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Santa Claus, aka John Holbrook, made an appearance during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade last Saturday. After the parade, Santa met with the children at the Brodhead Fire Department as they gave him their Christmas wish lists. Mt. Vernon will hold their annual Christmas festivities this Saturday. Tree Lighting, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, will be at 5:30 in Triangle Park. The Christmas parade will be at 7 p.m. followed by Santa Claus on Main at 7:15.

Beshear will officially open Anchor Packaging Monday, December 17th

Governor Steve Beshear will be in Rockcastle County on Monday, December 17th for a ribbon-cutting ceremony which will officially open the Anchor Packaging Plant in the Rockcastle Industrial Park South. Beshear will be introduced by County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis.

The governor will speak at the event to welcome Anchor and to announce state incentives the company received for locating here. Anchor will be represented by owner, Bob Hermann, who will also speak. Other Anchor officials expected to be present include: Jeff Wolff, president; Steven Riek, CFO and Alan Grainger, plant manager.

The public is invited to the indoor event and to take part in tours of the factory which will be offered.

Besides local officials, state officials have also been invited to the event.

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City of Livingston appoints a new council member

By: Doug Ponder

A special called meeting was held by the Livingston City Council last Friday night to appoint a new member to a vacated council seat.

Mayor J.C. Griffin proposed to appoint Brady Durham of Livingston to fill the vacant seat left by Charlie Newcomb, who resigned his council seat on February 13th.

The council voted unanimously to appoint Durham as councilmember Lela K. Griffin made the motion and councilmember Sherry Newcomb seconded the motion. After approving the appointment of Durham, the council adjourned their meeting and no further business was discussed.

The special called meeting was also attended by numerous Livingston residents, including councilmember-elect Katha Carpenter.

After the meeting, Carpenter questioned Kentucky state law KRS 83A.040 which states if a vacancy occurs in a legislative body office that the remaining members are required to fill the vacancy by appointment within thirty days.

The state law also says if the legislative body fails to fill the vacancy within thirty days from the date resignation occurs, the legislative body loses its authority and the power to fill the vacancy is shifted to the governor.

Carpenter said that February 13th to November 30th consisted of more than 30 days and that, legally, the Livingston Council didn't have the authority to appoint Durham to the

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Mt. Vernon man arrested for trafficking meth

By: Doug Ponder

A Mt. Vernon man was arrested for meth trafficking and a Mt. Vernon woman was arrested for DUI last Saturday morning after police observed a suspicious vehicle at the Town Branch Apartments in Mt. Vernon.

Arrested at the scene were Doris Ann Mahaffey, 39 and Cole T. Hammond, 27, both of Mt. Vernon.

According to Mt. Vernon Police reports, officer Ryan Messenger was patrolling the area when he observed the

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White House Clinic hears proposal for industrial park site

During the regular meeting of the Rockcastle County Industrial Authority Monday (RCIDA), two officials with White House Clinic were present to discuss with the board the acquisition of a site in the Rockcastle Business Park South for their new 9,000 square foot building.

White House originally requested a two-acre site in the park from the Rockcastle Fiscal Court at no charge, citing the additional payroll they would be bringing to the county, which would increase the county's take-in of occupational tax.

That request was then referred to the RCIDA who controls the land in the industrial park. The first offer to White House from RCIDA was for the cost of

the land to be cut from its \$50,000 per acre original price to \$25,000 per acre. However, there was some hesitation on the part of RCIDA because the site where White House wanted to be located (off the 150 entrance to the Rockcastle Business Park) would entail taking two acres from a seven acre site and that would render the rest of the

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Arby's employee arrested for allegedly selling marijuana at the drive-thru window

By: Doug Ponder

A Waynesburg man was arrested for marijuana trafficking last Friday night after the Mt. Vernon Police Department responded to a complaint at the Arby's restaurant in Mt. Vernon.

Arrested at the scene was Shawn A. Meyers, 34, of Waynesburg.

According to Mt. Vernon Police reports, officer Ryan Messenger was the responding officer to a tip that an employee was selling marijuana to customers at the drive-thru window at Arby's Restaurant.

Once Messenger arrived, he spoke with Meyers who said he was the assistant manager. After receiving consent from Meyers to search the restaurant, Messenger found a cup

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Lake Linville Boat Dock Restaurant to reopen Dec. 7th

A newly-renovated Lake Linville Boat Dock Restaurant will open for business on Friday, December 7th.

The boat dock and restaurant were leased recently, on a five year contract with

the City of Mt. Vernon, by Lester and Teresa Ratliff of Richmond, who took over operation November 1st.

Several improvements have been made to the property, including blacktopping of the parking lot and changing the kitchen to all electric. The bait shop will be moved from the restaurant area to an outside building, Mrs. Ratliff said.

Winter hours at the restaurant will be from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily and, on Fri-

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Annual Christmas Tree lighting and parade is this Saturday

The City of Mt. Vernon will hold their annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at Triangle Park this Saturday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The event is sponsored annually by the Rockcastle Kiwanis Club.

The Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be followed by the "Christmas Dreams" themed Christmas parade at 7 p.m. with line-up beginning at Mt. Vernon Elementary School at 6 p.m.

After the parade, Santa will meet with the children in front of the former Teacup Cafe at 7:15 p.m.

RTEC will also open their Trolley Cafe to the public from 3 to 6 p.m. and offer their trolley to transport people around town from 3 to 5:30 p.m.

Records Management firm to add workers

According to a story in Wednesday's *Lexington Herald-Leader*, VASSTEC, a company that provides document scanning and other records-management services, plans to hire 100 workers for its operation in Mt. Vernon.

The work involves processing a backlog of disability claims for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, according to a statement.

The positions, which in-

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Thousands anticipated at upcoming Job Fair

Thousands of job-seekers are expected at the upcoming Job Fair, Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) Executive Director Holly Hopkins told the board at their regular monthly meeting Monday.

The event is scheduled for December 11 and 12 at the Adult Education Center on Richmond Street in Mt. Vernon from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

During the fair, applications will be accepted by SourceHov, Oxford Government Consulting and other future job opportunities.

Hopkins said that SourceHOV has initially hired 75 workers and will be increasing that number monthly. Employment is expected to hit its peak, between 230 and 285, in March of 2013.



The official swearing in ceremony for Circuit Clerk elect Eliza York and her deputies was held at the Rockcastle County Courthouse last Saturday. Current Circuit Clerk Teresa Vanzant will retire from office on December 28 and York will assume her official duties on January 1, 2013. Ms. York is shown at right being sworn in by Chief Circuit Judge Jeff Burdette. Shown above from left are deputies Brittany Mullins, Marcia Olinger, Teresa Amis, Renita Blanton, Joyce Allen and Doris Cromer.



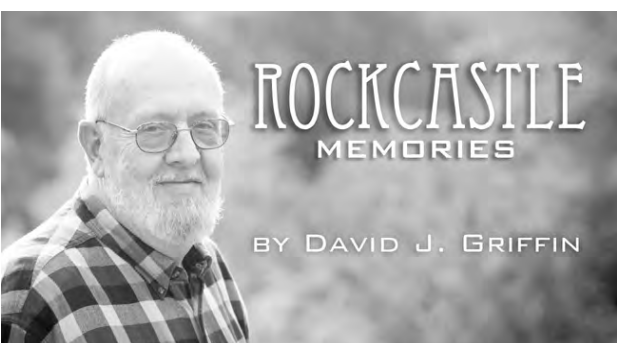
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ROCKCASTLE MEMORIES
BY DAVID J. GRIFFIN

REEL Movies were just the beginning

Does anyone remember returning to the classroom after lunch in elementary school only to find that there was a film projector aimed at a white screen, which was hanging from the blackboard? This meant that we were going to be seeing some tutorial or a movie about some subject that we were studying in class. During my early education, this idea of reel-to-reel movies was exciting. Mt. Vernon Elementary School and High School both employed several excellent teachers who used this "newly developed" method of instruction, and I was thrilled.

One of the first movies that I remember in elementary school was called Alphabet Antics, which was used by my second-grade teacher, Lucille Hysinger. The ten-minute film used action figures to illustrate each letter of the alphabet. Of course, the film was black and white, but it was a unique alternative to regular classroom instruction. I remember one of the girls talking Mrs. Hysinger into re-winding the movie and showing it to us all over again. She was an excellent teacher. I felt like I learned so much in her class.

Dorothy Landrum was my biology teacher in high school, and she frequently used movies in her science classes. One that I remember was called simply, The Cell. The fact that it showed various types of cells as viewed through a microscope fascinated me. Some of the cells were even moving, demonstrating the manner in which they reproduced. In those days, this was high technology indeed. It is worth mentioning that Mrs. Landrum was the reason that I became a high school chemistry teacher.

My sophomore English teacher was Doris Nicely, and one of the movies that I remember was in her class. It was called How To Take A Test. It discussed poor study habits and techniques that would enhance your scores on any test, especially essays. That was a film that I actually took notes while it was playing. I used those notes in my grammar classes at UK in the summer of

1962. Mrs. Nicely allowed no foolishness in her classes; therefore, we learned much from her. She also was one of the best teachers to demonstrate how to diagram a sentence. Can you believe that this astonishing technique is not even considered in English classes today?

The only other "movie" that I remember from high school was called Thomas Edison. It was shown in my chemistry class, taught by "Tuck" Baker. This is the only color movie that I can recall from those days. Mr. Baker was also instrumental in my choice of a profession.

Classroom films could reach far beyond our teacher's regular lesson plans. For us, they boldly covered issues that could not be brought into the class in those days. Remember, none of our rooms had televisions in them.

I think I also saw one film called Dating Do's and Don'ts, but I cannot remember how old I was or which teacher's class it was shown. And I don't recall thinking that I had learned anything much from the film either.

A few weeks ago, in my capacity as a member of the Powell County Board of Education, I was taking a tour of one of the elementary schools when I noticed how sophisticated the technology is today. Our Technology Coordinator's name is Kelly Marcum, and she is absolutely the best at her job that I have ever witnessed. Kelly spends much of her time securing grants in order to facilitate the purchase of technological innovations for our schools, and we are so proud of her knowledge and skills.

As we took the tour, I jotted down some information regarding some of the high-tech devices that we have.

For starters, each of our elementary classrooms has a ceiling mounted projector, which Kelly called a "presentation device." Teachers can push a remote control to lower the screen down from high above the "white board." Push another button, and this projector will show a wide variety of films which have been stored on

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Points East
By Ike Adams



I'm sure that I have done stories similar to this one over the 33 years that I've been writing POINTS EAST, so bear with me.

I'm in a rather affable Christmas mood, just now, and I have decided that this is one of the years that I'm really going to enjoy the season instead of emulating Mr. Scrooge. Part of the reason for my, current, amiable state of mind has to do with the fact that I have all my shopping done and paid for without ever having left the house.

I've done it all on-line. And yes, you can and should buy local stuff on the internet. For instance, my good friend and hunting/fishing buddy, ever since we ran together at Letcher High 45 years ago, Terry Fields, owns Top Drawer Gallery in Berea, which I consider the best, top-quality, authentic, central Appalachian handcrafts outlet under one roof in the region. You may find more stuff at some other places but you will seldom find better.

Visit the website, topdrawergallery.com. Browse around, hit the contact-us button, then talk to Jerilu (Terry's wife, and oh so much prettier than the male species of the family). Jerilu will tell you how to have it sent to your door or to your daughter in Texas in plenty time for Christmas, and she'll also tell you about hundreds of other items not shown on the site.

The point is, you ought to try an internet search on any retail outlet in your community or any other place, for that matter. A good place to start would be chamber of commerce, or retail stores in name that town. Be prepared to be amazed.

On line shopping is doubly attractive to me. In the first place I absolutely hate standing in line, elbowing my way through crowded aisles, never being able to find someone to tell me where something is, body odor and forgetting where I parked.

Invariably, if I am in a long line and finally get up almost to the front, an argument will start between a customer and the check-out clerk over whether a pair of pantyhose is \$3.29 or \$3.49 and this can go on for like

five minutes before the clerk says she's gonna have to call a manager. I have, on more than one occasion, tossed a dollar to the clerk and told her to let me pay the difference if she will just get this lady out of the way so that I can check out before the end of the decade. It works.

Of course the second reason I find online shopping so appealing has to do with the physical limitations that Mr. Parkinson and a stroke have laid on me. I couldn't fight store traffic now if I wanted to. But I can still wobble to the door when the UPS lady or the mailman honk to get my attention to take delivery of my online purchases.

What could be simpler and more expedient than that? I suppose the drivers could come in, help me open the packages, inspect the goods and take back anything that was damaged. But so far, everything I've ordered has been in perfect condition and I've made roughly 25 purchases.

Poor Loretta has made just one online purchase and it has been a total disaster.

She ordered a big name brand, state of the art, computerized, slow-cooker from one of the oldest and best known retailers in the world and put it on her credit card. Two days later she met the UPS lady at the door. The package was addressed to her. It was from Sears, but Lo took one glance and knew it couldn't possibly be the item she had ordered. It was way too small.

The UPS lady said she could send it back, and that's what she did. But here's betting that this incident will not be satisfactorily resolved until well after Christmas. And here's knowing that my sweet wife will be driving many, many miles and standing in line for many, many hours over the next three weeks.

Not me. I'll be at home curled up with a good book because I've already done all my shopping and never once lost my temper.

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The Roots of Rockcastle

by: Tonya J. Cook



"Folklore-The Sweet Savor of Twice-Told Stories, Part I"

As I've often commented, it was the cold harshness of winter that drove our local ancestors inside, close to home and hearth. With harvest now past and the crops of summer only a memory, our ancestors would gather close to pot-bellied stoves or fireplaces on long gray days and cold winter nights. With no modern entertainment available, it was left to each family to find its own unique path of passing the time.

The women usually quilted, mended clothes, or performed some other handiwork. The men would often do fancy woodcarving or the like. Someone in the family would possibly get out a Bible or other book to read aloud.

One of the most popular forms of entertainment was that of storytelling. The story started out with a little morsel of truth and was told and retold dozens of times from neighbor to neighbor, and soon became a legend or folklore. Many of these old tales remain in today's culture.

The early settlers to Rockcastle were no different than their fellow settlers and country folk. These stories usually revolved around historic figures and events, sometimes ghosts or phantoms. One of the most-noted and celebrated of our region was Daniel Boone.

I've been doing some research about folklore recently, and from time to time, will share it with you.

Hopefully, you will enjoy it as much as I have.

So, for a few minutes, imagine yourself in the company of a pioneer family in the mid-1800s, supper is now past and the family has settled in for the and night gathered around a slowly smoldering fire in the fireplace. The children are gathered nearby, grasping every detail of the story, Mother is mending as Father relates the story.

He begins, "Now, when I was a young boy, my daddy told me about his good friend, Daniel Boone..." of course, never meeting him. "One time when "Dan'l" was hunting on the Green River in Western Kentucky, he was captured by a posse of wild Indians just as he was about to go to sleep." Father says, "Upon reaching the Indian's camp, they searched "Dan'l" for valuables, only to find a flask of Monongahela...strong whiskey." He continues, "The Indians passed the flask around and were soon passed out drunk. Old "Dan'l" rolled over close to a campfire and let the flames burn the cords from his wrists."

"What happened then, Daddy?" asked the children. "Well, "Dan'l" sneaked through the woods, making tracks like Indians so they wouldn't recognize him. Just before he left, he notched a tree three times with his tomahawk. The years passed, and the tree grew. Meanwhile, the tree had

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NOTICE

Eastern Rockcastle Water Association has filed an application with the Public Service Commission that proposes to make the following revisions to its schedule of non-recurring charges.

Charge	Current	Proposed
Connection Fee 5/8 x 3/4 inch meter	\$ 517.00	\$ 875.00
Returned Check	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00
Meter Turn-on	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00
Meter Re-read	-	\$ 35.00
Meter Test (customer request)	Actual Cost	\$ 50.00
Service Call / Investigation	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00
Service Disconnection	-	\$ 35.00
Service Reconnection	-	\$ 35.00
After Hours Service Reconnection	-	\$ 45.00

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Eastern Rockcastle Water Association. However, the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from these proposed rates. Such action may result in rates for consumers other than the rates in this notice.

Any corporation, association, body politic or person may by motion within thirty (30) days after publication of the proposed rate changes request leave to intervene. The motion shall be submitted to the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, and shall set forth the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party.

Intervenors may obtain copies of the application and testimony by contacting Eastern Rockcastle Water Association at PO Box 540 Mount Vernon, KY 40456 or (606) 453-0019. A copy of the application and testimony shall be available for public inspection at the water association office.

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Auction

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Online Auction ending Wednesday, December 19th at approx. 2:30 p.m.

135 US Hwy. 25 South, Mt. Vernon, KY

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Preview Dates: The items will be available for viewing on Thursday, December 13th from 9 a.m. until 12 noon, as well as Wednesday, December 19th from 12 Noon until 2:00 p.m.

Terms: Cash or check in full by Thursday, December 20th at 12 noon. Mastercard and Visa accepted with processing fee. Complete auction terms are available online.

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Obituaries



Irene Coffey Thomas

Irene Coffey Thomas, 85 of Conway, passed from this earth to be with God on November 26, 2012. She was born in Rockcastle County, May 21, 1927 the daughter of Clennie Coffey and Ethel Smith Coffey. Her determination, strength, and great faith in God helped her through the many illnesses and tragedies she endured in her lifetime. She loved being outdoors, doing yard work, and tending to her many flowers. She was an animal lover and enjoyed caring for her dogs and cats, which she dearly loved. A very caring and compassionate woman that was always willing to help family, friends, and neighbors in any way she could. She will be sadly missed by all that loved her. She was of the Baptist Faith and was a life-long resident of Rockcastle County.

She is survived by: her daughters, Gail Thomas of Berea, and Kathy (Rich) Combs of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Ned Coffey of Conway, and Jr. Coffey of Old Town, FL; two grandchildren, Traci and Adam; one great granddaughter, Madeline; four step grandchildren, Becky (Randy), Clinton (Sherry), Cathy (Larry), and Rodney (Amy); one daughter-in-law, Linda; five nephews, Brian, Darryl, Craig, Kevin, and Ben; her wonderful friend, Julie; three step great grandchildren; six step great grandchildren; two step nephews; one step niece; and her loving and loyal pets.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her son, Donnie Thomas; a sister, Emily Ozella Coffey; a son-in-law, Tully Parsons; her grandparents; and many aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 30 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jerry Owens. Burial followed in Maret Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Ben Coffey, Brian Coffey, Darrel Coffey, Ned Coffey, Ricky Combs and Jackie Huff.

Visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Card of Thanks

Bob Childress

The family of Bob Childress wishes to recognize and thank so many people. We are so grateful for your show of love and support during our loss. We wish to thank the Forestry department who gave us a little more time to say goodbye to Bob. We wish to thank the doctors and nurses at both Rockcastle and U.K. hospitals for helping us get through a very difficult time. We wish to thank WLEX and WKYT station personnel for their kindness and professionalism in telling Bob's story. You showed the man he was instead of telling the news.

We wish to thank the neighbors for all they have done. You mowed and cleaned our lawn so we could greet friends and family. So many of you brought food, wrote cards and emails, called and texted. You have shown so much love to us.

We also wish to thank those who came to the visitation and funeral. It is a sad time but you made it bearable by helping us celebrate his life.

May God Bless You,
The Childress Family
Pam, Jake and Tina, Scott and Chris, Robin and Jacob and Grandkids



Nannie Lake

Nannie Vernetta (McGuire) Lake, 82, wife of Dewey "Jack" Lake of Brodhead, died Friday, November 30, 2012 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond.

She was born May 28, 1930 in Singleton Valley of Rockcastle County, a daughter of the late Logan and Mary Singleton McGuire. She was a loving and devoted wife, mother and grandmother who enjoyed flowers and gardening.

She will be lovingly remembered by: her husband, Dewey "Jack" Lake of Brodhead; two children, Pamela (Richard) Johnson of Eaton, OH and Ricky Dean (Kathy) Allen of Madison, OH; three grandchildren; four great grandchildren; two sisters, Evelyn Lackey and Alma Vanzant, both of Mt. Vernon; and a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: husbands Colman Mason and Victor B. Allen; one grandchild; three brothers, Manley, Dewey and Raymond McGuire; half brother, Arnold McGuire; four sisters, Cuma Abney, Sally Jennings, Stella Allen and Wanda Mason.

Funerals services were conducted Monday, December 3, 2012 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Buford Parkerson officiating. Burial was in Johnetta Cemetery.

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



Raymond J. Snyder

Raymond J. Snyder, 77, of Orlando, died Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at his home. He was born in Lebanon, PA, February 24, 1935, the son of Henry and Katie Weaver Snyder. He retired from the US Navy and later worked in security for Marriott and Sheraton Hotels. He was later employed as a dog caretaker for Doris Duke. He loved Willie Nelson and watching "Judge Judy" and was a member of the Flat Rock Baptist Church.

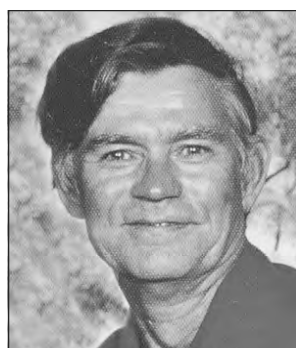
He is survived by: his wife, Lillian M. Kirby Snyder; two daughters, Kimberly Dugan of Newport, RI and Jessica (Pete) Wiggins of Coventry, RI; and his stepchildren, Dubba Snyder of Newport, RI, and Mark Holt, Kevin Holt, Michael Holt, Steven Holt, Polly Holt, Tonya (Dan) McCutchen, and Nola Holt. Also surviving are several grandchildren and great grandchildren and three step great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Raymond Snyder, Jr. and a sister, Olive Renek.

There were no funeral services.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Emmett McClure

Emmett McClure, 83, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at the UK Medical Center in Lexington. He was born in Rockcastle County on March 27, 1929 the son of Milton "Cooney" and Bertha Rose Swinney McClure. He was a retired sawmill worker, enjoyed gardening and yard work and was a member of the Blue Springs Church of Christ.

He is survived by: his wife of 61 years, Nellie McFerron McClure of Mt. Vernon; one son, Clinton (Linda) McClure of Mt. Vernon; and three brothers, Elzie McClure and Ovie McClure, both of Indianapolis, IN and Alvin McClure of Mt. Vernon. Also surviving are: three grandchildren, Michael, Jason and Tina Johnson; and three great grandchildren, Hanna, Dalton and Abigail. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: one son, Ivan; one brother, William; and two sisters, Rosie and Ida Mae.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 1, 2012 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home by Bro. Marcus Reppert and Bro. Gary Reppert. Burial followed in the High Dry Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Benny Barnes, Jason McClure, Arlis McFerron, Glen McFerron, Paul McFerron and Charles Mink.

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Tilmon Owens

Tilmon Albert Owens, 74, of London, died Saturday, December 1, 2012 at the Laurel Heights Home for the Elderly. He was born in Mt. Vernon, March 23, 1938 the son of Albert Cash and Thelma Riddle Owens. He retired as a bridge construction supervisor for RR Dawson Bridge Co. after over 45 years of service. He loved hunting and fishing, UK basketball, and auto racing, and was a member of the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ.

Family members include: his mother, Thelma Owens; a special companion, Elaine Hansel, with whom he loved sharing his church and other activities; two sisters, Debbie (Jimmy) Oliver of London and Vonnice Mink; special friend, Willis Durham of Livingston; and four brothers, Norman (Sue) Owens of Mt. Vernon, Delbert (Glenda) Owens of New Port, VA, Alvin (Ann) Owens of Louisville, and the late A.B. (Verla) Owens. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews and his special buddy, his dog "Elwood".

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 4 at the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ by Bros. Ova Baker, Phillip Scott, and Dale McNew. Burial was in the Lovell Cemetery.

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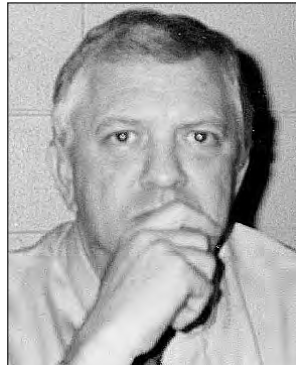


Chadwick Williams

Chadwick Wendell Williams, 42, of Mt. Vernon, died suddenly Friday, November 23, 2012 at UK Chandler Medical Center. He was a life-long resident of Rockcastle county, born May 18, 1970, the son of Wendell Williams and Linda Powell Williams. He was an employee of Elmo Greer & Sons Construction Company and member of Conway Missionary Baptist Church.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by: one son, Caleb Williams; one brother, Troy Williams; one niece Paisley Williams; his fiancée, Angie Hopkins and her son Zachary Hopkins; as well as, numerous relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held November 27, 2012 at Reppert Funeral Home with Bro. Ray Offutt and Bro. Bobby Turner officiating.



Monty Baker

Monty Baker, 68, of Brodhead, died Monday, November 26, 2012 at the UK Medical Center in Lexington after a long illness. He was born June 30, 1944 in Hamilton, OH, the son of the late Monroe and Audrey Patton Baker. He was a retired salesman enjoyed a good conversation, motorcycle riding, playing the guitar, was a UK football fan, a Rolling Stones fan, had been a Mason and Shriner, and attended the Brodhead Baptist Church.

Survivors are: one son, Christopher M. Baker of Afghanistan; one daughter, Carol G. Baker of Louisville; one grandchild, Zachary Baker; former wife, Marsha Jackson Baker of London; and one special friend, Peggy Howard of Brodhead. Besides his parents he was preceded in death by one brother, Larry Baker.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 1, 2012 at the Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Justin Padgett officiating. Burial was in the Red Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Walter Cash, Wayne Watkins, Hillery Davis, Chris Baker, Zack Baker and Wes Baker. Visit the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com.

Card of Thanks

Robert McQueen

On behalf of our entire family, words cannot express our appreciation of the kindness and generosity shown to our family during the loss of our loved one.

Robert was truly one of a kind who didn't meet a stranger, would and did help anyone he could.

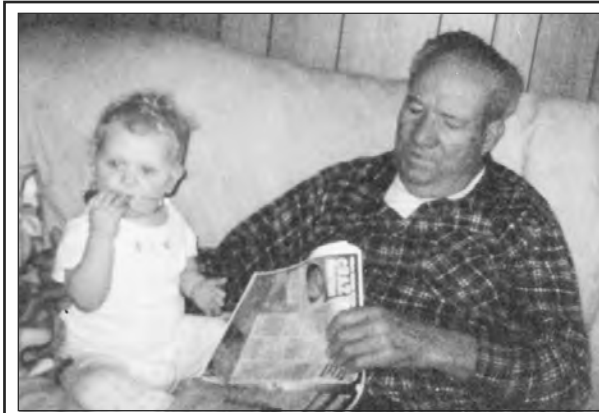
We greatly appreciate Faith Chapel Pentecostal Church for letting us use the church for the services.

Thank you so much to Bro. Linville Hatter, your words meant so much to us in our time of sorrow and mourning. May God bless you abundantly!

Thank you to everyone and may God bless you all!

The family of Robert McQueen

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Our Readers Write

Thanks to you and community...

Dear Editor,
We are writing to thank you and the rest of our community for the generous support you have given us with our GRANDTAZZTICS' project.

As you know by now, this group was put together by a Divine appointment the latter part of August when four of us grandmas were cheering for our grandchildren during the swim conference in Russell Springs.

We wanted to come up with a design for a shirt to promote cancer awareness since breast cancer has personally touched three of us with the fourth losing a sister to cancer.

With much appreciation to Arielle Reese Estes and Rockcastle Regional Hospital, we were able to accomplish this goal!

The money raised through the sale of these shirts has gone to help two local cancer projects: Hope Fund through RRH and Hope Ministry through Kaye Rader.

This was part of the goal—to help our own people who are struggling with this ter-

rible disease; the other part was to create awareness. Thus, the name of our group: "Grandmas for Awareness." To date, \$500 has been received by each organization.

We have sold over 150 shirts! No, they were not made just for grandmas, children from 7 to 100 have been wearing them.

The support was fantastic, not only from Rockcastle County citizens, but from other states, such as NC, IL, OH, TN, CA.. We couldn't have done this alone. We give God the glory!

We advertised through the Signal and FaceBook, and we got some awesome help from local businesses. We want to thank A Cut Above, Main Street Pharmacy, Sabrina's, Sparks Flowers and More, and Pizza Hut for displaying our shirts and handling the orders. These ladies made a big difference!

Through the kindness and generosity of Pamela Martin, we have located some beautiful, handmade items that are perfect for Christmas! Some of these are featured in the Signal today.

These can be purchased at Aunt Polly's House on Saturdays and at Sparks Flowers and More today. Stop in and check these out soon! Sparks Flowers and More has volunteered to sell pink poinsettias and other pink arrangements and give us 25% of the profit!

It's still not too late to get your mammogram for this year! What better gift can you give yourself than the gift of good health care! The fight for breast cancer doesn't end in October...it's a year-long battle!

*Best Blessings,
Bonnie Neely, Carol Pybas, Gayla Winstead, and Sue Hamm*

"Memories" (Cont. from A2)

a centralized computer in the Video Distribution Center. Can you believe that? My teachers from elementary school would think we had gone to Mars. (Oh, I almost forgot – we've done that, too!)

The personal computers (PC's) in the computer labs have the ability to access any movie that is stored in Kelly's Office. They are available to all of the schools in the county. One teacher can be showing one film while other teachers are watching completely different movies, all on the same system.

Most children today also have access to iTunes, which gives them the ability to watch countless numbers of films on their own devices. All five of our county schools are connected wirelessly by fiber optics. This useful tool makes it possible to access the internet immediately.

An article that I recently read declared that there are two films that each child in America today should watch. They were: Movie Theater Etiquette and How To Go Ten Minutes Without Checking Your Phone. Maybe I should review the titles of those that are available on the school's computer. It seems to me that those movies could provide some timely lessons for today's schools.

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

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Waterfowl season promising

Waterfowl seasons opened Thanksgiving Day. The conditions are in place for a productive waterfowl season; all that is needed is water.

"We are still hurting for water across the state," said Rocky Pritchert, migratory bird program coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "The Ohio River is low, reservoirs are low, farm ponds are low. Conditions are pretty even throughout Kentucky."

The drought that gripped a large chunk of Kentucky caused these low water conditions, but also provided a potential feast for waterfowl if rains fall.

"Areas that are normally moist have grown up in abundant natural vegetation from the drought," Pritchert explained. "If we get water, we will hold birds for a long time because there is lots of food out there for them to eat. We should have a good opener for waterfowl season."

The recent fronts pushed ducks from the north into the traditional waterfowl areas in the Purchase Region and along the Ohio River.

"Good numbers of ducks are showing up at Ballard Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in western Kentucky," Pritchert said. "The resident Canada goose population had a good reproductive year. We may see more geese to the south this year because of the lack of food from the drought in the northern tier states. Those states were more impacted by the drought, so we may see more goose migration from the north this season. We hope to get a better push than the last two years."

Mike Morton, area manager for Sloughs WMA in Henderson and Union counties, said the area holds several thousand white-fronted geese, snow geese and Canada geese along with 3,000 or so ducks. "It is fairly average for this time of year," he explained. "We have a few more snow geese than we usually do. White-fronted geese have made up the majority of goose numbers on the area in winter for the last four years. If we can get snow cover up north, it will really roll the geese out to us."

Waterfowl hunters need to remember that both duck and goose seasons opened statewide on the same day, Nov. 22 this year, except in the Northeastern Goose Zone where Canada goose season opens Jan. 1. Some wildlife management areas may have different opening dates.

Hunters may take only one brant this year as part of their five goose daily bag limit. Brant are rare in Kentucky. However, hunters may take up to four scaup as part of the six duck daily bag limit, an increase of two scaup from last year.

"Scaup numbers have recovered to the point to allow for additional harvest," Pritchert explained. "Scaup are usually associated with larger bodies like Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley."

To get their duck limits, hunters may want to target farm ponds. Many ponds remain low from the drought, but rainfall will create an ideal hunting situation.

"The exposed banks of those farm ponds are now grown up with a variety of emergent vegetation such as barnyard and panic grass and smart weed," Pritchert said. "If we get water on those plants, there is a potential to hold a lot of ducks."

Duck, coot and merganser season closed Nov. 24, but opens again Dec. 5 before closing on Jan. 27,

2013. Statewide goose seasons close Jan. 31, 2013 with the exception of the snow goose conservation order season. For more information on waterfowl season, pick up a copy of the 2012-2013 Kentucky Hunting Guide for Waterfowl, available wherever hunting licenses are sold. You may request a copy by calling 1-800-858-1549 or view a printable copy at the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife webpage at fw.ky.gov.

Author Lee McClellan is an award-winning associate editor for Kentucky Afield magazine, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.



Blast from the Past!!!

This week's photographs are of four Rockcastle County soldiers who gave their life in the cause of freedom during WWI 1914-18. Their names are recorded on the War Memorial on the courthouse lawn. Pictured above are of Privates Arthur Lovell and Chester Howard. Pictured below are privates Elmer Brown and Nate Swiney. If you have a photo for Blast from the Past contact David Owens at scoopowens24@yahoo.com or 606-256-9870.



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LF&R Turkey Shoot
Livingston Fire and Rescue will hold a Turkey Shoot on Saturday, December 8th and Saturday, December 29th at 10 a.m. at David Mason's garage, north of Livingston on U.S. 25. 410-16-20-12 gauge shotguns only. \$2 a shot. Shells will be furnished by the fire department and concessions will be sold.

Men's Basketball Tournament
A men's basketball tournament will be held Dec. 7th and 8th at Rockcastle County Middle School. Entry fee is \$150 per team. Proceeds will go to the 10 and under girl's softball team. For more information, call Timothy McIntosh at 606-392-1050.

VFW News
VFW Post 5908 is open every day, except Wednesday and Sunday, from 5 to 7 p.m. or longer if needed. Karaoke every Friday night from 7 to 11 p.m. \$5 admission at the door. The public is invited. Contact the club at 606-758-9481 to use the facility for special events such as birthday parties, showers, family reunions, etc.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting
The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #556 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

RCDB Meeting Notice
The Rockcastle County Development Board meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at noon at the Rockcastle County Courthouse 3rd floor Technology Center. The public is invited to attend.

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

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

Historical Society Hours
The Rockcastle Historical Society is open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building.

Sons of Confederate Veterans
The Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV), Rockcastle Camp, meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the county courthouse. For more information, contact David Owens at 606-256-9870.

American Legion Post 71
American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 7 p.m. of each month at the Back Porch Restaurant in the Renfro Valley Village. Commander David Owens invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.



Save-A-Lot assistant manager Vanessa Hasty, left, and manager Linna Stewart are shown with some of the food bags donated by customers of the store for needy families in the county. The bags were donated to the First Baptist Church Food Mission for distribution.

“Meth”
(Cont. from front)

suspicious vehicle. Once Messenger approached the vehicle, Mahaffey told Messenger that she had brought a friend to see his aunt. During the conversation, Messenger also noted that Mahaffey had slurred speech and pinpoint pupils. Messenger also observed that Mahaffey appeared intoxicated while performing field sobriety tests. Mahaffey told Messenger that she had used methamphetamine before giving her friend a ride. During the investigation with Mahaffey, Hammond exited an unknown apartment and, when he saw Messenger, he tossed a small bag to the ground. Upon further investigation, the bag contained 3.5 grams of suspected crystal meth and two amitriptyline pills. Messenger also found two more small bags of suspected methamphetamine on Hammond at the time of his arrest. Hammond was charged with tampering with physical evidence, illegal posses-

sion of a legend drug and trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree. Mahaffey was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs. Hammond remains lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center on a \$10,000 cash/property bond. Mahaffey was also lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center and was later released on a \$2,000 unsecured bond.

“Beshear”
(Cont. from front)

To date, Anchor has hired 15 workers and is waiting on the retooling of a needed part for an assembly line which, when in operation, will generate more jobs. According to RCIDA Executive Director Holly Hopkins, about 50 packers have also already been hired and they are waiting for the assembly line to become operational before beginning their employment. The company is expected to be at full employment of 150 during the next few months. Over 600 applications were received by Anchor for those jobs.

Hopkins said that the building has officially been turned over to Anchor and the full rent of \$16,666 was paid for December.

“Arby’s”
(Cont. from front)

containing a bag of marijuana inside a filing cabinet in the manager’s office. Meyers also told Messenger that the marijuana belonged to him and that he it was for his personal use. Upon further investigation, Messenger also found a text message on Meyers’ phone from someone stating that they needed two more joints. Meyers was charged with trafficking in marijuana. He was lodged at the Rockcastle County Detention Center where he was later released on a \$2,000 unsecured bond.

“Jobs”
(Cont. from front)

volve data entry, pay \$10to 14 hourly, and job assignments are expected to last between one and three years. To apply, go to VASTEC.com.

“Clinic”
(Cont. from front)

parcel questionable for development by another company. White House then proposed purchasing five acres of the parcel for \$25,000 an acre with an initial cash payment of \$50,000. They then agreed to commit to at least \$10,000 per year in occupational tax revenue to the county over the next ten years in exchange for debt forgiveness of the remaining debt. The remaining two acres of the parcel would not be purchased but White House agreed to install playground equipment and create walking trails, at a cost of about \$50,000, to enhance the property and for the benefits of children and the clinic’s patients. The RCIDA board went into closed session to discuss the proposal and came out with a counteroffer.

Prefacing their proposal with the fact that their board has “nothing to do with the occupational tax,” board chairman Robert Lawson proposed that White House purchase the five acres, paying an initial payment of \$50,000 with financing for the rest spread over 15 years at a zero interest rate. The final compromise offer between the two entities was for White House to purchase only three acres of land for \$75,000, a proposal which had to be taken back to other White House officials before approval could be obtained.

“Livingston”
(Cont. from front)

council. “Kentucky law says that it is supposed to be filled within 30 days, looks to me like they are breaking the law,” Carpenter said. “I didn’t think they could do it

but they did it anyway.” In November’s fall general election, Lela, K Griffin and Sherry Newcomb lost their council seats to write-in candidates Jason Medley, Katha Carpenter, Leroy Lamb and Ralph Allen Newcomb. As a result of the election, Durham will only serve on the Livingston council for the month of December as newly elected council members Medley, Carpenter, Lamb and Ralph Allen Newcomb will take office in January.

“Lake”
(Cont. from front)

day and Saturday nights, all you can eat fish and ribs will be featured. The remainder of the week there will be a daily special plus other regular menu items. Breakfast will be served from 7 to 10 a.m. 7 days a week.

ABSOLUTE Auction of Mr. Tommy Mullins’

100 Acre Farm More or Less & Doublewide
Saturday, December 15th at 10:00 a.m.
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section of Rockcastle County

Location: Turn off of Hwy 25 in Renfro Valley (beside the Historic Renfro Valley Lodge) onto Lake Linville Road (Hwy 2793). Follow Lake Linville Road 2 miles to the Boat Dock. Turn right at the Boat Dock and go approx. 600 feet to the property.

Mr. Tommy Mullins has decided to retire from farming and has chosen the auction method to liquidate this well located farm.

This farm will be offered in its entirety and contains 100 acres more or less. It will be selling by the boundary deed description.

The property is improved with a 24 x 48 doublewide mobile home that features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, kitchen and utility room. Other amenities include: city water and gas heat. Additional improvements: 3 barns in need of repair.

AUCTIONEER’S NOTE: This farm adjoins I-75 on one side and overlooks beautiful Lake Linville on the other side. Even though this farm is well suited for cattle and hay farming, it has development potential being so strategically located near Exit 62 of I-75 and near the Boat Dock. City water is available and sewer is nearby.

NOTE: There is a billboard sign on the property that could be rented out for a steady income.

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The Grandtazztics are at work again. Shown above are a few items available including long and short scarves, toboggans, headbands. These items can be seen and purchased at Sparks Flowers and More. Modeling the items from left: Gayla Winstead, Emilee Thomas, Bonnie Neeley and Haley Brown.



A Brief History of Rockcastle County Christian Churches
By The Willing Workers, First Christian Church of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
~ 2013 Calendar ~

A group of Kentucky's early settlers built Cane Ridge Meeting House in 1791, located in Bourbon County. Cane Ridge is the symbol of the late 18th & early 19th Century Western Great Revival. Pastor Barton W. Stone, and the Cane Ridge Presbyterian congregation, were hosts for the great sacrament event that took place here in August, 1801. In 1804, Stone and other Presbyterian ministers penned and signed "The Last Will & Testament of the Springfield Presbytery" ... They determined they would call themselves simply, "Christians".

The First Christian Church, Willing Workers have completed a 2013 Commemorative Calendar depicting Rockcastle County Christian Churches, with a brief history of each one. The calendars are \$15.00 each and can be purchased by contacting FCC at 606-256-2876. Makes a great Christmas gift and keep-sake!



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An encouraging word:

Kindness Is The Real Need
By Howard Coop



The day, a beautiful one, began as the days usually do. Upon awakening, the first question I faced was: What will I wear today? It was not a big question, but one I usually face. After opening the wardrobe door, at once I was faced with several possibilities. The first thing I saw was a pair of blue trousers and a matching shirt that I always wear with it. Then, I noticed a pair of brown trousers and a shirt that went with it. Looking a little longer, I saw a pair of gray trousers and a shirt I always wore with it. Then the thought came to me: Don't take so long. Just pick one of them; trousers and shirts don't always have to match. It doesn't make any real difference. Actually, what one wears is of little importance.

vice to us: "Clothe yourself with...kindness." That should be done every day. When it is done, it overrides everything else, and the color and style of other garments become less important.

The environment in which we live can be, and often is, difficult---even cruel---at times. Frequently, things happen that hurt, and they hurt deeply; they pull us apart. But "Kindness," according to Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, "is the golden chain by which society is bound together."

To clothe oneself in kindness is the real need. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, an American writer of the late nineteenth and early twentieth century, wrote: "So many paths that wind and wind; when just the art if being kind is all this sad word needs." Kindness, a feeling of affectionate good will for others, is a powerful force that can radically change a hostile environment, even an extremely difficult one, and make life much better.

Benefit Singing

A benefit singing will be held Saturday, Dec. 8th from 1 to 5 p.m. at Miller's Music Barn. All proceeds will toward funeral expenses for Carol Tipton.

Gospel Singing

There will be a Gospel Singing at Lighthouse Baptist Church on Sat., Dec. 8th, beginning at 6 p.m. Featured singers will be Faith Builders from Richmond.

The church is located at 1931 Gabbarstown Road, Berea.

Benefit Auction

A Benefit Auction will be held Dec. 7th, beginning at 7 p.m. at the East Bernstadt Fire Dept by The Great Commission Missionary Group.

All proceeds will be used to purchase Bible and food for missionary work on the Tapajos and Arapiuns River in Brazil. Concessions will be available.

For more information, call Tim and Tammy Renner at 606-687-0295 or 606-219-0584.

There will be no admission fee. A love offering will be taken.

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Bible Talk

In Rev.17:14 we read about "King of kings." We studied last month about The King Was Prophesied, The King was Born, and The King was Crucified. We continue with the theme this month.

The King Was Raised - Jesus had foretold to his disciples he would rise again from the dead the third day, Mt.20:19, "And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again." Early that Sunday morning, the first day of the week, Matt.28:1ff, the King is raised from the dead. The King is alive! In Matthew 28:5-6 we read, "And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay."

The King Was Coronated - After Jesus showed himself to the disciples with many infallible proofs for 40 days, Acts 1:3, then he ascended back into heaven. We read in Acts 1:9, "And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight." Daniel spoke of his coronation as King in Daniel 7:13-14 "I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed." Notice that it says he "came to the Ancient of days," not came from the Ancient of days. Thus when he returned to the Ancient of days was when he was given dominion, and glory, and a kingdom. The King was Crowned!

The King Is Reigning - In Rev.17:14 we read, "These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful." Paul said in Col.1:13, "Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son." How could the Colossian brethren be in the kingdom if Jesus is not now reigning upon his throne in his kingdom?

The King Is Coming - In Matthew 25:31-32 we read, "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats." Indeed when the King comes, he will not come in humility as when he came the first time. No. Our text says that he will come in his glory and that he will be sitting upon his throne of glory. For the sheep who have submitted to the King of Kings, Jesus made that great statement "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." And to the stubborn goats he will say, "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:" vs.41. Yes, the second coming of King Jesus will be an awesome and magnificent event. Now the question is: Have you submitted to King Jesus? Or, do you continue to rebel against him?

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Rockets beat Barbourville in overtime

By: Doug Ponder
The Rockcastle County Rockets varsity basketball team won in an overtime thriller on Tuesday night 70-68 against the Barbourville Tigers.

The Rockets won on a last second three-point basket before time expired in overtime.

The Tigers led 18-14 at

the end of the first quarter and 32-20 at the half. After halftime, the Rockets fought back cutting the lead to 47-41 at the end of the third quarter and managed to tie the game 59-59 at the end of the fourth quarter.

In overtime, the Rockets and Tigers battled down to

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Senior guard Ashton Arvin attempts a lay-up against Lincoln County last Friday night. Arvin led the Rockets in scoring with 14 points and 7 rebounds. The Rockets will travel to Somerset on Friday night to take on the Somerset Briar Jumpers. Tip off for the game is 7:30 p.m. Also in the photo is junior Josh Mason.



Senior forward Bryson Amyx attempts to escape a Patriot trap along the goal line during the Lincoln County game last Friday night. The Rockets lost the game 58-42 but won in an overtime thriller on Tuesday night 70-68 against the Barbourville Tigers.



Sophomore guard Dakota Hasty is shown attempting a three-point basket against Lincoln County last Friday night. Hasty led the Rockets in scoring with 13 points on Tuesday night against the Barbourville Tigers.



Senior guard Alexis Chasteen is shown attempting a lay-up against Lincoln County last Friday night. Chasteen had 7 points and 3 rebounds against Lincoln County and 15 points, 10 rebounds and 4 steals in a win at North Laurel on Monday night.



Rocket senior guard Michaela Hunter takes a charge against Lincoln County last Friday night. Also pictured is junior guard Brianna Hansel. The Lady Rockets beat North Laurel Monday night 68-38 but lost the game to Lincoln County 68-35.

Lady Rockets go 1-2 with win Monday

By: Doug Ponder
The Rockcastle County Lady Rockets varsity basketball team is now 1-2 after an impressive 68-38 win over the North Laurel Lady Jaguars Monday night.

The Lady Rockets jumped out to an early lead in the game and never looked back.

8 rebounds and 7 steals. Senior guard Alexis Chasteen also had a big night with 15 points, 10 rebounds and 4 steals.

Senior guard Sara Adams drilled two three pointers in the first quarter, leading the Lady Rockets to an early 18-9 lead. But the Lady Jaguars battled back, putting up 16 points in the second quarter and cutting the lead to 32-25 at the end of the first half.

Other Rockets picking up scores were Adams who had 11, senior forward Emily Miller and eighth grade guard Mahayla Saylor with five each, sophomore guard Alaina Coguer got 4 and eighth grade guard Hope Kelley scored 1. Junior forward Kayla Reynolds, junior guard Brianna Hansel and eighth grade guard Jayna Albright were all credited with 2 points each.

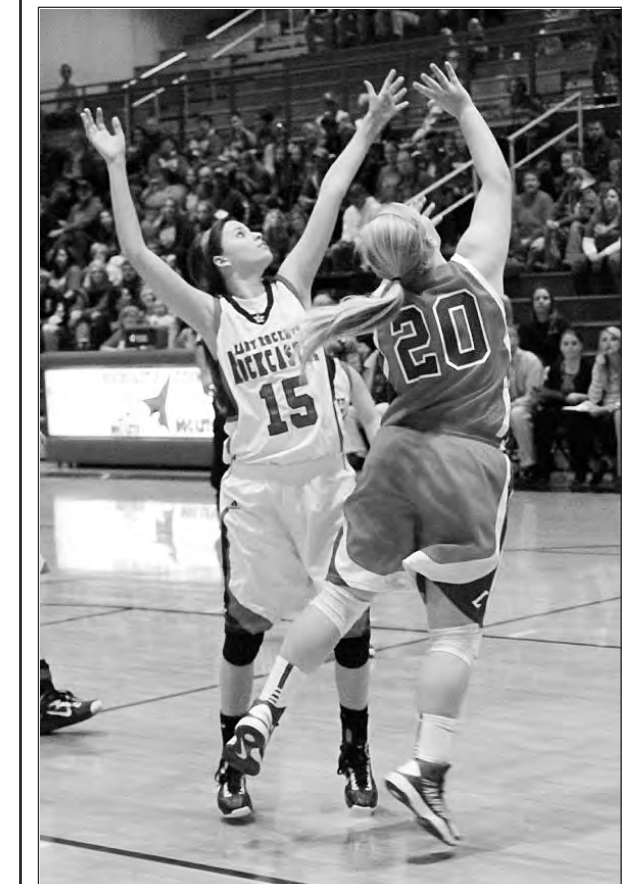
After halftime, the Lady Rockets came out of the locker room firing on all cylinders and extending their lead to 53-33 at the end of the third quarter. The Lady Rockets enthusiasm also carried over into the fourth quarter as they pulled away from the Lady Jaguars with a final score of 68-38.

