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Passenger thrown on roof of house Driver killed when truck crashes into home in Conway

By: Mike French
Editor

A chaotic scene unfolded last Saturday night, January 31 about 9:30, in the Conway area as a single truck-crash into a residence, caused a man inside to be hit by a falling deer head and a woman passenger in the truck to be thrown onto the roof of the home. Also, as a result of the crash another passenger, a man, was thrown into the yard of the residence and seriously injured and the driver, a local woman, was killed.

According to a Ken-

tucky State Police (KSP) report, the driver of the truck, Courtney Duff, 26, of Mount Vernon, was pronounced dead at the Berea Hospital by the Madison County Coroner's office after she crashed into a home in the Conway area of Rockcastle County.

According to the report, Post 11 trooper Ethan Lewis was traveling north on US 25 in the Conway community of Rockcastle County Saturday night when he passed the Duff vehicle traveling south. Lewis engaged his emergency lights in an attempt to stop the truck.

However, when the officer engaged the cruiser's emergency lighting to let the driver know he wanted them to stop, Duff sped away, passing several other vehicles. Duff then lost control of the vehicle and ran off the roadway causing

(See "Crash" on A7)

First responders at both Mount Vernon and Brodhead fire departments were called to this structure fire on Reverend Green Loop in Mount Vernon last Thursday, January 30. Upon arrival at the scene, fire fighters found the home engulfed in flames and were able to keep the flames from spreading into nearby brush and woods. No injuries were reported but the structure is being called a complete loss.

Flu causes two-day school closure

— Thursday and Friday

By: Mike French
Editor

Rockcastle County Schools will be closed Thursday and Friday due to illness.

Just last week, average attendance in the Rockcastle County School District was still in the 90 percent range, according to Carrie Ballinger, Director of Student Services. However, this year's strain of the flu has moved quickly across the county.

Local residents are discussing the spread of the flu within the county even during public meetings this week. Corey Craig told RCIDA Board members that his children are ill and that school nurses reported seeing over 100 students absentees by Tuesday morning.

Officials with the Rockcastle County

Health Department say this year's strain of the flu is bringing a combination of many symptoms from headaches and congestion to vomiting and body aches as well as other symptoms.

Doctors say the flu is especially dangerous for the elderly, the very young and those with existing health problems.

RCIDA member Doctor George Griffith said Tamiflu may help symptoms if the medicine is taken as soon as symptoms occur. "If you have already had symptoms for a couple of days, Tamiflu won't really help anything," he said. "But if you catch it very early, it can shorten the symptoms by a few days."

In fact, health department officials say this year's strain is not the typical 24-hour bug and may last as long as a

week. Wednesday morning, school officials reported attendance had dropped to 83.89 percent.

Ballinger said the cancellation of school on Thursday and Friday is mainly a preventive measure since absenteeism is not as low as it could be.

Typically, school is not cancelled until attendance is in the 70 percent range, according to Ballinger. However, the flu is mov-

ing from one school to another, she said, keeping the average attendance at a higher level.

"Our attendance was lower at one school and the other schools were still in the 90 percent range which kept average attendance higher," said Ballinger. "But as we watch the shift from school to school we decided to cancel classes Thursday and Friday to give our janitors four days

to attack each school."

Ballinger said she watched attendance drop to 89%, then 88%, then 87% until Tuesday when attendance dropped to 85% and Wednesday at 83%.

Ballinger said school workers will clean each school meticulously. "We will perform a deep cleaning over the four days," she said. "By Monday our facilities will be in good condition."

RCIDA addresses several local issues

— Board busier than ever before

By: Mike French
Editor

Members of the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) were joined by Rockcastle County Treasurer Joe Clontz and Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook Tuesday morning for a detailed discussion about several matters concerning growth and development in the county.

One of the discussions centered around the planned Farmers Market that will be built on Richmond Street.

Chairman Corey Craig announced the finalization of the purchase of the lot next to the site where the building will be located.

The board purchased about 0.2 acres of land and a house at 180 Richmond Street for \$38,000 and agreed to tear down the existing home to allow for better placement

of the new building on the site and better egress and ingress for customers.

According to Craig, the occupants of the home have agreed to move out by March and the house will be demolished.

"This will provide a much safer and more feasible ingress and egress to the Farmers Market building and will greatly help our plan to enhance the attractiveness of the community," Craig said.

According to Craig, there are three priorities in the design of the new building. "First, we need a nice Farmers Market building here. This will benefit the entire community from producers to retailers and customers," he said. "Second, we need a building that can be used by other entities, including 4-H and quilting clubs or whatever group or organization would want to use the space throughout the entire year. And third, we want to enhance the beauty of the community

and provide a safe, clean atmosphere in the area."

A motion from board member Tommy Mink and a unanimous vote, authorized the board to cash in a CD at Community Trust Bank and use those funds for the purchase of the property and the demolition of the existing building.

Board members then began a discussion about recent CDBG grants which are being loaned to Microfoodery and Kentucky Pharmaceuticals.

Craig explained that two such grants are very unusual for a small town and he is proud of the enthusiasm of the board. "This is as active as the RCIDA board has ever been. This creates a lot of stress in dealing with the accounts and reports but Pamela Taylor (board secretary) is doing a wonderful job of keeping everything on track and in line," he said. "There was a time that we didn't have much to talk about in these meetings but now there are a lot of neat things going on and it is very nice to see all this

(See "RCIDA" on A4)

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Corey Craig

New census may be different than the 2010 Census

— Coming in March or April

By: Mike French
Editor

According to Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, the upcoming 2020 Census can be important for the county.

Holbrook says grant money is often based on population and leaving people out greatly reduces the amount of grants the county may be eligible to receive.

"The general rule of thumb is that a family of five equals about \$10,000 in grant money that the county could be eligible to get," said Holbrook. "Each time a family of five is not counted in the

census, it is potentially costing the county \$10,000 in potential grant money."

And according to Holbrook, there may be a lot of families that were not counted in the last census.

The census is conducted every ten years and the 2010 Census apparently left out a lot of local citizens.

"We have to use the information they give us to go by," Holbrook told members of the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority this week.

According to (See "Census" on A4)

Census jobs

For free assistance with online applications or questions about part-time positions in the upcoming census, a census representative will be at the Rockcastle County Public Library Wednesday, February 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. More census workers are currently needed.

Massive snow ten years ago

Ten years ago this week a massive snow storm covered the county with nine inches of snow falling in some areas in a single day. This was the ninth time that year that school was closed due to inclement weather.

Traffic Checkpoints

The Kentucky State Police will begin holding traffic safety checkpoints in Rockcastle County. For a complete list of the checkpoint locations visit <http://kentuckystatepolice.org/post-locations/post-11-checkpoints/>.

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



What a waste. Good Heavens! How many millions of dollars have been spent by Democrats in the past three years trying to undo an election?

Not only were those millions basically tossed in the trash for nothing (which is just another day for Liberals) but the time spent finding new things to accuse the POTUS of could have been used to actually legislate.

Since Inauguration Day, Democrats have screamed "impeach the \$#%@\$," while other Democrats smiled and laughed and agreed. Now they stand there with a straight face and a fake tear in their eye telling people how they wish they didn't have to do this.

Yes, Rep. Adam Schiff, many American citizens are gullible and easy to fool. But not all of us.

I know we have become conditioned to expect that what a candidate promises and what that candidate delivers once elected are two completely opposite things. We just accept that as truth anymore.

So, I guess it was quite the shock indeed when Trump actually started

doing what he promised he would do.

No wonder they tried to kick him out of office from day one. Who wants a Washington politician who does what he says he will do? Soon, people would start to expect that from every politician. Obviously, that is unacceptable.

They have to be thinking, "Kick him out before he keeps another promise!"

I don't agree with everything Trump does either. I think his Executive Order to ban bump stocks was borderline treason since it was in direct conflict with the Constitution. But that is only my own interpretation of what the founders had in mind when they wrote the Second Amendment.

None the less, I sure didn't spend millions of your dollars arguing with him about it.

I heard Schiff refer to himself many times as our "leader." Actually, he is supposed to be our servant. Our representative. But that's okay. We all know that isn't true. It is supposed to be that way, but it isn't.

Anyway, I don't be-

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Points East

By Ike Adams



I don't know about the rest of you, but I'm ready to talk about gardening. I may be unable to do much of it but, at least so far, Mr. Parkinson has not stopped me from talking about it. I've found that talking about it is infinitely easier than getting it done and rarely makes me raise a sweat.

If you are a long time reader of this column, you know that Loretta and I have had a love affair with Bodacious sweet corn ever since we discovered the variety, more than 30 years ago, in the late 1980s. Simply put, we had never, since then, considered any other variety of sweet corn to be in the same league as Bodacious when it came to mouthwatering taste. It also tastes as well frozen as it does fresh from the garden. There's no better way to get a taste of late July in late January than to open a bag of frozen, Bodacious corn, thaw and heat it up and set it on the dinner table.

At least that's the way we had always felt about it as the years rolled into more than 3 decades. During each and every one of those years, I have planted at least one new variety of sweet corn to compare to Bodacious. All 3 of my younger brothers are lifelong, avid gardeners. They have, individually, been as sold on Kandy Korn, Silver Queen, Ambrosia, Golden Queen, Illini Extra Sweet and one or another other sweet corn varieties as I have, consistently, favored Bodacious. I have tried them all and none have ever appealed to my taste buds as well as the latter. Bodacious sweet corn is one of the few things that my wife and I have never argued with one another.

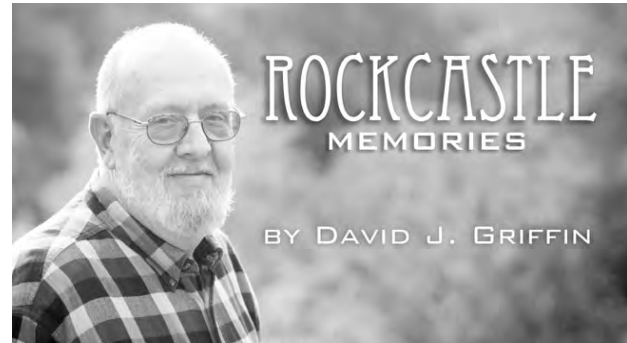
Then, last year, we both conceded that there was a new, dead-serious contender for boss of the sweet corn patch. If my brother, Andy, is willing and able to run the Troybilt Horse again this year, we will put both Bodacious and the new variety, "Glacial" to a fairer competition than they had last year, where Glacial won, hands down, both fresh and frozen, as the best sweet corn we had ever tasted.

On the other hand, last year's crop of Bodacious, for all practical purposes, failed to get a fair shake. Andy and I decided to plant it late because, over the years, I have determined that it grows and tastes better when it is harvested in September

than it does in July or August. You may recall that last September was the driest month on record for central Kentucky. August was not much wetter. We only managed to get a couple dozen "nubbins" from the Bodacious planting after the Glacial crop had turned out seed catalog, picture perfect. We even beat the %%^!!! Raccoons to the Glacial crop.

In the meantime, Loretta was not concerned about the Bodacious because, as she put it, referring to the new Glacial variety, "sweet corn does not get any better than this!" She allowed that Bodacious had more "eye appeal" because it is yellow and Glacial is snow white, but that was

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Thank the Lord for Aspirin

I was recently surfing the internet and found the following statement: "Can you imagine having the flu and not having aspirin to reduce your fever?" It sparked my memories about aspirin and my childhood years.

When I was a very young boy, my mother (Bee) treated the flu and even the common cold with Bayer aspirin for pain and fever reduction, Vicks salve for soothing coughs, and hot tea to combat chills. I thought her medical expertise was equal to a visit from our physician, Dr. George Griffith! As all of us old folks recall, in those days, the good doctor would come to your home if standard home remedies

proved inefficient.

As a former science teacher, the aspirin story made me want to review the history of acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin). It actually dates back to ancient Egypt and even before. Hippocrates referred to the use of salicylic tea to reduce fevers around 400 BC. Willow bark extract became recognized for its specific effects on fever, pain, and inflammation during the mid-eighteenth century.

In 1853, chemist Charles Gerhardt treated acetyl chloride with sodium salicylate to produce acetylsalicylic acid for the first time. In 1897, scientists from Bayer identified a new way to synthesize the product. By 1899, Bayer had dubbed the combination as "aspirin" and was selling it around the world.

During the late 50's and early 60's, aspirin's popularity declined due to the development of acetaminophen and ibuprofen. In the early 1980's, aspirin's use and efficacy as an anti-clotting agent that reduced the risk of clotting diseases, increased its use significantly. Aspirin sales revived considerably in the late 20th and early 21st centuries with widespread use as a preventive treatment for heart attacks and strokes.

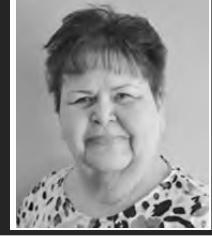
When I was teaching human anatomy and physiology at George Rogers Clark High School in Winchester, I developed a laboratory exercise to produce aspirin in my classroom. We researched

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Finding One of the Joys of Childhood

Dear Journal,

Often, maybe too often, my mind goes back to another time and place and all of the wonderful things experienced there. I remember several years ago I was telling Stanley of a little "mom and pop" place in Somerset that served some of the best hamburgers I've ever eaten. I had heard that they were closed, but someone surely was running this restaurant...after all, it had been there for just about ever. One day soon after, when we weren't doing anything else, I had him drive me over there to get some of those wonderful little burgers.

Much to my surprise and disappointment, they were still out of business. They had been closed for quite a while I learned. There stood a part of my childhood gone forever. Mom and Pop got old and had to close and their children didn't have any interest in carrying on the tradition of an old restaurant in Somerset. They had been serving hamburgers for at least thirty or forty years, as well as other things, but they were known for their hamburgers. I would never taste the unique flavor of these little burgers

again. We drove home and it was like going back home only to find your old homeplace gone. Some of my favorite times in this whole world took place there.

Last Friday, we had to do some business in Somerset and part of it took us downtown. I looked, from a distance, and saw what I thought to be my little "mom and pop" restaurant open. It couldn't be, I thought. It had been closed for probably twenty years or longer. I asked a local

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The Census Bureau works with state and tribal governments to get census income excluded so recipients who receive benefits can work as census takers (enumerators) without losing their benefits or eligibility status. The Census Bureau has partnered with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (which administers SNAP) to exclude earned income from temporary employment for 2020 Census. While it is ultimately a state decision whether to exempt 2020 Census income earned, a majority of states have already agreed to this waiver. Kentucky is a state that currently has a SNAP waiver in place.

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“Aces”

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lieve they will stop looking for ways to kick Trump out. They are small children, dressed up in suits and handed a microphone.

Get a Karaoke machine, turn it up loud and hand the mic to a five year-old child and watch what happens. That is what I saw during this

entire impeachment process.

And now Nancy Pelosi has proven my point. Like a five year-old crying child throwing their toy across the room or holding their breath to punish their mean old mommy, she ripped up the President’s State of the Union speech that talked about dying American veterans and their families and the

fight against the opioid crisis.

And that pouty little child is supposed to be a representative. Then when you mention how childish and disrespectful that was of her, instead of admitting it and recognizing it, Democrats say “oh yeah? Well so-and-so did something childish once too. So there!” Gee, good argument about not acting childish.

There are two charges against Trump. They repeated those two charges once for each star in the Heavens. I heard them say the same thing a thousand times. Of course, I believe both things to be completely and utterly bogus. But even if they weren’t, they still could have just repeated it a hundred times. That would have been plenty.

Dear elected officials, please move on. Decrease spending, lower taxes on the middle class, get out of the health care business, leave the Constitution alone, stop supporting terrorist countries that hate America, finish building the wall that the people voted for, support our veterans, use the money you are giving to people who won’t work to fix our infrastructure, stop spending \$3 million for an inauguration stage, and get out of my President’s way so he can keep the rest of his promises.

“T. J.’s”

(Cont. from A2)

about it and yes, it was open. Holsomback’s was alive and well.

There was more business to do, so Stanley dropped me off and I went inside. Wow! I was back “home”. I’d gone back in time to about 1965 and that era. NOTHING had changed. To look back, I thought I was in an episode of The Twilight Zone. There was the same old black and white tile floor, the same wallpaper, black chrome tables and chrome chairs, wooden bar stools, and even the same grill. There was the same old stairs that led to where Mom and Pop Holsomback lived upstairs. I just about cried right then and there.

They were about to close, but they stayed open just a little longer for me. If they hadn’t, I know I’d have cried. I ordered eight hamburgers, four for me and four for Stanley. They are small, about two inch square...Crystal or White Castle size. They are simple, just hamburger on a bun with onions, pickles, and mustard. I got a Coke. Years ago it would have been served in a bottle with a paper

straw. The burgers are served on a piece of waxed paper, two to a pack. We would always get about a dozen to take home. That old brown paper bag would be soaked in grease by the time we got back to London.

I learned that the meat used to be so lean that “Pop” had to put a big dollop of lard on the grill to keep them from sticking. On any given day, hundreds of burgers were sold. There was a walk-up window for to-go orders, too. On a Saturday, there were probably thousands sold. The line of customers would have stretched down the street. The hamburgers used to be a dime or a quarter and the Coke was a dime.

“Pop” Holsomback took the secret recipe for his hamburgers to the grave, but the new owners have experimented and got their recipe very close. It isn’t very often that you get to go back in time like this, and this time I took Stanley with me. If anyone else wants to go back in time, go to Maple Street in downtown Somerset and look for “Granny’s Grab and Go”.

“Points East”

(Cont. from A2)

the only downside.

Both varieties were originally introduced, at least to us, by Twilley’s Seed Catalogue. I’m guessing that Bodacious came along in 1987 or 88 and, for the first few years, I was the only person in central Kentucky, that I knew about, growing it. I was raving about it, in this column, even then. By the mid 1990s the seed was available practically anywhere that sold garden seeds. Glacial was, I believe, only introduced in 2019. At least that was the first time I noticed it and I’ve been trying a new variety from Twilley’s for the last 38 years. The company sells so many varieties of sweet corn that it would have been easy to miss one.

I doubt that you will be able to find Glacial at your favorite seed store or, for that matter, anywhere besides Twilley’s. However, it is in their catalog and I have already placed my order just in case they run out of seed.

You can find OtisTwilley’s Seed Company on the internet and order from their online catalogue. They will also send you a paper copy in the mail. If you don’t have internet access, call someone who does and have them request a catalogue for you. It’s worth the effort. This year the catalogue lists over 1,400 varieties of flower and vegetable seeds.

“Memories”

(Cont. from A2)

the chemicals involved and learned how to combine them safely. My students were impressed when we produced a fine, white power of acetylsalicylic acid. I even allowed my students to taste a tiny amount to see if the powder actually tasted like aspirin. They were duly impressed and so was the superintendent of schools, whose son was in my class.

Today, I am mighty thankful that I did not live

in a world without aspirin. Its use as a pain reliever, fever reducer, and an anti-clotting agent make it an extremely useful medical supplement. And as we continue to age and develop even more aches and pains, I become ever more grateful for the mercy granted to us via its use. My bet is that one day, you will, too!

(You can reach me at themtnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue – Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

• Our Readers Write •

Illegals are messing in our elections...

Dear Editor,

How can these ignorant Democrats say they don’t want a foreign country messing in our elections?

Every day Democrats, the Senate and Congress

want to let illegal aliens vote in our elections.

What the heck is this but interference by foreign aliens in our elections?

Bob Lunsford (P.S. Remember Obama promised Russia, on a hot mike, he would do more for them after the election.)

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Mon., Feb. 10th and Tuesday, Feb. 11th: No service.
Wednesday, Feb. 12th: Maple Grove, Orlando and Climax.

Retired Teachers Meeting is Feb. 19th

Rockcastle Retired Teachers will meet at Limestone Grille on Wednesday, February 19th at 11:30 a.m. Guest speaker will be Suzanne Gault with JACO Limo Tours and Charters, Knoxville, TN. This promises to be a special meeting, so mark your calendar. You won’t want to miss this one!

KPR Meeting is Feb. 11th

The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Tuesday, February 11th at Golden Corral Restaurant in London. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be Kay Hensley, a Republican candidate for 21st District State Senator in the May 19th primary election. 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 is available on the website (kentuckypublicretirees.org). For more information, call 606-260-0490.

DBCAA Board Meeting

The Daniel Boone Community Action Agency will hold a board of directors meeting on Tuesday, February 25th at 5:30 p.m. in Clay County at the central office located at 1535 Shamrock Road in Manchester. The public is invited to attend. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.

Hot Rod Sign-Ups

Hot Rod T-Ball sign-ups for 3-5 year-olds will be held the first and second weekends in April at Wendy’s from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 606-308-5319 for more information.

Celebrate Sobriety Service

CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7 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, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

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

Alcoholics Anonymous: 7 p.m. on Williams St., Mt. Vernon.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only. Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the Brodhead Center.

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

Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

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

Estel Paul Hamm

Estel Paul Hamm, 87, of Brodhead, died Monday, February 3, 2020 at Veteran Medical Center in Lexington. He was born December 14, 1932 in Bandy, a son of the late William Oscar Hamm and Mollie Ellen Brown Hamm. He was a Tool and Die Maker, having been employed at Cumberland Tool and Die for 50 years and Lincoln Tool and Die. He served his country in the US Air Force, as Airman 1st Class. He found great pleasure in UK basketball, playing poker, and genealogy. On March 31, 1956 he was united in marriage to Martha Blevins, and from that union came

three daughters, Kathy Lynn, Karen Louise and Kandi Lee.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife of 63 years, Martha Blevins Hamm of Brodhead; daughters, Kathy Lynn Hamm (Bobby) Dees of Brodhead, Karen Louise Hamm (Phillip) Coleman of Dacula, GA, and Kandi Lee (George) Hylton of Berea; grandchildren, Natalee Eaton, Neisha Cameron, Kristi Lynn Brown, Seth Thomas Taylor, Mahala Caroline Coleman, Garrett Paul Ellis Coleman and Eli Joseph Hylton; great grandchildren, Hayden Lynelle Powell, Christopher Izaiah Thomas Frederick, Mollie Elynn Taylor, Levi Austin Cameron, Lilly Ann Cameron, and Brooks Thigpin; a brother, John Wayne Hamm of Waynesville, OH; a sister, Wilma Elizabeth Craig of West Chester, OH; as well as a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: brothers, Denver Ray, David Kendall and William Theodore Hamm; one sister, Alma Joyce Hamm Sutton; and a special nephew, Billy Hamm.

At Paul's request, cremation rites are being honored.

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

James Edgar Martin

James Edgar Martin, 54, of Cincinnati, OH, died there Wednesday, January 22, 2020. He was born in Cincinnati, OH on December 12, 1965, the son of Melvin Martin and Marjorie Gamble. He was a US Army Veteran.

He is survived by: his daughters, Rachel Martin of Richmond and Rebecca (Tyler) Pratt of Huntington, WV; his mother, Marjorie Gamble of Cincinnati, OH; a sister, Susan Ogden of Cincinnati, OH; and two brothers, Charles Martin and Raymond Martin, Sr., both of Cincinnati, OH. He was preceded in death by: his wife, Anita Faye Martin; his father, Melvin Martin; and a sister, Marcia Sinclair.

Graveside services were conducted Wednesday, January 29, 2020 in Bales Cemetery in Livingston by Bro. Bruce Ross.

Pallbearers were: Tony Bevins, Charles Martin, Chuck Martin, Raymond Martin, Jr., Tyler Pratt, and Brandon Randolph.

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Our True Value

Being free moral agents, we are free to think, and do any way we want. But we need to realize that our true value depends on what God thinks of us, whether God is happy with what we think, say and do.

The scriptures are given by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. This being true we can make a comparison of what we know of ourselves, to what has been revealed, in the Holy Scriptures given to us by our Lord. Romans 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness, with our spirit, that we are the children of God. There is a peace that begins to grow with inside of us if we are truly the children of God. Phil. 4:4-9 rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and mind through Christ Jesus. Finally my brethren, 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. Those things which we have both learned, and received and heard, and seen in me, and do, and the God of peace shall be with you. What ever happened to the idea of doing what is right, it has its own virtue and reward. This idea should be in the heart of every Christian, is to do what is right and to always tell the truth, doing anything less shows to this world our religion is not serious. Galatians 6:4 But let every man prove his own work, then he shall have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

Ask yourselves, do you want to have that peace, that only God gives, treat others the way you want to be treated and love the Lord with all your soul, mind, body and strength. Thank you for reading this article. I pray God has blessed you with the things you need and has kept you safe. We would love for you to come and visit us at the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ, Mt. Vernon, Ky. or friend on Facebook at Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ. If you would like to get int touch with someone from the Church, you can contact us at these numbers. Bro. Dale McNew -859-582-4021-Bro. Ova Baker-606-878-8104.

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William "Bill" Henry Fowler Jr.

William "Bill" Henry Fowler, Jr., 73, of Berea, died Monday, February 3, 2020, at St. Joseph Health Care in Lexington. He was born September 9, 1946, in Paris, to the late William Henry and Nancy (Clinkenbeard) Fowler. He served in the U.S. Army, was a machinist at Rexroth for 49 years, and was a member of the Fairview Baptist Church. He enjoyed his family, grandchildren, UK basketball, fishing, collecting guns and knives, and was a member of Bourbon County F & AM Masonic Lodge. He married Martha Powell on June 12, 1970, and from that union came two children, Gwyn and William.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife of 49 years, Martha Fowler; children, Gwyn (Ron) Bernot of Lawrenceburg, and "Billy" (Alice) Fowler of Cartersville; five grandchildren, Joshua McNew, Pvt. Paige Fowler, RJ Bernot, Briely Fowler, and Kash Fowler; one brother, Kenneth (Linda Carol) Fowler of Paris; and one sister-in-law, Patricia Fowler.

Besides his parents he was preceded in death by one brother, Julian Fowler.

Visitation will be (today) Thursday, February 6, from 6-9 p.m. at Fairview Baptist Church with Masonic Rites at 7 p.m.

Funeral services will be Friday, February 7, 2020 at 1 p.m. at Fairview Baptist Church with Bro. Vaughn Razor officiating. Burial will follow in Powell Family Cemetery with Military Honors.

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Let the Bible Speak

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

Monthly Singing

Philadelphia Baptist Church will hold their monthly singing Sunday, February 23rd, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Featured singers will be Standing in the Gap gospel singing.

Everyone is invited.

Church services are held Sundays at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

Special Service

There will be a special service at the Berea Gospel Tabernacle on Friday night, Feb. 14th, beginning at 7 o'clock with Jack Carpenter speaking.

Everyone is invited and welcome.

Weekend Revival

McNew Chapel Baptist Church will hold a Weekend revival beginning Friday night, February 7th at 7 o'clock.

Evangelist will be Bro. Kenneth Thompson from Wayne County.

Everyone is invited.

"RCIDA"

(Continued from front) activity in our community."

Craig said the two grants will provide the community with funds for decades to come that will aid in growth and development and can be loaned out to other potential businesses as a low-interest loan.

According to Craig the money cannot be reloaned until the company that borrowed it from RCIDA originally has met the job requirements of the loan. "Once Microfoodery has 50 employees, we can loan the same money out to other businesses that will provide more jobs and bring more interest. It is a continuing process that will help our county's growth for years," he said.

"We are in a very good place right now," said Craig. "We have the disadvantage of being a small town so we have to work a little harder and be a little more creative. Some communities have half a million people to draw from. Here we have 17,000 people. But we can do it. In fact, we are doing it."

While discussing Kentucky Pharmaceuticals, board member Dr. George Griffith had some questions about the business's potential success.

"The truth is, this hemp processing is a new thing, and hemp company's are announcing bankruptcy almost every day. When vaping first came out, it grew and was very successful. But then as more information about vaping became available, it's not very good for you," said Dr. Griffith. "I'm not saying this will happen to the hemp processing industry. But I am asking how we know it will not happen."

Craig then presented a very detailed explanation of his thoughts on the subject. "That is a wonderful question," he said. "We have given this a lot of thought. Life is full of risks. We take them every day. Even driving your car you are within a few feet of a ton of metal, glass and gasoline passing you at 60 miles per hour.

"But, you stay in your lane, you wear a seatbelt. You have safety features on the car. You are taking a risk, but it is a calculated risk. That is all we can do. Anything could happen and no one knows the future. But you calculate your risks, you take steps to minimize your risks and you prepare for the outcome."

Craig also said that the owners of Kentucky Pharmaceuticals have a plan to provide a safety net to keep the industry from taking a negative hit.

"When you purchase something at the store, you read the label and know what you are getting. The CBD oil industry does not have that federal oversight currently. So, the owners plan to create a product with integrity and follow the process from the first seed, to the plant itself, to the harvesting activities and through the processing procedures," said Craig. "The owners of Kentucky Pharmaceuticals are going to create a product that can be trusted."

Board members continued several other discussions, including the 2020 Census which

Judge/Executive Holbrook said he expects will show "a lot more people in Rockcastle County this time."

The board also addressed the progress of the new Marathon Station locating in Livingston. Officials say the foundation of the building is now complete and the structure is actually the same building that has been located at exit 104 (Athens/Boonesboro exit) in Lexington for many years. Craig said owners have taken that building down now and plan to rebuild it on the site in Livingston.

Board members then discussed the Executive Director's Report before closing the meeting.

The next RCIDA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 3 at 8:30 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse.

"Census"

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Holbrook the Census paperwork will start being delivered at the end of March or the first of April. Then the Ccnsus is to be completed by the end of June.

Holbrook told the RCIDA Board that there are many ways that the census will reach the people but workers are still needed to help in different areas.

"The last time they did the census, we got their map back and it showed 'zero residents' in populated areas in several places," he said. "We knew people who lived in those areas and the census showed zero residents."

Not only has the population assumed to have grown over the past ten years, but once the new census includes those who were missed in the last census, Holbrook said he expects well more than a thousand additional names. "The last Census showed our population at 17,056. This one should show a lot more."

Holbrook encourages everyone to take part in the upcoming census and says participation will help everyone in the county.

Holbrook says he has not yet seen the questions on the upcoming census but he is told they will be different this year. "There are people who say it isn't anyone's business how many guns they own or they have problems with other questions," he said. "But I understand the questions are different this year."

Federal law can impose a \$5,000 fine for ignoring the census and a \$10,000 fine for giving false information, according to the Census Bureau Public Information website.

Pizza and Bingo

The Rockcastle Regional Hospital is hosting a Valentine's Day Pizza and Bingo event on Monday, February 10 at First Baptist Church beginning at 6 p.m. "Rhock Out" events are open to anyone with past or present cancer diagnosis. For more information, call

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SPORTS

Avenge earlier season 56-47 loss
Lady Rockets beat Lady Maroons 56-50

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets avenged an earlier season 56-47 district loss to the Pulaski Co. Lady Maroons last Friday night when they came away with a 56-50 win, their 16th of the season against only six losses.

The Lady Maroons took the first quarter 13-10 and were up 25-22 at the half. Freshman Keelee King tied the score on her three point shot to begin the third quarter at 25 all. The Rockets kept pace with the Lady Maroons all through the third period and were ahead 36-35 at the third quarter stop.

In the final period, the Rockets outscored the Lady Maroons 9-2 to take a 45-37 lead. However, the Lady Maroons pulled to within three at 49-46 but Junior Lindsey Jones then hit a big three, only the second one of the night for the Rockets, to give her team a 52-46 lead. Jones then stole the ball and got it to junior Casey Coleman who was fouled and hit one of the free throws to extend the lead to 53-46. The Lady Maroons retaliated with a three point basket but there was only 26 seconds left on the clock. The game finished with a foul shot by senior Shelby Newland and two more by Coleman, and one by PC, for the final 56-50.

Coleman led her team in scoring with 18 points; King got 11; Newland 10; senior Kenzi Himes had seven; freshman Hallie Brown got four, along with Jones and junior Aliyah Lopez also scored a basket.

The Lady Rockets hit 15 of 21 free throws and

three three point baskets while the Lady Maroons made good on 6 of 11 free throws and hit eight threes.

Lady Rockets 60 Clay Co. 28

Monday night, the Lady Rockets hosted the Clay Co. Tigers and weren't, actually, very good hosts, beating the Tigers 60-28.

Coach Chrysti Noble got to clear her bench in the contest with 10 Lady Rockets getting into the scoring column.

Despite getting down 7-0 to the Lady Tigers in the first quarter, the Lady Rockets came back to take the quarter 16-13, were ahead 28-15 at the half and 43-21 at the third quarter stop.

King led the scoring in the game with 16 points. She also had two steals. Other Rockets scoring were: Casey Coleman with 10 points, three rebounds, four assists and two steals; Brown got eight points and five rebounds; Newland and Jordan Harper had six points each; Himes scored five points and pulled in six rebounds; Jones got three points and Bailee Allen, Darby Smith and Calliegh Burdette each scored two points.

Lady Rockets 58 Jackson Co. 46

Tuesday night, the Lady Rockets traveled to Jackson County and picked up their 18th win of the season 58-46.

The Rockets were down four 16-12 at the first quarter stop but up by one at the half 26-25. However, they

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Junior Aliyah Lopez drives to the basket during the Lady Rockets' 56-50 win over Pulaski County last Friday night.



Sophomore Jake Sanders goes up for two in the Rockets' loss to Pulaski County Friday night. The Rockets travel to Berea Friday night and host Jackson County next Tuesday.



Matthew Chasteen applies defense during the Rockets' loss to Pulaski County Friday night.

Coguer gets 41 in loss to Southwestern JV

Monday night, the Rockets freshman and JV teams traveled to Somerset to play the Southwestern Warriors and sophomore Reese Coguer scored 41 points in his team's 70-55 loss.

Southwestern led the entire game, ahead 20-14 at the end of the first quarter, 35 to 25 at the half and 51-41 at the third quarter stop.

Besides Coguer's 41 points, freshman Kaden Kidwell got five; junior Nick Chasteen scored four points; junior Rylee DeLeon got three and sophomore Landon Dillingham got two points.

The Rockets got four three point baskets to Southwestern's seven and were 11-15 from the free throw line to Southwestern's 10-12.

Rockets lose to PC and Pineville; now 6-17

The Rockets lost their 16th game of the season Friday night to the Pulaski County Maroons 74-46.

The Maroons jumped out to an early 26-14 first quarter lead and the game was never in question with PC up 47 to 29 at the half and 60-40 at the third quarter stop.

Sophomore Daniel Mullins led the scoring for his team with 17 points, which included four three point baskets; eighth grader Will Bishop got nine; sophomore Jake Sanders seven; sophomore Drew Hopkins six; senior Logan Noel five (all free throws) and sophomore Reese Coguer

two.

The Rockets were 8-16 from the free throw line to PC's 6-8 and had four three point baskets to PC's six.

The Rockets also lost the services of sophomore Silas Shaffer for the remainder of the season. Shaffer suffered a broken fibula in the game and will reportedly be out of action for eight weeks.

Tuesday night, the Rockets traveled to Pineville to take on the 7-12 Mountain Lions and lost 56-53.

After being down 16 at the half, the Rockets mounted a 37-24 come-

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Will Bishop goes up for two of his nine points in the Rockets' loss to Pulaski County Friday night.



Drew Hopkins fights to get to the basket during the Rockets' loss to Pulaski County Friday night.



Senior Bailee Allen stops a driving Clay County Tiger during the Lady Rockets' 60-28 win Monday night.



Casey Coleman stops a driving Pulaski County Lady Maroon during the Lady Rockets' win Friday night.



Shelby Newland forces a jump ball during the Lady Rockets' win Friday night over Pulaski County.

Lady Rockets Freshman/JV Update

Freshmen

Rockets v. Somerset
RCHS 9 2 7 5 23
SOM. 10 15 7 14 46
 Calliegh Burdette 8; Karlee Smith 4; Camryn Cash 3; Haven King, Kylee Burns, Riley Smith, 2 each.

Rockets v. Whitley Co.
RCHS 6 4 13 11 34
WCHS12 12 13 10 47
 Burdette 11; Mackenzie Lopez and Burns, 7; K. Smith 6; King 3.

Rockets v. Lex. Catholic
RCHS 7 4 7 10 28
LCHS 4 9 11 8 32
 King 7; Abby DeLeon 6; Burdette 5; Lopez 4; K. Cameron, Burns, Markley Richards, 2 each.

Rockets v. S. Laurel
RCHS 9 4 10 2 40
SLHS 12 13 15 11 51
 M. Lopez 7; Burdette 6; K. Smith, Burns 3 ea; K. Cameron 2.

Rockets v. Lincoln
RCHS 6 8 5 5 24
LCHS 7 10 9 9 35
 Burns 9; Burdette 7; K. Smith, Lopez, Allie Todd, 2 each; Cash, King 1 ea.

Rockets v. Mercer Co.
RCHS 8 13 8 3 13 45
MCHS11 3 6 12 10 42
 Burdette 20; K. Smith 12; King 4; Burns 3; Cash, Cameron, Lopez, 2 each.

Rockets v. N. Laurel
RCHS 9 6 5 6 26
NLHS 8 5 9 14 36
 K. Smith 10; Burdette 9; Lopez 4, Santo 3.

Rockets v. Lincoln
RCHS10 8 9 9 36
LCHS 5 4 21 10 40
 Burdette 9; Cash 7; King and Burns, 6 ea; K. Smith 3; Cameron and Santo, 2 each.

Rockets v. N. Laurel
RCHS 8 7 9 16 40
NLHS 7 10 2 10 29
 Burns 13; Burdette 11; Cash 9; King 3; K. Smith and Lopez, 2 ea.

Jayvee

Rockets v. Somerset
RCHS 8 9 8 9 34
SOM. 9 15 17 13 54
 Camryn Cash 7; Natalee Dillingham 5; Haley Thacker and Karlee Smith 4 each; Calliegh Burdette, Kylee Burns, Mackenzie Lopez, Kaylee Cameron, Savannah Santo, 2 each.

Rockets v. Bates Creek
RCHS 5 6 6 5 22
TCHS 5 10 6 4 25
 Haven King 5; Burdette & D. Smith, 4 each; Thacker, K. Cameron, Santo and Cash, 2 each; K. Smith 1.

Rockets v. Whitley Co.
RCHS 6 7 4 6 23
WCHS13 8 15 7 43
 Addison McClure 7; Burdette 5; D. Smith 4; Thacker, Dillingham, Burns, 2 each; Santo 1.

Rockets v. Lex. Catholic
RCHS 9 11 10 6 36
LCHS 4 10 7 11 32
 McClure 10; Thacker 7; Burdette and Burns, 4 each; Dillingham and K. Cameron 2 each.

Rockets v. Anderson Co.
RCHS 2 1 2 4 9
ACHS21 13 7 11 52
 Burdette 5, D. Smith and Cash, 2 each.

Rockets v. Pulaski Co.
RCHS 11 9 10 8 38
PCHS 4 7 11 5 27
 D. Smith 10; Thacker 9; Dillingham 7; Burdette 6; McClure, K. Smith, Lopez, 2 each.

Rockets v. S. Laurel
RCHS 5 14 13 2 34
SLHS 13 9 20 16 59
 K. Smith 14; D. Smith 8; King 16; Burdette 4; McClure 2.

Rockets v. McCreary Co.
RCHS 9 7 5 13 34
MCHS 9 2 9 4 24
 D. Smith 8; McClure 7; Burdette 5; Dillingham and K. Smith 4; Lopez 2; Burns 1.

Rockets v. N. Laurel
RCHS 7 7 14 8 36
NLHS 14 5 13 10 42
 K. Smith 10; Burdette 8; D. Smith 6; Thacker and Dillingham, 5 each; McClure 2.

Rockets v. Lincoln Co.
RCHS 9 9 8 9 35
LCHS 17 13 15 10 55
 McClure 11; Burdette 10; Burns 5; D. Smith 4; K. Smith 3; Lopez 3.

Rockets v. N. Laurel
RCHS 1 12 12 6 31
NLHS 10 11 12 3 36
 Burdette 12; Jordan Harper 10; D. Smith 6; Dillingham 2; K. Smith 1.

Rockets v. Clay County
RCHS10 5 11 4 30
CCHS 6 6 9 8 29
 Dillingham 8; D. Smith 7; Harper and Burdette 5 each; McClure 3; K. Smith 2.



Darby Smith and Calliegh Burdette work hard for a rebound during the Lady Rocket Junior Varsity's 30-29 win over Clay County Monday night.



Natalee Dillingham looks for a teammate during the Lady Rocket Junior Varsity's win over Clay County Monday. Dillingham led her team with eight points.



Karlee Smith applies defense during the Lady Rocket Junior Varsity's win over Clay County Monday.

RC^HS Swim Seniors honored



Senior Reese Sherrow and his parents, Matt and Gina Sherrow and sister, Riley.



The RC^HS swim team honored their seniors at their last regular season swim meet. Senior Vashaun Alexander is shown above with his mother, Renee Crech. The swim team will compete in the regional swim meet this Friday at ECU beginning at 10:30 a.m.



