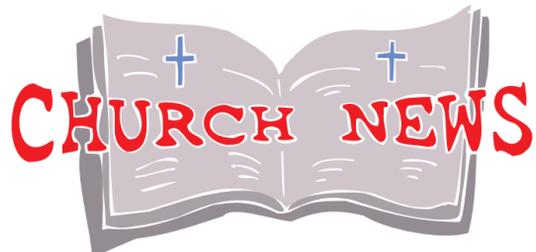
Lot No. 42 in the Sunnyside Estates, as shown on plat of record in Plat Book 4, page 226 in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Being the same property conveyed to Gustie Hurt, Jr. et ux. by deed dated December 20, 2002 and recorded in Deed Book 193, page 25 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Court Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2008 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
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Benefit Singing
 Calloway Holiness Church is holding a benefit singing to help pay funeral expenses for Martha Holsen. Singing will be on Jan. 10th at 7 p.m. The Doan Family and many more groups will be singing. Pastors Elzie Doan, Vernon Doan, Dennis Doan welcome every to attend.

Also, Calloway Holiness Church will be in revival with

Evangelist Billy Bryant Starting Jan. 18th. Services on Sunday start at 6 p.m. and weekdays at 7 p.m. Pastors Elzie, Vernon and Dennis Doan welcome everyone to attend.

Third Saturday Night Service

Climax Holiness Church and pastor, Darrin Slone, invite everyone to our third Saturday Night Service, January 17th at 7 p.m., weather permitting. Bro. Radford Ballard will be preaching and guest singers will be the Azbill Family from Mt. Vernon. We wish everyone a happy and blessed new year.

Benefit Service

Faith Chapel Pentecostal Holiness Church will hold a benefit service for Peggy Falin Jan. 17th at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Revival

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Posted

Posted: No trespassing on property of Darrell and Helen Whitaker, located on East Fork of Skaggs Creek and Cut Gap. Keep out!!! 32(08)x51p

Posted: No trespassing on land belonging to Donald Bowman on Cow Bell Hollow Rd. at Saltpetre Cave. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing or hunting on land of J.B. Baker located at Climax.

Posted: No trespassing, ATVs on land belonging to Billy Whitaker on Skaggs Creek.

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs on Hwy 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 6x6p

No Hunting/Trespassing on Murphy Martin's land on Plantation Lane and Murphy Martin Rd. 6x2p

Posted: No hunting, trapping or trespassing on property be-

longing to William Holt, Winkie Holt or Neureul Jones, located in Kidwell Hollow. Violators will be prosecuted. 7x5p

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on Ed Wilson Farm, 5320 Hummel Road, Wildie. 44(08)x52p

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs on Hwy. 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 42(08)x25p

Posted: No trespassing on Crawford Place - Old Brodhead Road. Danny Smith. 47ftn

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on property belonging to Mark and Debbie Cummins. Violators will be prosecuted. 9x52p

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Victoria Reese at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing on property known as C.B. Owens Farm across from Fairgrounds in Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 25ftn

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property owned by Doug and Judy Brock known as Brock's North Hill Farm at Mareburg consisting of the Swinney Place, Brock Place, Hensley Farm, Lakes Farm. 3ft

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 08-CI-00164

First Franklin Financial Corporation

Plaintiff

v.

**Emma L. Collins and
Danny L. Collins**

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on December 17, 2008 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FIFTY SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWELVE DOLLARS AND 17/100 (\$56,212.17) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, January 23, 2009
Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.**

Said real property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:

6913 Brindle Ridge Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

Beginning at a stake in the north right of way of the Brodhead-Conway Road, at the east edge of roadway leaving off said road; thence northerly with the east edge of roadway to top of hill; thence continuing northerly to a stake 30 feet from power line; thence S 85 deg. E parallel with power line to a stake on a cliff; thence S 12 degrees E 125 feet to a pine; thence S 15 deg. 140 feet to a black oak; thence S 27 1/2 W 107 feet to a stake, corner of Sarah Scherlag in north right of way of Brodhead-Conway Road; thence S 88 deg. W with right of way of Brodhead-Conway Road to the point of beginning and containing one (1) acre more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Emma L. Collins and husband Danny L. Collins by deed dated July 5, 2007, executed by Rita Huff, et vir and recorded in Deed Book 216, page 629 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2008 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**Willis G. Coffey
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit

**Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 08-CI-00097**

**Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
successor by merger to
Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc.**

Plaintiff

v.

**Mary Ann Elam,
Health Care Collection Service, Inc.
a KY Corporation, assignee of the
UK Medical Center and County of
Rockcastle**

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on December 18, 2008 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FIFTY FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS AND 36/100 (\$54,160.36) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, January 23, 2009
Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.**

Said real property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:

4370 Wildie Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

Beginning on an iron pin set on the south side of Highway 1786, said pin being a corner to E. Marshall Webb (Deed Book 163, Page 531); thence with the right of way of Highway 1786 North 80 degrees 13 minutes 59 seconds East for a distance of 63.84 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way North 84 degrees 04 minutes 47 seconds East for a distance of 78.34 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way North 87 degrees 50 minutes 32 seconds East for a distance of 70.64 feet to an iron pin set on the south side of the Highway 1786 right of way, said pin being a corner to James D. Baker (Deed Book 149, Page 567); thence with the line of James Baker South 02 degrees 29 minutes 04 seconds East for a distance of 210.00 feet to an iron pin set in the line of James Baker, said pin being a corner to E. Marshall Webb (Deed Book 163, Page 531); thence with the line of E. Marshall Webb South 84 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds West for a distance of 212.52 feet to an iron pin set; thence continuing with the line of E. Marshall Webb North 02 degrees 29 minutes 04 seconds West for a distance of 210.00 feet to an iron pin set, which is the point of beginning and having an area of 1.0377 acres as surveyed by Bobby Hudson, LPLS 1253 on April 10, 2002.

This property is improved with a 2004 Giles Ruby 24'x36' mobile home (VIN gm4797a).

Being the same property conveyed to Mary Ann Elam, single, by deed dated October 9, 2003, executed by Thomas E. Dees, et ux. and recorded in Deed Book 196, page 697 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2008 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**Willis G. Coffey
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

Commonwealth of Kentucky

**28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 08-CI-00232**

Community Trust Bank, Inc.

Plaintiff

v.

**Leslie Jadawn Pennington,
et al**

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on December 5, 2008, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE DOLLARS AND 14/100 (\$8,323.14) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, January 23, 2008
Beginning at the hour of 1:00 p.m.**

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Being Lot Number One Hundred Sixty Three (163) in the Rainbow Ridge Subdivision (Phase #2) and fronting on Gold Dust Drive. For further description see plat recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court in Plat Book 4, page 353 (Slide 578). Tax Map Reference 033-80-00-163

Being the same property Jeffrey Pennington and L. Jadawn Pennington obtained by deed dated March 31, 2006 of record in Deed Book 209, page 663 and of record at the Rockcastle County Court Clerk's office, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

The property shall be sold upon the following terms and conditions:

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have a force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2009 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back line, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**Jerome S. Fish,
Special Master Commissioner**

Notice

I, Colen Short, will not be responsible for debts made by anyone other than myself. 7x5p

Notice: Stephanie Miller and Rodney Owens. You have until 6 p.m., January 9, 2009 to remove your stuff from property on 80 Davis St. Novera Decker. 7x1p

Notice is given that John D. and Rissie Cromer of 1240 Bowling Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409, have filed a periodic settlement of their accounts as co-guardians of Michael D. Cromer, a minor. A hearing on said settlement will be held January 19, 2009 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before this date. 7x1

Notice is hereby given that Dortha Barnett Kirby, 407 Crutcher Pike, Richmond, Ky. 40475 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Clyde Roland Barnett on the 15th day of December, 2008. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Dortha Barnett Kirby or to Hon. John D. Ford, 45 East Main St., O.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before June 15, 2009 at 11 a.m. 5x3

Notice is hereby given that Gary D. Kirby, 239 Wildflower Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed guardian of Gary Lee Kirby on the 10th day of December, 2008. Any person

having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Gary D. Kirby on or before June 10, 2009 at 11 a.m. 5x2

Notice is given that Larry B. Smith has filed a final settlement of his accounts as Executor of the estate of Rebecca Smith, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held January 19, 2009 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 6x1

Notice is hereby given that Jeffrey Sampson, 3598 Burnt Ridge Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executor of the estate of Wanda Sampson on the 2nd day of December 2008. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Jeffrey Sampson or to Hon. Frankie C. Blevins, Jr., Blevins Law, 400 Richmond Rd. N., Ste. C, Berea, Ky. 40403 on or before June 3, 2009 at 11 a.m. 4x3

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Bids are being accepted as of Friday, January 9th, 2009 and will be accepted through Thursday, January 22nd, 2009. Those interested in submitting bids should send the following information:

- Their Name
- Their physical address & mailing address if different
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- And their bid price for the mobile home

The information above should be sent to the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, PO Box 592, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, 40456. The envelope should be marked "MOBILE HOME BID". The bids will be opened on Friday, January 23, 2009 and the successful bidder will be contacted by phone and will be required to provide a cashier's check for the balance on Friday, January 23, 2009. The mobile homes will be sold "as is" and the successful bidder will be responsible for removing the mobile homes from the property within 14 days of their bid being accepted, weather permitting. The mobile homes being sold are one double wide (size) and one single wide (size). Questions about either of these mobile homes should be directed to Jim Holton at (606) 219-7030 or contact Jim Holton by e-mail at jholton@rockcastlecountyky.com.

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Brass Choir presents mini-concert at hospital

Submitted by A. B. Sharpe
Members of the Rockcastle High School Brass Choir presented a mini-concert at the Rockcastle Hospital & Respiratory Care Center, Inc. on Friday, December 19th. Residents were treated to an array of classic Christmas tunes and the students also did a little Christmas carol-

ing! Brian Knoops and Edie Seagraves were among the residents who enjoyed the holiday entertainment. This mini-concert is an annual event presented by the RCHS Band. Many thanks to Mrs. Ann Abney for providing dinner for the Brass Choir following the concert.

After the mini-concert at the Hospital, the Brass Choir traveled to Renfro Valley for the first annual Christmas around Town Holiday Tour which kicked off at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame & Museum. The event featured a tour of the homes of Niki and John Shepherd and Tony and Donna Hopkins and businesses including Singing Hills Bed and Breakfast, owned by Joe and Ruth Masten, and Sparks Flowers and More, owners Roy and Pam Martin. The tour also included a visit to the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame & Museum where patrons were invited to tour the Museum and to listen to the RCHS Brass Choir, under the direction of Greg Daugherty and the RCHS Chamber Choir, under the direction of Amber Thacker. The RCHS Band Boosters wish to thank everyone who helped with the Tour including RTEC, who provided transportation for the tour and the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame for co-sponsoring the event. The RCHS Band Boosters hope to make the event an annual one and look forward to even more community participation in the future. Anyone interested in participating next year should contact Connie Taylor at 859-326-0230 or Janice Miller at 606-308-5162. Both homes and businesses are welcome to participate.

The RCHS Band had a very brief respite after the holiday concert season and is now back in full swing. This week several members, selected by audition in early December, will travel to Madison Central High School to participate in the Bluegrass All-Regional Band. Members participating include Regina Rice, Devin Davidson, Nicole McFerron, Anjelica Craig, Meghan Nation, and Matthew Fields. Also on the schedule for January, the RCHS Pep Band and the RCHS Winterguard (indoor Color Guard) will be performing at upcoming home basketball games. Winterguard coaches include Jessica Stallworth and Tasha Ramsey, both former RCHS Winter-guard members. They begin their competition season in February.

And for the first time ever, the RCHS Band is featuring an indoor drumline under the direction of Josh Ott, a former RCHS Band member and current student at Eastern Kentucky University. Josh recently ended a tour with the Memphis Sound, an Open Class professional Drum Corps. As a talented and experienced drummer himself, he brings an enthusiastic expertise to this new endeavor for the RCHS Band. We are excited about the new possibilities for achievement that this venture opens up for the RCHS Band, and are looking forward to some spectacular performances.

With all the special events going on, and just about 10 weeks to go before the State Concert Band festival, the Band is as busy as ever as they move from one "season" to another.

Finally, the RCHS Band Boosters are looking for band alums and anyone who is interested in promoting music and the arts in Rockcastle County. Sponsoring and planning local events, and donating used instruments are just a few of the many ways that you can help. If you are interested in becoming an official alumnus or if you just want to know how you can help, please contact Ann Craig at 606-308-3086, Sherry Harper at 606-758-9963, Connie Taylor at 859-326-0230, Janice Miller at 606-308-5162, Anita Nation at 606-219-0908 or 606-256-4816 x442. You can also call the High School at 606-256-4816.

Thank you for your continued support!



Brass Choir members Matt Fields, Andrew Robbins and Anjelica Craig performing at the hospital.



Brian Knoops enjoyed the Brass Choir performance at the Rockcastle Hospital & Respiratory Care Center, Inc.



Edie and Fred Seagraves were in attendance at the recent performance at the hospital by the RCHS Brass Choir.

Cards of Thanks

Ruby McFerron

We, the children of Ruby Himes McFerron, wish to express our appreciation and thanks to everyone during the loss of our mother.

Thanks to Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and staff for the wonderful job they did with Mom - Roy and staff were so kind and helpful. They did everything just the way we wanted it. They were so nice to all of us. You all are a wonderful bunch of people.

Thanks to Bro. Jerry for the kind and wonderful words he spoke. You meant so much to Mom. She loved you so much.

To the Doan Family. Thanks for the beautiful songs that you all sang. Mom loved you all.

And, to the New Hope Baptist Church. Thanks for letting us bring Mom up there. She loved this little church where she attended since childhood. And to all the ladies that fixed and brought food for the family after the funeral, it was greatly appreciated. We love you and thanks to all.

To Bro. David Carpenter and wife, Gail, for all the phone calls, prayers and every thought that went to God for us. We want them to know we appreciate them so much. Thanks for everything. We love you.

To all of our friends and neighbors for all that you did. Thanks and we love you all.

Thank you grandsons for carrying our mother to her final resting place: Dowell Vanwinkle, Ray Vanwinkle, B.J. Vanwinkle, Brian Baker, Roger Baker, Ronnie Baker and Raymond Baker.

Thanks for all the beautiful flowers that everyone sent. If we have left some one out, please forgive us, we didn't mean to.

Last, but not least, we want to thank God for letting us have our Mom for 82 years.

God has been so good to us, we couldn't have made it if it hadn't been for Him giving us the strength to go on. We don't give God enough praise for what He does for us. We owe Him everything. May God richly bless each and everyone is our prayer.

With much love and thanks,

The Children:

Lethcer, Darrell, Mae, Louise, Minnie

Sisters: Mary Lou and Virgie and the grand-great-great grandchildren

Ruth Huff

Thank you so much for all the family and friends who attended the funeral of our mother, Ruth Huff and for all the beautiful flowers. Also to Conway Baptist Church for a delicious meal and to Myrtle Kirby for a wonderful lunch.

Thanks also to Dr. Arvin and the Rockcastle Hospital staff for all their help, Rockcastle Rehab staff, all the nurses, SRNAs that were so good to Mom and us. To Sharon Cunagin for all the time she spent with mom and the help from all the office staff. We felt like they were all family as Mom was there for over five years.

Thank you to Dowell &

Martin Funeral Home for the kindness and help at such a difficult time. Also to Pastor Jim Ritchie and wife, Sandy. He did such a good job and for the kind words and friendship with Mom and the family. Thank you to Iola Harris and her brothers and nephew and Nellie's son for their help

Her two daughters, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren
Stacy Mason

During the past week, many have expressed their condolences to the Mason Family for the recent loss of Stacy Mason. I would like to take this time to express the many thanks to everyone who came to his service and the many thoughts and prayers that were answered. I know that Stacy would have been proud.

I would like to thank Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home for their services and support. They were greatly appreciated during this difficult time. The Sand Hill Baptist Church members for allowing us to have his service there and for singing. We would also like to thank Chris Kirby for singing and preacher Tommy Miller for preaching his funeral.

If we have left anyone out, we are truly sorry for everyone's presence was greatly appreciated.

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Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters walks back into Cash Express, located on West Main Street in Mt. Vernon, on Thursday to help interview the two clerks who were robbed at gunpoint around 4 p.m. No was injured in the 4 p.m. robbery but a lone gunman made off with an undisclosed amount of cash. (Front page photos by: Richard Anderkin)

Masked man walks in and demands cash

Cash Express held up Friday at gunpoint

A lone gunman walked into the Cash Express, on West Main Street in Mt. Vernon last Thursday afternoon, and made away with an undetermined amount of cash.

Mt. Vernon City Police Chief Terry Jackson said the robbery occurred around 4 p.m. when a white male, approximately 5'8", walked into the cash checking business wearing a yellow ski mask and carrying a handgun.

City police officer Ed Robinson, who worked the case, said the robber pointed the gun at one of the two clerks working on Thursday and demanded money.

Robinson said the robber got away on foot with an undisclosed amount of cash. Neither clerk was injured during the robbery.

"They thought he ran off toward the back of the store toward the houses and apartment complex near the store," Robinson said.

Jackson said one suspect had already been questioned concerning the robbery, but

that no arrests have been made.

Thursday's robbery was the third armed robbery in the city limits of Mt. Vernon in the past 16 months.

The Days Inn at Renfro Valley was robbed twice in 2007.

The first robbery at Days Inn occurred on September 28th of 2007 and the second one was two months later on November 28th.

In the second robbery the clerk at Days Inn was made to lie down on the floor and the robber kicked him as he was leaving.

Both robberies at Days Inn were after dark and the thieves got away with an undisclosed amount of cash.

No arrests have been made in those robberies.

Jackson said he did not know if the three robberies were related, but that it was certainly possible.

The Chief is asking that anyone with possible information about the robbery contact the Mt. Vernon Police Department at (606) 256-5372.

Special to the Signal

UK helps improve quality of life in Rockcastle County

Residents of Rockcastle County may not realize the ways the University of Kentucky continually touches their lives, by providing education to 32 young Rockcastle Countians in the 2008-09 academic year, assisting business people, advising homemakers and agricultural enterprises and

offering guidance on health care.

UK's 2008-09 academic year began with 10 Rockcastle County freshmen, four sophomores, two juniors and nine attending classes, along with seven other pursuing graduate degrees or professional degrees in nursing, medicine, pharmacy

and law.

Meanwhile, Rockcastle Countians already entrust vital parts of their lives to professionals who learned their skills at UK. The county has eight lawyers, four nurses, five physicians, six pharmacists and three dentists who earned their degrees at UK.

And UK's impact promises to continue far into the future, as UK launches more research programs and economic development initiatives designed to improve prosperity and the quality of life for every Kentuckian.

"The University of Kentucky takes great pride in knowing it is the Commonwealth's flagship, land-grant university," said UK President Lee T. Todd Jr. "With that title comes the responsibility of making sure Kentuckians in all 120 counties feel the impact of UK's education, research and outreach. Our Top 20 mandate did not call on UK to become a leading American university for the sake of rankings and statistics; it challenged us to help change conditions in every corner of the Commonwealth. And we remain committed to doing just

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County gets over 42 inches of precipitation last year

The final weather numbers for Rockcastle for 2008 are in and, although over 42 inches of precipitation was recorded at the Cox Funeral Home Weather Station in Mt. Vernon last year, the amount of rain and snow received was still about two inches below normal.

Rockcastle weatherman

Bud Cox said the wettest month of the year was last month when 6.47 inches of precipitation, which included an inch of snow, fell in the county.

The driest month of the year was in September when only .29 of inch of rain fell.

Other monthly totals for the year were: January, 2.96 of rain and three traces of snow; Feb-

ruary, 5.29 inches of rain, which included an inch of snow; March, 4.96 inches, including three inches of snow; April 5.02 inches; May, 3.63 inches; June, 3.69 inches; July, 4.02 inches; August, 1.85; October, 1.23 inches and November, 2.98 inches, which in-

Grand Jury returns eighteen indictments

Eighteen indictments were returned last Friday by the Rockcastle County Grand Jury for alleged crimes ranging from manufacturing methamphetamine to bail jumping.

Those indicted included: Larry G. Smith, 46, of Mt. Vernon who was indicted on two counts -- one for failing to register as a convicted sex offender and the second for being a persistent felony offender. His bond was set at \$50,000

cash. James L. Hall, 33, of 64 Cupps Chapel Road, Brodhead was indicted on three counts of criminal possession of a forged instrument. Hall's bond was set at \$25,000 cash or property.

Mark Spoonamore, 34, of Castle Village Apartments in Brodhead was indicted on two counts, one for burglary, second degree and the second for theft by unlawful taking, over \$300. His bond has also been set at \$25,000 cash or property.

Tommy Brock, 25, of 800 Wild Rose Road, Mt. Vernon; Timmy Brock, 27, of 278 Old State Road, Mt. Vernon and Judy Mink, 31 of 46 Rigsby Lane, Orlando were all charged in the same indictment. Tommy Brock was indicted for theft by unlawful taking over \$300 and Timmy Brock and Mink were indicted for receiving stolen property. Bond for all three was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

David P. Snyder, 26, of Mt. Vernon was indicted for bail jumping and his bond was set at \$20,000 cash/property.

Adria L. Murray, 30, of 203 Richland Drive, Richmond was indicted for theft of identity and her bond was set at \$10,000 cash/property.

Seven persons were indicted on drug related charges. Barry Hayes, 56, of 892 Purr Rigsby Road, Brodhead was indicted on two counts of trafficking of a controlled substance involving possession of the drugs, Hydrocodone and Diazepam

Dwayne S. Blair, 42, 160 Center Street, Danville was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree involving possession of Methamphetamine. His bond was set at \$10,000 cash/property.

Three Brodhead residents were named in the same indictment.

Bryan Douglas Phillips, 33,

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Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds, left, swore-in three board members who began new terms on the Rockcastle County Board of Education on Tuesday night. Taking the oath of office, from right, were: board chairman Martin Vanzant, Brandy Brock and Mike Burdette. Brock is beginning her first term on the board and Burdette his third. Vanzant, who has been on the school board since 1998, was re-elected board chairman for the coming year, during the board's business meeting. Looking on from left are: Superintendent Larry Hammond, board members Angie Mink and Tina Hasty and Instructional Supervisor David Pensol. Hasty was also re-elected board vice-chairman on Tuesday night.

Editor's Notes

By Richard Anderkin



For what my opinion is worth, President George W. Bush has certainly not been as bad as some would say, including myself at times.

For example, I was doing my normal duties at the Bittersweet Festival, shortly after 9/11 and one of this county's young adults said he was concerned that in a crowd he or anyone could be stabbed in the back by a terrorist, even at the Bittersweet Festival. He was serious, very serious and it showed the mindset of this country at the time.

Being the guy who feels completely safe in my own little part of this country, I actually thought little about his comment, until later, when an innocent family with obvious middle east origins and absolutely no political agenda, decided to take pictures of Lake Linville.

Because local officials were doing their job, that family was detained, questioned and searched because there was a chance they had been instructed to check out the county's water source for possible contamination.

That theory was certainly not out of the realm of possibility at the time, but the family was guilty of nothing but enjoying the beautiful scenery at Lake Linville. Of course their intentions had to be determined, whether that family liked it or not.

The point is, the citizens of this country who had never been afraid to go to bed, work, school, a public gathering, or anywhere for that matter, thought briefly that they might not be safe because of what happened on 9/11.

I think historians will remember that President Bush and his administration immediately made the security of this country its number one priority.

Homeland Security was implemented, we took the fight to the home of known terrorist when we invaded Afghanistan and we proved we weren't afraid to go into the most volatile region of the world when we invaded Iraq.

I may be the most misled American ever, but I think the President sincerely believed there were weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, but we all know that wasn't the case.

However, the simple fact that President Bush would go looking for those who could potentially hurt this country sent a message to the rest of the world -- that on his watch we were going to continue to protect ourselves and our rights which so many have fought and died for.

This country has the resources and the means to send the cowards and the bullies back to the caves they come from and, for the most part, we have apparently done that -- at least where our country is concerned.

I'm sure that the next President knows that if you do not have national security, you actually do not have the ability to do anything, which is something he should have learned well from the outgoing President.

I guess we will begin to find out for sure next week.

Points East

By Ike Adams

This is not a New Year's Resolution as much as a matter of necessity. To wit, I have pretty much hung up my remote control because it has become a device of sheer frustration that I can live without.

Except for a scant few programs on KET like Kentucky Afield and Masterpiece Theatre on Sunday nights, I find television boring.

Once in every long while the History Channel or Discovery will air a new show that has not been run a hundred times before and I find myself compelled to endure the sales pitches of the sponsors just to see what happens next. But that's a rarity. Old dead Egyptian's carcasses no longer fascinate me.

And if you've seen one giant squid, you become more dubious from episode to episode as to the danger these things may really portend to life in the oceans.

Oh, I'm prone to watch a ball game now and then there on the tube, but I really don't need a gadget to get me to and

Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin



My Old Home Place

There it was. On Thanksgiving Day, my brother, Al, and I longingly looked out of the front windshield of my Tahoe at our old homeplace. We had driven to the farm because we had learned from the local newspaper that our former home had been CONDEMNED. A meth lab in the house had recently been discovered.

Of course, the land and all buildings had been sold many years ago when my mother moved to Lexington after the death of Pop and Mommie Katie. Nevertheless, the feelings of sadness and regret swept over us as we remembered all of the "living" that our family had done in that little old house.

We were looking across the fields where our grandfather,

Pop, rotated his garden each year. We reminisced about the times we spent hoeing corn, pulling weeds from the strawberry patch, and picking up apples that had fallen to the ground from Pop's orchard.

We agreed that most of the values that we have developed over the years were learned from the wise, warm adults who shared such a homeplace with us when we were very young. Our mother and grandparents were strong Christians who taught us to be responsible young men. Most of the time, we listened to their advice, even though there were times when we did not.

Al and I could clearly picture our mother, Bee, standing near the kitchen door waiting for her sons to come home -- as she did each night when we were out on a date or just "cruising" in our cars.

That little house was built in 1936 by John Bill Stokes, Pop's uncle. Originally, it only contained four rooms and a screened-in porch. There were two bedrooms, a living room, and a kitchen. In the living room, my mother had a large Warm Morning stove to heat the entire house. I could never forget the smell of wood burning in that big old stove.

My bedroom was in the corner far away from the stove. Needless to say, the house had no insulation and was not underpinned. To sleep comfortably, we had to pile Bee's home-made quilts on our bed to keep warm. It was difficult to turn over with the weight of the stack of quilts pressing us down.

What wonderful memories we have.

As Al and I drove away, he pointed to our grandparents' house saying, "That is where I came into this world." He was born in Pop and Mommie Katie's house instead of a hospital. Since I was born 10 years later, Bee delivered me at Berea Hospital.

We were both overwhelmed

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Preachers provided peaceful place

Peter Ducker, the late leadership guru, said that the four hardest jobs in America (and not necessarily in order, he added) are President of the United States, a university president, a hospital CEO, and...a preacher.

Probably not many would guess preacher would rank so high on the list.

Not even preachers. The founder of Kentucky-based Shechem Ministries wasn't getting many guests in Sept. of 2001 when he first offered a cabin on his 117-acre farm as a place for ministers in crisis.

"I was told that preachers don't think they have problems," says Jim Terry. "Many times they are in deep trouble, but they don't want to admit it."

The retired employee of the Kentucky Dept. of Education

and pastor of Mt. Eden Christian Church in Shelby County saw participation pick up after changing the focus.

"We started referring to it as a vacation refuge where a preacher can come and get away from the world for awhile," says Terry, a native of Jackson in Breathitt County.

The goal of the unique undertaking near the Anderson-Shelby line is to restore and retain New Testament Christian Church preachers who are proclaiming the Word of God.

Terry says he isn't aware of any similar venues in Kentucky, but has heard about a place in Colorado offering get-aways for members of the clergy.

Statistics show it's a much needed service:

*1,500 pastors leave the ministry each month due to

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Curing Warts is Hard

Presented by Dr. David Brabon

The only sure cure for warts is becoming immune to the virus. And some people never seem to develop immunity.

Most children get warts on their hands and feet when they are young and over a few months or years the warts disappear or drop off regardless of what is done. The child has developed immunity which helps reject the viral infection.



But since most people do not want to wait a couple years for the warts to drop off, a number of treatments have been devised. Unfortunately, no single method is entirely effective.

Most methods are a form of physical or chemical destruction of the virus-infected skin cells.

When warts are small and not too deep, they can be frozen with liquid nitrogen. This is very effective for many warts, but the freezing can cause temporary pain or discomfort and blisters may develop.

Frequently, chemical treatments are used. Acids are the primary means of destroying the cells. These chemicals will eventually get to the bottom of the wart if they are used regularly.

For any of these to be effective, it is very important to remove the dead cells from the surface with a file or emery board every day. It is also helpful to soak the wart in warm water to soften it, which makes it easier to remove the dead cells and allows the acids to penetrate the tissue better.

More aggressive treatments with electric cautery or cutting the warts out are effective but often leave scars or prolonged discoloration of the skin.

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between the channels. It's actually good for my back to get up and down off the sofa and change the stations on the rare occasions that I need to do so.

On any given Sunday afternoon there may be as many as two things worth watching at any given time. It's easy enough for me to flip back and forth by squatting in front of the tube and making the decision. And when I lose interest I turn the darn thing off.

I have long since given up scrolling through 188 channels of blarney and nonsense and cussing because there is nothing to watch on television.

From my casual observation of these cable and satellite channels, it seems to take about 30 minutes of commercial interruption to broadcast 30 minutes of stuff worth watching these days. And then they run it over and over again for weeks on end even though once was usually more than enough.

I don't do HBO nor any of the other "premium movie" scams for the same reasons. It's actually cheaper to go out and rent a movie you'd really like to watch on your own schedule than to pay big bucks to put up with the networks' mostly nondescripts and try to schedule your time around the viewing. On the other hand, I don't have Tivo, the ultimate garbage can, and have no intention of acquiring it.

So what I do, while most Americans are fighting over the remote control, is get my entertainment the old fashioned way. No bother. No fuss.

I read. The old fashioned way. Words printed on paper bound between covers, soft or hard, wherein I can get lost from current reality, become

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Obituaries



Evelyn Carol Thomas Blackburn

Evelyn Carol Thomas Blackburn, 63, wife of Russell, of Livingston, died Tuesday, December 30, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born on November 1, 1945 in London, a daughter of the late Emmett Thomas and Wilma Faulkner Thomas. She was a member of the Seven Day Adventist, who had been President of L.E.A.P. and a two year employee at Mt. Vernon Plastics. She was a loving and devoted wife and mother whose hobbies and interests included gardening, singing and flowers. On June 13, 1961 she was united in holy matrimony to Russell Blackburn and from that union came five children, Darrell, David, Daniel, Aaron and Sam.

Those left to cherish her memory include: her husband of 47 years, Russell Blackburn of Livingston; six children, Darrell (Darlene) Blackburn of Mt. Vernon, David (Lisa) Blackburn of Livingston, Daniel (Della) Blackburn of Livingston, Aaron Blackburn of Livingston, and Sam (Jessica) Blackburn of Whitesburg, KY; stepson, Stanley Blackburn of Indianapolis, IN; eight grandchildren, Brooke, Jordon, Jessica, Hunter, Emily, Zach, Kayla and Skyler; two brothers, Billy (Geraldine) Thomas and Ralph (Torri) Thomas, both of Livingston; two sisters, Shirley (Noah) Faulkner of Mt. Vernon and Sheila (Charles) Collins of Livingston; and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her father, she was preceded in death by a stepson, Marvin Blackburn.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009 at the Sand Hill Baptist Church with Bro. Tommy Miller officiating. Burial followed in the Red Hill Cemetery.

Condolences to the family may be made to her online registry at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com



Jean Baker

Mrs. Jean Baker, 79, of Louisville, died Friday, January 9, 2009. She was born in Rockcastle County August 10, 1929, the daughter of Joseph and Lottie Carmichael McHargue. She was a homemaker, a former Consolidated Sales Co. employee and a member of Victory Memorial Baptist Church.

Survivors are her husband, Charles Chester Baker of Louisville; a son., Dr. Charles Dennis (Elaine) Baker of Mesa, Arizona; two brother, Wendell McHargue of Melissa, Texas and A.P. McHargue, both of Indianapolis, IN; a sister, Mrs. Ruth Fain of Mt. Vernon; two granddaughters, Lara and Kristina; one great grandson, Carter and two sisters-in-law, Evelyn Meredith (Holmes) and Naomi Mink.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 12 at Fern Creek Funeral Home. Graveside services were held Tuesday, January 13 at Elmwood Cemetery in Mt. Vernon.

Cox Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.



Melberta Robbins

Melberta Cash Robbins, 78, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, January 6th, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born on January 23rd, 1930 in Brodhead, a daughter of the late Arch Cash and Artie Payne Cash. She was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother. She was a member of the Brodhead Baptist Church. Her hobbies and interests were her family, sewing and cooking.

Those left to cherish her memories are: three children, Janet (Joe) Day of Brodhead, Lesa (Robert) Kilbourn of Berea and Carlene (Donald) Allen of Brodhead; five grandchildren, Lindsey Vick, Racheal (Fred) Hampton, Renee (Scott) Barnes, April (Jeremy) Mills and Matthew (Tanya) Robbins; three great grandchildren, Brooklyn Hampton, Nathan Hampton, and Zachary Vick; four brothers, Eddie (Mary Nevel) Cash, Vernon Cash and Walter Lee (Christine) Cash, all of Brodhead, and Paul Ray (Judy) Cash of Trenton, OH; four sisters, Viola "Sissy" (Jim) Houston of Maineville, OH, Preda (Edward) Shepherd of Brodhead, Shelby (Gordon) Abney of Brodhead and Ethylene Cash of Brodhead; and a sister-in-law, Jean Cash of Mt. Vernon. She also had many nieces and nephews, as well as a host of friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: one sister, Anna Elizabeth Cash; and one brother, Lloyd Cash.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 9th, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel, with Bro. Luther Allen, officiating. Burial followed in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Jim Cash, Scott Barnes, Hal Holbrook, Jr., Frank Bradley, Bill Bradley and Jeff Cash.

Honorary casketbearers were: Jim Huston, Dewayne Ramsey, Vernon Cash, Matthew Robbins, Walter Cash, Paul Ray Cash, Eddie Cash and Edward Shepherd.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Cards of Thanks

Scarlett Shade Jones

The family of Scarlett Shade Jones would like to take time to say thanks to the many family, friends and loved ones who attended Scarlett's services. Thanks for all the prayers, thoughts, beautiful flowers, cards and memorandums throughout this difficult time.

We'd also like to thank Morris and Hislope Funeral Home for all their kindness and help. Thanks to the pallbearers and a special thanks to Bro. Shelby Reynolds for his kind words of comfort.

Michael and Gail Jones

Aden Bradley Owens

The family of Aden Bradley Owens would like to express their sincere appreciation for the kindness and love shown during our loss. We especially want to thank Cox Funeral Home, Bro. Ova Baker, Bro. Ronnie Pennington and Bro. Gene Wells for their service, care and compassion and a special thank you to everyone who sent flowers, gifts and prayers.

We want you to know that we will never forget your kindness. We have truly been blessed with great friends. May God bless you.

Bryan, Kathy, Sherry, Kristy and all the Owens Family



Lorene Jones Baker

Lorene Jones Baker, 84, of Copper Creek, died Thursday, January 8, 2009. She was born April 26, 1924 in Keavy, KY. She was the daughter of the late Ed and Luana Short Jones. She was a member of Valley Baptist Church. She was a homemaker and a former nursing assistant at Sowders Nursing Home. She was the widow of John Baker who preceded her in death on September 23, 1988.

Survivors include: one daughter, Sherry (Bobby) Turner; two sons, Gary Wayne Baker and Johnny Ray (Nerissa) Baker; one sister, Celia Davidson of Amelia, OH; 10 grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents she was preceded in death by: one son, Jeffrey Baker on October 6, 1978; three sisters, Mollie Eldridge, Della Barnes and Opal Brock; and two Brothers, Robert and Nelson Jones.

Funeral services were held Sunday, January 11, 2009 at the McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bros. Bobby Turner and Tony Shelton officiating. Burial was in Wilmot Cemetery on Copper Creek.

Pallbearers were: Tommy Schuler, Jeff Thompson, Roger and Dale Brock, Gene Mobley and James Jones.

Memorial Contributions suggested to Gideons Bible Fund or Wilmot Cemetery Fund.



Viola Holdam

Viola Holdam, 86, of Lancaster and formerly of Stanford, died Saturday, November 29, 2008 at the Christian Care Center. She was born March 8, 1922 in Laurel County to the late Wade and Hannah Hall Sexton. She was a housewife and homemaker and had a wonderful love for flowers and gardening and loved to can food. Viola loved to worship at different churches and was of the Pentecostal faith.

She is survived by her children: Ronald Raider of Mt. Vernon, Donald Raider of Lexington, Wayne (Nancy) Bullock of Stanford, Jimmy Griffin of McKinney, Louise (Kenneth) Kirby of Mt. Vernon, Vivian Gail (Johnny) of Stanford and a step-daughter, Dessie Robinson of Mt. Vernon; one brother, Lesley (Violet) Sexton of Hamilton, OH; 25 grandchildren and several great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Holdam; her parents; her sons, Edward Bullock, Freddie Raider, Charles Griffin, Willie Bullock and Ellis Zane; several step-children and several brothers and sisters.

An appreciation of life service was held Tuesday, December 2nd at Fox Funeral Home by Bro. Gary Yocum and burial followed in the Robbins Cemetery at Mason Gap.

Pallbearers were Terry and Ed Bullock, Donald, Jeff and Freddie Raider and Wayne Kirby.



James Carl Osborne

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On Sunday, January 11, 2009 our community, this great nation, and the entire world lost an amazing man and a vibrant character. Mr. James Carl Osborne, of Brodhead, died just after 9 pm at the VA Medical Center in Lexington, KY surrounded by family, friends and staff with love and laughter and grand stories being told by all.

Mr. Osborne was born on December 2, 1944 in Buchanan County, VA. He was an adventurous child that grew into a brave young man. In 1964, Mr. Osborne chose to enlist and become one of the few, one of the proud, he became a United States Marine. He very much believed in serving his country while protecting his fellow man. Mr. Osborne was proud to serve two tours in Vietnam, receiving a Purple Heart along with many other accommodations before being honorably discharged. While serving in the Marines, Mr. Osborne went to school to learn about radio communications which he worked in for a majority of his life. He began with a local telephone company and eventually worked his way up to becoming an independent communication contractor working abroad. Mr. Osborne was never a person to back down from a challenge when it came to seeing a project through from the original concept to the final product.

James Carl Osborne was known by his friends and family as James, Jim and JC. His interests varied widely from art to sports and reading, but his favorite hobby was being with and talking to people, either across the street, at the diner, in an airport, or simply talking on the telephone with his daughter telling her the news of the day. He was a magnet that would draw in people from all walks of life, but he cherished in his heart those meaningful conversations he would have with or even about the people he felt closest, his entire face would light up when he spoke about them.

Mr. Osborne was preceded in death by a son, David Osborne in 1971 and his wife, Mildred Ann in 1984.

Mr. Osborne is survived by his daughter, Shannon Leigh, who has not only lost her father, but her mentor, best friend, and hero. James also leaves behind an older brother, Jack Osborne along with his wife, Sheryl, and their daughters Karen and Candace and their families. Mr. Osborne also leaves behind a younger sister, Brenda Smith along with her husband Dewayne and their two sons Jason and Christopher and their families. Mr. Osborne will be missed by his two best friends, Mr. Greg Hargadon and Mr. Tim Montgomery along with each of their families, as well as many other friends locally, nationally, and internationally. On this day and for days to come, many people near and far will gather to honor, raise a glass and toast life of Mr. James Carl Osborne; an amazing man with tremendous character, an oversized heart, outstanding intellect, wonderful stories, a warm smile and lots of laughter. He touched the lives and hearts of many people who will never forget him. Godspeed to you, my friend, Godspeed.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 11 am at Dowell and Martin Funeral Home. A graveside service will follow at Cumberland Memorial Gardens in Lily, Kentucky. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made in Mr. Osborne's name to the Pentecostal Children's Home, 1909 KY 3439, Barbourville, KY 40906, telephone number (606) 546-3805.

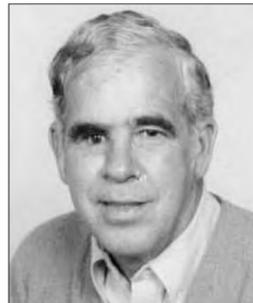
Carl Logan Reynolds

Carl Logan Reynolds, 86, a 25 year resident of Okeechobee, FL, formerly of the Bandy Community, died Wednesday, January 7, 2009 in the VA Medical Center of West Palm Beach. He was born in Pulaski County, KY on March 17, 1922, son of the late James Logan and Hallie Mae Brown Reynolds. He was retired from Local Union #190 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He served in the US Army during World War II, was in the Battle of the Bulge in Germany and honored with the Purple Heart. He was a member of the Church of Christ and interests included hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by: his wife, Irene who passed away December 15, 2008; wife, Delores, the mother of his children; his parents; six brothers, Ed, Clyde, Lloyd, Hershell, William and Oscar Reynolds; and three sisters, Verna Brittain, Jenny Miller and Bonnie Parks.

He is survived by: two sons, Jeffrey A. (Lori) Reynolds of Grass Lake, MI and Jonathan M. Reynolds of Livermore, CA; and daughters, Joy E. (Stephen) Nelson of Pleasant Lake, MI, Karen L. (Barry) Warthen of Los Alamos, NM, Lucinda E. (Jerry) Spessard of Ardmore, OK, Donna G. (John) Lantis and Aimee V. Hegadorn, all of Fredericksburg, VA and Stephanie R. Hale of Chelsea, MI. In addition he is survived by 17 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, January 10, 2009 at Buxton Funeral Home in Okeechobee, FL. Additional visitation will be January 17, 2009 at Cole Funeral Home in Chelsea, MI with interment and military services following at Washtenog Memorial Park in Ann Arbor, Michigan.



Truman E. Bastin

Truman E. Bastin, 79, of Stanford died on Sunday, January 11th, 2009 at Fort Logan Hospital. He was born to Ray and Ethyl Robinson Bastin on Monday, November 11th, 1929 in Lincoln County, KY. He sacrificed for his country in the Korean Conflict, receiving a Purple Heart with the Company L, 15th Infantry, Regiment APO 468. He retired from 18 years of service at Saufley Implement Company, was a farmer and devoted father. He was a former deacon of Calvary Hill Baptist Church and currently a member of Mt. Vernon Church of Christ.

He leaves behind: his second wife, Lois Jane Bastin of Stanford to whom he wed on February 3rd, 1996; a son, Truman D. (Kelly) Bastin of Glasgow, KY; a daughter, Susan (Rev. Jason) Moore of Ferguson, KY; two stepsons, Ricky (Patty) Cromer and Wayne (Jennifer) Burton, both of Brodhead; a stepdaughter, Bonnie (Jody) Elam of Crab Orchard; five grandchildren; four step grandchildren; two great grandchildren; a brother, Sam Bastin of Stanford; three sisters, Bessie Allen of Stanford, Dean Anding of Mississippi and Ann Elndress of Oxford, OH; and father and mother-in-law, Charles and Geneva Machal of Brodhead.

He was preceded in death by: his parents; first wife, Laura Moore Bastin; and eight brothers and sisters.

An Appreciation of Life Service was held Wednesday, January 14th, 2009 at Fox Funeral Home with Rev. Jason Moore and Bro. Marvin Cromer officiating. Burial was in Buffalo Springs Cemetery with Military Rites by Caswell Saufley Post #18 of the American Legion and the United States Army.

Active pallbearers were: Chase Moore, Jody Elam, Mark Bastin, Ricky Cromer, Travis Bastin, and Wayne Burton.

Honorary pallbearers were: Barbara Smith, Caleb Moore, his Grandson, Charles Machal, and Robert Elkins.

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Ruby Roberts Allen

Ruby Roberts Allen, age 90 of Brodhead, died Friday, January 9, 2009 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Lincoln Co., KY on February 3, 1918 the daughter of Roy and Rosie Webb Lamb. She was a homemaker and a member of the United Church of God.

She is survived by: a son, Glen (Virginia) Roberts of Brodhead; a daughter, Rose Ann Roberts of Lexington; and two sisters, Iva Mae Clark and Inez Miller, both of Middletown, OH. Also surviving are seven grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and 11 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by: her first husband, William G. "Bill" Roberts; her second husband, Robert Allen; one brother; and one sister.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 12 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Ray Cowan. Burial was in the William Roberts Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Alan Abney, Billy Ramsey, Adam Roberts, Jeff Roberts, Kenneth Roberts and Stanley Roberts.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Card of Thanks

Etta Cromer Rowe

The family of Etta Cromer Rowe would like to express their heartfelt thanks for the love and kindness shown during the loss of our loved one.

A special thanks to Dr. Saylor, Dr. Bullock and Dr. Vance for their care. To Pat Hobbs, Anita Barron, the ICU nurses and the respiratory staff. You were great. So kind and compassionate.

To Cox Funeral Home for the arrangements, Bro. Eddie Nation for the beautiful service and Mr. and Mrs. Stevie Bowman for the lovely music.

Thanks to the staff at Rockcastle Health and Rehab Center for your care for the last three years. To niece, Ruby McFerron whom Mom loved like a daughter. We appreciate all the love and care you gave her through the years. To daughter-in-law, Betty Rowe and other family members, a special thanks for the wonderful food after the service.

A sincere thanks to granddaughter, Tammy Barron for all the time you spent checking on your grandmother, bringing her special food and sitting by her bedside.

We appreciate each of you who visited, sent cards, flowers, gifts and prayed for our family.

Daughter, Rose Thacker and George, Jr., Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

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Our Readers Write

Fortunate to have a wonderful school system and staff...

Dear Editor,

On January 6th Rockcastle Health & Rehab staff and residents attended a Lady Rocket Basketball game at the high school.

Brenda Saylor, a big UK fan, really enjoyed watching the girls play and win! Charlotte Keeton said that it brought back memories of playing basketball with her two sons when they were teenagers. The other two residents that attended were Evelyn Howard and Robert "Sap" Miller. Staff that attended were Sharon Cunagin and Pat Graves.

Mr. Barry Noble and Mrs. Jennifer Mattingly met us at the front door and helped us with our residents. We were provided free admission and free drinks during the game and we had some of the best "seats" in the gym. Mrs. Ruth Hamilton checked on us frequently making sure we were comfortable.

When we were ready to leave we were assisted by Mrs. Hamilton and Mr. J.D. Bussell. Mr. Bussell was kind enough to cover each resident with an umbrella as we loaded on the van.

Thanks to everyone who made this a night to remember for our residents! We are fortunate to have such a great school system and wonderful staff at the high school. Go Lady Rockets and Rockets!

Thanks again,
Rockcastle Health & Rehab Center

Ethical issues involve our government...

Dear Editor,

I write to address two ethical issues involving our local government.

First, according to the August 28th city council meeting minutes, city council unanimously passed a motion "to sign [an] agreement [allowing the Hanson Quarry to take the corner of the City Park]" if Hanson can sign off that they [are] not oppose[d] on being annexed.? This was done immediately after the city passed the now rescinded annexation ordinance #2008-4. To oppose the annexation citizens needed to gather the signatures of half of the affected landowners. Hanson was one of these landowners.

I am not sure if the city's actions are legal under state annexation law KRS 81A, but when the city attempts to influence a vote or a petition signature in exchange for other city resources, it raises ethical concerns.

The Knott County judge executive exchanged items of material value for votes and was prosecuted. I understand the city's actions were far from the judge's, but the same principal should apply. Votes or support for a political issue should not be based upon non-related financial transactions.

Second, the city recently

considered and ultimately refrained from spending almost \$800,000 of taxpayer funds for the Cox law building.

Although my 11.27 description of Mr. Cox as "the City's Attorney" was disputed by the editor, Mr. Cox has performed a variety of legal services for the city. Public records that mention him include (1) Aug. 18th city council minutes - "the city attorney," (2) May 8th main street committee minutes - "from city attorney," (3) Jones Building Full Application-Grantee - "City Attorney," (4) July 20th, 2007, June 9th, and Nov. 13th Jones building paperwork "Counsel City of Mt. Vernon," and (5) a Sep. 30th letter - "City Attorney," as well as a phone call I made to city hall asking about this exact relationship.

I know Mr. Cox is an excellent lawyer and am glad he represents the city. But is it ethical for the city to contract with him when he represents them. This ethical question is compounded by his representation of the mayor in the lake linville-rock wall case. It is also unclear to me if the city's actions are legal under KRS 61.252.

Ethics, like the "fairness," "rights," "privacy" and "social justice" refrains some national advocacy groups hollowly and endlessly spew, can differ from person to person. But these are important ethical considerations that should have been further divulged and discussed before votes were taken.

Sincerely,
Dr. Michael Sheliga
Mt Vernon, KY

Middle class are getting the shaft...

Dear Editor,

The "insignificant" are getting the shaft, and I'm not talking about the "poor". I'm talking about the truly down trodden - the working, middle class tax payers. Our so-called "Representatives" are selling out our country for their own gain, and we're too dumb to do anything about it - like demand a return to term limits for congress as our founders established.

I wrote letters in the fall expressing my dismay with the \$700B Paulson Plan that congress passed. Now on the list of important, powerful people I'm a nobody; but being an American citizen it galls me to see the pitiful representation we are stuck with in congress, who are so ill equipped for the tasks they were elected to do. I've re-read the letter Senator McConnell sent out in which he defended his YEA vote for the bail-out bill while explaining his "4 point insistence" as to how the money would be used. He also pointed out how his "seniority" allowed him to take that mighty stand. Senator Bunning was one of only a handful of Senators who knew the bail-out bill was garbage, and vehemently opposed and voted against it.

But that isn't actually the point of this letter... I wanted to reiterate what I said in my previous letter regarding Senator

Dodd and company (one of the vultures who personally benefited from promoting the subprime market within our banking system). Because back when I wrote the first letter I questioned the Democrats abilities to govern, given they claim they are repeatedly out-witted by Pres. Bush. Well, low and behold, Sen. Dodd actually asserted this claim yet again, touting the bail-out "lies" congress was told. Dodd stated to GMA anchor Diane Sawyer, that the first \$350B of the TARP money (Troubled Asset Relief Program) has not produced the desired economic stability because it has been recklessly handled by, you got it - the Bush Adm. In the same breathe he told Sawyer that the Democrat controlled congress had not stipulated guidelines for the money, they just handed it over to Paulson. In other words - the CONGRESS voted to give Sec. Paulson the first \$350B check with no strings and are now saying Bush is the problem once again. Uhhhh, excuse me Mr. Dodd, but wasn't it YOUR responsibility to write into the LAW how this tax-payer money could and could not be spent?? And all he can say is, "It ain't our fault - it's all Bush!!!" Who are they going to blame when Obama is President?

But fear not... Congressman Barney Frank (notorious in his own right) has introduced the TARP Emergency Economic Stabilization Act / Reform & Accountability Act. (We can all rest assured once we get TARP-EESA-RAA!!) So, I ask again: If a lame-duck, dunder-head (their own opinion) like George Bush can continue to out maneuver Chris Dodd, Barney Frank, Pelosi, Reid, Schumer, etc, on his way out the door, what in this world makes anyone believe they have the sense to take on the REAL bad-guys of the world in these perilous times?? These are the guys we want appropriating the remaining \$350B TARP funds in our newly nationalized financial system?? Appropriating nationalized health care?? Not to mention Pres-elect Obama's new estimated Trillion dollar economic stimulus?? And by the way - if you haven't looked up the definition of the verb "appropriate" lately... [ap-pro-ri-ate] "To take something that belongs to or is associated with somebody else for yourself, especially without permission." Sounds like the incoming administration's plan verbatim to me!!

Allison Reynolds
Brodhead, KY

Let Jamie Wynn RIP...

Dear Editor,

My son, Jamie Wynn, was killed trying to provide for his family. He was a convicted felon but had pulled his time and still couldn't get a job in this town.

My question is why won't the officials here, and the people he thought were his friends, just leave him alone and let him rest. He was not perfect, but no one is.

A bench warrant was issued for failure to appear in court and, in the reviews, he is still being talked about for stealing copper.

I guess the big question that I am asking is whatever happened to Rest In Peace. Mt. Vernon sure won't let my son rest.

Jamie's Mother,
Terri Durham

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

emotionally involved without bother, and digest the contents of the 20 reading without anybody trying to sell me automobiles, insurance, legal advice, weight loss plans, tooth paste, fried fat burgers, cleaning supplies, or a new #@*&&! cell phone plan.

Here's what I've been reading lately and I have been far more royally entertained than ANYTHING you could possibly have seen on television because I figure most of you have actually missed anything worth watching on KET and that you don't even tune in to the History Channel.

Emilie Richards' Shenandoah Album Series. Five long studies of the human condition in novel form by a master story teller without the use of more than four of five "bad" words throughout the telling of stories that cover more than 2,000 pages of amazing

prose. Each book is named for a traditional Appalachian quilt pattern but the writing is not about quilts. It is, in fact, far better drama and better captured than anything you would ever see on television.

Be advised that you should look up Emilie Richards' website and write down the titles in the order they were written or make a visit to your library and check out "Touching Stars" which starts the series, and sometime down the line you will thank me for turning you on to this historically accurate and oh so touching and wonderful feel-good writing.

If you are in the whodunit mode, then surely you already know P.D. James and Elizabeth George and you've read, as I have, everything they've written. But have you met Lisa Scotoline who has 14 books to her credit and the settings are South Philadelphia instead of Scotland Yard? Lisa has me wrapped around her little finger because her pages turn themselves. Scottoline has been accurately described as a cross between Erma Bombeck and P.D. James. Nuff said.

Finally, I have been captured and enthralled by Alexander McCall Smith in his "The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency" series, which is high truth presented in side splitting prose. The setting is rural Africa, namely Botswana, and my good friends, Tom and Julie Miller who have finally settled in Berea spent years there, highly recommend Smith's books.

Anyhow, the next time you get bored with television, chances are there's a library just minutes away. Or you can always go online and buy almost anything you want to read for a couple of bucks.

But do be advised. This business of reading may often tax your mind and make you use your brain.

It's not for everybody

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

with sadness at the fact that our former home has been condemned and now will be torn down. During our times there, it had been the site of countless hours of fun and positive, profound learning experiences. Neither one of us can fathom its use as a meth lab. It seems almost sacrilegious.

Because of the age of the house and the chemicals found there, the building will likely be demolished. The meth "cooking" process uses such chemicals as: ether, benzene, toluene, Freon, acetone, and chloroform. Any of these can cause permanent harm to humans when exposed to the residue.

Whether the house remains physically or not, my love for that "little old house on the hill" will remain part of who I am. My memories of our times there will always be joyful; they are a comfort to me on a continuing basis.