The North Laurel win came after a 68-35 loss at home last Friday night to the Lincoln County Lady Patriots, who are ranked tenth in the state and number one in the 12th region.

The Lady Rockets were led by all-state senior guard Hunter who had 21 points,

During last Friday night's game, the Lady Rocket's 16 turnovers on offense and lackluster performance on defense proved to be the deciding factors in

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Junior forward Kayla Reynolds applies the defense during last Friday night's 68-35 loss to Lincoln County. The Lady Rockets will travel to Somerset on Friday night to take on the Somerset Briar Jumpers. Tip off for the game is at 6 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE REGARDING THE EASTERN ROCKCASTLE WATER ASSOCIATION

Notice is hereby given that because of an increase in the cost of water purchased from the Jackson County Water Association, the City of Mt. Vernon, and the City of Livingston, the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association will increase its rates for services rendered on and after December 10, 2012. In addition, the Association proposes to make the revisions to its schedule of charges as noted below. An application has been filed with the Kentucky Public Service Commission to increase rates as follows:

MONTHLY WATER RATES	Existing Rates	Proposed Rates
<u>¾-Inch Meter</u> First 2,000 Gallons Over 2,000 Gallons	\$22.00 Minimum Bill 8.80 per 1,000 Gallons	\$23.82 Minimum Bill 9.71 per 1,000 Gallons
<u>1-Inch Meter</u> First 5,000 Gallons Over 5,000 Gallons	\$48.40 Minimum Bill 8.80 per 1,000 Gallons	\$52.95 Minimum Bill 9.71 per 1,000 Gallons
<u>2-Inch Meter</u> First 15,000 Gallons Over 15,000 Gallons	\$136.40 Minimum Bill 8.80 per 1,000 Gallons	\$150.05 Minimum Bill 9.71 per 1,000 Gallons

As noted above, based on the increased cost of water from the Jackson County Water Association, the City of Mt. Vernon, and the City of Livingston, all rates will increase \$0.97 per 1,000 gallons.

SPECIAL NON-RECURRING CHARGES	Current	Proposed	% Change
5/8" x ¾" Meter Deposit	\$99.70	\$100.00	0.30%
1" Meter Deposit	0.00	190.00	100%
2" Meter Deposit	0.00	270.00	100%
Returned Check Charge	25.00	30.00	20%
Meter Connection/Tap-On Charge	517.00	875.00	81.8%
Meter Turn-On Charge	25.00	35.00	20%
Meter Re-Read Charge	0.00	35.00	100%
Meter Test Charge	0.00	50.00	100%
Service Call/Investigation Charge	25.00	35.00	20%
Service Disconnection Charge	0.00	35.00	100%
Service Reconnection Charge	0.00	35.00	100%
After Hour Service Reconnection Charge	0.00	45.00	100%

BILLING AND COLLECTION

The charges/rates aforesaid shall be billed monthly on or about the last day of each month. Bills for such service shall be due on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of the month and payable by mail or in person. Payments must be received, not postmarked, before the close of business on the 15th day of the month.

The charges/rates contained in this notice are the charges/rates proposed by the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association. However, the Public Service Commission may order charges/rates to be charged that differ from these proposed charges/rates. Such action may result in charges/rates for consumers other than the charges/rates in this notice.

Any corporation, association, body politic, or person may, by motion within thirty (30) days after publication of this fee change, request leave to intervene; and the motion shall be submitted to the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602, and shall set forth the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party.

Intervenors may obtain copies of the application and related filings by contacting the Water Association office located at 9246 Main St, Livingston, Kentucky 40445.

This notice is published pursuant to 807 KAR 5:011-Tariffs.

EASTERN ROCKCASTLE WATER ASSOCIATION
s/ Michael McGuire, President

Campbell County Raider Competition

Submitted

On Saturday, November 17th, the RCHS JROTC Raider team competed at the Raider Rally in the Valley at Cold Lake State Park in Jacksboro, TN.

This event was hosted by Campbell County High

School.

The team took two teams (A and B team) and both teams did exceptional. There were 23 teams competing in the entire competition.

The competition consisted of six events; Map Reading, First Aid, Knots, Strength Test, One Rope Bridge, and CCR (Cross Country Rescue).

The A team placed 5th overall the events and B team placed 15th overall, tying with Clay County.

Cadets who participated in this event were: Addison Atkin, Megan Boggs, Ame Chiantaretto, Bentley Collins, Crystal Doan, Austin Daniel, Josh England, Dana Hatfield, Justin Houk, Shania Lawson, Brady McClure, Katlyn McGee, Tori Phillips, Adam Ramey, Austin Ramsey, Ryan Rawlins, Austin Smith, Victoria Smith, Brandon Stewart, and Derick Yates.

the final seconds when sophomore guard Sam Pensol was fouled and went to the line with 6.8 seconds left in overtime. Pensol made his first foul shot to make the score 67-68.

However, Pensol missed his second free-throw but miraculously rebounded his own shot from the foul line. In a last second effort, Pensol passed the ball to sophomore guard Blake Mullins who made the last second three-point basket and the Rockets came out of overtime with a 70-68 win.

The Rockets were led in scoring by sophomore guard Dakota Hasty with 13 points. Senior guard Jon Curtis Wilson had 12 points and 5 rebounds. Pensol and Mullins also scored 12 points each. Junior forward Josh Mason had a good game with 8 points and 6 rebounds. Junior guard Corey McPhetridge had 11 points and senior forward Zach Poynter scored 2. Other Rockets who had rebounds were Hasty with 4 and Poynter, Pensol, Mullins, and senior guard Ashton Arvin were all credited with 1 rebound.

The overtime win was just what the Rockets needed to bounce back from a 58-42 loss at home last Friday night against the Lincoln County Patriots.

During last Friday night's game, the Rockets came out strong, outscoring the Patriots 10-8 at the end of the first quarter. However, the Patriots regained the lead in the second quarter and led 23-19 at the half.

The Patriots retained the lead after halftime, ahead 40-31 at the end of the third quarter. The Patriots pulled away from the Rockets in the fourth quarter for the final score of 58-42.

The Rockets were led by senior guard Ashton Arvin who had 14 points and 7 rebounds. Mason also had a big night with 12 points and 9 rebounds.

Other Rockets scoring were Corey McPhetridge with 4, John Curtis Wilson 2 and Blake Mullins with 1. Sam Pensol, Dakota Hasty and Zach Poynter were all credited with 3 points each.

Head Coach Benny Blanton said that he is satisfied with his team's performance but that his team still has a lot of growing and learning to do.

"After these two games we have learned that we need to play at a more up-tempo pace," Blanton said. "With Ben Allen still questionable, we have a hard time competing with other teams in the paint so instead we have learned we need to rely on our guard play to win games."

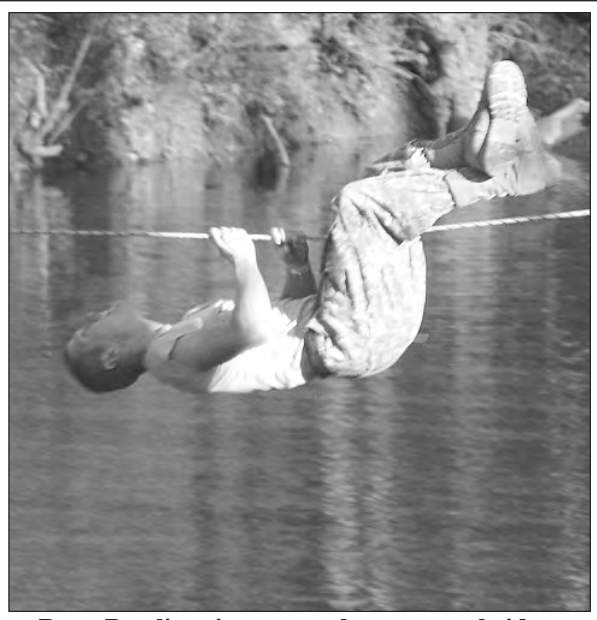
The Rockets will join the Lady Rockets in a double header on Friday night as they both travel to Somerset to take on the Somerset Briar Jumpers. Tip off for the Rockets game is at 7:30 p.m.

Blanton said the Briar Jumpers are ranked third in the 12th region and second in the 47th district. He said they will be a tough opponent as the Briar Jumpers will be a big match-up problem for the Rockets in the paint.

"Their transfer student Tyson Williams is a 6'7" player who is another threat for us under the basket," Blanton said. "We are going to have to play more up-tempo and try to not get beat defensively by their massive players in the paint."



The RCHS swim team kicked off their 4th season last Thursday at ECU in a 4 team meet. The Swim Rockets finished fourth overall in the team standings, but had several good races during the event. The girls 200 yard Medley and 200 yard freestyle relay teams finished second in both races with new school records posted each time. The boys relay teams also set new school records in both relays. The Swim Rockets will compete in 4 more meets before the region in February. With a total of 19 swimmers this year, the team hopes to continue to improve as the year goes along and the swimmers get adjusted to the longer race lengths in high school swimming. Picture are, front row from left: Jacob Houk, Lisa Scheck, Becca Barron, Justin Houk, Heather Clontz, Holly Cromer and Garrett Hasty. Second row from left: Barbora Nemcova, Lauren Burton, Callie Asher, Rachel Cain, Emily Childress and Kellan Coffey. Back row from left: Andrew Burton, David Gabbard, Coach Charon Burton, Joseph Hunt, JT Taylor and Jacob Taylor.



Ryan Rawlins zips across the one rope bridge.



Adam Ramey doing the low crawl during the CCR. (Cross Country Rescue)

Hunters bagged a record number of deer during modern gun season

Hunters bagged a record number of deer during Kentucky's modern gun season, which ended Monday.

"The 92,737 deer reported taken is a new record, surpassing the previous record of 87,205 set in 2004," said Tina Brunjes, deer and elk program coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "That's what happens when you get good hunting weather all three weekends of the season. No rain, no snow. It's the first time that's happened since I came here in 2005."

Kentucky's deer herd is estimated to be more than 900,000. "In some areas, our deer herd could sustain a larger doe harvest than what our hunters take each year," said Brunjes. "For example, in Zone 1 counties, we encourage hunters to continue to take antlerless deer during the rest of bow season, the late muzzleloader season and the free youth weekend."

Monthly harvest totals have set records in two of the three months since deer season opened Sept. 1, with the beginning of archery hunting.

Hunters telechecked 5,577 deer in September. For the first time, the September deer harvest exceeded 5,000 and set a harvest record for the third consecutive year.

In October, the deer har-

vest was the highest total since the 2009-10 season, but 4,435 deer short of the record harvest of 19,900 for the month, set during the 2001-02 season.

The total harvest for the month of November won't be known until the end of the month on Friday, Nov. 30. However, as of Wednesday, Nov. 28, a new record has already been reached. The 96,986 deer reported taken tops the previous record (89,498 deer taken in 2004) by 8.3 percent.

At this point in the season the top 10 Kentucky counties in deer harvest are: Owen, 3,444; Pendleton, 2,764; Crittenden, 2,750; Graves, 2,674; Christian, 2,450; Shelby, 2,252; Grant, 2,075; Hardin, 1,946; Boone, 1,915, and Breckinridge, 1,901.

Kentucky's all-time record deer harvest of 124,752, may be eclipsed, too. "We have a really good chance if we get good weather for the late muzzleloader and free youth hunts (in December)," said Brunjes.

Last season, the combined harvest for the months of December and January was 15,617 deer.

As of Wednesday, Nov. 28, the total deer harvest for the season was 117,951, according to deer harvest results posted on the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife website at fw.ky.gov.

With hope, the weather

"Lady Rockets"

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their loss to the Lady Patriots.

The Lady Patriots jumped out to an early 16-8 lead at the end of the first quarter and a 40-16 lead at the end of the first half. Their momentum continued into the second half as they led 58-27 at the end of the third quarter. The Lady Patriots would put the game away in the fourth quarter with a final score of 68-35.

The Lady Rockets were once again led by Hunter who had 18 points, 8 rebounds and 1 steal. Senior guard Alexis Chasteen also had another big night with 7 points and 3 rebounds.

Other Rockets who scored were Sara Adams with 3 and Alainia Couger 1. Kayla Reynolds, Mahayla Saylor, and junior forward Rebecca Ponder were all credited with two points each.

Head Coach Chrysti Noble said that even though they won the game against North Laurel on Monday,

they still had too many turnovers that could have cost them the game.

"We had 13 turnovers against North Laurel and 16 turnovers against Lincoln County," Noble said. "If we want to continue winning games, we have got to learn how to protect the ball and limit the second chances we give to our opponents."

The Lady Rockets will join the Rockets in a double header on Friday night as they both travel to Somerset to take on the Briar Jump-

ers. Tip off for the Lady Rockets game is 6 p.m.

Noble said Somerset will be another tough opponent for the Lady Rockets as they have a new coach and some returning players who pose a threat at every position.

"Somerset is another tough team we will face early on in our schedule," Noble said. "In order to stay in the game, we need to handle their up-tempo pressure and limit our turnovers by taking better care of the ball."



Logan and Robert Vanwinkle killed two does each in Owen County during the most recent deer season. This was Logan's first deer. Thanks Dad for a good trip. We love you Dad.



The "Celtics" basketball 5 & 6 year old, Rockets League did an outstanding job this year. Team members are, from left: Asst. Coach Terry Peters, Dalton Simpson, Eli Stanton Peters, Dalton Hopkins, Caleb Saylor, Hayden Blair, Parker Stacey, Caleb Sargent and Coach David Sargent. Great Job Celtics!



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FOR: Kindergarten - 5th Grade

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Second Section

Thursday, December 6, 2012



Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church placed first in the floats at the annual Brodhead Christmas parade last Saturday.



Appliance Service Center placed second in the floats during the Brodhead Christmas parade. Shown above on the sleigh are Conner Winstead, Tristan Winstead, Laverne Winstead and Emilee Thomas.



Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash had his John Deere Gator decorated with Christmas lights as he rode in the Brodhead Christmas parade.



Earl's This and That also had a float during the annual Christmas parade in Brodhead.



Mink Apartments also had a float in the annual Brodhead Christmas parade. Gertha Mink rode on the back of their float and passed out candy to the children.



Community Worship Church of God also had a float in the annual Brodhead Christmas parade last Saturday night.

More Brodhead Christmas Parade photos on pg. B8

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SANTA ON MAIN 7:15 PM

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



District Civil Suits

Portfolio Recovery Asso. LLC vs. Linda McKinney, \$801.73 plus claimed due.
 Portfolio Recovery Asso. LLC vs. Mike Fields, \$838.71 plus claimed due.
 Portfolio Recovery Asso. LLC vs. Dean Hahn, \$793.41 plus claimed due.
 Capital One Bank vs. Ashley N. Smith, \$732.60 plus claimed due.

Heights Finance Corp. vs. Timothy Philbeck, \$3,178.55 plus claimed due.
 Precision Recovery Analytics, Inc. vs. Beverly McKnight, \$4,290.81 plus claimed due. C-00313

Circuit Civil Suits

Suzy Sharmaine Smith vs. Kenneth Eugene Smith I, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Robert Napier vs.

Stephanie Napier, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Bank of America vs. Lonnie W. Himes, et al, \$97,878.91 plus claimed due.

Derek James Sandlin, et al vs. Alisha Sandlin, representative of the estate of Marty Ray Sandlin, complaint for settlement of estate.

Susan A. Sharp vs. Roger D. Sharp, complaint for child support.

Cavalry SPV I, LLC vs. Cleo Price, \$5,474.36 plus claimed due.

Ted Durham, et al vs. Bentley Durham, et al, complaint. CI-00265

District Court

11/26-28, 2012

Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
 Brian K. Baker: fines/fees due (\$288), 6 days in lieu of fines/costs or payment in full.

Sabrina K. Bowles: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine plus costs.

Brian R. Burks: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for failure to appear (fta), bench warrant (bw) issued.

Jeffery A. Caldwell: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta/bw issued.

Julie Mae Cromer: failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Rebecca Denny: alcohol intoxication in public place, \$50 fine; disorderly conduct, \$100 fine and costs.

Robert T. Garner: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine and costs.

Jason M. Dominguez: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

Michael B. Houk: failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine and costs.

Christopher S. Jones: fines/fees due (\$158), converted to 4 days in jail.

Carrie R. McKnight: failure to wear seatbelts, \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine; no license in possession, \$50 fine and costs.

Stephanie N. Thompson: theft by deception, \$25 fine plus 25 days/probated 12 months on condition; theft by deception, \$25 fine and 25 days (consecutive), probated 12 months on condition plus costs.

Speeding: Sydney A. Ward, \$30 fine and costs; Dale G. Dowrey, II, Thomas W. Dye, Kristal O. Henry, Dale H. Howard, Jason R.

Deeds Recorded

Michael W. and Vickie Renner and Robin R. and Freddy Robinson, property in Rockcastle County, to Michael W. and Vickie Renner. No tax.

Steve Robbins and Tammy Robbins, property on Sand Springs Road, to Steve Robbins. No tax.

James L. Barnett, property in Rockcastle County, to Archie Graham Fay and Jenni Beth Fay. Tax \$55.

Dorothea Williams Parsons and William J. Parsons, property on Lambert Road, to Durell Moore. Tax \$55.

Polly Roberts, property on waters of Copper Creek, to Polly Roberts and Happy Chandler Isaacs. No tax.

Karen B. Powell, property in Evergreen Estates Subdv., to George E. Powell. No tax

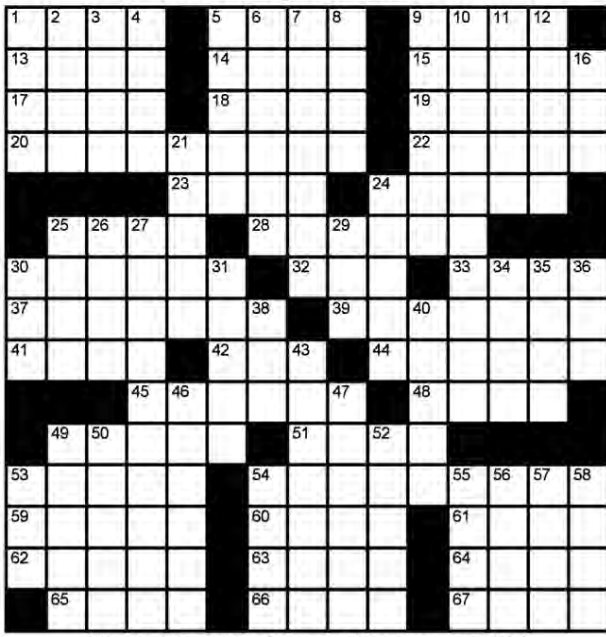
John G. Eaton, Jr. and Linda H. Eaton, property in Hillview Subdv., to Daniel R. and Megan J. Pingleton. Tax \$72.50.

Lonnie A. ad Norma Jean McGuire, property in Rockcastle County, to Jerry J. and Vicki C. Cox. Tax \$135.

Darrell and Cloia G. Collins and Clyde Raymond and Magdalene Collins, property on Bryant Ridge Road, to Darrell and Cloia G. Collins. Tax \$35.

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ACROSS

- Kind of phone
- High point
- "Quickly!"
- Geometry calculation
- Thunder sound
- Star in Orion
- Utopia
- "Karenina"
- Fill with joy
- Kentucky city, once home to John James Audubon
- Dapper
- Pack away
- Gov. Wilkinson's native county
- Munfordville is this county's seat
- Salad slice
- Light circles
- 18-wheeler
- Bluegrass musicians
- Sonny or Bobby
- Blue
- Quilt City, USA
- First media outlet to broadcast live Derby
- Epitome of simplicity
- Turns back, perhaps
- Ancestral
- Change the decor
- Baseball datum
- Court order?
- Kind of whale
- Home city of Kentucky State University
- Gets wind of

DOWN

- Carry's partner or a Hardin Co. area
- Buffalo's lake
- Singer Redbone
- Between the Lakes
- Not together
- Ban
- A famous Thoroughbred
- Flamboyance
- Rupp and KFC
- Yum! Center
- Co-author of "Something's Rising"
- Kentucky's state rock
- Small-minded
- Grazing area
- Aromatic compound
- A famous Thoroughbred
- Dish of leftovers
- Troubadour love song
- Famous Nelson Co. country store
- Party bowlful

30. Reporter's question

- Kind of mail
- Coffee choice
- Defense acronym
- Hwy. marker org.
- Outward flow
- Shortstop Jeter
- Kentucky county named for last living signer of Declaration of Independence
- Kentuckian, basketball hall of fame member
- Apt
- Devote, as time
- Josh
- Golfer Sam
- That girl
- Hit's opposite
- Political gathering, Fancy Picnic
- Mixed bag
- Turnpike turnover
- Rare trick taker

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Congratulations to the Fall JV Parli team for placing 1st overall at the EKU Fall Field Day. Pictured are, back row from left: Brittany Long, James Clay Ballinger, Katie Adams, David Gabbard, Kaleigh Noel, and Tiffany Hamilton. Front row from left: Kayla Shafer, Micheala Hurt, Jacklyn Thacker, Eric Bullock, and Kendra Kelly.



Congratulations to Jordan Hemsley for placing 1st overall in Senior Tractor Driving during the EKU Fall Field Day.

Rockcastle FFA attends EKU Fall Field Day

Submitted by
Chapter Reporter
Bethany McKinney
"The difference between
a successful person and oth-
ers is not a lack of strength,

not a lack of knowledge, but
rather a lack of will."
(Vince Lombardi)
On October 18th, EKU
was filled with many ex-
cited FFA members compet-

ing in contests such as Land Judging, JV Parli, and Tractor Driving. Rockcastle's reason for attending: to win them all!

One of the main contests going on at the field day was land judging. In land judging teams of no more than four go to four sites of land in the area and judge the soil and the land based on the qualities they offer. Rockcastle County's Land Judging team placed first overall. Members of the team were: Shawna Stoneking, who also placed as 1st high individual; Chris Abney, who placed as the 2nd high individual, Hannah Prewitt; and JD Morgan.

Junior Parliamentary Procedure, or JV Parli, was another big contest that took place at the field day. In JV Parli, teams of no more than 10 members, consisting of

freshmen, compete in running an FFA meeting. Rockcastle's JV Parli team placed 1st overall. The team consisted of David Gabbard: President, Brittany Long, Vice President; Jacklyn Thacker, Secretary; Katie Adams, Treasurer; Kayla Shafer, Reporter; Micheala Hurt, Sentinel; James Clay Ballinger, Eric Bullock, Kendra Kelley, and Kaleigh Noel, members; and Tiffany Hamilton, alternate.

Tractor Driving was one of the last contests that took place at the field day. In Tractor Driving, members must drive a tractor through a vigorous course and are scored based on their driving skills. Jordan Hemsley placed 1st overall in the Senior Division. Congratulations to everyone who competed.

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**Roundstone Elementary School's
Market Day**
Thursday, December 6th
4 to 6 p.m.
Please come out and support our young entrepreneurs. Any profits go directly to students participating in Market Day. Grant money to foster entrepreneurship in small business is provided to students involved in the E-Discovery Learning Program. Students are taught economic concepts and asked to produce a product or service to market.
Some products available will be: pet rocks, snow globes, Christmas decorations and ornaments, snow cones, popcorn, cookies, surprise packages, games, hair bows, "Sandy Candy" and much more. (Cash only for items, please)
Hope to see you here!

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 12-CI-00160**
Citizens Bank Plaintiff
Robert Didelot, et al Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on September 7, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FORTY ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE DOLLARS AND 31/100 (\$41,773.31) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, December 14, 2012
Beginning at the Hour of 1:30 p.m.**

Beginning at a point 105 feet south of Freedom School Road on the East side of Wesley Drive, a corner with Eugene Durham; thence South with Wesley Drive, 150 feet to an iron pin at a corner with Charlie Brock; thence East 150 feet to an iron pin; thence North 150 feet to an iron pin; thence West 150 feet to point of beginning, and containing one-half acre more or less.

The Defendant, Thomas Wagner, obtained said real property by deed dated September 6, 2003, executed by Reda French, single and Sandra Wagner, single of record in Deed Book 196, Page 333 in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

1996 Indie Double Wide Mobile Home (VIN # AL28701960195AB).

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

- The real property and mobile home 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 down in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond with interest thereon at the rate of (10%) per annum, to be secured with a sale bond with sufficient surety approved by the Master Commissioner, bearing interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum.
- Unpaid taxes or liens of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale (subject to the priority set out elsewhere in this judgment).
- The buyer(s) shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
- The buyer(s) 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 and the property will be conveyed to the plaintiff in due season upon payment of the expense of sale.
- 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".

**Jerome S. Fish
Special Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 12-CI-00200**
**Vanderbilt Mortgage and
Finance, Inc.** Plaintiff
**Jennifer Winkler n/k/a
Jennifer Adams, et al** Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on November 13, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 66/100 (\$113,378.66) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Thursday, December 20, 2012
Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.**

136 Oregon Lane, Brodhead, KY 40409
A certain tract of land being all of Lot Nos. 22 and 23 of the Quail Acres Subdivision as shown on plat of record in Plat Book 4, page 188 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Court Clerk.

Including a 2008 Clayton 68 X 64 Manufactured House bearing VIN No. CH0003283KYAB which was converted to real property by the Affidavit of Conversion filed on January 16, 2009, being of record in Misc. Book 45, page 249 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Court Clerk.

Being the same property conveyed to John D. Adams and Jennifer Winkler, both unmarried, by deed dated May 9, 2008 of record in Deed Book 221, Page 655 in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & 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 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.
- Unpaid delinquent state, county and/or city real estate taxes shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
- Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the 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 lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 11-CI-00279**
Citifinancial Services, Inc. Plaintiff
**Dean A. Hahn, Melissa Hahn,
Lien Solutions, LLC and
Kentucky Tax Company** Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on July 11, 2012 and order to reschedule sale entered on October 17, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of NINETY THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR DOLLARS AND 52/100 (\$93,264.52) 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 Thursday, December 20, 2012
Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

1225 West Level Green Road, Brodhead, KY 40409
A certain tract of land in the community of Willailla, Rockcastle County, Kentucky, more particularly described as follows:

Unless stated otherwise, any monument referred to herein as an "iron pin set" is a set 1/2" diameter rebar eighteen (18") in length, with blue plastic cap stamped G. Holman, P.L.S. 1837. All bearings stated herein are referred to the magnetic meridian as observed August 20, 2008 along the east line of the tract described herein.

Beginning at an iron pin set at the intersection of south R/W of Hereford Ln. and West R/W of West Level Green Rd. (20' from center), a corner of parent tract of Jerry Cox., D.B. 208, Pg. 212: Thence with the existing R/W of Hereford Ln. the following call; thence South 80 degrees, 11 minutes, 31 seconds West, 501.52 feet, to an iron pin set; thence leaving Hereford Ln. and severing the property of Jerry Cox D.B. 208 Pg. 212 the following calls; thence South 25 degrees 45 minutes 35 seconds East, 336.15 feet; to an iron pin set; thence South 22 degrees, 15 minutes 41 seconds East, 296.51 feet to an iron pin set; thence North 67 degrees 27 minutes 59 seconds West, 482.77 feet to an iron pin set in the West R/W of West Level Green Rd.; thence with the west R/W of West Level Green Rd. the following call: thence North 23 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 521.76 feet to the point of beginning. Contains 6.348 acres more or less.

This tract is subject to all easements, right of way, covenants and restrictions of record and in existence.

This description prepared from a physical survey conducted by Gary W. Holman, KY PLS 1837 on August 20, 2008.

Being the same property conveyed to Dean A. Hahn and Melissa Hahn by deed executed by Jerry J. Cox, et ux. and recorded in Deed Book 223, Page 701, Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & 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 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.
- The full satisfaction of any liens for delinquent ad valorem taxes assessed against the real property of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
- Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the 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 lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

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For Rent or For Sale: 2

bedroom house in Brodhead. all 758-8700. 51x2

Duplex in Brodhead. Call Amy Nicely at 256-8700. 52xntf

Trailer For Rent in Mt. Vernon. Call 606-256-9183. 51x2p

2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex, all appliances plus washer and dryer. Located on 75 High St. at Mt. Vernon (behind medical arts bldg.). \$475 month/\$475 deposit. Serious inquiries only. 308-2927, 308-3073 or 308-1160. 51x3

3BR/2BA 14x80 trailer for rent. Living room, kitchen, electric heat, no pets. \$350 month/\$300 deposit. 606-256-3007. 52x1

Mobile Home, Hwy. 1505, Brodhead. 3 bedroom/2 bath, central heat and air, 14x70 storage building. No pets. References required. \$400 month/\$400 deposit.

For Rent

Maple St. Storage of Brodhead

256-2884 or 606-308-2491

Cecil King. 606-758-9683 or 606-510-3719. 51xntf

2 Bedroom House, Chestnut Grove Road, Brodhead, behind nursing home. Carport, storage, electric heat. \$350 month/\$350 deposit. No pets. References required. Cecil King. 606-758-9683 or 606-510-3719. 51xntf

3BR/2BA brick home. Roundstone area. No pets. Application and lease required. \$450 per month, plus utilities. Call 256-9298. 51x2p

2 bedroom trailer in Brodhead. No pets. 758-4729. 34xntf

Duplex in Brodhead. All appliances furnished. Call Patty 758-9666. 33xntf

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. 36ftn

Property For Sale

2008 Doublewide with 3BR/2BA, 3 acres of cleared land and small barn. For more information, call Mary Renfro 859-314-7310. 50x4p

House in Brodhead, 247 Proffitt St. 3BR w/large closets, 2BA, LR, kitchen and dining w/oak cabinets, refrigerator and range. Large utility room with washer/dryer, 12x17 sunroom, 2 car attached garage, 36x36 detached garage. 606-758-8419. 52x1

Property For Sale in the Brodhead area on Tarklin Road off 3245. 5 acres with pond. Used to have mobile homes on property. Has 3 septic tanks and 4 water meters. Asking \$25,000 or best offer. Call 606-259-0056 or 392-8222. 52x1p

For Sale by owner: Trailer on Lake Linville. 3 BR, 2BA, open living room and kitchen. Sets on nice large lot adjoining city property. Will show anytime. Call 606-256-9898 or 606-308-3685 for more info. 49x4p

Lots in 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. 50x1

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. 50x1

80 Union Chapel Road. 1600 sq. ft. 3BR/2BA brick ranch, located on one acre. Completely remodeled. Minutes from I-75. Call 765-969-0613 for details. 23xntf

1.9 acre wooded lot on Freedom School Road. Septic tank and city water already there. 3/4 mile from 150. 606-308-2290. 37xntf

Posted

Absolutely no trespassing on my property on Turner Mount Road (Between Livingston and Mt. Vernon). No hunting, no killing deer on my property. Violators will be prosecuted. 52x2p

Posted: No trespassing, hunting, fishing or ATVs on property of Rick and Louise Spall on Chestnut Ridge Road in Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted. 46x12p

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Carol Blackburn, 1435 Marler Hollow. Violators will be prosecuted. 37x26p

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on land belonging to William and Donna Asher, located in Sand Springs Area on School House road. Violators will be prosecuted.



For Sale: 2006 Buick Lucerne CXL, one owner, 27,000 miles, 3800 V6, dark red, light gray interior, leather seats, all power, never had a scratch. \$14,900.00
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Posted: No trespassing on land belonging to James and Dorothy Rash heirs on Rash Branch Road off Chestnut Ridge. No hunting, camping, ATVs, trespassing for any purpose. Not responsible for accidents. Violators will be prosecuted. (1/3/13) **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 trespassing, hunting or fishing on land belonging to Rachel Denney on Hwy. 3245 (former Reggie Bengel property).

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer 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

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 11-CI-00245

U.S. Bank, National Association, as successor trustee to Bank of America, N.A., as successor to Lasalle Bank, N.A., as trustee for The Merrill Lynch First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-5

Plaintiff

v.

Kelly Hughes and Doug Hughes

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on August 10, 2012 and order to re-schedule entered on October 11, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SIXTY THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO DOLLARS AND 36/100 (\$63,682.36) 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 Thursday, December 20, 2012 Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

92 Acorn Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Beginning at a stake on the west side of the county road in Little Hurricane and running with Arlis Dodson line south 49 1/2 west 12 poles and 11 links to a stake; thence leaving Dodson's line and running north 19 1/2 west 13 poles and 3 links to a stake; thence north 39 east 4 poles and 8 links to the point of beginning, containing one acre, more or less as surveyed by Douglas Durham.

Being the same property conveyed to Doug Hughes and wife Kelly Hughes, by deed dated September 24, 2002, executed by David Collins, single, of record in Deed Book 193, Page 366 in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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 delinquent state, county and/or city real estate taxes shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from 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".

John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court



House For Sale By Owner

This beautifully landscaped 3 bedroom, 2 bath home is situated on a little over an acre corner lot. The home has a wooden privacy fenced in backyard with an outbuilding and wooden children's play set. Home also features a living room, kitchen (with high end appliances), dining room, and a large utility room. Motivated seller - \$89,900.00

For more information call 859-626-2177



FOR SALE: Newly remodeled home in Mt. Vernon. The home features 3 Bd, 1.5 baths, formal dining room, living room, den, and a beautiful kitchen with wall to wall cabinets and built in appliances. The home has a large front porch with a great view, an outbuilding that could be used for storage or a workshop, and is located within walking distance of church, hospital, schools, and grocery stores. Asking \$84,900.00.
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Bedford Stone Ranch with unfinished basement located in the city limits of Mt. Vernon @ the corner of Hwy 1326 and Hwy 461. The house is a great older home with 2,835 sq ft. Home features 5 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 living rooms, 2 kitchens, dining room and a family room with hardwood/carpet/vinyl floors. Utilities are KU electric and city water/sewer. Home has a fireplace with wood burner insert and also a Trane heat pump. Nice detached 27x57 garage suitable for a multitude of uses! Driveway is blacktop paved. Property is in an excellent location for a home in town or a business, located near schools, grocery, banks and I-75.
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Help Wanted

Jackson Propane Plus is looking for a driver to work in Rockcastle & Laurel County. Must have a Class B CDL and either have, or be willing to obtain a HazMat and Tanker Endorsement. Must be able to pass a drug test upon employment, will be required to take periodic drug tests as well. Must have a clean driving record. Background check will be required. Propane experience is a plus but not required. We will train the right person. You may call toll free 1-877-878-0690 for more information. 52x2

Motor Vehicles For Sale

1997 Ford Ranger, 6 cyl., 4WD. \$1800. 256-8070. 52x2p

Notices

Caregiver: I would like a female to care for and stay with. I am honest, Christian, experienced, dependable. I have my own transportation. Call 606-308-2963. References available. 52x2p

Notice is hereby given that Debra Woodall, 2002 Lucille Drive, Richmond, Ky. 400475 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Marion Monroe Woodall on the 28th day of November, 2012. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Debra Woodall or to Hon. Joseph P. Lambert, P.O. Box 989, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 29, 2013 at 11 a.m. 52x3

Notice is hereby given that Ronald C. Taylor, P.O. Box 4207, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456, Arnel Eugene Taylor, P.O. Box 357, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 and Gary L. Taylor, 650 Sunnydale Estates, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 were appointed co-executors of

the estate of Mary J. Taylor on the 14th day of November, 2012. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Ronald Taylor, Arnel Eugene Taylor and Gary L. Taylor or to Hon. John D. Ford, P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 15, 2013 at 11 a.m. 50x3

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 902-0052 Amendment 1

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Jamieson Construction Company, 30 Jamieson Lane, London, KY. 40744 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located in the Line Creek area of Billows in Pulaski and Rockcastle Counties. The amendment will add 16.67 acres of surface disturbance making a total of 67.58 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.27 miles Northeast from KY 80's junction with KY 1956 and located 0.7 miles south of the community of Billows and located 0.9 miles northwest of the confluence of Line Creek and the Rockcastle River. The public road entrance to the proposed amendment area is located at latitude is 37°09'59" and longitude is 84°18'12".

The proposed amendment area is located on the Billows U.S.G.S. 7 1/2-minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the area/contour method for surface mining. The surface areas to be affected are owned by Larry Jamieson. The proposed operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road Kentucky Highway 1956. The operation will not involve the relocation or closure of Highway 1956.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's London Regional Office, 85 State Police Road, London, Kentucky 40741. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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Civil Action No. 12-CI-00131**

Bank of America, N.A. Plaintiff
Sandra Brown Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on August 15, 2012 and order to reschedule the sale entered on November 13, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 02/100 (\$119,867.02) 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
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Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

387 West Level Green Road, Brodhead, KY 40409
Beginning on an iron pin in the West right of way of Owens School road and corner to Berthina VanHook; thence going with the lines of Berthina VanHook N 67 degrees 11'06"W, 339.94 feet to a maple; N 27 degrees 57'10" E, 345.04 feet to a sycamore corner to Berthina VanHook and in the West right of way of Owens School Road; thence going with said right of way S 28 degrees 16'53" E, 185.21 feet; S 26 degrees 26'35" E, 70.16 feet; S 15 degrees 53'07" E, 67.74 feet; S 10 degrees 16'17" E, 75.29 feet; S 00 degrees 31'13" E, 71.44 feet to point of beginning and containing 1.580 acres by survey of C. Douglas Mullins, Registered Land Surveyor No. 2773.

Being the same property conveyed to Sandra Brown, single, by deed dated July 2, 2009, executed by Lonnie Brown, single, of record in Deed Book 226, Page 492 in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & 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.
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- The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
- Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the 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.
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bleach solution used by steam cleaners to dissolve stains fades
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The RCHS Marching Band performed Christmas carols for the crowd during the Brodhead Christmas parade last Saturday.



Rockcastle Recycling Center entered a float during the annual Christmas parade in Brodhead.



Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds rode in the annual Brodhead Christmas parade last Saturday. Reynolds is shown above passing out candy to the children.



Kentucky Rompin' Stomp Cloggers were dancing to Christmas carols during the Brodhead Christmas parade last Saturday.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

If you are like my family, we usually have some turkey left over from our Thanksgiving meal. These are just three of the ways we like to use up that turkey. Of course, you can also use cooked chicken in these recipes.

TURKEY CLUB BAKE

2 cups biscuit baking mix
 1/2 cup Miracle Whip®, divided
 1/3 cup milk
 6 slices bacon, cooked, drained and crumbled
 2 cups cubed cooked turkey
 2 medium green onions, sliced
 1 large tomato, chopped
 1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
 Heat oven to 450°. Spray cookie sheet with nonstick spray. In medium bowl, stir baking mix, 1/3 cup Miracle Whip®, and milk until soft dough forms. Press dough into 12 x 8 rectangle on cookie sheet. Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until crust is golden brown.

1 can (10 ounce) cream of chicken soup
 1 can (10 ounce) cream of mushroom soup
 2 cups sour cream
 1 cup slivered almonds, toasted
 3 tablespoons butter, melted
 2 cups crushed Ritz® crackers
 Preheat oven to 375°. Spray a 13 x 9 baking dish with nonstick spray. In a large bowl, combine turkey, soups, sour cream, and almonds. Pour into prepared baking dish. In the same bowl, combine melted butter and crackers; sprinkle over chicken mixture. Cover with aluminum foil and bake for 15 minutes. Uncover and bake for 10 more minutes or until bubbly.

TURKEY SANDWICH

Cooked turkey
 Sliced Swiss or Gouda cheese
 Rye bread
 Butter or margarine
 Cranberry sauce
 Place some turkey and cheese between two slices of rye bread. Spread some butter on outside of both slices of bread; grill in hot skillet until bread is browned on both sides. While still warm, pull sandwich apart and put some cranberry sauce on the melted cheese; put back together.

Cook bacon until crispy. Drain and crumble into medium bowl; mix with turkey, onion, and Miracle Whip®. Spoon over crust to within 1/4 inch of edges. Sprinkle with tomato and cheese. Bake 5 to 6 minutes longer or until cheese melts.

TURKEY CASSEROLE

7 cups chopped cooked turkey



David "Diamond Dave" Brock emceed the Brodhead Christmas Parade last Saturday. This year's nighttime parade featured a "twilight" theme as individuals and organizations decorated their floats with Christmas lights. Photos by Douglas-Dell Ponder

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Dalton Simpson, 6, of Copper Creek is shown taking his picture with Santa Claus at the Brodhead Fire Department last Saturday.

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Mount Vernon holds Tree Lighting and Christmas Parade

Several attended the City of Mt. Vernon's annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Christmas parade last Saturday night. Nashville Recording Artists *The Medley Boys* were the Grand Marshal for the Christmas parade. Jay Anderson drove *The Medley Boys*. Shown riding are Josh Bray, Anthony Medley, Jason Medley and Mike Anglin. At right, Mayor Mike Bryant is shown speaking to the crowd during the tree lighting ceremony. Circuit Court Clerk and Kiwanis President Eliza York was the emcee for the ceremony. The event is sponsored annually by the Rockcastle Kiwanis Club. Numerous other photos from the parade and Christmas tree lighting will appear in the *Signal's* Christmas issue next week.



Fiscal Court discusses stiffer requirements on tax money recipients

County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis brought before the fiscal court, at their regular meeting Tuesday, the idea of requiring any entity, including community service organizations, who receive donations, etc. from the county, to make quarterly disclosures as to their assets and expenses to the court, including carryover funds.

Carloftis said he felt this was necessary after hearing State Auditor Adam Edelen speak at a recent County Judge's Association meeting. Edelen told the county judges that taxing districts in the state had unexpended funds of over \$1 billion in banks (not including school boards) -- a sum larger than all the school board's rainy day funds in the state.

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School board gets good audit report; discusses geothermal system for MVES

Matt Shackelford with Cloyd and Associates, who recently completed the 2011-12 audit for the Rockcastle County Board of Education, gave a glowing report about the financial condition of the system at the regular meeting of the Rockcastle County Board of Education Tuesday night.

Shackelford said the audit showed an "unqualified opinion," which is the best the system could have gotten. "Melanie (Lyons, the district's chief financial officer) and her staff do a great job," Shackelford said. "There is never a problem with documentation (of expenditures) or com-

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Rockcastle students to be featured on CNN

Three Rockcastle County High School students will help "put a face" on the "hidden victims" of the prescription drug abuse epidemic during a show to air on CNN this weekend.

Senior Hannah Eaton, Junior Sean Watkins and Sophomore Avery Bradshaw were interviewed earlier this year for the national cable network's weekend health show, "Sanjay Gupta MD."

The show will air on CNN Saturday, December 15, at 4:30 pm and again on Sunday, December 16, at 7:30 am.

"Every 19 minutes, in this country, someone dies of a prescription drug overdose," noted CNN Producer Nadia Kounang. "Kentucky has the sixth highest overdose rate in the nation. But, when we read about those numbers, so often we forget about the hidden victims of this epidemic -- the kids."

Dr. Gupta, CNN's Emmy-award winning Chief Medical Correspondent, discusses those who've been hit the hardest

by the prescription drug epidemic.

All three students have lost a parent or relative because of substance abuse.

"It's a devastating legacy," Kounang said.

In southern and eastern Kentucky, the average age of first time drug use is 11.

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Governor Beshear set to speak at Grand Opening of Anchor Packaging

Governor Steve Beshear will be in Rockcastle County on Monday at 10:30 a.m. for a ribbon-cutting ceremony which will officially open the Anchor Packaging Plant in the Rockcastle Industrial Park South. Beshear will be introduced by County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis.

The governor will speak at the event to welcome Anchor and to announce state incentives the company received for locating here. Anchor will be represented

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Griffin resigns as Livingston Mayor; Blackburn appointed

Livingston's water and sewer superintendent, David Blackburn, 44, was named Livingston Mayor Monday night at the regular meeting of the City

Commission. The appointment came on the heels of the resignation of long-time mayor J.C. Griffin.

Shortly after calling the

meeting to order, and presenting the commissioners, Lela Griffin, Sherry Newcomb and Leroy Lamb, with the current financial statement, Griffin presented

his letter of resignation effective as of 6:10 p.m., Monday, December 10th.

Griffin's letter cited other business interests as his reason for resigning. At that point, Commissioner Lela Griffin nominated Blackburn, her and the mayor's son-in-law, to fill her husband's unexpired term. The motion was seconded by Newcomb, the Griffin's daughter and the motion passed unanimously.

Griffin's term runs until December of 2014 and Blackburn will serve until the general election of that year since there is not a general election in 2013.

The commission was still one member shy because Brady Durham, who

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Behavioral Services Company develops satellite program for Rockcastle County students

By: Doug Ponder

Representatives from The Ridge Behavioral Health System in Lexington met with several county officials at the Rockcastle County Technology Center

last Thursday to announce the opening of a satellite program in Mt. Vernon.

The Ridge offers services to help treat middle school and high school students, ages 13-18 who use, or show symptoms of using, illegal drugs and other substances. The Ridge is designed in two programs which include an Early Intervention Program and an Intensive Outpatient program.

The Early Intervention program is designed to ad-

dress early signs and symptoms of substance abuse in students. The program consists of four one hour group sessions that meet twice a week on Monday and Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. The group sessions include relapse prevention, psycho education and

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Prominent Rockcastle educator and coach dies

By: Doug Ponder

A well-known Rockcastle County educator and sports coach died this past week.

Cleston Reid Saylor, 94, of Brodhead passed away Sunday night at the Rockcastle Regional Hospital from natural causes.

Saylor was a long-time educator in the Rockcastle County School system for 47 years. He was also the first principal of the Rockcastle County High School when it opened in 1972 and remained principal there until his retirement in 1987.

Saylor began his coaching career in 1944 when he coached football, baseball and basketball in Jenkins, Kentucky. While in Jenkins,

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Christmas parade in Livingston is Saturday

The annual Christmas parade in Livingston is scheduled for this Saturday at 7 p.m.

Line-up for the parade will begin at 6 p.m. at White Star Auto Parts.

After the parade, Santa Claus will meet with the children at the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department. Refreshments will be provided.

For more information call Livingston City Hall at 606-453-2061.



Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue and Rockcastle EMS responded to a single car accident Monday morning on Hwy 25 near Peg's Food Mart in Mt. Vernon. Authorities say Opal Vanwinkle, 76, of Mt. Vernon was traveling south on Hwy 25 when she lost control of her vehicle and ran off the road, flipping multiple times. Vanwinkle, who was wearing her seatbelt, was transported to Rockcastle Regional Hospital where she was treated for non-life threatening injuries.

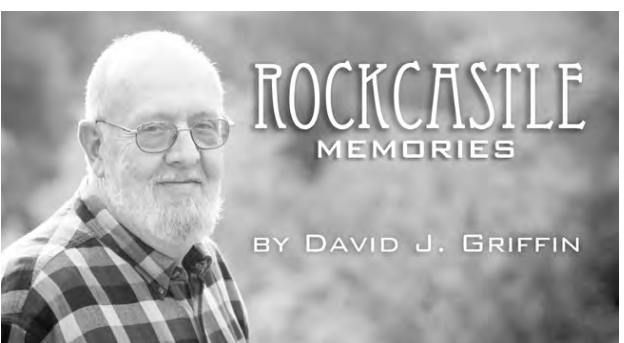
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ROCKCASTLE MEMORIES

BY DAVID J. GRIFFIN

Two Wheeled Fun

Before I was able to drive a car, I was always enthusiastic to help my friend Jim Barton Nunnelley deliver daily newspapers (Courier Journal) on his 1957 Vespa Scooter. I was only able to assist my friend on a limited basis because he rolled out of bed each day at 4:30 am in order to complete his task before going to school.

On those infrequent occasions, it was a thrill to sit on the back seat of his scooter, tossing papers onto the porches of his customers as the wind blew our hair. We simply had a ball when we completed this "chore" with one another. Jim Barton often said, "It is so much more fun when you are ride along to help me deliver my papers."