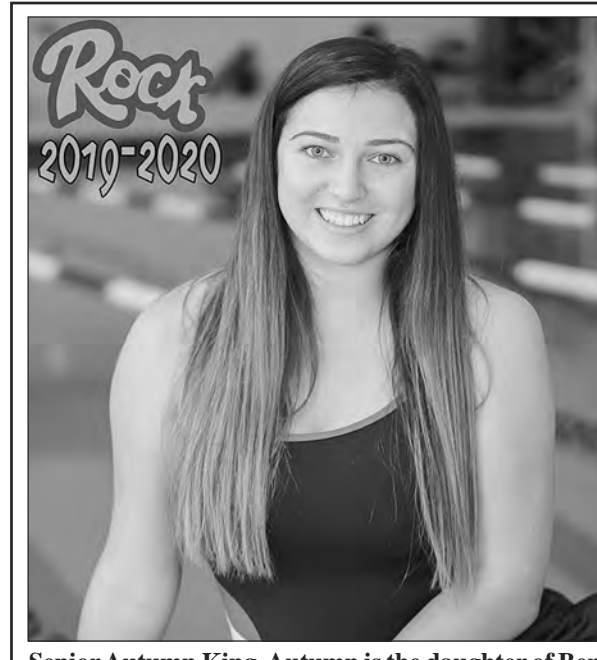
Senior Emilee Thomas and her mother, Angie Thomas.



Senior Dawson Nicely shown with his parents, Juan and Amy Nicely and brother, Douglas.



Senior Tristan Winstead, shown with his grandparents, Dale and Laverne Winstead.



Senior Autumn King. Autumn is the daughter of Bert and Angie King.



Jordan Harper drives to the basket during the Lady Rocket Junior Varsity's win over Clay County.



Mackenzie Lopez fights for a loose ball during the Lady Rocket Junior Varsity's win over Clay County.



Congratulations to the RCMS Archery team for placing 2nd with a team score of 2989 at the New Year's Rocket Blast Off Tournament on January 24th at Rockcastle Middle School and for shooting a team high score of 3035 and placing 3rd in the 2020 Jamie Gilliam Smile Tournament on February 1st at Bush Elementary. Pictured are front from left: Ezekiel Graves, Timothy Caldwell, A.J. Cromer, MaKaylee McNally, and Dwayne Clark. Second row from left: Austin Ashcraft, Micah Hughes, Susanne Graves, Ethan S. Smith, Caitlyn Kirby, Alivia Kirby, and Katie Dobbs. Back row from left: Gavin Betsworth, Callie Benge, Paige Cash, Wyatt Martin, Jaden Cameron, Marcos Benge, Joseph Elam, Landon Collins, and Coach Brittany Adams. Not pictured: Adrianna Graves and Hailey Johnson.

RCMS Archery takes second at home tourney

Congratulations to the RCMS Archery team for placing second with a team score of 2989 at the New Year's Rocket Blast Off Tournament on January 24th at Rockcastle Middle School.

Dwayne Clark shot a 266. Paige Cash placed second in the females division with a 262. Caitlyn Kirby placed fourth in the female division with a 260.

Rounding out the team score was Landon Collins, Makaylee McNally, Wyatt

Martin, Adrianna Graves, Timothy Caldwell, Hailey Johnson, Callie Benge, Gavin Betsworth, Ezekiel Graves, Jaden Cameron, A.J. Cromer, Alivia Kirby, Austin Ashcraft, Marcos Benge, Ethan S. Smith, Katie Dobbs, Micah Hughes.

RCMS Archery also shot a team high score of 3035 and placed third in the 2020 Jamie Gilliam Smile Tournament on February 1st at Bush Elementary.

Dwayne Clark led the way with a score of 273,

Gavin Betsworth shot a 269, Timothy Caldwell and Landon Collins, both improved their personal best to a 262.

Rounding out the team score was Paige Cash, Caitlyn Kirby, Callie Benge, Wyatt Martin, Adrianna Graves, Ezekiel Graves, Makaylee McNally, Marcos Benge, Alivia Kirby, Jaden Cameron, Joseph Elam, Katie Dobbs, Ethan S. Smith, Micah Hughes, A.J. Cromer, Suzanne Mullins.



RCMS honored their eighth grade ball players last Thursday night. Eighth graders are shown above, with their coach Zach Gentry, from left: Harper McCool, Jake Cromer, Ashton Sanders, Lance Coffey, coach Gentry, Dalton Simpson, Landon Reppert, Skylar Durham and Ben Brown.



RCMS honored their eighth grade cheerleaders last Thursday night. Eighth graders are shown above, with their coaches, Joanie Alexander and Rachel Johnson. Eighth graders, from left: coach Johnson, Bailey Terry, Alexis Martin, Kameryn Medley, Raychel Carpenter, Alivia Shepherd, Ashleigh Abney, Chelsea Laswell and coach Alexander.



The RCMS girls are off to a great start in indoor track. The team had their second meet of the season on Saturday at the University of Kentucky Wildcat Classic in Lexington. Team members are: Tori Dotson, Lexi Dotson, Allie Martin, and Emma Watson. Not pictured: Reina Lykins, Valerie Kendrick, Jessalyn Burton, and Alyssa Hodge.

RCMS girls off to great start in indoor track

The RCMS girls' indoor track team had their second meet of the season on Saturday at the University of Kentucky Wildcat Classic in Lexington.

Most of the state's best athletes and teams were on hand, including over 1600 athletes that competed.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Tori Dotson, Lexi Dotson, Allie Martin, and Emma Watson placed 2nd overall with an amazing early season time of 4:14.26. The team broke the all-time Class 2A indoor state record in the event two weeks ago with an incredible winning time of 4:12.74, approximately 13 seconds faster than the previous all-time RCMS school record in the event.

In the 60-meter dash, Allie led the way for RCMS

in 8.43 seconds, just missing the school record by 0.25 seconds, while Emma equaled her all-time indoor personal best with a time off 8.75 seconds.

In the 400, Allie placed 7th with an amazing indoor all-time personal best of 1:01.61, just missing the all-time RCMS indoor record by only 8 hundredths of a second. Emma placed 18th, just missing her indoor all-time personal best with a great time of 1:04.72, despite having missed several days of practice for the flu and strep.

Seventh grader Alyssa Hodge competed in her first-ever high school track meet, finishing with an all-time personal best of 1:09.9 in the 400. She also had an all-time personal best in long jump with a great jump

of 12'11".

Despite missing two of her three jumps due to her 60-meter dash participation, Allie placed 7th in long jump with a leap of 14'10.75". She recently won long jump in the first meet of the season with an all-time indoor personal best of 16'10". Emma jumped 13'9.75" despite almost no jumping for over a week.

In the shot put competition, Valerie Kendrick placed 5th with a great throw of 32'2", while Jessalyn Burton placed 8th with a great throw of 29'8".

Tori and Lexi Dotson had outstanding performances in the distance events for the Lady Rockets. Tori placed 2nd in the 800-meter run with an awesome time of 2:18.65. She won the event two weeks ago in the team's first meet. Lexi Dotson placed 6th in the mile run with an amazing all-time indoor personal best of 5:28.73. She was equally impressive in the 800-meter run, placing 11th overall with a great time of 2:30.64.

The team missed hurdler, Reina Lykins, who has been working extremely hard, but attended the meet as a spectator due to a recent injury. She will be back in action next Saturday at Mason County.

The girls are off to a great start as they seek their 13th Class 2A indoor state title in March. Team members are Tori Dotson, Lexi Dotson, Allie Martin, and Emma Watson, Reina Lykins, Valerie Kendrick, Jessalyn Burton, and Alyssa Hodge.



The RCMS boys' indoor track team had their first meet of the season on Saturday at the University of Kentucky Wildcat Classic in Lexington. Team members are: Ethan Fain, Aaron Clark, Carson King, Logan Bullock, and Dylan Bullen.

Lady Rockets

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came on strong in the second half, behind five three point baskets by Keelee King and 13 points by Casey Coleman to outscore the Lady Generals 32 to 21 for the win, their 18th of the season.

Coleman led the scoring for the game with 23 points, including going 11/12 from the free throw line and dishing out five assists; King, who was 6/9 from three point range, got 18 points; Himes had eight points; Jones six; Newland two and Brown one besides hauling in four rebounds.

The girls were 12/17 from the free throw line to 11/18 for the Lady Generals and had six threes to Jackson Co.'s one.

The Lady Rockets will now host Mercer County next Monday and travel to Madison Central next Thursday night.

Rockets

(Cont. from A5)

back in the second half, behind 11 points by Mullins and 10 by Bishop, that fell just short.

Bishop led the scoring with 16 points; Mullins had 15; senior Jake Loudermilk seven; Sanders six; Noel five and Hopkins and Coguer two each.

Each team had five three point baskets. The Rockets were 6/8 from the charity stripe to Pineville's 11/22.

The Rockets will travel to Berea Friday night and will host Jackson County next Tuesday night.

RCMS boys open indoor track at UK

The RCMS boys' indoor track team had their first meet of the season on Saturday at the University of Kentucky Wildcat Classic in Lexington.

Most of the state's best athletes and teams were on hand, including over 1600 athletes that competed.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Aaron Clark, Carson King, Dylan Bullen, and Logan Bullock placed 14th and came within 0.32 seconds of the all-time RCMS indoor record in the event with an outstanding time of 3:51.40.

In the 60-meter dash, Aaron led the way for RCMS in 7.62 seconds, while Ethan Fain finished in 8.22.

Carson ran a 25.7 in the 200-meter dash and Ethan crossed the line in 27.21.

In the 400, Logan ran a 57.08, Carson - 58.15 and Ethan - 1:02.79.

Dylan had two great performances in the distance events, finishing the mile run in 4:58.59 and the 800 in 2:10.65.

Recent Lindsey Wilson signee, Logan recorded a top 20 finish in the mile, placing 18th with a fast early season time of 4:48.72.

Aaron also had a great first indoor season long jump of 18'4.5" after recently recovering from an injured ankle.

Despite having a small team, the boys' are hoping to improve upon last year's Class 2A indoor state runner-up finish, also achieved with a team of only five competitors. Team mem-

bers were Ethan Fain, Aaron Clark, Carson King, Logan Bullock, and Dylan Bullen.

"Crash"

(Continued from front)

ing the vehicle to roll over several times before striking the home.

During the roll over, all three occupants of the truck were ejected and, according to reports, passenger Takina Cottrell was thrown onto the roof of the home. Duff and the other passenger, Zach Poynter, were also ejected from the truck.

When the truck hit the home, the collision caused a deer head, mounted on the wall, to fall onto the single occupant of the house.

When police arrived at the scene, Cottrell was found on the roof of the home and first responders needed to use a ladder to reach her.

Cottrell and Poynter were flown to the University of Kentucky Medical Center with serious injuries and Duff was transported to a hospital in Berea where she was pronounced dead.

The occupant of the home, who was not identified by police, was also transported to a hospital for minor injuries.

The police report says alcohol and drugs are suspected in the ongoing investigation by Trooper Lewis.

Assisting at the scene were KSP Post 11 personnel, EMS, the Rockcastle County Sheriff's office, Mount Vernon Fire Department and the Madison County Coroner's office.

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SBDM election underway at RCMS

By: Mike French
Editor

The May Primary elections and the November general elections are on the minds of voters nationwide. However, officials would like to remind residents that some local elections can be just as important in one's daily life.

For example, the Site Based Decision Making Council (SBDM) makes decisions that directly affect Rockcastle County students and parents each month. And those elections are about to happen. In fact, the deadline for application, as a candidate for the RCMS SBDM Council's member, is Friday, February 7 at 3 p.m.

Due to the recent resignation of a parent member of the council, this special election is being held.

Any parent or guardian, who has a child enrolled at RCMS, is eligible to be nominated or to nominate anyone for the election.

Each school in the district holds their own SBDM elections at different times through the year, but the RCMS election will be held on Friday, February 21 from 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the

front lobby of the school.

The 2019-20 parent member must be nominated in writing by Friday, February 7.

The SBDM Council includes two parents and the Principal of the school.

According to Carrie Ballinger, Rockcastle County Schools Director of Student Services, the SBDM is designed to promote "shared leadership among stakeholders that are closely vested in the school and its students." Ballinger said teachers elect the teacher representatives and parents elect the parent representatives and each term is for one year.

The council sets school policy and makes decisions that help each student. "Their decisions are designed to provide an environment that enhances student achievement and assists students in meeting academic goals," said Ballinger.

All SBDM members are required by law to receive special training. New members will receive six hours of training while returning members will receive three hours.

If you have a parent nominee in mind, officials ask that you submit the form to the school by this Friday.

Sheriff's department audit is typical report

By: Mike French
Editor

Officials with the office of Mike Harmon, Auditor of Public Accounts, say the recent audit of the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department under former Sheriff Mike Peters, was a "normal" audit.

The audit of 2018 taxes from April 17 to December 31 covers the financial statements of former Sheriff Mike Peters and officials say all is well.

Though the audit shows two areas of concern, Mike Goins, Communications Director of Harmon's office, says the two discrepancies are "typical of smaller town sheriff departments."

One discrepancy shows a "lack of adequate segregation of duties" while the other shows the financial report "did not include \$235,406 in franchise tax collections on the outgoing tax settlement."

Though at first glance, laymen may become concerned about the unlisted funds, Goins said there was nothing out of order about the report.

"We find this quite often and there was nothing

out of order about it," said Goins. "If anything had been criminal we would have immediately informed the authorities," he said.

The problem, according to Goins, was that there were not enough employees in the Sheriff's Department to delegate (segregate) duties. Goins said the Office of Public Accounts prefers that two different people be in charge of certain duties in a "checks and balance" system.

However, with only one full time and one part time office employee, certain duties could not be segregated.

"We prefer that the same person who takes in the money, not be the person who records those funds," he said. "It's just good practice and oversight."

However, with short staff, Goins says this same deficiency shows up in sheriff departments often.

"We found nothing criminal in nature. It was just an accounting mistake that we see occasionally," said Goins.

Goins said the \$235,406 is not "missing" but instead will simply show up in other areas of the financial reports.



Mount Vernon Fire Department and Brindle Ridge Fire Department responded to a single vehicle accident on Brindle Ridge Road Tuesday with a car overturned in a creek. The driver had to be extricated from the vehicle but only received minor injuries. Also on the scene were Rockcastle EMS and the Rockcastle Sheriff's office.

Rockcastle makes KTC list of improvements

By: Mike French
Editor

The City of Mount Vernon and the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, as well as fiscal court, have brought up the issue of widening KY 461 several times during discussions of growth and development in the county over the past two years.

Jim Gray, Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, has now released the 2020 Recommended Highway Plan detailing which major highway improvement projects for the next six years are recommended for consideration by the Kentucky General Assembly during the 2020 legislative session.

The plan outlines scheduled highway project activities for fiscal year 2020 through fiscal year 2026, according to the press release, and Rockcastle County is part of the plan.

According to the release, the plan is based on an estimated \$6.1B in available funding. The funding consists of \$1.1B to address the backlog of paving and bridge needs, \$0.9B in federally dedicated funds and another \$0.5B for federal GARVEE debt service payments.

The release says this leaves \$3.6B for highway project funding through fiscal year 2026.

The six-year plan lists

three projects in Rockcastle County. The first addresses general paving in the county to be completed in 2021 with \$3.575M allotted.

Also listed is the half mile of planned guard railing on KY 1229 at a cost of \$102,000.

The plan also lists KY 461 from US 150 to the existing four lane approach at US 25.

Officials say they are proud of the plan which covers the state.

"The 2020 Recommended Highway Plan

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Barrel Lid Painting class will be taught at the Extension office on February 21st from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. There are only 10 spaces in the class; participants must pay the \$15 fee for their lid and paint to reserve a space. There are four different designs to choose from.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Deeds Recorded

Ricky W. and Shelia Holman, and others, property in Copper Creek Community, to Anthony and Megan Noel. No tax Robert L. Howard, II, Executor, property in Rockcastle County, to Robert L. Howard II and Tammy D. Howard. Tax \$90

Donald and Carolyn Collins, property in Rockcastle County, to Fred Hampton III and Racheal Hampton. Tax \$135

Debra S. Fain, property in Rockcastle County, to David and Traci Lannum. Tax \$116

Mark and Theresa Dooley, property in Rockcastle County, to Makaya Melody McGuire. Tax \$3

Joanie G. Thomas, and others, property on Burnt Ridge Road, to Mark W. Kidd II. Tax \$2

Marcus and Danielle Reppert, property on Richmond St., to RCIDA.

District Civil Suits

Midland Funding LLC v. Amber Barrett, \$1,829 plus claimed due. C-00030

Circuit Civil Suits

Cabinet for Health and Family Services v. Angel Smith, complaint for child support and medical support.

Ashley Sizemore, et al v. Christopher S. Sizemore, complaint for child support and medical support.

Elizabeth Edward, et al v. Atlas Van Lines, et al, complaint.

Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Andrea Johnson, complaint for child support and medical support.

Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Samantha McKinney, complaint for child support and medical support. CI-00017

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District Court

Jan. 27-29, 2020
Hon. Kathryn G. Slone
 Casara Rose Begley: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine; driving without license/negli-

gence in accident, \$100 fine plus costs.

Colby Drake Bishop: speeding, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to surrender revoked operators license, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/license suspended.

Brandon Brown: license to be in possession, operating vehicle w/expired operators license, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure to use child restraint device in vehicle, failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta/bw issued.

Speeding: Joshua S. Christian, Jennifer Sue Earley, \$50 fine plus costs; Samantha G. Allen, \$18 fine plus costs; Kadarron D. Anderson, Madison Taylor Corbin, Bryant Adam Craig, thomas Shane Hatfield, Katelyn Marie Herald, Jason Ambrose Jones, Shianne Renee Larson, Jason Lee Lindsey, Hardik V. Patel, William Reed, Deborah S. Resnick, David Allen Smith, Ricky Dale Ivey, license suspended for fta; Ronnie J. Kruser, license suspended;

Jonathon H. Sizemore: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

Billy Ray Gadd: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Clifford Arnold Healy: instructional permit, \$25 fine plus costs.

Scott A. Hermann: speeding, no/expired registration plates, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, no operators/moped license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Emily Beth Hislope: no operators/moped license, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, improper display of registration plates, bw issued for fta.

Sammy Isaacs: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Tammy Lynn Jackson: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, improper display of registration plates, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/sec., failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta/bw issued.

Jesus Munoz: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine; Pt 396, Fed Safety Regs Inspect/Repair/Maintenance (two counts), \$25 fine each count; Viol Part 390, Federal safety Regs - General Policy, \$25 fine; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine plus costs.

Ashley Diane Sanders: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

David L. Weatherhead: operating w/inactive/cancelled/revoked weight distance tax license, bw issued for fta.

Jeremy Schroeder: driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs, \$350 fine plus costs, \$375 service fee, 12 months operator license suspension, seven days in jail.

Derek E. Smith: no registration receipt-plate, \$25 fine each count; failure to maintain req. insurance/security, \$50 fine/\$450 suspended on condition; failure to produce insurance card, one headlight, improper display of license plate, failure to notify address change, display of illegal plate, \$25 fine each charge plus one cost.

Thomas E. Lutten: giving officer false identifying information and falsely reporting an accident, 10 days/each charge/concurrent plus one cost.

Courtney A. Barnes: possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia-advertisement, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, 90 days/each charge/probated 24 months on condition plus one cost.

Heather Brooke Bradley: hindering prosecution or apprehension, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess (two counts), 360 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition.

Jocelyn Fletcher: assault, bw issued for fta.

Ricky C. Gray: fines/fees due (\$20), bw issued for fta/1 day in jail or payment in full.

Shawn Marie Mink: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine/suspended on condition.

Velviena J. Russell: passing loading/unloading school/church bus, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Kimberly S. Taylor: no/expired registration plates and failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, 2 days in jail/each count/plus one cost.

Johnathan Keith Towns: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine plus costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension.

James D. Wynn: receiving stolen property, bw issued.

Leroy Turner: Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, driving of motor vehicle (two counts) and part 395/Fed Safety Regs-Hours of Service for drivers, bw issued for fta.

Gary Lynn Willocks, Jr: Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, Driving of Motor vehicle, bw issued for fta.

Jerry Dwayne Barron: public intoxication, 10 days in jail; criminal trespassing, 10 days in jail/concurrent plus one cost.

Morgan A. Dixon: controlled substance prescription not in orig. container, possession controlled substance, theft by unlawful taking, illegal possession legend drug, 90 days in jail/each count/concurrent and concurrent w/state sentence.

Kimberly Sue Taylor: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, operating vehicle w/expired operators license, 2 days in jail/each count/costs merged.



**Commonwealth of Kentucky
 28th Judicial Circuit
 Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
 Civil Action No. 19-CI-00139**

Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company Plaintiff

V.

Timothy Saylor, Lisa Saylor, and Citifinancial Servicing LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, Successor by Merger to Citifinancial Services, Inc., a Kentucky Corporation Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 24, 2020 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 02/100 (\$28,777.02) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
 Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
 on Friday, February 14, 2020
 Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #013E-27-025,013E-27-026
 Lot 25 & Lot 26 Proffitt Street, Brodhead, KY 40409

Being the same property conveyed to Ronnie Cash and Katreka Cash, husband and wife, by deed dated September 24, 1999, of record in Deed Book 176, at Page 488, in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk. Being a portion of the same property conveyed to Tim Saylor and Lisa Saylor, husband and wife, by Deed dated February 1, 1992, of record in Deed Book 145, at Page 428, 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 2019 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".

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School News

Archery practice is Wednesday February 5 from 3:15 until 5:00.

Archery Regional Competition will be Sunday, February 9 at Lincoln County High School.

Academic Team practices each Tuesday from 3:15 until 4:15.

Academic Team Governor's Cup District Competition will be on Saturday, February 8 at Roundstone Elementary School.

Girl Scouts meet every Thursday.

After school tutoring will be each Thursday from 3:15 until 4:30.

MVES Student Council meets Thursday, February 6.

There will be a Cub Scout boys and girls information meeting at Roundstone Elementary School on Thursday, February 6th and 6:00.

MVES PTG will meet on Thursday, February

6th at 5:15. Please make plans to attend.

Jump Rope Club meets every Monday in February from 3:15 until 4:30.

Class News

Mrs. Ream's fourth graders wore their favorite hoodies for our Spirit Day.

Mrs. Robin Bowman's 1st grade students participate in 100th Day of School activities

Mrs. Kami and Ms. Lisa's 100th day of school dress up and 101 day of school. On the 100th day we dressed as 100 years old and on the 101 day of school we dressed as 101 Dalmatians.

After reading Silver, a book about sled dog racing, 4th grade Gifted and Talented students participated in the Build a Dog Sled STEM challenge. Katie Valle and Landon Navarre had the fastest time of 1 minute, 21 seconds while carrying the largest load.



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Students should take FAFSA verification process seriously

The federal government requires many students who submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to verify the information included on the FAFSA. The students requiring verification are chosen by the U.S. Department of Education.

Used to apply for most federal and many state student aid programs, the FAFSA asks detailed questions about the income and financial resources of students. The parents of dependent students must also provide that information. Students are considered dependent if they are undergraduates under 24 years old, not married, have no dependents, are not veterans, or were not orphans or wards of the court until age 19.

The college or an agency working with the school will let students know if their information is being verified.

Students and parents need to take this process seriously, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). Students chosen for verification cannot receive their financial aid until they complete the verification process. As soon

as they are contacted, they should provide any information that is required. Putting it off will only lead to frustration if the process isn't finished when classes are ready to start.

If students who have been asked for verification decide not to attend a college, they should let the college know so it will stop requesting information.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's student financial aid programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). Its sister agency, the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC), offers low-cost Advantage Loans to help students and parents pay for college or refinancing student loans. For more information about Advantage Loans, visit www.kheaa.com

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the Unknown Spouses of the Unknown Heirs Devises and Legatees, if any of Lora Jane Howard. You are hereby notified of an action against you in civil case number: 20-CI-00002 filed in the Rockcastle Circuit Court Division II. Christopher Reed, warning order attorney, must file a report with the Court concerning his efforts to notify the Unknown Spouses of the Unknown Heirs Devises and Legatees, if any of Lora Jane Howard. You must file an Answer with the Rockcastle Circuit Court, Rockcastle County Courthouse Annex, 205 East Main Street, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456 on or before February 21st, 2020. You should consult an attorney as soon as possible. Please contact Christopher Reed at 324 West Main Street, Stanford, Kentucky 40484, (606) 365-2739, hire an attorney, or contact the Rockcastle Circuit Court, Division II at the Rockcastle County Judicial Center, this must be done by February 21st, 2020. Information regarding this action may be obtained at the Law Office of Christopher Reed or at the Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk's Office.

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 18-CI-00095

Mid South Capital Partners, LP Plaintiff

V.

Estate of Jane Bales, et al, unknown spouses, if any, of Chester Bales, unknown heirs, if any, of Chester Bales, County of Rockcastle, Virginia Walden Bales, Tax Merchants, LLC Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 24, 2020 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FOUR DOLLARS AND 55/100 (\$2,904.55) 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, February 14, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #087-00-035
Snowy Road, Livingston, KY 40445

Being the same property conveyed to Jane Bales, widow, by Deed dated February 4, 1932 and of record in Deed Book 52, page 625, in the office of the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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 2019 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.
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John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 19-CI-00207

PBK Bank Plaintiff

V.

Rachel Cromer (aka Rachel Miller), the unknown spouse, if any, of Rachel Cromer; Wendy Miller, the unknown spouse, if any, of Wendy Miller; Pamela G. Helms, the unknown spouse, if any, of Pamela G. Helms; and Midland Funding LLC, a foreign limited liability company Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 24, 2020 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FOURTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 32/100 (\$14,667.32) 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, February 14, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #025-00-005-04
403 Deborde Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 including a 1976 mark Mobile Home (Vin No. 5520)
PARCEL NO. 1

Beginning at an elm in the line of Darrell Whitaker and being a corner between James Poynter and Delmas Poynter; thence going with the line of Darrell Whitaker S 25 44'30" W, 817.01 feet to an oak stump and stone, said point being a corner between Whitaker and Robert H. Bustle; thence going with the Bustle line S 44 13'48" W 859.58 feet to a maple; thence S 07 24'58" W, 200.61 feet to a black oak; thence S 00 21'57" W, 105.17 feet to a white oak; thence S 04 07'48" W 239.42 feet to a twin buckeye, said point being a corner between Bustle and James McKinney; thence going with the line of James McKinney S 05 28'46" W, 57.65 feet to a white oak; thence S 04 13'00" W, 89.58 feet to a hickory in the north right-of-way of a county road and a corner to James McKinney; thence going with said right-of-way N 61 42'53" W, 24.71 feet to a black oak in said right-of-way and a corner to James McKinney; thence leaving said right-of-way and going with the line of McKinney the following calls: N 04 55'31" E, 76.22 feet to a buckeye; N 05 32'09" E, 181.57 feet to a white oak; N 03 45'00" E 441.98 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773; N 44 13'48" E, 350.00 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RS #2773; N 58 25'31" W, 256.92 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773; N 03 45'00" E, 403.39 feet to a black oak; N 07 21'37" W, 62.92 feet to a cedar, said point being a corner between McKinney and James Poynter; thence going with the Poynter line N 62 45'00" E, 1052.34 feet to the point of beginning and containing 11.24 acres.

Further, the grantors Darrell Whitaker and wife, Helen Whitaker, their heirs and assigns, reserve a 25' wide easement for the purpose of ingress and egress leading from the Deboard Road through the above described property to the property of Darrell and Helen Whitaker.

PARCEL NO. 2

Beginning at a maple in the line of Robert H. Bustle and being a corner to Ezeke Miller; thence going with the line of Bustle S 04 59'33" W, 305.26 feet to a white oak in the line of Bustle and a corner to Miller; thence going with the Miller line N 00 21'57" E 105.17 feet to a black oak; thence N 07 24'58" E, 200.61 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.03 acres.

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Legislative Update...

By Jared Carpenter
State Senator

Discussions of bills, budgets, and barber shop choirs echoed in the Capitol as we concluded the fourth week of the 2020 Regular Session. While legislation continued to move steadily through the Senate over the course of the week, we were welcomed by a variety of talented constituents in the chamber.



Biennial budget discussions officially began while the Governor delivered his two-year budget proposal to the Kentucky General Assembly on Tuesday. The budget address is one of the first steps in preparing the state's two-year financial plan. Now that the Governor has outlined his budget proposal, the House of Representatives now gets the first opportunity to move budget bills in the legislature. Once the House passes its budget proposal, it will then advance to the Senate for further discussion and consideration. We still face several weeks of studies, negotiations, and public hearings before we reach an official budget draft. The final budget document will likely look much different than what was proposed this week by the Governor, but the driving force behind it remains the same—we must move the Commonwealth forward on a path that is financially sound.

Senate priority legislation aimed at ending pension spiking, Senate Bill 6, advanced to the House this week following a unanimous vote on the Senate floor. Senate Bill 6 would prohibit state lawmakers who contributed to the Legislators' Retirement Plan from June 20, 2005, through December 31, 2013, from using salary credited in another Kentucky retirement system to determine final compensation in the legislators' plan.

Other priority measures moving through the legislative process are Senate Bills 1, 8, and 9. Senate Bill 1, also known as the Federal Immigration Cooperation Act of 2020, passed through the Senate Judiciary Committee. This bill would require law enforcement and other public agencies to support the enforcement of federal immigration law. The amended version of this bill includes expanded exemp-

tions to local school districts to rape crisis centers, domestic violence centers, and other groups that provide social services.

Senate Bills 8 and 9 were both passed through to the House this week. Senate Bill 8 would amend the current school safety statute to expand school personnel with the designation of a school safety coordinator for each district, one school-based mental health counselor per 250 students, and a trained and certified armed school resource officer. Senate Bill 9, also known as the "Born Alive Infant Protection Act," is a pro-life measure that requires a physician to take all medically appropriate and reasonable steps to preserve the life and health of a born-alive infant.

The Senate passed its first House measure, House Bill 236, legislation that incorporates hemp federal guidelines, sets requirements for the transportation of products, and establishes testing procedures. This bill included a Senate Floor Amendment, which now requires the House to either approve of the bill in its current form or continue the legislative process required to get concurrence from both chambers. If approved with the Senate Floor Amendment, House Bill 236 will then head to the Governor's desk for his consideration.

We also passed a number of other bills in the Senate including, Senate Bill 79, a measure relating to background checks for school employees who have been assigned an administrative hearing for potential child abuse or neglect, and Senate Bill 94 updates Kentucky law to comply with federal regulations, which changed last year to allow gasoline blended with up to 15 percent ethanol to be sold year-round.

To those who have reached out to my office in the past weeks, thank you for staying engaged during these early weeks of session. It's an honor to serve you in Frankfort.

If you have any questions or comments about these issues or any other public policy issue, please call me toll-free at 1-800-372-7181 or email me at Jared.Carpenter@LRC.ky.gov. You can also review the Legislature's work online at www.legislature.ky.gov.

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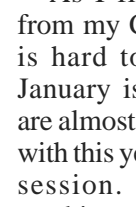
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Frankfort Update

By R. Travis Brenda
State Representative
Health and children's issues get attention, budget work begins



As I file this update from my Capitol desk, it is hard to believe that January is over and we are almost a third through with this year's legislative session. We continue working on meaningful legislation, sending bills and resolutions to the Senate for that body's consideration. In fact, the first bill passed by both chambers is also on its way to the Governor's desk. This week we focused a good bit on health and children's issues, while our budget committees and staff began reviewing the budget draft presented by Governor Beshear on Tuesday.

Let me start with an overview of some of the legislation that moved this week. For example, the Senate will now consider legislation that closes a loophole in our existing registered sex offender statutes. Existing laws prohibit registered sex offenders from being on the grounds of, or living within 1,000 feet of, a public playground. The House voted 86-9 on Tuesday to expand, those requirements to publically operated playgrounds on leased property.

Members of the Health and Family Services Committee approved legislation with the potential to boost efforts to find cures to major diseases. The measure, HB 5,

would set Kentucky on course to improve public health, save taxpayer money, and promote medical research. The bill creates a multistate compact to offer prizes for curing major diseases; the prize would be equal to five years of taxpayer savings. There is no risk to taxpayers because, if there is no cure, there would be no payment from the compact. The bill now goes to the full House for a vote.

Severe mental health conditions were also the topic of discussion during the Health and Family Services meeting. Members approved HCR 49, which creates a Severe Mental Illness Task Force to look at how accessible mental health services are for adults with severe mental illness. We recognize this is a significant issue in health care, but need more specific information about what we can do from the state policy level. The task force would report its findings and recommendations before we convene the 2021 session.

Legislation that would make arts education a priority in our elementary and middle schools was also approved by the Education Committee. The bill, HB 37, extends the requirement that high schools provide visual and performing arts classes to younger grades. For many

schools, this will simply mean that they include arts education in their existing planning rather than developing new programming or hiring new teachers.

School maintenance projects would be more efficient and cost-effective if a bill approved by the House becomes law. Under the provisions of HB 151, the minimum amount for advertising and bidding school building and maintenance projects would increase from \$7,500 to \$30,000. The legislature made an identical change to the bidding threshold for school supplies, streamlining that process and helping schools focus less on red tape and paperwork and more on the children in our classrooms.

On Tuesday, Governor Andy Beshear presented his much-awaited budget proposal to members of the House and Senate. This is the first step in a process that will take the better part of this session.

The final product of this work is a spending plan that provides funding for state agencies and programs over the next two fiscal years. I am reviewing the document Governor Beshear presented, which is filed for consideration as HB 352. I will continue to update you on the budget process over the next few weeks.

As you can see, we are off to a busy start. If you have any questions or comments about this session, I can be reached during the week from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. (EST) through the toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181. You can also contact me via email at Travis.Brenda@lrc.ky.gov. You can keep track of committee meetings and potential legislation through the Kentucky Legislature Home Page at www.legislature.ky.gov and you can also follow me on Facebook @RepRTravisBrenda71 or on Twitter @RBrenda71.

Notice of Public Meeting

City of Mount Vernon
9:00 a.m. Thursday, February 27th
Mount Vernon City Hall

A public hearing will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 27th at Mount Vernon City Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to provide general information to the public regarding purchasing a rescue vehicle for the Mount Vernon Fire Department through USDA Rural Development funding. The public is invited to attend the meeting and comment on any issues related to the proposed subject.

By: City of Mount Vernon

MIKE HARMON
AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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The Honorable Howell Holbrook, Jr., Rockcastle County Judge/Executive
The Honorable Shannon Franklin, Rockcastle County Sheriff
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Independent Auditor's Report

Report on the Financial Statement
We have audited the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Settlement - 2018 Taxes for the period January 1, 2019 through April 15, 2019 - Regulatory Basis, and the related notes to the financial statement.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting as described in Note 1. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Audit Guide for Sheriff's Tax Settlements*, issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Rockcastle County Sheriff on the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the taxes charged, credited, and paid of the Rockcastle County Sheriff, for the period January 1, 2019 through April 15, 2019.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting
In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the taxes charged, credited, and paid for the period January 1, 2019 through April 15, 2019 of the Rockcastle County Sheriff, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards
In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 14, 2019, on our consideration of the Rockcastle County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Rockcastle County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Based on the results of our audit, we have presented the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses, included herein, which discusses the following report comment:
2018-001 The Rockcastle County Sheriff's Office Lacks Adequate Segregation Of Duties Over Receipts And Disbursements

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Harmon
Auditor of Public Accounts

November 14, 2019
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Creeks full across county



Renfro Creek, like most others in the state, has water at the upper edge of the banks after the continual rain that has fallen in Kentucky. Of the 44 days this year, reports say rain has fallen somewhere in the state 38 of those days. 2018 is on record as the wettest year in Kentucky history but some officials say that at the current rate, 2020 could compete with that record. In fact, meteorologists say water levels in creeks/rivers in Harlan County are very near record levels already this year and Rockcastle is on pace to match 2018 records. Officials warn motorists to watch for water in the roads, especially at night.

Fiscal Court gets second quarter budget report

Little League doing well

By: Mike French Editor

Members of the Rockcastle County fiscal court started the regular monthly meeting Tuesday by hearing opposing candidates introduce themselves as candidates for circuit judge. After the introduction, the court said the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer to begin the meeting.

Among the many issues addressed was the upcoming little league season. Robbie Taylor told the magistrates and Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, that this year's season is continuing to grow and he, along with

other board members, are planning to put funds raised through the league back into the league itself.

Though the county gave \$7,500 last year towards the youth league teams, Taylor said there is some money in the bank that the league raised last year and he may not need that much this year. However, he said the league will not suffer from a smaller county contribution. In fact, Taylor went over plans to greatly improve the fields, concessions, the uniforms and other parts of the entire experience for both boys and girls in the league.

Taylor said the cost to join will be \$55 per child which is still noticeably less than leagues in sur-

(See "Court" on A8)

Brodhead officials plan improvements

Cruisers, trucks and back hoes

By: Mike French Editor

Members of the Brodhead City Commission discussed several issues, concerning departments within the city, during Monday evening's regular monthly meeting.

With two citizen guests present, the com-

missioners and Mayor Walter Cash were informed that the Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department (BFD) will receive its next ISO (International Standards Organization) Audit soon.

The last audit, six years ago, raised the ranking of the BFD from a class 5 to a class 4 fire

department. Officials say this increase helped the city in many ways including a standard drop in homeowner insurance rates for residents.

Not only does the improved ratings help lower insurance costs for residents but it also helps the city with insurance costs as well and may open the

fire department to potential additional grants or benefits, according to officials.

BVFD Chief John Dyehouse told the commission that he has been preparing for the upcoming audit. "We truly appreciate the efforts of the water department for helping us spot check our hydrants and getting data ready in the rain and snow," he said. "We have been checking paperwork and working to prepare for the audit."

Commissioners and BFD volunteers expect the department to do well during the audit and there was discussion of a possible increase in rank since there was no Automatic Aid system in the county during the previous audit.

"Personally, I expect our department to remain at a class 4," said Commissioner Brian Bullock. "Our department is in good shape and everything is in order as it should be."

Bullock and Dyehouse also said they are proud of the Automatic Aid system in Rockcastle County and this may help the audit, but rankings were not the ultimate goal. "Automatic Aid helps everyone and may help our audit," said Bullock. "But we didn't do it for the audit. We did it for the safety of our citizens and our firefighters."

The results of the audit should be known in six to eight weeks, Dyehouse said.

The chief also asked (See "Brodhead" on A5)

Traffic stops and accident turns into drug charges

By: Mike French Editor

Local traffic stops often reveal more than the police expect and a simple traffic stop could quickly become a dangerous situation.

According to citations this week, Kentucky State

Police noticed a vehicle driven by Jason Paul Northern, 41, of Mount Vernon turning onto Sweetwater Road without a turn signal Friday, February 7th.

Then police noticed no tail lights or registration plates on the vehicle.

Once pulled over, what

began as a failure to use a turn signal ended with 12 charges.

Seeing drug paraphernalia in plain view, gives officers probable cause to search a vehicle. This search revealed several drugs and more paraphernalia, according to the report.

Then once at the jail, other drugs found on Northern added even more charges.

Northern stands charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of a controlled substance 2nd degree and 3rd degree, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, operating a vehicle under the influence, no tail lights, improper signal, failure to wear a seat belt, promoting contraband, careless driving, no insurance and no insurance card.

Drugs allegedly found on Northern included meth, marijuana, Xanax, Tramadol, Suboxone, several syringes, and other residues.

Northern's bond was set at \$20,000 cash or property.

Another traffic stop by a sheriff's deputy on the same day, also quickly

(See "Drugs" on A5)

School district to help with Census

Sets 2020-21 calendar

By: Mike French Editor

Members of the Rockcastle County School Board held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening addressing several issues.

The 2020 Census has been the center of discussion at most public meetings this year and school Superintendent David Pensol also addressed the subject at this meeting.

Pensol said he, and others within the school system, have worked closely with Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook concerning the census. "The school district needs to play a big role in helping get the word out and help-

ing people understand the need for the census," he said. "We are working with the fiscal court to help in any way we can."

Director of Student Services Carrie Ballinger is helping organize the school district's role in the census. "Everyone should receive an invitation to participate by March 12 and then we begin aggressively getting the census to everyone in the county," she told the board. Ballinger also informed those present that the census will not be sent to post office boxes. "If your address is a post office box, someone will come to your home with the pa-

(See "School" on A5)

Ten years ago

Ten years ago this week, Mount Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby resigned after being arrested on charges of violating public trust. Former Mayor Gary Cromer was sworn in to take Kirby's place.

Blood Drive planned

There will be a blood drive Tuesday, March 3 at the First Baptist Church on West Main Street in Mount Vernon from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. Donors will receive a free t-shirt and all donors must be 17, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health. For more information call 888-775-2522.

