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High speed chase leads state police through county

By: Mike French
Editor

After reaching speeds of over 120 mph, Madison County police officers finally stopped and arrested Travis Debord, 31 and Sabrina Neely Richmond, 30, both of Mount Vernon. According to Debord's citation, London Police began a high speed chase of a black Nissan Versa that had been reported stolen. The chase began on I-75 in London when officers turned on emergency lights and Debord sped up, attempting to outrun the cruiser.

Though Debord drove in excess of 120 mph, he could not outrun the radio signal as the pursuing officer notified Madison County post 7 of the Kentucky State Police that the chase was headed north on I-75.

The chase continued through Rockcastle County with Debord swerving in and out of traffic causing "extreme danger" to other vehicles, the citation says.

Once in Madison County, officers executed a

"pit maneuver" which caused Debord to spin out, according to the citation. Once boxed in, Debord reportedly put the Versa in reverse and rammed two police cruisers in his attempt to escape.

However, police stopped Debord and his passenger, Richmond, and arrested them both. (Richmond's citation was not available at press time).

During a search of the vehicle police discovered a plastic pipe with white residue and a plastic baggie also with white residue both believed to be methamphetamine.

Debord was taken to the Madison County Detention Center where he was charged with wanton endangerment, fleeing or evading, receiving stolen property, criminal mischief, possession of meth, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving on suspended license, operating under the influence and speeding over 26 mph over speed limit.

Debord's bond was set at \$15,000 cash.

Two arrested for meth locally

By: Mike French
Editor

Officers from the Mount Vernon Police Department made a methamphetamine arrest Monday, after receiving a call concerning a vehicle parked near the railroad tracks on Richmond Street.

According to the citation, Justin Dobbs, 29, of Berea, was arrested after police investigated the incident.

The report says Detective Ryan Messenger located the vehicle and discovered it to be a stolen vehicle, but it was empty and locked. However, shortly afterwards, Messenger saw Dobbs walking towards the vehicle with two jugs of gasoline.

Dobbs told police he had never been near the car but the report says he had the key to the vehicle on his key ring.

Once police investigated Dobbs, they discovered he had outstanding warrants and he was then arrested.

Once at the Rockcastle County Detention Center, deputies searched a backpack that Dobbs had with him. Inside officials discovered three needles, two baggies and a set of digital

scales.

Dobbs was charged with receiving stolen property, possession of drug paraphernalia and promoting contraband. His bond was set at \$15,000 cash.

In an unrelated incident, the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department received a call about a person causing a disturbance on Limestone Street in Mount Vernon.

Upon arrival at the scene, a deputy found Rebecca Jones, 43, of Lexington, in a restroom "talking to herself."

According to the citation, Jones told the deputy that she had "shot some methamphetamine" a few hours earlier. Jones then reached into her bra and retrieved a silver container. Deputy Kirk Mays asked if he could search the container and Jones apparently agreed.

Inside the container, the deputy found a plastic baggie with a crystal substance believed to be methamphetamine.

Jones was arrested and taken to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where she was charged with possession of meth.

Her bond was set at \$7,500 cash.

RCIDA discusses projects

By: Mike French
Editor

Judge/Executive-elect Howell Holbrook, attended the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) regular meeting on Monday, a month before he will be sworn into office.

Chairman Corey Craig welcomed the newly-elected official to the meeting. "We look forward to working with Howell. He brings a lot of good ideas

and suggestions to our board and Jeff (Jeffrey VanHook, Executive Director of RCIDA) and I have already met with him and brought him up to speed on what we are doing and where we hope we are heading as a community," he said.

Board members studied the financial report and there was some discussion of the spur fee (\$25,000) charged by CSX Railroad for the spur for the Eagle Manufacturing building. Members agreed that though the fee is

costly, it is worth the expense. "Having that spur as part of the property, increases the value of the property," said Holbrook.

Craig agreed. "It is a lot, but that fee will be paid by others when the property is occupied and having that spur makes it much more attractive to site locators as well," said Craig.

Board members also discussed the progress of the new Microfoodery plant under construction on Richmond Street. (See "RCIDA" on A5)

Christmas has arrived

Christmas parades went on last Saturday in Mount Vernon and Brodhead despite the rainy weather. In the top photo: Darla Reams and Glenna Settles are shown at Mount Vernon's parade on the Flat Rock Baptist Church float, *A Child Is Born*. In the middle photo, Jeff King gives his friends, Santa Claus and Patrick the Elf, a ride in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade. Children got to visit with Santa after the parade on Main Street. In the bottom photo, Santa Claus visits with Maycee Abney after the Brodhead Christmas Parade in the firehouse. The City of Livingston will hold their Christmas Parade this coming Saturday night at 7 p.m. Lineup for the parade begins at 6 p.m. Santa Claus will be at the firehouse with presents and hot cocoa at 8 p.m. (See more photos from *parades in our December 20th Christmas edition*)



Santa and his "Rain" deer visit county

By: Mike French
Editor

The weather did not cooperate with the local Christmas parades this year, but even the continual rain didn't dampen the holiday spirit of the small crowds in attendance, according to local officials.

John Dyehouse, Brodhead Fire Chief and organizer of the annual E.J. Taylor Christmas Parade, said the rain made a difference in some of the activities, but those who braved the

weather all seemed to have a wonderful time.

"It rained the entire time," said Dyehouse. "But those who did come out seemed to have a good time."

Bystanders said the parades were noticeably shorter than in previous

years and the crowds that gathered to watch each event were smaller. Still, those willing to be wet, cheered as the floats, fire trucks and Santa and his elf passed by.

Santa was inside the firehouse in Brodhead and that fact helped several local

children have the opportunity to greet the jolly old elf.

"We had several kids who had the chance to see Santa," Dyehouse said.

Mount Vernon's parade was also shorter and had a smaller crowd gather to watch the festivities due to the rain but, again, officials say they consider the event a success.

"Despite the inclement weather, we were pleased that several hearty parade participants and some spec-

(See "Santa" on A5)

Exit 62 reopening delayed two weeks

By: Mike French
Editor

In October, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KTC) announced the temporary closure of the Mount Vernon I-75 southbound exit 62 in Renfro Valley.

The closure is part of the I-75 widening project that is currently underway to create a total of six lanes of traffic through Rockcastle County in both directions.

The closure was expected to last about four weeks but, due to higher than average rainfall, construction has been delayed, according to KTC officials.

The ramp has been

closed through the week and opened on weekends since construction began, but officials say the closure will last at least one more week and possibly two.

The ramp has been reopened every Friday evening at 6 p.m. and then shut down again on Monday morning at 6 a.m. and officials plan to keep that same schedule for the remainder of the work.

Amber Hale, Information Officer of District 8 at KTC said crews are "wrapping up some final needs" on the ramp which will reopen as soon as those de-

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

It's been a busy month so far. My birthday was November 30th and the children celebrated it appropriately i.e., I got all their attention for several days.

The culmination was a family dinner at O'Charley's in Richmond on Saturday night and that was fun until one of the children, and I haven't been able to pinpoint which one yet, began the *Happy Birthday* song in front of everyone. And everyone within hearing range was probably sitting there thinking, 'oh, isn't that sweet, they're taking their 100-year-old mommy out to celebrate her birthday.'

Then, daughter Allison gave me no excuse for not decorating for Christmas, for the first time in several years, by doing it for me (and, that's wonderful as long as she remembers to come and take it down and put it away, preferably the day after Christmas).

Of course, Jane, Paige, granddaughter Kayla and yours truly are bowling once again in the Tuesday night women's league at Richmond as we have for the past several years. We are having a harder time than usual fitting the commitment into our social calendar -- well, at least the girls are -- my social calendar is nothing to write home about.

In a league that we have always finished in the top half of 14-16 teams, we are struggling this year, to the point that we are currently in 13th place. I am having trouble with "see mark, hit mark" and have probably lost more marks on not getting at least five pins on a spare than I ever have. Week before last, I was having a decent game, had even got-

ten a double and a few spares so I figured I was on my way to a decent game for a change -- not!! In the tenth, I threw my first ball and got four pins, disheartening right? Well, it got worse, on the second ball, I didn't get any and in a frame where 30 pins are possible I wound up with four and a game score of 129 when I was hoping for much better, to say the least.

We still have hope. Paige has come on strong in the last couple of weeks. Jane and Kayla produce their above-average game more often and my contribution to our handicap is growing each week so we should eventually climb to, oh, 11th or 12th place, so life is good.

I am really looking forward to our time off Christmas week. We are planning a family trip to Biltmore House in North Carolina during that time and it's always fun to hit the road with that bunch.

In recognition of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men," I will spare my usual diatribe on the horrible antics of the Democrats this week. Besides, there's so much to pick from I couldn't narrow it down to one subject.

Aces Over

By: Mike French



I often wonder why things are like they are. Things just seem to be accepted. No one ever says anything about them but they bug a poor old country boy like me every day.

Just crazy things people do and crazy rules that people live by. Even contradictory stuff that no one seems to care about at all. Things that don't add up.

If the speed limit is 70 mph, why do they make Corvettes? Think about it, the only possible reason to buy a car that goes 200 mph, is to go 200 mph, right?

The only other reason I could see is so you can show people how much money you have. Wouldn't you have even more money if instead of buying a Corvette, you bought a t-shirt that says "I have a whole big bunch of money?" Something doesn't add up.

Why do I get fined if I am not wearing a seat belt? Is it because our government wants to force me to be safe and not harm myself? Is that it?

No, that's not it. If it were, then I'd also be forced to wear a helmet on a motorcycle. And to have those

non-slippy things on the bottom of my bathtub so I don't fall in the shower. And I'd be forced to stop eating sugar. And skydiving would be illegal. And tires with more than 30,000 miles would be illegal. And no one could own a Corvette.

I mean we do a million dangerous things every day of our lives. Why do I get fined if I do that one dangerous thing but most everything else is okay? Something doesn't add up.

Why is prostitution illegal? Are we, as a society, saying a woman does not have the right to do what ever she wants with her body? But abortion was made legal because a woman has the right to do anything she wants with her body. Something doesn't add up.

Why do some liquor stores close on Sunday?

Is it because of something religious? Is it because drinking is wrong and God frowns on it and it's a bad thing? If so, then why is it okay the rest of the week? Something doesn't add up.

Why is there no Miss White America Beauty Pageant?

Is it because picking out a person's skin color, and not allowing anyone to participate except those with that color skin, would be racist? Something doesn't add up.

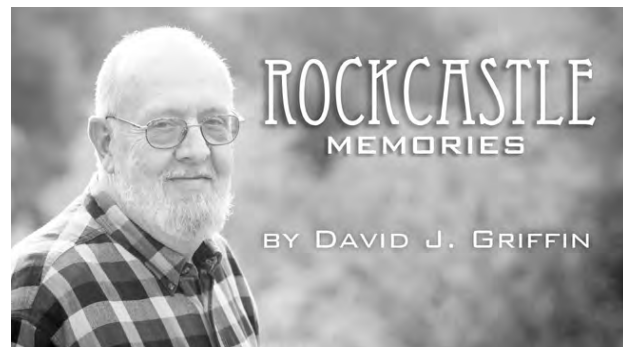
How come you pay car insurance so that in the event of a wreck, you don't have to pay to fix your car, yet if you wreck, your insurance premium goes up? Isn't that you paying to fix your car? Something doesn't add up.

Why is it that if you think a Supreme Being created the earth and all that's in it, you are considered a nut and laughed at because you are naive. But, if you believe a glob of scum washed up out of the ocean and decided to become a human being, you are an intellectual? Something doesn't add up.

How come it costs less to get a large drink with your number 2 special, than it does to get a small drink with the same special?

Why is the Bible, the number one most shoplifted book in America? Did they put it back after they read it?

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Mt. Vernon School Cafeteria

A fellow by the name of Brent, who now resides in Texas and is a regular follower of my column, recently asked if I remembered the aroma of the home-baked rolls wafting up into school halls from the cafeteria. My reply was a resounding, yes!

As a matter of fact, I recall that if you visited the library (which was located above the lunchroom), the smells were so pronounced it literally made your mouth water. I can still visualize those huge aluminum trays filled with warm, golden yeast rolls just waiting for the students to arrive.

The cafeteria served both elementary and high school students at Mt. Vernon when I was a student. From the first grade until I received my driver's license, I ate lunch in that small cafeteria. The menu was repeated each week, and we looked forward to certain days -- especially on Fridays when

chili and peanut butter sandwiches were served.

Brent also remembered the chili, "I will say this about Mt. Vernon High School, the lunchroom had some great chili."

While visiting at our family Thanksgiving brother Al and I were discussing school lunch prices from back in our days. He is ten years my senior, so we remembered a slight difference in the cost of a lunch ticket. In my mind, a plate lunch was 15 cents, extra milk was 3 cents, and you could substitute a baloney and cheese sandwich for 2 cents. I distinctly recall that the cheese was provided by the government and was called "commodity cheese." That was the best cheese ever put into my mouth.

Al, Eva, and I also recalled the women who served our meals in the cafeteria. My dad's sister, Ann Mae Jackson, was a server and when she saw me coming down the line, she always gave me extra help

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Points East

By Ike Adams



When I was a little boy, a couple of my uncles and my grandpa, Mose Adams, (Pap) still recognized January 6 as "old Christmas".

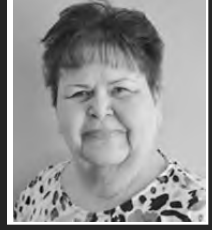
They had come to celebrate December 25 as Christmas Day but they acknowledged that there was a time when Christmas Eve fell on what turned out to be my birthday.

Actually, when you do a little research on the subject, you will find that scholars disagree on the actual date of "old Christmas", some maintaining that it is January 5, others January 6, and still others place it on January 11. When Pope Gregory XIII established the Gregorian calendar in 1582, he ushered in an era in which the people of Europe disagreed on what day it was. As a result, they celebrated Christmas on different days. Before the Gregorian reform Europe had adhered to the Julian calendar, which was a full 10 days behind the newly instituted Gregorian calendar.

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Not Just Another Christmas Carol

Dear Journal,
Through the years I've seen several productions of "A Christmas Carol". The first time I ever saw it was when I was in school, probably somewhere in junior high. I wondered about the title however. It must be dealing with some kind of music...a Christmas carol perhaps, but which one? I came to learn that the Dickens classic doesn't have anything to do with music at all.

As I think I've mentioned before, Stanley and I have discovered a wonderful little local theater over in Berea. It is the Berea Arena Theater. It is composed of all local talent and is all brought together by a production genius, Eddie Kennedy,

with the assistance of his wife, Norma. We attended a matinee performance of "A Christmas Carol" on Sunday after noon. As a general rule, we have discovered, the last performance is usually to best of the series.

This was just a wonderful performance. We really enjoyed it and plan to go back again next year. I think they have it every year in early December. All of the actors, as far as I know, are local talent and work on a volunteer basis. What a wonderful gift to the community. Now understand, the play isn't free but is very reasonably priced and they offer season tickets at a real steal. We have seen several productions there and every one is just a treasure.

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December 14, 2018 - January 15, 2019
No applications will be accepted after January 15, 2019.

Application Availability:
Rockcastle County Conservation District
Monday - Friday (8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

For More Information:
Contact Sandy Whitaker at Rockcastle County Conservation District at 606-256-2525 ext. 3 or email sandy.whitaker@ky.nacdnet.net

Informational meeting will be held at the County Extension Office on December 14, 2018 at 9:30 am and 6:30 pm.

ABSOLUTE LIVE Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Feldkamp's

9.76 Acres in 3 Tracts - Farm Equipment ~ Horses
2920 East Level Green Rd. - Mt. Vernon, Ky.

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

Mr. & Mrs. Feldkamp have decided to downsize and sell most of their land, along with farm equipment and team of horses.

Directions: From Mt. Vernon, take Hwy 461 for 5.6 miles. Turn right on Level Green Access Rd. Turn right on Level Green Rd. Go 2/10 mile to property. Auction signs are posted.

Tract 1 is 4.38 acres and has 326.54' of road frontage on Level Green Access Rd. and access off of Hwy 461, as well as Level Green Access Rd. City water is available.

Tract 2 is 2.31 acres and fronts on Level Green Access Rd. 176.89'. This is an ideal building site w/ city water available.

Tract 3 is 3.07 acres and fronts Level Green Access Rd. 176.89'. This tract is also an ideal building site w/ city water available.

Horses & Farm Equipment: Team of horses farm raised by Mike, broke to work - Cedar wagon w/ hydraulic brakes - horse trailer - 64 Allis Chalmers gas tractor - 6' bush hog - hay spear - 3 pt. hitch carry all - scraper blade - #10 horse drawn disc - 2 wheel weights for International tractor - culverts - cedar posts - barn boxing - wagon rails - horse tack & harness plus many other farm related items.

Auctioneer's Note: If you like living in the country, in a great neighborhood, you need to take a look at this property. Being only 25 minutes from Somerset and 10 minutes from Mt. Vernon, it is ideally located.

Buyer's Premium: 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to the winning bid to determine the final sale price on both real estate and personal property.

Terms: Real Estate - 20% down day of sale with balance in 30 days. Personal Property - Payment in full due day of sale in the form of cash, check, Visa or MasterCard with an additional 3% processing fee (\$3 minimum). Announcements made day of sale take precedence over printed material.



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Bookmobile Schedule
Monday, Dec. 10th: No service. **Tuesday, Dec. 11th:** Calloway, Red Hill, Livingston, Lamero, Pine Hill.
Wednesday, 12th: Maple Grove, Orlando and Climax.

Give Hope
 Give Hope, a ministry of compassion to the people of Rockcastle County, will be providing children with backpacks, blankets and toys for Christmas on December 15th, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Rockcastle County Middle School. Children must be present to receive gifts. Sponsored by Rockcastle Baptist Association and the Community Mission Team. For more information, call 606-256-4571.

Retired Teachers Christmas Luncheon
 Rockcastle County Retired Teachers will meet for their Christmas Luncheon at the Rockcastle Academy on Wednesday, December 12th at 11:30 a.m. Come and enjoy the fellowship.

Circuit Clerk's Office Holiday Hours
 Rockcastle County's Circuit Clerk's office will be closed December 24-25 for Christmas and Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st for New Year's.

Christmas Craft Sale
 The Annual Christmas Craft Sale will be held Friday and Saturday, December 7th and 8th at the Rockcastle County Extension Service office, 1050 W. Main St. Come and purchase "one of a kind" handmade gifts. Call 256-2403 for more information.

Celebrate the Season
 Be a Blessing, Adopt an Angel. Join Rockcastle Seniors and Adult Health in the annual celebration of seniors in our community 60 plus. The tree is located at 1260 S. Wilderness Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. For more information, call 606-256-4316.

Rabies Vaccinations
 A Rabies Vaccination Clinic for dogs and cats will be held Thursday, December 6th at the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department from 6 to 7 p.m. The cost is \$7 per animal and all animals must be on a leash or restrained. The event is sponsored by the Rockcastle County Health Department and Dr. James Chism, DVM. For more information, contact Rockcastle County Health Department, Ed Stanko, Environmentalist at 256-2242.

KPR Meeting is Dec. 11th
 The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Tuesday, December 11th at David's Steak House, 125 W. Cumberland Gap Parkway in Corbin. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be Jim Stewart, state representative for Knox County and part of Laurel County. Any retiree (and spouse) receiving retirement benefits from KERS, CERS or SPRS is welcome to attend. Membership information will be available at the meeting or on the website (kentuckykpublicretirees.org). For more information call 606-877-0079 or 606-260-0490.

TOPS of Brodhead
 TOPS (Take off pounds sensibly) meets every Tuesday evening at the Brodhead Community Outreach Center. Weigh-in begins at 6 and the meeting is at 6:30. For more information, call 606-758-4973.

Celebrate Sobriety Service
 CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. We are located at 211 Industrial Park Road (across from the high school) in Mt. Vernon, KY. Call 859-582-2553 with any questions.

Chamber of Commerce Meetings
 The Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce meets once a month, on the third Tuesday, at noon at Limestone Grille. All members are encouraged to attend.

VFW Post Item
 VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members and is also looking for new and associate members. New hours are: Wed. - Sat., 5 p.m. to ? Call 606-386-1490 for more information.

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings
Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, 6 to 8 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Northside Baptist Church - Mt. Vernon from 6 to 8 p.m. 606-256-5577. •••Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies. Northside Baptist, Mt. Vernon at 7 p.m. Men and Women, small groups. 606-256-5577.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, 6:30 p.m. Leader: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099.

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe, 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

DAR Meetings
 The Rockcastle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meets the first Monday of each month, September-May at 6 p.m. at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. All prospective members are welcome to attend.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting
 The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #566 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

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

Kiwanis Club Meetings
 The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at the Limestone Grill. Everyone is invited.

American Legion Post 71
 American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 6 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grill. Commander Rick Bobo (308-2271) invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

Some nations and churches refused to adopt the Gregorian reforms. In these lands people continued to celebrate Christmas according to the old calendar. Their celebrations continued to fall on January 5 or 6 even after they accepted daily use of the new calendar for most other purposes. In past eras the English sometimes referred to January 5 or 6 as "Old Christmas Day." Other Countries celebrated on January 11. I have no idea where that January 11 date came from. Since most of this information came straight off the internet, I am reluctant to swear to its integrity but I figure it's at least more reliable than most of the stuff that gets on facebook.

Some early European immigrant settlers to North America still stubbornly clung to their traditional Julian calendar dates and continued to do so well into the 18th and 19th centuries. They did not celebrate Christmas until early January. By the beginning of the 20th century, however, most of the world had come to recognize December 25, as Christmas Day, including those who may have remained a tad skeptical.

Pap and a few other of my forebears figured there was no harm in paying tribute to Christmas again in January just in case the old Pope had gotten it wrong. While Pap was still living, Mom continued to prepare an "Old Christmas" supper but that ended after he passed in 1954.

When Pap died, just 6 weeks before my 5th birthday, I still believed in Santa Claus. Pap also claimed that on Old Christmas Eve, all the animals in the barn would talk to one another and that from midnight, through the next hour or so, you could understand every word they said. He claimed he'd never actually heard them because he just couldn't stay awake that late but he reckoned it was sure enough the truth.

By the time I was 7 I'd figured out the Santa Claus ruse, but I kept it up because Mom told me that if I told my younger brothers, I would know for absolute sure, because she would personally see to it that nothing would be in my boot sock hanging from the mantle or under the tree with my name on it come Christmas morning. I'm reasonably sure that I'm not the only oldest sibling ever held hostage by that same threat.

On the other hand, I was still pretty sure that the barn stock talked to each other at midnight on Old Christmas Eve.

One January when I was probably 7 or 8 years old, my Uncle Jim was staying overnight with us and he offered to stay up with some cousins and me and go to the barn at midnight. There was probably some late night radio show he wanted to listen to anyway.

In those days we kept at least one milk cow, several mining ponies, a couple of

mules and a large flock of chickens and other poultry in our barn. About 10 minutes before midnight, Uncle Jim, a couple of my cousins and yours truly slipped out to the barn hallway where nothing was stirring, including the mice.

He sat there with us for at least half an hour before whispering, "They're all asleep, we may as well get back to the house."

Next morning Mom asked if we'd heard the animals talking.

Uncle Jim, as straight faced as a funeral preacher, said, "Nahhh. They all slept through it and that's too bad. They missed the only chance they'll have until next year."

"T.J.'s"

(Cont. from A2)

Eddie Kennedy has been involved in theater and teaching for thirty-three years and has seen a lot of talent in his time. Just from watching him in action, he seems to have a way of drawing talent out of a person. He simply works wonders.

The production of the classic that we saw was all on one stage as you could imagine. The sets were changed several times in the course of the play all in the dark. Every time the lights went on, there was another whole new scene in front of us just like magic. I kept thinking someone will trip and we'll hear a horrible crash but it all went like clockwork.

Mount Vernon's own and our good friend, Chris Longhurst, played the role of Fezzwig. He did a wonderful job. Chuck Morgan and John Stauffer are two of my favorites. We've seen them in a few productions and every time they are just standouts...so versatile in acting. This time Chuck played the role of Scrooge and John played Bob Cratchit.

This area is so blessed to have this calibre of theater. Each production is one of quality. It is a place where you can see the classics as well as newly-written material. If you haven't already been, it is certainly worth the trip.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

ings. (Connections usually do pay off, don't they?) As a growing boy, I was deeply appreciative of her generosity.

Hazel Cummins was the lunchroom supervisor, and to our recollection, several other ladies who served our meals included the following: Rachel Pitman, Martha Simpson, and Martha Carter. They took very good care of us, and my memories of the lunch ladies are very positive. (It is possible that I may have mixed up or forgotten some of their names. If so, my apologies.)

If for some reason, you could not eat in the cafeteria, you could bring a sack lunch from home and still sit with your class. I recall that I occasionally had stomach aches, and my

mother (Bee) would make my lunch for me to take to school. Usually it was a peanut butter sandwich, some celery or carrots, and an apple. She was careful to only provide food that could be taken without refrigeration. I also remember having Vienna sausage, which came in a can; Zesta crackers and some form of fruit would round out that meal.

Occasionally, when my class filed into the cafeteria, some of the teachers or administrators would be seated at one of the front tables. They loved those yeast rolls just as much as the students!

I had not thought about the school cafeteria and its attendant aromas in a long time. And now that I have, I must admit that I would love to have a few of those hot yeast rolls right now, slathered with butter, and served with a big glass of sweet tea.

(You can reach me at themtnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 2167 Furnace Road - Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

"Aces"

(Cont. from A2)

There are just things that bug me. When something doesn't add up, I lose sleep.

Why is it that you get a tax refund because you paid the government too much money in taxes, but you have to report that refund as income and pay taxes on the money that you got back from overpaying taxes?

I've mentioned before that I will never understand why some words are per-

fectly acceptable while other words that describe the identical substance or identical action are considered curse words.

Just doesn't add up. Why do people come to America to get away from the laws of the land where they live, and then try to change the laws in America to be like the laws of the land they came from?

If you are pulled over, why do you get a charge of not having insurance plus an additional charge of not having an insurance card?

If you don't have insurance and you do indeed have an insurance card, that would be fraud wouldn't it? If you don't have insurance, logically you should not have an insurance card.

Why is there such a charge as "theft by unlawful taking?" Is there a "theft by lawful taking?"

There is just stuff that my old fashioned mind doesn't seem to grasp and I think about them all day long.

I guess I'll just keep nodding and saying "okay" whenever something doesn't add up to me. Apparently it does to the rest of the world.

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Farm Bureau receives Women's Gold Star Award of Excellence

Recognized for the achievements of its women's program this year, Rockcastle County Farm Bureau received the 2018 Gold Star Award of Excellence during Kentucky Farm Bureau's annual meeting in Louisville. The award honors county Women's Committees for active participation in leadership development programs, agricultural promotion, educational initiatives and numerous other aspects of support to the local Farm Bureau.

Kentucky Farm Bureau, with more than 473,000 member families statewide, is the state's largest general farm organization. Approximately 2,000 members attended KFB's 99th annual meeting in Louisville, November 28-December 1, to recognize this year's individual and organizational achievements and adopt policy for 2019. To view all the updates released from this year's annual meeting, visit KYFBNewsroom.com.



Carla Parsons, right, of the Rockcastle County Farm Bureau Women's Committee, accepts the 2018 Gold Star Award of Excellence from Vicki Bryant, chair of the Kentucky Farm Bureau state Women's Committee. The award was presented during a November 30 recognition program at the 99th Kentucky Farm Bureau annual meeting.



Why your package was late

A United Parcel Service (UPS) truck was hit by a train after the driver attempted to cross the railroad tracks immediately after exiting the tunnel on Twin Tunnels Road in Rockcastle County last Wednesday, November 28. According to the Mount Vernon Fire Department, the driver and one passenger were amazingly uninjured after the nose of the UPS truck was struck by the oncoming CSX train. The vehicle was spun around and knocked into a ditchline about 15 feet deep. Rockcastle EMS assisted on the scene.

Several from Rockcastle honored at Hospice Dinner

At its annual National Hospice Month Dinner, Hospice Care Plus recognized businesses and individuals, including several from Rockcastle County.

Local resident and Hospice staff member Diana Bond received one of the organization's highest honors, an Excellence in Care Award. Bond is a social worker who has worked with Hospice Care Plus for 14 years. She currently cares for hospice patients in nursing home settings but has also worked at Hospice's Compassionate Care Center and in its home hospice program. In presenting the award, CEO Gail McGillis called Bond "humble and caring," and said, "it has been an honor to work with her and to see how she's developed our social work discipline and our care teams."

McGillis also honored staff who reached years-of-service milestones. Two Rockcastle Countians, Jennifer Ponder and Jean Robinson, were among those honored. Ponder was recognized for 15 years of service, while Robinson was thanked for ten years of service.

Conway Baptist Church was the only Rockcastle-based group to receive a 2018 Above and Beyond Award, reserved for businesses, churches, or civic groups that, for at least two years, have gone to great lengths to support the Hospice mission.

In presenting the award to Conway, Brenna Wallhausser, director of public relations, said the church was chosen for its "faithful, constant, and loving support." Conway Baptist makes a gift to the organization each month, which is used to fund the care and services it provides.

Hospice Care Plus is a non-profit provider of hospice, palliative, and bereavement care to Estill, Jackson, Lee, Madison, Owsley and Rockcastle counties. It offers all care regardless of ability to pay. To learn more, visit hospicecareplus.org or call 859-986-1500.



Diana Bond, right, with another award winner, Heather Randall, at the Hospice Care Plus Annual Dinner. Bond lives in Rockcastle County and earned the Hospice Care Plus Excellence in Care Award.



Hospice Care Plus staff members honored for years of service milestones at the non-profit's annual dinner, including Rockcastle Countians Jean Robinson and Jennifer Ponder. Pictured are front row from left: Melanie Hacker, Jenny Gray, Jennifer Ponder and Lisa Knicely. Back row from left: Brooke Bentley, Angie Tankersley, Susan Field, Peggy Patrick, Chasity Coleman and Chad Hembree. Not pictured: Jean Robinson.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Want Lovely Fall Color?

Rainfall aplenty has made for lots of tree leaves that will be flying around before we know it. That same abundant rainfall, along with hot weather until a couple weeks ago, has kept the foliage verdant and green. But, color is coming to a yard or woody area near you. And cool weather, so long as

Mamaw's Kitchen

MINI KENTUCKY HOT BROWNS

1 teaspoon chicken bouillon granules
1/4 cup boiling water
3 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
3/4 cup half and half
1 cup shredded Swiss cheese
18 slices rye bread (party size or cut in half if full size)
12 ounces sliced cooked turkey
12 ounces sliced cooked ham
1 small onion (very thinly sliced and separated into rings)
5 bacon strips (cooked and crumbled)
2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley
In a small bowl, dissolve bouillon in water; set aside. In a small saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Stir in flour until smooth; stir in cream and bouillon. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 1 to 2 minutes or until thickened. Stir in cheese until melted. Remove from the heat. Place bread slices on two baking sheets. Layer each with turkey, ham, onion, and cheese sauce. Sprinkle with bacon. Bake at 350° for 10 to 12 minutes or until heated through. (Heat just before serving). Sprinkle with parsley. NOTE: If you

there isn't a hard freeze for a few more days and weeks, will give some gorgeous views for the leaf peepers. A hard freeze will cut it short, but absent that, a late fall can be a gorgeous fall filled with color galore.

Some of us see a glorious tree with awesome color, and immediately want one like it. If that is you, then some observations by a landscaper

don't have leftover turkey or ham, get some from your favorite deli.

TURKEY ENCHILADAS

1 can condensed cream of chicken soup
1/2 cup sour cream
2 tablespoons butter
1 medium onion, chopped (about 1/2 cup)
2 cups chopped cooked turkey or chicken
1 can (4 ounces) chopped green chilis
8 flour tortilla (8-inch), warmed
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese or Monterey Jack cheese
Preheat oven to 350°. Stir the soup and sour cream in a small bowl. Heat the butter in a 3-quart saucepan. Add the onion; cook until tender, stirring occasionally. Stir in the turkey, chilis, and 2 tablespoons soup mixture. Spread 1/2 cup soup mixture in a 2-quart shallow baking dish. Spoon about 1/4 cup turkey mixture down the center of each tortilla. Roll up the tortillas and place, seam-side down, into the baking dish. Pour the remaining soup mixture over the filled enchiladas. Sprinkle with the cheese. Bake for 25 minutes or until the enchiladas are hot and bubbly.

and farmer and beekeeper for much of the past half century should be useful, I hope.

Red maples are everywhere, having been planted by builders and homeowners alike in almost every yard along most city streets and public shopping areas. Sizes, shapes, colors have been selected over the years resulting in many identical clones of patented cultivars, or your still can transplant a seedling tree. What some ask are questions such as "why doesn't my tree look like the one up on Main Street in town" or "how come those I saw driving in the mountains look so much prettier than mine"? There are far too many variables to give a one paragraph statement that answers those questions. Let's just say, a few degrees difference in temperature, a little more fertility in the soil, can be part of the answer. Also, fast growing trees in a yard that has good soil (a rare thing with new housing construction), will not color up as nicely as one that is mature or growing slower, even if the two trees are identical varieties.

For sparkling color, what else might you choose besides a red maple? Sweet gum, black gum, sourwood, Japanese maples, and sumac come to mind if you want gorgeous red colors. Itea (sweetspire), oakleaf hydrangeas, and nandina give nice red color in a flowering shrub. For orange, there is sugar maple, sassafras, fothergilla, red foliated crab apples, and pistache tree. Crape Myrtle can be lovely some years.

It's hard to improve on the yellow fall color of a ginkgo tree. Perhaps a shagbark hickory would give a gold just as nice. Some

years tulip poplar trees have good lemon yellow color in the fall, but frequently they turn brown or blow away instead. Sweet birch produce a nice gold in fall, too. (They are called sweet birch because their sap is high in sugar content, like a sugar maple.)

Other plants that often color nicely include blueberries, katsura tree, cypress, dawn redwood, larch or tamarack, scarlet oak, chestnut oak, Oriental persimmon, and kousa dogwoods. Some seasons white oak, Bradford pears and sweet gum turn nice shades of purple or burgundy. Serviceberry, redbud, smoke tree sometimes are impressive.

Having evergreen trees in the background of colorful trees is part of what makes for a lovely view. This is of-

ten why the views along the tops of hills and mountains of Appalachia are so photogenic. The same could be said for other mountains, so long as they aren't so tall that little grows near their tops.

Observation of what works well in the yards of other homes in your area can be the inspiration to come up with a plan for dressing up the eye appeal of your own yard, this fall or anytime. Even if you have a lovely yard, or you don't even have a yard, I know a leisurely walk or drive to admire fall foliage is apt to be something you'd enjoy. And if your place needs some help, may you be inspired to work on improving the look between now and next fall.

The author is a landscaper. Contact Max at (606) 416-3911. www.rockcastles.net

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Telecommunications Facility

Eco-Site, Inc. has submitted a request to the FCC to register a proposed approx. 110' tall Self-Support telecommunications tower with no marking or lighting system to be located at 3802 Scaffold Cane Rd, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456; coordinates of 37 30 5.27 N, 84 17 0.81 W. Interested parties may review the application by going to the FCC's Antennae Structure Registration (ASR) website and entering the ASR application # A1121170. Members of the public may raise environmental concerns about the proposed structure by filing a Request for Environmental Review with the FCC. The FCC strongly encourages interested parties to file such requests online and instructions to do so can be found on the FCC's Environmental Request page (<http://www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest>) or send to: Ramon Williams, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554. Requests should also be sent to: FDH Infrastructure Services, ATTN: Richard Brainerd, 6521 Meridian Drive, Raleigh, NC 27616.

In order for your comments to receive full and timely consideration, they should be received at the addresses above within 30 days of the date of this notice and reference FCC ASR file # A1121170.

“RCIDA”

(Continued from front)

mond Street.

VanHook said the project is moving ahead. “They are installing the lights in the building now and everything is moving along. It was a very aggressive project and they are coming along well,” he said.

Craig suggested the board take a tour of the building after next month’s meeting.

Several board members said the “most recent question” they hear is how local residents can apply for a job at the plant.

Craig said several managers are already on board and hiring of plant employees will begin soon. “There is no actual date set to begin hiring because, being a food service business, there are several certifications they must first receive.”

However, the hiring frenzy that had been anticipated may be less than expected since the plant will not begin production until sometime after the first of the year.

Originally, owners had hoped to begin production by now, but since they won’t begin until after the first of the year, hiring may start off at a slower pace than planned. “As you know, this is their busy season and we had all hoped they would open by now. But since they have missed this year’s busiest season, hiring may be a little less dramatic than

expected,” said Craig.

However, the company still plans to have as many employees as ever with about 100 the first year and about 200 by the end of the second year, according to officials.

The board members also discussed the Family Dollar Store planning to locate in Livingston.

Livingston Mayor Jason Medley, also an RCIDA board member, said the surveyors have completed most of their work and as long as there are no complications, he expects work to begin soon. VanHook said work may start around February to build the new store. “This will be a huge shot in the arm for our community,” said Medley. Craig agreed. “The new store will be a help to the entire community and create a launching pad for other businesses as well,” he said.

There are also two different companies that have taken samples in the area for contaminants that may be in the ground on the site. Craig said it is unusual for two companies to be looking for contaminants at the same time and asked Medley about the area.

“Since 1850, it was a hotel. So I don’t know of any problems or contaminants that could be at that site,” said Medley. “As far as I know it should be okay.”

Coincidentally, VanHook and Medley discussed the Dollar General Store calling only an hour after the sur-

vey for the Family Dollar had been submitted and indicated they were “ready to move” on locating a Dollar General store on that same site.

“That’s odd,” said Craig. “We will look at other sites that the Dollar General store may be interested in,” he said. Board members discussed property near the Conway area and VanHook said they have already discussed the issue with Holbrook.

In other action, VanHook informed the board of the time he is continuing to spend with the lawsuit over the Eagle Manufacturing building and his attempts to get electrical transformers turned back on after safety inspections.

The board entered into closed session to discuss a contract.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 7 at 11:30 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the Courthouse.

“Santa”

(Continued from front)

tators braved the elements Saturday to make our parade a success,” said Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant. “Many thanks to all who supported this annual tradition.”

Bryant said he also appreciates the work of Santa himself. “A special thanks

to Santa for taking time out of his busy schedule,” he said.

Officials hope that the Livingston Christmas Parade this Saturday, December 8th at 7 p.m. will have better weather conditions.

Livingston officials invite everyone to attend the event and join neighbors in the Livingston firehouse for hot chocolate afterwards.

“Exit”

(Continued from front)

tails are completed.

Those traveling south on I-75, who wish to visit Mount Vernon are being detoured to exit 59 and routed through Mount Vernon, down Richmond Street to get to Renfro Valley during the week.

Officials say the northbound ramp may also be closed later after construction on the southbound ramp is completed.

If it is closed, northbound travelers will be notified before exit 59 and will again be detoured through Mount Vernon.

Once completed, the new ramps are expected to provide much safer, easier access to Mount Vernon and Rockcastle County.

The over all I-75 widening construction project is still on schedule, according to Hale, and is expected to be completed in October of 2020.

Kentucky Chamber promotes Burton

The Kentucky Chamber of Commerce recently announced it has promoted Travis T. Burton to be its Director of Political Affairs.

The Kentucky Chamber is the largest business association in the state representing businesses from family-owned shops to Fortune 500 companies that employ over half of Kentucky’s workforce.

Burton was hired by the organization in 2015 as Manager of Public Affairs. He leads the Chamber’s education, workforce, and healthcare policy work along with the organization’s political advocacy.

“We are proud to promote Travis to Director of Political Affairs. With his extensive background in public policy, politics and advocacy, he has been an integral part of the Chamber. We are pleased that he will continue to direct education, workforce, healthcare, and political activity on behalf of Kentucky’s business community.” said Ashli Watts, Senior Vice-President at the Kentucky Chamber.

Burton has served as a

facilitator for the United States Chamber of Commerce’s Business Leads Fellowship program, an initiative to help train and equip Chamber professionals from across the country to address critical education and workforce challenges. He is a graduate of the Association of Chamber Executives’ Fellowship for Education & Talent Development.

Additionally, he serves on the Kentucky Department of Education’s Guiding Coalition and the Kentucky Early Childhood Advisory Council.