The thrill of riding Jim Barton's Vespa instilled in me the idea that someday I would have my own motorcycle. It became a reality when I moved to Mt. Sterling in 1968 in order to teach and coach at Mt. Sterling High School. I began shopping around to see what kind of bike I actually wanted. At the time, I owned a 1968 Oldsmobile 442. I figured that I could save some money if instead I rode around town and to school on a motorcycle. After all, that was going to be the bulk of my driving.

I had a friend take me to Lexington to do some shopping. My first stop was at Lexington Honda to see what was available within my price range. As I walked into the showroom, I spotted a new 1969, red and white, Honda CB-175, and I inquired if I could take it for a ride.

The CB was a street bike with a twin-cylinder, 4-stroke, air-cooled engine. It also had dual exhausts, a five-speed gear box, electric start, front and rear drum breaks, turn signals, a speedometer, and 20 horsepower. The seat was just big enough that I could carry a passenger if I wanted.

After a 20 minute trip around New Circle Road, I came back to the cycle shop and asked about the price and about the warranty. The salesman and I dickered for about an hour, but I decided to take the red beauty home. As I drove up US 60 from Lexington to Mt. Sterling, I remember thinking, "Now this is the way to travel!"

For the next year, you could find me on my bike on most weekends riding the back roads, often visiting places like Natural Bridge State Park and the Red River Gorge. Riding that bike on the narrow, winding roads of the Daniel Boone National Forest was just too cool. It was a small bike, but it made me feel like Peter Fonda in the movie Easy Rider.

I found several other young men in Montgomery County who owned their own bikes; for quite some time, we rode together almost every weekend. We even camped in the state parks in Central and Eastern Kentucky, hauling our gear on the back of our motorcycles.

After about a year, it became keenly clear that most of the guys who I ordinarily rode with on a regular basis were riding much larger bikes than mine. I determined to "trade up" and get a more powerful road bike. My brother Al even said he that he would purchase my CB-175. So back to Lexington Honda I went.

This time the shopping excursion was more complicated because I did not

know how powerful a bike I was actually interested in or how much it might cost. Finally, after listening to me describe my desires for a new ride, the salesman suggested that I take a test ride on a new Honda CB-350 road bike. I agreed, and he then rolled a new gold and black model into the showroom. As soon as I sat on this new golden delight, I was hooked. (Guess I was a pretty easy sale in those days!) He asked me again if I wanted to take it for a ride. I answered an



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Points East
By Ike Adams



As you all know, if you keep up with this column, I am making a mighty effort to remain non-Scrooge-like throughout this Christmas season. But doing so is remarkably trying right now.

In the wee hours, last Thursday morning, a wonderful young woman, for whom I had solicited your prayers and asked you to send cards and such to bring her cheer, took flight to the other side of life. Kristiana Banks hung on and smiled as long as she could right up until the time she headed out to Heaven--to make that place a little brighter.

Kristiana left a host of us weeping and wondering why she had to be taken away so young and so full of joy in life at such an early age. And I'm not sure that I understand that either, nor that I ever will, but I have

come to accept that God's Will is just that and that it's pretty hard to change His mind. Not impossible, because I'm pretty sure I've seen it happen, but it takes lot of convincing.

It's really hard for me to get into Christmas because both my Mom and then my Dad were buried, ten years apart, '73 and '83 respectively, the day after Christmas. Talk about putting a crimp on your holiday and shutting Santa Claus down--that'll do it every time.

At my Dad's funeral, an Old Regular Baptist Preacher, I.D. Back, found me leaning on an ancient sycamore tree there behind the Blair Branch Church, on the bank of Rockhouse Creek--crying my eyes out. Little I.D. had preached Mom's funeral ten years ear-

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The Roots of Rockcastle
by: Tonya J. Cook



"Folklore-The Sweet Savor of Twice-Told Stories, Part I"

As I've often commented, it was the cold harshness of winter that drove our local ancestors inside, close to home and hearth. With harvest now past and the crops of summer only a memory, our an-

cestors would gather close to pot-bellied stoves or fireplaces on long gray days and cold winter nights. With no modern entertainment available, it was left to each family to find its own unique path of passing the time.

The women usually quilted, mended clothes, or

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Obituaries



Cleston Saylor

Cleston Reid Stewart Saylor, 94, of Brodhead, widower of Mary (Cope) Saylor, died Sunday, December 9, 2012 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital.

He entered this life November 4, 1918 in Copper Creek, a son of the late Elijah and Mahala Howard Saylor. Mr. Saylor was a long time Educator in the Rockcastle County School System for 47 years. He was the first Principal of the Rockcastle High School from 1972-1987. He managed the Waterdogs softball team for 25 years. During his tenure coaching the Waterdogs from 1965-1989 he had a total of 158 players, 1492 wins and 472 losses. He also coached all three sports in Jenkins, from 1944-1951, with 387 wins and 144 losses. He was an avid sports fan, a member of the Brodhead Baptist Church, holding the position of Trustee, and served on the Board of Directors of Piney Grove Cemetery.

On July 19, 1945 he was united in holy matrimony to Mary Rebecca Cope, who preceded him in death on February 22, 2004, and from that union came three sons, E. Howard, John Boone and Cleston Anthony to bless their home.

He will be lovingly remembered by: his three sons, E. Howard (Sharon Childress) Saylor of Mt. Vernon, and John Boone (Dr. Karen Bullock) Saylor and Cleston Anthony "Tony" (Rebecca Elam) Saylor, all Brodhead; eight grandchildren, Johnathan Howard Saylor, Cleston Reid "Max"well Saylor, Mary Sheril Saylor, John L Saylor, Anthony Boone Saylor, Mahala Michelle Saylor, Brittany Nicole (Perkins) Saylor and Tanner Hayes Perkins; and a host of

nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by: four brothers, John L Saylor, Howard Saylor, Daniel Boone Saylor and Tony Saylor; and one sister, Mary Whitaker.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at the Brodhead Baptist Church with Bros. Dan Gutenson and Ralph Baker officiating. Burial was in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: John McQueary, Clayton Cash, Ryan Riddle, David Pensol, David Collins, Casey Carroll and David Woodall.

Honorary casketbearers were: James (Bear) Bradley, Ronnie Cash, Mark Bray, Jim Bussell, John LaFevers, Jerry Pensol, Matt Poynter, Tom Larkey and David Riddle.

Condolences may be made to his online registry at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Janice Ann Hubbard

Janice Ann Hubbard, 34, wife of Dallas Hubbard, died Friday, December 7, 2012 at the Rockcastle Regional Hospital in Mt. Vernon.

She was born April 16, 1978 in Cincinnati, OH, a daughter of Roy Helton and the late Barbara Coldwell Helton. She was a member of the Christian Church who enjoyed fishing, watching TV, and shopping.

She will be lovingly remembered by: her husband, Dallas Hubbard of Mt. Vernon; three children, Jaine Bowman, Roy Bowman and Bobby Joe Bowman, all of Mt. Vernon; sisters, Amanda (Ruford) Fowler of McKee and Rose Helton of Erlanger; three nieces, Rachael Hilligas, Katlin Taylor and Alexis Taylor; three nephews, Brandon Hilligas, Christopher Rose and Ryan Fowler; as well as a host of friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were held Sunday, December 9, 2012 at Sandhill Baptist Church with Bro. Tommy Miller officiating. Burial followed in the Sandhill Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Douglas Mullins

Charles Douglas Mullins, 57, husband of Janice, died Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at his residence.

Visitation will be (today) Thursday, December 13, 2012 from 6-9 p.m. at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals and from noon to 2 p.m. Friday at the Ottawa Baptist Church.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, December 14, 2012 at 2 p.m. at the Ottawa Baptist Church with Bros. Jim Craig and R.C. Flynn officiating. Interment will follow in Ottawa Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com



Edna D. Smallwood

Edna D. (Burdine) Smallwood, 79, of Avon, formerly Indianapolis, died December 06, 2012. She worked as a bookkeeper for A & P in Speedway and Chapel Hill for 16 years before becoming a school bus driver for Wayne Township Schools, retiring in 2003.

She was a member of Eagle Dale Baptist Church which is now Cross Pointe Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Estel Smallwood.

She is survived by: her children, Peggy (Bob) Stover, Mike, Mark (Becky), Melvin (Lynda), and Matthew Smallwood; seven grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; two brothers, Genis (Joyce), and George (Donna) Burdine.

Services were held Sunday, December 9, 2012 at Flanner and Buchanan-Speedway. Burial was in I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Jamestown, IN.

Online condolences and a video tribute may be shared at www.flannerbuchanan.com



Libby Hammons

Libby Hammons, 75, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at the U.K. Medical Center in Lexington. She was born June 16, 1937 in London, the daughter of the late Tommy and Mollie Johnson Gay. She was a retired legal secretary, and a member of the Berea Baptist Church.

Survivors are: her husband, James Earl Hammons of Mt. Vernon; two sons, Earl Lewis Hammons of Glasgow, and Bobby Hammons of Plymouth, OH; two daughters, Roxanne Hammond of Mt. Vernon, and Lynnell Fields Johnson of London; two brothers, Thomas Sheridan Gay of Bucyrus, OH, and Robert E. Gay of Soddy Daisy, TN; two sisters, Mrs. Linda Simmons, and Mrs. Rosa Lee Jasper, both of London; nine grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, December 14, 2012 at the Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Eddie Hammond and Bro. Andrew Hammond officiating. Burial will follow in the Cresthaven Cemetery.

Arrangements are by the Cox Funeral Home where friends may call from 6 to 9 p.m. (today) Thursday.

Send condolences online at www.coxfuneralhome.com

In Loving Memory of Emory Chandler

We wish you were home for Christmas with us. We all miss you very much and we love you so much.

From the Family and wife, Rena Chandler

In Loving Memory



In Loving Memory of My Sister and Friend Marjorie Cummins who went home to be with Jesus May 19, 2012

Letter From Marjorie I'm spending Christmas in Heaven this year, I'm up here with Mom and Dad.

Charley and I are walking Streets of Gold, hand in hand.

I'm not crippled anymore, No aches, no pain, no tears. Angels are everywhere, All is happiness and peace In this beautiful and Holy Place, don't miss it. Come and see me soon, Shed no more tears for me. Sadly missed by Wanda Burton

In Loving Memory of Marjorie Burdette Cummins

who left us May 19, 2012 My First Christmas in Heaven

I see the countless Christmas trees around the world below,

With tiny lights, like Heaven's stars, reflecting on the snow.

The sight is so spectacular, please wipe away that tear,

For I am spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.

I hear the many Christmas songs that people hold so dear,

But the sounds of music can't compare with the Christmas choir up here.

I have no words to tell you, the joy their voices bring, For it is beyond description, to hear the angels sing.

I know how much you miss me. I see the pain inside your heart,

But I am not so far away. We really aren't apart.

So be happy for me dear ones. You know I hold

you dear, And be glad I'm spending Christmas, with Jesus Christ this year.

I send you each a special gift, from my Heavenly home above.

I send you each a memory of, my undying love.

After all "Love" is the gift, more precious than pure gold.

It was always most important in the stories Jesus told.

Please love and keep each other, as my Father said to do,

For I can't count the blessing or love, He has for each of you.

So have a Merry Christmas and wipe away that tear, Remember, I'm spending Christmas, with Jesus Christ this year.

Author unknown
Sadly missed by son, Jimmy Cummins and family and daughter, Darlene Cameron and family

Card of Thanks Carol Tipton

Thank you to everyone that donated items, attended the benefit, or helped us in any way. Your help was greatly appreciated. Thank you to all of the businesses that donated, Mitchell Tolle, Cox's Florist, Bootsie's Wild Kutz, Creative Style, Cracker Barrel, Pizza Hut, Pam's Flowers, Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, Sparks Flowers & More, Appliance Service Center, Sew Cute 4 You, Jenna Blue Photography, Saylor's Furniture, Collins Respiratory Care, Pat's Cut & Curl, New Vision Hair Studio, Brodhead Farm Equipment, Vicki Alexander, Mark's Hardware, Josh Logan, Southern Force Band, Country Stone Band, and to all those others that helped out. Also, a special thank you to Stevie and Jennifer Miller at Miller's Country Club for all their support. God Bless each and everyone of you!

A Special Thank You from the family of Carol Tipton

Absolute Auction of Mr. Tommy Mullins'

100 Acre Farm More or Less & Doublewide

Saturday, December 15th at 10:00 a.m.

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Mr. Tommy Mullins has decided to retire from farming and has chosen the auction method to liquidate this well located farm.

This farm will be offered in its entirety and contains 100 acres more or less. It will be selling by the boundary deed description.

The property is improved with a 24 x 48 doublewide mobile home that features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, kitchen and utility room. Other amenities include: city water and gas heat. Additional improvements: 3 barns in need of repair.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: This farm adjoins I-75 on one side and overlooks beautiful Lake Linville on the other side. Even though this farm is well suited for cattle and hay farming, it has development potential being so strategically located near Exit 62 of I-75 and near the Boat Dock. City water is available and sewer is nearby.

NOTE: There is a billboard sign on the property that could be rented out for a steady income.

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“Points East”

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lier, at that same little country church and found me at the same spot before the funeral procession headed up the holler, nearly two miles to the graveyard.

“I know how you feel, Son, but you have to come to realize that both of your parents got the best Christmas present they ever had. One of these day’s you will understand that.” I.D. patted me on the back and headed for the cemetery to do last rites.

It took nearly thirty years for me to accept that message and let it sink in. And now I believe that Kristiana and my Mom and Dad are on that other side and that they are not suffering. I am absolutely sure that they do not want to bring me down at Christmas. I hope that Ronnie and Fanny Banks, Kristiana’s parents, find wisdom in I.D.’s words much faster than I did.

I may not be the merriest guy in town—I’m not even trying—but I have stuff to wrap and a tree to put it under and I have grandkids to watch and wrestle when they open that stuff up.

“Memories”

(Cont. from A2)

emphatic, “Yes!”
The bike was from a new line that Honda had developed the previous year. It was called the Honda CB-

350 Super Sport, and it had 36 horsepower, dual exhausts, a five-speed transmission, an OHC twin-cylinder, four-stroke engine, and dual Keihin carburetors. Its maximum speed was 170 miles per hour. Once again I was headed around New Circle Road with my long locks blowing in the wind. The power of this new cycle felt exhilarating, especially compared to the CB-175 that I had been riding for the past year.

As soon as I returned to the dealership, I instructed the salesman to get out his pencil and give me some figures. You know the rest of the story. This time, instead of heading back to Mt. Sterling up US 60, I decided to travel down Interstate 75 to Boonsboro Road, taking another route back home. (Somehow, that habit has remained. I rarely make a return trip via the same route that I took to get there.) The ride was invigorating, and I was already in love with my new bike.

For the next few weeks, my weekends were frequently occupied with riding from sun-up until sun-down. The same guys and I planned many day trips and a few other excursions, like the Smoky Mountains. On one trip, we stayed gone for about ten days while riding the mountain roads of the Daniel Boone National Forest. I loved spending my time on those rides.

Some of my fellow coaches and teachers began to call me “Bronson” after

the television show *Then Came Bronson*, which aired from 1969 until 1970 on NBC television. Jim Bronson was a newspaperman who became disillusioned after his friend committed suicide. He then “traveled around the country searching for the meaning of life and seeking the experiences life has to offer.” One of my good friends, Doyle King, calls me “Bronson” to this day.

I suppose it was a time in my life when I needed some excitement. I even had a few dates on my bikes, and that in itself was its own kind of thrill. It may not surprise anyone that I still retain my motorcycle driving license. After all, it’s not too late yet. I might get the urge to take another extended two-wheeled excursion – but I’d have to borrow the bike.

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

“Roots”

(Cont. from A2)

performed some other handiwork. The men would often do fancy woodcarving or the like. Someone in the family would possibly get out a Bible or other book to read aloud.

One of the most popular forms of entertainment was that of storytelling. The story started out with a little morsel of truth and was told and retold dozens of times from neighbor to neighbor, and soon became a legend or folklore. Many of these old tales remain in today’s culture.

The early settlers to Rockcastle were no different than their fellow settlers and country folk. These stories usually revolved around historic figures and events, sometimes ghosts or phantoms. One of the most-noted and celebrated of our region was Daniel Boone.

I’ve been doing some research about folklore recently, and from time to time, will share it with you. Hopefully, you will enjoy it as much as I have.

So, for a few minutes, imagine yourself in the company of a pioneer family in the mid-1800s, supper is now past and the family has settled in for the and night gathered around a slowly smoldering fire in the fireplace. The children are gathered nearby, grasping every detail of the story. Mother is mending as Father relates the story.

He begins, “Now, when

I was a young boy, my daddy told me about his good friend, Daniel Boone...”, of course, never meeting him. “One time when “Dan” was hunting on the Green River in Western Kentucky, he was captured by a posse of wild Indians just as he was about to go to sleep,” Father says. “Dan” reached the Indian’s camp, they searched “Dan” for valuables, only to find a flask of Monongahela...strong whiskey.” He continues, “The Indians passed the flask around and were soon passed out drunk. Old “Dan” rolled over close to a campfire and let the flames burn the cords from his wrists.”

“What happened then, Daddy?” asked the children. “Well, “Dan” sneaked through the woods, making tracks like Indians so they wouldn’t recognize him. Just before he left, he notched a tree three times with his tomahawk. The years passed, and the tree grew. Meanwhile, the tree had been used as a locator on a survey map but had lost the notches as it grew. “Dan” had been called to testify concerning the whereabouts of the tree.”

Father continued the story: “Dan” and the landowners went to the area where the ash tree was thought to stand. They camped all night, and as first light “Ole Dan” took his knife and scraped the bark to find the notches were they had been cut years before.”

*Information in this column was obtained from Reader’s Digest’s “American Folklore and Legends”.

Folklore-The Sweet Savor of Twice-Told Stories, Part II- Mrs. Boone, First White Woman in Kentucky

In last week’s *Roots of Rockcastle*, we looked at one of the first white settlers to pass through Kentucky, Daniel Boone. In the early days of Kentucky, especially on long, cold wintery days, families and neighbors gathered and entertained themselves in one of the limited means they knew, they told and re-told stories. They spoke of things they knew of or at least had heard. These stories were told and retold and most likely a little was added here or there.

At one time, when matches or lighters weren’t available, fire was a precious commodity and must be kept going at all costs. One day Daniel Boone and a companion were on a “fire

hunt”. The companion pre-eded Daniel with the fire pan, used for transporting the fire back home.

The two came to a piece of bottom land thick with hazel and plum bushes. There was a small stream winding its way through the trees. All of a sudden, Daniel gave a signal to stop. Hurriedly, he dismounted and took aim at a large buck deer. His hand began to tremble and his shot missed the deer.

The chase was on! Daniel gave chase but soon came to a fence which the deer jumped effortlessly. He clambered across the best he could with a rifle and hunting gear.

By this time, he had lost sight of the deer but found himself at the Bryan cabin trying to escape their barking, snarling dogs.

After knocking at the

door, he gained entrance. While explaining his situation to Mr. Bryan, the Bryan children burst through the door, breathless.

There was a boy about ten years old and a girl of about sixteen with blue eyes, ruddy cheeks, and flaxen hair. They had been down at the creek setting lines when a panther surprised the pair.

One thing led to another, and soon Rebecca Bryan became Rebecca Boone, the first white woman in Kentucky. Undoubtedly, she came through what would one day become Rockcastle County.

*Information in this column was obtained from Reader’s Digest’s “American Folklore and Legends”. (Remember, I’m always looking for a bit of Rockcastle history. If you have a story to tell, and all of us do, please contact me at therootsofrockcastle@windstream.net)



Barbara M. Castleberry is shown with Ashley Judd at the fall meeting of the American Society for Clinical Pathology held in Boston, Massachusetts. Actress and humanitarian Judd was the keynote speaker at the meeting that focused on global health initiatives.

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NAMI Christmas Party
There will be a NAMI meeting and Christmas Party on Monday, Dec. 17th at noon for all NAMI members in the conference room of the Comp Care Bldg. from noon to 1 p.m.

Mt. Vernon Council Meeting
The regular December meeting of the Mt. Vernon City Council will be held Monday, December 17th at 7 p.m. The public is invited.

Kiwanis Meeting Change
Effective January 3, 20132, the Kiwanis Thursday luncheon meeting will be held at the Tea Cup Cafe, Main St., Mt. Vernon.

VFW News
During the winter months, the post will be closed Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday. On Saturday, December 22nd the Lose Change Band will be performing and on Monday, Dec. 31st (New Year’s Eve Party), Josh Logan will be performing. The public is invited.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting
The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #556 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

RCDB Meeting Notice
The Rockcastle County Development Board meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at noon at the Rockcastle County Courthouse 3rd floor Technology Center. The public is invited to attend.

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

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

Historical Society Hours
The Rockcastle Historical Society is open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building.

Sons of Confederate Veterans
The Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV), Rockcastle Camp, meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the county courthouse. For more information, contact David Owens at 606-256-9870.

American Legion Post 71
American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 7 p.m. of each month at the Back Porch Restaurant in the Renfro Valley Village. Commander David Owens invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

RCIDA Meeting
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Their attendants were Bill Kelley and Janice Mahaffey.



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pliance."

Shackelford went on to say that the general fund showed a balance of \$4.2 million, up slightly over the 2010-11 audit. However, Lyons said later that the latest audit still reflected some stimulus money which the board had used for some teacher's salaries, etc. "and the 2012-13 audit will be a true reflection of our financial condition since everything paid for by stimulus fund had to be moved back into being paid from the board's regular revenues."

Shackelford also noted that the food service showed a balance of almost \$200,000 and this took into account expending \$100,000 in new equipment. "These numbers are great, especially compared to other districts," Shackelford said.

Lyons had some other good news for the board. The workmen's comp premium was reduced by \$40,000 over last year's she said because the board had "a real good year" meaning fewer claims against the policy. "We still have a standard rating," she said "and if we can get that back to a preferred rating the savings will be greater."

Superintendent David Pensol told the board about a \$500,000 grant from KU the district had been approved for to replace Mt. Vernon Elementary's coal-fired boiler with a new geothermal heating and cooling system.

"Mr. (Chris) Cornelius and I met with architects Clotfelter-Samokar who want to do a cost estimate of a performance contract. This would allow us to bond for enough to do the project," Pensol said.

Pensol asked the board for a motion to approve proceeding with the project in order to meet the timeline set by LG&E and KU. "This motion would not approve the project but would only allow us to proceed to see if it is financially feasible."

The project's total cost is \$1.5 million but the savings from coal-fired boiler to geothermal are supposed to be enough to offset the cost or the difference will be paid by KU, Pensol told the board. The board currently has a \$4.5 million bonding potential and the superintendent noted that the board is "on the tail end of Mt. Vernon Elementary and the high school (which will further increase the bonding potential when paid off)."

On question, Lyons told the board that the electric bills for the system currently run between \$45 and \$60,000 a month, excluding Roundstone Elementary and one meter at the high school which are provided by Jackson Energy and runs from \$3 to \$5,000 a month. Roundstone and Brodhead Elementary both have geothermal systems.

"If the performance con-

tract does not show that we would have sufficient savings, we will not do this project," Pensol said. "There is nothing wrong with Mt. Vernon Elementary's heating and cooling system except that it is an old, inefficient system."

The board was without the services of one former member, Martin Vanzant, who resigned at the November meeting. The administration has not yet set in motion the procedure for replacing Vanzant.

"Mayor"

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was proposed by Griffin to fill the vacancy left by Charlie Newcomb who resigned his seat in February of this year, declined the appointment.

Griffin said he had checked with a law firm and two state agencies as to the legality of Blackburn's appointment as mayor and his employment as water and sewer superintendent. "As long as he is not holding two sworn positions it is legal," Griffin told the commissioners.

Following his resignation, Griffin said he was proud of his 10-year tenure as mayor. "When I came into office, we were \$150,000 in debt to the IRS and owed Wood Creek (the city's water supplier) \$18,000," Griffin said. The city's financial statement presented at the meeting showed the general fund with a \$14,218 positive balance and \$8,214 in the water department's operation and management account and all bills current.

Griffin, who was elected mayor three times, reminded the commissioners that HMB Engineers were scheduled to begin work on the \$312,000 sidewalk project on Tuesday of this week.

Four new commissioners, who won election as write-in candidates, over Lela Griffin and Newcomb in the fall general election, are scheduled to take office in January. They are: Jason Medley, Katha Carpenter, Leroy Lamb and Ralph Allen Newcomb.

"Court"

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Taxing districts in Rockcastle County include: the library, health department, soil conservation district, extension service and the school board. However, Carloftis wants to include fire departments, water associations, the ambulance service and such recreational groups as Little League, Boy and Girl Scouts, the football program, etc. "We don't always know if their requests for funds are necessary and there needs to be more sunlight on their financial condition before we give out taxpayer dollars," Carloftis said. The judge's recommendation is that any donation of \$500 would trigger the need for quarterly financial reports from groups seeking the funding for a period of time.

Carloftis had prepared a sample order for the court's consideration which states that "all entities, both public and private, for-profit and non-profit, taxing and non-taxing government and quasi-government, that receive direct or indirect funding from the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, including any direct grants from the county government, grants from other government or non-government entities that pass through the Fiscal Court's budget, and all loans or funding leases that pass through the Fiscal Court's budget, shall provide the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, on a quarterly basis, the following information: a financial statement of all revenues and expenditures, the sources of revenues and expenditures, including any and all carryover balances."

The requirement of course would not extend to any building owned by the county on which funds are expended for improvement or upkeep since these expenses are documented by the county and audited yearly.

The magistrates seemed to be in general agreement with the idea. However, Magistrate Lee Earl Adams said that if, for example, a fire department had to be cut off from public funding for not complying with the requirement, "we would not only be punishing the fire department but the property owners they serve."

Hal Holbrook, the court's representative to the ambulance service board, for which the county provides supplemental funding of \$5,000 per month, said that it would not be a problem for that entity since they provide each board member with a financial statement monthly.

The court decided to put off action on the issue until at least the January meeting.

During the meeting, the Mt. Vernon Fire Department was given permission to trade the county's 1998 fire truck, which is operated from the city department, for a 1991 model which will better serve the department's needs. Wynn's Fire Equipment has agreed to trade even for the 1991 model which seats six and has a safer system for letting a fireman operate the pump at a vehicle fire on the interstate, which is primarily where the truck will be used.

The court also agreed to provide the sheriff's department with an additional \$22,500 in funding to get them through the end of December.

Dale McNew told the court that the amount was needed to meet expenses of the department through the end of the year and also requested a meeting with the court to go over the department's 2013 budget and to "get some direction" from the court as to what assistance would be available for next year.

The court has provided \$248,000 to the sheriff's department through November 16th of this year. McNew said part of the problem stemmed from \$50-\$60,000 in expenditures having to be shifted from their asset forfeiture account, which is now depleted. The meeting was set for December 20th at 1 p.m.

The court also had to approve the transfer of \$75,000 from the county's occupational tax funds to the jail fund and \$100,000 from the same fund to the general fund. The occupational tax fund showed a balance of \$511,902.34 at the end of November.

In other business, the court approved the payment of \$400,369 for paving of Lambert Road, \$19,416 for Miller Lane and \$3,198.49 for Barnett Road. "Flex Funds" provided by the state were used to pay for paving these roads.

The court also approved payment of \$8,922.01 in program support for the Rockcastle County Industrial Authority but Magistrate Bill McKinney noted that the RCIDA had already expended 86% of the \$4,000 budgeted for travel and training during the first six months of their fiscal year.

A sum of \$3,000 was approved by the court to assist the City of Brodhead to obtain a \$200,000 grant. The money will be used to pay for a survey of the L&N 21-20 right-of-way. And, the court also approved a \$1,000 donation to the Girl Scouts for leader's books, troop materials, uniforms, patches, etc. The donation amounts to \$125 for each of the eight troops in the county.

The court also awarded the bid for the HVAC system for the new Livingston Fire Department to Winstead's Heating and Air. The \$12,450 bid was considered the lowest and best bid for the project. Another bid was awarded to ECM, Inc. for \$45,418 for the 110 ft. tall communications tower at the new emergency center planned for construction in Rockcastle Business Park South.

"Governor"

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by owner, Bob Hermann, who will also speak. Other Anchor officials expected to be present include: Jeff Wolff, president; Steven Riek, CFO and Alan Grainger, plant manager.

Besides local officials, state officials have also been invited to the event.

The public is also invited to the indoor event and tours of the factory will be offered.

"CNN"

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well below the average of 14 for rural drug users in Appalachia, based upon a 2011 publication by researchers at the University of Kentucky Center on Drug and Alcohol Research.

A 2012 Student Drug Use Survey conducted in the Greater Cincinnati area found the average age was 12.4 years for first use of over-the-counter drugs not intended for them and 12.9 years for prescription drugs.

"These are very worrying statistics," said Karen Kelly, director of Operation UNITE. "They show that all youth, whether living in urban or rural communities, are susceptible to drug use and addiction at a time they should still be enjoying their childhood."

For more information about Operation UNITE visit their website at www.operationunite.org.

"Program"

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therapy at a flat rate of \$15 per visit.

The Intensive Outpatient program is designed to treat impairment of functioning, resulting from substance abuse in students. The program meets four days a week Monday through Thursday from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. The program includes two psycho education and relapse prevention sessions as well as one therapy session each visit. The cost is also covered by Medicaid and most private insurance providers.

The Ridge Director of Outpatient Services Jason Staats said that his company has chosen Rockcastle County as a satellite program for outpatient services because of the number of middle and high school students who are in need of their services.

"What we have seen is kids have restricted services in this area because a lot of them can't commute to Lexington to continue treatment," Staats said. "With the high need for our services in this area, we want to try to develop an outpatient program to help Rockcastle County's kids."

Staats said that with these two programs, they can educate students about the good and bad effects of drug use in order to let them make an informed decision on their own.

"We understand that a lot of kids don't necessarily want to quit the drugs even though their parents or teachers want them too," Staats said. "That's why we are here. We also want to hear their side of the story and in turn we will give them the tools to make the informed decisions they need to make in order to live drug-free lives."

Staats said one of the first things they do is identify why students are using drugs in the first place. He said a lot of them use drugs for a variety of reasons, not just simply because it gives them a chemical high.

"Some students tell us they use drugs because they may be having a hard time in school, having trouble with a relationship, or because it allows them to perform better in athletics," Staats said. "Once we can identify their life problems and why they have turned to drugs as their answer to their problems, then we can work toward the solution of giving them the

tools they need to live a drug free life."

Director of Student Services Becky Isaacs said that she is excited that the school system finally has the opportunity to help students who struggle with drug abuse.

"It is a great program that has had years of success with helping students in Lexington and surrounding counties," Isaacs said. "I am glad we can finally offer help to students in Rockcastle County who need it."

The Ridge started offering their two programs on Monday at the Rockcastle County Academy in Mt. Vernon. For more information on how to enroll in their programs, contact Director of Student Services Becky Isaacs at 606-256-2125.

"Saylor"

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Saylor would accumulate a coaching record of 387 wins and 144 losses.

After his seven year coaching stint at Jenkins, Saylor moved to Rockcastle County where he became the head coach of the well-known Waterdogs softball team from 1965 to 1989. During his coaching stint with the Waterdogs, Saylor would coach a total of 158 players and had a coaching record of 1492 wins and 472 losses.

Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals was in charge of arrangements. A complete obit can be found on pg. A3.

Church News

"The Nativity"

The youth of Roundstone Baptist Church would like to present to you, "The Nativity" with opening skits "Christmas Connection" and "Happy Birthday Jesus" on Sunday, Dec. 23rd at 6 p.m. There will also be special singing. Please come join us as we celebrate the Birth of Jesus Christ.

"Is It Really Christmas?"

Union Baptist Church at Red Hill invites you to our Christmas Play "Is It Really Christmas?" on Saturday, December 22 at 7 p.m. Chili and vegetable soup dinner will follow. Please come and join us in remembering what Christmas is all about.

Love in a Box

Love in a Box will be held Saturday, December 15th at the Livingston Community Room from 1 to 3 p.m. There will be food and fellowship, Bible story time and gifts for the children. Sponsored by the RAKB Community Mission Team.

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Rockets lose Tuesday on last second shot

By: Doug Ponder
 The Rockcastle County Rockets varsity basketball team is now 1-5 after losing three games since last Friday.

Last Friday night, the Rockets travelled to Somerset to play against a highly talented and big Briar Jumpers team.

The Briar Jumpers came

out strong, outscoring the Rockets 23-11 at the end of the first quarter and 37-24 lead at the end of the first half. The second quarter ended with a over half court three point basket by sophomore guard Sam Pensol as time expired.

After halftime, The

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Senior guard John Curtis Wilson shoots a three point basket during last Friday night's game against Somerset. The Rockets will take on the Adair County Indians at home this Friday. Tip off is at 7:30 p.m.



Sophomore guard Alaina Coguer and sophomore forward Amelia Eversole apply the defense to a Lady Briar Jumper during the during last Friday night's 67-53 win at Somerset. The Lady Rockets also beat the Estill County Lady Engineers 74-45 on Monday night.

Lady Rockets and Rockets double-header is Friday at home. Girls play at 6 p.m., boys at 7 p.m.



Junior forward Josh Mason tries to pull down a rebound from a much bigger Briar Jumper defender during last Friday night's loss against Somerset. Mason scored 12 points and had 4 rebounds during the game.



Sophomore Sam Pensol attempts a lay-up during last Friday night's 78-66 loss against Somerset. The Rockets also lost 75-60 against Estill County Monday night and 48-46 against North Laurel on Tuesday night.

Lady Rockets move to 3-2 on season with two wins this week

By: Doug Ponder
 The Rockcastle County Lady Rockets varsity team climbed back above the .500 mark after beating the Estill County Lady Engineers 74-45 Monday night.

good game with 8 points, 5 rebounds, and 4 steals; senior guard Sara Adams scored 3 points and gathered in 4 rebounds and sophomore guard Abby Chasteen had 2 points and 2 rebounds. Sophomore guard Alaina Coguer was also credited with 1 point.

The Lady Rockets came out hot and energetic in the first half jumping out to an early 19-12 lead at the end of the first quarter and a 37-26 lead at halftime.

Other Rockets who had rebounds were eighth grade guard Mahala Saylor with 2. Junior forward Kelsey Mattingly, junior guard Brianna Hansel and junior forward Hannah Saylor were all credited with 1 rebound each.

After halftime, The Lady Rockets enthusiasm continued as they led 54-36 at the end of the third quarter. They pulled away from the Lady engineers in the fourth quarter for a final score of 74-45.

The blow out win against Estill County came after a 67-53 win at Somerset against a well-rounded Lady Briar Jumper team.

The Lady Rockets were led by all-state senior guard Michaela Hunter who had 17 points, 10 rebounds and 6 steals. Sophomore forward Amelia Eversole had the best game of her career with 16 points and 8 rebounds.

During last Friday night's game, The Lady Rockets outscored Somerset 12-10 in the first quarter but the Lady Jumpers battled back, putting up 16 points in the second quarter for a 26-24 lead at the end of the first half.

Other Lady Rockets picking up scores, rebounds and steals were junior forward Kayla Reynolds with 14 points, 6 rebounds and 3 steals; senior guard Alexis Chasteen had 13 points and 5 rebounds, senior guard Emily Miller also had a

However, the Lady Rockets came out of the locker room amped up as they scored 24 points, re-

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Emily Miller goes for a steal during last Friday night's game against Somerset. Miller scored 12 points during the game in the win over the Lady Briar Jumpers.



Senior Sara Adams attempts to dribble around a Lady Briar Jumper during last Friday night's game against the Somerset Briar Jumpers. The Lady Rockets will take on the Adair County Indians at home this Friday. Tip off is at 6 p.m.

Bass Fishing Club is latest addition to Rockcastle County High School teams

The Bass Fishing Club is new to Rockcastle County High School. Bass fishing is one of the fastest growing youth-related clubs across the country.

The Student Angler Federation's objective is to promote education through fishing. It's purpose is to get students out into the great outdoors. The club has participated in a monthly tournament since September. In the Wayne County tournament, Ricky Harris and Tate Clements placed third and everyone is excited about the upcoming tournament in Kissimmee, Florida in which five members of the team will be able to participate. They will also get to meet professional bass fisherman Bobby Lane.

Many exciting events are scheduled for the upcoming months. Professional fisherman Bradley Roy will be at Lake Linville on December 19th. He will fish with each student that day and enhance their fishing skills and knowledge.

Numerous tournaments have been scheduled at our

new and improved Lake Linville. Stop by the boat dock there and support your fishing team. Lake Linville is the club's gymnasium.

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Members of the Rockcastle Bass Fishing Team 2012-13 are, front row, from left: Coach/Captains Bobby Bishop, Jr., Nelson Bond, Jerry Carter and Dwight Poynter. Second row: Doug Clements, advisor/director, Brooklyn Bishop, Iola Harris - teacher and Tate Clements. Back row: Douglas Nicely, Ricky Harris, Cody Brown, Gage Reynolds, Ben Allen and Devin Poynter.



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“Rockets” (Cont. from A6)

Rockets rallied behind the three point arch to score 18 points in the third quarter and 24 points in the fourth. However, the Rockets comeback wouldn't be enough to overcome Somerset as the pesky Briar Jumpers came out of the fourth quarter with a 78-66 win.

The Rockets were led in scoring by sophomore guard Blake Mullins with 16 points -- from five three point baskets and one free throw -- and junior guard Corey McPhetridge with 15. Junior forward Josh Mason also had a good game with 12 points and 4 rebounds.

Other Rockets scoring were Pensol with 9, senior guard John Curtis Wilson had 5, senior guard Ashton Arvin got 4, sophomore guard Dakota Hasty scored 3 and junior forward Gage Reynolds had 2.

The loss at Somerset was followed by another loss on the road against the Estill County Engineers Monday night.

During Monday night's game, The Rockets came out strong, jumping out to an early 14-13 lead at the end of the first quarter. However, the Engineers battled back in the second quarter as they headed into the locker room with a 30-23 lead at half time.

In the second half, the Engineers would put the game away as they led 52-40 at the end of the third quarter and 75-60 at the end of the game.

The Rockets were led by Sam Pensol who had 16 points and John Curtis Wilson with 14 points and 5 rebounds. Josh Mason also had a big night with 10 points and 7 rebounds.

Other Rockets scoring were Ashton Arvin with 13, Corey McPhetridge with 5 and Dakota Hasty with 2.

The Rockets returned home on Tuesday night to play the North Laurel Jaguars. The Jaguars won the 13th region championship last year and are also predicted to win their region again this year.

The Rockets and Jaguars were tied 11-11 at the end of the first quarter and the

Jaguars topped the Rockets 23-22 at the end of the first half.

After halftime, the Rockets came out firing on all cylinders and led 38-30 at the end of the third quarter. In the fourth quarter, the game would come down to the final minutes with Pensol hitting a three point basket to tie the game 46-46 with 1:22 remaining in the game.

The Jaguars then ran time off the clock in order to take the last shot and, with about 4 seconds left in the game, Josh Mason attempted to pull down a defensive rebound but had it stripped by a Jaguar player who made a two point basket as time expired for a final score of 48-46.

The Rockets were led in scoring by Mason who had 14 and 7 rebounds, Ashton Arvin was next with 9 points and 5 rebounds, John Curtis Wilson got 7 points and 5 rebounds, Corey McPhetridge scored 6 points and pulled down 4 rebounds, Bryson Amyx scored 4 points and Pensol and Dakota Hasty were both

credited with 3 points each.

Head coach Benny Blanton said these three losses in a row have been hard for his team.

“We need to win these close games because a lot of times we outplay the other team but in the end we still end up with a loss,” Blanton said. “Our morale is okay, we just need to play four quarters of hard basketball and learn how to close out games when we have the lead.”

The Rockets will join the Lady Rockets in a double header on Friday night when they will both take on the Adair County Indians at home. Tip-off for the Rockets game is at 7:30 p.m.

Blanton said that Adair County is similar to the Rockets and will be a tough test for them as they are ranked number eight in the 5th region.

“The Indians had three starters return from last year and they are led by their junior point guard Mark Fugate,” Blanton said. “They are similar to us in that we both rely heavily on our guard play. Neither team

has a dominate threat in the paint so we will simply have to outshoot them if we want to win”

“Lady Rockets” (Cont. from A6)

gaining their lead 48-30 at the end of the third quarter. They would put the game away in the fourth quarter with a final score of 67-53.

The Lady Rockets were once again led by Hunter who had 17 points, 10 rebounds, 2 blocks and 2 steals. Alexis Chasteen also had a big night with 16 points and 5 steals. Kayla Reynolds also had a good game with 9 points, 1 rebound and 1 steal.

Other Rockets who scored were Emily Miller with 12, Sara Adams got 6, Alaina Coguer scored 5 and Amelia Eversole had 2.

Head Coach Chrysti Noble said she has saw a lot of improvement in her squad's defensive ability and that she is satisfied with their eagerness to fight for the ball. However, Noble said that her team is still

turning the ball over too much during their games.

“We are doing a better job rebounding and fighting for the ball on defense,” Noble said. “But we are still averaging more than 10 turnovers each game. We have got to take better care of the ball and lower our number of turnovers if we want to continue winning games.”

The Lady Rockets will join the Rockets in a double header on Friday night as they both take on the Adair

County Indians at home. Tip-off for the Lady Rockets game is at 6 p.m.

Noble said that Adair County is another tough non-conference team that her squad will have to face as the Lady Indians are ranked number six in the 5th region.

“They are returning three veteran starters who are all excellent shooters,” Noble said. “We will have to continue to do a good job defensively and try not to give them any open shots.”

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County-wide Stride completed for 2012

Runners and walkers from Rockcastle and surrounding counties attended the first County-wide Stride awards celebration at Rockcastle Regional Hospital on Dec. 6.

They were there because they completed at least seven of the 12 monthly races of the 2012 County-wide Stride run/walk series. While some had been runners already, many said the series helped them either get started exercising or take their fitness to a new level.

"The County-wide Stride race series has been a motivational tool I needed to change my life," said Marcia Cain, who completed all 12 races. "I never thought getting healthy could be so much fun. Thank you Rockcastle Regional for sponsoring these races."

Cain was one of more than 600 participants who made up a total of 1770 registrations for the year, about half of which were local, the other half from elsewhere in Kentucky and other states. The series attracted 60 new lo-

cal participants during the year.

In addition, sponsorships and registration fees generated \$13,544.54 and 381 pounds of food for various charities and non-profit organizations.

Also honored at the awards celebration was Selena Mink for volunteering to be head coach of the 2012 Rockcastle County Girls on the Run, a 12-week, confidence-building/running program for elementary school-age girls, and James Bullen for his consistent dedication to the GOTR program.

In addition, the Mt. Vernon Police Department received special recognition for its help in keeping County-wide Stride participants safe by providing traffic control for many of the races throughout the year.

Rockcastle Regional Hospital and its community partners will feature the County-wide Stride again in 2013. The first race will be held Jan. 26 in Brodhead. A complete schedule can be found in the *Mt. Vernon Signal* in early January.

MVES receives \$250

PRIDE awards \$19,000 for environmental clubs

Students who want to explore nature and serve their communities received a boost today from Eastern Kentucky PRIDE, Inc., the non-profit organization that promotes environmental cleanup and education in southern and eastern Kentucky.

PRIDE awarded \$19,000 to 76 PRIDE Clubs across the 38-county region. The PRIDE Club Grants, worth \$250 each, will be used during the 2012-2013 school year.

In Rockcastle County, Mt. Vernon Elementary School accepted \$250.

PRIDE Clubs are student groups dedicated to environmental education. Club members learn about nature through fun, hands-on activities. They also serve their communities by volunteering for local cleanup events and performing their own project to improve the local environment.

"PRIDE has been promoting environmental education for 15 years now, and we have the power students have to transform their world," said PRIDE's Tammie Wilson. "In PRIDE Clubs, students discover and unleash that power."

"For example, PRIDE Club members often mentor younger students," Wilson explained. "They have to really understand a topic so they can teach it to younger students in a creative, engaging way. All the students come away with a better understanding of how and why to care for the environment."

"The PRIDE Club grants will make it easier for teachers and students to do their learning and service projects," Wilson said. "We also give them a PRIDE Club manual with ideas for club organization and activities." Since 1997, PRIDE

has presented 1,263 funding awards for environmental education, impacting 657,819 students across the region. The funds have been used for a wide variety of stewardship activities, from operating PRIDE Clubs to building greenhouses.

PRIDE was founded in 1997 by Congressman Hal Rogers and Kentucky Natural Resources Secretary James E. Bickford to promote "Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment" in southern and eastern Kentucky.

For a list of all funding recipients, please visit the PRIDE web site at www.kypride.org.



Pictured are the dedicated runners and walkers who participated in all 12 races in the County-wide Stride run/walk series. Front from left are: Mary Lou Henderlight, Becky Hardwick, Marcia Cain, Luke Peavie, Precia Bowling, Monica Martin, Danielle Arnold, Charlene Burdette and Shannon Lockton. Back from left: Rodney Mullins, Cheryl Mullins, Ramona Hiatt, Gayle DeBorde, Joshua Blaylock, Kayla McClure, James Bullen, Audy Faulkner and Walter Norris. Not pictured: Jennifer Peavie and Charles Bullen.



A large storm system passed through Rockcastle County this past week dropping a large amount of rain. Local weatherman Bud Cox said it has rained a total of 3.38 inches in Mt. Vernon since last Thursday. Shown above is a section of Barnett Road near Lake Linville, which became covered with water on Monday as a result of the storms.

Nathaniel Rada, 24, of Crab Orchard is shown talking with Special Projects Coordinator Michael Warren from Kentucky Teleworks at the job fair at the Adult Education Center in Mt. Vernon on Tuesday. Hundreds showed up for the event and applications were accepted by SourceHov, Oxford Government Consulting and other companies for future job opportunities.



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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



District Civil Suits

Midland Funding LLC vs. John Erwin, \$712.79 plus claimed due.
 Capital One Bank vs. Mary L. McGuire, \$537.53 plus claimed due.
 World Finance Corp. vs. Michael Bradley, \$3,288.00 plus claimed due.
 Heights Finance Corp. vs. Terina Roberts, \$2,915.08 plus claimed due.

Circuit Civil Suits

Stacey Kerns, Individ. and Admx. of the estate of Christopher Kerns, deceased vs. CSX Transportation, Inc., et al, complaint.
 Mattie W. Miller, et al vs. Krystol Wyroba, et al, complaint.
 Jack Ray Clontz, et al vs. David Tinchler, et al, complaint.

Ralph Gregory Carpenter vs. Ruby W. Maupin, et al, complaint.
 Community Trust Bank vs. Harold Taylor, \$6,036.61 plus claimed due. CI-00270

Deeds Recorded

Kenneth B. and Shirley Gilliam, property along Ky. 490, to Kenneth David and Deborah Kay Gilliam. No tax.

Houston Family Living Trust, property in Brodhead, to Lonnie A. and Norma Jean McGuire. Tax \$145.

James Noe, property in Sunny Side Estates, to Kenny Collins. Tax \$43.50.

Joseph L. Holland, property on Lambert Road, to Joseph L. and Martha Lee Holland. No tax

Paula C. and Gil Curry, property on Locust St., to Citizens Bank. Tax \$15.50.

Cecil and Judy King, property in Rockcastle County, to C. Douglas Brock. Tax \$15.

Dennis and Darlene Harris, property on Hwy. 1250, to Kevin and Melissa Craig. Tax \$225. (609)

George Adam Carpenter: fines/fees due (\$200), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Anthony Casada: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta/bw issued.

Robert O. Claypool: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jaymi T. Clemons: no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt, Reg. & Title requirements veh. not oper. on hwy., failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta.

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

Lacey M. Damrell-Garrison: fines/fees due (\$68), bw issued for fta/2 days in jail or payment in full.

Anthony W. Debord: fines/fees due (\$163), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Speeding: Eric J. Denham, \$18 fine and costs; Terrell A. Harris, license suspended for fta; Amanda S. Becker, Shane L. Britt, Robert L. Henriksen, Joshua C. Kromminga, license suspended for fta; Melva J. Cochran, Tracy R. Lester, paid; Tanner G. McPherson, paid \$30 fine plus \$133 costs; Marc M. Sanders, paid \$28 fine plus \$133 costs.