Public meeting

There will be a public meeting held Thursday, February 27 at 9 a.m. at City Hall in Mount Vernon. The meeting will provide the general public with information regarding the purchase of a rescue vehicle for the Mount Vernon Fire Department. The public is invited to attend.

Farmer's Business Banquet planned for March 5th

The annual Farmer's Business Banquet is planned for March 5 with special guest speaker Tim Farmer.

For over 25 years, Tim Farmer has been entertaining audiences with his journeys across the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The 5-time Emmy award winning host and executive producer hosted and produced *Kentucky Afield* for over 20 years. After 20 years, he announced his

retirement from the Department of Fish and Wildlife December 2015.

Tim Farmer's *Country Kitchen* will be starting its 9th season soon, and has already been nominated for an Emmy. This show about cooking, farming, canning, gardening and smoking and preparing meats, has risen to the top of KET's most popular shows.

Tim has a "never (See "Banquet" on A8)



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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

February 2nd (Groundhog Day) would have been my dad's 112th birthday. Of course, I realize that it would have been impossible to have kept him that long I feel like I lost him much too early at age 68.

As I have said in this column before, my Dad was uneducated but he was a wonderful Dad and I was so lucky to have had him in my life for as long as I did.

As you get older you tend to reflect more on memories and those of my Dad are all good. He was patient, he was kind, he was a hard worker and I thought he was the smartest man in the world.

He died on Sara's fifth birthday in 1976 and that is one of the saddest things to me that Travis and Allison never had the chance to know him. He loved all his grandchildren but Rick was the apple of his eye, primarily because he was his namesake and because Rick returned his affection from the start.

In thinking back on my Dad, I realize that I married a man much like him -- maybe not the patient part so much, but Jim was actually much more patient than I am -- our poor children, you say? But Jim was gentle and kind and also one of the hardest working men I have ever known.

But on to the real purpose of this column (sort of like I eat a meal just to get to the dessert part).

Although I support our President and his policies

over anything the Democrats have come up with to date (and anything any opposition Republican has come up with), the only thing I would want to change about our President is for him to be a little more restrained in his public speaking. I dislike his saying the word BS on national TV. I dislike his calling politicians in the opposite party weak, evil, corrupted. While I usually agree with him, there is surely a more refined way for our President to say it.

I disagree completely with the Democrats statement that President Trump has divided our country. He did not. That

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



The fresh, new, crisp smell was something I will never forget. I can still remember that one-of-a-kind odor.

When the box arrived at our house I was completely unable to move it. I grabbed on to it with all my might but I couldn't even slide it across the porch to get it in the house.

Though the box was only about two feet square, I couldn't budge it. So, mom and I together tugged and pulled and dragged until we got it in the house and found a knife to cut open the tape.

It was the middle of the summer but felt a little like Christmas as we cut

into the box very carefully.

Even at such a young age, I remember thinking how crazy expensive this was. I guess hearing my dad talk about it so much, made the cost stick out in my mind. But, anything this heavy, had to be valuable.

As we were ripping it open mom told me this was only the first box. Another, exactly like this one, should be arriving in a day or two and we would have to go through this same process again. "This is only half of them," she said.

But before we could open the cardboard box, mom had to clear a space in the dining room.

I stood by anxiously as mom stood in a kitchen chair and handed me trinkets and old pic-

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Points East

By Ike Adams



Every time I write a column about one personal health problem or the other, I read it back and sound like I'm whining. A colleague once told me, after I had asked about a mutual friend, "Don't ask him how he's doing unless you really want to know and you'd best not be in a hurry because the answer is going to take a while." Sometimes I, too, feel like I'm overdoing it when I try to tell folks what condition my condition is in.

Of course the flip side

of complaining about what ails you is finding out that a friend or neighbor just recently died of cancer, heart disease or some other terminal illness and you didn't even know they'd been sick. In my particular case, there's not much likelihood that anybody will fail to know that I have serious health issues. I usually make it a matter of public record. On the other hand, I am saddled with so many afflictions that there's no telling which one will finally do me in.

At least, so far, Parkinson's disease, diabetes, arthritis and the residual effects of three strokes have only left me crippled up and among the walking wounded. My way of dealing with this stuff has been to poke fun and rely on a rather morbid sense of humor to cope. When I can't actually laugh about it, I find that a grin is still better than no medicine at all. For example, I tell folks that I am doing my part to make sure that a bunch of medical practitioners don't have to sign up for

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BY DAVID J. GRIFFIN

Green Stamps

While listening to the 50's channel in my new Explorer, I heard a song that warmly reminded me of my mother (Bee). Believe it or not, that song was "Speedy Gonzales," which was made popular by Pat Boone. The final verse of the recording says, "Hey Rosita, come quick, down at the Cantina they're giving green stamps with tequila!" There lies the trigger for the memory: Green Stamps. Bee was a dedicated collector of Green Stamps when I was very young.

Following my parents' divorce in 1950, my mother and I lived on my grandfather's small farm in the Pine Grove section of Rockcastle County. At that time, we did not have

a lot of money, so Bee began saving Green Stamps to subsidize our finances. I clearly recall sitting at the kitchen table with her, licking the individual stamps and placing them into books. (For any readers who may not remember Green Stamps, suffice it to say that "completed books" translated into a form of currency to trade for specific household items.)

I can also remember riding with Bee when she took our stacks of filled books all the way to Lexington in order to redeem them for items she had marked in the catalog. On one such trip, I was looking around the store while she was selecting the items she had chosen. I walked around a corner and saw something that really caught my eye. It was a bright red tricycle with a chrome front fender.

I immediately ran to Bee's side and pulled her to my "find." Bee checked the value of the cycle to see if we could afford to trade our stamps for its purchase. Somehow, I remember distinctly that the "red ride" was obtainable for two and a quarter books.

Bee wasn't that hard to convince. I must have had that sparkle in the eye that a kid can display when he or she is truly captivated by something. She asked the salesman who was waiting on us if he could get the tricycle into the trunk of our car. I was beyond thrilled when it fit perfectly!

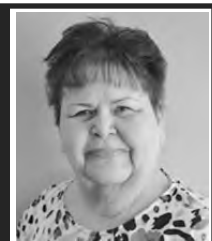
I was so excited that I could hardly contain myself while on the road back to Mt. Vernon from Lexington.

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



My Handy Dandy Blanket

Dear Journal,

As winters go, this one can be described as mild, at least so far. In many cases, winter doesn't really begin until around February. Just about the time you can almost smell the spring flowers, you get a four or five inch snow. Several years ago, back in the 1980's, as best as I can remember, there came a snow that was about three or four inches deep in April. It froze the budding leaves and the blossoming fruit trees. Most folks, even the old timers, had never seen anything like it. As the spring wore on, the trees gradually recovered somewhat and produced a small amount of fruit and the leaves recovered as well.

I remember one time my grandpa Norton, who was just a young boy at the time and growing up in a section of the county known as Wabd, told me of a time he recalled of snow in May. This wasn't just a common little dusting or even an inch or so. He said that he saw snow even with the fence posts. That would be at least five feet or thereabout in drifts. People had the beginning of their crops in the fields, fruit trees were blossoming and the grass growing. Thankfully, it was early enough to do some replanting. I won-

der if the Mount Vernon Signal said anything about it. The Signal began around 1887 and this was about that time or shortly thereafter.

I'm thankful that the winter has been mild so far and hope it continues. I've seen enough snow, too. The cold dampness really does a number on my arthritis. Yesterday, Saturday, I was so stiff and sore I could scarcely move. I took Tylenol, Tramadol, and rubbed Asper-Cream almost from head to toe with little relief. Stanley had to rub all that I couldn't reach. I just need a tub of it and get in and wallow a round for a while.

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Ramblings...

by; perlina m. anderkin

was accomplished by our former President Obama and has given rise to the Antifa organization who are supposed to be against Nazism but do exactly what the Nazis used to do, i.e., curb free speech, with violence usually.

President's style of speaking, I'm sadly getting pretty used to it and don't flinch near as often as I used to. I don't know, maybe his bare knuckle style is the only thing that is effective against the double-talking Democrats and it does seem to be a style that appeals to the majority of his constituents.

I do know that I approve wholeheartedly of

his removal of Lt. Col. Alexander Vindman from the National Security Council, along with his twin brother Yevgeny and of Gordon Sondland as the U.S. Ambassador to the European Union. Both men were witnesses against him in the House's impeachment hearings and neither of them had anything of substance to contribute, it was just pure pettiness.

But the Vindmans were not the only two to get the boot from the National Security Council, so did 68 others all holdovers from the Obama administration. Under the Obama administration, 100 additional employees were added to the NSC and Trump thinks the number should be taken back to at least the original 100 the department had under President George W. Bush, and maybe even less, he has said.

Of course, the Democrats are screaming retaliation and part of it probably is but why would you have someone in their positions that work against you and your policies at every turn?

One other thought. Sen. Elizabeth Warren said recently that President Trump must be defeated "because he is undercutting every Democrat value."

What values are those you ask? Okay, you didn't ask but I'm going to tell you my take on them anyway. The values of (1) abortion to birth (2) open borders (3) gun control, i.e. confiscation (4) free health care for everyone, including illegals (5) free college for everyone (6) forgiveness of student loans (7) reparations for slavery which was outlawed 155 years ago, etc.

I'm pretty sure the country can't afford all these "values" but I'm also sure that with the Socialist form of government all the Democrat candidates for President have embraced - with the possible exception of Sen. Amy Klobuchar - these values will be the least of our worries since, if it comes about, we'll be too busy trying to figure out a way to provide the basic essentials for our families.

I'm concernedm and you should be also. The country, where we were raised to believe that if we worked hard, obeyed the laws of the land and of decency, we would be better off than our parents, is under attack and our actions in November will determine our future.

And, almost as importantly, our bowling team (Jane, Paige, Kayla and myself) finally climbed

out of last place in our league Tuesday night. We have firmly held that spot down for several months. We are so barely out of it (1/2 game) that it will be a struggle not to slip back before the league season ends in April but -- keep tuned.

"Aces"

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tures and a dozen other items off the shelf. She had me just put everything on the floor and she would put it all up later. But for now, we just had to clear the shelf to make room.

Then, of course, you know mothers, before we could tear into the new box, she had to dust the shelf off with Pledge and talk about how dusty it had gotten and how ashamed she was that she let a little dust get on that shelf up near the ceiling.

Finally, after the space was available and the time had come, she said, "maybe we should wait for your dad to get home from work before we open them up."

"Mommmmm!"
"I'm just kidding," she said.

Finally, the box was opened and that smell hit me smack in the face.

One by one we carefully went through each and every one of our new treasures, stacking them gently and taking them one at a time to the newly prepared shelf.

Starting on the left of the shelf with "Aardvark" and ending on the right with "Mongoose," we left room for the second box to stack at the end.

Fresh, new, crisp, clean, shiny pages. The first delivery was "A" though "M" and the "N" through "Z" arrived within a couple of days.

That week, our old bookshelf was lined with 32 volumes containing 32,640 glossy, slick pages of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

It suddenly felt as though the entire world was at the tips of my fingers.

Turning each page, the smell of ink and new paper filled the room and I could hear the binding crackle as I opened each volume wide.

"Glowworm: The common name for various groups of insect larvae and adult larviiform females that glow through bioluminescence."

"Lithuania: officially the Republic of Lithuania, is a country in the Baltic region of Europe."

I thought I had the world in our dining room lining the walls with hardback covers holding all the information

known to man.
Of course now, 32,000 pages, plus ten million more, are replaced by a tiny box I hold in my hand every day.

Encyclopedia Britannica stopped publishing in 2012. There was no more need. I have a hundred times that much information in my shirt pocket right now. And now my modern encyclopedia will remind me to take Pepsi out of the freezer in thirty minutes and that I have a meeting to attend next Thursday night.

This is a thousand times better. Much quicker and much more information. No more cutting trees or filling landfills.

No more sitting by the Warm Morning stove, flipping the pages and smelling new ink, while learning of adventures that await in life.

No more lying on the floor with my nose buried in shiny new pages and staring in wide-eyed wonder of what I will see when I flip the page.

Yes, now is much better. A lot better.

Right?

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

unemployment insurance.

Fortunately, all four of these chronic conditions have not been so painful that one medication or another will not fail to render bearable relief. For several years, Uncle Arthur was the only one that sometimes kept me up at night. When I couldn't sleep, I could usually read a good novel and get my mind off the pain.

However, I have recently come up against something for which I can find no trace of humor. If there is anything funny about bladder cancer, I have yet to find it, but two extremely painful surgical biopsies have confirmed that yet another invasion into my plumbing will be necessary to clean up the two tumors that have already been removed. The first two felt like monkey wrenches had been forced into places they were far too small to fit. Three weeks later, it still doesn't feel much better.

The doctor is already trying to get me psyched up for chemotherapy in case he fails to get all the cancer cells removed. I suppose I'll have to cross that bridge when I get to it. In the meantime, I have been assured that, unlike the first procedures, this next round will keep me in a hospital bed for two or three days and that morphine will be readily available. I have

no idea why they suggested out-patient surgery the first two times, nor why I fell for it the second time around. I only know that the aftermath caused me the most and worst pain I've ever felt in my life. It made copperhead bites, a ruptured appendix, a broken knee cap and about anything else I've experienced, feel not much worse than wasp stings, by comparison.

Anyway, if you have time on your hands, please know that your prayers will be appreciated. I'm not scheduled for the surgery until Friday, March 13, at 5:30 in the morning. Loretta is already shopping for the closest motel room that we can find close to Lexington's Baptist Health's Cancer Center on Nicholasville Road because she would rather not have leave Paint Lick at 3:00 AM. I suspect we'll both have good books to read.

In the meantime, I'll try not to whine about this until it's over. At least you won't be among the folks who didn't know anything about it, not to suggest that you may have felt like you needed to.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

When we arrived home, my grandfather (Pop) unloaded my bike and carried it into our house. I then proceeded to ride that cycle all around our house for hours upon hours. I pretended that it was my horse, and I was Gene Autry. At night, I parked my pretend horse at the foot of my bed. That tricycle was one of my all-time favorite toys, not unlike many other children from that time period.

I continued to assist Bee when she sat down at the kitchen table to glue her Green Stamps into the blank books. She actually purchased several useful items for our kitchen and home. One Christmas, she purchased a Bolivia watch for Pop. He never knew where she got that gift.

I will always have a warm place in my memory of Bee collecting, pasting, and taking her stamps to trade for household items. She proved to be quite good at stretching our budget to provide for our needs, and Green Stamps provided her just one more avenue to use at a time when we needed a little help.

(You can reach me at themtnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue - Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

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Hospice Hop: 50s Rock-n-Roll
 The Hospice Hop, a 50s Rock-n-Roll event will be held Friday, March 27th, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Silver Eagle. It will be a night of live music, dancing and much more. Music will be provided by the Wild River Band. There will be classic cars, a cake walk, silent auction, an Elvis impersonator and a 50s costume contest. All guests will receive a free ice-cream float in a souvenir cup. \$20 per person. Tickets online at hospicecareplus.org or at the door. All proceeds benefit Hospice Care Plus. For more information/questions, call 859-986-1500.
Retired Teachers Meeting is Feb. 19th
 Rockcastle Retired Teachers will meet at Limestone Grille on Wednesday, February 19th at 11:30 a.m. Guest speaker will be Suzanne Gault with JACO Limo Tours and Charters, Knoxville, TN. This promises to be a special meeting, so mark your calendar. You won't want to miss this one!
DBCAA Board Meeting
 The Daniel Boone Community Action Agency will hold a board of directors meeting on Tuesday, February 25th at 5:30 p.m. in Clay County at the central office located at 1535 Shamrock Road in Manchester. The public is invited to attend. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.
Hot Rod Sign-Ups
 Hot Rod T-Ball sign-ups for 3-5 year-olds will be held the first and second weekends in April at Wendy's from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 606-308-5319 for more information.
Celebrate Sobriety Service
 CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7 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, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.
Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577 Tuesday, 6 p.m.. ***Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.
Alcoholics Anonymous: 7 p.m. on Williams St., Mt. Vernon.
Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only. Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.
Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.
AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the Brodhead Center.
Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828. Friday, 6 p.m.
Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.
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

Elva Lena Marcum

Elva Lena Marcum, 77, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, January 31, 2020 at Saint Joseph East Hospital in Lexington. She was born March 23, 1942 in Mt. Vernon, the daughter of the late Russell and Christine Sowder Payne. She was a homemaker, loved the Lord and reading her Bible, enjoyed reminiscing about the past, playing bingo, and her family was her life.



Survivors are: five daughters, Connie Mayo (Raymond) of FL, Teresa Cunagin (Archie) of Mt. Vernon, Sharon Weiss (Richard) of Richmond, Leona Martin (Chris) of TN, and Julie Matlock of IL; six sons, Michael Cunagin (Sharon) of Brodhead, Charles Cunagin (Teresa) of Mt. Vernon, Larry Tompkins (Greta) of Pine Hill, Garrett Tompkins (Sherry) of Brodhead, Derek Tompkins (Melissa) of London, and Dino Marcum (Chastity) of OH; three brothers, Claude Payne (Pat) of OH, Robert Payne (Lucy) of Somerset, and Dennis Payne of Mt. Vernon; three sisters, Wanda Gentry (Bentley) of IL, Lorene Dick (James) of OH, and Brenda Pelletier (Mike) of Maysville; one aunt, Roxy Kirby of Richmond; 34 grandchildren; 30 great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; and lots of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: four sons, Roger and Marvin Cunagin, Steven Tompkins, and Merle Marcum; three husbands, Wiley Cunagin, Thurman Tompkins, and Danny Marcum; two grandchildren, Tanya Vanwinkle, and Amberly Northern; two sisters, Verla Hampton and Mary Elizabeth Deel; two brothers, Arie Smith, and Elsie Payne; and three nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Mark Eaton officiating. Burial was in Morning View Cemetery. Pallbearers were her sons.

Send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

Bruce Faulkner

Bruce Faulkner, 67, of Livingston, died Thursday, February 6, 2020 at Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. He was born August 29, 1952 in Gary, IN, a son of the late Goldie Faulkner. He was raised by his grandmother, Molly Kirby.

He had been a construction worker and was of the Baptist Faith. He found great joy in fishing, wood-working, UK basketball and Hot Wheels.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his grandchildren, Javen and Alexandra Hasty; a sister, Mary Rogers of Evansville, IN; uncle, Joel Ray (Gail) Kirby of Livingston; as well as a nephew, cousins, friends and neighbors.

Besides his mother and grandmother, he was preceded in death by: two brothers, Jeff and John Thomas; and a son, Eric Sean Faulkner Hasty.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, February 8, 2020 at Sand Hill Baptist Church with Bro. Tommy Miller officiating. Burial was in Sand Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be expressed as donations to Bruce's burial fund, PO Box 658, Brodhead, KY 40409.

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

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Joe Clark

Joe Clark, 53 of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, February 2, 2020 in Glenville, WV. He was born in Berea on October 2, 1966, the son of Arvaland Ethel Carpenter Clark. He had been a carpenter.



He is survived by: a son, Dustin Hazelwood; a brother, Mike (Tammy) Clark of Mt. Vernon; and three sisters, Goldie and Terry Kirby of Berea, Donna and George Kirby of Mt. Vernon, and Linda Lawson and her boyfriend Johnny Bullock, also of Mt. Vernon. He was preceded in death by: his parents, Arval and Ethel Clark; three brothers, Doug, Danny, and Rick; and a sister, Gena.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, February 8, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Darren Sloan. Burial was in Clark Cemetery at Climax.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

Jeanne Lou Hayes

Jeanne Lou (McHargue) Hayes, 64, wife of Gary, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington.

She was born January 17, 1956 in Berea, to the late Claude and Lena (Sowder) McHargue. She married Gary Hayes on April 6, 1975, and they enjoyed 44 years together. She found great joy in reading the Bible and listening to Christian radio programs. She was a member of Sand Springs Baptist Church.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her husband, Gary Hayes of Mt. Vernon; sisters, Claudette Madison of Pine Hill, Cathy Osborne of Mt. Vernon, and JoAnne Hilton of Berea; as well as a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Charlie McHargue, Johnny McHargue, and Jackie McHargue.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, February 8, 2020 at Sand Springs Baptist Church with Bro. Eugene Gentry officiating. Burial was in Sand Springs Baptist Church Cemetery.

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

"T. J.'s"

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One of the worst things about winter is cold feet. A few years ago I had cold feet and stuck them over on Stanley to warm up. He said that he had better get up and call Dowell and Martin, Cox's and Owens. I asked why as it was almost midnight. He said that some of theirs had surely gotten away and they were probably looking for them.

Earlier this winter I saw those weighted blankets at Walmart and wanted one. They are about fifteen pounds for a twin and up to twenty-five or so for a full or king. They were rather expensive, or so I thought. Stanley got me one about a month ago. It is fifteen pounds, the twin size. He didn't want any of it on him. He said

that if he wanted a Buick parked on him he'd just go out to the driveway.

I'll have to admit, I struggled the first few nights in getting up and turning over but I'm used to it now. I stay so cozy it is worth the effort. I've been thinking about all of the benefits of this blanket. Do you worry about your elderly getting up and wandering around only to fall and break something, or the kids getting out of bed or rolling out at night? Well, worry no more. Here is the solution, because neither group will be able to move if they're under one of these blankets. Do you worry about not getting in your exercise? Just sleep under one of these and by the time you turn over a few times and push it over to go to the bathroom every so often, you have had a good workout during the night.

Notice of Public Meeting

Rockcastle County Fiscal Court
10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 5, 2020
Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

A public hearing will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2020 at Rockcastle County Fiscal Court. The purpose of this meeting is to provide general information to the public regarding purchasing an ambulance vehicle unit for the Rockcastle County Ambulance Service through USDA Rural Development funding. The public is invited to attend the meeting and comment on any issues related to the proposed subject.

By: Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

Frankfort Update

By R. Travis Brenda
State Representative

This week has been both busy and productive. I enjoyed the opportunity to meet with constituents and groups like Kentucky Farm Bureau. Various groups visit Frankfort during a legislative session. I appreciate when people from our district travel to Frankfort. I make it a priority to meet with constituents throughout session and welcome appointments.



Budget subcommittees met throughout the week to discuss funding proposals for transportation projects, education and human resources needs. Those proposals will also be heard by the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee and may be included in the budget bill that is expected to come before the House by late February or early March.

I joined fellow legislators in voting for a legislation aimed at protecting line-of-duty death benefits for surviving spouses. The measure, HB 271, preserves the death benefits of a widow or widower if he or she chooses to get remarried. Current law mandates that if a surviving spouse remarries, the death benefit they receive is reduced to 25 percent. Under the proposed legislation, the surviving spouse will receive 75 percent of the deceased spouse's retirement if they choose to remarry. It is estimated that this legislation will only affect 14 people today, but it sends a strong message that we stand by the folks who serve and protect us.

This week we also passed legislation that strengthens our ability to keep children safe as they ride and exit school buses. HB 34 would allow local school districts to install cameras on school bus stop arms – those mechanical signs that come out when school buses stop to let children on and off. As you know, it is illegal - and dangerous - to pass a school bus that stopped to allow children to disembark. However, there seems to be a growing disregard for this law and the safety of our school children. The bill also provides for cost and revenue sharing agreements with third parties to pay for camera installation and manage the enforcement. HB 34 also increases the fine for illegally passing a school bus. Under HB 34, our school districts would have no cost to install the cameras, and can even gain needed revenue from the cameras.

Members of the House Judiciary Committee approved HB 327, which would automatically expunge the criminal records of anyone who was acquitted or had criminal charges dismissed. Those eligible for expungement under the bill would be able to request that the acquittal or

dismissal not remain on their record, while individuals with past acquittals and dismissals would be allowed to petition the court for expungement at no cost to them. It seems to make sense that someone who was not found guilty of a crime should not have that crime on their criminal record.

The State Government Committee passed several pieces of legislation addressing the retirement plans offered to state employees. I am extremely pleased to share that among them was HB 270, which places future legislators in the Kentucky Employee Retirement System (KERS), the same pension system as state employees. Currently, legislators have their own retirement fund, which is managed by the judicial form retirement system. The measure also reduces funding to the legislative pension until its funding level is equal to or less than the KERS. This measure only applies to future legislators because – like all current state employees – they are considered part of the inviolable contract. However, I do not participate in the Legislative Retirement System.

Before I finish, I would like to share some information about the General Assembly's Legislative Page Program. This is a great educational opportunity to experience democracy in action by serving a day on the House Floor during the session. They work on the floor, delivering messages, running errands, and copying materials. Page supervisors oversee the program, ensuring that pages are safe and behaving appropriately. Children must be ten and older, and a parent or guardian must also be present. We all enjoy having the children in the chamber and, frankly, they serve as a fitting reminder that the work we do will impact our state for generations.

As you can see, we are off to a busy start. If you have any questions or comments about this session, I can be reached during the week from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. (EST) through the toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181.

You can also contact me via e-mail at Travis.Brenda@lrc.ky.gov. You can keep track of committee meetings and potential legislation through the Kentucky Legislature Home Page at legislature.ky.gov and you can also follow me on my Facebook page Rep. R. Travis Brenda, KY House District 71 or on Twitter @RBrenda71.

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“Brodhead”

(Continued from front) and was granted permission to put the two department cruisers into a public auction. “We checked and it would cost more to repair the vehicles than they would be worth when we finished,” said Dyehouse. “We need pick up truck in our department also.”

Dyehouse is currently looking into costs and funding methods for a new truck and the issue is expected to be discussed in the near future.

Bullock also addressed an aging piece of equipment at the water and sewer Department. “Our backhoe is in terrible condition,” he said. “We need to begin looking into finance options or possible grant money,” he said. “A backhoe is a crucial part of any water and sewer department and the one we have is not only not dependable but is unsafe.”

Members of the commission agreed and plan to begin searching for potential grants for the purchase.

In fact, Bullock has a long term plan to improve the water and sewer department. “Once a good backhoe is paid off, we can then sell the old one and begin looking for a bobcat that is also a needed part of any sewer department,” he said. “It’s all a process and if we do this right, we can provide our citizens with better service.”

Emergency Management Director Brian Bussell also told the commission that up to \$440,000 in mitigation money has been approved for the Brodhead Lift Station and up to \$80,000 approved for work needed on Church Street. The actual amount of the grants will depend upon actual costs.

The grants are 13 percent matching grants but Bullock said that money is already set aside. “We have been expecting these grants and we have that 13 percent set aside already for these improvements,” he said. “We won’t need bonds or financing for those matches.”

Commissioners also

announced the purchase of a 2017 cruiser for the Brodhead Police Department. “We got a much better deal than we first thought and we will be able to fully equip the cruiser with the money saved in the purchase,” said Commissioner John Burton. “And this new cruiser has 115,000 less miles on it than our other cruiser.”

Bullock said the cruiser didn’t cost the city any funding. “The cruiser was completely paid for by seizure money,” said Bullock. “We didn’t use any tax dollars for the car or equipment.”

Brodhead Police officer Josh Foster said the car will provide much more reliable, dependable service to citizens and help continue to improve the City of Brodhead.

Foster also announced crime is continuing to drop in Brodhead and there have been only two DUI arrests made this month. Officials pointed out that both arrests were drug-related and there have been no alcohol-related incidents in Brodhead.

Bussell also told commissioners that the city needs to begin considering how and when to repair a small area of sewer line in the city that was placed in the 1970s. “It’s not a lot but that is very old pipe and you need to start thinking about replacing that old line,” he said.

A visitor also asked the commissioners about the jurisdiction of the Brodhead Police Department.

“Josh has jurisdiction throughout Rockcastle County,” said Bullock. “All the police departments work together and that is safer for everyone. Obviously, we want him to stay here in the city, but if there is a need somewhere in the county, Josh can go to that emergency, just as other departments in the county can come to Brodhead.”

Burton agreed. “We think Josh does very well at focusing his attention on Brodhead,” he said. “But he will go where he is most needed at any given time.”

The commission then entered closed session to discuss personnel issues.

Officials say there have been several “very qualified” applicants to fill the position left vacant when Police Chief Travis Davis unexpectedly resigned with last month leaving Officer Foster alone in the department.

This sudden resignation also placed Foster in the position as the Brodhead Alcohol Administrator since Davis had been named in that position early last year.

It is not clear yet if Davis’ replacement, once hired, will become the new Alcohol Administrator or someone else will eventually be appointed to the position.

“School”

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perwork. We have to get the word out to everyone through word of mouth and any other means necessary.”

Pensol said the board is happy to help. “The school district is a big part of Rockcastle County and Howell (Holbrook) asked us to play a role in the process,” he said. “We are excited to help.”

In other action, Finance Director Jenny Sweet told the board, she intends to present the 2020-21 budget to the board soon. “We showed you the draft budget last month and now we are plugging in actual numbers as they come in,” said Sweet. “I hope to have a more accurate and complete budget very soon.”

Speaking of the 2020-21 school year, Ballinger also presented the school calendar for next year.

“The calendar is a little different this time,” said Board Chairman Angela Stallworth Mink. “February and March may be challenging.” Mink was referring to the back-to-back months next year with no days without classes. In fact, according to the calendar, there are 54 consecutive school days with no break from January 19 to April 5 of 2021.

However, in order to provide a full week of Spring Break next year, Ballinger and the calen-

dar committee changed several dates off throughout the year.

“There was overwhelming support for a full spring break,” said Ballinger. “By the time we finished arranging the calendar, there are actually only two additional days at the end of the year.”

So instead of the last day of school set on May 11, 2021, the last day for students will be May 13 but there will be a full, week-long spring break April 5 through 9.

“I think this break gives kids motivation,” said board member Anna Stevens-Goff. Ballinger agreed. “This also gives parents the ability to plan a vacation or whatever they want to do without wondering if there will be a break,” she said.

Ballinger said the spring break is not conditional. “The last time we had a spring break it was conditional and that was very hard on parents who made plans for that week and then we had to have classes anyway,” said Mink. “It is much better that this break is unconditional and will allow parents a chance to make plans.”

The first day of school will be August 11. There is also a fall break planned November 25 through 27 and Christmas break will be December 21 through January 5,

Ballinger said the committee took local events into consideration as well while developing the calendar. “We considered the Bittersweet festival and other local events when we scheduled classes and days off,” she said.

Pensol also discussed the decision to close school for two days last week due to the flu.

“It just made sense,” he said. “We watched attendance begin to drop and for the well being and safety of our kids, it was the right thing to do.”

Pensol said the general public should be aware that the district monitors attendance very closely “at least twice every day” and that “we take counsel from health

care professionals as well as others before we make any decision to close school. We watch closely how many kids leave during the day and how many come back and how many visit the nurse and many other aspects of student life before we make such decisions.”

The board also reviewed the Superintendent’s Personnel Report. It is as follows:

Full time Classified employees

Jessica Dollins, District Health Coordinator. Isaac McClure, RCMS Instructional Assistant. Michaela Barron, Volunteer Volleyball Coach. Elmer Williams, Assistant Baseball Coach. Adam Coleman, Assistant Softball Coach. Tim McIntosh, Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach.

Resignation

Lisa Bloom, Substitute Cook/Baker.

Certified Substitutes

Amanda Hansel, Chelsea Marcum, Benjamin Whitaker and Josh Dollins.

Classified Substitutes

Logan Chasteen and Shawn Osborn as Substitute Bus Drivers. Edna Thompson as Substitute Bus Monitor. Alisha Denny and Lisa Bloom as Substitute Instructional Assistants.

“Drugs”

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became more charges than traffic violations.

According to the citation, Megan Eversole, 26, of East Bernstadt, was pulled over for a traffic stop when a deputy noticed reason to be suspicious and called for the local K-9 unit.

Police found mari-

juana seeds, hypodermic needles and Suboxone. And, according to the report, Eversole had told police she had no needles in her purse, but when the deputy reached into the purse, a needle scratched his finger.

This action then became a charge of wanton endangerment of a police officer.

Eversole was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, wanton endangerment of a police officer, possession of marijuana and trafficking in a controlled substance.

Eversole’s bond was set at \$10,000 partial security. Meaning she could be released with \$1,000 down.

In a separate incident Monday, February 10th, police responded to a caller who said he had struck a person, who was walking alongside the South Wilderness Road, with his vehicle mirror.

The report says police responded to find Pyrexia Surber, 41, of Berea, claiming she did not need medical attention because she had “just bumped her shoulder.”

However, according to the citation, police noticed slurred speech and glassy eyes and asked permission to search her backpack.

The citation says permission was given and the officer found methamphetamine, hydrocodone, suboxone and drug paraphernalia.

Surber was taken to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where she was charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication.

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



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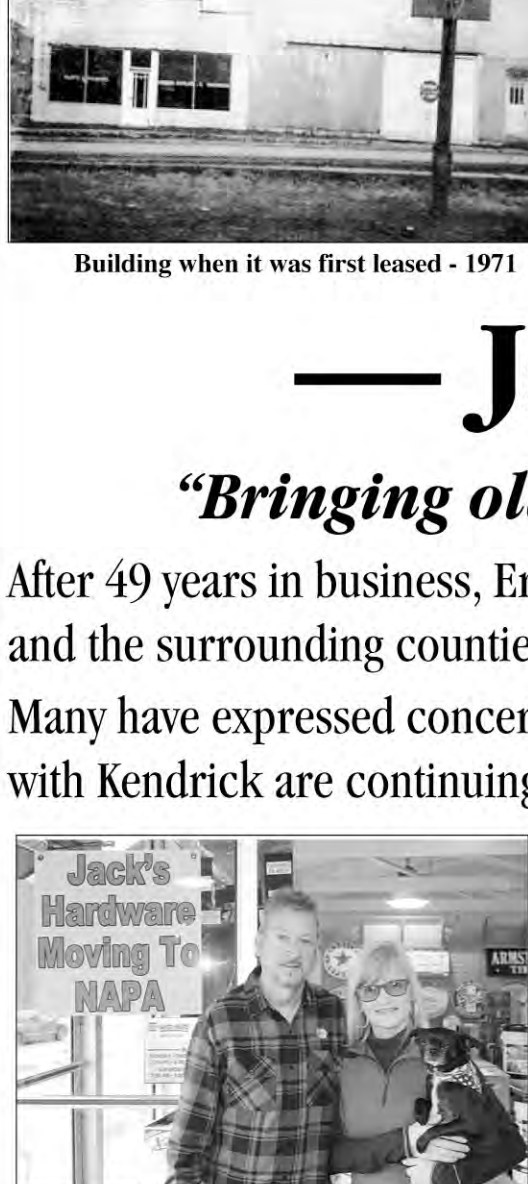
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Perry and Cindy Noe - Kendrick

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—Ercel

SPORTS

Lady Rockets hang on to defeat Mercer 62-58

The Lady Rockets were hot and cold Monday night in their 62-58 defeat of the 18-6 Mercer County Lady Titans. However, they managed to hang on in the end to come away with their 19th win of the season against six losses.

After getting a 7-2 lead in the first quarter, the Rockets went cold from the field and had five turnovers to allow the Lady Titans to go on a 9-2 run and take a 11-9 first quarter lead.

In the second quarter, the Rockets got down 16-9 before righting their ship and taking a 17-16 lead behind baskets by Hallie Brown, Kenzi Himes and two free

throws by Casey Coleman. The Lady Titans wouldn't see the lead again in the game as the Rockets were up 31-26 at the half and 42 to 37 at the 3rd quarter stop.

In the fourth quarter, the Rockets got out to a 57-49 lead with two minutes on the clock but turnovers made it 57-53 with just over a minute to play. After that, the Lady Titans got three free throws and a basket to finish the game out and the Rockets added five free throws for the final 62-58.

It was the most balanced scoring for the Lady Rockets of the season as all five

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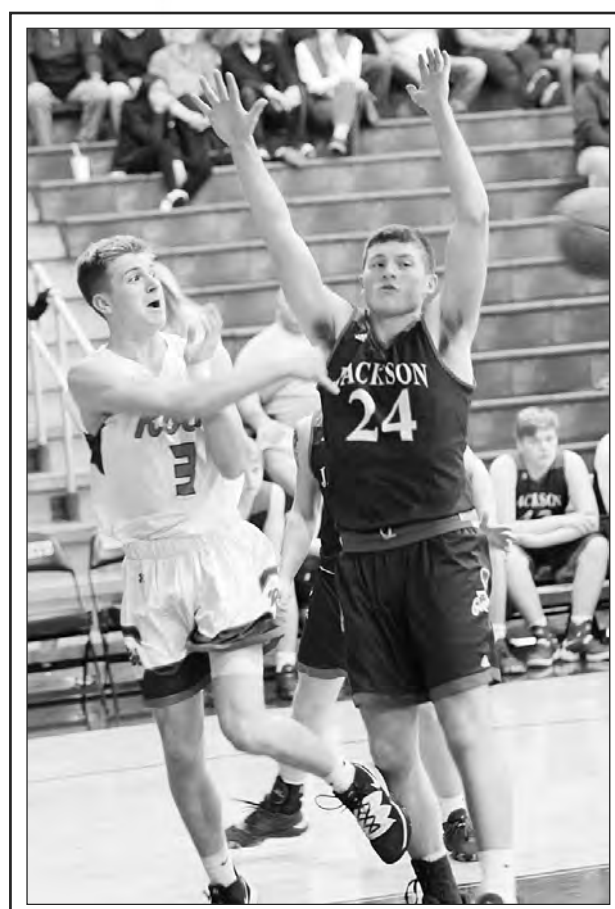
Senior Kenzi Himes fights for a rebound in the Lady Rockets' 62-58 win over Mercer County Monday night. Himes led her team with 14 points.



Freshman Hallie Brown gets fouled during the Lady Rockets' win over Mercer County Monday night. Brown scored 11 points in the Rockets' win.



Junior Casey Coleman drives to the basket in the Lady Rockets' win over Mercer County Monday. Coleman scored 13 points on the night.



Senior Logan Noel makes a pass out from under the basket during the Rockets' 50-43 win over Jackson County Tuesday night.



Senior Shelby Newland works hard to get to the basket in the Lady Rockets' win over Mercer County. Newland added 10 points in the win. The Lady Rockets will honor their seniors next Monday night.



Reese Coguer puts up a jump shot during the Rockets' 50-43 win over Jackson County Tuesday night.

Rockets beat Jackson Co. Generals 50-43

The 11-14 Jackson County Generals came to town Tuesday night and gave the Rockets their seventh win of the season 50-43 against 17 losses.

The Rockets led the entire game, taking the first quarter 18-11, were ahead 31-22 at the half and 35-34 at the third quarter stop. However, it took a strong fourth quarter performance 15-9 for the Rockets to hang on to the win.

Eighth grader Will Bishop led the scoring with 17 points, which included going 7/7 from the free throw line; sophomore Daniel Mullins got 15, including three three point baskets; senior Logan Noel scored 12 and sophomores Matthew Chasteen and Reese Coguer each scored two points.

ter for the Rockets 14-5 proved to be more than they could overcome in the fourth which they took 15-12.

Sophomore Reese Coguer led the scoring with 26 points, including hitting eight free throws; Dillingham got seven points and Nick Chasteen, Kidwell and Fletcher got two points each.

Dillingham got the only three point basket for his team and the Generals only had one. The Rockets were 8/14 from the charity stripe while the Generals were 14/18.

RCMS Freshmen 41 JCHS Freshmen 19

The RCMS freshmen played the opening game Tuesday night and got a win over their Jackson County counterparts 41-19.

After a slow start, being down 6-4 at the end of the first quarter and tied at 15 at the half, the freshmen stepped up their game in the second half, taking it 26-4 for the win.

Kaden Kidwell led the scoring with 12 points; Xander Fletcher got nine; Landon Dillingham eight; Bryson Atkin seven and Jaiden Burton five.

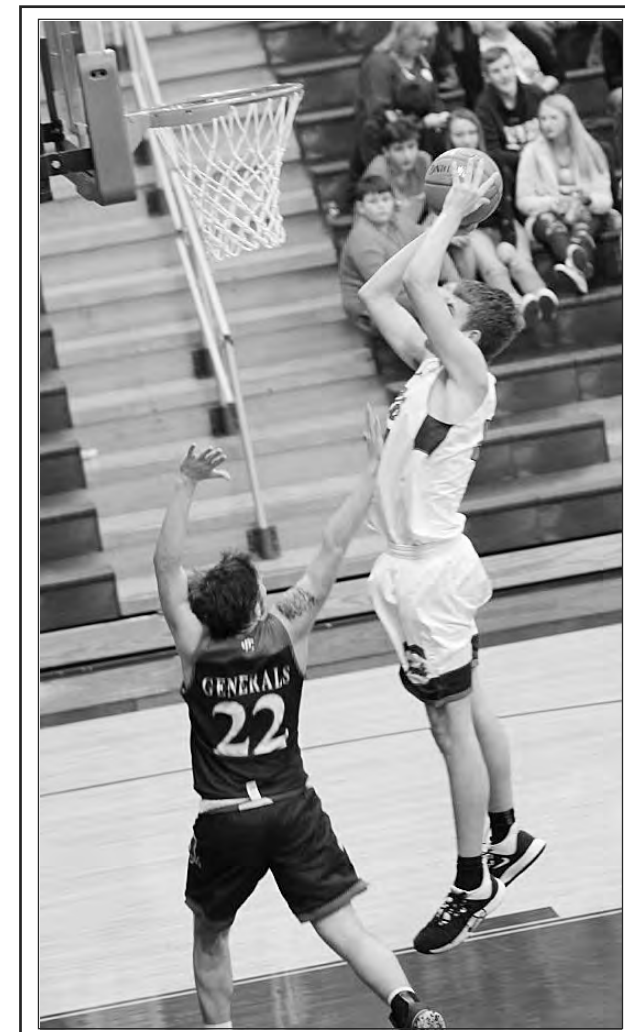
Jackon County had seven three point baskets to the Rockets three and hit 6/13 free throws to the Rockets 7/11.