Prior to working at the Kentucky Chamber, Burton served as the Director of Public Relations for the Kentucky Department of Agriculture.



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SPORTS

Lady Rockets lose to Lady Patriots 66-47

The Lady Rockets are off to a slow start this year as they lost their second game in a row Friday night to the Lincoln County Lady Patriots 66-47.

The Lady Patriots were ahead 14-10 at the first quarter stop but had moved out to a 15 point lead at half-time 38-25 and were ahead 52-35 at the third quarter stop.

The Rockets came up short to the Lady Patriots in just about every category - committing 19 turnovers to Lincoln's 6, hitting four three points shots to Lincoln's eight and only making 11 of 20 free throws to Lincoln's 17 of 22.

Only one Rocket hit double figures, sophomore Casey Coleman with 10 points. Coleman also pulled down five rebounds.

Junior Kenzi Himes led the rebounding for her team with 10 and also scored six points; eighth graders Hallie Brown and Keelee King scored six points each and Brown had seven rebounds and King two and sophomore Lindsey Jones scored

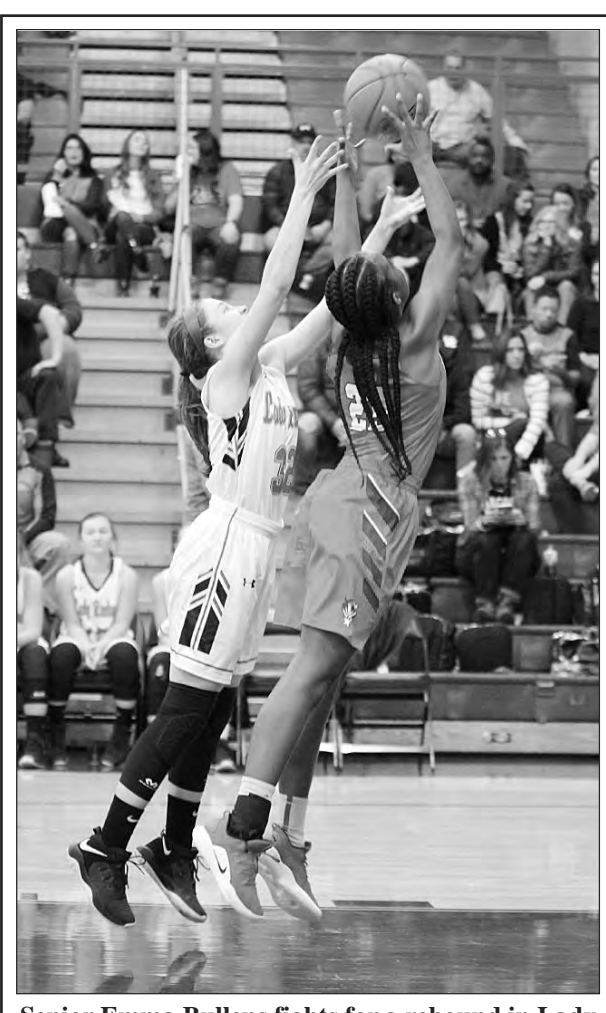
six points, both threes, and corralled two rebounds. Junior Bailee Allen scored five points, including one three pointer, and got four rebounds; junior Shelby Newland scored four points and pulled down four rebounds; senior Kassie Lay scored one three point goal and senior Emma Bullens got a free throw and three rebounds.

Tuesday night, the Lady Rockets got their first win of the season, defeating the Estill County Lady Engineers 67-49.

The team was led in scoring by Kenzi Himes with 13, Kassie Lay got 12, Keelee King 10, Casey Coleman 9, Emma Bullens 8; Bailee Allen, Madison McIntosh and Hallie Brown, four each and Shelby Newland 3.

This Friday night, the girls and boys teams will travel to Somerset for a doubleheader district game.

After Somerset, the girls varsity and jv will travel to Casey County on Friday, Dec. 14th and will host West Jessamine on Monday, December 17th.



Senior Emma Bullens fights for a rebound in Lady Rocket action against Lincoln County last Friday. The Lady Rockets travel to Somerset this Friday night for a doubleheader with the Rockets.



Senior Isaac Stratton goes up for two of his team high 17 points in the Rockets' loss to Lincoln County Friday night.

RCCHS boys drop opener to Lincoln

The Rocket boys basketball team didn't fare any better than the RCCHS girls team did against Lincoln County last Friday night, going down to defeat 59-48.

The boys were down by one at the end of the first quarter, 11-12 and actually took a five point lead 17-12 to begin the second quarter but Lincoln County fought back, scoring six straight points to go ahead 18-17 and take a 28-24 lead at half time.

The Rockets had trouble hanging on to the ball in the second quarter, committing five turnovers on their last five possession of the quarter.

The Rockets fought back in the third quarter, cutting the lead to 32-30 halfway through the period but Lincoln outscored the Rockets five to two to go ahead 37-32 at the third quarter stop. In the fourth quarter, the Rockets were outscored 22-16.

The Rockets did well in the three point goal department, outshooting the Patriots six to one and they tied in the battle of the free

throws, hitting 14 of 25 to Lincoln's 14-23. However, the Rockets inability to take care of the ball sealed their fate as they committed 14 turnovers to Lincoln's six.

Senior Isaac Stratton led his team in scoring with 17 points, which included going 11 for 18 from the charity stripe; Senior Cade Burdette and freshman Daniel Mullins each got nine points, Burdette's were all three pointers and Mullins got two three point goals. Junior guard Josiah West scored seven points, including one three point goal and juniors Trevor Todd and Bentley Taylor and 9th grader Matthew Chasteen each scored two points.

Tuesday night, the boys traveled to Estill County where they were defeated by the Engineers by two points, 49-47.

They will next play Friday night at Somerset in a district doubleheader with the Lady Rockets and next Tuesday night the varsity and jv teams will host Anderson County.



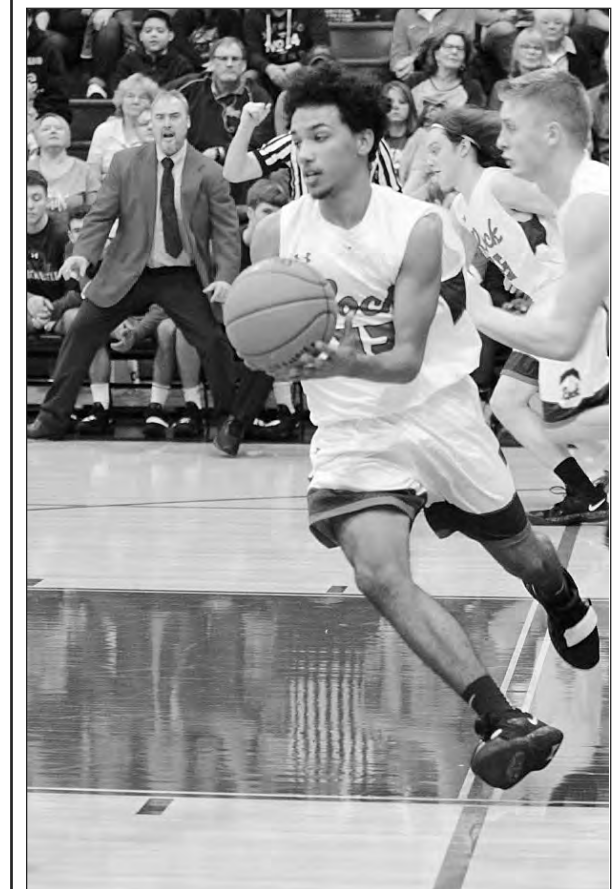
Senior Kassie Lay defends a three pointer during the Lady Rockets' 66-47 loss to Lincoln County.



Senior Zoe Burdette works around a defender during the Lady Rockets' 66-47 loss to Lincoln County Friday night.



Junior Trevor Todd works hard to the basket during the Rockets' loss to Lincoln County last Friday night. The Rockets travel to Somerset this Friday night.



Junior Josiah West prepares to run a fast break while first year head coach Andrew Cash shouts instructions in the background during the Rockets' opening game of the season last Friday night. The Rockets came up short losing to Lincoln County 59-48.

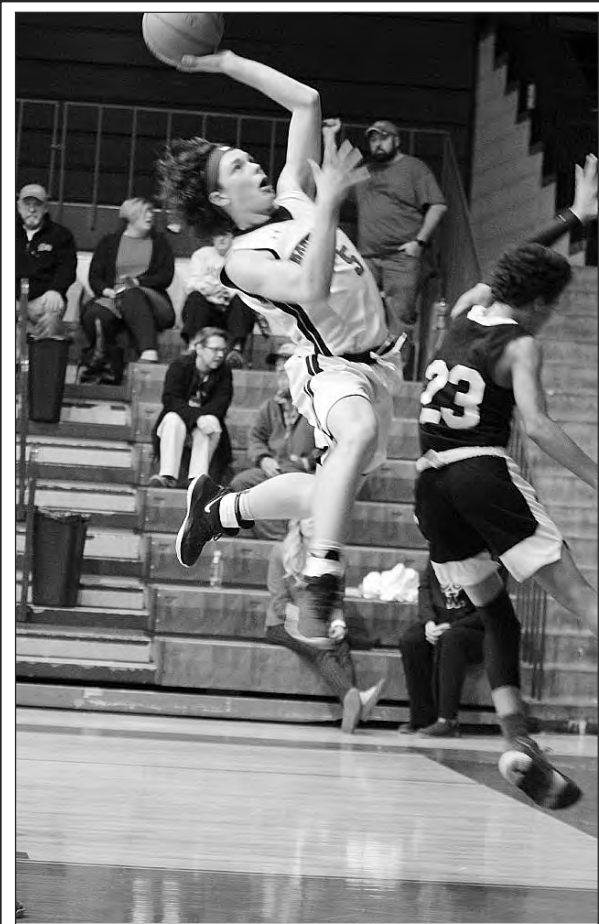


Senior Cade Burdette puts up a three during the Rockets' opening game of the season last Friday night against Lincoln County.

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Xander Fletcher goes up high for two of his 10 points in the eighth grade's 45-38 loss to Garrard County last Thursday.



Sklyer Durham works on the block during the seventh grade's 38-24 win over Garrard County last Thursday night. Durham scored four points for the Rockets. Ben Brown led the team with 13 points. Others scoring were Carson Carrera with nine, Lance Coffey scored six, Dalton Simpson, Ashton Sanders and Connor Hunt each scored two.



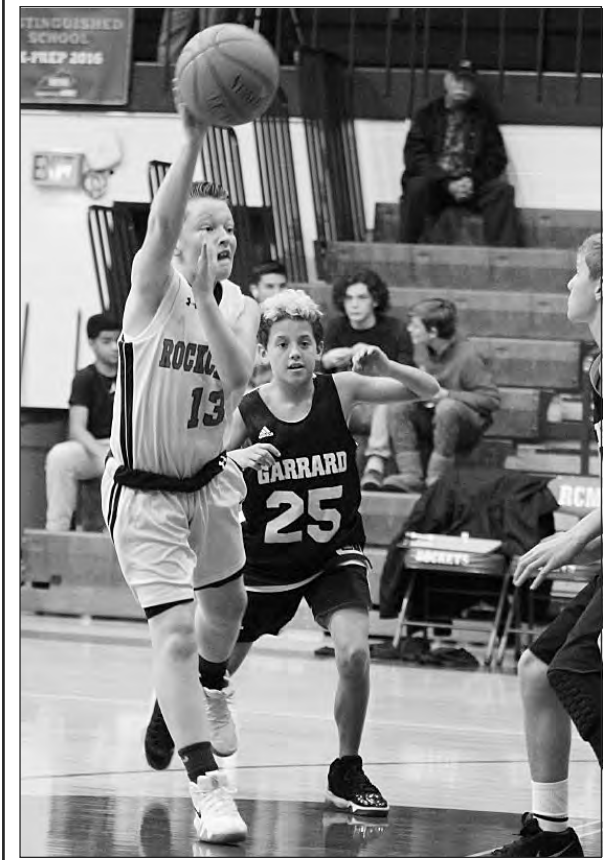
Kaleb Alexander runs a fast break during the sixth grade's 43-24 win over Garrard County last Thursday night. Alexander scored 12 points on the night for the Rockets. Carson Carrera led the sixth grade with 13 points, Jace Rogers added seven, Lincoln Rader scored three, Conner Winstead, Brandon Valle, Corey Day and Emerick Goff each scored two.



Ethan Medley takes it to the basket during the eighth grade's loss to Garrard County. Medley scored seven points on the night.



Seventh grader Ben Brown looks to make an outlet pass during the Rockets' win over Garrard County last Thursday. Brown led his team with 13 points.



Sixth grader Jace Rogers makes a pass during the Rockets' win over Garrard County last Thursday.



Carson King applies defensive pressure during eighth grade action against Garrard last Thursday. King led the Rockets with 13 points. Others scoring were Xander Fletcher with 10, Ethan Medley scored seven, Kaden Kidwell added four, Jaidan Burton and Ben Brown each scored two.



Seventh grader Lance Coffey grabs a rebound during the Rockets' win over Garrard last Thursday.



Sixth grader Carson Carrera takes it to the basket during the Rockets' win over Garrard County last Thursday. Carrera led his team with 13 points.



Cameron Wright-Bugg stops a Garrard County Lion during the eighth grade's loss last Thursday night.



Seventh grader Jake Cromer applies the defense during the Rockets' win over Garrard County.



Sixth grader Rex Parkey races up court during the Rockets' win over Garrard County last Thursday.

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Jake VanOver

Finally at the top

By: Mike French
Editor

Working on his natural vocal talents and perfecting his guitar expertise. Jake continued to get better and better and then got even better still. "If I have any advice for any musician who wants to play music for a living, it's just this. Never stop. Never slow down. No matter how good you get, keep learning and keep going," said the modest young man.

And Jake took his own advice. Once he reached the

Jake was part of the house band at Renfro Valley over the past three years. "Courtney supports me a lot and I owe her a lot of thanks for that support," he said.

Yet Courtney is not his only support. "I really owe a lot of thanks to my mamaw and papaw too," said Jake. "They have supported my playing through the years."

Some local residents have probably heard Jake perform since he has played with local bands since he started making music. Most recently his talent has been highlighted in the local band "Southern Strings" where he continued to develop his harmony singing talents.

But now, Jake will spend a world of his time seeing the light through the window of a bus. "We have over 100 shows per year," he said. "Doyle stays busy playing."

Jake travels each week to Bristol, Tennessee where he meets up with the band and hops on the bus to head out to the next performance, and Jake does realize that he is now part of the biggest band in bluegrass music.

"Man, this is the dream job. I mean anyone in bluegrass music would want to play with Doyle," he said. "To get this job is my dream come true."

In fact, statistically, Jake's career may just be starting.

Nearly each person who has played in the Quick Silver Band, since they became world wide performers in the 1970s, has gone on to solo careers that have garnered them record contracts, world tours and music awards across the country.

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point that others thought he was among the best players in the area, Jake continued to work on his craft. Day and night...over and over, until he got it right. And then, he started all over again.

Jake's father, Michael VanOver, got him started playing guitar and his family has supported his obvious talents from the beginning. "I just took it from there and stayed with it," he said.

Jake spent uncounted hours huddled in the corner of a room with a guitar in his lap and a pick in his hand, listening to his favorite bands play while he played along and learned to do what they were doing.

"It's a never ending thing," he said. "You keep learning and keep getting better."

Jake is engaged to Courtney Arnold who is also a singer. The two met while



2018 is officially the wettest year in Kentucky history with over 67 inches of rainfall throughout the year. And now that temperatures are colder, that precipitation has been coming in the form of snow and ice. Rockcastle County schools have already closed for four days and more snow is expected throughout the week. Wednesday morning, the decorations placed along Main Street were covered with snow but the roads remained clear through the day.

Local firefighters always training

By: Mike French
Editor

Local volunteer firefighters are better trained this week, thanks to the efforts of the Kentucky State Fire and Rescue team and Brodhead Fire Department

Assistant Chief Brian Bullock, says Livingston Fire Chief Chris Mason.

"We all work together and spend a lot of time training and keeping up to date," said Mason. "Brian (Bullock) and the state helped us be prepared last

week."

Mason was talking about the "Smoke Maze" trailer brought to the Livingston Volunteer Fire and Rescue station last week as part of a training exercise.

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125 hikers in Livingston for Sheltoew Trace

By: Mike French
Editor

Once again Livingston was the center of the trail hiking community as hikers gathered from across the nation last Saturday to visit the beautiful hiking trails through the town.

"There are a lot of reasons to come to Livingston. We are an extraordinary community," said Mayor Jason Medley. "But one of the best reasons is to walk our section of the 323-mile Sheltoew hiking trail."

The trail stretches from Oneida, Tennessee to Morehead, Kentucky and about 28 miles of that world famous trace is located in the heart of Livingston.

Saturday, over 125 hikers from across the country converged in Livingston early Saturday morning where the headquarters of the Sheltoew Trace Association is located.

The hiking path is called both a trail and a trace since the difference in the two terms depends upon how one uses it in a sentence, ac-

ording to Wikipedia.

For the seventh consecutive year, Livingston hosted the annual event, this time celebrating the 2018 "End-to-Enders" Association which is a group of hikers who have walked the 323-mile trail end to end.

The event was held in the Livingston School gymnasium where Livingston officials hosted the awards ceremony and greeted guests.

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RCHS Band students advance to All-State finals round

Congratulations to members of the RCHS Band who were selected to advance from the District All-State Band Auditions to the finals round to be held at John Hardin High School Saturday December 7th. The students prepared college level music and performed at Madison Central High School on November 14th and scored high enough to be recommended to compete at the state level. Students from RCHS include Tarrylton Dunn, Lizzie Dixon, and Devona Smith.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Marriage Licenses

Abigail Nicole Durham, 33, Mt. Vernon, Home Health and Jones Lee Murphy, 37, Berea, carpenter. 11/26/18
 Wendy Elaine Mink, 42, Mt. Vernon, housewife and Anthony Dale Jackson, Jr., 48, Mt. Vernon, retired. 11/30/18
 Melissa Reams, 52, Livingston, disabled and Ballard Edward Hensley, 56, Orlando, state hwy. dept. 12/3/18
 Emily Brooke Payne, 20, Mt. Vernon, teacher aide and Zachary Wayne Langford, 23, Mt. Vernon, dishwasher. 12/3/18

Gary and Gail Linville, property in Rockcastle County, to James and Amy Denham. Tax \$35
 Terry Wayne and Helen Abney, property on Hwy. 1955, to Michael Diane and Brandie York. Tax \$94
 Marcia Joy and Jeffery Book and Dee Ann and James Miller, property in Rockcastle County, to Mark Y. and Lura K. Cash. Tax \$92.50
 Tamrex Properties, property on Linville Road to Peggy Tallant. Tax \$10

Circuit Civil Suits

Peoples Bank and Trust Co. of Madison Co. v. Delbert Crutcher, et al, \$147,348 plus claimed due.
 Connie Marie McClure v. Danny Ray McClure, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Citizens Bank v. Estate of Judy A. Bowling, et al, \$20,392 plus claimed due.
 Lakeview Loan Servicing v. Ashley Donna Stegenmoller, et al, \$83,008 plus claimed due.
 Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Jordan Elder, complaint for child support and medical support.
 Jeffery Owens v. Deloris June Owens, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00287

District Court

November 26-28, 2018
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
 Jameson Lee Pingleton: possession controlled substance and operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing orders entered.
 Eric Powell: public intoxication, drug -paraphernalia-buy/possess, possession controlled substance, controlled substance prescription not in original container, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of owner to maintain flag. insurance/security, fraudulent non-support, display of illegal/altered registration plate, fleeing or evading police, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, failure to produce insurance card, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
 Mark Bradley: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.
 Pamela Ann Heller:

fines/fees due (\$238), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.
 Micael Hifner: fines/fees due (\$763), bw issued for fta/16 days in jail or payment in full.
 James Lee Maulden: fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.
 Joshua Daniel Owens: fines/fees due (\$555), 12 days in jail or payment in full.
 Joshua Turpin: fines/fees due (\$708), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.
 Speeding: Michael Lee Moore, Zachary L. Styles, license suspended for fta; Jeffery N. Wells, paid.
 Kevin Douglas McCoy: criminal trespassing, \$100 fine plus costs.

District Civil Suits

Second Round v. Diana Hanford, \$1,634 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding v. James Kirby, \$546 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding v. Veronica Bray, \$599 plus claimed due.
 Ruby Epperson v. Jenny Owens, eviction notice.
 Discover Bank v. Heath Roll, \$2,174 plus claimed due.
 Portfolio Recovery Asso. v. Kevin Napier, \$1,186 plus claimed due. C-00236

Kentucky State Police holiday food drive

The Kentucky State Police began accepting donations for their ninth annual "Cram The Cruiser" holiday food drive on Nov. 21. Designed to provide non-perishable food items for families in need throughout the Commonwealth, the campaign will continue through Dec. 10.
 "Hunger is an urban, suburban and rural problem," says KSP spokesperson Sgt. Josh Lawson. "There is no area of the state where it does not exist. Through this program, we have an opportunity to make a significant impact on the lives of our neighbors and participate in the spirit of the season."

1670 Starlight Drive in Owensboro;
 1019 Cumberland Falls Highway in Corbin;
 181 S. Highway 127 in Russell Springs;
 2835 S. Highway 27 in Somerset;
 106 Marketplace Circle in Georgetown and
 311 Boone Station Road* in Shelbyville (*11 a.m. to 3 p.m.).
 Suggested donations include non-expired canned fruit and vegetables, canned meat, macaroni and cheese, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, canned soups, chili or spaghetti sauce, brownie and cake mixes, coffee, water, powdered milk and juices.
 The food will be distrib-

uted to local shelters, churches or other organizations in the areas where they are collected says Lawson.
 "The holidays are a time when people come together to support one another. Last year, 419,507 pounds of food were donated from individuals, businesses, school groups, social clubs, scout troops and civic organizations throughout the state," he notes. "Feeding our neighbors is a noble cause, but it takes a team effort. Together we can take a stand against hunger and help make the holidays bright for families in need this year."

Deeds Recorded

Joe W. Lovins, Sr. and Sharon Rose Lovins, property in Evergreen Estates, to Jamie Lynn Groves, James Wayne Lovins, Joe W. Lovins, Jr. and Wendell Jack Lovins. No tax
 James Edward and Mary Lou Pond, property in Rockcastle County, to Diane Stephens. Tax \$4
 Benton and Theresa Bullock, property in Dusty Trails Subdv., to Jeff and Lisa Smithern. No tax
 Emory Johnson, Executor, property in Rockcastle County, to Paul and Deborah May. Tax \$110.
 Flossie Mink, property in Rockcastle County, to Donna and Don Poe, Linda and Victor James and Jerry and Deanne Mink. No tax
 Flossie Mink, property on Eagle Creek, to Donna and Don Poe, Linda and Victor James and Jerry and Deanne Mink. No tax
 Flossie Mink, property in Rockcastle County, to Donna and Don Poe, Linda and Victor James and Jerry and Deanne Mink. No tax
 Ted R. Phillips, property on Wolf Creek Road, to Teddy J. Phillips, Brittany M. Phillips, Connie R. Lavy, Clarence F. Phillips and Bonnie S. Brooks. No tax
 Richard and Tonia Tillery, property in Rockcastle County, to David Ray and Christy Lynn Bailey. Tax \$65
 Dennis and Laura Howard, property in Rockcastle County, to Scott Anglin. Tax \$2
 Transformed Ministries/ House of Refuge, property on US 25, to Gary and Gail Linville. No tax

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 17-CI-00198

Kentucky Tax Company, LLC Plaintiff
James Edward Lile Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on November 9, 2018 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY FIVE DOLLARS AND 99/100 (\$5,845.99) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, December 14, 2018 Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA Map #0865-06-006
 317 Main Street, Livingston, KY 40445

Being the same property conveyed to James Edward Lile and Gayle Kvindis-Lile by deed dated March 13, 1996 and recorded in Deed Book 160, Page 629 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) 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.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2018 local, county and state property taxes.
- Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
- 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 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".

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PBK Bank Plaintiff
Stoney B. McGuire and Tina McGuire, husband and wife; Rockcastle County, Mark Laswell and Betty Laswell, husband and wife, Jackson Energy Cooperative Corporation Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on September 17, 2018 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SIXTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY NINE DOLLARS AND 32/100 (\$60,599.32) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, December 14, 2018 Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA Map #086-00-033.01
 268 (formerly 280) Letter Rock Road, Livingston, KY

Being the same property conveyed to Stoney McGuire by deed dated November 6, 2007, executed by Clifton Bond, single, and recorded in Deed Book 219, Page 137 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) 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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Take steps now to prevent frozen pipes this winter

With colder weather now here in the Bluegrass, Kentucky American Water reminds customers of ways to help prevent water pipes from freezing this winter.
 Frozen water lines typically occur in areas such as crawl spaces or along the outside walls where unprotected plumbing tends to be more vulnerable to the elements. Following these tips now can help avoid headaches later:

- Make sure you have disconnected garden hoses from your home. If you have an irrigation system make sure it is turned off and drained.
- Search your house for un-insulated water pipes, especially in unheated areas. Check attics, crawl spaces, and outside walls. Consider wrapping pipes with insulation sleeves. Another option is electric heating tape, but follow manufacturers' instructions carefully to avoid a fire hazard.
- Seal cracks and holes in outside walls and foundations with caulking to keep cold air away from pipes.
- Know How to Prevent Frozen Pipes
- Drain and shut off entirely the water to any unoccupied residence such as a summer or vacation home. A loss of power during a winter storm could cause pipes to freeze.
- Set the thermostat no lower than 55 degrees if you're going out of town. Although you may be able to get away with a lower temperature, this setting is considered to be safe for pipes.
- When below-freezing temperatures occur, keep a slow trickle of water flowing through faucets supplied by pipes that run through unheated or unprotected spaces. This will help prevent the water in them from freezing. Also, keep kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors open to allow warm air to circulate around pipes.
- Make sure you know where your main water shut-off valve is located inside your home so that you can shut off your water quickly in the event of a water pipe leak. This valve is often located in a utility room or closet or in the basement.

Visit Kentucky American Water's website at kentuckyamwater.com for more tips on water-related matters, or follow the company on Facebook and Twitter.

FCCLA has busy and exciting fall semester



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The Rockcastle County chapter of FCCLA, (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) has had a busy and exciting fall semester.

In October, three representatives attended the Capitol Leadership Conference in Washington D.C. Members in attendance included Hope Clontz, State V. P. of Membership, Lauren King, Rockcastle County Chapter President and Heaven Pearson, Rockcastle County Chapter 1st Vice President and State Officer Candidate.

While in D.C., they advocated to Kentucky senators and their staffers about the importance of Career and Technical Education programs. The also met with representatives at the United States Department of Education, including Assistant Secretary Scott Stump. Students in attendance were able to shine a positive light on Rockcastle County to many in Washington, D. C.

In addition to the Capitol Leadership Conference,

the Rockcastle County Chapter was able to represent Rockcastle County and state at the National FCCLA Cluster Meeting that took place in Louisville. Members in attendance included Hope Clontz, Heaven Pearson, Lauren King and Brianna Owens.

As the host state, members assisted in designing

and operating the hospitality table with all things Kentucky for FCCLA chapters and VIP guests from around the country.

VIP Guests, State Advisers and State Officers also received Kentucky Themed Baskets (KFC buckets) full of goodies from around the state. Local donations included Climax Water

Bottles from King Bottling Company and Creamed Pull Candy from Mom Blakeman's.

Members from the local chapter also visited the Home of the Innocents, a non-profit shelter, to deliver boxes filled with personal items such as tissues, Q-tips, soap, and an encouraging notes.

Christmas scammers posing as your favorite retailers

Kentuckians shopping online this Christmas season should be on the lookout for scam emails, Attorney General Andy Beshear warned today.

With Christmas shopping in full swing, and the National Retail Federation predicting spending to increase by more than 4 percent this season, Kentuckians say they are receiving what appear to be legitimate emails from popular retailers that are actually scams. The scam email is often personalized and includes a logo of a retailer such as PayPal, Apple or Amazon, and instructs the receiver to resolve an issue with their online account or order by reentering their bank, credit card or Social Security numbers.

Beshear said it is sad that con artists take advantage of the Christmas season to trick folks into handing over their personal and financial information.

"I want Kentuckians to enjoy the Christmas season and not end up checking off a con artist's Christmas wish list," said Beshear. "Kentuckians should always take the time to scrutinize every email and financial transaction closely, especially throughout the Christmas

shopping season."

Beshear said Kentuckians should also be wary of emails, apps and social media posts that offer too good to be true deals, discounts and sales, as those offers could be a ploy to collect information. To spot a scam email, website or app Kentuckians should:

- Watch for misspelled words.
 - Avoid clicking on email hyperlinks. Always independently type in the actual retailer website and sign in.
 - Pay attention to the sender's email address. Scam emails are often from an email address that looks very similar to an official company account, but may have a couple of letters or words that are different.
- Beshear asked Kentuckians to report these types of email scams to the Attorney

General's Consumer Protection hotline at 888-432-9257 and complete an online report.

Staff in Beshear's Office of Senior Protection and Mediation also recommends that Kentuckians contact the legitimate company to report the email scam.

One of Beshear's top priorities is to protect Kentucky families, especially seniors, from scams, abuse and exploitation. To help Kentuckians stay up to date on new and trending scams, Beshear urges everyone to sign up to receive Scam Alerts from his office.

To receive text message alerts, text the words KYOAG Scam to GOV311 (468-311) or enroll online at ag.ky.gov/scams and select either text message or email alerts.

Minds in the Middle

The RCMS Snow Ball is this Friday from 6-8:00 p.m. Tickets for the dance are \$3 if purchased in the lobby in the mornings or at break. Tickets are \$4 if purchased at the door on the day of the dance. For \$5, you can purchase a ticket, a piece of pizza and a drink. All dress code rules do apply. Concessions and many other events, such as face painting and a photo booth will be available. Students must be picked up by 8:00.

Every Wednesday, there will be hot chocolate and cookies available at break for \$2. Thank you to all of the 8thgraders who donated items for that fundraiser and for the movie night last Friday. \$725 was raised for their 8th grade trip.

Sixth graders took the top five spots in last weeks' attendance race. Congratulations to Mrs. Tolle's 6th

grade Enterprisers homeroom on winning 1stplace. Mrs. Tracy's Voyagers came in second. Mr. Bottoms' Enterprisers and Mrs. Stewart's Voyagers tied for third and Mrs. Davis' Enterprisers landed in the 5th spot.

The Art Club has been making some impressive ornaments. Those are available for purchase for \$1 each and are on the Christmas tree in the office.

Thank you to our kind kids of the week: Brooke Abney, Brooklyn Carter, Natalie Alexander, Brandon Damrell, Callie Creech, Haven Rowland, Bailey Bullock and Chase Gilliam.

The PTG has Rocket Loud and Proud t-shirts on sale for only \$6 each. Those can be purchased in the main office and would make great stocking stuffers for Christmas.

Rescheduled for Dec. 8 due to weather Fundraiser to provide assistance for families

The Saint Joseph Berea Foundation is planning its annual holiday fundraiser, Lights for Life, to help families in need in the Berea community. Now in its 32nd year, Lights for Life provides a tribute to loved ones and also raises funds to provide emergency assistance and medications year-round for underinsured and low-income patients in the Saint Joseph Berea service area.

With a \$10 donation, a light can be purchased on the Lights for Life Christmas tree in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one. The names of those individuals will be read and honored during a special Christmas tree lighting on the front lawn of Saint Joseph Berea on Saturday, December 8, at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be provided for community members in attendance.

Donations received through the program help provide financial assistance to patients and families that cannot afford medical care. While emergency departments treat every patient regardless of their ability to pay, sometimes patients need prescriptions and additional follow-up care that they cannot afford. Without the medication and medical supplies they need, many patients end up back in the emergency room.

Patients who have benefited from the Lights for Life program include a 26-year-old man who arrived at

the emergency room with diabetic ketoacidosis, a serious complication of insulin-dependent diabetes that can be fatal if left untreated. Diabetic ketoacidosis can develop within 24 hours without insulin. The patient had been without insulin for two days and couldn't afford to purchase it due to taking a new job and having insurance that had not yet taken effect. Funding from Lights for Life helped to pay for him to get insulin, to keep him healthy and prevent him from being readmitted to the hospital.

"This event has become a tradition in the Berea community, helping give back to those in need," said Leslie Smart, CFRE, president, Saint Joseph Berea Foundation. "We are so thankful for the many community members who stop by to honor their loved ones and friends, also helping our patients at Saint Joseph Berea with this donation."

There are three convenient ways to donate to Lights for Life. Community members can donate online, www.kentuckyonehealth.org/lightsforlife, by phone at 859.313.2014, or send a donation to the Saint Joseph Berea Foundation, Attn: Stephen Clatos, 1451 Harrodsburg Road, Suite D308, Lexington, KY 40504.

For additional information on this event, contact Stephen Clatos at stephenclatos@kentuckyonehealth.org



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Mount Vernon Message

Academic Team meets each Monday after school.

The MVES Pentatones will present their Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 12, at 1:30 p.m. All family and friends are invited to attend. DVDs will be available for purchase as well.

MVES Kindergarten classes will be having a Christmas Chorus Concert on December 13th at 6:00 p.m. Parents and Friends are welcome to attend.

Thank you to people in our community and beyond our community for sponsoring a student in our class! Every student has received a Scholastic book each month so far. This month's book was Old Yeller. We love to read in Ms. Lyndsey's 4th Grade class.



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Money Tip for Students

Students should learn about credit scores

Students should be familiar with credit scores, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

Your credit score is a three-digit number that has a long-lasting effect on your buying power. When you apply for credit, your credit score will be checked. The higher your credit score, the better the chances you will be approved.

Although there are several scoring methods, the most widely accepted one comes from FICO. Your FICO score ranges from 300 to 850. These items make up your FICO score:

- 35 percent is based on your payment history. Early payments will have a higher number than on-time payments, which will have a higher score than late payments.
- 30 percent is based on outstanding debt. This outstanding debt is how much you owe on car loans, mortgages, credit cards, etc. The number of credit cards you have and if those cards are near the maximum borrowing limit will hurt your score.

- 15 percent is based on the length of time you have had credit. The longer you have been borrowing money and paying it back in a timely manner, the better your score.

- 10 percent is based on new credit. If you have opened several new accounts, that will have a negative effect on your score. Also, the more inquiries on your credit report in a year, the lower your score.

- 10 percent is based on the types of credit you currently have. It helps to have a mix of loan types. If you have a credit card, an installment loan will even the credit out.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES), need-based grants and other programs.

For more information visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7214.

KHEAA also disburses Advantage Education Loans For more information, visit the website at www.advantageeducationloan.com.

Free report from KHEAA will help with college search

Kentucky students and their families can get a free, personalized "Getting the Facts" report to help them choose the right college. The report is provided by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

"Getting the Facts" provides estimates of how much the family can expect to spend and how much financial aid the student may receive. Students can get estimates for up to six colleges across the United States.

To get their free report, students must log into or set up an account at www.kheaa.com. They should then select their state of residence, enter the date they expect to graduate from high school and click on the "Getting the Facts" link.

Students and parents must provide information about estimated income and assets, and students must provide their Social Security number to set up the account.

For more information, call a member of the KHEAA College Access Team at 800-928-8926.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES), need-based grants and other programs to help students pay expenses.

Christmas Craft Sale

December 7 & 8
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Rockcastle County Extension Service
1050 W. Main St. Mt. Vernon, KY

*Purchase one-of-a-kind, handmade gifts.

*Call 256-2403 for information

Obituaries

Margaret Robbins

Margaret Robbins, 80, of Orlando, died Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at the Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born July 19, 1938 in Hazard, the daughter of the late Jesse and Frances Jamison Campbell. She was a homemaker, a seamstress, enjoyed arranging flowers, and shooting, and was a member of the Baptist faith.

Survivors are: two sons, Donald K. Robbins of Loveland, OH, and James L. Robbins of Maryville, TN; four brothers, Paul Campbell of Mt. Vernon, Ronald Campbell of Villa Hills, and K.L. and Dana Campbell, both of Hazard; two sisters, Ruth Franks of Norwood, OH, and Cathy Sears of Knightstown, IN; eight grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Don Robbins; one brother, J.C. Campbell; and two sisters, Agnes Parnell, and Shir Aubel.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 30, 2018 at the Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Jerry Owens officiating. Burial was in the Robbins Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Lonnie McGuire, Bill Mink, Mike McGuire, Tuck Rigsby, Tim Kirby and Jamie Robbins.

View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at: www.coxfuneralhomeky.com



Brandon Kyle Lamb

Brandon Kyle Lamb, 32, of Mt. Vernon, died suddenly Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at St. Joseph Hospital Berea. Born in Richmond, he lived in the Berea area all his life. He was a loving father, member of the Baptist faith, an auto body professional at Sander's Collision, a huge sports fan and a member of the Big Blue Nation. Brandon also loved his family, classic cars, and motorcycles.



Survivors include: his son, Westyn Kyle Lamb; his father, Dean Lamb (Debbie) and mother, Lisa Azbill (Ronnie); siblings, Christopher and Joshua Lamb; step-siblings, Joshua Azbill, Christy Croucher, Heather Azbill, Timothy Collins, Mindy Divine and Jessica Pinson; and grandparents, Glyndon and Brenda Anglin, Chester and Corina Azbill. He was preceded in death by grandparents, Lloyd and Betty Lamb, Raymond and Sue Collins, Pat Azbill.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 3, 2018 at Lighthouse Baptist Church with Bro. Jerry Powell officiating. Burial was in Silver Creek Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Dustin Rudie, Trevor Anglin, Ray Anglin, Joey Lamb, Dakota Lamb and Timothy Collins.

Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

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We find God foretold of a time that his people would be called by a new name, one that had never been mentioned before, it would be an everlasting name, a name that would not be cut off, but it would last forever. Isaiah 56:5. Isaiah 62:2—The people of God was to be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord would name. Those that wear that name would be a crown of glory unto the Lord they would be his people. We cannot find that name in the Old Law, only in the New Covenant, which was established by our Lord.

This name is only mentioned three times in the whole Bible, and all three are in the New Testament. We find the time it used in Acts 11:26 We find the church at Antioch had been worshipping God as a body of believers for a whole year, and the name was revealed unto them what the name of God's people would be, and that was Christian. Only two other times is this name used in the New Testament.

This name would separate the people of God from all other religious people living at that time and still today the name Christian means to be Christ like in our life upon this earth.

We can read in Acts 26:26-28—Paul preached the gospel to King Agrippa and he told this man things that he already believed and understood and he told the Apostle Paul, almost thou persuade me to be a Christian. I am fully convinced this was the common name that the people of God were wearing during this period of time to glorify the name of Jesus Christ. I still believe it is the very best name we can wear today, if we call ourselves children of God. We can wear no name that is any greater or glorifies the name of our master more than the name Christian.

We find the Apostle Peter uses this name the third time we find in 1 Peter 4:16—Yet if anyone suffer as a Christian let him not be ashamed but let him glorify God in this matter. The early Christians thought it a great honor to be able to suffer for Christ sake. Some were still living that saw Jesus crucified for them on the old rugged cross at Calvary that day, folks that would be hard to forget, how he suffered and finally died, so that we could be saved. We too should think it a great honor to wear a name that came from Heaven and not from man. Never should we be ashamed of the name Christian, it was given by the blood of our Lord and our savior. Amen

Thank you for reading this article. I hope your health is good and your mind is pure.

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Hikers at Sheltoewe Trace

(Cont. from B1)

Livingston became a trail town, Mayor Medley and the citizens of Livingston have provided assistance to hikers who have traveled through the area with shuttle support, acceptance of food boxes at the Post Office besides showing amazing hospitality to travelers along the trace," said Steve Barbour, Executive Director of the Sheltoewe Trace Association (STA).

"Our partners up and down the trail play a significant role in the continued work of STA protecting, preserving and promoting the Trace and our effort at working with the land managers to make the Trace a first-class experience," Barbour said.

In fact, Medley was presented with the Partner in Service Award by the association for his support and participation in the group.

Sheltoewe actually means "big turtle" which was the name given to Daniel Boone by the Shawnee Tribe after he blazed the trail now used by hikers every day.