Harlan B. Lawson: fines/fees due (\$158 and \$188), bw issued for fta.

Dustin W. Lynch: fines/fees due (\$883), bw issued for fta/18 days in jail or payment in full.

James Lyttle: fines/fees due (\$408), bw issued for fta/9 days in jail or payment in full.

Edward F. McGuire: cultivate in marijuana and enhancement possession of marijuana, sentencing orders entered.

Benjamin Scott Price: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Sandra S. Pruitt: failure to use child restraining device in vehicle, license suspended for fta/bw issued.

Troy H. Reed: no operator's license in possession, \$50 fine and costs.

Gregory Dean Roe: fines/fees due (\$318), bw issued for fta/7 days in jail or payment in full.

Roy F. Rose: fines/fees due (\$171), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or pay in full.

Cody James Spoonamore: fines/fees due (\$144.12), bw issued for fta.

Blanche E. Wemple: reckless driving, \$100 and costs.

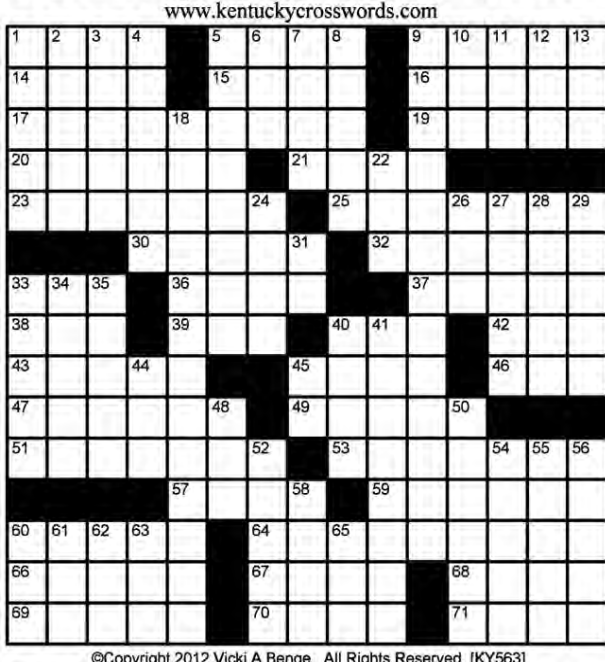
James R. Willis: failure to wear seat belts, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Michael Lawrence Fields: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Linda N. Gadd: fines/fees due (\$208), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

John Hampton: fines/fees due (\$358), bw issued for fta/8 days in jail or payment in full.

Kentucky Crossword # 563



ACROSS
 1. Marries
 5. Creator of Paducah's "Wacinton"
 9. Louisville's Glenview or Strathmoor
 14. Guitarist Clapton
 15. Light
 16. Production for Kentuckian Todd Duncan
 17. Like Kentucky bourbon?
 19. Have another go at
 20. Kentucky's 50th county, formed from parts of Clark and Madison
 21. Niagara River source
 23. Break
 25. Kentucky city named for Henry's Clay's Lexington home
 30. Former Russian leaders
 32. Field
 33. "60 Minutes" network
 36. Besides
 37. Informed
 38. Scoundrel
 39. Honey maker
 40. Flower starter
 42. Chart type
 43. Developed
 45. Coffee holders
 46. Can opener
 47. Apparition
 49. "Designing Women" co-star

DOWN
 1. Big name in grills
 2. Clear the boards
 3. Soils
 4. Writing system
 5. Fanciful story
 6. Black gold
 7. Arborist's concern
 8. Large constellation
 9. Kentucky university that trained over 4000 sailors during WWII
 10. Act like
 11. Bring home
 12. Bobby of hockey
 13. Beam of light
 18. Movie filmed mostly in Versailles and Louisville (in 2005)

51. Kentucky county of Kingdom Come
 53. Triple Crown winner, ___ Slew
 57. "Iliad" city
 59. Lilly Brothers banjo player
 60. Imaginary place
 64. Courier-Journal founder
 66. It shows the way
 67. Balm ingredient
 68. Department store department
 69. County of historic Maysville, KY
 70. Have to have
 71. Leave in, as text

22. Any doctrine
 24. Irish offshoot
 26. Order's partner
 27. Customize
 28. Waterwheel
 29. Hardly Mr. Cool
 31. In order
 33. Slow movement
 34. Ballet rail
 35. Brown fur
 40. Warner ___
 41. Brand-new
 44. As written
 45. Out of bed
 48. Part of H.M.S.
 50. Noreasters
 52. Federal Hill in Bardstown was his home
 54. Tube
 55. Sierra
 56. Dadaist Max
 58. Harvard rival
 60. Escape
 61. Lyrical Gershwin
 62. Miss after marriage
 63. Ghost's cry
 65. Boot part

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 Hon. Jeffrey S., Lawless

Keytron Abney: fines/fees due (\$648), held in contempt, 13 days in jail or payment in full.

William L. Baker: fines/fees due (\$313), bench warrant (BW) issued for failure to appear (FTA)/7 days in jail or payment in full.

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

Mildred Belt: fines/fees due (\$288), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Nancy K. Boyken: fines/fees due (\$233), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Theresa Louise Bush: fines/fees due (\$233), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Dustin K. Cameron: disorderly conduct, \$200 fine and costs.

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The Kiwanis Club of Mt. Vernon was pleased to welcome Sarah Longest, Co-Director of the Cleft Rock Retreat Center, to their weekly luncheon presentation series, November 29th, at the Renfro Lodge. Presenting Longest with a certificate of appreciation were Kiwanis members, Jeremy Rowe (left) and James Miller.

Sarah Longest speaks at Kiwanis Club meeting

Submitted by Jim Snyder
The Kiwanis Club of Mt. Vernon was pleased to welcome Sarah Longest, Co-Director of the Cleft Rock Retreat Center, to their weekly luncheon presentation series, November 29th, at the Renfro Lodge. Sarah and her husband Patrick, along with their son Bobby, moved to the area to begin leadership of a unique retreat center, designed to serve the needs of missionaries and pastors and their families. "Cleft Rock ministers to those who ministers to others," said Sarah in describing their mission statement. "Patrick and I are from Louisville, and God called us to come serve missionaries and pastors at Cleft Rock last year... A big part of what we like to do is education, my background is as

a teacher, I love teaching people a little bit more about our work and how important it is to care for those in ministries. Sarah compared the goals of Kiwanis and Cleft Rock, in caring for children. "We are serving many, many children that have been on the field with their parents, or they have been part of the ministry in their church... Those kids have a lot of needs. Some of those are the same as your children and grandchildren... but some of those needs are very specific. She described how Cleft Rock offers a place "...Where they [children] can go and they don't have to be 'Oh you're that person's child!'. You are who you are." "One thing that we hear

over and over from our missionaries and pastors is that 'we're just like everybody else...but we're following God's call - but we're put upon this pedestal, and we have all the same needs and all the same challenges that you and I have.' At Cleft Rock, Missionaries and pastors can find a place where they're understood, and they can speak openly and not have fear of what someone might think. They can talk about their burn out; they can just have someone to listen to." Cleft Rock offers all pastors, missionaries, and their immediate families 3-day/2-night stays as a gift, and offers small groups, church staff, and Christian business a place for retreats. The center was started 40 years ago by Bob and Eddie (Edwina) Fields in 1972.



The Grandtazztics "Grandmas for Awareness" recently donated \$300 to The Hope Fund, which assists local cancer patients of the chemotherapy clinic at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Pictured from left, Melissa Brock, Rockcastle Regional Oncology Service Line Manager and Gayle DeBorde, RN, Rockcastle Regional Chemotherapy Clinic, receive the donation from Gayla Winstead, Sue Hamm, Carol Pybas and Bonnie Neeley. The donation was made possible because of a t-shirt fundraiser the grandmas have sponsored in the community. In October, the Grandtazztics donated \$200 to the Hope Fund.



The Rockcastle County Farm Bureau was recognized for outstanding membership and program achievement during the recent 93rd Kentucky Farm Bureau annual meeting in Louisville. Pictured above, Terry Lawson, center, accepts the award from David S. Beck, right, Kentucky Farm Bureau executive vice president, and John Sparrow, vice president, agency support and marketing of Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, during a December 7 recognition and awards program.

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HOMES FOR SALE

Ranch Style, Brick Home in the heart of Crab Orchard. Features include 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA, LR, DR, kitchen, family room and utility area. This home is situated on a nice lot at the end of the lane. Priced at \$139,900. MLS8897798

End of the Road Privacy - 60 Acres +/- with a stream and a pond. Approximately 25 acres in grass and the balance in woods. There's a beautiful 1 1/2 story home with a full basement, 6 bedrooms, and 3 baths. Amenities include: a small barn and a workshop building. MLS8897464

Charming! This nice 3 BR, 1.5 BA home is situated on a nice lot and convenient to Mt. Vernon/Berea. Other amenities include: electric heat, gas fireplace, kitchen appliances, city water and more. Don't wait, make your appt. today, priced to sell at \$48,500. MLS8897094

Lots of Charm! This home was built in 1840 and would be ideal for a Bed 'n' Breakfast or any professional office. It is conveniently located next to the Hospital and KY Depot Restaurant. Original floors and doors and woodwork. Additional income from rental of Beauty shop on premises. \$265,000. MLS8897272

Breath-taking View! This beautiful piece of property is located on the Rockcastle River. There's approx. 2 1/2 acres with a metal garage bldg, that features living quarters consisting of 2 BR, 2 BA, LR and a DR/Kit combo. Amenities include: well water, perimeter fencing and central h/a. City water is available. Ideal for a weekend getaway or a retreat to hunt and fish. This one won't last long...priced at only \$39,900. MLS8897223

Super Nice! The home has been well kept. It consists of 3 BR, 2 BA and is located between Broadhead and Crab Orchard with road frontage along the new Hwy 150. This property has 4+ acres with a 48 x 48 machinery shed, a 32 x 100 shed and an additional 16 x 40 building. Priced at \$135,900. MLS8897346

Country Estate - located on Wabd Jones Road in Mt. Vernon on 3 acres. Features include: 5 BR, 3 1/2 BA, large open Kitchen/Living room/Dining room, 2-car garage, 1-car garage in basement and wrap around porch. For more details, call today! \$205,000. MLS8898067

Lake View property - This 2000 model 24 x 52 vinyl sided Clayton doublewide mobile home features a kitchen, living room, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and a utility room. It is situated on 6/10 of an acre and other amenities include: electric furnace, central air, front deck w/ awning, window treatments, kit. appliances, washer/dryer, furniture, walk-in closets, blacktop driveway, city water and city sewer. \$69,500. MLS8898002

House & 76 Acres - This vinyl sided home features a Kit/Dining room combo, LR, 3 BR, utility room, and bath. Other amenities include: heat pump, central air, city water and septic system. Improvements include: 2 barns, 2 ponds, a shed and a creek. All of this, situated on 76 acres of level to gently rolling land. \$275,000. MLS8897556

Hwy 643 - Ottenheim, Lincoln County - Approx. 1800 sq. ft. on each level. Country Estate, Ranch Brick, 3 BR, FR, Eat-in Kitchen, Formal LR, 3 Baths all on the first floor. Basement with Kitchen, 2 BR, 1 BA, Utility room, storage room. Also, there's a 2-car attached Garage, 2 fireplaces. Plus detached garage/workshop and additional acreage available. Priced at \$149,900. MLS8898300

Nice Home in Town ... This 3 BR, 2 BA, vinyl sided, mobile home has full exterior masonry foundation and is situated on a nice lot measuring 127.5 x 40. The home has a nice eat-in Kitchen and a spacious master suite. Amenities include: city water/sewer, Kitchen appliances stay, nice front porch, KU electric and much more! MLS8898241

Check it out... This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home is priced right at \$110,000. Amenities include: living room, kitchen, heat pump, central air, full unfinished basement, and partially fenced yard. Call for more details. MLS 8896762

Near the Hospital - This home is in a convenient location and features 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, living room, kitchen, utility room, hardwood flooring, a fireplace and garage. This home is situated on a large lot and is priced to sell at \$59,900. MLS8898256

LOTS/LAND

22 Acres +/- in a convenient location. Easy access. This property is approx. 1 mile from the Brodhead city limits and has possible building sites. This would be ideal for hunting and fishing. \$65,900. MLS8897131

Acreage For Sale! This tract of land consists of 44 acres more or less with access of Carl Brown Road. There are 25 acres more or less of cleared land with the balance in woods. City water and electric available. Priced to sell quick...\$105,000. MLS8898346

PRICED DROPPED \$1,000 EACH PER LOT! Several large country lots with a great view - Holbrook Estates in the Brindle Ridge area - Convenient to either Mt. Vernon or Berea - city water - cable TV - from 3/4 acre to 1 acre. M1796

Approximately 1/2 acre lot in the city limits - Located on Poplar Street, Mt. Vernon this unrestricted lot would be ideal for a walkout basement house. City water and sewer available. \$10,900. M2647

Friendly neighborhood is the setting for over 100 restricted lots in the newly developed Rainbow Ridge Subdivision. Ideally located between I-75 and Hwy 461. Lots range in size from 0.33 acres up to 1.68 acres - several offer view of the lake - Blacktopped roads. Prices range from \$7,900 to \$16,900 ea. M1798

Want acreage??? If you are looking for a tract of land to hunt, for recreation, or a very nice secluded place to move your family, then this is the property for you. This 112 acre farm is divided into two tracts and the owner would consider dividing. Buy both tracts together for \$114,900. MLS8896861

5.95 ACRES... with a breathtaking view. Lots of elbow room located in the Highland community. Priced at \$19,900. MLS8896780

This lot contains 0.589 acres by survey and has blacktop road frontage along Copper Creek Road. It's improved with a wood storage bldg, shed, septic system and water. This would make an ideal building site or mobile home lot with no restrictions. There's a 2 bedroom mobile home that needs repairs located on the property. If you're looking for a HARD TO FIND, unrestricted lot, call today! Priced at \$9,500. MLS8897942

This 1 acre m/l has blacktop road frontage along Barnett Road. City water available and within walking distance of Lake Linville. An ideal building site! \$10,000. MLS8897960

Need a Lot? This lot is a restricted lot for a home or mobile home and measures approx. 151x270x314x245. Improvements include: barn with office area. Call for more details. MLS8898243

22.4 Acres More or Less... This property is restricted for residential use only and is close to Mt. Vernon. This property is located just across from the Industrial Park and is priced right. Owners will divide. Call for more details. \$45,000. MLS8898260

Wild & Woolly... Great place to build. Remote property within the Daniel Boone National Forest. Great for investment, hunting or recreation. \$37,900. M2771

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

If you're looking for a commercial lot with city water and city sewer available in the heart of the famous Renfro Valley, then call today! \$28,000. MLS#8897095

This commercial lot located at Renfro Valley has 130 feet of blacktop road frontage along Hwy. 25. City water and city sewer available. \$25,000. MLS#8897246

Commercial property can be used for multi-purposes. Storage bldg., office - shed. Priced at \$79,900. MLS#8897245

DESTINATION: PROFITS! 200+ acres in the heart of Danville. This prime commercial property may be subdivided - located on US 150 Bypass. M1334

Commercial Investment! 1/2 mile from I-75 - Tracts ranging in size from 3/4 acre to 4 acres - Good Visibility - High Traffic County - City water and sewer available. Prices range from \$15,000 to \$250,000. M1772

"A" RATED! Prime and almost perfect is the best way to describe these well-located lots! Located in an exclusive neighborhood, a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity awaits you here! Prices range between \$10,000 - \$14,500. M1941

1.43 Acres of commercial property with 325 feet of road frontage, two blacktop entrances, level lot, city sewer available, one mile north of I-75. \$99,000. M2642

Looking for an Investment Opportunity? This commercial bldg. has 1500 +/- sq. ft. and features an open sales area, an office and a bath. Other amenities include: heat pump, central air, front porch, city water, city sewer. If you're looking for an investment opportunity of commercial property in Renfro Valley, then call today for an appointment to view this property. Priced at \$80,000. MLS8898807

For Sale or Lease! This brick commercial bldg. features approx. 3,200 sq. ft. of office space including reception area, waiting room, kitchen and 2 restrooms on the first floor. There's 4,400 +/- sq. ft. on the second floor which has not been remodeled. Other amenities: heat pump, central air, city water and city sewer. Property is located on Main St., in the heart of McKee. If you're looking for office space in a great location, don't let this one pass you by. \$129,900. MLS8898204

FUTURE AUCTIONS

<p>Absolute Auction of Mr. Tommy Mullins'</p> <p>100 Acre Farm More or Less & Doublewide</p> <p>Saturday, Dec. 15th at 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Lake Linville - Renfro Valley, KY</p> <p>Absolute Auction of Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Reynolds</p> <p>House, Barn & 12 Acres in Tracts</p> <p>Tractors, Equipment & Personal Property</p> <p>Saturday, Dec. 15th at 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>1835 Charles Elgin Rd - Somerset</p>	<p>Absolute Auction of House, 4 Acres and Personal Property</p> <p>Saturday, December 15th at 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>5775 US Hwy 27 South</p> <p>Absolute Estate Auction of Gaye Jewell Lowery</p> <p>House & 65 Acre Farm in Tracts and Personal Property</p> <p>Saturday, December 29th at 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Absolute Online Only Auction of the Rockcastle Co Sheriff's Department's Seized and Surplus Vehicles</p> <p>Online Auction ending Wednesday, December 19th at approx. 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>135 US Hwy 25 South, Mt. Vernon, KY</p> <p>PREVIEW DATES:</p> <p>The items will be available for viewing on Thursday, December 13th from 9 a.m. until 12 noon and Wednesday, December 19th from 12 Noon until 2:00 p.m.</p>
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Matthew Silcox.....308-2339	Michael Crouch.....308-4563

Minds in the Middle

The annual Unite and Student YMCA food continues through Friday. All items will benefit the Mt. Vernon Food and Clothing Mission. All items should be nonperishables, such as peanut butter, pastas, or canned foods. Please check the dates to make sure donated items have not expired.

Several RCMS Student YMCA members attended the Kentucky Youth Assembly on December 6-8th and came away with all kinds of awards. RCMS was so proud! Be sure to catch their story in next week's Signal.

Congratulations to the RCMS Governor's Cup Team for their great performance at the Mammoth Cave Academic Invitational Tournament. The team placed 8th overall and the quick recall team came in 7th. The following students received individual awards:

In Composition Tessa Pickle 2nd place, Erin Thompson 5th place, and Joy Frith 7th place. Joy Frith also placed 7th in Language Arts competition and Mahala King took 6th place in Arts and Humanities.

Congratulations to Mrs. Hopkins 7th grade Adventurers homeroom on winning the attendance race last week.

Mrs. Bishop's 8th grade Comets came in second followed by Mrs. Davis' 6th grade Voyagers.

RCMS yearbooks are for sale. The cost is \$30. Personalization and icons are extra. After December 19th, the price will increase to \$35. Yearbooks purchased after Jan. 24th will not have personalized names or icons available.

Both 7th grade teams will be enjoying a trip to the movies on Thursday. Our 8th graders attended the Career Fair at RCHS on Tuesday. Thanks RCHS for the invitation! The students enjoyed the experience.

A new Box Tops race has begun and will continue through February 22nd.

Next Tuesday will be our last day of school before taking Christmas break. We will be having our Christmas dinner with the students that day.

On Monday morning, we will be having the RCMS Band and Choir Christmas concert beginning at 9:30.

Individual Student Reports from the K-Prep spring assessment are now available. Guardians should see Mrs. Cromer in the office to pick those up.

Mt. Vernon Message

School News
The 4H Speech Contest is scheduled for December 13 at 6:00.
100% Club meets on Thursday, December 13. K, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades will meet at 8:30a.m. K, 1st and 2nd will meet at 12:30p.m.
Our last day of school for this semester is Tuesday,

December 18. Enjoy your time off with friends and family. School will resume on Wednesday, January 2.
FRC News
Wednesday, December 19 is the FRC Parent Pick-up For Christmas Presents at MVES from 9:00a.m. until 4:00p.m.



Second grade students at MVES collected toothbrushes for the Hurricane Sandy storm victims. 174 toothbrushes were collected. The idea for collecting the toothbrushes came from Alexis Brook. Great job students!

Financial Aid Tip of the Month

Pay attention to deadlines for scholarships, admissions

High school seniors should pay attention to application deadlines for college admissions and financial aid. Here are some tips from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA):

- If you have not yet chosen a college, narrow your list by visiting schools, comparing colleges online and talking with your counselor and your parents.
- Talk with teachers about writing recommendations for you. It is also time to complete your admissions essay if you need to write one.
- Check with the financial aid offices of the schools to which you've applied to determine if they require any financial aid forms other than the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Familiarize yourself with the FAFSA. Unless you are starting college before July 1, you cannot file the FAFSA until after the first

of the year. But you should still take a look at the information it requires and make plans to attend a College Goal Sunday session near you. Your counselor should have information about College Goal Sunday.

- Attend any college fairs and financial aid seminars offered at your high school or in your area. If a company charges a fee for helping with applications, remember that you can do that yourself for free. If you decide to pay for help, make sure the company is reputable by checking with the state Attorney General's office or Better Business Bureau in your area, as well as the area where the firm is located.

To find links to other useful education websites, go to www.gotocollege.ky.gov. For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

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Sergeant York Drill Competition

On Saturday, December 1st 2012 the JROTC Drill Team traveled to Sergeant York Institute in Jamestown, Tennessee for a Drill Competition. The Drill Team entered 3 color guard teams, one squad drill, 2 solo exhibitionists (they twirl rifles), an academic team and they all competed in the individual drill knockout. The drill team did exceptional in all events and placed first in Academics which consisted of military history, current events, and basic military knowledge. Addison Atkin also placed 9th in Armed Individual drill knockout. Drill team cadets present were: Addison Atkin, Kamryn Brinegar, Jacob Durham, Josh England, Jacob Houk, Justin Houk, John David Hurley, Shandi Johnson, Shania Lawson, Josh Linville, William Martin, Jessica Mason, Justin Mason, Katlyn McGee, Shawn Osborne, Amber Rice, Dylan Stewart, Victoria Smith, David Wynn, and Derek Wynn.



Dalton Rowe and Jennifer Mercer were two of the big winners in November's "Dash for Cash" at RCMS. Their names were drawn among other students who attended every day from November 1-20.

Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 12-CI-00200

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. Plaintiff

V.

Jennifer Winkler n/k/a Jennifer Adams, et al Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on November 13, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 66/100 (\$113,378.66) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Thursday, December 20, 2012 Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.

136 Oregon Lane, Brodhead, KY 40409
A certain tract of land being all of Lot Nos. 22 and 23 of the Quail Acres Subdivision as shown on plat of record in Plat Book 4, page 188 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Court Clerk.
Including a 2008 Clayton 68 X 64 Manufactured House bearing VIN No. CH0003283KYAB which was converted to real property by the Affidavit of Conversion filed on January 16, 2009, being of record in Misc. Book 45, page 249 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Court Clerk.

Being the same property conveyed to John D. Adams and Jennifer Winkler, both unmarried, by deed dated May 9, 2008 of record in Deed Book 221, Page 655 in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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 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.
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 delinquent state, county and/or city real estate taxes shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from 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".

John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 11-CI-00279

Citifinancial Services, Inc. Plaintiff

V.

Dean A. Hahn, Melissa Hahn, Lien Solutions, LLC and Kentucky Tax Company Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on July 11, 2012 and order to reschedule sale entered on October 17, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of NINETY THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR DOLLARS AND 52/100 (\$93,264.52) 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 Thursday, December 20, 2012 Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

1225 West Level Green Road, Brodhead, KY 40409
A certain tract of land in the community of Willailla, Rockcastle County, Kentucky, more particularly described as follows:
Unless stated otherwise, any monument referred to herein as an "iron pin set" is a set 1/2" diameter rebar eighteen (18") in length, with blue plastic cap stamped G. Holman, P.L.S. 1837. All bearings stated herein are referred to the magnetic meridian as observed August 20, 2008 along the east line of the tract described herein.
Beginning at an iron pin set at the intersection of south R/W of Hereford Ln. and West R/W of West Level Green Rd. (20' from center), a corner of parent tract of Jerry Cox., D.B. 208, Pg. 212: Thence with the existing R/W of Hereford Ln. the following call; thence South 80 degrees, 11 minutes, 31 seconds West, 501.52 feet, to an iron pin set; thence leaving Hereford Ln. and severing the property of Jerry Cox D.B. 208 Pg. 212 the following calls; thence South 25 degrees 45 minutes 35 seconds East, 336.15 feet; to an iron pin set; thence South 22 degrees, 15 minutes 41 seconds East, 296.51 feet to an iron pin set; thence North 67 degrees 27 minutes 59 seconds West, 482.77 feet to an iron pin set in the West R/W of West Level Green Rd.; thence with the west R/W of West Level Green Rd. the following call: thence North 23 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 521.76 feet to the point of beginning. Contains 6.348 acres more or less.
This tract is subject to all easements, right of way, covenants and restrictions of record and in existence.
This description prepared from a physical survey conducted by Gary W. Holman, KY PLS 1837 on August 20, 2008.

Being the same property conveyed to Dean A. Hahn and Melissa Hahn by deed executed by Jerry J. Cox, et ux. and recorded in Deed Book 223, Page 701, Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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. The full satisfaction of any liens for delinquent ad valorem taxes assessed against the real property 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 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from 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".

John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

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2 bedroom house. \$300 month/\$300 deposit. Lower River Road. 859-358-9670. 1x1p

2BR/1BA mobile home in Mt. Vernon. \$375 month/\$300 deposit. 606-308-4923 or 606-256-0671 leave message. 52x2p

3 BR House for rent. 35 Davis St., Mt. Vernon. \$450 month/\$250 deposit. HUD approved. 859-868-1079. 52x2p

Nice mobile home for rent in Mt. Vernon. Two bed-

rooms, 1 bathroom. For more information, call 606-758-4985. 52xntf

Duplex in Brodhead. Call Amy Nicely at 256-8700. 52xntf

Trailer For Rent in Mt. Vernon. Call 606-256-9183. 51x2p

2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex, all appliances plus washer and dryer. Located on 75 High St. at Mt. Vernon (behind medical arts bldg.). \$475 month/\$475 deposit. Serious inquiries only. 308-2927, 308-3073 or 308-1160. 51x3

Mobile Home, Hwy. 1505, Brodhead. 3 bedroom/2 bath, central heat and air, 14x70 storage building. No pets. References required. \$400 month/\$400 deposit. Cecil King. 606-758-9683 or 606-510-3719. 51xntf

2 Bedroom House, Chestnut Grove Road, Brodhead, behind nursing home. Car-

port, storage, electric heat. \$350 month/\$350 deposit. No pets. References required. Cecil King. 606-758-9683 or 606-510-3719. 51xntf

2 bedroom trailer in Brodhead. No pets. 758-4729. 34xntf

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

For Rent: 2 bedroom house, 60 School St., Brodhead, across from school. \$400 rent and \$400 deposit. Background check. No pets. Cecil King 606-758-9683 or 606-510-3719. 1xntf

Property For Sale

For Sale or Rent: 2BR/1BA remodeled trailer, at 370 Terry St., Mt. Vernon. Call for details. 606-256-8603, if no answer, 606-308-5459. 1xntf

2008 Doublewide with 3BR/2BA, 3 acres of cleared land and small barn. For more information, call Mary Renfro 859-314-7310. 50x4p

Lots in 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. 50x1

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. 50x1

80 Union Chapel Road. 1600 sq. ft. 3BR/2BA brick ranch, located on one acre. Completely remodeled. Minutes from I-75. Call 765-969-0613 for details. 23xntf

1.9 acre wooded lot on Freedom School Road. Septic tank and city water already there. 3/4 mile from 150. 606-308-2290. 37xntf

Posted

Absolutely no trespassing on my property on Turner Mount Road (Between Livingston and Mt. Vernon). No hunting, no killing deer on my property. Violators will be prosecuted. 52x2p

No trespassing, no hunting and n ATVs on the property of Thomas and Elaine Spencer, located at 2043 Cove Branch Road. Not responsible for any accidents. Violators will be prosecuted. 1x4p

Posted: No trespassing, hunting, fishing or ATVs on property of Rick and Louise Spall on Chestnut Ridge Road in Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted. 46x12p

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Carol Blackburn, 1435 Marler Hollow. Violators will be prosecuted. 37x26p

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on land belonging to William and Donna Asher, located in

Sand Springs Area on School House road. Violators will be prosecuted. 37x29p

Posted: No trespassing on land belonging to James and Dorothy Rash heirs on Rash Branch Road off Chestnut Ridge. No hunting, camping, ATVs, trespassing for any purpose. Not responsible for accidents. Violators will be prosecuted. (1/3/134)

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 trespassing, hunting or fishing on land belonging to Rachel Denney on Hwy. 3245 (former Reggie Bengé property).

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer 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

Mobile Homes For Sale

3BR/2BA 1568 sq. ft. home, delivered and set \$44,900! Only \$28 a S1 ft! Only 2 left! Only at Clayton Homes of Somerset! We finance. 606-678-8134. 52x3

If you have a deed to land, clear title for trade in or as little as \$2000 cash, we have a home for you! We finance. Call today 606-678-8134. 52x3

New 3BR/2BA vinyl siding and shingled roof. Delivered and set for \$25,900. Limited time only! We finance. Call today 606-678-8134. 52x3

Repos, single and doubles - some withland. Owner financing available. Perfect credit not required. Will also do land in lieu of down payment. Call Jim at 859-985-0344 or 859-623-3089. D&D Mobile Homes at Clays Ferry Exit 97 on I075 north of Richmond. Open 7 days. visit us on the web at www.usedmobilehomesRus.com 27xntf

Notices

Caregiver: I would like a male to care for and stay with. I am honest, Christian, experienced, dependable. I have my own transportation. Call 606-308-2963. References available. 52x2p

In-Home caregiver available for elderly or disabled in Brodhead or Mt. Vernon areas. Knowledgeable in multiple conditions. References available. Call 606-392-1732. 1x2p

Notice is hereby given that Debra Woodall, 2002 Lucille Drive, Richmond, Ky. 400475 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Marion Monroe Woodall on the 28th day of November, 2012. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Debra Woodall or to Hon. Joseph P. Lambert, P.O. Box 989, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 29, 2013 at 11 a.m. 52x3

Bids Now Being Accepting

The Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department is currently accepting bids for Urban Search & Rescue and Trench Rescue equipment. A complete list of items to be bid can be obtained by calling the Brodhead City Hall at 606-758-8635 during regular business hours Mon. thru Fri. Bids MUST be in a sealed envelope and submitted to the Brodhead City Hall by 4:00 PM on Friday December 21st, 2012. Bids will be opened at that time. Bids and envelopes MUST be marked Brodhead USAR Grant and submitted by one of the following four methods.

Mail: Brodhead City Hall
PO Box 556
Brodhead, KY 40409

Courier: Brodhead City Hall
7 West Main St.
Brodhead, KY 40409

Fax: Brodhead City Hall Fax
606-758-8635

Hand Delivered: Brodhead City Hall
7 West Main St.
Brodhead, KY 40409

The City of Brodhead and the Brodhead Fire Dept. reserves the right to refuse any or all bids.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 11-CI-00245

U.S. Bank, National Association, as successor trustee to Bank of America, N.A., as successor to Lasalle Bank, N.A., as trustee for The Merrill Lynch First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-5 Plaintiff

V.

Kelly Hughes and Doug Hughes Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on August 10, 2012 and order to reschedule entered on October 11, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SIXTY THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO DOLLARS AND 36/100 (\$63,682.36) 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 Thursday, December 20, 2012
Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

92 Acorn Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Beginning at a stake on the west side of the county road in Little Hurricane and running with Arlis Dodson line south 49 1/2 west 12 poles and 11 links to a stake; thence leaving Dodson's line and running north 19 1/2 west 13 poles and 3 links to a stake; thence north 39 east 4 poles and 8 links to the point of beginning, containing one acre, more or less as surveyed by Douglas Durham.

Being the same property conveyed to Doug Hughes and wife Kelly Hughes, by deed dated September 24, 2002, executed by David Collins, single, of record in Deed Book 193, Page 366 in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & 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.
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**John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**



House For Sale By Owner

This beautifully landscaped 3 bedroom, 2 bath home is situated on a little over an acre corner lot. The home has a wooden privacy fenced in backyard with an outbuilding and wooden children's play set. Home also features a living room, kitchen (with high end appliances), dining room, and a large utility room. Motivated seller - \$89,900.00

For more information call 859-626-2177



FOR SALE: Newly remodeled home in Mt. Vernon. The home features 3 Bd, 1.5 baths, formal dining room, living room, den, and a beautiful kitchen with wall to wall cabinets and built in appliances. The home has a large front porch with a great view, an outbuilding that could be used for storage or a workshop, and is located within walking distance of church, hospital, schools, and grocery stores. Asking \$84,900.00. If interested call 256-9914 or 308-4990



House With 3.5 Acres M/L For Sale

Bedford Stone Ranch with unfinished basement located in the city limits of Mt. Vernon @ the corner of Hwy 1326 and Hwy 461. The house is a great older home with 2,835 sq ft. Home features 5 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 living rooms, 2 kitchens, dining room and a family room with hardwood/carpet/vinyl floors. Utilities are KU electric and city water/sewer. Home has a fireplace with wood burner insert and also a Trane heat pump. Nice detached 27x57 garage suitable for a multitude of uses! Driveway is blacktop paved. Property is in an excellent location for a home in town or a business, located near schools, grocery, banks and I-75.

For an appointment to view the house, please call (606) 256-9395, (606) 308-2189 or (606) 308-3256



House For Sale • 190 West Main St. Mt. Vernon

Brick, 3 levels, full finished basement consisting of lg. family room with fireplace, large laundry room, storm shelter. Main level has newly redone kitchen and sun room, formal dining room with window seat, living room, bedroom, bath. Upstairs has 2 bedrooms, bath, large walk-in attic. Lots of closets and storage in the house. Also has 20' x 40' inground pool (recently redone) with separate pool house, bath and shower, art buildings. Beautiful landscaping and sitting areas. Separate apartment bldg. with living/dining room, kitchen, washer/dryer hookup, bedroom, large bathroom, handicap accessible. All convenient to town and grocery.

For more information call 606-308-9002



For Sale: 2006 Buick Lucerne CXL, one owner, 27,000 miles, 3800 V6, dark red, light gray interior, leather seats, all power, never had a scratch. \$14,900.00
Phone 256-2626 or 256-4300 after 5 p.m.

Help Wanted

Full-Time intake receptionist needed at the Cumberland River Comprehensive Care Center, located in Mt. Vernon. Must have diploma/GED, strong computer skills, excellent communication skills-both written and verbal, clear drug screen and criminal record. We are an EOE. Please send resume to hrs@crccc.net 1x1

Jackson Propane Plus is looking for a driver to work in Rockcastle & Laurel County. Must have a Class B CDL and either have, or be willing to obtain a HazMat and Tanker Endorsement. Must be able to pass a drug test upon employment, will be required to take periodic drug tests as well. Must have a clean driving record. Background check will be required. Propane experience is a plus but not required. We will train the right person. You may call toll free 1-877-878-0690 for more information. 52x2

Wanted

Wanted To Buy: Standing timber of any kind. Cherry, white oak, walnut are our specialty or will buy land and timber together. 931-644-2832. 51x8p

Wanted To Buy: Your antiques and collectibles. Antique glassware, furniture, quilts, all types of military items, clocks, watches (working or not), pocket watches and wrist watch parts, pocket knives, coins and paper money. All types of gold, silver scrap, cast iron banks, toys, lighters, crock jugs, cast iron skillets, marbles, pocket knives, fishing items, Indian Arrowheads, and much, much more. Also buying partial estates. Over 25 years experience. Call Clarence Reece at 606-531-0467. 47xntf

Motor Vehicles For Sale

1997 Ford Ranger, 6 cyl., 4WD. \$1800. 256-8070.

For Sale: 1994 Pontiac Bonneville, runs good, asking \$1,600. 758-8557. 1x1p

For Sale: 65 h.p. 24 ft. Pontoon, all aluminum, \$2,200; 1997 Terry 5th wheel camper w/super slide. Many new accessories. Everything works. \$6,500; 1999 Triton, 200 hp, fully loaded bass boat, \$8,900 obo; '86 Dodge Deluxe SE, ps/pb, air, 70,000 original miles, \$3,500; 801 Work Master, \$3,000; 1950 Chevy Deluxe Street Rod, many new parts, new motor, interior, etc., \$7,500; Three - 14, 16 and 18 h.p. Power Team tractors, direct drive w/3 pt. hydraulic lift with all types of equipment, \$3,000 for all. Two electric wheel chairs, \$400 each. Two boats, \$700 for both. Several pull trailers, \$500. 256-4739 or 308-4739. 44x2p

Professional Services

Jonathan Collins Remodeling and Repair Service. Home improvements of any kind from doors and windows, painting, new floors to roofs and decks - will do it all. Any home, any problem, we're the one to call. 606-308-3533. 1x4p

Owens Monument: Located behind Owens Funeral Home in Brodhead. Open Mon-Fri. 8 to 5 and Sat. 9 a.m. to noon. 606-758-9600. 14xntf

Notice: Will haul off or buy scrap metal, junk cars or trucks. Metal hauled for free. 231-6788. 14xntf

Grave Markers & Monuments: In stock at all times. McNew Monument Sales, US 25, 4 miles north of Mt. Vernon. Phone 256-2232.

U Call We Haul! Moving? Need Help? Cars, furniture, construction cleanup -- anything that fits on a truck, large or small! *No Garbage!!* Light backhoe and landscaping. 256-9222 or 606-308-1629.

P&P Guttering: 5 & 6 inch seamless gutters, siding, soffit and window installation. Call 256-4393. Free estimates.

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57 West Main St. • Brodhead
For appt. call 606-758-0064

Pet Supplies

All New Happy Jack Kennel Dip II: Kills fleas, ticks and mange mites without steroids. Do not use on cat!!! Dyehouse Farm Supply 355-2301. www.happyjackinc.com 45x4p

Miscellaneous For Sale

Wheel Chair Shop: Power Chair - Scooter - Lift Chair - Van Lift and Star Lift repair. 606-256-9376/859-358-1794. Hospital Bed \$250. Non-Working lift chairs wanted. 1x1p

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 902-0052 Amendment 1

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Jamieson Construction Company, 30 Jamieson Lane, London, KY. 40744 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located in the Line Creek area of Billows in Pulaski and Rockcastle Counties. The amendment will add 16.67 acres of surface disturbance making a total of 67.58 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.27 miles Northeast from KY 80's junction with KY 1956 and located 0.7 miles south of the community of Billows and located 0.9 miles northwest of the confluence of Line Creek and the Rockcastle River. The public road entrance to the proposed amendment area is located at latitude is 37°09'59" and longitude is 84°18'12".

The proposed amendment area is located on the Billows U.S.G.S. 7 1/2-minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the area/contour method for surface mining. The surface areas to be affected are owned by Larry Jamieson. The proposed operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road Kentucky Highway 1956. The operation will not involve the relocation or closure of Highway 1956.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's London Regional Office, 85 State Police Road, London, Kentucky 40741. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 12-CI-00131

Bank of America, N.A. Plaintiff
v.
Sandra Brown Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on August 15, 2012 and order to reschedule the sale entered on November 13, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 02/100 (\$119,867.02) 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 Thursday, December 20, 2012 Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

387 West Level Green Road, Brodhead, KY 40409
Beginning on an iron pin in the West right of way of Owens School road and corner to Berthina VanHook; thence going with the lines of Berthina VanHook N 67 degrees 11'06"W, 339.94 feet to a maple; N 27 degrees 57'10" E, 345.04 feet to a sycamore corner to Berthina VanHook and in the West right of way of Owens School Road; thence going with said right of way S 28 degrees 16'53" E, 185.21 feet; S 26 degrees 26'35" E, 70.16 feet; S 15 degrees 53'07" E, 67.74 feet; S 10 degrees 16'17" e, 75.29 feet; S 00 degrees 31'13" E, 71.44 feet to point of beginning and containing 1.580 acres by survey of C. Douglas Mullins, Registered Land Surveyor No. 2773.

Being the same property conveyed to Sandra Brown, single, by deed dated July 2, 2009, executed by Lonnie Brown, single, of record in Deed Book 226, Page 492 in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & 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 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.
- Unpaid delinquent state, county and/or city real estate taxes shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
- Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the 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 lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

John D. Ford Master Commissioner Rockcastle Circuit Court

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Citizens Bank Plaintiff
v.
Robert Didelot, et al Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on September 7, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FORTY ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE DOLLARS AND 31/100 (\$41,773.31) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, December 14, 2012 Beginning at the Hour of 1:30 p.m.

Beginning at a point 105 feet south of Freedom School Road on the East side of Wesley Drive, a corner with Eugene Durham; thence South with Wesley Drive, 150 feet to an iron pin at a corner with Charlie Brock; thence East 150 feet to an iron pin; thence North 150 feet to an iron pin; thence West 150 West feet to point of beginning, and containing one-half acre more or less.

The Defendant, Thomas Wagner, obtained said real property by deed dated September 6, 2003, executed by Reda French, single and Sandra Wagner, single of record in Deed Book 196, Page 333 in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

1996 Indie Double Wide Mobile Home (VIN # AL28701960195AB).

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

- The real property and mobile home 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 down in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond with interest thereon at the rate of (10%) per annum, to be secured with a sale bond with sufficient surety approved by the Master Commissioner, bearing interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum.
- Unpaid taxes or liens of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale (subject to the priority set out elsewhere in this judgment).
- The buyer(s) shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
- The buyer(s) 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 and the property will be conveyed to the plaintiff in due season upon payment of the expense of sale.
- 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".

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Exploring the moon model is Parker Stacy, Cameron Ferch, and Emerick Goff at the Lexington Explorium. Ella Bussell, Lexi Dotson, and Josh Smith are discovering the properties of water.

Tiger Pause

Brodhead Elementary intermediate students are currently engaged in an economic integration with the E-Discovery program. This program provides elementary students with the information and resources to start their own businesses. With the development of student businesses students generate entrepreneur principles, and instill economic understandings. The businesses created by the intermediate students will offer a sell of products Friday, December 14th, during the Winter Wonderland Workshop. Brodhead invites

parents and community members to join us in the E-Discovery sell from 9:30 till 1:40. Students will participate during their special class time. (9:30-10:55 - 3rd, 4th, 5th) - (11:00-11:40 - 2nd) - (2:10-12:50 - 1st) (1:05-1:45 - Kindergarten). Notice 4th grade will join the 3rd and 5th grade during their specials time.

The Kindergarten, First Grade, and Second Grade students at Brodhead Elementary visited the Lexington Explorium on November 30th. The students that participated in this trip

would like to give a special thank you to The Kentucky Arts Council. The state arts agency supported our trip to the Explorium by providing funding for our transportation to and from the museum. The Kentucky Arts Council supports these types of activities through state tax dollars and federal funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.

During our trip, the children were able to develop a concrete understanding of the things we study come to life with hands on experiences. The children created bubbles of different sizes and shapes, stood on a model of the moon, dug for dinosaur bones, and observed various insects. They also had the opportunity to explore many exhibits directly related to the arts, including maneuvering different shapes to create a model of a rocket, creating music and exploring pitch, observing homes around the world, creating a puppet show (drama), and exploring life size models of dinosaurs, teeth, and horses. This proved to be a very rewarding experience for all of the students that participated.

SCC announces testing dates for GED in Rockcastle

Somerset Community College has released the January through June 2013 test dates available for those wishing to take the GED Exam.

In order to take the GED exam, you must be registered with an Adult Education Provider and pass the GED Practice Test. There is an Adult Education Center in each of the counties that the Somerset Community College Test Center serves.

The GED exam may be taken in Pulaski County at the Somerset Community College Test Center located on the SCC Somerset Campus or at the following additional sites: Casey County, Clinton County, Garrard County, Lincoln County, McCreary County, Rockcastle County and Wayne County.

Everyone interested in taking the exam must be pre-registered. An Adult Education Provider can assist with the registration process. For more information and contact phone numbers visit <http://www.kyvae.org/countycontacts.aspx>.

Sessions for Rockcastle County will be held in the Rockcastle County Courthouse on the third floor. Dates are: February 6-7 and April 17-18.

GED Testing Schedule
Day One Session:
 9 a.m. - Math
 11 a.m. - L. A. Writing
Day Two Session:
 9 a.m. - Science, Social Studies and L.A. Reading
All Day Session:
 8 a.m. - Math
 10 a.m. - L.A. Writing
 12:30 p.m. - Science and Social Studies

Test takers must register and submit payment one week in advance of test date. Must be at least 10 test tak-



Lauren Sanders, granddaughter of Charles and Jean Sanders of West Chester, OH, celebrated her 5th birthday Wednesday, Dec. 5th with a party at Jumping Jacks. Helping her celebrate were her parents, Bob and Angela, her brother Conner, Aunt Christie, grandparents and 18 little friends and their parents.



The RCMS Student YMCA recently held Hat Day. Students paid \$1 to wear a hat and all proceeds helped the club to make "Love in a Box" shoeboxes to be given to children in our community. The group bought gifts to make over 30 boxes. Pictured are Student YMCA officers: Caroline Coguer, Courtlyn Vanhook, Makenzie King, Abby Bray, Mikaela Sadler, Cassie Poynter, Caleb Ballinger, Carlee Cash, Jackson Cromer and Tiffany Fain.

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Anchor Packaging officially open

A large crowd attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony that officially opened the Anchor Packaging Plant in the Rockcastle Industrial Park on Monday. Shown at right, Governor Beshear and owner Bob Hermann cut the ribbon at the ceremony. Beshear announced that the state has given preliminary approval to a tax incentive package to Anchor Packaging of up to \$4 million for locating in the 165,000 square-foot facility. The ceremony was also attended by Anchor Packaging President Jeff Wolff, CFO Steven Riek and Plant Manager Alan Grainger. State and local officials were also invited to the event. After the ceremony, Grainger offered tours of the facility. Anchor is expected to employ about 150 people when at full capacity.



Including Durham and Bullock

23 indicted by Grand Jury last Friday

23 indictments were returned by a Rockcastle County Grand Jury last Friday -- almost half were for drug-related charges.

Included in the indictments were Stacy D. Durham, 48, of Paint Lick and Tracey S. Bullock, 43, of Brodhead.

The indictments stem from an arrest on August 30th of Durham who was charged with manufacturing methamphetamine, second offense and Bullock, who was charged with the offense of complicity to manufacture methamphetamine, first offense.

Durham's case was originally dismissed because he was not indicted by a grand jury within 60 days of his arrest. The case was dismissed because the evidence, taken from the scene of the meth lab, had not been evaluated and returned to the commonwealth attorney's office within the 60 day time period, prescribed by law, from the Kentucky State Police crime lab. That evaluation has now evidently been received by the prosecutor's office and the charges were refiled.

Durham's and Bullock's bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Also indicted were: Yul McCollum, 53, of Old State Road, Mt. Vernon for two counts of Wanton Endangerment, first degree and one count of Terroristic Threatening, third degree. The incident,

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Two arrested for manufacturing meth

By: Doug Ponder

Two people were arrested last Tuesday night for manufacturing methamphetamine after police made a traffic stop on West Main Street in Mt. Vernon.

Arrested at the scene were Wendell Nick Renner, 29 and Christopher Lee Barron, 23, both of Orlando.

According to Mt. Vernon Police reports, Sergeant Brian Carter made the stop after observing Renner fail to use his turn signal while turning onto West Main Street.

During questioning, Renner told Carter that he had an illegal substance inside his vehicle. After searching the vehicle, Carter found an Altoids box containing three small bags of suspected methamphetamine and one hydrocodone tablet.

Assistant Chief Barry Adams found a box of pseudoephedrine tablets under the passenger seat where Barron was sitting. Barron told Adams that the pseudoephedrine tablets belonged to him.

Adams also found another box of pseudoephedrine tablets hidden inside an opening in the dashboard of the vehicle. Renner told Adams the tablets were his but that he

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Gadd and Lopez arrested for drug possession

By: Doug Ponder

Two people were arrested for drug possession after the Kentucky State Police raided a home on North Wilderness Road in Conway.

Arrested at the scene were Timothy W Gadd, 38 and Joshua David Lopez, 31, both of Mt. Vernon.