The Rockets will now journey to Bell County Friday night to take on the Bobcats and will play at East Jessamine next Monday night.

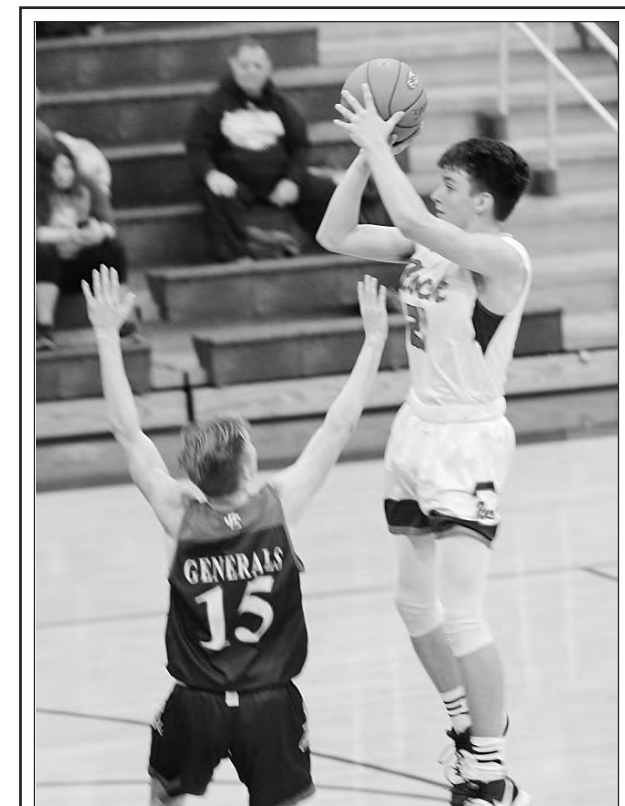
RCMS Jayvee 39 JCHS Jayvee 45

The Rocket Jayvee dropped their game 45-39 to the Jackson County Jayvee. The Rockets/Generals were tied 19 all at the half but a disastrous third quar-

Atkin got the lone three point basket for the Rockets to the Generals four and were 4/10 from the free throw line to Jackson County's 3/6.



Will Bishop goes up for two of his 17 points during the Rockets' 50-43 win over Jackson County Tuesday night.



Daniel Mullins goes up for two during the Rockets' 50-43 win over Jackson County Tuesday night.

Next Week....

RCMS Basketball takes part in Conference Tournament

Laurel Yates qualifies for fifth straight state

RCHS Swim qualifies more for state than any other year

RCHS Swim took part in the KHSAA Region Nine Swim Championship this past Saturday and came away with more state qualifiers than any other year.

As a team, the RCHS Swim girls finished fourth out of 18 teams in the region with 166 points. The RCHS Swim boys finished seventh out of 16 teams in the region with a score of 153.

Junior Laurel Yates led the way with two individual state qualifying times and two relays.

Yates won the 50 Yard Freestyle and took second in the 100 Yard Freestyle, qualifying her for state in both events.

Yates was also a part of the 200 Yard and 400 Yard Freestyle Relay teams qualifying for state. Other team members on those relays include Emma Phillips, Autumn King and Madalyn White.

Freshman Emma Phillips took second in the Girls 200 Yard IM qualifying her for state along with the two relay spots. Phillips

also fifth in the region in the Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke.

Freshman Silas Durham's third place finish and time of 23.18 was good enough to qualify for the state swim championship. Durham was also part of the 200 Yard Medley Relay team along with Dawson Nicely, Tristan Winstead and Reese Sherrow finishing fifth and the 200 Yard Freestyle Relay team, along with Nicely, Sherrow and Vashaun Alexander finishing fifth.

The relay team of Durham, Alexander, Sherrow and Nicely did not qualify for state but took an amazing thirteen seconds off of their best time and shattered the school record in the 400 Yard Freestyle Relay. They are alternates to make the state.

In the Girls 200 Yard Freestyle, freshman Kimhari Stallsworth finished 21st in the region.

In the Boys 200 Yard Freestyle, senior Vashaun Alexander finished 19th.

In the Girls 200 Yard IM, Emma Phillips finished sec-

ond, junior Amy Cornelius finished 19th and senior Emilee Thomas finished 20th.

Along with Yates' win in the 50 Yard Freestyle, senior Autumn King finished 23rd in the region.

In the Girls 100 Yard Butterfly, freshmen Riley Sherrow and Kimhari Stallsworth finished 20th and 21st, respectively.

In the Boys 100 Yard Butterfly, senior Tristan Winstead finished sixth in the region along with Reese Sherrow who finished ninth.

Along with Yates' second place finish in the 100 Yard Freestyle, freshman Jacquelyn Bullock finished 16th and freshmen Reagan Rumsey finished 34th.

Vashaun Alexander finished 12th in the Boys 100 Yard Freestyle.

Freshman Madalyn White finished fourth in the Girls 500 Yard Freestyle.

Freshmen Riley Sherrow finished 23rd in the Girls 100 Yard Backstroke.

Senior Tristan Winstead finished sixth in the region in the Boys 100 Yard Backstroke.

Besides Phillips' fifth place finish in the Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke, junior Amy Cornelius finished 10th, senior Emilee Thomas finished 11th and junior Alexa Bussell finished 14th.

Senior Dawson Nicely finished ninth in the Boys 100 Yard Breaststroke to round out the individual scoring.

The state swim championships begins Friday, January 21st

The team is coached by Shannon and Charon Burton.

Yates qualifies for state for fifth straight year



Junior Laurel Yates took first place for the second straight year in the 50 Yard Freestyle with a time of 25.22 qualifying her for state. Yates also qualified for state in the 100 Yard Freestyle finishing second with a time of 55.30.

Phillips qualifies for state



Freshman Emma Phillips swims backstroke of the 200 Yard IM during the KHSAA Region Nine Swim Championships Saturday at EKU. Phillips finished second in the region with a time of 2:25.07 qualifying her for state. Phillips also competed in the 100 Yard Breaststroke and finished fifth in the region with a time of 1:15.73.

Durham qualifies for state



Ninth grader Silas Durham shown competing the backstroke portion of the 200 Yard Medley Relay during the Region Championships at EKU. Durham also competed in the 50 Yard Freestyle and qualified for state with a time of 23.18.



The relay team of Emma Phillips, Madalyn White, Autumn King and Laurel Yates qualified for state in the 200 and 400 meter freestyle relay.



Junior Amy Cornelius competes in the 100 yard breaststroke during the KHSAA Region Nine Swim Championships Saturday at EKU. Cornelius finished 10th in the region with a time of 1:24.71.



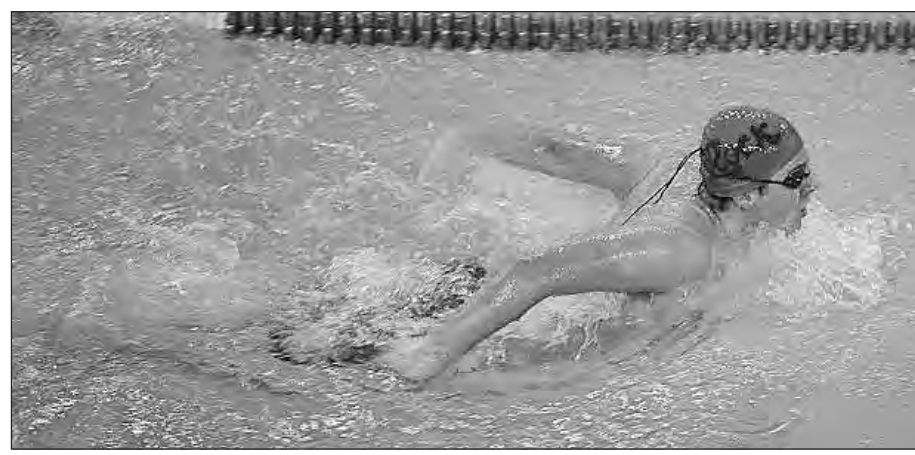
Senior Autumn King dives in during the Girls 400 Yard Freestyle Relay during the KHSAA Region Nine Swim Championships Saturday at EKU. The girls team consisting of King, Emma Phillips, Madalyn White and Laurel Yates qualified for state in both the 400 and 200 Relay.



Senior Emilee Thomas competes in the 100 yard breaststroke during the KHSAA Region Nine Swim Championships Saturday at EKU. Thomas finished 11th in the region with a time of 1:26.33.



Senior Reese Sherrow competes in the 100 Yard Butterfly during the KHSAA Region Nine Swim Championships Saturday at EKU. Sherrow finished ninth in the region with a time of 1:06.46.



Senior Tristan Winstead competes in the 100 Yard Butterfly finishing sixth in the region with a time of 1:05.81. Winstead also finished sixth in the region with a time of 1:12.75 in the 100 Yard Breaststroke.



Senior Vashaun Alexander competes in the 100 Yard Freestyle finishing 12th with a time of 1:04.74. Alexander also finished 19th in the 200 Yard Freestyle during the Region Nine Swim Championships.



Senior Dawson Nicely competes in the 100 yard breaststroke during the KHSAA Region Nine Swim Championships Saturday at EKU. Nicely finished ninth in the region with a time of 1:17.90. Swim photos courtesy of Jamie Cornelius Photography



The RCMS girls' indoor track team won their meet at Mason County on Saturday by 33 points over St. Henry. Team members are from left: Tori Dotson, Lexi Dotson, Allie Martin, Valerie Kendrick, Jessalyn Burton, Reina Lykins, and Bethany Martin. Not pictured: Karalinn Loudermilk.

RCMS girls' indoor track wins at Mason

The RCMS girls' indoor track team won their meet at Mason County on Saturday by 33 points over St. Henry. The team had several outstanding individual and relay performances while competing without freshman all-state 400-meter sprinter, Emma Watson, who was unable to attend.

Tori Dotson won the 1600 and placed 2nd in the 400. Allie Martin won the 400, placed 2nd in long jump, and 5th in the 55.

Lexi Dotson won the 800 and placed 2nd in the 1600. Reina Lykins won the 55-meter hurdles, missing her all-time personal best by only two hundredths of a second. She also placed 4th in triple jump and 7th in high jump.

Karalinn Loudermilk, with only one practice since just joining the team mid-week, placed 6th in triple jump, 8th in high jump, and 13th in long jump.

Valerie Kendrick won shot put and Jessalyn Burton placed 3rd.

The girls' 4x400-meter relay team of Tori, Lexi, Allie, and Reina placed 1st, securing the overall team win for the Lady Rockets.

Team members included Tori Dotson, Lexi Dotson, Allie Martin, Valerie Kendrick, Jessalyn Burton, Reina Lykins, Bethany Martin and Karalinn Loudermilk.



Freshman Keelee King looks over the offense in the Lady Rockets' 62-58 win over Mercer County Monday night. King scored 13 points on the night.



The RCMS girls' indoor track team placed 2nd at their first indoor meet of the season at Mason County. Team members are from left: Aria French, Alyssa Hodge, Madison York, Bethany Martin, Lila Holt, Jailyn Brown, and Maliyah Swinney. Not pictured: Kaylee Hargis.

RCMS girls' indoor track places second

The RCMS girls' indoor track team placed 2nd at their first indoor meet of the season at Mason County on Saturday.

The team had several outstanding individual performances, but were missing several key team members due to illness and other extracurricular activities.

Alyssa Hodge led the way for the Lady Rockets with 28 points, including winning the 55 and placing 2nd in the 400. She also won long jump with an all-time personal best jump.

Maliyah Swinney had

all-time personal bests in all four of her events, winning triple jump, placing 3rd in long jump, 5th in the 400, and 16th in the 55.

Jailyn Brown placed 2nd in long jump, 3rd in the 55, and 13th in the 400.

Kaylee Hargis won the 55-meter hurdles with an all-time personal best and placed 18th in long jump.

Bethany Martin placed 2nd in shot put with an all-time personal best.

Lila Holt placed 3rd in the 800 and had several great jumps in her first-ever attempt at high jump.

"Banquet"

(Continued from front)

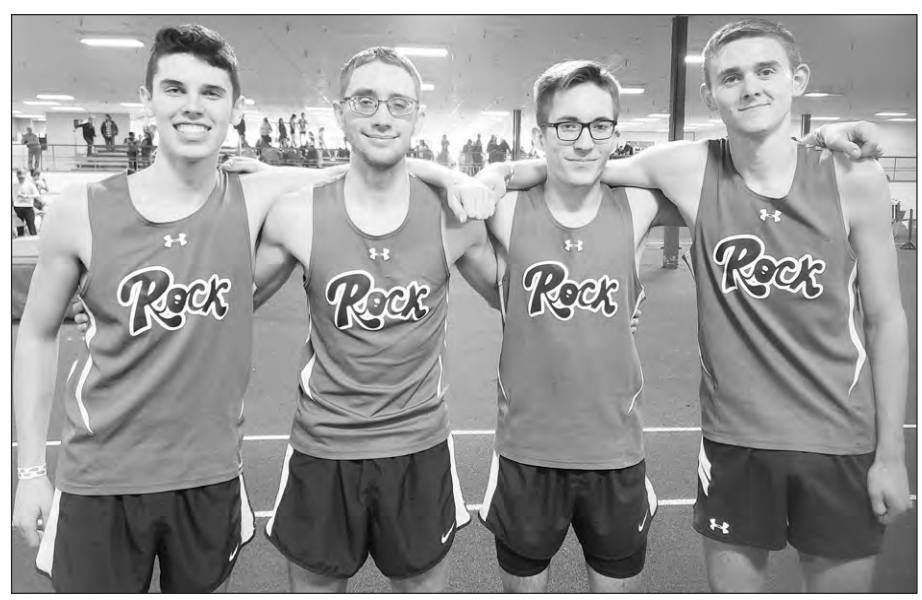
give up" attitude that has driven him to be an award winning archer, despite losing the use of his right arm as a young Marine in a devastating motorcycle accident. He uses his mouth to shoot a 70 lb bow in pursuit of large game across the continent.

Tim is also a musician. He recently designed a brace to play the guitar after not being able to play for over 30 years.

He also hosted the popular show *Tim farmer's Homemade Jam*, which displayed Kentucky musicians in many forms.

Tickets for the banquet are available at the USDA Service Center at 153 Andover Lane or at the Rockcastle Circuit Clerk Eliza York-Insel's office.

For more information, call (606) 256-2525



The RCMS boys' indoor track team placed 2nd at their meet at Mason County on Saturday, despite having only four boys that competed. Sophomore Ethan Fain was unable to attend. Team members are from left: Carson King, Logan Bullock, Aaron Clark, and Dylan Bullen.

RCMS boys' indoor track takes second

The RCMS boys' indoor track team placed 2nd at their meet at Mason County on Saturday, despite having only four boys that competed. Sophomore Ethan Fain was unable to attend.

The team had several outstanding individual and relay performances.

Logan Bullock won the 1600, placed 2nd in the 800, and 5th in the 3000.

Dylan Bullen won the 800, placed 3rd in the

1600, and 7th in the 3000.

Aaron Clark placed 3rd in long jump, 6th in the 55, and 7th in high jump.

Carson King placed 8th in the 400 and 17th in the 55.

Aaron, Carson, Dylan, and Logan won the 4x400-meter relay with an exciting finish.

Team members included Carson King, Logan Bullock, Aaron Clark, and Dylan Bullen.

"Court"

(Continued from A6)

rounding counties.

Magistrates congratulated Taylor and the board for their leadership of the league and said their confidence in Taylor's leadership had been well placed.

Members agreed to contribute \$5,000 to this year's league but left the offer as an open end donation. "If we start out with \$5,000, do you think that will be enough to do everything you need to do for the kids," asked one magistrate. "If it takes more than that, let us know."

Taylor said part of the funds raised last year went to purchase a webpage and anyone may register for the league through that page. Just visit Rockcastlelittleleague.com.

In other action, the court addressed paying the fees to close the Microfoodery account which will take the loan from a temporary construction loan to a permanent loan. The county's portion of the fees was \$7,128. County Treasurer Joe Clontz said the account that holds the funds that have been paid back thus far on the original note to Microfoodery, already has around \$23,000 in it. "We will just use some of that interest money to pay this fee," he said.

The court also addressed: reappointing James Renner as the PRIME Coordinator; mailing delinquent tax notices; the Livingston Gymnasium income of \$1,000 and following the progress of two new vehicles being purchased for the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department.

Magistrates also accepted the state's plan to resurface five miles of KY 1249 in the county.

Clontz presented the monthly financial report as well as the second quarter financial budget report listing all the finances of the county.

The 30 page report included a summary showing total receipts in the General Fund of

\$5,209,716 and total claims at \$5,033,760 with a cash balance of \$175,956. The Road Fund showed \$1,847,213 in total receipts and claims of \$1,715,616 for a cash balance of \$131,597. The Jail Fund showed total receipts of \$887,013 and claims of \$889,553 leaving a negative cash balance of \$2,191.26.

Along with L.G.E.A. Fund, Forestry Fund, Fairgrounds Fund, 911 Fund and CSEPP Fund, the total receipts were shown at \$8,714,412 with total claims of \$8,215,812 for a cash balance of \$498,600.

The court also agreed to transfer \$200,000 from the occupational tax fund to the General Fund and \$75,000 from the General Fund to the Jail Fund.

The court then entered closed session to discuss personnel matters.

After the closed session, the court came back into session and hired Vickie Miller as the new Fiscal Court Clerk to replace Patricia Martin who will be retiring in March.

However, this leaves Miller's position as Administrative Assistant open. Holbrook said the court has looked at resumes to fill that position but no decision has been made.

Notice

Renfro Valley, LLC. d/b/a Renfro Valley Entertainment Center hereby declares its intention to apply for a Quota Retail Drink License, NQ-4 Retail Malt Beverage Drink License and Special Sunday Retail Drink License no later than February 18, 2020. The license premises will be located at 2400 Richmond Street, Mount Vernon, KY 40456. The managers are Julie Enneking, 9024 West Road, Cleves, OH 45002 and Howard Thomas, 2595 Ebenezer Road, Cincinnati, OH 45233. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, KY 40601, within (30) days of the date of legal publication.

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Cornelius awarded Citation of Service from KY Music Educator's Association

Recently Mrs. Jamie Cornelius, music teacher at Mt. Vernon Elementary and known to her current



Jamie Cornelius

and former students as "Ms. Jamie", was awarded the 30 year Citation of Service Award at the 2020 Kentucky Music Educator's State Conference.

The award is presented to those distinguished educators who have reached an exceptional milestone in their careers in music education.

Ms. Jamie's career began in 1990 as an itinerant general music teacher at both Mt. Vernon and Livingston Elementary Schools.

After the consolidation of those schools in the mid 90's, Ms. Jamie founded her elementary choir known as the Pentatones, which has become a long-standing tradition of musical enrichment and excitement for 5th graders at Mt.

Vernon Elementary.

When asked about her favorite memory over the years in regards to this ensemble, Ms. Jamie stated that one of her many special moments was the first PTG performance involving students from both Livingston and Mt. Vernon.

Students came together to perform "Look to the Future", demonstrating the power of music to unite us all.

When asked to reflect on what the past 30 years has meant to her, Ms. Jamie states that "every day is special and full of joy" and that "It's always fun seeing different generations come to know music in my room!"

Ms. Jamie's contribution to music education in the community over the years has been a truly special and remarkable one.

Mayor on the job even when absent from City Hall

By: Mike French
Editor

You may have heard the saying, "If he's not at work, he must be in

the hospital." But City Administrator Josh Bray says that Mayor Mike Bryant may need a different motto. "When he is in the hospital, he is still at work."

Due to medical issues requiring surgery, Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant has been forced to be away from his office since January 24. The local mayor spent the next three days in recovery and then the following 12 days in a rehabilitation center. He is now facing six weeks of recovery.

"Yes, the Mayor was not in the office, but he has never been out of contact with us here at city hall," said Bray. "Even on the day of his surgery, he was doing the city's business."

The city's mayor is now home and continuing to recover from the medical procedure. "I am continuing to recuperate at home but I am off work," he said. "I am five minutes from city hall and able to perform a number of mayoral duties remotely."

Bryant has worked for several years setting up standards and operational systems so that in the event of any employee's absence, including his own, the city would not suffer as a whole, according to Bray. "The mayor has kept in constant contact with all of us. Just because he was out of service, he was not out of touch."

Bryant says current city workers have helped to keep things running smoothly in his absence. "I have a great city manager and other city employees who do an outstanding job of operating the city," said Bryant. "The work of the city has not missed a beat during my absence from the office."

Bryant says recovery from his particular surgery is typically about six weeks but he will most likely be back in his office long before then. In fact, the mayor has a meeting with doctors at the end of February that will determine when he is able to return to his office.

Bryant says he plans to leap back into his chair behind the desk as soon as possible. "Once my recovery is complete, I should be full speed ahead."

Bray also looks forward to the mayor's return. "We all miss him but the mayor is still handling city business," he said

School attendance back to over 90%

By: Mike French
Editor

"Things are back to normal," said Carrie Ballinger, Director of Student Services at Rockcastle County Schools. "Our janitors worked tirelessly performing deep cleaning over the four days off and our numbers are back to normal."

Rockcastle County Schools were forced to close their doors last

Thursday and Friday after student attendance had dropped to 83% due to illness.

The local district joined schools across Kentucky in closing since the flu had spread across the state and dropped attendance numbers into the 70s in many counties.

Ballinger said last week that local attendance wasn't as bad as some schools across the state, but the closure was

partly preventative and kept a lot of students from catching the virus.

Local health officials say the flu is by no means over and new cases are still showing up, but the numbers have stopped increasing at such a rapid rate.

Parents are asked to keep their child home from school if they have a fever to help prevent the spread of the virus but officials believe the worst

may be over.

"Our numbers are back well over 90% today (Tuesday) and our schools are all deep-cleaned and sanitized," said Ballinger.

Missing the two days to avoid the spread of the flu, along with the day missed earlier this year due to flooding, extends the last day of school for students from May 12 to May 15, according to Ballinger



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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Deeds Recorded

Barbara Cranert, property on Dix River, to Ramon P. Cranert. No tax

Ramon P. Cranert Revocable Living Trust and Ramon P. Cranert, property in Rockcastle County, to Clyde and Melissa Jones. Tax \$50.

Ramon P. Cranert Revocable Living Trust and Ramon P. Cranert, property in Rockcastle County, to Clyde and Melissa Jones. Tax \$45

Ramon P. Cranert Revocable Living Trust and Ramon P. Cranert, property in Rockcastle County, to Clyde and Melissa Jones. Tax \$50

Benton and Theresa Bullock, property in Dusty Trails Subdv., to Connie Blevins. No tax

Roger Pigg, property in Rockcastle County, to Sheila Pigg. No tax

Jewell Hansel, property in Countryside Estates, to John Harris and Lanna Prewitt. Tax \$137.50

Katie J. and Brandon Linville, property in Rockcastle County, to Kelcey Lynor Robinson. Tax \$93

Ruby and Dan Epperson, property on Epperson Lane, to Steven H. Still. Tax \$20

David Norton and Dora Pace, Co-Administrators, property in Bowling Subdv., to Franklin

Napier. Tax \$5

David Norton and Dora Pace, Co-Administrators, property on the waters of Dry Fork of Skeggs Creek, to Cody and Jennifer D. Mahoney. Tax \$60

Marriage Licenses

Jennifer Lynn Bishop, 29, Crab Orchard, disabled and Cody Ray Miracle, 25, Crab Orchard, self-employed. 2/4/20

Circuit Civil Suits

Mid South Capital Partners v. Ramon Cranert, et al, \$3,033 plus claimed due.

Jeremy Johnson v. Katina McClure Johnson, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Roy Gibbons v. Jill Cash Gibbons, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. v. Cody R. Mize, \$89,189 plus claimed due.

Midland Credit Management v. Eliza Barnett, \$5,159 plus claimed due.

LVNV Funding LLC v. Roger Shaffer, \$7,151 plus claimed due.

Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Megan Richards, complaint for

child support and medical support. CI-00023

District Civil Suits

LVNV Funding v. Ronnie Vanzant, \$713 plus claimed due.

LVNV Funding v. Kevin Ross, \$951 plus claimed due.

Heights Finance Corp. v. Frankie Baker, et al, \$3,642 plus claimed due.

Bluegrass Credit Corp. v. Danielle Wilson, \$478 plus claimed due.

LVNV Funding v. Robin Mason, \$2,318 plus claimed due.

LVNV Funding v. Jerry Hensley, \$955 plus claimed due.

Crown Asset Management v. Jeremy Fleming, \$2,731 plus claimed due. C-00039

District Court

Feb. 3-5, 2020

Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless

Anthony Barron: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure to or improper signal, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

Ronald J. Brown: operating vehicle w/expired operators license and license to be in possession, license suspended for fta; Orion M. Grimm, \$50

fine plus costs/state traffic school (sts) authorized;

Savier Hernandez: driving without license/negligence in accident, bw issued for fta.

Zachary E. King: speeding, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.

Bobby D. Land: failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, one days in jail plus costs.

Speeding: Melissa Anne Cummings, Yunus O. Ayodeji, Brian F. Russell, Jonathan Voigt, Bryant Sylvan Williams, Bryant Sylvan Williams, license suspended for fta.

James Kenneth Carroll: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

Ruby J. Hasty: public intoxication, five days in jail/costs waived.

Timothy Salyer: terroristic threatening and alcohol intoxication in public place, 15 days in jail (each charge)/costs waived.

Jeffery R. Anglin: fines/fees due (\$273), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

David Barnes: fines/fees due (\$393), bw issued for fta/eight days in jail or payment in full.

Anthony R. Barron: fines/fees due (\$298), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.

Billy R. Biggs: fines/fees due (\$273), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.

Robbie Carpenter: fines/fees due (\$63), bw issued for fta/two days in jail or payment in full.

Amanda L. Carrier: fines/fees due (\$763), bw issued for fta/16 days in jail or payment in full.

Deanna M. Cartmill: fines/fees due (\$548), bw issued for fta/11 days in jail or payment in full.

Stephen Michael Clark: fines/fees due (\$275), bw issued for fta.

Johnathan Tyler Davis: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Temmy Denny: failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Tammy R. McNew: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Michael Mitchell: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure to wear seat belts, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., rim or frame obscuring lettering or decal on plate, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, license plate not legible, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, no/expired registration plate, bw issued for fta.

William D. Mosley: public intoxication, bw issued for fta.

Ronnie E. Snow: op-

erating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Leeanna Hope Thacker: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and no operators/moped license, license suspended for fta.

Billie Tharp: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, license to be in possession, bw issued for fta.

Cassie Torres: speeding, no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, license to be in possession, rear license not illuminated, bw issued for fta.

Bethany L. Green: criminal trespass, sentencing order entered.

Donna Hall: fines/fees due (\$498), bw issued for fta/10 days in jail or payment in full.

Tonya Hammons: fines/fees due (\$328), bw

issued for fta/seven days in jail or payment in full.

Charles Julian: disorderly conduct, sentencing order entered.

Cheryl L. Marshall: fines/fees due (\$600), bw issued for fta/12 days in jail or payment in full.

Summer McCowan: fines/fees due (\$600), bw issued for fta/12 days in jail or payment in full.

Rose Lashae McGuire: fines/fees due (\$250), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

Larry J. McLemore: fines/fees due (\$918), bw issued for fta/18 days in jail or payment in full.

Samantha R. Naylor: fines/fees due (\$234), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

Shawna G. Northern: fines/fees due (\$298), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.

Shania Nicole Pate: failure to surrender revoked operators license, no operators/moped license, driving on DUI suspended license, display/possession of cancelled/fictitious operators

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 19-CI-00139

Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company Plaintiff

v.

Timothy Saylor, Lisa Saylor, and Citifinancial Servicing LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, Successor by Merger to Citifinancial Services, Inc., a Kentucky Corporation Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 24, 2020 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 02/100 (\$28,777.02) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, February 14, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #013E-27-025,013E-27-026
Lot 25 & Lot 26 Proffitt Street, Brodhead, KY 40409

Being the same property conveyed to Ronnie Cash and Katreka Cash, husband and wife, by deed dated September 24, 1999, of record in Deed Book 176, at Page 488, in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk. Being a portion of the same property conveyed to Tim Saylor and Lisa Saylor, husband and wife, by Deed dated February 1, 1992, of record in Deed Book 145, at Page 428, 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 2019 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

Did you know?

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RCHS Archery shoots highest score of 3211

The NASP Archery Region 10 Tournament was held this past weekend at Lincoln County where the RCHS Archery Team did an outstanding job.

The team score of 3211 made history as the school's highest score yet.

Senior, C.J. Cameron was the leading scorer and shot his personal best with a 285.

Jacob Cook shot his personal best of 284. Kyle Coffey added 280 to the team total. Daejeon Dean shot 269. Ethan Cromer scored his personal best of 267.

Gentry Phillips scored an amazing 265 after having to replace a bow part that broke in the middle of the tournament.

T.J. Ramsey shot a 264. Jameson Mink shot his personal best of 263.

Lara Renner, top female shooter on the team, added a 263 to the team total.

Allison McCoy shot 260. Alyssa Martin shot a 257. Emily Maupin added a 254 to the team score. Haley Sanders shot her personal best of 250. J.T. Kelley shot a 246, while Jillian Wallin scored 224. Liz Renner and Luke Cromer shot 222 and 221, respectively. Jasmine Johnson shot a 216.

The team score should earn them a ranking high enough to qualify for the KY NASP State Tournament in March.



Twins Liz and Lara Renner aiming before the release.



Gentry Phillips in full-draw and Allison McCoy loading her bow.



Alyssa Martin drawing her bow.



Sharpshooter Badges

Last Thursday, January 30th, Kansas Kirby and Ocean Rohr shot the qualifying scores of 212, each earning their sharpshooter badge. Congratulations to both cadets for their hard work. Their dedication to the Rockcastle County Junior ROTC Rifle Team has allowed them to improve their scores greatly.



Notice of Public Meeting

**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court
10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 5, 2020
Rockcastle County Fiscal Court**

A public hearing will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2020 at Rockcastle County Fiscal Court. The purpose of this meeting is to provide general information to the public regarding purchasing an ambulance vehicle unit for the Rockcastle County Ambulance Service through USDA Rural Development funding. The public is invited to attend the meeting and comment on any issues related to the proposed subject.

By: Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 18-CI-00095

Mid South Capital Partners, LP Plaintiff
V.

Estate of Jane Bales, et al, unknown spouses, if any, of Chester Bales, unknown heirs, if any, of Chester Bales, County of Rockcastle, Virginia Walden Bales, Tax Merchants, LLC Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 24, 2020 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FOUR DOLLARS AND 55/100 (\$2,904.55) 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, February 14, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #087-00-035
Snowy Road, Livingston, KY 40445

Being the same property conveyed to Jane Bales, widow, by Deed dated February 4, 1932 and of record in Deed Book 52, page 625, in the office of the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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 2019 local, county and state property taxes.
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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.
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**John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 19-CI-00207

PBK Bank Plaintiff

V.

Rachel Cromer (aka Rachel Miller), the unknown spouse, if any, of Rachel Cromer; Wendy Miller, the unknown spouse, if any, of Wendy Miller; Pamela G. Helms, the unknown spouse, if any, of Pamela G. Helms; and Midland Funding LLC, a foreign limited liability company Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 24, 2020 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FOURTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 32/100 (\$14,667.32) 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, February 14, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #025-00-005-04
403 Deborde Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 including a 1976 mark Mobile Home (Vin No. 5520)
PARCEL NO. 1

Beginning at an elm in the line of Darrell Whitaker and being a corner between James Poynter and Delmas Poynter; thence going with the line of Darrell Whitaker S 25 44'30" W, 817.01 feet to an oak stump and stone, said point being a corner between Whitaker and Robert H. Bustle; thence going with the Bustle line S 44 13'48" W 859.58 feet to a maple; thence S 07 24'58" W, 200.61 feet to a black oak; thence S 00 21'57" W, 105.17 feet to a white oak; thence S 04 07'48" W 239.42 feet to a twin buckeye, said point being a corner between Bustle and James McKinney; thence going with the line of James McKinney S 05 28'46" W, 57.65 feet to a white oak; thence S 04 13'00" W, 89.58 feet to a hickory in the north right-of-way of a county road and a corner to James McKinney; thence going with said right-of-way N 61 42'53" W, 24.71 feet to a black oak in said right-of-way and a corner to James McKinney; thence leaving said right-of-way and going with the line of McKinney the following calls: N 04 55'31" E, 76.22 feet to a buckeye; N 05 32'09" E, 181.57 feet to a white oak; N 03 45'00" E 441.98 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773; N 44 13'48" E, 350.00 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RS #2773; N 58 25'31" W, 256.92 feet to a 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773; N 03 45'00" E, 403.39 feet to a black oak; N 07 21'37" W, 62.92 feet to a cedar, said point being a corner between McKinney and James Poynter; thence going with the Poynter line N 62 45'00" E, 1052.34 feet to the point of beginning and containing 11.24 acres.

Further, the grantors Darrell Whitaker and wife, Helen Whitaker, their heirs and assigns, reserve a 25' wide easement for the purpose of ingress and egress leading from the Deboard Road through the above described property to the property of Darrell and Helen Whitaker.

PARCEL NO. 2

Beginning at a maple in the line of Robert H. Bustle and being a corner to Ezeke Miller; thence going with the line of Bustle S 04 59'33" W, 305.26 feet to a white oak in the line of Bustle and a corner to Miller; thence going with the Miller line N 00 21'57" E 105.17 feet to a black oak; thence N 07 24'58" E, 200.61 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.03 acres.
Together with a 1976 Mark 5520 mobile home that sits upon the above described property.

Parcel No. 1 Being the same property conveyed to Ezeke Miller and wife, Nancy Miller by Deed dated February 28, 1996, executed by Darrell Whitaker and wife, Helen Whitaker, of record in Deed Book 160, Page 571, in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky. Parcel No. 2 being the same real property conveyed to Ezeke Miller and wife, Nancy Miller, by Deed dated February 28, 1996, executed by Robert H. Bustle, single, of record in Deed Book 160, page 574, in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky. Nancy Miller passed away and pursuant to the survivorship clause in the aforementioned deeds, fee simple title to the subject property vested in her husband, Ezeke Miller (a/k/a Ezekiel F. Miller, a/k/a Ezekiel Miller). Ezekiel Miller departed this life intestate, a resident of Rockcastle County, Kentucky, on or about March 29, 2019. At the time of his death, he left three surviving children and heirs at law, Rachel Cromer, Pamela G. Helms and Wendy Miller, who each inherited a one-third interest in the above described property. See also, Affidavit of Descent of Ezekiel Miller, of record in Deed Book 286 at page 553, Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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

CHURCH NEWS

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-Broadhead: Community Outreach Center, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon

Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577 Tuesday, 6 p.m.. •••Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

Alcoholics Anonymous: 7 p.m.

at the Williams St., Mt. Vernon.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies.

Men Only. Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only.

Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

AA Meeting, 8 p.m.

Open Share at the Brodhead Center.

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe.

Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

Friday, 6 p.m.

Saturday - Celebrate Recovery:

Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

Monthly Singing

Philadelphia Baptist Church will hold their monthly singing Sunday, February 23rd, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Featured singers will be Standing in the Gap gospel singing.

Everyone is invited.

Church services are held Sundays at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

Special Service

There will be a special service at the Berea Gospel Tabernacle on Friday night, Feb. 14th, beginning at 7 o'clock with Jack Carpenter speaking.

Everyone is invited and welcome.

3rd Sunday Night Singing

Buffalo Baptist Church, located 15 miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd), will have their 3rd Sunday Night Singing on Sunday night, February 16th, beginning at 6 p.m. weather permitting.

Featured singers will be: The Mountain Views from Somerset.

Pastors Bro. Bill Hall and Bro. Bill Mink invite everyone to come out and worship with us.



The Rockcastle Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, along with local students from the elementary schools and high school, participated in the annual Valentines for Veterans Project as part of the National Salute to Veteran Patients Week.

DAR and students participate in Valentines for Veterans

Submitted by Karen Adams

The Rockcastle Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, along with local students from the elementary schools and high school participated in the annual Valentines for Veterans Project as part of the National Salute to Veteran Patients Week. The week of February 9th each year is the community's opportunity to say thank you to more than 98,000 Veterans of the U.S. armed services who are cared for everyday in Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medical centers, outpatient clinics, domiciliary and nursing homes.

During the National Salute, the VA invites individuals, Veterans groups, military personnel, civic organizations, businesses, schools, local media, celebrities and sports stars to participate in a variety of activities at the VA medical centers. Activities and events in VA facilities across the

U.S. include special ward visits and valentine distributions; photo opportunities; school essay contests; special recreation activities and Veteran recognition programs.

Valentines for Veterans began in 1989 when the late newspaper columnist, Ann Landers, encouraged her readers to create special valentines for Veterans in care facilities throughout the United States and Canada. She asked her readers to remember the valiant sacrifices of their nation's Veterans by making them personal hand-crafted valentines. Through the efforts of local DAR members and students, Rockcastle Chapter collected and nearly 600 valentines to the VA Hospital in Lexington, KY. The Chapter would like to express a special thank you to the participating teachers for getting their students and youth groups involved with this project to honor Veterans.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

MINI CHEESECAKES

1/3 cup crushed vanilla wafers or graham crackers
1 and 1/2 tablespoons butter, melted
1 package (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened
1/3 cup powdered sugar
2 teaspoons lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon almond extract
1 egg
Toppings as desired
Preheat oven to 350°. Line a mini muffin pan with 18 liners. Mix crumbs with melted butter; mix well. Place 1 teaspoon in each cup and press down. In a medium bowl combine cream cheese, powdered sugar, lemon juice, almond extract, and egg. Beat on medium speed until light and fluffy. Evenly spoon mixture over crumbs in each well of muffin pan. Bake 15 minutes or until set. Remove from oven, cool completely and top with desired toppings.

TINY SHORTBREAD TARTS

1 cup butter, softened
1/2 cup powdered sugar
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 can (21 ounces) raspberry, cherry or strawberry pie filling
Preheat oven to 300°. Grease about 36 mini muffin cups. In a large bowl, cream butter, and powdered sugar until light and fluffy. Gradually add flour and mix well. Shape into 1-inch balls; press onto the bottom and up the sides of prepared miniature muffin cups. Bake for 17 to 22 minutes or until set. Cool for 15 minutes before carefully removing from pan to a wire rack to cool completely. Spoon 1 teaspoon of pie filling into each tart.

CHURRO MINI MUFFINS

3 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup sugar, divided
1/2 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon plus 2 tablespoons
2 eggs, lightly beaten
1 cup milk
8 tablespoons butter, melted
Extra melted butter (about 2 tablespoons)
Preheat oven to 350°. Grease a 24-cup mini muffin tin with cooking spray. In a large bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder and salt. Add brown

sugar, 1/2 cup sugar and 1 teaspoon of cinnamon. Whisk to combine. Add egg, milk and 8 tablespoons butter and stir until the mixture is smoother. Scoop rounded tablespoons of batter into the greased muffin tin. Bake until a toothpick inserted into the center of the muffin comes about clean, about 12 minutes. Let muffins cool slightly in pan for about 5 minutes then carefully remove them from the pan. Mix the remaining 1/2 cup sugar and 2 tablespoons of cinnamon in a shallow bowl. Dunk each muffin in the remaining melted butter then toss in cinnamon-sugar mixture.

Court News

(Continued from B2)

license, driving w/o license/ngeligence in accident, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, possessing license when privileges are revoked/suspended, bw issued for fta.

Santiago Tecum: fines/fees due (\$1,868), bw issued for fta/38 days in jail or payment in full.

Joshua S. Thorton: fines/fees due (\$373), bw issued for fta/eight days in jail or payment in full.

Shania N. Vasquez: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, bw issued for fta.

Jadon Lee Wilkins: fines/fees due (\$243), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

Larry D. Woodall: fines/fees due (\$175), four days in jail/concurrent.

William R. Chasteen: public intoxication controlled substance and drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, sentencing orders entered.

Logan R. McGuire: public intoxication, possession of synthetic drugs, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, sentencing orders entered.