"We are proud to host the group and we enjoy showing off our trail town," said Medley. "We welcome tourists from across the nation to come and see for themselves how beautiful and inviting our hiking trails are."



The 7th Annual Gathering celebrating backpackers from across the region who have completed the 323-mile Sheltoewe Trace National Recreation Trail was held over the weekend in Livingston.



Let the Bible Speak

Tune in to "Let the Bible Speak," with Brett Hickey, on Sunday mornings at 6:30 a.m. on LEX18.

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, every 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon. Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577, Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. **Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies. Northside Baptist, Mt. Vernon at 7 p.m. 606-256-5577. Men and women, small groups.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, every 6:30 p.m. Leader: Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston at Livingston School cafeteria. 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

Christmas Event at New Hope

New Hope Baptist Church, of Orlando, will have their morning service at 11 a.m. on Sunday, December 16th. Christmas dinner will be served around 1 p.m. and there will be singing in the afternoon.

Come, bring a dish and celebrate Christmas with us. Bro. Johnson and congregation welcome everyone.

Mamaw's Kitchen

MINI KENTUCKY HOT BROWNS

- 1 teaspoon chicken bouillon granules
- 1/4 cup boiling water
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup half and half
- 1 cup shredded Swiss cheese
- 18 slices rye bread (party size or cut in half if full size)
- 12 ounces sliced cooked turkey
- 12 ounces sliced cooked ham
- 1 small onion (very thinly sliced and separated into rings)
- 5 bacon strips (cooked and crumbled)
- 2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley
- In a small bowl, dissolve bouillon in water; set aside.
- In a small saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Stir in flour until smooth; stir in cream and bouillon. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 1 to 2 minutes or until thickened. Stir in cheese until melted. Remove from the heat. Place bread slices on two baking sheets. Layer each with turkey, ham, onion, and cheese sauce. Sprinkle with bacon. Bake at 350° for 10 to 12 minutes or until heated through. (Heat just before serving). Sprinkle with parsley.
- NOTE: If you don't have leftover turkey or ham, get some from your favorite deli.

TURKEY ENCHILADAS

- 1 can condensed cream of chicken soup
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 medium onion, chopped (about 1/2 cup)
- 2 cups chopped cooked turkey or chicken
- 1 can (4 ounces) chopped

- green chilis
- 8 flour tortilla (8-inch), warmed
- 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese or Monterey Jack cheese
- Preheat oven to 350°. Stir the soup and sour cream in a small bowl.
- Heat the butter in a 3-quart saucepan. Add the onion; cook until tender, stirring occasionally. Stir in the turkey, chilis, and 2 tablespoons soup mixture.
- Spread 1/2 cup soup mixture in a 2-quart shallow baking dish. Spoon about 1/4 cup turkey mixture down the center of each tortilla. Roll up the tortillas and place, seam-side down, into the baking dish. Pour the remaining soup mixture over the filled enchiladas. Sprinkle with the cheese. Bake for 25 minutes or until the enchiladas are hot and bubbly.

"Vanover"

(Cont. from B1)

There is a reason for that. It is an adage in the bluegrass music world that "if you are good enough to play with Doyle, you are good enough to be a star on your own."

Though Quick Silver's schedule is full for several years to come, the band will be playing next year in Owensboro and Jake hopes that anyone who knows him can come to that show. "I don't have our schedule down pat yet, but I hope when we play in Kentucky everyone can come out to see us play," he said.

Jake has worked hard over the past 14 years and that work has paid off in ways he never dreamed of. Yet, he remains loyal to his hometown and Rockcastle County and no matter where Quick Silver takes him around the world, "I'm a native of Brodhead and always will be."

Nor does Jake forget where his talent comes from. "First and foremost, I thank God for this chance," he said. "My parents, Courtney and Mamaw and Papaw all helped make this dream come true for me."

"Training"

(Cont. from B1)

"They set up this trailer and filled it completely full of smoke and set up obstacles inside and we had to navigate through it looking for injured people," said Mason.

According to Mason, the state requires a certain number of training hours annually for a firefighter to be certified and all Rockcastle County fire departments host events throughout the year to assist in such training.

"This is a big help to all of us," Mason said. "At most calls we have to make entry into a smoke-filled structure. This training could save a life."

Volunteers had to wear all the protective gear and breathing apparatus while they navigated the smoke-filled maze and attempted to locate "downed personnel."

Livingston, like all other local fire departments, are looking for volunteers who are willing to help the community in a big way, according to Mason.

Officials say every department pays for the volunteer's training and gear.

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Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhop@gmail.com

Berea Gospel Tabernacle
231 US 25 South
Berea, KY
Tuesday Night 7 p.m.
Sunday Night 6 p.m.

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Video services Tues., Thurs., & Sat. at 11 a.m., 4 p.m. & 9 p.m.
Channel 3 - New Wave
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Pastor: Travis Gilbert
Associate Pastor/Youth:
Bro. Jeremy Ellis
Secretary: *Jo Roberts*
Music Director: *Dan Dull*

Blue Springs Church of Christ
7 miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd)
Services:
Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Preaching Brethren
Marcus Reppert
Contact Info:
Marcus Reppert
606-308-2794
199 E. Fork Skaggs Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky.
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Brodhead Baptist Church
Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
(Nursery Provided)
Sunday Youth Bible Study 5 p.m.
Wednesday Adult & Youth Worship/Bible Study 7 p.m.
Children's Programs:
RAs & GAs
Mission Friends and Creative Ministry
Ralph Baker, Pastor
Brodhead Christian
237 W. Main St. Brodhead
606-758-8721
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

Brodhead Church of God
Hwy. 3245 • Brodhead
758-8216
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening 7 p.m.
Terry Orcutt, Pastor
Brush Creek Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Lonnie R. McGuire, Pastor
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Located 15 miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd.)
606-256-4988
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
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Calloway Baptist Church
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
George Renner, Pastor
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Climax Holiness Church
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Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
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Community Worship Church of God
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Bro. James Harris, Pastor
Worship Service
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
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Conway Missionary Baptist
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Berea, KY 40403
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings:
Sunday 5 p.m.

Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bobby Turner, Pastor
606-758-4007
Crab Orchard Pentecostal
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Donald King
606-355-7595

CrossPoint Church of God
211 Industrial Park Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Sunday 2 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Matt Griggs
859-582-2553

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Steven Vanhook, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Cupps Chapel Holiness
Copper Creek Rd., Brodhead
Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Dewayne Carpenter
Dixie Park Cornerstone
700 N. Powell St. Berea, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Joe Vanwinkle, Pastor
Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Thursday Service 7 p.m.
Robert Miller, Pastor

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

Faith Chapel Pentecostal
S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Jack Carpenter, Pastor
First Baptist Church
340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-2922
Dennis Wilder, Pastor
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Bro. Josh Haines, Youth/Family Minister
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Flat Rock Missionary Baptist
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Barry Hurst

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Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7 p.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Jack Weaver, Pastor
Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Livingston Baptist
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting/Bible Study Wednesday 7 p.m.
Gary Parker, Pastor
Livingston Christian Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Arthur Hunt, Minister
Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church
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Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
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Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene
40 Fair Street • Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Bro. David Carpenter, Pastor
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606-256-5577
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Pastor: Bro. Michael Hail
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Wednesday Services
Service 7 p.m.
758-8453
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515 Williams St (across from MVES)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
606-256-4170
Mass Times:
Tuesdays at 5 p.m.
Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
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Fr. Michael Flanagan, Pastor
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Philadelphia United Baptist
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
606-308-5368

Pine Hill Holiness
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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.
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81 Limeplant Hollow Road
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting & Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.

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Pleasant Run Missionary
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Sand Hill Baptist Church
Sand Hill Rd.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 5:00 p.m.
Thursday Night 6 p.m.
Pastor Tommy Miller

Sand Springs Baptist
Directions: Take Hwy 1249, go exactly 5 miles, church on right
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Eugene Gentry

Scaffold Cane Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. James Hardin
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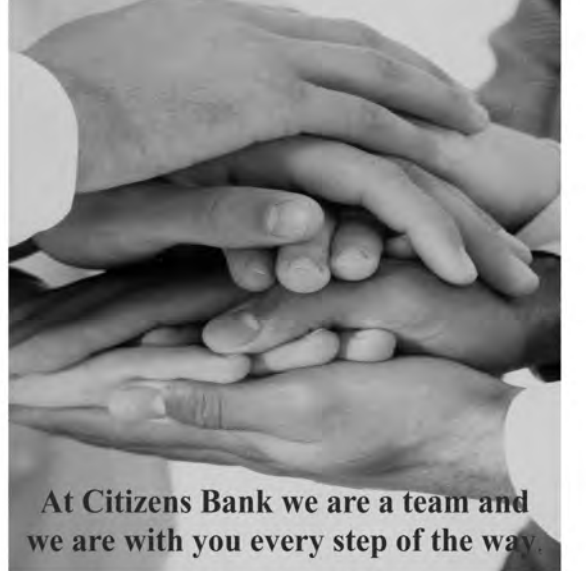
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Livingston held their annual Christmas Parade last Saturday night. After the parade, children were greeted by Santa and Mrs. Claus at the firehouse and received gifts. Shown above with Santa Claus (Perry Mason) are Mahala Miller, Brayden Walton and Carson Burdine. Others in attendance enjoyed hot chocolate and cookies. (See more photos from all three parades in next week's Christmas issue).

Brodhead hears first reading of alcohol ordinance

By: Mike French
Editor

The Brodhead City Commissioners have burned the midnight oil nearly every day since the November election when voters voted to allow the sale of alcohol inside the city limits of Brodhead.

Immediately after the election, Commissioners said they had very little information about the required ordinance the city would need to regulate alcohol

sales but that "We are going to learn everything it takes, no matter what it about," said Commissioner John Burton. "That's our job. To serve the people of Brodhead and that is what we are going to do."

Burton wasn't kidding. Members of the commission and Mayor Walter Cash, with the tireless efforts of the city's Emergency Management Director Brian Bussell, and City Administrator Becky (See "Alcohol" on A5)

County to take over CSEPP Building in 2023

At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court, Don Franklin with CSEPP gave the court a timeline about the withdrawal of CSEPP from the county, following the neutralizing of all the dangerous types of gases presently housed at the Bluegrass Ordinance, presently scheduled for 2023.

At that time, Franklin

told the court the emergency management center will be turned over to the county, along with any vehicles and other equipment CSEPP has and the county will be required to take over maintenance of the building.

Franklin was asked by County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop to furnish the court with a figure of how (See "CSEPP" on A5)

Commissioners get update on Family Dollar store coming

At Monday night's regular meeting of the Livingston City Commission, Mayor Jason Medley updated commissioners on the progress of the planned Family Dollar Store.

Medley said that a test had recently been done to determine any possible contaminants in the soil of the proposed site on US 25

North and that once that is approved, construction will begin. The mayor said that construction of the 8500 sq. ft. store should take 12 weeks to complete.

Medley said he didn't expect any problem with the data/research collected from the contaminants test and (See "Livingston" on A5)

Brodhead discusses police department

By: Mike French
Editor

Though the main topic was certainly the alcohol beverage ordinance in the City of Brodhead, city commissioners and the Mayor discussed several other issues concerning the city during Monday's regular monthly meeting.

Brodhead Police Officer Travis Davis, who is also now the ABC Administrator for the city, informed the commissioners and Mayor Walter Cash about a grant he is seeking that will provide

guns and safety equipment for the Brodhead Police Department.

Davis is currently using his own personal weapon and some of his own gear since the City of Brodhead does not own any hand guns.

The grant also provides for equipment such as safety vests.

In order for the grant to be possible, the city must adopt a resolution seeking the grant. The resolution passed unanimously and

Davis will inform the commissioners of the grant's progress.

Another resolution requested by Davis, gives the officer the right to continue investigations outside the city limits of Brodhead.

"If a guy is making meth and part of my investigation leads me into a surrounding area, I need to be able to go there and complete the investigation," said Davis.

Davis gave other examples of reasons why he would need to travel into surrounding areas and his current jurisdictions ends at the city limits.

The commissioners unanimously adopted the resolution giving Davis the right to arrest or expand his ability to investigate in other areas. However, Davis said this does not mean he will be serving a larger area and

sons but he says the money is not needed for a specific purpose.

"Because of slow reimbursements from federal and state grants, there is just a cash flow issue and this will provide us with a buffer," said Pensol. "The money is not needed to spend on anything it is just better accounting procedures to have the money available and on hand instead of letting the

(See "School" on A5)

(See "Brodhead" on A5)

School board holds monthly meeting

By: Mike French
Editor

The Rockcastle County School board November meeting started off with recognition of 15 years of service for Board Chairman Tina Cain Hasty.

Superintendent David Pensol presented Hasty with an engraved award for her service and board members agreed that Hasty has provided "stability and wisdom" to the board since she took the reins. Hasty said she was "honored to be part of a great team that puts the students' needs first and foremost."

Among the first issues addressed, Finance Chairman Jenny Sweet presented the financial statement and board members all agreed that all funds are as expected.

Pensol did request a \$1 million transfer from investments or CDs into the General Fund for cash flow rea-

Burn ban is lifted

By: Mike French
Editor

The state wide burn ban, that took effect on October 1, will be lifted on December 15th, according to local officials.

The ban forbids any outdoor fires between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. but, as of Saturday, residents may burn outdoors anytime. However, there are still rules that apply to outdoor burning, according to Mount Vernon Fire Chief David Bales.

Bales says it is never legal to burn, tires, shingles, (See "Burn" on A5)

Operation Give Hope underway

Rockcastle County children in need of help this Christmas can now experience the compassion of others this holiday season.

Thanks to Operation Give Hope, A Ministry of Compassion to the people of Rockcastle County, children may receive a new toy, a Christmas backpack and a blanket

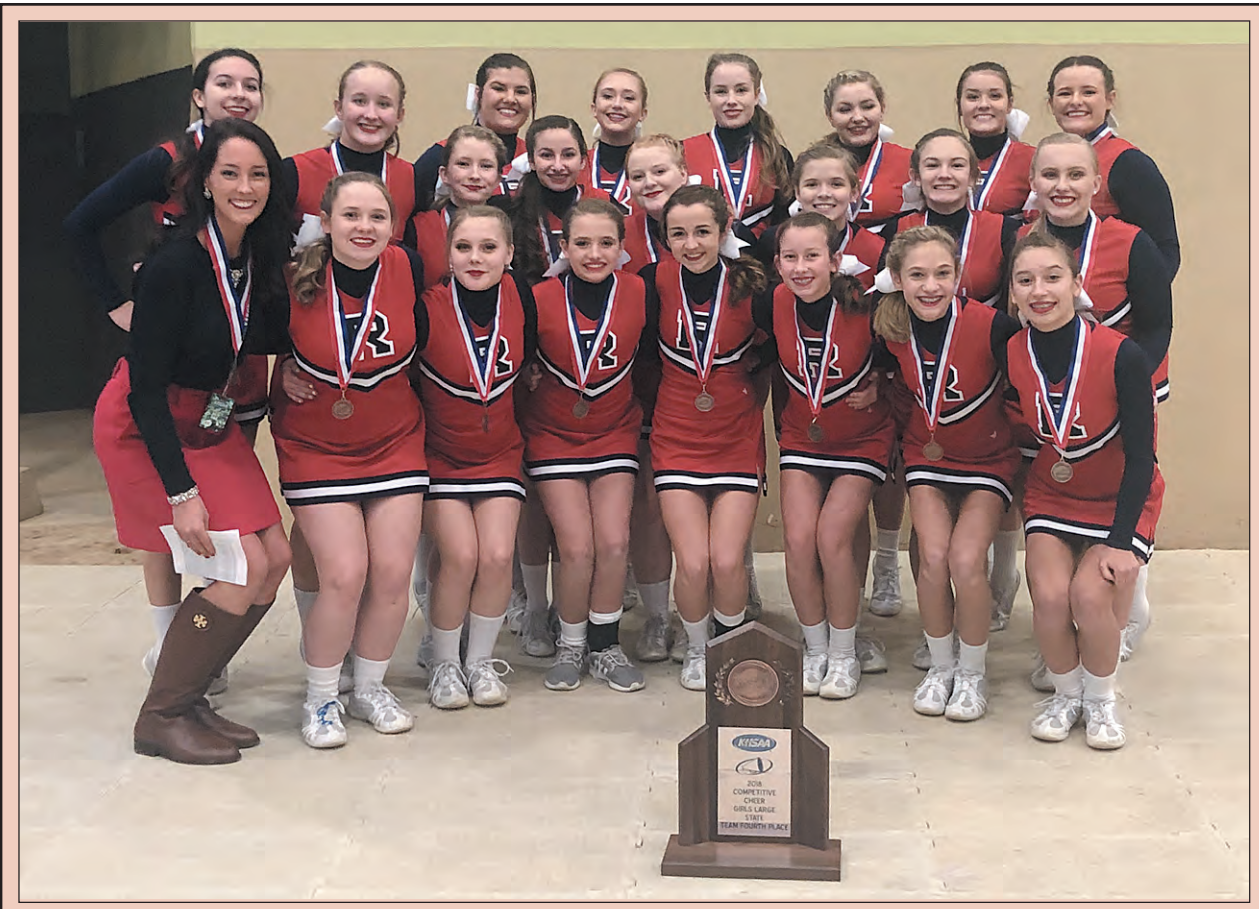
The event will be held Saturday, December 15 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Middle School.

According to officials, the group will provide children in attendance with a new toy and a Christmas backpack. There will be blankets available but children must attend the event in order to receive the free gifts.

There will also be food and fellowship for everyone who visits the event.

The group is accepting donations of new toys, blankets and backpacks from anyone who is willing to help. The event is sponsored by the Rockcastle Baptist Association and the Community Mission Team.

Anyone willing to donate is asked to call (606) 256-4571 for a chance to help those less fortunate this Christmas.



The Rockcastle County High School Cheerleaders competed in the Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) Competitive Cheerleading State Championship this past Saturday, December 8th. The competition took place at Alltech Arena at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington. RCHS qualified for the State Championship with their second place finish at the Sectional Region 11/12 Cheerleading Competition in mid-November. The RCHS Cheer team gave a phenomenal performance with no mistakes and finished the competition in fourth place in the Large Division. RCHS placed fourth with a score of 83.4 behind Paul Laurence Dunbar (84.8), Greenup County (85.95), and Dixie Heights (89.7). This was RCHS's first appearance at the State Championship since 2006. Members are pictured above, back row, left to right: Riley Betsworth, Taryn Powell, Brooke Smithern, Taylor Hall, Kaylee Brock, Taylor Kirby, Sydney Hager, and Shelby French. Middle row from left: Lindsey Robinson, Lebrana Sparks, Sarah Powell, Savannah Thacker, Sydney Carrera, and Sierra Hansel. Front row from left: Coach Joanie Alexander, Ashley Garrett, Elisabeth Owens, Emma Ballinger, Kerrigan Medley, Maddie Ellis, Halli Bales, and Paige Lovell.

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



There are some tough little bugs out there.

Have you noticed that almost every antibacterial soap and every kind of cleaner you find kills 99% of germs. That must be one tough little bug that nothing can kill.

And I wonder why they never list what that one is? There must be a name for it.

It's kind of like any toothpaste or mouth wash I ever heard of. They all kill 99% of tartar and plaque.

I wonder if that tartar maker is the same bug that soap won't kill? Is it all just one bug? Or does one kind kill 99% and doesn't hurt virus "A" while the other kind kills virus "A" but can't kill virus "B"?

If that is the case, we would have to buy two kinds of hand cleaner and two types of tooth paste so that we can get 100% of those rascals.

But how convenient that they don't tell us what kind of bug gets away from the killing effects of their product. That way, no matter what disease you catch, they can always say "yeah, that's the one it doesn't get."

I think it must be kind of like those drug commercials. They tell you about a pill that can help with one thing but "may cause" 200 other things. I've seen some that even say they may cause death.

I have to think that no matter what it is you are trying to get to go away, it isn't quite as bad as death.

But hand sanitizer should say how many 99 percent is. How many bugs are there in the world?

If there are 100 bugs that gets on your hands, then the sanitizer kills 99 of them and one gets away. But, if there are a gazillion bugs that gets on your hands, then there are billions that escape.

Their commercials need to say how many actual

bugs die from using their product. Or at least say how many bugs there are. Then we could figure it out for ourselves.

These are just things that make me sit and think.

For example, I've been told that the Bluegrass Army Depot in Richmond at one time had 700% lethal nerve agent (enough nerve agent to kill every human being on earth seven times).

My immediate thought was, "Why would you need to kill everyone on earth more than once?" Who would be around to hit the button after the first time?

It's like that big argument that the world is not fair because the top one percent of the people make more money than the other 99 percent of the people.

Truth is, no matter what anyone makes, or what the highest and lowest salary is, or how much money is involved, there is still (and always will be) a top one percent of money makers.

If there are ten people in a room, no matter what their salary, one of them is the top 1% and apparently some people (Democrats) believe that person should be punished for that distinction.

It kind of makes me be afraid to be in a room of ten people who won't work because someone is going to think I should give them what I earn. And they usually do.

Somehow, 99% has become an important number in our world. I guess it sounds so close to 100% that it is used a lot. But depending upon how many you are starting with, 99% can still leave a big bunch.

There is a thing called the 99 percent Confidence Interval (you can Google it) that gives a very technical explanation. But I think, in simple terms, that when people hear someone say something is 99% certain,

(Continued on A3)

Points East

By Ike Adams



I just discovered that there are some turnips in the garden that are nearly as large as softballs. Apparently turnips will keep on growing anytime the temperature is just a few degrees above freezing. I checked on them in early November and there were none larger than golf balls. Just over a month of winter weather later they've grown from less than an ounce in weight to over half a pound each.

I've picked spinach in December, just to prove it could be done and to say I'd done it. Suffice to say that the salad we made with it did not create a lasting memory. On this second Sunday of December, when the rain lets up or turns to snow, I intend to throw on a coat, run back out to the garden and grab a few big turnips. If I've ever harvested turnips in December, I don't recall it.

Since I still have about 24 hours until your newspaper editor will start wondering

where this column is, the current plan is to let you know if they were fit to eat before I finish writing it. Right now the time of day is 10:21 AM. It's time for another cup of coffee and to maybe see if I can make it to the turnip patch without catching pneumonia or busting my southern hemisphere on a slick spot. Barring no serious complications, I will be back.

2:45 PM: I've made it to the garden and back indoors without suffering any permanent injuries. The dreaded winter storm did not materialize. The rain that was supposed to turn to ice and snow simply ended around noon on Charlie Brown Road but I'm thinking the only reason it didn't turn to ice is because the temperature only made it down to 32.0000001 degrees.

Of course I wore cloth work gloves because I was under the mistaken impres-

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Grandma's Drink and Tea Cakes

Dear Journal,

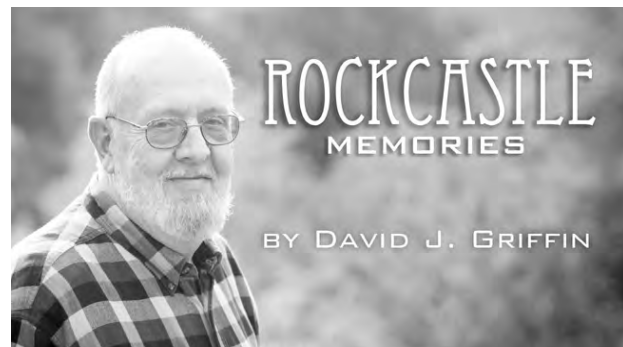
This morning finds me looking out of our front window onto a winter wonderland of ice. There is ice clinging to every tree, shrub and blade of grass as far as my eye can see. I'd hate to see our cars...as if we were going anywhere. We got our bread and milk on Thursday when we heard about the possible nine inches of snow we might get on the weekend. When you hear of such you go into panic mode and buy not only bread and milk but things you just possibly might need. Our usual grocery bill almost doubled. We are stocked for the worst. Yes, Walmart was a mad house, even worse than usual with people grocery shopping for the upcoming blizzard and Christmas, too. The forecast kept changing but now that it is here, we got about a half an inch of ice.

I was just thinking about going to the kitchen and making what is known in our family as "Grandma's Drink". I hadn't thought of it in years until about a week ago. It is a simple little drink born in a simple era.

Grandma in this instance is my Great Grandma, Ella Vestie Otey Price. She was born in the 1870's or 1880's and raised in northeastern Tennessee and spent her married life in Clairfield near the Kentucky state line across from Middlesboro. She was a gentle soul and was the daughter of an old time Southern Baptist minister, a southern belle at heart.

As I grew up, my

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Imaginary Stallion

When I was eight-years-old, my grandfather (Pop) bought me my first bicycle. It was a 20-inch Murray with a banana seat and no fenders. The year was 1952. Occasionally, Kenneth Hansel and I would ride that bike down US 25 to the Mt. Vernon Cemetery. We would take turns riding back up the hill to our houses.

At that time in my life, I was hooked on television Westerns. I loved watching Gene Autry, Roy Rogers, The Cisco Kid, Hopalong Cassidy, and many others. At eight years of age, I had a vivid imagination, and I often pretended that my bicycle was my stallion. On that steel pony, Kenneth and I helped our heroes tame the Wild West.

We knew just how to equip ourselves, too. Kenneth and I rolled up a small blanket and tied it to the back of the bicycle seat, like it was a bed roll. We also hung a coiled rope over the handlebars. We believed that we had a fine western pony to help us fight outlaws. Adorning ourselves with our holsters (which were filled with cap pistols), we would headed out for some secluded spot to set up our camp; it would be a long cattle drive.

Sometimes we gathered a few stones in a circle and sat around our small campfire as we kept our eyes peeled for bandits. You never knew when a bad guy might ride up and start to make trouble!

The Vaughn family, who lived across US 25 from my house, supplied us with one of our essentials. They both smoked pipe tobacco,

which came in small white bags with bright yellow draw strings. Kenneth and I asked them to save the bags for us. About once a month, we would stop by their house to pick up our sacks. We filled them with sand, at which point, they instantly changed into bags of gold that had to be protected.

Like many other children of that time, I also had a small red wagon with wooden side boards. Kenneth and I hooked it to the rear of my bicycle, thereby creating a "covered wagon" with gold inside, driven of course, by my trusty horse.

My dad had given me a small wooden ammunition box, which we used to store our sacks of gold. Once, we actually dug a hole in Juanita Davis's woods and buried the "money box." (I wonder if anyone ever stumbled upon our buried treasure.)

The adventures we had on that bike made Kenneth and I very close friends. It was my pleasure to share my ride with him. When we were older, we often laughed at the times we had shared on that steel pony.

Kenneth was a close friend of mine for a long time. He was killed at a very young age in an automobile accident. I have never forgotten him, not a single day. I hope to see him again one day. I have no doubt that he would remember our steel pony.

(You can reach me at themtnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 2167 Furnace Road - Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

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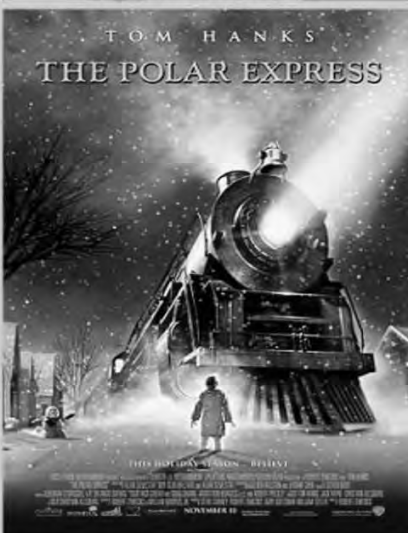
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“Aces”

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their mind immediately thinks “Well, that’s the same as 100%.”

But in fact, it isn’t. 99 percent of the world population is leaving out 70 million people.

And, 99 percent of germs isn’t really very good. (Here comes boring numbers). According to scientists at the University of Gorgia, there are five million trillion trillion germs. (That’s a 5 with 30 zeros

after it).

So, sanitizer that kills 99% of germs is leaving more germs unhurt than there are stars in the universe.

So, the next time someone says to you “I am 99% sure about that,” just remember, they may be completely and totally wrong. And when you read that something is 99 percent effective, you know it may not help at all.

But, I still use it. I’m a lucky guy in life and I am betting the germs on my

hand are those 99 percent that Dial Soap will kill.

On a side note: Kudos to Brodhead City Commissioners and Mayor Cash.

In my humble opinion, the city looks wonderful. To me, Christmas lights are better this year than ever. Police say the crime rate has dropped to an amazingly low level since there is a police department now, Brian Bussell provides the city with very technical, well-informed and researched information, most commissioners are on top of every issue, John Dyehouse has the volunteer fire department running like a well-oiled machine, Shannon Cash is on top of every water works issue and their ABC ordinance appears to be very well done and City Clerk Becky Bussell seems to never stop working.

Every town has issues. Brodhead isn’t utopia. But congrats on their direction.

“Points East”

(Cont. from A2)

sion that I could hastily grab a few turnip tops, yank them out of the ground and hurry back inside. Turned out that the ground was frozen solid and the objects of my affection were stuck to it as if they’d been put there with gorilla glue. I spent nearly half an hour wrestling 5 big turnips out of the ground.

In the process of acquiring the turnips, my gloves were soaked with water that felt much colder than ice. My hands and feet may never again feel warm. My turnips are frozen so hard they could be used as lethal weapons but they are now mud free and thawing in the kitchen sink.

9:45 AM, Monday December 10: The turnips, peeled and diced into large “bite size” chunks, yielded nearly 2 quarts of the best eating I’ve had in months and that includes Thanksgiving Dinner! I admit that I was skeptical that frozen-in-the-garden turnips would not be fit to eat but, so far, if the weather has had any effect on them, it has only made them better.

I’m nearly sure I’ve published the recipe before, but you owe it to yourself to try this even if you are convinced that you don’t like turnips.

Peel and dice the turnips as if you intend to make a very “chunky” potato salad. I usually make 2 quarts because I like them warmed over at least as well as the first time around. I use a 4 quart cooker in which I put the diced turnips and add some salt and plenty black pepper. I try to get the salt and pepper evenly distributed on the chunks before I add about 1/2 cup of olive oil and stir it in to coat the turnips. Then add enough water to just barely cover them.

Turn the heat on high. When the water is nearly

boiling add 2 big serving spoon dollops of honey and stir it in. Let them hard boil for 7 or 8 minutes and then set the kettle off your stove burner. Do not overcook them. Let them cool for about 10 minutes and they’re ready to eat. Served with a bowl of pinto beans, a big piece of corn bread some sliced onion and that’s all I need for a super supper.

I intend to harvest some more before Christmas and you can safely bet that at least one person in our household will be having turnips for Christmas Dinner.

The goal now is to see if I can harvest some in January and February.

“T.J.’s”

(Cont. from A2)

mother spoke of her often with a certain kind of love and reverence. I think mom was her “pet”, being her first grandchild. With mom it was always “Well, Grandma said this or that” or “Grandma did this or that” and so forth. That is where mom got her OCD and passed it along to other unsuspecting souls in the family. That is where I got mine. The philosophy was that “All things must have a place and things must be in that place”. They must be clean as a hospital surgical unit, too. Everything has a certain order. Nothing in our house has been like this for years and I think that is why I stay so frustrated all of the time...bordering on depression.

On cold wintery days such as this and when she wasn’t feeling well she made her “drink”. She would take about two or three tablespoons, more or less, of canned evaporated milk or cream and put it in a cup (not a mug etc., but an actual tea cup) and add hot water to fill it. Then she would sweeten to taste, usually about two teaspoons of sugar. She would drink this little mixture and thoroughly enjoy it. I remember being served this one winter by my mom and grandma when I was about ten years old and had a bad case of pneumonia.

I’ve also been told of my Great Grandma’s “Tea Cakes”. She made them about twice per week as they were so popular in her family. Mom or Grandma never made them as Great-grandma never wrote down the recipe. They were something she just invented on her own. I gather they were kind of a cross between a sugar cookie and a short bread cookie. They contained butter, sugar, maybe an egg or so, flour and a few drops of vanilla, I think. One day, I may experiment and see if I could make anything like them. I don’t suppose I’ll ever know for sure as everybody that ever tasted them has been dead for years. She probably ate them with her “drink” and tea. They were a small round cookie, just larger than a quarter and golden brown on top. They would go well this morning but I’ll have to settle for “Grandma’s Drink”.



50th Wedding Anniversary

Billy and Sandy Dowell will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple were married on December 12, 1968 at First Christian Church in Mt Vernon with Bro. Ray Cummins officiating. Their attendants were Donna Hart Smith and Michael Proctor.

Their children Julie, Angie, and Lindsay will host a reception to honor their parents on Sunday afternoon December 16th from 3-5 p.m. at Cedar Rapids, LLC located on Cedar Rapids road in Mt Vernon.

Their friends and family are invited to join them at this reception.

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Health Department Holiday Hours

The Rockcastle County Health Department hours of operation for Christmas and New Years--closed Monday and Tuesday, December 24th and 25th in observance of Christmas. Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, December 26th and 27th and from 8:00 to 1:30 Friday, December 28th. This schedule is the same for the week of December 31st and will be closed December 31st and January 1st in observance of New Years.

CVFD Annual Board Meeting

Climax Volunteer Fire Department will hold their annual board meeting Friday, December 21st at 6 p.m. at the fire station. A report will be shared listing fire run activities, financial spending for 2018 and plans for 2019. Everyone in our community is invited to attend.

Circuit Clerk’s Office Holiday Hours

Rockcastle County’s Circuit Clerk’s office will be closed December 24-25 for Christmas and Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st for New Year’s.

Celebrate the Season

Be a Blessing, Adopt an Angel. Join Rockcastle Seniors and Adult Health in the annual celebration of seniors in our community 60 plus. The tree is located at 1260 S. Wilderness Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. For more information, call 606-256-4316.

TOPS of Brodhead

TOPS (Take off pounds sensibly) meets every Tuesday evening at the Brodhead Community Outreach Center. Weigh-in begins at 6 and the meeting is at 6:30. For more information, call 606-758-4973.

Celebrate Sobriety Service

CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. We are located at 211 Industrial Park Road (across from the high school) in Mt. Vernon, KY. Call 859-582-2553 with any questions.

Chamber of Commerce Meetings

The Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce meets once a month, on the third Tuesday, at noon at Limestone Grille. All members are encouraged to attend.

VFW Post Item

VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members and is also looking for new and associate members. New hours are: Wed. - Sat., 5 p.m. to ? Call 606-386-1490 for more information.

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Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe, 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

DAR Meetings

The Rockcastle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meets the first Monday of each month, September-May at 6 p.m. at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. All prospective members are welcome to attend.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #566 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Kiwanis Club Meetings

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at the Limestone Grill. Everyone is invited.

American Legion Post 71

American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 6 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grill. Commander Rick Bobo (308-2271) invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

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Obituaries



Gail Lee Gabbard

Gail Lee Gabbard, 51, daughter of Lee 'Buddy' Gabbard and the late Doris Rose Gabbard, died Saturday evening December 8, 2018 at the St Joseph Berea Hospital. She was just recently baptized at her home church Fairview Baptist Church on May 20, 2018.

She was preceded in death by: her mother, Doris Rose Gabbard; brother, Robert Russell Gabbard; maternal grandparents, Gladys and Russell Rose; and paternal grandparents, Robert and Laura Gabbard.

She is survived by her father, Lee H. (Buddy) Gabbard, and many aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at Fairview Baptist Church, with Rev. Vaughn Rasor officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Cheryl Mullins, Zoe Burdette, Angela Mullins, Twila Burdette, and Trish Jett.

Honorary pallbearers were: JoAnn Croucher, Fran Gabbard, Jan Ingram, and Ramona Hiatt.

Lakes Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences at www.lakesfuneralhome.com

Loretta Lear Peek

Loretta Lear Peek, 86, of the Geneva community in Lincoln County, died in Stanford on Wednesday, December 5, 2018. She was born Thursday, July 21, 1932 in Hiatt and raised in the Brindle Ridge area of Rockcastle County.

She was the daughter of the late Givens Terrell Lear and Maggie Lou Sargent Lear. She was a loving mother and grandmother to her family. She retired from Palm Beach Company in Danville and Somerset, where she started working at the age of 20 and retired with 42 years of service (1952-1994).

Those left to mourn her passing are: her four children, Helen McCoy of Prestonsburg, Richard Leslie and wife Delilah Peek, and Joel Peek, both of Hustonville and Gail Ware and husband Larry of Walltown; two granddaughters, Sarah Ware Duncan and husband Billy of Walltown, and Lore Ware Patterson and husband Josh of Campbellsville; two great granddaughters, Gracelyn Mae Beeler and Kaylee Shay Duncan, both of Walltown; one step great granddaughter, Makayla Durham of Williamsburg; brothers, Wayne Lear, Sr. and Everett Doug Lear, both of Brodhead and Ray and wife Torsha Lear of Mt. Vernon; sisters, Sue Sowders of Brodhead, and Edith Ponder of Berea; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by: brothers and sisters, Eva Lear, twins - Earl and Derl Lear, Herbert Lear, and Melba Antle; the father of her children, Richard James (Dickie) Peek; and son-in-law, Gene McCoy.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 8, 2018 at Fox & Friend Funeral Home in Stanford with Bro. Greg Powell officiating. Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery in Rockcastle County, where she will join her parents and siblings on the ridge where she was raised.

Loretta's nephews served as active pallbearers.

Millard Brown Singleton

Millard Brown Singleton, 77, of Crab Orchard, died peacefully at home on December 10, 2018 with family by his side. He was born May 8, 1941 in Orlando, the fifth son of the late Sam Brown and Ellie (Virgie) Singleton. He was a Millwright and a man of many trades. He was always smiling. His love for his family and music was tremendous. Whether it be gathered around a card table, laughing and cracking jokes or circled around the warmth from a bonfire, he would always be heard singing karaoke or picking the strings on a guitar. He loved watching old westerns and passing the time with Judge Judy. He enjoyed watching football (even when the Bengals did not win), loved basketball, and will forever be the Kentucky Wildcat's #1 fan.

Those left behind to cherish his legacy are: his wife, Stephanie (Blake) Singleton; children, Joetta (Mark) Nafe, Vanessa Singleton, Joshua (Jennifer) Sauter, Erin (Brandon) Hamilton, and Nicholas Skelton; grandchildren, Brandi, Brittani, Bethani, Jerry, Daryl, Randy, Alex, Rachelle, Alexis, Lillie, Kurtis, Keegan, and Allie; great grandchildren, Makayla, Quinten, Kaden, Leyanna, Jackson, Mayzie, Max, Nora, Leona, Hunter, and Iris; two sisters, Lena Lawson and Edna Harrington; and many nieces, nephews, and friends that he loved dearly.

He was preceded in death by: his parents; a son, Millard Brown Singleton, Jr.; four brothers, Sam, Rovie, Tip, and David; and five sisters, Irene, Ardella, Farrie, Rose, and Christine.

The family would like to thank the Hospice nurses, Pricilla and Deanna, for all their loving care.

Visitation will be held at Charles C. Young Funeral Home, 4032 Hamilton Cleves Road, Ross, OH on Saturday, December 15, 2018 from 11 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 1 p.m. Burial will follow in Venice Cemetery in Ross, OH.

If desired, memorials may be made to Shriners Children's Hospital, 3229 Burnett Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45229.

Nadine Wagner Clark

Nadine Wagner Clark, 64, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, December 10, 2018 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born to Everett Charles Wagner and Daisy Richard Hensley in Elys in Knox County on May 5, 1954. She enjoyed visits with family and friends, going to church, flowers and keeping in touch with friends though Facebook. She was a widow of the late Tom Clark and retired from food service and factory work. She attended Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church.

Those left to celebrate her life are: three children, William Joseph Clark of Lexington, Daisy Amanda (Rodney) Thomas of Livingston and Tom Clark, Jr. of Irvin; four grandchildren, Jacob Collins, Dougie Collins, Kendra Clark and Heather Thomas; four brothers, Sam Brown of Pineville, Tommy (Melissa) Wagner of Mt. Vernon, Delbert (Jenny) Wagner of McKee and Everett (Sharon) Wagner of Livingston; five sisters, Bea (Farmer) Waddle of Livingston, Mandy (Ray) Carpenter of Brodhead, Gladys (Johnny) Carpenter of Mt. Vernon, Edna (Wayne) Clines of Georgia and Centena (Lester) Carpenter of Livingston; and a host of friends and neighbors.

