

Mary Ann Raley McCollum



Mary Ann McCollum, wife of over 65 years to Lowell McCollum passed away on January 23, 2023. A native of Lebanon, Ky. she was the daughter of the late Anna B. and Ervin Raley. She was the loving mother of Richard (Lynn) McCollum of Berea, Steve McCollum of Washington, D.C., and Susan (Bob) Kaucic of Seattle, WA. She was the proud grandmother of Catherine, Robert and Kimberly Kaucic, Aaron (Lindsay) McCollum and Ethan (Gabby) McCollum. She is also survived by a special sister Linda (Merle) Begley and numerous nieces and nephews. She was a 1956 graduate of Berea College and then taught social studies

and civics at Madison Central High School from 1957 to 1997. She was the 1988 Madison County Teacher of the Year. Teaching was her lifelong passion and she always strived to be a positive influence in the lives of her students. She also was a 22-year volunteer in the gift shop at St. Joseph Berea Hospital. She was proceeded in death by her sisters Bobbie (Vernon) Yaste, Ginger Buckman and Amelia Owens, two brothers-in-law Andrew Owen and Joe

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When I started in this business more than 30 years ago, I learned early on that mistakes were going to happen, no matter how hard we tried to avoid them. Learning from those miscues brought about more attention to detail in an effort to void making the same mistake twice. In the newspaper business, a pat on the back can also turn into a slap in the face in a matter of minutes. Our efforts are booed or applauded depending on the

source, and our work is judged by our readers and colleagues.

This past weekend, the Berea Citizen brought home 12 awards and placed second in General Excellence in the Weekly Class 2 category during the Kentucky Press Association awards banquet in Lexington. We collected six first-place awards and six second- and third-place finishes in our division. It was a night dedicated to honoring newspapers

MADISON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER

Jan. 19

- Chad David Gabbard, 38, Richmond: public intoxication
- Jason Daniel Hines, 54, Lexington: failure to appear
- Austin Hungate, 31, Richmond: parole violation (for technical violation)
- Dustin Kelley, 33, Richmond: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, all others, \$10,000 but less than \$1,000,000; theft of identity of another without consent
- William Richard Owen, 42, Richmond: failure to appear
- Tony Lynn Sims, 56, Richmond: non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines
- Brandon Wynn, 38, Broadhead: probation violation (for technical violation)
- Matthew Stamper, 33, Berea: public intoxication – controlled substance (excludes alcohol); possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (heroin); drug paraphernalia – buy/possess

Jan. 20

- Iva C. Demoss – Hale, 27, Lexington: endangering the welfare of a minor
- Herman Brinegar, 39, Irvine: failure to appear
- Sidney Hall, 25, Richmond: assault, 4th degree (domestic violence) minor injury
- Jeffrey Christian Hacker, 26, Richmond: failure to appear; possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine)
- Kenyarn Williams, 37, Richmond: assault, 4th degree (domestic violence) minor injury; violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO
- Adam Holt, 38, Berea: violation of a Kentucky

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January 31, 1924

Fire at Williams Building

January 29th, just before 3 p.m. in the afternoon, the fire whistle sounded twice and for a few minutes campus was surrounded with confusion. It was soon discovered that the focus of all of the confusion was centered around the Williams Building. Smoke was pouring through the windows and openings of the north side of the building. The fire was quickly extinguished through the use of a bucket brigade before the fire engine could be readied. Allegedly someone had carelessly thrown a match or cigarette butt into the sack of wastepaper at the end of the hall. The sack and wastepaper receptacle was about two thirds of the way consumed by the fire and the wall was slightly scorched. No other damage was done, and no injuries were reported.

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February 7, 1923 New warehouse

The west end of Berea was again growing in a business way. After the destructive fire last month when the Welch block and the Fowler residence were consumed by fire, a group of businessmen have chosen to make an investment in the area. Chas Davidson and his brother Eldon, along with T.M. Sheats had organized a company with a capital stock of \$50,000 and were to open a large warehouse in the Strachan building. The new business, Davidson Brothers and Company, would have its offices located in the same building. The business would be a wholesale business and would carry, groceries, feed, hardware, and notions. Three men would be employed to travel and sell goods to retailers. The business would be an up-to-date facility and complete in every department. According to indications from the time, it would be considered one of the best wholesale house businesses in this part of the state. Chas Davidson, who

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