Brian Yauger: public intoxication, five days in jail/costs waived; criminal trespassing, \$50 fine/suspended.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the Unknown Spouses of the Unknown Heirs Devises and Legatees, if any of Lora Jane Howard. You are hereby notified of an action against you in civil case number: 20-CI-00002 filed in the Rockcastle Circuit Court Division II. Christopher Reed, warning order attorney, must file a report with the Court concerning his efforts to notify the Unknown Spouses of the Unknown Heirs Devises and Legatees, if any of Lora Jane Howard. You must file an Answer with the Rockcastle Circuit Court, Rockcastle County Courthouse Annex, 205 East Main Street, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456 on or before February 21st, 2020. You should consult an attorney as soon as possible. Please contact Christopher Reed at 324 West Main Street, Stanford, Kentucky 40484, (606) 365-2739, hire an attorney, or contact the Rockcastle Circuit Court, Division II at the Rockcastle County Judicial Center, this must be done by February 21st, 2020. Information regarding this action may be obtained at the Law Office of Christopher Reed or at the Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk's Office.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Newly Elected County Committee Member (COC)

Rockcastle County Committee tabulated the votes received for LAA #1 COC member on December 4, 2019 with the following results: Bill McKinney - 73 votes; and Clayton Cash - 60 votes.

Rockcastle Co. COC wishes to welcome Bill McKinney as the newly elected COC member. In the event of Mr. McKinney not being able to attend. Clayton Cash will serve as his alternate.

Elected county committee members serve a three-year term and are responsible for making decisions on FSA disaster, conservation, commodity and price support programs, as well as other important federal farm program issues.

Next FSA County Committee Meeting

Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 8:00 A.M. at the Mt. Vernon USDA Service Center.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations to attend or participate in the COC meeting should contact Warden Alexander at (606) 256-2525 or Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 three days prior to the meeting date.

Office Closure

February 17, 2020- President's Day

May 25, 2020- Memorial Day

Important program dates and Interest Rates

Farm Operating Loans-Direct = 2.625%

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Limited Resource Loans= 5.000%

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Perfection In Christian Character

The apostle Paul, while teaching believers concerning their growth in Christ, shows they are to go on to perfection in Christ. Hebrews 6:1 They were to work at their faith that it would continue to grow to become stronger and resemble what the Bible teaches it should be. The apostle Paul also writes to the church at Corinth. 2 Corinthians 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

It could be said when a man obeys the gospel and his sins are remitted that he stands before God in a perfect state. We need to understand this is only the beginning point. Our obedience to the gospel reconciles us to God and brings us to the place where we can serve him as children. Then we are to grow spiritually, striving to gain perfection which is the perfecting of the lives we live before God and man.

Many times today it seems folks after obeying the first principles of the gospel think, that they can gently float along this life, like a leaf on a small stream, they need to do nothing and when they get to the end of the stream, Heaven will be their everlasting home.

Sounds much like the sower in Luke 8:6 And some fell upon a rock and soon as it was sprang up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. Not only does it take good soil in time of temptation, it takes one who is dedicated to the cause of Christ. Luke writes in Luke 8:13 they on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy, and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation they fall away. Sad story we see played out in so many lives of those who call themselves Christians and when difficult times in our lives come, we run from the place that gives us life, and that is Jesus Christ our Lord and Master.

We must add to our faith as Christians then we will grow. 1 Peter 1:6-7 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though not for a season (if need be) ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations. That the trial of your faith which is more precious than gold. This is the kind of faith one achieves over time because he never gives in he never gives up, neither does he ever look back to see where he was at but he continues to build on to that which, God gave him may years ago.

Thank you for reading this article, I pray God blesses you with the things you need in life. If you would like to get in touch with someone from the Church, you can contact us at Bro. Dale McNew 859-582-4021 or Bro. Ova Baker 606-878-8104 (Humility the lowest gear that climbs the highest hill)

• Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ •

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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
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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.
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Services:
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Preaching Brethren
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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
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Brodhead Christian
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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.
Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
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Bill Mink, Asst. Pastor
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Wednesday Evening 6 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.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Climax Holiness Church
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
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Worship Service
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
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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. Ralph Reynolds, 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

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

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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
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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-2922
Dennis Wilder, Pastor
Jesse Wright, Assoc. Pastor/Youth
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email: fbcmtvernon@newwave.net
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Sunday Worship:
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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.

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Orlando, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Fountain of Life United Pentecostal Church
80 Sally J Rd., Mt. Vernon
Sunday 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
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Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Barry Hurst
859-200-6331

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7 p.m.

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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

Little Country Church
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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.

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.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Mareburg Baptist Church
2617 New Brodhead Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Wayne Harding, Pastor
Phone: 256-8844
Sunday School 10 a.m.
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.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jerry Ballinger, Pastor

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Sunday Evening 5 p.m.

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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
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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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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.

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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Sunday Night 5:00 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Notice is hereby given that Martha Begley, P.O. Box 887, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Mary Collins on the 22nd day of January, 2020. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Martha Begley or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, P.O. Box 1250, 205 Richmond St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before July 22, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. 1x3

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Pedestrian struck and killed on I-75

By: Mike French Editor

According to a Kentucky State Police report, a pedestrian was struck and killed on I-75 in Rockcastle County last week.

Joshua P Spillman, 33, of Clarksville, Indiana, was pronounced dead at the scene last Thursday morning around 5 o'clock.

The report says Kentucky State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officer Eric Stallworth responded to a call about the crash near mile marker 63 in Rockcastle County.

Upon arrival at the scene, officers found 44 year-old Anthony Housewright, of Mount Carmel, Tennessee, was

operating a Freightliner tractor-trailer north bound when he struck Spillman.

The report does not say if Spillman was on the roadway or the emergency lane, but news reports say Spillman was struck in the northbound lanes. The report also says drugs and alcohol are not suspected to be factors in the accident.

Spillman was pronounced dead at the scene by the Rockcastle County Coroner and Officer Stallworth is continuing the investigation.

Several local emergency response personnel assisted Stallworth at the scene.

The accident came on the same day as a three-car crash that killed three people on US 150 about eight hours later.

William A Emmerson, 60, of Lancaster, Melonie Reyes, 45, of Somerset and Jennifer Bishop, 29, of Brodhead were all killed in a three car crash on US 150 last Thursday afternoon. Dana Owens, 61, of Crab Orchard was also injured when the car driven by Emmerson crossed the center line and struck the other two vehicles. The highway was closed for several hours as rescue workers cleared the scene and reconstructed the accident..

Three killed in Hwy. 150 3-car crash last Thursday

By: Mike French Editor

US 150 was closed for nearly seven hours last Thursday, February 13th, after a three vehicle accident which took the life of three people.

According to a Kentucky State Police report, the accident occurred just after 2 p.m. near Maretburg and first responders and recon-

struction workers were not able to clear the scene until nearly 9 p.m.

The report says a car, driven by William A. Emmerson, 60, of Lancaster, was traveling east on US 150 (toward Mt. Vernon) when he lost control of his vehicle and crossed the center line of the highway. Police did not say why Emmerson lost control.

The vehicle then collided with a westbound

2007 Pontiac driven by 61-year-old Dana Owens of Crab Orchard and a 1998 Toyota driven by 29-year-old Jennifer Bishop of Brodhead who was also headed west.

Once on the scene, police closed the road and began reconstructing the accident and rerouting traffic.

Emmerson and his passenger Melonie Reyes, 45, of Somerset, and Bishop were all pro-

nounced dead at the scene by the Rockcastle County Coroner. Owens survived with only minor injuries.

The road was reopened after several hours. Kentucky State Police Detective Dackery Larkey is investigating the incident.

Larkey was assisted at the scene by several local emergency response departments personnel.

Meth located inside local jail

By: Mike French Editor

According to officials, keeping drugs out of a jail is a constant battle for deputies and jailers across the nation and Rockcastle County is no exception.

Deputies at the Rockcastle County Detention Center last week overheard inmates talking about another female inmate who had methamphetamine in her possession, according to an arrest citation post arrest complaint.

The complaint says inmates were overheard saying they were waiting on Penny Caldwell, 52, of Mount Vernon, to return to the isolation cell with what they suspected to be meth..

Deputies received approval from Jailer Nathan Carter to search inmates for possession of drugs using a mobile x-ray de-

vice. During the search, other deputies searched the isolation cell and meth

(See "Jail" on A6)

Ten years ago

Ten years ago this week, Congressman Hal Rogers announced \$712,500 would be used to widen I-75 in an area of Rockcastle County from four to six lanes.

City Council

The Mount Vernon City Council will hold their regular monthly meeting tonight (Thursday) at 6 p.m. in City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Correction

The 2020-21 Rockcastle County School Calendar, in last week's issue, should have listed fall break as October 2-5 and the Thanksgiving holiday as November 25-27.

Farmer's/Business Banquet

Don't forget the Farmer's/Business Banquet, with special guest Tim Farmer. The annual event is planned for March 5th. For more information call (606) 256-2525

Two arrested

Local road rage ends in gunfire

By: Mike French Editor

An apparent road rage incident, on I-75 south in Rockcastle County Sunday, February 9, included trash and water bottles being thrown on the roadway, a car being rammed in the rear end, a truck rammed in the door, shots fired into a car and two arrests

According to slightly conflicting citations, a small car, driven by Joseph Gayman, 34, of Athen, Kentucky, and a pickup truck driven by Brad Smith, 36, of Ashland, were involved in two separate crashes and several incidents before police were called.

Though accounts of the incident differ slightly, both were arrested and charged with first degree wanton endangerment.

However, the two accounts agree on some of the incidents that occurred, beginning when Gayman apparently passed Smith's tractor-trailer in the emergency lane and then reentered I-75.

Smith claims he was attempting to get near enough to Gayman's car to get a license number when Gayman hit his

brakes causing Smith to ram the back of Gayman's car. However, Gayman claims he did not hit his brakes before being rammed in the rear by the truck.

Both accounts agree that Gayman threw trash and water bottles at Smith's truck out of his car as the two traveled down the interstate. Both also agree that Smith's truck hit Gayman's car in the rear, that Gayman's car later rammed the side of Smith's truck. and that,

Brenda seeking re-election

R. Travis Brenda has filed as a Republican candidate seeking re-election to the Kentucky House of Representatives, District 71, covering Garrard, Rockcastle, and part of Madison County.

Brenda is a 1996 graduate of Berea College with a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics Education, and ECU with a Master's degree in Instructional Leadership (2003) and a Master's degree in Mathematics Education (2009).

He is currently in his 21st year of teaching at Rockcastle County High School. During that time, he has served as a teacher member of the SBDM

during a high speed chase, Smith pulled a gun and shot at Gayman's car.

Once the shots were fired, Gayman says his vehicle became disabled and he pulled off the road and he and his girlfriend ran into a wooded area.

Police were apparently called 30 to 35 minutes later by Smith, who had turned his truck around at exit 49 and headed back north.

Gayman told police he and his girlfriend exited the woods, and walked

back towards the interstate, when they saw Rockcastle County Deputy Sheriff Kirk Mays' emergency lights.

No injuries were reported throughout the incident but both men were arrested and taken to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where each posted a \$10,000 bond.

Livingston Gym is local success story

By: Mike French Editor

According to Livingston Mayor Jason Medley, officials and citizens in the City of Livingston are enjoying some success in several different areas recently.

As local residents have noticed, the new Family Dollar has been a huge success reporting nearly as much business as similar stores in more populated areas. And the Marathon Station that was expected to open by Memorial Day is reported to be well ahead of schedule.

Also, the Depot, in the middle of town, holds musical entertainment events bringing visitors to the town each week.



R. Travis Brenda

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



There is stuff you learn as a younger fellow that is just pretty much useless in your later life. It's sort of a shame to have knowledge about a subject that you just can't use for any purpose.

My little brain only holds a certain amount of information anyway so when I fill it with stuff that can't possibly benefit me or my family it just seems like such a waste of needed space.

Working in tobacco comes to mind. I know how my dad set the seeds and covered them and started them out. I know it's tempting to grab a handful at once when you "pull plants." But you can't grab but one at a time or later you will suffer when you're on the setter and curse yourself.

I know not to fill the water tank all the way up or you will become soaked in chemicals as you are riding behind the tractor on the setter.

I know the top rail is the least amount of work when "hanging" tobacco and, if you aren't afraid of heights, that's where to be. I also know how much fun it is to put the beginner on the bottom rail and see how completely covered he is with "shake" at the end of the day.

I know how to recognize when tobacco is "in case" and ready to strip.

I know how to separate grades and how to find the right leaf to "tie hands" the old fashioned way.

Unless you have done it, most of that probably doesn't make sense. But if you have, you know

exactly what I mean.

The problem is, with the war on tobacco and my age and lack of barn-climbing-agility, what good does that knowledge do me?

Also, I know that the .22 bullet has to be dead center between the hog's eyes or you will struggle when trying to slice its throat. Yes, that's gross, but that's how we killed hogs back in the day.

I know the water in the barrel had to be near boiling to scrape the hair or there would be tiny hairs in the meat later.

I know you can't have any meat whatsoever in with the chunks of fat that you render into lard, or the lard won't be pure white.

I know that the tiniest stem left, when you hand rub the sage, will stick you later when you eat the sausage.

Again, sitting in this office at my computer, I don't have a lot of need for knowing how to butcher a hog.

Also, I feel pretty confident when I say I don't feel like a bad father if I don't teach my daughter and my sons about tobacco and hog killing.

If there is anything I am pretty certain of, it's that I will not see them in a tobacco barn or a hog lot.

Back then, my father took such pride and joy in making sure his son knew those things. He seemed proud that I took an interest in them and could have done it by myself if I had a need to do so.

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Points East

By Ike Adams



As early as the spring of 1960, I've heard old timers argue whether peas should be planted on February 14 or February 15. My mom always said she planted hers on Valentine's Day, unless it fell on a Sunday, in which case, she postponed her pea planting date until the 15th. Last week, yet another small flurry of old timers were engaged in a facebook discussion as to whether the 14th or 15th was the proper date. My dad would have said it didn't matter, because both dates were at least a month too early to be planting anything, unless you had way too much time on your hands and way more seeds than you really needed.

Still, mostly because it's an old family tradition, I have dutifully planted a small patch of snow peas or sugar snaps on Valentine's Day during those years when the weather was warm enough to do so without much risk of frostbitten toes and fingers. Valentine's Day, 2019 was such a year. On the same date in 2020 (last week), my planned pea patch was frozen over hard enough to skate on and the same condition persisted on February 15. I figure that, since I couldn't memorialize my mother, it'll be okay to adhere to my dad's opinion and wait until mid March when my brother, Andy, fires up the tiller. At least that's my story and I'm sticking to it.

On the other hand, I would not be at all surprised to find out that my brother, Keith (Keeter), used a pick ax to break the ice and actually got some peas planted last Friday. Keeter's father in law, the late Dock Mitchell, has been known to rake snow off his garden there at Redstar (Letcher County) on Valentine's Day, drop pea seeds on top of the frozen ground and then cover them with bagged potting soil or "brought on" compost. On more than one occasion, Keeter has made special trips to the farm supply store in Whitesburg to accommodate both his own and Dock's Valentine pea planting determination.

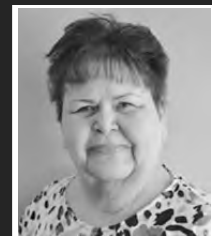
I have had better luck planting very early peas with two varieties. Dwarf gray sugar snow peas only grow to three feet tall and it's not necessary to trellis them. Sugar snap peas have a much plumper, round pod with larger seeds, but the vines will grow to six feet and trellising them is essential. For my taste, they are worth the extra effort.

By far, the best, easiest to grow and most reliable variety of peas that I have ever encountered is called Oregon sugar pod II. The vines only grow to about 30 inches and need no trellising. The pods are very tender but a tad smaller than long-vined, trellised, varieties like mammoth melting sugar. Oregon

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook

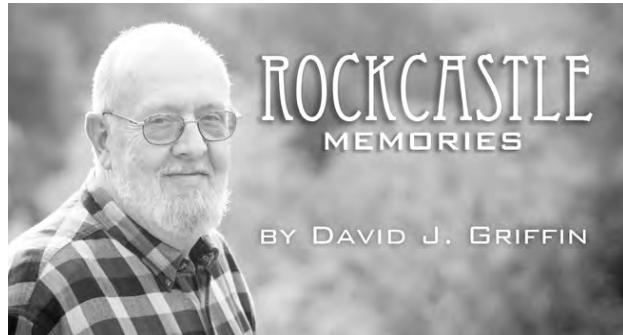


Satisfying a Craving

Dear Journal,
I've been craving some really good homemade potato salad for over two weeks and today my craving was satisfied. You know how it is when you really want a certain food to eat and you can eat a side of beef and all of the trimmings but you still aren't satisfied. None of that store-bought or restaurant potato salad would do, it had to be homemade and the kind Mom used to make.

I've heard that if you crave a certain thing, your body is needing some kind of vitamin or mineral found in it. I don't know about all that but it is as good of an excuse as any. I've learned through the years that you might as well go ahead and eat whatever you crave because you won't be satisfied until you get it. Worse than that, some people crave something and they don't know what it is. Stanley does that from time to time.

A few days ago I had a



Gift of Trees

Last week I was both surprised and deeply touched when I received an unexpected but wonderful gift from one of my regular readers. The gift was connected to Arbor Day, which is celebrated each year on the last Friday in April. The thoughtful presentation was sent to me anonymously, which makes it even more striking in my view. Therefore, I ask your indulgence this week while I share some personal thoughts concerning this most sincere gift.

This particular reader has apparently been following my column for quite a long time. A note accompanying the gift card explained why this donation was made. The note reads, "I felt so bad

about the loss of your son that you told about in your column; and I felt bad when you lost your (best) friend, Buddy Cox. So when I got my new membership request for the Arbor Day Foundation, I decided to have three trees planted in your name, Todd's name, and for Buddy Cox."

The author of this gift seems to know me well, as I have written a number of times about trees, my beloved son, and my faithful life-long friend. It is obvious that he or she understands my grief concerning the loss of my son and my best friend. It is also evident that my love of nature, and especially for trees, has not been overlooked by this loyal reader of this column in the Signal. The enclosed card from the Arbor Day Foundation explained why this gift will make a lasting difference. "Your trees are being planted in one of our National Forests, home to such noble creatures as lynx, grizzly bears, wolves, bald eagles, trumpeter swans, and hundreds of other creatures."

This gift is especially relevant because of the current problems with climate change and recent unprecedented forest fires. It is very important to me that the plant-

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Proposed projects must directly benefit students in the classroom. Funds may be used for

supplies, guest speakers, off campus fieldtrips and educational resources, but applicant must show how these items help to further the educational goals of the DAR.

Mrs. Holly Robinson, a RCHS history teacher was one of the 2019 recipients of this grant. She received her grant on the basis of her project of incorporating reading texts on Appalachian and Native American history into her curriculum to promote reading skills and to use the texts to educate students about portions of America's history and culture that they can't gain from a textbook.

This grant is a one-time award and recipients are not eligible to re-apply in future years. Appli-

cation forms for 2020 are now available February 15 through March 25. Any classroom teacher wishing to apply please contact Rockcastle Chapter NSDAR at rockcastledar@gmail.com.

“Aces”

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But in today's world, I just don't have a lot of days when I need to run out by the barn and kill something.

Honestly, I do know there are a lot of people who still do these things. In fact, I go to an old farmer friend nearly every winter and pick up some hog meat. I just like the taste of fresh hog meat so much better than “store bought” pork. It's is completely different.

The best meat I have ever tasted, still had body heat in the meat when we put the tenderloin in the skillet. Nothing on earth tasted better to me.

Once it is frozen, or packaged, or preserved, it completely changes the taste and what we called the “wild taste” is gone from the meat.

But, unless Democrats get their way, I expect society will continue and I will never have a need to go “off the grid” and live off the land.

Kroger, Save-A-Lot and Dollar Stores are my hog lots and tobacco barns now.

I wonder what I teach my children these days, that they will never need. They will look back and think “what a waste of time that was.”

Or, maybe they will be like me.

I think all that stuff I learned was such a waste but at the same time, I wouldn't trade the world and all it holds for a moment of riding that setter with my mother or a single moment of the chatter and laughter as we guys stretched across those barn rails.

Maybe those lessons were about a lot more than tobacco or hogs.

Maybe they were about family. And life. And the value of a day's work. And pride in accomplishments. And receiving rewards for efforts. And earning our own way...And that God provides from the sweat of our brow.

“Memories”

(Cont. from A2)

ing of these trees will, in a small way, help our recovering but diminished forests—which belong to all of us. The planting of a single tree may be seem a small act, but it is not. It is a consequential act with



Rockcastle Chapter NSDAR welcomed new members with an oath of membership ceremony on February 3rd. Pictured are: Lana Crawford, Holly Robinson and Melinda Blair



Jennifer Mattingly (center) was sworn in as the Rockcastle Chapter NSDAR's Recording Secretary on February 3rd. Pictured are: Chaplain, Natalie Taylor, Jennifer Mattingly and Chapter Regent, Karen Adams.

“T. J.’s”

(Cont. from A2)

unknown horizons.

The sender of this wonderful gift also explained that the Arbor Day Foundation will probably let me know precisely where the trees will be planted. I hope that is true. It would be so awesome to visit that particular forest knowing that three trees were planted there as a memorial gift to Todd, Buddy, and me.

It would, however, not be the first tree planted in honor of my precious son.

When Todd was killed, the principal of his high school informed me that a tree had been planted on the property, along with a brass plate explaining that it was in memory of Todd Griffin. (His locker was also sealed with a similar brass plate.) It is an honor that Todd would have appreciated since he, too, loved nature and being in the woods.

I am so thankful that my readers continue to stay in touch and are so thoughtful about the things that mean so much to me. I know my son and Buddy would feel the same as I do about this most thoughtful and truly priceless gift. I feel honored to be the recipient of such a lasting gift.

Thank you, dear anonymous reader, for your kindness of spirit, your personal generosity, and for sharing your love of the Lord's creation with a fellow traveler on this earth. I pray that the Lord will return the blessing that you have given to me.

betic coma. I managed to get out of there with only two, and ate only part of them and saved the rest. I got a cinnamon pastry and a peanut butter brownie. Never did decide which was the best. That peanut butter brownie was so rich, you couldn't have eaten it all without being sick.

We did some house cleaning today and I decided to make the potato salad for supper. We swept and mopped the floors, did laundry, cleaned the bathroom, cleaned the kitchen cabinets and counters. Where is one of those “Will work for food” people when you need one? I fed good today. For breakfast I made eggs, bacon and biscuits. For supper I made chicken livers and onions, peas and Mom's potato salad. There was apple pie (sugar free) for dessert. There is enough leftovers for tomorrow night.

I know several potato salad recipes but this one is the best. The secret is how you cook the potatoes. Mom would have been proud. Thanks, Mom.

“Points East”

(Cont. from A2)

sugar pods will also tolerate heat better than other varieties and can easily be

planted up to mid April. I don't even think about planting any other late pea variety for a fall crop. You can find them at almost any place that sells seeds.

Last year we also grew a variety from Bakers Creek Seed Company that was touted as the largest snow pea ever. I can't recall the exact name and, at this writing, their website is down, but I do intend to order seeds again this week. I already have half a pound of Oregon sugar pod II seeds, but Andy and I are firm believers that variety is the spice of life. Baker's Creek did not disappoint.

If you intend to plant peas, make absolute certain that you are planting a snap or snow pea variety with tender, edible, hulls. There are numerous varieties of peas out there that are only meant to be shelled. I have no idea why anybody, other than The Jolly Green Giant, would want to grow them because they are far more trouble, in my humble opinion, than they are worth.

If you have any doubts about what you are attempting to grow, ask an experienced gardener if the seeds are tough hulls. If the seed package says “snow peas” they will be tender hulls, as will “snap peas”. In any event, if you haven't grown snow or snap peas, you are missing out on one of the greatest delights a vegetable garden has to offer.

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Hospice Hop: 50s Rock-n-Roll
The Hospice Hop, a 50s Rock-n-Roll event will be held Friday, March 27th, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Silver Eagle. It will be a night of live music, dancing and much more. Music will be provided by the Wild River Band. There will be classic cars, a cake walk, silent auction, an Elvis impersonator and a 50s costume contest. All guests will receive a free ice-cream float in a souvenir cup. \$20 per person. Tickets online at hospicecareplus.org or at the door. All proceeds benefit Hospice Care Plus. For more information/questions, call 859-986-1500.

DBCAA Board Meeting
The Daniel Boone Community Action Agency will hold a board of directors meeting on Tuesday, February 25th at 5:30 p.m. in Clay County at the central office located at 1535 Shamrock Road in Manchester. The public is invited to attend. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.

Hot Rod Sign-Ups
Hot Rod T-Ball sign-ups for 3-5 year-olds will be held the first and second weekends in April at Wendy's from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 606-308-5319 for more information.

Celebrate Sobriety Service
CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7 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, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.
Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577 Tuesday, 6 p.m.. ***Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.
Alcoholics Anonymous: 7 p.m. on Williams St., Mt. Vernon.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only. Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.
Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the Brodhead Center.
Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828. Friday, 6 p.m.
Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

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.

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

Jennifer Amanda Bishop

Jennifer Amanda (Horn) Bishop, 28, of Brodhead, wife of Donavan, died Thursday, February 13, 2020. She was born August 15, 1991 in Somerset, to the late Jim Horn and Susie (Burke) Horn. She married Donavan Bishop on December 29, 2016, was a member of the Brodhead Baptist Church, enjoyed 4-wheeling, fishing, hunting, and being outdoors.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her husband, Donavan Bishop; two sisters, Marisa (Chris) Albright of Mt. Vernon and Jamie (Jason) Smith of Titusville, FL; two brothers, Jim (Susan) Horn, Jr. of Georgetown, and Bryan Horn of Owensboro; two brothers-in-law, Jonathan (Autumn) Gadd and Justin Bishop; one sister-in-law, Melissa Bishop; her mother, Susie Horn of Brodhead; father-in-law, Shannon Bishop; mother-in-law, Connie Gadd; and nieces and nephews, Olivia, Jordan, and Emilee Albright, Logan and Caylie Smith, Camden and Brantley Bishop, Makina and Aiden Gadd, and Harmony and Braiden Gaines.

She was preceded in death by her father, Jim Horn. Funeral services were conducted Monday, February 17, 2020 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Ralph Baker officiating. Burial was in Negro Creek Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Chris Albright, Jason Smith, John Hankins, Chris Thompson, Zach Begley, and Kyle Marlow.

Condolences to the family may be made at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Shirley McClure

Shirley McClure, 84, of Sand Springs, died Sunday, February 16, 2020 at his residence. He was born August 16, 1935 in Sand Springs, to the late Johnny and Fannie (Vance) McClure. He worked for the KY State Highway Department for 30 years, was a member of the Blue Springs Church of Christ, enjoyed fishing, hunting, gardening, and farming, and spending time with his family.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his children, Dean (Debbie) McClure, Charlotte McClure, Gloria Day, and Sheila McClure, all of Mt. Vernon; a step-son, Jamie McClure; seven grandchildren, Stephanie (Gary) Robbins, Angela Day of Brodhead, Natasha McClure of Stanford, Charles (Morgan) Day of Crab Orchard, Shane McClure of Mt. Vernon, Briana McClure of Mt. Vernon, Hunter McClure of Mt. Vernon, and Dominic McClure of Brodhead; 12 great grandchildren, Lacey and Sarah Robinson, Abby and Gracey Day, Madison Morgan, Kaylee Collins, Morgan, Makenzie, and Kyra Crain, Charlie, Layken, and Tatum Day; two brothers, Zade McClure and Delno (Linda) McClure, both of Mt. Vernon.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife, Connie (Hays) McClure; two great grandchildren, Jazmine and Aubrey Morgan; brother, Sherman McClure; and sisters, Rose Mary McClure, Etta McClure Evans, Bertie McClure Fish, Bernice McClure Rice and Freda McClure Phelps.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 1 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Marcus Reppert officiating. Burial was in High Dry Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to the family at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Melonie Mae Reyes

Melonie Mae Reyes, 45, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, February 13, 2020. She was born September 16, 1974 in Berea, the daughter of Douglas Lewis of Richmond, and Linda Baker Proctor of Mt. Vernon. She worked in food service, enjoyed spending time with children, drawing, reading, taking long rides, and was a member of the Victory Christian Outreach Church in Richmond.

Survivors besides her parents are: one son, Jazmanie Reyes of Mt. Vernon; two daughters, Tiffany Jade Lewis, and Aurora Reyes, both of Mt. Vernon; one brother, Christopher Lewis of Raleigh, NC; one grandchild, Braden Kendrick; two nieces; two great nieces; and two great nephews. She was preceded in death by one sister, Regina Morgan, and her grandparents.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, February 16, 2020 at Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Travis Gilbert officiating. Burial was in Riddle Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Zack Baker, Anthony Traylor, Butch Lunsford, John Harding, Jared Harding, Ben Powell, Donnie Coffey, and Jesse Coffey.

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



Lola Mae Barnett

Lola Mae Barnett, 84, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, February 17, 2020, at the UK Bluegrass Hospice Care Center in Lexington. She was born May 31, 1935 in Mt. Vernon, to the late Willie and Lucy (Milburn) Overbay. She was a member of the Fair Ground Hill Holiness Church. She enjoyed cooking, sewing, fishing, reading her Bible, watching WLJC, working in her flower garden, quilting, and doll making.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Donnie (Lisa) Barnett of Berea, Ronnie (Nina) Barnett of Livingston, Debbie Hunt (Jim Patterson) of Mt. Vernon, Ricky Barnett of Mt. Vernon, Doug (Crystal) Russell of Danville, and Brenda (Denis) Barnett of Mt. Vernon; 12 grandchildren; five great grandchildren; four sisters, Willene, Pauline, Rosetta, and Louise; as well as a host of nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Glen Edward Barnett; a son, Jeffrey Barnett; one sister, Viola; and two brothers, Everett Overbay and Elzie Overbay.

Visitation will be Saturday, February 22 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.

Funeral services will be Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 2 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Steve Robinson officiating. Burial will follow in Oakhill Cemetery.

Casketbearers are: Nelson Blake Barnett, Byron Everett Abney, Little Donnie Jr., Jeffrey Brummett, Andrew Brummett, Anthony Brummett, and honorary casketbearer, Barry Adams.

Condolences may be made at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Judy Baker Allen

Judy Baker Allen, "JuJu", 70, of Harrodsburg, mother of Amy Davis and Wes Baker, died Sunday, February 16, 2020 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. Born January 11, 1950, in Berea, she was the daughter of the late Arlie and the late Dorothy May (Morris) Renner.

She was an LPN, and a dog breeder for many years. She was a member of the National Association of Louisiana Catahoula (NALC) and the Immanuel Baptist Church.

She is survived by: a daughter, Amy (Will) Davis and a son, William Westley Baker, both of Harrodsburg; a sister, Sheila Hurst of Brodhead; a brother, Arlie Renner, Jr. of Mt. Vernon; and three grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her late husband, William Larry Baker and her sister, Vicky Barnes.

Visitation will be Saturday, February 22 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Red Hill Church in Livingston.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 1 p.m. at Red Hill Church by Harold Best. Burial will follow in Red Hill Church Cemetery in Livingston.

Pallbearers are: Chris Baker, Will Davis, William Westley Baker, Trent Davis, Zach Belding and Josh Belding.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com.

Sharon "Sherri" Bartley

Sharon "Sherri" Dailey Bartley, 74, of Carrollton, died Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at her home in Carrollton. She was born on February 23, 1945 in Chicago, Cook County, IL, the daughter of the late Everett Dailey and Cordella Dowell Dailey Williams. After her high school graduation, she went on to attend Berea College and the University of Louisville. After moving to Carrollton she had owned a dress shop and served as a Partner and Broker of Bartley Real Estate & Associates, LLC. She loved to play the piano and had served for several years as the Carrollton Christian Church Organist. She was a member of the Carrollton Christian Church where she served as church treasurer, church trustee and finance chairperson. She had been active in the church choir for many years. She was a member of the Carrollton Women's Club and Girl Scouts of America.

She is survived by: her husband, Frank Bartley of Carrollton; a daughter and son in-law, Katrina (Jason) Baute of Carrollton; and two grandchildren, Cecilia Rose Baute and Scarlett Rae Baute.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Dixie Wood.

Funeral services will be held Friday, February 21, 2020 at 11 a.m. at Carrollton Christian Church with Rev. Tammie Douglas officiating.

Visitation will be (today) Thursday, February 20, from 5 - 8 p.m. at Carrollton Christian Church and from 9 - 11 a.m. on Friday, February 21, at the church. Burial will be in Merritt Cemetery in Mount Vernon.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be given to the Carrollton Christian Church Memorial Fund in care of the funeral home.

Arrangements have been entrusted with the Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home.



Barry Lee McClure

Barry Lee McClure, 62, of Mt. Vernon, husband of Janet, died Thursday, February 13, 2020, at UK Medical Center in Lexington. He was born March 12, 1957



in Anchorage, Alaska to Fred Lee McClure and the late Lorene Owens McClure. As a young teenager, he began working in construction with his grandfather and throughout his life he built many churches, banks, and homes for and with many friends and families throughout the community of Rockcastle County. He

attended Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ in Mt. Vernon. He married Janet Bussell on October 31, 1976, and from that union came three children, Mickey, Dusty, and Tiffany. His hobbies included vegetable gardening, canning, and watching his beloved Wild-cats and Reds, pitching horseshoes where he won many tournaments throughout the state of Kentucky, but his greatest joy was following his kids and grandkids playing sports for many years.

He is survived by: his wife of 43 years, Janet (Bussell) McClure; children, Mickey L. McClure of Mt. Vernon, Dustin E. (Kim) McClure of Mt. Vernon, and Tiffany J. McClure of Louisville; his pride-and-joy, grandchildren, Chayse McClure, Addison McClure, Maddux McClure and Greyson McClure; his father, Fred Lee McClure; two sisters, Beverlee Lynne (Roger) McGuire, and Cheryl Layne McClure, both of Mt. Vernon; uncle, Junior Owens; lifelong friend, Joe Deatherage; and many nieces, nephews, work crews over the years, horseshoe pitching partners, and running around buddies.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Lorene (Owens) McClure and his grandparents, Amos "Poppa" and Bessie Owens.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bros. Ova Baker and Dale McNew officiating. Burial was in Cresthaven Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Tommy Bussell, Lee Deatherage, Chris McHargue, Brandon Falin, Mike Bussell, Chayse McClure, Maddux McClure, Greyson McClure, and Devon Bussell.

Condolences to the family may be made at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Garry Clinton Noe

Garry Clinton Noe, 73, of Somerset, died Friday, February 14, 2020 at the UK Medical Center in Lexington. He was born December 31, 1946 in Berea, to the late John Melvin Noe and Marian Owens Noe.

He was of the Baptist faith and attended Barnesburg Baptist Church. He was a member of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky and Lodge #111 of Somerset. He loved fishing, antique cars, long walks on the beach, going to flea markets, loved talking and never met a stranger, and loved spending time with his foster children.

He was preceded in death by his parents and first wife, Georgia M. Noe.

He is survived by: his wife of seven years, Martha Crowder- Noe; daughters, Virginia Lee (Rickie) Bullock of Somerset and Garolyn Sue (Tracy) Caldwell of Mt. Vernon; stepchildren, Amanda Crowder, Jennifer (Michael) Daugherty of North Carolina, and Larry (JoElla) Crowder of Somerset; brother, John Lee Noe of Ohio; two step-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He will be greatly missed.

Funeral services will be held (today) Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 11 a.m. in the Chapel of Southern Oaks Funeral Home with Bro. Jordan Burke officiating. Burial will be in Piney Grove Cemetery in Brodhead.

Southern Oaks Funeral Home is entrusted with the arrangements.

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SPORTS

Lady Rockets beat Warhawks, Indians and Golden Lions

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets journeyed to Richmond last Thursday night to take on the Madison Central Lady Indians and came away with a big win 68-40, their 20th of the season against only six losses.

It was an easy win for the Rockets with junior Casey Coleman leading the way with 16 points; freshman Keelee King got 15 points, including three three point baskets; freshman Hallie Brown and senior Kenzi Himes each scored eight points; junior Lindsey Jones got seven; senior Shelby Newland scored six points; sophomore Addison McClure hit a three basket and senior Bailee Allen got two points.

The Lady Rockets led the entire game, up 17-8 at the end of the first quarter; 34-17 at the half and 48-29 at the third quarter stop.

The Rockets only got to shoot seven free throws in the game but hit six of them while the Lady Indians had

14 attempts but only made good on eight. The Rockets also hit seven three point shots to the Indians two.

Monday night, at home for Senior Night against the Great Crossing Lady Warhawks of Scott County, the Lady Rockets picked up their 21st win of the season 78-68.

The Rockets led at all the quarter stops and were led in scoring by King with 23 points. She was also 7/9 from three point range and had five rebounds. Himes got 19 points and seven rebounds; Coleman had 16 points, seven rebounds and seven assists; Jones nine; Brown seven, along with six rebounds and six assists and Newland got four points.

The Rockets hit eight threes in the game but the Warhawks bested them with ten. The Rockets were 10/13 from the charity strip to the Warhawks 8/12.

Tuesday night, the

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Keeley King drives past a defender in the Lady Rockets' 78-68 win over Great Crossing Monday night. King hit seven threes and led her team with 23 points in the victory.



Kenzi Himes fights for a rebound in the Lady Rockets' 78-68 win over Great Crossing Monday night. Himes had 19 points in the victory.



Shelby Newland applies defense in the Lady Rockets' 78-68 win over Great Crossing Monday night.

Lost 19th to Jaguars Tuesday

Rockets fall to Bobcats and Jaguars

It didn't take long into the varsity game Friday night, at Bell County High School, for Rocket fans to figure out that it was going to be a long night.

The 11-14 Bobcats started off the game with a roar, outscoring the Rockets 22-6 in the first quarter and things never improved as it was 35-13 at the half and 54 to 27 at the third quarter stop.

The Rockets didn't help themselves at the free throw line, only hitting 11 of 20 to the Bobcats 16 of 22. And, from the three point line, the Rockets hit three, all by sophomore Daniel Mullins, to the Bobcats five.

Mullins led the scoring for the Rockets with 17

points; senior Logan Noel and sophomore Drew Hopkins got eight each; eighth grader Will Bishop scored six; sophomore Reese Coguer got four and sophomore Jake Sanders scored two points.

RCBS JV 51

BCBS JV 46

The Rockets Jayvee team fared somewhat better against the Bobcats, winning 51-46.

It was a pretty close game all the way with the Rockets up 12-11 at the first quarter stop, 26-24 at the half and 36-32 at the third quarter stop.

Coguer led the scoring with 13 points; Sanders got

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47th District Tournament begins next week at RCBS

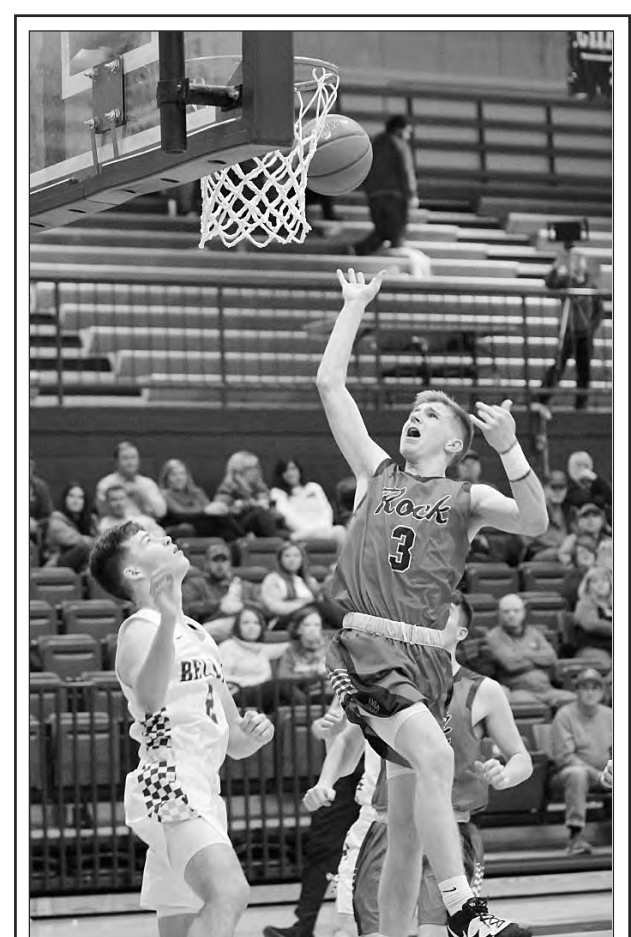
The 47th District Basketball Tournament will get underway at RCBS Monday night, February 24th with a 6 p.m. game between the second and third seeded teams, the Lady Rockets and the Lady Warriors from Pulaski County.