I am grateful for my parents, grandparents, and my older brother, who provided me with a wholesome childhood, including Christian values and an optimistic outlook on life. And I am forever grateful for having lived there and then - in that little house on the hill.

"Ken & Tucky"

(Cont. from A2)

moral failure, spiritual burnout, or contention in their churches.

*80% of pastors and 84% of their spouses feel unqualified and discouraged in their role as pastors.

*50% of pastors are so discouraged that they would leave the ministry if they could, but feel they have no other way of making a living.

*80% of seminary and Bible school graduates who enter the ministry leave within the first five years.

*70% of pastors fight depression.

*Almost 40% of pastors admit to having had an extra-marital affair since beginning their ministry.

*50% of pastors' marriages will end in divorce.

*80% of pastors' spouses wish their spouse would choose another profession.

*The majority of pastor's wives surveyed said that the most destructive event that had occurred in their marriage and family was the day they entered the ministry.

One survey notes that good pastors are being driven from the pulpit by the feeling they are "living in a fishbowl" and constantly being scrutinized by others. It concludes by suggesting that pastors and their families need to be paid an adequate wage, and church leaders should make sure time is set aside for restoration and relaxation.

Lots of effort has already gone into making Shechem's scenic location a "heaven on earth."

In addition to the large two-story cabin that served 28 ministers and their families last year, the ministry offers about four miles of trails and a dozen prayer stations. Guests can walk to the prayer stations or use an ATV available on site.

The typical length of stay is from a weekend to three or four days, and there is never a charge, nor are donations accepted.

Guests have come from throughout Kentucky and several states including Virginia, Missouri, Indiana, and Ohio.

Jim and his wife Vicki have deeded the property occupied by the ministry to Mt. Eden Christian Church where a committee

oversees operations including scheduling, cleaning and other maintenance of buildings and grounds.

"People just need to bring their clothes and food," says Terry, noting the church provides about \$12,000 per year to operate the facility.

Success stories abound already, with perhaps none more meaningful than an episode Terry didn't know about until after the guest had left.

One preacher reportedly walked from the cabin to a nearby large pond with the intention of ending his life. He stopped at a prayer station, read the scriptures provided there, and for the first time in weeks was compelled to sit down and pray.

"He told a friend that experience saved his life," says Terry.

More evidence of people being helped is documented in messages left inside a large notebook at the cabin.

"I felt God all around me these few days. I did not realize how much this would mean until I tried it. It worked! God is great and I found him again in his nature. This is a great ministry and much needed."

"God bless this ministry to Christian workers. Only those that live this life really understand the stresses, pressures and trials. On occasions like this, we get to rekindle the flame of our calling. Staying in the Shechem cabin helps us to get away from the negative and find the joy in serving Jesus our Lord once again."

"I'm so grateful for the ministry of Shechem. This was my first visit here and I hope to return soon. The occasion for my visit was not because of a personal crisis, and for that I'm grateful. Rather, I simply needed to unplug from the hectic pace of ministry and be still and know that He is God.

I'm leaving with my body rested, my mind renewed, and my spirit refreshed. I enjoyed some meaningful times of worship with my Savior and I pray all who visit here will experience the same.

P.S. The fishins' good too. I caught 18 bass, 5 bluegill and one 3ft 15lb. catfish!"

Whether the fish are biting or not, the Terrys are hopeful the ministry will expand to serve even more fishers of men for decades to come.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

The magistrates of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court will consider making applications for funding through the Federal Highway Administration's Recreational Trails Program, in cooperation with Jackson, Laurel and Pulaski counties, to construct the following:

- An Equine (horseback riding) trail and related facilities in Rockcastle County, Laurel County, Jackson County and Pulaski County; and

- A Natural Waterways (canoeing) Trail in Rockcastle County, Laurel County, Jackson County and Pulaski County.

Rockcastle County will act as the lead local government administrator of the proposed grants for each of the four counties involved. The purpose of the proposals is to enhance both recreational standards for local residents and for the growth of tourism in the four-county region.

A public meeting will be held at the Rockcastle Courthouse at 9 o'clock in the morning on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 and subsequent action by the Fiscal Court, at which time any person is invited to attend.

Buzz Carlofftis County Judge Executive

SECTION 00020 - INVITATION TO BID

SECTION 00020 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate sealed bids for the construction of Contract #1 Grading and Drainage Construction for the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, will be received by Corey Craig, Chairman, until 10:30 AM local time on Thursday, February 12, 2009 at the Rockcastle County Courthouse, Third Floor, 205 East Main Street, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456, and will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work consists of grading and drainage construction for the Rockcastle Industrial Park South access road.

The Contract Documents may be reviewed at the following locations:

Rockcastle County Courthouse, Judge Executive's Office, 205 E. Main St., Mt. Vernon, Kentucky

MSE of Kentucky, Inc., 624 Wellington Way, Lexington, Kentucky

ABC, 2020 Liberty Road, Building A, Suite 110, Lexington, Kentucky

Builders Exchange, 2300 Meadow Drive, Louisville, Kentucky

Builders Exchange, 225 Walton Avenue, Suite 100, Lexington, Kentucky

F W Dodge/AGC of Kentucky, 950 Contract St., Suite 100A, Lexington, Kentucky

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of Lynn Imaging, 328 Old Vine Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507 (859) 226-5850 upon receipt of a nonrefundable printing and shipping charge of \$150.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. This project is subject to the Commonwealth of Kentucky Prevailing Wage Rates.

No Bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of thirty days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Award will be made to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.



The Cities of Livingston, Mt. Vernon and Brodhead have benefited from the Cruise in the Valley Car Show in Renfro Valley the first Saturday in November, which is sponsored by Leadership Rockcastle. This year each city received \$2,500 to be used for improvements in each city. Checks were passed out in December. Shown above at the check presentation are from left: Steve Hamlin and Fred Ryburn from American National Insurance in Lexington, a corporate sponsor of the event; Charlie Napier with Leadership Rockcastle; Livingston Mayor J.C. Griffin; Connie Hunt, CEO of Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, and a member of Leadership Rockcastle; Robert Lawson, David Thompson and Larry Hammond, all members of Leadership Rockcastle. Jeff Smithern was not present for the photo. There were 476 entries for the 5th annual show and more than 2,000 spectators. The money donated to Livingston will be used for a new stone entrance city sign.



Shown above accepting the City of Brodhead's check is Mayor Walter Cash, fourth from left. Also shown above at the check presentation are from left: Steve Hamlin and Fred Ryburn, Charlie Napier, Mayor Cash, Connie Hunt, CEO of Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, Robert Lawson, David Thompson and Larry Hammond. Jeff Smithern was not present for the photo. There were 476 entries for the 5th annual show and more than 2,000 spectators. The money donated to Brodhead will be used for Christmas lights and decorations for 2009.



Shown above accepting the City of Mt. Vernon's check is Mayor Clarice Kirby, fourth from left. Also shown above at the check presentation are from left: Steve Hamlin and Fred Ryburn, Charlie Napier, Mayor Kirby, Connie Hunt, CEO of Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, Robert Lawson, David Thompson and Larry Hammond. Jeff Smithern was not present for the photo.



American Legion Post 71 held their annual Christmas dinner at the Tea Cup Cafe. Those attending were Commander Jerry Payne, Roger McClure, Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred McNew, Floyd Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Hansel, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Coleman, Mrs. Floyd Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kendrick.



Mrs. Mary Ann McNew and Bobby Kendrick are shown at the Mt. Vernon Lion's Club Christmas dinner held at the Tea Cup Cafe. The dinner was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Cledith Thacker, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Thacker, Mrs. Floyd Baker, Billy Dowell, Derrick Hensley, Larry Hensley and daughter Katelyn, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Asher, Brad McNew and Christopher Elubadger.

Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue Activity Report

January 6-12, 2009
 Wednesday, January 7th
 Dispatched to a smoke investigation at a residence on Richmond Street. Upon arrival, fire units found no fire, only burnt breakers in breaker panel. Advised homeowner to disconnect power and contact an electrician.
 Thursday, January 8th
 Dispatched to Trace Branch at Livingston to assist Livingston Fire Department by shuttling water with tanker to a structure fire. MVFD responded, and supplied LVFD with 4,000 gallons of water.

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McCain Golden Crisp French Fries 26 oz. Bag **250**

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We would like to introduce to you Mr. Kevin Rickett and Mrs. Melessia Rickett. They were united in marriage on December 24, 2008 at 3:00 at the home of the bride's mother and father in Mt. Vernon. Melessia works for the Rockcastle County Board of Education and Kevin is self-employed. Melessia is the daughter of Ray and Torsha Lear of Mt. Vernon and Kevin is the son of Judy Rickett of Williamsburg and the (late) Stanley Rickett. The couple will reside in Brodhead.

In Memory Celebration

A Potluck Dinner will be held at Arie and Jodie Shelton's Music Barn at Conway on Saturday, Jan. 17th from 7 to 11 p.m. in Memory of Pauline Alexander. Pauline enjoyed coming to the Music Barn for years to enjoy herself with family, friends and good music. So, bring a dish and come help us dedicate this night to "Nanny."



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Please join us in praying for Christian Unity. Know that we will be lifting up your church in our prayers and we ask that you please include Our Lady of Mt. Vernon in yours.

Through our prayers, may we all uplift each other in our Christian walk.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

The members of
Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church

"WHAT IS WRITTEN"

In Romans 1:3-4 we read, "Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh; And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead." Paul in these 2 verses affirms the dual nature of Jesus Christ. From his physical side, that his flesh, his body, Jesus is a decedent of David. Matt.1 and Luke 3 records both his legal decent and his blood decent from David, respectively. But Jesus was also Deity, God in the flesh. Paul affirms, "For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily." Col. 2:9. Jesus was part of the eternal Godhead, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" John 1:1. John went on to affirm, "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father.) full of grace and truth." vs. 14. The body of Jesus had a point of beginning, the conception in Mary's womb and the birth 9 months later. But the inward part of Jesus was Deity, that existed before creation, and was the agent to create the world, Jn.1:3. The proof of proofs that Jesus is the Son of God was his resurrection from the dead, Rm.1:4! So the implication is, have you bow your knee to Jesus the Christ?

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On Sunday, January 11, 2008, Buddy Gabbard, right, was presented with a plaque for Forty Years of Perfect Sunday School Attendance at Fairview Baptist Church. Buddy has always been faithful to the church and serves in many positions. When the church doors are open, you can count on Buddy, his wife Doris, and their daughter Gail Lee to be there. Pastor Vaughn Rasor and every member of Fairview Baptist Church would like to congratulate Buddy on his 40 Years of Perfect Sunday School Attendance and the faithful example he is to everyone.

T.J.'s Journal

by: Tonya J. Cook



Dear Journal,

This is the first week of the New Year. All of the hoopla of the holidays has passed. It is at this time of the year, the holidays, that people's hearts turn to family, friends, and quite often, events of the past. I know that I've had a chance to talk or correspond with several family and friends that I haven't had contact with for a long time. When you stop to think about it, this is a real shame. Hopefully, I'll correct that problem this year. You could call it something of a resolution, I guess.

One of the things that I thought of recently took me somewhat by surprise. I hadn't had these thoughts for a long time, but they weren't far in the recesses of my mind. It was a series of nightly events that took place in my early childhood that, after analyzing, was carried out like a play on a stage with the same actors and actresses playing their roles nightly. If this play had a title, it would be "An Evening at the Old Home Place."

I suppose that I should explain that when I was young, until I was about four, Mom, my older brother, and me, lived with my grandparents. My uncle lived there, as well. When my brother married, he brought his new wife there, too, for about six months, but the time that stands out most is before he married.

The "performance" would begin around the dining room table. Everyone would have gathered in from work or school, and would have worked up a hearty appetite. Mom and Grandma would have made a big meal, and we would all have gathered around the table to eat, each one having their regular place at the table. My grandma always had such a pretty dining room. It was aqua in color, and she had a china cabinet full of antique dishes in one corner, a buffet with her silver set in front of a pair of double windows, and the table was covered with a lace tablecloth. At the head of the table sat my grandpa, in his big captain's chair. There was always an interesting conversation going, and all got involved. You don't see that kind of thing today. I think they even call families like that "dysfunctional" now.

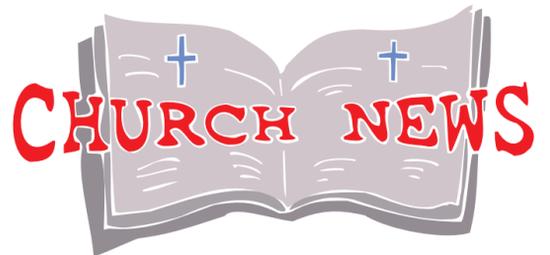
Sometimes after supper, friends and neighbors would drop by for a visit. It was usually some of my brother's friends. His friends consisted of a group of neighborhood boys who were all in their teenage years. There was Lewis, who lived next door, and Jimmy who lived about a mile or so from us. These were the chief two that visited on a regular basis. I'd always find a storybook, and climb into Jimmy's lap for him to read it to me. To think back on it now, the reason why I liked him so much is because he looked so much like Howdy Doody. I know that I must have been such a little pest.

Our house was a natural gathering place, although some nights we had company, and others not; but regardless of the visitors, we usually watched something on TV. We had all

of two stations: CBS or NBC. Ours was one of only a few sets in the neighborhood. Of course, it was black and white, and we watched the classics from "The Golden Age of Television" on it.

Other times found our family spread out all over the house. Luckily, my grandparents had a big old white frame farmhouse, so to speak. Grandpa often spent the evening in his darkened bedroom, listening to the radio, especially if the Cincinnati Reds were playing. Mom and Grandma often sat in the kitchen and just talked, or wrote letters around the kitchen table. They would also read letters aloud that they had received from "this or that" aunt,

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Revival

Calloway Holiness Church will be in revival with Evangelist Billy Bryant starting Jan. 18th. Services on Sunday start at 6 p.m. and weekdays at 7 p.m. Pastors Elzie, Vernon and Dennis Doan welcome everyone to attend.

Third Saturday Night Service

Climax Holiness Church and pastor, Darrin Slone, invite everyone to our third Saturday Night Service, January 17th at 7 p.m., weather permitting. Bro. Radford Ballard will be preaching and guest singers will be the Azbill Family from Mt. Vernon. We wish everyone a happy and blessed new year.

Benefit Service

Faith Chapel Pentecostal

Holiness Church will hold a benefit service for Peggy Falin Jan. 17th at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Lost Souls Crusade

Brush Creek Holiness Church is holding a Lost Souls Crusade - *Winning Souls for Jesus!* The crusade will be Friday night, January 23rd at 7 o'clock with special preaching by Bro. Allen Hensley.

The sole purpose of this crusade is for the lost souls who have not accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior to come to know Him. We will be sharing the gospel through singing, testimony and the Word.

Please be sure to invite all your family, friends and neighbors to this special service.

For more info, e-mail www.pinehillholinesschurch.com or pinehillhc@aol.com or call 606-453-4801 or 606-256-3228.

Revival

Bro. Fred Wynn will be hold a revival Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6:30 and at 7 o'clock nightly through Wednesday at Livingston Pentecostal Church. Bro. Jim Miller, pastor, invites everyone.

Singing

The Doan family will be singing at the Mt. Vernon Nazarene Church, 40 Fair Street, Saturday night, January 17th at 6 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to come out and join us.

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Scott Collins killed this 8 point buck in Rockcastle County on November 11, 2008. It had a 21 1/4" inside spread and 23" outside spread.

“TJ’s”
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uncle, or cousin. A good letter could get at least three or four readings over a week or so, because everybody in the family had to read it at least once or twice, and part of those were read out loud. My uncle often spent part of the evening down in the basement reading or stoking the furnace in the winter. He also liked to do mathematical problems...for entertainment none the less. My brother and his friends would be out in the backyard in the summer, working on an old car or two that they had. The cars would be considered classics now, because they were all from back in the late 40s or early 50s. It wasn't because these cars had any mechanical problems necessarily, it's just that the boys liked to tinker under the hood. At other times in the winter, they would put model cars together, or roll homemade cigarettes in an old orange-colored cigarette-rolling machine. Grandma always took his evening medicine and a dose of Metamucil that set on top of a hoosier cabinet in the kitchen. And me, well, I'd be all over the house like a butterfly flitting from one group to the other, gathering it all in.

Pretty soon, we'd begin to get ready for bed after the evening ritual had passed. A

snack of milk and cookies, popcorn and Kool-Aid, homemade hot chocolate, and some other baked goods left over from lunch and supper wasn't out of the question.

We said our "good nights" and migrated to the various bedrooms; some of us staying downstairs, and some of us going upstairs. Each season brought about its own unique sound that played you to sleep nightly. In the summer, the windows and doors were left open because nobody had any air conditioning back then. The air wouldn't cool until about midnight or later. Just a simple hook on the old screen door was sufficient for a lock, and part of the time, even that was forgotten. The frogs, crickets, and whippoorwills, along with the other creatures of the night lulled you to sleep with their melodic tones. In the winter-time, that old furnace in the basement would kick on and send a rush of hot air through a vent in each room. Mom and Grandma especially liked to stand over the vents, and let the warm rush of air fill their out-going nightgown before turning in. The furnace gave out a warm and comforting lull that seemed to hum that all was well with the world. Soon we were all snug in our beds, and fast asleep, awaiting the next evenings' performance of "An Evening at the Old Home Place."

Office Hours Changed

Effective immediately, office hours for the City of Mt. Vernon have been changed back to the original time of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Also, you may pay current bills at Community Trust Bank in Mt. Vernon.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused anyone.

Mayor Clarice R. Kirby

Switching from analog to digital television

Family and Consumer Sciences

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Television will stop broadcasting in analog and only broadcast a digital signal beginning Feb. 17. If you still use an analog television that gets its service through an antenna, you will no longer be able to receive the signal.

There are many reasons for the switch. Digital broadcasting is more efficient than analog technology, and fewer broadcasting airwaves are needed to provide improved programming to consumers. Some of the airwaves will be given to the nation's firefighters and police to better communicate with each other during emergencies. Other parts of the return spectrum will be auctioned off to provide innovative wireless broadband services to consumers.

There are a few options that you can choose to maintain television reception. The easiest way to still get a signal from your current television is to get a converter box. A converter box plugs into the back of your analog television and makes it possible for the television to provide a digital broadcast. You can apply for a \$40 coupon to buy a converter box until March 31. Every household is eligible to apply and could receive up to two free coupons. At the present time, the coupon

program has reached its limits on funding. However, information is still being taken and coupons will be sent out as money is made available for the program. Converter boxes, depending on the manufacturer, will range from \$40 to \$70. To contact the federal program to request a coupon, call 888-388-2009 or visit <http://www.dtv.gov>.

There are other options to getting a converter box. Those include buying a new television that is digital or paying for cable, satellite or another service. While these are more expensive alternatives, they are effective.

If you already have cable or satellite service or a digital television, you have nothing to worry about; the switch will not affect you, and you do not need a converter box. If you do still have an analog television and use an antenna, the time to start making the change is now.

For further information on consumer issues, contact the Rockcastle County Cooperative Extension Service at 256-2403.

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New Home: Big & Beautiful! This spacious vinyl sided home at the Rockcastle/Lincoln Co. line has much to offer. Its floor plan can be used as four or five bedrooms. There's also a formal dining room, living room and family room. A two-car garage and additional bay in the basement allow for plenty of space for your vehicle or storage. Call today to view. M2423

New Home: Thinking of Owning? One look at the price on this 3 bedroom, 1 bath home will help make your mind up. Located in the Brindle Ridge section of Rockcastle Co. this home is convenient to Brodhead, Mt. Vernon and Berea. Settle your thoughts! See this home today, call for your appointment. M2424

165 Acres more or less by survey. This property is improved with a 1 1/2 story home (fixer upper), barn and water falls. If you're looking for acreage for hunting, recreational or a get-a-way then be sure to call today for an appointment to look at this property! M2415

Polished and Proud! Careful owners have invested much time in faithful upkeep of this beautiful home. This home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, dining room, kitchen and utility room, plus a bonus room above the garage. Hardwood floors and all kitchen appliances are included. Now's the perfect time to call for an appointment. M2394

48 Acres... located on Slate Branch Road in Crab Orchard. Nearly new unfinished house with 2 BR, LR, Kit. and Bath. Large pond with 18 acres cleared and some marketable timber. All of this for only \$104,900. M2351

Location! Location! Location! Baby farm with 3 bedrooms, 2 bath doublewide with a 12x20 addition, 20x40 block barn with a work shop and full loft, property has mature trees, new fencing, corral and pond. Property fronts on 39 North out of Crab Orchard. Call today! Reduced to \$79,900. M2376

Worth the Money! Three bedrooms, 1.5 bath brick ranch with formal living room and spacious den that has a wood burning fireplace. There is also a large eat-in kitchen with plenty of cabinet space. Big front and back yard. Come see this piece of country located in town! \$108,500. M2392

Great Starter Home or Investment Property. This one home could be the right place for you with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath and lots of potential. Home has new tile floors, new kitchen cabinetry, new bathroom fixtures and plumbing. Come and check it out. Possible owner financing or will trade to other property. Call today! M2391

Beautiful... all brick ranch home located conveniently to Brodhead and the city of Mt. Vernon. This home consists of 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and is like new. This is a sweet deal. Call today! M2416

It's Not a Dream! This immaculate brick home is for real. With approximately 2,800 square feet this home has a formal living room, dining room, family room, kitchen with breakfast bar and eat-in area, master bedroom suite, 1/2 bath and utility on the first floor. Upstairs there are two bedrooms, a large bath, bonus room and attic storage room. There's also a full basement and three bay garage. M2389

Nature Lover's Retreat! Like new 1991 singlewide mobile home with 2 BR and 1 BA located only 4.5 miles from town. Washer, dryer, stove and refrigerator complete this adorable package. New paint and underpinning this year... Don't hesitate - Priced at \$18,000. M2359

New Home... with elbow room features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, a living room, kitchen, utility room and a 2-car attached garage. The kitchen has hickory cabinets and crown molding. This home is in a private location situated on 3.2 acres and comes with a 2-car garage. Approximately 4 additional acres can be purchased with this property. Call today! M2384

Big & Beautiful. This spacious vinyl sided home at the Rockcastle/Lincoln County line has much to offer. Its floor plan can be used as four or five bedrooms. There's also a formal dining room, living room and family room. A two car garage and an additional bay in the basement allow for plenty of space for your vehicle or storage. M2423

Well Kept! Located just outside Mt. Vernon on Carter Ridge Rd. This doublewide in country setting has 3 BR, 2 BA, DR-Kit, Comba, LR and Utility room. Larger master bedroom and bath with large tub and separate shower. Also includes kitchen appliances, washer and dryer, central heat and air, and is affordable at \$43,900 with immediate possession. M2409

A Beautiful Home in a Convenient Location! Here is a 1 1/2 story home with a half basement that is conveniently located within minutes of everything in town. This 3 BR, 2 BA home has appealing hardwood flooring throughout and a swimming pool and nice deck to enjoy in the summer season. Other amenities include KU electric, beautiful landscaping, 1-car garage, city water/sewer, central heat/air, and all appliances stay. M2398

Secluded... yet Convenient! This charming 1 1/2 story vinyl home is situated on 4.5 acres +/- . Features include: 4-5 BR, 2.5 BA, Kit, Utility room, and Office. Amenities include: Laminate and hardwood flooring, tile, carpet, beautiful oak cabinets, fireplace, attached garage, and a great view! Asking \$132,500. M2297

Close to Everything! If you want a home in a central location, within walking distance to the city park and the schools and be close to everything...then you've got just that with this nice brick home. Home features 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths, 2,700 +/- sq. ft., a 1-car attached garage. Other amenities include KU electric, hardwood floors, appliances remain with home, cellar and huge living room. Asking only \$112,000. M2377

What a Beauty! This very spacious 3 BR, 2 BA brick home is situated on 8/10 of an acre and will make your family a nice place to reside. This home offers a full size walk-out (unfinished) basement that can be made into a family room or den. Other amenities include hardwood floors, central heat/air, 1-car garage, plenty of storage space, storm shelter plus all appliances including washer/dryer and a wood stove hooked up in the duct work. \$144,900. M2399

A Buyer's Paradise! When feeling stressed from a long days work... come home to relieve stress on your very own putting green... or hang out on your spacious patio and enjoy the beautiful scenic view. This will be relaxing for you. This 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath home is situated on secluded, convenient 1/2 acre +/- lot on the outskirts of the Mt. Vernon city limits. Home has a full unfinished basement and a large 3-car detached garage. Other amenities include: central heat/air, city water/sewer, hardwood floors, security system, fireplace, and beautiful landscaping. Start relieving some of that stress... today! Call for an appointment! M2363

Gorgeous! This newly built home is absolutely gorgeous and is situated on a nice lot in the Lear Crest Subdivision. Features include 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, living room, dining room, kitchen and utility room. This is a newly built two-story home with central heat and air, with a deck that measures 12x16. Close to Berea, Brodhead and Mt. Vernon. Call today! M2385

Don't Miss Out! This country home is definitely worth looking at. The home has an open living area with a living room, kitchen and dining room combined on the main level. There's also a master bedroom suite and an extra bath on the main level. The second story has two bedrooms, a bath and a loft that overlooks the living room. The walk-out basement has approximately 1000 sq. ft. and with a restroom that has been plumbed and a wood stove for back-up heat. M2348

Nice Home With Acreage - This vinyl sided home is situated on 4.07 acres +/- and features a living room, dining/kitchen combo, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, a full bathroom, a full kitchen, a full laundry room, central heat/air, city water, septic system and enclosed porch. Asking \$132,900. M2408

Inlude in the value of this quality brick home. This home offers an open living area consisting of living room, kitchen and dining area. There are 2 spacious bedrooms and 2 baths. Other amenities include new central heat/air system, fireplace in the living room, 2-car garage, and a partial basement with plenty of storage area. Call today to see this home located in the Mt. Vernon city limits. M2407

Back to Nature - Secluded Mountain top A-frame on 59.4 wooded acres located on Big Cove Road and within the Daniel Boone National Forest area. Use for vacation or weekend retreat. This is a hunter's and camper's paradise with abundant wildlife. Some cleared land with a small pond and minutes from I-75. Affordable price, \$76,900. Call today! M2400

Looking For Your Dream Home without the huge price tag! This 3 year old beauty may be it! Situated on 3/4 of an acre in the great neighborhood of Houston Point. Make your appointment today; you don't want to miss out. M2418

Under Construction! This new 1,500 +/- sq. ft. home will feature a LR, Kit/Dining combo 3 BR, 2 BA and Utility Room. Other amenities include a 2-car attached garage, heat pump, central air, city water, septic system and patio. Call today! M2422

Lots For Sale

Two lots located in the beautiful Lear Crest Subdivision. Consists of 1/2 acre +/- each and has city water available. These lots are ideal building lots and convenient to Mt. Vernon, Brodhead, Berea and Lake Linville. Priced at \$9,900 ea. M2260

Great View! Near Cedar Creek Lake. 1 acre nearly level lot with restrictions. M2357.

Nice and Convenient! Nice level lot in the city limits of Crab Orchard with water and sewer available. Asking \$5,900. M2360

Great Opportunity! Building lot located in Lear Crest Subdivision. This lot has blacktop roads, city water and underground utilities. Restricted for your convenience. Priced at only \$11,900. M2355

Let's Go Fishing! 1 acre lot on Boone Road, only one mile from Cedar Creek Lake. Lot has 208 feet of road frontage on a blacktop road. Mature trees with city water available. Doubledecks are welcome! Call today and go fishing this summer! \$21,500. M2353

Lots Available! Now in the Lear Crest Subdivision. There are lots to choose from so hurry to take your pick. M2346

Nice Lot! - Nice 1/2 acre lot located in Lear Crest Subdivision. Priced at \$11,900. M2354

Make this your building site. - Measuring 0.73 of an acre this lot is located in Cedar Point Subdivision. 56,500. M2345

They're Going Fast! Conveniently located between I-75 and 461, there is over 100 restricted building lots in the newly developed Rainbow Ridge Subdivision. Newly blacktopped roads - city water - some lake views. Prices range between \$7,900 - \$16,900. M1798

Hwy. 461 - Pulaski County. Easy access to Somerset - Lake Cumberland and I-75. Spacious lots - Restricted - City Water - Paved Streets - \$11,900 each. M1363

REDUCED! Investment Opportunity! Don't delay starting earning income today! 7 trailer lots in the Mt. Vernon city limits. City water, city sewer and KU electric. Included in this package is a separate lot located on T Street in Mt. Vernon. Lots of potential. Priced at \$50,000. M2169

Some Timber. Property joins National Forest. Creek runs through this property. M2203

***1* Rated!** Prime and almost perfect is the best way to describe these well located lots! Located in exclusive neighborhood between Mt. Vernon and Brodhead on Highway 150. These restricted lots are ideal for your new dream home! Prices range between \$10,000 and \$14,500. A once-in-a-lifetime opportunity awaits you here! M1941

Lots! Lots! Lots! Several large country lots with a great view - Holbrook Estates in the Brindle Ridge section - convenient to either Mt. Vernon or Berea. City water - Cable TV - lots range in size from 3/4 acre to 1 acre. M1796

Commercial Property

Two large commercial lots measuring 68/100 each, 135 feet of road frontage on each with water and sewer and KU electric. \$69,900 each. M2402

New commercial property - Tumblin Good Deal... Roll your money over several times in this Car Wash, Laundromat and touchless car wash with all of the equipment and inventory to stay with buildings. This is a great investment, be the first to get the ball rolling... today! M2417

Car Wash! Near McDonald's, Wendy's and KFC. Established 4-bay + automatic bay car wash. Partnership dissolving... motivated sellers. Financial records to qualified prospects. Priced at \$425,000. M2404

REDUCED! Renfro Valley, KY 4 acres +/-, an excellent commercial site. There is plenty of road frontage on US 25, property has city water and sewer available. Owners may consider dividing. M2177

1/2 Mile from I-75 - Tracts ranging from 3/4 acre to 4 acres - good visibility - high traffic count - city water and sewer available. M1772

Strategically Located! Commercial property measuring 6.3 acres near the intersection of Hwy. 150 and Hwy. 27. Property has city water and city sewer with good traffic count. \$325,000. M2390

Income Producing Property - Grocery store building with parking available. Presently rented to long term tenant. Owner has other interest and says sell. Priced at \$149,900. M2413

Acreage For Sale

48 acres of prime land, 2 ponds, spring, blacktop road, 4 miles from lake, 17 miles to I-75 located on a dead end road. M2419

30 Acres +/-. Take a look at this approximately 30 acres of beautiful woodland on Doc Adams Rd. Close to town - prime location. Call today! M2414

You Can't Beat This! 35 acres near Cedar Creek Lake. Call for more information. M2396

REDUCED! 76 Acre Farm in the Wild Section of Rockcastle Co. Road frontage on Hwy. 1250 and Doc Adams Road. Berea - city water - creek. Good cattle farm or development possibilities. Owner would consider dividing. Priced at \$269,000. M2333

30 Acres More or Less - Coal and some timber. Recreational. \$50,000. Call today! M2410

9 Good Country Acres - Poplar Grove Road section of Rockcastle County - mostly level - city water - Great building site - near Pulaski County line. Priced at \$41,900. M2411

174.93 acres of Woods and Wildlife - Just 10 minutes from I-75. This property would be great for the avid hunter or to build a home in an area with a little privacy. Priced at \$145,000. Call today for more details. M2412

Future Auctions

Absolute Auction of Mr. and Mrs. William Burk's 75 Acre Farm in Tracts
Saturday, January 17th at 1:30 p.m. - Bethelridge Road (Casey County), Ky.

Absolute Estate Auction of the Hamilton Family's 50 Acres +/- and House
January 17th at 10:30 a.m. - Lincoln County, Ky.

Absolute Estate Auction of the lat Ms. Alma Jones' House and Lot & Personal Property
Saturday, January 17th at 10:00 a.m. - Jarvis Avenue, Somerset, Ky.

Ranked 1st in region, 8th in state Lady Rockets easily defeat Pulaski County

By: Richard Anderkin
The Rockcastle County Lady Rockets jumped out to an early lead over visiting Pulaski County on Friday night and coasted to an easy 76-25 win.

The win was the Lady Rockets' 11th of the season and gave them a 3-1 district record and a 11-4 overall record.

Head coach Chrysti Noble substituted early and often on Friday night with all Lady Rockets seeing action and eleven getting into the scoring column.

The Rockets were led in scoring by sophomore center Sara Hammond who had another good offensive game, putting up 20 points for the Lady Rockets.

Senior Mary Saylor also had a good offensive game, scoring 16, while Angie Lawrence had 12, Ashley Robinson 7, Jackie Alexander 5 and Kristen Abney 4. Nicole Locklear, Katy Mattingly, Cheyenne Hensley, Sydney Arvin and Ella McQueary each scored 2 points.

On Monday night the Lady Rockets traveled to Clay County, where they beat the 18th ranked Clay County Lady Tigers, 49-43.

The Lady Rockets held a two point lead at the end of the first half but a full court press in the third period generated 15

points for the Lady Rockets to give them a nine point lead going into the final period.

Clay County managed to close the gap to six in the final period, but in the end the Lady Rockets had picked up their 12th win of the season.

"Anytime you can go to Clay County and come away with a win, you've done some things right," said Coach Noble.

"That win should help us down the stretch by showing these players they can compete in any venue, because we certainly have our work cut out for us if we hope to defend our regional title," Noble said.

Monday night, junior Jackie Alexander led five Lady Rockets in scoring with 17. Saylor got 12, Lawrence 8, Robinson 7 and Hammond 5.

The Lady Rockets, who were ranked first in the 12th region and eighth in the state on Monday in the *Lexington Herald-Leader* have four straight home games, beginning with Whitley County on Friday night.

The Lady Rockets will then play a doubleheader with the boys' team next Tuesday against Wayne County.

The Lady Rockets defeated Wayne County 57-55 in their first game of the season, which was played at Wayne County.



Rocket senior Spencer Mullins makes a strong move to the goal on Friday night against Pulaski County. Mullins had 12 points in the contest.

Pulaski falls 61-50 on Friday Rockets win three straight district games

The RCMS Rocket basketball team upped their season record to 8-8 on Friday night and 3-1 in the district after a 61-50 victory over visiting Pulaski County.

Friday night's win was the fourth straight for the Rockets, who are now the number one seed in the 47th district, after four district games.

"We got in foul trouble, but we managed to hold our own, even though we had some key players on the bench," said fourth year head coach Benny Blanton.

"Once we were able to get our pressing team back into the game, our players did what they were suppose to and Pulaski couldn't handle our pressure and I hope Friday night's performance is a sign of things to come for this team, which is just now beginning to play as a unit," he added.

On Friday night, junior center Derek Thacker had a great game leading his team in scor-

ing and rebounding.

The big man had 21 points followed by junior Jamie Todd, who had 15, while senior Spencer Mullins scored 12, junior Dustin Reynolds had 10, Matt Bullens had 5 and Bryan Clontz, 2.

The Rockets fell below .500 again on Tuesday night when they lost to Southwestern Pulaski County, 55-42 on the road.

Southwestern jumped out to a seven point first quarter lead and never looked back when their ninth game of the season against seven losses.

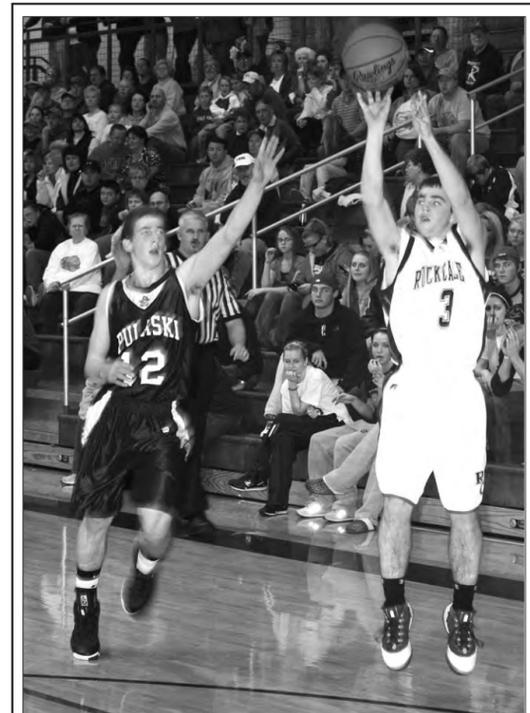
Bullens led the Rockets with 12, Mullins had 11, Todd, 8, Jared Smith, 7 and Thacker, 4.

The Rockets will travel to Knox Central on Friday night and return home next Tuesday night for a double header with the girl's team against Wayne County.

The boys will play three straight home games, beginning with Wayne County.



RCHS senior Katy Mattingly prepares to put up a shot on the base line against Pulaski County on Friday night. The Lady Rockets are 12-4 on the season and ranked number one in the 12th region. Friday night they easily defeated Pulaski County 76-25.



RCHS senior Bryan Clontz puts up a shot against Pulaski County in the Rockets' 61-50 district win. The Rockets are currently in first place in the district after Friday night's win, which was three straight in the district.



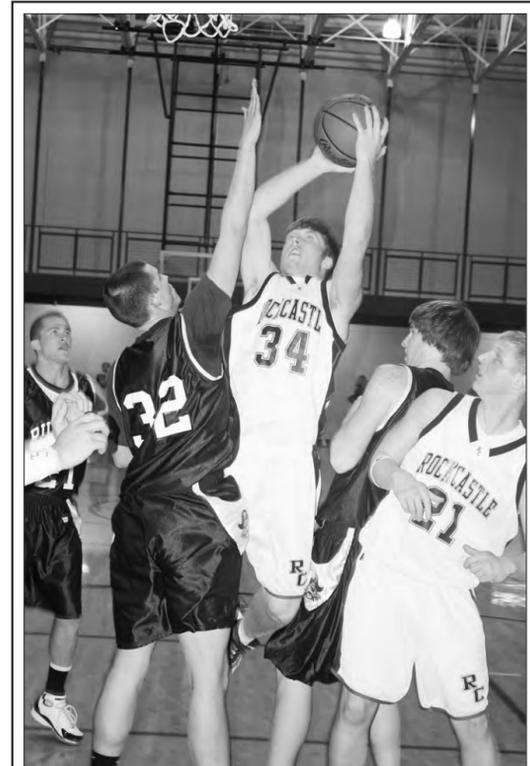
Lady Rocket senior Nicole Locklear puts up a shot in the Lady Rocket blowout of Pulaski County on Friday night. The Lady Rockets won 76-25 and were ranked 8th in the state and first in the 12th region on Monday.



Rocket junior Jamie Todd had a team high 15 points in the Rocket's 61-50 victory over Pulaski County on Friday night. (Sports photos by: Kevin Canterbury)



Lady Rocket sophomore Sara Hammond goes for two of her game high 20 points against Pulaski County on Friday night. Hammond led eleven Lady Rockets in the scoring column.



Rocket junior Matt Bullens, who spent a lot of time on the bench on Friday night because of foul trouble, goes up for two of his five points against Pulaski County. Also in the photo is senior Spencer Mullins.

RCMS Boys Basketball

The RCMS boys basketball team is selling tickets for a "Rocket Throw." The price is \$1 per chance. The drawing will be held on January 20th.

The RCMS boys basketball team will also be hosting a Chili Supper on January 20th, Eighth Grade Night. The price is \$5, which includes a bowl of chili, drink, sandwich and dessert. The supper will begin at 4 p.m. and will end at halftime of the 7th grade game.

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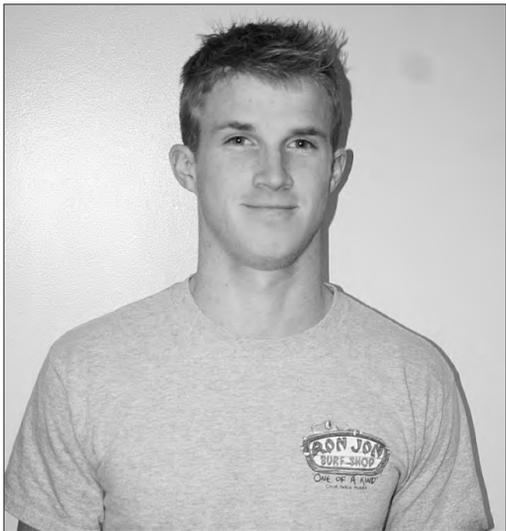


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Rockcastle County High School Academic Honor Roll



Rockcastle County High School senior Tanner Perkins has a perfect grade point average of 4.0 and is one of several students tied for the fifth highest ranking of the 207 seniors in the 2009 graduating class at RCHS. Perkins is the son of David Perkins and Becky Saylor and will attend Western Kentucky University in the Fall where he is considering majoring in accounting. Tanner currently has an advanced placement class at RCHS in Chemistry and is considered one of the best athletes to ever go to school at the ROCK. Tanner will receive a full ride at Western, where he will play baseball for the Hilltoppers. While at RCHS, Perkins has been all district in baseball three years and all-region two years. Last year Perkins was also named honorable mention all-state in baseball. Besides playing on the baseball team at RCHS, Perkins has also played football and basketball. The left handed pitcher is expected to lead his team back to the 12th region championship again this season.

Prepare now for 4-H Variety Show

The Rockcastle County 4-H Variety Show will be held March 10, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Mt. Vernon Elementary School. Registration deadline is March 6. Any questions on rules and guidelines please call 606-256-2403.

Now is the time for all 4-H'ers to begin their preparation for the County 4-H Variety Show. This event consists of specialty and club acts and is held annually on the county and area level. It provides an opportunity for large numbers of 4-H participants to gain poise and confidence and develop character and sportsmanship while working cooperatively with others.

Clubs planning to participate need to carefully read over and follow the rules and guidelines.

1. Specialty Acts shall consist of four (4) 4-H participants or fewer and have a time limit of four minutes. A 4-H club may have up to 2 specialty acts. Specialty acts will be divided up into junior and senior divisions. Anyone in a specialty act who is 14 years of age by January 1, 2008, will be in the senior division.

2. There must 5 participants or more for a Club Act. Club acts have a time limit of 8 minutes.

3. Only one person other than 4-H participants, such as a pianist, may accompany the act. Other than the one accompanist, only 4-H participants may appear on the stage during the act.

4. Variety Show participants may only represent one club and must participate

within their own grade and home room.

5. There shall be absolutely no pantomiming in any act, club or specialty.

6. Please use good judgment on dance routines.

7. An act exceeding the time limit should be permitted to finish but cannot be awarded Champion.

8. Since participation is of the utmost importance, the combination of clubs for the purpose of presenting a club or specialty act is not permitted.

9. Dramatic readings can be entered as a variety show act.

10. All acts must use the same P.A. system. No act will be allowed to provide their own system.

11. Leaders must take care of their own music. (Have tapes or CD set at starting point.)

12. Admission will not be charged.

13. Clubs must register their act by calling the Extension Office at 256-2403. Registration information will include:

- 1.) Name of Act
- 2.) Type of music that will be used (tape, CD, piano, etc)
- 3.) Number in the Act
- 4.) Names of participants if it is a Specialty Act

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All acts will receive either a Red or Blue Ribbon, according to their score. (No green ribbons will be given). The First Place Specialty and Club Acts will also receive a Champion Ribbon. First and Second Place acts will receive plaques.

Minds in the Middle

Unite Club t-shirts are now being ordered. Students may order a t-shirt in the main lobby before school. The cost to members is \$3.

Congratulations to the winners of the Quiz Bowl. The winners of the competition for this nine-weeks were: 8th grade - Mr. Phillips homeroom, 7th grade - Mr. Mattingly's homeroom, and 6th grade - Ms. Tracy's homeroom.

We are proud of the following members of the RCMS 7th and 8th grade band who were selected by audition as members of the 2009 District 11 Middle School Honors Band Program. Members selected include Angel Shelton, Lillie Beichler, Mackenzie Craig, Adam Alcorn, Matthew Gonzalez, Brandon McFerron, and Mary Weaver. The band will re-

hearse with top players from across the district and present a concert in early March at Danville High School.

Please be aware that we are now collecting Box Tops for Education. Box Tops for Education can be found on a variety of foods and other items. Please be collecting these and send them to school with your child. Remember also that RCMS is still part of the Microsoft Search and Give program. We can earn money for our school by simply using the Microsoft Search and Give search engine or by playing the word games on that website.

The dance that was scheduled for this Friday, has been cancelled and rescheduled for January 30th.

Remember that school is not in session on Monday due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Eat More Pizza

Submitted by Belle Esprit
Next Wednesday is Pizza Hut day for the National History Day program. National History Day is a competition based on historical themes and research. Both RCHS and RCMS students are involved in this. The students start

Mt. Vernon Message

School News
5th Grade UNITE Club meets on Friday, January 16 at 2:05.

There will be no school on Monday, January 19 in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

Project Wisdom Readers for last week were:

Wednesday: Leah Bustle
Thursday: Emily Childress
Friday: Our mystery reader was Regina Hull-Brown, Family Resource Center Coordinator.

FRC News
FRC Adult Computer classes are each Monday from 6:00 until 8:00.

FRC/CAP GED Classes are each Tuesday from 1:00 until 2:00.

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working on their projects in the fall and then compete at regional and state levels in the spring. Those who place 1st or 2nd in their class at the state finals then travel to the University of Maryland in June for the Nationals. Last year Rockcastle County had 10 students place at state and 6 then went to the Nationals where they competed against 2500 other middle and high school students from across the United States. All 50 states and several U.S. Territories were represented at this prestigious event. Rockcastle County was impressively represented by these hard working scholars.

National History Day is not funded through the school, but rather depends on contributions and donations to offset expenses for materials and transportation. There are so many clubs, athletic teams etc. that employ fundraisers that it is difficult to wedge another onto the calendar. But with grateful thanks to Pam Burdette, National History Day can be celebrated the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Pizza Hut Mount Vernon. Just tell either Pam or any member of the Pizza Hut staff that you are "eating for the National History Day kids" and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the National History Day club. You can enjoy great pizza and help these kids at the same time. Everybody wins!



SAE Spotlight...

Steven Brown was selected SAE spotlight of the month for the Rockcastle County FFA chapter. Steven is a junior at RCHS and has been an FFA member for three years. He has received his Greenhand Degree and Chapter Degree. Steven served as SAE committee chair and assistant sentinel as a sophomore and currently serves as the chapter chaplain. He is the son of Mike and Patricia Brown of Quail. Steven enjoys working on the farm, hunting and participating in FFA events. Steven's SAE is Diversified Crop Production Placement. He works on the family farm where they grow about four acres of burley tobacco and about 500 acres of corn and soybeans. He plans to continue being in the FFA and serve as an officer again next year. Steven hopes to one day own and operate a farm operation.

RES Parent Group holding events for fundraiser

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The Roundstone Elementary School's Eagles Nest Parent Group will be holding an event Saturday, January 31st to raise money for playground equipment.

The night will kick off with a chili supper from 4 to 7:30 p.m. Also at 4 p.m., there will be a bake sale and a silent auction will be held during that time. The benefit singing will begin at 6 p.m. and continue to 9 p.m.

Adult admission to the event will be \$5 in advance

and \$6 at the door and \$3 for children ages 3-12.

Tickets may be purchased in the school office on weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or at the door beginning at 4 p.m. on the evening of the event.

In the event of inclement weather, all events will be rescheduled for Saturday, February 7th at the times listed above. WRVK Radio 1460Am will make the announcement if needed.

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Celebrates 94th Birthday

Mrs. Vallie Burton celebrated her 94th birthday on Tuesday, January 6th at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mattie and Danny Petrey of Somerset. She received several cards and phone calls and recent visitors were: Harris and Wanda Burton of Brodhead; Jr. and Linda Blanton of Mt. Vernon; Ervin and Fannie Barron of Brodhead; Nancy, John David and Rebekah Hurley of Mt. Vernon; Chafic, Sheila, Tatiana and Amina Zenni of Cincinnati; Travis Burton of Washington, DC; Regina Burton and Avery Bradshaw of Brodhead; Sam and Judy Ford of Mt. Vernon; Penny Newton of Lexington; Gray, Kristi, Zack and



Morgann Rowe of Eubank; Jennifer and Samantha Jones of Bronston; Mary S. Newton; Kristi Keibler and Deven; Dale Hall; John Chapman; Al and Charlotte Elliott and Elizabeth Rowe, all of Somerset.

Vallie would like to thank those who sent a card or called or came by to see her.

May God bless her with a happy and healthy 2009.

Thank You, Her Family

Celebrates 92nd birthday



Edith Nicely celebrated her 92nd birthday on January 7, 2009 at Rockcastle Health and Rehab in Brodhead. She enjoyed a Ky. Fried Chicken meal and homemade ice cream and cake. Lots of her friends and family attended. She received many nice cards and gifts. She would like to thank everyone.

Celebrates 76th Birthday

Ruby Ball will be celebrating her 76th birthday on January 22, 2009. Formerly of Brush Creek, she is the daughter of the late Margie and Loyd Ball and the granddaughter of Jenny and Major Ball.



She is now living at Rosedale Manor Nursing Home, 4250 Glenn Ave., Covington, KY 41015 if anyone would like to send her birthday greetings. *Happy Birthday Red! Love, Dot, Kat, Jim and Paul. May you have many more!*



Emma Robinson would like to wish her little brother a very happy birthday. Jaxon Isiah will be one-year-old on January 17th. Their mommy and daddy are Billy and Brandy Robinson. Grandparents are Wendell and Diana Robinson, Kathy Payne and the late Dale Payne. Great grandparents are Gladys and the late John Robinson, Bob and Cherie Bale, George and Hazel Payne and Fred and Irene McFerron. Happy birthday Jaxon. We love you and God bless you.



Michael and Anastasia McKinney of Mt. Vernon are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Harley Michael McKinney, born December 1, 2008 at St. Joseph London weighing 8 lbs. 9 ozs. and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Katherine McKinney and Anthony and Eva Baker.

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Gage Aaron Clouse was born December 17, 2008, weighing 7 lb 12 oz, 20 1/2" long at 1:44 AM. He is the son of Jason Aaron Mink and Alyson Briann Clouse of Middletown, Ohio. Paternal grandparents are Terry Mink of Hillsboro, Ohio and Sherry and David Derr of Mt. Vernon. Maternal grandparents are Linda and Bill Clouse. Paternal great grandparents are Tip and Erma Mink of Brodhead.



Happy 70th Birthday
Sue and Garry

Senate Week in Review...

By Ed Worley
State Senator

The Kentucky General Assembly convened its 2009 Regular Session this week, with more than 200 bills already filed and more on the way.

During this odd-year "short" session, legislators will meet for 30 days. Although a two-year state budget is already in place, the Commonwealth's deteriorating finances demand that we further investigate ways to streamline government and make necessary state services as efficient as possible. In addition, there are a number of issues, ranging from education to revisions of the state criminal code, that will command our attention in the next three months.

The first week of this winter's session was devoted to organizational matters — selecting leadership as well as naming committee memberships and chairs. Three new members were sworn in this week, with Sen. Kathy Stein, D-Lexington, joining us in the Senate after six terms in the House of Representatives. One new committee has been created this year. The former Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee was separated into two committees so members will be able to focus more specifically on the needs of these important areas.

With no time to waste, we went to work immediately. One bill already on the floor and ready for a vote is Senate Bill 4, which represents a smarter approach in the war on drugs. SB 4 would create an intensive drug treatment program to help make sure potential felons can recover from their addictions even before they are convicted for their first offense. The earlier we treat the problem, the easier it will be to end the cycle of drug addiction and crime.

One immediate benefit would be to reduce our exploding prison costs. We spend eight times more on corrections now than in 1970, even accounting for inflation. One reason is we have 65 percent more prisoners, many of them because of drug violations. We cannot continue down that path and adequately fund other crucial services at the same time.

Another issue we tackled this week was the increasing need for students to be ready for college and the working world, particularly in math and related fields. Senate Joint Resolution 19, which passed the Education Committee this week, directs the state Department of Education to revise the state's core content standards for math. We want to ensure that students focus on critical basic skills, rather than an overly broad set of goals that spread teachers too thin.

When we return to Frankfort on Feb. 3, much of our attention will be on state finances. The Consensus Forecasting Group tells us our revenues will be \$456 million less than anticipated this fiscal year. That means we must tighten our belt above and beyond what we did last year. With a shortfall of that nature — about 5 percent of the annual budget — we must search across the board for savings. The Governor has announced his recommendations, and we will consider his proposals along with our own as we look for a long-term solution to this chronic problem.

Of course, many items we will be looking at this session will affect state spending. One such issue will be a comprehensive review of the state's criminal code, including drug laws. Laws that made sense in the 1970s, when we last considered such an overhaul, may not be the best way to fight crime today. We hope this review and revision will produce a justice system that makes more sense and spends tax money more efficiently.

We must also look at two other large cost-drivers of spending — Medicaid and education. Medicaid is a particular trouble spot because of its nature. Just as the economy falters and less money is available for state spending, Medicaid rolls swell because people are losing their jobs. To protect this program into the future, we have to be prudent with how we

manage it today.

Although we cannot ignore the pressing needs of today, we must also make sure that tomorrow's infrastructure needs are met. Federal road aid is dwindling, but our roads need constant repairs and upgrades to keep our citizens and goods moving. To cite one particular instance, we anticipate that the Base Realignment and Closure changes recommended for Fort Knox will mean thousands of new military and support jobs for that community and surrounding counties, and we must invest wisely in infrastructure there to both support and promote smart growth in the area.

Of course, many other issues large and small will arise when we finish out the remainder of the session in February and March. To help us do that work, we need you to stay in contact. The General Assembly has a number of ways for you to stay informed, from our toll-free hotlines to the Kentucky Legislature Home Page to our free e-mail service.

The Kentucky Legislature Home Page (www.lrc.ky.gov) provides information on each of Kentucky's senators and representatives, including our phone numbers, addresses, and legislative committee assignments. The home page also provides summaries and texts of bills, as well as information on the progress each bill has made through the legislative process.

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The
Family Room
By: Dr. Roy Don Whitehead

Pity the poor smoker who is besieged these days with restrictions on where he can smoke and is even facing a possible increase in the cigarette tax. Most smokers are aware that it is not a healthy habit. Most wish they could quit and many have tried. As with any addiction, quitting can be very, very difficult.

For the smoker who needs another reason to quit, there is a new health risk that has been identified: third-hand smoke. As if first- and second-hand smoke were not enough to worry any smoker, now there is this new danger.

Third-hand smoke is "the invisible yet toxic brew of gases and particles clinging to smokers' hair and clothing, not to mention cushions and carpeting, that lingers long after second-hand smoke has cleared from a room. The residue includes heavy metals, carcinogens and even radioactive materials that young children can get on their hands and ingest, especially if they're crawling or playing on the floor." The danger is not limited to young children, but they are the ones most at risk.[1]

The term "third-hand smoke" was coined by doctors at MassGeneral Hospital for Children in Boston. Their study was published in the January 2009 issue of the journal Pediatrics.