According to state police reports, State Trooper Scottie Pennington obtained a search warrant for Gadd's residence. Once Pennington arrived at the residence, Gadd and Lopez

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Former superintendent named state manager for Breathitt County Schools

By: Doug Ponder

The Kentucky Department of Education recently

named a former Rockcastle County school superintendent to serve as the state manager for the Breathitt County School District.

According to Kentucky Education Commissioner Terry Holiday, former superintendent Larry Hammond will take over Breathitt County Public Schools and begin his duties as state manager immediately.

"Larry Hammond has a solid reputation as a superintendent," Holiday said. "His experience in the areas of finance, management and curriculum will help lead Breathitt County schools to

improvement."

Kentucky Department of Education recently decided to take over the Breathitt County School District after their former superintendent Arch Turner was sentenced to two years in prison for his involvement in a federal vote-buying scheme during the 2010 primary election.

The 2012 audit of the school district also exposed numerous violations and operating problems, including \$35,744 spent out of the high school boys basketball fund on hotel rooms and basketball tickets for the former superintendent, certain school board members and other school employees for expenses associated with the Boy's Sweet Sixteen basketball tournament.

The audit stated that money from high school activity funds should be used to benefit students.

As a result of the Breathitt County School District's actions, they have been placed under state management due to a lack of effectiveness and efficiency within the district's management. Kentucky law states that the district will be designated as "state managed" until the Kentucky Board of Education determines that the pattern of ineffectiveness and inefficiencies has ended. However, state management may not continue for more than three years unless a follow-up management audit indicates a need.

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Mt. Vernon man arrested for stealing auto parts

By: Doug Ponder

A Mt. Vernon man was recently arrested for burglary after allegedly stealing numerous vehicle parts from a Mt. Vernon auto parts store.

Arrested at the scene was

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Florida woman arrested here for grand theft auto

By: Doug Ponder

A Florida woman was recently arrested in Mt. Vernon after reportedly stealing a vehicle so she could drive it to Michigan to visit her husband.

Arrested at the scene was Patricia Ruth Cutcher, 58, of Jacksonville.

According to the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department, Sheriff Mike Peters responded to the scene after receiving a call of a stranded motorist on I-75 in Mt. Vernon.

Once Peters arrived at the scene, he checked the vehicle's license plate and discovered that the vehicle had been reported stolen.

Once Peters approached the vehicle, Cutcher told him that she had permission from the owner to use the vehicle. Cutcher also told Peters that she had found the keys to the vehicle on the ground and she had left a handwritten note for the owner, informing them that she would be using the vehicle for her trip.

Cutcher told Peters that she took the vehicle so she could drive to Michigan to visit her husband who was in the hospital and in serious condition.

Peters contacted the vehicle's owner and they told him Cutcher was not given permission to use the vehicle. While on the phone with the vehicle's owner, Cutcher had Peters to ask the owner if she could finish her trip to Michigan and the owner refused.

Cutcher was charged with receiving stolen property over \$10,000. She was lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center and later released on a \$5,000 10% bond.



Livingston Fire Department and Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue responded to a single car accident last Thursday morning on Hwy 25 near White Star Auto Parts in Livingston. Authorities say Vonnie Mink, 66, of Livingston was traveling north on Hwy 25 when she lost control of her vehicle and ran off the road, flipping multiple times. Mink was flown from the scene to the UK Medical Center where she was treated for non-life threatening injuries and later released.

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Obituaries

Doug Mullins

Charles Douglas Mullins, 57, died peacefully on December 11, 2012, after bearing over two years of serious illnesses with exceptional grace. Born on May 16, 1955, to Norma Jean "Jeanie" and Charles Alfred Mullins in Valparaiso, IN, he was known best for his easy-going demeanor and never-failing friendship.

He married and shared 28 wonderful years with his loving wife Janice Carol Jones Mullins. Theirs is a marriage bound by faith in God, infused with friendship, unwavering commitment and a fierce loyalty. They moved through life as one, providing a remarkable example of unselfish love to everyone around them. Together they raised two devoted children, Dr. Sarah Catherine (Chase) Oliver and Christopher Douglas Mullins. He loved his family completely and unconditionally, had a remarkable appreciation of nature, and an abiding faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ. He was the best of friends to many. He had a knack for making friends for life in an instant because he only saw the best in everybody.

In addition to his wife and children, he is survived by: a brother, Gregory Crawford (Milly) Mullins; a sister, Leslie Jean (Michael) Camic; a brother-in-law, Michael Dean (Beth) Jones; a sister-in-law, Vicki Whiteley; his mother and father-in-law, Rosemary and Dean Jones; nine nieces and nephews, Jessica L. (Danny) Clay, Chelsea E. Whiteley, Michael L. Gregory, Matthew M. Mullins, Griffin D. Mullins, Nicholas M. Camic, Caitlin L. Camic, Lucas M. Jones,

and Lindsey E. Jones; and a great nephew, Carson D. Clay. He is also survived by five aunts and uncles, a host of cousins, and countless close relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Jeanie and Charles Mullins; his maternal grandparents, Geneva and Jack Conn Crawford Sr.; and his paternal grandmother, Edna Mullins Bird.

Funeral services were held Friday, December 14, 2012 in Ottawa Baptist Church. Interment was in the Ottawa Cemetery. Casketbearers were: Joseph B. Clontz, Timothy J. Young, Matthew M. Mullins, Nicholas M. Camic, Griffin B. Mullins, Lucas M. Jones, Michael L. Gregory, Gordon Pope and Joe E. Hansel.

At Doug's request, in lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Ottawa Baptist Church at 1074 Ottawa Rd., Brodhead, KY. 40409 or Ottawa Baptist Cemetery Fund, % C. Paul Cash, 1693 Willailla Rd. Brodhead, Ky. 40409

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Walter E. Barker

Walter E. Barker, 84, died peacefully December 16, 2012. He is the beloved husband of the late Grace Dorine (nee Purtlebaugh), devoted father of Joanna (Todd) McNally, Mark (Julia) Barker and Christine Barker, loving grandpa of Kelsey, Ryan, Megan, Candace, Luke and Lauren.

Services were held Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at West Mason Church of Christ, 6800 Tylersville Road, Mason, OH 45040.

Memorials may be sent to Hospice of Cincinnati, P.O. Box 633597, Cincinnati, OH 45263.



Elza McClure

Elza McClure, 85, of Indianapolis, died Friday, December 14, 2012 in his home. He was born in Rockcastle County, April 16, 1927. He was the son of Milton and Bertha McClure. He was a World War II Veteran. He was retired from Central State Bridge Construction Company in Indianapolis. He enjoyed spending his time fishing.

He is survived by: his wife of 63 years, Rebecca Mink McClure of Indianapolis; brothers, Alvin McClure of Mt. Vernon, and Ovie McClure of Spencer, IN; grandchildren, Billy Fox and Christy (Matt) O'Riley of Indianapolis; great grandchildren, Cody, Kyle, Tyler and Sam O'Riley of Indianapolis. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: Juanita (McClure) Fox and Melvin McClure; brothers William and Emmett; and sisters Rosie and Ida Mae.

Private funeral services in Indianapolis. Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery in Lebanon, IN.

Signal office will be closed December 21st - December 30th & January 1st for the holidays



Thelma Renner

Thelma Elizabeth Renner, 97, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at the Rockcastle Hospital after a long illness. She was born October 14, 1915 in Rockcastle County the daughter of the late George and Myrtle Nangle Cottengim. She was a housewife, enjoyed cooking, crocheting, embroidery, and was a member of the Pine Hill Holiness Church.

Survivors are: one son, James Renner of Forest Park, OH; three daughters, Naomi Gibson of Lockland, OH, Lela Sturgill of Sheperdsville, and Della Hedge of Mt. Vernon; 16 grandchildren; many great grandchildren; and two special friends, Irene Collins, and Edith Marshall.

Besides her parents she is preceded in death by: her husband, Raymond Renner; one son, Kenneth Renner; four daughters, Irene Burdine, Evelyn Reynolds, Mildred Renner, and Georgie Renner; three grandsons; one great grandson; and two son-in-laws.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 15, 2012 at Pine Hill Holiness Church with Bro. Allen Hensley and Bro. Bobby Owens officiating. Burial was in Pine Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were her great grandsons.

Arrangements by Cox Funeral Home.

Send condolences online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com.



Christine Taylor

Christine Taylor, 90, died December 14, 2012 at Laurel Heights Nursing Home in London.

She was preceded in death by: her loving husband of 28 years, Henry C. Taylor, a former employee of Kentucky Utilities; two grandchildren, Robert Clayton Taylor and his brother, Gregory Lee Taylor, sons of Bobby Taylor and Janice Mays Gilbert; her parents, Bert and Debbie Hyde Steele; and two sisters, Rachel Reid and Margaret Brock, with whom she was extremely close.

She was employed by the Laurel County Board of Education for more than 25 years. Of greater significance to her employment with the school system, she was a devoted wife and mother whose first priority was to build confidence, strength of character, a strong work ethic and high moral standards in each of her children. She taught them that family always comes first. She was an avid sports fan who truly loved watching her children and grandchildren perform athletically, in the arts, academically, and at church functions. She was proud of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, for the unique person that each developed into. She was raised during the Great Depression, during which time she learned to value the importance of hard work. After graduating high school,

she left her parent's home for Baltimore, Maryland. Having never before left Kentucky, this was quite an adventure. She went to Maryland to support her country during World War II, obtaining employment in a factory which produced weaponry for the war effort. In later life, she enjoyed going to estate auctions, yard sales, and flea markets seeking antique treasures.

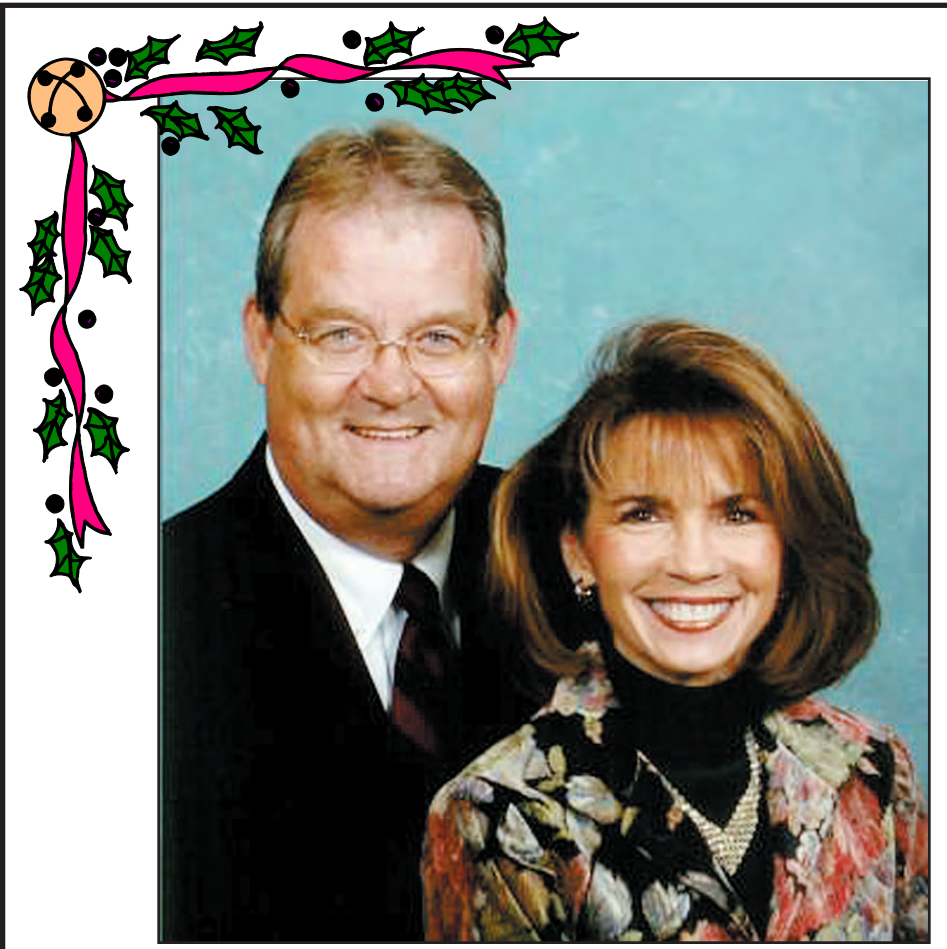
She is survived by eight children, Bobby Taylor, Larry (Joan) Taylor, Christie (Cliff) Williams, and Janice (Johnny) Hoskins, all of London, Bill (Barbara) Taylor of Danville, Kathy (Bill) Sears of Corbin, Joyce (Joe) Cummins of Mt. Vernon and Joey Taylor of East Bernstadt. She is further survived by: her adopted sister, Wanda (Larry) Herron of London; an adopted brother, Wayne Steele of Winchester; two brothers, Jimmy Steele of Winchester and Lewis Steele of Oakley, California; a sister-in-law, Dorothy Taylor Hensley of Corbin; a brother-in-law, Richard Austin of Cincinnati, OH; 15 grandchildren; one step-grandchild; 31 great grandchildren and two step-great grandchildren.

She was a member of Corinth Baptist Church for the past 66 years where she witnessed all eight of her children make the most important decision of their lives. Her death will leave a void in each of her family member's lives. Her legacy of self-sacrifice will be forever remembered.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 16, 2012 at the London Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Greg Deaton officiating. Burial was at A.R. Dyche Memorial Park.

Pallbearers were her grandsons, Jeff Taylor, Todd Taylor, Rob Wesley, Mark Taylor, Chris Sears, John Hoskins and Jason Taylor.

Honorary pallbearers were her great grandchildren.



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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin
 Once again, the Christmas season is upon us and I feel impelled to thank our many readers and advertisers for your support during the past year.

This is the 46th Christmas I have done this, give or take a few, and it never grows old because we really do appreciate you all and realize without you many mouths would have gone not as near well fed over the years.

I have always loved Christmas but, as I grow older, I find myself not being as involved in the hustle and bustle and, honestly, there is a sadness now associated with the holidays, with the loss of family members, that cast a pall over the activities.

This year is especially hard because of the Sandy Hook Elementary School tragedy. I do not know how the families who lost little children and adult loved ones will cope through the

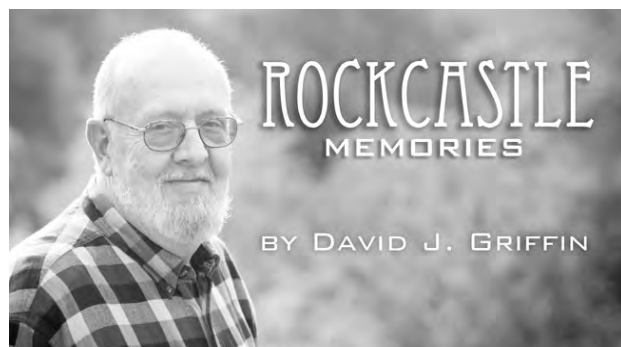
holidays. I had to quit watching the coverage on Saturday because it was severely impacting my mental well-being and that is insignificant to what these families are going through.

I do have lovely memories of Christmases past with my children when they were small. Their looks of wonder when Jim and I managed to get them a gift they actually wanted. Their excitement waiting for Santa. The long Christmas Eves when Jim would work long and hard into the night to assemble toys and I would stay up with him to kibitz -- looking back, I actually think that went unappreciated.

It's wonderful now, of course, with grandchildren and my first great grandchild to share the holidays with but it's not quite the same as the excitement of seeing your children's faces on Christmas morning.

Of course, no situation can go unexploited. It has been fun aggravating my youngest, Allison, since about mid-November by telling her, when we were out shopping, that I was going to buy every two-foot Christmas tree I came across for my decorations this year. She's still young enough and excited enough about Christmas that she didn't appreciate my humor and I think she was afraid that I was serious.

But, again, we at the *Signal* wish you the best Christmas ever and a happy and prosperous New Year and thank you sincerely for your patronage over the years.



ROCKCASTLE MEMORIES
 BY DAVID J. GRIFFIN

The LIGHT Of The Party

Does anyone remember the song Party Lights by Claudine Clark? Each time I hear that hit from 1962, it calls to mind the various "party" lights that accompanied my coming of age during a time that began with sheer simplicity but grew into an age of psychedelics. The song begins with these lyrics:

*Party lights, I see the party lights
 They're red and blue and green*

Oh everybody in the crowd is there

Mama, I wanna go go go, yeah yeah yeah

Mama dear, a tell me, do you hear

*The party tonight?
 I tell you, I can't sleep*

*Because across the street
 Oh oh oh I see the party lights.*

Around the time when I was first driving an automobile in the spring of 1960, I decided to convert our old smokehouse into a party room for me and my friends. Bud Cox and I worked for a couple of weeks, lining the walls with cardboard, painting the surfaces of the new "walls" with lavender colored paint (Lavender Blue - Dilly Dilly), and hanging red curtains - along with hanging bare light bulbs that we had painted red. The finished project was a thrill for a couple of teenage boys. When it was dark and the red lights were on, the room looked somewhat like the disco halls of the 1970's.

Most of you will recollect how a "party room" looked - you knew immediately what the room's purpose was as soon as you entered. My smokehouse was exactly that way, and you were aware instantaneously when you crossed the threshold. Even with the stereo turned off, you could imagine the fun that could be had when the sounds and lights appeared.

When Bud and I first in-

vited some of our friends to the newly decorated smokehouse, they were surprised by our project and amazed at how "cool" the room looked. We had strategically placed my stereo with the detachable speaker on the wall so that rock and roll sounds filled the small room. It wasn't long until most of our friends "came a calling" when the sun set and the lights came on in the smokehouse.

I loved that little party room and its memories remained with me long after I had left home. When I moved to Mt. Sterling in 1968, I rented a small apartment with a basement that also had an area that was ideally suited to become a party room. Since I had some experience in decorating something of this nature, my thoughts turned to upgrading the smokehouse effect into a modern party space. Since the room was small, it was not hard to determine how to light the place. Near one wall, I hung a mirrored ball from the ceiling, and on the opposite wall, I cut a small circular hole and mounted a spot light inside of a closet. When I turned on the spot, the effect was great ... with shining white dots revolving all over the room. When I was not using the room for music, I simply hung a picture over the hole in the wall.

Considering that this was the late sixties, my next purchase was a couple of lava lamps for the tables in the room. One was red and the other was blue. As most of you know, the colored wax inside the liquid began to rise and fall as it was heated by the enclosed bulb. These

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Points East By Ike Adams



Over the last 20 years or so, our household has erected synthetic Christmas Trees instead of the more traditional, "natural" ones. The one's we've had are relatively pricey but they last four or five years and you literally have to pinch a nettle to tell that they are not the real thing. Hang one of those little pine scent spreaders out of sight and the atmosphere is good enough to fool me.

When I was growing up, we never even thought about having a fake tree. Heading for the hills to select the perfect tree, be it hemlock, pine or cedar, was as much a part of Christmas and as much fun as opening gifts on the big morning. And, on more than one occasion, we four little boys had four different opinions in regard to perfection. I can't remember a single time when we were all in unanimous agreement but Mom usually settled the argument by having us draw straws.

We also took great delight in hiking, well over two miles each way, across the mountain to harvest fresh holly that grew wild in one of the hollows that headed up behind Blair Branch. Uncle Stevie Craft or Uncle Willie Adams would shoot mistletoe out of the tops of black-gum trees with a .22 rifle by aiming at the point where it attached to the tree limb. By the time I was 10 years old, I was marksman enough to borrow Uncle Willie's model 37 Winchester rifle and do that myself.

In the early years of our marriage, Loretta and I made a big deal out taking our combined brood of offspring to the hills and fields to spend the Saturday or Sunday after Thanksgiving finding and harvesting the

perfect cedar on either Robert and Mae Alice Collett's or Junior and Molly Helton's big farms and woods there on Harmon's Lick in Garrard County. Sometimes it took a trip to both farms to reach a final decision but it made for great fun, family bonding, and physical exercise. Suffice to say that we had no trouble getting the kids to bed that night.

Then one year, either '89 or '90, we started hearing about one house after another burning because a Christmas Tree had caught fire. We'd always used a bucket filled with creek sand and gravel to erect our tree and hold water. After Christmas I would take the tree to submerge it in a farm pond because nothing provides great cover for fish as well as a dead cedar.

Anyway, after the rash of house fires that year, when we took the tree down, Loretta said, "Let's just take it to the garden and set it on fire and see how fast it burns. I'm just curious"

So that's what we did. I even went to the trouble of wadding up some newspapers for kindling to get it going. I touched a match to the paper, stepped back and suddenly we had what I can only describe as an explosion. To this day, I have no idea how I escaped that experiment without serious burns and, thank God, we'd had enough sense to have Loretta and the kids standing back several steps.

The tree, about seven feet tall, perfectly round and full, well-watered every day, burned in a matter of no more than three seconds. Had it been indoors, the flame would have exploded into three rooms adjoining

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“Points East”

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our den. We gaped and stared— wide eyed and speechless-- at each other for a few seconds.

Loretta said, “Never again will we have a real tree in the house.” And I agreed. And even if you have a live, potted tree, indoors for several weeks, don’t go believing that you are much safer. A tiny, electrical spark from a short or blown light bulb can ignite even a live tree.

There are numerous precautions you can take--watering once or twice ever day, using battery operated lights, placing the tree in a cool, well-humidified room, disallowing any flame such as a candle or cigarette lighter to be in the same room, keeping the tree up for only a short period of time, say two weeks maximum, etc.

If you think that I’m exaggerating, after Christmas, take your natural tree to the back yard, well away from your house, your neighbors’ or any out buildings, toss a lit kitchen match on it and, as they say on firecracker packs, “retire quickly.”

Here’s betting that, come next year, you will be shell-ing out the cash to purchase a fire-proof synthetic tree. In fact, you can probably find a nice one on sale the week after Christmas at 75% or more off. You might even run into Loretta, who just informed me that ours is 4 years old and it’s time for a change.

It still looks beautiful and perfectly fine to me. In fact,

I bit into a nettle just last night to make sure it isn’t real.

“Memories”

(Cont. from A3)

unique lights were relatively new in those days and were quite the conversation pieces.

Against another wall, located just above my stereo, I mounted a “black light.” It gave just the right decorative and artistic atmosphere to my “party” room. Those light could make for some very strange effects, especially with bright colors. (If you aren’t familiar with the look, then someone more articulate than I will have to explain it.)

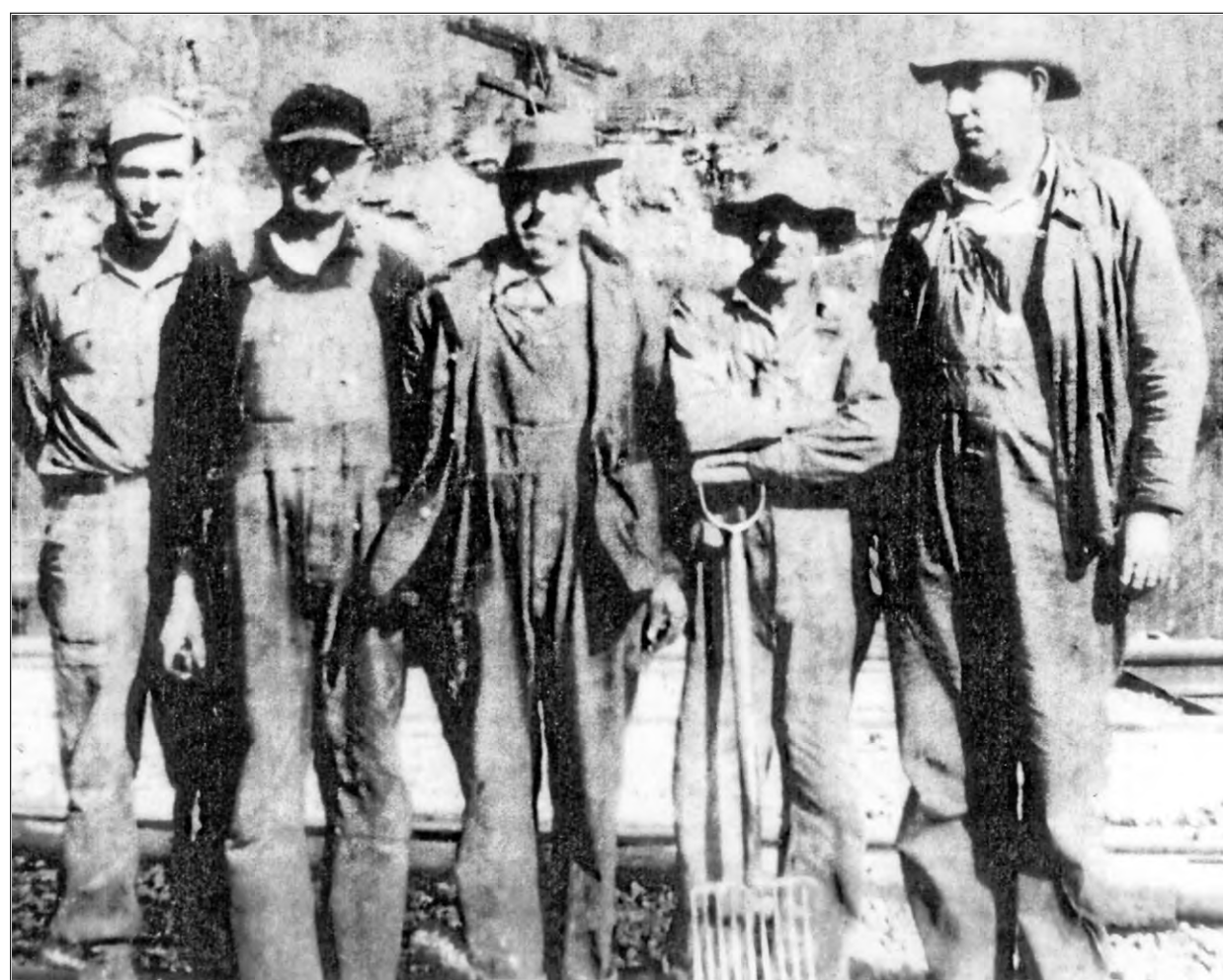
For the final touch, I hung framed photographs of rock-and-roll artists whom I had personally photographed during live concerts. Those photos included: Bob Seger, Neil Diamond, Kris Kristofferson, Rod Stewart, and Crosby, Seals, & Nash, among others.

Two couches, a stuffed love seat, and a couple of easy chairs provided the seating areas. When the lights were all on and the music was playing through my wall-mounted Marantz speakers, the ambiance was just perfect. Again, my friends were amazed, and I usually had a house full of guests who loved rock and roll.

Oh, listen to the party, Mama!

Hey, Mama dear, a looka here look here.

I’m feeling hepped up too.



Glenna Settles of Mt. Vernon furnished us with this photo for “Blast From the Past.” The photo is of L&N Railroad track workers, including her father, Elmo Reams, and was probably taken sometime in the 1940s. In the photo, are, from left: Mr. Reams, Sam Stewart, Robert Leger, Dan Gray and Rev. Harrison Clark.

They’re doin’ the twist, the fish, the mashed potato, too.

I here a lookin’ at you.

I see the lights, I see the party lights . . .

By the time I had completed the party area in my basement, the Disco rage was just around the corner. Psychedelic lights were found in every lounge in America. My small basement “rock and roll” room was no exception. When entering, you were immediately surrounded with the sounds and effects of the music scene in the United States.

Those were the days of far-out music, dancing, extreme fashions – including the infamous leisure suit – and bean bag chairs. (Mine was bright yellow and was the first seat taken by most of my guests.) But who could sit still when Sly and the Family Stone, the wicked Wilson Pickett, Tina Turner, The Four Tops, Average White Band, the Bee

Gees, Led Zeppelin, Smokey Robinson, or the Beatles started to play? The cool image of John Travolta dancing in Saturday Night Fever would soon become

the iconic image of the look, feel, and sound, of what our music scene had developed into.

The concept of my lighted party room had

come full circle. But I can’t help it – the smokehouse with the lavender walls is still my favorite.

(You can reach me at mtnman@mis.net)

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 12-CI-00131

Bank of America, N.A. Plaintiff
V.
Sandra Brown Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on August 15, 2012 and order to re-schedule the sale entered on November 13, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 02/100 (\$119,867.02) 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
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Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

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Beginning on an iron pin in the West right of way of Owens School road and corner to Berthina VanHook; thence going with the lines of Berthina VanHook N 67 degrees 11’06” W, 339.94 feet to a maple; N 27 degrees 57’10” E, 345.04 feet to a sycamore corner to Berthina VanHook and in the West right of way of Owens School Road; thence going with said right of way S 28 degrees 16’53” E, 185.21 feet; S 26 degrees 26’35” E, 70.16 feet; S 15 degrees 53’07” E, 67.74 feet; S 10 degrees 16’17” e, 75.29 feet; S 00 degrees 31’13” E, 71.44 feet to point of beginning and containing 1.580 acres by survey of C. Douglas Mullins, Registered Land Surveyor No. 2773.

Being the same property conveyed to Sandra Brown, single, by deed dated July 2, 2009, executed by Lonnie Brown, single, of record in Deed Book 226, Page 492 in the Rockcastle County Clerk’s Office.

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 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.
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 delinquent state, county and/or city real estate taxes shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff’s judgment shall be paid from 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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County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis introduced Governor Steve Beshear during the Anchor Packaging ribbon-cutting ceremony on Monday.



Anchor Packaging Plant Manager Alan Grainger explains to Community Trust Bank Market President Michael Blount how the assembly line works during the Anchor Packaging ribbon-cutting ceremony on Monday. Tours of the factory were led by Grainger after the event.



Governor Steve Beshear spoke to the crowd during the Anchor Packaging ribbon-cutting on Monday. Beshear said the state has given preliminary approval to a tax incentive package for Anchor Packaging of up to \$4 million for locating in the 165,000 square-foot facility.



Swim Rockets compete at ECU...

The RCHS Swim Rockets competed in their 2nd meet last week at ECU in a dual meet with Richmond Model and George Rogers Clark high schools. The Swim Rockets lost in head to head competition with the Model Patriots by a score combined of the men and women of 199 to 76. Against GRC the Rockets won the head to head meet by a combined score of 117 to 101. The Men's 200 free relay team of Andrew Burton, Jacob D Taylor, JT Taylor and Ashton Arvin set a new school record. There were 9 out of 20 personal best times for individuals. Lauren Burton swam the 500 freestyle 6.0 seconds faster. Rachel Cain was 0.76 faster in the 50 free. Andrew Burton was 1.39 faster in the 50 free. JT Taylor was 0.06 faster in the 50 free. Garrett Hasty was 2.62 faster in the 50 free and David Gabbard swam 3.5 seconds faster in the 50 free. Callie Asher was 1.0 faster in the 100 free and 4.30 faster in the 100 breast. Rebecca Barron swam the 100 free 0.42 faster than her previous time. The Swim Rockets will be back in action at Union College on December 17th.



Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority member Corey Craig thanked everyone who was instrumental in getting Anchor Packaging to locate in the community during Monday's ribbon-cutting ceremony at the facility.

Carpenter named chairman of Senate committee

The leadership of the Kentucky State Senate Majority recently appointed Senator Jared Carpenter as the chairman of the Senate Natural Resources and Energy Committee. The Natural Resources and Energy Committee oversees matters pertaining to soil and water conservation, forestry, mining, flood control, drainage, irrigation, state parks and other protections of the environment. As chairman of the committee, Carpenter will decide on who will be invited to speak on behalf of issues presented to the committee and what order bills will be considered. Carpenter said that he is thrilled and delighted to lead this important committee in the Kentucky State Senate. "One of Kentucky's strongest advantages is our relatively low utility rates," Carpenter said. "As Chairman, I intend to protect families and employers so that both can continue to prosper."

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An encouraging word:

The True Spirit of Christmas

By Howard Coop



The Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, one of the most ancient churches in the world that dates back to the sixth century A. D., looked old. The original door, large and inviting, had been replaced with a very small opening; I had to stoop low to enter the church.

Once inside, we were directed to a flight of stairs that took us to an area, forty feet long and sixteen feet wide, under the church. Our guide, pointing to a fourteen-point silver star on the floor, said, "That, tradition says, is the place where Jesus was born." A rustic manger was nearby.

That was an extraordinary moment, and members of the group reacted in various ways, but everyone reacted with deep emotion. Some knelt reverently before that star, and others, standing perfectly still, bowed their heads in prayer. Others shed tears, and all were silent as the story of Jesus' birth was related.

The joyous season of Christmas is upon us, and it is a special time of the year. At this time, we remember the birth of Jesus in a manger in Bethlehem just over two thousand years ago and the tremendous impact that humble birth had, and continues to have, upon our world.

The birth of Jesus split time into two distinct parts. One part we call Before Christ, and the other part we call Anno Domini (in the Year of our Lord). Using B. C. and A. D., we date everything accordingly. Our calendar is a silent witness to, and a reminder of, that tremendous fact.

But there is more, much more. That birth impacted, and continues to impact, human life. At the present moment, terrorists who terrorize to advance their faith impact the world in which we live. But the one born in a manger in Bethlehem gave humanity another way of life. That way of life says, "Love one another." Then, there can be "Peace on earth and good will among men." That's the true spirit of Christmas.

A Time to Unite

Celebrate the birth of Jesus at Our Lady of Mt. Vernon

Submitted

After the recent tragedy in Connecticut, many people are shaking their heads and wondering how did we come to this? Though the answer to this would undoubtedly be extremely detailed and far too intricate for an average person like me to fully comprehend, one thing is clear.

For far too long, Christians have let their guard down and watched helplessly as evil crept into our lives. Clearly, the Church has been ineffective at warding off evil, mostly because we are a body divided.

The Church would be so much more effective if we worked together. But where would we begin? How would we go about this?

Each year, Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church holds the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass (actually begins at 10:15 PM with musical performances) and invites all residents of Rockcastle County to attend.

Every year Christians from many denominations gather together there to celebrate the birth of Jesus. This year the invitation is repeated. Please come and join together with Christians of all denominations at Our Lady of Mt. Vernon

Find a gift for that hard to buy person

(StatePoint) From battling crowds and braving the weather to re-gifting and returns, holiday shopping can be stressful. A recent survey commissioned by Groupon, a daily deal website, found that 60 percent of respondents consider "finding the right gift" a top giving challenge.

"Holiday shopping doesn't have to be a burden," advises Brett Runyan, a Grouponcierge, one of Groupon's gift-giving experts. "There are many ways to ease the pain of finding the right gifts, so that you can fully enjoy the joyous side of giving."

According to Runyan, new tools and old tricks can help you solve this age-old conundrum.

- **Go local:** Not all presents come wrapped. Help people you love discover the towns they love. Concert tickets, cooking classes, helicopter rides -- the gift of experience is one they'll never forget and certainly beats another tie or scarf.

- **Travel Made Easy:** Score brownie points by arranging a weekend getaway for someone. Doing so doesn't need to require extensive planning on your part. By subscribing to a daily deal website, like Groupon, you'll get completely planned travel deals sent to your inbox. Impress a tough crowd like your in-laws with minimal effort!

- **Play it Safe:** Letting gift recipients pick their own presents is a safe bet when you don't know someone all that well. But rather than purchasing a traditional gift certificate, consider waiting for a deal that allows you to purchase store credit at discounted rates. Remember, if you're shopping for someone in another part of the country, think national or online retailers.

- **Avoid the stores:** Brick and mortar stores can mean lines and headache. Rather than muscle your way through multiple stores in pursuit of the perfect present, try a one-stop-shop that you can visit from home. A daily deal website can help you save on the newest toys, gifts for the home and gadgets. And this season purchases from mobile devices are more popular than ever as people buy on the go. More than half of all Groupon Goods purchases made over Thanksgiving Weekend were from mobile devices.

- **Charitable gifts:** Some people truly have it all. Instead of giving such friends and family one more thing they don't need, support a cause in their honor. Choose an organization that's meaningful to you or them -- many have special contribution options for gifts.

- **Get Help:** Tired of brainstorming? Don't be afraid to get help. New resources can help you find an appropriate present for those tricky recipients, such as your "sort of" boyfriend or girlfriend, your boss or your 10-year old nephew. For example, Groupon's new Gift Finder tool asks you three simple questions about your recipient and searches for deals on potential presents.

You can also send a tweet to @groupon for real time gift suggestions. Just send a note with the #groupongifts hashtag and say who you're shopping for, where they live and what their interests are and you'll get a message back with a suggestion. With the right strategies, shopping for anyone can be a stress-free experience.

Free Bible Courses

Free Bible Correspondence Course. Send your name and address to 3168 Quail Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Let the Bible Speak

Tune in to "Let the Bible Speak," with Brett Hickey, on Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m. on WDKY Fox 56.

Candlelight Vigil

A Candlelight Vigil in memory of the victims of the Sandy Hook Elementary School tragedy will be held Sunday, December 23, at Northside Baptist Church at 11 a.m. The public is cordially invited to come and participate.

"The Nativity"

The youth of Roundstone Baptist Church would like to present to you, "The Nativity" with opening skits "Christmas Connection" and "Happy Birthday Jesus" on Sunday, December 23rd at 6 p.m.

There will also be special singing.

Please come join us as we celebrate the Birth of Jesus Christ.



In Memory of Stacy Edwin Mason

Nov. 8, 1978-Jan. 1, 2009

Love, hope and faith, all aspirations of our heart and soul

Love you showed everyone even now from high above.

Hope you gave us all with your warm smile

Now you're in Heaven, safe from it all.

We can't help but weep and mourn your passing

And look to the sky expecting answers

To our question of why?

For we never got to say goodbye

We trust now and test faith that we may

See you again one glorious day.

With all our love,
Dad, Mom, Jason and Kevin

"Is It Really Christmas?"

Union Baptist Church at Red Hill invites you to our Christmas Play "Is It Really Christmas?" on Saturday, December 22 at 7 p.m. Chili and vegetable soup dinner will follow. Please come and join us in remembering what Christmas is all about.

Christmas Play

Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene will perform their Christmas play "The Christmas Carol" on December 23rd at 6 p.m. The public is invited.

Celebration

Come join us in celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ on Christmas Eve at 10:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church. Music will begin at 10:15.

Christmas Play

Trinity Holiness Church will perform their Christmas Play "Black Friday Christmas" on Sunday, December 23rd at 6 p.m. The church is located at 538 Trinity Lane, Mt. Vernon. Please come and join us.



In Loving Memory of Cody (Crack) Delph

A loving son, beautiful person, great friend

It's been a year since you went away,

You are greatly missed each and every day.

Our only consolation of your leaving,

Is knowing that you with our Heavenly Father above

And family there to love.

We'll love you always,
Mommy, Brent and Lindsey

Card of Thanks

Libby Hammons

I want to thank everyone who helped us with prayers, food and loving attention during the illness and death of my wife, Libby Hammons.

It was God's blessing to our family to see the outpouring of love and concern.

God bless you all,
Jim Earl and Family



O, Come all Ye Faithful and

Join us as we worship and praise our Heavenly father for the gift of His Son. Let us come together to celebrate the birth of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Christmas Eve Mass

Monday, Dec. 24 @ 10:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church

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The people of Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church wish each and everyone a Blessed and Holy Christmas and a Faith Filled New Year.

Join in singing Christmas hymns of praise

Refreshments will be served following Mass



Front row from left: Judy Owens and Kevin Fletcher. Back row from left: Bob Beaty, Marvin Owens and Dewayne Hutton.



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Move to 5-2 on year

Lady Rockets roll over Green County

By: Doug Ponder

The Rockcastle County Lady Rockets varsity basketball team is now five and two on the season after beating the Green County Dragons 72-38 last Saturday.

Stellar defense would be the deciding factor in the Lady Rockets win as they dominated the Lady Dragons, putting up their best defensive numbers all season with 34 rebounds, 6 steals and 2 blocks.

The Lady Rockets were led by senior guard Emily Miller who had 14 points and 4 rebounds. Sophomore forward Amelia Eversole also had another big game with 13 points, 7 rebounds and a steal.

Other Lady Rockets picking up scores, rebounds, and steals were senior guard Sara Adams with 12 points and 3 rebounds, all-state senior guard Michaela Hunter had 11 points, 7 rebounds, 2 steals and one block; sophomore guard Alaina Coguer scored 7 points and got one rebound, junior forward Kayla Reynolds had 6 points, 2 rebounds, a steal and a block, eighth grade guard Mahala Saylor got 4 points, 5 rebounds and a steal; junior forward Hannah Sowder scored 3 points and gathered in 2 rebounds and junior guard Brianna Hansel was credited with 2 points and 3 rebounds.

The blow out win against Green County came after a 61-56 win against a tough Adair County Lady Indians team.

During last Friday night's game, The Lady Indians jumped out to an early 20-7 lead at the end of the first quarter and were ahead 31-24 at the half.

But the Lady Rockets battled back after halftime tying the game at 31 early in the third quarter on a basket by Amelia Eversole. The Lady Rockets took the lead late in the third on a two point basket and free throw by Hunter and went on to lead 48-40 at the end of the third quarter.

In the fourth quarter, The Indians attempted a comeback, cutting the lead to 58-56 after a three point basket with 59.5 seconds left in the

game. In an attempt to stay in the game, the Lady Indians went for some quick fouls but Adams and Hunter nailed their free throws and the Lady Rockets eventually came out of the fourth quarter with a 61-56 win.

The Lady Rockets were led by Hunter who had 29 points, 7 rebounds and 2 steals. Hunter got 23 of her 29 points in the second half. Other Lady Rockets picking up scores were Amelia Eversole who had 16, Adams with 7 and Miller got 3. Reynolds, Coguer and Saylor were all credited with 2 points each.

Head Coach Chrysti Noble said that she is pleased with the effort her team is giving on both offense and defense.

"We are doing a better job communicating with each other on both offense and defense," Noble said. "I am also pleased that our team is no longer dependent on just one player and that we have more people stepping up and scoring on offense."

The Lady Rockets will travel Danville this Thursday to take on the Tates Creek Lady Commodores in the Danville Lady Admirals Christmas tournament. Tip-off for the Lady Rockets game is at 6:30 p.m.

Noble said the Lady Commodores should be an evenly-matched opponent for her squad as their 13-17 record last year was not an accurate representation of their team.

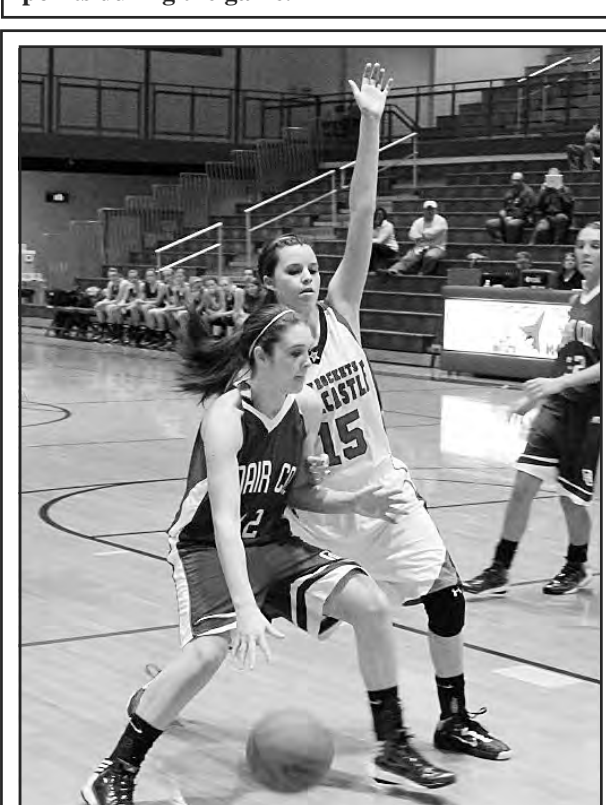
"They should have won more games last year," Noble said. "They finished 4-10 in games decided by 10 points or less. They just didn't win their close games which is what made them have a losing season last year."

Noble said that Tates Creek is returning a talented senior class this year with guard Oney Harrison and forward Katie Pippen.

"We will have to shut down their key players and keep them from getting in the zone," Noble said. "If we do that and continue to play at a high offensive and defensive level, we will be fine."



Amelia Eversole pulls up for a jump-shot against Adair County last Friday night. Eversole scored 16 points during the game.



Junior forward Kayla Reynolds gets a hand in the face of an Indian defender during last Friday night's 61-56 win against Adair County. The Lady Rockets will travel to Danville this Thursday to play against the Tates Creek Commodores in the Danville Lady Admirals Christmas tournament. Tip-off for the Lady Rockets game is at 6:30 p.m.



Sophomore Dakota Hasty sizes up an Indian defender during last Friday night's 69-53 loss to Adair County. The Rockets will travel to North Laurel this Thursday to play against the Whitley County Colonels in the Legacy Nissan Shootout.



Junior guard Corey McPhetridge plows over and draws the blocking foul against an Indian defender during last Friday night's game against Adair County. The Rockets were led by McPhetridge with 11 points, 1 rebound and 1 steal.

Rockets fall to Adair County

By: Doug Ponder

The Rockcastle County Rockets varsity basketball team is now one and six on the season following a 53-69 loss to the Adair County Indians last Friday night.

The Indians led the Rockets throughout the entire game, ahead 23-7 at the end of the first quarter and 33-24 at the half. In the second half, the Indians put the game away, leading 55-36 at the end of the third quarter and 69-53 at the end of the game.

The Rockets were led by junior guard Corey McPhetridge with 11 points, 1 rebound and 1 steal.

Other Rockets picking up scores, rebounds and steals were junior guard Tyler Harper with 8 points and 2 rebounds, senior guard Ashton Arvin had 8 points, 1 rebound and 1 steal; sophomore guard Blake Mullins got 7 points and 1 steal, junior forward Josh Mason had 4 points, 3 rebounds and 2 steals; sophomore guard Sam Pensol got 4 points 2 rebounds and two steals; senior guard John Curtis Wilson scored 4 points and gathered in 4 rebounds, sophomore guard Dakota Hasty had 4 points and 3 rebounds. Senior forward Bryson Amyx was also credited with 3 points and 2 rebounds.

Head Coach Benny Blanton said that last Friday

night's loss was the worst performance the team has had all year.

"As the season progresses, other teams are learning our offensive and defensive schemes," Blanton said. "Adair County cut off our dribble drive penetration and it caused us to have a hard time scoring. We need to change our style of play so we can throw off future opponents."

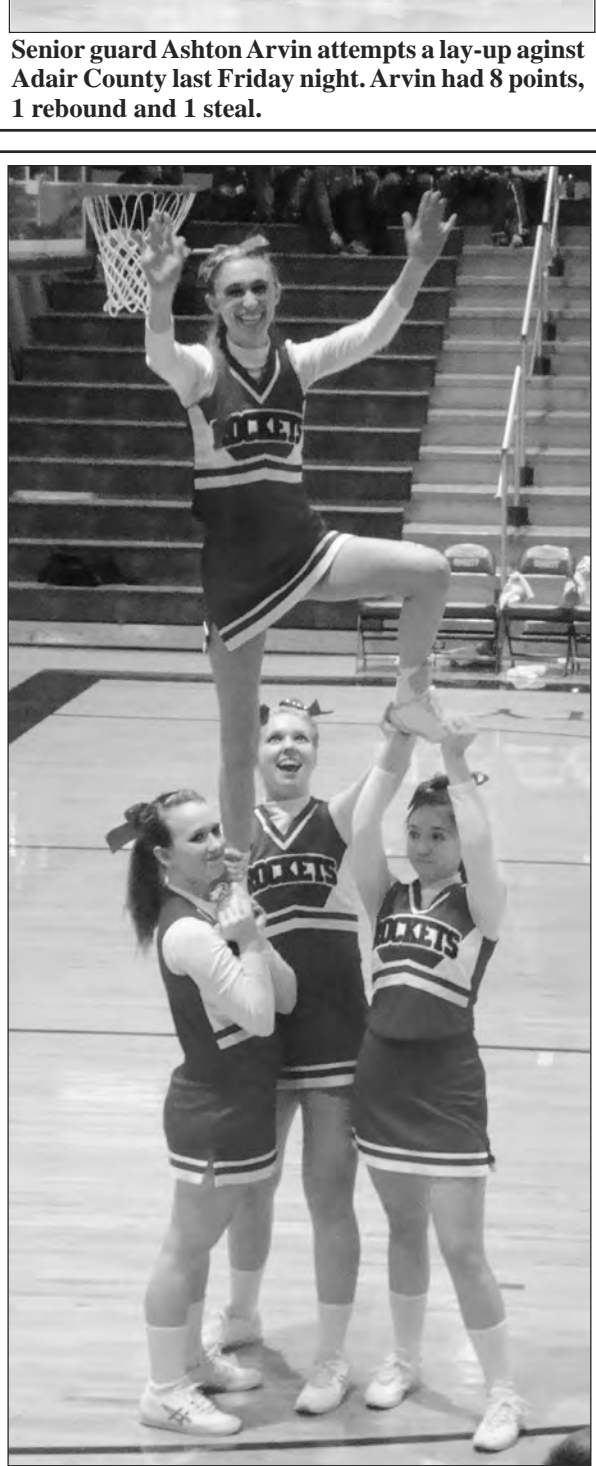
The Rockets will travel to North Laurel this Thursday to play against the Whitley County Colonels in the Legacy Nissan Shootout. Tip-off for the Rockets game is at 5:30 p.m.