The first seeded Lady Rebels from Casey County will play the Lady Briarjumpers from Somerset in the second game Monday night.

Tuesday night, February 25th, the Rockets will take on Pulaski County in the opening game at 6 o'clock, followed by a game between first seeded Somerset and Casey County.

The girls championship game will be played Wednesday night, the 26th, beginning at 7 o'clock and the boys championship game will be played Thursday night at 7 o'clock.

The 12th Region Tournament for the boys will be held at Pulaski County beginning March 2nd and the girls regionals will be held at Lincoln County also beginning March 2nd.



Senior Logan Noel goes up for two in the Rockets' 63-48 loss to Bell County Friday night.

Seniors honored



RCBS Lady Rockets honored their seniors before their final regular season home game Monday night. Shown above is senior Bailee Allen, with her parents, Darren and Danetta and brother, Ben. Also pictured is head coach Chrysti Noble.



Senior Kenzi Himes is escorted by: her mom, Sandy Himes; her sisters, Chrissy Cash and Wendy King; her brother-in-law, David and brother, Danny.



Senior Shelby Newland, escorted by: her Nana, Linda McCracken; her mom, Angela Kirby; her sister, Ashley; her aunt, Jennifer Hayes, and her cousins, Evan and Eli.



Drew Hopkins drives the baseline in the Rockets' 63-48 loss to Bell County Friday night. Rocket seniors will be honored this Friday night in the Rockets' matchup with Russell County.



Jake Loudermilk sets a screen for teammate Reese Coguer during the Rockets' 63-48 loss to Bell County Friday night. The Rockets begin 47th District Tournament action Tuesday night at home when they host Pulaski County at 6:00 p.m.



Bailee Allen looks for a teammate in the Lady Rockets' 78-68 win over Great Crossing Monday night. The Lady Rockets start district tournament action next Monday as they host Pulaski County at 6 p.m.

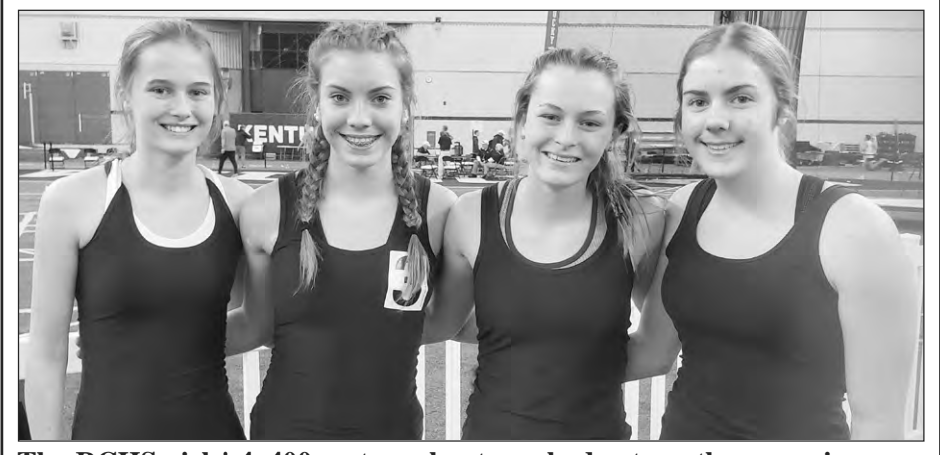
RCHS junior Valerie Kendrick had two outstanding performances at the Kentucky High School Invitational on Saturday, competing against many of the nation's best throwers. In her first-ever attempt at the weight throw, she placed 10th overall with a great throw of 35'6.75". She also placed 10th in shot put with an awesome season's best throw of 34'2".



RCMS eighth grader Lexi Dotson had an outstanding performance in the one mile run at the Kentucky High School Invitational on Saturday. Out of a field of many of the nation's best distance runners, she placed 25th overall with an incredible new all-time personal best of 5:24.91.



RCMS senior Tori Dotson had an outstanding performance in the 800-meter run at the Kentucky High School Invitational on Saturday. Out of a field of many of the nation's best distance runners, she placed 11th overall with an incredible new season's best of time of 2:18.27.



The RCMS girls' 4x400-meter relay team had yet another amazing performance at the Kentucky High School Invitational on Saturday. Competing against some of the nation's best 4x4 relay teams, the team of (from left) eighth grader Lexi Dotson, freshman Emma Watson, senior Tori Dotson, and sophomore Allie Martin, shattered their own indoor Class 2A state and school record time with an awesome 7th place finish in a sensational 4:08.22, over 4.5 seconds faster than their previous record.

"Gym"

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In fact, Medley says he and the fiscal court are currently hoping to have a new heating and cooling system installed in the gym by this summer.

Just this month, the Gym returned \$1,000 to the fiscal court from rental fees.

Medley says the facility is doing better each month and though the income from rental of the facility goes back to the county, the City of Livingston benefits in several ways from each rental.

"The gym brings traffic and many visitors to our community who dine in our diner and visit our Family Dollar and our beautiful tourist destinations," he said. "Businesses in our community benefit from every event held in our gym."

Though the actual rental fee is based on the type of activity, Medley says the

average cost to rent the facility is about \$25 per hour depending upon what would be required to hold the event.

Also, the City of Livingston gets to keep monies raised from concessions during these events at the facility.

"We are proud of our gymnasium and invite everyone to come and visit the facility," he said. "Livingston has a lot to offer and the gym is one more part of our growing community."

Anyone interested in renting the gymnasium should call (606) 308-4543.

"Brenda"

(Continued from front)

and Benjamin.

The couple resides in the Cartersville area of Garrard County, where they have a beef cattle and hay operation.

They have attended



Isaacs signs with Georgetown

RCMS senior Will Isaacs recently signed his letter-of-intent to continue his golf career at Georgetown College. With Will at his signing were front row, his parents, Roger and Rebecca Isaacs and Georgetown coach Austin Sparks. Back row from left: RCMS golf coach Nick Williams; his uncle, Dwight Isaacs; grandparents, Bill and Barbara Fain and former coach, Jake Woodall.

"Lady Rockets"

(Cont. from A5)

Lady Rockets traveled to Garrard County to take on the Lady Golden Lions and came away with a 70-41 win.

The Rockets took a commanding 23-5 first quarter lead and never looked back. They were ahead 39-18 at the half and 49-34 at the third quarter stop.

Nine Lady Rockets got in the scoring column with four in double figures.

Senior Kenzi Himes led the scoring with 13 points

and added seven rebounds, followed by King and Jones with 12 points each. King added two rebounds and two assists and Jones was 4/5 from three point range. Newland got 10 points and had four rebounds and four assists. Brown had eight points, six rebounds and three assists. Coleman got seven points and added two rebounds and two assists. Aliyah Lopez scored four points and Jordan Harper and Darby Smith each scored two points.

The Lady Rockets will finish their regular season with a doubleheader with the Rockets at South Laurel Thursday night.

47th District Tournament play will commence next Monday night at RCMS with the Lady Rockets taking on the Pulaski Co. Lady Maroons at 6 p.m., followed by the Casey County Lady Rebels playing the Somerset Lady Briarjumpers.

RCMS JV 38 MCHS JV 28

Eight Lady Rockets got into the scoring column in the Lady Rockets Jayvee 38-28 win over the Lady Indians at Madison Central last Thursday night.

The team was led in scoring by Calliegh Burdette with 11 points; Darby Smith got 10; Natalee Dillingham and Haley Thacker, four each; Haven King three and Jordan Harper, Addison McClure and Kylee Burns two each.

RCMS JV 45 GCHS JV 21

The Jayvee Lady Rockets cruised to an easy 45-21 win over the Lady Warhawks from Great Crossing Monday night.

Burdette again led her team in scoring with 17 points; Mackenzie Lopez got nine; D. Smith five; Burns and Camryn Cash four each and Karlee Smith, Thacker and King, two each.

"Rockets"

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10; Landon Dillingham scored nine points; Xander Fletcher eight; Kaden Kidwell five; Nick Chasteen four and Rylee DeLeon two points.

The Rockets were 7/11 from the free throw line to Bell's 10/18 and only hit two threes to Bell's six.

Tuesday night at East Jessamine, the Rockets played one of their best games of the season against the 17-8 East Jessamine Jaguars, losing by a score of 65-61 for their 19th loss of the season against only seven wins.

The score was tied at 17 all at the end of the first quarter and the Rockets were down 34-31 at half time. In the third quarter, the Rockets were outscored 15-11, making them down seven at that stop 49-42 and they got down by 10 52-42 at the beginning of the fourth quarter. It was 54-44 when the Rockets went on a 9-2 run to get within three at 54-51 but that was a close as they would get as the Jaguars hit a basket and 9 of 12 free throws in the final minutes for the 65-61 win, their 18th of the season.

Mullins had a big night for his team, hitting four three point baskets and going 7/8 from the free throw line for 27 points; Bishop

got 18 points, including a three point basket and 6/8 free throws; Noel and Hopkins each scored seven points and Matthew Chasteen added two.

The Rockets will now travel to South Laurel Thursday night for a doubleheader with the Lady Rockets and will finish their season at home Friday night, hosting Russell County, for senior night.

The Rockets will play next Tuesday night at RCMS in the 47th District Tournament when they will take on the Pulaski County Maroons in the first game at 6

RCMS JV 32 EJHS JV 43

The Rockets Jayvee team dropped their game to the Jaguar Jayvees 43-32. The Rockets were down 12-6 at the first quarter stop; 22-15 at the half and 33-24 at the end of the third quarter.

Sanders led the scoring with 14 points; Coguer got 11; Kidwell six and Dillingham one.

The Rockets hit two threes in the game, both by Kidwell, to the Jaguars five and were 6/10 from the free throw line to East Jessamine's 6-9.



Casey Coleman runs a fast break during the Lady Rockets' 78-68 win over Great Crossing Monday night. Coleman scored 16 on the night.



Lindsay Jones applies defense in the Lady Rockets' 78-68 win over Great Crossing Monday night. Jones scored nine points in the victory.



Landon Dillingham takes it to the basket during the Rocket junior varsity's win over Bell County Friday night.

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Connor Wright forces a jump ball during the RCMS sixth grade's first round win over Madison Middle Thursday night. The sixth grade defeated in the semi-finals and Foley 47-45 in the finals to win the Commonwealth Middle School Conference Tournament. Walker Craig led the team with 15, Zeke Fain had 13, Xavier Leger added nine, Maddux Parsons scored eight and Wright added two.



Zeke Fain drives the baseline during the sixth grade's win over Madison Middle in first round tourney action last Thursday.



Xavier Leger makes a pass during the sixth grade's win in tourney action last Thursday.



Kaleb Alexander drives to the basket during the seventh grade's first round tourney win over Farristown last Wednesday. The seventh grade lost in the semi-finals to Caudill Saturday morning.



The RCMS sixth grade won the Commonwealth Middle School Conference Tournament Saturday with a 47-45 win over Foley. Members of the team are shown above, front row from left: Zeke Fain, Connor Wright, Luke Ellis, Xavier Leger, Lavan Evans, Dalton Flannery, Hunter Pingleton and Austin Saylor. Back row from left: Isaiah Jackson, Walker Craig, Maddox Parsons, Colin Hamilton and coach Jamie Todd.

Sixth grade takes championship

RCMS takes part in conference tournament

RCMS took part in the Commonwealth Middle School Athletic Conference's Tournament last week with the sixth grade taking the championship Saturday defeating Foley, 47-45.

The eighth grade defeated Farristown 41-35 last

Tuesday in first round action. Ben Brown led with 13, Jace Rogers added nine, Skyler Durham and Dalton Simpson each added eight and Walker Craig scored three.

In semi-final action Friday, the eighth grade lost to Caudill, 48-18. Ben Brown led with nine, Lance Coffey added three and Walker Craig, Dalton Simpson and Jake Cromer each added two points.

The seventh grade defeated Farristown 45-34 in first round action last Wednesday. Walker Craig led his team with 19, Rex Parkey scored eight, Kaleb Alexander, Jace Rogers and Connor Hunt each scored six.

In semi-final action Saturday, the seventh grade lost to Caudill, 49-42.

Walker Craig again led his team, this time with 18 points. Jace Rogers had eight, Rex Parkey scored seven and Connor Hunt added five.

The sixth grade had a great tournament coming away with a tournament championship with a 47-45

win over Foley Saturday.

In first round action, the Rockets defeated Madison Middle 54-22 last Thursday. Walker Craig had a game high 20. Xavier Leger added 13, Maddox Parsons and Connor Wright each scored seven, Luke Ellis added three, Colin Hamilton and Dalton Flannery each scored two.

In the semi-finals, Rockcastle easily defeated Estill County 46-18. Walker Craig had 12, Zeke Fain scored nine, Hunter Pingleton added eight, Xavier Leger scored seven, Maddox Parsons and Luke Ellis each scored three, Connor Wright and Dalton Flannery each scored two.

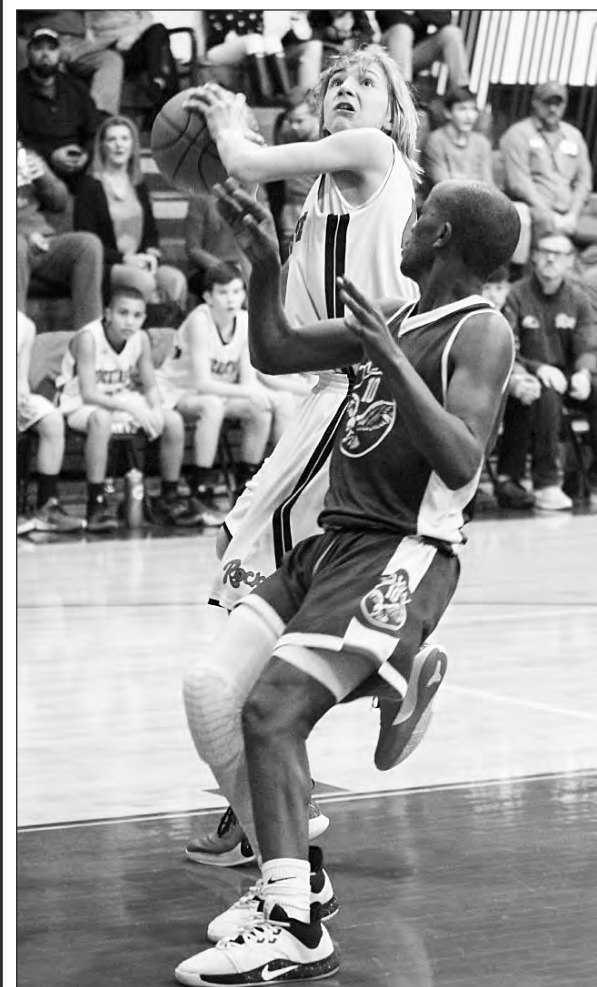
In the championship game, Rockcastle defeated Foley, 47-45.

Walker Craig led with 15, Zeke Fain scored 13, Xavier Leger added nine, Maddox Parsons scored eight and Connor Wright added two.

The sixth grade finished the season with a 21-5 record and 16-1 in conference taking the regular season trophy as well.



Walker Craig runs a fast break during the seventh grade's first round tourney win over Farristown last Wednesday.



Connor Hunt finishes off a fast break during the seventh grade's first round tourney win over Farristown last Wednesday.



Jace Rogers works to bring the ball up the floor during the Rockets' win over Farristown last Tuesday.



Eighth grader Dalton Simpson gets a shot off as he's falling down during the Rockets' win over Farristown last Tuesday. The win was in the first round of the conference tournament.



Skyler Durham and Walker Craig double team a Farristown Flyer during the Rockets' win last Tuesday. The win was in the first round of the conference tournament.

BLUE DEVIL DANCE

Come join our Dance Team.
 Practice is Monday nights.
 Ages 4-7 from 6-7 p.m.
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 Come Monday, February 24 at 6 p.m. to the Livingston Gym to meet Coach Brooklyn Hampton and enroll in class. NO PAYMENT DUE at time of enrollment. First payment will be due at the first class on Monday, March 2.
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FBLA Week declared in Rockcastle

Submitted by:

Jessalyn Burton, FBLA Chapter Reporter

FBLA officers of Rockcastle Area Technology Center met with Mount Vernon City Administrator Josh Bray, on February 5th, to declare the second week of February FBLA Week.

The week was the chapter's way of promoting FBLA and showing students opportunities available through the chapter.

This included various career paths and valuable life skills to be used in their futures.

FBLA Week is also used to boost chapter membership and prepare for upcoming FBLA activities.

Some of the upcoming activities include community service projects, regional competitions, raising money for charities like March of Dimes, etc.

Along with these several activities, students participated in daily themes such as career day, where students will dress in professional attire of their future goal career.



Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash, fourth from right, led the ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Family Dollar/Dollar Tree in Brodhead last Saturday.

RCHS musician performs in KMEA All-State Choir

Tarrylton Dunn, a senior at RCHS, recently took part in the state's highest honor for choir students, the 2020 Kentucky Music Educator's Association All-State TTBB Choir.

Dunn, along with sev-

eral top young singers from across the state, spent three days of intensive rehearsal in Louisville in preparation for a concert given at the Kentucky Center for the Arts on Friday February 7th.

This year's TTBB Men's Choir was under the direction of Dr. Stephen Caldwell, Associate Director of Choral Activities and Department Chair at the University of Arkansas.

Dr. Caldwell is a highly sought after conductor and adjudicator as well as being an accomplished composer and arranger.

Selection for the All-State Choir Program is an intensive audition process involving both prepared and sight-singing excerpts and representing Rockcastle County at this level is truly an honor for Dunn.

Dunn plans to pursue music education in the fall and also serves as the current Drum Major for the Marching Rockets.

Blood Drive set for March 3rd

There will be a blood drive Tuesday, March 3 at the First Baptist Church on West Main Street in Mount Vernon from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. Donors will receive a free t-shirt and all donors must be 17, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health. For more information call 888-775-2522.



Tarrylton Dunn, right, pictured with Dr. Stephen Caldwell during All-State Choir rehearsals.



FBLA officers of Rockcastle Area Technology Center met with Mount Vernon City Administrator Josh Bray, on February 5th, to declare the second week of February FBLA Week. Pictured with Bray are from left: Erin Hindman (Secretary), Jessalyn Burton (Reporter), Audrey Childress (President) and Gentry Phillips (Vice President).



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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Circuit Civil Suits

Lendmark Financial Services LLC v. Heather Barnett, \$2,534 plus claimed due.

Jerusha Mae Robinson, et al v. Rick Bryan Robinson, complaint for child support and medical support.

Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Devon M Pierce, complaint for child support and medical support.

Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Carla Miller, complaint for child support and medical support.

District Civil Suits

Billy and Karen Barron v. Phil Rose, et al, eviction notice.

Portfolio Recovery Asso. LLC v. Jeanette Shanahan, \$1,186 plus claimed due.

Heights Finance Corp. v. Brittany Todd, \$1,996 plus claimed due.

Portfolio Recovery Asso. LLC v. Sharon Heath, \$1,130 plus

claimed due.

Richard L. Lay v. Leonard C. Samples, et al, eviction notice.

Synchrony Bank v. Martin Monaghan, \$1,835 plus claimed due. C-00046

Deeds Recorded

Gene McKinney, property in Rockcastle County, to Jeffery and Tina Miller. Tax \$28

Roy Lee and Velma Croucher, property near Snyder Switch on Dixie hwy., to Meline Renee Jones. Tax \$40

Gage M. and Brianna Clem, property on Hwy. 490, Livingston, to William J. Shumway II. Tax \$124

Alice P. Bowling, Trustee, property on Poplar St., to Larry C. and Lauren E. Newcomb. Tax \$65

Joseph E. and Wanda Ruth Masten, property in Rockcastle county, to Matthew L. and Kayla Stamper. Tax \$14

Pennymac Loan Services LLC, property in Livingston, to Franklin D. Shumate, Jr. and

George F. Shumate. Tax \$19.50

Citizens Bank, property on Copper Creek, to Luke and Jessica Fulton. Tax \$99

James and Stacey Kennedy, property in Rockcastle County, to Erica D. Ball. Tax \$80

Bob Lunsford, property on Peachtree Lane, to David and Jodi Carpenter. Tax \$120

District Court

February 10, 2020

Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
John B. Kemper: drug paraphernalia-buyp/possess, sentencing order entered.

Jacob Singleton: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, unauthorized use of motor vehicle, no operators/moped license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance sec., failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, sentencing orders entered.

David Calvin Barnes: improper display of registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, no brake lights, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

Speeding: Logan W. Bernard, \$38 fine plus costs; Ian M. Buis, \$50 fine plus costs; Karley N. Kramer, Joao Lima, Kenneth Wayne Bird, Daniel Michael Deluca, Chloe Y. Edwards, Nathina Jean Felts, Michael Irvin Hicks, Christopher B. Lange, Patrick Reece Lawyer, James Kipper Melmige, Jean M. Myrthil, Lazarus R. Parker, Patricia Monique Poulin, Joey Edward Reeves, Derrick Jarrod Walker, Jessica R. Wilson, license suspended for fta; Gregory Hayden Gilbert, \$9 fine plus costs;

Mitzy Sue Collett, Donald Ray Shepherd, Michael Stewart Thompson, paid; Joshua C. Zachary, \$42 fine plus costs.

Logan Russell McGuire: giving officer false identifying information, 10 days in jail.

Dennis Teague: speeding, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, license to be in possession, bw issued for fta.

Tara Lee Willis: disorderly conduct: 10 days in jail/costs waived.

Nicole Ann Cromer: trafficking in marijuana, sentencing order entered.

David K. Debord: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Kameron N. Espey: fines/fees due (\$151), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.

Richard Junior Green: leaving scene of accident/failure to render aid or assistance, sentencing order entered.

Randall L. Hendley: public intoxication controlled substance/excludes alcohol, bw issued for

fta. Judson L. Hibner: Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, Driving of Motor Vehicle, \$25 fine plus costs.

Curtis D. Jackson: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.

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The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court in conjunction with the Kentucky Division of Waste Management is pleased to announce the:

2020 Waste Tire Collection Event

March 5th & 6th from 8am until 5pm and March 7th from 8am until 12 noon at the STATE Highway garage (293 Maintenance Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456)

Get rid of your waste tires for free!!!

Tires accepted include Truck, Light Truck, Passenger, Implement, Lawn Tractor, Bicycle, Motorcycle, Golf Cart, Tractor (bead thickness less than 1 3/4 inch), etc. Tires not accepted include foam, calcium or otherwise filled tires, sheet rubber, large off the road tires, off road construction equipment tires with a bead greater than 1 3/4 inch, and solid tires.

Tire retailers, agricultural tire retailers, scrap yards, junk/salvage yards and recycle businesses are not eligible to participate!

If any individual has over 1500 tires in one location, then you need to call at least fourteen days in advance of the collection days to arrange for a special pick up. If anyone is bringing in a very large load, then they may need to unload themselves or wait until our staff can get to them.

Call the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for more information. That's 606-256-1902.

Farm and Industrial Equipment Consignment Auctions

39th Annual London Farm Machinery Consignment Auction
Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.
Laurel County Fairgrounds
Hwy 229, Near Levi Jackson State Park - London, KY
(606) 878-7111 or 800-526-1637
Consignments accepted:
Wed, February 26th, Thurs, February 27th and Fri, February 28th
from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm

45th Annual Brodhead Farm Machinery Consignment Auction
Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.
Brodhead Fairgrounds
Just Off Highway 150, Brodhead, KY
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UPCOMING EVENTS

ACRYLICS WORKSHOP
With Rachelle Riddle
February 20, 2020 6:00-8:00pm
At The Arts Place
Rockcastle Arts Association

INTRODUCTION TO TEACHING ARTISTS OPPORTUNITIES
March 17, 2020
9:00-4:00
At The Arts Place

ROCKCASTLE ARTS ASSOCIATION WATERCOLORS WORKSHOP
with Gina Bussell
THE ARTS PLACE March 19, 2020 6:00-8:00pm

Rockcastle Arts Association
GALLERY SHOW OPENING
FEATURING LOCAL ARTISTS AIMEE RILEY AND BOBBY BARNETT
MARCH 21, 2020 / 5:00 - 7:00 PM
The Arts Place / Main Street, Mt. Vernon

POETRY READING AT THE DEPOT IN LIVINGSTON
Free event!
MARCH 24, 2020 7:00-9:00PM
Rockcastle Arts Association

KIDS PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP
FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS
LIVINGSTON, KY
APRIL 3, 2020 - 9PM-4PM
EXHIBIT OPENING 9/4 @11AM

ROCKCASTLE ARTS ASSOCIATION WORKSHOP POETRY WITH SUSAN MITCHELL
APRIL 8, 2020 6:00-8:00PM
AT THE ARTS PLACE

ROCKCASTLE ARTS ASSOCIATION 3RD ANNUAL ART SHOW
APRIL 24, 2020 - 7:00-9:00PM
@THE ARTS PLACE

ACRYLICS WORKSHOP
With Lydia McLeMore
June 4, 2020 6:00-8:00pm
At The Arts Place
Rockcastle Arts Association

Handlettering Workshops
Handlettering with Brandy Bowman
at The Arts Place
June 18, 2020 6-8PM
Rockcastle Arts Association

60th Annual Farmer & Business Banquet
Thursday, March 5, 2020
Rockcastle County Middle School
Doors open at 6pm—Event begins at 6:30

Guest Speaker
Jim Farmer

Dinner by **Rockcastle County Cattleman's Association**
Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased from the Rockcastle County Conservation District Office or Circuit Clerk Eliza York's office.
Check's payable: RCCD.

Online Registration now available!
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CHURCH NEWS

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, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577 Tuesday, 6 p.m.

•••Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

Alcoholics Anonymous: 7 p.m. on Williams St., Mt. Vernon.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only.

Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only.

Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-

3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the Brodhead Center.

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

Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

Monthly Singing

Philadelphia Baptist Church will hold their monthly singing Sunday, February 23rd, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Featured singers will be Standing in the Gap gospel singing.

Everyone is invited. Church services are held Sundays at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

Benefit Service

Faith Chapel Pentecostal Church will have a Benefit Service for Bro. Curtis and Sister Diana Carpenter on Saturday, February 22nd beginning at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



SALMON CHOWDER

3 slices bacon, diced
1 large yellow onion, diced
2 stalks celery, diced
2 large Russet potatoes, peeled and diced
2 carrots, diced
2 cups low-sodium vegetable broth
1/2 cup whole milk
1/2 cup half-and-half
1 and 1/2 pound skinless salmon fillet, cut into 1-inch cubes
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
1/2 teaspoon dried dill
1/4 teaspoon fine sea salt
1 tablespoon minced chives, for garnish. Cook bacon in a deep, heavy-bottomed pan until crisp. Remove with a slotted spoon and set aside. Cook onion and celery in the bacon fat in the same pot until onion is soft, but not brown. Add potatoes and cook about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally; do not brown. Add carrots and broth and bring to a boil, and then reduce heat and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes. Add milk, half-and-half, salmon, parsley, dill, and salt. Simmer over low heat 10 minutes or until salmon is cooked through and liquid is steaming, but not boiling. Garnish with crispy bacon pieces and chives.

ALFREDO SALMON AND NOODLES

3 cups wide egg noodles or noodle of your choice
1 package (9 ounce) frozen cut broccoli
1 jar (15 ounce) Alfredo pasta sauce
1 can (6 ounce) skinless, boneless salmon packed in water
Cook noodles as directed on package in a 3-quart saucepan, adding broccoli the last 4 to 5 minutes of cooking. Drain and return to saucepan. Stir in remaining ingredients. Cook over low heat 4 to 6 minutes until heated.

SALMON PATE
I prefer the fresh salmon that I have cooked, but you can also use canned salmon (14 ounce) or 2 pouches (7 ounces each) salmon. I like this best on pumpernickel bread, but good with crackers or any bread. About 1 pound salmon, poached, broiled, or baked, and cooled
1 box (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened
1 tablespoon Miracle Whip® or mayonnaise
1 tablespoon lemon juice
2 tablespoons nonpareil capers, chopped
2 tablespoons minced or grated onion
2 teaspoons chopped dill, fresh or dried
If using canned salmon, drain, skin, and remove bones. Flake salmon. Blend cream cheese, mayonnaise, lemon juice, capers, onion, and dill. Stir in the salmon. Chill at least four hours.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

FSA Encourages Producers to Enroll Soon in Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage Programs

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) encourages agricultural producers to enroll now in the Agriculture Risk Loss (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC) programs. March 15, 2020 is the enrollment deadline for the 2019 crop year.

Although more than 200,000 producers have enrolled to date, FSA anticipates 1.5 million producers will enroll for ARC and PLC. By enrolling soon, producers can beat the rush as the deadline nears.

FSA offices have multiple programs competing for the time and attention of our staff. Because of the importance and complexities of the ARC and PLC programs; and to ensure FSA meets your program delivery expectations, please do not wait to start the enrollment process. Call your FSA county office and make an appointment soon to ensure your elections are made and contracts signed well ahead of the deadlines.

ARC and PLC provide financial protections to farmers from substantial drops in crop prices or revenues and are vital economic safety nets for most American farms.

The programs cover the following commodities: barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium and short grain rice, safflower seed, seed cotton, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat.

Until March 15, producers who have not yet enrolled in ARC or PLC for 2019 can enroll for both 2019 and 2020 during the same visit to an FSA county office unless yield updates are requested. Additionally, farm owners have a one-time opportunity to update PLC payment yields that take effect beginning with crop year 2020. If the owner accompanies the producer to the office, the yield update and enrollments may be completed during the same

office visit.

For more information on ARC and PLC, download our program fact sheet or our 2014-2018 farm bills comparison fact sheet. Online ARC and PLC election decision tools are available at fsa.usda.gov/arc/plc. To enroll, contact your FSA county office for an appointment.

Next FSA County Committee Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 8:00 A.M. at the Mt. Vernon USDA Service Center.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations to attend or participate in the COC meeting should contact Warden Alexander at (606) 256-2525 or Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 three days prior to the meeting date.

Office Closure

May 25, 2020- Memorial Day

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Free Admission

February 21st, 2020 @ 7pm

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Deatherage Family Benefit Concert

There will be a Deatherage Family Benefit Concert on Saturday, February 22nd at the Rockcastle County Middle School from 1 to 4 p.m.

Featured singers will be Mikey Howard, Jason Medley and Jaelyn Bullock.

Admission is \$5 per person and there will be concessions available along with a Silent Auction.

Silent auction items include: Biolage color shampoo and conditioner set, Candleberry gift basket, ukulele, two tickets to a show at Renfro Valley, heated travel mug, Scentsy, MO jewelry, handcrafted knife made by Casey McClure, Medley Barber Shop barber services, XX case knife, homemade fudge, homemade earthquake cake, Kristin Childress salon services, family movie night basket, Butterfly canvas pictures, little girl toys.

There will also be gift certificates from: Heart Studios, Lynch's Barber-shop, Peace Be Still Massage, Backporch Smokehouse, Limestone Grille, Marcella's Farm to Fork, Tobacco Barn/Dessert Sun, Jamie Isaacs Photography.

Everyone welcome.

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William Shakespeare once said, All the world is a stage and all the men and women are merely players. They have their exits and entrances and one man may play many parts over his lifetime. The comparison of life to the stage life was in use long before Mr. Shakespeare used it in his plays. It is especially brought to our attention in the Bible by the writings of the apostle Paul.

The apostle Paul had a favorite phrase that we find he often used which was, (put on). You find this phrase in many of his writings. For instance: Romans 13:14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make not provision for the flesh to fulfill the lusts there of. We also find this phrase in Galatians 3:27 those who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

That puts back to Shakespeare once again, that we are performers on a great stage. The first step of putting on Christ was to be baptized. Again Galatians 3:27 As many of you who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. It is only after we change inwardly by being born of the water and of the spirit that we are capable of changing outwardly so that when men see us they see Christ, in our daily lives and not just ourselves. 2 Corinthians 3:2-3 Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men, forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but in fleshly tables of the heart. And our lives are living examples of what Christians are to be, we living out the word of God in our lives every day. We are reminded of the beautiful words of the poet. We are the only Bible, this careless world will read, we are the sinner's gospel, we are the scoffer's creed. We are the Lord's last message, given in deed and in word. What if the type is crooked or the print is blurred?

Will people be able to see Jesus in us, if our lives are not what they should be, if the examples we set are not good and pure and holy and stand out from those that are in the world who are imposters. Let us be sure that our examples are not blurred and hard to read.

Thank you for reading this article. I pray God blesses you and keeps you safe another week and that you live, you live it to glorify the Lord. Have you ever noticed the man that says he doesn't go to church because of hypocrites, isn't influenced by those folks from going anywhere else? If you have questions you would like to ask one of the brethren you can contact us at Bro. Dale McNew: 859-582-4021 or Bro. Ova Baker: 606-878-8104

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Frankfort Update

**By R. Travis Brenda
State Representative**
House sends Senate public health, pension, and criminal justice legislation

Week six of the 2020 Regular Session allowed legislators an opportunity to work on several critical issues, including public health, our public pension, and criminal justice legislation.



From the input from constituents, each of these issues are of vital interest to most of the people in District 71. Of course, I always look forward to hearing from my district, so please feel free to reach out using the contact information at the end of this article.

Before I begin, I want to take a moment to celebrate the big news coming out of Fort Knox. That post will soon be home to the U.S. Army's newest headquarters. That means more than 635 soldiers will be added to the post, 200 of whom will support a new operational command post in Europe on a rotational basis. This is going to have an incredible economic impact for the region, but also for the entire state. Army leadership gave a great deal of credit to our state's military-friendliness, citing many of the bills we have passed over the past couple of years as a reason for this decision. We continue to see evidence that the policies we are adopting are paying off. While it takes time, the hard work will pay off and we will see every Kentucky community prosper.

This week, the House approved HB 129, legislation that seeks to transform the way that public health services are delivered. The bill changes how local health departments approach the programs they offer by placing a priority on essential services they are mandated to

provide. HB 129 has broad support from public health departments across the state. Paying for public health has become a struggle in many of our communities. The state's 81 public health departments face an almost \$39 million deficit. Additionally, an estimated 18 face closure if they do not immediately deal with their financial problems. This would spell disaster for the 41 counties they serve. The majority of financial issues are directly related to their public pension costs. However, many within the public health system have brought forward concerns that new programs have been added over time, while the ongoing need for existing programs is rarely evaluated.

Health departments and other "quasi-governmental" agencies are also the topic of HB 171, which we approved this week. This bill is part of an ongoing effort to address our public pension crisis and provide relief to these "quasis" as we describe the public health departments, domestic violence shelters, and even our regional universities who participate in the Kentucky Employee Retirement System plan. During the 2019 Special Session, we passed legislation aimed at giving relief to quasi-governmental agencies that were struggling with the skyrocketing cost of their employee pension payments. HB 171 is based on the recommendations of the Public Pension Oversight Board and basically shifts how we base payments from a percentage of the payroll to the dollar value of how much they actually owe. I spoke with the directors of the Health Departments in Garrard, Madison, and Rockcastle counties. Overall, HB 129 and HB 171 are beneficial to the Health Departments ability to maintain their care services.

We also took action on two common sense pieces of legislation aimed at cleaning up criminal justice laws. We passed HB 327, which calls for the automatic expungement of criminal charges when someone has those charges dismissed or when a grand jury fails to indict them. One of the basic tenets of our criminal justice system is that we are innocent until proven guilty, so it is incredible to me that this is not already happening.

If it becomes law, HB 284 would establish credits for men and women who complete GED, vocational/technical education, or drug treatment programs while on probation. The program credit should incentivize those who have committed crimes to pursue a path that helps them find an alternative to further criminal activity and allow them to contribute positively to their communities.

The House also approved legislation that would make the construction process safer by imposing stronger welding certification standards. HB 306 would establish requirements that mandate structural steel welding training for welders and certified inspectors. Unfortunately, we have learned the hard way how important this is after welding done on a school construction project in Western Kentucky failed.

As always, if you have any questions or comments about this session, I can be reached during the week from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. (EST) through the toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181. You can also contact me via e-mail at Travis.Brenda@lrc.ky.gov. You can keep track of committee meetings and potential legislation through the Kentucky Legislature Home Page at legislature.ky.gov and you can also follow me on Facebook page, Rep. R. Travis Brenda, KY House District 71 or on twitter @RBrenda71.

Legislative Update...

**By Jared Carpenter
State Senator**

As the Senate eagerly awaits the holiday weekend and a budget proposal from the House of Representatives, we remain busy in Frankfort passing bills both out of committee and out of the Senate to send to our colleagues in the lower chamber during a rainy sixth week of the 2020 Regular Session.



The Governor has already signed a couple of House Bills into law. House Bill 236 incorporates federal United States Department of Agriculture guidelines related to hemp into the Kentucky statute. It establishes hemp testing procedures for the Kentucky Department of Agriculture and opens up private market testing to help address a backlog of hemp products. This bill benefits our agriculture industry and Kentucky hemp farmers. House Bill 186 eliminates potentially costly requirements for more than 171,000 Kentuckians who operate direct sales or multi-level marketing businesses.

Main topics of discussion this week included measures relating to students, health care, and the overall well-being of Kentuckians.

School safety legislation, Senate Bill 8, is heading to the Governor's desk following its passage in the House late last week. If signed into law, Senate Bill 8 would require trained and certified school resource officers to be armed on public school campuses. It would also allow a school superintendent to appoint someone other than a district-level school administrator to serve as the district's school safety coordinator. This multifaceted measure also specifies the goal of having at least one school counselor or school-based mental health services provider for every 250 students. This bill is a continuation of the General Assembly's efforts to increase safety within our school

walls, and I hope to see it signed into law very soon.

Senate Bill 101 ensures dual credit hours earned in high school would be transferable to Kentucky's colleges and universities. In dual credit, a student is enrolled in a course that allows the pupil to earn high school credit and college credit simultaneously. Several years ago, the General Assembly passed similar legislation dealing with two-year colleges and four-year universities. That legislation aligned courses with the colleges so the credits earned for those course hours could be transferred to universities. I was proud to support Senate Bill 101 this session as it provides students an affordable and efficient avenue to obtain higher education.

Nearly 900,000 Kentuckians, including almost 30,000 children, have been diagnosed with an eating disorder, an illness that is often overlooked. Senate Bill 82 targets access to care for eating disorders by establishing the Kentucky Eating Disorder Council. The group would oversee the development and implementation of eating disorder awareness, education, prevention, and research programs. The council would also be responsible for making recommendations regarding legislative and regulatory changes to improve access to care for those diagnosed with an eating disorder.

Senate Bill 122 would make a change to Tim's Law of 2017, a much-heralded law that has rarely been used by the courts. The law allows judges to order assisted outpatient treatment for people who have been involuntarily hospitalized at least twice in the past 12 months. Senate Bill 122 would extend the period to 24 months so more Kentuckians with serious mental illnesses could receive help the law is designed to provide.

The goal of Senate Bill 122 is to stop the proverbial revolving door of mentally ill patients at state psychiatric hospitals and county jails.

The law is named for Tim Morton, a Lexington man who was hospitalized for psychiatric treatment dozens of times over 36 years, often involuntarily and in police handcuffs, because he did not recognize that he had schizophrenia. A bipartisan measure, Senate Bill 122 passed by a 33-1 vote.

Senate Bill 30 would limit Kentucky to three managed care organizations, known as MCOs in healthcare parlance, to operate the commonwealth's massive Medicaid program. The goal with this legislation would be to reduce costs for medical providers. Supporters of Senate Bill 30 said medical providers, particularly rural hospitals, were drowning in paperwork associated with complying with multiple MCOs' peculiar rules concerning everything from credentialing of doctors and facilities to pre-authorizations, appeals, and payments for medical care. They added that Senate Bill 30 would also save taxpayer money by reducing the state's contract compliance monitoring of the MCOs. Senate Bill 30 reflects wider frustrations with MCOs, once touted as a way to reduce the cost of administering Medicaid.

Senate Bill 123 would confirm various executive orders reorganizing the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. It would also create a new division of telehealth services after the state disbanded a telehealth board a couple of years ago. The new division would allow the cabinet to continue to provide oversight and resources to Kentucky's telehealth providers. Telehealth is the use of technologies, such as videoconferencing, to support long-distance health care programs. It is seen as a way to reduce health care costs while expanding health care access to rural areas.

If you have any questions or comments about these issues or any other public policy issue, please call me toll-free at 1-800-372-7181 or email me at Jared.Carpenter@LRC.ky.gov. You can also review the legislature's work online at www.legislature.ky.gov.



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B.J. Thomason, Post Commander of the VFW, James Morgan, RTEC Fleet Manager, Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook and American Legion Chaplain Don Gabbard, stand in front of the van donated to the Rockcastle County Honor Guard. The donation was approved through the office of Congressman Hal Rogers and will be used by the local Honor Guard to carry veterans and equipment to military funerals in and around the county.