She was preceded in death by: her husband, Tom Clark; her parents, Everett Charles Wagner and Daisy Richard Hensley; and sister Fannie Alice Taylor.

Visitation will be (today) Thursday, December 13, at Red Hill Baptist Church at 6 p.m. Funeral service will be Friday, December 14, 2018 at 1 p.m. at the Red Hill Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Red Hill Cemetery in Livingston. Brother Robert Miller and Brother Bill Hammond officiating.

James "Jimmy" Oliver, Jr.

James Robert "Jimmy" Oliver, Jr., 61, husband of his grade school sweetheart for 42 plus years Debbie (Owens) Oliver of East Bernstadt, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday morning, December 9, 2018 at his residence.

He is survived by: two sons, James Robert "Robbie" Oliver III and wife Courtney, and Justin Oliver and wife Jamie, all of East Bernstadt; his mother, Dorothy (King) Oliver of East Bernstadt; sisters, Regina Armstrong and husband Rodney of London and Cathy Sowder of East Bernstadt; and brother, David Oliver and wife Henrietta of East Bernstadt; Papaw of four grandbabies, Jenna Oliver, Wesley Oliver, Maggie Oliver, and Tyler Oliver; plus a host of family and friends. He was preceded in death by: his father, James Robert Oliver.

He was a 2nd generation partner in business of Pittsburg Marine in London, which has been owned by the Oliver family for its entire 40 years of existence. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. A very special passion over the last nine years is "Fish'n for Missions", where he and close friend Rick Brammer raises funds for missions work that has literally went all over the world. Jimmy was known for his slow country draw, as well as, his big smile. Most importantly, he was saved when he was 12 years old at the Livingston Baptist Church in 1969 and baptized in the Rockcastle River. He continued to faithfully serve the Lord and was an active member of Life House Church of God.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at the London Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Eddie Elmore, Rick Brammer and Lonnie Marcum officiating. Burial was at New Salem Cemetery in Pittsburg, KY.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to "Fish'n for Missions" 1835 North Laurel Road, London, Kentucky 40741.

Pallbearers were: David Martin, Robert Prince, Gary Long, Matthew Armstrong, Jesse Armstrong, Brian Oliver, Chris Owens, and Steve Owens.

Honorary pallbearers were: Ron Miller, Jim Sensabaugh, Curt Hopkins, Mike Price, Mike Collier, Rick Evans, Dale Gay, Bobby Oliver, Dexter Mason, Johnny Wagers, Ova Baker, Willis Durham, Norman Owens, and Charles Sowder.

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Thank You

Thank you so much for your gestures of sympathy during the loss of our beloved son. Our community, churches, workplaces, friends and family are incredible people. We are so grateful for all of you. Your outpouring of love is immeasurable. Prayers, flowers, pats on the back, food, gifts, cards, visits, smiles and hugs continue to enfold us in your love.

We know these blessings are God's way of carrying us forward during this difficult time in our lives.

A special thanks to Allie's friends and RCMS faculty. To the employees of Hendrickson International and the members of the Iron Mafia from 4 Brothers Gym, you were so special to Chaz. We appreciate everyone you have done in his memory.

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The Cable Family:

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Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston at Livingston School cafeteria. 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

Christmas Event at New Hope

New Hope Baptist Church, of Orlando, will have their morning service at 11 a.m. on Sunday, December 16th. Christmas dinner will be served around 1 p.m. and there will be singing in the afternoon.

Come, bring a dish and celebrate Christmas with us.

Bro. Johnson and congregation welcome everyone.

Special Service

Berea Gospel Tabernacle, U.S. 25, Berea, will have a special service on Friday, December 14th, beginning at 7 p.m. Featured speaker will be George Mullins.

Ralph Chasteen and congregation welcome everyone.

First Christian Christmas Cantata

First Christian Church will present their 2018 Christmas Cantata, "Sing Christmas," Sunday morning, December 16th at 11 a.m. On Sunday, December 23rd at 6:00, our youth Christmas program will be presented.

Everyone is welcome.

If you have any questions, please call 606-256-2876.

His Heart Quartet Performance

His Heart Quartet will be performing a Christmas concert at Quinton Baptist Church, Hwy. 790, Bronston in Pulaski Co. next Sunday, December 16th at 11 a.m.

Quinton Baptist Church congregation and pastor Bro. Jack Stallworth invite and welcome everyone to this special Christmas service.

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 17-CI-00198	
Kentucky Tax Company, LLC	Plaintiff
V.	
James Edward Life	Defendants
NOTICE OF SALE	

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on November 9, 2018 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY FIVE DOLLARS AND 99/100 (\$5,845.99) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, December 14, 2018
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA Map #0865-06-006
317 Main Street, Livingston, KY 40445

Being the same property conveyed to James Edward Life and Gayle Kvindis-Lile by deed dated March 13, 1996 and recorded in Deed Book 160, Page 629 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) 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.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2018 local, county and state property taxes.
- Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
- 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 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**

*Signal office will be closed
Friday, December 14th
so we can enjoy the graduation from the University of Kentucky of our granddaughter and niece,
Alaina Coguer
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“Burn”

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plastics household trash and many other types of materials. If you have a question about burning a particular item, you should visit the Environmental Protection Agency website.

Though burning brush will be allowed at anytime during the day, all outdoor fires should still be at least 150 from woodlands and everyone should keep water close by in case the fire gets out of control, Bales said.

The cost of having the fire department put out a fire that has gotten out of control, can be placed on the person who started the fire, officials say.

“School”

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balance drop while waiting for a grant to come in.”

Pensol said the district does not have “money troubles” but he believes the money would be better utilized if it were on hand instead of in other funds.

The board unanimously passed the request.

The board discussed several issues, including some new and improved plans for school safety. “Providing a safe and secure environment for our kids and our staff is our utmost priority and we are always looking at ways to improve,” he said. “We are among the most safe district out there.”

In fact, Sweet announced that Rockcastle County Schools are ranked so safe, that the district’s liability insurance policy is well below the cost of most other districts.

Pensol also asked the board to approve a new position at Brodhead Elementary School since the preschool class is overfilled with students. “I am excited that our preschool numbers are up so much that we need an additional preschool teacher,” he said.

The board also approved this request unanimously.

Jennifer Mattingly, District Instructional Supervisor, told the board about proposed changes in requirements to be eligible to graduate from high school that may be coming.

However, Mattingly said the proposal still has to pass several state committees and is not set in stone. In fact, Mattingly said the proposed changes are not as strict as expected and actually provide more ways that a student can be eligible to graduate.

She plans to present the changes mandated by the state once they are final.

The board also approved allowing the school district to provide ACT tests for 10th graders since the state is no longer going to administer that test. Mattingly said taking the test in the 10th grade helps prepare students to take the test later. “It’s quite a shock the first time they take the ACT,” she said. “Providing it for 10th graders will help prepare them to do better on the test later.”

The cost to the district is \$35 per student. The board voted to provide the test.

Pensol also told the board the four new GEAR UP position are in place at the adult education center building.

Since construction at the high school is nearly complete, the board agreed to hold their January meeting at the school to tour the upgraded facility. That meeting is scheduled for January 8 at 6 p.m.

Pensol also presented his personnel actions report to the board. It is as follows:

Full time certified

Cayci Mahaffey and Kayla Bryant, GEAR UP academic interventionists.

Full time classified

Rachel Johnson and Selena Thompson, GEAR UP college and career navigators.

Certified substitutes

Gerald Alexander, substitute teacher.

Classified substitutes

Kaycee Brock, substitute bus monitor.

Coaches hired

David A Coffey, RCMS assistant softball coach

David W. Coffey, RCMS assistant baseball coach.

“Livingston”

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that everything else to do with the site had been completed.

The mayor also said that the city was still working on getting a grant(s) for a new sewer system for the city. Medley said he was going for a green type/wetlands system which would cut the city’s maintenance costs of the system drastically.

The upcoming Community Christmas dinner was discussed. The dinner is planned for this Friday night at 7 p.m. in the depot building. The Letter Box Boys will be performing the Christmas Show at the depot that night also. And, the “Polar Express” movie will be shown at the depot on Saturday at 7 p.m. and hot chocolate and cookies will be served.

“CSEPP”

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much the county would be losing in CSEPP funding when the program leaves the county.

Former director of the CSEPP program, judge/executive-elect Hal Holbrook said, after the meeting, that plans were originally to rent out space in the 3,000 square ft. facility that will not be used by 911 which will remain in the facility.

The court also heard a report from Jim Tackett with the Center for Rural Development about the Ky. Wired project and presented magistrates with an updated map of the progress of wiring in the state. He said that the project is 25-30% complete and is expected to be fully complete in the last quarter of 2020.

The Kentucky Wired project will bring more than 3,000 miles of high-speed, high-capacity fiber infrastructure to all 120 Kentucky counties. To date, Tackett said 850 miles of wiring has been strung in the state. The wiring is being installed from east to west in Kentucky.

Jimmy Keaton, of Kentucky America Water, was on hand to present representatives of the Climax and Pongo Fire Departments a check for \$500 each as part of a grant the company gives yearly to fire departments in counties the company serves.

David Hawk and Ken Holt received the checks for their department.

The court also approved an expenditure of \$1,574 for parts and labor to install a 100 amp box to run a 100 watt generator the fire department received from Fort Campbell.

The court also spent quite a bit of time in discussion following a proposal by Judge Bishop to make dog warden Richard Gibbs a full-time employee of the county.

Bishop told the court that he felt the change should be made, primarily to give Gibbs the 11 holidays a year that all full-time county employees get.

The judge also advocated for Gibbs pay being raised to what former dog warden Buck Farthing was making since he has now been on the job for three years.

Magistrates Bill McKinney and William Denny opposed the move, with McKinney said that Gibbs was using the vehicle, furnished him to use in his job as dog warden, as a personal vehicle and that the county was also now having to pay his health insurance, even though Gibbs told the county, when he was interviewed for the position, that he would not need the insurance since he was covered as a school employee in his bus driver position. He later cancelled his health insurance with the school board and notified the county he would need

to be covered under the county’s policy.

Denny also pointed out that he had had trouble getting Gibbs to answer several calls he had made to have a stray dog picked up.

Three magistrates voted for a motion to make Gibbs a full-time employee and another motion to raise Gibbs salary \$250 month, bringing his pay to \$772.30 every two week pay period and he will now be entitled to 4 1/2 hours every pay period of personal leave time.

Deputy Sheriff Dale McNew was also before the court. McNew told the magistrates that tax collections were down considerably from previous years and asked that \$10,000, the balance from a \$15,000 loan the court gave Sheriff Mike Peters in January of this year, be changed to program support which would not have to be paid and which would help the department deal with the shortfall in collections.

McNew also said that the sheriff might have to have an additional \$10,000 to cover the last payroll of the year.

The court approved reclassifying the \$10,000 as program support instead of a loan but to hold off on the additional \$10,000 until it can be determined how much in taxes are collected between now and the last pay period of the year.

As a final item of business, the court transferred \$200,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund from which \$150,000 will be transferred to the jail fund.

“Brodhead”

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according to City Commissioner John Burton, Davis is still somewhat limited to Brodhead. Burton said Davis is still a Brodhead Police officer only. He will not be policing other communities. This simply allows him to expand Brodhead investigations into other areas, if needed.

Davis said his work in the city and the support of the mayor and commissioners is working. “The crime rate inside Brodhead has dropped dramatically,” Davis said. “This is a different and better, safer city than it was. Arrests are way down and criminal activity has dropped tremendously.”

Davis has also prepared and tested several potential new officers for the department and will present the top ones to the city commissioners at a special work session on December 20.

According to Davis, Commissioners will then narrow the candidates down to two, and Davis will choose the new officer from those.

Davis said including interviews, testing and training, it will most likely be sometime in February before an additional officer is officially hired.

Of course this brings up the issue of police cruisers. Brodhead currently has three. One is used by Davis and the other two are not in trustworthy condition. “Those two cruisers can make decent emergency cruisers for just around here close, but I would not want to put a new officer in one of them full time,” he said.

Commissioner John Burton agreed. “We need to revisit our vehicles. We will need another cruiser soon,” he said. Commissioner Brian Bullock suggested Davis begin looking for a grant to help with a used police cruiser.

Commissioners also welcomed Judge/Executive elect Howell Holbrook to the meeting. “We are looking forward to working with you and believe we will have a strong relationship with the county,” said Bullock.

Bullock also pointed out the “hard work and extreme dedication” of Public Works Director Shannon Cash and his crews for staying on top of recent water line breaks due to freezing temperatures. Bullock named sev-

eral city workers and volunteers who have taken part in repairing sudden water main breaks. “I hear the back hoe at midnight sometimes. Your hard work does not go unnoticed by us or the community,” said Bullock.

Members also discussed the direction the city has taken in the past two years directing that conversation towards Holbrook.

“I believe that as a community, we are going in the right direction,” said Bullock. “We have grown and improved by leaps and bounds in the past couple of years,” said Burton. “We are a better, safer city than in years past.”

“Alcohol”

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Bussell, have held countless work sessions, meetings, discussion groups, gathered sample ordinances, organized study sessions, met with attorneys, met with Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) officials and have held the first reading of the Brodhead ABC Control Ordinance.

“We have investigated this thoroughly and have read countless ordinances in other cities and compared them. We have structured and written an ordinance that we believe best fits Brodhead and our own community,” said Commissioner Brian Bullock.

During the reading of the ordinance, Brian Bussell answered technical questions that remained concerning the ordinance and then phoned Christi Trout Vantatenhov, ABC Commissioner, to answer more questions before the first reading was approved.

“Of all the ordinances we have read, the ABC ordinance gave us the best pattern by which to write our own ordinance,” said Bullock. “We used the state ordinance in large part and then structured it to suit Brodhead.”

One of the questions from commissioners concerned the training of those who will serve alcohol in Brodhead. Training is not required by the state ABC but Vantatenhov agreed that it is a good idea to include the training. “Those who serve alcohol need to be trained on how to spot over service and over intoxication and how to look for underage sales and many other things that can be useful,” Vantatenhov said.

However, though the course can be taken on line in a couple of hours, commissioners agreed that they would prefer to hold the training at city hall and observe the training to make sure the test was actually taken and that it was taken by the person applying. “If someone just says they took the training, how do we know they did or that they didn’t have someone else do it” asked Burton.

The city may also be able to charge a fee for observing the training which will help to offset costs.

Though Vantatenhov agreed that Burton’s point was a strong one, she also cautioned that such a regulation may put some liability upon the City of Brodhead. Commissioners agreed to seek council advice on the subject before the second reading.

According to Bullock, the Brodhead ordinance was mostly taken from the ABC ordinance. However, that state ordinance provides many optional topics that cities may or may not include in their own ordinance. Bullock said commissioners used some of the state’s provisions but not all of them, depending upon the individual needs of Brodhead.

As in the recent City of Mount Vernon ordinance on the same subject, there was discussion of city classification and commissioners asked about a regulatory fee (alcohol tax) to help with the expense of dealing with the subject. But, once again, Vantatenhov said no regulatory fee may be charged by the city.

Many other details of the ordinance were discussed including patio sales, golf cart sales, the structure of the ordinance itself, and store hours as well as Sunday and holiday sales, among other issues.

In an extremely detailed manner, members also discussed each individual license (there are 23 available), naming Brodhead Police officer Travis Davis as the ABC Administrator (a requirement of the state), building inspections where alcohol shall be sold and dozens of other issues.

Brodhead does not have a building inspector but the state requires buildings that sell alcohol be inspected. Hence, members are looking into using the state building inspector for such tasks. However, the logistics of that will be discussed further. “We certainly don’t want people gathered in a bar in an unsafe building,” said Burton. “We will have to look into that and the best way to proceed.”

Burton read the ordinance to those present, including Judge/Executive-elect Howell Holbrook.

“This ordinance has gone through a lot of people and we have put tremendous thought into it. We believe we have structured this ordinance in the best way for Brodhead,” said Burton.

Commissioners agreed to hold the second reading on December 18 at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

A summary of the first reading of the City of Brodhead ABC Ordinance is as follows:

Licenses:

Distillers \$500
Rectifiers A \$3,000
Rectifier B \$960
Wholesaler \$3,000
Quota package \$1,000
Quota drink \$1,000
Non-quota 1 \$2,000
Non-quota 2 \$1,000
Non-quota 3 \$300
Spl. temp \$166 (max)
Auction \$5100 (max)
Spl Sunday \$300
Ext. hours \$2,000
Caterer’s \$800
Bottling \$1,000
Brewer \$500
Microbrew \$500
Malt Dist. \$200
Non-quota malt \$200
Non-quota 4 \$200
Lmt Rest. \$1,050
Lmt. Golf \$1,050
Historic \$1,030
Public. \$250

Hours:

M-Sat 6 a.m. - midnight
Sund. 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.
New Years until 2 a.m.
NQ 2 1 p.m.-midnight

Gambling: Prohibited

Store security:

Required

Nudity: Prohibited

Patio sales: Permitted

Editor’s note:

A Rectifier is a person or group who purchases alcohol already brewed but then adds their own flavor or ingredient to that pre-bottled alcohol to sell it under their own brand (such as apple flavored alcohol)

There are many other provisions, restrictions and details in the ordinance that cannot be listed here and to some, those details may be an important issue. We recommend you request a copy of the Brodhead ABC Ordinance to read the many, complicated issues involved.

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SPORTS

Lady Rockets beat Somerset 49-42

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets racked up their second win of the regular season by defeating the Somerset Lady Briarjumpers 49-42 in a district game at Somerset last Friday night.

The Lady Rockets trailed 8-5 at the first quarter stop and 20-13 at the half but came on strong in the third quarter to go ahead 29-28. They tied the score at 33 all at the five minute mark in the fourth quarter on two free throws by junior Kenzi Himes and five for six free throws, by eighth grader Keelee King, sealed the win for the Lady Rockets.

Casey Coleman took scoring honors for her team with 11 points; Himes got 10; King 7; Shelby Newland and Bailee Allen 5 points each; Emma Bullens scored 4 points; Hallie Brown 3 and Kassie Lay 2.

The Lady Rockets and Rockets will travel to Casey County this Friday night for a district game; will host West Jessamine next Monday night and will participate in the Buford Chevrolet Madison Central Invitational Dec. 20-21 and in the Gateway Classic at Montgomery County Dec. 27-30.



Eighth grader Keelee King looks for help during the Lady Rockets' 49-42 win over district foe Somerset last Friday. King was instrumental at the free throw line down the stretch for the Lady Rockets.



Eighth grader Hallie Brown plays some tight defense during the Lady Rockets' 49-42 win over Somerset last Friday.



Jacob Loudermilk makes a steal and runs a fast break for the Rockets in their loss to Somerset.



Sophomore Casey Coleman works out of a double team during the Lady Rockets' win over Somerset last Friday. Coleman led the team with 11 points.



Sophomore Lindsey Jones cuts off a driving Briarjumper in the Lady Rockets' win last Friday night. The girls travel to Casey County this Friday night for a doubleheader with the Rockets.

Rocket JV get OT win over Anderson County

The Rockets Jayvee team set the precedent for their's and the varsity's games Tuesday night. The Jayvees won their game in overtime Tuesday night 57-51 and the varsity had to do the same in their game.

The Rockets were down at all the quarter stops, 15-12, 31-25 and 40-31. But, in the fourth quarter, the Rockets went with Daniel Mullins and Reese Coguer hitting back-to-back threes and Mullins then nailing another three pointer to put this team up 47-45 with 35 seconds to go in regulation.

However, the Bearcats managed a last second two point basket which put the game into overtime.

Mullins got the first basket of overtime, a three point shot, which was

quickly followed by a three point shot by the Bearcats.

A two-point basket by Coguer and two free throws by Mullins put the Rockets up 55-50 before a free throw by Anderson Co. made it 55-51 and two made free throws by Matthew Chasteen made it 57-51 and the JV had their first win of the season.

Mullins led the scoring with 16 points; Coguer got 12; Chasteen 10; Drew Hopkins got 6, Reece McGuire scored 5 and Bentley Taylor and Rylee Deleon each scored four points.

The freshmen and jayvee teams will travel to Knox Central Thursday night and to South Laurel Monday, December 17th.



Bentley Taylor attempts to cut off a driving lane during the Rockets' 69-45 loss to Somerset last Friday night.

Rockets lose to Somerset; beat Anderson in OT

The Rockcastle Rockets lost their first three games of the season, including a district game, 69-45, against the Briarjumpers last Friday night at Somerset. However, they bounced back Tuesday night to take their first win of the season, 57-51 over the Anderson County Bearcats in overtime.

At Somerset, the Rockets had one lead in the game, 2-0 on a basket by Trevor Todd to open the scoring.

After that it was all Briarjumpers, all the time. The Rockets were down 10 at the end of the first period, 24-14; 38-27 at the half and 54-37 at the third quarter stop.

The teams tied on three point baskets, each had five; Somerset hit well at the free throw line, making 16 of 17 to the Rockets 4 of 8 and the Rockets had 15 turnovers to Somerset's seven.

Logan Noel was the only Rocket in double figures with 11 points; Cade Burdette got nine points all on three point goals; Isaac Stratton had six points; Bentley Taylor and Jacob Loudermilk scored five points each; Trevor Todd got four points; Josiah West scored one three point basket and Jordan

Nicely scored two points.

Tuesday night, it looked like, for most of the game, that the Rockets would go down to defeat once again as the Rockets trailed the Anderson County Bearcats 28-19 at the half.

However, late in the third quarter, with the Rockets trailing 36-28, the team went on a 10-0 run to go up 38-36. They added to their lead on a three point play by Josiah West to make it 41-36. But, Somerset fought back and tied the game at 41 all with 3:45 left in the game. The teams then exchanged three point baskets, and at the end of regulation the score was knotted at 44 all.

West, who scored all seven of the Rockets points in overtime, drew first blood, hitting a three point basket to make it 47-44. Somerset got a pair of free throws and then West hit both free throws on a one and one but Somerset came right back with a three to knot the score again at 49 all. With only 9 seconds on the clock, West stripped the Briarjumpers' guard of the ball at mid-court and took it in for the layup and it was a first win of the sea-

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Logan Noel and Matthew Chasteen double team a Somerset Briarjumper during the Rockets' loss last Friday night.



Senior Jordan Nicely applies some tight defense during the Rockets' 69-45 loss to Somerset last Friday night.



Juniors Kenzi Himes and Bailee Allen double team a Somerset Briarjumper during the Lady Rockets' win Friday night.



Sophomore Madison McIntosh makes a pass during the Lady Rockets' win over Somerset.

“Rockets”

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son for the Rockets 51-49 over the Bearcats.

The Rockets will now travel to Casey County Friday night for a double-header district game with

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Landscaping With Hollies

Hollies are evergreen shrubs and trees that are quite often used in landscaping. The American holly and the inkberry holly are native. In the South the yaupon holly is a lovely native. Most others, including the popular ones at the garden center, are hybrids from Europe, China or Japan.

Also, there is the winterberry holly, which loses its non-spiny leaves and shows off limbs and berries in the winter (until the birds come along and feast on them). These are deciduous hollies, and most of them are also American natives.

Hollies, (Ilex), are dioecious. This means some plants are male and some are female. Take note and remember that when buying holly shrubs or trees. You might think you only want to buy plants that are going to have the pretty berries—but buying and planting all girls won't get you any berries unless there is a boy nearby. Both will have to also bloom at the same time. This is often the reason folks complain that their holly usually just has a few berries. So, don't “hope” there is a male around: plant one!

Bees, including honeybees, seem to love working holly blooms, so they will do their part to cross-pollinate the flowers if you've seen to it that there are males and females planted within the same property. They also need to bloom at the same time; so, if in doubt, plant an early blooming male and also a later blooming male. They don't have to be same species of holly if bloom time is the same.

It varies, but hollies are fairly tolerant of various soils, and many are tolerant of 20 degrees below zero or so. If you dig a planting hole and it begins to fill up with water, your new holly may have an unhappy ending, an untimely death. The possum haw deciduous holly and the yaupon for zones 7 and southward can tolerate a bit more wet feet.

Hollies generally prefer an acidic soil. They aren't as demanding about this as azaleas, rhododendrons, sourwood trees, mountain laurel or blueberries, though. Beware that mortar and concrete near foundation of a house may have raised the pH; a soil test might be wise for foundation plantings. Or, add sulphur around the new holly plants. It's in most fertilizers for blueberries, azaleas, and hollies. The yellowish sulphur granules or powder can also be added straight, in moderation.

If you lime your yard, don't lime the hollies. (Nor blueberries, azaleas, mountain laurels, rhododendron or crape myrtles.)

Small, compact hollies are often employed as foundation plants, or along sidewalks. Slow growth in these situations can be a plus, as you won't need to shear them regularly as you would boxwoods. A little tip pruning can be done any-

time, but cutting back larger hollies is best done in late winter or spring. An older house with a couple large holly trees is a pretty awesome sight, all the more so in winter. A newly planted holly tree won't turn a bare yard into a shady yard in five or ten years like a maple or callery pear will, but thirty years from now somebody will admire an American holly tree if you plant it today. (I realize in our age of “instant gratification” some will pass on a holly and go with a white pine or Norway spruce for quick growth instead.)

Those conscious about their environment may want to skip a few Bradford pears and plant a venerable old American holly instead.

In summary, hollies are verdant greenery in the landscape (or the forest). With all the newer hybrids, there is a holly that will work for just about everyone. Some without spines on the leaves, too. Next time you are renovating your yard, or landscaping a new home, consider planting some hollies.

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In addition to archery

New harvest record set for modern gun season

A record 106,797 deer were taken over Kentucky's 16-day modern gun season that concluded Nov. 25, topping the previous record from 2015 by almost 1,400 deer.

“We anticipated an increase in harvest for the season due to several changes in deer regulations implemented earlier this year,” said Gabe Jenkins, Deer and Elk Program coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission proposed the regulation changes after several meetings with deer hunters, officials and other stakeholders from across the state. The changes included expanding the modern gun deer season to 16 days statewide, which added six additional hunting days in some areas. Other changes adjusted statewide and youth deer permits to allow for the harvest of up to four deer and reclassified 32 counties to a less restrictive zone.

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season, crossbow deer season is open now through Dec. 31. The late muzzleloader season runs Dec. 8-16, and the free youth weekend is Dec. 29-30.

As a reminder, hunters may take as many deer as allowed for each zone but must purchase an additional deer permit to take more than four deer statewide. The statewide limit for antlered deer remains one per hunter regardless of zone method or season.

“Hunters who haven't filled their freezers and aren't ready to put everything up until next fall might want to consider donating a legally harvested deer through Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry,” said Roger LaPointe, executive director of the non-profit organization. “It's a way hunters can help curb hunger and malnutrition in our state.”

Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry works with processors to donate venison to people in need at cost to hunters.

Visit kyhuntersforthehungry.info for instructions on how to donate a deer and for a list of participating processors.

Hunters donated almost 1,000 deer in 2017, translating to almost 40,000 pounds of ground venison and up to 300,000 meals provided in soups, stews and sauces for Kentucky families. Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry hopes to double the number of deer donated to the program.

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A One Day Religion

Many it seems today have gotten to the point in their Christian walk, is that their religion is a one day religion, because many go to church on Sunday and act like the world through the week. God was very displeased with his people of old in Nehemiah 13:24. That same thing that happened to the people of God of old could happen to us today if we do not watch our speech and control our tongue. James 3:9—James says we should not be praying to God and then be cursing our brother or sister in Christ or any other person on this earth, because man is made in the image of God. James says these things can not continue to happen if we expect on getting to Heaven.

The Apostle Paul said Colossians 4:6—Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt. Is this the way that our speech is, do people know that we are Christians by our language, or do they think that we are just one of the good ole boys, who are just all about having a good time, a dirty joke, a dirty picture, a curse word every once in a while? We have to do better if we are children of God, the good ole boy act will not get us to Heaven.

1 Peter 2:1—Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speaking, as newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow there by. These things will slow or grow if not completely stopped, we have to off the old man, to ever grow the way we should. We cannot influence others to serve the Lord if these traits reign in our mortal bodies. We as Christians have to be consistent, we can't be hot and cold, you are either all warm and fuzzy or you're cold and untouchable.


Some folks go to church on Sunday
And stand up there and shout
Then they go to work on Monday and leave out
They think they have done their duty
And to the Lord been true
But they will find out on the day of judgement
That A one day religion just won't

Luke 6:45 tells us that out of heart bringeth forth good it can also bringeth forth evil. We have to make our life pure, and keep it pure if we want to get to Heaven.

Paul in closing his letter to the church Philippians 4:8—Finally my brother, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. We need to desire those things that are holy, pure, and everlasting, if we expect to make it to heaven

Thanks, as always, for reading this article. I hope you and you have your mustard all that one in Christ Jesus.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-12-02

CITY OF BRODHEAD

A resolution approving an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement creating The Bluegrass and Central Kentucky Unified Police Protection System (BACKUPPS) and authorizing the mayor to sign all relevant documents.

WHEREAS, the City of Brodhead has considered an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement creating the Bluegrass and Central Kentucky Unified Police Protection System (BACKUPPS);

WHEREAS, KRS 55,240 requires the authorization of an Interlocal Agreement to be memorialized by ordinance or resolution;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City of Brodhead;

Section 1. That the Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement creating the Bluegrass and Central Kentucky Unified Police Protection System (BACKUPPS) is hereby approved in substantially the same form as the attached agreement;

Section 2. That the City of Brodhead specifically agrees to abide by the Model Standard Operating procedures adopted by the BACKUPPS Board unless the board authorizes the city to utilize different SOPs.

Section 3. That the mayor is authorized to execute the Interlocal Agreement, acknowledgment of Model SOPs and any relevant documents on behalf of the city.

Dated this 10th day of December, 2018

/s/ Walter Lee Cash, Brodhead Mayor

**Attest: /s/ Rebecca Bussell
Brodhead City Clerk**

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Plant not planning to hire workers yet After first of the year

By: Mike French Editor

Several local officials report that one of the top questions asked of them by local residents in recent months concerns how to apply for a job at the new Microfoodery Plant, under construction on Richmond Street in Mount Vernon.

The new plant began construction earlier in the year and announced a very aggressive construction schedule in hopes of being open for business by the end of the year.

However, weather and other factors have slightly delayed that opening. But not more than expected, according to local officials since weather delays and other factors were expected to put the project even further behind than it actually is, said Jeffrey VanHook, Executive Director of the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA).

Still, the plant is not expected to open until after the first of the year and hiring is expected to begin once cer-

tifications are acquired for the food service business.

Though RCIDA Chairman Corey Craig says some plant managers are already hired, the hiring of laborers will not start until a later date.

"They don't want to create expectations and not have the plant ready to go," said Craig. "There is no set time to apply for a job yet, but once that time comes it will be well advertised and people will know about it."

According to officials, the plant construction is moving ahead every day and once they are ready to begin hiring, there will be many positions available.

Originally, plant owner Karl Crase said he expects to hire around 100 employees by the end of the first year of business and to increase that to 200 by the end of the second year.

No change in those plans has been announced.

Job seekers are asked to keep an eye out for advertisements announcing the opening date applications will be taken.

New deer hunting regulations proposed for 2019 season

New public land deer hunting regulations highlighted the quarterly meeting of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission Friday, Dec. 7.

The commission recommends all hunting, fishing and boating regulations to the Kentucky General Assembly for approval. The Legislature must approve regulation recommendations before they become law.

The commission proposed changes for deer quota hunts on several wildlife management areas (WMAs) and state parks. These changes would become effective for the 2019-2020 deer seasons:

- Close all deer hunting on the Crenshaw and Duncan II tracts of Sloughs WMA on Nov. 1. This is designed to avoid usage conflicts with waterfowl hunters.
- Previous regulation changes allowed waterfowl hunters to hunt anywhere within a designated area, instead of being restricted to permanent blinds.
- Hunters participating in quota hunts on Taylorsville Lake WMA would earn one preference point for each female deer harvested. This would help reduce deer densities in the area.
- Implement two deer quota hunts on Higginson-Henry WMA: a quota archery/crossbow quota hunt starting the Monday after the third Saturday in October through Nov. 30 and a two-day modern gun quota on the first weekend in November. This would match seasons with nearby Big Rivers WMA.
- Shorten the archery/crossbow quota hunt on

Big Rivers WMA by one week to run concurrently with nearby Higginson-Henry WMA.

- People drawn for the archery/crossbow quota hunts on Higginson-Henry or the Big Rivers WMAs would be required to display a department-issued tag to hang from the rear view mirror of their vehicle to help conservation officers confirm legal hunters.
- Create archery/crossbow quota deer hunts on Dale Hollow Lake State Park and Kenlake State Resort Park to increase hunter opportunities and reduce deer densities.
- Modify the dates and weapon restrictions on Kincaid State Park quota hunts.
- Create a special deer hunt on Lake Barkley State Resort.
- Clarify regulations to denote that hunters in Zone 4 may not use archery or crossbow equipment to take does (antlerless deer) during the early muzzleloader, modern gun or the first six days of December muzzleloader seasons.

The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission also welcomed its newest member, Brian Fisher of Bowling Green. Fisher, who was sworn in Friday, represents the Second Wildlife District in western Kentucky.

The next quarterly meeting of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission is scheduled to occur in March 2019. Meetings are held at Kentucky Fish and Wildlife campus, located at 1 Sportsman's Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort. Meeting dates and agendas are announced online at fw.ky.gov.

Getting close



The Microfoodery plant on Richmond Street is nearing completion and officials say the hiring of about 100 new employees will begin after the first of the year. Job seekers are asked to watch for advertisements telling when the company plans to announce they will begin hiring.

By: Mike French Editor

Editor's note: This is the eighth in a series of articles about local residents who play or sing music of some kind. Local bands and performers have traveled the world making music and we hope to give our readers insight into their lifestyle.

Sometimes it can be difficult to find a singer or a musician willing to play and sing at a church or special event without notice or time to prepare. But if 15-year-old Delani Reynolds is around, it is not a problem. She is already prepared and doesn't need notice.

"All someone has to do is ask if there is anyone around who wants to sing and Delani's hand goes straight up," said Delani's grandmother Darlena Allen. "She can't wait to play and sing and will be first in line."

Most of her excitement to sing stems from the one person that motivated Delani most, the late Laura Durham, according to Allen.

Delani, the daughter of Sabrina Alcorn and Stephen Reynolds, was born with the urge to play and sing and she takes every opportunity to do so, Allen said.

Delani has lived with her grandmother since she was six months old and grandmother has been completely supportive of the little girl's desire to perform.

It is clear in Allen's voice as she joyfully talks about her granddaughter, that she is filled with pride over Delani's desire to sing.

"Oh, she performs all the time and she loves every minute of it. She is so talented," said Allen.

Delani first started performing in public when she was only four-years-old at First Baptist Church in Mount Vernon and she hasn't stopped singing since.

Delani is always find-



Delani Reynolds

Delani Reynolds

Jumping to perform

ing ways to involve herself in music or performing. She was in the Rockcastle County Middle School band playing drums and bells and spent four years performing regularly at the Brodhead Rehabilitation Center. She also performed almost every year in the local 4-H variety shows and one year won the top prize. She has also performed at the Kentucky State Fair in Louisville.

Allen seems excited to talk about Delani's countless accomplishments in the performing arts but says she has her favorite moments also.

"One time at the Renfro Valley Barn Dance, Jeff Watson asked the crowd if anyone wanted to come up and sing. Of course, Delani's hand went straight up and she got on stage with Renfro Valley and sang 'Wagon Wheel' with Jeff," Allen said.

Delani is currently part of the RCHS Honors Choir and performs at several local events, including the Veterans' Day Program at the local middle school.

Delani is now starting to become involved more in drama and acting and has already been in seven productions in the Spotlight Playhouse in Berea and also has a lead role in the *High School Musical*.

"She has moved up really fast," said Allen. "She is never nervous and doesn't hesitate to sing and play and dance."

Allen says she sees the difference in Delani's desire to perform. "She definitely has the bug. I also have a ten-year-old

grandchild that won't even stand on a stage just get on there. But Delani runs up to it every chance she gets."

Delani still plays piano and sings in her own church but she also travels to other local churches or events and gives her gift of music to those who listen.

Allen offers a lot of the credit for Delani's desire and ability to Dr. Callie Shaffer and Alan Pensol who both supported and promoted Delani's talent

at a young age and helped strengthen her interest in developing that talent.

Delani would love to play at your local church as well and her grandmother invites you to call her and set up a date. Allen

says Delani doesn't charge to sing and play at local churches and she would "jump at the chance" to play nearly anywhere locally.

Feel free to call Darlena Allen at (606) 308-2381 to set up a time for Delani to perform at your event.



KY-TN Kiwanis Division 6 Lt. Governor Heather Barrineau visited the Rockcastle club on Thursday, December 6. Besides serving as our Lt. Governor, Heather is an active member of the Corbin club. She shared her mission and vision for our club's division, as we all work to improve the lives of children in our communities. We also discussed upcoming community service projects, fundraising ideas and community outreach programs.



Kiwanis Club of Rockcastle is honored to have recently gained two new members, Doris Cromer and Jane Venters. Doris is Rockcastle County's Court Designated Worker for youth. Jane Venters is the Family Court Judge Elect for Rockcastle, Lincoln and Pulaski counties. The Kiwanis are pleased to have them join the team to work together for the benefit of Rockcastle County's children. Pictured from left are: KY-TN Kiwanis Division 6 Lt. Governor Heather Barrineau, Doris Cromer, Jamie Saylor, Gertha Mink, Jane Venters, Vicki Cox and Rose Brown.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Circuit Civil Suits

State Farm Mutual Automobile Ins Co v, Wilhelm Guenter, et al, complaint
Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Brandie N. Bishop, complaint for child support and medical support. CI-290

District Civil Suits

Carl Price v. Amanda Blume, et al, eviction notice.
Cavalry SPV 1 v. Britany Long, \$795 plus claimed due.
Midland Funding v. Karen Brummett, \$1,0976 plus claimed due.
World Finance Corp. v. Randell Baggett, \$3,347 plus claimed due. C-00240

Deeds Recorded

Margaret Robbins, Tommy Carpenter lots property, to James Leonard Robbins Tax \$148.50
Helen Durham, property on U.S 25, to Janis Lynn Durham. No tax
Larry and Sandra Allen, property on Ottawa Road, to Bob

Lunsford. Tax \$26.50
Donna J. Richards, Justin and Rebecca Steele Richards and Stacy and William Thompson, property in Rockcastle county, to Justin Richards. No tax
Melvin D. Powell and Melinda A. Powell, property in Cedar Heights Subdv., to Melvin D. Powell. No tax
Melvin D. Powell and Melinda A. Powell, property on Poplar Street, to Melvin D. Powell. No tax
Faye Reeves, property in Bowlin Subdivision, to Donnie L. and Ethle S Eversole. Tax \$140
Jeffrey C, and Dawn Carpenter and Gina M. and Douglas Spurlock, Everett Thomas lots, to Marcus and Melissa R. Sigmon Tax \$15
Jeff and Lisa Smithern, property on KY 461, to Jeff Smithern. No tax

bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/6 days in jail or payment in full.
Billy R. Biggs: fines/fees due (\$298), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.
Timothy J. Bussell: fines/fees due (\$343), bw issued for fta/7 days in jail or payment in full.
Ima Jane Cotton: fines/fees due (\$773), bw issued for fta/16 days in jail or payment in full.
Nicole A. Cromer: fines/fees due (\$773), bw issued for fta/16 days in jail or payment in full.
Roger D. Crucher: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, failure to produce insurance card, menacing, terroristic threatening, bw issued for fta.