The doctor who led the study said of parents, "When their kids are out of the house, they might smoke. Or they smoke in the car. Or they strap the kids in the car seat in the back and crack the window and smoke, and they think it is okay

because the second-hand smoke isn't getting to their kids. We needed a term to describe these tobacco toxins that aren't visible." The study concluded that "breathing air in a room today where people smoked yesterday can harm the health of infants and children."

Another pediatrician said, "The central message here is that simply closing the kitchen door to take a smoke is not protecting the kids from the effects of that smoke. There are carcinogens in this third-hand smoke, and they are a cancer risk for anybody of any age who comes into contact with them."

Here is a partial list of the substances found in third-hand smoke: hydrogen cyanide, used in chemical weapons; butane, which is used in lighter fluid; toluene, found in paint thinners; arsenic; lead; carbon monoxide; and even polonium-210, the highly radioactive carcinogen"

Smokers should not feel alone in the battle against addiction. Everyone has at least one addiction and no one should be stigmatized because of his or her addiction.

For smokers who want to quit the place to start is in the doctor's office. New and better aids to quitting are becoming available, and the doctor will know about those. The Health Department and local hospitals have classes on smoking cessation.

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Selected students convened at Madison Central High School this past Thursday evening to begin rehearsals--putting in a total of 13 hours of rehearsal from Thursday through Saturday morning. The weekend culminated with a concert for the public at 2:00pm Saturday in the Madison Central High school auditorium.

The Concert Band wowed the audience with wonderful renderings of "Salvation is Created" by Tschernokoff/Houseknecht, "The Big Race" by Warren Barker, and "Fanfare and Hymn of Celebration" by local composer, John Fannin. The concert band was under the direction of Tim Allen, Director of Bands at Adair County Schools in Columbia, Kentucky. Mr. Allen has been at Adair County for the past twenty-eight years. He obtained his Bachelor of Music Education Degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, and holds a Masters Degree from Western Kentucky University. He is also the recipient of the National Band Association's Citation of Marching Excellence and the Outstanding Young Band Director Award in 1985.

The Symphonic Band then took the stage under the direction of Dr. Gary Schallert, Associate Professor of Music and Director of Bands at Western Kentucky University presenting a lively selection including, "Fanfare Nueve by John Fannin, "Sure on This Shining Night, by Barber/Saucedo, "Riders for the Flag" by Sousa/Fennell, "Variations on a Korean Folk Song" by James Barnes Chance, and "Under the Big Top" by Robert Jagger. Dr. Schallert earned his Bachelor of Music Education and Mater of Music degrees from New Mexico State University and his Doctor of Arts degree in Wind Conduction from the University of Northern Colorado. Prior to his appointment at WKU, Dr. Schallert served as Associate Professor of Music at the University of Missouri and the University of Tennessee. Dr. Schallert maintains an active schedule as guest conductor, clinician, and adjudicator throughout the United States. He has conducted touring ensembles in Europe and Australia, including a performance with the University of Missouri Wind Ensemble at the famed Sydney Opera House.

This week, RCHS Band students, previously selected by recommendation, will attend the Eastern Kentucky University Honors Band Clinic. Students selected to perform in clued: Michael Browning, Andrea Gonzalez, Nicole McFerron, Regina Rice, Dalton Hutton, Ethan Miller, Matthew Fields, Morgan Harper, Devin Davidson, Jonathan Portwood, and Jarrett Hamm. They will begin on

Thursday evening with chair placement auditions then will continue with rehearsal all day Friday and on Saturday. The weekend clinic will conclude with a concert at 6pm on Saturday, January 17th in the Brock Auditorium on the ECU Campus. The concert is free and open to the public.

Upcoming Events
Annual Theme Party and Auction, April 17th at 6 p.m. at RCHS

The RCHS Band Boosters are looking forward to sponsoring the annual Theme Party and Auction on April 17th. The annual event featuring a catered dinner, musical entertainment and an auction, is a primary source of fundraising that will be used to send the student's to marching band camp this summer. This year, coordinator, Sherry Harper, is opening up table sponsorship to the public. Local businesses or individuals may opt to sponsor a table this year instead of just booster parents. Business owners can choose to decorate their table in any fashion they choose from "business-related themes" to any other party theme. This is a great opportunity for businesses to get out into the community and get to know a valued customer base and to show off their products or services. There will still be opportunity for individuals to host a table, again of any theme of their choosing. Past years' themes have included snowmen, Christmas, Easter, a wedding, Hershey's Candy, and John Deere, just to name a few. Anyone interested in sponsoring a table or an auction item should contact Sherry Harper at 758-9963 as soon as possible to reserve a table. Donation of auction items is appreciated from anyone and table sponsorship is not required to donate items.

Muscle Cars On Main, April 18th at RCMS

New this year, the Rockcastle County High School Band Boosters are planning a Car Show on April 18th hosted by none other than our own "Country" Charlie Napier. There will be trophies, food and fun for all. To register your vehicle or obtain information about sponsorship or vending, contact Anita Nation at 606-219-0908 or 606-256-1530; Janice Miller at 606-308-5162; Ann Craig at 606-308-3086; Sherry Harper at 606-758-9869; or Connie Taylor at 859-623-2404.

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tickets and meal tickets in quantities commensurate with the donation.

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Know yourself before choosing a school

Guidance counselors have a standard list of tips for students to follow when choosing a college. They typically consider field of study, size and location of the school, and cost. Chuck Morgan, Associate Director of Admissions at Berea College, says that while all of that is significant, the most important information students first need comes only from themselves. To get the best college experience, a student must know what he or she requires personally to succeed.

Morgan encourages students to think about their individual needs. "Nobody knows you better than you know yourself," he says. "You may have a different set of values than someone else." So even if a school worked for a sibling, parent or friend, that doesn't mean it's the right school.

Classes, experience and tests throughout high school can help students learn what they need to know about themselves by helping identify interests, study habits and learning styles. It's essential to identify career interests and match those with possible colleges. But those colleges will likely be large and small, urban and rural. In which atmosphere will the student thrive?

Larger universities often teach in lecture halls that do not encourage personal interaction. Is the student self-reliant enough to excel in that atmosphere, or would a smaller class with more teacher contact be better? Morgan has observed that small schools can provide more support but feel smothering to some.

Another factor is what's available in terms of fields of study, social life and extracurricular activities. While a large school might have more athletic teams, for example, if a student wants to play a sport but isn't outstanding, the opportunities will be better at smaller schools. A larger school might also offer more majors and classes, but many smaller schools boast a high quality education in the limited areas they offer. Morgan suggests asking questions regarding their possible area of study like: what percent of nursing students pass the state boards? And what percentage of teachers get jobs?

Even though schools might want to be chosen for their academic programs, finances are a major concern for many students and are one of the major necessities in a "right fit". Morgan encourages students to find out what financial aid options are available at the colleges of interest and what the individual components of a financial aid package will be. For example, how much of the aid is grants that don't need to be repaid versus loans, that do.

In addition, Morgan points out that because a school offers

Music- this level of sponsorship has no minimum donation and includes honorable mention in some advertising venues.

Registration

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classes in the area of student interest, that doesn't mean the education offered will truly prepare the student for the future. Students should check to be sure that the school they are applying to is accredited. Four-year colleges like Berea College, for example, should be regionally accredited. Schools in Kentucky receive accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. "Accreditation insures the college has met at least a minimum standard," Morgan says. Those standard help give students degrees that carry weight with future employers.

Students also can look beyond academics and finances to the social life at a school. "You're not a student 24-hours a day," Morgan says. He observes that satisfaction with the college experience is often tied with social involvement. "If you contribute, it enhances your experience," he says. So when looking at schools, inquire about extra-curricular activities of interest.

Students and parents who want to get opinions about a school beyond the admissions counselor have options. There are studies every year that rate colleges, such as the US News and World Report or The Princeton Review study that ranks colleges based on acceptance rate, graduation rate, study abroad and a number of other items. Most of these can be found in your local library. Morgan suggests students can also locate graduates in their home community who attended the college that interests them and ask about their experience.

As students and their families evaluate the information gathered about schools, it's important to remember that one size doesn't fit all. Look for the school that's right for each student's specific needs. For more tips on finding the right fit, go to web address www.knowhow2go.com.

For more information contact: Terry Hosler, Special Projects Coordinator, Berea College GEAR UP (phone 859-985-3855 or terry_hosler@berea.edu).

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Ford Brothers announce 2008 top sales awards

Ford Brothers Auctioneers / Realtors held their annual awards banquet at the Somerset Arts and Cultural Center, Saturday January 2nd.

The award winners were as follows:
Million Dollar Sales Winners- Ron Shaw and Mike McCollom from the Somerset office; Danetta Ford Allen, Shelby Reed and Matthew Silcox from the Mount Vernon Office; and Tish Hopkins from the London Office.

Two Million Dollar Sales Winners- Rhonda Smith from the London office and Verlan Owens from the Somerset office

Three Million Dollar Sales Winner- Eugene McCowan from the London office.

Five Million Dollar Sales Winners-Jeffrey W. Cromer from the Mount Vernon office and Matt Ford from the Somerset office.

Eight Million Dollar Sales Winner- Karl David Reynolds from the Somerset office.

2008 Somerset Office Awards: Top Producer of the Year- Karl David Reynolds; Listing Agent of the Year- Matt Ford; Sales Agent of the Year- Matt Ford; Auction Salesperson of the Year- Karl David Reynolds; Most Improved Agent of the Year- Verlan Owens.

2008 Mount Vernon Office Awards: Top Producer of the Year- Jeffrey W. Cromer; Listing Agent of the Year- Jeffrey W. Cromer; Sales Agent of the Year- Matthew Silcox; Auction Salesperson of the Year- Jeffrey W. Cromer; Most Improved Agent of the Year- Matthew Silcox.

2008 London Office Awards: Top Producer of the Year- Eugene McCowan; Listing Agent of the Year- Eugene McCowan; Sales Agent of the Year- Eugene McCowan; Most Improved Agent of the Year- Tish Hopkins.

2008 Company Wide Awards: Top Producer- Karl David Reynolds; Listing Agent of the Year- Eugene McCowan; Salesperson of the Year- Eugene McCowan; Auction Salesperson of the Year- Karl David Reynolds.

Also, Tish Hopkins from the London office was recognized for being named the Cumberland Valley Realtor of the Year. The guest speaker for the awards ceremonies was former University of Kentucky basketball player and spokesperson for Ford Brothers Auctioneers / Realtors, Cameron Mills. Ford Brothers Auctioneers / Realtors have been successfully selling real estate and holding auctions since 1965, and now have offices in Mount Vernon, Somerset and London with over 50 agents and brokers to assist in marketing and selling properties.



Jeffrey W. Cromer, left, received the Top Producer Award for the Mt. Vernon office for 2008 during the recent Ford Brothers annual awards banquet. Presenting the award is Sam Ford, President of Ford Brothers.

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Pictured are the RCHS 2009 Bluegrass All-Regional Band Members. They are, from left: Meghan Nation, Anjelica Craig, Devin Davidson, Nicole McFerron, Matt Fields, Regina Rice and Band Director Greg Daugherty.



Devon Didonato, of Mt. Vernon, apparently escaped serious injury on Tuesday night when he lost control of the above Saturn vehicle on U.S. 25 just south of Burr around 10 p.m. Police said Didonato managed to crawl out of the vehicle and was transported to Rockcastle Hospital by a passing motorist. David Mink, of Town and Country Chevron, is shown at left as he prepares to remove the completely totaled car from the roadside.

UK

(Cont. from front)

that."

"The federal research dollars that UK brings to the state has a large direct impact on the state economy. However, these research dollars are only a small part of the total impact UK has on the state," said Ken Troske, director of the UK Center for Business and Economic Research.

For instance, Rockcastle County boasts 197 alumni of UK, but the university's impact stretches beyond those who have studied in its classrooms by assisting regional and local economic development efforts.

"The education students receive from UK turns them into more productive workers and citizens," Troske said. "In turn these students help raise the wages of other workers in the state; are less likely to commit crimes; are healthier; and are more informed participants in the political process. All Kentuckians benefit directly from UK, even those who never set foot on campus."

Meanwhile, more than 350,000 patients relied on the UK Chandler Medical Center—which includes the UK Chandler Hospital, the Kentucky Clinics and the Kentucky Children's Hospital—for their health care in the fiscal year that ended June 30, including 6,174 patient visits by Rockcastle County residents.

In Rockcastle County, local residents consulted with UK Cooperative Extension agents John McQueary, Tom Mills

and Hazel Jackson on a broad range of issues, providing information on medical issues, healthy recipes, household budgeting, and weather precautions important to both farmers and homeowners. Across Kentucky, families using this service—the nation's third largest Extension service—reduced their health care costs by \$24 million. Meanwhile, farmers saw their revenues rise by \$25 million.

Business people in Rockcastle County obtained information one time about better methods of improving competitiveness. The advice offered by consultants of UK's Kentucky Small Business Development Centers (KSBDC) resulted in an average annual increase of sales by its clients of nearly \$546,329. Statewide, KSBDC's services helped generate more than \$92.6 million in sales and helped create 806 jobs and save 295 others.

Rockcastle County's men and women who work in area manufacturing plants may have benefited from increased job opportunities created by improved efficiency and productivity resulting from the consulting services of UK's Industrial Extension Service. This program, and UK's Center for Manufacturing, advises nearly 320 companies a year on ways to heighten profitable operations, and most of these companies are in Kentucky.

UK's future economic impact also will extend into Rockcastle County, as coming generations seek their degrees both on the campus in Lexington and on the Internet via Kentucky's Commonwealth Virtual University. Better earn-

ings, a more educated work force and a higher tax base—the evidence of real prosperity—can be expected.

Weather

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cluded a half inch of snow.

The lowest recorded temperature for the year was three degrees on January 25th and December 22nd and the high recorded temperature for the year was 92 on three separate days in June, July and August.

So far this month, precipitation has been recorded on eight of the 14 days with a total of 2.67 inches being recorded.

The most fell on January 6th when 1.15 of rain hit the ground. There has also been only a trace of snow recorded in January.

The high temperature for the month was 62 on the 4th and the low temperature, so far in January, was on the 1st and on Wednesday, the 14th when the mercury dropped to 14.

Indictments Returned

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was indicted for manufacture of methamphetamine, first offense and Shirley A. Hopkins, 38 and Azcky J. Walling, 50 were named in count two of the indictment for complicity to manufacture methamphetamine.

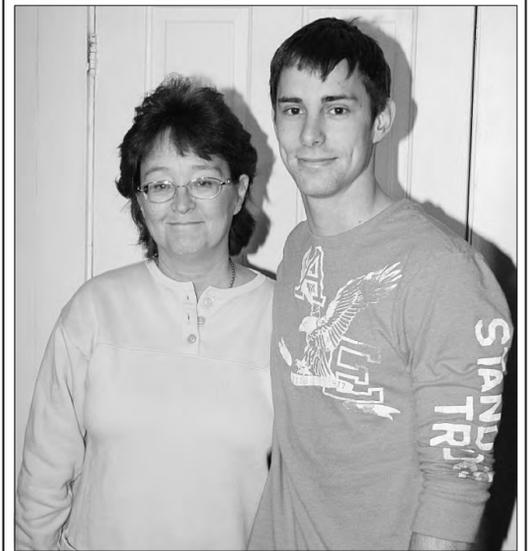
Phillips bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property and Hopkins and Walling were both put under a \$20,000 cash/property bond.

Troy H. Reed, 33, of Hwy. 1376, East Bernstadt was indicted on three counts -- one for possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), speeding and operating a motor vehicle on a suspended/revoked operator's license. Reed's bond was set at \$20,000 cash/property.

Two defendants were indicted for flagrant non-support.

Jeffery McLemore, 22, of 40 Hill Street, Mt. Vernon was indicted for failure to provide for a minor child/children in the amount of \$3,575.50 and his bond was set at \$3,500 cash.

Kimberly Powell, 27, of 440 Breezy Hills Drive, Somerset was indicted for flagrant non-support in the amount of \$1,826.78. Her bond was set at \$2,000 full cash.



Army Ranger Brandon Peters has been home for the past two weeks and will return to Ft. Washington in a next few days. He is shown above with his mom, Liz Courtney. "I'm proud to say that my son is serving his country as a Army Ranger," his mom said.

20-year-old Brandon Peters entered the army in February of last year. He is the son of Liz Courtney of Mt. Vernon and Steve Peters of Prestonsburg. Peters graduated from basic training in June of 2008 and, after basic training, Peters completed his Airbourne training and is now an Army Ranger. Peters is currently stationed at Ft. Lewis, Washington and is currently on a two week leave. While home on leave, Peters celebrated his 21st birthday on January 13th



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Under the Emergency Food & Shelter National Board Program

Rockcastle awarded \$12,466 in federal funds

Rockcastle has been chosen to receive \$12,366 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county.

The selection was made by a national board that is chaired by the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from American Red Cross; Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.; The Salvation Army; United Jewish Communities and United Way of America. The local board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.

A local board, made up of Rockcastle Co. Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis and other local residents will determine how the funds awarded to the county will be distributed among the emergency food and

shelter programs run by local service agencies in the area. The local board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase of the program.

Under the terms of the grant from the national board, local agencies must: 1) be private voluntary non-profits or units of government, 2) have an accounting system, 3) practice nondiscrimination, 4) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs and 5) if they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Qualifying agencies are urged to apply.

Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Tamara Cox at 606-256-5315 for an application. The deadline for applications to be received is January 23, 2009.

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Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, January 15, 2009

Headlines from last six months of 2008

July first month workers began to pay wage tax

By: Richard Anderkin
When workers who earn their living in Rockcastle and the city of Mt. Vernon got their paychecks, the first week of July, they got a little less than in the previous check.

That was thanks to the county's one and a half percent new occupational tax and the city of Mt. Vernon's increase of their occupational tax to a full one percent, both of which went into effect July 1, 2008.

The Pongo Volunteer Fire Department loaned the city of Mt. Vernon a fire truck, while the city attempted to get their truck fixed or buy a new one and former Rockcastle, Pulaski and Lincoln Circuit Judge Dan Venters announced he would run for the Kentucky Supreme Court in a effort to replace retiring, longtime Justice Joseph Lambert of Mt. Vernon.

67-year-old Victor Holley was the first patient to receive a cardiac CT scan at Rockcastle Hospital and Shirley Cox was named Missionary of the Year by the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

51-year-old Carol Tipton was critically injured, after the riding mower she was using to mow her yard at Renfro Valley went over a 20 foot cliff. Mrs. Tipton was airlifted from the scene and spent several weeks in the hospital recovering from her extensive injuries.

In order for county government to operate, the Fiscal Court voted to borrow a half million dollars, while they waited to collect monies from their new occupational tax.

Several customers of the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association asked the ERWA board to be more open about the operation of the association and over 1,000 people attended the Family Fun Day and Fireworks at Lake Linville.

The home of Lisa Tipton on Spiro Road was com-

pletely destroyed by fire and 42-year-old Tim Tyler of Brodhead was promoting his new comic book, *Engine*, in an effort to sell 5,000 copies.

The Mt. Vernon City Council approved the purchase of the property where Perry's Auto Body in Mt. Vernon is now located for \$185,000. The property, which totals approximately one acre lies adjacent to the current city park on Williams Street. Current plans are for the city to use the property for a skateboard park and to use the three buildings on site for the city's maintenance department.

37 students from Berea College's Black Student Union and African Student Association were in Mt. Vernon to work on the Newcomb Cemetery property as part of the county's cemetery preservation project and 40-year-old Jeff Vanhook was selected by the Kentucky Commissioner of Education to replace Terry Burton on the Rockcastle School Board.

New Rockcastle County High School head football coach Scott Parkey began his first summer practice and an Open House was held at the new \$9.5 million Rockcastle Area Technology Center.

Approximately 800 people, including 400 students, attended the second annual Redi-Fest for Rockcastle students and well-known Rockcastle resident William McClure died at age 86.

In August, two mixed Beagle pups, which Rockcastle Animal Shelter Director James Kidwell said he thought were dead when he placed them in a bag containing dead puppies, were rescued by a work-release prisoner at the shelter. That story got regional coverage and resulted in a reprimand for Kidwell from County Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis.

All Rockcastle County Schools met the federally-

mandated No Child Left Behind requirements except for RCHS and eight people filed for the six Mt. Vernon City Council seats.

The Eastern Rockcastle Water Association board voted to place former President David Ballinger on their board and the Mt. Vernon City Council started the process to annex 350 acres into the city.

The Mt. Vernon City Council also voted during August to give Hanson Aggregates a right-of-way through the city park on Williams Street in Mt. Vernon to help their expansion project and 36-year-old Steven Tompkins of Mt. Vernon was arrested for a threat against circuit Judge Jeffery T. Burdette.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held at Lake Linville to celebrate the completion of a sewer project around the Lake, which allowed 35 homes in the area to hook onto city sewer and \$1,332 was raised at the Benefit Ride for the UNITE Coalition.

Brodhead Resident Sue Reed was in the process of forming a Neighborhood Watch and landowners began to mount their opposition to being annexed into the city limits of Mt. Vernon.

Ribbon-cutting ceremonies at Rockcastle's newest industry, PD3 were held and the drama at Eastern Rockcastle Water Association continued when clerk Sherry Miller was fired.

United States Congressman Harold Rogers visited several sites in Rockcastle County, including Mt. Vernon Elementary School and the RCHS UNITE Club challenged Bell County to Wipe Out Drugs.

In September, Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby decided to leave the Benton Bullock subdivision out of the proposed annexation and Katha Carpenter was named Citizen of the Year at Livingston.

First year RCHS head football coach Scott Parkey won his first game of the season over Pulaski County, 34-23 and RCHS senior Timber Shelton was named Renfro Valley Jamboree Bowl Queen.

James Carlos Cromer, 67, of Brodhead, was arrested and charged with first degree assault, after he allegedly shot his granddaughter's husband at the Brodhead Elderly Apartments and Rockcastle students had the tenth best test scores in the state on their yearly CATS tests.

Longtime *Mount Vernon Signal* co-owner and Publisher James Anderkin, Jr., died at the age of 77 and SourceCorp announced they would bring 139 new jobs to the county.

Approximately 200 people attended the annual Mt. Vernon High School Reunion and the Rockcastle County Board of Education agreed to lease space, in the former vocational school, to SourceCorp for a temporary location while their new factory is being completed.

Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby was arrested for official misconduct, involving a controversy over disposition of rock taken down for the new sidewalks on Richmond Street, and former University of Kentucky Wildcat Tim Couch was in Rockcastle to help promote the UNITE Bowl football game between the Rockets and Bell County.

No notices of violation were issued after officials from the Environmental Protection Agency inspected sites at Lake Linville where the city of Mt. Vernon was dumping debris from their Richmond Street sidewalk

project and Tanner Bray and Morgan Campbell were crowned football homecoming King and Queen at RCHS.

In the last week of September, a tragic auto accident in Madison County claimed the life of 21-year-old Jessica Holbrook and Gerald Miller and his son Rocky Lee Miller received federal prison sentences on drug charges.

Several hundred people attended a CD release for John Michael Montgomery's tenth album, "Time Flies" which was held at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum and Rockcastle's State Senator Ed Worley was the Grand Marshal in the Bittersweet Festival Parade.

55-year-old Frances Higginbotham of Mt. Vernon died after she was hit by a truck while lying in the middle of Williams Street in Mt. Vernon and the Lady Rocket Volleyball team won their 6th straight district title.

Mt. Vernon Elementary School 4th grader Logan Taylor won the Rockcastle District Spelling Bee and Mike Sheliga and Larry Burdette filed as write-in candidates for the Mt. Vernon City Council.

Proctor Brock found an old Grist Mill on his 280 acre farm which dated back to the 1800s and the family of Benton and Margaret Doan lost everything when their Menifee Hill home burned.

Mossie Noe celebrated her 100th birthday and a small crowd attended a forum on Mt. Vernon's annexation project.

23-year-old Thomas Bullens of Brodhead was jailed after he made threats against Brodhead Elementary

School principal Caroline Graves and 65-year-old Iverene Bond died from smoke inhalation after a fire broke out in her apartment at Livingston Manor Apartments.

207 people attended the annual Livingston High School Reunion and the Mt. Vernon City Council voted to begin collecting a four percent insurance tax, which the county was already receiving.

Brandy Chasteen Brock, defeated incumbent Jeff Vanhook for a seat on the Rockcastle County School Board in the November General Election and Don Jones and Jackie Wayne Weaver were elected to the Mt. Vernon City Council, along with incumbents Shelly Lewis, Sharon Saylor, Wayne Bullock and Joe Mullins.

The first 40 members of the RCHS Football Hall of Fame were honored at a ceremony at Rockcastle County High School and 55-year-old Jeff Kindred was killed in a auto accident on I-75.

A question of whether or not Brandy Brock was eligible to serve on the Rockcastle Board of Education arose and the county announced they had collected nearly a quarter of a million dollars from their new occupational tax.

250 people attended the annual Celebration of Veteran's Day at RCMS and two U.K. students were killed in an auto accident on I-75.

RCJS junior Laura Dollins won her second Cross Country regional title and Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby asked the council to drop the

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

Small Claims

B&L Grocery vs. David Barron, \$620.20 plus claimed due. S-00001

Deeds Recorded

Bobby Proper, property in Dixie Heights Addition in

Livingston, to Bobby Proper and Sandi Singleton. Tax \$3.75.

Mildred Jean Harding, property on Hammonds Fork Road, to Landis M. Harding. No tax.

District Civil Suits

Arrow Financial Services LLC vs. Patricia E. Simmons, \$2,105.23 plus

claimed due. Pattie A. Clay Regional Medical Center vs. Kim Blair, \$596.65 plus claimed due.

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center vs. Dewa Elam, \$1,117 plus claimed due.

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center vs. Shan York, \$1,071.30 plus claimed due. C-00004.

Circuit Civil Suits

U.S. Bank National Assn. vs. Cecil Rucker, et al, \$56,000 plus claimed due.

Suntrust Mortgage, Inc. vs. Jason Brock, et al, \$122,089.53 plus claimed due.

Colen Dale Short vs. Angela Hope Short, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Jack Ray Bradley vs. Robin Bradley, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Carl Michael Mowbray vs. Sherry Fonda Mowbray, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00005.

District Court

Jan. 5-7, 2009
Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
Lois Denny: fines/fees due (\$128), 3 days in lieu of

fines/costs. Tracy D. Isaacs: controlled substance prescription not in original container, \$100 fine.

Kimberly A. Kirby: public intoxication, \$100 fine and costs.

Miguel L. Lopez: speeding and no operators/moped license, license suspended for failure to appear.

Adam L. Reed: fines/fees due (\$218), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/5 days in jail or payment.

Carlos Rodriguez: speeding and no operators/moped license, license suspended for fta/bw issued.

James C. Spoonamore: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/3 days or payment.

Jamie D. Sturgill: no operators license in possession, \$50 fine and costs.

Speeding: Andrew W. Bryant, \$48 fine and costs; Alice F. Cromer, Jackie R. Harris, Melany D. Peters, Timothy R. Rothe, license suspended for fta; Virginia W. Tyner, \$30 fine and costs;

Pamela Denise Bussell: probation violation, bw issued for fta.

Penny Caldwell: fines/fees due (\$708), bw issued for fta/15 days or payment.

James E. Denney: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 day operator license suspension, 10 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Jason L. Hughes: failure to wear seat belts, paid.

Jennifer D. Dooley: theft by deception, \$20 fine and 20 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Aaron M. Eldridge: terroristic threatening, \$100 fine and costs and 30 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Charlie R. Page: probation violation, bw issued for fta.

Ricky A. Sandusky: operating vehicle w/expired operators license, and other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Anne T. Stirling: failure to maintain insurance and residents not to use license of other states, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jonathan W. Taylor: probation violation, bw issued

for fta. Teresa A. Willis: probation violation, bw issued for fta.

Kelly D. Whitaker: alcohol intoxication in public place, bw issued for fta.

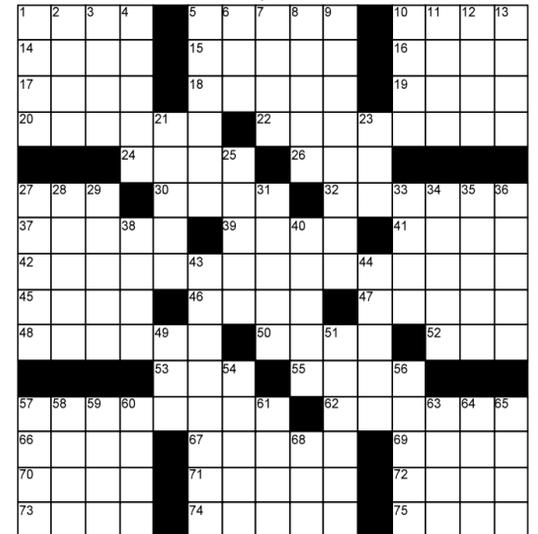
Robert L. Lear, Jr.: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, and other charges, action slip entered.

Karen S. Campos: theft by deception, \$20 fine and costs, \$275 restitution, 20 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Roger Baker: public intoxication, \$100 fine and costs; leaving scene of accident, 90 days, probated 24 months on condition plus payment of restitution.

Kentucky Crossword # 397

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Writer David Dick's "View from ___ Lick"
 - 5 Molten rock
 - 10 Northrup, Perkins, Rogers, et al
 - 14 1972 Derby winner, ___ Ridge
 - 15 Transparent
 - 16 Spoken
 - 17 Magoffin Co. hamlet, or always
 - 18 De Gaulle's birthplace
 - 19 Giant
 - 20 Kentuckian, Pulitzer Prize winner, John Ed
 - 22 KY's oldest public records are found in this town
 - 24 Pillow covering
 - 26 Expert
 - 27 C.E.O.'s degree
 - 30 Soon
 - 32 Not these or those
 - 37 Hue
 - 39 Provoke
 - 41 Fertilizer
 - 42 KY state park known for huge anchor and chain
 - 45 Washington bills
 - 46 Toward shelter
 - 47 Japanese immigrant
 - 48 Gossips
 - 50 Pockets
 - 52 Ram's mate
 - 53 Short title for Jim Bunning
 - 55 Former Larue Co. mill town, or type of grain
 - 57 TN or IN to KY
 - 62 Home county of both Nevada and Oregon, KY
 - 66 Gas burner
 - 67 Saying
 - 69 Tiny bit
 - 70 Egyptian canal
 - 71 Procrastinator's word
 - 72 Neaten; ___ up
 - 73 Tag info
 - 74 Pack animal
 - 75 Sound astonished
- DOWN**
- 1 Get ready
 - 2 In person
 - 3 Eye part
 - 4 Shelby Co. native, noted political activist against the KKK
 - 5 Calhoun, KY is this county's seat
 - 6 Louisville's famous Cassius Clay
 - 7 Salon supply
 - 8 Island nation
 - 9 One in KY is 859
 - 10 Pro baseball catcher Phil of Paducah
 - 11 Therefore
 - 12 Young salmon
 - 13 Sliding toy
 - 21 Silver ___, 1997 Derby winner
 - 23 Gauze
 - 25 Big shot
 - 27 Hatfield-___
 - 28 A KY county lying in the "North Bend" of the Ohio River
 - 29 Author of "A Kentucky Cardinal"
 - 31 Pries
 - 33 Drones
 - 34 Jagged
 - 35 Extend
 - 36 Composer Erik
 - 38 Depose
 - 40 Crosswise, on deck
 - 43 Sport of the Lexington Legends
 - 44 Hosiery material
 - 49 Hearth residue
 - 51 Kentuckians Marvin and Morgan Smith's work instrument
 - 54 Knobby
 - 56 KY county, "Crappie Capital of the World"
 - 57 Famed loch
 - 58 Handbag
 - 59 Martin Co.'s seat
 - 60 Long look
 - 61 Pro ___
 - 63 Pepsi, e.g.
 - 64 Terminal info
 - 65 Highway exit
 - 68 Treasure

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Rockcastle Co. Has Been Awarded Federal Funds Under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program

Rockcastle has been chosen to receive \$12,366.00 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county.

The selection was made by a National Board that is chaired by the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from American Red Cross; Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.; The Salvation Army; United Jewish Communities and United Way of America. The Local Board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.

A Local Board, made up of Rockcastle Co. Judge Executive and local board of directors will determine how the funds awarded to Rockcastle Co. are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service agencies in the area. The Local Board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase of the program.

Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies must: 1) be private voluntary non-profits or units of government, 2) have an accounting system, 3) practice nondiscrimination, 4) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs and 5) if they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Qualifying agencies are urged to apply.

Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Tamara Cox at 606-256-5315 for an application. The deadline for applications to be received is January 23, 2009.

For Rogers Scholars and Entrepreneurial Leadership Scholarship opportunities deadline is January 31

By Sharon Dodson,
The Center for Rural Development

The Center for Rural Development is seeking high school students in Rockcastle County interested in becoming part of the next generation of business leaders or entrepreneurs in Southern and Eastern Kentucky, and qualifying for college scholarships to help achieve that goal.

Applications will be accepted through Jan. 31 for students seeking to apply for 2009 classes of Rogers Scholars or the Entrepreneurial Leadership Institute (ELI), two summer youth programs sponsored by The Center. Both are leadership training programs, with ELI focusing on developing skills for future business leaders and entrepreneurs.

Rogers Scholars is an intensive one-week summer session for rising high school juniors in The Center's primary 42-county service area. The program, named after U.S. Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers, (KY-05), emphasizes the development of technological skills and builds in participants a sense of leadership, an entrepreneurial spirit, and a commitment to rural Kentucky.

Graduates of Rogers Scholars—The Center's flagship youth program—are also eligible to apply for college scholarships from 13 participating Kentucky colleges and universities.

Sixty students from throughout the region will be selected to represent their home counties as Rogers Scholars this year in two, one-week summer sessions planned for June 28-July 3 and July 12-17.

High school freshmen, sophomores, and juniors with a specific interest in business and entrepreneurship are encouraged to apply for ELI. The one-week summer program focuses on creativity and teamwork, and building business and leadership skills.

During the week, student business teams create a business plan and present their proposals before a panel of judges in a business concept competition on the final day of the session.

Members of the first-place business concept team are eligible to receive a Presidential Scholarship to Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, Ky. The winning team also will be recognized at the 2009 Excellence In Entrepreneurship Awards (EIEA) program scheduled for September at The Center.

Thirty students within The Center's primary service region will be selected to attend the 2009 session of ELI. The program is set to begin June 14 and conclude June 19 with a graduation ceremony in The Center's performing arts theatre.

Both Rogers Scholars and ELI are held at The Center's headquarters in Somerset, Ky. Lodging, meals, and program expenses (excluding transportation costs to and from the host site) are provided free of charge to participating students.

Applications for both programs are available on The Center's web site at www.centertech.com, or by contacting Jessica Melton, associate director of education and training, at 606-677-6000 or via e-mail at jmelton@centertech.com. Applications must be post-marked by Jan. 31.

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**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 08-CI-00232**

Community Trust Bank, Inc. Plaintiff

V.

Leslie Jadawn Pennington, et al Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on December 5, 2008, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE DOLLARS AND 14/100 (\$8,323.14) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, January 23, 2008
Beginning at the hour of 1:00 p.m.**

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

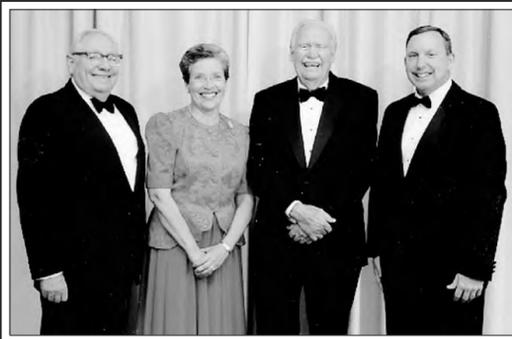
Being Lot Number One Hundred Sixty Three (163) in the Rainbow Ridge Subdivision (Phase #2) and fronting on Gold Dust Drive. For further description see plat recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court in Plat Book 4, page 353 (Slide 578). Tax Map Reference 033-80-00-163

Being the same property Jeffrey Pennington and L. Jadawn Pennington obtained by deed dated March 31, 2006 of record in Deed Book 209, page 663 and of record at the Rockcastle County Court Clerk's office, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

The property shall be sold upon the following terms and conditions:

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have a force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2009 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back line, restrictions or covenants or record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**Jerome S. Fish,
Special Master Commissioner**



From left: Warren W. Rosenthal, President of the Kentucky Historical Society Foundation; Mrs. Glenn (the former Judy Hopkins) Marsh and Dr. Glenn Marsh, inductees into the Abraham Lincoln Society; and Kent Whitworth, Executive Director of the Kentucky Historical Society. (Photo courtesy of Kentucky Historical Society.)

Marshes inducted into Abraham Lincoln Society

A native of Rockcastle County, Judy Hopkins Marsh, and her husband, Dr. Glenn Marsh, were recently inducted into the Abraham Lincoln Society at the Kentucky Historical Society's (KHS) annual Lincoln Gala at the Thomas D. Clark Center for Kentucky History. *Beyond the Log Cabin: Kentucky's Abraham Lincoln*, the commonwealth's signature Lincoln exhibition, made its debut and new members of the Lincoln Society and Dr. John P. Stewart, II were honored at the gala.

"We were overwhelmed with the gracious reception so warmly showered upon us by the society at the gala. We are humbled to be recognized by such a dedicated group of patrons of the history of our Commonwealth," Mrs. Marsh said. "Their efforts in preserving Kentucky's history are a great service to all Kentuckians, present and future, and we treasure our privilege to be a part of such an organization."

This year signals the tenth anniversary of the Abraham Lincoln Society which honors individuals, corporations and foundations that have demonstrated their dedication to the KHS Foundation with a cumulative gift of at least \$25,000. By setting an example of leadership for others, members of the society help to support KHS as it moves forward to meet the challenges of preserving the history of Kentucky for generations to come. Each year, the Abraham Lincoln Society sponsors a gala event to introduce and welcome new members and express appreciation for the ongoing generosity of previously inducted members.

In September, KHS received an impressive collection of nineteenth-century sporting and hunting firearms from Dr. and Mrs. Marsh. While KHS has a strong military weapons collection, the sporting and hunting firearm collection lacked the depth needed to tell the story of Kentucky sportsmen and the Marsh collection has helped to fill this void. Although Dr. Marsh is originally from Alabama, he now calls Kentucky home and considers himself a true Kentuckian. A retired dermatologist and pharmacologist, Dr. Marsh resides with his wife on a working farm in Fayette County.

"Glen and Judy Marsh have given an incredible gift to all Kentuckians. To be able to share the story of Benjamin Mills and the other Kentucky gunsmiths, represented by the firearms collections that the Marshes donated, is an awesome opportunity," said Jim Wallace, executive director of the KHS Foundation.

Judy Hopkins Marsh, the daughter of Ruth Hopkins and the late Berl Hopkins of Rockcastle County, is a graduate of Brodhead High School, Berea College and Eastern Kentucky University with a Master's degree. Dr. Marsh is a retired Lexington dermatologist who served the needs of many patients from Rockcastle and adjoining counties. He also served on the faculty of the University of Kentucky School of Medicine and as one of the University of Kentucky athletic team physicians. A graduate of Auburn University and Emory University in Atlanta, he is author of *The Shortest Pencil* a book about life in Kentucky and his medical experiences.

Wayne Stewart Adult Health Care Center Christmas Auction

Wayne Stewart Adult Health Care Center's annual Christmas Auction was once again a huge success. The auction provides an opportunity for clients to buy gifts for their family members, friends or themselves that might otherwise not be possible.

Clients are given a set amount of "Santa Bucks," or play money, and may bid on any item they choose. All clients had a wonderful time and were so excited with the gifts they received.

The auction would not have been possible without the generosity of so many thoughtful businesses and individuals.

The staff and clients of the Wayne Stewart Center would like to most graciously thank the following for their donations this year:

State Farm Insurance Agency, Mt. Vernon Signal, Jake's Furniture, Pizza Hut, Saylor's Furniture, Aletha's Florist, A Cut Above, Sabrina's Hair Design, A Touch of Class Hair Design, Cox Funeral Home, Dowell & Martin Funeral Home, Sparks Florist, Peoples Bank, Peg's Food Mart, Brodhead Food Mart, B&M Liquidators, Vicki Barnes, Rockcastle Pharmacy, Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, John's Cellular One, John Ford, Ford Brothers, Radio Shack, Hiatt's 5&10, Appliance Service Center, Jack's Hardware, Mt. Vernon Drug, Rocket Sports and Apparel, Lumber King.

Singleton Insurance Agency, Brodhead Pharmacy, Farm Bureau Insurance, Mt. Vernon Plumbing, Community Trust Bank, Richmond Street Eyecare, Subway, Windswept Stables, Linda's Variety Store, Citizens Bank, PBK Bank, Town & Country Motors, Mark's Welding, Brodhead Tobacco Barn, Mt. Vernon Drug, Main Street Pharmacy, South Central Pools, Brodhead IBA, Mt. Vernon Heating & Cooling, Mt. Vernon Partials and Dentures, Stanford WalMart, Berea WalMart, Brodhead Lions Club, Juanita Cromer, Jody Johnson, Jamie Fain, PDS Factory, Jenny McKinney, Jim's Furniture.

In memory of a former client, who passed away suddenly this summer before her twin granddaughters were born, our clients and staff provided, with open hearts, a Christmas dinner basket and gifts for the newborn twins and two-year-old granddaughter. We are so proud of our clients for sharing the true meaning of Christmas with such a special family to our center.

We would also like to thank William "Bill" Cash for donating his time, travel, supplies and expertise but, most of all, for being so kind and generous to help us get started on our painting project. Thank you Mr. Cash!



Clients at Wayne Stewart Adult Health Care Center enjoyed their annual Christmas auction.

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 Deadline for Classifieds is 10 a.m. TUESDAY

For Rent

For Rent: 2 BR house, oil heat. In Livingston. 453-3481. 7x3p

For Rent: 2 bedroom small apartment on Hwy. 70 in Brodhead. Refrigerator and stove furnished, utilities paid. \$450 month/\$200 deposit. 758-8692. 8x1p

For Rent: Nice two bedroom mobile home. \$375 month plus deposit. 606-758-4985. 8x2p

House For Rent: 3 BR home in Brindle Ridge area (Roundstone School). Stove and refrigerator furnished. \$550 month plus deposit. No pets. 859-925-3080. 8x2p

For Rent: 2 bedroom mobile home. Refrigerator required. No pets inside. One mile on Hwy. 461. \$275 month/\$200 deposit. Water furnished. Call 758-8317 after 4:30 p.m. 8x1p

For Lease or Rent: 30x40 commercial building, 1 mile from Mt. Vernon on 461. High traffic area. \$450 month plus utilities. Call 606-256-5678. 8x4p

Barnett Storage and Rental. 5x10, \$25 monthly; 10x10, \$35 monthly. 1 mile from Mt. Vernon. Call or see Ronnie at Barnett Cycle. 606-256-5678. 8x4p

For Rent: 2 BR mobile home, stove and refrigerator furnished. Quarry St., Mt. Vernon. No pets. \$300 month/\$300 deposit. 606-308-4592. 7xntf

For Rent: 2 bedroom house with big yard on 490. \$300 month/\$400 deposit. Call 606-392-9633. 7x3p

For Rent: Duplex in Brodhead. All appliances furnished. Call Patty 758-9666. 5xntf

Duplex For Rent in Brodhead.

For Rent
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 of Brodhead
 256-2884 or
 606-308-2491

2BR, washer/dryer/dish-washer. Call Amy Nicely 256-8700. 3xntf

For Rent: 2 and 3 bedroom trailer, starting as low as \$200 month plus \$200 deposit. Call 256-9943. 47xntf

For Rent: 2 bedroom trailer in Mt. Vernon. 859-358-3560 or 256-9943. 47xntf

For Rent: Small 2 bedroom trailer in Mt. Vernon. No pets. Also, house in Brodhead. 758-4729. 40xntf

For Rent: Accepting applications at Mt. Vernon Housing Authority on Mondays 9 a.m. til 12 noon. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf

Accepting Applications: For 2 and 3 bedroom units at Valley View Apartments. Rent based on income. Call 256-5912. Equal Housing Opportunity, TDD for hearing impaired only. 1-800-247-2510. 36tfn

Property For Sale

For Sale By Land Contract: Rustic Alpine style house. 3633 square feet with 4 acres of mostly woodland located at 211 Swiss Hills, 3/10 mile from the city limits of Berea. Will consider trade. 606-256-9053. 7x3p

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For Sale: (1) Lot - 6 acres wooded on Breezy Hollow Lane, \$23,500. (2) 7.7 acres cleared on Breezy Hollow Lane, \$29,900. (3) Two lots on Breezy Hollow, 1.4 acres, to be sold together, \$8,500. 256-3213 or 308-2953. 16xntf

Lots For Sale: Castle Ridge Subdivision. Use same entry way as Bible Baptist Church. All lots have city sewer and underground utilities. starting at \$12,900. 606-256-5692 • 256-4504 • 308-3730. 20xntf

For Sale: Mobile home lots, located in Sunnyside Mobile Home Park. 1.2 acre lots - \$500 down and \$100 per month. Call 606-256-5692 or 606-256-5648. 43xntf

Posted: No trespassing on property of Darrell and Helen Whittaker, located on East Fork of Skaggs Creek and Cut Gap. Keep out!! 32(08)x51p

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs n Hwy 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 6x6p

No Trespassing on land belonging to Donald Bowman on Cow Bell Hollow Road at Salt-petre Cave. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 8x1p

Posted: No trespassing or hunting on land of J.B. Baker, located at Climax. 8x3p

Posted: No hunting, trapping or trespassing on property belonging to William Holt, Winkie Holt or Neureul Jones, located in Kidwell Hollow. Violators will be prosecuted. 7x5p

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on Ed Wilson Farm, 5320 Hummel Road, Wildie. 44(08)x52p

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs on Hwy. 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents.

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42(08)x25p
Posted: No trespassing on Crawford Place - Old Brodhead Road. Danny Smith. 47tfn

Posted: No trespassing, ATVs on land belonging to Billy Whitaker on Skaggs Creek.

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on property belonging to Mark and Debbie Cummins. Violators will be prosecuted. 9x52p

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Victoria Reese at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing on property known as C.B. Owens Farm across from Fairgrounds in Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 25tfn

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property owned by Doug and Judy Brock known as Brock's North Hill Farm at Maretburg consisting of the Swinney Place, Brock Place, Hensley Farm, Lakes Farm. 3tf

Mobile Homes For Sale

For Sale: 1991 Redmond River View mobile home. 14x76 with washer/dryer/stove/refrigerator/CHA. 256-4905 or 256-4691. 7x2p

For Sale: 3 bedroom, 2 bath doublewide home, recently remodeled, situated on 1/2 acre lot off Hwy. 461 in Sunnyside Estates. 606-308-3432.

For Sale: 14x70 Norris mobile home with slide out addition. Remodeled. Serious inquiries only. 606-308-2885. 8x2p

For Sale: Trailer and lot in Livingston. 453-3481. 7x3p

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For Sale: 2006 Giles doublewide mobile home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, front and rear deck, guttering and underpinning. Must be moved. All appliances including washer and dryer stay. Serious inquiries only. 758-4735 or 758-8994. 7tfn

Used Homes For Sale: Nice 2 and 3 bedrooms. 606-524-4278. 8x1

Single Wide: Ain't pretty but cheap. Sell for cash. 606-309-1391. 8x1

Renters Wanted: 3BR/2BA. Limited home available. 606-878-7055. 8x1

Government Funds Available: Easy qualifying, easy financing. Manufactured homes 606309-1391. 7x1

Nice Country Living: 3 or 4 Bedrooms, 2 baths. Owner will finance. 606-524-0286 8x1

Norris Home: will finance w/ your own land. 606-524-4278. 8x1

Starter Home: 3 bedroom, will furnish, ready to move into. Need two credit references. 606-344-3347. 8x1

No Money Down -0- \$\$\$: Special program. With your deed. Clayton of London. Double wide 3 BR. Nice, nice home. 1-888-293-4246. 8x1

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 The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority will be selling two mobile homes which they have recently purchased through the acquisition of land to expand the Rockcastle County Business Park South. The development is located at the corner of HWY 150 and HWY 2549 and both mobile homes can be inspected at this location. The two mobile homes for sale are marked with signs and available for inspection to interested bidders.

Bids are being accepted as of Friday, January 9th, 2009 and will be accepted through Thursday, January 22nd, 2009. Those interested in submitting bids should send the following information:

- Their Name
- Their physical address & mailing address if different
- Their telephone contact number
- An e-mail address if available
- And their bid price for the mobile home

The information above should be sent to the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, PO Box 592, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, 40456. The envelope should be marked "MOBILE HOME BID". The bids will be opened on Friday, January 23, 2009 and the successful bidder will be contacted by phone and will be required to provide a cashier's check for the balance on Friday, January 23, 2009. The mobile homes will be sold "as is" and the successful bidder will be responsible for removing the mobile homes from the property within 14 days of their bid being accepted, weather permitting. The mobile homes being sold are one doublewide (28x68) and one singlewide (14x70). Questions about either of these mobile homes should be directed to Jim Holton at (606) 219-7030 or contact Jim Holton by e-mail at jholton@rockcastlecountyky.com.

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Relay for Life kickoff is Jan. 22

Relay for Life is back! Area volunteers are presently gearing up for the 2009 American Cancer Society Rockcastle County Relay for Life.

The Relay for Life Kick Off will be held on Jan. 22 at 5 p.m. at Rockcastle Hospital & Respiratory Care Center. The public is welcome to attend to hear about the new ideas and innovations planned for this year. It will also be an opportunity for participants to register their teams and sign up to serve as Relay volunteers.

Refreshments and prizes will be offered. Team registration discounts will be offered for those teams that register at the kick off. New teams that sign up at the kick off will have their registration fee waived. Returning team registration discounts will be

\$50 or \$25 if you recruit a new team.

The annual Rockcastle County Relay for Life event traditionally draws hundreds of participants and teams that walk the track all night to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Money received allows the American Cancer Society to continue funding cancer research, state and national legislative advocacy and the Society's many educational and community service programs.

Relay for Life will return to Rockcastle County on June 19, 2009 at the Rockcastle County Middle School track.

For more information about how you can participate in the fight against cancer, please contact Melissa Brock at (606) 256-7703 or m.brock@rhrcc.org.

“Review”

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proposal to annex property southwest of the city.

Site preparation began for the new SourceCorp building in Business Park South and 21-year-old Chris Stewart was indicted on an attempted murder charge.

The RCHS Rocket football team defeated Greenup County in the first round of the state playoffs, but lost to eventual state champion Bell County in the second round.

The Mt. Vernon City Council voted down a request by Mayor Clarice Kirby for \$2 million in funding for three separate projects and the home of Billy and Jennifer Cameron on Halcomb East Road was heavily damaged by fire.

In December, the Rockcastle Fiscal Court voted to begin condemnation proceedings on property owned by Barbara Baker, to complete the purchase of 20 additional acres for Business Park South and longtime educator Jean Gentry served as Grand Mar-

shal of the Brodhead Christmas Parade.

Eastern Rockcastle Water Association President Dell Ponder resigned and David Ballinger was elected to take his position.

Valley Baptist Church at Copper Creek celebrated their 100th anniversary and Community Trust Bank agreed to loan the county \$2.7 million for the construction of the SourceCorp building.

The Mt. Vernon City Council approved borrowing \$750,000 for the Rockcastle Tourism Commission and approximately 100 people attended the annual Community Christmas Dinner at Livingston.

At their regular monthly meeting the Mt. Vernon City Council voted to purchase a new city fire truck for \$217,000 and they also raised water rates for their 2,000 water customers.

130 people participated in the 5th annual Jingle Bell Run and a pretrial conference date of February 23rd was scheduled in the criminal case against Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby for official misconduct.

Many organizations in Rockcastle County helped local families enjoy a good Christmas and 6,000 food items were collected at the Rockcastle Middle School.



Several dogs and pups up for adoption

Several dogs and pups are up for adoption at the Rockcastle Animal Shelter on Deep Hollow Road, off Old Sigmon Road, at Roundstone. Above, Animal Shelter Director James Kidwell shows off a part Golden Retriever which is one of many animals now up for adoption at the shelter. The adoption fee is \$20. For more information call (606) 256-1833.

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Rockcastle Travelers Note

Rockcastle Travelers are going to Washington, D.C. during Spring Break, March 31-April 4. There are still a few spaces left for this bus tour. A \$50 deposit within the next two weeks will hold your seat. Balance due in February. Call Sue at 256-2012.

Courthouse Office Hours

All courthouse offices will be closed Sat., Jan. 17th and Monday, Jan. 19th in observance of the Martin Luther King Holiday.

Project Graduation Meeting

There will be a Project Graduation 2009 meeting Monday, Feb. 2nd at 6:30 in the high school cafeteria. All students - Avon orders are due that night. Meetings will follow on the first Monday of each month. All parents/guardians of seniors are urged to attend.

UNITE Meetings

UNITE monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. However, the location for January and February meetings has been changed to Pizza Hut. The next meeting will be Feb. 11th at noon.

Financial Aid Workshop

The World Wrestling Cartel will have matches at the Broughtontown Community Center on Feb. 7th. Doors open at 7:30, matches start at 8 p.m. Wrestlers featured include Black Rain, Gorgeous Jimmy Funk and Brian Lawless. Admission is \$8 per person and tickets are on sale at Saylor's Market in Crab Orchard. This event will benefit the Broughtontown Community Center.

WWC At Crab Orchard

Berea Parks and Recreation is excited to offer Winter Wonderland! This free special event has been specifically designed for individuals with special needs of all ability levels and ages! Join us on Jan. 16th from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Berea for dancing, games, arts and crafts, snacks and the celebration of winter. Call 986-9402 for more information.

Foster/Adoptive Parent Meeting

Are you interested in becoming a foster or adoptive parent? The Cabinet for Health and Family Services will hold an informational meeting on Jan. 22, 2009 at 6 p.m. at the Rockcastle CountyDCBS office in the Scott Building on Main Street in Mt. Vernon. New classes will begin Jan. 27, 2009. For more information, contact Brandy Baldwin at 606-287-7114.

ERWA Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Livingston Homecoming Committee Room.

New Hours for Historical Society

The Rockcastle Historical Society will be open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building. Monthly society meetings are held the 4th Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building in Mt. Vernon.

RCIDA Meeting

The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority holds its regular meeting the first Monday of each month at noon on the third floor of the courthouse.

NA Women's Meeting

The Women's NA Serenity Group of Mt. Vernon meets each Monday at 8 p.m. at the Christian Appalachian Project Community Center, 64 Beiting Lane, Mt. Vernon. Open meeting - non-smoking.

Kiwanis Club Meetings

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at Renfro Valley Lodge.