RTEC donates van to Honor Guard

By: Mike French Editor

With the approval of Congressman Hal Rogers office and RTEC, the Rockcastle County Honor Guard will now have a much easier time performing their honored duties. RTEC donated a 13-passenger van to Rockcastle County this week

and Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook said the county will leasing the bus to the Honor Guard. "This is a great thing for our Honor Guard. When we have a military service, we will no longer have to depend on other counties and our own Honor Guard will be able to perform the service," Don Gabbard, Honor

Guard President and Chaplain of the Rockcastle County American Legion, along with B. J. Thomason, Commander of the Honor Guard and Post Commander of the VFW, along with the DAR and local first responders have all played a part in getting the van donated and will play a part in the Honor Guard organization, according

to Thomason. "Local veterans and first responders will be taking part in the services at military funerals," he said. Gabbard said operating the Honor Guard takes a team effort. "This is certainly a co-operative effort," said Gabbard. "and having (See "VAN" on A5)

New police chief takes over reins in Brodhead

By: Mike French Editor

The City of Brodhead has now hired a new police chief. Richard Reynolds, 48, is a native of Williamsburg, lives in London, but will spend his days in Brodhead.

There were many applications and resumes to examine while looking for a new police chief, after the unexpected resignation of Travis Davis, but Reynolds stood out among the crowd for several reasons, according to officials.

Reynolds served his country in the United States Navy, served the City of London Police Department for exactly 20 years until he retired on December 31 of 2019, and is now anxious to serve the citizens of Brodhead.

"I want everyone to know, Josh (Foster, Brodhead police officer) and I have an open door policy," said Reynolds. "We hope people will feel welcome to approach us with any issue. We are here for the good people of Brodhead."

Reynolds worked his way through the ranks to become police sergeant in London before his retirement and during those

years he served the department in many capacities.

"Richard has a varied background with strong credentials in many different areas of law enforcement and administration," said City Commissioner Brian Bullock. "He will be a strong addition not only to our police department, but to our community."

After accepting the

(See "Chief" on A5)

Public meeting

Don't forget the public meeting of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court Thursday, March 5 at 10 a.m. The meeting will be held in the third floor conference room at the court house which will focus on the purchase of an ambulance for the Rockcastle County Ambulance Service.

Ten years ago

There had already been 16 days of school missed due to snow in Rockcastle County ten years ago this week

Farmer's/Business Banquet

Don't forget the Farmer's/Business Banquet, with special guest Tim Farmer. The annual event is planned for next Thursday, March 5th. For more information call (606) 256-2525

Blood Drive planned

There will be a blood drive Tuesday, March 3 at the First Baptist Church on West Main Street in Mount Vernon from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. Donors will receive a free t-shirt and all donors must be 17, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health. For more information call 888-775-2522.

City receives 2019 annual Audit

No surprises reported

By: Mike French Editor

The Mount Vernon City Council meeting began on a jovial note last Thursday evening when councilmember Shelly Lewis Raines noticed nearly \$1 million in the Bittersweet Festival city account.

The council had been presented the monthly financial reports for approval when Raines spoke out, "Am I to assume this is a misprint and our Bittersweet Festival is not going to cost a million dollars?" she asked. "We are going all out this year," said City Administrator Josh Bray,

jokingly. After laughter subsided, Bray explained that the recent CDBG of \$1 million was placed in that account by necessity. "The way the state has the grant structured, we had to place that grant into that particular account," Bray said. "It is not a misprint, but those funds are part of the recent Community Development Block Grant."

The theme throughout the night, even as the city's annual audit was presented, centered on the fact that budget and audit numbers on paper do not necessarily reflect actual budgets. "That account (Bitter-

sweet account) does have that much in the account right now but it is because the way our new CBDG grant was structured made us have to funnel the funds through that account until it is disbursed," said Bray.

Echoing that subject, John Craft, of Craft and Noble Certified Public Accountants, said several of the numbers "on paper" in the city's annual audit do not reflect how the city is actually doing financially.

"If you notice, some areas may reflect a negative balance. But actually there is no problem at all with the funds the city spends on a day to day basis," said Craft. "The city's concern is dollars that come in through revenue and go out in expenditures. Reality is not always what has to appear on paper legally."

Craft discussed a few areas in the audit that may appear to show negative numbers, but he said those numbers do not reflect what the city actually owes. "The state pension system deficit, for example, has to show up on these reports for all cities and for many schools and other entities as well," he said. "But the city will not have to write a check

for a million dollars. It just legally has to be reported this way. The report shows a negative balance of a million dollars but without that state pension deficit, it would show almost a \$2 million balance."

Craft continued to go

over the audit with the council and continued to say the audit had no deficiencies or irregularities that don't appear in all audits throughout the state. "Your audit is good news," said Craft. "Our

(See "Audit" on A5)

Nominees named to fill Circuit Judge seat in 28th District

When Judge David A. Tapp resigned his judicial seat to accept the appointment as a federal court judge for the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, he left vacant the Circuit Judgeship of Lincoln, Pulaski and Rockcastle counties 28th district. Tapp was nominated for the new judgeship by President Donald Trump.

According to the Kentucky Constitution, when a judicial seat is left vacant, three names must be submitted to the Judicial Nominating Committee by Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton to fill the opening. Those three nominees then meet with the commission and their names are submitted to the governor who has 60 days to appoint a replacement to the office until the general election in November.

Chief Justice Minton released the names of the three nominees this week. Of the three nominated, one is a Brodhead resident.

Jerry Jones Cox, of Brodhead, has a law practice in Mt. Vernon and has served as an attorney for 52 years. Cox is also the President of the Public Advocacy Commission and received his juris doctorate degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law.

(See "Audit" on A5)

Pigs cause fatal crash

By: Mike French Editor

According to a report from the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department, an unidentified woman was killed and two others injured after pigs caused a crash on I-75 in Rockcastle County on Wednesday, February 5th.

The report says at about 5:00 p.m., a Chevrolet Malibu heading south on I-75 near mile marker 72, stopped

in the roadway because a group of pigs were on the highway. The driver told police the pigs were headed towards her so she swerved and stopped.

However, a tractor trailer, also southbound, struck the stopped car in the rear. This collision caused the Malibu to move forward, striking another southbound tractor trailer.

Two occupants of the car were transported to (See "Pigs" on A5)

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

I was very impressed with the performance of the Rockcastle Lady Rockets Monday night.

They knew it was going to be a rough game and they came prepared. Toward the end of the game especially, it reminded me of the old saying, "when the going gets tough, the tough get going."

The Lady Rockets saw their six point lead, with four minutes left in the game dwindle to nothing -- a tie at 39 all. But, with 8.1 seconds left on the game clock, junior Casey Coleman exhibited nerves of steel when she was able to walk up to the free throw line and sink two free throws to give her team a two point edge. Then the girls kept their cool and denied PC a shot in the last few seconds of the game and Coleman even came up with the ball on an inbounds play by PC to secure the win.

The Lady Rockets will have their work cut out for them Wednesday night when they take on the Casey County Lady Rebels, a team that has defeated them twice in regular season, but they will move on to the regionals either way.

Again, congratulations Lady Rockets on a well-deserved win.

I have been amazed for the last eighteen months or so -- yes, about the time the campaign for the 2020 Presidential election campaign got underway by the Democrats, at how far left the Democrats have veered to the point where their main candidate's entire platform is Socialism - free everything for everyone - until, according to former UK Prime

Minister Margaret Thatcher, you run out of other people's money.

Of course, one of the main facets of instituting this form of government is taking away people's means of defending themselves, their guns. And, of course, you have to have a generation of millenials who have been brainwashed that our country is an evil, racist, unfair society that needs to be brought to heel and everyone treated equally -- both economically and socially.

I have no problem with the last part. I sincerely do not believe I have ever judged anyone because of the color of their skin. The first part is a different matter. I have always felt that if an

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



"If I could just be good enough to play with old John, I would know I made it." But those who play with John march to a different drummer.

Oh to be good enough to play an instrument with a real band would be so nice I thought. Then I would know I could really play.

John Cosby and the Bluegrass Drifters.

I had seen him on stage many times and then he was named the Bluegrass Band of the Year by the Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass Music Association..

Old John traveled the world with the best players out there. Everyone in his band was world class talent. If I could ever be

good enough to play with old John, I'd know I could play.

I was lucky enough to fall into a band with Old John's sister Betty. We ended up winning the Madison County Fair Talent Show and the Lexington Fayette Mall State Bluegrass Contest.

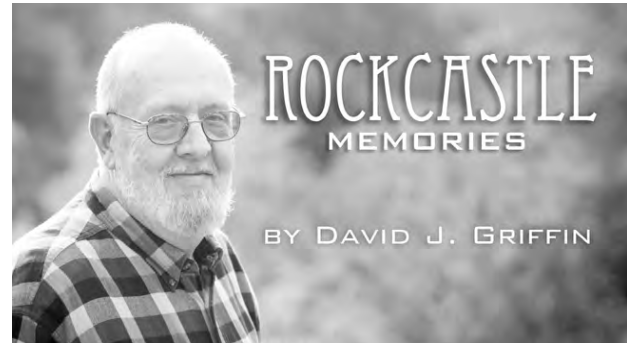
After years of working hard and playing all over the state, old John finally called me at home one evening.

"Mike, I go on stage in 30 minutes and my banjo player didn't show up. Can you get here?"

I ended up playing as a Bluegrass Drifter for a total of 14 years and sitting on old John's porch playing music as a friend for 45 years.

For some reason, John and I got along the best ever. We traveled the country playing Bluegrass festivals and

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Stamp Collecting

When my wife and I were moving from our home on Furnace Mountain in Powell County to our new home in Mt. Sterling, I ran across my old stamp collection, one that I began while I was young. I had not had any occasion in recent years to even try to locate it. I had not seen the collection for countless years, and I certainly would not have been terribly surprised if I had never found it. Nevertheless, it did bring back memories.

My grandmother (Mommie Katie) actually got me started collecting stamps when I left home to attend my freshman year at the University of Kentucky. One weekend when I was at home visiting, Mommie asked me to help her clean out a

large chest which she had stored for years in one of the second floor bedrooms of her house.

When we opened the chest, we found box after box of letters that she had stored from the early part of her marriage to Pop, my grandfather. The letters were from family members and friends with whom she had corresponded for most of her life.

One of the reasons for her collection of these old letters originated from the time when she and Pop were living in the Hopewell section of Rockcastle County. The two of them were operating a store, and Pop became the official postmaster of the small rural community. Mommie Katie apparently spent a lot of time corresponding with her family and friends, wherever they may be. She must have saved every letter that she received from those folks.

Mommie Katie asked me if I wanted to keep the envelopes (and stamps) of these very old letters. I thought about her question and decided to find out whether the stamps had any potential value. So I stacked the letters into a large cardboard box to sort through at a later date.

When I returned to UK, I purchased a book

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Points East

By Ike Adams



Lord knows I hope it ain't so, but I hear tell the road to hell is paved with good intentions and The Lord also knows that I'm full of them. At least I personally believe that they are mostly good, politics notwithstanding.

Of course most of my intentions are predicated on the notion that other people will be agreeable co-conspirators and that they will, in fact, perform between 90 and 100% of the direct labor involved in most of the stuff I intend to accomplish. Several other of these good

intentions involve counting numerous chicks before the eggs hatch and almost all of them assume that said eggs will be conveniently laid.

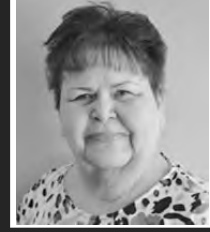
For example, I intend to grow a couple of hoops of black satin fall beans, the eggs, for which, may be somewhat difficult to come by. The terrible, Charlie Brown Road drought of 2019 caused the black satin crop to fail without producing a single pod of beans to save seed. Younger brother, Steve, may have pulled some through and there's a chance I can find some in the bottom of our freezer, where saved garden seeds have been accumulating for more than 20 years. Not a lot of seeds got saved last year but I have had good luck planting seeds that had been frozen for ten years, or longer.

You may recall that I got carried away with saving nearly a dozen varieties of heirloom tomato seeds during the summer of 2018. I offered them, for sale, to readers of this column and subsequently found myself overwhelmed. I had expected that a

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Max's Loudon Square Buffet

Dear Journal,
My first encounter with the Loudon Square Buffet came in the mid 1970's when my Uncle "Junior" Norton would take me there. He worked in Lexington at the time at Trane air conditioning factory. My Grandma Evelyn Norton had fallen and broken her hip and was in St. Joseph Hospital and recovering in a rehab for several weeks. It was during the winter, and school was hit-and-miss depending on the weather. I stayed with Grandma in the hospital and rehab most of the winter and went back to London for school when and if there was school. I was probably a freshman or sophomore.

I stayed with Uncle Junior at his apartment when I wasn't with Grandma or back in London. He worked the 3 to 11 shift. He got up just in time for lunch. We would head over to Max's Loudon Square Buffet about noon. Everything

was always so good and there was a variety of food. It was all you could eat for about four dollars or maybe five. That included your drink and dessert. It was a pioneer in the field of such restaurants.

Since those days, I've been to Max's buffet

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ramblings...

by; *perlina m. anderkin*
 able-bodied man will not work then he should not eat from the sweat of others who do work. I know that's an over simplification that will draw the ire of some folks but it is what it is. I also firmly believe that ANYONE who receives government assistance in any form should be drug-tested. I know people rage if the government tries this but I believe firmly that if a family is receiving benefits, including food stamps, and the adult(s) cannot pass a

drug test then the children in that family are not going to be fed and cared for anyway. Do I know the answer of what then to do? No, I do not. I certainly don't advocate taking children from their families but maybe a mandatory rehab program for the adult(s) and a caregiver for the children in the meanwhile?

Anyway, the Democrat front-runner Bernie Sanders seems to have all the answers for the ills of every American with his programs for Medicare for all (which a few years back he said would absolutely bankrupt our na-

tion) not to mention doing away with all private health insurance plans, college debt loan forgiveness (\$1.6 trillion), abortion to birth, free child care, gun confiscation, \$15 minimum wage, tuition free college, the Green New Deal, the right for all prison inmates to vote, and on and on and on, the cost amounting to anywhere from \$60 trillion to \$97.5 trillion. Our entire economy for 2019 amounted to \$21.439 trillion.

Now, mind you, Bernie isn't the only candidate that has endorsed all of this. All of the other Democratic candidates have also so there's really nothing to choose between their policies.

The establishment Democrats are still trying to push former vice president Joe Biden over the finish line but unless there is a 180 degree turn around in Democrat voters' opinions, there is little to no chance of this happening. Make no mistake, Biden has also espoused the same socialists ideas and would be very little, if any, improvement over a Sanders' presidency.

Perhaps at some point, our country will regain its equilibrium and once again moderates in both parties will reign but until that happens I will have to vote for the candidate who at least has proven that he loves this country, that he has the best interests of this country at heart, that has shown NO evidence of racism at all and has shown that he has a grasp on what is needed for our economy that will benefit the most of us.

Hold on to your hat folks, it's going to be a bumpy ride this year.

“Aces”

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events. But those players who were good enough to play with John, marched to a different drummer.

The road life is something a person just can't understand unless they have done it.

You and four other men, together 24-hours per day, rehearsing and performing and laughing and singing and getting into trouble.

Luckily for me as a young, impressionable player, John didn't have any drugs or alcohol around his band. But we sure found other ways to make memories.

Old John took me under his wing for some reason, and we were not only band mates but were the very best of friends.

We would spend a week out playing gigs

and traveling down interstates and yet every night at home, he would still call me just to chat, or I would visit him just to enjoy our friendship.

He would sit with me for hours at a time telling me about phrasing, timing, punctuation, vocal swells or just tell me stories about his 50 years on the road.

It is impossible to count the number of beginner musicians that learned their craft from Old John. They had to also learn to march to the beat of a different drummer.

I can't count the players who went on from Old John to play with the biggest bands in the country.

But Old John got us ready. He cared. He taught us, he showed us the good and the bad and the ugly.

I was blessed to learn from a man who not only cared about music, but cared about life and honesty, and morals and fairness.

As one of his closest friends in those years, I stood by his side when the promoters explained that he couldn't pay John for the show we just played. I also watched as John never mentioned that to the band as he paid them out of his own pocket. He would wink at me letting me know it was just between us.

I've watched him brag on players who had done him wrong over the years. I've seen him build up those who were discouraged and I've seen him help those who would not have had another way.

But most of all, I saw Old John love. He loved his family. He loved his music. He loved his home. And mostly, he loved God and he never hid that fact.

I ended up touring the country with Vern Gosdin because Old John taught me how to march to the beat of a different drummer.

And now, Tuesday evening, John Cosby's home sits quiet with countless pictures on the wall showing the many bands he formed over his career. I am in some of them. Standing alongside a breed of people that march to their own drummer.

Yes, Old John taught me more about music than any man ever has. Now that he is gone, and there is a hole in the music world, it seems clear to me, that old John was our drummer all along.

“T. J.'s”

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many times and it is always the same. Now it is \$8.99 for five or more

kinds of meat, several sides, salad bar, dessert bar, breads, and your drink. Most recently, Stanley and I went there to eat, as we usually do when in Lexington, following a trip to the UK Medical Center. For the first time, I started a conversation with Max.

I learned that Max was eighty-two years old and never missed a day at the restaurant unless he was in the hospital. He had fallen once and had to miss a few days. The building was built around 1968 and Max opened the buffet in 1972. Let it never be said that Max Flannery didn't like his job. He is hands-on and cooks in the back. From time to time he comes from the kitchen to see about the front and run the cash register as necessary. He has been open every weekday, weekend and as far as I know every holiday, serving holiday meals including Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter dinners. That is a lesson in true work ethic.

I asked Max, “What is your secret for staying open for so long? Good food at a good price?” He replied, “Yes, good food at a good price”. While other buffets, steak houses, pizza parlors and restaurants all over Lexington have opened and run their course and closed, the two icons, Max and his buffet are still rolling along strong. The dining room was full as it usually is when we were there. Just about the whole state has eaten at Max's at one time or the other. He says with pride that he has fried over a million pounds of Alaskan cod since opening. Quite the achievement.

Max's Loudon Square Buffet is quite unique. It is like a little gathering spot for the community. It seems that everyone knows everyone else. You would think that you were eating at a little country cafe in a small town about like Mount Vernon. This is just a wonderful little place. If you would like to get in on this treasure, it is at the corner of North Broadway and Loudon Avenue, between Transylvania University and the Lexington Legends' Whitaker Bank baseball field.

“Points East”

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couple dozen of you would want some mater seeds but that particular road to hell turned out to be paved harder than cast iron. I have forgotten exactly how many of you responded to the call, but the number was in the hundreds.

Thank goodness, my

unofficially adopted granddaughter, 12 years old at the time, Alyssa Edwards, turned out to be the most proficient mater seed counter/handler/packager that I have ever encountered. Getting a dozen seeds inside a 2 square inch, zip lock seed packet was taking Mr. Parkinson and me several minutes per packet. Alyssa politely suggested that I get out of her way as she stuffed well over a thousand seed packets in just a few short hours.

I intend to grow tomatoes from seed again this year, utilizing seeds we saved in 2018. I never saved a single seed last year but I still have several varieties that Alyssa packaged. Alyssa has agreed to help harvest the seeds and save them again in 2020. However, she is now a teenager and I have had enough experience raising 4 teenagers to know a thing or two about teen age angst so we'll just have to see how the next tomato seed project turns out. In other words, don't be holding your breath on this one.

I intend to purchase another 150 feet of durable garden hose. By the time last year's drought had reached epic proportions in the garden, none of the places we checked locally still had heavy duty garden hoses in stock. The panic was already in full swing by the time I realized my garden was in trouble. As things turned out, we had, by far, the most unproductive fall garden that I've ever attempted to grow. I intend to get a hose long enough to reach it while hoping that the hose does nothing with more utility than hang on a hook in the garage.

Of course, none of my good gardening intentions will come close to being fulfilled unless my brother, Andy, is also loaded down with them. In reality, I mostly intend for Andy and Alyssa to do all the heavy lifting. In the meantime I have already purchased a lot of seeds and I intend for Loretta to dig a bunch more out of our freezer.

If the road to hell and the garden get paved, it won't, entirely, be my fault. At least that's my story and, as usual, I'm sticking to it.

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Livingston Fire and Rescue will have a Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, March 6th, beginning at 5 p.m. The meal will consist of: spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, dessert and drink. Cost is \$8 for 13 and up and \$4 for 12 and under. Music will be by Donovan Howard. Proceeds go to Livingston Fire & Rescue squad.

Hospice Hop: 50s Rock-n-Roll

The Hospice Hop, a 50s Rock-n-Roll event will be held Friday, March 27th, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Silver Eagle. It will be a night of live music, dancing and much more. Music will be provided by the Wild River Band. There will be classic cars, a cake walk, silent auction, an Elvis impersonator and a 50s costume contest. All guests will receive a free ice-cream float in a souvenir cup. \$20 per person. Tickets online at hospicecareplus.org or at the door. All proceeds benefit Hospice Care Plus. For more information/questions, call 859-986-1500.

Hot Rod Sign-Ups

Hot Rod T-Ball sign-ups for 3-5 year-olds will be held the first and second weekends in April at Wendy's from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 606-308-5319 for more information.

Celebrate Sobriety Service

CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7 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, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

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

Alcoholics Anonymous: 7 p.m. on Williams St., Mt. Vernon.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only. Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the Brodhead Center.

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

Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

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

Larry Kidwell

Larry Kidwell, 72, of Lexington, husband of Jewell, died Sunday, February 23, 2020 at Baptist Health Lexington. He was born May 13, 1947, in Berea, to the late Willie and Maggie (Martin) Kidwell. He married Jewell McClure on June 15, 1968 and from that union came two children, Lori and Andrew. He was a member of North View Baptist Church in Lexington, enjoyed fishing, UK Basketball, youth baseball, and his grandchildren. He was a member of the Lake Ellerslie Fishing Club.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife of 52 years, Jewell Kidwell; two children, Lori Kidwell (Cory House) of Lexington and Andrew (Melanie) Kidwell of Nicholasville; two grandchildren, Brandt Kidwell and Blaire Kidwell; two sisters, Juanita (Charlie) Norris of Brodhead and Eva (Paul) Vaughn of Lawrenceburg; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Terry Murphy officiating. Burial was in Piney Grove.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial contribution may be sent to North View Baptist Church in Lexington and/or Brodhead Baptist Church in Brodhead.

Condolences may be made at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

June Harper

June Harper, 77, of Brodhead, wife of Jerry Lee Harper, died Sunday, February 23, 2020 at Stanford Care and Rehabilitation in Stanford. She was born June 30, 1942 in Van, WV, a daughter of the late Sidney Johnson McNeely and Mammie Elizabeth Warner McNeely. She found great joy in listening to gospel music, flower gardening, and quilting.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her husband, Jerry Lee Harper of Brodhead; her children, Felicia Duncan of Cincinnati, OH, Lorei Tate (Gordon) of Richmond, Tim Duncan of Pueblo, CO, Lee Duncan (Jaylyn) of Florida and Howard Harper (Missy) of Brodhead; sisters, Anna Yaden (John) of Demossville; as well as a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: daughters, Sheila Lovell, Debbie Duncan, and infant Cecilia Duncan; brothers, Jr. McNeely, William McNeely and James McNeely; and sisters, Pauline McNeely, Lulie Bowling, and Loretta Robinson.

Visitation will be Thursday, February 27 from 10 a.m.-2p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.

Funeral services will be Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 2 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Jonathan Grizzell officiating. Burial will follow in Cresthaven Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Jean Hiatt Murphy

Jean Hiatt Murphy, 94, of Lexington, died Friday, February 21, 2020 at Bluegrass Care & Rehabilitation Center. She was born March 27, 1925, the daughter of Willie Lee and Margie Parsons Hiatt. A native of Wildie, she received her teaching certification from Eastern Kentucky University. She began her teaching career in a one-room schoolhouse in Rockcastle County and continued to teach in Lexington. She was a member of Northeast Christian Church in Lexington. Devoted to her family, she was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother who was well known for her strong Christian faith, her nurturing spirit, and her compassionate heart. She had a great love for the Lord and her family and enjoyed flowers and cooking for her family.

She is survived by: her loving husband of 71 years, George W. Murphy, Jr.; their four children, Jane Murphy Hrabak and husband Albert of Lexington, Jeannie Schneider and husband Larry of Huntsville, AL, George Murphy III and wife Marylou of Berea, and Amy Murphy McBroom and husband Clint of Tallassee, AL; a brother, Dr. Jack Hiatt of Lexington; and two sisters, Betty Shelton of Lexington, and June Stevens of Wildie. Seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren also survive. She was preceded in death by: a grandson, Jeremiah Murphy; two sisters, Lucille Bowles and Virginia Younce; and a brother, Billy Hiatt.

Funeral services were conducted February 25, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Rev. Clint McBroom. Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: grandchildren, Peter Hrabak, Jonas Murphy, and Jacob Murphy; great grandchildren, Hunter Murphy and Kayden Murphy; and nephew, Dr. Willie Lee Hiatt.

Honorary pallbearers were: brother, Dr. Jack Hiatt; sons-in-law, Albert Hrabak, Larry Schneider, and Rev. Clint McBroom; grandsons-in-law, Darren Henderson, and Daniel Krenn; and great grandson, Jack Henderson.

Donations are requested to the Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org

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

Glenn William Jones

Glenn William Jones, 61, of Brodhead, died Friday, February 21, 2020 at Baptist Health Hospital in Lexington. He was born in Oklahoma City, OK on December 22, 1958, the son of Paul and Charlotte Gault Jones. He was a retired inspector for the Oklahoma Department of Highways and was a graduate of Covington Douglas High School. He enjoyed kayaking and photography, and had a great love for, and enjoyed caring for all things nature.

He is survived by: his wife, Pebbles Gannon Jones; children, Andrew, Kyle, Zachary, Karlie, Chelsea, and Shaela; brothers, Rodger Jones, Jon Jones, Lynn Jones, and Jay Gault; and nine grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Michael Avery and a sister, Connie Avery.

A Celebration of Life service will be conducted (today) Thursday, February 27, 2020 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Olive Branch Church by Mr. Tony Renner. Music will be provided, as well as food by the Back Porch Smokehouse. The church will be open at 5:30 p.m. Thursday to receive flowers and donations to the family.

The family of Mr. Jones would like to thank the many doctors, nurses, and medical staff at Baptist Health Hospital 2B ICU for their excellent care.

Arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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

Wanda Wood

Wanda Wood, 80, of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, February 15, 2020 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was born at Calloway in Rockcastle County on May 21, 1939, the daughter of David and Marie Phillips Stallworth. She was a homemaker and a member of Calloway Holiness Church. She enjoyed sewing, reading, making candy, and playing board games with her family.

She is survived by: her husband, Jim Wood; three sons, David Ray Tallant of Mt. Vernon, and Gregory Eugene Tallant and Bryan Keith Tallant and wife, Lisa, both of Williamsburg; two daughters, Billie Janice Noe and husband Gary of Lexington, and Susan Sharp of Berea; a sister, Linda Waterman of Lexington; 11 grandchildren, Wanda McClure, David Tallant, Danny Tallant, Peggy Tallant, Michael Tallant, Michelle Moore, Freddy Tallant, Becky Tallant, Jimmy Sharp, Ashton Tallant, Hunter Tallant, and Jacob Tallant; 19 great grandchildren; and 18 great great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: a son, Dennis Dwayne Tallant; a grandson, Stephen Keith Tallant; and a sister, Lorene Stephens.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Elzie Doan. Cremation services followed.

Donations are requested to Hospice Care Plus, 208 Kidd Drive, Berea, KY 40403.

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William Hershel Watson

William Hershel Watson, 71, of Crab Orchard, died Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at his home. He was born in Lincoln County on September 9, 1948 to the late Leslie and Jewell (Brown) Watson. He graduated from Crab Orchard High School in 1966 and Eastern Kentucky University in 1971 with a bachelor's degree in Horticulture. He also studied master's level courses at Kentucky State University.

He owned and operated Garden Land greenhouses in Frankfort in the 1970's and later worked with the Kentucky State Department of Natural Resources as a civil and environmental engineer. In 1984, he joined the Baker Engineering firm in Frankfort. He retired to Lincoln County in 1997, where he founded Watson Charolais Cattle Farm and also worked for the United States Postal Service as a mail carrier in Crab Orchard until 2008.

He was a member of the Mt. Zion Church of Christ, and various civic organizations, including American International Charolais Association, Kentucky Cattlemen's Association, Future Farmers of America, 4-H, National Rifle Association, The National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association, and Wildlife Conservation Society. He loved nature and being outdoors, and was known for his great sense of humor. He enjoyed hunting, farming, and raising cattle and miniature horses.

Survivors include: his three children, Heather Lorraine Watson of Lexington, William Heath Watson of Lexington and Nathan Patrick Watson of Frankfort; a brother, Daryl (Helen) Watson of Crab Orchard; 10 grandchildren who thought of him as "Papaw", Danielle Underwood, Hailey Caudill, Ashley Caudill, Taylor Caudill, Morgan Caudill, Kalyn Caudill, Clayton Caudill, Kandice Caudill, Lincoln Caudill and Brett Underwood; three great grandchildren, Natalie Underwood, Londyn Cook and Tolsen Caudill; three nephews, Jason, Kevin and Derek Watson; ex-wife, Irene (Blanton) Watson; and special friend, Edna House. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Larry Dale Watson.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 17, 2020 at the McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Thad Eubank officiating. Burial was in Mt. Zion Church of Christ Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Derek Watson, Randy Brown, Gary Brown, Scott Trent, Tim Smith, and Chad Smith.

In lieu of flowers, Hershel's family asks that you please consider making a donation to the American Cancer Society or National Parkinson's Foundation, or lend a helping hand to someone in need in your community.

Verla Ann Shelton

Verla Ann Shelton, 72, of Livingston, died Sunday, February 23, 2020 in Berea.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 2 p.m. at Livingston Pentecostal Church. Burial will follow in Red Hill Cemetery.

Arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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Legislative Update...

By Jared Carpenter
State Senator

Discussions of bills, budgets, and barber shop choirs echoed in the Capitol as we concluded the fourth week of the 2020 Regular Session. While legislation continued to move steadily through the Senate over the course of the week, we were welcomed by a variety of talented constituents in the chamber.



Biennial budget discussions officially began while the Governor delivered his two-year budget proposal to the Kentucky General Assembly on Tuesday. The budget address is one of the first steps in preparing the state's two-year financial plan. Now that the Governor has outlined his budget proposal, the House of Representatives now gets the first opportunity to move budget bills in the legislature. Once the House passes its budget proposal, it will then advance to the Senate for further discussion and consideration. We still face several weeks of studies, negotiations, and public hearings before we reach an official budget draft. The final budget document will likely look much different than what was proposed this week by the Governor, but the driving force behind it remains the same—we must move the Commonwealth forward on a path that is financially sound.

Senate priority legislation aimed at ending pension spiking, Senate Bill

6, advanced to the House this week following a unanimous vote on the Senate floor. Senate Bill 6 would prohibit state lawmakers who contributed to the Legislators' Retirement Plan from June 20, 2005, through December 31, 2013, from using salary credited in another Kentucky retirement system to determine final compensation in the legislators' plan.

Other priority measures moving through the legislative process are Senate Bills 1, 8, and 9. Senate Bill 1, also known as the Federal Immigration Cooperation Act of 2020, passed through the Senate Judiciary Committee. This bill would require law enforcement and other public agencies to support the enforcement of federal immigration law. The amended version of this bill includes expanded exemptions to local school districts to rape crisis centers, domestic violence centers, and other groups that provide social services.

Senate Bills 8 and 9 were both passed through to the House this week. Senate Bill 8 would amend the current school safety statute to expand school personnel with the designation of a school safety coordinator for each district, one school-based mental health counselor per 250 students, and a trained and certified armed school resource officer. Senate Bill 9, also known as the "Born Alive Infant Protection Act," is a pro-life measure that requires a physician to take all medically appropriate and reasonable

steps to preserve the life and health of a born-alive infant.

The Senate passed its first House measure, House Bill 236, legislation that incorporates hemp federal guidelines, sets requirements for the transportation of products, and establishes testing procedures. This bill included a Senate Floor Amendment, which now requires the House to either approve of the bill in its current form or continue the legislative process required to get concurrence from both chambers. If approved with the Senate Floor Amendment, House Bill 236 will then head to the Governor's desk for his consideration.

We also passed a number of other bills in the Senate including, Senate Bill 79, a measure relating to background checks for school employees who have been assigned an administrative hearing for potential child abuse or neglect, and Senate Bill 94 updates Kentucky law to comply with federal regulations, which changed last year to allow gasoline blended with up to 15 percent ethanol to be sold year-round.

To those who have reached out to my office in the past weeks, thank you for staying engaged during these early weeks of session. It's an honor to serve you in Frankfort.

If you have any questions or comments about these issues or any other public policy issue, please call me toll-free at 1-800-372-7181 or email me at Jared.Carpenter@LRC.ky.gov. You can also review the Legislature's work online at www.legislature.ky.gov.

"Memories"

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that gave the value of every US postage stamp ever printed. I also bought an album in which to compile a U.S. stamp collection.

At the time, Al (my brother) and Eva were living in Georgetown where he was the pastor of a Baptist church at Great Crossings in Scott County. Al agreed to assist me as I took each stamp, determined its value, and placed it in my stamp collection. We sat up together one entire night, evaluating each stamp and carefully mounting it in the album.

The oldest stamp we found was printed in 1887 and displayed the image of George Washington on a two-cent stamp. As we carefully examined each stamp, we found several printed in the 1800's. (Both Pop and Mommie were born before the turn of the century in 1900).

An interesting one which stood out was a 4-cent stamp with Abraham Lincoln's image, printed in 1895. Others from the 1800's had images of Benjamin Franklin, James Garfield, and many with George Washington.

Most of the stamps were printed from the 1800's to dates in the early 1960's. I even found an envelope that had many non-cancelled (mint) stamps. At that time (1962-1963), the value of the stamps ranged from \$20 to a few cents each. I also found many commemorative stamps, including one mint celebrating the 100th anniversary of the telegraph (1844-1944). That stamp was printed the year I was born.

At some point in my younger years, I looked up the value of my collection. I cannot find that appraisal. I need to have a philatelist determine its current worth. I think I would be surprised. The number of stamps is very large, and I am sure their value has increased significantly since I was a teenager. Who knows, I might have a stamp or two that are quite valuable. If so, it'll be another testament to my beloved grandmother.

(You can reach me at themtnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue - Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

"Van"

(Continued from front) this van will be a benefit for our Honor Guard and our veterans."

The local Honor Guard board of directors include County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, Sheriff Shannon Franklin, Holbrook and Coroner Marvin Owens along with Holbrook and eight others who will take part in the organization of the Honor Guard

Local veterans will perform the ceremonies at military funerals and with the van available, Thomason said the guard may now also travel if a funeral is out of county that requires Honor Guard services.

"We are very pleased to have an Honor Guard in our county to perform the ceremonies at military funerals," said Holbrook. "And now they have means to travel and prepare properly."

"Chief"

(Continued from front)

position, during a special called Brodhead City Commission meeting Tuesday evening, Reynolds started work immediately.

According to the new chief, the department is currently in good condition and he is ready to move forward. "Our fleet is in excellent shape, the department is organized and we are good to go," he said.

By early Wednesday morning, Reynolds was in city hall going over paperwork and planning his first steps as the new chief of police. "As with most every police department, our focus will continue to be on keeping drugs out of our community," he said. "Drug abuse is one of the most destructive factors in our society. It destroys families and children's futures. We will focus on getting drugs off the street but also on treatment and prevention."

But, Reynolds is not the type to be satisfied with a good grade. "We can always improve and we plan to bring services up and provide a better police force to benefit everyone," he said. "We are in good shape, but we are going to get even better."

There is no doubt that Reynolds has the support of the city commissioners who expressed their excitement for his acceptance of the position.

"There is no other way to put this," said City Commissioner John Burton. "Richard is going to be a phenomenal asset to Brodhead. We love his experience, we are proud of his dedication, we are happy about his enthusiasm and his special training will benefit us in so many ways. But what we love most is that Richard does not just want to be a fixture in Brodhead. Not just an employee. He honestly wants to be a part of the community. He wants to be a part of Brodhead."

Reynolds echoed those sentiments. "I want to get to know everyone in Brodhead," said Reynolds. "I hope the people of Brodhead will feel free to approach me or Josh. We are here for them."

And speaking of Foster, some say he too will benefit from Reynolds's experience.

"Josh is doing a wonderful job and since he just recently graduated the academy, Richard will be able to teach him and guide him and make Josh an even better officer for Brodhead," said Burton.

So when you notice a stranger in a police cruiser on the streets of Brodhead, feel free to approach the car, introduce yourself and shake the hand of Brodhead's new police chief.

Reynolds is married to Tara Reynolds and they have one son, Ashton.

"Audit"

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only problem, as usual, is getting the tourism department information and without that we can't give a clear opinion about the audit."

Craft said his company reached out to the tourism department to get the requested information but was unable to receive a response to their requests.

Craft said the city is in

good financial condition. "We show the city of Mount Vernon with a net worth of \$8 million with \$20 million in assets. Our report has a good summary for you to read at your leisure," he said.

The city's monthly financial report and the annual audit both apparently showed what officials had expected. "We appreciate your hard work and your dedication," said Mayor Mike Bryant, who was present for the meeting though he is currently out of his office recuperating from medical procedure. "We are proud of our audit and we continue to work on getting better every year."

Councilmembers also discussed some property on West Main Street that officials said has been presenting a nuisance and a danger to the citizens of Mount Vernon. Bray said he has contacted the owners of the property and followed the rules of the city's nuisance ordinance. "We have done our due diligence and we can now pursue legal action to get the situation resolved," said Bray.

Officials agreed that if the city is forced to tear down the three houses on the property in question, the property owners will be responsible for the expense of that work, including clean up.

The council also heard department reports. Police Chief Brian Carter reported 375 calls for service in February with 42 total arrests and 23 warrants served. The report shows 28 drug charges and four grand jury indictments.

Fire Chief David Bales reported 40 runs through January 31 with 13 of those calls involving accidents or traffic control. There were seven structure fires and six false alarm calls in January.

The All American Club reported picking up 18 bags of trash between February 2 -17. Seven bags of trash came from the Mount Vernon Elementary School ditchlines.

The club also reported the fiscal court donated \$350 and Cox Funeral Home donated \$120.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 19 at 6 p.m. at city hall.

"Judge"

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Nominee William Matthew Thompson II, of Somerset is a senior partner in Thompson and Thompson Law Firm. Thompson also served as assistant county attorney for Lincoln County and as assistant commonwealth attorney for the 28th judicial district. He received his juris doctorate degree from Northern Kentucky University Salmon P. Chase College of Law.

Nominee Teresa Kay Whittaker, of Science Hill, served as an attorney for the department of public advocacy for nearly 28 years, retiring in 2019 from the position of capitol trials manager. She received her juris doctorate degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law.

The circuit court is the court of general jurisdiction that hears civil matters involving more than \$5,000, capitol offenses and felonies, divorces, adoptions, termination of parental rights, land dispute title cases and contested probate cases.

"Pigs"

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the Berea Hospital and later transported to the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

A third passenger in the back seat of the car was pronounced dead at the scene by the Rockcastle County Coroner.

The drivers of the two

tractor trailers were uninjured.

Reports indicate that seven of the pigs were killed during the accident.

Assisting the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department at the scene were the Kentucky State Police, KSP Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, Mount Vernon Fire and Rescue, Rockcastle

County EMS, Madison County EMS, the Kentucky Department of Transportation and the Rockcastle County Coroner.

No charges have been filed but accident reconstruction is being conducted by the Kentucky State Police and the case is under investigation by the sheriff's office.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

CLASSIC CHEESECAKE

6 tablespoons butter
2 cups graham cracker crumbs
4 tablespoons brown sugar
1 cup white sugar
3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
5 boxes (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened
1 tablespoon vanilla
1 cup sour cream
4 eggs
Cool Whip® or topping of your choice, optional

Preheat oven to 300°. Put an ovenproof dish filled half-full with water on bottom rack, this helps keep the cheesecake moist as it cooks. Place butter in 9 x 13 baking pan. Put in oven to let butter melt. When melted, add cracker crumbs and brown sugar. Stir until mixed. Press into bottom of pan. Bake 10 minutes. Mix white sugar and flour; cream with cream cheese until blended. Scrape down sides of bowl occasionally to make sure

all is blended. Stir in vanilla and sour cream; mix well. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing on low speed after each addition just until blended. Pour over crust. Place on middle rack of oven and let bake for 1 hour and 10 minutes or until center is almost set. Let cool on wire rack until cool enough to put in refrigerator. Refrigerate for at least 4 hours. Spread with Cool Whip® or topping as desired.