Marriage Licenses
Abigail Marie Eaton, 21, Mt. Vernon, student and Dustin Ross Reynolds, 26, Mt. Vernon, teacher. 12/3/18

District Court
12/05/18
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
Francis A. Bailey: fines/fees due (\$298),

converted to 13 hours community service work.
Robert L. Moore: fines/fees due (\$893), bw issued for fta/18 days in jail or payment in full.
Jeffery L. Mullins: fines/fees due (\$268), bw issued for fta/6 six days in jail or payment in full.
Russell M. Paquette: fines/fees due (\$171), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
David Reed: fines/fees due (\$193), held in contempt. Four days in jail or payment in full.
Connor A. Rickett: fines/fees due (\$748), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.
Brandon Robinson: fines/fees due (\$188), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
Kathrin D. Sandlin: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
Eric D. Shafer: theft by deception, bw issued for fta.
Gary M. Vanwinkle: fines/fees due. Held in contempt. Four days in jail or payment in full.
Robert Worley II: fines/fees due (\$163), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
Halona L. Wynn: fines/fees due (\$383), bw issued for fta/eight days in jail or payment in full.
Robert Shane Adams: obstructed vision and/or windshield, no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to wear seat belts, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta.
Ricky Leslie Agee: flagrant non-support, bw issued for fta.
Brian E. Davis: theft of motor vehicle registration plate/renewal decal, bw issued for fta.
Teddi Day: theft by unlawful taking, sentencing order entered.
Mary Hellard: flagrant non-support, order entered.

Lucas King: fines/fees due (\$798), bw issued for fta/16 days in jail or payment in full.
Shelley E. Looney: fines/fees due (\$223), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.
Speeding: Ethan Zachary May, \$24 fine plus costs (fine suspended on completion of state traffic school), Ronald S. Morris, license suspended for fta; Daniel J. Peyton, Hannah Elizabeth McFadden, orders entered;
Justin Wayne McCracken: fines/fees due (\$283), bench issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.
Donald V. Means: fines/fees due (\$768), bw issued for fta/16 days in jail or payment in full.
Amber L. Miller: fines/fees due (\$158),

Benjie Johnson: theft of services, order entered.
Amy Leigh Noe: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta.
Jameson Lee Pingleton: public intoxication, five days in jail/to serve/costs waived.
Aaron Matthew Smith: cultivating marijuana, \$500 fine plus costs.
Nicholas J. Denny: promoting contraband, 30 days/to serve consecutive/costs waived.
Ronnie W. Lewis: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, 5 days in jail/to serve/costs waived.
Jim L. Phelps: promoting contraband, 30 days in jail/to serve concurrent/costs waived.
Rachel M. Riley: theft by unlawful taking and criminal mischief, sentencing orders entered.
James Christopher Robbins: promoting contraband, 30 days in jail/to serve concurrent/costs waived

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City of Mt. Vernon Police Chief Brian Carter and Project Administrator/Mayors Assistant Crystal Rush completed training with the Department of Homeland Security and are officially Intelligence Liaison Officers.

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Resolution for application for, and administration of, Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Project(s)
RESOLUTION 2018-12-01
CITY OF BRODHEAD
A RESOLUTION of the City of Brodhead, Kentucky authorized the Mayor/Judge Executive to make application for and, upon arrival, to enter into an agreement with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security (KOHS), to execute any documents which are deemed necessary by KOHS to facilitate and administer the project and to act as the authorized correspondent for this project.
WHEREAS, the City of Brodhead, Kentucky, Rockcastle County, Kentucky, desires to make an application for Law Enforcement Protection Program funds for a project to be administered by Kentucky Office of Homeland Security.
WHEREAS, it is recognized that an application for, and approval of, Kentucky Office of Homeland Security funds, impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon the city/county.
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved this 10th day of December, 2018 by the City of Brodhead, Kentucky, Rockcastle County, Kentucky,
The Mayor/Judge-Executive is hereby authorized to execute and furnish all required documentation, including a memorandum of agreement, as required by KOHS for the furtherance of the above-referenced project and to act as the authorized correspondent for said project.
Done this 10th day of December, 2018 on a motion made by John Burton and seconded by Dallas Todd.
Members present voting in favor:
Members present voting against:
By: /s/ Walter Lee Cash, Mayor
Attest: /s/ Rebecca Bussell, Clerk

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Tiger Pause

Mr. Devin's third grade class recently explored Native Americans. During the study, the class focused on the way the natives used their natural resources to build homes in each particular U.S. region.

Students were able to show their knowledge of the various styles of Native American dwelling across the regions with a model representation.

The class worked very hard to collect their own natural resources to mimic those of the Native Americans.

Congratulations to BES Academic Team on a great display of academic excellence. On Monday, December 10th, Brodhead Elementary Academic Team participated in their second meet of the Elementary League this season.

With teams from Roundstone, Mount Vernon, and Crab Orchard participating, Brodhead won 5 of their 6 matches. We are so proud of our team at Brodhead and look forward to a great rest of the season.

Brodhead Elementary School would like to take this time to invite our students, families, and community members to our Winter Carnival. BES will be hosting a Winter Carnival on Monday, December 17th, from 5:00 until 7:00. The event will feature indoor activities, student lead games, and student generated businesses for everyone to visit. Admission is free to the carnival with varying cost for products, games, and a spaghetti dinner. The theme is "Deck the Halls with Meatballs" and a spaghetti dinner will be served. Adults are \$5 and children 12 and under are \$3.



Mr. Devin's third grade class at BES recently explored Native Americans. In the picture you see the Tepee, which was home to the Plains natives; the Round House, home to the Northeast U.S. natives; the Adobe Home, dwellings for the Southeast U.S. natives; and lastly the Long House, home to the Eastern U.S. natives. Students pictured are: Kaleb Rigby, Lilly Cameron, Timothy Isaacs, Amberly McClure, Abigail Todd, Antonio Rose, Jessalyn Pennington, Jamie Carpenter, Landon Bradley, Robert Carosello, Zander Bullock, Leah Kirby, Hailey Thomas, and Chloe Burke. Not pictured: Catelyn Snyder.

Minds in the Middle

There will be hot chocolate and cookies available at break for \$2 on Friday and Tuesday. Thank you to all of the 8th graders who donated items for that fundraiser.

On Wednesday, December 19th, we will be having an Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest. Wednesday is also our annual Christmas dinner for the students at RCMS.

Congratulations to Mrs. Tolle's 6th grade Enterprisers homeroom on having 5 days of perfect attendance. The group won pizza for their effort. They were also the winners in the weekly homeroom attendance battle. Mrs. Franklin's 7th grade Shooting Stars came in 2nd place and Mrs. Phillips' 7th grade Adventurers came in 3rd place.

The Art Club has been making some impressive ornaments. Those are available for purchase and are on the Christmas tree in the office.

Thank you to our kind kids of the week: Austin Sweat, Ethan Cromer, Brooke Abney, Brooklyn Carter, Natalie Alexander, Brandon Damrell, Callie Creech, Haven Rowland, Bailey Bullock, Chase Gilliam and William Goins.

The PTG has Rocket Loud and Proud t-shirts on sale for only \$6 each. Those can be purchased in the main office and would make great stocking stuffers for Christmas!

Our annual food drive will continue through December 17th. Each team is assigned specific items to bring. Teachers have the details. The Bravo students are having a building competition with the canned food. Be sure that your donations do not have expired dates.

December 19th is the last day of school before winter break. Students will return on January 3rd. Have a great holiday season.

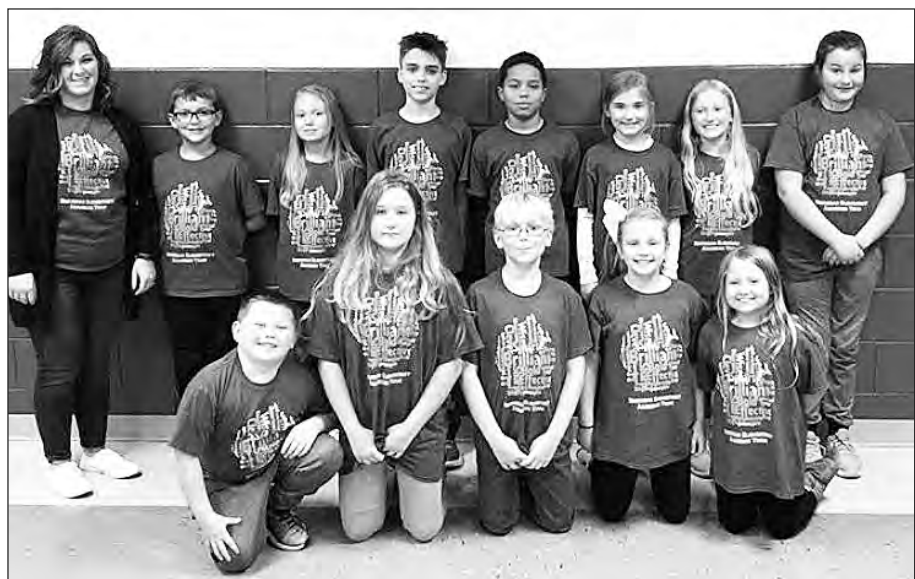
Archery News

Rockcastle Archery had another great showing at the B. Michael Caudill Reindeer Shoot on Saturday, Dec. 8.

T.J. Ramsey led the scores with 280 out of a possible 300. Kyle Coffey shot a 275. Gentry Phillips had a great showing with 274 and an amazing 12 tens. Shooting her personal best was Brooke Renner, top female shooter for the team, with a 270. C.J. Cameron shot a 261. Emily Maupin had a 259. Lara Renner shot a 251. Trace Boone did a good job with a 243. While, Liz Renner shot a 238 and Alyssa Martin rounded out the team with a 235.

The archers will compete again on Saturday in Somerset.

On Monday, December 10th, Brodhead Elementary Academic Team participated in their second meet of the Elementary League this season. They won 5 of their 6 matches. Pictured front from left are: Landon Bradley, Gracie Burdette, Michael Hargis, Senthia Sagraves and Jamie Carpenter. Back row from left: Coach Breanna Adams, Zakkary Lawrence, Kaylee Neal, Isaiah Phelps, Taeshawn Baker, Kathryn Coffey, Sydney Graves and Grace Laswell. Not Pictured: James Coldiron.



Carpenter inducted into Honor Society

Jessica Carpenter of Brodhead, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Carpenter was initiated at Eastern Kentucky University.

Carpenter is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only

the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do fac-

ulty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction. Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of undergraduate student Marcus L. Urann.

Money Tips for Students

How to get in trouble with credit card debt

Students can get into trouble with credit card debt if they don't take time to think about what they're doing, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

One quick way to get into trouble is to carry a high balance and pay only the minimum payment each month.

If you have a \$1,500 balance, your minimum payment might be \$30 a month, since many credit card companies set the minimum payment at 2 percent of the balance. Let's say your card carries a 22 percent interest rate. If you only pay \$30 a month and don't charge anything else until you pay off the entire balance, it will take you more than 11 years to pay your balance down to

zero — and you'll pay \$2,600 in interest.

It's worse, of course, if you pay the \$30 and turn around and charge another \$30.

That circle is especially bad for students. Many college officials say more students drop out because they have to go to work to pay off their credit cards than because they flunk out.

Before using your credit card, ask yourself if you really need what you're buying and if you can afford it. And if you can't pay off the entire balance, pay as much as you can, not just the minimum.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). The agency also provides financial literacy videos at <http://itsmoney.kheaa.com> and free copies of "It's Money, Baby," a guide to financial literacy, to Kentucky schools and residents upon request at publications@kheaa.com. KHEAA also disburses Advantage Education Loans, the state's only non-profit private education loan. For more information, visit the website at www.advantageeducationloan.com.

Mt. Vernon Message

School News
Academic Team meets each Monday after school.

Class News
Kristi Isaac's first grade class enjoyed roleplaying with their hand puppet actors in Mrs. Connelly's drama class.

Santa came to visit Mrs. Kami and Ms. Lisa's Kindergarten classroom this week.

Christmas Break begins December 20. Students return to school on Thursday, January 3. Enjoy your time off with family and friends!

FRC News
MVES FRC Christmas present pick up will be Thursday, December 20 from 9:00 until 3:00.

Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 18-CI-00125

PBK Bank **Plaintiff**

v.

Stoney B. McGuire and Tina McGuire, husband and wife; Rockcastle County, Mark Laswell and Betty Laswell, husband and wife, Jackson Energy Cooperative Corporation **Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on September 17, 2018 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SIXTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY NINE DOLLARS AND 32/100 (\$60,599.32) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, December 14, 2018
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA Map #086-00-033.01
268 (formerly 280) Letter Rock Road, Livingston, KY

Being the same property conveyed to Stoney McGuire by deed dated November 6, 2007, executed by Clifton Bond, single, and recorded in Deed Book 219, Page 137 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) 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. The purchaser shall pay the 2018 local, county and state property taxes.
4. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
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 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. 500 Tyree Street, Brodhead. Central heat and air, carport and outbuilding, hardwood floors. No pets. Proof of income and background check. 3 people maximum. \$500 per month/\$500 deposit. Available January 1st. 606-510-3759 or 606-510-3759. 47xntf

Redwood House w/2 bedrooms, one bath on acre lot. Stove/refrigerator furnished. Electric heat. Located off Hwy, 150 between Mt. Vernon and Brodhead. One year lease required, no pets. \$450 deposit/\$450 month rent. Credit check and references. Shown by appointment only. No calls after 7 p.m. 606-256-8156. 43xntf

House and Trailer in Brodhead. No pets. 758-4729. 33xntf

Chism Drive Thru Storage. 9 1/2 x 14 indoor units. \$50. 24 hr. access and security cameras. 859-559-9903. 3xntf

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Mt. Vernon Housing Authority open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Applications accepted Monday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf

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Posted

Posted: Absolutely no trespassing for any reason on property belonging to Ernest Alcorn, located off Hwy. 461 bypass at 257 Reverend Green Loop and 23 Jarber Road, formerly Old Rocky Road, without written permission. Violators will be prosecuted. 48x3p

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

Posted: Absolutely no trespassing on property belonging to Glenn and Judy Hopkins Marsh. This prop-

erty was formerly known as the Berl and Ruth Hopkins farm. It borders the Somerset Road 461 and the Hamm Subdivision. All violators will be prosecuted. 31x24

Posted: No trespassing on property located at KY Hwy. 3245, Brodhead and belonging to Gary and Peggy Roberts. Violators will be prosecuted. 23x29

Posted: No hunting, trespassing, or thieving, w/o permission, on land belonging to Kenneth Parsons and located at 1915 Poplar Grove Road. Violators will be prosecuted. 16x51

Posted: No trespassing of any kind on land belonging to Eugenia Cykowski Heir(s) at 402 Albright St., Brodhead, Ky. 17xntf

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. 9x52

Posted: Property belonging to Don and Kitty Reese on Smallwood Road at Roundstone. All trespassers will be prosecuted. 49xntf

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Glen Roberts at 560 Dix River Branch Road, Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 35xntf

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

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

Posted: No trespassing, hunting or fishing on land belonging to Rachel Denney on Hwy. 3245 (former Reggie Bengé property).

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appropriate licenses. Quotes must be received before 10 a.m., Thursday, December 20, 2018. Quotes may be mailed to: City of Brodhead, PO Box 556, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 or hand delivered to Brodhead City Hall, 7 West Main St., Brodhead. For more information, please call 606-758-8635. The city reserves the right to accept or reject any or all quotes. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer. 48x1

The City of Brodhead's Water and Sewer Dept. is interested in purchasing the following and will be accepting quotes/bids for a 4-wheel drive used truck. Needs to be crew cab (four door), 2500+ with utility bed. Please contact the office for a detailed listed of vehicle specifications. Please list make, model, etc. For more information, call 606-758-8635 or fax 606-758-8635. Please fax or hand deliver details to: Brodhead City Hall, 7 West Main St., Brodhead. The city reserves the right to refuse any or all quotes/bids. 48x1

Notice is hereby given that Joan Bussell, 58 Willow Avenue, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Willis Joe Bussell on the 26th day of November, 2018. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Joan Bussell or to the Honorable John D. Ford, Coffey &

Ford P.S.C., P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 27, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. 47x3

Notice is hereby given that Delores Jean Elliott, 162 Pioneer Drive, Richmond, Ky. 40475 and Janice Pingleton, 4817 W. LeGrande Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46241 have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Goldie Adams Tudor. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Delores Jean Elliott and Janice Pingleton or to Hon. Steven Connelly, P.O. Box 1077, Berea, Ky. 40403 on or before May 27, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. 47x3

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Grants in place for new water treatment basin

By: Mike French Editor

The on-going battle to help the odor and the taste of the water in Mount Vernon has lasted for several years. This past summer, officials, working with state environmentalists and water treatment professionals from across the country, found what they believe to be the solution to the issue.

However, that solution is going to cost about \$1 million, according to City Administrator Josh Bray and Water and Sewer Department Supervisor Frank Baker.

So, the city immediately started looking for grants to help with the project. Within two weeks, the first grant of \$750,000 was approved by the United State Army Corp of Engineers Pride 431 and, this week, the remaining \$250,000 was approved by the Kentucky Department of

Local Government Flood Control Program (DGL).

"I commend Mount Vernon officials for their ongoing efforts to make drinking water cleaner for its residents and businesses," said Sandra K. Dunahoo, DGL Commissioner.

The grant provides the needed funds to install a Power-Activated Carbon reactor basin. "It is expected that this, combined with the remaining process involved in water treatment, will produce drinking water free of taste and odor," said DGL officials.

Kentucky State Senator Jared Carpenter has helped city officials with the issue over the past few years. "I am pleased that the city is addressing what is both a water quality and environmental issue," said Carpenter. "I look forward to seeing how these changes affect

(See "Water" on A5)

Brodhead passes ABC ordinance

By: Mike French Editor

Members of the Brodhead City Commission and the Mayor met Tuesday evening in a special called meeting to hold the second and final reading of the town's Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) ordinance.

The ordinance was read in full to the Commission members (Commissioner Dallas Todd was not present), Mayor Walter Cash, Police Officer Travis Davis, Brodhead Emergency Management Director Brian Bussell, and several Brodhead citizens who at-

tended the meeting.

Since Brodhead voted to allow the sale of alcohol, commissioners began to write the local ordinance in order to better control and regulate how the issue is handled on a local basis.

Once a summary of that ordinance is published in the *Mount Vernon Signal*, which is expected to be in the January 3rd issue, the ordinance takes immediate affect.

Much of the ordinance, as with all city ABC ordinances in the state, includes many issues that are mandated by the State of Ken-

(See "ABC" on A8)

Five retire from county — 97 years combined service

By: Mike French Editor

Nearly 100 years of combined service will be away from their jobs at midnight on December 31st. Five Rockcastle County officials have retired and that retirement will begin Monday, New Year's Eve at midnight.

District 3 Magistrate Bill McKinney is the longest serving magistrate, in the county, since 1850, after he replaced Clinton Brown 25 years ago.

McKinney was one of five recognized by the fiscal court for their service at a ceremony held Monday, December 17th at the Rockcastle County Courthouse.

Former Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis presented a plaque to McKinney saying that his service to the community has been outstanding. "Bill and I didn't always agree but I never had to doubt where he stood on any issue and we always worked things out for the best," Carloftis said.

McKinney thanked the large crowd that attended the event saying he appreci-

ates a lot of people. "I'll miss this," he said. "I have worked with a lot of good people and Buzz is one of them. I ran ten races and never lost. I owe a lot to the voters of Rockcastle County and to my family."

McKinney said being a Magistrate takes a lot of time. "With all the phone calls and meetings and work involved, my family stood

(See "Retire" on A8)

County tax notice

The Rockcastle County Sheriff's office will not be accepting 2018 property tax payments after December 28th. This is due to a required audit by the state of retiring Sheriff Mike Peters tax collections. Collections will resume when the state auditor lifts the hold.

Any taxes paid after December 28th, will be subject to a 5% late payment charge.

Giving Hope...

The Rockcastle Baptist Association and Community Mission Team sponsored their annual Give Hope this past Saturday at the middle school. The event is a ministry of compassion to the people of Rockcastle County providing children with backpacks, blankets, toys and food for Christmas. In the top photo, Bro. Randy McPherson ministers to those in attendance while children in the bottom photo enjoy picking out toys. Over 50 professions of faith were made during the day.



Search comes to end for local man

By: Mike French Editor

Citizens of Rockcastle County can rest a little easier now that a career criminal, who was considered armed and dangerous, is off the streets, according to Rock-

castle County Sheriff Mike Peters.

John Shane Kirby, 34, with a last known address of Athens Boonesboro Road in Lexington, has been sought by police for several weeks on several warrants from Rockcastle and other coun-

ties. Police say Kirby has been in trouble with law enforcement in and around Rockcastle county for many years.

"We have put him away for theft before," said Peters. "He has been in and out of jail and on parole and we

have been searching for him for a while now on burglary and theft warrants."

Troopers with the Kentucky State Police finally surrounded Kirby at a building in Madison County Sun-

(See "Kirby" on A8)

21 are drug-related

35 indictments returned on 40 defendants

35 indictments were returned against 40 defendants by a Rockcastle County Grand Jury on Friday, December 14th. 22 of the indictments were for drug-related charges.

Indicted were:

Wendy Faye Day, 37, of Crab Orchard for bail jumping. Her bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property (c/p); Eddie S. Hopkins, 31, of Tevis St., Mt. Vernon and Garner P. Mink, 42, of Popular St., Mt. Vernon were named in a joint indictment for the offense of trafficking

in a controlled substance.

Each man's bond was set at \$10,000 c/p.

Mink was also charged, in a separate indictment, with trafficking in a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

His bond for that indictment was set at \$25,000 c/p;

Alexus S. Dillon, 19, of Berea was indicted for pos-

session of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Dillon's bail was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Shanna D. Tompkins, 39, of Sunny Dale Estates, Mt. Vernon was indicted on one count of possession of a controlled substance.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

(See "Indict" on A8)

Local ABC ordinance ready

By: Mike French Editor

Editor's note:

The City of Mount Vernon is planning to hold the second reading of the Alcohol Beverage Control Ordinance at their regular meeting on December 20. However, this newspaper is printed a day before that meeting and there will be no newspaper next week due to

the holidays.

In order to avoid waiting two weeks to inform our readers of what that ordinance includes, we met with Mount Vernon City Administrator Josh Bray to discuss the issue.

The information here is our best effort to inform the public about that ordinance although some changes are still possible.

The City of Mount

Vernon held the first reading of the Alcohol Beverage Control Ordinance in November and will hold the second reading at their regular monthly meeting tonight, Thursday, December 20.

However, even if passed, the ordinance will not be in effect until it is published in the January 3rd issue of The *Mount Vernon Signal*.

According to City Ad-

(See "Mt. Vernon" on A5)

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

I attended the RCHS band concert last Thursday night to watch grandson Marcos participate.

I realized at that time how much I have missed by not attending these concerts through the years -- even though all my children took after their mother and are musically challenged, to put it kindly.

Oldest daughter, Jamie, in grade school joined the band and wound up waging an tenor sax around which was much bigger than she was. She persevered for a few years but didn't last through high school. I'm sure that during that time we must have attended one of her concerts but honestly cannot recall.

Anyway, kudos to the RCHS band and director Greg Daugherty. It was a very enjoyable evening.

I'm ashamed of myself because I don't take the same pleasure in Christmas as I once did. I justify it to myself that it's because I don't have small children, or even the dreaded teenagers, to be responsible for seeing that they have the best Christmas I can possi-

bly give them.

But, frankly? I think it's an age thing, with me at least. For the last several years, I didn't decorate. I consulted with my Jack Russell and my cat and we decided that the effort was not worth it.

However, as I said recently, daughter Allison took it upon herself this year to drag out most of my decorations and take care of the job and I am growing more and more appreciative of her effort on my behalf (as long as she remembers after Christmas who was responsible for all those beautiful decorations that now have to be taken down).

But I am enjoying the decorations and it has seemed more like Christmas this year than usual -- I even consented to have our family gathering at my house this year, giving daughter Sara a short break from hosting all of our events (emphasize on the "short").

We had very little materially when I was a child but somehow Mom and

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Front row from left: Danny Ford, Sam Ford, Paul Playforth and Matthew Silcox.
Second row from left: Zach Poynter, Jeff Cromer, Jerry Ham, Michelle Bullock, Billy Wayne Bryant, Ben Allen and James Barron.

Not pictured: Jeff Burdette, Harold Bustle and Roy Adams

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“Ramblings”

(Cont. from A2)

Dad always made it a magical time for us that I still remember to this day many, many years later.

I think it was the security of our home and the good food that mom always managed to come up with, although I was a pretty big girl when we had turkey for the first time. I don't recall being particularly impressed, I'm pretty sure

Mom boiled it like she would a hen for chicken and dumplings so it just seemed like a bigger hen than usual.

Anyway, we do wish our readers a *Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year* and thank you all for your support over these many years.

We look forward to continuing to serve you in 2019 and wish, for all of us, a year filled with less deviseness and a lot more good will toward all men.

Merry Christmas from all of us at The Mount Vernon Signal

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CVFD Annual Board Meeting
Climax Volunteer Fire Department will hold their annual board meeting Friday, December 21st at 6 p.m. at the fire statio. A report will be shared listing fire run activities, financial spending for 2018 and plans for 2019. Everyone in our community is invited to attend.

Health Department Holiday Hours
The Rockcastle County Health Department hours of operation for Christmas and New Years--closed Monday and Tuesday, December 24th and 25th in observance of Christmas. Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, December 26th and 27th and from 8:00 to 1:30 Friday, December 28th. This schedule is the same for the week of December 31st and will be closed December 31st and January 1st in observance of New Years.

Circuit Clerk's Office Holiday Hours
Rockcastle County's Circuit Clerk's office will be closed December 24-25 for Christmas and Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st for New Year's. Also, **there will not be any driver's licensing or permit testing on Dec. 27th.**

Celebrate the Season
Be a Blessing, Adopt an Angel. Join Rockcastle Seniors and Adult Health in the annual celebration of seniors in our community 60 plus. The tree is located at 1260 S. Wilderness Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. For more information, call 606-256-4316.

TOPS of Brodhead
TOPS (Take off pounds sensibly) meets every Tuesday evening at the Brodhead Community Outreach Center. Weigh-in begins at 6 and the meeting is at 6:30. For more information, call 606-758-4973.

Celebrate Sobriety Service
CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. We are located at 211 Industrial Park Road (across from the high school) in Mt. Vernon, KY. Call 859-582-2553 with any questions.

Chamber of Commerce Meetings
The Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce meets once a month, on the third Tuesday, at noon at Limestone Grille. All members are encouraged to attend.

VFW Post Item
VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members and is also looking for new and associate members. New hours are: Wed. - Sat., 5 p.m. to ? Call 606-386-1490 for more information.

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings
Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, 6 to 8 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Northside Baptist Church - Mt. Vernon from 6 to 8 p.m. 606-256-5577. •••Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies. Northside Baptist, Mt. Vernon at 7 p.m. Men and Women, small groups. 606-256-5577.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, 6:30 p.m. Leader: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099.

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe, 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

DAR Meetings
The Rockcastle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meets the first Monday of each month, September-May at 6 p.m. at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. All prospective members are welcome to attend.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting
The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #566 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

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

Kiwanis Club Meetings
The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at the Limestone Grill. Everyone is invited.

American Legion Post 71
American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 6 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grill. Commander Rick Bobo (308-2271) invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

Aces Over

By: Mike French



I am just too old fashioned, that's all there is to it. My disgruntlement with most things in the world are mostly because they aren't the way they used to be.

There are some things I like about the "modern way" things are done. But for the most part, I greatly prefer the old-fashioned, respectful, considerate, I'm-not-the-center-of-the-universe attitude.

Some of the worst examples of the general change in attitude to me, seems to be at some businesses.

I know at many fast food places, and a lot of convenience stores, they provide a great service to the community by hiring younger people right out of high school. It's a way to get started in the working world and keeps our younger generation off the streets.

At the same time, it seems to me that one of the biggest, most important parts of new employee training is being left out of the process.

At many of the places where I stop, I get the distinct feeling that I am interrupting the day of the cashier. It's almost like they wish I would leave them alone so they can finish their cell phone conversation.

It is extremely rare that I actually hear the words "thank you" or "come

again" or even "hello."

It seems they just hold their head down and hold their phone with one hand and scan my item with the other and then hold out their hand for money.

Once they get it, they usually turn and start chatting with some friend who is standing there with them and then eventually hand me my change without ever even looking at me.. As I leave they are continuing their conversation as if I were never there.

Sometimes I actually say out loud "you're welcome" and they sneer at me as if I have just cursed at them.

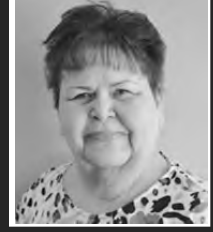
I guess I have such clear memories of the guys and gals at service stations that used to jog out to your car and wash your windshield with a big smile. Then check your oil and show you the dip stick and pump your gas and with a bright, cheery attitude they would say, "thank you so much for your business sir. Come again please."

I guess that is left out of the training process these days. As long as the dollar bills get dropped off I suppose friendliness is just not important anymore.

Still, there are a few places that I get treated like a valued customer. A friendly clerk or a simple "thank you" is still a part of some businesses. But for the

T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



When It's Not All Merry
Dear Journal,

I know that at this time of the year, all is supposed to be happy and full of joy. This isn't so in every case. Many are burdened with numerous problems that weigh heavily on the heart.

I know that I must sound like a kill-joy or a Scrooge but the fact is, unfortunately, this time of year may not be so joyful for some. Sometimes there is a death in the family, serious illness, the financial worries, relationship problems, issues with your children or others, job concerns, and many more. Do these worries ever end? There is no holiday season for problems and stress.

Some may even wonder if there is a solution to the mounting worries. Many turn to escapes such as drugs, alcohol, or even suicide. Around holiday time the suicide rate jumps quite high, so I've been told. The shame of that is in quite a few cases, it is young people who feel that life holds nothing for them any longer and their problems are more than they can face. What a shame and a waste of youthful talent. I wonder if they really think things through as they should. Chances are the situation causing the problem is

only temporary and in a few days things will be altogether different. Too bad they weren't around to see it.

Then, there are those such as me who dwell in the past as much as in the present. If we had pleasant childhoods, we tend to drift there every day, at least for a few minutes. Around Christmas, a most wonderful childhood memory for most, we go there to our favorite memories of the old homeplace and fond memories of old friends and family. You know, in those memories every thing is just as bright and real and joyful as it ever was. The best thing about them is that they are ours and no body can take them away. When we realize that we were only in a memory, they can turn kind of bitter sweet.

In the days just ahead, most people will be gathering for festivities, giving gifts, enjoying holiday meals and being so joyful. In all of the trappings of the holidays, let's all remember the underprivileged, the homeless and those who, just as I've mentioned, are weighted down with sorrow and they are in a place where it isn't so merry.

most part, I think friendliness and customer appreciation is a dying attitude.

I'll admit that sometimes I am not as friendly as I should be to customers at my office. If I have had a hard day or am extremely rushed, I am probably shorter than I should be. But I hope I'm not that way every day, all the time.

There's also this "modern attitude" that everything is okay and no one is responsible for their own actions.

If you choose to be gay, it's okay. Oh yes it's an abomination to God, but hey, you can't help it. You were born that way.

If you choose to be a meth addict, it's not your fault. It's a disease. You can't help it.

If you can't stay out of jail, it's not your fault. You have anger issues.

Yet, if you smoke cigarettes, you are the Devil's spawn and it's perfectly legal to discriminate against smokers in every imaginable way.

Anyway, it's all part of the modern attitude. I enjoy being treated nicely and I hope I treat people nicely.

But apparently, it is too old fashioned to smile at one's customers or appreciate their business.

Either way, I hope I always say "thank you" when I deal with a customer. Even if they are upset, I hope I am still thankful that they patronize my business. If they didn't patronize where I work, then they wouldn't have anything to be upset about.

Maybe there will be a new law someday requiring a person to say "thank you". I wouldn't be surprised at all. After all, we sure don't want to offend anyone.

On a side note: Merry Christmas to all. May you and your family have a joyous day. And don't forget to tell children that Santa is not the reason for the season. Don't forget to mention that we are celebrating a birth bigger and much more important than any President.

Let them know that they will most likely throw away or forget what they got for Christmas this year within a short time. But remind them of that greatest of all gifts that will never get old or go away.

Points East

By Ike Adams



By the time you read this I hope I have acquired a pint of genuine apricot brandy, most of which will go into the fruit cake I intend to take out of the oven before Christmas. The rest should improve my attitude while I'm stirring up the cake batter.

In the meantime I have just finished polishing off the fruit cake my pal, Bob Kennedy, made and mailed to us from Maryland. Long time readers of this column already know that the arrival of Bob's annual fruitcake

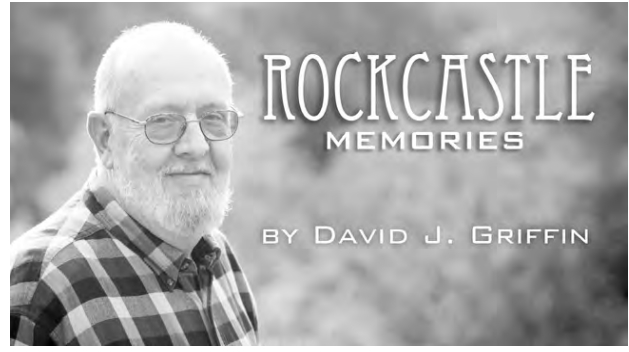
is one of our most anticipated and favorite events of the Christmas Season.

I've tried, more than once, to replicate Bob's

recipe without coming very close to having it turn out as well as the one he spends over \$10.00, just in postage, in the process of getting it to Charlie Brown Road. I've also tried, more than once, to make Bob's cake last until Christmas but I still have not figured out a way to hide it from myself and I am reluctant to have Loretta try. I'm afraid she would sneak around and eat it by herself so please don't be giving her any ideas.

Since I have proven to myself and numerous other Bob fans that I have no business attempting his recipe, I have come up with one of

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The River

A lot of people tuned into a new concert performed by Garth Brooks on a recent Sunday evening. My wife and I were among them. The show originated from Notre Dame University in their 80,000-seat stadium. We are both fans of Brooks, so we decided to watch.

The show was being taped live on what turned out to be a rather cold, rainy night. But it did not appear to put any damper on the performances, nor on the enthusiasm of his audience. Brooks was his lively self, and his fans seemed to sing nearly every lyric right

along with him.

After a few up-beat hits, he sang his rendition of his very popular song called, "The River."

*You know a dream is like a river
Ever changing as it flows
And a dreamer's just a vessel
That must follow where it goes
Trying to learn what's behind you
And never knowing what's in store
Makes each day a constant battle
Just to stay between the*

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Obituaries

John Robert Taylor

John Robert Taylor, 75, of Brodhead, died peacefully at his home with his family by his side on Sunday, December 16, 2018. He was born October 19, 1943, in Crab Orchard, a son of the late Robert Estill Taylor, and the late Ruby Cash Taylor. He was united in marriage to his wife, Effie Bell Taylor on November 21, 1964, and of that marriage came one child, Tonya Taylor. He was a faithful and devoted member of the New Hope First Church of God. He enjoyed guns and hunting, and was a member of the Masonic Lodge.



Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife, Effie Bell Taylor of Brodhead; daughter, Tonya Taylor Adams and Tommy of Brodhead; a grandchild, Todd Branscum; three great grandchildren, Abby, Ellie and William; a brother, Wayne Taylor and Debi of Louisville; a sister, Mildred Owens and John of Liberty Township, OH; a special sister-in-law, Hazel Brown of Crab Orchard; as well as a host of many special nieces, nephews, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Estill Taylor, and Ruby Cash Taylor.

Services were held Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Robert Rice and Harold Harness officiating. Burial was in Providence Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Terry Thompson, Wayne Brown, Carl Blevins, Doug Prewitt, Coy Taylor, and Brandon Brown.

Honorary casketbearers were: Adam Burdine, Dean Cash, Richard Cash, Jaarad Taylor, Wyatt Taylor Todd Branscum, and Danny Ping.

Condolences can be made to the family at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Vernon Orville Alcorn

Vernon Orville Alcorn, 63, of Brodhead, died December 14, 2018 at the Jean Waddle Care Center, Hospice of Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital at Somerset. He was born December 7, 1955 in Somerset, to Orville and the late Ruby Delorise Marler Alcorn. He was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church #2. He worked construction, installing and repairing HVAC. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, ginseng digging, and camping.



He is survived by: his father, Orville Alcorn of Mt. Vernon; five brothers, Edward Earl "Eddie" Alcorn of Mt. Vernon, Fred Walter (Jan) Alcorn of Livingston, and Rodney Alcorn, Randall (Cindy) Alcorn and Shelley (Laurie) Alcorn, all of Mt. Vernon; two sisters, Cynthia Leona (Jeff) Harms of Mt. Vernon and Judy Katherine (Ken) Jones of Knoxville, TN; and many nieces, nephews and great nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his mother he was preceded in death by a brother, Charles Jeffery Alcorn.

Funeral services were Monday, December 17, 2018 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Ronnie McKinney officiating. Burial was in Freedom Cemetery.

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"Points East"

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my own that is so different from Bob's that it really is like comparing apples to oranges. Both fruits grow on trees with green leaves, but that's essentially where the comparison ends. Both Bob's cake and mine include candied fruit and involve ovens but it's best to stop right there when comparing them.

Anyway, I had planned to publish both recipes in this week's paper but now I can't find Bob's even though I know I have it on this computer. I've previously published mine but numerous readers have requested that I do it again.

Our friend, Billy Wagers, in Berea, supplies the freshly shelled pecans and I'm usually able to acquire fresh shelled black walnuts from a lady in Pineville but she doesn't seem to be in business this year. However, Billy came up with enough pecans to make several fruitcakes so I'm doubling up on them instead of using walnuts.

In fact, I will be munching on pecan kernels as I sip the excess apricot brandy while waiting for the oven timer to start ringing.

MIKE'S FAIRLY EASY FESTIVE FRUITCAKE

1 BOX REGULAR SIZE SPICE CAKE MIX (carrot cake mix will also work)

1 and 1/2 CUPS ALL PURPOSE OR CAKE FLOUR

3 CUPS CONDENSED MILK OR PRESWEETENED EVAPORATED MILK

1 (large) PACK INSTANT LEMON JELLO PUDDING MIX or 2 REGULAR SIZE

1 TBSP BAKING POWDER

1 CUP APRICOT BRANDY OR ESSENCE OF APRICOT JUICE (BRANDY IS FAR BETTER AND THE ALCOLOL COMPLETELY

EVAPORATES DURING BAK-

ING)

1 TSP EACH GROUND GINGER, ALLSPICE AND CINNAMON (NUTMEG IF YOU LIKE IT. I DON'T)

6 LARGE EGGS

1/2 CUP MELTED BUTTER

2 CUPS DICED DATES OR RAISINS OR CURRANTS OR CRAISINS OR MIXTURE OF ALL THREE

1 CUP BLACK WALNUT KERNELS

1 CUP LARGE PECAN KERNELS (USE 2 CUPS IF YOU DON'T HAVE WALNUTS)

2 CUPS MIXED CANDIED FRUIT

1 CUP WHOLE CANDIED OR CORDIAL CHERRIES

1 TSP LEMON EXTRACT or 4 tsp lemon zest (zest is much better)

Mix eggs, melted butter, milk, lemon extract/zest, spices and brandy and baking powder in a large mixing bowl until thoroughly blended. Add cake mix, flour, and pudding mix and blend until consistent. Add nuts, cherries, raisins, etc. and the candied fruit and continue stirring until consistent. It's best to use a large spoon, as opposed to electric mixer, after you dump in the fruit and nuts to keep from shredding the latter ingredients and/or destroying your mixer.

Bake in a bundt pan, filled to about 3/4 inch from top in preheated oven at 350 for 60 to 65 minutes. You will also have enough batter to fill a regular cake pan in addition to the bundt. Let it bake for about 40 minutes alongside the bundt or add a cup of flour to the leftover batter and make fruit cake cookies.

Test with standard tooth pick insert method. Tastes best after it has been refrigerated in a covered cake dish for about a week. May also be garnished/glazed with your favorite confectioner's sugar glaze recipe and several maraschino cherries.

Paul Elmer Baldwin

Paul Elmer Baldwin, 83, husband of Loretta, of Crab Orchard, died peacefully at his home on Tuesday, December 11, 2018. He was born in Morris Creek on February 2, 1935, a son of the late Coy Baldwin, and the late Martha Ella Fields Baldwin. On June 11, 1955, he was united in marriage to his wife of 63 years, Loretta Mae Owens Baldwin. He was former Mayor of Slaty Branch, and worked as a supervisor for highway construction. He was a member of Crossroads Assembly of God in Brodhead, and he found great joy in farming.



Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife, Loretta Mae Owens Baldwin; a daughter: Pamela J. King and Wayne of Crab Orchard; grandchildren, Stephanie King West (Travis), and Melissa King Feldman (Justin); great grandchildren, Tyler West, Luke West, Kadyne Feldman, Jacob West, and Emerson West; two brothers, Walter Baldwin of Brodhead, and Estil Baldwin and Brenda of Crab Orchard; as well as a host of many friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: a daughter, Connie Jane Smith; three brothers, John Baldwin, Wayne Baldwin, and Marion Baldwin; and a brother-in-law, Frank Owens.

Visitation for Mr. Baldwin will be Thursday, December 13, 2018 from 6pm-9pm at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals. Funeral services were held Friday, December 14, 2018 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Steve VanHook officiating. Burial was in Freedom Cemetery.

Condolences can be made to the family at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

"Memories"

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shores ... and
I will sail my vessel
Till the river runs dry
Like a bird upon the wind
These waters are my sky
I'll never reach my destination

If I never try
So I will sail my vessel
Till the river runs dry.
There's bound to be rough waters
And I know I will take some falls

But with the Good Lord as my captain
I can make it through them all

Hearing even the first few notes of his song immediately captures our attention. I glanced at Kathy, and she was looking at me. This particular song brings a boatload of emotions flowing from both of us. Allow me to explain why.

In May of 1992, Kathy and I were taking my son, Todd, to Lexington to attend the University of Kentucky graduation of his brother, Andy. As we drove along in my van, Todd handed me a tape and said, "Daddy, put in this tape. It has my favorite song on it. Listen to the words." It was then that we heard that song for the first time. As the song finished, Todd requested that we play it over again. And again, he was emphatic about hearing the lyrics.

That was the last time Todd was ever in my automobile. A few days later, he and one of his best friends were riding with another friend when both were killed in a horrible automobile accident. Todd was only 15; and so was his best friend. The driver of the car was 16, but had been driving for a short time. Part of me died in that car with my son.

For months, every time I heard "The River" I broke down and cried. I can't tell you how many times I had to pull off the road when the song suddenly came on the radio.

However, as time passed, the song has become a lasting gift from Todd. It is because of the lyrics. The theme of the song does not fit with allowing oneself to remain in deep grief. It is a very life-affirming song, and one that recognizes the importance of the good Lord as our "Captain," who will help us to make it through the "constant battles" that life will throw at us.

It has been 26 years since Todd's death; he would now be 41. Yet he will always be my 15-year-old son. It is not possible for me to hear "The River" without my eyes filling up with tears. But those tears are not solely tears of sadness. I hear Todd's words, "This is my favorite song,"

which serve to remind me once again to pay attention to the lyrics.

And when I do, I am reminded of the precious gift that Todd was in our lives. He blessed us in too many ways to be able to list. But one of his lasting blessings was to remind us to keep sailing - even in the roughest of waters - with the good Lord as our Captain.

And with the passing of every year, I am one year closer to seeing my baby boy again.

(You can reach me at themtnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 2167 Furnace Road - Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

Joyce Mae Kirby Robbins

Joyce Mae Kirby Robbins, 86, died in Jeffersonville, IN in the early morning of December 6, 2018. She was born April 30, 1932 in Brodhead. She was a member of the Oak Park Baptist Church in Jeffersonville, IN.



She was preceded in death by: her brother, John William Kirby; parents, Flonnie and John Ingram Kirby; and her daughter, Lisa Robbins.

She is survived by: her husband, Cecil Robbins; two daughters, Vicki (Pat) Fuchs, and Judy (Jorge) Garcia; five grandchildren, Erica (Joe) Ramirez, Nicholas Fuchs, and Zachary, Ethan, and Trey Garcia; and two great grandsons, Ricky and Bradley Ramirez. She is also survived by five siblings, her two brothers, John and James Kirby, and three sisters, Magdalene Shockley, Glenda Brown, and Betty Williams.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 10, 2018 at Legacy Funeral Center in Jeffersonville, IN. Interment was at Poplar Grove Cemetery in Brodhead on Tuesday, December 11.

Contributions may be made to Poplar Grove Baptist Church, 287 Richlands Rd, Brodhead, KY 40409, in memory of Joyce Robbins.

Local arrangements by Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.

Nadine Wagner Clark

Nadine Wagner Clark, 64, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, December 10, 2018 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born to Everett Charles Wagner and Daisy Richard Hensley in Elys in Knox County on May 16, 1954. She enjoyed visits with family and friends, going to church, flowers and keeping in touch with friends though Facebook. She was a widow of the late Tom Clark and retired from food service and factory work. She attended Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church.



Those left to celebrate her life are: three children, William Joseph Clark of Lexington, Daisy Amanda (Rodney) Thomas of Livingston and Tom Clark, Jr. of Irvin; four grandchildren, Jacob Collins, Dougie Collins, Kendra Clark and Heather Thomas; four brothers, Sam Brown of Pineville, Tommy (Melissa) Wagner of Mt. Vernon, Delbert (Jenny) Wagner of McKee and Everett (Sharon) Wagner of Livingston; five sisters, Bea (Farmer) Waddle of Livingston, Mandy (Ray) Carpenter of Brodhead, Gladys (Johnny) Carpenter of Mt. Vernon, Edna (Wayne) Clines of Georgia and Centena (Lester) Carpenter of Livingston; and a host of friends and neighbors.

She was preceded in death by: her husband, Tom Clark; her parents, Everett Charles Wagner and Daisy Richard Hensley; and sister Fannie Alice Taylor.

Funeral services were held Friday, December 14, 2018 at the Red Hill Baptist Church. Burial followed at Red Hill Cemetery in Livingston. Brother Robert Miller and Brother Bill Hammond officiated.

Pallbearers were: Jacob Collins, Dougie Collins, Rodney Thomas, Charles Carpenter, Phillip Carpenter and Delbert Wagner. Honorary pallbearers were: Sam Brown, Everett Wagner and Thomas Wagner.



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“Mt. Vernon”

(Continued from front) Administrator Josh Bray, there have been very few changes in the ordinance since the first reading.

State law requires each city to name an Alcohol Beverage Administrator. Bray will be named to that position and will approve or deny all applications for a liquor license. Bray says the city council and the mayor will be involved in every decision on the matter.

Bray said the ordinance for Mount Vernon was mostly taken from the ordi-

nance in Somerset since of all the ordinances officials examined, that one was most fitting to local issues. “We changed several things to best suit Mount Vernon citizens,” he said.

Applications for a liquor license in Mount Vernon may be picked up at City Hall beginning Friday, December 21st and the city will be accepting applications on January 8, 2019.

The application itself is eight pages but mostly provides information about license fees.

Bray said typical licenses are expected to take

about 10 days for approval except liquor store licenses which will take about 30 days.

Part of the application process includes an open advertisement. Those who wish to apply for a license must advertise that intention in the *Mount Vernon Signal* and then include a copy of that advertisement, as well as an affidavit from the newspaper verifying the advertisement was published. Such requests have already been made at the newspaper.

Bray says this part of the process informs all resi-

dents in the city of the type and location of the desired sales and will give citizens a chance to express their views about that particular application. According to officials, the city does intend to include public sentiment in their approval process.

Though the ordinance may be amended at any time, currently the city intends to prohibit bars and will allow Sunday sales.

The city also plans to allow liquor sales on election days.

No license fees have been changed from the first reading and Bray says no substantial changes are expected. However, the city council has final say at the meeting tonight.

Concerned citizens are encouraged to attend the meeting on December 20th to hear much more details about the ordinance and citizens may pick up a copy of the ordinance at city hall after that meeting for a copy fee.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Pines, Spruce, Firs and Cedars—Landscaping With Conifers

Almost anywhere in America one can look out a window or along the highways and see pine trees. Spruce, fir, hemlock, and cedars may also be in the picture. Junipers, arborvitae, taxus, and certain other trees are nice large evergreens, but are not cone bearing. And, technically, ginkgo is considered a conifer, though you wonder if the botanist who decided that was having a bad day. Stately evergreen conifers add much beauty and usefulness to our yards, our forests and the whole earth, and this is never more evident than during the winter when deciduous trees are barren.

Pines give us lumber, pulpwood for paper (for the office, the classroom, and when you gotta' go), turpentine and other distillates for varnishes, antiseptic and cleaning uses. The pine cones and boughs are used for decorations. And the seeds are preferred by many birds and wild animals. Pine “nuts” are a delicacy; seeds of certain varieties of pine trees, such as pinyon pine, Swiss stone pine and Korean stone pine, are enjoyed by humans, too. The shade in summer, the protection from wind in winter (especially useful to birds that do not migrate southward when it gets cold), and the musical sounds of the breeze coming through the pine trees are all benefits we enjoy from pines.

The world's oldest known trees are Bristlecone pines. Ancient trees can tell us a lot about our world from the past, like the climate, years of calamities, and the like. A lot of people are yapping endlessly about global warming (I really think it's more about global control and ways to collect more taxes), but Eric the Red and his son Leif settled on Greenland before 1000 A.D. and started a colony as farmers for a few years. Leif Erickson (Eric's son) discovered Vinland or Newfoundland. If it wasn't warmer then in that part of the North Atlantic Ocean than it is today, farming on Greenland would not have been possible. Trees found

in swamps or the bottoms of cold lakes in the north—lost by accidents probably by loggers of the time—have preserved many old growth trees which we can still do research on today.

The white pine is overused by homeowners who want a fast growing evergreen. After 40 years when it is eighty feet tall and a threat to fall on the house, it doesn't seem to have been such a great idea. But, I've seen a grove of white pines, with all the lower limbs cut off, allow wind to blow under them and really cool off a seating area in summertime. They have their place in a modern landscape. Just use discretion.

Austrian pine, Japanese black pine, Ponderosa pine, limber pine and Scots pine are other pines one may encounter in people's yards. As mentioned earlier, the stone pines are dwarfish, and even provide tasty seeds if you beat the birds and squirrels to them. And many a yard has a dwarf mugho pine.

Hemlock (*tsuga canadensis*), is a very lovely tree that works well in many yards. It's not so fast to become too large, and it can even grow successfully in shade of other large trees. With hemlock, too much heat (don't plant it on the south side of a house with a brick wall for instance) can keep hemlock from doing well, as can soil that has too much alkalinity, such as limestone soils of the bluegrass. There is also the woolly adelgid insect to be concerned about.

Spruce trees (*picea*), especially Norway spruce, white spruce and blue spruce are very useful landscape plants. They are more tolerant of sweet limestone soils than most pine or hemlock. They also hold up well in windstorms, their pyramidal frames seeming to deflect winds. They make a super place for birds to hide in winter storms.

Fir trees (*abies*) are better for areas where summers are cool and damp, or at least nights aren't so muggy. Most firs can take really cold temperatures, but there are also some that can't and which thrive only in very specific climates. Among those for Kentucky, and parts of Tennessee and

North Carolina, are white fir or concolor fir, Canaan fir, and the Turkish fir. Some of the most beautiful cones are born on fir trees.

Cedars (*cedrus*) are either Atlantic cedar, Cedar of Lebanon, or Deodar cedar. These are the true cedars, and make giant stately trees....although they can look rather skinny in their youth. Junipers, which produce seeds and not cones, are often called cedars, including the “red cedar” of the eastern states. Cedar lumber is usually from juniper trees in the United States. Atlantic cedars are blue, and are the hardiest. Cedar of Lebanon will survive 20 below, and Deodar cedars will do well to 5 or 10 below zero Fahrenheit.

The monkey puzzle tree is a conifer. And also has tasty nuts. This tree is for places that stay above zero in winter. It's a very spiny tree, with large cones and edible seeds. As I mentioned, ginkgo is considered a conifer. And there are other cone bearing trees, but these are primarily what one will find for consideration in the landscape.

Those who want natives, the Virginia pine, the hemlock and red pines may be collected from the wild and moved to your yard. But, hemlocks are for sale at nurseries for reasonable prices, and the local pines are not the best to place in the front yard.

For the collector, the experimenter, or the person who has to have something different, there are garden centers who cater to a high-end clientele that will carry a number of exotic evergreen trees. (Slow growing trees always have a higher price because of so many years somebody has invested in growing it to a good size for sale. Rare ones will also command a premium price.)

Landscaping that showcases large evergreen trees, especially the conifers, seems not to need a recommendation as it speaks well of itself. Everyone loves a stately evergreen tree in the right place. Consider one or several of these lovely trees next time you are planning some landscaping; the kids, the birds and squirrels and other wildlife will all be happy you did.

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“Water”

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quality of life in Mount Vernon.”

The new basin planned by the city will treat the water in such a way that will kill the by-product of algae that is in the local lake, Bray said. The city has already dropped the levels of that by-product by nearly 90 percent and the new basin is expected to take the levels so low that it will be undetectable.

Officials continue to say the water is perfectly safe even when the taste and odor exist and is tested continually. But the new basin is expected to eliminate that odor and taste completely.

According to Bray, the city is also seeking an additional \$165,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission for incidental costs. “The project is expected to cost a million dollars. But until we get the actual bids in our hands, anything could happen,” said Bray. “We need to have that buffer in the event that the costs are more than expected.”

Mayor Mike Bryant was also pleased about the additional grant. “The quality of water in Mount Vernon has been one of my top priorities since taking office and I am very pleased that we believe we have found the solution to the issue,” he said. “This grant, along with others, makes it possible for us to provide the best drinking water possible for our citizens.”

Officials say they expect construction on the new basin to begin this coming spring.

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SPORTS

Rockets beat Casey in district match-up

The Rockcastle Rockets traveled to Casey County last Friday night and came away with their first district win of the season, 65-57.

The Rockets were up at the first quarter stop 17-13, behind at half 27-28 and up 44-40 at the end of the third quarter.

Four Rockets finished in double figures with senior Cade Burdette getting high scoring honors for his team with 15 points, all threes.

Juniors Logan Noel and Josiah West were second with 12 points each; freshman Daniel Mullins got 10; senior Isaac Stratton got six and juniors Trevor Todd and Jacob Loudermilk scored four points each, along with freshman Matthew Chasteen.

Besides Burdette's five three point goals, Noel's 12 points were four threes for a total of nine for the team.

The Casey County Rebels got 10 three point baskets and were 10 for 15 from the charity stripe.

The Rockets were scheduled to play Mercer County in the Clash of the Titans at Mercer County at 8:15 Wednesday. Then, on Friday, December 21st, the Rockets will play Lincoln County at 8:15 in the same tourney.

December 27th and 28th, the Rockets will travel to Montgomery County to participate in the Gateway Holiday Classic.

They will host Somerset on Wednesday, January 2nd in a district matchup.



Freshman Daniel Mullins drives the baseline during the Rockets' 65-57 win over Casey County last Friday night. Mullins scored 10 points on the night.



Senior Cade Burdette makes one of his five threes in the Rockets' win over Casey County Friday night. Burdette led his team with 15 points.

Rocket freshmen and JV roundup

In their last two outings, the Rocket freshmen have won both but the jayvee have faltered, losing both.

At Knox Central last Thursday night, the freshmen easily took the measure of the Panthers 59-36 with Daniel Mullins leading the way with 18 points. Reese Coguer and Matthew Chasteen each added 10 points, Drew Hopkins got eight, Jake Sanders and seventh grader Will Bishop each scored six points and Silas Shaffer got one.

The Jayvee took the first quarter 11-10 but were only able to come up with four points the second quarter to the Panthers eight and the Panthers put 34 points on the board, to the Rockets 23, in the second half to seal the 53-43 win.

Drew Hopkins led the scoring for his team with 12 points; Daniel Mullins got 8; Matthew Chasteen and Reese Coguer scored seven each; Seth Shepherd got five and Bentley Taylor scored four points.

At South Laurel Monday night, the freshmen were ahead 10-7 at the end of the first quarter but it was all downhill after that until the end of the game when a fierce rally by the Rockets made up a seven point deficit to send the game into overtime knotted at 51 each.

The Rockets were down 26-15 at the half and 37-29 at the third quarter stop. Late in the fourth quarter it was 48-43 South Laurel when Jake Sanders made a basket and free throw to make it 48-46. Matthew Chasteen then scored a basket and free throw to put the Rockets up 49-48. South Laurel came back and tied the game on a free throw with 15 seconds left on the clock. Sanders came through again with a basket to put his team up 51-49 but, in the final eight seconds, South Laurel tied the ball the length of the court and tied the game at 51 all.

In overtime, the Rockets drew first blood on a three point basket by Shaffer. Hopkins added two free throws to make it 56 to 51. South Laurel then scored a basket but Sanders hit a basket and Hopkins added four free throws and it was 62-53. South Laurel only added two more free throws in the overtime while Shaffer hit two free throws and Mullins added two free throws for the final 66-55.

Chasteen led the scoring for his team with 20 points; Mullins got 15; Sanders 13; Hopkins 9; Shaffer 5 and Coguer 4.

The Jayvee led in their game at the first quarter stop 17-16 and were tied at the half and at the end of the third quarter, 23 each and 30 each, respectively.

It was 36 all in the fourth quarter when South Laurel went up 40-36 and then sealed the victory with a free throw to win the game 41-38.

Chasteen again led the scoring in this game with 13 points; Mullins got 12; Coguer, Shaffer and Hopkins scored three each and Reece McGuire and Jake Sanders got two points each.



Freshman Matthew Chasteen puts up a shot in the Rockets' district win over Casey Friday night.



Senior Emma Bullens receives a pass during the Lady Rockets' 56-32 win over West Jessamine Monday night.

Lady Rockets win three, now 5-2 on young season

The Lady Rockets are on a tear as of late, winning their last five games to now stand at 5-2 on the season and 2-0 in district play.

Last Friday night, the ladies traveled to Casey County for a doubleheader district match with the Rockets and came away with a 63-59 win over the Lady Rebels.

The Lady Rockets led throughout the game, 14-10 at the first quarter stop, 31-25 at the half and 52-44 at the end of the third quarter.

The Lady Rockets were led in scoring by sophomore Casey Coleman with 21 points, which included six for 10 from the free throw line and a three; senior Shelby Newland got 15, including two threes and going seven for 10 from the charity stripe; junior Kenzi Himes scored 11 points; eighth grader Keelee King got eight; another eighth grader Hallie Brown scored two points, along with sophomores Madison McIntosh and Lindsey Jones and junior Bailee Allen.

The Lady Rockets hit four threes in the game while the Lady Rebels got six.

The Lady Rockets were 17 for 26 from the free throw line and the Lady Rebels were 17 for 23.

Saturday, at South Laurel in the Ted Cook Classic, the Lady Rockets took on the Hazard Lady Bulldogs and got their fourth win of the season 57-38.

The Lady Rockets were, once again, led by sophomore Casey Coleman in scoring with 16 points.

Coleman was also named Player of the Game.

Senior Emma Bullens got 12 points; Newland 8; Jones 7; Himes and King 5 each and Allen and sophomore Aliyah Lopez each scored two points.

The Lady Rockets got three three point goals to the Lady Bulldogs five and hit nine of 17 free throws to Casey's seven of 10.

Monday night, the Lady Rockets hosted West Jessamine and easily won 56-32. This time, junior Kenzi Himes led the scoring with 11; Lindsey Jones scored 10 points; Newland got eight; Coleman and Bullens had six each; senior Kasi Lay got four; McIntosh 3 and King, Brown, sophomore Jordan Harper and senior Savannah Neeley scored two points each.

The Lady Rockets were 11 for 21 from the free throw line and the Lady Bulldogs were three for nine. Jones got the lone three point basket for her team while Hazard hit two.

The Lady Rockets will travel to Madison Central on Thursday, Dec. 20th to play a 1:45 game against McLean County in the Jack Burford Chevy Christmas Classic. They will play Harlan County on Friday, Dec. 21st at 5:15 p.m. and Spencer County on Saturday, Dec. 22nd at 5:15 in the same event and place.

Then, Dec. 27-30, they will play in the Gateway Classic at Montgomery County before hosting a doubleheader with the boys on Wednesday January 2nd against district foe Somerset.

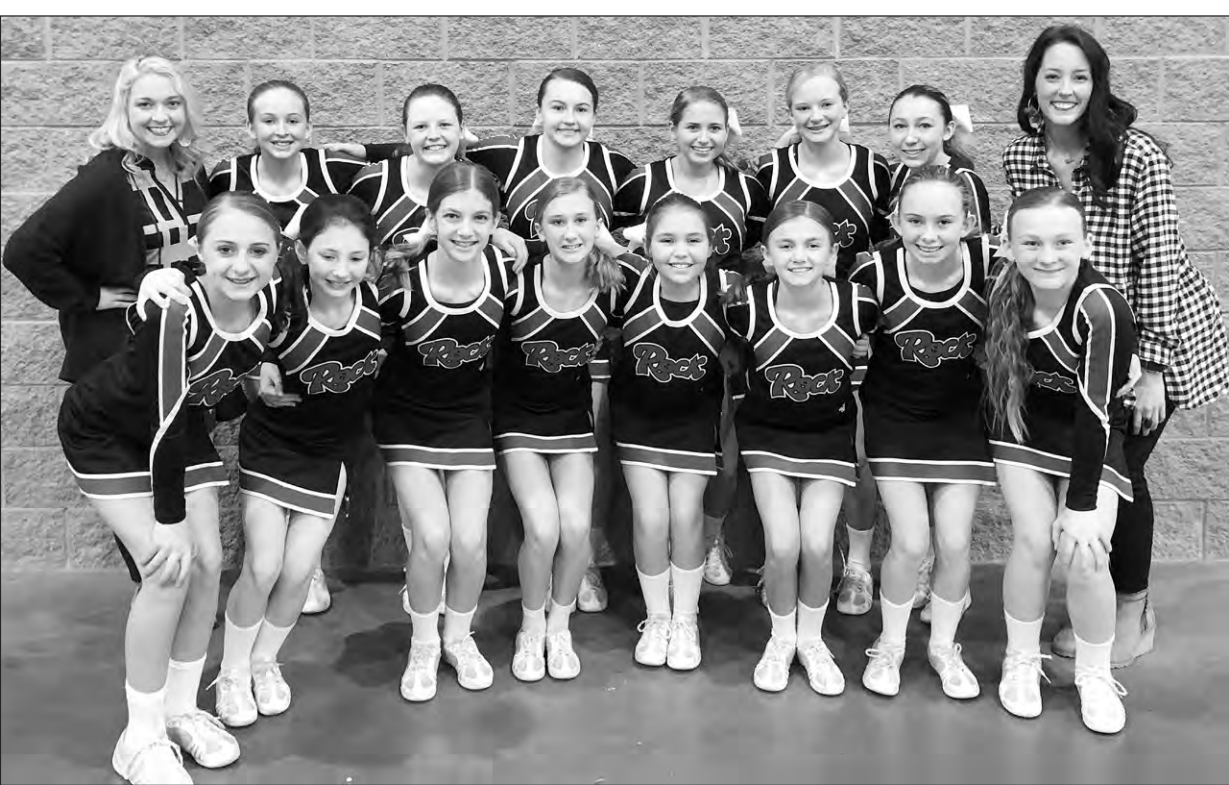


Sophomore Madison McIntosh makes a pass inside during the Lady Rockets' win over West Jessamine Monday night.



Sophomore Casey Coleman was named Player of the Game after the Lady Rockets' win over Hazard in the Ted Cook Classic Saturday.

Rockets/Lady Rockets host Somerset Wednesday, Jan. 2nd



The Rockcastle County Middle School Cheerleaders competed in the Kentucky Association of Pep Organization Sponsors (KAPOS) State Middle School Cheerleading Championship on Saturday, December 15th. The competition took place at Alltech Arena at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington. RCMS qualified for the State Championship with their 1st place finish at the 12th Region Cheerleading Competition in mid-November. The RCMS Cheer team gave a perfect performance with zero deductions, finishing with a score of 80.4. This is the second time in school history, the first being in 2016, that the RCMS Cheerleaders have competed at the state competition. Members are pictured front row from left: Kovey Payne, Victoria Dykes, Raychel Carpenter, Kamryn Hall, Kendra Barnes, Ashleigh Abney, Bailey Terry, and Kylee Fletcher. Back row from left: Assistant Coach Rachel Johnson, Kierra Bingham, Jenna Eaton, Alexis Martin, Kendra Gibson, Chloe Stevens, Haven Williams, and Coach Joanie Alexander.



Coach Joanie Alexander (right) was also named Outstanding Middle School Coach of the Year. She is pictured with past KAPOS President and board member, Lucy Conn Moore.

Lady Rocket JV Roundup

The Lady Rocket Jayvee team won their last three games, beating Clark Co. 38-25 on Dec. 10th, Madison Central 50-35 on the 11th and West Jessamine on Dec. 17th 46-22.

In the Clark County game last Monday night, the Lady Rockets were led in scoring by Hallie Brown with 14 points; Keelee King got six; Lindsey Jones five; Aliyah Lopez four and Madison McIntosh two.

At Madison Central last Tuesday night, the girls easily defeated the Lady Indians 50-35 with King and Brown tying for scoring honors with 14 points each. Jones added 12, Addison McClure and Aliyah Lopez got three each and McIntosh and Natalee Dillingham scored two each.

The Lady Rockets hosted West Jessamine Monday night and again, the contest was never in doubt. Coach Eric Wright got to clear his bench and 10 players got into the scoring column in the 46-22 rout. McClure led the scoring for her team with 10 points; King got eight; Brown 7; McIntosh and Jordan Harper got six each; Jones, Darby Smith, Dillingham and Emma Hackworth all got a basket and Elizabeth Denney added a free throw.



Junior Josiah West puts on the "D" during the Rockets' 65-57 win over Casey County last Friday night.



Junior Bailee Allen makes a pass back to the top of the key during the Lady Rockets' win Monday night.



Darby Smith heads to the basket during the Lady Rocket jayvee's 46-22 win over West Jessamine Monday night.



Junior Trevor Todd works hard in the paint for the Rockets during the win over Casey County Friday night.



Senior Kasi Lay looks to make a pass during the Lady Rockets' win Monday night.



Haley Thacker goes around a screen set by teammate Elizabeth Denney in the Lady Rocket jayvee's 46-22 win over West Jessamine Monday night.



Sophomore Aliyah Lopez attempts to work around the defense during the Lady Rockets' win over West Jessamine Monday night.



Junior Shelby Newland stops a fast break during the Lady Rockets' 56-32 win over West Jessamine Monday night.



Addison McClure prepares to run a fast break in the Lady Rocket jayvee's 46-22 win over West Jessamine Monday night. McClure led her team with 10 points.

“Retire”

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by me through it all,” he said.

McKinney said he couldn't pick out one thing that would be his biggest accomplishment over the years. “When I started there were miles of gravel roads and wooden bridges. And Industrial Park Two hadn't even begun. We have done a lot,” McKinney said. “Everything is different now.”

Also retiring after 12

“ABC”

(Continued from front)

tucky. However some issues are in control of local government giving cities the ability to regulate and limits some parts of being a “wet” town.

For example, nudity and gambling are not required to be a part of the ordinance. Yet both Brodhead and Mount Vernon have included the issues in their ordinance simply so that nudity and gambling will be “on the books” as illegal in both cities, according to officials.

Both cities have designated an Alcoholic Beverage Control Administrator whose duties include record keeping and investigations of any claims, as well as approving or denying applications, among other duties. Officer Travis Davis is the Brodhead ABC Administrator. Josh Bray is the ABC Administrator of Mount Vernon.

Officials have worked out countless details in the ordinance, including showing a “footprint” of the premises with applications so that officials will be able to regulate what portion of a business will be available to sell alcohol. For example, whether or not a licensed business can sell alcohol on their back porch, in their parking lot or in other structures on the property.

The Brodhead ordinance also includes mandatory service training for anyone who works in the industry and serves alcohol. That training must be in place before any business can begin to sell alcohol.

After Commissioners John Burton and Brian Bullock spent two hours reading the ordinance, Bullock made the motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Ricky Lakes seconded the motion. Cash called for a audible vote and the ordinance passed unanimously.

Brodhead licenses that are issued will be in effect for a fiscal year from January 15, 2018 to January 14, 2019 and must then be renewed. Licenses received after January 15 will be charged a prorated license fee.

Brodhead will allow Sunday sales but only from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and will allow sales on New Year's Day until 2 a.m. on New Year's Day.

Through all the debate and discussion in both cities concerning the “wet” status of each city, Rockcastle County remains “dry” and no sale of alcohol is allowed anywhere in the county except inside the city limits of Brodhead or Mount Vernon at a licensed property.

“Money”

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difficult to spot and look “like the real thing” except some have Chinese writing on them.

Thus far, only \$100 bills have been found but police say other bills may be circulating as well.

Rush said if you see a counterfeit bill, you should contact the nearest law enforcement officer or bring the bill to the police station.

Rush said he does not believe the bills are being printed anywhere locally but have been brought in from another state.

Everyone is being asked to inspect all bills carefully.

years of service to the county was Sheriff Mike Peters. Peters said he too will miss the work but is glad to be retiring. “We accomplished a lot over the years. And there's still more to do,” he said.

Shannon Franklin will be taking over as Sheriff on January 7 since he was elected in November.

Carlos McClure also received a plaque for 30 years of service to the county, including his employment with the county road department. McClure served one term as Rockcastle County Jailer.

Gary Burdette retired with eight years as District 4 Magistrate and Bonnie Roark, 911 Director, retired with 22 years of service to the county.



Gary Burdette, Bill McKinney, Carlos McClure, Mike Peters and Bonnie Roark each received plaques for their service last week. Each of them will be retiring from county service as of January 1.

“Indict”

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Phillip Wade Estes, 40, Adam Matthew Estes, 22 and Dustin G. Young and Carolyn B. Young, both 33 and all of Irvine were named in a joint indictment.

Phillip Estes was indicted for burglary, theft by unlawful taking, possession of a controlled substance, promoting contraband into the Rockcastle County Jail and possession of burglary tools. His bond was set at \$50,000 c/p.

Adam Estes was indicted for burglary and theft by unlawful taking. His bond was also set at \$50,000 c/p.

Dustin and Carolyn Young were both indicted for complicity to commit burglary and complicity to commit theft by unlawful taking.

Their bond was set at \$25,000 c/p each;

Luther R. Akers, Jr., 43 of Crab Orchard was indicted on one charge of receiving stolen property.

His bond was set at \$20,000 c/p;

John Lewis-Shane Kirby, 34, of Lexington, who has been the subject of a lengthy manhunt by local law enforcement, was indicted on five counts: burglary, two counts of theft by unlawful taking, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and as a persistent felony offender.

His bond was set at \$100,000 c/p;

Milda Mills, 44, of Langdon St., Mt. Vernon was indicted for promoting contraband into the Rockcastle County Detention Center.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

James Carlis Cromer, 78, of Kincer Lane, Brodhead was indicted on two counts: possession of a handgun by a convicted felon and as a persistent felony offender.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Robert Tillery, 36, and Jacquelyn Dees, 40, both of Wildrose Road, Mt. Vernon were named in a joint indictment for the offense of wanton endangerment.

Both Tillery's and Dees' bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

John L. Kirby, 34, of Hummel Road, Mt. Vernon and Tara L. Willis, 30 of Highland Drive, Mt. Vernon were also named in a joint indictment. Kirby and Willis were both indicted for possession of a controlled substance and possession of a defaced firearm.

Kirby was also indicted for possession of a handgun by a convicted felon, fleeing or evading police and as a persistent felony offender.

Willis was also indicted for hindering prosecution or apprehension with the intent to render assistance to Kirby.

Her bond was set at \$20,000 c/p.

Kirby's bond was set at \$25,000 c/p;

Devin Adams, 23, of

Richmond St., Mt. Vernon and Matthew Carte, 33, of Williams St., Mt. Vernon were also named in a joint indictment.

Adams and Carte were indicted for the offense of burglary and Adams was also indicted for possession of stolen mail matter.

Both of their bonds was set at \$5,000 c/p.

In a different indictment, Carte was indicted for promoting contraband into the Rockcastle County Jail and tampering with physical evidence.

On these charges, his bail was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Christopher E. Miller, 29, of Georgetown was indicted on three charges: possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication.

His bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Choe-mae Bradley, 20, of Lexington was indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Her bond was set at \$25,000 c/p;

Barry Randy Stewart, 59, of Big Cave Road, Orlando was indicted for the offense of trafficking in a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$25,000 c/p;

Russell Jackson, 33, of Freedom School Road, Mt. Vernon was indicted for possession of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Shelly Elise Looney, 41, of Robindale Road, Livingston was also indicted for possession of a controlled substance.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Robin N. Wagers, 45, of London was indicted for theft of a motor vehicle registration plate, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Wagers' bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Brian P. Haight, 43, of Crab Orchard was indicted for fleeing or evading police, assault, criminal attempt to disarm a peace officer, resisting arrest, public intoxication, criminal mischief and as a persistent felony offender.

His bond was set at \$50,000 c/p;

Everett D. Morgan, 29, of London was indicted for possession of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Shadole L. Day, 30, of Day Street, Brodhead was indicted for promoting contraband and possession of marijuana.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 cp;

Kerri Lea Abrams, 35, of S. Wilderness Road, Livingston was indicted for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

William L. Pendery, 29, of Richmond St., Mt. Vernon, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Jamie D. Abee, 43, of McKee was indicted for possession of a controlled substance and theft of identity.

Her bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Krissy M. Cromer, 39, of Grace Loop Road, Mt. Vernon was indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Cory J. Gentry, 26, of Somerset was indicted on four counts: wanton endangerment, fleeing or evading police, tampering with physical evidence and possession for sale or transfer of a simulated controlled substance.

Gentry's bond was set at \$50,000 cash/property;

Nicholas D. Rogers, 39, of Russell Springs was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

His bond was set at \$25,000 c/p;

Charles F. Clark, 40, of Big Cave Road, Orlando was indicted for theft by unlawful taking.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Juanita Arlene Renner, 47, of Mill St., Mt. Vernon was indicted for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol/drugs, trafficking in marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Her bond was set at \$20,000 c/p;

Kevin W. Trent, 25, of

Crab Orchard was indicted on two counts of rape, one first degree and one third degree, sodomy and sexual abuse, first degree.

His bond was set at \$150,000 cash;

Starlin D Robinson, 39, of Green Fish Road, Mt. Vernon was indicted on two counts of flagrant non-support, totaling \$18,377.

Her bond was set at \$18,000 cash/subject to forfeiture;

Gary D. Mullins, 67, of Richmond was indicted for flagrant non-support in the amount of \$16,601.

Bond was set at \$15,000 cash, subject to forfeiture, and

Danny L. Collins, 34 of Berea was indicted for flagrant non-support in the amount of \$9,396.

His bond was set at \$9,000 cash, subject to forfeiture.

“Kirby”

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day, December 16. “He can run like a deer. We have had him cornered several times but he always got away,” said Peters. “There was nowhere to go this time. Every exit was blocked.”

Peters said Kirby had been out of jail about a year when break-ins began to be reported again. “We learned that Kirby was involved in some of the break-ins and started searching for him,” Peters said. “We kept getting close but he is a hard fellow to catch.” Police say Kirby has escaped other law enforcement agencies as well.

Kirby was captured in Madison County but was brought to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where he was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia,

two counts of fleeing or evading police, giving a false identification to police, five counts of being a persistent felony offender, two counts of probation violation, two counts of burglary in the third degree, theft by unlawful taking over \$500, receiving stolen property, tampering with physical evidence, burglary in the first degree, theft by unlawful taking firearm and wanton endangerment.

Kirby has eight separate bonds listed by case number..

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Livingston Christmas Parade



Pleasant Run Missionary Baptist Church had a beautifully decorated float in this year's Livingston Christmas Parade. (See more photos inside second section.)



Tracy Gabbard and his little "reindeer" took part in Livingston's Christmas Parade. The girls are members of the Rockcastle Recreational Cheer program in Rockcastle.

The Medley Boys

At the top and home again

By: Mike French
Editor

Editor's note: This is the ninth in a series of articles about local residents who play or sing music of some kind. Local bands and performers have traveled the world making music and we hope to give our readers insight into their lifestyle.

As this series has shown, Rockcastle County is filled with musicians and singers. Some who simply enjoy sitting in their kitchen and playing. Others who travel the world displaying their talent for thousands of fans.

One of the biggest local success stories revolves around a local group that reached music's highest goals and yet they decided the music world and all its

glamour and glory were not worth staying away from Rockcastle County.

The Medley Boys are home to stay.

Anthony and Jason Medley were at the top of the music world with a coveted record deal and most of the things that musicians dream of, including the offer of a paid salary and a bus to travel the country performing in front of thousands. The chance for fame and stardom and all their trappings were at their fingertips and, for awhile, the two Livingston men experienced the high life of the music industry.

"But then, life happened," said Jason (who is also mayor of Livingston).

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Merry Christmas

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Reindeer pulled Stacy Faulkner's lit up vehicle through the Livingston Christmas Parade.



The town of Livingston was beautifully decorated for the Christmas season. Above is the nativity scene at the Livingston Trailhead.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Circuit Civil Suits

Alan Ray Young v. Britany Ramsey, petition for joint custody. CI-00291

District Civil Suits

Ethelene Scott v. John Edwards, eviction notice. Portfolio Recovery Assn. LLC v. Dalton Hulton, \$1,083 plus claimed due. C-00241

Marriage Licenses

Angela Rebecca Daugherty, 41, Mt. Vernon, unemployed and Christopher Edward Stewart, 31, Orlando, unemployed. 12/12/18

Deeds Recorded

Carl and Linda Stewart, property in Rockcastle Co., to Billy E. and Leslie G. Stewart. No tax
 Community Trust Bank, property on US 25, to Joseph Kelley. Tax \$10
 Debora and Ricky Bowles and Michael Seth and Natasha Adams, property on L. Adams Rd., to Adam and Karah Short. Tax \$87.50
 Scott David Anglin, property on Green Pond Ridge Rd., to Matthew Langenbacher. Tax \$67.50
 Deborah June Adams, property on Sherman Thompson Estate, to Michael David Adams. No tax
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District Court

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Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
 Jordan Thomas Hays: fleeing or evading police, illegal possession of legend drug, resisting arrest, 3 days in jail/each charge/concurrent/costs waived.
 Adron William McKinney: drug paraphernalia - buy/possess and theft by unlawful taking, sentencing orders entered.
 Everett D. Morgan: criminal mischief and theft by unlawful taking, 10 days in jail/to serve/concurrent/costs waived.
 Gary L. Abney: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, failure to wear seat belts, bench warrant (bw) entered for failure to appear (fta).
 Ashley Bussell: public intoxication, possession controlled substance and drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued for fta.
 Speeding: Justin Cameron, Tyler A. Johnson, license suspended for fta;

Donald B. Rogers, pending action slip;
 Pamela M. Cash: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, falsely reporting an accident, disorderly conduct, probation violation, contempt of court, bw issued for fta.
 David Lee Cromer: Violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO, bw issued for fta.
 Teddi Day: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.
 Tiffany N. Denny: speeding, \$50 fine; failure to wear seat belts, improper equipment and failure to or improper signal, \$25 fine each charge.
 Dwayne L. Elam: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.
 William B. Evans: any violation charge (except traffic), \$500 fine/suspended on condition, costs waived.
 Cynthia Ruth Griffith: failure to wear seat belts, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, possession of marijuana, possession controlled sub, possession of controlled substance/drug, tampering with physical evidence, controlled substance prescription not in orig. container, bw issued for fta.
 Carissa Ingram: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, license to be in possession, bw issued for fta.
 Jami Renee Graves: careless driving, \$50 fine plus costs.
 Chad Curtis Long: disregarding stop sign, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, bw issued for fta.
 Larry McLemore: leaving scene of accident/failure to render aid or assistance, failure to wear seat belts, driving on DUI suspended license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, reg. and title requirements veh. not oper. on hwy, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, operating mv under influence of alcohol/drugs, bw issued for fta.
 Krise Mullins: public intoxication, criminal trespassing, bw issued for fta.
 Tommy Wayne Reynolds: no tail lamps, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to surrender revoked operators license, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta.
 Donald Lee Roberts: failure to produce insurance card and failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/sec., bw issued for fta.
 Edna Sparks: flagrant non-support, bw issued for fta.
 John R. Stone: possession controlled substance, sentencing order entered.
 James Robert Stringer: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Danny Wayne Waddell: wanton endangerment (five counts), criminal mischief (two counts), terroristic threatening six counts), assault (four counts), operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, license to be in possession, resisting arrest, failure to produce insurance card, attempt disarming a peace officer, menacing, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, bw issued for fta.
 Derek Fitzgerald Wright: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, operating on suspended/revoked operators

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Will and Jeanie Singleton rode in their side by side during the Livingston Christmas Parade.