Women's Narcotics Meeting

There will be a Women's Narcotics Anonymous Meeting every Monday evening at 8 p.m. at the Community Center, sponsored by Christian Appalachian Center. For more information, contact the Healing Rain Center at 256-5810.

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Carlos Ray Cunningham, 30, of Mt. Vernon died Friday in the above head-on crash in Garrard County. (Photo by: Danny Elam, Garrard Central Record)

In Garrard County last Friday

Local man dies in head-on crash

Special to the *Signal*
By Pattie Cox

Garrard Central Record

A horrific head-on collision, caused by a suspected drunken driver, on one of the coldest days of the season took the lives of both drivers last Friday afternoon in Garrard County.

Carlos Cunningham, 30, of Mt. Vernon, died immediately from massive head trauma, while the victim, Brandon Plummer, 21, Lancaster, died

early the next morning during surgery to repair internal injuries.

Plummer was airlifted to Lexington after the accident and all indications were that he would be okay, his mother Carol Plummer said on Tuesday. Doctors even came out about mid-way through surgery to tell family members that he was doing well and that the cardiac team was in the process of preparing him for open-heart surgery. They thought they

would be repairing a bulge in his aorta. But what they found was worse, in fact so bad that they didn't understand how he had lived as long as he had. Two tears in the body's largest artery were discovered.

Lancaster City officers Will Lake and Tim Royce responded to the call from dispatch asking for any agency to respond to complaints about a suspected impaired driver who was all over Crab Orchard Road. One woman even made

the statement that the man needed to be taken off the road before he killed somebody, police said.

Cunningham at one point had pulled into a driveway just west of Steve Crawley's welding shop on Crab Orchard Road. As Lake drove by he saw the vehicle but was not sure that it was the suspect until Royce radioed that a driver stopped him to tell him that it was Cunningham.

Lake turned around and drove by the parked vehicle again and met up with Royce. Both police cars drove east again and as they approached, Cunningham backed out and drove around Lake first and then Royce who were both attempting to block him in. He sped off in the direction of Fall

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No school Wednesday

Rockcastle County school students got another unscheduled day off on Wednesday, when school was dismissed again because of slick roads.

Wednesday's dismissal was only the fourth time school has been dismissed this school year because of bad weather, but it was the third straight school day classes had to be cancelled, starting with last Friday.

Many side roads in the county were still slick on Wednesday because of a small Monday night snowfall and because of the fact that there was little sunshine on Tuesday when the high temperature reached only 27 degrees.

The recorded low temperature on Wednesday morning was three degrees above zero.

With Wednesday's closing the last day for students this school year is now scheduled for Friday, May 21st.

Fiscal Court sets Peters' and Houk's 2009 budgets

During a special called meeting last Friday, the fiscal court heard a request from Sheriff Mike Peters for the county to fund an additional deputy for his office and reduced the salary cap for County Clerk Norma Houk's office.

Peters told the court that his office needed another road deputy to better serve the county's safety needs but that his present revenue could not support an additional \$30,000 cost.

Peters said that presently he was having to pay substantial overtime and the county was still without an officer on duty from 4 a.m. to 8 a.m. And, Peters added, there is not a state

trooper from 2 a.m. to 8 a.m. on duty in the county. The sheriff also pointed out that last year, his office answered 5,800 911 calls not counting calls to his office and cell phone. Peters said he felt it would take a minimum of five deputies, and maybe six, to provide adequate service to the county.

County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis told the court that Rockcastle is now supplementing the sheriff's office over \$115,000 a year -- including matching social security and retirement benefits but that other counties, of comparable population, to Rockcastle, are

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Arrest made after Meth Lab found

One person was arrested after Rockcastle County sheriff's deputies discovered a working methamphetamine lab at a home in northern Rockcastle County late last Wednesday night.

According to a news release, at approximately 10:30 p.m. Deputies Jason Kirby, Ronnie Bradley and Roger Pigg were investigating a complaint about a possible meth lab on property off Lil' Clear Creek Road in the Conway community.

The deputies received permission from the landowner to search a house, which was reportedly being used just for storage.

At the house police found 29-year-old Coleman Gibbs, of Burchwood Drive, Berea,

along with the active meth lab and other items related to methamphetamine production.

Gibbs was charged by the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Office on outstanding warrants.

Operation UNITE detectives were notified about the discovery and charged Gibbs with one count of manufacturing methamphetamine.

He was lodged in the Rockcastle County Jail under a \$25,000 cash/property bond and was arraigned in Rockcastle District Court on Wednesday.

UNITE officers were at the home for several hours assisting with cleanup efforts.

An investigation continues

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Rocket Docket shows Fiscal Court first results

Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Jeremy Bartley was at last Wednesday's regular meeting of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court to report on the recently instituted Rocket Docket program.

Bartley told the court that three offenders, Amanda Kates

Bullens, 28, Michael Wombles, 29 and Travis Deborde, 22 had all taken advantage of the new program. He said that, under normal circumstances, the county would have had to house the three for a combined

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Lady Rockets ranked number two in state

The Rockcastle County High School Lady Rockets were ranked second in the state on Monday in the *Lexington Herald-Leader's* Dave Cantrell Ratings, which is the highest

rating for the team since 2005, when they were also ranked second.

The Lady Rockets were also ranked number one in the 12th region, on Monday followed by Casey County and Lincoln County.

Casey County is ranked 10th in the state and Lincoln County 13th.

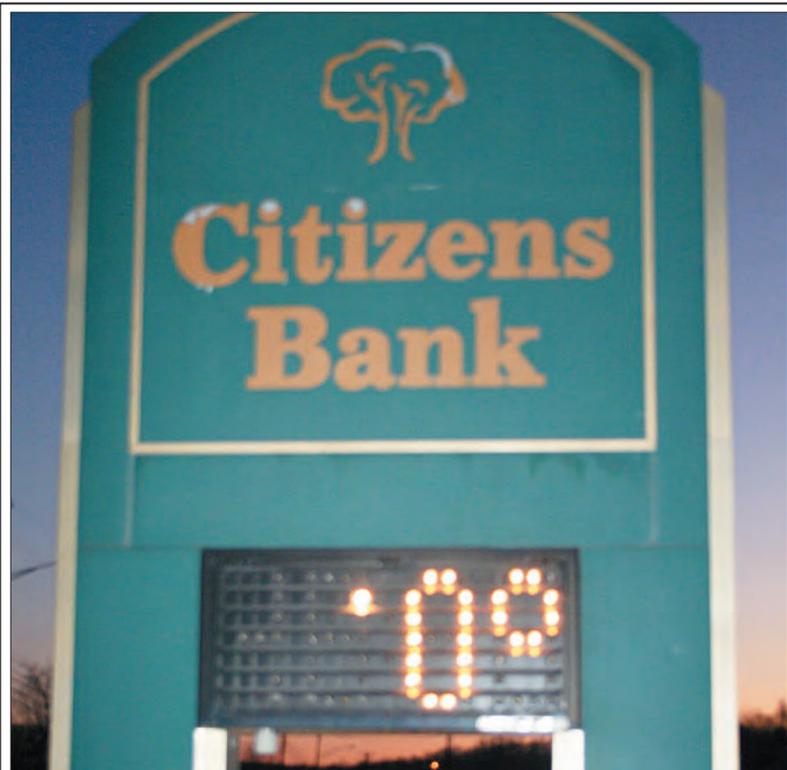
After Tuesday night's 51-36 win over visiting Wayne County the Lady Rockets are 15-4, but two of those losses have been to Casey County and Lincoln County.

Head Coach Chrysti Noble, who is in her 18th season as head coach of the Lady Rockets, said Tuesday that while she appreciates the high ranking, she doesn't put much stock in them.

"Although we lost to Lincoln County early and we played terrible at Casey when we lost, we still lost to both of them and we are ranked higher than they are in that poll, it just doesn't make a lot of sense," Noble said.

"The only thing that matters is if we continue to get better down the stretch and are ready for the district and, hopefully,

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The Citizens Bank clock on Hwy. 150 in Mt. Vernon showed a reading of zero last Thursday morning, around 7:40 a.m. However, a low temperature of minus three was recorded later that morning at the Cox Funeral Home Weather Station in Mt. Vernon. The minus three degrees was followed by a minus two last Friday. The below zero temperatures were the lowest recorded in the county in the past two years. Wednesday morning when school was called for the third straight day, the temperature dropped to three degrees above zero. (Photo by: Richard Anderkin).



A new fire truck was delivered to the City of Mt. Vernon last Friday afternoon by Bob Burns, President of Vehicle Systems of Lexington. The Mt. Vernon City Council voted to buy the 2008 four door Freightliner at their December meeting at a cost of \$217,467. On hand to take delivery of the new city truck were from left: firemen Chris Kerns, Adam Bales, Jackie Wayne Weaver, asst. Fire Chief Jack Weaver, Burns, Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, Fire Chief David Bales, Brian Bullock, David Derr, Darrell Smith, Jeff Parker, Brandon Reynolds, Josh Hayes, Jordan Bales and Dallas Todd. In front is Keaton McClure, Jack Weaver's grandson. The new truck should be fully operational in the next week to ten days. (Photo by: Richard Anderkin)

Editor's Notes

By Richard Anderkin



When you take a moment and think about how some people in the United States have treated African Americans, during our 230 year history, who cannot help but feel good about Tuesday's swearing in of President Barack Obama.

Shortly after the President took the oath of office on Tuesday, I was in the courthouse gathering information on other subjects and of course the day's events became the topic of discussion.

I'm not totally sure, but I think I was talking to most, if not all, Republicans, who had not voted for the 44th President in November.

But, there were no racial remarks, no forecasts of doom-day -- only comments of support and hope for a better United States, from people who are Americans before they are Republicans.

I, myself, am cautiously optimistic about the future of this country and I hope that the politics in our nation's Capitol do not hinder the apparent good intentions of the free world's new leader.

Few are willing to accept the responsibility that goes with being put in a place of leadership, and, if the present conditions in this country prove anything, it is apparent that even fewer are good at it.

President Obama likely

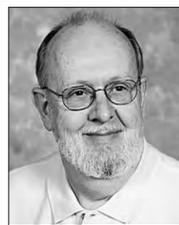
will be good at fulfilling the duties of his office, but I cannot help but think that our Congressional leaders, who can be elected for life, are more to blame for what has happened in this country, than any of the past few Presidents and they may, in the end, hinder his attempts to lead this country in the right direction.

We elect a President every four years and after eight -- if that President has been re-elected -- we send them home.

That isn't the case with Congress. If they can raise enough money, take care of the right people in the right places and don't get caught in a sex scandal, they are in Washington until they either decide they have sucked at the public tit until their mouth is sore or they die in office. Either way, you've got senators and representatives who have lasted through five Presidents and who, in many cases, are far removed from the problems that face ordinary Americans.

Let's all give President Obama a chance, after all we keep giving the rest of our lawmakers chance after chance. That is what this country is all about, chances to do good.

Here is wishing our new President the best. We all know he will need whatever support the common person can give him.



Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

As most of you know by now, I consider my grandfather (Pop) to be one of my all-time heroes. When my parents divorced, I was only six or seven years old, and my mother and I moved in with Pop and Mommie Katie. Pop became my surrogate father. His advice and constant instruction guided my young life. Some of that advice followed me throughout my adult life. And some was rather amusing. A sampling follows.

Each year in the spring, Pop borrowed a team of mules from one of his friends in order to turn the ground for his garden. Pop was extremely dedicated to the selection of the plot for his garden spot. The results themselves testified to his success in annually rotating his crops.

One year while walking behind the mules, Pop caught the edge of the plow blade on a stump in the middle of his garden-to-be. The blade flipped up and the mules stumbled trying to keep in a straight line. In observation of the event, and in an effort to create some sort of teaching moment, Pop soon after remarked, "This job is a lot simpler if you plow around the stumps." He and I shared a good laugh at his moment of wisdom.

Late one afternoon, Pop and I were sitting under a large shade tree in his yard after he

had just returned from the Mt. Vernon Bank and the Post Office. Keep in mind that his weekly trip to the bank and his daily visit to the Post Office were very important to him. He always kept up with his finances and with anything that required attention from the mail.

That particular day some-

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Kentucky native is oldest college basketball player ever

The oldest active player in the history of college basketball has encountered a lot of celebrities over the last few months.

But the one person Ken Mink would most like to meet has yet to step forward.

In 1955-56, the native of the

tiny Perry County town of Vicco in eastern Kentucky was a star player for Lees Junior College in Jackson.

At the start of his sophomore season, Lees opened up their brand new gym with an upset of the University of Kentucky freshmen, led by future UK all-star Johnny Cox.

Mink had 16 points, and the son of a coal miner was displaying skills that could earn him a scholarship at a four-year school.

But six games into the season, he was kicked off the team and out of school after being accused of spraying shaving cream in his coach's shoes and office.

Mink has always maintained his innocence.

Sitting at a table in a Shoney's restaurant in Harriman, Tennessee last week, Mink told his story after returning from his second trip to the buffet bar.

"My getting kicked out of school was very unfair because I simply didn't do it," he said.

"I told them I didn't even shave. And even if I had done it, the punishment was unjust. There were guys caught with girls in their rooms after midnight who didn't get kicked out of school."

The old story has received renewed interest since October of last year when the resident of Farragut, Tenn., decided he wanted to go back to school and finish what he started.

As a member of the senior Olympics team, the Smokey Mountain Pappas, he had proven he could still play, but he knew that convincing a school to give him an opportunity could be a problem.

The semi-retired journalist sent letters out to coaches at several schools within a reasonable driving distance of his home.

Only one, Randy Nesbit of Roane Community College, responded, offering the white-haired grandfather a chance to join the team as a walk-on.

Nesbit, 50, a former player and coach at The Citadel, says he has trouble saying no to deserving people willing to work hard at achieving their goals.

The leader of Roane for the past 17 years was also influenced by his new recruit's conditioning.

"He's not a freak of nature beating Father Time," Nesbit told the Knoxville News-Sentinel. "There's no special diet. People pull for him because he looks like a 73-year-old man. If people stay active and healthy, a lot could do what he's doing."

Working hard and staying active has never been a problem for the globe-trotting Kentucky native.

He has earned dozens of honors and stayed in shape while participating in golf, snow skiing, hiking and basketball. He has even tried hang gliding off Lookout Mountain.

"I can't remember a week in my life where I didn't take part in some sport," says Mink.

During pre-season conditioning drills, Mink was clocked at 6.6 seconds in the 40-yard dash while all his teammates finished under five. He also discovered his 30-inch vertical leap in high school had

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Points East

By Ike Adams

I'm not good at keeping records or track of things.

Loretta has a folder in her filing system wherein anything I purchase that might be tax deductible, I throw in a receipt from time to time. I do try to stay on top of that because I am not fond of paying taxes that I don't owe. Nor am I fond of paying the taxes the system says I do owe.

It is, at least interesting to me, that our country was founded and the American Revolution was fought back there in the 1770's because the colonists didn't want to pay taxes. Then the first thing that our Great Uncle George did when the war was over was slap a tax on whiskey because a tax on tea would have continued to be unpopular and tobacco had hardly become a popular target.

On the other hand, it was obvious that the government had to have some source of revenue to pay for basic operations and whiskey got caught up in the same demise that tobacco is going through today.

Early Christians figured it was a sin to drink but tolerable if you taxed it. That same attitude prevails today.

We have to pay for our sins and society has deemed smoking to be a sin far worse than drunkenness or pigging out on fat if you look only at the tax implications.

On the other hand, if one drinks too much and gets out on the road under the influence of booze, one has the chance of getting arrested if one drives erratically or gets involved in an accident while inebriated and one loses one's driver's license for a spell. Should one cause a serious or fatal accident

while driving drunk, one goes to jail for a long, long time. But it's all left to chance.

In other words, you have to get caught in the act to be prosecuted for drunk driving. And, depending on whose statistics you trust, the chances of getting arrested for being over the limit on alcohol consumption are something like 1:100 up to 1:10,000. Nobody really knows how many drunk drivers are out there on the roads but the odds are that you can get away with it---if you are not totally soused.

Smoking (regular cigarettes as opposed to the left handed type made from wacky backy) however, does not seem to be a cause for major alarm among folks concerned with vices that cause automobile accidents. Non-smokers and tax advocates claim they are only paying a small portion of the cost of public health caused by smokers who wind up with cancer. And they may be right.

On the other hand, why are these folks not up in arms about alcohol's contribution to obesity, high blood pressure, heart disease, brain damage, liver melt-down, decreased production in the workplace, not to mention being the cause of 50% of all fatal traffic accidents?

Why is obesity caused by grease burgers left out of all this arguing about the causes of ill health, not to mention the damage wrappers and containers cause our environment?

Kentucky, as you know if you live outside a cave, is considering an increase of 60 cents per pack on cigarettes. Why not put a similar tax on booze or at least commission a study on the effects that drinking has on the cost of health care, insurance, decreased production and so forth? I'm thinking 60 cents per six pack and sixty cents per bottle of the hard stuff would be about right?

Having helped clean up roadsides over the years, I can guarantee you that putting a ten cents per wrapper or container refundable tax on fast food and beverage containers would generate revenue and clean up our roads and creeks. A decent living could be made just by servicing Paint Lick and we don't even have any fast food chains or liquor stores.

Bottom line is that Kentucky would not have any revenue problems if we taxed all vices and causes of ill health at the same rate. We should also be able to afford the best funded education system in the nation and, at the same time, have scenery that is nearly as beautiful as we claim it is.

Bobby Amburgey

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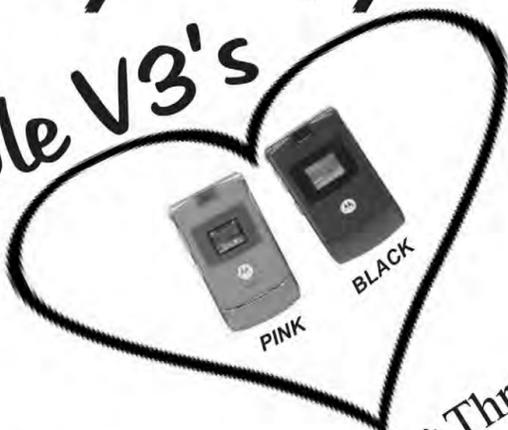
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Strep Throat Easily Cured

Presented by Dr. Kimberly Cornelius

Every winter people start to worry about strep throat. Strep infections are increased at this time of year because children are grouped together in school and people are indoors and in closer contact with one another.

Strep is a contagious bacteria which can infect many areas, but the most common area is the throat where it infects the tonsils. Strep can also invade the ears, lungs, sinuses and skin.

When the tonsils get infected, a person usually has a rather rapid onset of sore throat and a fever. Swollen glands quickly develop in the neck at the angle of the jaw. Mono and other viruses can act in very similar ways, however.

Other common symptoms include a headache and a stomach ache. Strep throat usually lacks the typical viral symptoms, such as coughing, sneezing and runny nose.

Strep throat can be confirmed by doing a throat culture. There is now a quick test to diagnose strep in a matter of minutes, so appropriate treatment can begin right away.

Strep is very sensitive to penicillin, which is normally the best choice of antibiotics. Other antibiotics may be used if a person has a penicillin allergy. Treatment is very effective, and a person usually feels better as quickly as he got ill.

Strep is less contagious than viruses, and after treating it for a day or two, it is no longer contagious. A child can return to school in one to two days if he feels well and has no fever. The penicillin must be used for at least seven to ten days, however, to prevent the possibility of rheumatic fever.



Church, Kenneth R. Jacques, Danny and Sue Ford, Cleidith and Barbara Thacker, Charles L. Burton, London Back and Neck Treatment Center, Bruce and Wanda Kirby, Hilltop Produce, Sheriff Mike Peters, Cletis Peters, J&D Cabinets, Peggy Schneider, Northside Baptist Church and, especially, Mike Deborde for his tireless work this year.

A special thanks to the three families involved. They made our Christmas much more special.

Deputy Jason Kirby 1115
Sheriff Mike Peters
All the RCSD Staff

"Memories"

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thing that he had seen or had heard at the bank apparently was on his mind. Without further explanation, he simply said to me, "One thing you should know: keep skunks, bankers, and lawyers at a distance." I did not inquire what he was thinking or why he had said that. I knew better. If he had wanted to elaborate, he would have explained his thoughts. I kept my mouth shut - but I was grinning from ear to ear.

One of my so-called friends who lived in our neighborhood was about three years older than I was, and he constantly "picked on" me. One day I finally asked Pop what I should do about this constant aggravation. His advice was, "David Joe, some people are just mean, and meanness don't just happen overnight. You should forgive your enemies; it messes up their minds." I took his advice, and the situation seemed to resolve itself. The guy stopped picking on me.

While I was in high school, I applied for a job as night janitor of the Dinner Bell Restaurant. To my dismay, an older friend of mine also applied for the position. I was sure that because he was more experienced he would get the job. I took my concerns to Pop. After listening to my plight, he simply said, "Every path you take has a few puddles. Most of the stuff we worry about ain't never gonna happen anyway."

Amazingly enough, I took his advice. I gave up my worries and simply waited on the decision from the owner of the café. After a few days, I was given the job. Pop was exactly right; there really wasn't any reason to worry about it. It wouldn't have changed things one way or the other.

Then there was the night when my cousin Patsy and I were riding around in my '58 Chevy and she told me a secret that I was not supposed to tell anyone. Another of my friends asked me to tell what Patsy had said. To him it was a very big deal, so I asked Pop whether it would be okay to break my promise to Patsy. His response was priceless: "Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in." As always, his advice was the best way to handle the situation. I kept my promise to Patsy and everything was fine.

Late one fall day, several teenagers decided to attend the Little World's Fair in Brodhead and asked me to go with them. Some of these teens had reputations that were, shall we say, questionable. I decided to confer with Pop about whether to go. He expressed his opinion quite plainly: "When you wallop with pigs, expect to get dirty." Obviously, it seemed

reasonable not to go with the crowd.

The following day I learned that the car load of teens had been in trouble with the local sheriff. When I told Pop the news, he said, "You should live a good, honorable life and watch your reputation."

In all the years that I lived with my mother and grandparents, I cannot remember one time when they gave me questionable advice. Just as anyone human, I did ignore them on occasion, and usually the results were not in my favor.

They were fine Christians, and I am so glad that I was able to live under their influence. They were a blessing to me - one that has become more priceless as the years have passed. I now know that they were tender mercies to me from the good Lord.

(You can reach me at mtman@mis.net or you can drop me a line at P.O. Box 927- Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

"Ken & Tucky"

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fallen to 20.

Although he feels the game is "about 90 percent the same" as when he played in the 1950s, he marvels at the speed and abilities of today's players.

"Back in my high school and college days, I never saw anybody dunk in a game," he says.

Mink has also had to adjust to modern basketball lingo coming from his teammates, eight of whom are African-Americans.

"When they say, 'Come here, dog,' and 'Gimmie the rock,' I just usually call them by their first names," says Mink.

The 6'1" rookie has gotten into six of Roane's first 18 games and knocked down three of four free throw attempts. He is 0 for 3 on field goals, but notes "They've all been close." He has also picked up one steal.

Nearly everyone, including teammates and supporters of opposing teams, pull for him, but his biggest fan in the stands is his wife, Emilia, 68.

She wore a retro cheerleader outfit to the season opener, complete with saddle shoes and a poodle skirt. She even held up a sign that said, "Ken Can. He's Our Medicare Man."

The man who once scored 17 points in a single quarter for Dilce Combs High School has set a goal of scoring 10 points this season.

Getting open looks at the basket hasn't been easy.

"Seventy-three is seventy-three, and I can't expect to be anywhere close to as good as I once was, but I can still be a threat, so they guard me tight," he says.

"Also, everywhere we go, they cameras are pointed at me, and that can be intimidating."

Mink, who says he considers himself "a pretty strong Christian," feels all the attention being focused on him can have a positive effect on others.

"I know it's through the grace of God I'm able to do this, and if people see that a 73-year-old guy can get out there and play at this level, maybe they'll realize they at least can get off the couch and do something...play golf...walk, or whatever.

He has received hundreds of emails from people congratulating him on his accomplishments and letting him know he

has been an inspiration to older people.

Another aspect of college in which Mink finds himself setting a good example in is academics.

Even long bus rides that sometimes find the team not returning to campus until 4 or 5 a.m. on weekdays haven't kept Mink from earning B's and possibly an A ("I'm still waiting on the results of one test,") for his first semester classes.

The most senior member of any team in the history of college hoops isn't sure where his athletic and academic accomplishments will take him, but he's grateful for the ride he's had already.

As editor of The Traveling Adventurer Magazine, he and Emilia plan to see more of the world.

And next basketball season he expects to be back on the court for the Smokey Mountain Papas, playing half-court 3-on-3 ball with people much closer to his age.

Meanwhile, the couple is staying busy with appearances on TV shows such as Regis & Kelly, Today, Conan O'Brien, CBS Evening News, and ESPN.

Ken has also signed with a literary agent in New York City to write a book about his experiences, and negotiations are underway for a movie.

According to Mink, ESPN is planning a lengthy segment on him and is in the process of making contact with the now 95-year-old college president who kicked him out of school.

There is one other person who Mink hopes will come forward in the wake of all the publicity...whoever actually did the soaping of the coach's office.

"With all this book and movie talk, I may be on the threshold of making thousands of dollars," he says.

"I'd like to meet the guy responsible for helping put me in this situation. At least take him out to dinner.....if he's still living."

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Tues., Jan. 27: Ottawa and Bee Lick. Wed., Jan. 21st: Make-up day in case of inclement weather.

Rockcastle Travelers Note

Rockcastle Travelers are going to Washington, D.C. during Spring Break, March 31-April 4. There are still a few spaces left for this bus tour. A \$50 deposit within the next two weeks will hold your seat. Balance due in February. Call Sue at 256-2012.

Project Graduation Meeting

There will be a Project Graduation 2009 meeting Monday, Feb. 2nd at 6:30 in the high school cafeteria. All students - Avon orders are due that night. Meetings will follow on the first Monday of each month. All parents/guardians of seniors are urged to attend.

UNITE Meetings

UNITE monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be Feb. 11th at noon at Pizza Hut.

World Wrestling Event

The World Wrestling Cartel will have matches at the Broughtontown Community Center on Feb. 7th. Doors open at 7:30, matches start at 8 p.m. Wrestlers featured include Black Rain, Gorgeous Jimmy Funk and Brian Lawless. Admission is \$8 per person and tickets are on sale at Saylor's Market in Crab Orchard. This event will benefit the Broughtontown Community Center.

WWC At Crab Orchard

Berea Parks and Recreation is excited to offer Winter Wonderland! This free special event has been specifically designed for individuals with special needs of all ability levels and ages! Join us on Jan. 16th from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Berea for dancing, games, arts and crafts, snacks and the celebration of winter. Call 986-9402 for more information.

Foster/Adoptive Parent Meeting

Are you interested in becoming a foster or adoptive parent? The Cabinet for Health and Family Services will hold an informational meeting on Jan. 22, 2009 at 6 p.m. at the Rockcastle County DCBS office in the Scott Building on Main Street in Mt. Vernon. New classes will begin Jan. 27, 2009. For more information, contact Brandy Baldwin at 606-287-7114.

New Hours for Historical Society

The Rockcastle Historical Society will be open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building. Monthly society meetings are held the 4th Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building in Mt. Vernon.

RCIDA Meeting

The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority holds its regular meeting the first Monday of each month at noon on the third floor of the courthouse.

NA Women's Meeting

The Women's NA Serenity Group of Mt. Vernon meets each Monday at 8 p.m. at the Christian Appalachian Project Community Center, 64 Beiting Lane, Mt. Vernon. Open meeting - non-smoking.

Kiwanis Club Meetings

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at Renfro Valley Lodge.

Women's Narcotics Meeting

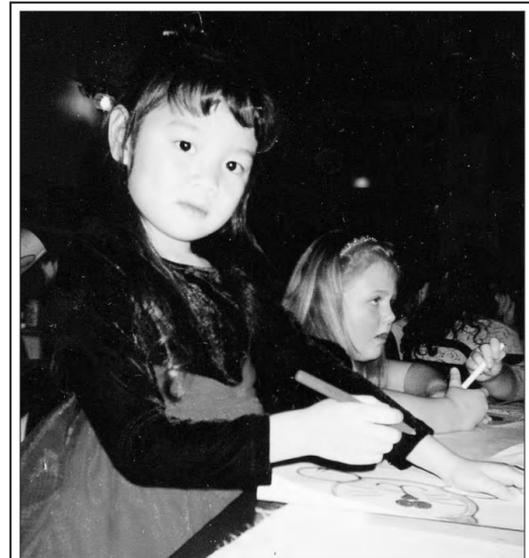
There will be a Women's Narcotics Anonymous Meeting every Monday evening at 8 p.m. at the Community Center, sponsored by Christian Appalachian Center. For more information, contact the Healing Rain Center at 256-5810.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

Narcotics Anonymous

Narcotics Anonymous meets Thursday nights at 8 o'clock behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.



Daisy Girl Scout Joliann Parsons, daughter of Marsha and David Parsons, attended an evening of "Etiquette" learning and fun at the Tea Cup Cafe in Mt. Vernon. Joliann joined 30 other K-1st grade girls in Rockcastle Co. Joliann is a member of Girl Scout Troop 135 at Roundstone Elementary. Cassandra Holk is the leader.



Jasmine Daniels attends Mt. Vernon Elementary and is the daughter of Angel Daniels. Jasmine is in Girl Scout Troop 216. Billie Tankersley is the leader. It is not too late to join a Girl Scout Troop in Rockcastle County and to participate in the cookie sales! The next fun event will be on Tuesday, February 3rd from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Assembly of God Lighthouse in Mt. Vernon. This event is called "Snowflakes and Smiles" and is for all girls in grades K-3. To find out more about "Snowflakes and Smiles" or to join a Girl Scout Troop, call the London Service Center at 606-878-8555 or email Sue Ward at ward@gswrc.org.

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Vallie Nancy Burton

Vallie Nancy Griffin Burton, 94, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, January 19, 2009. She was born in Rockcastle County on January 6, 1915 the daughter of the late Harrison and Martha Rucker Griffin. She became a Christian in her early teens and was of the Pentecostal faith having been a member of the Mt. Vernon Pentecostal Church but was unable to attend Church for a few years due to her failing health. When she was able, she loved to crochet, garden and her flowers. She also enjoyed Christian radio and Christian programs on television. She loved her family and friends and she will be greatly missed.

She is survived by: her son, Harris (Wanda) Burton of Brindle Ridge; a daughter, Mattie Newton (Danny Dale) Petrey of Somerset; one sister, Mary Griffin Roberts of Rutledge, TN; one brother-in-law, Ervin (Fannie) Barron of Brodhead; four grandchildren, Stanley (Sherri) Burton of Ohio, Kenneth (Brenda) Burton of Alabama, Nancy Anglin Hurley of Mt. Vernon and Sheila Burton (Chafic) Zenni of Cincinnati, OH; one nephew, Wayne (Jean) Roberts of Jefferson City, TN; five step-grandchildren, Samuel D. Newton or Oregon, Mary S. Newton of Lexington, Jennifer K. Jones of Bronston and Kristi (Gary) Rowe of Eubank; several great grandchildren, Penny Burton, Erik Burton, Travis Burton, Tatiana B. Zenni, John D. Hurley, Amina Zenni and Rebekah Hurley; several step great grandchildren some of which are, Gentry and Kristie Keibler and Deven, Samantha Jones, Zackery Dale and Morgan Rowe; and two great great grandchildren. She is also survived by her extended family: John Chapman of Somerset, Vernon and Shirley Martin of London, who also called her Mom, Junior and Linda Blanton of Mt. Vernon who visited her quite often, Brenda and Jake Brown of Eubank, Esther and James Houston of Cincinnati, Edward and Geneva Houston and Patricia Holland of Mt. Vernon. She has lots of telephone friends and writing buddies from Ohio to Florida.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband of 58 years, George F. Burton, who died May 28, 1990; two children, Bennett L. Burton and Barbara L. Burton Anglin; two son-in-laws, Samuel G. Newton and Bobby Anglin; a daughter-in-law, Shirley Blanton Burton; three brother-in-laws, Troy Roberts, Gravely Burton and Clyde Burton; and two sister-in-laws, Clara Smith Burton and Mae Burton Barron.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, January 23rd at 11 a.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home by Bros. Buford Parkerson and Vernon Martin. Burial will follow in Elmwood Cemetery. Friends may call from 6-9 p.m. (today) Thursday at the funeral home.

Pallbearers will be: Kenny Burton, Travis Burton, Gary Cromer, Danny Ford, Sam Ford, Gary Rowe and Chafic Zenni.

Honorary pallbearers will be: Ervin Barron, Junior Blanton, Erik Burton, Stanley Burton, John Chapman, Henry Coffey, Al Elliott, Doug Griffin, Edward Houston, James Houston, John David Hurley and Zack Rowe.

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Alonzo McCollum

Alonzo Burnam McCollum, 85, of Roundstone, died Sunday, January 18, 2009 at his home following a short, but courageous battle with cancer. He was born in Scaffold Cane in Rockcastle County on February 8, 1923 the son of Rollie Burnam and Addie Sims McCollum. On June 4, 1950, he was united in marriage to Mary Louise Abney. He was a member of the Roundstone Baptist Church where, along with his wife, were baptized in 1962. There, he served as deacon for many years, Sunday School Superintendent, and Sunday School teacher. He was retired from the Bluegrass

Army Depot and was a WWII Army veteran where he served in the 303rd Infantry. During his service, he received numerous medals and citations including the American Theater Ribbon, Bronze Star, Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, and the Victory Medal. He also received the Combat Infantryman Badge, Driver and Mechanic Badge, Rifle Sharpshooter, and Carbine Expert. He was a member of the VFW, the Civil Air Patrol, the Republican Presidential Task Force, and the American Rifle Association. He served as a Boy Scout Troop Leader and was the past Rockcastle County Republican Chairman. He was also a 911 Board Member and a Board Member for the Brindle Ridge Fire Department. He was known by his friends as "Lonnie".

He is survived by: two daughters, Gail McCollum and Dianne McCollum, both of Mt. Vernon; one brother, Frank (Geri) McCollum of Tennessee; and three sisters, Joy (Charlie) Pingleton of Berea, Sandra McCollum of Minnesota, and Nina (Fred) Abbott of Indiana. Also surviving are: long-time family friends, Dorothea Vanderwerf and Joshua Lopez; and several nieces and nephews, other relatives, and many friends. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife of 55 years, Mary Louise Abney McCollum; three brothers, Edward, Ellis, and George McCollum; and four sisters, Janie Durham, Eleanor Bennett, Phamy Amen, and Mildred Parsons.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, January 22 at 11 a.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Revs. Rick Reynolds and Robert Moore. Burial will follow in the Scaffold Cane Cemetery.

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In Loving Memory

In Memory of Aunt Bert (Melbert Robbins)

January 5, 2009

Today we say goodbye to a remarkable lady, but we will never forget the memories we all made with her.

One of my memories of her is the outfit of clothes she made for me, especially my first prom dress which I still have. Last, but not least, is how in one little house she kept the holiday traditions Granny Cash started. Having wonderful holiday meals and getting everyone together. One of my favorites was her chicken and dumplings.

So even though we have to say goodbye, we know she is at peace with all the other loved ones we have lost.

We love you Aunt Bert and you will never be forgotten. I know I won't.

Libby Gail Ramsey



Alberta Jean Dillingham Winstead

Alberta Jean Dillingham Winstead, 91, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at her home after a long illness. She was born in Rockcastle County on April 20, 1917 the daughter of Dallas and Mattie Owens Dillingham. A graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, she was a retired teacher for Brodhead School having served for 26 years. She also taught at several smaller Rockcastle County schools and was the first woman to teach at Langdon House. She had many hobbies including collecting and dressing antique dolls, restoring antique furniture, quilting, as well as many other hobbies. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

She is survived by: her children, James Lee (Gayla) Winstead of Mt. Vernon and Edra Jo Mickey of Harrogate, TN; six grandchildren, Pat (Carol) Winstead, Angie Thomas, Eddie (Suzanne) Mickey, Allyson (Elfrem) Taylor, Dr. Doug (Shelly) Mickey and Mark Blanton; nine great grandchildren, Carly Winstead, Ryan Winstead, Emilee Thomas, Jordan Mickey, Mickey Taylor, Nichol Mickey Boatwright, Brandy Mickey, Bryce Mickey, and Amanda Blanton; and three great great grandchildren, Dane Coy Boatwright, Dallas Miller, and Jayce Bowles. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Edwin Monroe Winstead; her son-in-law, Dr. Coy Mickey; five sisters, Linnie Brown, Geneva Sears, Virginia Winstead, Loraine Hawkins, and Verla Gunn; and one brother, Dallas Byron Dillingham.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 16, 2009 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Eddie Nation. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Mark Blanton, Dr. Doug Mickey, Eddie Scott Mickey, Efreem Taylor, Dale Winstead and Pat Winstead.

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Charles Christopher Greer

Charles Christopher Greer, 29, of Richmond, KY, died on Sunday, January 11, 2009, at this home. He was born on April 26, 1979, in Lincoln County as the second child of Charlie and Helen Greer.

Survivors include his daughter, Callie, of Richmond, KY. In addition, he is survived by four siblings, from oldest to youngest: Tammy (Danny) Miller of Mt. Vernon, Amanda (Ricky) Winkler of Richmond, Chuck (Ashley) Napier of Brodhead and Dale (Stacy) Greer of Lexington.

Funeral services were conducted on Thursday, January 15th at the Combs, Parsons, and Collins Funeral Chapel in Richmond, KY, by Brother Don Stayton. Burial followed at the Piney Grove Cemetery in Brodhead.



Ruth Irene Fain

Ruth Irene Fain, 90, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday January 14, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born on June 11, 1918 at Pine Hill, KY the daughter of the late Leland and Lottie Carmichael McHargue. She was a retired merchant and florist, was a former owner and operator of the Mt. Vernon Florist, enjoyed flowers, spending time with her grandchildren, a UK Wildcats fan, and was a member of the Bible Baptist Church.

Survivors are: her husband, Lee Fain of Mt. Vernon; one son, Bill (Barbara) Fain of Livingston; one daughter, Judy (Bobby) Bullock of Midway, KY; two brothers, A.P. McHargue of Indianapolis, IN, and Wendell McHargue of Melissa, TX; four grandchildren; and six great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by: four brothers, J.L., Robert, Chester, and Lee McHargue; and two sisters, Jean Baker and Edna Fain.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 17, 2009 at the Bible Baptist Church with Bro. Don Stayton officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery. Arrangements made by Cox Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: Dennis Baker, Oscar Fain, Blaine McHargue, Howard McHargue, Lloyd Fain, Joe Fain, Jim Fain, and Gary Fain. Send condolences online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

Dallas E. Falin

Dallas E. Falin, 58, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, January 19, 2009 at his home.

Funeral services are incomplete at this time.

Arrangements are by the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's Signal. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Robert Kenneth Bales

Bob Bales, 79, of West Chester, OH, died January 19, 2009. He was born July 13, 1929 in Mt. Vernon where he lived with his family, Cabbie and Mae Bales and siblings.

He left for southwest Ohio when his parents divorced but always claimed the Mt.

Vernon area as his home. He and Joyce, his wife of 57 years, lived in West Chester, OH. He was a proud WWII veteran having enlisted in the navy at the age of 15. He was stationed on one of the ships that took part in the Eniwetok Atomic Bomb tests shortly after the conclusion of the war. He worked as a plant manager with companies in Ohio and Texas in the building trade. Ensuing his early years as a stock car driver, he was an avid NASCAR fan.

He is survived by: his wife, Joyce; his children, Michael of Deerfield Township, OH and Cherie Lynn (Jonathan) Smith of Dallas, TX; sister, Loretta Bales Terry of Mason, OH; brothers, Jimmie (Betty) and Lawrence (Evelyn) Bales of West Chester, OH; and his step-brother, Charles "Bud" Mattingly (Corrine) of Ocala, FL.

He was preceded in death by: his parents; and brothers, Henry Lee and John Cabbie Bales, Jr.; and step-brother, Gene Mattingly.

Private services will be held on Saturday, January 24, 2009 at Shorten-Ryan Funeral Home, West Chester, OH with interment following at the West Chester Cemetery.



Billy Bullock

Billy Bullock, 72 of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, January 16, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born in Rockcastle County on October 20, 1936 the

son of Lando and Janie Bea Bullock. He was a retired farmer and an Army National Guard veteran.

He is survived by: his wife of 40 years, Lynette Southwood Bullock; two brothers, Luster Bullock of Somerset, and Russell Bullock of Loveland, OH; two sisters, Bessie Poynter of Somerset, and Betty Bullock of Mt. Vernon. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: four brothers, Ben, Glen, Lester, and Monroe Bullock; a sister, Janet K. McClure.

Funeral services were conducted January 21st at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Virgil Bustle. Burial was in the Bullock Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Mark Bullock, Darrell Doan, Jesse Morgan, Dale Saylor, Chris Saylor and Lenny Tipton.

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Roscoe Sowder

Roscoe Sowder, 81, of Springboro, OH and formerly of Prebel County, OH died January 1, 2009 at Hospice of Dayton. Mr. Sowder was born and raised in Mt. Vernon. He was a member of Middletown Sportsman Club and had loved trapshooting.

He is survived by: two sons, Michael Sowder of Eaton, OH and Larry (JoAnn) Sowder of

Liberty Township, OH; one daughter, Kaye (Michael) Sherman of Miamisburg, OH; four grandchildren and five great grandchildren and a sister-in-law, Janice Sowder of Mt. Vernon.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William Booth "Bootie" Sowder and Rosa Hearld Sowder; six brothers, Kenneth, Tude, Bill "Slick", Chester "Bud" Shirley and Casper; five sisters, Lila Mae, Syble, Dovie, Roberta Christine and Nannie.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 5, 2009 at Lindloff-Zimmerman Funeral Home in West Alexandria.

Anne Lukas Taylor

Anne Lukas Taylor, 86, widow of Gene E. Taylor of Brodhead, died Friday, January 16, 2009 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation. She was born March 4th, 1921 in Zeigler, IL, a daughter of the late John Lukas and Mary Lukas. She was a member of the Providence church of Christ, was a retired Postal Clerk and her hobbies and interest were sewing, reading and traveling.

Those left to cherish her memory are: her step son, Wayman Taylor of Louisville; two nephews, James G. McClung of Rupert, WV and Ray Nelson McClung of Proctorville, OH; brother-in-law, Jesse (Helen) Taylor of Brodhead; and a host of friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 19th, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Danny McKibben officiating. Burial followed in the Providence Cemetery.

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Carlos Ray Cunningham

Carlos Ray Cunningham, 30, of Mt. Vernon died Friday, following an automobile accident in Garrard County.

Mr. Cunningham was born November 11, 1978 in Casey County to Otis Lee and Wanda Snow Cunningham. He was employed by Darrell Kidd Garage Doors and was a member of the Waynesburg Church of Christ.

Survivors include his mother, Wanda Snow Cunningham Coleman; two sons, Corey Ray and Addison Huston Cunningham of Mt. Vernon; four brothers, Otis and Thomas Cunningham, both of Harrodsburg, Leroy Belcher of Indiana and Jerry Cunningham of Hustonville; seven sisters, Lisa Cunningham and Elizabeth Smith of Harrodsburg, Mary Tinsley and Patricia Nichols, both of Stanford, Carol Dixon of Lancaster, Becky Wilson of Parksville and Ola Pendleton of Stanford and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held January 20th at Spurlin Funeral Home Chapel with Reverends Terry Holt and Gary King officiating.

Casketbearers were: Dale Bingham, Darrell Walls, Terry Smith, Gary Smith, Greg Payton, Jeremy Johnson, Joel Cunningham and Robbie Tinsley.

Honorary bearers were: Logan, Dustin, Jayden, Fallon and Brooke Cunningham, Jacob, Ashley and Pascha Smith, Zachary and Cameron Walls and Abigail Pittman.



Mary Elizabeth Doan

Mary Elizabeth Doan, 73, of Franklin, IN and formerly of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, January 15, 2009 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was born in Mt. Vernon on July 7, 1935 the daughter of Leonard and Hazel Evans Price. She was a retired assembly line worker and a member of the First Separate Baptist Church in Franklin, IN.

She is survived by: two sons, Albert Vernon (Delphy) Price of Chestnut Ridge and Randall Melvin Doan of Franklin, IN; four daughters, Janice Gail Doan of Indianapolis, IN, Freda Doreen Wise of Davenport, FL, Brenda Carol Doan also of Davenport, FL and Elizabeth Ann Doan of Franklin, IN; two brothers, Russell Price and Robert Earl Price, both of Berea; and two sisters, Norma Jean Owens and Darlene Chrisman, both of Berea. Also surviving are 13 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by: her husband, Arie Doan; one daughter, Jenny Doan; and three sisters, Julette Bell, Ima Jean Baker and Betty Jo Johnson.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 18, 2009 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Ed Tharpe. Burial followed in Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Dustin Agee, Matthew Doan, Bobby Kayler, Scottie McFerron, Derrick Price, Michael Price, Robert Price and John W. Ramey, Jr.

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Marvin Kenneth Bullock

Marvin Kenneth Bullock, 77, husband of Lorene Barron Bullock of Quail, died Thursday, January 15th, 2009 at the Pattie A. Clay Hospital in Richmond. He was born on March 10th, 1931 in Wabd, the son of the late Curtis H. Bullock and Ada Hasty Bullock. He was a farmer and a member of the

Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ. Kenneth was an Army Veteran. His hobbies and interest were farming and trading knives and guns. On June 30th, 1955 he was united in holy matrimony to Lorene Barron Bullock and from that union came four children, Kenneth Randall, Tammy S., Charles C., and Michael Darren.

Those left to cherish his memory include: his wife of 53 years, Lorene Barron Bullock of Quail; three children, Kenneth Randall (Frances) Bullock of Kings Mountain, Tammy S. (Ricky) Bray of Brodhead and Charles C. (Carrie Lynn) Bullock of Mt. Vernon; eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren; two sisters, Burnetta Norton of Mt. Vernon and Barbara (Delmas) Bullock of Mt. Vernon; three brothers, Gilbert Clinton (Lucille) Bullock of Fairfield, OH and Lester H. (Karen Sayers) Bullock and Benton (Theresa) Bullock, both of Mt. Vernon; and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: a son, Michael Darren Bullock; one grandchild, Beth Ann Kelly; one brother, D. L. Bullock; and three sisters, Lura Robinson, Sue Tabor, and Clara Dean Davidson.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 18th, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Bro. Ova Baker, Bro. Dale McNew, and Bro. Jim Craig officiating. Burial followed in the Freedom Cemetery with Military honors by the Corbin V.F.W. 1410.

Casketbearers were: Zack Bullock, Matthew Bray, Josh Bray, Russell Barron, Bobby Barren and Ricky Bray.

Condolences to the family may be made to his online registry at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Pauline Hamer

Pauline Hamer, 83, of Florence, KY and formerly of Livingston, died Friday, January 16, 2009 at St. Elizabeth South in Edgewood, KY. She was born in Rockcastle County on November 25, 1925 the daughter of George and Effie McClure Arnold. She was a retired merchant having owned the City Sundry Store in Livingston for many years and a member of the Livingston Christian Church.

She is survived by: one daughter, Georgia (Tilmon) Milburn of Florence; one grandson, Timothy Milburn of Elsmere, KY; and one great grandchild, Taylor Milburn. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Elvis Hamer; four sisters, Minnie Ponder, Pearl Whitaker, Ruby Jarvis and Jean Ott; and two brothers, Lester Arnold and Elzie Arnold.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 19, 2009 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Alan Jackson. Burial followed in the McGuire Cemetery.

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Nancy Hensley

Nancy Louise Gibbons Hensley, 81, of Orlando, died Thursday, January 15, 2009 at the Terrace Rehabilitation Facility in Berea. She was born in Lincoln County on August 29, 1927 the daughter of Finley Gibbons and Mary Hensley. She was a homemaker and a member of the Brush Creek Holiness Church. She enjoyed cooking, sewing and spending time with her family. She was also a very loving and devoted mother and grandmother.

She is survived by: four sons, Frank (Vicky) Hensley of Berea, Charlie (Penny) Hensley of Roundstone, Brady (Suann) Hensley of Livingston and Ballard (Ethel) Hensley of Orlando; two daughters, Sylvia Sue Cook of Mt. Vernon and Fannie (Butch Broadus) of Orlando; one brother, Jim (Mary) Gibbons of Orlando; and one sister, Lucy Burnett of Mt. Vernon. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband of 60 years, Joe Hensley; one son, Jack Hensley; three brothers, Bill, Charlie and John Henry; and four sisters, Charity, Corty, Gladys and Ella Mae.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 19 at the Conway Tabernacle Church of God by Bro. C. W. Williams. Burial followed in the Briarfield Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jason Brooks, Jeff Cromer, Chuck Davis, Justin Hensley, Andy Rube, Chris VanWinkle and Clint Walker.

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Larry Paul Slone

Larry Paul Slone 60, of Berea, died Sunday January 18, 2009 at his home. He was born on January 27, 1948 in Floyd County the son of the late Dillard and Virgie Holbrook Slone. He had been an engineer for the Nashville Bun Company, enjoyed hunting, Nascar, and family and was a member of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ in Lancaster.

Survivors are: his wife, Sheila Sowder Slone of Berea; two sons, Earl Wayne Slone of Ada, OK and Junior Slone of Cincinnati, OH; two daughters, Miss Erica Slone and Mrs. Paula Gordon, both of Cincinnati, OH; four sisters, Mrs. Barbara Perras and Mrs. Etta Grima, both of Cookeville, TN, and Mrs. Nellie Brown and Mrs. Gail Swank, both of Baxter, TN; 10 grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by: one son, Larry Paul Slone Jr.; and one brother, Ronald Clay Slone.

Services were held Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Bill Graves officiating. Burial was in the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Ryan Hartung, Billy Grima, Kevin Hall, Briar Sowder, Brandon Sowder and Paul Pippin.

Honorary pallbearers were: Gary Vickers, Ed Wilson, Brian Stewart and Darrell Pippin. View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

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Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ dates back to 1924

In 1924, the Church of Christ building at Chestnut Ridge was constructed on land two miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 25.

The church is nestled in the rural part of Appalachian Mountains in Rockcastle County, on top of a hill that overlooks I-75 off of exit 59.

Tip Langford donated the land on which the building was built. Paul Baker donated the parking lot property. The parking lot was blacktopped around 1991.

The church building was originally built by the following brethren: Logan Owens, Bill Wheat, Aden Owens, Sam Fields, Aden Thompson, Walter Henderson, Burt Baker, Steve Drew, George Smith, Ova Smith, Beecher Smith and others from the congregation.

Many of their descendants are members of the church today.

Before the building was constructed, the congregation used the New Chestnut Ridge School house to worship in. The congregation met for the very first time in their new building on December 25th, 1924.

The first seats were boards supported by nail kegs. The church was set in order on May 24, 1925 by preacher James Todd from Crab Orchard.

The church was renovated in 1997. The building went from siding outside to brick. The inside was remodeled to have new carpet, windows, and an extra room in the back pulpit area for the baptistry besides new paint and other small projects.

The brothers of the church later added the picnic shelter. Harold Hamilton, who has been

a church member for many years, built and donated the picnic tables. The picnic shelter is used at the end of spring and fall gospel meetings and other special occasions.

Harold's wife, Lynn Hamilton, painted the mural in the baptistry in 1998. The corner stone was donated by McNew Monument of Rockcastle County in 1997 when the renovation occurred.

Some of the preachers from the beginning were Brothers Logan Owens, Steve Drew, Ova Smith, Russell Bullock, Amos Owens and Bill Smith.

In October of 1987, Brother Ova Baker from London started teaching, along with Brother Zade McClure who is from the Blue Springs Church of Christ in Rockcastle County.

Brother McClure preached for several years on each fifth Sunday and, in 1993, Brother Dale McNew of Berea joined Brother Baker. For Sunday services, Brother Baker and Bri. McNew alternate teaching.

The main worship service is every Sunday at 10 a.m. Within the past few years or so, Wednesday night services at 7:30 have been added.

Today, Brother Baker and Brother McNew are the only church members of Chestnut Ridge of Christ who are preachers.

There are, however, guest speakers that teach on Wednesday nights. Currently Brother Marcus Reppert, from Blue Springs Church of Christ, Brother Michael Connelley, from Lexington, Brother Phillip Scott and Brother Robby Barren from Bandy Church of Christ alternate Wednesday

nights. If one guest speaker cannot make it, either Brother Baker or Brother McNew will fill in for them.

An Introduction To Church of Christ Services

Compiled by Bro. Marcus Reppert

Many people are hesitant to visit a church without knowing something about it. Hopefully, this information will help people understand more about the Church of Christ.

When you attend services, you will find them conducted in a simple, dignified and orderly way. You will see in the members a deep respect for God's Holy Word. We recognize the Bible as our only rule of faith and practice and our services are observed in "spirit and truth" (John 4:23-24; 17-17).

Our singing is done as a congregation, without the aid of a mechanical instrument of music. In acapella singing, we praise God making "melody in our hearts to the Lord" (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16). The songs sung are selected with care, so that they convey our feelings of devotion and worship.

In our public worship services, the men do the instructing in truth and righteous living. The women keep silent as learners, along with other men and children (I Cor. 14:34 I Tim. 2: 11,12). You are welcome to bring your Bible and follow the teaching as we study from God's Word.

The prayers of our service are led by one man at a time. The minds of all other worshippers are directed on the one leading. We seek to pray with the spirit and understanding in a decent and orderly way (Acts 2:42; I Cor. 14: 15,40).

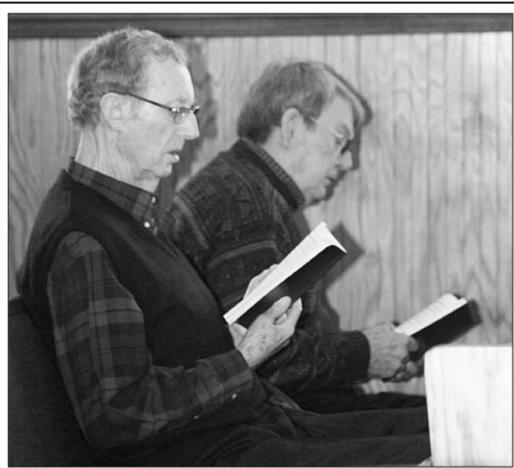
In prayer, we speak to God to thank Him for His goodness toward us and invoke His mercy on us and His Blessings on our service and efforts for Him.

Each Lord's Day (first day of the week) we strive to observe the Communion in the same way it was instituted by Jesus and bound by the Apostles (Acts 20:7; Matt 26:26-28; I Cor. 10: 16,17; 11:1,2, 23-28). A man serves at the Lord's

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Brother Ova Baker, who has been a preacher at Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ since 1987, brought Sunday morning's message.