Blanton said that Whitley County only won five games last year, mainly because of the experienced players they lost to graduation. However, Blanton said his squad needs to focus and not underestimate the young Whitley County team who has already won three games this year.

"They are in a rebuilding phase with a lot of young talent. They also have two 6'4" forwards who pose a huge threat for us in the paint," Blanton said. "To come out of this game with a win, we need to run more motion offense plays to make their defense and two forwards in the paint work a little more."



Senior guard Ashton Arvin attempts a lay-up against Adair County last Friday night. Arvin had 8 points, 1 rebound and 1 steal.



Emily Mink, Brittney Moore, Cassidy Daugherty and Madisan Miller cheer on the Rockets during a recent ballgame.



All-state senior guard Michaela Hunter attempts a jumpshot during last Friday night's win against Adair County. The Lady Rockets were led by Hunter who had 29 points, 7 rebounds and 2 steals.

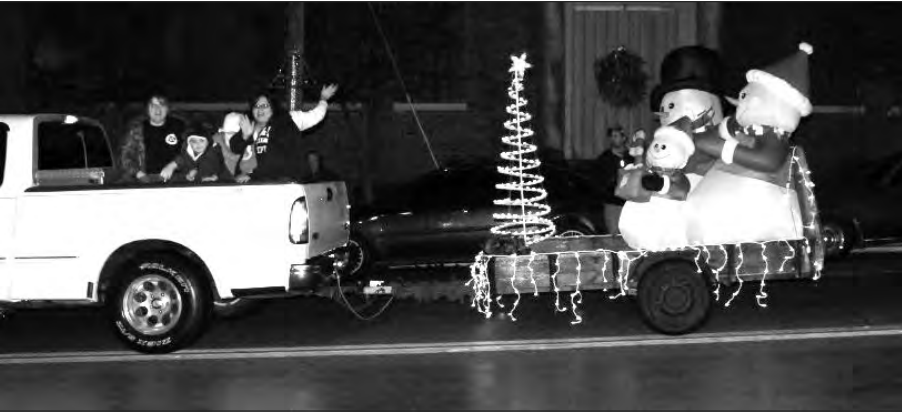
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Santa Claus (aka Shawn Pollack) and his wife Mrs. Claus (aka Helen Pollack) made an appearance during the annual Livingston Christmas parade last Saturday. After the parade, Santa and Mrs. Claus met with the children at the Livingston Fire Department where the children gave Santa their Christmas wish lists.



Trinity Holiness Church sponsored a float for the Livingston Christmas Parade last Saturday.



Kentucky Rompin' Stomp Cloggers danced to Christmas carols during the Livingston Christmas parade.



Kendra Barnes, 5, of Mt. Vernon was all smiles as she had her picture taken with Santa Claus. Santa met with the children at the Livingston Fire Department after the Livingston Christmas parade last Saturday.



Roland Wynn had his children's train decked out with Christmas lights during the annual Livingston Christmas parade last Saturday.



Congratulations to the 5th Grade AAU Lady Rockets for winning the 2012 Kentucky Hoops Classic basketball tournament held December 15th and 16th in Garrard County. The Rockets went undefeated winning pool games and the tournament game. Pictured are, back from left: Jaylon Ponder, Amy Clark, McKenzi Himes, Katelyn Singleton and Ashlyn Brock. Front from left: Kaliegh Richards, Bailee Allen, Shelby Newland and Emily Ponder. Not pictured: Emma Smith, Coach Darla Reams-Moore, Coach Jason Brock and Coach Tanya Clark.

Great gift ideas for kids to give

(StatePoint) Between family, friends, coaches and teachers, some children give as many holiday presents as they receive. Helping your child pick out great gifts can be tricky and often times, impersonal. This year, encourage your child's creativity with easy kids' crafts they'll give as gifts. Do-it-yourself handmade gifts are a growing trend, thanks to the popularity of sites like Etsy and Pinterest. "Unlike a store-bought present, a handmade present is a personalized treasure made by you!" says Meg Survil, general manager of the brand MakIt, which preserves children's artwork on objects like plates and bowls. Here are a few sugges-

tions for thoughtful gifts kids can give this holiday:

Scrapbook
Scrapbooks are a great way for children to show their appreciation for friends and siblings. They can create an interactive stroll down memory lane with pictures, cards and other mementos. Include shared interests and pictures of both the child and gift recipient together to truly personalize the present.

Art and Photo Projects
Immortalizing your child's artwork or an adorable photograph is a perfect keepsake from your child. For example, MakIt will embed your drawing or photo into everyday items such as plates and travel tumblers you can enjoy

daily. The products are non-toxic, BPA-free and made in the USA. Dishwasher-safe, they are also break-resistant, so they can last forever. And don't forget Fido! You can create gifts for your pets and from your pets as well. Learn more at www.MakIt.com or by calling 1-800-248-9443.

Themed Gift Baskets
You and your child can have fun putting together gift baskets. Choose a theme to reflect the personality of the recipient. If the basket is for a beloved teacher, an educational theme would be great. If your child and grandparent love to play catch together, a sports-themed basket would be ideal. Use your imagination when it comes to the theme and always make sure the basket is overflowing!

With handmade gifts like these, your child is sure to have the perfect present for everyone.



As we reflect on those who have lost loved ones, those who are suffering, and those saddened by unexplainable events during this season---Our prayer this Christmas is that our children and families can experience the peace and joy that only a babe in a manger can offer...



Merry Christmas from Judge Jeff Burdette, Twila, Thomas and Zoe

Merry Christmas

May peace and joy come to you during this holy season



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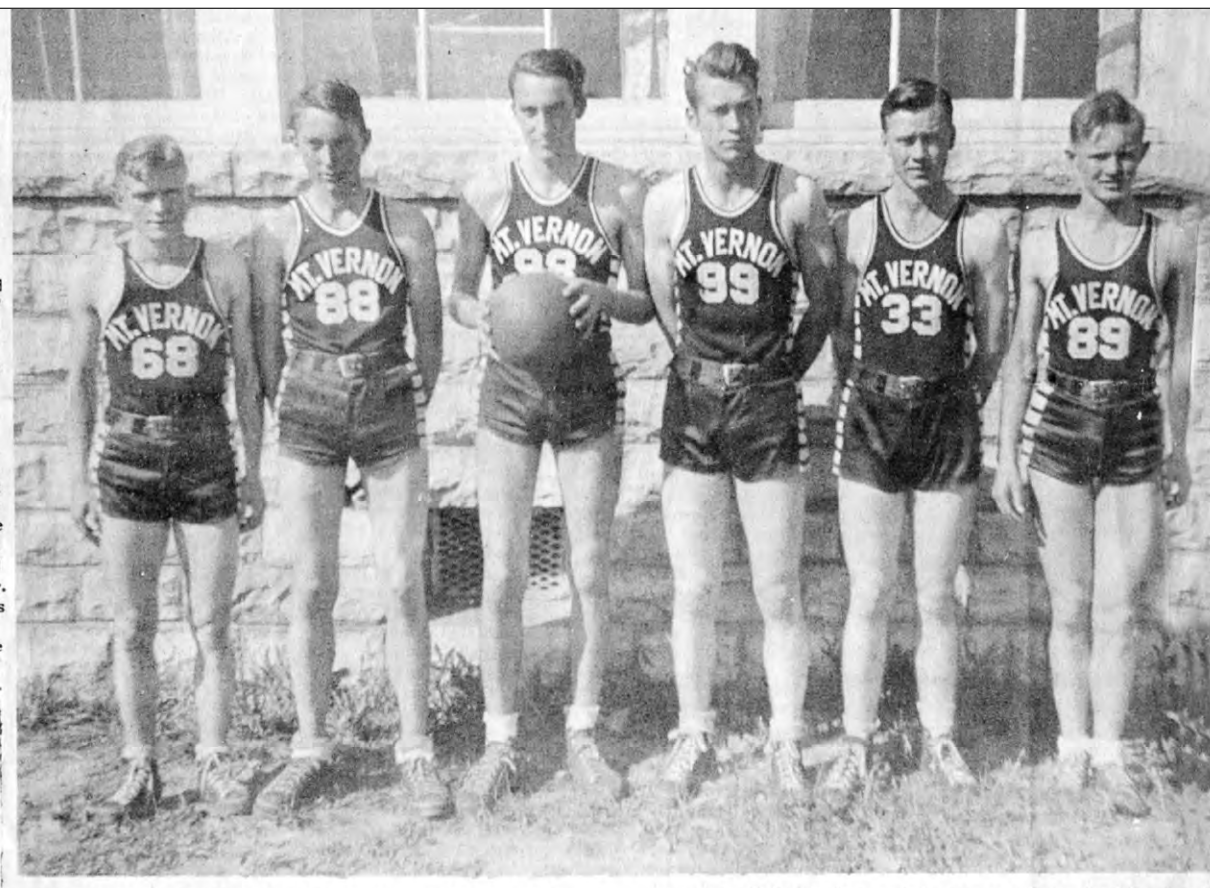
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The 1939-40 Mt. Vernon High School basketball team, coached by William Lamdrum, is shown above. Front row, from left, are: Curtis Harmon, Robert Helton, Kenneth Hopkins, William Harper, Warren Carpenter and William T. Noe. Second row: John Melvin Noe, Jim Cox, Opp Bussell, Jr., Van Combs, Cecil Reynolds and Willard Woodall. Back row: Lewis Perciful, Harry Cummins, Arnold Chasteen, Junior Perciful, Clarence Carter, Earl Harmon, Jim Davis and William Landrum.

Blast from the Past!!!

This week's photographs are of the 1939-40 & 1940-41 Mt. Vernon High School Basketball teams. These pictures are from the forthcoming book, "Before Consolidation-The Golden Age of Rockcastle County Basketball." If you have a photograph for Blast from the Past contact David Owens at 606-256-9870 or scoopowens24@yahoo.com.



MYHS RED DEVILS (1940-41 STYLE)-- Members of the 1940-41 Mt. Vernon High School Red Devil's basketball team are shown in the above photo. This team won their first 17 games before bowing to London 33-32 in a game at London. The team was riddled with injuries but managed to compile a 23 won, 3 loss record. The losses were to London, Highland, and Burgin. Among the teams defeated by the Red Devils were the Hazel Green Bullfrogs who had won the state championship the previous year and were picked to repeat in 1941. The biggest defeat came at the hands of Burgin when Devils lost by a 12-point margin. Burgin's center was Jack Coleman later won fame at the University of Louisville and in professional basketball. Members of the team shown in the above photo are, from Opp Bussell, Jr., Mad Noe, Tootsie Noe, Robert Hamon, Curtis Harp and Jim Cox. Cheerleaders for the team were Virginia Bray, C sell, Raymond McClure and Robert O'Mara. William G. Landrum.

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 12-CI-00200**

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. Plaintiff

Jennifer Winkler n/k/a Jennifer Adams, et al Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on November 13, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 66/100 (\$113,378.66) plus interest and costs. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
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on Thursday, December 20, 2012
Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.**

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A certain tract of land being all of Lot Nos. 22 and 23 of the Quail Acres Subdivision as shown on plat of record in Plat Book 4, page 188 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Court Clerk.

Including a 2008 Clayton 68 X 64 Manufactured House bearing VIN No. CH0003283KYAB which was converted to real property by the Affidavit of Conversion filed on January 16, 2009, being of record in Misc. Book 45, page 249 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Court Clerk.

Being the same property conveyed to John D. Adams and Jennifer Winkler, both unmarried, by deed dated May 9, 2008 of record in Deed Book 221, Page 655 in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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 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.
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 delinquent state, county and/or city real estate taxes shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from 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".

**John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

How to make a difference during the holiday season

(StatePoint) Better than any toy, trinket or fruit basket, what if you could give a gift that would actually make a profound difference in someone's life?

The holidays are the perfect time to reach out to the less fortunate. Here are a few ways you can help this holiday season:

Work at a Soup Kitchen

Many people have made it a yearly tradition to volunteer at a soup kitchen during the holidays. You can help the homeless and hungry get a hot meal and give them the small gift of a full stomach. Contact your local soup kitchen to see how you can help. If you don't have time to volunteer, consider donating non-perishable goods, as many soup kitchens have a food pantry as well.

Help a Family in a Crisis Zone

A gift from the mall is nice, but donating to a philanthropic organization on behalf of a loved one is a much more meaningful way to celebrate the holidays.

There are an estimated 40 million people around the

world who have been uprooted from their homes by war and disaster. They live in limbo, struggle to survive and have no place to call home. By purchasing a "Rescue Gift" to honor friends and family in lieu of store-bought presents, you'll be contributing to critical supplies and services for vulnerable families.

The International Rescue Committee's Rescue Gifts offer a wide variety of gifts at various price points. For example, you can opt to help fund a year of school for girls in Afghanistan, contribute to gardening tools and seeds to help families in need grow food, or help train Burmese refugees, to deliver basic health care. In so doing, both you and your recipient gain a true sense of the kind of work your gift is supporting.

"These gifts have a tangible impact on the lives of refugees and others who have been displaced by conflict, political upheaval and natural disaster around the world," says Kay Bellor of the International Rescue Committee. "They help families to survive and thrive and last a lot longer than a box of chocolates."

For more information or to give Rescue Gifts visit www.Rescue.org/gifts.

Donate Toys

Unfortunate, there are countless children out there whose families can't afford a gift-filled holiday that many of us take for granted. By donating unwrapped toys and books to charity, your generosity will undoubtedly brighten up a child's season.

As you enjoy the holidays, take the time to help out someone less fortunate. Just a small bit can go a long way.

M E R R Y

Christmas!

from

Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk

Teresa Vanzant



Front row from left: Teresa Vanzant & Austin Miller.
Second row from left: Marsha Olinger, Brittany Mullins, Joyce Allen and Doris Cromer.
Back row from left: Circuit Court Clerk-Elect Eliza York, Teresa Amis and Renita Blanton.

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Bullock opens Achieve Training Center in town

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The effort put into opening a business can go unnoticed by those who aren't fully aware of the long drawn-out process of it. For one local woman, she quickly discovered just how overwhelming starting a business can be. On May 2012, Alicia Bullock, RN, BSN, began filling out and completing the 20 page long application process, unaware of the changes taking place in Frankfort. While she was renting office space, purchasing equipment and developing the classes, new board members were taking over the educational school review process in Frankfort which meant that several of the monthly meetings were being cancelled or postponed.

Never the one to give up, she continued her pursuit of developing a nurse aide training center in hopes of helping Rockcastle and local counties alike with the shortage of nurse aides. Alicia's drive and determination is why Achieve

Training Center has gone from a concept to a reality. On December 3rd she finally was able to begin classes.

Being a nurse herself for more than a decade, she understands the difficulty placed on facilities and fellow co-workers when working short-staffed. Alicia knows from first-hand experience just how important SRNAs are to the community, having worked as one for several years while going through nursing school at Midway College.

After graduating with her Bachelor's in Nursing she went to work in a long-term care facility as the Director of Nursing. It was during this time that not having enough nurse aides to work was ever prominent. Now, with a nurse aide school open locally and taking applications Alicia can hopefully relieve some of the strain of working under staffed.

ATC is located next to the Rockcastle County School Board in what used to be the old Physician's Express building. Alicia is accomplishing her dreams by having a training facility that allows people, like herself, to grow in the health care field by becoming a nurse aide.

You can achieve your dreams of working in the health care field by taking nurse aide classes. You never know where it might just lead you. Contact Achieve Training Center at 256-0556 or find it on Facebook for further information.



Alicia Bullock
Midway College graduate



Greg Carpenter of Mt. Vernon killed this nice Cow Elk on the December 13th in Harlan. He was accompanied by his son, Shawn.

How to save money this holiday season

(StatePoint) Saving money while holiday shopping may sound impossible, but you don't need to be a Scrooge to budget. Through smart strategizing, you can find the perfect gift for friends and family and keep your wallet intact.

Here are some tips to give you a leg up on your New Year's financial resolutions:

Just Say No

When it comes to purchasing warranties, there are times you can just say no. Refusing extended warranties doesn't strip you of all protection. Reputable manufacturers will back products for three to six months and some credit cards extend or even double manufacturers' warranties. If you do purchase a warranty, be sure the terms are worth the cost.

Manage Your Money

If you have trouble sticking to your shopping budget, consider using tools to help keep you honest. Traditional financial software programs, which help you set budgets and manage money, are now providing access from mobile devices. For example, Quicken 2013's free iPhone, iPad and Android apps allow you to securely manage your money, view up-to-date information about your accounts and check your budgets, encouraging you to make sound financial decisions in real-time.

"Consumers who go into debt from holiday shopping often do so because they are unaware of what they have in their bank accounts and are spending unthinkingly," warns Aaron Patzer, VP of Innovation at Intuit. "Tracking your budgets and spending as you go will help you stay on track."

Know the Refund Policy

Not all stores offer refunds for returned items. When buying gifts, make sure you know a store's policy before your purchase. Ask for a gift receipt so your friends and family can make exchanges or get refunds if necessary.

Use Gift Cards

Retailers must now honor gift cards for five years from the date of issue. So find those old gift cards, and use them toward your gift purchases, even if they have "expired." The company can send you a new card or issue the remaining balance in cash.

DIY

Showing your friends and family you care about them should not put you in debt. If the holidays will cause an unreasonable financial burden, consider making presents. From baking to knitting, to writing your loved ones poems and thoughtful letters, homemade presents can be more meaningful than the store-bought variety.

More money management tips for the holidays can be found at www.Quicken.com.

By planning ahead and making informed financial decisions this holiday shopping season, you can start 2013 on the right financial foot.



*Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!!
Mayor Mike Bryant &
Family*

*Merry
Christmas*

*Warm wishes to all of you for a
joyous holiday season.*

*Many thanks for your
continued patronage.*



Front row from left: Ima Taylor, Joanna Albright, Ashley Reynolds, Jeanine Lawrence, Malinda Chowning and Kim Denny.

Back row from left: Anthony Asher, Keith Pierce, Mike Blount, Donna Stayton, Betty Frederick, Cathy Howard, Cindy Griffith, Donna McClure, Julie Pigg and Sandy Durham.

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“Indicted”

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In July of this year, involved McCollum’s allegedly shooting a firearm at two individuals and another where he reportedly threatened Constable Richard Dean. His bond was set at \$50,000 cash.

Rebecca Lynn Denny, 32, of Mt. Villa Motel, Mt. Vernon, was indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument in November of this year. Her bond was set at \$2,500 cash/property.

Dustin Cody Cameron, 22, and Brittany D. Johnson, 19, both of 125 Davis Street, Mt. Vernon, were named in a joint indictment.

They were both charged with Theft by Unlawful Taking and Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card.

Cameron’s and Johnson’s bond was set at \$10,000 cash/property.

A three-person, one-count indictment was issued for Ricky Sandusky, 25, of Sand Springs Road, Mt. Vernon; Terenda Hellard, 33, of Reverend Green Loop, Mt. Vernon and Victoria E. Thomas of McFerron Street, Mt. Vernon.

All three are charged with Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree, first offense by selling over 10 units of Oxycodone in September of this year.

All three defendants’ bond was set at \$25,000.

Noah Jeremiah Faulkner, 31, of Sand Hill Road, Livingston, was indicted for the offense of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree, first offense, in September of this year, by selling under 10 units of Opana.

His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Ford J. Wagers, 27, of Grimes Road, London was also indicted on a charge of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree, first offense for selling over 10 units of Oxymorphone in September of this year.

Jay W. Skinner, 21, of Sand Hill Road, Livingston and Glenn Ray Davidson, 43, 1300 Maple Grove Road, Orlando were named in a joint indictment on two counts.

Skinner was indicted for Trafficking in a Controlled

Substance, first degree, first offense for selling over 10 units of Oxycodone in September of this year and Davidson was indicted on a charge of Complicity to Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree by aiding Skinner.

Both men’s bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Davidson was also named in a joint indictment with Jonathan Charley Durham, 30, of Tampa, FL over an incident in August of this year.

In that indictment, Davidson is charged with Complicity to Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree, by aiding Durham in trafficking. His bond was set at \$20,000 cash/property for that offense.

Durham was charged with Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree, first offense, for selling over 10 units of Oxycodone. His bond was also set at \$20,000 cash/property.

A two count indictment was handed down two three defendants.

Named in the indictment were Justin Lee Baker, 31, of Copper Creek Road, Brodhead and Victoria A. Howard, 19, of Sunnysdale Estates, Mt. Vernon. Baker and Howard were both charged with one count of Manufacture of Methamphetamine, first offense.

Also named in the indictment was Dana M. Reynolds, 28, of Copper Creek Road, Brodhead who was charged with Complicity to Manufacture Methamphetamine, first offense, by aiding Baker and Howard.

The offenses occurred in April of this year.

All three defendants’ bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Joshua Brandon Baker, 28, of Indian Lane, Mt. Vernon was indicted for Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree, first offense, involving selling over two grams of Methamphetamine in September of this year.

His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Ricky Lee Hale, Jr., 30, of Bowling Ridge Road, Brodhead was named in a two-count indictment.

Hale is charged with Manufacture of Methamphetamine and Trafficking



Mt. Vernon City Council members were sworn-in for their new two year term beginning in January, at the conclusion of their regular December meeting Monday night. Elected to the new term were, from left: Cliff Mullins, Adam Bales, Jamie Bryant, Shelley Lewis, Sharon Saylor and Wayne Bullock.

in a Controlled Substance (methamphetamine), first degree, first offense in February of this year.

His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Samuel Alan Jones, 42, of West Main St., Brodhead was indicted for Possession of a Controlled Substance, first degree, first offense, involving Morphine and Theft by Unlawful taking, both offenses occurring in November of 2011. His bond was set at \$10,000 cash/property.

Ronald Lee Sack, 53 and Bryan Delane Robinson, 24, both of 245 Mahaffey Hill, Livingston, were named in a joint indictment from an incident occurring September 18th of this year. Both men were indicted for Burglary, third degree and Theft by Unlawful Taking. Each man’s bond was set at \$20,000 cash/property.

“Hammond”

(Cont. from front)

Hammond will serve as Holiday’s on-site designee to handle all aspects of management formerly exercised by the Breathitt County Board of Education and Holiday will exercise all district superintendent duties.

Hammond will work under a personal service contract. He will be paid \$700 a day for a maximum of 145 days during fiscal year 2013 and for a maximum of 260

days in fiscal year 2014. He will also be reimbursed up to \$1,500 a month for housing, travel and other expenses during the two fiscal years.

If Hammond works the maximum number of days for both fiscal years, his base salary will total \$101,500 in 2013 and \$182,000 in 2014, in addition to being reimbursed as much as \$1,500 a month.

The Kentucky Department of Education will cover Hammond’s salary and the Breathitt County School District will in turn reimburse the department.

“Possession”

(Cont. from front)

attempted to flee before being apprehended by Pennington.

After searching the residence, Pennington found a pill bottle in the living room containing nine and one-half oxycodone pills. Inside an upstairs bedroom, Pennington found a jewelry box that contained two suboxone tablets.

Pennington also found various other drug paraphernalia throughout the home including a burnt piece of aluminum foil containing suspected meth residue, a smoking pipe and several plastic baggies containing an unknown powder substance.

A box of assorted jew-

elry, watches and costume jewelry was also found inside Gadd’s home that had been reported missing from a burglarized home in Madison County.

Gadd and Lopez were charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, prescription controlled substance not in its proper container and possession of a controlled substance. Gadd was also separately charged with receiving stolen property under \$10,000 and two more counts of possession of a controlled substance.

Both Gadd and Lopez remain lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center. Gadd is under a \$10,000 cash/property bond and Lopez’s bond was set at \$5,000 cash/property.

“Meth”

(Cont. from front)

didn’t know where they came from.

Officers also found various other items used to manufacture meth throughout the vehicle including coffee filters and air line tubing.

Renner and Barron were charged with manufacturing methamphetamine and unlawful possession of a meth precursor. Renner was also separately charged with drug paraphernalia and two counts of possession of a controlled substance.

Both Renner and Barron remain lodged in the

Rockcastle County Detention Center on a \$25,000 cash/property bond.

“Theft”

(Cont. from front)

Randy Dean Mink, 47, of Mt. Vernon.

According to Mt. Vernon Police reports, officer Ed Robinson responded to a complaint last Thursday of a burglary at Payne’s Auto Sales in Mt. Vernon.

Once Robinson arrived, the owner told him that a window had been busted out and several tools, tires and rims were missing from his store. The owner also told Robinson that the value of the items taken was estimated at \$2,010.

Upon further investigation, Assistant Chief Barry Adams received information last Friday that Mink had recently sold a metric socket set that was reported as missing from Payne’s Auto Sales. Adams also discovered that Mink had sold several tires and rims to someone from Lincoln County.

At the time of Mink’s arrest, Adams also noticed the tread on the bottom of Mink’s shoes matched one of the treads identified at Payne’s Auto Sales.

Mink was charged with a probation violation and two counts of burglary, third degree. He remains lodged in the Rockcastle Detention Center on a \$10,000 cash/property bond.

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Chief Circuit Judge Jeff Burdette helped lead the tribute to Representative Danny Ford.

A Time to Unite

Celebrate the birth of Jesus at Our Lady of Mt. Vernon

Submitted

After the recent tragedy in Connecticut, many people are shaking their heads and wondering how did we come to this? Though the answer to this would undoubtedly be extremely detailed and far too intricate for an average person like me to fully comprehend, one thing is clear. For far too long, Christians have let their guard down and watched helplessly as evil crept into our lives. Clearly, the Church has been ineffective at warding off evil, mostly because we are a body divided.

The Church would be so much more effective if we worked together. But where would we begin? How would we go about this? Well fortunately, it's already begun. Many community efforts have been made over the last twelve years to bring individual churches together. Every year there is a community Good Friday Service that is attended by a representation of many churches in the county. For the last several years, the Freedom Fest held in Brodhead around July 4th has been the result of several area churches of varying denominations working together. And each year, Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church holds the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass (actually begins at 10:15 PM with musical performances) and invites all residents of Rockcastle County to attend.

Every year Christians from many denominations gather together there to celebrate the birth of Jesus. This year the invitation is repeated. Please come and join together with Christians of all denominations at Our Lady of Mt. Vernon on Richmond St. across from the Mt. Vernon Elementary School. This year, we will have live music performed by Jake McFerron & Chase McGuire. Music will begin at 10:15 PM and the service will commence at 10:30 PM, with refreshments afterwards. Come join in the fellowship and unite together in celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ.

Oil painting demonstration by Mount Vernon artist

On Saturday, Jan. 26, artist Louie Northern, of Mount Vernon, will demonstrate his oil painting techniques from 10:30 a.m. -

3:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Artisan Center in Berea.

Always interested in art, Northern has been drawing since he was a small child. Northern prefers oil painting as his medium because it doesn't dry fast, and he likes the way oil paint handles using both a brush and palette knife.

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, 200 Artisan Way, just off Interstate 75 at Berea exit 77, is open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the cafe is open from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is free.



Louie Northern painting with oils at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

Support lung health in Kentucky

American Lung Assoc. golf book is great gift

The American Lung Association's 2013 Golf Tour Book is a gift that makes perfect "cents" for the golfer this holiday season. The popular discount booklet offers great savings in dollars and cents, while supporting the critical fight against lung disease.

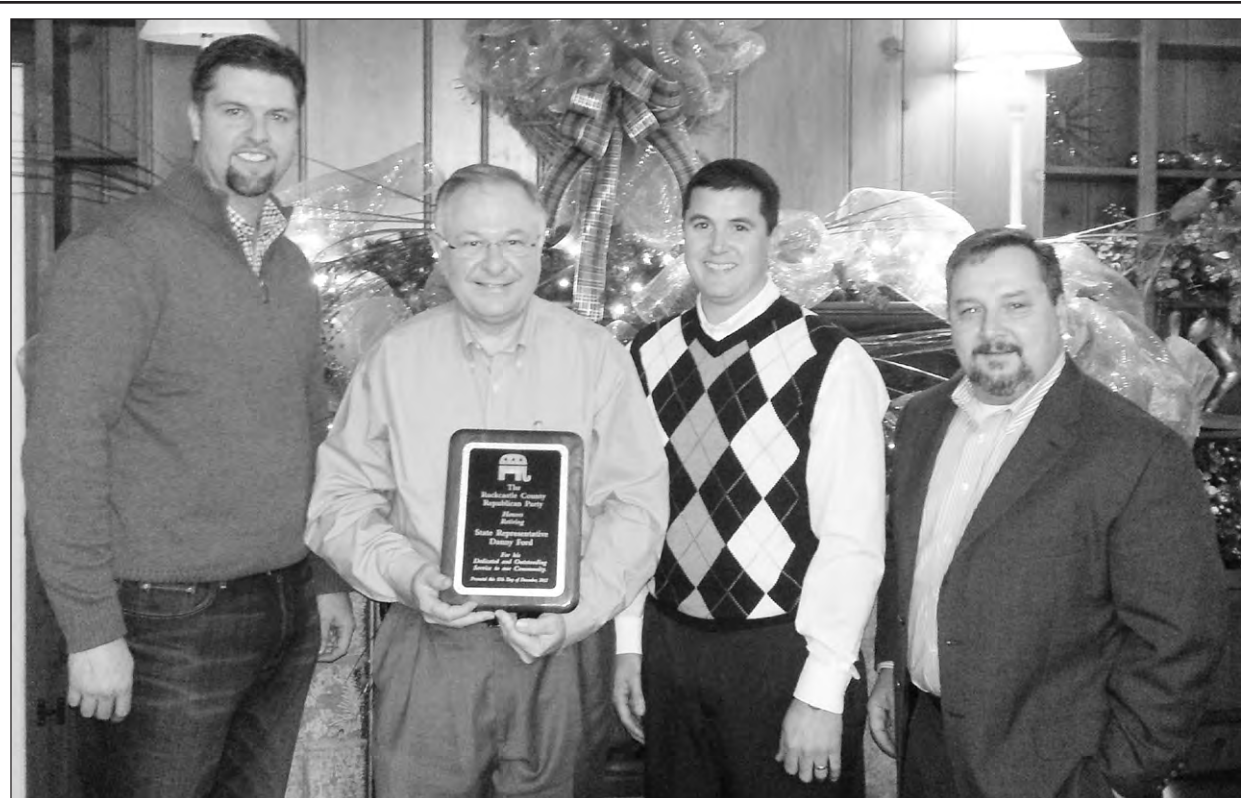
The 2013 golf book includes discounts on more than 5000 rounds of golf at over 300 fine courses in Kentucky, Indiana, Tennessee and Ohio. Each participating golf course offers book holders a discount on one or more rounds of golf at their facility; some courses permit one round a month; and 73 clubs allow unlimited play. The book also includes driving range and indoor golf discounts.

"The Golf Tour Book is a truly sensible gift," said Carolyn Embry, who coordinates the program. "The cost is minimal, the savings are great and proceeds support a very worthy cause," she said. Revenue generated from golf book sales support medical research, community health programs, advocacy and services for people suffering from lung ailments.

"Remember to purchase Golf Tour Books for stocking stuffers, thank-you gifts for business associates or presents for friends and family members," said Embry. The books may be purchased for \$35 a piece or \$105 for four: a buy-three, get-one-free foursome special. Orders placed now will be filled in time for holiday giving.

Golf Tour Books may be ordered by calling the American Lung Association at 1-877-893-5864 or by sending a check to the American Lung Association, P.O. Box 9067, Louisville, Kentucky 40209. Please check the website for applicable shipping charges.

The books are also available at branches of AAA in Louisville, Elizabethtown, Owensboro, Bowling Green and Paducah. They may be purchased on-line at www.kylung.org



The Rockcastle County Republican Party held a Christmas gathering this past weekend. At the event, retiring State Representative Danny Ford and Circuit Court Clerk Teresa Vanzant were honored for their service to the party and county. Shown are State Senator Jared Carpenter, Ford, State Representative-Elect David Meade, and Chief Regional Circuit Judge Jeff Burdette.

No Signal week of December 27th.

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



District Civil Suits

P&L Center vs. Randy Mink and Markita Mink, \$406.82 plus claimed due.
 Caital One Bank vs. John M. Vaught, \$2,391.79 plus claimed due.
 Capital One Bank vs. Courtney Hansel, \$551.30 plus claimed due.
 Portfolio Recovery Asso. vs. Angela Baker, \$677.03 plus claimed due.
 World Finance Corp. vs. Justin Parker, \$882.00 plus claimed due. C-00322

Circuit Civil Suits

Joseph Brandon Bell vs. Shoko Bell, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Tracy Faulkner vs. Herbert Joseph Faulkner, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Suntrust Bank vs. Spencer Paddock, et al, \$48,527.98 plus claimed due. CI-00275

Marriage Licenses

Linda Golden, 45, Mt. Sterling, disabled to Roger Golden, 55, Mt. Vernon. 12/7/12.
 Donna Annette Hatcher, 50, Berea, nurse to Hubert James Martin, 65, Berea, maintenance. 12/7/12.
 Sherry Ann Harper, 49, Brodhead, teacher to Michael John Flara, 52, Berea, electrician. 12/10/12.
 Teresa Renee King, 43, Livingston, RN to Gary Edward Decker, 48, Eubank, farmer. 12/10/12.
 Cassie Marie Mullins,

22, Mt. Vernon, self-employed to Ernest Eric Bullock III, self-employed. 12/12/12
 Samantha Jo Bussell, 21, Brodhead, SourceHOV to Jesse James Artley, 20, Berea, factory. 12/13/12.

Deeds Recorded

Citizens Bank, property on Locust St., Mt. Vernon, to John D. Poynter. Tax \$15.50.
 Kinnamon Industries LLC and JKILLC, property in Rockcastle County, to Sharick Properties, Inc. Tax \$500.
 Glyndon Duane and Angela Edwards and James E. and Teresa A. Carpenter, property on Carter Ridge Road, Mt. Vernon, to Kenneth D. and Sherry L. McCown. Tax \$2
 Harry L. and Patricia Harmon, property in Houston Point Estates, to Mark G. and Teri S. Haberek. Tax \$182.50.
 Christine Carroll, property on Sand Hill Road, to Oscar and Loretta Gibbons. Tax \$48.
 Green Tree Servicing LLC, property on Linville Road, to Greenpoint Credit LLC. Tax \$6.
 Hal Stephen and Patricia Keath Midkiff, property in Mt. Vernon, to Richard Mays. Tax \$80.
 William A. Hays, property in Robert Ford Subdv., to Krystal Jackson. Tax \$1.
 Vernon D. and Norma Jean Singleton, property in Cedar View Subdv., to Leshia Rae Cromer and Michael Singleton. No tax
 Geoffrey Kennedy and Evelyn Blanford, property on waters of Buffalo Creek, to Konstantin Prokko and

Anastasia Prokos. No tax.
 Geoffrey Kennedy and Evelyn Blanford, property in Rockcastle County, to Konstantin Prokos and Anastasia Prokos. No tax.
 Polly Graves and Charles Ray Abney, property in Rockcastle County, to Charles Madison and Angela Chapman Abney. No tax.
 Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., property on Line Creek Road, to Dennis Griffin. Tax \$65.
 Calvin T. and Rebecca Louise Anglin, and others, property in Quail Community, to William Terry and Lynda Anglin Robbins. Tax \$35.
 Bobby J. and Jane B. Larkey, property on Ky. 1249, to Amarins Koopmans Harrison. Tax \$50c.

Not the one..

The Harold Taylor listed in last week's court news is not the Harold Taylor that lives at 190 Maple St., Brodhead.

District Court

Dec. 3 and Dec. 12
Hon. Jeffrey Lawless
 Charles J. Alexander: improper equipment, \$25 fine.
 Jeremy K. Branscum: driving DUI suspended license, \$200 fine and costs.
 Jeffery E. King: no/expired registration plates and no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
 Sherry R. LeMaster: driving on DUI suspended license and failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Jack N. Rose: theft by deception (two counts), bw issued for fta.
 James R. Willis: fines/fees due (\$108), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.
 Rayronnie Jo Young: assault, 4th degree, bw issued for fta.
 Speeding: Dale G. Dowrey II, paid \$34 fine plus \$133 costs; Bobby W. Ritchie, Frank D. Rogan IV, Marc M. Sanders, Tamar J. Whatley, Joshua B. Hancock, Justin R. Bivens, Carole F. Payne, John P. Philippo, license suspended for fta; Allison M. Gibson, Joanna M. Schoborg, Chantell D. McGoff, paid; Kia T. Jones, Joshua A. Stopher, paid \$60 plus costs; Paul D. Wooldridge, paid \$40 fine and \$133 costs; John S. Michaelides, paid \$30 fine plus \$133 costs.
 Jeffrey W. Sweeney: possession of marijuana, 10 days/concurrent.
 James A. Scalia: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.
 Christopher D. Solomon: speeding and failure to wear seat belts, paid.
 Charles Marlow, Jr: no insurance card in possession, \$50 fine and costs.
 Matthew S. Attawa: following another vehicle too closely and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.
 Gregory A. Clayton: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.
 Lyndsey N. Cook: drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, \$100 fine and costs.
 Jerry D. Fields: failure of owner to maintain required insurance, \$500 fine/\$400 suspended on condition; no operators license in possession, \$50 fine.
 Devin J. Hall: speeding,

operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to surrender revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta.
 James B. Hatcher: resisting arrest, \$100 fine and costs.
 Kathryn Hyde: criminal trespassing, \$250 fine/suspend \$200 on condition.
 Ralph D. Isaacs: No expired registration plates - receipt, bw issued for fta.
 Leroy Monk, Jr: disorderly conduct, \$100 fine and costs.
 Daniel L. Rettburg: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs and possession of marijuana, sentencing orders entered.
 Mickel R. Seals: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.
 Jacqueline M. Barnes: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine; failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, \$500 fine/suspend \$450.
 Randall S. Bishop: speeding, \$30 fine and no operators license in possession, \$25 fine.
 Sabrina K. Bowles: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine and failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, \$500 fine/suspend \$400 on condition.
 Brandon Lee Bowling: menacing, 30 days/probated 12 months on condition plus costs.
 Ben J. Bowman: no operators license in possession, \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine.
 Donald E. Damrell: no operators license in possession, \$25 fine.
 Bryan J. Gudgeon: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license

suspended for fta.
 Brandy M. Gutierrez: speeding, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta.
 Devin J. Hall: speeding, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to surrender revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta.
 Benson J. Ingram: no operators/moped license, \$100 fine and costs.
 Mary E. Johnson: fines/fees due (\$225), bw issued/5 days in jail or payment in full.
 Kelly Lees: no/expired registration plates, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, operating on suspended/revoked operators license (two counts), bw issued for fta.
 Edward F. McGuire: propagating and holding of protected wildlife, \$100 fine and costs.
 Robert C. Perry: failure to wear seat belt, \$25 fine; no operators license in possession, \$25 fine.
 Jimmy Pheanis: alcohol intoxication in public place, \$25 fine and costs.
 Jeffrey R. Phelps: possession controlled substance, 90 days/probated two years on condition.
 Adrian Sanchez-Olivares: no operators license in possession, \$25 fine and costs/fine suspended on condition.
 Randi Faye Saylor: public intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.
 Joshua Lee Smith: no insurance card, \$50 fine and costs plus restitution if re-

(Cont. to B3)

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Second row from left: Shane Winkler, Lavon Jett, Andy Hall, Louella Gadd, Jamie Doan, Amy Davis, Kristina Rigsby and Erik Bowling.

Third row from left: Dola Gustin, Melissa Cotton, Brent Sheehan, Jacob Bowman, Brittany Bullock, Billy Stewart, Micah Renner and Alisha Lewis.

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Holiday hours for KY Artisan Center in Berea

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea will close at 5 p.m. Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, and will be closed all day on Christmas Day, Dec. 25. The center will re-open at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 26, and will be open regular 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. hours the rest of the week, providing visitors with a great opportunity

to find exciting Kentucky-made gifts and enjoy a meal at the Artisan Cafe. The center is a wonderful source for both Kentucky Proud foods and Kentucky-Crafted artisan works.

Convenient to visitors throughout the year, the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea is located at 200 Artisan Way, just off Interstate 75 at Berea exit 77. The center's exhibits, shopping and travel information areas are open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and the cafe is open 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is free.

The center currently features works by more than 650 artisans from more than 100 counties across the Commonwealth. A special exhibit, "The Threads that Bind: Textile Works by Kentucky Artisans," is on display through Feb. 23, 2013. For information about the center's events call 859-985-5448, visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/kentucky.artisan.center, or go to the center's website at www.kentuckyartisancenter.ky.gov

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea is an agency in the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

"Court News" (Cont. from B2)

quested.

Eric N. Tackett: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered; possession of marijuana, \$100 fine.

Dorothy L. Thomas: criminal trespassing, \$200 fine/suspended on payment of costs and other conditions.

William N. Wilson: vio-

lation of Kentucky EPO/DVO, bw issued for fta.

Precious L. Brooks: speeding (two counts) and no operators/moped license, license suspended for fta.

Raye L. Daulton: speeding, failure to wear seat belts, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

David A. Drew II: no insurance card, \$50 fine; license to be in possession, \$25 fine; possession of marijuana, \$100 fine; drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, \$100 fine.

Travis E. Evans: theft by unlawful taking, \$250 fine/suspend \$50 on condition lplus restitution.

Amanda Lynn Goff: unauthorized use of motor vehicle, bw issued for fta.

Courtney R. Hodgins: theft by deception, bw issued for fta.

Adam P. Linkous: permit unlicensed operator to operator motor vehicle and failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Kerri Lowe: operating vehicle w/expired operators license and careless driving, bw issued for fta.

Sylvester L. Stephens: no operators/moped license, bw issued for fta.

Rebecca Marie Wolfford: disregarding traffic control device, traffic light and no operators/moped license, license suspended for fta.

Merry Christmas

With Best Wishes At the Holidays

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LF&R Turkey Shoot

Livingston Fire and Rescue will hold a Turkey Shoot on Saturday, December 29th at 10 a.m. at David Mason's garage, north of Livingston on U.S. 25. 410-16-20-12 gauge shotguns only. \$2 a shot. Shells will be furnished by the fire department and concessions will be sold.

Brodhead City Hall Holiday Hours

Brodhead City Hall will be closed Monday, December 24th through Tuesday, January 1st for the holidays.

CCFFG Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Concerned Citizens for Fair Government (CCFFG) will be Thursday, January 17th at 6 p.m. on the third floor of the courthouse. Please use rear entrance. The group meets the third Thursday of each month.

Kiwanis Meeting Change

Effective January 3, 2013, the Kiwanis Thursday luncheon meeting will be held at the Tea Cup Cafe, Main St., Mt. Vernon.

VFW News

During the winter months, the post will be closed Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday. On Saturday, December 22nd the Lose Change Band will be performing and on Monday, Dec. 31st (New Year's Eve Party), Josh Logan will be performing. The public is invited.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #556 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

RCDB Meeting Notice

The Rockcastle County Development Board meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at noon at the Rockcastle County Courthouse 3rd floor Technology Center. The public is invited to attend.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Kiwanis Club Meetings

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at The Renfro Valley Lodge in Renfro Valley. Everyone welcome.

Historical Society Hours

The Rockcastle Historical Society is open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building.

Sons of Confederate Veterans

The Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV), Rockcastle Camp, meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the county courthouse. For more information, contact David Owens at 606-256-9870.

American Legion Post 71

American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 7 p.m. of each month at the Back Porch Restaurant in the Renfro Valley Village. Commander David Owens invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.



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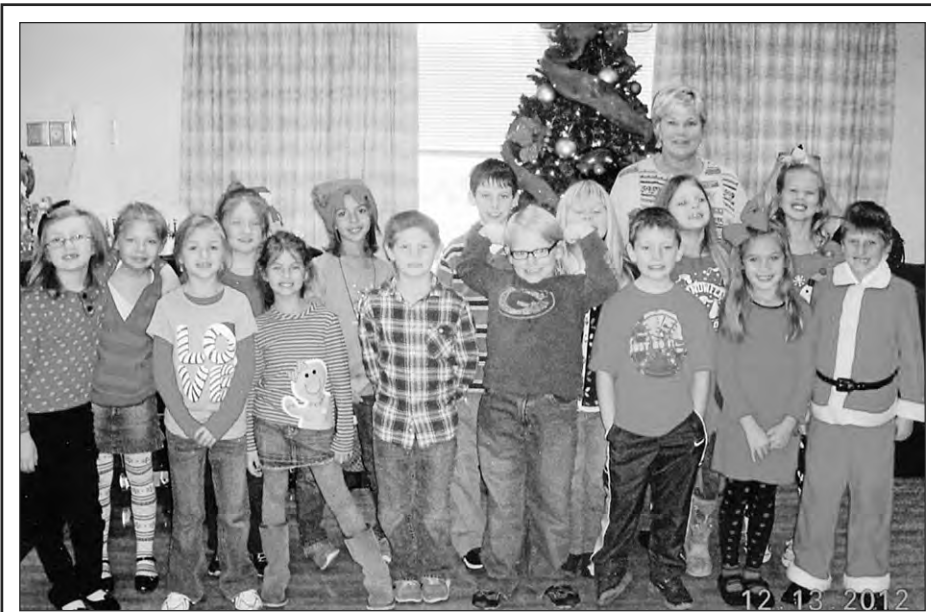
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From left: Kendall Kilbourne, Charlotte Hansel, Melissa Slone, Jessica Thacker, Lisa McClure, Andrew Nelson, Amanda Mastin and Jennifer Bowles.



Lion Tom Darst and Lions Club President Mike Debord were presented a check from Fr. Michael Flannagan of Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church for the Shop with a Lion program sponsored by the Mt. Vernon Lions Club.



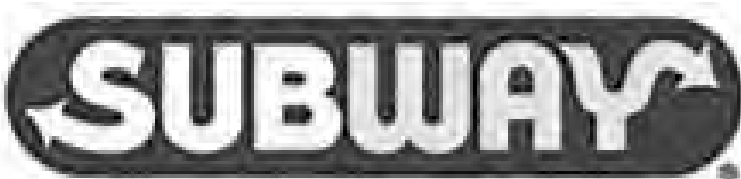
The students of Ms. Linda Clontz and Ms. Marian Cable's second grade class at Mt. Vernon Elementary performed their Christmas songs for the patients at the Rockcastle Hospital and Wayne Stewart Adult Center. We hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas!



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Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters and staff



Pictured from left: Shannon Franklin, Dale McNew, Carl Swanigan, Joe Rush, Connie Bullen, Sheriff Mike Peters and Matt Bryant.

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From Monty's Plant Food Company Kentucky FFA members eligible for scholarship

Monty's Plant Food Company, a Louisville, Kentucky-based manufacturer of plant and soil enhancement products for the agriculture, industry, is now accepting applications from Kentucky students for four, \$1,000 college scholarships. The awards will be made in conjunction with the National FFA Organization to high school seniors who are members of FFA.

To be eligible students must also meet criteria including:

- Resides in Kentucky – Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Ohio, Maryland, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Carolina, Tennessee or Virginia residents are also eligible to apply

- Live on a family farm
- Plan to pursue post-secondary education and study agronomy and crop science, sustainable agriculture, soil science or soil conservation
- Have a minimum high school GPA of 3.25
- Have participated in community service

A complete list of criteria is listed online at www.montysplantfood.com.

Scholarship applications are available online at www.ffa.org/scholarships. The deadline to apply is February 15, 2013. The Monty's Plant Food Company scholarships will be awarded in May.

"FFA is a wonderful leadership program and we are proud to partner with such an influential organization to offer scholarships to young people in agriculture," said Dennis Stephens, president, Monty's Plant Food Company. "We value education and are pleased to help students pursue a college degree."