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Mayor Jason Medley and his son, Ethan, took part in Livingston's Christmas Parade sharing candy with those in attendance.



Magistrate Mike McGuire took part in Livingston's Christmas Parade. No snow this year for the parade but temperatures were definitely chilly.



Santa and Mrs. Claus were a hit during Livingston's Christmas Parade and festivities afterwards at the firehouse.



Donnie and Terina Helton drove their '70 Chevelle and shared candy with those in attendance.



CSEPP Director B.B. Cameron and his wife Elizabeth and cousin Carson took part in Livingston's Christmas Parade.



Mike Mink drove his Hot Rod Taxi in Livingston's Christmas Parade.



Tim Kelley was busy throwing out candy during Livingston's Christmas Parade.

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May the spirit fill your hearts this Christmas.

Pictured at left, front row from left: Janet Blevins, Dianna Gilbert and Anita Moore.
Back row from left: Sonya McGuire, Danetta Ford Allen, Becky Mays, Amy Mink, and Tina Gibbs.

Clerk's Office Holiday Schedule and Closings
Due to AVIS Outages.
Christmas - December 22-25, 2018
State AVIS - Outage December 31, 2018
New Year - January 1, 2019

from
County Clerk Danetta Ford Allen
and staff



Rockcastle County Judge/Executive-Elect Howell Holbrook and family members took part in Livingston's Christmas Parade sharing candy with those in attendance.



David Thompson with David's Tire Center decorated his flatbed truck and participated in Livingston's Christmas Parade.



Flat Rock Baptist Church brought their beautifully decorated float, *A Child Is Born*, to the Livingston Christmas Parade.



Firefighter Jimmy Clark drove Livingston's E-303 truck in the annual Christmas Parade at Livingston. Many other fire departments throughout the county took part in Livingston's parade as well.



Gary Parker gave his grandson, Jordan Smith with Rockcastle Weather, a ride in Livingston's Parade.



Livingston Police Chief Travis Richardson led the parade through Livingston.

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In photo above is Chris Settles with Marathon employees Beverly Sandusky and Jana Bordeaux.

Medley Boys

(Cont. from B1)

"Some things are just more important than chasing that dream."

Life, in this case, was four children, two wives and family.

"Anthony had two children and I had one and another on the way and we would be gone six months at a time on tour and we just decided we were not willing to chase that dream anymore," he said.

Music has been part of their world since the brothers were born and their father started them playing at a very young age. "Our dad was quite the accomplished musician," said Jason. "He got Anthony started on piano and me on guitar and we took it from there."

The two young men turned into extremely accomplished musicians and singers themselves and started a band called "Speeding Ticket." With that local group, the brothers traveled around central Kentucky and surrounding states playing their own brand of southern rock and country and always involved their upbringing with some gospel music in each performance.

The duo was so good, that they started getting noticed in bigger music circles and, in 1995, they were offered a record deal by Adonda Records in Nashville, Tennessee.

The two men traveled the country playing radio tours and festivals and stages that most musicians only dream of playing.

The pair recorded a demo LP that was played

on radio stations worldwide and the name "Medley Boys" was becoming recognized world-wide in the music industry.

In fact, the Medley Boys opened concerts for many of the biggest names in county music and played to countless sold-out crowds across the nation.

The very popular duo shared green rooms and backstages with the top country acts in the world and performed most every weekend for packed houses in front of thousands of screaming fans.

They were what many would call "stars."

"It was about then that our focus changed," said 40 year old Jason. "It was some really good times and we loved it. But we missed our families and we were getting burned out. It's a great life for a 20-year-old but there's not much room in today's country music world for 40-year-old singers."

So, after careful contract negotiations and selling rights to the songs the duo had written, Jason and Anthony Medley came home to Livingston.

Jason was later elected Mayor of Livingston and Anthony became a manager at a large business and the two settled into life in their hometown. "We don't regret our decision," said Jason. "It was the right thing to do." Still, the brothers think a lot about their life-changing decision to come home. "We think about it a lot. And, truthfully, I miss it occasionally. But we are family men now and we are both happy to be home."

And, of course, that kind of talent never goes

to waste. "Oh, we will never stop playing and singing," said Jason. "We play all the time somewhere and we are at the Livingston Depot most every Friday night. Everyone is invited to come and sit with us."

Though the Medley Boys still get calls almost every week asking them to play somewhere, they mostly play shows in central Kentucky and even more often within the county.

Both men focus their attention more now on gospel music. "The Lord gave us the ability to play so we love serving the Lord. It came from Him and we have to give it back to Him," said Jason.

Jason said there are too many people in the brothers' lives to thank them all for their support over the years. "So many friends, family and fans have supported us over the years but there is no way I could thank them all for their help and their love."

Anyone who would like the Medley Boys to perform at your church or other venue, feel free to contact Jason at (606) 308-4543. "We love to play at churches," he said.

When one asks Jason if he prefers being mayor over being a world famous performer, he breaks into a hearty laugh and simply says, "well, it sure is two different worlds."

Court News

(Cont. from B2)

license, failure to produce insurance card, possession open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle, bw issued for fta.

Justin C. Whitt: assault (two counts), no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, fleeing or evading police, license to be in possession, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, possession/use of radio that sends/receives police messages, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, improper passing, reckless driving, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, criminal mischief, wanton endangerment, leaving the

scene of an accident/failure to render aid or assistance, failure to report traffic accident, failure to report accident in excess of \$500, bw issued for fta.

Jessica Laray Baker: failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, \$500 fine plus costs.

Courtney A. Barnes: possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia - advertisement, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., bw issued for fta.

Dax Russell Durham: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, possession controlled substance, controlled substance prescription not in original container, rear license not illuminated, vehicle a nuisance, noisy, etc., improper equipment, display/possession of cancelled/fictitious operators license, no operators/moped license, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, no expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, improper display of registration plates, display of illegal/alterer registration plates, bw issued for fta.

Nicole R. Halcomb: fine/fees due (\$273), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or full payment.

Cheryl L. Marshall: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

James H. Randolph: theft by deception, bw issued for fta.

Amanda L. Sparks: flagrant non-support, bw issued for fta.

Niklas Robert Wainwright: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, bw issued for fta.

Brandon Michael Wynn: drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, bw issued for fta.

Dustin Ray Griffin: speeding and driving too fast for traffic conditions, license suspended for fta.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE

I made it for church pot luck while in California. There happened to be a visiting preacher Mr. LeCroix and his wife there that day. As I had come to expect, several people did ask for the recipe. One of them was Mrs. LeCroix. She said they loved the taste, had never tasted anything like it, and wanted to make it for Thanksgiving. Two Thanksgivings later I got a nice note from Mrs. LeCroix thanking me for the recipe. She said she had decided not to make the casserole that year, but her son had insisted he would not come to dinner unless she made it. 3 cups cooked sweet potatoes, mashed
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup butter, melted
2 eggs, slightly beaten
1/2 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
Mix all of the above and pour into buttered 2 quart oven-proof dish.
TOPPING:
1 and 1/2 cups brown sugar, packed
1 cup chopped nuts
2/3 cup flour
1 stick butter, softened
Mix with fork and sprinkle on top of sweet potato mixture. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes.

TROPICAL SWEET POTATOES

1 can (23 ounce) sweet potatoes
1 can (11 ounce) mandarin oranges
1 can (about 5 ounce) pineapple chunks in juice
1 tablespoon cornstarch
2 tablespoons water
2 tablespoons butter
1/4 firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup coconut, optional
Heat oven to 375°. Drain sweet potatoes, discard juice. Cut into 3-inch chunks. Drain oranges and pineapple, reserving 1/2 cup of each juice. Place potatoes and fruit in a 2-quart casserole dish. In a small bowl, stir together reserved juices, cornstarch, and water until cornstarch is dissolved. In a small saucepan, melt butter until sizzling. With wire whisk, stir in juice-cornstarch mixture, brown sugar, and cinnamon. Cook over medium heat, whisking constantly until mixture comes to a boil. Boil one minute. Pour hot sauce over sweet potato mixture in casserole dish. Cover dish, bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until heated through and bubbly. If desired, sprinkle with coconut before serving.



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GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

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From all of us at



Front row from left: Lucy Cole, Katelyn Santon and Melanie Gadd
Back row from left: Andrea Terry, Nancy Ruhe and Chris Hughes.

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Rockcastle Cadets participate in inspection

(Submitted)

Several Cadets participated in the triennial Joint Program of Accreditation

December 4th, which includes two mandatory briefings, a platoon drill inspection,

a colorguard inspection, and a Cadet portfolio inspection.

Cadets Amber Doan, Aleya Powell, Hunter Medley, and the rest of the battalion staff presented the Battalion Improvement Plan, which consisted of the plan our battalion took to improve Cadets' understanding and knowledge of general JROTC information and leadership capabilities.

Cadets Jake Neeley, Sarah Pride, and Madison Bryant were responsible for presenting the overview of our 2018 service learning project at the Saltpetre cave where we assisted the Ohio Cave Grotto association in parking before the event, kitchen and cave duties during the event, and

clean-up after the event.

After the presentations, the platoon drill inspection, commanded by Cadet Command Sergeant Major Hunter Medley and consisting of Cadets Eli Price, Christopher McCoy, Richie Clouse, J.J. Clouse, Tyler Navarre, Zachary Poyle, Gabriel Tackett, Cager Doan, Madison Bryant, Sarah Pride, Kensie Sheffield, and Cody Morris marched in sequence for the platoon drill portion of the JPA.

Next was the

colorguard inspection, commanded by Cadet First Sergeant Chanler Cole, with Cadet Sergeant J.J. Clouse as the state flag, Cadet Sergeant Cager Doan as the left rifleman, and Cadet Staff Sergeant Eli Price as the right rifleman.

Last was the portfolio inspections. For the LET I's, Cadets Caleb Thompkins, Izzy Clouse, and Alex Robinson had their cadet portfolios inspected for quality and completeness and were asked questions pertain-

ing to their future and understanding in and of the battalion. For the LET II's, Cadets Cager Doan, Eli Price, and Richie Clouse's portfolios were inspected. For the LET III's, Cadets Chanler Cole and Andrew Didelot portfolios were inspected, and they were asked questions relating to their leadership positions and personnel. Finally, for the LET IV's, Cadets Sebastian Poynter and Larry Vanwinkle's portfolios were inspected and were asked questions relating to their work in the company and battalion, as well as their future beyond high school.

After the inspection was completed, the Rockcastle County Rocket Battalion scored ninety-nine percent overall for the JPA, earning the Honor Unit with Distinction qualification, keeping our gold star for another three years. This score was also the highest score in our battalion's history.

We would like to thank Mrs. Mattingly, Mr. Bussell, and Maj. Ramsey from the Clinton County JROTC Battalion for attending. We would also like to thank Mr. Owens for observing and grading us during our 2018 - 19 year inspection.



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May the love of Jesus give us all peace this Christmas!

Merry Christmas

Judge Jeff, Twila,

Thomas and Zoe Burdette



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Many thanks to the best bunch of people—our customers!



Bottom row from left: Kristina Ruhe and Chianne Caudill. Back row from left: Teresa Gentry, Melissa Gooch, Angel Smith and Denise Wallin.



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Squad #1, commanded by Cadet First Sergeant Andrew Didelot, competed in the squad drill portion of York. Squad #1 consisted of Cadets Chanler Cole, Toby Kirby, Hayley Allen, J.J. Clouse, Zac Robinson, Zachary Fetters, and Madison Bryant.



Sixteen Cadets from the Rockcastle Battalion Drill Team competed in the Alvin C. York Drill Competition at Jamestown, Tennessee December 8th.

Rockcastle Drill Team competes at competition

Submitted
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December 8th. The first event of the day was the colorguard portion of the competition commanded by Cadet Command Sergeant Major Hunter Medley.

Cadet Second Lieutenant Sarah Pride was the state flag and Cadets Cager Doan and Eli Price were the left and right riflemen, respectively.

day, Rockcastle County received a custom participation streamer for the battalion's guide-on. All the Cadets who participated in this competition

performed excellently and to the best of their abilities. We would like to thank the organizers of the Alvin C. York Drill competition for taking the

time to set up and oversee the event, as well as the Drill Sergeants who took time out of their days to grade cadets throughout the event.



Colorguard portion of the Alvin C. York Drill Competition commanded by Cadet Command Sergeant Major Hunter Medley. Cadet Second Lieutenant Sarah Pride was the state flag and Cadets Cager Doan and Eli Price were the left and right riflemen, respectively.

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After Squad #1 came Squad #2, which was commanded by Cadet Staff Sergeant Eli Price and consisted of Cadets Hunter Medley, Caleb Tompkins, Andrew Durham, Jacob Rice, Sarah Pride, Alex Robinson, and Cager Doan.

Last competition of the day was the Armed IDR, which was a portion of the competition where Cadets must follow the drilling orders of a singular Drill Sergeant as closely as they can, whilst being graded by patrolling Drill Sergeants.

At the award ceremony near the end of the

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Mt. Vernon Message

School News

Christmas break begins Thursday, December 20. Students return on January 3. Enjoy your time with family and friends.

Class News

Mrs. Angie Hunt's kindergarten class from Mt. Vernon Elementary conducted a Food Drive to supply food for the MVES Snack Pack Program. Mrs. Angie's class collected over 600 items to donate. They learned about the joy of giving to others in need. They would like to encourage you to donate individual food items to MVES for the Snack Pack Program.

Mrs. Kami and Ms. Lisa's kindergarten classes donated snacks to the Family Resource Center Snack pack program for Christmas!



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Wishing everyone a **Merry Christmas & HAPPY NEW YEAR**

*No Paper Next Week!
Signal office will be closed
December 21st - 30th*

UNITE Coalition 2018 Poster Contest winners

The Rockcastle UNITE Coalition celebrated winners from the 2018 Poster Contest at the UNITE Meeting, Wednesday, December 12 held at Marcella's Farm to Fork. Students from all three Rockcastle County Schools UNITE Clubs submitted poster ideas about the fight against drugs and staying sober and drug-free.

Three winning posters were picked from each school: Brodhead Elementary, Mt. Vernon Elementary, and Roundstone Elementary. Then three students' posters were selected overall

from the School district as a whole.

The winners were announced at the December meeting of the UNITE Coalition.

For Brodhead Elementary School in first, second, and third place were Gracie Hines, Keelie Bowling, and Addison Gilbert.

For Mt. Vernon Elementary, the first, second, and third place winners were: Aisha Njie, Macey Spivey, and Maggie Reynolds.

Representing Roundstone Elementary were Ella McKinney, Aedan Owens, and

Santana Hacker, first, second, and third.

The District winners were Keelie Bowling in third place, Gracie Hines in second place, and Aisha Njie, the first place overall winner.

Congratulations to all the winners, and thank you to all who participated.

The Rockcastle UNITE Coalition meets the second Wednesday of each month at Marcella's Farm to Fork at noon. All are welcome to come, be informed, and hopefully to get involved in the fight for a clean and sober community.



District winners of the UNITE Poster Contest pictured with John Hale, UNITE President are from left: Aisha Njie, Keelie Bowling and, Gracie Hines.



BES winners of the UNITE Poster Contest pictured with John Hale, UNITE President are from left: Addison Gilbert, Keelie Bowling, and Gracie Hines.



MVES winners of the UNITE Poster Contest pictured with John Hale, UNITE President are from left: Maggie Reynolds, Macey Spivey, and Aisha Njie.



RES winners of the UNITE Poster Contest pictured with John Hale, UNITE President are from left: Aedan Owens, Ella McKinney, and Santana Hacker.



Let the Bible Speak
Tune in to "Let the Bible

Speak," with Brett Hickey, on Sunday mornings at 6:30

a.m. on LEX18.

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, every 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/ Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon. Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577, Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. **Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies. Northside Baptist, Mt. Vernon at 7 p.m. 606-256-5577. Men and women, small groups.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, every 6:30 p.m. Leader: Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston at Livingston School cafeteria. 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

Christmas Play at Quinton Baptist

Quinton Baptist Church and pastor Bro. Jack Stallworth invite and welcome everyone to our Christmas play "From the Manager to the Cross To a Crown," next Sunday evening, December 23rd, beginning at 6 p.m.

The church is located on Hwy. 790, Bronston in Pulaski Co.

First Christian Youth Christmas Program

First Christian Church will present their 2018 Youth Christmas program Sunday, December 23rd at 6 p.m.

Everyone is welcome.

Happy Birthday December 28th In Heaven Randall Reynolds Love - Mom

Happy Birthday Walter Lee Cash December 28th Love - Charlene

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Christmas Blessings

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Isaiah 9:6

With best wishes to you and yours this holiday season



Shannon, Jill, Maggie & Valerie Franklin
Shannon Franklin
Rockcastle Sheriff-Elect

The Gospel of Christ

The term gospel literally means good news-glad tidings, the good news is the salvation that is found in this gospel of Jesus Christ. We find the Apostle Paul states in Romans 1:16—It is God's saving power for all of mankind. The gospel is to be taught and preached all over the world we find in Matthew 28:19-20—When Jesus commanded his disciples to go into all the world preaching the gospel or the word of God, making disciples of all people.

The apostle Paul preached a gospel that came from Heaven we find, Galatians 1:11-12—He said it came from Heaven and not from men, because he didn't seek to please men but to please God. We need to always make sure the gospel we are so fond of came from Heaven and not from men. The Apostle Paul also said in Galatians 1:6-9—The other gospel that many men preach he said is actually not another gospel, he was amazed that the church at Galatia would follow another gospel, he states even if an angel from Heaven preaches something different than what he preached, he said consider that man to be accursed, and he said this again don't believe it, because it will lead you away from the salvation of the true gospel because folks there is only one.

We must believe the gospel to be saved we find, Hebrews 4:2 When the gospel is mixed with faith it will cause to be moved to the point we will accept the conditions we find in God's word, which will save our souls.

We must believe it or be lost. 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9—God is going to take vengeance on them that know not God and those that obey not the gospel of Jesus Christ, folks this is serious stuff, that we don't need to brush off to the side but remember this is God speaking and not men.

This is how men are begotten, we find in 1 Corinthians 4:15—Though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers, for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. It is through the gospel that we are adopted we obey the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Have you been begotten through the gospel of Jesus Christ?

The Gospel consists of—a. the death of Jesus Christ 1Cor 15:1-14-b. His burial Romans 6:4. c. The resurrection Romans 10:9 This is the gospel of Jesus Christ.

There are commands we must obey- a. We must believe- Romans 10:17. b. we must repent - Acts 2:38 c. we must confess Christ to be the Son of God. d. we must be baptized Acts 2:38 - 10:48.

These are things we must do to obey the gospel of Jesus Christ, to be adopted into the family of God, we should never feel safe until we have done what God said.

Thank you for reading this article and may God bless and keep you through another week.

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Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhop@gmail.com

Berea Gospel Tabernacle
231 US 25 South
Berea, KY
Tuesday Night 7 p.m.
Sunday Night 6 p.m.

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
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Sunday Worship/Children's Church 11 a.m.
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Music Director: Dan Dull

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Preaching Brethren
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Mt. Vernon, Ky.
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Brodhead Baptist Church
Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
(Nursery Provided)
Sunday Youth Bible Study 5 p.m.
Wednesday Adult & Youth Worship/Bible Study 7 p.m.
Children's Programs:
RAs & GAs
Mission Friends and Creative Ministry
Ralph Baker, Pastor
Brodhead Christian
237 W. Main St. Brodhead
606-758-8721
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

Brodhead Church of God
Hwy. 3245 • Brodhead
758-8216
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening 7 p.m.
Terry Orcutt, Pastor
Brush Creek Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Lonnie R. McGuire, Pastor
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Bill Hall, Pastor
Bill Mink, Asst. Pastor
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Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

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Berea, KY 40403
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings: Sunday 5 p.m.

Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bobby Turner, Pastor
606-758-4007

Crab Orchard Pentecostal
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Donald King
606-355-7595

CrossPoint Church of God
211 Industrial Park Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Sunday 2 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Matt Griggs
859-582-2553

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Steven Vanhook, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Cupps Chapel Holiness
Copper Creek Rd., Brodhead
Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Dewayne Carpenter
Dixie Park Cornerstone
700 N. Powell St. Berea, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Joe Vanwinkle, Pastor
Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Thursday Service 7 p.m.
Robert Miller, Pastor

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

Faith Chapel Pentecostal
S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Jack Carpenter, Pastor
First Baptist Church
340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-2922
Dennis Wilder, Pastor
Jesse Wright, Assoc. Pastor/Youth
website: www.fbcmvky.org
email: fbcmtvernon@newwave.net
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Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Flat Rock Missionary Baptist
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Barry Hurst

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Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
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Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7 p.m.

Higher Praise Ministries
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Chris Davidson, Pastor
Sunday 11 am & 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Bus Ministry call 606-392-8777

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Hwy. 1004 • Orlando, Ky.
Tim Hampton, Pastor
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercosy Prayer 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

Little Country Church
Jarber Rd.
Turn left off Rev. Green Loop onto Jarber Rd.
Jack Weaver, Pastor
Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

Livingston Baptist
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Gary Parker, Pastor

Livingston Christian Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Arthur Hunt, Minister

Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jim Miller, Pastor
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Sunday School 11 a.m.
Sunday Worship Noon
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
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6567 Scaffold Cane Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Bro. Jim Craig, Pastor
Maple Grove Baptist
Hwy. 1004 (Big Cave Road)
Orlando, Ky. • 606-256-1873
Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Maretburg Baptist Church
2617 New Brodhead Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Wayne Harding, Pastor
Phone: 256-8844
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sun. Discipleship Training/
Sunday Youth Missions 6 p.m.
Sunday Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
www.maretburgbaptist.org
maretburgchurch@yahoo.com

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jerry Ballinger, Pastor

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1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Bro. Homer Edmond, Pastor

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.

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Steve McDaniel, Worship Leader

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Bro. David Carpenter, Pastor

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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Tuesday
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Wednesday
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Service 7 p.m.
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Holy Days 5 p.m.
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Sister Joyce Moeller,
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Jack Lawless, Groundskeeper
Tom Darst, Maintenance

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Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
606-308-5368

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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.

Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church
81 Limeplant Hollow Road
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
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859-986-1579
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting & Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.

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Pleasant Run Missionary
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 5:00 p.m.
Thursday Night 6 p.m.
Pastor Tommy Miller

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Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
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Students of the 3rd grade at Brodhead Elementary traveled on Monday to Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Nursing Home to share a visit with residents while caroling and providing an extra layer of warmth. As a way of giving back to their community 3rd grade students dedicated their time and efforts for a blanket drive to give a blanket for each resident. 3rd grade students were able to deliver their gift with a visit echoing the halls with a little Christmas cheer. Over the past few weeks students have been collecting donations of new blankets to give to the residents to help them stay warm during the winter months. The 3rd grade was able to collect over 100 blankets, a blanket for EVERY resident and even a few extra for any new patients. Thanks to our students, families, and community for your support of our Brodhead Elementary 3rd grade students and their drive to give back to their community.

Brodhead Winter Carnival was a major success. Smiling faces and joy filled the front halls of Brodhead Elementary as students came back to school to celebrate the friendships and community that has been built at BES. 5th grade students opened their own businesses selling handmade crafts, 4th grade students offered bounce house fun and a variety of winter games, and a spaghetti and meatball dinner for our guest to enjoy. The classroom crafts and baskets were the prize of the night. Many anxious bidders tried their luck to capture the bundles of joy. Thanks to the Brodhead Elementary students for their work to make the night a shining example of the great things that take place at BES. Thanks to our staff for the direction that they provided our students in their adventure and their efforts to provide everyone with a positive experience. We would also like to say thanks to the awesome community that supported and continues to support the efforts at BES.

Our Brodhead Elementary School's fourth-grade presentation of the play "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever". The students worked extremely hard and put on a fantastic performance. We would like to thank our awesome families, friends, and the BES staff for coming to the show and making our play even more special.

Everyone have a very Merry Christmas. May your holidays be filled with family, friends, and happiness.

RCHS Archery on point at Somerset tournament

RCHS performed well at the Nancy Dragon Tournament in Somerset on Saturday.

Kyle Coffey led the team with a 275, shooting 15 tens. Kyle was ranked 2nd in high school male division and 6th overall in the male division.

TJ Ramsey shot 272. TJ ranked 3rd in the high school male division and 8th overall in the male division.

Emily Maupin was the top female shooter for the team with a 262. Emily ranked 3rd in high school

female division and 5th overall for female shooters.

Liz Renner and Trace Boone weren't far behind with 260 each. Liz ranked 4th in the high school division for females. Trace ranked 9th in the high school male division.

Gentry Phillips scored a 257. Brooke Renner added to the total with a 253. Lara Renner shot a decent 241. Damien Johnson and Jillian Wallin followed with 238 and 228, respectively.



Brodhead Elementary School's fourth-grade presentation of the play "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever". Students worked extremely hard and put on a fantastic performance.

Public Hearing Notice

To all interested citizens of Rockcastle County, Kentucky:

The Kentucky Department for Local Government is accepting application material under the 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Rockcastle County intends to apply for assistance to purchase equipment and lease to the Kentucky Microfoodery project. The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court will hold a public hearing prior to the submission of the application form. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, December 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Rockcastle County Fiscal Courtroom. The purpose of this hearing is to obtain views on housing and community development needs, review proposed activities, review the proposed application, and solicit public comments. Technical assistance is available to help groups representing low and moderate income persons in developing proposals.

The following information concerning the CDBG program is available for public inspection at Rockcastle County Judge Executive's office during regular business hours:

- A. Amount of funds available and range of activities that may be undertaken.
- B. Estimated amounts of funds proposed to be used for activities benefiting persons of low and moderate income.
- C. Plans for minimizing displacement of persons as a result of activities associated with CDBG funds and plans for providing assistance to those persons to be actually displaced as a result of CDBG-funded activities.
- D. Records regarding the past use of CDBG funds.
- E. A summary of other important program requirements.

Comments on Application

A copy of the CDBG application material will be on file at Rockcastle County Judge Executive's Office for citizens' review and comment during regular business hours from December 20, 2018 through December 27, 2018. Comments on the proposed application may be submitted to the attention of Doug Bishop, Rockcastle County Judge Executive until the close of business on December 27, 2018.

Discrimination Clause

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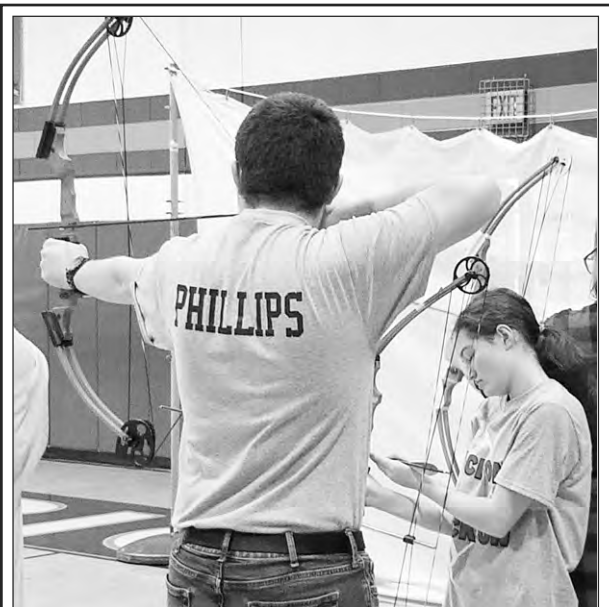
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The RCHS Archery Team performed well at the Nancy Dragon Tournament in Somerset on Saturday. Pictured front from left are: Brooke Renner, Emily Maupin, Jillian Wallin, Damien Johnson, and Kyle Coffey. Back row from left: Lara Renner, Liz Renner, Trace Boone, T.J. Ramsey, and Gentry Phillips.



Emily Maupin loading her bow and Gentry Phillips shooting during the Somerset tournament. Maupin was the top female shooter for the team with a 262.



Kyle Coffey led the team with a 275 at Somerset.



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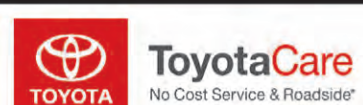
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Police Chief Brian Carter led the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade



Crystal and Kinley Rush gave Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant a ride during the annual Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Members of the RCHS JROTC Color Guard taking part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade are shown above, from left: Andrew Durham, Eli Price, Alex Robinson and Jacob Luzak.



Brodhead Mayor Walter Lee Cash took part in the annual Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Tracy Gabbard and members of Rockcastle Recreational Cheer braved the rainy day and took part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.

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Prepare for cold weather. The chill in the air can add to health risks whether you are inside or outside. If you are enjoying an outdoor activity or playing in the snow it is important to dress appropriately for the weather and monitor the amount of time spent outside. Early signs of frostbite include numbness or burning, or cold skin that turns hard and pale.

Hypothermia or dehydration risks increase the longer you spend exposed to the elements, particularly at altitude. If you are driving, make sure your car is equipped with a full emergency kit that includes a warm blanket, roadside flares and other necessities.

For those who stay inside more frequently in inclement weather, check to make sure smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are working properly. Respiratory issues are among the leading causes of winter ER visits. While a normal cough or cold is likely better addressed by a primary care physician, if an illness comes with complications, such as difficulty breathing, it could be appropriate to go to the emergency room.

Get a flu shot. Experts note that this flu season could be particularly severe and say that a flu vaccine is the best way to reduce your risk of getting sick. Vaccines are important and so are annual check-ups. Pinning an annual check-up to a calendar event such as a holiday or birthday is an easy way to make it part of your health routine.

Beyond winter weather, preventable accidents or health emergencies can happen during holiday preparation and celebration, too. Indulge in moderation.

Rich holiday meals and snacks are delicious but typically are high in salt, sugar, cholesterol or fat content. Too much of any festive food or drink can complicate existing health conditions, like diabetes. Eating slowly is one way to avoid choking, and it is important to make smart choices such as monitoring or limiting your alcohol intake.

"One important safety tip is pretty simple and could save your life — don't drink and drive," said Dr. Kivela. "Arrange for a designated driver in advance or call a taxi. Far too many accidents happen when people are inebriated and decide to get behind the wheel."

Go slowly, go safely. Accidents and back injuries are common around the holidays from lifting heavy objects and decorations to injuries from hanging lights or slipping on ice. Around 2.8 million people go to the ER annually from falls and, among seniors, falling is the leading cause of injury. Slow down to avoid slipping or falling in snow, ice or wet conditions.

Make a schedule to tackle your holiday shopping, entertaining, commuting or other tasks methodically and avoid the last-minute holiday scramble. "Holiday heart," cardiac issues that arise in otherwise healthy individuals, is a condition that can arise from the added pressures of holiday duties. Planning, entertaining, family stress or any number of factors can contribute to emergency visits relating to depression or anxiety seen around this time of year.

"To reduce your risk, reduce your stress," said Dr. Kivela. "One of the best gifts you can give yourself this holiday season is to commit to taking better care of your physical and mental health all year round." ACEP is the national medical specialty society representing emergency medicine. ACEP is committed to advancing emergency care through continuing education, research and public education. Headquartered in Dallas, Texas, ACEP has 53 chapters representing each state, as well as Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. A Government Services Chapter represents emergency physicians employed by military branches and other government agencies.



Front row from left: Janie King, Donna McClure and Julie Pigg. Back row from left: Anthony Asher, Sandy Durham, Jeannine Lawrence, Megan Coffey and Mike Blount.



Warm wishes to all of you for a joyous holiday season.

Many thanks for your continued patronage.



Front row from left: Mary Barron, Jaclyn Bullock and Chere Embs. Back row from left: Katlyn Durham, Donna Stayton, Cathy Howard and Keith Pierce.

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Rockcastle County Judge/Executive-Elect Howell Holbrook and family members took part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



Mount Vernon Fire Chief David Bales participated in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



Firefighter Wesley Durham and his wife, Katlyn, rode in the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Steve Griffin, his wife Becky and daughter Makayla as well as Mike Combs and his daughter, Allison rode in one of Mount Vernon Fire Department's fire trucks during the annual Christmas Parade.



Bobby Phelps with Livingston Fire and Rescue, took part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.

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A Hillbilly Christmas

Twas the night before Christmas
 And far from my home,
 A little bit scared as I traveled alone,
 I stopped to rest and rented a cabin,
 Late in the night, unsure what might happen.
 I settled in quick and went right to bed
 Happy at last to just lay down my head,
 When all of a sudden somewhere on the mountain,
 The Hillbillys began singing, dancing, shoutin'.
 The sound was like thunder, it woke the whole town,
 The Hillbillys were having a Christmas Ho-Down.
 Me in my cabin unable to sleep,
 Standing in nightshirt and only sock feet.
 No hope for rest I decided to go,
 So I dressed myself warmly, and walked out of my
 cabin
 And into the cold.
 Walking in the moonlight on a new fallen snow,
 Passing through the woods to a place I didn't know.
 I arrived at the cabin not sure of the time,
 It was a very big cabin much larger than mine.
 The inside was well lit and gave off a glow,
 That shone out the windows and on to the snow.
 Taking a breath, I knocked on the door,
 The host was a man I had never seen before.
 After looking me over, saying get on in here!
 Once inside I knew I had nothing to fear,
 Even hillbillys won't shoot you this time of the year.
 The festival inside was wonderful to see,
 The hillbillys were happy as happy could be.
 In the corner an old jug band was playing a song,
 In the center of the room a great dance going on.
 I was invited to dance, but danced very little,
 When I saw a great table just loaded with vittles.
 After filling my plate and a jar of country wine,
 I sat with the hillbillys and started to dine.
 After eating and dancing for most of the night,
 I realized these hillbillys are really all right.
 Growing tired and sleepy, and ready to go,
 I thanked my new friends as I walked out the door.
 As I headed toward my cabin the stars as my light,
 I was filled with new hope on this wonderful night.
 Arriving back home and warm in my cabin,
 I pondered this night, and all that had happened.
 Lying in bed, I thought of this place,
 My heart filled with joy and warmth of God's grace.
 So for all of earth's people, and all of life's faces,
 And for those far from home, staying in strange
 places,
 I prayed to our Lord on this most Holy of Nights,
 Take care and watch over us and help us do right.
 Merry Christmas, God Bless...and to all a Good Night!!
 L.H. Bennett

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Brian Bullock, Larkin Prewitt, Tyler Sowder and Skyler Holcomb brought Engine 10 from the Brodhead Fire Department to take part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



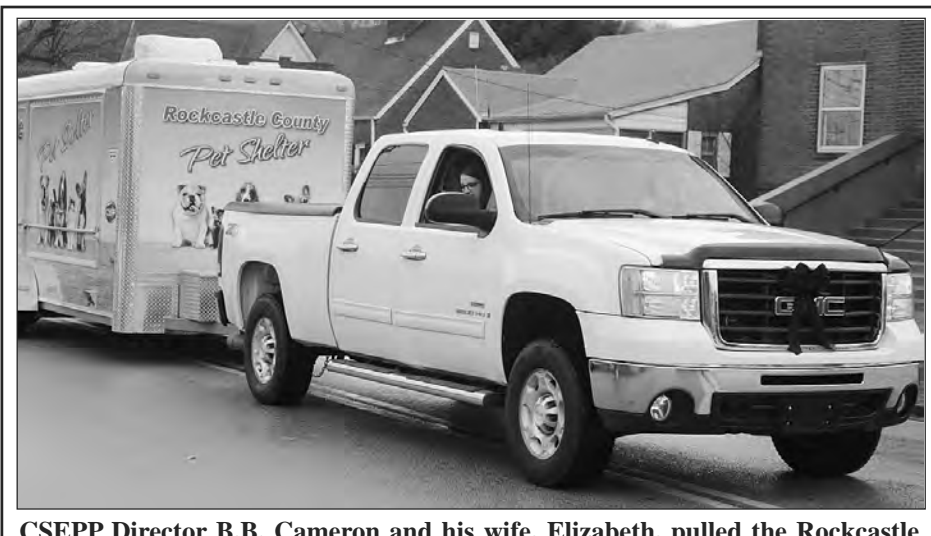
Santa Claus and his Elf enjoyed Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade. The duo were driven by their friend, Jeff King.



Gary McGuire drove his 1950 Ford in Mount Vernon's annual Christmas Parade.



RTEC brought their Trolley for the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade playing beautiful Christmas music throughout the parade route.



CSEPP Director B.B. Cameron and his wife, Elizabeth, pulled the Rockcastle County Pet Shelter's enclosed trailer in the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Girl Scout Troop 484 braved the rainy weather and participated in the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



VANILLA WAFER CAKE
 Many of you may remember Mamaw—Martha Owens—who was very active in the community and the Brodhead Baptist Church. She and my aunt Jean Albright used to make a vanilla wafer cake frequently. It is a very rich moist cake and goes just as well with a cold glass of milk as it does a cup of hot tea or coffee.

1 cup butter, room temperature
 2 cups sugar
 6 eggs
 1 box (12 ounce) vanilla wafers, finely crushed
 1/2 cup milk
 1 pkg. (7 ounce) shredded coconut
 1 cup chopped pecans
 Cream butter, add sugar and beat until smooth. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition. Add vanilla wafer crumbs alternately with

milk. Stir in coconut and pecans. Pour batter into greased and floured tube pan. Bake in 350° oven for 1 hour and 15 minutes. OR Pour into prepared 9 x 13 baking pan. Or if using mini-cake pans fill cups 3/4 full. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes if using a 9 x 13 pan bake. For mini-cake pans bake for 15 to 18 minutes. Let cool in pan 15 minutes before removing to wire rack to cool completely.

FRUIT COCKTAIL CAKE
 Another cake that made Mamaw famous (at least among us grandchildren) was this cake. So easy to make but tasted so good—especially with that glaze on there.
 2 cups all-purpose flour
 2 teaspoons baking soda
 1 and 1/2 cups white sugar
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1 can (15 ounce) fruit cocktail
 2 eggs, lightly beaten
 1/2 cup brown sugar
 1 cup chopped nuts
 Preheat oven to 350°. Butter a 9 x 13 cake pan. Mix flour, soda, white sugar and salt. Add fruit cocktail and beaten eggs; pour into prepared pan. Mix brown sugar and nuts; sprinkle over batter. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes.

GLAZE:
 1 stick butter
 1 cup evaporated milk
 1 1/2 cup white sugar
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 Boil for 3 minutes; pour over cake while both cake and glaze are still warm.

M E R R Y Christmas!

from
**Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk
 Eliza Jane York-Hansel**



Front row from left: Priscilla Napier, Stephanie Allen, Sam Alcorn, Sandra Hamm and Brenda Miller.
 Back row from left: Marcia Olinger, Renita Blanton, Eliza Jane York-Hansel, Brittney Mullins and Kim Denny.

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Jordan Smith, with Rockcastle County Weather, took part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade. Kaylee Smith and Izak Gibbs carried his banner.



Flat Rock Baptist Church's float, *A Child Is Born*.

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Lauren Sanders celebrated her 11th birthday at her home in West Chester, Ohio on December 5th, 2018. Helping her celebrate were her parents Angela and Bob, grandparents Jean and Charles Sanders and Sally and Ben Chapman, Uncle Dave Sanders, Aunt Christie and Uncle Matt Eulberg and Cousins Mia and Ben Divenere. She also had a party on December 8th at Breakout Room Jr in Sharonville, Ohio with 10 of her girlfriends.

Free tobacco cessation program

If you would like to quit smoking or using other tobacco products, Rockcastle Regional Hospital can help. Using an innovative smoking-cessation program called Freedom From Smoking, we can help you become tobacco-free.

Join us Tuesday, January 8, 2019 to start the 8-week program sponsored by Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Classes are Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. (meet in the outpatient registration lobby).

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Blair graduates from WKU

Rachel Layne Blair of Berea, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree with double majors in International Affairs and Spanish at Western Kentucky University's mid-year commencement ceremony held on Saturday, December 15. Blair graduated with honors, receiving the distinction of Magna Cum Laude.

While at WKU, Blair was active in Omega Phi Alpha sorority. She also had the opportunity to study abroad at Harlaxton College in Grantham, England and Belgrano University in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

A 2015 graduate of Rockcastle County High School, Blair is the wife of Andres Castillo-Montero of Buenos Aires and the daughter of Bill and Malissa Blair of Berea. After graduation, Blair will reside in Buenos Aires.