In attendance at Sunday's services at the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ were Charles B. Parsons, left, and Tilman Owens. Parsons is one of the oldest and longest members of the church and Owens' father Albert was a preacher at Chestnut Ridge in the 1970s.



Lavania and Dale McNew, shown taking part in the song service at Chestnut Ridge on Sunday, are longtime members of the church. Dale McNew has been one of the preachers at Chestnut Ridge since 1993.



Mike Brown, left, Tilman Owens, center and Bill Doan, waited on the communion table at Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ on Sunday. Although the weather was bad in the county, nearly 80 people attended services.



Services were first held in the current building at the Chestnut Ridge Church on December 25th of 1924.

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156 Scenic View Lane
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Renfro Valley, Ky.
Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhbp_7@yahoo.com

Berea Reformed Evangelical Church
1309 Hwy. 21 • Berea
859-248-1600
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study 6 p.m.
Xon Hostetter, Pastor

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's Church 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Pastor: Don Stayton
Associate Pastor/Youth: Bro. Jeremy Ellis
Kids for Christ Children's Ministry: Bro. Jarrod Amxy
Secretary: Jo Roberts
Music Director: Dan Dull

Blue Springs Church of Christ
7 miles south of Mount Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd)
Services: Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Preaching Brethren
Zade McClure, Gary Reppert, Coy Cromer, Marcus Reppert
Contact Info: Marcus Reppert
104 Byrda Way • Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-308-2794
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Bride of Christ Church
High St. Mt. Vernon
Sunday Services 7 p.m.

Brodhead Baptist Church
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Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

Brush Creek Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Special Service 1st Sunday or each month at 11 a.m.

Lonnie Reese McGuire, Pastor
Calloway Baptist Church
76 Calloway Branch Rd.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wade Johnson, Minister

Climax Holiness Church
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
3rd Saturday of every month at 7 p.m.
1st Sunday of each mo. at 11 a.m.
Darrin Sloan, Pastor

Conway Missionary Baptist Church
U.S. 25 between Mount Vernon and Berea
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings:
Sunday 5 p.m. • Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bro. Jim Ritchey, Pastor
859-200-2679/859-228-0342
Sunday School Director
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606-256-2829

Cornerstone Fellowship
50 Lovell Ct. - Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Terry Fletcher, Pastor
606-256-1645

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Stephen Vanhook, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Dixie Park Cornerstone Baptist Church
700 N. Powell St.
Berea, Ky. 40403
859-623-8292 • 859-985-2484
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Gene Smith, Pastor

Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
RAs and GAs 7 p.m.
Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Raser, Pastor
606-256-3722
email: fairviewbapt@aol.com

Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church
Thursday Worship 7 p.m.
Sunday Worship 6 p.m.
Pastor: Benton Hurd

Faith Chapel Pentecostal S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Virgil Bustle, Pastor

First Baptist Church
340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky.
606-256-2922
Bro. Eddie Nation, Pastor
website: www.fbcmtv.org
email: fbcmtvernon@newwave.net
Sunday Services: 8:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 7 p.m.
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Bro. Bruce Ross, Pastor
Services
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Kenny Shubert, Youth Pastor

Flat Gap Baptist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
James Poynter, Pastor
606-256-3969

Flat Rock Missionary Baptist Church
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky. 40460
859-925-4048
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Thursday Night Visiting 7 p.m.
Contact: Doris Brown
606-256-0188
burtonpromos@prodigy.net

Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting & Youth/Children Classes 7 p.m.

God's Church of Zion
35 McFerron St.
Mt. Vernon, KY

Wed. Night 7 p.m.
Sunday School 2 p.m.
Sunday Worship 3 p.m.
Pastor: Fred Hecker

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Lighthouse Assembly of God
Hwy. 1004 • Orlando, Ky.
Tim Hampton, Pastor
606-256-4884 • 606308-2342
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercessory Prayer 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

Livingston Baptist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Adult & Youth Classes Available
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Meeting 7 p.m.
Bro. Steve McKinney, Pastor
606-758-4097
email: stevemc64@alltel.net

Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jim Miller, Pastor
606-256-1709

Maple Grove Baptist Church
Hwy. 1004 (Big Cave Road)
Orlando, Ky. 40460
606-256-1873
Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Mareburg Baptist Church
2617 New Brodhead Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Wayne Harding, Pastor
Phone: 256-8844
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training 6 p.m.
Sunday Youth Missions 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
www.mareburgbaptist.org
mareburgchurch@yahoo.com

McNew Chapel Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jerry Ballinger, Pastor

Mt. Vernon Church of God
1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene
40 Fair Street • Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wallace Thornton, Sr., Pastor

New Hope Baptist Church
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Bro. David Carpenter, Pastor

Northside Baptist Church
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(Off 461 bypass) Mt. Vernon
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www.nbcnet.org

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(across from MVES)
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Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
Holy Days 5 p.m.
Father Nick Pagano, Pastor
Sister Joyce Moeller,
Pastoral Associate

Philadelphia United Baptist Church
834 Bryant Ridge Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
606-256-9724

Pine Hill Holiness Church
5216 S. Wilderness Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Allen Hensley, Pastor
453-4801
www.pinehillholinesschurch.com
email: pinehillhc@aol.com
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship 7:30 p.m.
Saturday Night Worship 7:30 p.m.
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Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church
81 Limeplant Hollow Road
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Contact: Casey McClure
606-308-4570

email: jcmclure@aol.com
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Partners Ladies Meeting monthly every second Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Poplar Grove Baptist
145 Richlands Rd. • Brodhead
Bro. Jimmy Perkins, Pastor
606-355-2734
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Providence church of Christ
1 mile off Hwy. 70 on Hwy. 618
Dan McKibben, Minister
758-8524 or 758-9316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
email: dan.mckibben@juno.com
www.WhatSaithTheScriptures.com

Rose Hill Church
Pastor: Bobby Barnett
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Roundstone Baptist Church
Rick Reynolds, Pastor
606-758-8095
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Sand Springs Baptist Church
Directions: Take Hwy 1249, go exactly 5 miles, church on right
Bob Bradley, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Scaffold Cane Baptist
Chris Cobb, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Union Chapel Pentecostal Church
1505 Union Chapel Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Ralph Reynolds, Minister
606-355-2638
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Wildie Christian Church
1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie
606-256-4494
Kenton Parkey, Minister
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
Family Fellowship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Nite Cafe 5:15 p.m.
Bible Study 6 p.m.

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Mrs. Eva Wheat, shown in the wheelchair at right, who is in her 90s, is the oldest member of the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ. She is the sister of Albert and Amos Owens, who are both deceased and who were preachers for several years at the Church. At left is Mrs. Mattie Wheat, also a longtime member of the church. The ladies are sisters-in-law.



Donnie Robbins helped lead the singing at Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ on Sunday.



In attendance at Sunday's services at Chestnut Ridge were Dusty McClure with children, Addison and Maddus.

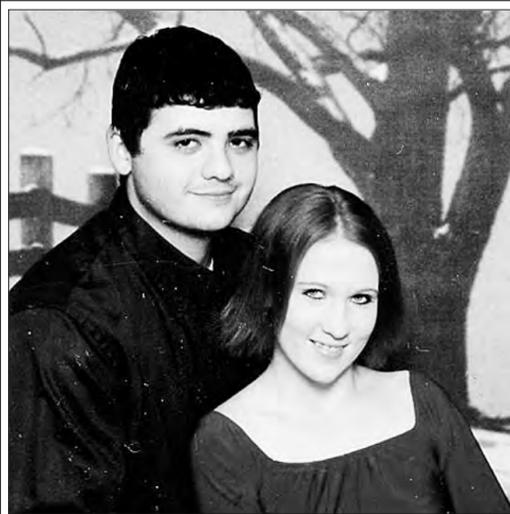


Many people braved the bad weather on Sunday morning to attend worship services at the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ, including, Harold and Lynn Hamilton, shown above.



Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ member Marvin Wilson read scripture during Sunday's Worship Service.

Photos by: Richard Anderkin



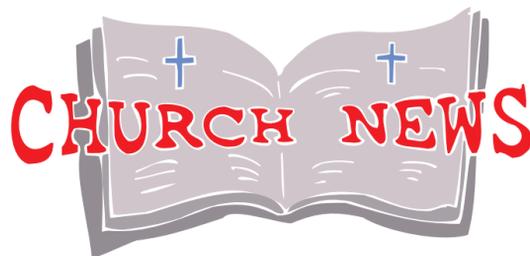
Rader - French

Ashley Nicole Rader and David Dean French were united in marriage October 30, 2008. The couple now resides in Orlando.



Bell - Ingram

Jenna March Bell and Brandon Tyler Ingram, along with their parents, announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Ralph and Regina Bell. The prospective groom is the son of Jeff and Janice Ingram. The wedding is at 2:30 p.m. February 7, 2009 at Russell Acton Folk Center in Berea with a reception to follow. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.



TOPS Meetings

TOPS #KY 0476 are held Thursdays 6 to 6:30 p.m. (weigh-in/meeting times) at Brodhead Christian Church, Hwy. 150 W and Main St., lower level.

Gospel Singing

There will be a gospel singing at Crossroads Assembly of God, on Hwy. 150, Brodhead, Sunday, January 25th, starting at 6 p.m. Come and join us. Food and fellowship after the service.

Lost Souls Crusade

Brush Creek Holiness Church is holding a Lost Souls Crusade - *Winning Souls for Jesus!* The crusade will be Friday night, January 23rd at 7 o'clock with special preaching by Bro. Allen Hensley.

The sole purpose of this crusade is for the lost souls who have not accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior to come to know Him. We will be sharing the gospel through singing, testimony and the Word.

Please be sure to invite all your family, friends and neighbors to this special service.

For more info, e-mail

www.pinehillholinesschurch.com or pinehillhc@aol.com or call 606-453-4801 or 606-256-3228.

Special Singing

There will be a special singing with the Doan Family at the Lighthouse Baptist Church at 1391 Gabbardtown Rd. in Berea on Saturday, February 14th beginning at 7 p.m.

Cards of Thanks

Thank You

Thanks to the kindness and concern of the people of Mt. Vernon, the black and white Sheltie, lost on Hwy. 150, has been returned safe and sound. Thank you and God bless you all.

The Sowder Family Ruby Allen

A very special thank you from the family of the late Ruby J. Roberts Allen to those who sent cards, flowers, food and the love and kindness shown us in our time of sorrow.

To Dowell and Martin Funeral Home, Bro. Ray Cowan for his kind words, Dr. G.W. Griffith and staff for their years of care giving and to everyone at Rockcastle Health and Rehab Center for the loving care, kindness and respect they gave our mother these last four years. We are truly thankful to everyone.

Glen and Virginia Roberts
Rose Ann Roberts

Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ (Cont. from A6)

Table. He takes bread (unleavened) and gives thanks, breaks off his portion and eats, and then each other Christian also partakes in the same way. Then he takes a cup containing the fruit of the vine (grape juice), expresses thanks, drinks a portion and then gives it to the other communicants who also drink. This is a joint participation in the body and blood of Jesus, a memorial of His great sacrifice on the cross (Matt. 26: 26-28; Luke 22: 17-20; I Cor. 11:26). Thus, we follow the simple patten given us in the Bible.

The only service in which a collection is taken is on the first day of the week (I Cor. 16:1,2) in the Lord's Day worship service. At this time the members of the church are permitted to give of their means as the Lord has blessed them, purposing in their own hearts how much to give (II Cor. 9:7,8). These contributions are for the work of the church. No one but a member of the church is expected to give.

At each service, an invitation is extended to all that are not Christians to obey the Gospel and become followers of Christ (Rev. 22:17, II Thes. 1:8). The backsliders, likewise, are also urged to return to the Lord (Gal. 6:1, Jas. 5:19, I John 1:9). This is done in such a way so as not to embarrass those present, but to allow anyone the opportunity to obey the Lord.

We wear the name "Christian" as disciples of Christ (Act. 11:26; 4:12), and we understand that those who obey the gospel are added to the church by the Lord) Act. 2:47). Christ we honor as the head of the church and the savior of the world (Col. 1:18, Eph. 5:23).

First Baptist Church Mt. Vernon invites you to join us for **MOVIE NIGHT** On Saturday, February 14th at 7pm

We will be watching the newly released "Fireproof" movie starring Kirk Cameron. This event along with snacks is free and sponsored by FBC Women's Ministry. Please call the church office at 256-2922 to register. The first twenty couples to register will receive a free copy of *The Love Dare* book and preferred seating!

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, The National Council of Churches has declared January 18 through January 25th, a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Please join us in praying for Christian Unity. Know that we will be lifting up your church in our prayers and we ask that you please include Our Lady of Mt. Vernon in yours. Through our prayers, may we all uplift each other in our Christian walk.

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Cystic Fibrosis fundraiser features Bluegrass Night

"A Rockin' Bluegrass Night" Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser, in honor of Rockcastle County's CF survivors and In Memory of Suzanne Graves, will be held on Saturday, January 31st at the Rockcastle County High School auditorium.

Featured act will be the Wild River Band and special "Bluegrass" guests will be Boundary Line and Music Maker (a national touring act).

The show begins at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30) and tickets are \$10 and \$5 for students (student tickets may be purchased at schools only).

For tickets or more information, contact: Dana Cash, 606-308-3057; Tammy Miller 256-5118; Billy Reynolds 256-2730; Music Hall of Fame 256-1000; Charlie Napier 758-8993; James Miller 256-2178 or Bentley Cromer 606-521-7061

Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue Activity Report

January 13-19, 2009

Tuesday, January 13th

Dispatched to a single vehicle accident in which the vehicle had rolled over and was resting on its top. The accident was on Hwy 25 south just south of Burr. Nine firefighters responded. Upon arrival, all occupants were out of vehicle.

Wednesday, January 14th

Dispatched to a fire alarm activation at Mount Vernon Plumbing. Six firefighters responded in two engines. Upon arrival, found no fire, a small amount of smoke from burnt food had activated alarm.

Fire units were requested at a residence to inspect a wood burning stove. Homeowner advised he wished for fire units to inspect stove and to ensure it would vent properly before he began using it.

Received report of fire alarm activation at Renfro Valley. Eight firefighters responded, searched buildings in area and found no fire.

Friday, January 16th

Dispatched to Jeans Restaurant on Hwy. 1004 to a reported grease fire in kitchen area. Seven firefighters responded. Upon arrival, workers had extinguished fire using an extinguisher. Searched entire kitchen for further fire damage, found none. Advised workers to get stove cleaned and inspected before using again due to fire and fire extinguisher chemicals.

Dispatched to vehicle fire at exit 59. Nine firefighters responded with two pumpers. Upon arrival, observed a minivan with a heavy amount

of fire in engine compartment and dash area. Extinguished fire with approximately 500 gallons of water. Due to extremely low temperature, water used to extinguish fire froze immediately on contact with road surface. For that reason, I-75 remained closed until salt trucks arrived to treat area.

Saturday, January 17th

Received report of grass fire at Hummel behind Renfro Valley. Seven firefighters responded with pumper and tanker. Upon arrival, observed approximately one acre of grass on and brush on fire. Extinguished fire before it could spread to woods.

Sunday, January 18th

Dispatched to a two vehicle accident on I-75 at mile marker 70. Eight firefighters responded. Upon arrival, observed one vehicle resting on its top. Used Jaws of Life to extricate patient. Assisted Mount Vernon Police Dept. with traffic control.

Received report of a single vehicle accident on Blue Springs Rd. Eight firefighters responded. Upon arrival observed a small pick up over embankment. Patient was not trapped. Assisted EMS with loading patient.

Dispatched to a single vehicle accident over an embankment on Big Cave Road. Eight firefighters responded. Upon arrival, observed a single vehicle resting on its wheels over an embankment. Driver was out of vehicle. Rescue units remained on scene, assisted with traffic control while vehicle was removed.



We would like to congratulate Brandy Owens for her academic achievement of making the Dean's List at the University of Kentucky during the 2008 fall semester. Brandy is the daughter of Clarence and Martha of Orlando and graduated in the 2008 Rockcastle County High School class. Brandy is currently majoring in Elementary Education and maintained a 3.5 gpa throughout the semester.

We are so proud of your hard work!
Love - Mom, Dad, Mike and Christy, Christopher



Tim Saylor and Jennifer Napier would like to announce the birth of their child, Brooklyn Paige. Brooklyn was born August 30, 2008. Brooklyn is the granddaughter of Francis Saylor and the great granddaughter of Helen Powell Saylor. She is also the granddaughter of Brenda Dixon and Dean Napier and the granddaughter of the late Irvine Saylor.



Hi, my name is Christian James Kimsey and I came into this world on November 16, 2008. I weighed 7 lbs. 13 ozs. and was 19 3/4 inches long. My mommy and daddy are Jr. and Jennifer Kimsey of Mt. Vernon. My proud grandparents are George and Barbara Dooley of Mt. Vernon and Billie White of Potsdam, OH. I would like to say hi to all of my family and a special hello to my Aunt Ruby and family in Kewanee, IL. Hope to see you soon!



Happy New Year Everybody!
I'm Jared Nicolas Blake Barron. I was born September 30, 2008. My mommy and daddy are Danielle and Robbie Barron and my big sister is Jasmine. My grandparents are Dale and James Miller, Daniel and Crystal Sowder, Susan and Greg Ellison and Larry and Linda Barron. My great grand-maws are Mattie Hast, Janie Sowder and Margie Barron. Thanks everybody for all the hugs, kisses and love!

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Property For Sale

Beautiful Brick Home With 13 acres +/-. This home has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, eat-in kitchen, large formal living room, and large formal dining room (or could be used as a family room). A unique two room cabin, chain link fence and a 30x32 barn round out this wonderful property. Plenty of potential. R91789

165 Acres more or less by survey. This property is improved with a 1 1/2 story home (fixer upper), barn and water falls. If you're looking for acreage for hunting, recreational or a get-a-way then be sure to call today for an appointment to look at this property! M2415

48 Acres... located on Slate Branch Road in Crab Orchard. Nearly new unfinished house with 2 BR, LR, Kit, and Bath. Large pond with 18 acres cleared and some marketable timber. All of this for only \$104,900. M2351

Indulge in the value of this quality brick home. This home offers an open living area consisting of living room, kitchen and dining area. There are 2 spacious bedrooms and 2 baths. Other amenities include new central heat/air system, fireplace in the living room, 2-car garage, and a partial basement with plenty of storage area. Call today to see this home located in the Mt. Vernon city limits. M2407

Back to Nature - Secluded Mountain top A-frame on 59.4 wooded acres located on Big Cave Road and within the Daniel Boone National Forest area. Use for vacation or weekend retreat. This is a hunter's and camper's paradise with abundant wildlife. Some cleared land with a small pond and minutes from I-75. Affordable price, \$76,900. Call today! M2400

Looking For Your Dream Home without the huge price tag? This 3 year old beauty may be it! Situated on 3/4 of an acre in the great neighborhood of Houston Point. Make your appointment today; you don't want to miss out. M2418

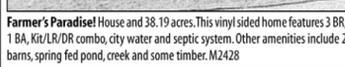
Under Construction! This new 1,500+/- sq. ft. home will feature a LR, Kit/Dining combo, 3 BR, 2 BA and Utility Room. Other amenities include a 2-car attached garage, heat pump/central air, city water, septic system and patio. Call today! M2422

Gorgeous! This newly built home is absolutely gorgeous and is situated on a nice lot in the Lear Crest Subdivision. Features include 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, living room, dining room, kitchen and utility room. This is a newly built two-story home with central heat and air, with a deck that measures 12x16. Close to Berea, Brodhead and Mt. Vernon. Call today! M2385



New Listing

Take a look at this immaculate split level home located in Woodland Place. This home has 3 BR, 1.5 BA, and large bonus room. Closets are spacious and all appliances stay including washer/dryer. Sellers are motivated and will consider all offers. M2427



New Listing

Farmer's Paradise! House and 38.19 acres. This vinyl sided home features 3 BR, 1 BA, Kit/LR/DR combo, city water and septic system. Other amenities include 2 barns, spring feed pond, creek and some timber. M2428



New Listing

Country Living... located on Stull Lane in Waynesburg. 78 acres total with 36 acres of cropland. Good stand of marketable timber. Newly remodeled house and 2 barns. Priced at \$259,000. M2425

Big & Beautiful! This spacious vinyl sided home at the Rockcastle/Lincoln Co. line has much to offer. Its floor plan could be used as four or five bedrooms. There's also a formal dining room, living room and family room. A two-car garage and additional bay in the basement allow for plenty of space for your vehicle or storage. Call today to view. M2423

Thinking of Owning? One look at the price on this 3 bedroom, 1 bath home will help make your mind up. Located in the Brindle Ridge section of Rockcastle Co. this home is convenient to Brodhead, Mt. Vernon and Berea. Settle your thoughts! See this home today, call for your appointment. M2424

Polished and Proud! Careful owners have invested much in this beautiful home. This home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, dining room, kitchen and utility room, plus a beautiful deck. Call today to see this home. M2394

Location! Location! Location! Baby farm with 3 bedroom, 2 bath doublewide with a 12x20 addition, 20x40 block barn with a work shop and full loft, property has mature trees, new fencing, corral and pond. Property fronts on 39 North out of Crab Orchard. Call today! Reduced to \$79,900. M2376

Worth the Money! Three bedrooms, 1.5 bath brick ranch with formal living room and spacious den that has a wood burning fireplace. There is also a large eat-in kitchen with plenty of cabinet space. Big front and back yard. Come see this piece of country located in town! \$108,500. M2392

Beautiful.... all brick ranch home located conveniently to Brodhead and the city of Mt. Vernon. This home consists of 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and is like new. This is a sweet deal. Call today! M2416

It's Not a Dream! This immaculate brick home is for real. With approximately 2,800 square feet this home has a formal living room, dining room, family room, kitchen with breakfast bar and eat-in area, master bedroom suite, 1/2 bath and utility on the first floor. Upstairs there are two bedrooms, a large bath, bonus room and attic storage room. There's also a full basement and three bay garage. M2389

Nature Lover's Retreat! Like new 1991 singlewide mobile home with 2 BR and 1 BA located only 4.5 miles from town. Washer, dryer, stove and refrigerator complete this adorable package. New paint and underpinning this year. . . Don't hesitate - Priced at \$18,000. M2359

Big & Beautiful. This spacious vinyl sided home at the Rockcastle/Lincoln County line has much to offer. Its floor plan could be used as four or five bedrooms. There's also a formal dining room, living room and family room. A two car garage and an additional bay in the basement allow for plenty of space for your vehicle or storage. M2423

Well Kept! Located just outside Mt. Vernon on Carter Ridge Rd. This doublewide in country setting has 3 BR, 2 BA, DR-Kit, Combo, LR and Utility room. Larger master bedroom and bath with large tub and separate shower. Also includes kitchen appliances, washer and dryer, central heat and air, and is affordable at \$43,900 with immediate possession. M2409

A Beautiful Home in a Convenient Location! Here is a 1 1/2 story home with a half basement that is conveniently located within minutes of everything in town. This 3 BR, 2 BA home has appealing hardwood flooring throughout and a swimming pool and nice deck to enjoy in the summer season. Other amenities include KU electric, beautiful landscaping, 1-car garage, city water/sewer, central heat/air, and all appliances stay. M2398

Secluded... yet Convenient! This charming 1 1/2 story vinyl home is situated on 4.5 acres +/- . Features include: 4-5 BR, 2.5 BA, Kit, Utility room, and Office. Amenities include: Laminate and hardwood flooring, tile, carpet, beautiful oak cabinets, fireplace, attached garage, and a great view! Asking \$129,900. M2297

Close to Everything! If you want a home in a central location, within walking distance to the city park and the schools and be close to everything...then you've got just that with this nice brick home. Home features 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths, 2,700+/- sq. ft., a 1-car attached garage. Other amenities include KU electric, hardwood floors, appliances remain with home, cellar and huge living room. Asking only \$112,000. M2377

What a Beauty! This very spacious 3 BR, 2 BA brick home is situated on 8/10 of an acre and will make your family a nice place to reside. This home offers a full size walk-out (unfinished) basement that can be made into a family room or den. Other amenities include hardwood floors, central heat/air, 1-car garage, plenty of storage space, storm shelter plus all appliances including washer/dryer and a wood stove hooked up in the duct work. \$144,900. M2399

A Buyer's Paradise! When feeling stressed from a long days work...come home to relieve stress on your very own putting green... or hang out on your spacious patio and enjoy the beautiful scenic view. This will be relaxing for you. This 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath home is situated on secluded, convenient 1/2 acre +/- lot on the outskirts of the Mt. Vernon city limits. Home has a full unfinished basement and a large 3-car detached garage. Other amenities include: central heat/air, city water/sewer, hardwood floors, security system, fireplaces, and beautiful landscaping. Start relieving some of that stress... today! Call for an appointment! M2363

Don't Miss Out! This country home is definitely worth looking at. The home has an open living area with a living room. Kitchen and dining room combined on the main level. There's also a master bedroom level. The second story has two bedrooms, a bath and a loft that overlooks the living room. The walk-out basement has approximately 1,000 sq. ft. with a restroom that has been plumbed and a wood stove for back-up heat. M2348

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Lots For Sale

Two lots located in the beautiful Lear Crest Subdivision. Consists of 1/2 acre m/l each and has city water available. These lots are ideal building lots and convenient to Mt. Vernon, Brodhead, Berea and Lake Linville. Priced at \$9,900 ea. M2260

Great View! Near Cedar Creek Lake. 1 acre nearly level lot with restrictions. M2357

Nice and Convenient! Nice level lot in the city limits of Crab Orchard with water and sewer available. Just \$5,900. M2360

Great Opportunity! Building lot located in Lear Crest Subdivision. This lot has blacktop roads, city water and underground utilities. Restricted for your convenience. Priced at only \$11,900. M2355

Let's Go Fishing! 1 acre lot on Boone Road, only one mile from Cedar Creek Lake. Lot has 208 feet of road frontage on a blacktop road. Mature trees with city water available. Doublewides are welcome! Call today and go fishing this summer! \$21,500. M2353

Lots Available! Now in the Lear Crest Subdivision. There are 8 lots to choose from so hurry to take your pick. M2346

Make this your building site. - Measuring 0.73 of an acre this lot is located in Cedar Point Subdivision. \$6,500. M2345

They're Going Fast! - Conveniently located between I-75 and 461, there is over 100 restricted building lots in the newly developed Rainbow Ridge Subdivision. Newly blacktopped roads - city water - some lake views. Prices range between \$7,900 - \$16,900. M1798

Hwy. 461 - Pulaski County. Easy access to Somerset - Lake Cumberland and I-75. Spacious Lots - Restricted - City Water - Paved Streets - \$11,900 each. M1363

REDUCED! Investment Opportunity! Don't delay starting earning income today! 7 trailer lots in the Mt. Vernon city limits. City water, city sewer and KU electric. Included in this package is a separate lot located on T Street in Mt. Vernon... Lots of potential. Priced at \$50,000. M2169

Some Timber. Property joins National Forest. Creek runs through this property. M2203

"A" Rated! Prime and almost perfect is the best way to describe these well-located lots! Located in exclusive neighborhood between Mt. Vernon and Brodhead on Highway 150, these restricted lots are ideal for your new dream home! Priced between \$10,000 and \$14,500. A once-in-a-lifetime opportunity awaits you here! M1941

Lots! Lots! Lots! Several large country lots with a great view - Holbrook Estates in the Brindle Ridge section - Convenient to either Mt. Vernon or Berea. City water - Cable TV - lots range in size from 3/4 acre to 1 acre. M1796

Commercial Property

Two large commercial lots measuring 68/100 each. 135 feet of road frontage on each with water and sewer and KU electric. \$69,900 each. M2402

Tumblin Good Deal... Roll your money over several times in this Car Wash, Laundromat and touchless car wash with all of the equipment and inventory to stay with buildings. This is a great investment, be the first to get the ball rolling...today! M2417

Car Wash! Near McDonalds, Wendy's and KFC. Established 4-bay + automatic bay car wash. Partnership dissolving...motivated sellers. Financial records to qualified prospects. Priced at \$425,000. M2401

REDUCED! Renfro Valley, KY 4 acres +/-, an excellent commercial site. There is plenty of road frontage on US 25, property has city water and sewer available. Owners may consider dividing. M2177.

1/2 Mile from I-75 - Tracts ranging from 3/4 acre to 4 acres - good visibility - high traffic count - city water and sewer available. M1772

Strategically Located! Commercial property measuring 6.3 acres near the intersection of Hwy. 150 and Hwy. 27. Property has city water and city sewer with good traffic count. \$325,000. M2390

Acreage For Sale

48 acres of prime land, 2 ponds, spring, blacktop road, 4 miles from lake. 17 miles to I-75 located on a dead end road. M2419

30 Acres +/-. Take a look at this approximately 30 acres of beautiful woodland on Doc Adams Rd. Close to town - prime location. Call today! M2414

You Can't Beat This! 35 acres near Cedar Creek Lake. Call for more information. M2396

REDUCED! 76 Acre Farm in the Wabed Section of Rockcastle Co....Road frontage on Hwy. 1250 and Doc Adams Road. Barn-silo-city water-creek. Good cattle farm or development possibilities. Owner would consider dividing. Priced at \$269,000. M2333

30 Acres More or Less - Coal and some timber. Recreational. \$50,000. Call today! M2410

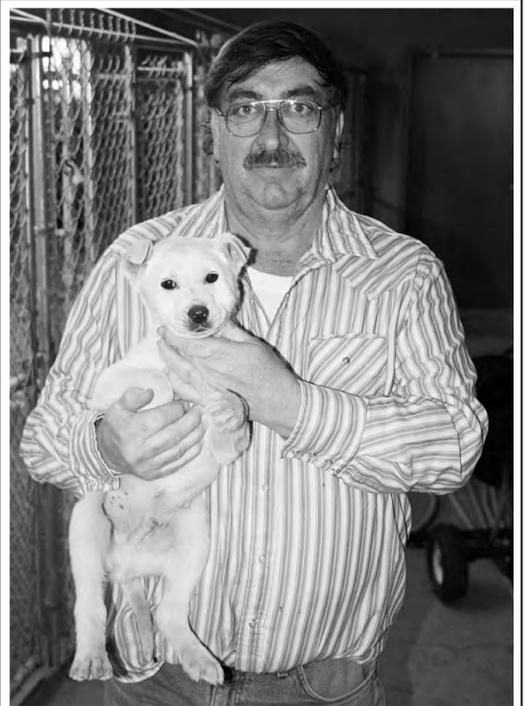
9 Good Country Acres - Poplar Grove Road section of Rockcastle County - mostly level - city water. Great building site - near Pulaski County line. Priced at \$41,900. M2411

174.93 acres of Woods and Wildlife - Just 10 minutes from I-75. This property would be great for the avid hunter or to build a home in an area with a little privacy. Priced at \$145,000. Call today for more details. M2412

Future Auctions

Absolute Estate Auction of the late Ms. Alma Jones' House and Lot & Personal Property
Saturday, January 24th at 10:00 a.m. - Jarvis Avenue, Somerset, Ky.

Absolute Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Thomas' 30 Acres in Tracts
Saturday, February 7th at 10:30 a.m. - Elrod Rd., Somerset, Ky.



Six full blooded Lab Puppies

The above three-month-old pup is among the dogs and pups up for adoption at the Rockcastle Animal Shelter on Deep Hollow Road, off Old Sigmon Road, at Roundstone. Above, Animal Shelter Director James Kidwell holds one of six full blooded Lab pups from the same litter, which are now up for adoption at the shelter. The adoption fee is \$20. The animal shelter is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., except for Tuesday when it is closed from noon to 2 p.m. For more information call (606) 256-1833 or go online at www.pets911.com.

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Host Casey County on Friday night Rockets defeat Wayne in OT

The Rockcastle County High School Rockets boys basketball team hosted Wayne County on Tuesday night and the fans certainly got their money's worth, as the Rockets won in overtime, 70-69.

Wayne County led most of the game but were unable to put the Rockets away, winding up in an overtime battle after a 60 all score at the end of regulation.

In the second half the Rockets fought their way back to take the lead for the first time in the game late in the third quarter.

The lead changed hands several times throughout the fourth quarter with Wayne County holding a three point lead with 10 seconds left in regulation.

After a Wayne County defender tipped the ball out of bounds there was time for one last shot. Dustin Reynolds threw the ball in to Matt Bullens who took a couple of dribbles and hit a game-tying 3-pointer at the buzzer to knot the game at 60 and send it into overtime.

In overtime, the lead again

changed multiple times and, again, the Rockets found themselves down, but this time by only 1 point.

With 3.3 seconds left in overtime and the Rockets down 69-68, Matt Bullens grabbed an offensive rebound and nailed the put back. A foul was called on the play but Bullens missed the free throw, giving Wayne County one more possession. When Wayne County attempted to inbound the ball Senior Spencer Mullins broke up the pass and the game was over.

The win improved the Rockets record to 9-10 on the year.

Besides his game tying and game winning shots, Matt Bullens also led the Rockets in scoring with 24.

Jamie Todd added 16, Spencer Mullins 15, Bryan Clontz 8, Dustin Reynolds 5 and junior Derek Thacker had 4.

Last Friday night the Rockets faced a tough Knox Central squad on the road and kept it close throughout, but fell short 72-64.

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Rocket senior Jarred Smith looks for an open teammate in Tuesday night's 70-69 overtime win over Wayne County. Smith had two points on the night.

Update for Rocket JV

Friday night, the boys' JV team played Knox Central close, but would wound up on the short end of the 43-35 score.

Dakota Mahaffey led his team in scoring with 12, Travis Carpenter got 8, Grant Burdette and Derrick Pittman each had 4, Kyle Riddle 3, and Matt Lunsford and John Lawson got 2 each.

The Rockets faced Lincoln County on Saturday and again would keep the contest close, but would fall 46-36.

Travis Carpenter had a good game with 15, Matt Lunsford scored 7, Grant Burdette and John Lawson had 4 each, Derrick Pittman 3, Kyle Riddle got 2 and Dakota Mahaffey 1.

Last Tuesday at Southwestern the JV lost 64-30.

Grant Burdette led all scorers on the night with 8, Matt Lunsford had 5, Travis Carpenter, Josh McKinney, and John Lawson scored 4 each, Derrick Pittman and Dakota Mahaffey 2 each and Kyle Riddle had 1. The Junior Varsity team is now 3-6 on the season.

Boys' freshmen still without win

At a freshman tournament played at Rocky Hollow last week, the Rocket's played hard against Pulaski but would end up losing 46-35.

The freshmen were led in scoring by Will Reynolds with 11. Ben Lake scored 10, Jadon Brock 7, Zach Walker 4, Jordan Whitaker 2 and Cody Noe 1.

That same day, the Rockets faced Somerset, and lost 43-31. Ben Lake led the ROCK in scoring with 10, followed by Cody Noe and Jadon Brock each with 6, Zach Walker scored 3 and Zach Reams and Jordan Kelley had 2 each.

Next up the Rockets faced Casey County and again played a close game, but fell 40-33. Jadon Brock led the team in

scoring with 11, Cody Noe had 9, Ben Lake 8, Will Reynolds and Jordan Whitaker each had 2 and Zach Walker got 1.

The Rockets played Lincoln in the final game of the day and lost 56-22. Ben Lake led the scoring for the Rockets with 7, Cody Noe had 4, Jordan Whitaker 3 and Jadon Brock, Will Reynolds, and Zach Walker each had 2.

The Freshmen are now 0-10 on the season.

Lady Rocket JV update

The following is an update on the RCHS Girl's Junior Varsity team from the past week.

The Lady Rockets played Clay County close last Monday night on the road, but in the end they lost 32-22.

Sydney Arvin led the team in scoring with 9, Ella McQueary had 7, Michaela Hunter and Cheyenne Hensley each had 2, and Shanlee Burton and Kristin Abney scored 1 each.

On Tuesday night the Lady Rockets would pick up a win against Somerset, 42-25. They were led in scoring by Angie Lawrence with 13. Kristin Abney got 7, Sydney Arvin 5, Shanlee Burton 4, Alexis Chasteen 3 and Katie Cowan, Michaela Hunter, Cheyenne Hensley, Ella McQueary and Casey Sturgill 2 each.

Last Thursday, the JVs won a close one against Southwestern 37-30. Shanlee Burton led all scorers with 10, Casey Sturgill had 7, Bre Tillary 5, Cheyenne Hensley and Sydney Arvin had 4 each, Ella McQueary 3 and Michaela Hunter and Alexis Chasteen 2.

Last Friday night, the Lady Rockets picked up a win against Whitley 43-35. Sydney Arvin and Angie Lawrence led all scorers with 9 each, Ella McQueary got 7, Shanlee Burton and Cheyenne Hensley 4 each, Kristin Abney 3, Casey Sturgill and Michaela Hunter 2 each and Bre Tillary 1.



Rocket junior Matt Bullens goes up for two of his team high 24 points against Wayne County on Tuesday night. Bullens hit a three point shot to send the game into overtime and he also made the winning basket in overtime.



Rocket senior Spencer Mullins puts up a three pointer in the Rocket's overtime victory over Wayne County on Tuesday night. Mullins scored 15 points in the contest. The Rockets host Casey County in a doubleheader with the Lady Rockets on Friday night.



Lady Rocket Shanlee Burton puts up a shot in the junior varsity game against Whitley County last Friday night. The JV won, 43-35. Burton had four points in the game.

Ranked second in state Lady Rockets win two more

Last Friday, the Rockcastle County High School Lady Rockets hosted Whitley County and easily defeated them 67-29.

Head coach Chrysti Noble was able to substitute early, with ten players getting into the scoring column.

Sophomore Center Sara Hammond had another impressive night leading the Lady Rockets in scoring with 16, but was followed closely by senior Mary Saylor with 15 points.

Angie Lawrence and Nicole Locklear scored 8 each, Jackie Alexander got 7, Ashley Robinson 4, Jillisa Lay 3 and Kristin Abney, Cheyenne Hensley and Shanlee Burton all had 2.

The Lady Rockets then played host to Wayne County, a team they defeated by only two points in the first game of the season, on Tuesday night and found themselves in a close contest early on.

After the first quarter of play, the Lady Rockets only led by 3. However, the Rockets found their stride in the second

quarter and were ahead by 13 at the break.

The Lady Rockets would go on to win their 15th game of the year, 51-36 over Wayne and are now to 15-4 on the season.

The starters for the Lady Rockets played throughout the game due to Wayne County's ability to keep the game competitive and not allow the Rockets to pull away.

The Lady Rockets were led in scoring by junior Jackie Alexander who had 15 on the evening. Hammond was the only other player to get into double figures with 10, Angie Lawrence had 8, Ashley Robinson and Mary Saylor each had 6, and Katy Mattingly, Kritin Abney and Jillisa Lay all had 2.

The Lady Rockets are ranked second in the state this week and first in the 12th region in the *Lexington Herald-Leader's* poll.

They will host Casey County on Friday night in a doubleheader district matchup with the boys' team.



Sophomore Angie Lawrence goes for two of her eight points against Whitley County on Friday night. The Lady Rockets won the varsity game 67-29. The junior varsity beat Whitley County, 43-35. Lawrence had 9 in that game.



RCHS senior Mary Saylor puts up a three point shot in the Lady Rocket's 67-29 win over Whitley County on Friday night. Saylor, who has been very consistent this season, had 15 points on the night. The Lady Rockets are ranked second in the state this week in the *Lexington Herald-Leader's* high school poll. (Sports photos by Kevin Canterbury).

RCMS Boys Basketball Events Rescheduled

The RCMS boys basketball team is selling tickets for a "Rocket Throw." The price is \$1 per chance.

The drawing will be held on January 22nd.

The RCMS boys basketball team will also be hosting a Chili Supper on January 22nd, Eighth Grade Night. The price is \$5, which includes a bowl of chili, drink, sandwich and dessert. The supper will begin at 4 p.m. and will end at halftime of the 7th grade game.



Jr. Pro Night Friday January 23rd

All Jr. Pro players and coaches will be introduced at halftime of the 2nd game. Jr. Pro players receive FREE admission when they enter wearing their Jr. Pro team jersey.

6:30 Lady Rockets vs. Casey Co.
7:45 Rockets vs. Casey Co.

"Battle for the Number One District Seed"

Smith places first in three events

Girls' indoor track teams compete at Mason County

The RCHS and RCMS girls' track teams got their seasons underway this past Saturday at the first indoor meet of the season hosted by Mason County High School. A couple of teams from Cincinnati, Ohio were also on hand for the competition.

The RCHS girls' team only fielded three competitors for the meet and did not bring any distance runners with them. The trio was also limited to just a few events for their first competition.

Junior all-state athlete Samantha Smith picked up right where she left off last outdoor season. Samantha totally dominated all competitors in her events. She easily won the 55-meter dash with a very fast early season time of 7.81 seconds. She also captured 1st place in long jump by over two feet with an amazing leap of 15'7". Samantha's best performance came in the triple jump competition where she easily won with an awesome effort of 33'9", winning by nearly eight feet over her nearest competi-

tor. Senior all-state athlete Sarah McKinney finished 2nd in the 55-meter hurdles with an awesome time of 9.65 seconds, despite spraining an ankle during the middle of the race.

Eighth grader Amy Johnson won the shot put competition by an amazing two feet over her nearest competitor. She threw an impressive 26'4", a major improvement from her first competition a year ago.

Despite having only three girls in limited events, the team placed 4th and would have easily won first place with their full team.

The girls' team will be seeking their 3rd straight indoor state championship title this March when they attempt to defend their Class 2A championship from two years ago. Last year's state championships were cancelled due to the huge snow that took place in Louisville during that time, denying RCHS an opportunity for their 3rd state title.

The RCMS girls' team had plenty of competitors to cover

all the events at Mason County. With 33 team members on hand out of 45 that are presently on the team, the girls had little trouble dominating the competition, winning by an impressive 54 points. RCMS had several finish in the top ten in their respective events, but only the top two competitors from each team counted in the scoring.

Sixth grader Kira Deatherage dominated the 55-meter dash, winning with an awesome time of 8.37 seconds. Eighth grader Bryonna Cromer also scored, placing 3rd in a fast 8.67 seconds.

Kira also took home 1st place honors in the 400-meter dash, easily winning in an impressive 1:13.83. Seventh grader Lacey Gastineau placed 2nd overall with a great effort of 1:15.44.

In the 800-meter run, sixth grader Alyssa Cox placed 4th overall with an exceptional effort of 3:15.02. Sixth grader Rachel Cain finished 7th overall in an impressive 3:30.94. Rachel also finished 4th in the

1600-meter run with an awesome time of 7:12.59.

Seventh grader Alyssa Allen ran a spectacular race in the 55-meter hurdles, winning with a time of 11.22 seconds.

Sixth grader Cynthia Deaton took home 1st place in the shot put competition, placing 1st with a great throw of 23'11".

Eighth grader Brooklyn Blanton won the long jump competition with a great leap of 12'4". Alyssa Allen took 2nd overall with a terrific effort of 12'0".

RCMS dominated the final event of the meet, the 1600-meter relay. The team of Lacey Gastineau, Bryonna Cromer, Alyssa Allen, and Kira Deatherage won with an impressive time of 5:09.65.

In a short amount of time, the RCMS girls' team has established themselves as a strong contender for the Mason-Dixon Games Middle School Indoor State Championship title this March. It looks as if they may have as much talent as any RCMS middle school girls' track team to date.

Next up for RCHS will be the competitive University of Kentucky Wildcat Classic this Saturday. RCMS next competes at Mason County on January 31.

"Rockets"

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Matt Bullens led the team in scoring with 19 points followed by Spencer Mullins with 15, Jamie Todd 14, Bryan Clontz and Derek Thacker 7 each and Jarred Smith 2.

The Rockets will host Casey County on Friday night in a doubleheader with the Lady Rockets.

The Rockets defeated Casey County on January 2nd, 62-38 in a game played at Casey County.

The Rockets are currently ranked number one in the 47th district with a record of 3-1.

Casey County has a district record of 2-3 and 5-12 overall.

The first game at RCHS on Friday night is at 6:30 p.m.



Tim Robinson, of Burr, got the thrill of a lifetime recently when he was able to separate two deer that were still alive and had been hooked together for approximately eight hours at the Bluegrass Army Depot. Tim got help separating the deer from Cecil Parrish. Both deer were able to walk away after being separated but, unfortunately, one of the deer was found dead later.



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The Rockcastle girls' track and field teams competed at the Mason County indoor meet this past Saturday, their first competition of the season. The RCMS girls' team dominated the competition, winning by 54 points over Mason County and Fairland Middle of Cincinnati. Junior Samantha Smith won all three of her events for the RCHS girls' team. Team members present included, front from left: Kira Deatherage, Samantha Smith, Sarah McKinney and Brooklyn Blanton. Second row from left: Alyssa Allen, Bryonna Cromer, Gabby Miller, Kendra Dees, April Mason, Kaci Bussell, Bridget Pittman and Amber Woodall. Third row from left: Emma Evans, Leah Woodall, Krystal Smith, Ashley Baggett, Danielle McNew, Heather Holden, Rachel Cain, Alyssa Cox, Tanika Chasteen, Eliza Mason, Kristen Brown, Kayla Cromer and Ileana Miller. Back row from left: Tori Phillips, Victoria Smith, Amy Johnson, Alexis Stewart, September Miller, Holly Bradley, Cheyenne Gilliam, Cynthia Deaton, Lauren Reopelle and Lacey Gastineau. Not pictured - Ashley Newland.

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“Crash”

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Lick Road while both officers turned around, engaged their emergency equipment and followed Cunningham's vehicle.

They followed onto Fall Lick Road (Highway 1972) until their speed became unsafe and they couldn't keep Cunningham in sight. Lake slowed down and had decided not to pursue but as he popped over the hill he was faced with the smoldering collision.

Both officers simultaneously called 9-1-1 to report the accident.

Brandon was on his way home to play games with his brother and share a steak dinner with his family when Cunningham, traveling at a high rate of speed, crossed the center line of the roadway past Windswept Drive in his wife's 1992 Pontiac Grand Prix and hit Brandon's 2007 Chevrolet pickup head on.

Hearing that an accident had occurred on Fall Lick Road, the Plummers tried to call Brandon who failed to respond. They then decided to go to the scene where a friend eventually told them Brandon was involved.

Mrs. Plummer was kept away long enough for them to remove her son from the wreckage and stabilize him as they waited for the helicopter.

He was coherent and alert and she was able to hold his hand and talk with him while they waited but they wouldn't let her ride in the medi-evac with him.

The family drove to the University of Kentucky hospital in Lexington to find Brandon fully alert. He told her that he had prayed all the way. Although his demeanor was that of a man, handling the situation without ever shedding a tear, he told his mother that he didn't think he was going to survive.

She kissed him and they shared "I love yous" before he asked her to kiss his dog Dixie and she heard his final words, "Let's roll."

Carol Plummer reflected on the day's events, how she had spent nearly an hour curled up with her son on the bed watching a video from his psychology class and how he had shared with her that he wanted to start going to church with her. He told her that he had been saved, the most important

words she needed to hear before her precious son left this life.

Police said alcohol and excessive speed are suspected to be contributing factors in the accident. Toxicology reports should be back within 10 working days, Garrard County Coroner Daryl Hodge said.

Services for Cunningham, who is survived by his wife, Melinda and two sons, were held Tuesday in Stanford.

A complete obituary appears on Page A-5 of this week's Signal.

“Budgets”

(Cont. from front)

providing much more support.

Carloftis said that Breathitt County, with a population of 15,924 provides \$252,000 a year support to their sheriff's department out of a yearly budget of approximately \$4,000,000, compared to Rockcastle's \$4,757,394. The judge/executive said that Rockcastle's budget would be a lot higher if previous fiscal courts had taken the 4% increase allowed each year on property taxes. "If Rockcastle had kept their property tax rates up over the last 60 years, the sheriff's department wouldn't have to be talking to the fiscal court now -- but the services have to be done," Carloftis told the court.

Carloftis also reminded the court that the county would be taking a hit financially in their next budget from a decrease in the amount of insurance tax collected.

The Mt. Vernon City Council voted last year to begin taking their portion of the tax. The amount the county will collect is not known yet since the State Department of Insurance is working on isolating property within the city.

After much discussion, and a motion by Magistrate John Holbrook to provide funds for an additional deputy, which was later withdrawn for lack of a second, the court approved the sheriff's budget, on a motion by Magistrate Bill McKinney, without an additional deputy. The court did tell Peters that the matter would be revisited after July 1st, the start of the county's fiscal year.

The budget approved for the sheriff's department shows expected revenues of \$484,470 for 2009 and expected dis-

bursments of \$483,902.

A look at expected revenues for the sheriff's office shows that the bulk of his income is from his commission on taxes collected amounting to \$112,000. The revenue portion of the budget also includes \$51,000 from fiscal court, \$60,670 from reimbursement for Barry Adams, the local DEA officer, \$34,000 for reimbursement for bailiffs' salaries and \$45,000 for accident/police reports and serving papers. The \$484,470 budget also includes a \$53,000 bank loan to the sheriff and \$65,000 in a state advance the sheriff gets every year until he receives enough revenue to run his office.

Major disbursements for 2009 include, \$75,603 for the sheriff's salary (set by the state), \$164,129 for deputies, full and part time, \$67,270 for supplemental pay to officers from KLEFF and HIDTA, which was taken as income and has to be taken as a disbursement which paid to the officers and \$42,000 for gasoline.

County Clerk's Budget

Approval of County Clerk Norma Houk's budget took up the majority of the special meeting.

For the first time in many years, the court reduced the cap for employees' salaries in Houk's office.

Last year, the cap was set at \$250,000 but was reduced to \$215,000 this year. Houk was also asked to pay the employer's share of social security and provide \$15,000 toward the bill for the county's share of her employees' retirement.

It was a blow financially for Houk's office since, in calendar year 2008, her gross payroll was \$237,368 for seven employees, up from \$192,408.28 in 2007 and \$174,873.60 in 2006. During 2008, the county paid \$20,650.42 in matching social security and \$47,184.78 in matching retirement.

Houk told the court that their decision would mean that she would have to cut salaries or lay off an employee in order to keep under the salary cap.

Carloftis pointed out that there was a disparity between salaries paid in Houk's office and other county offices. It was noted that the least paid employees are workers at the de-

partment center and 911 employees and the average salary for county workers is \$22,000 a year. In 2009, three employees in Houk's office were paid an average of \$45,492 each.

Houk told the court that one of the employees had been working in the office for over 25 years, another for 17. She also said that December salaries were higher because of workers having to fill in for employees taking personal days before the end of the year in order not to lose them.

Carloftis commended Houk on her office's operation but said the county was "trying to scrape up money in the general fund because we are going to be shy." He also pointed out that it had been since July of 2007 since the jail, 911, road department and workers in the county judge's office have had a pay raise.

Houk's budget shows total receipts expected of \$2,444,900 with the highest part of the revenue coming from the tangible personal property tax of \$910,000; \$620,000 for usage tax and \$530,000 for licenses and transfers.

Major disbursements include: \$601,400 for the state's share of the usage tax, \$381,000 also to the state for their share of the property tax and \$355,000 again to the state for their share of licenses and transfers.

The fiscal court will get \$61,000 from property tax, \$15,000 in delinquent taxes and \$28,500 for deed transfer tax.

Disbursements of \$430,000 will be paid to taxing districts in the county, \$77,647 for the clerk's gross salary, \$3,600 for the clerk's expense allowance and \$215,000 for deputies gross salaries.

In other action concerning Houk's office, the court voted to pay \$18,000 of the bill for new equipment and for scanning county records for indexing.

“Docket”

(Cont. from front)

580 days and, at an estimated cost of \$25 per person per day, the cost to the county would have been \$14,500.

However, because of the Rocket Docket, the inmates

only stayed in the county jail 28 days, saving the county \$13,500 in the first week of the pilot project.

The cost to the county for the entire month for the program is only \$1,250, paid to the commonwealth attorney's office for administering the program, producing a net savings of \$13,250 to the county.

"This is just the beginning of the savings the local jail will see," Bartley told the court. "There is no doubt this program is going to benefit the county."

Under the program, offenders, whom the county and commonwealth attorney's offices feel would not be a threat to public safety, are offered a chance to plea bargain the sentence for their offense instead of staying in jail, or posting a high bond, for 90 days to six months, sometimes eight months, before their case is disposed of by the conventional process. During that 90 days to six months, the jail doesn't collect anything for their upkeep until their sentencing.

Bartley later told the Signal, "We are not guaranteeing a lower budget for the jail, just one that will be better than it could have been because of this program."

In the three cases disposed of last Wednesday, Bullens was charged with theft by unlawful taking over \$300. She pled guilty to the charge and received an 18 month sentence.

Wombles was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, fourth offense and was sentenced to one year imprisonment.

Deborde pled guilty to possession of drug paraphernalia, second offense and was released on supervised diversion.

“Ranked”

(Cont. from front)

the regional tournaments," said Noble.

The Lady Rockets are the defending 12th region champs and have made it to the Sweet 16 tournament four of the last five seasons.

Friday night the Lady Rockets will try to avenge their loss to Casey County on January 2nd. The Lady Rockets scored only 32 points, which was the lowest of the season, in that 43-32 loss in Liberty.

The Lady Rebels are 16-2 on the season and 3-1 in district play, as are the Lady Rockets. The winner of Friday night's game will be ranked number one in the district.

The Rockets will also play Casey County on Friday night in the district double header.

The Rockets are now 9-10 on the season after Tuesday night's overtime win over Wayne County and first place in the district with a 3-1 record.

The Rockets defeated Casey County in their first meeting on January 2nd, 64-59.

The Rebels are 5-12 on the season and 2-3 in district play.

The first game at RCHS on Friday night begins at 6:30 p.m.

“Meth Lab”

(Cont. from front)

by UNITE detectives and other arrests are possible, according to the news release.

Also assisting at the scene was Rockcastle County Constable Dale Miller.

For more information about Operation UNITE visit their website address at www.operationunite.org

Office Hours Changed

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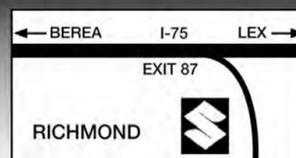
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Second Section

Thursday, January 22, 2009



Old Man Winter has certainly made his presence felt in Rockcastle County in the past week, with the temperature falling below zero on two different days. Because of those cold temperatures, even the smallest amount of snow made roadways slick and hazardous. State and county road crews, shown above in the bottom photo, have done a good job of keeping main roads, such as Hwy. 150 clear, but many side roads, such as Christmas Tree Lane, shown in the top photo, have been snow covered at least three days this week including Tuesday, when school was called off in the county for the third time this school year.



Above, David Mink of Town Country Service Station, and below, Josh Thompson, of David's Tire Center, work to cleanup one of the many wrecks that occurred in Rockcastle County on Saturday night and Sunday morning. The wreck occurred on southbound I-75 near the 70 mile marker of I-75 around 7 a.m. when a Lexus, being driven by a Pennsylvania man, slammed into the Toyota Matrix, below, being driven by a man from Canada. Mt. Vernon firefighters had to cut the Canada man from his vehicle after the wreck, which closed the interstate for a short time. State police at London said they worked over 41 wrecks in their service area which includes Rockcastle.