Each year, the National FFA Organization awards approximately \$2 million in

scholarships sponsored by businesses and individuals through the National FFA Foundation. Scholarships are awarded for a wide variety of experiences, career goals and higher education plans. Students can complete one application to be considered for all scholarships offered through the National FFA Organization.

Clients of the Wayne Stewart Horizon Center, who enjoyed making 400 Christmas cards, are shown in the photo. The cards were sent to Veteran's Centers around the state. The Center sponsored several adult events for their clients, including a shopping trip around town on Dec. 5th, a Driver Appreciation Day for the center's bus drivers and on Dec. 19th, Santa Claus came to town. The clients enjoyed Santa's workshop to select gifts for their family or themselves. The events culminated with a Client Christmas Party on Dec. 20th with lunch and gifts.



Doug Brock and Lola Swinney were voted King and Queen, during the recent Driver Appreciation Day, by clients at the Wayne Stewart Horizon Center. The drivers were served lunch during the event.



A suprise visitor this holiday season to the Wayne Stewart Horizon Center was Country Charlie Napier who entertained clients with gospel and Christmas music. He was assisted by Carrie Vargas, a social worker at the center.



Wayne Stewart Horizon Center recently enjoyed a visit from second grade students of Linda Clontz and Marian Cable from Mt. Vernon Elementary School. The children entertained clients of the center with a Christmas performance. In the photo are, from left: Logan Lovell, Rachel Spoonamore, Bailey Bullock, Cameron Wright, Xander Fletcher, Alexis Brock, Payton Isaacs and Halli Bales.

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Front row from left: Jenny Wilson, Danny Barnes, Lucy Cole, Stephanie Baker and Angel Smith.

Back row from left: Andrea Reynolds, Sarah Herbert, Ted Owens, Savannah Falin, manager Denise Wallin and Matt Vanwinkle.

In Fayette, Jessamine and Madison counties Volunteers needed to assist foster children

Citizen Foster Care Review Boards that serve Fayette, Jessamine and Madison counties are seeking volunteers to make a difference in the lives of local children in foster care. Volunteers are needed to review cases of children placed in foster care because of dependency, neglect and abuse to ensure these children are placed in safe, permanent homes as quickly as possible. Volunteers are not required to reside in the county where a board meets.

The Kentucky General Assembly created the Citizen Foster Care Review Board, or CFCRB, in 1982 as a way to decrease the time children spend in foster care. CFCRB volunteers review Cabinet for Health and Family Services files on children placed in out-of-home care and work with the cabinet and courts on behalf of the state's foster children. The volunteer reviewers help ensure that children receive the necessary services while in foster care and are ultimately placed in permanent homes. All volunteers must complete a six-hour initial training session and consent to a criminal record and central registry check. A recommendation is then made to the chief judge of the District Court or Family Court for appointment.

The next training for new volunteers will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. EST Friday, Jan. 25, in Lexington.

The meeting schedules for the Fayette, Jessamine and Madison CFCRBs most in need of volunteers are (Times are local):

Fayette County
Fayette County CFCRBs meet monthly at the Department for Community Based Services at 1165 Centre Parkway in Lexington.

Fayette Board F: Meets on the third Monday of the month at 4:30 p.m.

Fayette Board H: Meets on the second Monday of the month at 5 p.m.

Fayette Board I: Meets on the second Thursday of the month at 10 a.m.

Fayette Board K: This is a new board and will meet on the first Wednesday of the month. The meeting time will be based on the schedules of the new volunteers.

Jessamine County
The Jessamine County CFCRB meets on the second Tuesday of every other month at 5 p.m.

Madison County
The Madison County CFCRB meeting schedule will be determined based on the schedules of its new volunteers.

For more information about Fayette and Jessamine

counties, potential volunteers may contact Brett Robinson at 859-246-2166, brettrobinson@kycourts.net.

For more information about Madison County, potential volunteers may contact Shan Sears at 606-451-4303, shansears@kycourts.net.

Potential volunteers may also contact the Department of Family and Juvenile Services at 800-928-2350 about these or any other CFCRBs.

Citizen Foster Care Review Board

Approximately 800 volunteers across the state serve as members of the Kentucky Citizen Foster Care Review Board. The boards operate within the Division of Dependent Children's Services of the Administrative Office of the Courts in Frankfort. As the operations arm for the state court system, the AOC supports the activities of nearly 3,300 court system employees and 403 elected justices, judges and circuit court clerks and executes the Judicial Branch budget.

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**Kelly Hughes and
Doug Hughes** **Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on August 10, 2012 and order to reschedule entered on October 11, 2012 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SIXTY THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO DOLLARS AND 36/100 (\$63,682.36) 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
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on Thursday, December 20, 2012
Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

92 Acorn Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Beginning at a stake on the west side of the county road in Little Hurricane and running with Arlis Dodson line south 49 1/2 west 12 poles and 11 links to a stake; thence leaving Dodson's line and running north 19 1/2 west 13 poles and 3 links to a stake; thence north 39 east 4 poles and 8 links to the point of beginning, containing one acre, more or less as surveyed by Douglas Durham.

Being the same property conveyed to Doug Hughes and wife Kelly Hughes, by deed dated September 24, 2002, executed by David Collins, single, of record in Deed Book 193, Page 366 in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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 delinquent state, county and/or city real estate taxes shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2012 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from 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".

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Students from Brodhead Elementary, through participation in UNITE club, have been collaborating with the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center carrying out activities with nursing home residence and staff. These events include seasonal projects to generate positive student relationships with Brodhead community members in the rehabilitation center. Brodhead Elementary intermediate students engaged

in an economic integration with the E-Discovery program. This program provided students with the information and resources to start their own businesses. With the development of student businesses students generate entrepreneur principles, and instill economic understandings. The businesses created by the intermediate students will offer a sell of products on Friday, December 14th, during the Winter

Wonderland Workshop. Brodhead would like to thank all parents and community members that joined us during the E-Discovery sell. Brodhead UNITE students and nursing home residents making homemade Christmas ornaments, and reading holiday stories, highlighting a few of their visits to the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center. Brodhead students pose for a picture opportunity while opening their businesses during the Holiday Extravaganza.



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In a giving spirit; choose a charity you can trust

(StatePoint) The holiday season is when many express a giving spirit. Most will support charities whose work they see first-hand locally. But in mailboxes every day, there are appeals from many other local and national charities. How can donors verify their accuracy?

A recent survey by Hope Consulting shows that despite information available from state government agencies, charity watchdogs and the organization itself, only 30 percent of donors do any research before making a donation.

Experts advise potential donors to look more carefully at solicitation letters they receive and seek out third-party information sources.

"While the vast majority of charities are trustworthy, not all are what they appear to be -- from the unscrupulous, to the well-meaning but poorly-run organizations," warns H. Art Taylor, President and CEO of the Better Business Bureau (BBB) Wise Giving Alliance, which seeks to connect donors to charities they can trust.

"If donors want to assure their money will be put to good use, they should spend a little bit of time getting to know more about the organization," says Taylor.

The first step is to take a good, hard look at the charity solicitation you receive

in the mail or encounter online.

Here are several examples of potential problems a donor may encounter in mail, online or by phone solicitations:

- Appeals that don't clearly explain what the charity intends to do about the problem it describes.

- Envelopes or letters that mimic an invoice in order to get a recipient to open the mailing.

- Solicitations that devote more attention to gifts or prizes (for example, sweepstakes offerings, address labels or greeting cards) than the charity's good work.

- Overly emotional fundraising letters saying little about the charity itself.

- Appeals using excessive pressure to get an immediate on-the-spot donation decision.

- Telemarketing solicitors who decline to send requested written materials about the charity's programs and finances.

"Scrutinizing a charity appeal is crucial, but you should never make a charitable giving decision based solely on the information in a solicitation," says Taylor.

However, it can be difficult for donors to know what to look for in a charity's financial statement. This is where a monitoring organization can help.

The BBB Wise Giving Alliance is the only major national charity monitoring

organization that reviews appeal content for accuracy and truthfulness as a routine part of its charity reporting efforts. Charities are evaluated against 20 BBB Standards for Charity Accountability that address charity governance, finances and solicitation practices.

A recent survey conducted by Porter Novelli's ConsumerStyles found that nearly six in ten say that the charity solicitation mail they receive is either not very or not at all trustworthy. So if there's any doubt, do your research.

Before donating, consider accessing a free report on the charity of your choice at www.give.org. And if your charity isn't listed, you can ask the BBB Wise Giving Alliance to consider a review of that charity.

'Tis the season to give back. Ensure your charitable dollars support organizations that don't use dodgy fundraising tactics.



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Thursday, December 20, 2012



The Kiwanis Choir performed "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and "Angels We Have Heard on High" for the crowd at Mt. Vernon's annual Christmas Tree Lighting. The event is sponsored annually by the Rockcastle Kiwanis Club.



A large crowd gathered for the annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony at Triangle Park in Mt. Vernon.



Megan Cromer sang "That Wasn't Me" for the crowd at the annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony in Mt. Vernon.



Betty Fredrick sang "What Child is This" for the crowd at the annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony in Mt. Vernon.

Merry Christmas

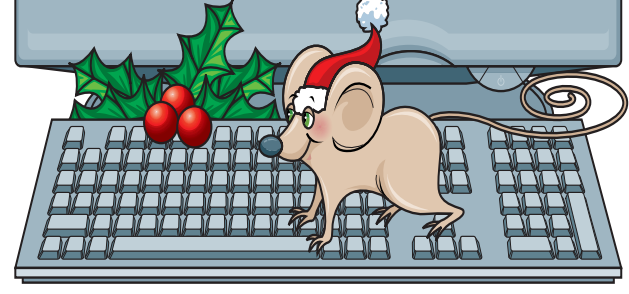
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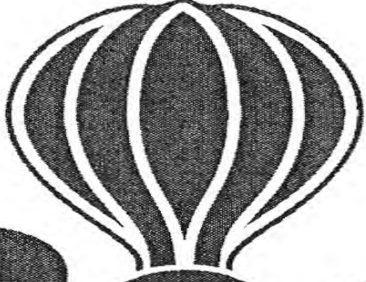
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Students write annual Letters to Santa

Mrs. Jamie Bryant's First Grade Class
Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How is your elves? How is Rudolph's nose? Can you bring me an iPad? I have been good all the time, I'm not joking.
Graydon
Dear Santa,
I hope you will come on Christmas Eve. I want some Legos. Thank you for everything you have done.
Joseph
Dear Santa,
Hi Santa! I love Rudolph. Hi Dancer, Vixen, Cupid, Comet, Prancer. I want something to control my puppy with, to teach him to be nice. My puppy's name is Griffey.
Layne
Dear Santa,
Santa, how are you doing this year? How are your elves doing? Can you bring me a laptop for Christmas so I can type and play games? Santa, will you please give my brother a PS3? That is all.
Ford
Dear Santa,
Tell Rudolph I said "hi". How do the reindeer carry your sled? Please make it easier for me to make snowmen. Please help my family not get sick no more.
Thank you, Santa.
Camryn
Dear Santa,
I wish both my grandmas would get better. I want a toy horse for Christmas. My sister wants a baby doll. My brothers want a toy gun. I have been good this year, but my brothers haven't.
Paige
Dear Santa,
For one thing, what I want for Christmas is not just toys, can you just give hope to the world? Merry Christmas!
David
Dear Santa,
I like Rudolph. How is your little elves? I want a GloBook and you press a little button and it glows. That's all I want.
Carley
Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? I want an iPod for Christmas and some Legos. I am thankful for Jesus.
Jesse
Dear Santa,
I want a toy car and I can't think of anything else. I like getting presents at Christmas and I like to ride sleds and have a snowball fight with my sister. Thank you, Santa.
Caiden
Dear Santa,
Are you being nice to the elves? How are you feeling? Hope the animals will get better. I want a fake phone, iPod, and a touch screen. Hope the elves will be good to you.
Sandra
Dear Santa,
Can the reindeer fly? Can you bring me an iPhone? My sister wants a Barbie house. Last week was my birthday. Have a good, merry Christmas.
Stephen
Dear Santa,
Is the reindeer real? Is the elves real? If they are, will you bring me an iPod, an iPhone, and an EZ Bake oven. I want a great big bear.
I love you Santa.
Alycia
Dear Santa,
I do want a lot of things. One thing is I want a choochootrain. And I also want a Woody from Toy Story. My old Woody don't talk.
Thank you and Merry Christmas.
Nicholas
Dear Santa,
I would like a toy truck, but I would really like for my Granny to feel better. Then I want to go up in Ohio and see her. Love you, Santa.
Landan
Dear Santa,
I wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year. I hope you make people happy and make them feel better. I want a boat for Christmas and a bow and arrow and also some arrows and a target. Would you bring happiness and joy?

Jonathan
Mrs. Kaci Brown's First Grade Class
Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph and the other reindeers? I hope that you bring me a bike. I hope that you bring me a red bike. I will ride it every day. I will fix cookies. I will leave them on the table.
Merry Christmas, Zack
Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Can I please have a dirt bike? I also want a four-wheeler? I do not have a fire place. I have been a good boy!
Merry Christmas, Devin
Dear Santa,
Are you ready for Christmas? I want you to bring me a snuggleup it. I would sleep with it. I like the one that looks like a dog. I have been a good boy.
Merry Christmas, Tiney
Dear Santa,
Are you ready for Christmas? Please will you please get me a DSi? I also want the Mario 3 game for it. I am going to stay up all night and wait for you.
Merry Christmas, Dallas
Dear Santa,
How are you? For Christmas I want a Monster High set. I want it to be pink. I have been a very good girl this year.
Merry Christmas, Darla
Dear Santa,
How small are your elves anyway? Can you please get me a remote controlled airplane? Please do not put a cord on it. I will make you cookies.
Merry Christmas, Jacob
Dear Santa,
How are you Santa? I want a Barbie doll. I also want a Barbie doll house and a new pair of flip-flops. I also really want a new TV so I can play my X-Box games. I love you Santa!!
Merry Christmas, Katelyn
Dear Santa,
Is Rudolph ready for Christmas? I hope you get me a new pretty doll house. I also hope you get me an Ipod. We do not have a chimney.
Merry Christmas, Kelsey
Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph doing? Can you please get me a new bike? I would love to have a blue one. I also want a pink Barbie doll to play with. I can't wait till Christmas!
Merry Christmas, Emily
Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph this year? Can you buy me a four wheeler? I want a pack of shoes too. I also want a Barbie doll. I have been a good girl.
Merry Christmas, Jaden
Dear Santa,
How do you fly?? Can you please get me an American Girl doll? I want it to have blonde hair and a pretty pink dress. Please tell Rudolph hi.
Merry Christmas, Jordan
Dear Santa,
Is Rudolph ok? I hope that I get an Ipod. I also hope that I get a bike. Please can you get me a cat and a 3DS also? I have been a very good bay this year.
Merry Christmas, Ethan
Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph and the other reindeers? Can you get me a four wheeler because I really want to ride it? I would like it to be black. I am a good girl!!
Merry Christmas, Bailey
Dear Santa,
Is Rudolph ok? Please give me a new Barbie. I also want a new bike and a big Lalaloopsiedoll. You will have to use the front door to get in.
Merry Christmas, Savannah
Dear Santa,
Is it cold at the North Pole? For Christmas I hope you bring me a little, tiny Transformer. It has a little fake gun for it. I think its name is Tricon. I love you, Santa.
I hope you and your elves have a Merry Christmas.
Merry Christmas, Damion
Mrs. Paula Davis' First Grade Class
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year, I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my

parents. This year, I would really like a new DS game, and my own journal to write in, and a new Barbie doll. I will leave you M&M's or cookies.
Love, Emma
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like a ball that bounces, a kitchen set, and a bike and dolls. My mom is making cookies for you.
Love, Starla
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year, I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year I would really like an X-box, and a puppy named Bubbles. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Love, Kyndall
Dear Santa,
I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like a Wii, some new X-box games, Wii games and some DS games. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Love, Jacob C.
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like a puzzle, a sleeping bag and little cars.
Love, Jeremiah
Dear Santa,
I have missed you. I've done my chores. I've been good. I've obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like an X-box 360, and an Ipad, and that's all. I will make homemade cookies for you and give you milk. I will leave a snack for the reindeer, too.
Garrett
Dear Santa,
I have been good. I try to obey my mom. This year I want an X-box 360 and an Ipad.
Love, Jake
Dear Santa,
I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like a Kindle fire and an X-box

360 and an Ipod, and a bicycle and some race cars. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Love, Austin
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year, I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year I would really like new DS games, and new Wii games and that's all. I will leave cookies and milk.
Love, Andrew
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like an Ipod touch, an Ipad and some paint. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Love, Ethan
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like a clipboard, a pack of construction paper and a doll and a make-up set. I will leave cookies and milk.
Love, Deanna
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my par-

ents. This year, I would really like an Ipad. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Love, Jaeleigh
Dear Santa,
I love you and I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like stuff to play school with, like bookmarks. I will leave cookies.
Love, Shala
Dear Santa,
I love you and I miss you. I have been very good this year. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I want a skateboard and an X-box 360 game for Christmas.
Love, Thomas
Dear Santa,
I've missed you. This year I have been very good. I have done my chores and obeyed my parents. This year, I would really like construction paper and art stuff to paint on and a Hello, Kitty puzzle.
Love, Chelsi
Dear Santa,
This year, I would like all the children in my classroom to have a nice warm bed to sleep in, and enough food to fill their bellies. I would like for them to have fun with siblings and friends, playing games and

laughing some each and every day. I would like for them to make terrific memories with moms and dads, and get lots of hugs and kisses. Most of all, I would like each of them to know how much they are really loved!
Love, Mrs. Paula Davis
P.S. Some snow to play in would be nice, too!!
Mrs. Jerri Smith's First Grade Class
Dear Santa,
How are you doing today? When is your birthday? I love you! Could you bring me a kite?
Love, Tiffany
Dear St. Nick,
I would like a toy train, a toy robot and a toy for my little cousin. How's your elves? Are they busy? My dad likes guitars.
Love, Miles
Dear Santa,
Could I have a sea knife for Christmas? I would also like a bow staff. Could you bring a toy for Felowe that he can't chew up? I would like to wish you a Merry Christmas.
Love, Lincoln
Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus doing? Could you bring me a Baby Alive and a stroller for my

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Wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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Santa Letters

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baby. I need a new tooth-brush too.
 Love, Faith
 Dear Santa,
 I like Mario Cart Seven. Could you bring me one please. I like to fly kites in the summer. Red is my favorite color. Could you bring me a Free D S?
 Love, Joseph
 Dear Santa,
 I want a little sister and a horse and that's all.
 Love, Noah
 Dear Santa,
 I would like a Deer Hunting video. How does your reindeer fly?
 Love, Jayce
 Dear Santa,
 I can read. I would like to have Monster High, one direction book and a bear. I will leave you some cookies.
 Love, Kaylee
 Hello Santa,
 How many reindeer do you have? Can all of them fly? I would like a toy car, a dog and a game for Christmas.
 Love, Ethan.
 I love Santa Claus,
 Thank you for the toys. I would like a baby doll and a real dog and a cat. I want a Santa Claus hat too. Would you also bring me the Hungry Caterpillar book?
 Love, Serenity
 Dear Santa,
 I was very good. I want a stuffed Christmas Tree for my bedroom. I want a remote control car. I would like a cat toy for Blackie.
 Love, Wyatt.
 Dear Santa,
 Have a good day. I have been really good in school.
 Love, Madison.
 Dear Santa,
 How are you doing? I love Christmas! How is Rudolph? I like when you bring me stuff. Would you bring me a remote control car?
 Love, Nicholas C.
 Dear Santa,
 I would like a bow and arrow, a tablet and Monster High doll.
 Love, Maddie
 Dear Santa,
 I'm learning to make letters. I want some Mario toys for Christmas.
 Love, Nicholas S.
 Mrs. Kathy Price's
 First Grade Class
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I have been good this year. I would like a police truck and a trampoline. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Landon
 Dear Santa,
 How is Mrs. Clause? I have been very good this year. I would like a hair salon, make up, and a whiteboard. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Brooklyn
 Dear Santa,
 How are the reindeer? I have been good this year. I would like a dollhouse and a trampoline. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Desiree
 Dear Santa,
 How are the reindeer? I have been good this year. I would like a slingshot and a fort kit. I will leave cookies and milk. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Charles
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I have been very good this year. I would like a chalkboard. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Eli
 Dear Santa,
 How is Mrs. Clause? I would like a Barbie House, a Ken doll, and a new puppy. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Amy
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I have been very good this year. I would like a power truck and a dog. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Alex
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I have been very good this year. I would

like a Barbie Doll and a new puppy. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Emma
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I have been very good this year. I would like an Air Soft Gun. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Carson
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I have been very good this year. I would like a Ninja suit, a dirt bike, and spy glasses. I will hang my stocking. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Marcos
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I have been very good this year. I would like a pool and a monster truck. I will leave you cookies and milk. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Nicklaus
 Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I would like a table and a play spoon. I will leave cookies and milk. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Dakota
 Dear Santa,
 How are the reindeer? I have been very good this year. I would like a shooting range, an x-box, and a WWE game. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Cody
 Dear Santa,
 How are the reindeer? I have been very good this year. I would like a Nerf gun. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Jaden
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I have been very good this year. I would like a bow, KTM 50 Prowler dirt bike, and a Long Rifle. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Have a safe trip!
 Love, Mitchell
 Mrs. Kristy Isaacs'
 First Grade Class
 Dear Santa,
 All I want for Christmas is an inflatable solar system.
 Matthew
 Dear Santa,
 All I want for Christmas is some books and rollerblades.
 Paige
 Dear Santa,
 All I want for Christmas is Black Ops Call of Duty 1 & 2.
 Jackson
 Dear Santa,
 I've been nice to all my friends. What I want for Christmas is a haunted mansion dvd, a crayon maker, and Johnny the Skull.
 Brock
 Dear Santa,
 I've been nice this year. I want a football for Christmas.
 Jaden
 Dear Santa,
 I've been nice. I want a Doctor Mommy doll and I would like a snow globe. I would like a La La Laddy doll and a La La Loopsy doll, too.
 Raychel
 Dear Santa,
 I've been nice. I want Call of Duty 2 and a fighting game for Christmas.
 Ryan
 Dear Santa,
 I've been nice this year. What I want for Christmas is a mp3 player and a meep. My brother wants a Call of Duty Black Hawk game for Wii.
 Jordan
 Dear Santa,
 I've been nice. I would like a Halo 4, Ninja Legos, and a 3DS for Christmas.
 Ryder
 Dear Santa,
 I've been nice this year. All I want for Christmas is a real life kitty and that's all. That's what I'm hoping for.
 Lydia
 Dear Santa,
 I've been a little naughty and a little nice. I would like Doodle Domes and an eyeball that squirts water.
 Seth
 Dear Santa,
 I've been nice. I would like a baby doll, new shoes, new clothes, and some new books.
 Elizabeth
 Dear Santa,
 I've been very nice. Can you bring me a new teddy bear? My dog tried to eat the one I had.
 Thank you, Alyssa

Dear Santa,
 I've been nice this year. Can I have some stuffed animals and some new clothes? I'd also like a white jacket.
 Thanks, Emily
 Marion Cable's
 Second Grade Class
 Dear Mrs. Claus,
 How are you and Mr. Claus doing? I have been a good girl this year. I help my brother get dressed and I do my homework. For Christmas I would like to have a phone and a bank teller machine. Please bring my friend Halli some duck tape. I will leave you some carrots to eat. I look forward to your visit.
 Your friend, Bailey
 Dear Santa,
 How have you ben? How are the raneder? Are they fad? Are you feeling good? I have been a good boy this year. I help my mom wash the dishes. I walk my baby sister and work with my dad in the garden. For Christmas I would like to have a Batman game and a DS. Please bring my mom and dad a car. I will leave you some Santa cheese to eat.
 Merry Christmas, Aaron

Dear Santa,
 How are the elves? I have been a good girl this year. I clean my room and I clean the dishes. I help my teacher. For Christmas I would I like to have an Orbez's soothing spa and a Brite Lite pillow. Please bring my daddy an Ipad. I will leave you some no back cookies and a glass of milk. Injoy your trip.
 Your friend, Alexis
 Dear Santa,
 How are you and Mrs. Claus? I have been a good boy this year. I have been good at school. I do my werk. At my house I walk my dogs. For Christmas I would like to have a dert bike and cindlfire. Please bring my dad some dip. I will leave you some cookies to eat. Have a safe trip.
 Merry Christmas, Xander
 Dear Santa,
 How are you and the elves? I have been a good girl this year. I help my mom with the dishes and I also help my dad with the cows. For Christmas I would like to have a crayon maker and a Barbie. Plese bring my mother a necklace. I will leave you some penut but-

ter cookies. Have a good trip with Rudolph.
 Your friend, Kylie
 Dear Santa,
 How are you and the elves? I have been a good girl this year. I halp my mommy wash dishes every day. At school I have been good there to. For Christmas I would like to have an Ipad and mini laptop. Please bring my little brother Lucas a toy car. I will leave you some cake to eat. Have a safe trip.
 Being good in KY, Brooke
 Dear Santa,
 Have you enjoyed your time off? How are the elves? I have been a good boy this year. I help my mom clean the house. I help my dad fix the truck. For Christmas I would like to have a globe and a laptop. Please bring my mommy an Iphone and my dad a UK sign. I will leave you something to eat. Chocte chip cookie and a glass of milk. Looking forward to Christmas.
 Merry Christmas, Cameron
 Dear Santa,
 How are you and Mr. Claus? I have been a good girl. I help my mom cook and clean.

For Christmas I would like a Monster High doll and a One Direction doll.
 I will have you some milk and cookies.
 Have a good Christmas,
 Mia
 Dear Santa,
 How are you doing?
 I have been a good girl this year. I clen the dishes. I help my mom clen the hous. I help my mom put up the Christmas tree. For Christmas I would like to have a Lalalupse roller coaster and a nkls. Please bring my mom earrings. I'll leave you some cookies to eat. Have a safe trip.
 Happy holidays, Grace
 Dear Santa,
 How is the weather at the North Pole? I have been a good boy this year. I do my dishes with my mom. For Christmas I would like to have an Xbox 360 and a play saschn 3. Please bring my mamaw a car. I will bring cookies. Have a good trip.
 Merry Christmas, Marquise
 Dear Santa,
 How are you and the elves? I have been a good boy this

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Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year

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Santa Letters

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year. I help my dad burn trash. For Christmas I would like to have a laptop and PS3. Please bring my dad a toolbox. I will leave you cookies. Have a safe trip.
Your friend, Ethan
Dear Santa Claus,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? I have been a good girl. I help my dad wash dishes and wash the cos. For Christmas I would like to have stuff from Toy Story and lots from Toy Story 3 that smells like strawberries. Please bring the pursin I'm in love with Aaron a DS. I will leave you some cookies to eat. Have a safe trip.
Tell Rodof I said, "Hi!"
Your friend, Valerie
Dear Santa,
How are you and the elves? I have been a good boy this year. I made 100 on my spelling test. I do my chores. For Christmas I want a Grand Theft Auto game. Please bring my brother NFL Madden 13. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies. Hope you have a good day!
Logan
Dear Santa,
Are you ready for Christmas? I have been a good boy. I would like to have a dirt bike. Would you bring my friend Aaron an Xbox?
JR
Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? How is the weather at the North Pole? I have been a good boy this year. I help my mom and dad put up the Christmas tree. Please bring my mom a new pink shirt and my dad a new green shirt. I would like a Skylander named Boomer. Have a good trip. I will get you some cookys and milk.
From, Riley
Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I have been a good girl this year. I help my mom put up the ornaments on the tree. I help my mom clen the dishes. For Christmas, I would like a bord and a dollhose.

Please bring my dad a hat and bring my mom a nuckalise. I will leave you some cookies to eat. Enjoy your trip.
Merry Christmas, Erika
Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? I have been a good girl this year. I do my assignments. For Christmas I would like to have an Ipod and a basketball. Please bring my mom and dad a new TV.
I will leave you some no bake cookies to eat. Have a nice trip. Merry Christmas!
Your friend,
Nazomi
Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I have been a good girl because I have done well in school. For Christmas I want an Orbez's foot massager. I want my pappy's sister to get better. I will leave you some milk and Christmas cookies. Can't wait to hear from you!
Love, Payton
Mrs. Linda Clontz's
Second Grade Class
Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I have been good at school and working hard at school too. I have done good on my spelling test. I want an Imagonnix T-rex. Don't forget to get my brother a batman cage.
Your good girl, Laura
Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I have been helping my mom and dad with stuf. Santa I would like something for Christmas pleas. I would like a lala loopsy doll. I will leav some cookies and milk. I will leave it on my piano seat.
From the girl, Mya
Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl because I help my brother pickup his toys. Can I have a password Jeanne and a furby for Christmas? My brother whants a toy trey. I will leav you some penut butter balls on the tobel by the door.
Love, Kimhari
Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I give Corey his bottle. I will leave you some milk and

cookies on the counter in the kichin. If you will plesse get me a black furey rug.
From, Celia
Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I well give you coocis and milk on Chrismas Day. I want a Ipod and also I want a Ipad and for my brothers a ipod and a ipad.
Jenna
Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I will clean my room. I would like legos because I like to build them and I would like a password journal and a furby. My mom wants a northface jacket.
Halli
Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I was hoping you woud get me some boots for me and close for my babies and some jewelry for my mommy. Some tools for my daddy and a basketball for my brother. I will make you some choclet chip cokies and milk on the stove.
Love, Kylee
Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a bow for Christmas. I would like a video game called skyrem too. Leave our neighbors cat something to sleep in when he walks over.
A good boy, Silas
Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I will give you some cookies. I want a tablet for Christmas to see my doll clothes and my sister Hana a tablet to. Bring my sister Krisin a dance 5. Bring my friend Jenna a i-pod and bring my friend Kylee a tablet.
Love, Abigail Jones
Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I would like a ninja suit and ninja powers so I could be cool and awesome. Bring Aidan a ituns card and I will leave you cookies and coke.
Love, Gavin
Dear Santa,
I've been a good boy. I want a toy transformers wepennizers, and Legos and video games. And Angry Birds star wars and transformers. Would you give Jaimee a toy pony baby but-

terscotch.
Love, Jesse
Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I have been good at school. I want an ipod touch so when I have problemes I can text to call plus I can play games on it to. Please Santa I relly want it. I wold like if you could do me a little faver. I wold like if u could let me and my family have the best Christmas ever. My dad has been good to. I wold like if u could bring him a Ranger 250 moter. 20 or 21 foot boat. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Love, Sean
Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I have been doing good on my spelling test. I have been doing my homework. For Christmas I want a Dsi that takes piktures and I want a Monster high doll and get my sister the same too. I will leave you some cookies and milk if my mom will make them
Your good girl, Briana
Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy thes year. I wont a Dsi for Christmas. I want it besoes I have never played a Dsi. I would love it. I wold lav some cookies out and turn the fire off.
Love, Gabe
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been so good this year. I have been good at home. I have picked up my pop cans and juce boxes. Santa I want well if you were watching at Jenna's birthday you woude see what I got Jennas birthday. I want what Jenna for her birthday. Because it has all the things I like and I want for Christmas is Just Dance 4. Cause I love music. I listened to the music on it because I got it out of red box. Would you get my brother a sonic something. I do not know another reason to get me that toy. I baby sit my cousin. I will leave you cookies and milk and a juice box for the way home. O yeah my brother wants a Ds game.
A good girl, Emma



Matthew Nicely, 25, of Brodhead, son of Glenn Nicely, shot his first deer, a 10 point buck, with a compound bow on November 25th, two days before his birthday on the 27th.

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Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce Business Spotlight

C.C. Cox and Son Hardware

If you desire a trip down memory lane, look no further than C.C. Cox and Son Hardware. Not much has changed over the years. As you walk through doors, you instantly take a blast back to the "Good Ole' Days" of a family owned and operated, small town business. Located on Main Street in Mt. Vernon, C.C. Cox and Son Hardware has been family owned and operated since 1907 and serves as a fixture in our community.

The business began when Claude Cox and his three bothers the old Joplin Hotel. On one side was Claude's Hardware and the other was Robert and Edward's Dry Goods and upstairs was William Cox's Undertaker business.

During the winter of 1907, Christmas goods just had been marked and stocked on the shelves, the store burned. According to family members, after paying for all the stock that was lost in the fire, Claude had 25 cents in his pocket to start a new business. The store was rebuilt and over the years Claude bought out his brothers. Claude continued to own and operate the store with the help of his son, John, until his death in 1973.

Following Claude's death, John became the owner and operator of the family business. John owned and operated the business with his wife Martha and family until his death in July of 2009. Since John's death, Martha has op-

erator where she has worked for 36 years. C.C. Cox and Son Hardware have survived hard times, like many other small businesses. John had stated previously that he remembered during the depression that many days passed without so much as a nickel being taken in.

However, unlike most businesses Cox Hardware survived these hard times for over 100 hundred years and 5 generations.

Through the decades and changes in society, C.C. Cox and Son Hardware has maintained the status of an old quaint store full of stories and memories waiting to be told. As you walk through this iconic store, you will find a wide array of products on the shelves or hanging from the ceiling including: well buckets, cast iron cookware, galvanized wash tubs and buckets, wash boards and dippers, kerosene lamps and lanterns, case knives, garden and farm tools, plumbing and electrical supplies, glass and mirror cut to size, keys while you wait, kitchen items, stove pipe and supplies, and window repair.

As the holiday season passes, I encourage you to stop by C.C. Cox and Son Hardware, a store that truly is more than just a place where things are bought and sold. The Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce recognizes C.C. Cox and Son Hardware for its dedication and service to our community.

Mamaw's Kitchen

Regina Poynter Hoskins

FIGHTING-OVER-THE-CORNERS RED VELVET CAKE

This was a favorite of Cousin Timmy's as well as mine. If I happened to be there at the same time that he was, we would fight over the corners as they had the most frosting, hence the name. This is the cake and frosting recipe Mamaw always used.

1/2 cup Crisco® shortening
1 1/2 cups sugar
2 eggs
1 ounce red food coloring
1 ounce water
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 teaspoons cocoa
2 teaspoons salt
2 cups flour
1 cup buttermilk
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 tablespoon vinegar
Preheat oven to 350°. Grease and flour 9 x 13 baking pan. Cream shortening and sugar. Add eggs, food coloring, water, and vanilla. Sift together cocoa, salt, and flour. Add flour to egg mixture alternately with buttermilk. Beat all these ingredients 10 minutes. Dissolve soda in vinegar and FOLD into batter. (Do not beat after folding in soda and vinegar.) Pour into prepared pan. Bake for 30 to 40 minutes or until top springs back when lightly touched. Cool

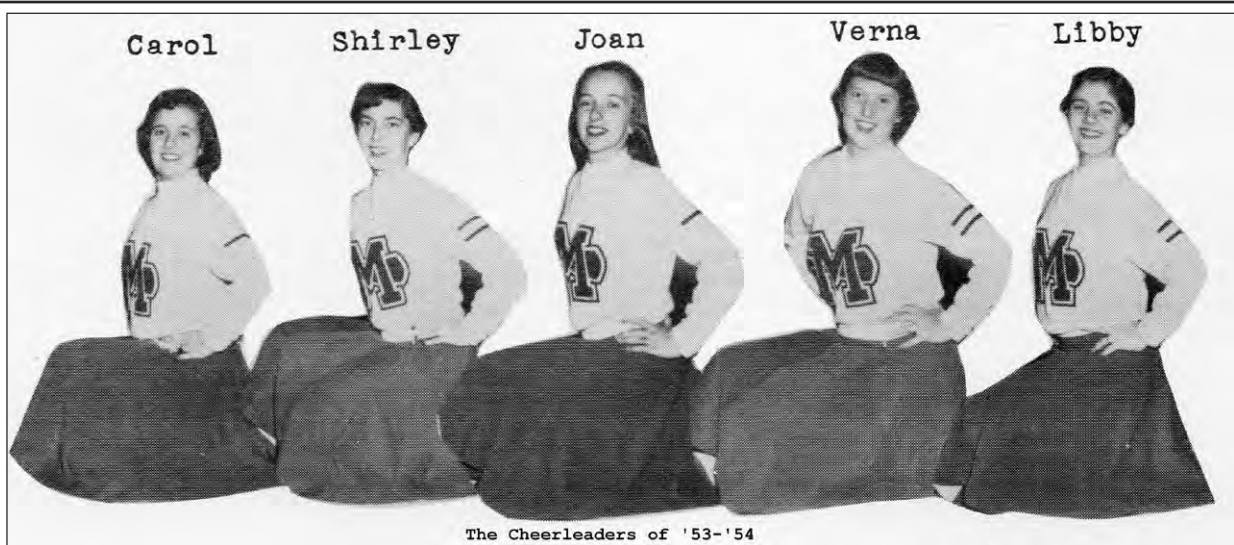
completely before frosting.

FROSTING

1/4 cup flour
1 cup milk
Pinch of salt
1 cup sugar
1/4 cup Crisco® shortening
1 stick room margarine, softened
1 teaspoon vanilla
7 ounces coconut
Cook flour and milk until thick; add a pinch of salt and set aside to cool. In separate bowl, mix sugar, shortening, and margarine. Cream until fluffy; add flour mixture and vanilla. Beat at high speed until spreading consistency. Spread over cooled cake. Sprinkle with coconut.

WHITE CHOCOLATE FROSTING

I recently had a piece of red velvet cake with this frosting on it. It was excellent!
1 cup white chocolate chips
1 box (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened
1 tub (12 ounce) Cool Whip®, thawed
7 ounces coconut, optional
Melt chocolate chips over very low heat or in microwave. Set aside to cool. In a large bowl, beat cream cheese until fluffy. Beat in cooled white chocolate; fold in Cool Whip®. Spread over cooled cake. If desired, sprinkle with coconut.



The Cheerleaders of '53-'54

Blast from the Past!!!

This weeks Blast From The Past photograph is of the 1954 Mt. Vernon High School Cheerleaders to honor the memory of Libby Gay Hammons. Mrs Libby is shown at the far right. David W. Owens 606-256-9870 or scoopowens24@yahoo.com. In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to: Global Outreach Fields Ministry P.O. Box 1 Tupelo MS 38802.

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Congratulations to the Rockcastle County FFA for winning a National Three Star Rating. Receiving the award from the FFA National Secretary is Elizabeth Lawrence and Bethany McKinney.



The Rockcastle County FFA had 20 members attend the National Convention. Members attending were, back row from left: Josh Bullock, Kyle Peacock, Larkan Prewitt, Will Martin, Katie Adams, Samantha Callahan, Shawna Stoneking, Brianna Mink, Miranda Clark, Bethany McKinney, and advisor Roy Reynolds. Front row from left: Elizabeth Lawrence, Mary Robinson, Sharla Kidwell, Charity Adams, Hannah Prewitt, Mackenzie Moore, Allison Burdette, Mary Bishop, Kayla Shafer, and Erica Clouse.

Rockcastle FFA attends National Convention

Submitted by Chapter Reporter
Bethany McKinney
"The supreme quality of leadership is integrity"
(Dwight Eisenhower)

On October 23-25, Indianapolis, IN was packed with thousands of FFA members throughout the country there to learn leadership skills to take back to their chapters. Some were there receiving national honors. Rockcastle County's rea-

son for attending: to participate in both!

Throughout the convention chapters attended sessions led by the National FFA Officers in which they teach the members new leadership skills they can use at home and in the future. Rockcastle FFA members attended two of these sessions.

Rockcastle County wins National Gold

Two of Rockcastle's FFA members had to the

privilege of going on stage and receiving the National Three Star National Rating Award for the local chapter. To receive this national honor the chapter secretary fills out a form that describes accomplishments the chapter has made. The form is then thoroughly graded at the state level and must receive a gold rating at the state level to go on to the national level. Out of 15 counties that won the state gold emblem, Rockcastle was one of 7 that qualified for the national award. With three stars being the highest rating for the award, this is the first time the Rockcastle County FFA has ever received such an honor. Congratulations to Elizabeth Lawrence and Bethany McKinney, who received the award for the chapter!

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New health plan program to help reduce number of addicted newborns

It takes a lot to shock an experienced emergency room physician. But when Kentucky Spirit Health Plan's patient care reports revealed the number of babies born addicted to narcotics during the plan's first several months of providing services, medical director Jeremy Corbett, MD, also a practicing emergency physician was shocked into action.

"Kentucky Spirit members deliver about 6,600 babies per year. Our records indicate that nearly 20 percent of them are using narcotics and other medications that can disturb an embryo's development," said Corbett. "The result is an extraordinarily high number of babies born with addictions in this state, much higher even than national norms."

Forty-two percent of Kentucky Spirit's newborns are admitted to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, which is three times the national average. Corbett sees it as a crisis with implications for an entire generation.

In response, he designed a unique program to combine high tech health information innovations with hands-on case management to tackle neonatal addiction. The program is now an extension of Kentucky Spirit's Start Smart for Your Baby program.

The substance abuse initiative starts when program employees examine patient records to identify pregnant members. The pharmacy department then uses a proprietary in-house analytics report, coupled with the Kentucky All Schedule Prescription Electronic Reporting (KASPER) sys-

tem to cross check for prescribed drugs that can endanger a pregnancy.

Kentucky Spirit also draws on outreach and expertise from high-risk OB nurse case managers, behavioral health case managers, care coordinators, the health plan's pharmacy director and the medical director to reduce the number of babies born with addiction.

"Once we identify members who are using drugs that aren't appropriate during pregnancy, or a member is referred to us for this reason, we reach out to them and their physicians with an alert and offer assistance," said Corbett.

Education changes how women approach their pregnancies. "Many of the women we serve don't realize the impact that these prescribed or street drugs can have, or are in denial about it," said Kentucky Spirit OB nurse case manager Christine Schraff, RN. "In addition, we have determined that 80 percent of pregnant members are not taking recommended vitamins, which can drastically increase risk."

The success of these programs can be measured, not just in data, but in the lives helped. Morgan Lee's* life changed as a result of the outreach and supportive care program staff offered her during her pregnancy.

"I struggled with addiction more than 10 years and nothing would help me. It's really hard to overcome," said Lee. "I wanted my baby to be healthy and I knew he would be taken away if I didn't change my ways."

Although she'd been in treatment programs multiple times, with case man-

agers assigned to help her, Lee said it was different this time, thanks to the behavioral health professional who worked with her through the new initiative.

"Ruth has just been amazing. I thought she'd just be another person contacting me because she had to," said Lee. "After I talked with her a couple of times, I realized she wasn't judgmental and she really cared."

Now off drugs, Lee is working and engaged in all the normal activities of life, especially enjoying life with her first child, a happy, healthy son. "It's wonderful," she said.

Kentucky Spirit Health Plan is working with community partners and substance abuse service providers across the state. For instance, Operation Unite is a non-profit that brings an array of support services and additional programs within the 29 counties it serves.

Karen Kelly, the program's president/CEO said she looks forward to the collaborative effort.

"We believe our programs will dovetail nicely and are still exploring all the ways we can work together for our shared goal of reducing drug addiction, especially when it comes to expectant mothers," said Kelly. "It is heartening to learn of a health plan that is reaching out to members in this way because it will enable UNITE serve even more people."

Kentucky Spirit is collecting data to evaluate how the program decreases avoidable Neonatal ICU admission rates and overall prescription medication abuse. Metrics to be measured include: NICU admission rates; neonatal abstinence syndrome rate (which refers to babies addicted to drugs at birth); narcotic prescription utilization, teratogen prescription utilization; prenatal vitamin utilizations, and NICU costs.

Kentucky Spirit Health Plan members include adults and children from 104 counties who are eligible for the following

Medicaid programs: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP), and Aged, Blind and Disabled (ABD) coverage. Kentucky Spirit Health Plan has about 200 employees working to provide better health care at lower costs.

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Scenes from Mt. Vernon Christmas Parade



Santa Claus, aka John Holbrook, made an appearance during the annual Mt. Vernon Christmas parade. Also pictured is firefighter Adam Bales and his daughter Halli.



Mt. Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant and his family passed out candy to the children during the Mt. Vernon Christmas parade.



Emily Nelson, with the Rockcastle Ambulance Service, was busy passing out stuffed animals in the annual Mt. Vernon Christmas Parade last weekend.



Alfred Carpenter had his antique red International tractor decked out with Christmas lights during the annual Christmas parade at Mt. Vernon.



The Rockcastle County High School's JROTC Color Guard led the annual Christmas parade in Mt. Vernon. Shown are: Mark Anderson, Brady McClure, Dana Hatfield, and Andrew Sizemore.

See more parade photos on pg. B2 & B3



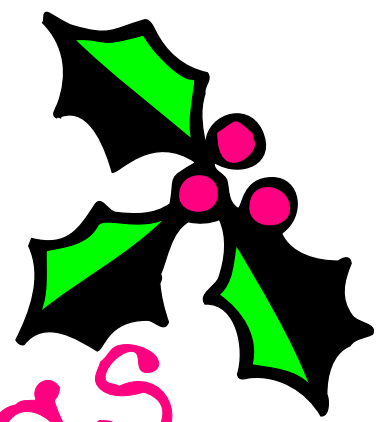
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Cub Scout Troop 263 also had a float and passed out candy during the annual Mt. Vernon Christmas parade.



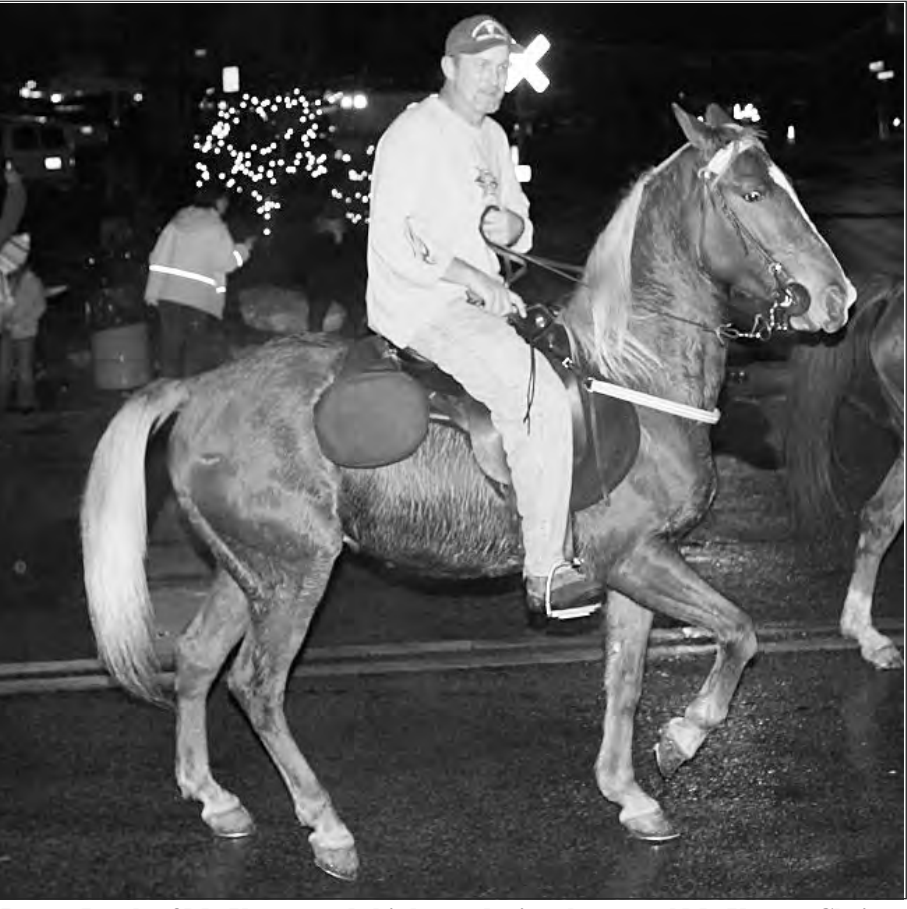
Darrell Allen led the go-karts and motorcycles in Mt. Vernon's annual Christmas parade. Allen drove his motorcycle with a lighted up cross on the back.



Gary Reppert gave his wife Genevieve and grandsons, Walker and Wyatt Craig, a ride in his 1975 Corvette during the annual Christmas parade in Mt. Vernon.



David Thompson drove his 1958 Mack semi in the annual Christmas parade in Mt. Vernon.



Danny Bustle of Mt. Vernon rode his horse during the annual Mt. Vernon Christmas parade.