During this holiday season and throughout the year, may God quiet you with his peace, comfort you with his presence and bless you with his love.

Merry Christmas from the staff at

Collins Respiratory Care

Owners: David Collins & Shelly Clements



Front: Katie Clements.

Second row from left: Dawn Clements, Shelly Clements and David Collins.

Back row from left: Doug Clements and Matt Bustle.

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In spite of the rainy weather, a few children took advantage of letting Santa Claus know what they would like for Christmas after Mount Vernon's parade.



Nancy and Jesse Ramsey decorated their golf cart and rode in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade sharing candy with those braving the rain.



Bringle Ridge Volunteer Fire Department took part in the rainy Mount Vernon and Brodhead Christmas Parades.



Pam Chaliff drove the Rockcastle Public Library Bookmobile while her grandchildren - Jac, Ben and Laura throw candy to those in attendance.



Jack and Dawn Stallworth rode their side by side in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator James Renner pulled the Rockcastle Recycling Center float decked out with Christmas decorations and recycled material.

Merry Christmas

May your days be merry and bright with the light of God's love.

We thank you for the privilege of serving you and look forward to your continued friendship
 from
Rockcastle County Attorney
Jeremy Rowe & staff



Front row from left: Kathy Robinson and Meredith Gross.
 Back row from left: Assistant County Attorney William Leger, Julie Adams, Samantha Wynn, County Attorney Jeremy Rowe and Kathy Burgin.

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Rockcastle Middle School Youth Service Center would like to thank the local American Legion David M. Smith Post 71. They made a donation of new clothes, winter gloves, hats, coats and toys to the Youth Service Center for Christmas. Pictured from left are: Michael Adams, Don Gabbard, Bill Cash, Tommy Hodges, Rick Bobo (Local Post Commander), Angie Payne - RCMS Youth Service Center Coordinator and Kathy Bobo.

USDA launches new program to create high-speed internet in Rural America

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue today announced that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is offering up to \$600 million in loans and grants to help build broadband infrastructure in rural America. Telecommunications companies, rural electric cooperatives and utilities, internet service providers and municipalities may apply for funding through USDA's new ReConnect Program to connect rural areas that currently have insufficient broadband service. Answering the Administration's call to action for rural prosperity, Congress appropriated funds in the fiscal year 2018 budget for this broadband pilot program. USDA Rural Development is the primary agency delivering the program, with assistance from other federal partners.

"High-speed internet e-Connectivity is a necessity, not an amenity, vital for quality of life and economic opportunity, so we hope that today rural communities kick off their rural broadband project planning," Secretary Perdue said. "Under the leadership of President Trump, USDA has

worked to understand the true needs of rural communities facing this challenge so we can be strong partners to create high-speed, reliable broadband e-Connectivity."

USDA will make available approximately \$200 million for grants (applications due to USDA by April 29), as well as \$200 million for loan and grant combinations (applications due May 29), and \$200 million for low-interest loans (applications due by June 28).

Projects funded through this initiative must serve communities with fewer than 20,000 people with no broadband service or where service is slower than 10 megabits per second (mbps) download and 1 mbps upload.

Approved projects must create access speeds of at least 25 mbps upload and 3 mbps download. Priority will be awarded for projects that propose to deliver higher-capacity connections to rural homes, businesses and farms. USDA seeks to stretch these funds as far as possible by leveraging existing networks and systems without overbuilding existing services greater than 10/1 mpbs.

Evaluation criteria include connecting agricultural production and marketing, e-Commerce, health care and education facilities. Previous research by USDA has demonstrated that high-capacity broadband is critical to all aspects of

rural prosperity, including the ability to grow and attract businesses, retain and develop talent, and maintain rural quality of life.

To help customers with the application process, USDA is holding a series of online webinars and regional in-person workshops. The full list of upcoming public webinars and workshops can be found at the ReConnect Program's resource portal at reconnect.usda.gov.

In April 2017, President Donald J. Trump established the Interagency Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity to identify legislative, regulatory and policy changes that could promote agriculture and prosperity in rural communities. In January 2018, Secretary Perdue presented the Task Force's findings to President Trump. These findings included 31 recommendations to align the federal government with state, local and tribal governments to take advantage of opportunities that exist in rural America. Increasing investments in rural infrastructure is a key recommendation of the task force.

To view the report in its entirety, please view the Report to the President of the United States from the Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity (PDF, 5.4 MB). In addition, to view the categories of the recommendations, please view the Rural Prosperity infographic (PDF, 190 KB).

USDA Rural Development provides loans and

grants to help expand economic opportunities and create jobs in rural areas. This assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community facilities such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural areas. For more information, visit www.rd.usda.gov.



Christmas Blessings

Wishing each and everyone a Merry Christmas!

May your days be filled with Christmas Blessings.

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MVES first graders write Santa Letters

Mrs. Kristy's 1st Grade—MVES (Unedited)

Dear Santa, I am 6 yersold. And I have been a goob giltr tish yer. I want a brie doll hose for cismus.

Kerri

Dear Santa, I have bin nis. I woid lic a t rex for crismus. Mere crismus santa.

Tucker

Dear Santa, How is Roodolf? I want a naw trاملن and a bone for Roko.

Bryce

Dear Santa, I hope that evry bide has a vere gud cresmes. I have ben bad but I wel kric. I am 7 yes ol can you giv me a kamru?

Brooke

Dear Santa, How are the elvse? How is missisclos? Can I have a elecrikscoter? Have a Merry Crismus Santa.

Lincoln

Dear Santa, How are your elvz? For Crismus I what Fortnite, xbox, a scootrand Crismus Bare. I love you Santa!

Gus

Dear Santa, Haw is Mrs clos? Santa can you plees gitme a LOL? Can you git me a LOL Big suprisdoll? I wut a Chistmas tedee bair and a lectrik scootr and a blue bird and gobledig bar. Merry cheistmes Santa!

Kennedy

Dear Santa, How are your elvs? I wont a vanite and I wont a LOL big suprisdoll. Merry Crismus Santa. Thank you Santa.

Amiyah

Dear Santa, How are your raindeer? I want pokemoncards and some loges to. I want shark toys and dino toys, and a ipad. Merry Crismus Santa.

Elijah

Dear Santa, I wes you Have a gud Krismus. I ben a god boy tes yer. I am gud. I wes you will bring me a drt bike ples.

Braydon

Dear Santa, I have bin a litte notye. I will be a good gril this yir. I wont a new bike and wood to strat my fire.

Lilyanna

Dear Santa, I binn a litte note but I will triye to be betr. Can I have a go pro?

Jacob

Dear Santa, I hope you have a maryChristmas! I am 7 years old. I have been noteyand nice but I will try to be better. I would like a go pro if you can please.

Jasper

Dear Santa, I am 7 years old. This year I have been a good boy. I have been nice to my friends. Please bring me a new horse to ride. It would make me really happy.

Damian

Dear Santa, I'm a 7 year old. And I think you bring the best presents and you also have the best randeres and eavn Rudolph he has the chinyistnos. love you.

Titus

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I have been nice this year. I would love to have a lot uv jelre. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Makenna

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I have been nice. I would love to have a lot uf makup and a catand a dog. I will elave you milk and cookies.

Erika

Dear Santa, How are you daing? I have been nice this year. I would love to have a xbox and a stuf animul. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Sawyer

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I have been nice this year. I would love to have a lot of macup dan jwre. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Kyley

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I have been nice this year. I would love to have a pupe. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Peyton

Dear Santa, I have bin a good grl tis yir. Pez get me a make upset. Mere Chims.

Brylee

Jamie Bryant's MVES First Grade Class (Unedited)

Dear Santa, How are rudof and the randirs? I have been gud and a littbad. Imismy babe goat. I hope you briangme a babe goat.

Love, Jordan

Dear Santa, How are comit and rodof? I have been good to my Isaiah, Emma, Dad, Mom, Nana and Papa. You should know I love you Santa. I hope I gitlots of LOLs.

Love, Alia

Dear Santa, Howar are the randersdoing? I have been u little good. You should know that I love my baby sirs. I hope I git a rasling reng and sum rasllers.

Love, Camden

Dear Santa, How are you, Santa? I have been gude beus I gav presntsto my Papaw. You should know I love evrebode. I hope you never diye.

Love, Ally

Dear Santa, How is rodof dowing? I have been riley good. You should know I bein giving presits. To my sistr. I hope my sistr gits a lep frog tablit.

Love, Kylie

Dear Santa, How are yu dueng, Santa? I have been predey guud. You should know I love my daddy and baby sistr. I hope I get a rmot cuntolcar.

Love, Noah

Dear Santa, How is rodof doweng? I have been doingood. You should know I ben good tumi bother. I hope evrebode belefs in crismus.

Love, Gabe S.

Dear Santa, How are u and Ms Cloz doen? I have been nis most ufthe time. You should know I love my faymle. I hope I get a sienc xperment.

Love, Sadie

Dear Santa, How are the elf's? I have been pretty good. You should know I love my babbybrother! I hope you are safet.

Love, Aniya

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer doing? I have been quite good. You should know that I love my dad! I hope you stay helthy.

Love, Spencer

Dear Santa, How are comet and Disxin? I have nis oll the tim. You should know I love my nana. I hope you know I wunt for crsmis a JoJo hair dsiner and a lol shel.

Love, Dessie

Dear Santa, How are Santa's randirsdoing? I have been bad to mi sistrs. You should know I love mom and my sists. I hope you teking cere of rodof.

Love, Preston

Dear Santa, How are your rane dir? I have nicyal the time. You should know I love my famle. I hop you give me lots of pressints.

Love, Trapper

Dear Santa, How are the rander? I have been good most of the time. You should know I love my famly. I hope you are happy.

Love, Chloe

Dear Santa, How are the wranderand you dong Santa? I have been good. You should know I love my mom. I hope uyo are happy?

Love, Kadan

Dear Santa, How is Bletsen? I have been good. You should know that I luv mi famli. I hope I git lost uv prnsents.

Love, Wesley

Dear Santa, How are the randir? I have been a little good. You should know I love mu mom and famly. I hope I get a conpuder

Love, Gracie

Dear Santa, How are you, Santa? I have been nise mostof the time. You should know I love my sister. I hope for crismes I get a JoJo Sewol Dole.

Love, Brylee

Dear Santa, How are donrr and Dashr? I have been mostleygood. You should know I love my mommy. I hope Roodof ceeps helthe.

Love, Chase

Dear Santa, How are you dong? I have been good al th tim. You should know I love mi famley. I hope I git a rmot cuntolcar.

Love, Jake

Dear Santa, How are you douing? I have been a littel good this yiar. You should know I want Pacman retro! I hope you get a present soon.

Love, Gabriel

Dear Santa, How are you? I have been a good boy. You should know I love you.

Love, Colt

Mrs. Kaci Brown's MVES 1st Grade (Edited)

Dear Santa, Thank you for the toys that you get me every year. This year I would like some LOL dolls for Christmas.

Merry Christmas, Abigail

Dear Santa, I like Paw Patrol so please bring me something for that.

Merry Christmas, Desmond

Dear Santa, How do the reindeer fly? I want some Ken dolls for my Barbiesto play. I also want a big doll house for them.

Merry Christmas, Chloe

Dear Santa, I want a bag of Legos and a monster truck with a remote control that takes batteries. If I am bad, you can bring me coal.

Merry Christmas, Jace

Dear Santa, How are the reindeers doing? Is the North Pole cold? Please bring me a few LOL dolls for Christmas. I really like them.

Merry Christmas, Carlee

Dear Santa, I would like some Junie B. Jones books for Christmas. I like to read and she is so funny. Tell the reindeers that they are cute!

Merry Christmas, Carlie

Dear Santa, I want roller blades and some hot wheels for Christmas. I help my mom every day with the chores.

Merry Christmas, Xzavier

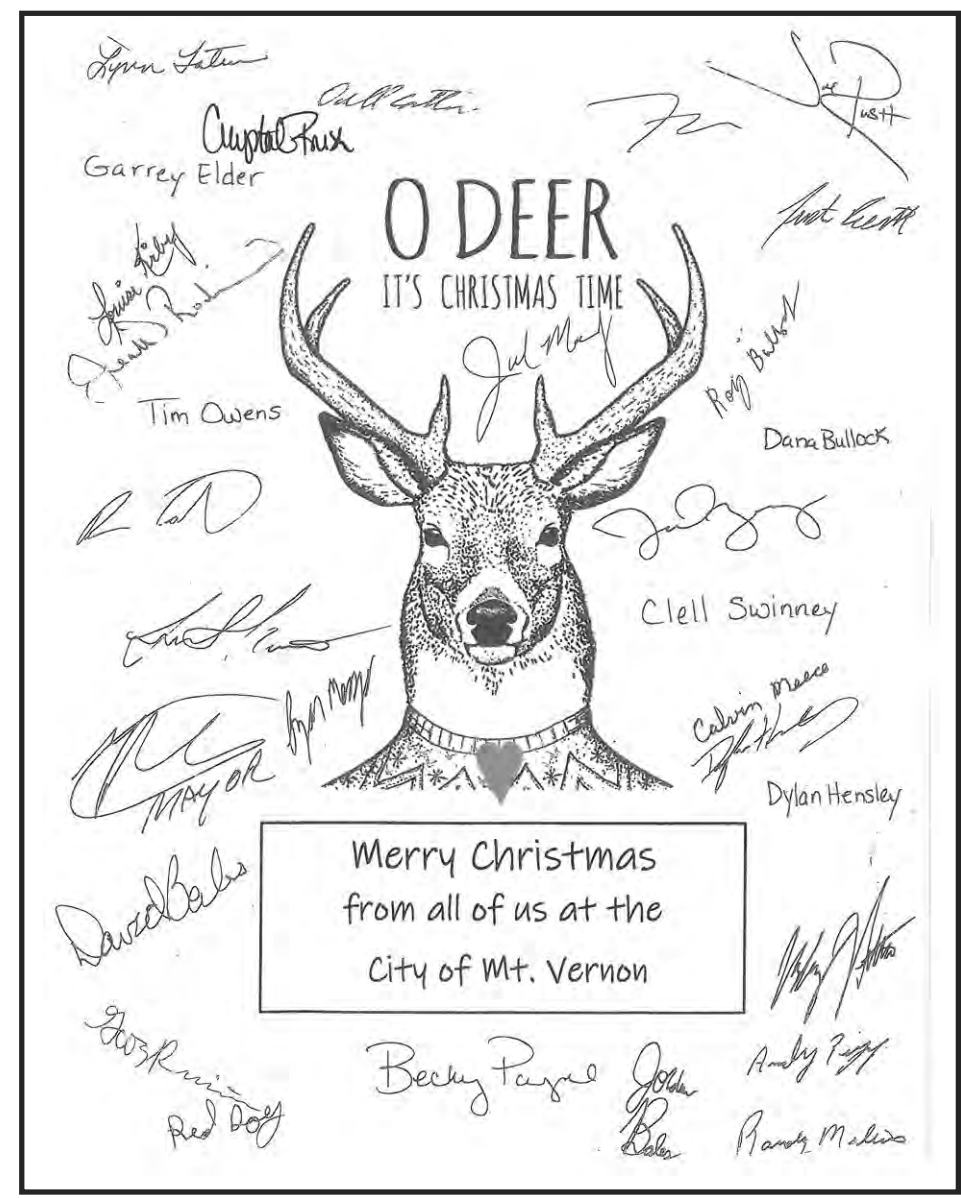
Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a black skateboard. I already know how to ride it really good. My chimney is in my backyard for you to come down but be careful for the thorns.

Merry Christmas, Devin

Dear Santa, I really want an Xbox for Christmas. I think I have been a good boy most of the time. When I do get in trouble, it's usually my brother's fault.

Merry Christmas, Colten

Letters Continued on page C9



Merry Christmas

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Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want an LOL Doll and a Love-a-Bella Doll. I will play in my room with them. I am always a good girl!

Merry Christmas,
Caeli

Dear Santa,
How has your day been? Mine has been good. I want a LOL doll and a real phone for Christmas. I have been a good girl all year.

Merry Christmas,
Jayden

Dear Santa,
Well Santa, I want to ask you how your reindeer fly with it being so cold in the air? For Christmas, I want more Nerf Guns but I forgot the real name of brand. I am always nice and being good. Merry Christmas Santa!

Love,
Brodie

Dear Santa,
How do your elves make so many different toys? They must be tired after Christmas. Can they please make me a pink skateboard with red wheels? I will ride it all summer long!

Merry Christmas,
Hanna

Dear Santa,
I think I want a helicopter that is green. You can come down my chimney to bring me some presents.

Merry Christmas,
Dameon

Dear Santa,
How does the North Pole feel? Is it cold? I really want a pair of roller skates that has 4 wheels that are red, black, and gray. My friend is going to teach me how to ride them. I have been a good boy this year.

Merry Christmas,
Tristian

Dear Santa,
How do you deliver all your presents so fast? I bet the reindeers have super powers. I would like a Lego's Incredible video game for Christmas. I would also like a Maui's Hook from Moana. I will you some cookies on my dinner table.

Merry Christmas,
Henry

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll that can swim for Christmas. I will take it with me when I go swimming this summer. I will leave you some cookies next to the fireplace.

Merry Christmas,
Elizabeth
*Mrs. Bowman's
MVES 1st Grade Class
(Edited)*

Dear Santa,
My name is Chloe, I have been nice this year. For Christmas I would like JoJo mukeup. I wil leave you some cookies and milk and carrots for your reindeer.

Love, Chloe B.

Dear Santa,
My name is Josiah, I have been nice this year. For Christmas I would like a Captain America Shield. I will leave you some cookies and milk, and a carrot the reindeer.

Love, Josiah B.

Dear Santa,
My name I Gabreilla Hope Milburn, I have been nice this year. For Christmas I would like JoJo Cewa dool, and a fitbit. I will leave you some cookies and milk, and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Gabriella M.

Dear Santa,
My name is Abby,I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like a whos that grl. I will leave you some cookies and milk, and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Abby N.

Dear Santa,
My name is Maddy, I have been good this year! For Christmas I would like a I fone. I will leave you somme cookies and milk, and carroots for the reindeer.

Love, Maddy R.

Dear Santa,
My name is Maleigha McFerron, I have been nice this yar. For Christmas I would like JoJo wsiy slim making kit and galx slim miking kit, tow frutteeth. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Love, Maleigha M.

Dear Santa,
My name is Olivia, I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like a

JoJobows! I will leave you some cookies and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Olivia S.

Dear Santa,
My name is Aubree, I have been a little naughty this year. For Christmas I would like aart set. I will leave you some cookies and milk, and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Aubree W.

Dear Santa,
My name is Izabella, I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like ring. I will leave you some cookies and milk, and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Izabella M.

Dear Santa,
My name is Destiny Gadd, and I have been naughty a little. I would want twisty pets and a lol doll for Christmas. I made you a picture on the back of your letter.

Love, Destiny G.

Dear Santa,
My name is Jacob, I have been a little naughty this year. For Christmas I would like a xbox1. I will leave you some carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Jacob B.

Dear Santa,
My name is Ethan, I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like toisand a toy elf. I will leave cookies and mild and carrts for the reindeer.

Love, Ethan H.

Dear Santa,
My name is Daniel, I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like a skate board. I will leave you some cookies adn mill.

Love, Daniel J.

Dear Santa,
My name is Nikolas Couch, I have been nice this year! for Christmas would like a skoter. I will leave you some cookies and milk, carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Niko C.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kylie, I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like a make upset. I will leave you cookies and milk.

Love, Kylie P.

Dear Santa,
My name is Gavin, I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like a fengrleg. I leave you some cookies for the reindeer.

Love, Gavin L.

Dear Santa,
My name is Lauren, I have been nice this year. For Christmas I wou like a Fhone. I will leave you some cookies and mild carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Lauren O.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kaylea, I have been nice this year. For Christmas I would like JoJo Doll and JoJoMake up. Cookies and milk.

Love, Kaylea A.

Dear Santa,
My name is Lacey, I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like a fit bit! I will leave you some cookies and milk, and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Lacey M.

Dear Santa,
My name is Noah, I have been nice. For Christmas I would like a toy gator to ride on. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Love, Noah R.

Dear Santa,
My name is Hailey, I have been nice this year! For Christmas I would like a cat. I will leave you some cookies and milk, and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Hailey K.

Dear Santa,
My name is Peyton, I have been nice this year. For Christmas I would like Hitman 2 game. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Love, Peyton P.
*Kathy Price's
MVES 1st Grade Class
(Edited)*

Dear Santa,
My name is Bryson and I am 6 years old. Is it very cold at the North Pole? I have been good this year. I want a truck, an iPad, and a train for Christmas.

Love, Bryson

Dear Santa,
My name is Landon and I am 7 years old. How do the reindeer fly? I have been

good this year. I want an iPhone 7, a gas RC car, and a dog for Christmas.

Love, Landon

Dear Santa,
My name is Marcas and I am 7 years old. I have been good and bad this year. How do the reindeer fly? I want a spy drone, a hot wheel, and a puppy for Christmas this year.

Love, Marcas

Dear Santa,
My name is Parker and I am 7 years old. How old is Mrs. Clause? I have been good this year. I would like an Xbox, a Tablet, and a TV for my room.

Love, Parker

Dear Santa,
My name is Carabella and I am 6 years old. I want to tell you that I have been good this year. How many presents do you have? I would like dolls, a Jo Jo bow, and hot cocoa for Christmas this year.

Love, Carabella

Dear Santa,
My name is Kooper and I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. How do the reindeer fly? I want a 4 wheeler, a dirt bike, and an elf for Christmas this year.

Love, Kooper

Dear Santa,
My name is Haylee and I am 6 years old. I have been good this year. Where is Rudolph? I would like a Doc McStuffins and Boxy Girls for Christmas this year.

Love, Haylee

Dear Santa,
My name is Charlie Paige and I am 6 years old. I have been awesome this year! Are you and Mrs. Clause real? I would like a new bed, some squishies, and for my sister to clean her room!! I will leave some carrots and reindeer food in the grass.

Love, Charlie

Dear Santa,
My name is Oliver and I am 6 years old. I have tried to be good this year. Is it cold at the North Pole? I would like an X Box, a scooter, and a mud racer dirt bike.

Love, Oliver

Dear Santa,
My name is Angileigha and I love you Santa. I have been awesome this year. I would like a cotton candy maker, a robot cat, and a doll that talks.

Love, Angileigha

Dear Santa,
My name is Ryli and I am 7 years old. I have been so good this year!! Do the reindeer really fly?

I would like a big white board and colored paper for Christmas this year.

Love, Ryli

Dear Santa,
My name is Ayden and I am 7 years old. How do the reindeer fly? I have been good this year. I would like a toy truck, a toy farm, and an elf for Christmas this year.

Love, Ayden

Dear Santa,
My name is Aubrey and I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. How many reindeer do you have? I want a Jo Jo Bow, a dog, and a cat for Christmas this year.

Love, Aubrey

Dear Santa,
My name is Dawsynn and I am 6 years old. How did you make Christmas? I have been good this year. I want a dog, an iPhone 7, and a gas powered RC car.

Love, Dawsynn

Dear Santa,
My name is Katie and I am 6 years old. How do your reindeer fly? I have been good this year. I would like a doll and a dog for Christmas.

Love, Katie

Dear Santa,
My name is Easton and I am 7 years old. How do the reindeer fly? I have been good this year. I would like some hot wheels, a hat, and a truck for

Christmas.

Love, Easton

Dear Santa,
My name is Madison and I am 7 years old. How many elves do you have? How many reindeer?

I have been good this year. I want Barbie Dolls and a make-up stand for Christmas.

Love, Madison

Dear Santa,
My name is MaKenna and I am 6 years old. How many elves do you have? I have been good this year? I want a power wheel for Christmas this year.

Love, MaKenna

Dear Santa,
My name is Matthew and I am 7 years old. I want to see you fly in the dark. I have been good all year. I want a little

tiny stocking for my dog, a diesel truck, and I want another dog – a German shepherd.

Love, Matthew

Dear Santa,
My name is Charles and I am 6 years old. How do your reindeer fly? I have tried to be good this year. I would like a toy motorcycle I can ride on, a dirt bike you can charge up, and a green tractor you can pedal.

Love, Charles

Dear Santa,
My name is Layla and I am 7 years old. Are cats sometimes bald with no hair? I have been good this year. I would like an LOL doll for Christmas this year?

Love, Layla

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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From left: Charlotte Hansel, Kendall Kilourne - pharmacist/owner, Terri Renner, Hayden Kilbourne, Amanda Hurt, Kali Hasty and Andrew Nelson.

Not pictured: Melissa Slone, Lisa McClure, Jessica Thacker and Amanda Mastin.



On Thursday, December 6th, Brodhead Fire Department held their annual shop with a firefighter and cop event. The fire department has partnered with the Brodhead Police Department for the last two years to make this possible. Shown above with the children are Brodhead Police Chief Travis Davis, firefighters Bryanna Mullins, Tyler Sowder and Christian Dooley.

Holidays not always cheerful for those battling holiday depression

The holiday season is underway and as families gather to celebrate, it's important to remember it's not always the most wonderful time of the year for everyone. While depression can occur at any time, the holiday season particularly may bring on loneliness and a lack of fulfillment for some. During the month of December, Saint Joseph Berea, part of KentuckyOne Health, encourages people to learn more about holiday depression and how it might impact loved ones.

Those suffering from depression may experience feelings of sadness and emptiness that won't go away, extreme irritability, restlessness, thoughts of suicide and death, insomnia or sleeping too much, difficulty concentrating, loss of interest in favorite activities, weight gain or weight loss.

"Depression may occur at any time of the year, but during the holiday season, it's often amplified," said Elizabeth Clark, MS, director of Senior Renewal Center, Saint Joseph Berea. "Many factors can increase a person's level of stress and anxiety during the holidays, including financial pressures, recent loss of a loved one or other major life changes, social isolation, excessive commitments and unrealistic expectations."

To help find relief from holiday-induced stress, it's important to set realistic goals and expectations during the holidays, share responsibilities with loved ones, reach out to friends and family, avoid excessive drinking and overeating, and talk to a therapist to help you identify your feelings and find solutions to overcome them.

Social isolation is often a major factor in depression around the holiday season. Some people may not have a large group of friends and family with whom to celebrate. As a result, they feel disconnected during the cheerful holiday months. To avoid increased social isolation, it's important to find support from family or friends, seek out social events, or talk to a physician or therapist about these feelings of isolation.

Others may be grieving the loss of a loved one during the holidays. Strategies to help lessen the risk of depression for those experiencing loss include acknowledging

your feelings, finding a new holiday tradition away from home, volunteering time to help others, and spending time outdoors.

Depression this time of year may also be caused by another factor - the loss of sunshine. Seasonal affective disorder, or (SAD), is a disorder that is caused by the reduced number of daylight hours during the winter months.

To treat SAD, your provider may recommend talk or light therapy, antidepressants or lifestyle changes.

"For those who suffer from depression this time of year, it's important to talk to a provider to determine its cause, whether it's the stress or loneliness of the holidays, or another external factor like the lack of sunshine," said Clark. "Depending on the type and severity of the depression, it can be treated with medications, psychotherapy, brain stimulation techniques, lifestyle changes, or some combination of these. Reaching out for help is the key to feeling better."

Signs of depression should not be taken lightly. Contact Our Lady of Peace for an assessment by calling the Assessment and Referral Center at 859.313.3515. If you find yourself having suicidal thoughts, immediately dial 911, go to a hospital emergency room, or call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK.

About Saint Joseph Berea

Saint Joseph Berea, part of KentuckyOne Health, is a critical access hospital located in Berea, KY. It serves the residents of Madison, Estill, Garrard, Jackson and Rockcastle counties. Established in 1898, on the grounds of Berea College, Saint Joseph Berea recognizes the importance of family, friends and familiar surroundings in the healing process and provides a breadth of services so that getting first-rate care doesn't have to mean being far from home.

About KentuckyOne Health

KentuckyOne Health, one of the largest and most comprehensive health systems in the Commonwealth, includes hospitals, physician groups, clinics, primary care centers, specialty institutes and home health agencies in Kentucky and

southern Indiana. wellness, healing and KentuckyOne Health is hope to all, including the dedicated to bringing underserved.

Rockcastle County Recycling Center open for recycling drop-offs

The Rockcastle County Recycling Center is located at 2528 South Wilderness Rd (US 25 South) next to the Rockcastle County Road Department Garage and is open Monday thru Friday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. (closed on major holidays).

The following items may be recycled:

Newspapers w/inserts, magazines, catalogs, office paper, junk mail, shredded paper (needs to be bagged), books, phone books (paper products cannot be plastic lined or coated), cardboard (corrugated and slick), plastics #1 Pet or Pete, plastics #2 HDPE, plastic grocery store bags, bread bags, and shrink wrap (no other sheet plastics can be accepted), metal cans, aerosol cans, aluminum cans, aluminum foil, aluminum pie plates, glass bottles and glass jars (lids must be removed and discarded), old cell phones, car batteries, empty printer and toner cartridges, old computers (we can no longer accept monitors of any kind) and all related accessories, telephones, radios, digital clocks, (no televisions of any kind), rechargeable batteries (if the battery says rechargeable on it, then it is recyclable), and large bulky metal items.

Clean used motor oil may also be dropped off at the Rockcastle County Road Department.

Recycling Drop-Off Trailers are available for use at:

- Brodhead (at the back baseball field)
- Conway (by Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Dept.)
- Livingston (between Liv. Fire Dept. & City Hall)
- Pongo (by Pongo Volunteer Fire Dept.)
- Climax (by Climax Volunteer Fire Dept.)

Violations may be issued for putting trash in the recycling trailers!!!

If you have any questions, you may call the Rockcastle Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902.



Funded in part through a grant from the Kentucky Pride Fund, Division of Waste Management.

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Pride Fall Cleanup very successful

By James Renner, Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the groups and individuals that participated in the 2018 Rockcastle County Roadside Pride Fall Cleanup. Once again, we had a very successful fall Cleanup!

There were 82 volunteers that worked a total of 142 hours to clean up 159 bags of trash and 1 tire over a span of 25.3 miles along 14 different stretches of roadside. These numbers do

not include the totals from the Cities of Brodhead, Livingston, Mt. Vernon, and the Rockcastle County Work Release Crews.

Congratulations on an outstanding Fall Cleanup!

The following groups and individuals participated:

All-American Club/NAMI: Wayne Bullock, Cassie Kendrick, Michial Shackleford, Bonita Fleming and Larry Bullock; **Brindle Ridge Baptist Church:** Ron Roberts, Mike Sowder, Kim

Ramsey, Marcia Coffey, Melanie Childress, Larry Bullock, Bill Howard, Alfred McNew, Rodney Nabors, Judy Sowder, and Jay Sowder; **Friends of Pongo:** Amanda Osborne, Jamie Osborne, Billy Gail Osborne, Phillip Brock, Aiden Brock, and Bella Cromer; **Concerned Citizens of Boone Cromer Rd:** Kenneth Cromer, Bella Cromer, Stephanie Sizemore, Zoey Holland, and Edna Renner; **Concerned Citizens of Pongo:** Erika Munguia, Jonathan Munguia, Victoria Munguia, Regina Munguia, Nathan Munguia, Edna Renner, Stephanie Sizemore, Bella Cromer, Zoey Holland, Emma Dykes, and Joey Smith; **Freedom Baptist Church:** Sheryl Bullock, Doug Singleton, Carolyn McKinney, C.S. McKinney, Ray Bullock, Tabitha Bullock, Stephanie Hurst, Barry Hurst, Debbie Bullock, Elaine Murphy, Chris Hurst, Cameron Hurst, and Teresa Vanzant; **Friends of Norton School Br. Rd:** Cecil McKinney Jr; **University of Notre Dame:** John Aube, Elsa Barron, Jamie Campbell, Steven Campillo, Christina Hayford, Thomas Kacius, Jon Klein, Kelly Liang, Andrea Pradolriarte, Erin Roche, and Jenna Wertsching. Once again, a job well done!

Photos were not available for all groups.

Special thanks to the Rockcastle County Work Release Supervisors: Freddie Cromer, Ricky Kirby, and Coy Cromer and their respective crews.

I apologize in advance for any misspellings or omissions.



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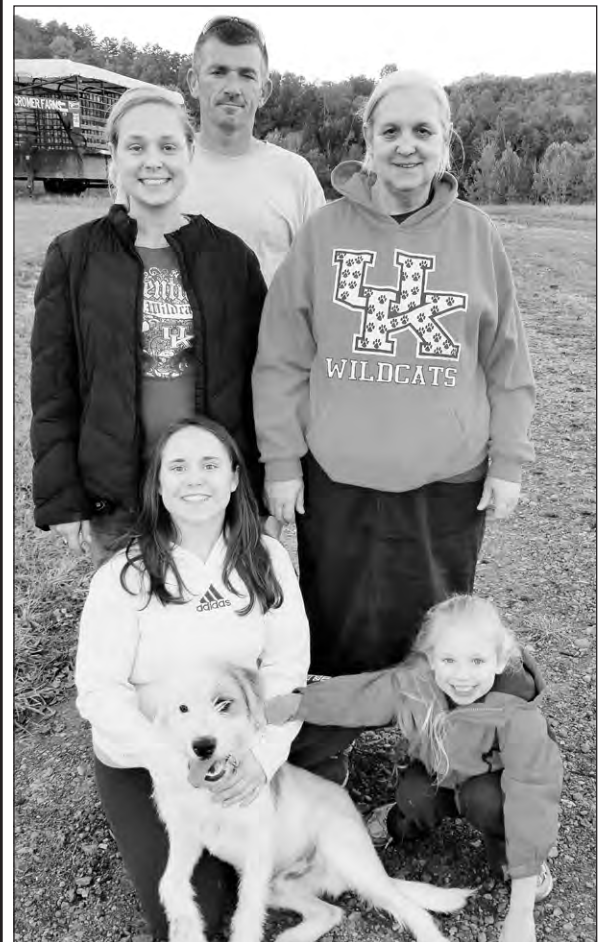


Friends of Pongo



All-American Club/Nami Cumberland River

All-American Club/Nami Cumberland River



Concerned Citizens of Boone Cromer Road



Merry Christmas

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given:
and the government shall be upon his shoulder:
and his name shall be called
Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God,
The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

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Front row from left: Ashley Harding, Marlene Lawson and Susan McNew.
Second row from left: Shelly Mullins, Caitlin Callahan, Christa Taylor, Tammy McVey and David Burton.
Back: John Lawson

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Thank you for your business this year.

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From left: Cheyenne Parman, Heidi Weatherly, Jerry Cox, Cody Kirby, James Cox, Shari Proctor and Amanda Brown.

Scenes from 2018 Brodhead Christmas Parade



Larry Albright gave Santa Claus a ride in the EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.



Brodhead Mayor Walter Lee Cash during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



Marvin Owens drove his '57 Cadillac in the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.



Sgt. Devon Mason and his daughter, Pyper, enjoying the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.

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Christmas

AND A

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Brodhead Police Chief Travis Davis led the EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



Members of the RCHS JROTC Color Guard carried the colors in the EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead. From left: Andrew Durham, Eli Price, Alex Robinson and Jacob Luzak.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy New Year!

All the best to you and yours this holiday season.

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Dicie Allen, Sherry Barron, Lindsey King and Terri Woodall

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Bobby Phelps drove Livingston Fire and Rescue's E-303 truck in the EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.



Jordan Smith, with Rockcastle County Weather, indicates he didn't order the rainy weather for the Christmas Parades in Mount Vernon and Brodhead. He is shown here in the EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade with Kaylee Smith and Izak Gibbs.



Steve Griffin, his wife Becky and daughter Makayla as well as Mike Combs and his daughter, Allison rode in one of Mount Vernon Fire Department's fire trucks during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.



Sgt. Larkin Prewitt, Skylar Holcomb and Sydney Holcomb rode in Brodhead Fire Department's Engine 10 during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



While on a hunting trip in Perry, FL with her dad, Haley York harvested two wild hogs, while her dad, Charles York, got a trophy boar.



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.

Coffey & Ford, PSC *Attorneys At Law*

Willis Coffey and John D. Ford

With Our Gratitude



To all our friends we hold so "deer," a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Thank you for your kind patronage.



Front row from left: Willis Coffey and John Ford.
Back row from left: Tracy Mink, Jenni Ellis and Nicole Nicely.

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Captain Curtis Burton and Kristi Grider rode in Brodhead's Engine 11 during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.



Rockcastle County Judge/Executive-Elect Howell Holbrook waves to the camera during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Department took part in Mount Vernon and Brodhead's Christmas Parades Saturday, December 1st.



Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator James Renner and the Rockcastle Recycling Center float in the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.



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Brodhead Assistant Fire Chief Brian Bullock announced the Christmas Parade as it came through town.



Danny Woodall decorated his bike and rode in the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.

Mamaw's Kitchen



By Regina Poynter Hoskins

ANN'S SNICKERDOODLES
 1/2 cup butter
 1/2 cup shortening
 1 and 1/2 cups sugar
 2 eggs
 2 and 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
 2 teaspoon cream of tartar
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 2 teaspoons cinnamon
 2 tablespoons sugar
 Heat oven to 400°.
 Mix butter, shortening, sugar, and eggs thoroughly. Blend in flour, cream of tartar, soda, and salt. Shape dough by rounded spoonfuls into balls. Mix 2 teaspoons sugar and cinnamon. Roll balls in mixture. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until set.

SOFT GINGERSNAPS
 1/4 cup packed light brown sugar
 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
 1/4 cup white sugar
 3/4 cup butter, melted, cooled slightly
 1 egg
 1/4 cup molasses
 2 and 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
 1 and 1/2 teaspoons ground ginger
 1 tablespoon chopped candied ginger, optional
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

In large bowl, beat brown sugar, white sugar, and butter until blended. Beat in egg and molasses. Combine flour, ground ginger, candied ginger if desired, baking soda, and cinnamon; gradually add to brown sugar mixture; mix well. Stir in candied ginger. Cover and refrigerate for at least 2 hours. Dough will stiffen. Preheat oven to 350°. Line baking sheets with parchment paper or you can grease the baking sheets. Shape dough into 1-inch balls. Roll in sugar. Place 2 inches apart on prepared baking sheets. Bake for 9 to 11 minutes or until set. Cool for one minute before removing from pans to wire racks.

SEA SALT CARAMEL DELIGHTS
 1 cup caramel topping
 2 sleeves buttery round cracker
 1 bag (16 ounce) chocolate-flavored candy coating, melted
 1 tablespoon sea salt
 Sandwich approximately 1/2 teaspoon caramel between two crackers. Using two forks, dip into candy coating to completely coat, sprinkle with sea salt. Set on wax paper to dry. Repeat with remaining ingredients. Let set for 1 hour. Store in airtight container for up to one week.

No paper next week!
 Signal office will be closed December 21st - 30th



Have a Happy and Healthy Holiday!

We're dispensing our best wishes and they include a large measure of thanks to our loyal customers. We truly appreciate your trust in us.



From left: Teresa Shafer, Morgan Coffey, Alma Hoggard, Steve Sears, Brinkley Abney, Tim Young, Sandy Durham and Brooklyn Smithern. Not pictured: Tracy King and Arie Lawson.

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Members of the Flat Rock Baptist Church shared candy from their float, *A Child Is Born*, during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead. Their float took first place.



Children enjoyed meeting Santa Claus and receiving gifts at the firehouse after Brodhead's EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



CSEPP Director B.B. Cameron and his wife, Elizabeth, were all smiles despite the rain during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.

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and the

Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

May this great season find each of you in health and good will for your neighbors and families.



Front row from left: magistrate Bill McKinney, Judge-Executive Doug Bishop and Vicky Miller.

Back row from left: magistrate Shannon Bishop, magistrate Mike McGuire, magistrate Gary Burdette, magistrate William Denny, County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, County Treasurer Joe Clontz and Court Clerk Patricia Martin



Steve and Sherri McKinney were awarded the Best Decorated House in the City of Brodhead. You can enjoy the McKinney's house located on Proffitt St.



Steve and Sherri McKinney accept the plaque for the Best Decorated House in the City of Brodhead. You can enjoy the McKinney's house located on Proffitt St.



Pam's Flowers and Gifts won Best Decorated Store Front in the City of Brodhead. The store is located on Main St. next to Citizens Bank.

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