Interstate closed in Rockcastle Saturday night because of Black Ice

Southbound I-75 was closed for over three hours in Rockcastle County on Saturday because of black ice, mainly at the 55 mile marker, commonly known as "River Hill." State Police said they rerouted motorists off the interstate at Exit 59 on the southbound side and at Exit 41 in Laurel County on the northbound side. Police said one crash, near the 53 mile marker, caused two other crashes, one of which involved a wrecker driven by Josh Thompson of David's Tire

Center. Thompson said he was pulling off the road to assist the people in the first wreck when a woman from Knoxville, TN, with two passengers, hit the back of his wrecker. Thompson said the woman's car was going backwards and hit his wrecker broadside. Thompson said the collision totaled the woman's Jeep Liberty and sent one of her passengers to the hospital. Thompson said while he was attempting to help the family from Knoxville, two

other vehicles collided about 200 feet away. "There were six wrecked vehicles a few hundred feet apart," Thompson said. Not long after the three wrecks, in virtually the same place, police closed the interstate. "It was just a solid sheet of ice out there," Thompson said. Thompson's wrecker sustained minimal damage but had to be worked on before he continued to use it throughout the night. Police reported no critical injuries from the numerous wrecks.

School dismissed twice because of winter weather Temperature falls below zero twice

Rockcastle County School officials called off school Tuesday because of slick roads, for only the third time this school year. Last Friday, school officials called school off, as did most of the school systems in the state, because of extremely cold weather. Friday, the recorded low temperature in the county was minus 3 degrees and, on

Saturday, local weatherman Bud Cox recorded a minus 2. The high recorded temperature in the past week has been 39 last Wednesday. So far in the past week, snow has been recorded on three different occasions, each time less than a half inch. With Tuesday's dismissal, Rockcastle students will now be in class until May 20th.

New councilmember Don Jones attends League of Cities Academy

Don Jones, one of two new Mt. Vernon city council members for 2009-10, joined more than 200 other statewide city officials and employees at the Kentucky League of Cities Academy

held at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Lexington, January 12-14. "As a newly elected council member I needed a thorough understanding of the basics of the legislative body. KLC training was worth every dollar and every second that I gave to attend the academy. I came away wishing that all the city officers, including the Mayor would attend," Jones said in a news release. "The academy equips one with essential information along with specific tools to gather more information because it is impossible to retain all that is required of us. With the training and the contact information, I am ready to begin," Jones said. The City of Mt. Vernon is a longtime member of the Kentucky League of Cities.



Don Jones, above, and Jackie Wayne Weaver will join the Mt. Vernon City Council as the newest members next Monday night.

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District Civil Suits

Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Julie H. Dickinson, \$970.03 plus claimed due.
Midland Funding LLC vs. Holly Phillips, \$992.29 plus claimed due.
Midland Funding LLC vs. Louis Payne, \$928.42 plus claimed due. C-00007.

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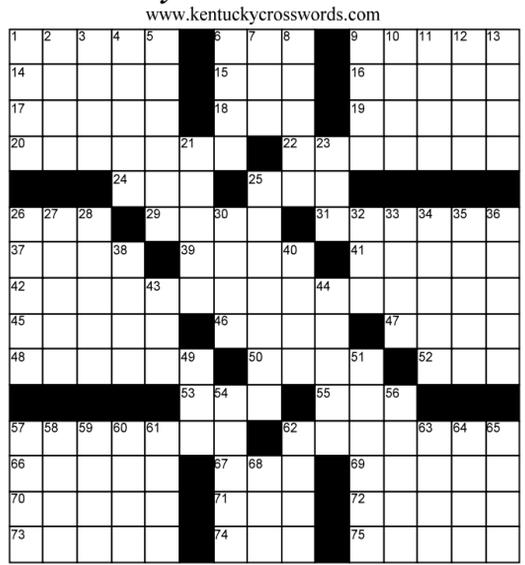
Circuit Civil Suits

Cabinet for Health and Family Services vs. Gary Marler, complaint for medical supplies.
Flagstar Bank, FSB vs. Robert Couch, III, et al, \$37,224.40 plus claimed due.
Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. vs. John Edwards, \$69,907.45 plus claimed due.
Pinnacle Credit Services LLC vs. Robert Neeley,

\$5,727.10 plus claimed due.
Deborah Martina Alcorn vs. Virgil Alcorn, petition for dissolution of marriage.
Cabinet for Health and Family Services ex rel Glenn Davidson vs. Michelle Davidson, complaint for child support and medical support.
Bonnie Ellen Roark vs. Ronnie Leon Roark, petition for dissolution of marriage.
Lumber King Inc. vs. Robert W. Shaver, \$33,230.82 plus claimed due.
Tax Ease Lien Investments I LLC vs. Eric Smith, et al, \$2,201.60 plus claimed due.
Wilder Enterprises, Inc. vs. Carol Robinson, \$20,079.16 plus claimed due. CI-00015

paired, 1st, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 day operator license suspension, ADE authorized and 30 days; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, 30 days/concurrent.
Amanda Kates: theft by unlawful taking, 30 days/concurrent.
Whitney N. Vance: detention and arrest of shoplifting suspect, 90 days/probated 24 months.
Charles F. Ashcraft: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine and costs; reckless driving, \$100 fine.
Johnny Bingham: fines/fees due (\$730), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
Essie R. Frederick: reckless driving, \$100 fine and costs; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

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20 KFC's "Colonel"
22 Garrard Co. native, Grand Ole Opry regular, 1942-1947
24 Ed.'s request
25 Common TVA landscape change found in KY
26 "Gotcha!"
29 Eastern music
31 Kentuckian Irvin Cobb's famous "Judge"
37 Mimics
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41 Kentuckian, clairvoyant Cayce
42 Oldest continuous business of record in KY
45 Atlantic, for one
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1 Hard knocks
2 Stewpot
3 Thor's father
4 Must-haves
5 Win over
6 Barley beads
7 KY's youngest state univ.
8 Former Murray St. and UK professor, noted ceramic sculptor
9 Glance over
10 Toiletry item
11 China setting
12 Laurel Co. site, Jackson State Park
13 Regarded
21 Anderson Co. spot, and-
23 Rascal
25 Natives of this KY county include former governor

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Former broadcaster, Kentucky Athletic Hall of Famer Wes
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Springs in Johnson Co., Valley in Wayne
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32 Ump
33 Midmonth day
34 "Snowy" bird
35 Boot camp boss
36 Check for fit
38 Bed support
40 Shout
43 Wind dir.
44 Law officer Earp
49 Rodent
51 County that is the site of first permanent pioneer settlement in KY
54 Lexington
Bluegrass Army ___
56 Energy source: Var.
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62 This product manufactured in KY as early as 1793
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Deeds Recorded

Brian D. Carter, property in Rainbow Ridge Subdv., to Melinda Carter. No tax
Gary and Agnes Faye Wools and Jerry and Yvonne Ison, property in Rockcastle County, to Curtis and Dollie Roberts. No tax.
Tammi Howard, property in Rockcastle County, to David and Opal Wilder. Tax \$2.

Marriage Licenses

Lou Ann Griffin, 24, Somerset, Oakwood to Billy J. Konkle, 25, Somerset, fabrication. 1/9/09.

District Court

Jan. 12-14, 2009
Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
Roger J. Baker: controlled substance prescription not in original container, \$100 fine and 90 days/probated 24 months on condition.
Amanda N. Bullens: operating vehicle subject im-

posed, 1st, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 day operator license suspension, ADE authorized and 30 days; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, 30 days/concurrent.
Amanda Kates: theft by unlawful taking, 30 days/concurrent.
Whitney N. Vance: detention and arrest of shoplifting suspect, 90 days/probated 24 months.
Charles F. Ashcraft: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine and costs; reckless driving, \$100 fine.
Johnny Bingham: fines/fees due (\$730), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
Essie R. Frederick: reckless driving, \$100 fine and costs; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.
Dustin S. Fryer: public intoxication, \$100 fine and costs.
Jordan T. Hays: public intoxication, \$100 fine and costs.
Michael K. Lantos: no operators license in possession, \$250 fine and costs.
Speeding: Timothy R. Rothe, \$30 fine and \$133 costs; Jason B. Stewart, \$56 fine and costs; Jackie R. Harris, paid \$133 total; Nathon L. Anderson, license suspended for fta.
William A. Cardwell: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, and other charges, bw issued for fta.
Donna K. Hakola: fines/fees due (\$208), bw issued for fta/5 days or payment.
Larry E. Hasty: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$250 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 day operator license suspension, 2 days, ADE authorized.
Dennis Turner: hunt/fish/trap w/o license/permit/stamp, \$25 fine and costs.
David Duane Rust II: theft by unlawful taking, bw issued for fta/4 days in lieu of fines.
Christopher L. King: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine and costs.
Dorothy B. Page: illegal sale/give alcohol, dry territory, \$250 fine and costs; illegal possession of alcohol in dry territory, \$250 fine.
Jose Perez: no operators/moped license, \$100 fine and costs.
Phillip C. Saylore: no/expired registration plates, proof of after-acquired, \$25 fine/suspended on condition.
Tabitha L. Shepherd: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$325 service fee, 26 days suspended operators license, ADE authorized and 1 days in jail.
James C. Spoonamore: assault and alcohol intoxication, bw issued for fta.

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Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA)

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations specify that when a foreign person acquires or transfers an interest in U.S. agricultural land, such transactions shall be disclosed to the Secretary of Agriculture on AFIDA Report form ASCS-153 or FSA-153. The report must be filed with the County Farm Service Agency (FSA) Office within 90 calendar days of the date of the transaction.

To assist you in determining whether your land is considered agricultural land, agricultural land is: All crops, ranch, and timberland more than 10 acres in size in the aggregate and forestland. Forestland is land that exceeds 10 acres in size and is at least 10 percent stocked by forest trees of any size, including land that formerly had such tree cover and will be naturally or artificially regenerated.

Ownership of tracts totaling 10 acres or less in the aggregate must produce annual gross receipts in excess \$1,000 for the sale of the farm, ranch, forestry or timber products to be reported.

Failure to return the completed AFIDA Report within 90 calendar days of the date of the transaction could result in a civil penalty of up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the interest held in the agricultural land. The AFIDA Report shall be considered to have been filed in a timely manner if it is received at this office within 90 calendar days of the date of the transaction.

2009 Direct and Counter Cyclical Program (DCP)

Secretary of Agriculture Ed Schafer today said that enrollment for the 2009 Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment (DCP) Program for farms with base acres will begin Dec. 22 both online and at local USDA service centers and will continue until June 1, 2009.

Producers are urged to make use of the eDCP automated website to sign up; however, producers can visit any USDA Service Center or

their administratively assigned center to complete their 2009 DCP contract.

The June 1, 2009 deadline is mandatory for all participants. USDA will not accept any late-filed applications.

Producers who are eligible for the DCP Program will also be eligible to enroll in the Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) Program. The enrollment period for the ACRE Program will begin in the spring. Producers may first enroll in the DCP Program, elect to receive advance direct payments and then later modify their enrollment to include the ACRE program or they may wait and elect to enroll in DCP and ACRE at the same time in Spring 2009.

Bank account changes

If your bank account number changes or there is a change in your banks name notify FSA immediately to ensure payments reach your account timely.

This is very important to those receiving FSA payments as payments can be delayed

if we are not aware of changes to your account or routing numbers.

Spousal authority

A husband and wife may sign FSA and CCC documents on behalf of each other UNLESS written notification is on file in the FSA office denying a spouse this authority.

Rural Development

The Rural Development Representative with concern to low income housing loans will be in Rockcastle County at the Rockcastle FSA office the fourth Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Office closure

FSA offices will be closed for the following National Holidays:

Feb. 16th-Washington's Birthday

Important program dates

DCP signup continues
MILC signup continues
Conservation Reserve Program Continuous signup continues

Quality Crop Disaster signup continues

Farm Ownership Loans, Farm Operating Loans, Limited Resource Loans

Farm Storage Facility Loan- January 2009 interest rate- 2.125%

Tobacco Transition Payment Program-January 2009- 5.0% (Maximum Discount Rate)

Ten take part in EKV Honors Band

Submitted by A. B. Sharpe

Despite school being called off and regardless of arctic air and snow and ice, ten RCHS Band members travelled to the EKV campus in Richmond last week, January 15-17. Michael Browning, Devin Davidson, Matt Fields, Andrea Gonzalez, Jarrett Hamm, Morgan Harper, Dalton Hutton, Nicole McFerron, Ethan Miller, and Regina Rice represented Rockcastle in the EKV Honors Band. After auditions and rehearsals an outstanding concert was given in Brock Auditorium. There were three bands playing a wide variety of music, with compositions by Percy Grainger highlighted in each. Two of the bands directors for this program came from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Bob Buckner, Band Director for UNC, and Doug Van Fleet, retired Band Director from UNC. Chuck Smith, Director of Bands for Lafayette High School in Lexington, directed the third band that performed Saturday evening. "It went really well. Everyone really liked their directors. We all had fun over the weekend." Congratulations to all! Our students were outstanding! And special congratulations to first chair player Andrea Gonzalez who was featured in a flute duet during the concert! She performed "A Tribute to Grainger" flawlessly. Bravo!

This week, January 22-24, five selected RCHS Band members will travel to WKU in Bowling Green for inclusion in the WKU Honors Band. This prestigious honors band is for upper classmen. Michael Browning, Anjelica Craig, Morgan Harper, Meghan Nation and Regina Rice will audition for chair placement this evening. They will then participate in the WKU Honors Band Clinic for the next two days. All the hard work in rehearsals and new techniques learned will be presented in a special concert Saturday night.

Friday evening the RCHS Pep Band will be cheering the RCHS Basketball teams. The Lady Rockets and the Boys Basketball teams are playing Casey County at home in a doubleheader. Go Rockets!

Annual Theme Party and Auction April 17th at 6 p.m. at RCHS

The RCHS Band Boosters are looking forward to spon-

soring the annual Theme Party and Auction on April 17th. The annual event featuring a catered dinner, musical entertainment and an auction, is a primary source of fundraising that will be used to send the student's to marching band camp this summer. This year, coordinator, Sherry Harper, is opening up table sponsorship to the public. Local businesses or individuals may opt to sponsor a table this year instead of just booster parents. Business owners can choose to decorate their table in any fashion they choose from "business-related themes" to any other party theme. This is a great opportunity for businesses to get out into the community and get to know a valued customer base and to show off their products or services. There will still be opportunity for individuals to host a table, again of any theme of their choosing. Past years' themes have included snowmen, Christmas, Easter, a wedding, Hershey's Candy, and John Deere, just to name a few. Anyone interested in sponsoring a table or an auction item should contact Sherry Harper at 758-9963 as soon as possible to reserve a table. Donation of auction items is appreciated from anyone and table sponsorship is not required to donate items.

Muscle Cars on Main April 18th at RCMS

New this year, the Rockcastle County High School Band Boosters are planning a Car Show on April 18th hosted by none other than our own "Country" Charlie Napier. There will be trophies, food and fun for all. To register your vehicle or obtain information about sponsorship or vending, contact Anita Nation at 606-219-0908 or 606-256-1530; Janice Miller at 606-308-5162; Ann Craig at 606-308-3086; Sherry Harper at 606-758-9869; or Connie Taylor at 859-623-2404.

Levels of sponsorship

Corporate Sponsor-this is the highest level of sponsorship and includes high visibility of corporate logo and contact information on all printed material, newspaper ads, T-shirts, flyers, brochures and websites including, but not limited to advertisement and/or a link on www.kentuckycarshows.com. Corporate sponsors will be able to as much advertising on the show site as they want including banners, tents, etc.

Gold Sponsor- this level of sponsorship requires a minimum donation of \$175. Benefits include a high level of visibility on ads and printed materials associated with the promotion of the

show. It also includes complimentary show tickets and meal tickets in quantities commensurate with the donation.

Silver Sponsor- this level of sponsorship requires a minimum donation of \$125. Benefits include a moderate level of visibility on ads and printed materials associated with the promotion of the show. It also includes complimentary show tickets and meal tickets in quantities commensurate with the donation.

Bronze Sponsor- this level of sponsorship requires a minimum donation of \$75. Benefits include some visibility on ads and printed materials associated with the promotion of the show. It also includes complimentary show tickets and meal tickets in quantities commensurate with the donation.

Friends of Muscle Cars and Music- this level of sponsorship has no minimum donation and includes honorable mention in some advertising venues.

Registration

Registration is easy! Call any booster officer (listed above) and provide your name, address, phone, make and model of vehicle. Registration fee is \$15 for the first car and \$10 each for additional vehicles.



Representing Rockcastle in the EKV Honors Band were from left: Michael Browning, Ethan Miller, Andrea Gonzalez, Jarrett Hamm, Regina Rice, Matt Fields, Morgan Harper, Dalton Hutton, Nicole McFerron, and Devin Davidson.

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T.J.'s Journal

by: Tonya J. Cook



Dear Journal,

In the past few weeks, I've had correspondence in cards and letters from family and friends I haven't heard of for a long time. I'm always glad to hear from these people, but I'll have to say that it's a shame it's so infrequent. People today don't keep in touch like they did a generation or so ago. I know, because I'm to blame for not keeping in touch like I know I should. If people write at all anymore, it's usually in the form of an email or a text message. The art of old-fashioned letter writing is all but gone.

One of the old-fashioned handwritten letters that I received recently was from a cousin by marriage who I got reacquainted with a few years ago when she was doing some family history and research in this area. I really treasure letters like these, and this one in particular stands out. As I read it, it sounded almost unbelievable. I've always heard that "truth is stranger than fiction" so this certainly must be the case.

In short, the letter conveyed a love story that took many paths through several decades to come to fruition. It is about a lady that had been widowed after a long and happy marriage to a very wonderful man. They did everything together, and had a very close relationship, and a wonderful family. You could tell from her earlier letters that she was lost without him. I believe her story and the various paths that it has taken were certainly divinely inspired, and I would at this time, like to share it with you.

(The names have been omitted for personal reasons.)
Dear Tonya,

The holidays came and went, and it seemed like I didn't get letters off like I should have. It's always good to hear from you, at Christmas, or at any time. The past year was very different for me. Possibly you've heard from Junior and Bernice that my life changed.

In 1953, my dad's job transferred him, so my folks had me go live with my older unmarried sister for that school year. During that year, my ninth grade, I went with a very tall, good-looking, nice fellow. I never knew too much about him because he didn't go to school all of the time. He was a baby, and left in the woods for somebody to take. A childless couple found him and raised him. Although after about five years, they started having children of their own. Then, he became just a source of income for the family. This was why I never saw him for part of the school year. He worked six weeks, then went to school for six weeks, and made up what he had missed. He's always been a worker, like my husband was. He spent twenty-two-plus years in the Air Force, retiring in 1975. He had gone to college by then, and has a Masters in Civil Engineering and Accounting. He is fourteen months older than myself, now 71.

He took me to a few school dances, and then to the grade school graduation, after which he gave me his ring. When the school year was over, I had to return to my folks' home in northern Idaho. When my mom saw the ring, she made me send it back to my boyfriend. I also wrote a letter explaining at the time, but I never heard from him again. I tried a couple of

times to reach him, but never heard anymore. At the same time, he was writing me, but it seemed his mom and mine were intercepting our mail, so he and I married others and life went on. He joined the Air Force and fought three sieges in Vietnam. He married a girl I had run around with, and had five kids. She died January the twenty-first, five years ago.

Meanwhile, I married my husband and lost him after fifty-two years on January twenty-first, two years ago. Then last year, a mutual friend came to see me here in Arizona. For all our married lives, we had kept in contact. Suddenly, she went to Alaska, and three days later married my old boyfriend from the ninth grade. It seems she had known where he was all the time, though she had never mentioned it to me. Although she had never had any interest in him over all these years, she knew he was much better off than she, and though her husband had only been gone for six months, decided she'd remarry. Well, it wasn't long before he found out she was only after him for what she could get. By the time they came by here to see me, he had decided that the marriage was a mistake, but I didn't know that, and nobody told me. When they got here in the wee hours of January twenty-first, we recognized each other at once after all these years. He had not even known who they were coming to see. He hugged me, and said, "You feel as good as you did at fifteen."

Well, their marriage had already gone to pot, and soon after they returned to Alaska, she informed him he could sell off all of his things, and they could move to her hometown. Guess you've figured, that didn't happen. I didn't know about any of that, and called her, only to find she had left him. Sometime after that, he called me to find out what she was up to. She hadn't even contacted him after leaving. They divorced, and he came to Idaho to see me in the spring. I spent sometime at his place during the summer. We got along really well, and enjoyed life again. By the autumn, I knew that I didn't want to live without him. He asked me to marry him in May, but I wanted to be sure we were compatible on both our turfs. We were married September the eighth in Wasilla, Alaska.

We plan to spend our winter months here in Arizona, the spring and fall months in my home in Idaho, and the nice summers in Alaska. Neither of us had ever thought of marrying again when we lost our spouses, but as it has turned out, we are very happy. This doesn't mean we can ever "un-love" our precious ones, but a person cannot bring back yesterday. It was not until he came to see me in the spring that we ever knew our mothers had contrived against us, and oh yes, he brought "the ring" back to me. He had kept it all those fifty-five years. Now we laugh and tell people that we've been married a hundred years; him the forty-eight, and me the fifty-two. Between us, we have eleven kids, twenty grandchildren, thirty-three great-grands, and three more on the way.

I'm still very interested in our genealogy, and my new husband and I have done some traveling and found some more. His side was very difficult because of his childhood. The last thing I found in my genealogy was hysterical. It was in the 970s that Lady Godiva was noted for her nude ride through town, rebelling against her husband's high rent to folks. She was my thirty-fifth great-grandmother. On that note, I suppose I can leave you with a smile on your face.



Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center would like to honor the activity professionals throughout the Signature HealthCARE community during National Activity Professional Week, January 18, through January 23, 2009. Sharon Cunagin, Activities Director at Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center, and activities team is dedicated to enrich the daily lives of residents at the facility. Activity professionals provide a variety of programming related to community involvement, mental stimulation, community service, physical well being and all types of activities to maintain normal life pursuits for the elderly. Pictured above are, from left: Sharon Cunagin, Pat Graves, Robin Stroh (front) and Kathy Wright.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 08-CI-00163

U.S. Bank, National Association, N.D. Plaintiff

v.

**Gustie Hurt, Jr.,
Deloris Hurt, et. al Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on November 14, 2008 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SIXTY THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY DOLLARS AND 18/100 (\$63,590.18) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

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**PAUL ROBINSON, JR.,
DOROTHY ROBINSON,
ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY
AND CITIZENS BANK**

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law, In Rem Default Judgment and Order of Sale entered in this action on July 26, 2008, I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property and personal property located in Rockcastle County, Kentucky:

AT THE COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ON EAST MAIN STREET ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2009, BEGINNING AT THE HOUR OF 1:00 P.M. OR THEREABOUTS, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, TO WIT:

PARCEL A:

Beginning at a stake on the north side of the county road, corner to the property herein conveyed and other property of David Rigsby, et ux.; thence in a northwesterly direction, 59 feet to a cedar tree, thence in a northerly direction, 59 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction, 45 feet to a new corner at the cliff, thence along the cliff in a westerly direction 136 feet to the cave at the corner, thence in a southerly direction with line of William Fish and John W. Riddle (now Sam Bryant) to the old county road in all 138 feet; thence with the county road 178 feet to the point of beginning.

This being the same real property Mortgage obtained by Deed dated July 3, 1991, from Dennis Rigsby, single, being of record in Deed Book 143, Page 426, in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

PARCEL B:

Beginning at a stone on the north side of the county road near a small white walnut; thence north up the hill to a spotted oak stump near the cliff; thence running west to a cave near William Fish and John W. Riddle's line (now Sam Bryant's line); thence with said line to a corner in same on side of road; thence east with the county road to the beginning, containing two (2) acres, more or less.

There is excluded from the above described and not now conveyed that portion heretofore sold to David Rigsby, et ux., by deed dated January 16, 1986, as recorded in the aforesaid clerk's office in Deed Book 127, page 67, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake on the North side of the county road corner to the property herein conveyed and other property of grantors, thence in a northwesterly direction 59 feet to a cedar tree thence in a Northerly direction 59 feet to a point, thence in a Northerly direction 45 feet to a new corner at the cliff thence along the cliff in a westerly direction 136 feet to the cave at the corner, thence in a southerly direction with line of William Fish and John W. Riddle (now Sam Bryant) to the old county road in all 138 feet, thence with the county road 178 feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same real property Mortgage obtained by Deed dated March 30, 2004, executed by Paul Robinson, Jr. and wife, Dorothy Robinson, and Lehoma Mason and husband, William Leon Mason, of record in Deed Book 199, Page 171, in the aforesaid clerk's office.

The proceeds of the sale shall be applied in the following order:

- (a) To the costs of this action.
- (b) Rockcastle County for unpaid local, county and state taxes.
- (c) Parcel A proceeds to the defendant/cross claimant Citizens Bank.
- (d) Parcel B proceeds first to Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. and then to Citizens Bank.
- (e) If any remaining balance, then to the defendants Paul Robinson, Jr. and Dorothy Robinson.

The foregoing property shall be sold separately by the Special Master Commissioner of the Rockcastle Circuit Court upon the following terms and conditions:

- (a) The two parcels of real property shall be sold separate and shall not be combined.
- (b) The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond bearing interest at twelve percent (12%) per annum.
- (c) Unpaid taxes or liens of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale.
- (d) The buyer(s) shall pay the year 2008 local, county and state property taxes and all subsequent years.
- (e) The buyer(s) shall have possession of the property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
- (f) In the event the defendant/cross claimant is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the defendant/cross claimant's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required and the property will be conveyed to the plaintiff in due season upon payment of the expenses of sale.

The purchaser shall take the real estate free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except:

- (1) easements, restrictions and stipulations of record;
- (2) assessments for public improvements levied against the property; and
- (3) any facts which an inspection and accurate survey of the property may disclose.

The Special Master Commissioner has served notice on the Attorney for Plaintiff and on all other parties, of the date of sale in compliance with the court's judgment. This the 14th day of January, 2009.

**William D. Gregory,
Special Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

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For Rent: House, 2 miles from Mt. Vernon. No pets. Deposit and references necessary. Call 256-4252.

For Rent: Nice two bedroom mobile home. \$375 month plus deposit. 606-758-4985. 8x2p

House For Rent: 3 BR home in Brindle Ridge area (Roundstone School). Stove and refrigerator furnished. \$550 month plus deposit. No pets. 859-925-3080. 8x2p

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Barnett Storage and Rental. 5x10, \$25 monthly; 10x10, \$35 monthly. 1 mile from Mt. Vernon. Call or see Ronnie at Barnett Cycle. 606-256-5678. 8x4p

For Rent: 2 BR mobile home, stove and refrigerator furnished. Quarry St., Mt. Vernon. No pets. \$300 month/\$300 deposit. 606-308-4592. 7xntf

For Rent: 2 bedroom house with big yard on 490. \$300 month/\$400 deposit. Call 606-392-9633. 7x3p

For Rent: Duplex in Brodhead. All appliances furnished. Call Patty 758-9666. 5xntf

For Rent: 2 and 3 bedroom trailer, starting as low as \$200 month plus \$200 deposit. Call 256-9889 or 606-308-5389. 7x4

For Rent: 2 bedroom trailer in Mt. Vernon. 859-358-3560 or

256-9943. 47xntf
For Rent: Small 2 bedroom trailer in Mt. Vernon. No pets. Also, house in Brodhead. 758-4729. 40xntf

For Rent: Accepting applications at Mt. Vernon Housing Authority on Mondays 9 a.m. til 12 noon. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf

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Property For Sale

For Sale By Land Contract: Rustic Alpine style house. 3633 square feet with 4 acres of mostly woodland located at 211 Swiss Hills, 3/10 mile from the city limits of Berea. Will consider trade. 606-256-9053. 7x3p

For Sale: Nice home on one plus acres between Daytona Beach and Cape Kennedy. Close to river and beach. Fenced in, beautiful trees - including several fruit trees. 386-345-0420. 9x3p

Land For Sale By Owner: At Rainbow Ridge Subdivision.

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Between Somerset & Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 934. Ideal building tracts with features such as woods/pastures/ views, water/electric/telephone. Suitable for DW or Home. 2.1 acres with woods @ \$24,900 (\$1245 down, \$267/month). 4.2 acres with open rolling pasture @ \$31,500 (\$1575 down, \$338/month). 5.7 acres with woods @ \$33,900 (\$1695 down, \$364/month).

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For Sale: (1) Lot - 6 acres wooded on Breezy Hollow Lane, \$23,500. (2) 7.7 acres cleared on Breezy Hollow Lane, \$29,900. (3) Two lots on Breezy Hollow, 1.4 acres, to be sold together, \$8,500. 256-3213 or 308-2953. 16xntf

Lots For Sale: Castle Ridge Subdivision. Use same entry way as Bible Baptist Church. All lots have city sewer and underground utilities. starting at \$12,900. 606-256-5692 • 256-4504 • 308-3730. 20xntf

For Sale: Mobile home lots, located in Sunnyside Mobile Home Park. 1.2 acre lots - \$500 down and \$100 per month. Call 606-256-5692 or 606-256-5648. 43xntf

Posted

Posted: No trespassing on property of Darrell and Helen Whitaker, located on East Fork of Skaggs Creek and Cut Gap. Keep out!! 32(08)x51p

Posted: No trespassing, ATVs on land belonging to Billy Whitaker on Skaggs Creek.

Posted: Property Rev. Frank Chrisman leases behind Philadelphia Baptist Church. No trespassing, 4 wheeling, hunting. 9x1p

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs n Hwy 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 6x6p

Posted: No trespassing or hunting on land of J.B. Baker, located at Climax. 8x3p

Posted: No hunting, trapping or trespassing on property belonging to William Holt, Winkie Holt or Neureul Jones, located in Kidwell Hollow. Violators will be prosecuted. 7x5p

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on Ed Wilson Farm, 5320 Hummel Road, Wildie. 44(08)x52p

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs on Hwy. 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 42(08)x25p

Posted: No trespassing on Crawford Place - Old Brodhead Road. Danny Smith. 47tfn

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on property belonging to Mark and Debbie Cummins. Violators will be prosecuted. 9x52p

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Victoria Reese at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing on property known as C.B. Owens Farm across from Fairgrounds in Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 25tfn

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property owned by Doug and Judy Brock known as Brock's North Hill Farm at Maretburg consisting of the Swinney Place, Brock Place, Hensley Farm, Lakes Farm. 3tf

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For Sale: Used doublewide. 1500 sq. ft., needs repair. Best offer. 859-582-5808. 9x4p

For Sale: 14x70 Norris mobile home with slide out addition. Remodeled. Serious inquiries only. 606-308-2885. 8x2p

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 08-CI-00232

Community Trust Bank, Inc. Plaintiff

V.

Leslie Jadawn Pennington, et al Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on December 5, 2008, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE DOLLARS AND 14/100 (\$8,323.14) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, January 23, 2008 Beginning at the hour of 1:00 p.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Being Lot Number One Hundred Sixty Three (163) in the Rainbow Ridge Subdivision (Phase #2) and fronting on Gold Dust Drive. For further description see plat recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court in Plat Book 4, page 353 (Slide 578). Tax Map Reference 033-80-00-163

Being the same property Jeffrey Pennington and L. Jadawn Pennington obtained by deed dated March 31, 2006 of record in Deed Book 209, page 663 and of record at the Rockcastle County Court Clerk's office, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

The property shall be sold upon the following terms and conditions:

- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
- The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have a force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
- Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2009 local, county and state property taxes.
- Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale.
- The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
- In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
- The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back line, restrictions or covenants or record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

Jerome S. Fish, Special Master Commissioner

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Miscellaneous For Sale

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For Sale: Organic all-natural eggs. Med - \$1 dozen, large/XLg. \$1.50 dozen. 606-256-8780. 9x4p

For Sale: Dining room hutch with mirrors and five foot wide. \$150. 758-8427.

For Sale: 12x20 metal storage building. New \$2,500 - Sale \$1,700. 453-3648. 7x4p

For Sale: Cemetery lots, Cresthaven Cemetery, Mt. Vernon. Call Bill Dowell at 308-1058. 31xntf

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Notices

I, Colen Short, will not be responsible for debts made by anyone other than myself. 7x5p

Notice is hereby given that Charlotte Bullock, 1075 Otawa School Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed Executrix of the es-

tate of Marshall Scoggin on the 6th day of January, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Charlotte Bullock or to Hon. Michael Fore, Thompson, Simons, Dunlap and Fore, P.S.C., 116 W. Main St., Suite 2A, Richmond, Ky. 40476-0726 on or before May 6, 2009 at 11 a.m. 8x3

Notice is hereby given that Barbara Ann Schrink, 4766 Brindle Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed lguardian of Corey Vance Hacker on the 3rd day of November, 2008. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Barbara Schrink on or before May 4th, 2009 at 11 a.m. 9x2

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For Sale: '87 Lincoln Town Car, \$800. Good shape. 606-256-0379.

For Sale: 2007 Suzuki Reno hatchback, 4 door, AC, CD player, power windows, excellent condition, bumper to bumper warranty. \$8,800. 758-9605 after noon. 42ftn

For Sale: 1991 Chevy Blazer, V8, cow hood, \$2,800; 1999 Ford Dually, extended cab, 7.3 diesel, 70K, \$12,500; 2004 Futian Tractor, 3 cyl. diesel,

4WD, front end loader, \$4,800; 2007 model 14x7x7 enclosed trailer - like new, \$3,800; 1964 Ford dump truck, only 39K, \$2,500; 49 Ford street rod, \$10,000; 1972 Chevy pick-up, \$2,000; 1989 Dodge camper van, \$3,800. Also several farm tractors and equipment. Several riding lawn mowers. 606-256-4739 or 606-308-4739. 8x2p

For Sale: 1986 International Dump Truck TD466. Diesel engine, 7 speed transmission. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: Ford single axel road tractor. 300 Cummins diesel engine, 9 speed transmission. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: 1968 Ford F600 line truck. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: 1975 6040 Allis Chalmers diesel tractor. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

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Communications Specialist and Training Specialist

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Yards to Paradise

Woodpeckers, Anyone?
Most folks enjoy seeing birds and other wildlife in their neighborhood. Had you thought about woodpeckers?

Why would anyone want woodpeckers, you might ask? Don't they just peck holes in homes and in our landscape timber? Let's consider these and related points in today's column.

Bird watching and bird feed have become very popular. They have their own magazines, they have tons of space devoted to them at large big-box stores. And, woodpeckers are among the most colorful of birds. They are interesting creatures, to be sure.

Woodpeckers can be found most anywhere there are timbers or trees. They prefer some older logs, snags, rotting lumber, actually. They very seldom attack sound wood.

It is the dead wood that is home to insects, you know, bugs, beetles, termites, etc.

These are the types of things that make a major part of the diet of woodpeckers, although they will eat fruit, animal fat, and sometimes seeds and other nutritious items.

Since most people are willing to share their insects with birds, maybe you'd like to reconsider the woodpecker. They have two toes forward and two toes backward, not three and one as most birds do, so they can hang upside down on tree limbs and peck into cracks with their "ratt-a-tatt-tatt" looking for lunch behind bark or inside decaying wood.

To supplement existing foraging and nesting habitat, consider leaving an old dead tree snag on your property. Also consider planting some fruit and nut trees. The sapsucker will appreciate apple and maple

trees, and is considered to be in the woodpecker family of birds.

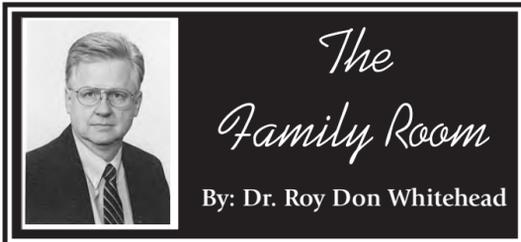
If you want you can make a birdhouse for woodpeckers. Their preference is a big knot-hole or a hole they peck out themselves from a dead or partly dead tree trunk—they are cavity dwellers. A lack of old trees has become a problem for woodpeckers, bluebirds, and other cavity dwelling birds in the wild.

Suet feeders are the type you want if you plan to offer up lunch to a woodpecker in your yard. Store bought ones, or home made ones, no matter...you want to make it so they can't get to all the food at once and waste it. (An acceptable preparation is 4 parts corn meal, one part solid shortening, 1 part flour, and 1 part peanut butter, well mixed and placed in a suet feeder...even a hole drilled in a tree and this "dinner preparation" stuffed inside and tamped down will be attractive to woodpeckers and several other birds in your backyard.)

If you have trouble with woodpeckers pecking your home siding, you might fill any holes, repair any rotting wood, and repaint. That should help considerably, as the woodpeckers are usually just looking to lurch upon the insects in the wood.

To obtain further information on woodpeckers or other wildlife, visit the Natural Resource Conservation Service. Go online to www.nrcs.usda.gov or call 1-888 LANDCARE for a free colorful booklet filled with tips and ideas.

The author is a landscaper. To give feedback or to contact, go to www.rockcastles.com



She was a most intelligent young woman, who had come for counseling because her husband insisted. (Though she is not a real person, I have known people like her.) She had received four DUIs in the past six years and had lost her driver's license for two years. She had taken alcohol education classes when so ordered by the court. In spite of all this, she insisted, "I don't have a problem with alcohol. I just get caught a lot."

It may seem strange that this woman could continue to insist she had no problem in light of the evidence. However, it is not that unusual for a person to fail to see and acknowledge his or her own problems. This is the Land of Denial in which many addicts live.

Counselors are trained to spot problems even in the face of denial. While it is not hard to see that the woman quoted above had a problem, often the problem is harder to discern. Several screening techniques are used by therapists to discover if addiction is a problem.

One screening approach, CAGE, consists of four questions:

1. Have you ever felt you should CUT down on your drinking?
2. Have people ANNOYED you by criticizing your drinking?
3. Have you ever felt bad or GUILTY about your drinking?
4. Have you ever had a drink first thing in the morning (an EYE-OPENER) to steady your nerves or get rid of a hangover?

Even one positive answer to these questions indicates the presence of an alcohol problem. Another test used to screen for alcohol problems consists of only one question: "When was the last time you had more than four drinks (five for men) in one day?" If this has happened anytime in the last three months, it is assumed that this person has an alcohol problem.

In my work as a domestic violence counselor, I see the damage that alcohol and other drugs can do to a family. While alcohol does not cause abuse, it can make the abuse worse. Living with an angry, violent abuser

is bad. Living with an angry, violent and alcoholic or drug addicted abuser is even worse. When he drinks, his rage may be uncontrollable.

Being an alcoholic is no excuse for destructive behavior. Some abusers say, "I was drinking, and I don't remember hitting you," as if this absolves them of any guilt. It does not. If drinking causes them to become violent, then they should not drink. The choice is made when that first drink is taken. The addict always has a choice.

That choice is not always an easy one. Biological evidence now indicates that there is a genetic component to alcoholism. There is something different about the body of this person that makes him more likely to become addicted than someone else would be. For this person the only safe way to drink is not to drink at all. A check of the family tree can quickly reveal which families tend to become addicted to alcohol.

Once there was great shame attached to being addicted. This is no longer the case as many

famous people have come out of the closet about their struggles with addiction. President George Bush acknowledges that prior to the age of 40 he had an alcohol problem. With prodding from his wife, he quit drinking. Former First Lady Betty Ford has a clinic for addiction treatment named after her as recognition of her will-

ingness to tell her story publicly. If the above screening tests indicate you have a problem, there is help. Call a counselor, your doctor or Alcoholics Anonymous B now. *[If you need help or information about domestic violence, call Family Life Abuse Center at 800-755-5348.]*

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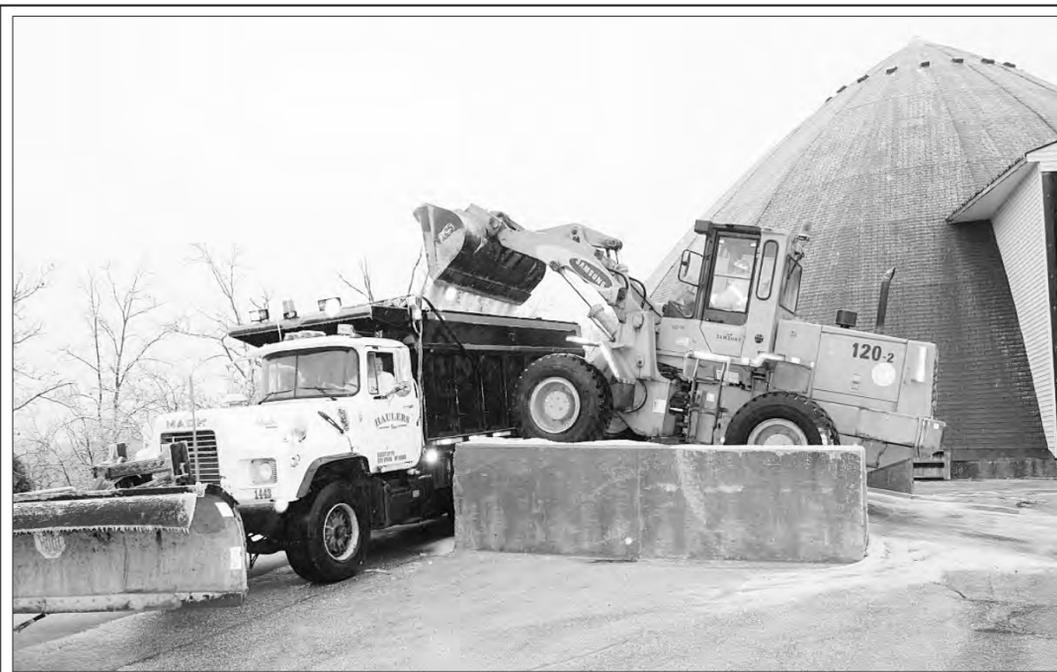
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Mother Nature has brought a variety of weather to the county during this week's winter storm. The latest winter weather was in the form of rain and snow on Wednesday morning. When the rain changed to snow around 10:30 a.m. roads were completely covered in a very short time. Before Wednesday morning's snow, nearly three inches of rain and freezing rain had been recorded in the county in a 24-hour period from Tuesday to Wednesday morning. The above photo was taken on Main Street in Mt. Vernon.



Garry Hurst, a crew foreman at the state highway garage in Mt Vernon, loaded one of the many salt trucks on Tuesday morning that were working throughout the county. Hurst said trucks had been running out of the highway garage non-stop even before the winter storm began on Monday night. Over 200 tons of salt was used by the state alone in a 24 hour period in Rockcastle due to slick roads. Workers also cleared fallen trees from several roads on Tuesday and Wednesday, when school was dismissed in the county. (Winter storm photos by: Richard Anderkin)



At 3 p.m. on Tuesday afternoon 855 Jackson Energy customers in Rockcastle County had lost power due to this week's winter storm. Ice coated power lines, such as the one above on Hwy. 195, (Red Hill Road), were reported down in many areas of the county, especially in the northern and eastern part of the county. A resident in the Red Hill area, who had lost power because of the storm, said that power was restored in the area around 8 o'clock Tuesday night and Jackson Energy reported that only 84 customers were without power on Wednesday morning. Below, Billy Wayne "Red" Bryant drives slowly past a downed tree on Red Hill Road Tuesday morning as he went to check on his mother, Tevis, who was one of those without power. Her power was also restored on Tuesday evening.



In Mt. Vernon

Jones brings criticism and concerns to first meeting

By: Richard Anderkin

Newly-elected Mt. Vernon council member Don Jones was the center of attention at Monday night's regular monthly meeting of the city council.

Besides remarks by Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, Jones did most of the talking during the one hour and fifteen minute meeting and much of what he said involved what the council and Mayor have done in the past, but he also had an opinion on new business before the council that night as well.

From other council members not speaking loudly

enough, to improperly awarding bids for a new fire truck and backhoe, Jones commented on every topic of the night, including the leadership and job performance of Mayor Kirby.

And, at one point, Jones admitted to the council and Mayor that he might be "nit-picking."

Some of that nitpicking included how much the city was paying for phone service, to a state law requiring council members to speak loudly enough to be heard in the back of the room.

Jones said from what he had

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County spared from worst of winter storm

Although hundreds were without power and school was dismissed on Tuesday and Wednesday, for the most part, Rockcastle County was spared from the worst winter storm to hit the state in the past few years.

Jackson Energy's Public Relations Director Karen Combs, said 885 Rockcastle residents were without power on Tuesday afternoon but, by 8 a.m. on Wednesday, only 84 Jackson Energy customers in the county were without power. There were also a few KU customers in the county still without power on Wednesday after-

noon. State Road Department Crew Foreman Garry Hurst said that salt trucks from the state Road Department had used over 200 tons of salt on Monday and Tuesday and had also cleared several downed trees from state roads.

Students in Rockcastle schools have now missed six days this school year because of bad weather, which has the new closing date for this school year as May 26th.

Local emergency officials said that motorists in the county

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To require fee offices to publish gross salaries

County approves participation in two federal grant applications

At a special called meeting of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court Tuesday, the court approved participation in a four-county application for a waterways trail, involving the Rockcastle River.

The initial cost to the county, only after the application is approved by the federal government, will be \$2,500 in

matching funds for the engineering study for the trail which will run from Horse Lick Creek to Bee Rock, a distance of 50 some miles.

The other three counties expected to participate in the application, Laurel, Jackson and Pulaski, will also each put in \$2,500, bringing the initial cost to \$20,000 for the study.

County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis said that new access points to the river would have to be built to accommodate small water crafts. Carloftis also said that he had been told by federal officials, including Cong. Hal Rogers, that the grant would stand a better chance of being approved if it was a regional application.

After a short discussion, the court approved the county's participation in the grant application.

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Lady Rockets ranked first in Cantrall poll

The Rockcastle County High School Lady Rockets were ranked number one in the state in the Lexington Herald-Leader's Dave Cantrall basketball poll, released on Monday.

It was the highest ever statewide ranking for the Lady Rockets in any poll, since the Lady Rockets began playing basketball in 1974.

The Lady Rockets, now 17-4 on the season, moved up from a tie for second a week ago, to the number one spot after an easy 56-41 win over number ten Casey County on Friday night. The Lady Rebels had won 13 straight games, which included a January 2nd win over the Lady Rockets in Casey County.

The Lady Rockets followed up Friday night's win with a 64-41 win over 10-7 Mercer County on Monday night.

Head Coach Chrysti Noble, who is in her 19th season as head of the girl's program at RCHS, said while she was

pleased with the number one status, "rankings really don't mean anything."

"It will be a good item for a scrapbook one day, but the only thing that matters is how well we play down the stretch and how well we do in the district and, hopefully, region tournaments," she said.

"Our players still have a lot of work to do if they have any hope of repeating as district and region champs," she said.

Noble, who has taken the

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Farmers-Business Banquet scheduled for February 17th

The 49th Annual Farmer's/Businessmen's Banquet will be held Tuesday, February 17th at Rockcastle County Middle School.

Registration, seating and silent auction begins at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Ferrell Wellman, political analyst, ECU professor and host of "Comment on Kentucky."

Tickets are \$15 each and may be purchased by contacting the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce, 256-0070; Dwain Harris/Arielle Reese, Rockcastle Hospital, 256-0950; Jenny Sweet, Rockcastle County Schools, 256-1111; Zack Gentry, Conservation District, 256-2525 - Ext. 106; Robert Lawson, Kiwanis, 256-1000 or from any Chamber of Commerce Ambassador.



Chrysti Noble is in her 19th season at RCHS

Points East

By Ike Adams

As you know, if you frequent this column, I have basically given up on using my television for anything other than the evening news or an occasional show on KET that I have not previously seen.

On rare occasions I rent a movie or watch a ball game. Suffice to say that when the TV dies it will be from old age more than wear and tear.

You also know that reading, always my favorite form of entertainment, has almost become my exclusive way to spend idle time or relax before I go to sleep. And I'm currently set for at least a couple months because I was able to find complete collections of everything that Emilie Richards and Lisa Scottoline have written to date on Ebay for a tiny fraction of the cover cost. I have 23 bucks invested in 31 titles and that includes postage.

Actually, I'd already read 9 of them, but hey, I can share the duplicate volumes with friends, like Layne Hawley, who are turning always loaning me books. In fact, for Christmas, Layne gave me John Gorgan's recent book entitled Marley and Me.

It's the story about the Grogan's acquisition of a yellow Labrador Retriever puppy and the 15 or so years of life they experienced with the dog. If you are a dog lover, especially of Labs, this is an absolute must read. It is an outstanding piece of writing and telling a humorous and touching story.

So anyway, the book has been turned into a movie starring Owen Wilson and Jennifer Aniston.

Last Friday night with the temperature still in the fifties, Loretta and I decided to celebrate the hot weather by splurging on seeing the movie instead of waiting for it come out on DVD.

I've never actually seen a movie that I thought was as good as the book. And this one is easily the worst comparison I've ever seen. It did have a yellow lab in it and a newspaper guy, but except for two funny scenes that involved the dog swallowing and expensive gold necklace and one where he pooped in the ocean at an exclusive beach, the movie bore scant resemblance to the book. In fact, the best supporting member of the cast was not

even in the book.

Which is to say that if you've seen the movie, read the book anyway. If the movie made you giggle, the book will have you laughing so hard that you'll wake up the baby or your spouse or both at which point you will, as I did with Loretta, say, "Honey since you are already awake, let me read you just this one paragraph," and then you will be forgiven.

One the other hand, if you've read the book, don't waste money on the movie even when it hits DVD.

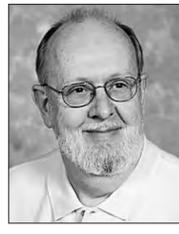
But in the spirit of every cloud has a silver lining, about ten minutes before the movie was scheduled to end, the projection equipment broke down. Somebody from the theatre came in and said that it would take twenty minutes or so to get it fixed and started handing out free tickets. We were free to wait or come back and see it again. At which point I announced that I wouldn't sit through the movie again for ten times the \$7.50 ticket price and I wanted a carte blanche ticket for any movie in the house.

And that's what we got. Thirty minutes later we were outside the theatre with free tickets which means that we may be able to afford a soda with two straws and a small popcorn when we go back to see a freebie.

In the meantime, speaking of good reading, I doubt that Frog Farm a novel by my friend Jim Cornett who grew up in Letcher County and now lives in Burnside, KY, will ever be turned into a movie, but it is a wonderful read for anyone familiar with east Kentucky coal country. Jim has written over twenty books, six of which are focused on Appalachian cooking and well over a dozen that chronicle life in east Kentucky but Frog Farm is his first attempt at fiction. It also has several full-page, hand-drawn illustrations by Roy Swiney of Jeremiah, KY that at art and imagination to the book.

Jim's books are all self-published in spiral binders. Frog Farm, now that I think about it would make a great screenplay for a movie. In the meantime it is an oh-so nice love story that captures the essence

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Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

She wore blue velvet

While recently taking basketball action photos at the local high school, there was a time-out in which I found myself making note of a recent fashion trend, particularly of teenagers. Most of the girls were wearing suede, mid-calf boots with sheepskin lining. This fad made me recall some of the fashion trends of the 50's and '60's.

In those days, rock-and-roll idols, including Elvis Presley, Bill Haley, Jerry Lee Lewis and film stars James Dean, Marlon Brando, Sandra Dee, Marilyn Monroe, and Brigitte Bardot, were instrumental in setting fashion trends for teenagers. Teens suddenly developed their own clothing styles, haircuts, and shoes. For the first time, a generation gap began to emerge between parents and their offspring.

At Mt. Vernon High School and all across America, there were two distinct classifications of attire that developed: "greasers" followed the black leather and denim jeans look set by James Dean (1955 - Rebel Without A Cause), while "preppies" were teens demonstrating neatness, tidiness and good grooming as the basis for their apparel. Pat Boone was a prime example of the Preppie look.

Many of the styles that developed during this time were reflected in the lyrics of popular songs. The introduction of the bikini to the world of fashion was contained in Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weeny Yellow Polka Dot Bikini.

(I can't imagine how the writer would describe the bathing suits of today!)

She was afraid to come out of the locker

She was as nervous as she could be. . . .

It was an itsy bitsy teeny weeny yellow polka dot bikini

That she wore for the first time today.

Frankly, the older generation at that time was practically horrified by the design of a bikini. Younger people were not - but a gal putting one on for the first time could be quite self-conscious at showing that much of her skin. The song focused on just that but had a light-hearted approach. It was an immediate success.

Elvis helped create a fad that lasted for years when he sang "Won't you wear my ring around your neck?" There were countless numbers of girls who wore their boyfriend's class ring on a chain around their necks. It became the way that a girl demonstrated that she was "going steady" with the guy.

And who could forget hearing "A white sport coat and a pink carnation, I'm all dressed up for the dance..." Just take a look at those old yearbooks, and there you will see that trend played out in full. We thought we looked quite dashing in those white sport coats. Apparently so did the girls, because

they were almost certain to turn their attention to you if you were wearing one.

On the more casual side, there was Jimmy Clanton singing about Venus in Blue Jeans. Without a doubt, the most popular item of clothing of the day was jeans. Girls wore them rolled up to the mid-calf with bobby socks and saddle oxfords. I thought that it was the sexiest fad of the time - as was reflected in the lyrics describing a "teenage goddess":

She's Venus in blue jeans

Mona Lisa with a ponytail

She's a walkin' talkin' work of art

She's the girl who stole my heart...

Girls also wore men's white shirts outside of their jeans, then known as "dungarees." Some of the more rebellious girls also wore tight-fitting, calf-length pants called pedal pushers. Ponytails completed this look.

There were other girls' trends that were just as popular: full skirts with layers of nylon petticoats, scoop neck blouses, bobby socks, and white Keds or saddle oxfords. Even in rural Rockcastle County, poodle skirts were often seen.

Those petticoats were something else. They were heavily starched in order to achieve the proper bouffant look of fullness - and gave a gentle "swish" when the gal walked by. Needless to say, positioning a girl in the front seat of your car next to you was a real experience. Those skirts popped up and consumed a lot of space. Better be real careful when reaching over to turn the volume up on the radio!

I'll leave the description of "necking" with a girl in those petticoats to either your imagination or your memory - whichever applies.

I am always reminded of a college dance that I attended when I hear Bobby Vinton's hit Blue Velvet. I was enrolled in a college algebra class and had noticed that one of the prettiest

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Horse lover's life filled with ups and downs

Six years ago, life wasn't painting a pretty picture for artist Donna Hibbs.

The "country girl trapped in the city," found herself battling cancer, dealing with being a single mom, and lying in a ditch beneath her big Arabian horse.

Today, a severely broken leg has healed without complications, her son is doing well in college, and she's cancer-free.