Rockcastle Recycling Center entered a float during the annual Christmas parade in Mt. Vernon.

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Preventing child abuse and neglect will take all of our efforts -- from policy-makers to parents -- to ensure our children have the foundation to become tomorrow's leaders. Community Collaboration for Children provides prevention based in-home services to the community.

Together, we act as *educators* working to heighten public awareness of the need for caring communities to promote healthy child development and what Kentuckians can do for our next generation; *partners* organizing concerned citizens and groups to join forces and leverage resources to prevent child maltreatment; *catalysts* advocating for important programs and policies that help communities support parents and help parents raise healthy children; and *trainers* providing professionals and volunteers with the essential skills and knowledge to help parents and communities prevent child abuse and neglect.

Together, with the support of Kentucky citizens, professionals and decision-makers, we are working to ensure Kentucky's youngest citizens grow up in nurturing homes and responsive communities.

For more information, contact

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This project is funded, in part, under a contract with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services through Community Collaboration for Children using state funds allocated by the Kentucky General Assembly.

Modifications proposed for deer and elk hunting

The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission at its quarterly meeting Dec. 7 proposed removing the elk hunting unit system for the 2013-2014 elk seasons. Commission members also voted to modify deer hunting regulations on select wildlife management areas (WMAs) along with some small game regulations.

The commission recommends all hunting, fishing and boating regulations for approval by the General Assembly and approves all expenditures by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. All recommendations must be approved by legislators before they become law.

In elk-related business effective for the 2013-2014 elk season, the commission proposed removing the elk hunt unit system and creating three limited entry areas (LEAs). Hunters not drawn to hunt in a limited entry area could hunt anywhere else within the 16-county elk restoration zone where they have permission to do so.

The restriction that only two other persons could assist a drawn elk hunter will be removed. The elk lottery application start date will move to Jan. 1, beginning with the 2014 elk season.

In other elk-related business, the commission will replace the three-day youth-only elk hunt on Paul Van Booven WMA in Breathitt County with a youth hunt of 10 hunters who may hunt the elk restoration zone (outside the LEAs) for all elk seasons. The commission also proposed an amendment to the elk hunting regulations allowing a drawn hunter to participate the following year if a death in the immediate family prevents the hunter from participating in the elk hunt for which the person was drawn.

In deer-related business, the commission recommended several changes to public land deer hunting on

wildlife management areas. These changes will not affect the current hunting seasons, but will be effective for the 2013-2014 deer seasons:

* On Miller-Welch Central Kentucky WMA in Madison County, the archery deer season will now run from Monday through Thursday from the first Saturday in September through Dec. 17, then daily for the remainder of the season. Previously, archery deer hunters could only hunt on Wednesdays during the early period. Crossbows will be allowed for deer hunting when allowed by statewide seasons on this area.

* On Taylorsville Lake WMA in Spencer, Anderson and Nelson counties, hunters will be able to earn up to four preference points, one for each female deer checked in during the antlerless only quota hunt.

* The 15-inch outside spread antler restriction will be removed from Higginson-Henry WMA in Union County and Beaver Creek WMA in McCreary and Pulaski counties.

* On Redbird WMA in Clay and Leslie counties, only archery and crossbow hunting will be allowed for deer.

* On Paul Van Booven WMA, the vehicle restriction after dark and the deer quota hunts are removed. The area will be open to statewide regulations for all deer seasons.

* The October deer muzzleloader season will now be open on Clay WMA in Nicholas, Bath and Fleming counties.

* The mobility impaired deer hunts will alternate annually from Zilpo or Twin Knobs Campgrounds on Cave Run Lake, instead of on both campgrounds simultaneously.

In small game-related business, the commission recommended allowing .25-caliber air rifles to take small game for the 2013-14 season. They also pro-

posed allowing an experimental hunting framework for bobwhite quail on the Sinclair Tract of Peabody WMA, beginning with the 2013-14 season. This would allow biologists to learn more about quail harvest thresholds. During the statewide quail hunting season next year, hunters could use this tract from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. from Monday through Saturday, but will have to check in daily at the Peabody WMA office. They will also have their hunter harvest logs visible in the windshield of their vehicle and fill them out upon check-out from the area.

The next Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m., Friday, March 8, 2013 at #1 Sportsman's Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort. Persons interested in addressing the commission must notify the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commissioner's office in writing at least 30 days in advance of the committee meetings on Feb. 1, 2013 to be considered for placement on the commission meeting agenda. People who are hearing-impaired and plan to attend the meeting should contact Kentucky Fish and Wildlife at least 10 days in advance and the agency will provide a translator. To request to address the commission, write to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife, Commissioner Dr. Jon Gassett, #1 Sportsman's Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601.



A long line formed to see Santa Claus after the annual Christmas parade in Mt. Vernon. After the parade, Santa met with the children in front of the Tea Cup Cafe.



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A.M. Kindergarten students from the classrooms of Angie Hunt, Kamie Lovell and Lora Lambert serenaded classrooms with their Christmas songs.



On November, 16th, 30 Rockcastle County ATC students attended the fall SkillsUSA leadership event at Levi Jackson state park. The students learned leadership skills in order to receive their statesmen's pen that would allow them to compete at the regional level. Dianna Rowand, regional director for SkillsUSA, awarded all students their statesmen's pen. The students were supervised by Gerald Hammons, electrical instructor, and Ken Fannin, automotive instructor.

Money tips for college students

Income tax season is approaching, and students may want to consider these tips from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) to help the process go more smoothly.

Although you may not have earned enough to be required to file, you may get a refund if your employer withheld taxes from your pay. Before you file, discuss the tax situation with your parents. Depending on how much they contributed to your upkeep during the year, they may be able to claim you as a deduction on their tax returns, which could save them thousands of dollars.

Students and parents may be able to take advantage of these programs on their federal taxes:

- American Opportunity Credit, available for the first four years of college.
- Lifetime Learning Credit, available if a taxpayer or a dependent is taking college courses to acquire or improve job skills.
- Tuition and fees deduction, which lets taxpayers deduct qualified education expenses paid during the year for themselves or a dependent. The expenses must be for college.

•Student loan interest deduction, which lets people deduct up to \$2,500 per year on federal taxes for interest paid on federal student loans.

For more detailed information about federal programs, go to www.irs.gov to download the free Publication 970 Tax Benefits for Education.

Kentucky also offers a tuition tax credit for undergraduate students who attend state colleges.

Remember that tax rules may change from year to year, so make sure you have the most up-to-date information before filing.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). It provides financial literacy videos at <http://itsmoney.kheaa.com>. KHEAA also provides free copies of "It's Money, Baby," a guide to financial literacy, to Kentucky schools and residents upon request at publications@kheaa.com.

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, go to www.gotocollege.ky.gov.

For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write

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Local student takes part in program for high-ability students

Even as the holidays grew closer and closer, a program at Western Kentucky University for high-ability and high-interest students kept children excited about fun in the classroom rather than food and festivities to come.

The Center for Gifted Studies' Fall Super Saturdays program hosted more than 600 first through eighth graders from three states and more than 60 school districts each Saturday from Oct. 27 to Nov. 17.

Chase Shelton of Mt. Vernon was one of the students participating. Chase is the son of Michelle Dozier and Monte Shelton.

During the program, which took place on WKU's Main and South campuses in Bowling Green and at the Kentucky Science Center (formerly the Louisville Science Center), students participated in one of nearly 40 classes.

Imaginations took flight in classes like Secret Identity: Unleashing Your Inner Superhero and Zombie Survival Guide. International exploration began in Let's Learn German! Lernen wir Deutsch! and Australian Adventure, and mysteries unraveled in Junior Detective Agency and The Science Behind Lord of the Rings.

Though these enrichment courses varied greatly in topic, all encouraged children to explore their interests in a challenging, yet nurturing environment.

The hands-on, mind-on learning Super Saturdays is known for will continue this year with Winter Super Saturdays 2013 on Jan. 26-Feb. 16 from noon to 2:30 p.m. Applications are now available on The Center for Gifted Studies website at <http://www.wku.edu/gifted>. Call The Center at (270) 745-6323 for more information.

Mt. Vernon Message

School News

The 4H Speech Contest is scheduled for December 13 at 6:00.

100% Club meets on Thursday, December 13. K, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades will meet at 8:30a.m. K, 1st and 2nd will meet at 12:30p.m.

Our last day of school for this semester is Tuesday, December 18. Enjoy your time off with friends and family. School will resume on Wednesday, January 2.

FRC News

Wednesday, December 19 is the FRC Parent Pick-up For Christmas Presents at MVES from 9:00a.m. until 4:00p.m.

Merry Christmas from our families to yours!



Brandi Abney, Sherry Cox, Taylor McGuire and Karen Durham. Not pictured: Elizabeth Doan.



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Lindsey Wilson honors former guidance counselor

The Lindsey Wilson College community recently honored a retired Kentucky educator for his efforts to promote higher education in this community.

Dale Whitaker recently retired from a 31-year career at Rockcastle County High School in Mount Vernon, Ky., and LWC honored his legacy by placing a brick paver in the Lindsey Wilson Alumni & Friends Walkway

with a special paver.

The Lindsey Wilson Alumni & Friends Walkway connects the college's John B. Begley Chapel with the L.R. McDonald Administration Building.

Whitaker started teaching in 1981-82 as a science and health teacher and then was a guidance counselor for the next 27 years.

Whitaker reckons that he helped almost 100 Rockcastle County High School students attend the liberal arts college.

"Working with Lindsey Wilson College was always

a pleasure," he said. "Lindsey Wilson has done a tremendous job of preparing students for their career and life in general. They have made tremendous strides in becoming one of the best postsecondary institutions in the state."



Amn. Elizabeth Bobo
Bobo graduates

Air Force Airman Elizabeth B. Bobo graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Upon completion of basic training, A1C Bobo attended the dental assistant program at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX, graduating October 19, 2012. She is currently stationed at Hill AFB, Utah.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Bobo is the daughter of Kathy and Richard Bobo of Mount Vernon.

She is a 2006 graduate of Rockcastle County High School.



Amn. Steven Denny, Jr.
Denny graduates

Air Force Airman Steven W. Denny Jr. graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Denny is the son of Regina Mullins of Brodhead.

He is a 2009 graduate of Rockcastle County High School.



Amn. Sean Kendrick
Kendrick graduates

Air Force Airman Sean R. Kendrick graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Kendrick is the son of Russell Kendrick of Crab Orchard.

He is a 2011 graduate of Garrard County High School.



Retired Rockcastle County High School guidance counselor Dale Whitaker, center, is presented a paver for the Lindsey Wilson College Alumni and Friends Walkway by LWC admissions counselor Josh Gibson, left, and LWC President William T. Luckey Jr. Whitaker was presented the paver in honor of his 31-year career in education.

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During Winter solstice

Optometrists offer tips for safe night driving

For the many people who don't like to drive in the dark, the shorter days of winter pose a challenge. That's because almost one-third of adult drivers in the United States have difficulty seeing at night.

A recent survey Shedding Light on Driving in the Dark, by Road & Travel Magazine and ACUVUE® Brand Contact Lenses, found that nearly one of ev-

ery three adult drivers with corrected vision reported problems seeing all or most of the time while driving in the dark. More than one-fourth stated they have trouble seeing signs or exits, and one-fifth report difficulty seeing animals or pedestrians.

The Kentucky Association of Optometrists offers several tips for traveling in the dark as the shortest day of the year – the winter solstice on Dec. 21 – approaches:

- Ask your eye doctor about lens with an anti-reflective coating to reduce glare.

- Schedule an annual exam with your optometrist to check for health issues related to poor night vision, such as cataracts; retinitis pigmentosa, an inherited disease that can begin in childhood; and diabetes.

- Keep your windows clear and your windshield wipers in good repair.

- Adjust your rearview mirrors to eliminate light from cars behind you. Drivers see better at night when the interior of the car is dark.

- Never look directly into the lights of oncoming cars. Focus instead on the striped line of the roadway.

- Limit night driving and stick to well-lit roads that are familiar to you when you have to drive in the dark.

"These simple tips can help keep you safe behind the wheel during the dark winter months," said Dr. Aaron McNulty, an optometrist in Louisville. "But remember, if you don't feel comfortable driving in the dark, then it's best to plan any errands or appointments during daylight hours and stay off the road at night."

To find an optometrist in your area, please visit www.kyeyes.org.

Durham graduates

Campbellsville University graduated 216 students in two ceremonies Friday, Dec. 14 in Ransdell Chapel.

Brandon Michael Durham of Mt. Vernon, received a bachelor of science in criminal justice administration area. Durham is a graduate of Rockcastle County High School. He is the son of Earl and Sandy Durham of Mt. Vernon.

Degrees are conferred upon completion of all academic requirements.

Campbellsville University is a widely acclaimed Kentucky-based Christian university with more than 3,600 students offering 63 undergraduate options, 17 master's degrees, five post-graduate areas and eight pre-professional programs. The website for complete information is campbellsville.edu.



We'd like to join you and your family in giving thanks to our Lord for His love and guidance, just as we thank you for your trust and support this past year.

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From left: Willis Coffey, Tracy Mink, Nicole Nicely and John Ford

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A Tiger Tell

1951 Tigers brought home District Crown

By David Owens

In the March 1st, 1951 edition of the Mt. Vernon Signal, Mrs Jennie Robins penned in her weekly column, "Brodhead News," "Our basketball season for 1950-51 is almost over and has been a most successful one and will be long remembered." Indeed it was, while Brodhead's success was overshadowed by Bobby Thompson's "Shot heard around the World," in 1951, the Tigers' season was a big deal in Rockcastle County.

Also in 1951 the Los Angeles Rams beat the Cleveland Browns in the NFL Championship Game. That game was the first sports event broadcasted coast to coast. On March 3rd half of Rockcastle County listened to the 46th District Championship Game broadcasted live by radio station W.H.I.R. out of Danville. The other half of Rockcastle County was reported to be crowded into the Stanford High School Gymnasium. It was a hot standing room only crowd there to watch the number one and two ranked teams in the 46th District duke it out for the district crown. That game broadcasted on W.H.I.R. pitted two Rockcastle teams in the finals. The Brodhead Tigers ranked number one in the district against the number two ranked Livingston Blue Devils.

Prior to the season if you would have ask Brodhead fans if they thought the Tigers would have made it to the finals of the district; you probably would not have had positive responses. Long time coach Jack Wright had been called to

military service and replaced by Millard "Buckshot" Robins, who had played basketball as a student at Brodhead but had no previous coaching experience. Also the Tigers had lost talent through graduation; most notably All-District guard Bill Frank Martin.

The Tigers came out of the gate strong through winning their first ten games before losing 48-52 at all ways tough Hazel Green. Brodhead went on to finish the regular season with a 27 and 3 mark (including a revenge win over Hazel Green at home.) They ended the season ranked number one in the 46th District and 12th Region, the first and only time in Brodhead's history. The February 2nd Courier Journal article entitled "Hoop it Up" picked Brodhead to win the 46th District and 12th Region titles.

Looking back at that season Gatliff Craig mentioned the Tigers "head-topper" front line composed of 6'4" center Bobby Dees and the 6'3" forwards of Albert T. Hampton and himself. At the guards were playmaker Bryon Brooks Hall, who handled the ball and was the defensive stopper plus shooting guard Charles Holbrook, who consistently found the bottom of the basket with his long range jumpers. These five combined with a strong bench provided a very balanced attack for the "51" Tigers. Although many nights any one of the starters were capable of being the leading scorer Hampton and Dees were the most constant scorers and finished the regular season tabbing 567 and 556

points.

In a recent interview I spoke with Gatliff Craig, who played on the 1951 Brodhead team.

Mr. Craig recalls the team was unique and innovative in many ways other than that of winning the district tournament. As he related that was a day and age when most of the boys that played for Brodhead, Livingston and many other teams were not born and raised in towns where sports were taught at an early age. In fact many, including

Craig had never seen a basketball or gymnasium until they began attending high school. A quick survey of the Brodhead roster showed that seven of the ten listed players had attended one of the county rural schools for all or most of their first eight years of educational experience.

This is significant because we know that, when considering, the players that have attended the consolidated elementary schools, many of the skills and basic fundamentals of the game

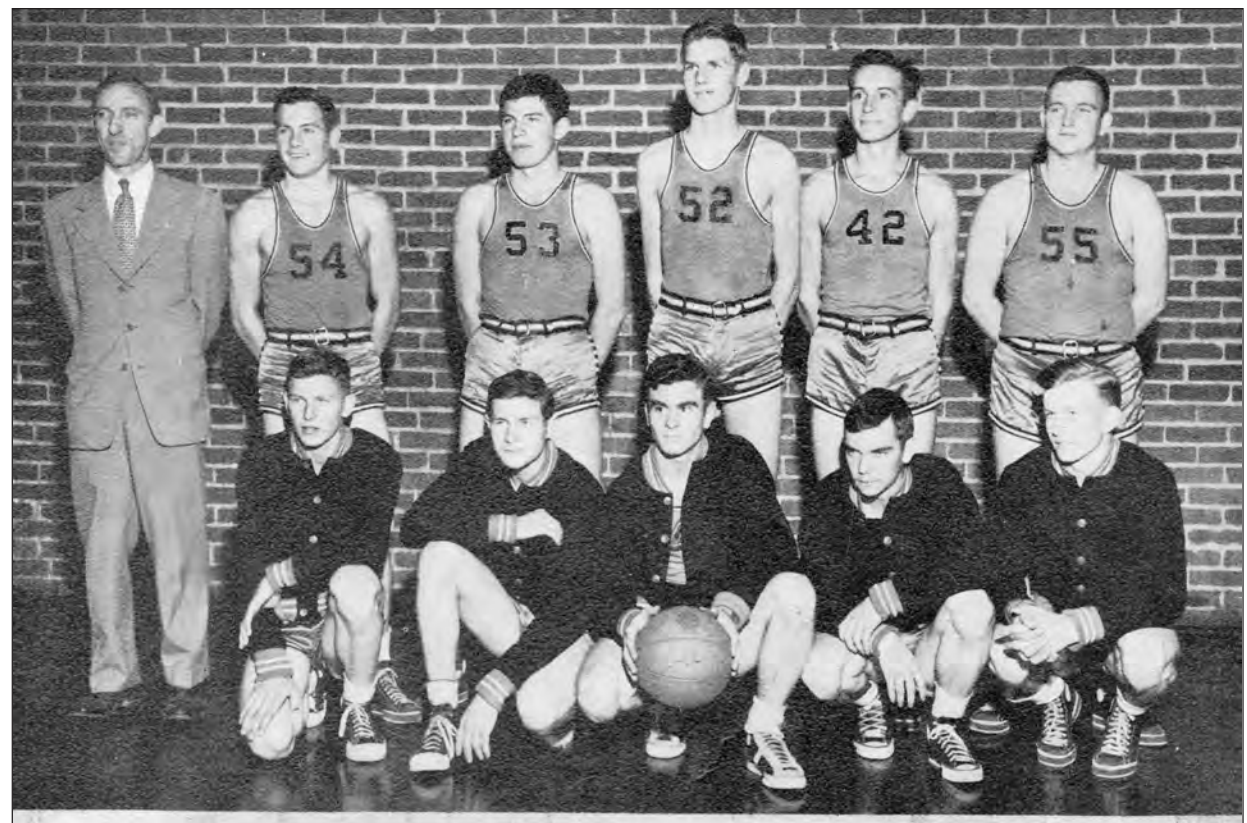
are introduced during these early formative years. Due to this lack of background in the rural, schools for the rural, the boys were handicapped especially during their freshman year. Craig stated they were taught that despite these cur-tailing experiences, "Cream comes to the top."

"We believed that, We believed that we were the cream." To support this felt confidence, we posted a final record of 31-4. We lost once to Hazel Green, Crab Orchard, Livingston, and

Danville. Previous to the year of 1951, many of the statistics that are common today, were not kept or given note.

Generally, the recorded statistics of a game was the number of points that the different players made and special recognition was given to the "high point man." In today's game, we are impressed when a player records a double-double and occasionally a triple double. This of course refers to hav-

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The Team of '50-'51

(Standing) Millard Robbins (coach), J.C. Adams, Eugene Benge, Bobby Dees, Gatliff Craig, Byron Hall.
(Sitting) Allison Rogers, Phillip Sargent, Glenn Hasty, Charles Holbrook, Jackie Brown, (Not shown) Albert Hampton, Kelly Carson.

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“Tigers”

(Cont. from E1)

ing ten or more points, rebounding, and assists or blocked shots.

Our team began to bring attention to several of these categories as the season wore on. One of the first for Brodhead that year was a play that we now recognize as the Alley oop, even though it had no such name at that time. It was made possible by the agility and jumping ability of Albert T. Hampton (We called him T.)

It was “T’s” ability coupled with the unusual ability of Byron Brooks Hall (We called him Mudhead.) The play called for “T” to set up on the right side of the basket just under the corner of the backboard, “Mudhead” had a knack for being able to deliver a high lobbing or a straight line drive, type pass to a spot just under the basket. Albert “T” at 6 feet 4 inches would use his soft hands and stag leaping ability to receive the pass and the result was generally two points or foul shots. In addition to his intelligence and passing ability, “Mudhead” was known for his consistent two handed set shot.

On the other side of the basket was an area that was occupied by Bobby Dees, one of the best left handed pivot-men that we have seen at Brodhead. At six feet four Bobby was a naturally gifted athlete. He was particularly effective at fielding a rebound or pass and taking one smooth stride to his right and lofting his sweeping left handed hookshot.

Bobby’s success was due, in a large part to the feeding and set up by

Charles “Sleepy” Holbrook, our other guard. Charles was the smallest on the team as he stood a mere five feet eight. His lacking in stature was compensated by his speed and uncanny ability to bob and weave his way in to deliver the ball to one of the inside targets.

46th District Tournament

Brodhead drew a bye in the first round and then met Russell Springs in the second round defeating them 52 to 45. It was a cat fight in the third round when Brodhead’s Tigers met Stanford’s Wildcats, who had beaten McKinney in the first round and then Mt. Vernon 50-47 in the second round. The Tigers tamed the Wildcats to the tune of 65 to 43 with Dees netting 26 points. The finals matched Brodhead and Livingston. The Blue Devils had defeated the Highland Aviators in the opening round 64 to 50. The Blue Devils did some cat taming of their own when they disposed of the Liberty Wildcats in the second round 58 to 50 then Waynesburg’s Mustangs in the semi-finals 53 to 45.

In the championship game the Blue Devils, led by the inside and outside tandem of the brothers McNutt, Ronald and Bobby led early in the game; but having played in the opening round while Brodhead received a bye appeared to lose their legs. The Tigers went on to put away the Blue Devils by a 64 to 46 score. Named to the All-Tournament team were Marvin Reed Stanford, Bobby and Ronald McNutt Livingston, Bobby Norton Russell Springs, Jimmy Reed Houstonville, Charles “Tuck” Baker Mt. Vernon, Bobby Wilson and David

Overstreet Liberty, and Bobby Dees, Albert Hampton, and Charles Holbrook Brodhead.

12th Regional Tournament

At the Region tournament played at Somerset,

the Blue Devils fell in the first round to Hazel Green’s Bullfrogs 55 to 51 while the Tigers defeated the Warhorses of Ferguson High 73-59 in the first round and fell to Coach Ken

Snowden’s Danville Admirals in the second round 64-55. Danville then went on to win the Region. Brodhead’s Albert Hampton and Livingston’s Ronald McNutt were named

to the All-Region Team.

Author’s note: The 1951 Brodhead Team to win a district title and the only team to earn 30 victories in a single season.



The 1951 District Runner-up Livingston Blue Devils. Pictured are cheerleaders, front from left: Pauline (Corky) Mink, Irene Holcomb, Laura Ruth Bingham, and Joyce Mullins. Second row from left: Coach Lee Gentry, Clarence Gilford, Harry Lee Holand, Ronald McNutt, Jackie Fields, Bobby McNutt, and Assistant Manager Clinton Phillips. Back row from left: Manager Cecil Williams, O.C. Vanzant, Ronnie Mullins, Dell Ponder, Harold Robinsom, Curt McHargue, and Score Keeper Earl McNutt.

Christmas Greetings

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USDA NRCS announces program opportunities

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Kentucky is encouraging landowners, farmers and producers to visit their local NRCS office now to receive information and apply for conservation technical assistance and possible financial funding opportunities.

The application process for NRCS’s conservation programs is continuous, but funding selections are made at specific times throughout the year. The Kentucky NRCS first application cut-off period date for consideration for 2013 funds is January 18, 2013. Applications received after January 18, 2013, will be held until the next application cut off period, which will be April 19, 2013.

NRCS State Conservationist Karen Woodrich announced this month that technical and financial assistance is available to eligible applicants for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). EQIP is a conservation program that provides financial and technical assistance to farmers and ranchers who face threats to soil, water, air, and related natural resources on their land. Through EQIP, NRCS develops contracts with agricultural producers to voluntarily implement conservation practices. Persons engaged in livestock or agricultural production and owners of non-industrial private forestland are eligible for this program. Eligible land includes cropland, pastureland, private non-industrial forestland, and other farm or ranch lands.

EQIP offers several National and State Initiatives which include the Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watershed Initiative, Seasonal High Tunnel Initiative, Organic Initiative, On-Farm Energy Initiative, Wildlife Initiative, and Forestry Initiative. Interested land users should visit their local NRCS Office to find out what opportunities are avail-

able through each of these EQIP Initiatives.

A second conservation program, the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP), offers opportunities through the Working Lands for Wildlife (WLFW), which focuses on the recovery of certain at-risk, threatened or endangered wildlife species while helping other vulnerable and game species that depend on similar habitat. In Kentucky, the Golden-winged Warbler is the species of concern for parts of three Kentucky counties including Bell, Letcher and Harlan.

“We’re urging producers to get their applications in as soon as possible to be considered for this year’s funding,” said Woodrich.

All recipients of assistance are required to develop a conservation plan. Conservation planning is an integral part of the conservation process. Landowners should work with a conservation planner to develop the plan based on the landowner’s operational goals to improve the productivity, sustainability and profitability of their operation. The conservation plan will serve as a roadmap to a variety of technical assistance and financial assistance through EQIP and WHIP, as well as other options available to the landowner. “We’re getting back to our roots with conservation planning,” says Woodrich. “Conservation planning is the vital first step in understanding natural resources on your land, and also understanding how technical and financial conservation assistance can be incorporated into your operation to help you help the land.” She said, “Now is the time to contact your local NRCS Field Office to develop a conservation plan.”

For more information on NRCS, conservation planning and conservation programs visit on the web at www.ky.nrcs.usda.gov.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

Kentucky Afield Outdoors

Last minute gift ideas from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife

Procrastination is one of the most common habits at Christmas time, especially for men. Some of us get on the ball and get our Christmas shopping completed early, but most of us wait until we absolutely have to open our wallets, fight the crowds and get it done.

Sending a child for a week of conservation camp is a great way to help ensure the future of the hunting and fishing arts and makes an excellent and appreciated gift.

"Conservation camp instills knowledge of not only hunting and fishing, but nature, boating, swimming and other outdoor pursuits in a safe environment," said Laura Burford, assistant director of the information and education division of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

"This year, the weekly camp fee includes a junior sportsman's license."

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife became involved in youth conservation camping in 1946. Camp John Currie on Kentucky Lake opened in 1949. Camp Earl Wallace on Lake Cumberland in 1951 and Camp Webb on Grayson Lake in 1969. These camps average roughly 4,500 campers each year. Campers may also earn their hunter safety certification while enjoying fun pursuits such as fishing, archery, safely using rifles and shotguns and boating. You may register a child for camp beginning Dec. 20 at fw.ky.gov.

Those who want to give a special gift may sponsor a camper. You may read the letters of these children who want to attend conservation camp, but don't have the means, at the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Foundation website at www.kentuckywildlife.com.

For the first time, outdoors and nature enthusiasts may purchase the 2013 Kentucky Afield calendar for \$7.50. The only way to receive a 2013 calendar now is to purchase it separately from a Kentucky Afield magazine subscription. The calendar makes a useful gift for the outdoors enthusiast as it contains hunting season dates, useful outdoor tips and great photography.

Another appreciated gift is a year-long subscription to the award winning magazine, Kentucky Afield, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

For only \$10, you'll receive four issues of the magazine that provides the inside information on current developments affecting the outdoors in Kentucky, articles about new places to hunt and fish plus techniques for success when you get there. You also receive with your subscription the 2014 Kentucky Afield calendar next December. By investing just \$8 more, you'll receive a two-year subscription that includes eight issues of the magazine and the 2014 and 2015 editions of the Kentucky Afield calendar.

You may buy the calendar and a magazine subscription from the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife website at fw.ky.gov or by calling 1-800-858-1549.

Internationally re-

nowned wildlife artist Rick Hill painted an exact replica with the same dimensions of the 11-pound, 15-ounce world record smallmouth bass caught by Leitchfield's David Hayes from Dale Hollow Lake in 1955. You may purchase a print of Hill's painting of this famous fish from the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Foundation. The foundation also offers two other Rick Hill prints for sale. One print depicts the three black bass species: the largemouth, the smallmouth and the spotted or Kentucky bass. The other print, Still Water Buck, portrays a nice buck drinking from a cat-tail-lined pond.

The proceeds from the sale of these prints support conservation education in Kentucky. Another gift idea from the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Foundation is a license plate featuring Rick Hill's painting of the world record smallmouth. For more information on purchasing a Rick Hill print or license plate, visit the foundation's website at www.kentuckywildlife.com.

The Kentucky Afield Store at fw.ky.gov offers official Kentucky Afield merchandise such as the popular and useful Deer Processing DVD. You may also purchase the "Kentucky Afield" Fishing DVD, a collection of some of the best fishing segments on the Emmy award winning "Kentucky Afield" television show.

The store also has four different types of caps for sale: one with a largemouth bass in between Kentucky Afield, the other three with the "Kentucky Afield" television show logo in tan, camo and blaze orange.

Outdoors enthusiasts always need their annual hunting or fishing license. The resident sportsman's license covers most of the permits a hunter and angler needs and saves \$50 over purchasing these licenses and permits separately.

You may purchase gift licenses in the sporting goods section of most department stores, fishing or hunting related stores, online at fw.ky.gov or by calling 1-877-598-2401. You need the birth date and social security number of the recipient of your gift license before purchasing.

The easiest way to purchase any of these items is with a new Kentucky Fish and Wildlife gift certificate. It works just like those from restaurants or department stores. You can use this gift certificate to buy licenses, merchandise from the Kentucky Afield Store, a subscription to Kentucky Afield magazine or a calendar, passes to Otter Creek Outdoor Recreation Area or a user permit for Peabody Wildlife Management Area. The gift certificate lasts for five years and is available online at fw.ky.gov.

Use any of these ideas for a gift for the outdoors enthusiast on your list. Unlike socks, robes, after shave or ties, these gifts will be enthusiastically received.

Author Lee McClellan is an award-winning associate editor for Kentucky Afield magazine, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. He is a life-long hunter and angler, with a passion for smallmouth bass fishing.



The elders at Rockcastle Health and Rehab recently enjoyed a visit with a donkey. As you can see, this unique form of "pet therapy" brought smiles to everyone's face.

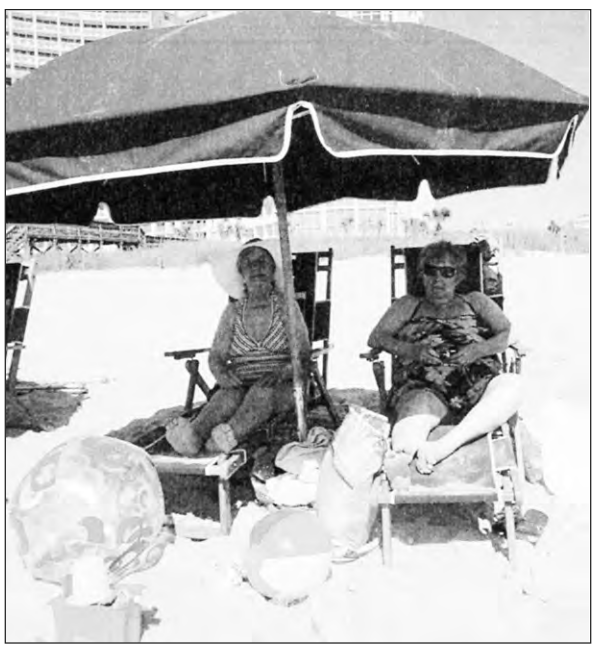
Rockcastle Health and Rehab residents enjoy beach vacation

About 100 elders and caregivers from Signature HealthCARE nursing homes, including Rockcastle Health and Rehab recently embarked on a vacation to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina with one thing in mind: the adventure of a lifetime.

Elders and staff from Signature homes in Kentucky, Tennessee and Florida traveled by charter by charter buses to the popular vacation spot and left there with plenty of stories, and even some first-time experiences, helicopter rides and parasailing among them. Other adventures included a sightseeing boat tour (no alligator sightings), a trip to Pirates Voyage dinner show, dinner and balloon animals at Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville Restaurant and plenty of sun and sand at the beach.

Suffice it to say 'fear' was not a word in these folks' vocabularies. One resident exclaimed, "I loved everything about the trip, especially the helicopter ride."

Signature Quality of Life leaders spent the better part of 2012 planning with facilities hosting various types of events to fund the vacation. Segment ZOL leaders Angie McAllister, Ellie Curry and Roni Scheurer worked tirelessly, before and during the trip, to make sure it was fun and memorable for the elders who participated.



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Center for Rural Development to offer nine new classes

The Center for Rural Development and New Horizons Computer Learning Center announce nine new Your Center of Learning business and workforce training classes

Nine new instructor-led classes in some of Microsoft's top performing office systems have been added to the training schedule for The Center for Rural Development's Your Center of Learning business and workforce skills training program.

In partnership with New Horizons Computer Learning Center, The Center will offer both beginner and advanced-level classes in Word, PowerPoint, and Excel, and an introductory one-day class on basic computers for individuals interested in learning more about how to use their personal computers.

The following Your Center of Learning instructor-led classes have been scheduled for the next training cycle:

- Word 2010 Level 1: Jan. 17
- Quickbooks 2012: Jan. 21-22
- Basic Computers: Jan. 25
- Outlook 2010 Level 1: Feb. 11
- Word 2010 Level 2: March 1
- PowerPoint 2010 Level 1: March 12
- Excel 2010 Level 1: April 8
- PowerPoint 2010 Level 2: April 22
- Excel 2010 Level 2: May 8

All classes, held from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., are taught by a New Horizons Computer Learning Center instructor onsite at The Center, located at 2292 South U.S. 27 (at Traffic Light 15) in Somerset.

For more information about Your Center of Learning instructor-led classes, contact Robyn Phillips at 606-677-6000 or email yol@centertech.com.

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Established in 1996 through the vision of U.S. Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers, (KY-05), and other leaders, The Center for Rural Development is a nonprofit organization fueled by a mission to provide leadership that stimulates innovative and sustainable economic development solutions and a better way of life in Southern and Eastern Kentucky. In its 45-county primary service region, The Center provides innovative programs in leadership, public safety, technology, and arts and culture. The Center is committed to constantly expanding its capabilities in order to deliver a range of key services throughout Kentucky and the nation.

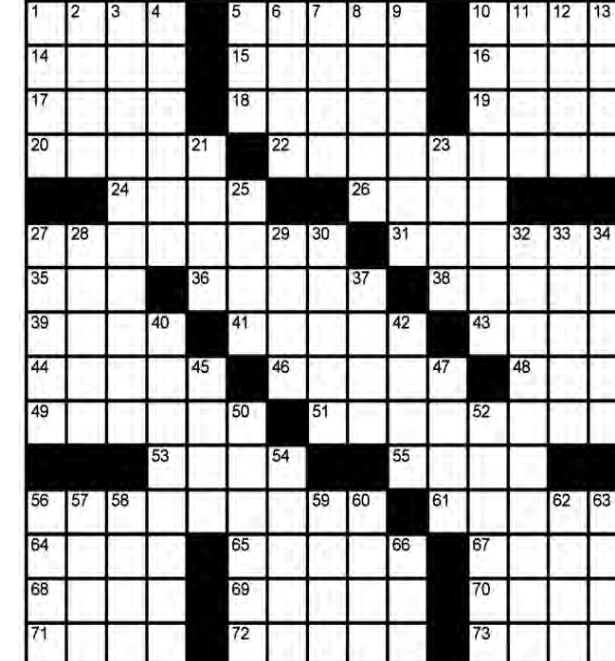


Debra Petty at Rockcastle Senior Adult Day & Health did a recycled newspaper craft. It was a great way to recycle newspaper and old glass ornaments. All you need is Mod Podge, glass ornament, newspaper (we used the Mount Vernon Signal), sponge brush. We cut out words that said something we liked and glued them on the ball with Mod Podge. Let hang dry.



Kentucky Crossword # 564

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- ACROSS**
1. Former UK coach Adolph
 5. Young's partner in accounting
 10. Varnish ingredients
 14. UN aviation org.
 15. Indian side dish
 16. Tolstoy's Karenina
 17. In addition
 18. Analyze
 19. "With that being said" in texting
 20. Preserves, in a way
 22. Louisville Slugger creator
 24. ___ Fork of the Cumberland River
 26. Old stories
 27. Kentucky's oldest public records are found in this town
 31. Horseshoe throw
 35. Chart topper
 36. Man Booker Prize, e.g.
 38. Dangerous bacteria
 39. Germany's ___ von Bismarck
 41. Hightail it
 43. Some wings
 44. Healing plants
 46. "___ Not Alone"
 48. Game piece
 49. Perry Co. hamlet, adopted the reverse spelling of its intended name, meaning burrow
 51. Boyd Co. community, or Sleeping Beauty
 53. Kind of tradition
- DOWN**
1. Saws with the grain
 2. 1995 NCAA hoops champs
 3. Kentucky governor from 1995-2003
 4. Kentucky called the "Father of Arizona"
 5. Baseball stat
 6. Impetuous
 7. Not yet final, at law
 8. Horse barn section
 9. County of Campbellsville University
 10. Home county of Yatesville Lake State Park
 11. Debate side
 12. Business news TV channel
 13. Window frame
 21. Davenport
 23. Pennsylvania port
 25. Column crossers
 27. Sand bar
 55. Subatomic particle
 56. Georgetown's name at settlement, ___ Fort
 61. Involving two components
 64. Louisville's river
 65. Caravan beast
 67. Some deer
 68. Caroled
 69. Bring together
 70. Ginger cookie
 71. Deuce topper
 72. Code name
 73. Small whirlpool
 28. Sir or madam
 29. Off-color
 30. Wilt
 32. Popular Land Between the Lakes spot
 33. Kentuckian, artist Wilson
 34. Slopes
 37. Sullen
 40. The art practiced at Lawrenceburg's Lovers Leap Winery
 42. Excursion
 45. Without a doubt
 47. Camelot lady
 50. Perry Co. community, or baby powder
 52. Links
 54. Grassy plain
 56. Lion's share
 57. Burn a bit
 58. French film
 59. Gulf V.I.P.
 60. New Jersey five
 62. Show the way
 63. Glimpse
 66. Only Kentucky county with just three letters in the name
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Kentucky Afield Outdoors

Live bait still best bet for winter smallmouth bass

It is easy to lose your way with so many new technological advancements hitting the market in the fishing world each year. You want to try the new developments, presentations and techniques because you don't want to fall behind.

You try new lures or presentations and eschew what's worked countless times. Similar to when you learn to cook more exotic foods, you try to prepare something much more complicated, miss a step in the process and it turns out nasty. The not-quite-right meal makes you think a plain old pork roast with mashed potatoes, gravy, peas and a nice salad would have tasted much better than the gourmet mess you made that your dog won't eat.

I had a similar experience last weekend. My old fishing buddy James Charas and I headed to Lake Cumberland in one of our annual winter trips for smallmouth bass. I came with two rods: one strung for fishing a big, heavy jig deep and the other with heavier line than I normally use for winter smallmouths, but I felt confident. It was new, high quality fluorocarbon that costs nearly 20 bucks a spool.

I had a friend and co-worker do incredibly well on a tough, cold day on Dale Hollow Lake in late December a couple of years ago by fishing a heavy football jig deep and slow. I really wanted to catch a big smallmouth bass that way as well.

James came with two rods, one for fishing live shiners and the other for fishing a smaller, lighter jig. I didn't get to fish my jig much in the first few hours because I was too busy netting James' nice smallmouths. As soon as I would get settled in working my heavy jig way out from the bank on deep points, I heard, "get the net."

James didn't fall for trying something new. He stayed with the tried and true and threw a live shiner. Nothing out-fishes live bait for winter smallmouth bass on lakes such as Lake Cumberland, Dale Hollow or Laurel River Lake, no matter how many new lures come down the pike. The float and fly presentation can come close at times, but the real thing is the real deal.

Part of my stubbornness rests in a deeply held idea that catching big smallmouths on lures is nobler than using live bait. This is a commonly held feeling throughout the fishing world, especially with trout anglers.

There is nothing noble about watching your fishing partner catch all of the fish because they had enough sense to use what worked best that day. Anglers fishing a large smallmouth bass tournament on Dale Hollow Lake on the same day struggled to catch many fish.

I know live bait isn't allowed in bass tournaments, but the live shiner turned what could've been a tough day into a royal field day, culminating in a 22-inch long pig of a smallmouth. He caught seven smallmouth before fishing

cooled off in the afternoon; the smallest was 18 inches long.

Another commonly held belief is live bait fishing comes easy and requires little skill. Live bait fishing improved my lure fishing because it taught me the value of concentration and the art of locating fish. You don't just throw out a live shiner and read the paper, drink a cup of coffee and reel in fish. It takes skill.

Use medium-sized shiners for smallmouth bass. Large crappie minnows will work in a pinch and cost much less, but shiners seem to catch more big ones. Use a 1, 2 or 1/0 sized Octopus style hook and run it through the lips of the shiner. Attach a couple of BB split shot weight about 18- to 24-inches above the hook. Circle hooks work okay for still fishing live bait, but they bring lost fish and frustration when casting shiners.

When you cast a shiner near a smallmouth, they usually take it gently and don't swim off with it. You often don't get the tension necessary for the fish to imbed the circle hook in its jaw. You'll lift the rod and reel to keep tension, but you just end up leading the smallmouth. Eventually, they detect something funny and drop your shiner.

With an Octopus style hook, wait several seconds after the take and set the hook. If you stay on your toes, gut hooks are exceedingly rare.

Use an underhand or sidearm cast with a 6 1/2-foot to 7 1/2-foot long medium-light or medium power spinning rod to fish the shiner. Avoid a rod that is too stiff or it will throw the shiner off the hook, but a rod too wimpy loses sensitivity. Spool the reel with 4- to 8-pound line; those with a monofilament core and fluorocarbon coating work really well for shiner fishing as does straight fluorocarbon.

Cast the shiner to points or featureless "nothing" banks near deep water in the lower end of Lake Cumberland, from Low Gap Island to the dam, the lower sections of the Wolf River arm and Illwill Creek in Dale Hollow and the Spruce Creek arm of Laurel River Lake. The draw-down of Lake Cumberland means anglers without boats may walk much of the shoreline in the lower lake with a bucket of large crappie minnows and fish points for smallmouths.

James swims his shiners by letting them sink near bottom and reeling them back in a slow, rhythmic retrieve. It requires patience and concentration to fish them this way, as opposed to beating the bottom. You cover much more of the water column with this retrieve and pick off those idle smallmouths suspended somewhere between the surface and bottom, their location for much of winter.

Slip on some coveralls, fill the front pockets with handwarmers, get a pound of shiners and head to Lake Cumberland, Dale Hollow Lake or Laurel River Lake. An afternoon of catching big smallmouth bass beats football on television every time.



Rockcastle Kiwanis would like to say thank you to the Rockcastle Regional Hospital for hosting our December 13th meeting. Our special speaker for the day was Samantha Brooke Shell, ARNP of the Rockcastle Wellness Group. She gave pertinent information to all concerning the Flu/Virus and the differences in the Bacterial Infections vs Viral Infections. It was very informative, thank you Brooke. The Kiwanis club meets every Thursday at noon, next meeting 12/20/12 will be at the Renfro Valley Lodge. There will be no meeting 12/27/12. Beginning January 2013 we will begin meeting at the Tea Cup Cafe', downtown Mt. Vernon. Pictured are: Sarah Longest, member; Samantha Brooke Shell, ARNP; Brian Duncan, member; and Gertha Mink, member.

Filing FAFSA early improves chances of state grants

Kentucky students planning to attend an in-state college or university beginning in fall 2013 should file the 2013-2014 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after Jan. 1. Filing early increases a student's chance of receiving a state need-based grant administered by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). The FAFSA is available at www.fafsa.gov.

Students attending Kentucky colleges and universities may qualify for College Access Program (CAP) Grants. To qualify, a student must show financial need and be enrolled for at least half-time toward an associate's or bachelor's degree. The maximum CAP Grant award is \$1,900 per year.

Students attending most of Kentucky's private colleges and universities may qualify for a Kentucky Tuition Grant (KTG) in addition to a CAP Grant. To qualify for KTG, a student must show financial need and be enrolled full-time. The maximum KTG award is \$3,000 per year.

Funding for CAP and KTG is limited, with awards made to qualifying students on a first-come, first-served basis. Award amounts may change based on available funding.

For more information about CAP and KTG, view the KHEAA-administered programs under the Paying for College section on www.kheaa.com or email grants@kheaa.com.

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, go to www.gotocollege.ky.gov. For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call (800) 928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

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Luke 2: 10-11

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Pictured are the winners of the 4-H Speech Contest. Front from left: Shelby Newland (2nd Place 11 year Olds) and Kerrigan Medley (2nd Place in 9 year olds). Second row from left: Aiden Amburgey (1st Place 10 year olds); Callie Lewis (1st Place 11 year olds); Camden Mink (2nd Place 10 year olds); and Kyle Coffey (1st place 9 year olds). Back row from left: Laiken Coffey (1st Place 18 year olds); John David Hurley (1st place 15 year olds); and Trevor Todd (1st place in 12 year olds).

4-H Speech Contest winners and participants

On Thursday, December 13, the Rockcastle County 4-H Council held their annual 4-H Speech Contest at MVES. Special thanks to each youth who participated in the local contest. The winners of each age division will compete at the District 2 4-H Communication that will be held in the 1st week in May at North Laurel High School.



Nine year old 4-H Speech participants: Noah Parkey, Audrey Childress, Amy Cornelius, Kyle Coffey, Kyra Ramsey, Delani Reynolds, Justin Mink, Sarah Allen, Gentry Phillips, Kerrigan Medley and William Madden.



11 year old 4-H Speech participants: Lincoln Hines, Dakota Kirby, Callie Lewis, Emily Ponder, Isaac Sexton, Reece McGuire, Sadie Howard, Morgan Johnson and Shelby Newland.



10 year old 4-H Speech participants: Selicity Broaddus, Ashlyn Brock, Zach Taylor, Jaylon Ponder, Amy Clark, Andrew Hurt, Aden Amburgey, Hannah Neeley, Zackary Sadler, Katherine Coffey, Camden Mink, Bailee DeBorde and Jacob Cook.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

from
Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis
 and the
Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

May this great season find each of you in health and good will
 for your neighbors and families.

Our personal wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Front row from left: Vicky Miller and Court Clerk Patricia Martin.
 Back row from left: magistrate Gary Burdette, magistrate William Denny, magistrate Lee Earl Adams, magistrate Ralph Allen, County Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis, magistrate Bill McKinney, County Treasurer Joe Clontz, County Attorney William Reynolds and Howell Holbrook.

Crystal Snowflakes...

Rockcastle Senior Citizens & Adult Day Healthcare made crystal snowflakes. They are easy to make and fun!

To make them you need: pipe cleaners; glass jar; ink pen or stick; string or yarn; 1/3 cup Borax (found in laundry section); boiling water; metal spoon. Form pipe cleaners into a shape. Whatever color pipe cleaner you use you will see that color. Place a string or yarn to the shape. Hang the shape from a stick or ink pen. Place 1/3 cup Borax in glass jar. Place metal spoon in glass jar. Add Boiling water fill jar 3/4 full. Stir a few times (Borax doesn't have to dissolve fully). Place shape in water/ Borax mixture making sure it is not touching sides or bottom of glass jar and is fully covered. Let sit for 24 hours beautiful crystals form on shape pull out of water let air dry.

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