And when it comes to horses, the woman whose email address is kyhorsebabe, is back in the saddle after a life that's taken several twists and turns shaping the person she has become.

Hibbs wasn't reared on a farm, but she admired the sleek and beautiful animals a neighbor kept in a field behind her suburban Louisville home.

"My dad was a friend of the

farmer, so I got to spend some time with the horses, but was never allowed to have one of my own. I loved them so much. I can remember getting down on all fours when I was a kid and pretending to be one," she says.

No amount of persuasion could convince her family to purchase a horse, so she resorted to painting her favorite creatures.

That experience, plus a year spent living with her artistic grandmother in Salem, Indiana, led to an art scholarship at Morehead University following graduation from Southern High in 1981.

Plans to study to become a commercial artist went by the wayside when she found the studies "boring" and decided to spice things up by taking equestrian

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Take a Walk

Presented by Dr. David Bullock

Exercise does help. In a decades-long study of Harvard graduates, it has been shown that people who exercise regularly have less obesity, osteoporosis, hypertension, and a longer life expectancy.

It does not necessarily help to become obsessed with a certain activity for a few months or years, such as running, and then quit, or go skiing a couple times each winter. To be most useful, exercise does not have to be extremely vigorous, but it must be done on a regular basis. Walking is one of the best exercises for this.

Walking has many advantages. It does not require any special equipment other than good shoes, and it does not require any special buildings or fields. It can be done anywhere and can be incorporated into a person's daily activities of getting the mail or going to work. Virtually anyone can do it.

Even in the winter it can be a good exercise. When it is too cold or icy outside, a person can walk in shopping malls, up and down stairways or do volunteer work in hospitals, nursing homes, or in community projects. Walking can also be a good starter program for more vigorous sports such as running, swimming, or tennis.

Injuries are uncommon with walking and the exercise keeps the bones strong by helping prevent the loss of calcium associated with aging.

Walking does not burn quite as many calories per mile as running, but it is still an excellent way to help reduce your weight. The weight loss and cardiac benefits can be further increased by vigorous arm-swinging or carrying small hand weights.



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Obituaries



Larry Biron Mullins, Jr.

Larry Biron Mullins, Jr., 41 of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born in Rockcastle Co. on April 10, 1967 the son of Larry and Brenda Mink Mullins. He was a construction worker and was of the Baptist Faith. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and watching

wildlife, and was a veteran of the US Air Force and Army National Guard. Biron will be missed by all his family and friends.

He is survived by: two sons, Kent Mullins and Kyle Mullins, both of Mt. Vernon; his paternal grandmother, Louise Mullins of Climax; and his maternal grandfather, Kenneth Mink of Mt. Vernon. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Ruby Mink and his paternal grandfather, Lewis Mullins.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 25, 2009 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Eddie Nation. Burial with military honors was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Steven "Bubba" Cameron, Steve Dixon, Garry Fain, Josh Hayes, Ralph Mullins, Shelly Mullins, and Ronnie VanZant.

Honorary pallbearers were: Dallas Anderkin, Brian Bussell, Daniel Dobbs, Matthew Edwards, Lynn Miracle, Nick Miracle, and Brad Mullins.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.



Everett Mahaffey

Everett Mahaffey, 86 of Livingston, died Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born in Rockcastle County on June 14, 1922 the son of James

Wade and Bessie Thomas Mahaffey. He was a retired press operator for General Electric and was an Army veteran of World War II.

He is survived by two daughters, Sherry Sue Mahaffey and Christina Maria Mahaffey, both of Livingston. Also surviving are 15 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandchild. He was preceded in death by: his wife, Elizabeth Mahaffey; three sons, Everett James Mahaffey, Bruce Wayne Mahaffey, and Larry Dale Mahaffey; five sisters, Myrtle, Jenny, Rosalee, Carrie, and Mae; and five brothers, Cleo, Jesse, Jim, Luther, and Fred.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 24th at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Billy Medley. Burial was in the Mahaffey Family Cemetery at Livingston.

Pallbearers were: Damien Eversole, David Lee Mahaffey, Jason Mahaffey, Larry Mahaffey, Kevin Setser, Curtis Shackelford, and William Singleton.

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10 a.m. Tuesday**



Philip Martin Owens

Philip Martin Owens, 62, of Irvine, KY, formerly of Brodhead, and husband of Virginia "Ginny" Pugh Owens, died Sunday, January 25th, 2009 at the U.K. Chandler Medical Center in Lexington, after a short illness.

He was born on May 31st, 1946 in Berea, the son of the late C. B. Owens and Barbara Owens. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Irvine where he served as an Elder and enjoyed singing in the choir. He was a 1968 graduate of Berea College. He received his Jurist Doctorate degree from the University of Kentucky School of Law in 1972. A past Master of the Irvine Masonic Lodge, a member of the Eastern Star, and American Legion. Philip was chairman of the Estill Arts Council and a past president of Powell County Lions Club. During his 36 Years of practicing law, he served on various other councils and organizations. His hobbies and interests were woodworking and farming.

Those left to cherish his memory include: his wife of 40 years, Virginia P. "Ginny" Owens of Irvine; two sons, Thomas Byron Owens of Chattanooga, TN, Philip Daniel (Tracey) Owens of Irvine; two granddaughters, Brianna and Brooklyn; and two brothers, Byron M. (Peggy) Owens of Somerset and J. Stephen (Onna Kay) Owens of Brodhead, KY; as well as nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

A memorial service will be conducted Saturday, January 31st, 2009 at 2 p.m. at the Irvine First Christian Church, 270 Main Street, Irvine, KY, with Bro. Tom Henderson officiating. The Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals of Brodhead is entrusted with the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Irvine First Christian Church.

Condolences may be made online www.marvneowensfuneralhome.com

Lula Mae Anderson

Mrs. Lula Mae Anderson, 82 of Orlando, died Monday, January 26, 2009 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Rockcastle County on April 12, 1926 the daughter of Valentine "Wal" and Alice VanWinkle Ballinger. She was a homemaker and was of the Baptist Faith.

She is survived by: a sister, Oakley Marie Moore of Ohio; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by: a daughter, Joyce Ann Davis; six brothers, Welkie, Vernon, Murphy, Gilbert, Curt, and Berkley Ballinger; three sisters, Viola Kenny, Mattie Lou Abney, and Sarah Jane Thomas.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, January 30th at 2:00 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jerry Ballinger. Burial will follow in the Johnetta Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home from 6:00 to 9:00 PM Thursday.

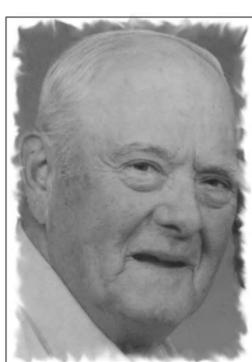
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Ida Hurd

Mrs. Ida Miller Hurd, 92 of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital.

Funeral arrangements are by the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and are incomplete.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's Signal.



Willie Hurst

Willie Hurst, 86, son of the late Arthur and Cleo Potet Hurst, died January 24, 2009 at the Hospice Center of Cincinnati. He was born in Rockcastle

He was united in marriage to Mrs. Geneva Eileen Burton Hurst on December 3, 1945 at Quail. She preceded him in death on August 1, 2006. He was a painter, and a World War II Marine Veteran. He was a kind person who will be greatly missed by all who knew him and he leaves a host of relatives and friends who mourn his passing.

Survivors include; three daughters, Linda Bishop and her fiancée David Thorp of Turtle Creek Township, OH, Paula Wilson of Mainville, OH, and Gale (Fred) Lafollette of Morrow, OH; one brother, Harold Hurst of Nancy, KY; five sisters, Flora Mae Brown of Quail, Martha Hurst of Norwood, OH, Edith Shears of Indianapolis, IN, Yvonne Ross of Nancy, KY and Betty Jo Hensley of Elsmere, KY; six grandchildren, Kimberly, Michelle, Jerry, Amanda, Tracy and Scott; and five great grandchildren.

Other than his parents and wife, he was also preceded in death by two brothers, and one sister.

Funeral services were held at Wednesday, January 28, 2009 at the Chapel of the Pulaski Funeral Home with Rev. Chris Jasper officiating. Burial followed in the Burnett Chapel Methodist Church Cemetery.

Military Honors will be conducted by the American Legion Post # 38.

In Lieu of flowers, the family requests expressions of sympathy take the form of contributions to the Burnett Chapel Methodist Church Building Fund of the Burnett Chapel Methodist Church Cemetery Fund.

Raymond W. Hayes

Raymond W. Hayes, 92, husband of Ann of Brodhead, died Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington.

Visitation will be (today) Thursday, January 29th from 6-9 p.m. at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals in Brodhead and Friday, January 30th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Maretburg Baptist Church until the time of the funeral.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, January 30, 2009 at 1 p.m. at the Maretburg Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon.

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Angela Cummins

Angela Denise Cummins, 43, of Crab Orchard, died Saturday, January 24th, 2009 at the Fort Logan Hospital in Stanford. She was born in Mt. Vernon on July 14, 1965. She was the daughter of Margie (Hoskins) Baker and the late Arlis Eugene Brown. Angela was an employee of McLanes in Nicholasville and was a member of the Crab Orchard Baptist Church.

Survivors include: daughter, Cady Christina Cummins of Crab Orchard; mother, Margie Hoskins Baker of Crab Orchard; son, Robert (Kathy) Cummins of Pennsylvania; sons, James (Courtney) Cummins and Billy (Penny) Cummins, both of Tennessee; daughter, Christie (Micheal) Gerhards of Pennsylvania; sister, Linda (C.G.) Nuckols of Crab Orchard; brother, Toby (Alisha) Brown of Crab Orchard; sister, Andrea "Charley" (Charles Lee) Hester of Stanford; grandmother, Hazel Hoskins of Crab Orchard; grandchildren, Ella, Connor, Tessarae, Dalton, Micky and Abigail; aunts, Sharon Hoskins and Jill Mathis of Irvine; uncles, Jess Hoskins and Shannon Sandlin of Mt. Vernon; aunt, Patty (Jerry) Coffey of Lancaster; special nieces and nephews, Bruce Daniel Nuckols, Mara Daniell Nuckols, Michael Chase Brown, Allison Michelle Brown, Taylor Harris Brown, and Cadence Blade Nuckols; and special cousins, Geri Ann (Daryl) Price, Amber and Kaley.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by: her son, Taylor Storm; and grandfather, Hubert Hoskins.

Pallbearers were: Jeff Tucker, Charles Hester, C.G. Nuckols, Scott Bruner, James "Jimmy" Cummins, Billy and Robert Cummins and Bruce Nuckols.

Honorary pallbearers were: Larry Owsley, Terry and Jimmy Dyehouse, Beth Caudill, Patty Tucker, Tonya Anderson and Debbie Haynes.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, January 27, 2009 at McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Kaywood Morris officiating. Burial was in Crab Orchard Cemetery.



Dallas Edd Falin

Dallas Edd Falin, 58 of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, January 19, 2009 at his home. He was born in Rockcastle County at Mullins Station on December 2, 1950 the son of Orbin and Pearl Chesnut. He was a member of the Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

He is survived by: one brother, Tommy (Alwanda) Falin of Mt. Vernon; five sisters, Linda (Carl) Stewart and of Pine Hill, Evelyn (Casper) Miller of Orlando, Jean (Shirley) Smith of Mt. Vernon, Inas (Charlie) Leger of Berea, and Marty (Benny) Leger and of Brodhead; and his special friend, Kenneth Leedy. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Ellis and Bobby Falin and two sisters, Irene Stewart and Juanita Falin.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 24th at the Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church by Bro. Jerry Owens. Burial was in the Stewart Family Cemetery.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were: Danny Bustle, Charles Leger, Chuckie Leger, Jody Leger, Joseph Leger, and Kevin Leger.

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MVES says recycle...

Dear Editor,

Mt. Vernon Elementary School has just finished a project where we recycled plastic spoons and forks from the lunchroom. If we did not recycle plastic, we might be able to fill FIVE classrooms! Plastic things are taking over landfills. The very bad thing is that plastic WON'T ROT, which means it, would stay there for hundreds of years!!!!

Everyone in PRIDE would like to thank the students who participated in this project. The reason it ended is that the center we send our plastics to stopped accepting that grade of plastic. Even though it's over, everyone should still recycle in their own households.

Two ways we could recycle are melting down metal and recycling paper. This would cause a huge reduction in city waste. A cleaner town means happier citizens.

If our whole town starts recycling, other cities will, too. The results would be huge! A lot less trash would make its way into landfills. A cleaner Earth, a happier life!

Sincerely,
Ryan Martin
MVES Student

Public apology...

Dear Editor,

Would you please print this letter at your earliest convenience. I would have made this a personal letter to Dennis McClure but I believe a public forum is necessary. Thank you. Dennis,

First of all let me apologize for any view that was expressed that you did not know your job. I didn't say that, nor did I intend that. Please read on and I shall try to explain my position.

In the Mayor/Council type of government the council is elected to take issues or generate ordinances, then debate the issue of either (or both). The Mayor should not be an active participant in these debates. Her sole function is to preside over the meeting, keep it moving and maintain order rather than comment on every word spoken.

After the council debates an issue, makes motions, votes, then the presiding officer announces the tally and moves on to the next issue.

The Mayor should not have any input into the debate. That is what the council is elected for. On motions only, she/he has no authority at all. On a legally constituted ordinance she has the right to veto, not comment during the debate. The council then has the right to override any veto. In order to enter into a debate the mayor would have to vacate her/his position as presiding officer. Then ask the council to appoint a temporary presiding officer.

The comment I made about the blacktop and the road Monday night was an opinion of mine. Then it would have been proper for another council member to ask your opinion. After which the council could decide whether they should take my word or yours. There should have been no remarks made by the presiding officer that would split your opinion versus mine. My words were opinion, yours would have been from a learned experience and should have been heard. Meetings like Monday are childish on both parties involved. In this case the Mayor and myself. Therefore I do ask your pardon for comments, made by someone else, that I

doubted your experience, which is vastly superior to mine. I was making a comment for debate to the council.

You do a wonderful job for this City, in my two years I hope I can do a tenth of the good that you have and will do.

Thank you for reading,
Don Jones

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

of life in the mountains and it is worth far more than the \$7.00 (including postage) that Jim will charge to send you a copy. He will also include a price list for his twenty-some other books.

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Jim says he will send Loretta a copy of 200 Ways to Cook With Apples if a couple dozen of my readers order Frog Farm. But, at \$6.50 she may just order it herself before this issue of paper hits the streets.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

girls was seated next to me. One day I mustered enough courage to ask her to a dance that was to be held the following Saturday night.

She accepted my request and told me to pick her up at her dorm. When I arrived dressed in my best jeans and sport shirt, she came down the steps wearing a long, blue velvet dress and a mink stole. I nearly fainted!

I asked, "Which of us is not properly dressed?" She replied, "It doesn't matter; we should just go and have fun." I thought that was an excellent idea and we did just that.

When we arrived, we found that there was every kind of dress possible so neither of us really cared about our attire. I always think of this night when I hear:

*She wore blue velvet
Bluer than velvet was the night
Softer than satin was the light
From the stars
But in my heart there'll always be
Precious and warm, a memory
Through the years
And I still can see blue velvet...*

And then, of course, there was Lavender Blue - I think that everyone in high school knew the words to that Sammy Turner hit. I still love to hear it played on the oldies radio stations. He caused countless numbers of girls to fanaticize about being married in a country church, on a dilly-dilly day and you'll be wed in a dilly-dilly dress of Lavender Blue.

These songs remain special to many of us because not only do they echo the styles of the time but also the lives that we were living. They were good days.

(You can reach me at mtman@mis.net or you can drop me a line at P.O. Box 927 - Stanton, KY 40380. I look forward to your comments and suggestions.)

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"Ken & Tucky"

(Cont. from A2)

trian classes and minoring in horticulture.

She discovered a background in art allowed her to have unique abilities to visualize, making her a natural for the landscape design field.

Her first job in landscaping was at the Memphis Zoo where she learned about animals and the types of habitat they require.

She also did landscaping on the Summit Shopping Center in Louisville and now works for GreenScapes, a Louisville-based landscape design company.

A love for the rural life and small towns has taken her from Nelson County, where she taught art at St. Joseph's School in Bardstown and operated Belladonna Art Studio, to Shelby County where she lives in a tenant house on Guist Creek Farm.

Another move, to Mt. Washington, is planned in the near future.

"My mom always introduces me as her vagabond daughter, the starving artist," she says, laughing.

Horses are still a big part of her life, as she boards her two Tennessee Walking horses at her sister-in-law's farm in Bullitt County.

Although she does all types of oils and watercolors and calls herself an animal portrait artist, horses remain her favorite animal to draw.

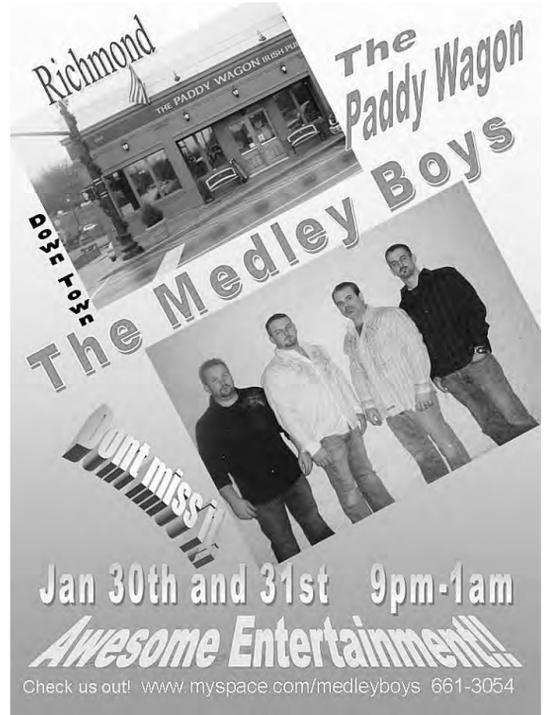
Collectibles related to the horse industry also predominate at the 10x10 booth she maintains at Peddler's Mall in Shelbyville.

"There's just something so beautiful and graceful about them. Also, having a horse was good therapy while I was dealing with my cancer. When you work with a horse, you don't see anything else," she explains.

Hibbs sums up her feelings by offering a quote from Winston Churchill:

"There is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man." *Columnist Don White has served as editor at several newspapers in Kentucky. His Kentucky Traveler features are published throughout the state. Contact him at www.thekytraveler.com*

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SECTION 00020 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

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The work consists of grading and drainage construction for the Rockcastle Industrial Park South access road.

The Contract Documents may be reviewed at the following locations:

Rockcastle County Courthouse, Judge Executive's Office, 205 E. Main St., Mt. Vernon, Kentucky

MSE of Kentucky, Inc., 624 Wellington Way, Lexington, Kentucky

ABC, 2020 Liberty Road, Building A, Suite 110, Lexington, Kentucky

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Builders Exchange, 225 Walton Avenue, Suite 100, Lexington, Kentucky

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Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of Lynn Imaging, 328 Old Vine Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507 (859) 226-5850 upon receipt of a nonrefundable printing and shipping charge of \$150.

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We would like to thank each and everyone who showed love and support in our time of deep sorrow and mourning. A special thank you to all who sent flowers, food, gifts, kind uplifting words and your prayers. Thanks to Bro. Eddie Nation and Dr. Jon Arvin for their wonderful words and support, Allyson Taylor for the beautiful tribute to her Grandmother and Brandy Mickey and fiance for the wonderful song, "Amazing Grace." All the nurses who loved and always took time for her. Most of all, thanks to J. Ann Chaney, Marsha Clark and Francie Vest who took great loving care of our precious mother. May God bless each of you.



Our Loving Thanks, Jimmy Lee Winstead and Family • Edra Jo Winstead Mickey and Family

Cards of Thanks



Chrystal Powell

The family of Chrystal Powell would like to extend their sincere thanks to all the wonderful people for her concern and prayers. Thanks to all who sent flowers, cards, brought food and spent time with the family. Thanks to the Rockcastle County Hospital, Central Baptist Hospital and St. Joseph Hospice Care for the wonderful care they gave. Sincere tanks to Reppert Funeral Home for their wonderful service and making the family feel so cared for.

Thanks to John Powell, Kendal Gadd, Billy Putteet, Donnie Hayes, Oscar Gregory and Hunter Kenney for being pallbearers. Also, to Rev. Wallace Thornton and family for the wonderful words and inspiration and a special thank you to the Putteet family for everything and for being a part of our family.

Carolyn Marie Klotz

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks for the kindness shown after the loss of my wife. I appreciate all who visited, sent cards and flowers.

Special thanks to Willie French, Miss Ann and all the people at Mt. Vernon Greens for their condolences, to Cox Funeral Home for their ar-

rangements and to the doctors and staff at Rockcastle Hospital and the U.K. Markey Cancer Center who all tried so very hard.

For now, I will try to cope by remembering this verse:
*God saw her getting tired,
 A cure not meant to be.
 He put His arms around her,
 And whispered
 "Come with Me."*

*Thank you all so much,
 Husband, Ron*

Larry P. Slone

The family of Larry P. Slone wishes to send a thank you to all the friends, relatives, neighbors and acquaintances who have been so kind in the last few weeks.

Thank you for your words of comfort, your visits and phone calls. The flowers were beautiful and the food was greatly appreciated. Jenny Vickers went far and beyond the call. Without her endurance, her strength and her caring ways, it would have been almost unbearable at times.

The knowledge that our friends share our sorrow strengthens and comforts us. Your love and support for our family will always be remembered.

A special thank you to Bro. Bill Graves for preaching the truth during Larry's service and also for his council and spiritual guidance. Also, to the Body of The Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ at Lancaster and East Bernstadt for your fellowship and to those who provided songs at our time of great loss.

Many thanks and God bless each of you who so generously helped us through this sad time.

Mrs. Larry Slone and Children

Thank You

The City of Mt. Vernon really showed its "Small Town" hospitality during the recent passing of my brother, Larry

Slone.

Mayor Clarice Kirby attended both evening and day services and offered support and words of comfort. There was a special item I wanted for him and, without her assistance, I would not have been able to find it in time for the services.

Thank you Mayor Kirby for all your care and assistance. God Bless you always!

Ettia Faye Grima
Marvin Bullock

The family of the late Marvin Kenneth Bullock would like to say thank you to the staff of Rockcastle Hospital and Dr. Rowe for the care that was given Marvin during his illness.

To Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home for their kindness and caring in our time of sorrow. To Bro. Ovie Baker, Bro. Dale McNew and Bro. Jim Craig for their wonderful words. To the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ for the beautiful songs. To those who sent flowers, brought food, sent cards and for the prayers that were said on our behalf, we are truly thankful.

*The Family of
 Marvin Kenneth Bullock*
Nancy Hensley

The family of Nancy Gibbons Hensley would like to express our heartfelt thanks for the love and kindness shown during the loss of our loved one.

A special thanks to Dowell and Martin Funeral Home, everyone at The Terrace, Conway Tabernacle Church of God for the use of the church, Bro. C.W. Williams and family for the beautiful singing, music and comforting words.

A special thanks to the pallbearers, each of you who visited, sent flowers, gifts, cards, money and food. Most of all for the prayers for our family. May God bless you all.

Children and Grandchildren
Vallie Burton

We, the family of Vallie Burton, wish to thank everyone who visited her during her shut-in time or sent her cards. We also want to thank each of you for attending the visitation and/or her funeral, sent flowers, cards, food and especially those who prayed for our family during this difficult time. Also thanks to the pallbearers and Roy Martin at Dowell and Martin Funeral Home. Your kindness will always be remembered.

*May God Bless you,
 The Family of Vallie Burton*
Ruth Fain

Family and Friends,

The family of Ruth Fain would like to express our sincere appreciation to each of you who have stood beside us at a time when your presence meant so much. To the staff of the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center we could never say thanks enough for all that you did. Each one of you demonstrated such love and patience as you daily worked to ensure that you were giving the best care possible. To Dr. Karen Saylor, Dr. David Bullock and Nursing Staff of Rockcastle Hospital, you worked so diligently to make certain that our loved one was made as comfortable as possible during her last days. We are so appreciative for everything you did to care for her, as well as doing everything within your means to make us as comfortable as possible. To Bible Baptist Church, family and friends it is so difficult to put into words the heartfelt gratitude we feel for each act of kindness, memorable visits, delicious food, beautiful flowers, thoughts and prayers. All of you were such a source of strength to us and we will be eternally grateful. May God Richly Bless Each of You,
 The Family of Ruth Fain

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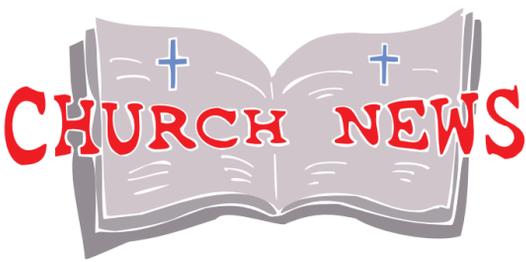
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Fireproof Fellowship

A February "Fireproof" Fellowship will be held at Mt. Zion Baptist Church on Sunday, February 15, 2009 at 5 p.m. Come, enjoy homemade soups, sandwiches, desserts and more. After dinner, we will be enjoying the movie *Fireproof*. Everyone is invited to attend.

Revival

Sand Springs Baptist Church will be in revival beginning February 4th at 7 p.m. nightly. Evangelist will be Dennis Doan. Pastor Bob Bradley and congregation welcome everyone.

Special Singing

A special singing, with the

Doan Family, will be held at Lighthouse Baptist Church at 1391 Gabbardtown Road in Berea on Sat., Feb. 14, beginning at 7 p.m.

Benefit Singing

There will be a benefit singing for Evelyn Carol Blackburn Fri., Feb. 6th at 6 p.m. at the Livingston Fire Dept. to help with funeral expenses. All musicians/groups welcome.

Revival

Revival services will begin at Sinking Valley Baptist Church Sunday, February 8th at 6 p.m., with services at 7 o'clock week nights.

Bro. Steve Wilkerson and Bro. Wayne House will be the evangelists and there will be special singing nightly.

Pastor Jason Ivey and congregation invite everyone to attend.

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Ranked #1 in Herald-Leader Poll
Lady Rockets thump Casey Friday night

The Lady Rocket's picked up a huge win at home on Friday night when they hosted the Casey County Rebels and defeated them 56-41.

What was anticipated to be a close match-up, turned into a blow out midway through the 3rd quarter with the Lady Rocket's leading by as much as 20 during the period.

However, in the first quarter, the Lady Rebels kept it relatively close, trailing by only five at the quarter stop.

Once the second quarter started, the Lady Rockets began to force Casey into turnovers on which they capitalized to take a 33-20 lead into the locker room at halftime.

Even though they led by 13 at the break, the Lady Rockets' intensity did not fade and Casey County had no answer for the inside presence of Sara Hammond, nor the good shooting from junior Jackie Alexander.

The Lady Rockets win snapped a 13 game win streak for the Lady Rebels and pushed

the Rockets record to 16-4 on the season. Friday night's win also avenged an earlier loss to Casey County, on January 2nd, when they fell 43-32 in Liberty.

Alexander led all scorers with 19 on the night. Hammond, who was the only other Lady Rocket in double figures, had 14.

Mary Saylor scored 9, Ashley Robinson added 5, Angie Lawrence and Nicole Locklear had 4 each and Jillisa Lay got 2.

"I truly appreciate the crowd support on Friday night and I hope everyone continues to show their support during the rest of the season and in the district tournament," said head coach Chrysti Noble.

Mercer Co. goes down on Monday

The Lady Rockets picked up their 17th win of the season on

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Win second straight in overtime
Rockets beat Casey County 57-52 Friday

The Rockcastle County High School Rockets won their second straight overtime game on Friday night, when they defeated visiting Casey County, 57-52.

The win evened the Rocket's season record at 10-10 and strengthened their hold on the number one seeding in the 47th district tournament.

The game was tied at 17 at the end of the first period but the Rockets found themselves down 27-24 at the half.

Both teams played hard in the third period, with the Rockets pulling to within one at the end of the third period, 35-34.

With 30 seconds left the Rockets tied the game at 48 and good defense by the Rockets did not allow Casey County to get off a good shot as time ran out in regulation.

The Rockets relied on good foul shooting in the overtime

period and held the Rebels to just four points, to hold on for the district win over Casey County, who fell to 6 and 13 on the season.

Senior Spencer Mullins led all scorers with 15 points, followed closely by Jamie Todd with 14. Bryan Clontz got 11, Matt Bullens 9 and Derek Thacker 4.

The Rockets' game with Madison Southern on Tuesday night was canceled because of the winter storm that hit the state on Monday night.

The Rockets, who have won six of their last eight games, are scheduled to play a double header with the Lady Rockets on Friday night at Pulaski County. On January 9th the Rockets defeated Pulaski County 61-50.

The Maroons are also 10-10 on the season.

Middle School update

The RCMS Boy's Basketball teams were back in action last Thursday night hosting Garrard County on Eighth Grade Night at the middle school.

started the evening out right taking down Garrard County 28-13 in a fairly easy victory.

Dakota Hasty led the sixth graders in scoring on the night

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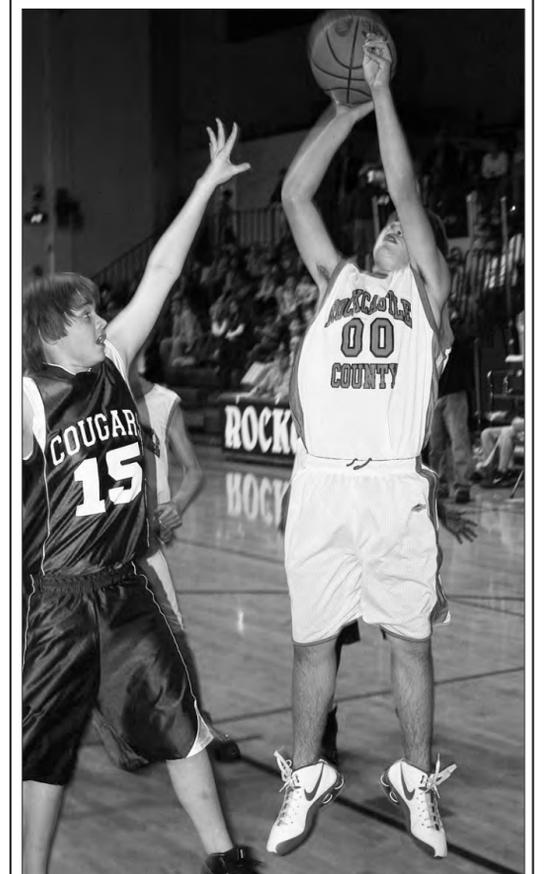
Lady Rocket junior Jackie Alexander puts in two of her team high 19 points on Friday night against Casey County. The Lady Rockets won 64-41 and are ranked number one in the state in the Lexington Herald-Leader's weekly poll.



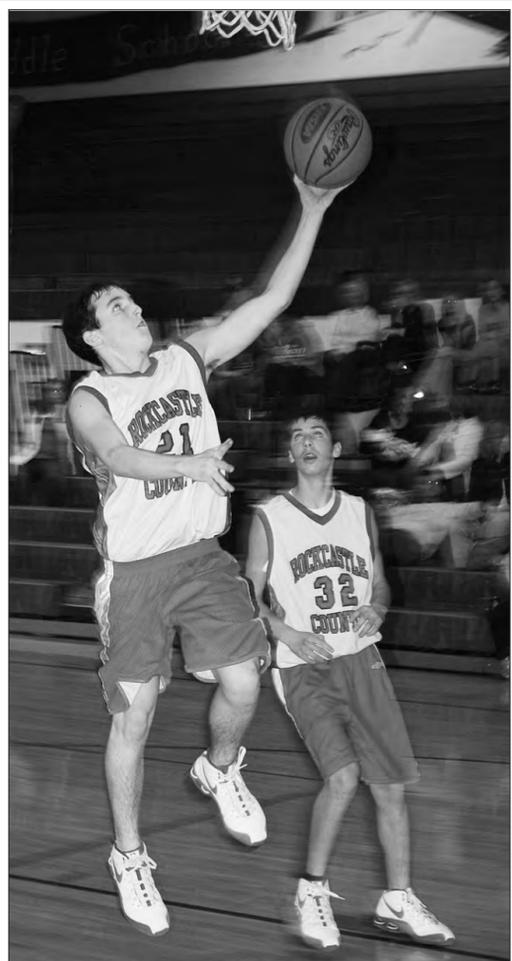
Junior Derek Thacker goes to the basket in the Rocket's district win over Casey County on Friday night. The Rockets will play their last district game of the season on Friday night when they travel to Pulaski County. The Rockets are 4-1 in the district and currently the number one seed. Sports photos by: Kevin Canterbury.



Lady Rocket senior Jillisa Lay puts up a shot against visiting Casey County on Friday night. The Lady Rockets avenged an earlier season loss at Casey County with a 64-41 win on Friday. The Lady Rockets play a double-header with the boy's team at Pulaski County this Friday night.



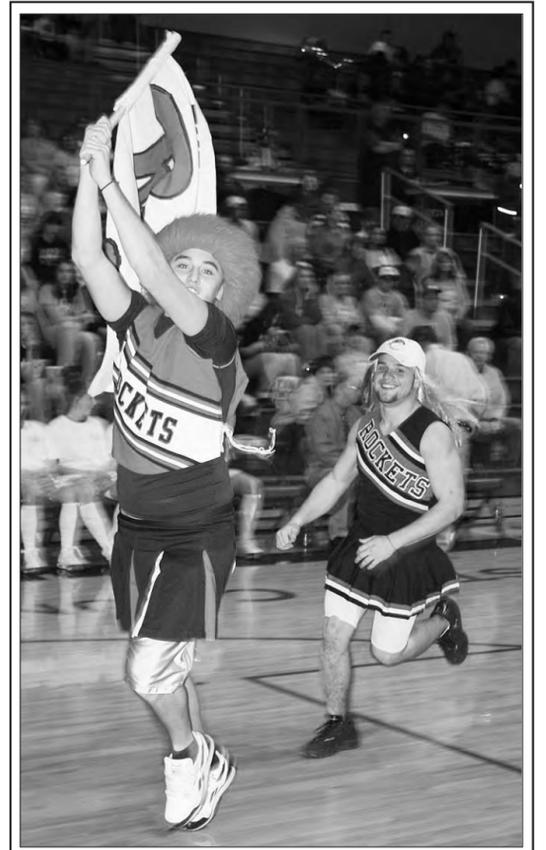
RCMS 7th grader Andrew Burton puts in two of his four points in his team's 44-31 loss to Garrard County last Thursday night. The 7th graders are scheduled to play Garrard again this week in the first round of the conference tournament.



RCMS 8th grader Tyler Smith puts in two of his team high 12 points against Garrard County on Thursday night. Looking on is Ashton Arvin, who had 10 points in the 49-36 win. The 8th graders are scheduled to play Danville in the conference tournament this week at Danville.



Rocket senior Bryan Clontz puts up a three pointer in his team's 57-52 overtime win over Casey County on Friday night. Clontz had 11 points in the game.



Two RCHS football players, Nick Miracle, left, and Casey Hayes showed their school spirit at RCHS on Friday night when both the Rockets and Lady Rockets defeated Casey County.

Smith, McKinney excel at UK Track Invitational

A few members of the RCHS varsity track and field team recently competed at the University of Kentucky Wildcat Classic Track Invitational held at the Nutter Field House on UK's campus. The meet featured over 1,000 athletes from across Kentucky, includ-

ing all three classes and is the most competitive indoor competition in the state. Athletes had to be in the top three in their event to receive awards.

Junior Samantha Smith had another unbelievable performance. Competing in the fastest heat of the 60-meter dash, Samantha lined up beside the state's best in Class 3A. She got out of the blocks fast, blazing her way to an amazing 3rd place finish overall out of 129 female athletes that competed. Her time of 8.18 seconds established a new RCHS record in the event, eclipsing her own record mark from a year ago by eleven hundredths of a second.

Senior Sarah McKinney also found herself lined up among the state's best in the fastest heat of the 60-meter hurdles. Sarah came through with another amazing performance against last year's state runner-up from Class 3A. Sarah hurdled her way to an impressive 3rd place finish overall out of 27 competitors in what turned out to be the closest race of the day. She finished with an RCHS record-breaking time of 9.91 seconds, surpassing her own record time by a tenth of a second. She missed

winning the race and defeating the top two runners in Class 3A by only three hundredths of a second.

RCMS had three competitors ready for the challenging competition the meet had to offer. The meet is set up as a high school meet, but a few select middle school athletes are allowed to compete if they've demonstrated the ability to be competitive at this level. 6th grader Kira Deatherage, 8th grader Bryonna Cromer, and 8th grader Brooklyn Blanton displayed enough talent in the early stages of this indoor season to warrant an opportunity to compete.

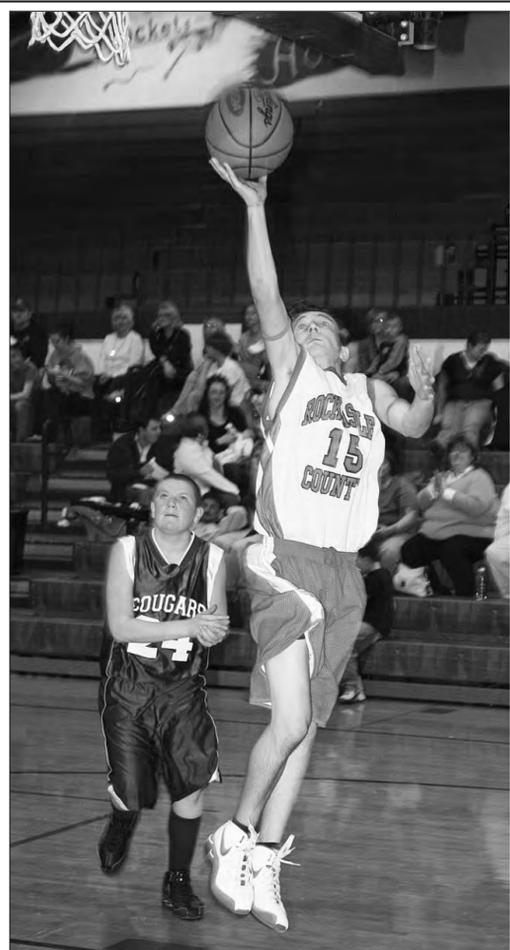
Kira and Bryonna showed they belonged in the competition with their performances in the 60-meter dash. Kira ran an incredible race, finishing 26th overall out of 129 runners in 8.77 seconds. Bryonna also ran a great race, placing 59th overall in an impressive 9.2 seconds.

Kira's best performance came in the 400-meter dash. She sprinted her way to an awesome 15th place finish out of 115 competitors with a personal best time of 1:07.04. Brooklyn also ran a personal best in the 400, finishing 65th overall with an impressive effort of 1:12.93.

The RCHS and RCMS girls' teams next compete at Mason County this Saturday.



RCHS senior all-stater Sarah McKinney eclipsed her own school record in the 60-meter hurdles at the UK Wildcat Classic. Sarah finished 3rd overall out of 27 runners with a new RCHS record time of 9.91 seconds. She missed winning the event by only three hundredths of a second.



RCMS 8th grader Eli Haddix puts in a lay-up against Garrard County last Thursday night. Haddix had four points in the 49-36 win on 8th grade night at the middle school. (Photos from 8th grade night will appear in next week's Signal.)



RCMS 6th grader Dakota Hasty led his team in scoring with 13 points last Thursday night against Garrard County. The 6th graders won, 28-13 and are scheduled to play Boyle County at Boyle County in the first round of the conference tournament this week.



RCMS 6th grader Kira Deatherage emerged as a rising star at the UK Wildcat Classic. Kira finished 15th out of 115 high school runners in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:07.04. She also placed 26th out of 129 runners in the 60-meter dash with a time of 8.77 seconds. Kira was named the Kentucky Middle School Track Athlete of the Week for her performance at the recent Mason County indoor meet in which she won the 55 and 400-meter dashes.



RCHS junior all-stater Samantha Smith shattered her own school record in the 60-meter dash at the UK Wildcat Classic, which featured over 1,000 high school athletes from all three classes. Samantha finished 3rd overall out of 129 runners with a new RCHS record time of 8.18 seconds. Samantha was named the Kentucky High School Track Athlete of the Week for her performance at the recent Mason County indoor meet in which she won the 55-meter dash, long jump, and triple jump.

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Future Auctions

- Absolute Estate Auction of the late Ms. Alma Jones' House and Lot & Personal Property**
Saturday, January 24th at 10:00 a.m. - Jarvis Avenue, Somerset, Ky.
- Absolute Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Thomas' 30 Acres in Tracts**
Saturday, February 7th at 10:30 a.m. - Elrod Rd., Somerset, Ky.
- Absolute Auction of Prime Commercial Property - 2 Large Buildings and 4.018 Acres (In Tracts)**
Friday, February 13th at 1:00 p.m. - South U.S. Hwy. 25, London, Ky.



Cloia Collins and Malibu Irish a/k/a Hollywood Collins has successful 2008 Walking Horse Show season

Congratulations to Cloia Collins and Malibu Irish aka Hollywood on their 2008 Walking Horse Show season. Cloia Smith Collins, the wife of Darrell Collins and the daughter of Gary and Brenda Smith of Mt. Vernon, was presented with a high point award, which included ribbons and other gifts, in the 3 & under Park Performance Walking Horse Division from the Ohio Valley Walking Horse Association on January 3rd at an awards banquet in Frankfort. She also received the 3 & under Park Performance Walking Horse High Point Award, which included ribbons and a crystal vase, from the Ken-

tucky Walking Horse Association on January 9th at Embassy Suites in Lexington. Cloia received fourth place in the open park performance walking horse division from the Walking Horse Report, a newspaper dedicated to the Tennessee Walking Horse. This award is from 2008 show year which horses from all over the United States are recognized. Finally, she will be attending a banquet in Murfreesborough, TN in February where she will receive third place in the Park Performance Division. Cloia won a total of eight blue ribbons this show season.

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The other application, approved by the court, will be for a horse trail, starting at the Red Hill Horse Camp and extending for about 100 miles, through the Horse Lick area, following the Rockcastle River.

While the waterways trail could be accomplished the “cheapest and quickest,” according to Carloftis, the horse trail will be a “long, drawn-out process” since easements, for the projected 6 feet wide and 12 feet high clearance, would have to be obtained and other routes selected should those easements prove impossible to obtain. “If we can’t get easements through all the private land, the trail would have to be moved to a parallel road in those areas,” Carloftis said.

The upfront cost for the engineering study for the horse trail will be \$5,000 in matching funds, along with the same amount from the same three counties but, again, this would not be paid until the project received approval by the federal government.

In other action, the court voted to require fee offices -- the sheriff’s and county court clerk’s -- to publish the gross salaries of their employees for each calendar year, beginning with their 2008 salaries, no later than the following February.

Carloftis told the court that fee office employees are regarded as county employees since the county pays part of the retirement, health insurance costs and matching social security. The county only matches social security for the sheriff’s office since, at an earlier meeting this year, the court told County Clerk Norma Houk that she would have to pick up this expense for her employees, in the future.

The property valuation administrator’s and circuit clerk’s office are not included since they are state employees. County Attorney Bill Reynolds has several state employees in his office that will also not be included. The portion of Reynolds’ salary, and that of his assistant that is paid by the county, are already published.

Carloftis said the salaries of all other county employees was published in the financial statement appearing each August in the *Signal* and it “just seems that this is the best thing to do in the interest of more open records of our county officials,” Carloftis told the court.

The court also approved submission of a number of projects needed in the county, for possible funding under the new stimulus package being considered by Congress.

Carloftis told the court that he had been contacted by Chris Girdler, with Rogers’ office, and asked to formulate the list. The judge told the court “we may get none of them funded or we may get part. It’s for sure that if our hand’s not out, nothing will be put in it.”

The projects approved by the court for submission are:

- Road reconstruction in the county, \$1,750,000; Jones Building renovation, \$250,000; industrial park reconstruction, \$2,700,000; industrial park building, etc., \$2,500,000; Coach Parrett gym remodeling, \$200,000; Rockcastle parks

Lady Rockets

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Monday night when they defeated Mercer County by 23, 64-41.

The Lady Rockets, who are ranked number one in the state this week in the *Lexington Herald-Leader’s* Dave Cantrall Poll, led by only nine at halftime.

However the Lady Rockets turned up the defense and outscored Mercer 14-2 in the third period. In the fourth period the Lady Rockets managed two more points than the visiting team to hold onto the 23 point victory.

Alexander again led her team in scoring with 15, Hammond got 13, Robinson 11, Saylor 10, Lawrence 8, Mattingly 4 and Locklear and Lay, 2 each.

The Lady Rockets will travel to Pulaski County on Friday night for a doubleheader with the boys’ varsity. Game time in Somerset is 6 p.m.

If the Lady Rockets defeat Pulaski County, they will be the number one seed in the 47th district tournament when it begins on February 23rd in Somerset.

The Lady Rockets would also play Pulaski County in the first round of the tournament.

The Lady Rockets easily defeated Pulaski County on January 9th, 76-25.

projects, \$700,000 and courthouse facade, \$150,000.

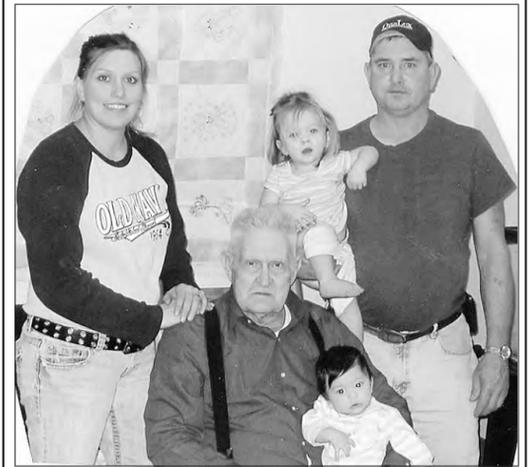
Carloftis told the court that the \$700,000 included for parks projects, if funded, would provide parks, similar to the one at Quail, at various locations in the county “from Climax to Conway.” The judge also pointed out that the projects would be contingent on someone donating two to three acres of land for each park.

After some discussion, the court also approved a \$2,000 donation to the Eagles Nest Parent Group at Roundstone School.

The group is attempting to raise about \$40,000 for playground equipment through various fund-raisers.

Some of the magistrates, and County Treasurer Joe Clontz, questioned the donation because they felt it would bring on a flood of other requests from different groups in the county. However, Carloftis pointed out that a percentage of the occupational tax had been set aside for recreation and he felt that projects, such as the one at Roundstone, fell into that category. “I think this is one way for people having to pay the tax to see that we are willing to put part of it back into the community,” Carloftis said.

Magistrate Ralph Allen noted that he didn’t mind the donation to the Roundstone group but felt the court should revisit an earlier request by the middle school for a donation to help with expenses of their sports programs, on which the court took no action.



Four Generations

Four generations of the Carpenters are shown above. In the center is Saul Carpenter. Right of Saul is Johnny W. Carpenter and to the left is Johnetta “Susie Carpenter” Lovell. In Johnny’s arm is Saul’s great granddaughter Adisynne Wesleight at 19 months old and in Saul’s lap is great grandson Caden Thomas at 4 months. *We will be so thankful when Johnetta, JT and children get home to Kentucky for good. May God bless each one of them. The Carpenter family.*

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ORDINANCE NO. 08-11

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LEASE FOR THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE LEASE; CREATING A SINKING FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SUCH LEASE.

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Mount Vernon, Kentucky (the "Lessee") has the power, pursuant to Section 65.940 et seq. of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to enter into lease agreements with or without the option to purchase in order to provide for the use of property for public purposes;

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Lessee (the "Governing Body") has previously determined, and hereby further determines, that the Lessee is in need of the Project, as defined in the Lease hereinafter described;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined and hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the Lessee that the Lessee and the Kentucky Area Development Districts Financing Trust (the "Lessor") enter into a Lease Agreement (the "Lease") for the leasing by the Lessee from the Lessor of the Project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals and Authorization. The Lessee hereby approves the Lease Agreement (the "Lease") and all Collateral Documents, as defined in the Lease, each in substantially the form presented to this Governing Body. It is hereby found and determined that the Project identified in the Lease is public property to be used for public purposes. It is further determined that it is necessary and desirable and in the best interests of the Lessee to enter into the Lease for the purposes therein specified, and the execution and delivery of the Lease and all representations, certifications and other matters contained in the Closing Memorandum with respect to the Lease, or as may be required by the Lessor prior to delivery of the Lease, are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed. The Mayor and City Clerk of the Lessee are hereby authorized to execute the Lease, together with such other agreements or certifications which may be necessary to accomplish the transaction contemplated by the Lease.

Section 2. General Obligation Pledge. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and Chapter 66 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the "General Obligation Statutes"), the obligation of the Lessee created by the Lease shall be a full general obligation of the Lessee and, for the prompt payment of the Lease Payments, the full faith, credit and revenue of the Lessee are hereby pledged. During the period the Lease is outstanding, there shall be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the Lessee, in addition to all other taxes, without limitation as to rate, a direct tax annually in an amount sufficient to pay the Lease Payments on the Lease when and as due, it being hereby found and determined that current tax rates are within all applicable limitations. Said tax shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of said years are certified, extended and collected. Said tax shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that the other taxes of the Lessee are available for the payment of the Lease Payments and are appropriated for such purpose, the amount of such direct tax upon all of the taxable property in the Lessee shall be reduced by the amount of such other taxes so available and appropriated.

There is hereby established with the Lessee a sinking fund (the "Sinking Fund"). The funds derived from said tax levy hereby required or other available taxes shall be placed in the Sinking Fund and, together with interest collected on the same, are irrevocably pledged for the payment of all Certificates or obligations issued under the General Obligation Statutes and all Tax Supported Leases, as defined in General Obligation Statutes, including the Lease herein authorized, when and as the same fall due. Amounts shall be transferred from the Sinking Fund to the Lessor at the times and in the amounts required by the Lease.

Section 3. Investment of Funds. Ross, Sinclair & Associates, LLC, as Program Administrator, is hereby authorized to direct the Trustee to invest funds on deposit under the Lease in such manner, subject to all legal limitations, as will, in the Program Administrator’s judgment, produce the most favorable financial result for the Lessee.

Section 4. Severability. If any Section, paragraph or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such Section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 5. Sunshine Law. This Governing Body hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Governing Body, and that all deliberations of this governing Body and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements.

Section 6. Conflicts. All ordinances, resolutions, orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed and the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail and be given effect.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and publication of a summary thereof, as provided by law.

INTRODUCED, SECONDED AND ADOPTED, at a duly convened meeting of the Governing Body, held on January 26, 2009, after first reading held on December 15, 2008, signed by the Mayor of the Lessee, attested by the City Clerk, filed and indexed as provided by law.

/s/ Clarice R. Kirby, Mayor
ATTEST: /s/ Jeanette Robinson, City Clerk



Hunter Chase Birney
December 31, 2008 at 7:43 AM
6 lbs. 3 ozs. 19.5 in.

Richard and Suella Birney and big brother Zachary are proud to announce the birth of Hunter Chase Birney. His proud grandparents are Carolyn Collins of Brodhead, Brent and Jean Boone of Mt. Vernon and Rena Boone of Mt. Vernon.

RCMS Basketball Update

(Cont. from A6)

with 13, Jordon McGuire had 9 and Douglas Nicely, Sam Pensol and Jacob McKinney got 2 each.

The seventh grade squad played Garrard County close throughout, but stumbled in the fourth quarter, going on to lose 44-31.

The seventh graders were led in scoring by Corey McPhetridge with 15, John Hughes 6, Andrew Burton and Tyler Harper 4 each, and Jarred Lakes 2.

The eighth grade team made sure their night wasn’t spoiled with a loss as they defeated a very competitive Garrard County squad 49-36 in the final game of the night.

Tyler Smith led the Rockets with 12, Ashton Arvin had 10, Ben Allen 8, John Wilson 6, Bryson Amyx 5, Eli Haddix 4 and Zack Poynter and Chris Wren 2 each.

Rockcastle UNITE Coalition

Join Us!

The Rockcastle UNITE Coalition meets on the second Wednesday of each month, at noon, at the Renfro Valley Lodge.

First Baptist Church Mt. Vernon invites you to join us for **MOVIE NIGHT** On Saturday, February 14th at 7pm

We will be watching the newly released "Fireproof" movie starring Kirk Cameron. This event along with snacks is free and sponsored by FBC Women’s Ministry. Please call the church office at 256-2922 to register. The first twenty couples to register will receive a free copy of *The Love Dare* book and preferred seating!

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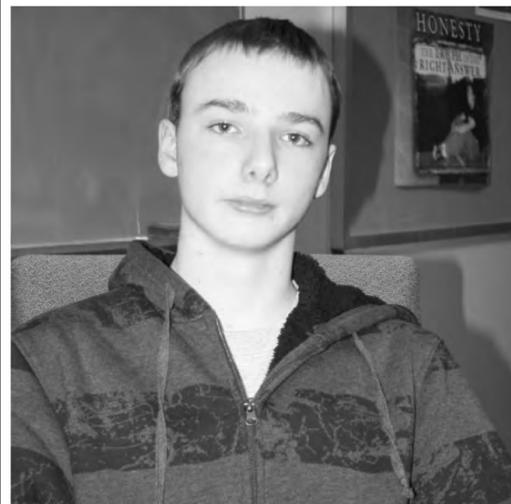


Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, left, who is beginning her seventh year in office, administered the oath of office to the new city council members, who will be in office for the next two years. Shown above, from left, are: Kirby, incumbent council member Wayne Bullock, incumbent Sharon Saylor, incumbent, Shelley Lewis, new members, Jackie Wayne Weaver and Don Jones and incumbent, Clark Mullins. (Photo by: Richard Anderkin)



Terry Hoskins, 50, of Dug Hill Road, was injured in a single car accident on Dug Hill Road Friday night around 6:45 p.m. A family member said a back tire blew out on the above Pontiac as Hoskins was traveling toward Hwy. 150, causing him to lose control and hit the bank. Hoskins was transported to the Rockcastle Hospital by the Rockcastle Ambulance Service, where he was treated and admitted. Above, employees with Frankie Woodall's wrecker service work remove the wrecked vehicle from the scene. (Photo by: Richard Anderkin).

Rockcastle County High School Academic Honor Roll



Rockcastle County High School senior Danny Barnes, has a grade point average of 4.04 and is one of three students tied for the fourth highest ranking of the 207 seniors in the 2009 graduating class at RCHS. Barnes is the son of Danny and Christine Barnes of Brush Creek and will attend Berea College in the Fall where he will major in computer science. Barnes, who is a member of Berea College's Upward Bound program, took advanced placement History as a junior and currently has an advanced placement class in Chemistry. Also as a junior at RCHS, Barnes had Honors English III and as a sophomore he had Honors World Civilization. Barnes' sophomore year he also received the Biology I award as a freshman and received the Physical Education Award. Barnes is a member of the Students Technology Leadership Program, Book Club and Chess Club at RCHS. Barnes's favorite hobby is playing video games and his current favorite game is Civilization IV.

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Winter Storm

(Cont. from front)

were very cautious during the winter storm and that only one injury accident was reported, on I-75 Tuesday morning, with only minor injuries.

911 dispatchers said the most calls received at the local center were for fallen trees, until Wednesday morning when several non-injury accidents were reported because of the snow.

Rockcastle weatherman Bud Cox recorded over three inches of rain and freezing rain at the weather center in Mt. Vernon during the 24 hour period from 8 a.m. Tuesday to 8 a.m. Wednesday. Some minor flooding was also reported in the county on Wednesday morning, mostly in the north-end of the county.

So far in January, 6.09 inches of rain has been recorded and only a few traces of snow. The recorded low for the month has been minus three and the recorded high was 59 last Friday.

Lady Rockets

(Cont. from front)

Lady Rockets to the Sweet 16, four of the past five seasons, said her team has to remain fo-

cus to reach their goal. "We know everyone is gunning for us more than ever and we have to bring our "A" game every night," Noble said.

The Lady Rockets will travel to Pulaski County on Friday night for a double-header with the boy's varsity.

Although the Lady Rockets are ranked number one in the state and, of course, in the 12th region, they still need a win over Pulaski County to be the number one seed in the district, when it begins on February 23rd at Somerset.

The Lady Rockets defeated Pulaski County on January 9th, 76-25 and would play them again in the first round of the district if they win on Friday.



Hey Kids!



Rockcastle County Little League Baseball & Softball Sign-Ups

*Saturday, February 7th (9 am – 1 pm)
@ Mt. Vernon & Brodhead Elementary Gym

*Saturday, February 14th (9 am – 1 pm)
@ Mt. Vernon & Brodhead Elementary Gym

*Thursday, February 12th & Friday February 13th
@ Rockcastle County Middle School during lunch.

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Thank You

I have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support during, and since, the voters of Division 2 selected me as their voice on the Rockcastle County School Board. I am excited about the opportunity to work on behalf of our community, schools and children.

Again, thank you!
Brandy Brock

Eagles' Nest Parent Group's Benefit Singing, Chili Supper, Silent Auction and Bake Sale

**Roundstone Elementary School
Saturday, January 31, 2009**

Chili Supper: 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. • Bake Sale: 4 p.m. until all items sold
Silent Auction: 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Benefit Singing: 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Proceeds will go toward the purchase of new playground equipment for all our students. A new playground is being planned and will be built in phases, as funds permit.

Adult Admission: \$5 in advance/\$6 at the door • Children (ages 3-12): \$3 Under 3 - Free

Tickets may be purchased in the school office week days between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or at the door beginning at 4 p.m. on the day of the event.

Performers include: New Highway, Renfro Valley Entertainers, Eversole Brothers, Sherman Family, Wayne and Pam Combs, Billy Keith, Doug Smith and Greg Jones, Narrow Road, Spare Change, The Williams Family and 7 X Down.

In the event of inclement weather, all events will be rescheduled for Sat., Feb. 7, 2009 at the times listed above. WRVK Radio 1460 AM will make the announcement.



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“Jones”

(Cont. from front)

learned at training sessions, provided by the Kentucky League of Cities, he thought the Mayor and council had been, and was continuing to, improperly introducing and passing ordinances and making improper purchases for equipment.

Jones said he thinks the city should have taken bids on the city's new \$217,000 fire truck and the city's new \$75,000 backhoe, which the council voted to buy in December. Superintendent Dennis McClure said the city was able to buy the backhoe because they had done so through the state's bid program. Jones also said the city could have possibly bought the fire truck if an emergency had been declared by the Mayor, but that no such emergency was declared. Jones said he was afraid that any company selling those items could challenge the city's purchases in the court and possibly cause the city a lot of problems.

Jones also said he was concerned that the city's 3% restaurant tax, which went into effect in January of 2008, was not valid and that someone or some group could attempt to have it repealed and ask for their money back, which would cause major financial problems for the city and tourist commission.

He also voted against the second reading of the city ordinance, which will allow the tour-

ism commission to borrow \$750,000 to purchase 20 to 23 acres overlooking Renfro Valley, Lake Linville and I-75, because he said the ordinance had been improperly introduced the first time, when it was passed at the December meeting.

Although Jones voted no, the rest of the council voted yes. A summary of the ordinance is being published in this week's *Signal*, which is the last step needed for the city to begin the process of borrowing the money through the Kentucky Area Development District.

Once all of the paperwork has been completed for the loan through the city, they will enter into a contract with the tourist commission, who will be responsible for paying back the loan.

The council also passed a motion to amend the city's personnel policy to extend the work week for city office employees from 35 to 40 hours per week, at the request of Mayor Kirby.

Each of the city's office employees, including Jill Medley and Pam Bullock, tax administrator Josh Bray and city clerk Janette Robinson, who were all present on Monday night, told the council that it was almost impossible to get their work done in a 35 hour work week.

Jones questioned whether or not city employees needed the extra hours and abstained. The rest of the council voted yes.

The council then voted to change the office hours for city hall, after the personnel policy is changed. All council members, including Jones voted yes.

During the same discussion, the council discussed increasing the Mayor's work week from 35 to 40 hours and giving her a raise.

Mayor Kirby said she had not had a cost of living raise since she took office in 2003 and had worked a lot of overtime without pay.

During the discussion about the raise, which was mainly between the Mayor and Jones, Jones told the Mayor, from what he had seen, he thought she had displayed poor leadership and supervision.

Jones pointed to the Richmond Street Sidewalk project, which did not go as far down both sides of the street as the Mayor and council had initially thought.

The Mayor blamed the engineers for the mistake but Jones said the Mayor should have read the contract better.

Following the exchange between the Mayor and Jones, Jones made a motion to give the Mayor a \$531 a year cost of living raise, to which the Mayor quickly said, "I decline." Jones insisted that his motion be entertained by the council and it died for lack of council.

Council member Shelley Lewis then made a motion to table the Mayor's request for a change in her hours and salary until the next council meeting. All council members voted in favor, except Jones who voted no.

Currently the Mayor makes a salary of \$36,000 per year and receives health insurance and retirement benefits. The Mayor's salary and benefit package was established by the council in 2002, when former Mayor Karen King was in office.

The council then voted to take over ownership and maintenance of Faith Mountain Road, off the Hwy. 461 by-pass from the Carter heirs.

Mayor Kirby told the council the road leads to one of the city's largest water storage tanks, which holds 500,000 gallons of water.

Jones said he had looked at the road and questioned whether it was in the city's best interest to take the road into the city's road program.

He said because the road led to Northside Baptist Church, and that other building lots along the road would be sold, the city would have to keep it clean dur-

ing bad weather which would mean overtime for city employees and that the road was not in the best of condition.

However, Jerry Carter, one of the owners of the road and land around it, said his family had just spent \$23,000 upgrading the road and Mayor Kirby and City Superintendent Dennis McClure said they had looked at the road and thought it would be a good idea to take the road into the city.

Carter even asked Jones if he (Jones) wanted them (the Carters) to put a gate across the road.

When the vote was taken to accept the road into the city program, Jones voted no, Lewis abstained and council members Wayne Bullock, Sharon Saylor, Clark Mullins and the council's other new member, Jackie Wayne Weaver, voted yes.

Jones also told the council that he had requested four opinions from the office of Kentucky Attorney General, concerning council business.

One letter involved a possible conflict of interest between the Mayor and Tourism CEO Susan Laws because they both have performed on the Renfro Valley Barn Dance, on two different occasions in the past year.

Jones said he was afraid that Laws might have too much influence over the Mayor in at-

tempting to obtain the \$750,000 for the tourism project because of their working together on the Barn Dance.

The Mayor quickly told Jones that one thing did not have anything to do with the other and that Laws did not have any personal influence on her decisions. The Mayor said she was for the project because she thought tourism was very important to the well-being of the city and possibly her number one priority and that the Castle project was needed and worthwhile.

Jeanine Norman, who works with Laws at the tourism office, was present at Monday night's meeting and told the council that she was sure Laws kept her responsibilities as Tourism Director, separate from her work on the Barn Dance. Norman said that, in her opinion, there was absolutely no conflict of interest between the Mayor and Laws.

Jones also said he had requested an opinion from the Attorney General as to local attorney Jerry Cox's role in representing the city in their matters, the Mayor in her personal legal matters and attempting to sell property to the city, while representing both the city and the Mayor.

Jones said the Attorney General's letter to him, (Jones), suggested that he might contact

the Kentucky Bar Association about his questions.

In other business, Mt. Vernon Police Chief Terry Jackson told the council that he had narrowed the list of candidates for an open position on the police force to ten and would probably make a hire in the next 30 days.

Jackson also told the council that things seemed to be going very well for his department, with only 76 criminal complaints, last year, compared to 219 five years ago when he was hired as chief.

Jackson said he thought better exposure, more training and better benefits, which helped keep officers on the force, were the reasons the city's crime rate was down considerably.

Mayor Kirby pointed out that she was responsible for hiring Jackson who told the council that he appreciated the support of the Mayor and the council.

And finally, Mayor Kirby told the council, after a question by councilman Jones, that Newcomb Avenue, which leads to the Rockcastle Hospital and is one of the most traveled in the city, would be blacktopped this Spring, as soon as the blacktop plants reopen.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the council is February 16th.



Just as the rest of the state, Rockcastle County roadways were slick and hazardous on Tuesday morning because of the winter storm that hit the state. But the ice caused more problems than just slick roads. The weight from the ice caused many trees to fall into roadways and others to simply obstruct passage when their limbs leaned into roads, such as some of these trees on Freedom School Road, shown above. The above limbs were cut out of the roadway later in the day on Tuesday. A dispatcher for 911 said Wednesday morning that some roads in the county were still blocked by fallen or leaning trees as of 8 a.m.

Cystic Fibrosis fundraiser features Bluegrass Night

“A Rockin’ Bluegrass Night” Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser, in honor of Rockcastle County’s CF survivors and In Memory of Suzanne Graves, will be held on Saturday, January 31st at the Rockcastle County High School auditorium.

Featured act will be the Wild River Band and special “Bluegrass” guests will be Boundary Line and Music Maker (a national touring act). The show begins at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30) and tickets are \$10 and \$5 for students (student tickets may be purchased at schools only).

For tickets or more information, contact: Dana Cash, 606-308-3057; Tammy Miller 256-5118; Billy Reynolds 256-2730; Music Hall of Fame 256-1000; Charlie Napier 758-8993; James Miller 256-2178 or Bentley Cromer 606-521-7061

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Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, January 29, 2009



Most members of the Mt. Vernon Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department were sworn-in for 2009 at Monday night's Mt. Vernon City Council meeting by Mayor Clarice Kirby. Taking the oath of office were from left: Brandon Reynolds, Jack Himes, Josh Hayes, Dallas Todd, David Derr, Randy Bussell, Adam Bales, Jeff Parker, Jackie Wayne Weaver, Frank Fain, asst. Chief Jack Weaver, Chief David Bales, Jordan Bales, Brian Bullock and Kyle Fletcher. The department has 22 active members. (Second front photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Six people were injured, including two MVES students and two RCHS students, in a two-car collision on West Main Street in Mt. Vernon last Friday morning around 8 a.m. According to police, Kathy Tyree, 42, was driving the Ford Escape at right, when she pulled onto West Main Street, from Fairground Hill, into the path of Carolyn Bullock, 37, of Purr Rigsby Road. Bullock was traveling east on West Main in the Suburban, top photo, and was headed to Mt. Vernon Elementary School. Tyree's passengers were her daughter, Starla Bond and nephew, Dalton Hutton and they were headed to RCHS. Bullock's passengers were her 8-year-old twin daughters, Samantha and Savannah. All six were transported to Rockcastle Hospital where they were treated and released. Above, EMTs Jamie McClure and Dana Carter load one of the Bullock twins into a waiting ambulance. At, right, William Denny works to remove Tyree's wrecked vehicle from the scene.



Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, who began her seventh year in office on Monday night, swore-in the six members of the Mt. Vernon City Council on Monday night and the members of the Mt. Vernon Volunteer Fire Department, who were in attendance.

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Rockcastle Travelers Note
Rockcastle Travelers are going to Washington, D.C. during Spring Break, March 31-April 4. There are still a few spaces left for this bus tour. A \$50 deposit within the next two weeks will hold your seat. Balance due in February. Call Sue at 256-2012.

Project Graduation Meeting
There will be a Project Graduation 2009 meeting Monday, Feb. 2nd at 6:30 in the high school cafeteria. All students - Avon orders are due that night. Meetings will follow on the first Monday of each month. All parents/guardians of seniors are urged to attend.

UNITE Meetings
UNITE monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be Feb. 11th at noon at Pizza Hut.

World Wrestling Event
The World Wrestling Cartel will have matches at the Broughtontown Community Center on Feb. 7th. Doors open at 7:30, matches start at 8 p.m. Wrestlers featured include Black Rain, Gorgeous Jimmy Funk and Brian Lawless. Admission is \$8 per person and tickets are on sale at Saylor's Market in Crab Orchard. This event will benefit the Broughtontown Community Center.

School's Local Planning Committee
The Rockcastle County School's Local Planning Committee will hold their next meeting on Thursday, February 12, 2009 at 6 p.m. at the Rockcastle Teaching and Learning Center.

DAV Officer at London
A Disabled American Veteran State Service Officer will be at the DAV Building in London on Feb. 3 from 9 a.m. to noon. For more information, call 606-877-1308 or 606-862-0032.

New Hours for Historical Society
The Rockcastle Historical Society will be open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building. Monthly society meetings are held the 4th Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building in Mt. Vernon.

RCIDA Meeting
The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority holds its regular meeting the first Monday of each month at noon on the third floor of the courthouse.

TOPS Meetings
TOPS #KY 0476 are held Thursdays 6 to 6:30 p.m. (weigh-in/meeting times) at Brodhead Christian Church, Hwy. 150 W and Main St., lower level.

American Legion Note
American Legion Post 71 of Rockcastle County meets the second Tuesday at 7 p.m. monthly at Kastle Inn Restaurant in Mt. Vernon.

NA Women's Meeting
The Women's NA Serenity Group of Mt. Vernon meets each Monday at 8 p.m. at the Christian Appalachian Project Community Center, 64 Beiting Lane, Mt. Vernon. Open meeting - non-smoking.

Kiwanis Club Meetings
The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at Renfro Valley Lodge.

Women's Narcotics Meeting
There will be a Women's Narcotics Anonymous Meeting every Monday evening at 8 p.m. at the Community Center, sponsored by Christian Appalachian Center. For more information, contact the Healing Rain Center at 256-5810.

Alcoholics Anonymous
Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

Narcotics Anonymous
Narcotics Anonymous meets Thursday nights at 8 o'clock behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.



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Anyone interested in this program should contact the Rockcastle County Development Board at 606-256-8007 or email Lynn Tatum at ltatum@rockcastlecountyky.com or Corey Craig at 256-2500 or email ccraig@citizensbankrb.com.

- **Strengthen communication, organizational and economic development skills**
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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

District Civil Suits

Discover Bank vs. Clifton G. Hammond, \$2,514.10 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank vs. Jason N. Brock, \$2,352.93 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank vs. Billy G. Rice, \$740.29 plus claimed due.

Midland Funding LLC vs. Lynda F. Mullins, \$775.84 plus claimed due.

Midland Funding LLC vs. Walker Madden, \$2,373.26 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank vs. Jeryl L. Cromer, \$1,093.94 plus claimed due.

GE Money Bank vs. Zelma Gabbard, \$1,956.33 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank vs. Chris-

topher R. Sparks, \$668.36 plus claimed due.

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Robert Didelot, \$2,396.59 plus claimed due.

Midland Funding LLC vs. Angela Hoskins, \$891.22 plus claimed due. C0-00017.

Circuit Civil Suits

Citizens Bank vs. Andrew Carrera, et al, \$283,075.30 plus claimed due.

Peggy Allen Bishop vs. Jerry Lee Allen, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Cabinet for Health and Family Services ex rel Ashley Bussell vs. Dwayne Steven Bradley, complaint for medical support.

GMAC Mtg. LLC vs. Amanda Shaver, et al,

\$51,397.41 plus claimed due. Hollie Lammert vs. Casey K. Taylor, et al, complaint w/ jury demand.

Arlus Morgan vs. Fallon T. West, complaint.

Alexandria Jones vs. Houchen Industries, Inc., complaint.

Kenneth McGuire vs. Rudy S. Montano, complaint.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. vs. Christina Martin, \$88,805.79 plus claimed due.

L&N Federal Credit Union vs. Eddie Powell, et al, \$5,972.34 plus claimed due. CI-00025

Marriage Licenses

Anastasia Rowland, 30, Brodhead, server to James Lester Hall, 33, Brodhead, mechanic. 1/21/09.

Jenna March Bell, 18, Mt. Vernon, student to Brandon Tyler Ingram, 18, Berea, Rockcastle Hospital. 1/22/09.

Miranda Nicole Abney, 19, Mt. Vernon, student to Joshua Ponder Bell, 20, Mt. Vernon, unemployed. 1/22/09.

Deeds Recorded

Tommy H. and Libby G. Burdette, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Ernie and Alberta H Boggs. Tax \$12.

Christine Taylor, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Billy Joe and Donna

Brown. Tax \$30.

Sly Fox Ky LLC, property in Mt. Vernon, to Betty E. Cooper. Tax \$110.

James D. Brown, property on John Cash Road, to Teresa G. Brown. No tax.

District Court

January 21, 2009

Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
Bobbie L. Akers: fines/fees due (\$233), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta), 5 days or payment.

Jaclyn M. Albright: fines/fees due (\$718), 15 days in lieu of fines/costs.

William L. Baker: fines/fees due (\$853), 18 days in lieu of fines/costs.

Samuel D. Blackburn: fines/fees due (\$578), bw issued for fta/\$3,500 cash bond.

Stephanie N. Blevins: no/expired registration plates/receipt, and four other charges, bw issued for failure to appear/\$5,000 bond 10%.

Merrill K. Brown: violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO, \$100 fine and costs.

Joyce Carpenter: theft by deception, under \$300, \$20 fine and 20 days/probated 24 months on condition of payment of \$81.16 restitution.

William B. Cromer: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine and costs.

Aaron S. Graves: failure to maintain insurance, \$500 fine/suspend \$450 on condition.

Steven R. Hays: fines/fees due (\$703), bw issued for fta/15 days or payment.

Larry Hubbard, Jr.: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine and costs.

Kevin J. Mink: fines/fees due (\$151), bw issued for fta/4 days or payment.

Adam L. Reed: possession of marijuana and use/possession drug paraphernalia, bw issued for fta/7 days or payment.

Rebecca D. Rogers: fines/fees due (\$395), bw issued for fta/8 days or payment.

Ashley D. Sanders: fines/fees due (\$163), failed to maintain insurance/probated revoked and fine reinstated.

Stanley Saylor: improper lane usage/vehicles keep to right except to pass, \$100 fine.

James W. Weaver, Jr.: failure to maintain required insurance, convert to 20 days/concurrent w/credit for time served.

Tina Brock: failure to use child restraint device in vehicle, \$50 fine.

Rick Saylor: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.

Jessica L. Woodall: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.

Rocket Docket Wed., Jan. 21, 2009

Three cases were pled under the "Rocket Docket" program on Wednesday, January 21st.

Those cases, and their disposition, were:

Tabatha Kates: possession of drug paraphernalia, second offense and possession of controlled substance, third degree,

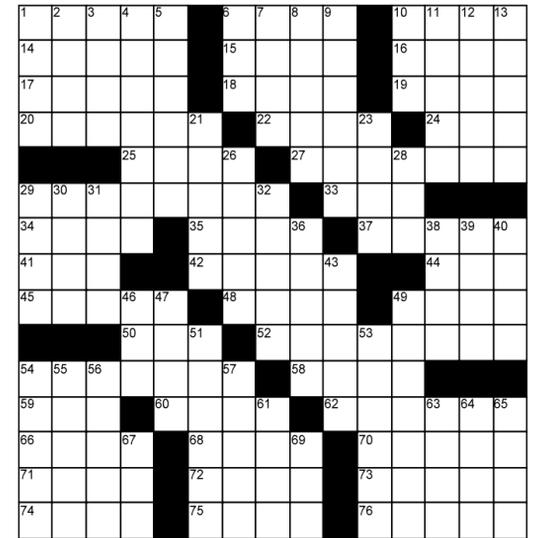
second offense, two years/probated two years;

Travis Lowery: receiving stolen property over \$300, pre-trial diversion for one year, and

Robert E. Newcomb, Jr.: trafficking in controlled substance, second degree; trafficking in controlled substance, third degree/first offense and driving under the influence, second influence, fines/fees and two years/probated for two years.

Kentucky Crossword # 399

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ACROSS

- 1 Huge hit
- 6 Times past
- 10 Nighttime sightings?
- 14 Uncanny
- 15 A former UK basketball coach
- 16 Leaning Tower site
- 17 Cartoon art
- 18 Being
- 19 Immediately
- 20 Antibacterial
- 22 Seasoning
- 24 Script type
- 25 Caroled
- 27 "My Old Kentucky Home" author, Foster
- 29 Kentuckian, founder of modern abdominal surgery
- 33 Winter hazard
- 34 Astronaut Shepard
- 35 Short fiber
- 37 Whale food
- 41 Mediterranean isl.
- 42 Weighty books
- 44 Kind of sauce
- 45 Leslie Co.'s seat
- 48 Baseball glove
- 49 Convex shape
- 50 Skedaddle
- 52 Kentuckian, inventor of the Tommy gun
- 54 Nolin R. forms this KY county's border with Hart Co.
- 58 Flightless flock
- 59 Gently tap
- 60 Mother-in-law plant
- 62 Kentuckian Helen Turner, for one
- 66 Dutch cheese
- 68 Sand
- 70 5:1, e.g.

- 71 Dublin's land
- 72 Spore sacs
- 73 Book of maps
- 74 Memo
- 75 Margosa tree
- 76 Shouts

DOWN

- 1 Caribbean and others
- 2 Waiter's handout
- 3 Seed coat
- 4 This KY county's seat named for Benjamin Franklin
- 5 Old TV show; Kentuckians Stringbean Akeman and Grandpa Jones were regulars
- 6 Bard's before
- 7 Boyd Co. spot, or hurry
- 8 Church recesses
- 9 Kentuckian, innovator who created Aspercreme and Preparation H
- 10 International delivery hub in Louisville
- 11 He worked on inventor of the steamboat (in Bardstown, KY)
- 12 Mock orange
- 13 Lustrous fabric
- 21 Concerning
- 23 ___ and call
- 26 Semidarkness
- 28 Price word
- 29 Livestock feed
- 30 Ashland, KY was named for his Lexington home

- 31 Shina
- 32 Boundary
- 36 River in Hades
- 38 Doctrines
- 39 Gray wolf
- 40 A "Land Between the Lakes" county
- 43 Leaf opening
- 46 Country singer Joe
- 47 Rocket builders
- 49 Covington, for example
- 51 Kentuckian, inventor of the three-light traffic signal
- 53 Inventor Nathan Stubblefield's home KY city
- 54 KY's longest river
- 55 Kentuckian Nathan Stubblefield is sometimes called, "Father of ___"
- 56 Separate
- 57 Peggy Kemner of Knox Co. was a famous one
- 61 Cheese nibblers
- 63 "___ do you good?"
- 64 Rock formation
- 65 Fling
- 67 Former WKU basketball star
- 69 KET's "Kentucky Afield" host, ___ Farmer



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Education Station

Submitted by Jennifer Napier

Obtaining a job that can provide suitable wages for sustaining a household gets more difficult with each passing day. Competition for jobs is fierce, especially ones with adequate pay benefits. Employees worry every day about layoffs, plant closings, outsourcing and the current economic crunch. But what if you had to face all these worries with the additional stress of a criminal record? What could you do that would make your application or resume stand out among the many other qualified applicants who are applying for the same job? What would your life be like right now, if you had to experience it as a recently released inmate? How can inmates prepare for re-entry into the community and the workforce with such overwhelming barriers? It's not easy, but the answers begin in the form of education and community support.

Inmates at the Rockcastle County Detention Center (RCDC) have been offered GED® classes for years, but improvement in basic educational skills and earning a GED® does not appear to provide enough of an advantage for inmates to be able to successfully reintegrate into the

community. WorkKeys® may help to provide that advantage for some inmates. WorkKeys® is a set of assessments, designed by ACT®, to determine employable skill levels. Employers can use this as a tool, with which they can make the best hiring and promotion decisions, among a pool of qualified applicants. Good decisions made when hiring and promoting employees, can reduce training costs and turnover rates within a company.

The WorkKeys® curriculum is lengthy and requires in-

tensive study and homework. Students must prepare for and pass a pre-test in order to qualify to take the official WorkKeys® exam. The official exam includes a set of three assessments: Applied Mathematics, Reading for Information and Locating Information. Once the official exam has been passed, the examinee will receive either a Silver or Gold level Kentucky Employability Certificate (KEC). The certificate is signed by the governor

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WKU honors band members Regina Rice, Michael Browning, Anjelica Craig, Meghan Nation, Morgan Harper and RCHS Band Director Greg Daugherty.

Five RCHS Band members take part in Honors Band at WKU

Five students from Rockcastle County High School participated in the 28th Annual Festival of Band Music, High School Honors Band at Western Kentucky University this past weekend. These RCHS students were selected along with nearly three hundred other students from forty-six different Kentucky schools. The RCHS students included seniors—Morgan Harper (Baritone) and Meghan Nation (Horn), and juniors—Michael Browning (Flute), Anjelica Craig (trombone) and Regina Rice (Clarinet)

The students were both enthusiastic and anxious as they headed to Bowling Green last Thursday afternoon. They were excited about the opportunity to represent Rockcastle at this prestigious event and they were apprehensive about the auditions. They were also aware that this would be a weekend filled with more than 12 hours of rehearsals!

As with most honors band clinics, the first order of business was the dreaded and grueling auditions. These auditions are not for the faint-of-heart. The students are asked to play a prepared piece, various scales, and to "sight read," which means they are asked to

play a piece of music that they have never seen before and have not prepared to play. The sight reading begins the nail-biting part of the audition, second only to being asked to play a chromatic scale, which divides the octave into its semitones. There are twelve semitones, or half steps, to an octave in the chromatic scale. Some students play the scale up to two full octaves. In brass and wind instruments this is done with precision breath control and significant lung power. Audible sighs of relief fill the halls as students exit the audition.

Following auditions, students are assigned to one of 3 different honor bands, each under the direction of a notable music educator. The "Moore Band" was under the direction of Dr. J. Steven Moore, the current Director of Bands at Colorado State University. Dr. Moore has a B.M.E. from the University of South Carolina and M.M and D.M.A. in instrumental conducting from the University of Kentucky. He has 10 years of experience as the director at Lafayette High School and Jessie Clark Middle School in Lexington, Kentucky and 4 years as the Assistant Director of Bands at the Uni-

versity of Kentucky. He was selected 1993 Kentucky High School Teacher of the Year by the Kentucky Department of Education.

The "Gifford Band" was under the direction of Dr. Robert M. Gifford, recently retired from Southeast Missouri State, where he spent twenty-four years as Professor of Music and Coordinator of Winds & Percussion. Following retirement, Dr. Gifford served as Visiting Professor of Music and Director of Bands at Central Missouri State University. He is also founder and conductor of the Southeast Chamber Players, a professional wind chamber group which has received numerous grants to perform public concerts and school clinics.

The "Allen Band" was under the direction of Tim Allen, current Director of Bands at Adair County Schools in Columbia, Kentucky having taught there for the past twenty-eight years. Mr. Allen obtained his Bachelor of Music Education Degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and holds a Master's Degree from WKU. He is the recipient of the National Band Association's Citation of Marching Excellence and the Outstanding Young Band Director of Kentucky Award in 1985. Adair County bands under his tutelage consistently place high in state competitions.

After the exhausting and painstaking auditions had been completed, after the students had been assigned to a band, and after the rehearsals for the final concert were well underway, there was time for a little bit fun. The hardworking students were treated to a dance and a spectacular "Prism Concert" performed by various WKU Bands under the direction of Gary Shallert, D.A., University of Northern Colorado, and current WKU Director of Bands.

While at the honors band clinic, RCHS students received not only an unparalleled musical experience, they also received an exclusive look at the WKU campus. Senior students seeking scholarships for the coming 2009 fall term were able to schedule personal auditions for various WKU Band programs. They had an opportunity to individually meet with the WKU faculty and current college students who were on hand to help with the clinic. This relatively intimate setting presented a unique opportunity for our students to ask questions and explore various possibilities about their college expectations.

The culmination of the weekend's work was a final concert which took place in the Downing University Center Theater (known as the "DUCK" to the students), a change in venue from past years. The Vanmeter Auditorium, normally used for the event, is currently undergoing extensive renovation. A standing-room-only crowd attended the show and all the students looked and performed spectacularly. Our own Michael Browning was selected as first chair and was featured playing a magnificent flute solo. Bravo! A fitting end to a magnificent weekend of making music and memories!

This coming Monday is PIZZA HUT MONDAY! Celebrate Groundhog Day and help the band at the same time. Eat at Mount Vernon Pizza Hut and mention the band. Nobody should cook on Groundhog Day!



Instructor Therese Tackett, left, is shown with Linda Webb, holding her Kentucky Employability Certificate.



Pictured from left are Rockcastle County Jailer James Miller, Angelia Bradley, Teresa Tevis and Instructor Therese Tackett. Bradley and Tevis are holding their Kentucky Employability Certificates they earned.

Celebration of President Lincoln

Free arts education program at MVES February 11th

The Center for Rural Development's Arts Education and Culture Outreach Program is bringing a free arts education program in celebration of the 200th anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's birth to schools across Kentucky.

Kentucky Chautauqua performer Jim Sayre will portray Abraham Lincoln at Mt. Vernon Elementary School Wednesday, Feb. 11th at 8:30 a.m.

The program is one of 50 performances The Center is presenting to each school in its 42-county primary service area of Southern and Eastern Kentucky. During the first two weeks of February, we hope to reach 10,000 students with the story of Abraham Lincoln —

One legendary Kentucky native and beloved American president.

"It is a very extensive effort, but one that The Center is proud to help coordinate with our participating partners in honor of a Kentucky native and political figure whose impact on our nation is everlasting," said Lonnie Lawson, president and CEO of The Center.

The on-site school performances organized by The Center will give students living history lessons on Lincoln—America's 16th president—through special plays, historically accurate impersonations, and dazzling multimedia presentations, Lawson said, noting that all events will be staged at no cost to the schools.

Recall of certain foods containing peanut butter

Family and Consumer Sciences

Hazel Jackson

Rockcastle County Extension Office



The recent outbreak of salmonella poisonings has been linked to peanut butter from the Peanut Corporation of America at its Blakely, Georgia processing plant. By Monday, January 26th, 492 people have been confirmed as sickened due to the outbreak and an additional 7 have died. In healthy adults salmonella causes very severe flu-like symptoms. However, for the ill, elderly or children, salmonella can result in hospitalization or death.

The plant in Georgia processes peanut butter in bulk containers and peanut paste. It does not package jarred peanut butter, so major national brands of jarred peanut butter in grocery stores are not affected. However, the plant distributed bulk peanut butter to more than 70 other companies which used the peanut butter in other products such as cookies, snack crackers, cereal, candy, ice cream and pet foods.

There is presently no evidence of contamination at

plants other than the plant at Blakely, Georgia. The contaminated peanut butter was produced from July 1, 2008 to the present.

Some of the foods sold in Kentucky that are affected by the recall include Lofthouse cookies containing peanuts or peanut butter, Keebler Soft Batch Homestyle Peanut Butter Cookies, Austin, Keebler, Little Debbie & Meijer Peanut Butter Sandwich Snacks, Meijer and Private Selection (made by Kroger) Ice Cream containing peanut butter or peanuts, and all South Bend chocolates containing peanut butter. The only brands of jarred peanut butter included in the recall are Parnell's Pride and King Nut. Great Choice pet food is also included in the recall.

Most stores have removed affected products from the store shelves. Consumers should check their cupboards

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MVES Awards List

Entry Level Alexander a.m.

Sarah Allen, Matthew Chasteen, Karina Coffey, Amy Cornelius, Bethany Cromer, Bailee DeBorde, Damien Johnson, Jason Karr, Abby Langford, Aliyah Lopez, McKenzie Lunsford, Kerrigan Medley, Silas Shaffer and Ella Willis.

Alexander p.m.

Blaine Allen, Dylan Allen, Cortney Brown, Jacob Cook, Paige Lovell, McKenzie McKinney, Gentry Phillips, Delani Reynolds, Courtney Rowe and Kennedy Vinson.

Boyd a.m.

Kyle Coffey, Analise Guinn, Thomas Jones, Jacob Mason, Justin Mink, Elijah Sizemore, Devona Smith and Addyson Topf.

Boyd p.m.

Kaylon Bullock, Dillan Cromer, Shyann Hellard, Nate McGuire, Dylan Miller, Andrew Mink and Madisen Petrey.

Davis a.m.

Jarred Bugg, Alyssa Lunsford, Andrew Newcomb, Noah Parkey, Cassidy Shepherd and Chris Whitehead.

Davis p.m.

Nick Anderson, Phillip Brock, Hayley Muncy and Nathan Munguia.

First Grade Brown

Acton Cash, Kaden Fletcher, Katelyn Helton, Eva Jackson, Morgan Johnson, Caimen McClure, Daniel Mason, Jeremiah Powell and Paul Young.

Bryant

Hannah Abney, Jacob Adams, Jaden Carpenter, Brexton Cromer, Owen Falin, Lakisha Newcomb, Jaylon Ponder, Kali Riley, Zachary Robinson, Blaine Rumsey, Charles Smith, Madison Smith, Alexis Stewart, Brandon Thomas and Alex Vanzant.

Carter

Aden Amburgey, Cameron Bullock, Logan Bullock, C.J. Cameron, Katherine Coffey, Andrew Hurt, Blayne Kelley, Walker Lay, Holly Miller, Allison Newcomb, Samuel Philbeck, Nora Pulliam, Lebrana Sparks and Leann Tankersley.

Isaacs

Logan Bowman, Ashlyn Brock, Dravan Dowell, Johnna Edwards, Allie Pheanis, Austin Revel, Bailey Robinson, Bryce Smith and Hannah Suffridge.

Price

Santina Adams, Bailee

Allen, Gracy Belt, Drew Bullock, Aidan Cain, Chanler Cole, Kylee Fain, Will Isaacs, Callie Lewis, Reece McGuire, Robert T. Mullins, Gracelyn Owens, Noah Reams and Hunter Spivey.

Smith

Rosemary Belt, Wesley Clark, Nichole Griffin, Hunter Medley, Braden Parker, Abby Stephens, Zachary Taylor and Tristan Winstead.

Second Grade Burton

Alexis Anderson, Patrick Gadd, Lindsey Smith and Bailee Stamper.

Cable

Michael Allen, Samantha Bullock, Savannah Bullock, Melanie Mink, Brooklyn Smither and Jacy Strunk.

Clontz

Peyton Bowman, Janelle Brown, Cade Burdette, Sierra Hansel, Elizabeth Kidwell, Jacob Loudermilk, Hannah Mullins, Connor Noble, Aleya Powell, Chase Roberts, Jamison Roberts and Kaitlyn E. Smith.

Cowan

Sarah Cornelius, John Cromer, Amber Doan, Brittany Doan, Kayla Ginter, Jacob Hansel, Benton Kuntz, Keaton Renfro, Tyler Samples and Caroline White.

Roark

Bobby Joe Bowman, Sheradyn Cox, Samantha Douglas, Samantha Newcomb and Ben Tyler.

Third Grade Barnett

Hannah Artley, Megan Bond, Haley Bullock, Hannah Cotton, Morgan Cromer, Savannah Meadows, Kristen Wilson and Ryan Winstead.

Bullock

Holden Barnett, Haley Carpenter, Sydney Hughes, Kiersten Mink, Breonya Napier, Kira Owens, Sarah Roberts and Steven Rowe.

McClure

Emily Adams, Grant Bryant, Judy Burkle, Chelsea Helton, Megan Peacock and Lauren Prewitt.

Parkerson

Carlee Cash, Kylee Cash, Rebekah Lake, Peggy Lawson and Devin Mullins.

Rumsey

Cora Machal, Pamela Miller and Stormy Smith.

White

Tanner Carrera, Emily Deubel, Anthony Houk, Grant Isaacs, Logan Miller, Taylor Mink, Hunter Rigsby, Makayla Roberts and Austin Smith.

Fourth Grade Asher

Principal's List
Jayna Albright, Abigail Bray, Damien Fleming, Juliann Kirby and D.J. Vanwinkle.

Honor Roll

Sara Alcorn, Will Lewis, Christian Mink, Jonah Pillion and Josh Renner.

Bowman

Principal's List
Cameron Coy.

Honor Roll

Jordan Doan and Serena Shackelford.

Coguer

Principal's List
Caroline Coguer, John Cornelius, Tiffany Fain, Shelby Ham, Allison Renner, Christie Samples and Logan Taylor.

Honor Roll

Hope Kelley, David Prickett, Samantha Robbins and Michelle Williamson.

Collins

Principal's List
Makayla Abney, Joseph Cowan, Heaven Davidson and Ryan Martin.

Honor Roll

Sierra Carpenter, Katelynn Hensley, Caleb Kirby, Shelby Newcomb, Anna Petrey and Dylan Spoonamore.

Cummins

Principal's List
Dakota Bishop, Logan Coffey, Madison Hammons and Sarah Poynter.

Honor Roll

Max Meyer and Tabitha Newcomb.

Parkey

Principal's List
Anna Carter, Nick Dillingham, Adrianna Reams and Jarod Robinson.

Honor Roll

Jacob Burns, William Daugherty, Robert Davis, Kristen Day, Tiffany King, Brianna Lay, Ashley McKinney, Tina Miller and Tara Mink.

Fifth Grade Cameron

Principal's List
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Coffey

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Principal's List
Tanner Collins, Lucas Gentry, Micheala Hurt, Adam McKinney and Hannabeth Owens.

Honor Roll

Sandra Caldwell and Chelsea Overbey.

Mullins

Principal's List
Garrett Baldwin, Austin Brown, Kyle Gilbert and Kayla Horn.

Honor Roll

Amelia Berryman, Brianna Carter, Makayla Gardiner, Shelby Hood, Tommy Hurst, Nikki McGuire, Zachary McGuire, Tanner Pillion and Bradley Wilson.

RCMS planning 2nd Annual Cancer Survivor Dinner

During the last few years, it seemed as though the Rockcastle County Middle School family, like many others, was being greatly affected by the devastation involved with a diagnosis of cancer. Four staff members in our building were cancer survivors and other staff members were helping their family members battle the disease, including principal Jason Coguer whose mother was fighting cancer. As a result the RCMS Leadership team was inspired to begin an awareness and prevention campaign. The students began working with the Rockcastle Hospital Markey Cancer Center to help cancer patients.

As a part of this endeavor, the students decided to host a night of celebration for those who survived a battle with cancer. The event, held in February, also included a remembrance for others who had lost that battle.

A Night of Hope was a huge success with approximately 100 people attending. On February 12th, the RCMS Leadership Team, along with the Rockcastle Hospital, will once again be honoring these patients and their families. We would like to invite all brave cancer patients, survivors, and their families for this night of inspiration. The event begins at 6:00 p.m. and will feature dinner, entertainment, and inspirational speaker Dr. Gordon McKinney. Please call RCMS at 256-5118 to RSVP.

Banking comes to BES

The fourth grade would like to thank Mr. Jon Adams from Citizens Bank for coming and speaking to our students. Currently the fourth grade is learning about the concept of economics. Mr. Adams came and spoke to our students about the importance of banks and their role in the economy. Students practiced writing checks as well as learned how to fill out deposit slips. The students were very interested in learning about the role that banks play and the many services that they offer.

"Station" (Cont. from B3)

of Kentucky and provides inmates with current documentation of their employable skill levels, which can assist them in re-entering, and competing in the workforce, upon release from jail. The ability to re-enter the workforce is often the biggest barrier that inmates face and the stumbling block that creates the cycle of incarceration and poverty.

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"Recall" (Cont. from B3)

and discard any products that are included in the recall. If you have a question regarding a specific food item, you may view the entire list of recalled foods at www.fda.gov or you may call the Rockcastle County Extension Office at 256-2403.

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Rockcastle Circuit Court
28th Judicial Circuit • Division I
Civil Action No. 08-CI-00120**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law, In Rem Default Judgment and Order of Sale entered in this action on July 26, 2008, I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property and personal property located in Rockcastle County, Kentucky:

AT THE COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ON EAST MAIN STREET ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2009, BEGINNING AT THE HOUR OF 1:00 P.M. OR THEREABOUTS, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, TO WIT:

PARCEL A:
Beginning at a stake on the north side of the county road, corner to the property herein conveyed and other property of David Rigsby, et ux.; thence in a northwesterly direction, 59 feet to a cedar tree, thence in a northerly direction, 59 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction, 45 feet to a new corner at the cliff, thence along the cliff in a westerly direction 136 feet to the cave at the corner, thence in a southerly direction with line of William Fish and John W. Riddle (now Sam Bryant) to the old county road in all 138 feet; thence with the county road 178 feet to the point of beginning.

This being the same real property Mortgage obtained by Deed dated July 3, 1991, from Dennis Rigsby, single, being of record in Deed Book 143, Page 426, in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

PARCEL B:
Beginning at a stone on the north side of the county road near a small white walnut; thence north up the hill to a spotted oak stump near the cliff; thence running west to a cave near William Fish and John W. Riddle's line (now Sam Bryant's line); thence with said line to a corner in same on side of road; thence east with the county road to the beginning, containing two (2) acres, more or less.

There is excluded from the above described and not now conveyed that portion heretofore sold to David Rigsby, et ux., by deed dated January 16, 1986, as recorded in the aforesaid clerk's office in Deed Book 127, page 67, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake on the North side of the county road corner to the property herein conveyed and other property of grantors, thence in a northwesterly direction 59 feet to a cedar tree thence in a Northerly direction 59 feet to a point, thence in a Northerly direction 45 feet to a new corner at the cliff thence along the cliff in a westerly direction 136 feet to the cave at the corner, thence in a southerly direction with line of William Fish and John W. Riddle (now Sam Bryant) to the old county road in all 138 feet, thence with the county road 178 feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same real property Mortgage obtained by Deed dated March 30, 2004, executed by Paul Robinson, Jr. and wife, Dorothy Robinson, and Lehoma Mason and husband, William Leon Mason, of record in Deed Book 199, Page 171, in the aforesaid clerk's office.

The proceeds of the sale shall be applied in the following order:

- To the costs of this action.
- Rockcastle County for unpaid local, county and state taxes.
- Parcel A proceeds to the defendant/cross claimant Citizens Bank.
- Parcel B proceeds first to Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. and then to Citizens Bank.
- If any remaining balance, then to the defendants Paul Robinson, Jr. and Dorothy Robinson.

The foregoing property shall be sold separately by the Special Master Commissioner of the Rockcastle Circuit Court upon the following terms and conditions:

- The two parcels of real property shall be sold separate and shall not be combined.
- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond bearing interest at twelve percent (12%) per annum.
- Unpaid taxes or liens of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale.
- The buyer(s) shall pay the year 2008 local, county and state property taxes and all subsequent years.
- The buyer(s) shall have possession of the property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
- In the event the defendant/cross claimant is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the defendant/cross claimant's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required and the property will be conveyed to the plaintiff in due season upon payment of the expenses of sale.

The purchaser shall take the real estate free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except:

- easements, restrictions and stipulations of record;
- assessments for public improvements levied against the property; and
- any facts which an inspection and accurate survey of the property may disclose.

The Special Master Commissioner has served notice on the Attorney for Plaintiff and on all other parties, of the date of sale in compliance with the court's judgment. This the 14th day of January, 2009.

**William D. Gregory,
Special Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

"What Is Written"

Let us look for a few moments the conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch in Acts 8:26-39. Now notice that the eunuch was studying from Isaiah 53, and had a question about the passage for Philip to answer, vs.30-34. Philip begins at this same passage of scripture, and preaches unto him Jesus, verse 35. Let's notice what vs. 36-38 says, "And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water; and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him." How in the world did the eunuch know anything about baptism? Well the Bible says that Philip preached unto him Jesus, verse 35. So we must conclude that when we preach Jesus, we will also be preaching about baptism. Folks who do not preach what the Bible says about baptism, are failing to preach Jesus like Philip did. We also see that the eunuch made the good confession in verse 37, (Romans 10:9-10). Now take note that the eunuch was baptized that very day Philip had the opportunity to preach Jesus unto him. He did not wait days or weeks to be baptized as do human denominations practice today. After the eunuch believed and obeyed the gospel, notice "And he went on his way rejoicing." vs.39.

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Posted: No trespassing on property of Darrell and Helen Whitaker, located on East Fork of Skaggs Creek and Cut Gap. Keep out!! 32(08)x51p

Posted: No trespassing, ATV's on land belonging to Billy Whitaker on Skaggs Creek.

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs n Hwy 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 6x6p

Posted: No trespassing or hunting on land of J.B. Baker, located at Climax. 8x3p

Posted: No hunting, trapping or trespassing on property belonging to William Holt, Winkie Holt or Neureul Jones, located in Kidwell Hollow. Violators will be prosecuted. 7x5p

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on Ed Wilson Farm, 5320 Hummel Road, Wildie. 44(08)x52p

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs on Hwy. 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 42(08)x25p

Posted: No trespassing on Crawford Place - Old Brodhead Road. Danny Smith. 47tfn

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on property belonging to Mark and Debbie Cummins. Violators will be prosecuted. 9x52p

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Victoria Reese at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing on property known as C.B. Owens Farm across from Fairgrounds in Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 25tfn

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For Sale: Seasoned firewood. \$45 large pick-up load, \$55 delivered. Call 606-308-3409 or 308-4751. 10x4p

For Sale: Whirlpool washer and dryer. Like new, 1 year old, white. Located in Mt. Vernon. \$600. Call 859-619-3284.

For Sale: 1 Open Yearling Holstein heifer, \$525. 606-256-5204.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 08-CI-00198

National City Bank f/k/a National City Bank of Kentucky Successor by Merger to Richmond Bank & Trust Co. Plaintiff

Tina M. Gibbs a/k/a Tina Marie Gibbs a/k/a Tina Gibbs, David T. Gibbs a/k/a David Thomas Gibbs, et. al. Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 23, 2009, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of NINETY-SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 30/100 (\$96,607.30) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, February 13, 2009 Beginning at the hour of 1:00 p.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

67 Purrisgby Road, Brodhead, Kentucky

Beginning on a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773 in the west right of way of the Purr Rigsby Road, said point being N 09 19'10"W, 183.45 feet FROM a post corner at the intersection of the Purr Rigsby Road and State Highway No. 1326; thence going with the west right of way of the Purr Rigsby Road N 03 46'40"W, 54.41 feet; N 03 15'05"E, 53.96 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773, said point being in said right of way and set beside a 20" cedar; thence leaving said right of way and going with new lines to Libby Gibbs N 31 01'25"W, 158.79 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773 set beside a 14" pine; thence S 59 33'55"W, 150.27 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773 set beside a 6" cedar; thence S 02 05'15"W, 159.58 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773 set beside a 8" cedar; thence S 87 43'38"E, 217.91 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.931 acres.

And being the same property David T. Gibbs, et ux. obtained by deed dated March 4, 1994 from Libby Burdette, et vir. of record in Deed Book 153, page 136 and of record at the Rockcastle County Court Clerk's office, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

The property shall be sold upon the following terms and conditions:

- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
- The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have a force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
- All taxes and assessments for 2008 and prior years upon said property shall be paid from the proceeds of sale.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2009 local, county and state property taxes.
- Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale.
- The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
- In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
- The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back line, restrictions or covenants or record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

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T.J.'s Journal

by: Tonya J. Cook



Dear Journal,

As the days and weeks go by, we lose a very valuable asset: a treasure chest brimming full of memories and history. This loss comes in the form of the death of our senior citizens, or in the decline of their memory through dementia or Alzheimer's Disease. I, in a small way, hope to remedy this terrible loss through recording these assets in writing—a living history, so to speak, of this county.

I've toyed with this idea for about three or four years now, but the time has come to do something about it. I plan to put these wonderful histories in the local newspaper, the Mount Vernon Signal each week, replacing TJ's Journal. However, from time to time, I'll probably still write a Journal if something comes along particularly noteworthy. I'm very excited about this new series, and hope that you will be, too. This series will be called, "The Roots of Rockcastle". Somewhere down the road, when enough history has been compiled, I hope to put these histories in book form.

Coming from the "roots" of Rockcastle myself, I'm looking forward to working with the citizens here in the county, through personal interviews and correspondence. Also, not to forget those citizens who've moved away and have a story to tell, you won't be forgotten. I will be giving the mailing address and an email address for correspondence in a later issue. Old pictures would be a wonderful asset for this project as well.

If there are relatives remaining of someone with an interesting story or bit of history to

tell who is deceased, I would be very interested in that, as well. It would be a wonderful way to honor them, and add their significant part to our local history.

I had talked to a lady here in the county whose story sparked my thinking, and inspired me to want to put down local oral history. It's been about four years ago that I spoke with her, and she was so excited in recalling the first time electricity was put out into the county, although downtown Mount Vernon already had electric for several years. She could remember seeing poles going up, and the lines being strung along the way. Closer and closer they progressed to her house. Finally, one day the electric was run to her house and that night, she and her family had electric for the first time. How excited she was! She could still remember the anticipation of it, and then actually being able to read after dark without an oil lamp. Oh, how it changed their lives!

It's stories such as this that have inspired me to begin this work, and such stories that I'm looking to compile. There must be hundreds more, such as daily life and surviving the Depression, how we celebrated the holidays, when these roads first got paved, war tales galore, when grandma went to the big "hangin'", our house was haunted, "cousin John" rode with the James gang, the first day of school, big business comes to town (we're still waiting on that one), down on the farm, our family store...that's just to give you an idea. As I said last week, the truth is stranger than fiction.

Nothing can add to history

like the human experience relayed through words. The Roots of Rockcastle will be a wonderful means of recording our precious history for future

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps

Blending Gardening and Landscaping

There is a new trend in landscape design: treat vegetables and fruit as decorative plantings and mingle them into beds and borders with other shrubs and flowers. I am pretty sure this will expand in the coming months as both the slow economy and the high price of fresh produce sink into our consciousness. Also, the trend towards local and organic food is a factor in wanting to grow a few things in the landscape. (The subject of planting a traditional garden will be a different subject for another column.)

Landscapers are being asked more often to add food items somehow, even if it's just some herbs among the flowers. In generations past, a garden was a given, but what with today's busy lifestyles and shrinking yard sizes, the traditional vegetable garden has gotten left out of landscapes. Again, "buy local" and "organic" as well as economic reasons are causing more folks to consider growing food in the landscape.

Confronted with a desire to mix veggies or other edibles into the landscape, and yet not to lose the aesthetics of a lovely yard, some are at a loss for what to do. "Totally edible" landscapes may be nearly impossible to design and keep an attractive look. A blending-in of some food production should not be an impossible task, so ask your landscape professional or local garden center for some suggestions.

Some rural folks who have not gardened in awhile may be intending to plow a traditional garden spot this year. With shrinking yard sizes in newer housing developments, growing some things in the traditional garden may not be easy (or even legal, as some homeowner covenants are not gardening-friendly), but certainly some attractive plants can be added as "edible landscaping" and nobody will be the wiser. For, truly, there are lots of pretty herbs and vegetables one can grow that are as lovely as annual or perennial flowers in the yard.

Blueberries, especially some newer varieties that have been selected for pretty leaf color in fall or colorful limbs in winter, should be considered. Alpine currant, gooseberries, strawberries can all work well.

Some groundcovers can be edible, to replace English Ivy,

generations, preserving the memory of our own ancestors, and immortalizing our living history.

liriope or ajuga or vinca. A fig tree can look almost as decorative as a clump of oak leaf hydrangea. How about a filbert bush instead of viburnum or privet?

There's the flowering kale and colorful swiss chard that are common in fall "seasonal color" displays. But, what about purple pepper plants, red okra, Osaka purple mustard? What about Jerusalem artichokes instead of sunflowers or zinnias? Nasturtiums are as delicious to eat in a salad as they are to look at. Anyone has room for a cherry tomato vine somewhere.

Instead of the "patio peach" why not a real fruiting peach? Instead of a flowering cherry, why not a dwarf "North Star" pie cherry?

Some bigger fruit trees may be worked into the landscape, but keep in mind that fruit trees frequently do not live to be old in the sense an oak or hard maple live for decades or even hundreds of years.

When designing for edible plantings among the perennials or the annual beds, be mindful to plant things that have similar requirements. Sunshine requirements. Water requirements. Acidic or base soil.

Flower borders might include a whole clump of purple basil, chocolate mint, hot peppers, even beets and carrots.

For those who have large lots, even small farms, traditional gardening may make better sense still from the standpoint of appearance as well as ease of cultivation and harvesting.

There is a trend towards redefining what is an "ornamental". You will see herbs and veggies more and more often listed as "ornamental".

The trend towards using ornamental edibles will only gain steam if food prices continue to leap up like they did in recent months. Discount food stores such as Aldi and Save-A-Lot used to sell a can of green beans

for thirty-three cents, it went to 39, now it's above fifty cents. (And I don't have to tell you what the advertised name brands cost.) Albertsons, Kroger, Ingle's and Winn Dixie store brands even took jumps last year for reasons from the fuel surcharges of transportation, the cost of fertilizers, labor and other farmer input expenses, leading to increased retail pricing.

Raised beds filled with good soil make for good growing conditions for both flowers and vegetables. Also both fruiting and flowering shrubs. A screened area, a garage, a clump of trees may separate a less than lovely planted area from sight. Think, too, of espalier fruit trees, or a pergola or arbor covering part of a seating area and also supporting a grape vine, some kiwi vines, or pomegranate if you live in a warmer climate.

Our British ancestors may

have had sheep "mowing the yard" or vegetables growing around a small home. As time passed, especially the more well-to-do wanted formal landscapes with a vegetable or fruit growing area out of sight in the back somewhere. I believe this trend is beginning to turn for quite a few have expressed desire for growing a few tomatoes or herbs. And some want an "edible landscape".

Plants are more diverse, as are wildlife, in a mixed landscape. And, a green lawn takes more water than most edible plantings. (Even in areas with water rationing like Atlanta, veggies could be watered when the lawn couldn't.)

I recommend you consider jumping on this bandwagon and adding some edible plantings to your yard for both the visual appeal and the tasty harvest!

The author is a landscaper specializing in waterfeatures. See web site www.rockcastles.com

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