CHERRY CHEESE DELIGHT

2 cups Graham cracker crumbs
1 stick butter, melted
3 tablespoons powdered sugar
2 envelopes Dream Whip®
1 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup sugar
1 box (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened
1 can cherry pie filling
Mix Graham cracker crumbs, melted butter, and powdered sugar together. Press into 9 x 13 pan. Set aside. Beat

Dream Whip® with milk and vanilla until thick. Beat sugar and cream cheese until fluffy. Fold in Dream Whip®. Pour over crust. Spoon pie filling evenly over cream cheese mixture. Refrigerate.

CREAM CHEESE MINTS

1 package (3 ounce) cream cheese, softened
1/3 teaspoon peppermint oil
1/4 cup all-vegetable shortening
4 cups powdered sugar
Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. In a medium bowl, beat cream cheese, shortening, and peppermint oil with a mixer until smooth. Gradually add powdered sugar, beating until well combined. (Dough will be soft and elastic.) Roll dough into small balls and place each ball on prepared baking sheet. Press fork into each ball to flatten. Cover baking sheet with plastic and chill overnight.

SPORTS

Rockets fall to Pulaski in district tourney play

The Rockcastle Rockets will, once again, not be going to regional play as they were knocked off in the first round of district action Tuesday night by Pulaski County 75-45.

The Maroons were in control from the opening tip-off, winning the first quarter 13-6, ahead at the half 33-15 and up 55-32

at the third quarter stop. The only category the Rockets bested the Maroons in was at the free throw line, hitting 10/13 to the Maroons 7/10. The Rockets hit three three point baskets to the Maroons eight.

Senior Logan Noel
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Rockets lose to Cardinals, beat Lakers to end regular season

The Rockets didn't fare much better against the South Laurel Cardinals in the second half of the doubleheader last Thursday night, losing 72-56.

The Rockets were down 15-11 at the first quarter stop but the lead had ballooned to 34-24 at the half and to 52-40 at the third quarter stop.

Turnovers hurt the Rockets, 17 to 12 and the free throws were 19/22 for the Cardinals and 3/8 for the Rockets.

Eighth grader Will Bishop led the scoring for his team with 14; Logan Noel, Daniel Mullins and Drew Hopkins got 10 each; Jake Sanders and Bentley Taylor scored four each and Jake Loudermilk and Matthew Chasteen scored two points each.

RCHS 51 Lakers 49

It took an overtime but the Rockets got their eighth win of the season Friday night against the Russell County Lakers 51-49 on a last second shot by Daniel Mullins.

The Rockets took an early 15-7 first quarter lead and were up 18-17

at the half and 37-32 at the third quarter stop. But the Lakers fought back in the fourth quarter to tie the game at 47 all with 1:02 left on the clock. The Rockets had two chances at a game winning basket in regulation but both failed and it was overtime.

It looked like there might have to be a second overtime since the Rockets got the first basket of the OT at the 24 second mark. The Lakers immediately responded with a basket to tie the game at 49 all and Mullins put in the winning basket at the 1.2 mark.

Mullins led the team in scoring with 18, including four three pointers; Noel got 15, nine on three point shots; Bishop scored seven; Loudermilk five and Hopkins, Chasteen and Sanders all got two points.

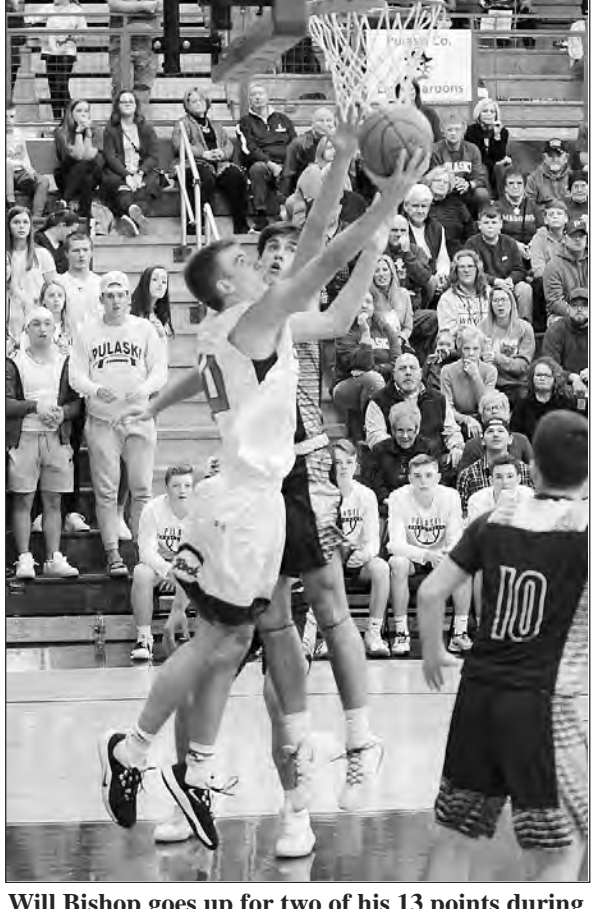
The Rockets had 17 turnovers, nine in the first quarter, hit eight threes and were 5-7 from the free throw line.

The Lakers had 15 turnovers and four threes.

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Freshman Hallie Brown fights for a rebound during the Lady Rockets' 41-39 win over Pulaski County in the first round of the 47th District Tournament. Brown had five rebounds on the night to go along with four points.



Will Bishop goes up for two of his 13 points during the Rockets' loss to Pulaski County Tuesday night.

South Laurel hands worst defeat of season to Lady Rockets

It wasn't a successful ending to a very successful 22-6 regular season but it ended for the Lady Rockets last Thursday night at South Laurel where the Lady Cardinals hit 19 three point shots and handed the Lady Rockets their worst defeat of the season 83-44.

The game began with the Cardinals hitting five straight threes, interspersed

with a two point basket with a foul shot and ended with two more threes for a 24-6 edge at the first quarter stop.

The lead had increased to 46-25 at the half and was 64-39 at the third quarter stop.

The strange thing about the contest was that Mercer County, who the Lady

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In first round district tourney action Lady Rockets beat Lady Maroons 41-39

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets took on the Lady Maroons from Pulaski County Monday night to open play in the 47th District Tournament at RCHS.

It was a game that fans of both teams knew could go either way since the schools had split their regular season games and the teams did not disappoint as the final outcome went down to the wire.

The Lady Rockets were down 11-8 at the end of the first quarter and 20-19 at the half. In the third quarter, after an opening basket by junior Casey Coleman, the Rockets were down 23 to 21 when senior Kenzi Himes sank a basket to tie the score, Keelee King hit a three, Himes added another basket and King another three and a free throw to give the Lady Rockets a 32-27 lead going into the final period.

The Lady Rockets got up by six, 39-33, on a three point basket by senior Shelby Newland but then Pulaski came roaring back and capped a 9-3 run to tie the score at 39 all with 25.7 ticks left

on the clock. Coleman was fouled with 8.1 seconds left and calmly went to the free throw line and sank both, giving her team the two point edge.

Rockcastle had fouls to give before getting into the bonus and they used them to slow Pulaski's advance up the floor and eat up time off the clock before Coleman snagged an errant inbounds pass and the Lady Rockets held on for the win.

The Rockets were led in scoring by Coleman with 12 points and added five rebounds, three assists and three steals; Himes got eight points and also had seven rebounds and three blocks; Newland got seven points and four steals; King scored seven points had five rebounds and one block; Hallie Brown got four points, five rebounds and one block and Lindsey Jones hit a three point basket.

The Lady Rockets had 13 turnovers, hit four three point baskets and went 7/8 from the free throw line. The Maroons

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Junior Casey Coleman drives in the lane during the Lady Rockets' 41-39 win over Pulaski County in the first round of the 47th District Tournament. Coleman led her team with 12 points and hit two free throws with 8.1 seconds to give the Lady Rockets a two point led for the win. Coleman also had five rebounds, three assists and three steals in the win.



Senior Kenzi Himes goes up for two of her eight points in the Lady Rockets' 41-39 win over Pulaski. Himes had seven rebounds and three blocks in the win.



Daniel Mullins drives to the basket during the Rockets' 75-45 loss to Pulaski County in the first round of the 47th District Tournament Tuesday night.



Logan Noel drives around a defender during the Rockets' loss to Pulaski County Tuesday night. Noel led his team by 19 points.



Senior Shelby Newland played some tight defense during the Lady Rockets' 41-39 win over Pulaski County Monday night coming away with four steals and seven points in the win.

Lady Rockets lose to S. Laurel

(Cont. from A6)

Rockets beat 62-58 earlier in the month, defeated the Lady Cardinals by two points.

The Rockets had 20 turnovers in the game to the Cardinals 12 and, in a relatively foul free game, the Cardinals were 5/7 from the free throw line to the Rockets 3/4.

Point guard Shelby Newland led the scoring

with 11 points; Keelee King got 10; Lindsey Jones eight; Kenzi Himes six; Hallie Brown five and Casey Coleman four.

Rockets District Tourney

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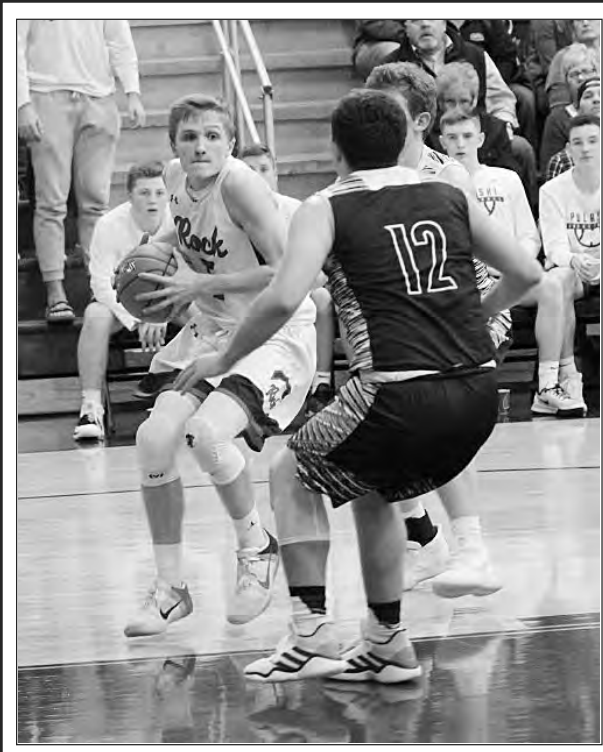
took scoring honors for the Rockets with 19 points; Bishop was next with 13; Mullins got seven; Chasteen four and Jake Sanders added two points.



RCHS honored their senior cheerleaders during the final home game last Friday. Shown above is senior Riley Betsworth, escorted by her mother, Michelle Reed and her brother, Gavin. They are shown with cheer coaches Joanie Alexander and Rachel Johnson.



RCHS honored their senior ball players during the final home game last Friday night. Shown above is senior Bentley Taylor, escorted by: his parents, Tommy Taylor and Fran Taylor, sister Megan and nephew, Wrett. They are shown with head coach Andrew Cash.



Drew Hopkins heads to the basket during the Rockets' loss to Pulaski County Tuesday night.



Senior Kaylee Brock, escorted by her parents, Roger and Tammy Brock.



Senior Jacob Loudermilk, escorted by his parents, Ryan Loudermilk and Kelli Loudermilk, brother Zach and sister Jenna.



Junior Lindsay Jones applies defensive pressure during the Lady Rockets' win Monday night. Jones hit a crucial three helping the Rockets' come from behind in the second quarter.



Senior Ashley Garrett, escorted by her parents, Craig and Rebecca Garrett and brothers, John and Wade.



Seniors Logan Noel and head manager Spencer Begley, escorted by Logan's parents, Anthony and Megal Noel, brother Tanner, sister Emma, and nephews Knox and Rhet.



Senior Lebrana Sparks, escorted by her parents, Frankie and Belinda Sparks.



Senior Andrew Hurt, escorted by his parents, Les and Jamie Hurt.



Freshman Keelee King looks for an outlet during the Lady Rockets' 41-39 win over PC Monday. King had five rebounds and seven points in the win.

"Rockets"

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RCHS JV 50
Lakers JV 44

The Rockets Jayvees also had to go into overtime to win their game 50-44.

The Lakers took the lead at 40-38 at the 41.4 mark and Reese Coguer tied the game up at 40 all with 13 ticks left on the clock.

Freshman Xander Fletcher got the first two baskets for the Rockets, sophomore Landon Dillingham added a basket and a free throw and Coguer fined the overtime win with three of four free throws.

Coguer led the scoring with 19 points; Fletcher had 10; Jake Sanders eight; Dillingham seven and Kaden Kidwell six.

"Lady Rock"

(Cont. from A6)

throw line. The Maroons had 14 turnovers, hit six three pointers and were 1/3 from the free throw line.

The Lady Rockets are now scheduled to meet Casey County Wednesday night at 7 o'clock for the championship game. The Lady Rebels defeated Somerset in the second game.



Senior assistant manager Logan Bowman, escorted by his parents, Jim and Robin Bowman and brother, Peyton.



The RCHS Pep Band, under the direction of senior Tarrylton Dunn, kept the crowd engaged during this week's district tournament.



RCHS cheerleaders worked hard during this week's 47th District Tournament supporting the Rockets and Lady Rockets.

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RCHS Swim takes part in state championships

RCHS swim team members Laurel Yates, Emma Phillips, Silas Durham, Madalyn White

and Autumn King took part in the 2020 KHSAA State Swimming Championships last week at the Uni-

versity of Kentucky.

Junior Laurel Yates placed 23rd in the 50 Yard Freestyle with a school record time of 25.20 and placed 22nd in the 100 Yard Freestyle with a time of 55.58.

Freshman Emma Phillips placed 38th in the 200 Yard Individual Medley by improving her regional time of 2:25.07 with a new school record of 2:21.79.

Freshman Silas Durham placed 37th in the 50 Yard Freestyle with a time of 23.53.

The relay team of Yates, King, White and Phillips placed 38th with a time of 1:52.60. The same team also placed 38th in the 400 Yard Freestyle with a season best time of 4:11.61.



Silas Durham competed in the 50 yard freestyle at the KHSAA State Swimming Championships.



Shown above is the relay team from RCHS that qualified for state in two events. Team members from left: Emma Phillips, Madalyn White and Laurel Yates. Not shown is team member Autumn King. Yates also competed in two individual events and Phillips competed in one individual event.



By U.S. News & World Report

Family Tradition

RCHS swim coaches Shannon and Charon Burton, center, enjoyed coaching their team at the KHSAA State Swimming Championships alongside their daughter, Shanlee and Lauren, coaches of Pulaski County swim.

Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care named a 2019-2020 Best Nursing Home

Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Center is among the 19 percent of U.S. skilled nursing facilities that have been recognized as a Best Nursing Home for 2019-20 by U.S. News & World Report.

Rockcastle Reearned Best Nursing Homes status for the third time by achieving a rating of "High Performing," the highest possible rating, for long-term care. U.S. News gives the designation of Best Nursing Home only to those faci-

ties that satisfy U.S. News' assessment of the appropriate use of key services and consistent performance in quality measures.

"We are dedicated to providing the best possible care for patients and their families," said quality and patient safety director Cynthia Burton, RN. "Patient safety, quality care, and comfort are a daily focus for our entire organization. Being designated as one of the best care facilities in the U.S. reflects the efforts

of our highly-skilled, caring team."

The Respiratory Care Center provides long-term care to individuals who are dependent upon mechanical ventilation to breathe. The facility's 143 beds are used for patients of all ages and, typically, 50 percent of Rockcastle patients are eventually weaned from ventilator support.

Now in its 10th year, the U.S. News Best Nursing Homes ratings and

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Rockcastle Public Library hosting 2020 Census Quilt Tour

The Rockcastle County Public Library is pleased to host the 2020 Kentucky Census Quilt. The quilt will be on display at the library from March 6-13.

The Kentucky Extension Homemakers Assn. (KEHA) worked with the U.S. Census Bureau to create a unique quilt, featuring one square from each of Kentucky's 120 counties. The special quilt will travel statewide demonstrating that each county matters and reminding viewers that every person must be counted for Kentucky to have appropriate congressional representation and federal funding.

The 2020 census quilt will tour the commonwealth with displays at various public libraries and extension offices through August 2020. Following the tour, the quilt will be on display in the lobby of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives (KDLA) in Frankfort.

Article 1, Section 2 of the United States Constitution mandates that a census occur every ten years. The count is used

to allocate seats in the U.S. House of Representatives for all 50 states. The census tracks shifts in population across the country. It is very important that you and your family be counted in the upcoming 2020 census. Once you receive the initial census questionnaire you can complete the information online. If you are not able to complete the online questionnaire at your home, we encourage you to visit your lo-

cal public library where you can complete the questionnaire on one of the library's public access computers.

Local extension homemaker and library board member, Carolyn Collins-Hunt made the quilt square that represents Rockcastle County.

Visit the public library to see this beautiful quilt.

Library hours are Mon.-Fri. 9:30 to 6 p.m. and Sat., 9:30 to 2 p.m.



Rockcastle Regional receives Women's Choice Award

Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Center has been named one of America's Best Hospitals for Outpatient Experience by the Women's Choice Award for the second year in a row.

Hospitals aiming to provide the most appropriate and value-based care along with advances in technology, such as minimally invasive techniques, have shifted many patient cases to outpatient settings. As a result, hospitals have made significant strides in providing increased customer service to im-

prove the outpatient experience.

"Earning this recognition is a reflection of the commitment our physicians and employees have to excellent patient care," said Stephen A. Estes, Rockcastle Regional president and CEO. "Women are the CEOs of healthcare for their families as they are most often the ones making these important decisions. Our dedication to patient safety, quality care, and healthy outcomes is evident in that women continue to choose us as the healthcare provider for

their family."

With women making over 80 percent of family healthcare decisions and considering their demanding lifestyle with over 70 percent of moms employed, the Women's Choice Award helps women make those decisions by identifying the hospitals that provide the best outpatient experience.

The methodology used to select Rockcastle Regional as one of America's Best Hospitals for Outpatient Experience is exclusive in that it

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FCCLA competes in Region 13 STAR Events

Several FCCLA members from Rockcastle County High School competed in the Region 13 STAR Events competition on February 20th in London.

Alyssa Bugg and Sara Forman placed 1st in the event, Focus on Children Level 2.

Elizabeth Ross and Natalie Long placed 2nd in the event, Focus on Children Level 3.

Bailey Bullock and Avery Bullock placed 1st in the event, Chapter Service Project Display Level 2.

Lauren Vanzant and Olivia Denney placed 1st in the event, Chapter Service Project Display Level 3.

Jasmine Johnson placed 1st in the event, National Programs in Action Level 3.

Kamari Stallsworth and Brooke Abney placed 1st in the event, Chapter in Review Display Level 2.

Region 13 officer candidate interviews also took place at the meeting. Bailey Bullock was selected to serve as the Region 13 Vice President of Community Service and Elizabeth Ross will serve as the Region 13 President for the school year 2020/2021.

Elizabeth Ross was also selected to represent Region 13 as a Kentucky FCCLA State Officer Candidate at the State Leadership Conference.

Five out of six groups will be advancing to state competition this March in Louisville.



Several FCCLA members from Rockcastle County High School competed in the Region 13 STAR Events competition on February 20th in London. Pictured are: Jasmine Johnson, Alyssa Bugg, Sara Forman, Lauren Vanzant, Olivia Denney, Kimhari Stallsworth, Brooke Abney, Avery Bullock, Bailey Bullock and Elizabeth Ross. Not pictured: Natalie Long.



Sherri Spragens with Hospice Care accepted \$247.74 from RCMS Hat Day. Rockcastle Middle School is very blessed to have such giving staff and students that are always willing to help those in need. Pictured are front from left: Shala Couch and Holleigh Senters. Back row from left: Davany Bullock, Sherri Spragens, Axton Reynolds, Brylee Mullins and Brooklyn Smith.



Students hear of danger of E-cigs

Nationwide, about 10% of middle school students in 2019 reported use of electronic cigarettes based on (2019 National Youth Tobacco Survey). Pictured above, Mr. Carl Varney with Operation UNITE presented to 6th, 7th, and 8th grades on Thursday, February 20th. He explained what an E-cigarette is and how it works. He also explained the effects on the brain and what chemicals are being inhaled. The UNITE club was excited to have Mr. Varney with them for the day and appreciates the dedication he has to promoting DRUG-FREE life.

“Best”

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profiles offer comprehensive information about care, safety, health inspections, staffing, and more for nearly all of the nation's 15,000-plus nursing homes. The Best Nursing Homes ratings reflect U.S. News' exclusive analysis of publicly available data using a methodology defined by U.S. News that evaluates factors it has determined most greatly impact patient and resident care, safety, and outcomes.

The U.S. News Best Nursing Home ratings hone in on measurements like emergency room visits, quality of staff, and proper distribution of medical and physical therapy to help families make an informed decision. These ratings help individuals and their families begin their search for healthcare and should be used in consultation with a medical professional and in-depth on-site visits.

This year, U.S. News introduced a new rating focused on long-term care, which aims to provide prospective residents who need help with daily activities, and their families, with analysis and information regarding the quality of care provided by various facilities. The rating includes data on staffing, success in preventing emergency room visits, and pneumonia vaccination rates, among other metrics.

shows the consistency of our team and the caring work they do each day.”

“Award”

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evaluates patient satisfaction measures with a hospital visit based on the criteria in the Outpatient and Ambulatory Surgery Survey (OAS-CAHPS). The evaluation process is the only national list that focuses on the opinion of females. It is the only award recognizing excellence in outpatient satisfaction based on robust criteria that considers the patient experience and clinical excellence.

To receive the award, hospitals must first be accredited by the Joint Commission (JC), The Healthcare Facilities Outpatient Program (HFAP), or Det Norske Veritas Healthcare (DNV). Accredited facilities are continuously improving the safety and quality of patient care and this certification signifies the facility's commitment in meeting regulations and best practices for the medical industry.

The categories in the OAS-CAHPS survey are assigned weights based on the feedback received from the Women's Choice Award Survey. Only hospitals that achieve rankings higher or equal to the national average in communication and care by hospital staff, pre and post-surgical coordination, facility ratings, and patients' recommendation are eligible for the outpatient experience award.

Rockcastle Regional is one of 294 award recipients representing the hospitals that have met the highest standards for outpatient experience in the U.S. by the Women's Choice Award.

Rockcastle County Republican Party to meet March 19th

The Rockcastle County Republican Party will hold its next meeting on Thursday, March 19th at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will take place on the third floor of the Rockcastle County Court House. The meeting will serve as the party's county wide meeting to select delegates to the state Republican convention.

According to Doris Cromer, Chair of the Rockcastle Republican Party, the meeting is open to all Republicans in the county and will serve as a kickoff to the 2020 election year.

"With so much on the line for our nation this year, we are looking forward to getting organized and doing our part to elect Republicans up and down the ballot." Cromer said.

More information can be found on the county GOP's Facebook page.

Farm and Industrial Equipment Consignment

Auctions

39th Annual London Farm Machinery Consignment Auction
Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.
Laurel County Fairgrounds
Hwy 229, Near Levi Jackson State Park - London, KY
(606) 878-7111 or 800-526-1637

Consignments accepted:
Wed, February 26th, Thurs, February 27th
and Fri, February 28th
from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm

45th Annual Brodhead Farm Machinery Consignment Auction
Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.
Brodhead Fairgrounds
Just Off Highway 150, Brodhead, KY
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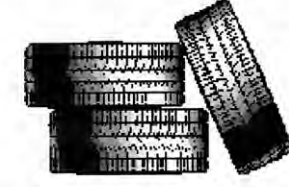


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The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court in conjunction with the Kentucky Division of Waste Management is pleased to announce the:

2020 Waste Tire Collection Event

March 5th & 6th from 8am until 5pm and March 7th from 8am until 12 noon at the STATE Highway garage (293 Maintenance Rd, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456)

Get rid of your waste tires for free!!!

Tires accepted include Truck, Light Truck, Passenger, Implement, Lawn Tractor, Bicycle, Motorcycle, Golf Cart, Tractor (bead thickness less than 1 3/4 inch), etc. **Tires not accepted** include foam, calcium or otherwise filled tires, sheet rubber, large off the road tires, off road construction equipment tires with a bead greater than 1 3/4 inch, and solid tires.

Tire retailers, agricultural tire retailers, scrap yards, junk/salvage yards and recycle businesses are not eligible to participate!

If any individual has over 1500 tires in one location, then you need to call at least fourteen days in advance of the collection days to arrange for a special pick up. If anyone is bringing in a very large load, then they may need to unload themselves or wait until our staff can get to them.

Call the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for more information. That's 606-256-1902.

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 (both corrugated and slick), plastics #1 Pet or Pete, plastics #2 HDPE, (no sheet plastics or plastic bags of any kind; no buckets or totes, no matter what number is on it), 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 (no 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.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

USDA Safety net program enrollment for 2019-2020

Agricultural producers now can enroll in the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC) programs - two U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) safety net programs - for the 2019-2020 crop year.

ARC provides income-support payments on historical base acres when actual crop revenue declines below a specified guaranteed level. PLC provides income support payments on historical base acres when the effective price for a covered commodity falls below its reference price. The 2018 Farm Bill reauthorized and updated both programs.

Signup for the 2019 crop year closes March 15, 2020, while signup for the 2020 crop year closes June 30, 2020. Producers who have not yet enrolled for 2019 can enroll for both 2019 and 2020 during the same visit to an FSA county office.

ARC and PLC have options for the farm operator who is actively farming the land as well as the owner of the land. Farm owners also have a one-time opportunity to update PLC payment yields beginning with crop year 2020. If the farm owner and producer visit the FSA county office together, FSA can also update yield information during that visit.

Covered commodities include barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium and short grain rice, safflower seed, seed cotton, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat.

2018 Crop Year ARC and PLC Payments

FSA began processing payments last week for 2018 ARC-County (ARC-CO) and PLC on covered commodities that met payment triggers on enrolled farms in the 2018 crop year. In addition to the \$1.5 billion now in process, FSA anticipates it will issue another \$1 billion in November once USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service publishes additional commodity prices for the 2018 crop.

Producers who had 2018 covered commodities enrolled in ARC-CO can visit www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc for payment rates applicable to their county and each covered commodity. For farms and covered commodities enrolled in 2018 PLC, the following crops met payment triggers: barley, canola, corn, dry peas, grain sorghum, lentils, peanuts, large chickpeas, sunflower seed, flaxseed, rapeseed, seed cotton, long grain rice, medium/short grain rice and wheat.

Oats, small chickpeas, mustard seed, safflower, crambe, sesame seed and soybeans did not meet 2018 PLC triggers.

2018 PLC payment rates for the following covered commodities have not been determined: temperate Japonica rice.

More Information

For more information on ARC and PLC, including two online decision tools that assist producers in making enrollment and election decisions specific

to their operations, visit the ARC and PLC webpage.

The next FSA county committee meeting date is Wednesday, March 4th at 8 a.m. at the Mt. Vernon USDA Service Center.

Next FSA County Committee Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 4 2020 at 8 a.m. at the Mt. Vernon USDA Service Center.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations to attend or participate in the COC meeting should contact Warden Alexander at (606) 256-2525 or Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 three days prior to the meeting date.

Office Closure

May 25, 2020 - Memorial Day

Cook-Vance earns Dean's List honors

SUNY New Paltz is proud to congratulate Katelynn Cook-Vance of Brodhead for being named to the Dean's List for the fall 2019 semester.

Dean's List designation is reserved for students who excel academically and earn at least a 3.3 grade-point average in a semester with a full-time course load.



The RCHS JROTC Color Guard presented the colors before the 47th District Tournament held at RCHS this week. Shown above, from left: Cadet Command Sergeant Major Andrew Didelot, Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Hunter Medley, Cadet Major Sarah Pride and Cadet Captain Chanler Cole.

Card of Thanks

Shirley McClure

The family of Shirley McClure would like to thank everyone for the food, flowers, memory keepsakes and kind expressions of sympathy. Your prayers and visits were very much appreciated and of great comfort to our family.

Thank you to Dr. Arvin for the wonderful care you provided to Dad. We would also like to thank the Hospice staff, Cynthia VanWinkle and Diane Moore. Also thank you to Renee Thomas and Brianna Alpaugh.

Thank you to Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home for your exceptional service.

We would also like to thank Bro. Marcus Reppert for his comforting words during the service.

Special thanks to Sheary and Charlie Mink for the beautiful singing and all your help.

Also thanks to the pallbearers: Daryl Phelps, Lawrence Phelps, Carlos McClure, Tommy McClure, Charles Day and Shane McClure.

Bless you all.

Sincerely,

Gloria, Dean, Charlotte, Shelia and Jamie

Kendall graduates from Fort Hays State University

Robert Mark Kendall, of Mount Vernon, graduated from Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS, in the fall 2019 semester with a Bachelor of Business Administration in management.

A total of 921 students completed associate, bachelor's or graduate degrees at Fort Hays State in the fall 2019 semester.

The Total Lung Care, Pulmonary, Sleep and Pulmonary Rehabilitation Practice of-
Dr. Rajan Joshi and Dr. Shobhna Joshi

at 2019 Corporate Dr. Richmond, KY will be closing our private practice March 31, 2020

We will continue to provide our patients care at the University of Kentucky Pulmonary and Sleep Clinics in Lexington, Ky.

For Appointments:
 UK Pulmonary clinic (859) 323-9555
 UK Sleep Center: (859) 226-7006


After closing our Richmond office, we will provide a part-time sleep clinic at the Marcum and Wallace Hospital, Irvine KY.
 For Appointment: (606) 723-2115

Our electronic medical records will be stored and available after May 1, 2020 through the UK EMR Medical Records Dept, Lexington, KY
 Telephone: (859) 323-5561 Fax: (859) 257-7228

Patients wanting copies of records before March 31st, should contact the Richmond office (859) 623-8981 and make arrangement for pick up the week of March 9-13, 2020. Our patients' primary care providers have always received faxed copies of office visit records and test.

*We will miss our patients and acquaintance.
 Thanks for your support over the past 35 years.*

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Need Help with registration?

A representative will be at the Rockcastle Co. Public Library from 10 am to 1pm on Saturday February 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th to assist with online registration.

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ACRYLICS WORKSHOP
 With Rachelle Riddle
 February 20, 2020 6:00-8:00pm
 At The Arts Place
 Rockcastle Arts Association

INTRODUCTION TO TEACHING ARTISTS OPPORTUNITIES
March 17, 2020
9:00-4:00
 At The Arts Place

ROCKCASTLE ARTS ASSOCIATION with Gina Bussell

WATERCOLORS WORKSHOP

THE ARTS PLACE March 19, 2020 6:00-8:00pm

Rockcastle Arts Association

GALLERY SHOW OPENING

FEATURING LOCAL ARTISTS AIMEE RILEY AND BOBBY BARNETT

MARCH 21, 2020 / 5:00 - 7:00 PM
 The Arts Place / Main Street, Mt. Vernon

POETRY READING

AT THE DEPOT IN LIVINGSTON

Free event!
 MARCH 24, 2020
 7:00-9:00PM
 Rockcastle Arts Association

KIDS PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

LIVINGSTON, KY
 APRIL 3, 2020 • 9PM-4PM
 EXHIBIT OPENING 9/4 @11AM

ROCKCASTLE ARTS ASSOCIATION

WORKSHOP POETRY WITH SUSAN MITCHELL

APRIL 8, 2020
 6:00-8:00PM
 AT THE ARTS PLACE

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APRIL 24, 2020 • 7:00-9:00PM
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ACRYLICS WORKSHOP
 With Lydia McLemore
 June 4, 2020 6:00-8:00pm
 At The Arts Place
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With water bill payments

Kentucky American Water and Climax Volunteer Fire Dept. partner to help customers

Kentucky American Water has announced that the Climax Volunteer Fire Department is now a partner agency with Kentucky American Water's H2O Help to Others water bill payment assistance program.

As a partner agency with the program, Climax VFD can now accept applications for water bill payment assistance from qualifying Kentucky American Water customers in need. Dollar Energy Fund, a 501(c)(3) organization, administers the program for the company, working with partner agencies located in the company's service area. All transactions for customer assistance are conducted electronically.

The H2O Help to Others program is funded by donations from American Water shareholders as well as by individuals. Kentucky American Water customers eligible for H2O Help to Others Program assistance must have a total gross household income at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines, must have paid at least \$25 toward their water bill in the previous 180 days and must have an outstanding balance on their water service account of at least \$50.

Kentucky American Water customers in the company's Rockcastle and Jackson County service areas who qualify may apply for assistance at the Climax Volunteer Fire Department at 7436 Climax Road in Mount Vernon, Ky. The department can be reached by telephone at 606-256-0985. Applicants are encouraged to call first before visiting the site to apply, since hours fluctuate.

"We're delighted to have the Climax Volunteer Fire Department assisting with this program," said Susan Lancho, external affairs manager for Kentucky American Water. "We appreciate all that they do for the community already, and now, as a partner agency with our H2O Help to Others Program, they will be able to connect our Rockcastle and Jackson County customers in need with this financial assistance program. We appreciate them agreeing to serve in this capacity and look forward to a wonderful partnership."

"We are very excited to be a site for this program and are ready to assist those in our community to utilize this service," said Katie Wynn, secretary, Climax Volunteer Fire Department.

Kentucky American Water customers with general questions about their water service should continue to contact the company's customer service team at 1-800-678-6301.

For a complete list of H2O Help to Others partner agencies, visit the Agency Finder page of Dollar Energy Fund's website at <https://www.hardshiptools.org/AgencyFinder.aspx>.

Make a donation to the H2O Help to Others program, Kentucky American Water customers may add a contribution to their water bill payments. Customers and others may also donate directly to the program via Dollar Energy Fund's website at www.dollarenergy.org/donate/.



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, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

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

Alcoholics Anonymous: 7 p.m. on Williams St., Mt. Vernon.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men

Only. Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the Brodhead Center.

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

Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

Rockcastle Arts Assoc. receives \$1,000 grant

State arts leaders gathered Feb. 21 for Arts Day in Kentucky, an annual celebration of the Commonwealth's arts community and the vital roles it plays in the state's livelihood. The day is also an opportunity for arts leaders to thank members of the Kentucky General Assembly for their continued support of arts funding through the Kentucky Arts Council.

Rep. R. Travis Brenda presented the Rockcastle Arts Association with a check for \$1,000, a Kentucky Arts Partnership (KAP) grant awarded by the arts council in July 2019. The funding awarded to Rockcastle Arts Association is part of \$1.2 million the arts council awarded to 93 non-profit arts organizations across the state for the 2020 fiscal year.

"Kentucky has excellent arts organizations in every region of the Commonwealth that provide

year-round arts experiences in their communities," said Chris Cathers, arts council executive director. "The state arts agency is proud to partner with Rockcastle Arts Association to ensure the arts are made available to enrich the lives of all Kentuckians."

KAP grants provide operating support on a competitive basis to arts and cultural organizations and community arts programs to ensure participation in the arts is available to the people of Kentucky.

For more information about Arts Day in Kentucky, visit the Kentucky Arts Council's website.

Sen. Carpenter recognized for Conservative Achievement

The American Conservative Union Foundation (ACUF) released its ratings of the 2019 session of the Kentucky General Assembly last week.

ACUF's Ratings of the States is an initiative of ACUF's Center for Legislative Accountability. These ratings are designed to reflect how elected officials across the nation view the role of government while illustrating the differences between chambers of the legislature and revealing lawmakers' positions on a wide variety of issues that directly affect Kentuckians.

Rockcastle's State Senator, Jared Carpenter, was recognized with an Award for Conservative Achievement for his voting record in 2019.

Accompanying the ratings was a statement from ACUF Chairman Matt Schlapp explaining his organization's report.

"These ratings serve as a retrospective analysis to explain to voters, the me-

dia, scholars and activists how consistently lawmakers apply conservative principles when casting votes." Schlapp said.

The American Conservative Union Foundation evaluates over 100,000 bills and ultimately selects around 2,000 bills to produce scorecards for Congress and all 50 states. The group reviewed each piece of legislation voted on in both chambers of the legislature to produce average scores of each chamber as well as individual scores for each sitting member.



Sen. Jared Carpenter

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The Public Service Commission of Kentucky will hold a hearing on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 and Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, at the Commission's offices, located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses in Case No. 2019-00366, which is the Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4). Kentucky-American Water Company is one of the investor-owned utilities participating in the hearing. This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

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Is Your Heart Right With God?
This is a very important question we need to ask ourselves, and the answer can only be found when we are honest with ourselves. Jesus said in John 14:6 I am the way the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. The next question is how can we go through Jesus Christ? Paul stated: Romans 10:17 Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God. What we hear from men, we cannot always depend on. Life is too short and eternity too long, to base what we believe on the opinions of men it could be dangerous and it will surely take us away from God.

We are taught in the Bible to make our calling and election sure. 2 Peter 1:10 We are so inclined to believe what we have been taught over the years without ever checking to see if those things are so. When we say I know that is what the Bible says, but this is what I believe, and this is what we practice where I go to church. God tells us clearly. 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12 That he will send us a strong delusion, because we would not accept the truth, but accepted a lie, that person would be lost. These people here that the apostle is referring to are people who knew the truth and understood it but failed to obey it.

We live in a society that wants to get to Heaven their own way and own their own terms. This is the reason, Isaiah said 55:8-9 For your thoughts are not my thoughts. Nor are your ways for as the Heavens are higher than the earth. So are my ways higher than your ways? Matthew 15:7-9 For these people honor me with their lips but their heart is far from me and in vain they do worship me. Teaching for doctrine the commandments of men.

Gradually men have left the teachings of Christ over the years because man is not satisfied with Jesus Christ and his word this is the reason, we have so many different beliefs about the Bible. Jesus prayed we would be one. John-17:17-21 That we would all be one in Christ as he and his Father was one. And we could be one if folks were really serious about following the Bible and the Bible alone.

Won't you today, begin to read your Bible, and make sure that what you hear is from Heaven and not just men saying it's from Heaven. Thank you for reading this article. I pray God continues to bless you with what you need, and he keeps you safe. If you would like to get in touch with someone from church, you can reach us at these numbers: Bro. Dale McNew—859-582-4021 or Bro. Ova Baker—606-878-8104 (If you choose Christians for your dates? A Christian will be your lifetime mate.)

• Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ •
Sundays @ 10 a.m. & Wednesdays @ 7 p.m. • Everyone Welcome
Bro. Ova Baker 606-878-8104 • Bro. Dale McNew 859-582-4021
Church is located 2 Miles South of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 25

Word of Thanks

We would like to say thank you to everyone who showed love and kindness to our family during the recent illnesses of our parents, Bill and Carolyn McKinney.

Whether it was a call or visit you made, or a prayer you may have brought, or a prayer you may have said for us, we appreciate it so much.

Again thank you,
Tim and Jeff McKinney
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NOTICE
Kentucky-American Water Company provides notice of its requested adjustment of the Kentucky River Authority withdrawal fee. The fees contained in this notice are the fees to be proposed by Kentucky-American Water Company to the Public Service Commission no later than March 1, 2020 to be effective on March 31, 2020. The current fee, which applies to Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Other Public Authority and Sales for Resale customers, is \$0.0296 per 100 gallons. The requested fee, which applies to the same customer classes as the current fee, is \$0.0292 per 100 gallons. For all customer classes to which the fee applies, the requested fee is a decrease of \$0.0004, or -1.35%, per 100 gallons. Average usage, in hundreds of gallons, for each customer class to which the fee applies is: Residential: 39; Commercial: 342; Industrial: 9,713; Other Public Authority: 1,205; and Sales for Resale: 18,720. The effect on the average monthly bill for each customer class to which the decreased fee applies is: Residential: -\$0.02; Commercial: -\$0.14; Industrial: -\$3.89; Other Public Authority: -\$0.48; and Sales for Resale: -\$7.49. Customers in Eastern Rockcastle County are not charged the fee, therefore are excluded from the calculation. Any person may examine this tariff filing at Kentucky-American Water Company's offices located at 2300 Richmond Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40502, and on the utility's website at <http://www.amwater.com/kyaw/>. This filing may also be examined at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the Commission's website at <http://psc.ky.gov>. Comments regarding this filing may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its website or by mail to Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602. The fees contained in this notice are the fees proposed by Kentucky-American Water Company, but the Public Service Commission may order fees to be charged that differ from the proposed fees contained in this notice. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication or mailing of this notice, the Commission may take final action on the filing.

NOTICE
Kentucky-American Water Company provides notice that it is filing with the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") in Case No. 2020-00027 for approval of an amount for its Qualified Infrastructure Program Rider ("QIP Rider") which was approved by the Commission in Case No. 2018-00358. The filing will be made no earlier than March 2, 2020 to be effective on July 1, 2020. The QIP Rider will apply to Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Other Public Authority, Sales for Resale, and Public and Private Fire Service and Hydrant customers. The requested QIP Rider is \$1,603,757. Average usage, in hundreds of gallons, for each customer class to which the QIP Rider applies is: Residential: 39; Commercial: 342; Industrial: 9,713; Other Public Authority: 1,205; Sales for Resale: 18,720; Public and Private Fire Service and Hydrant: 0. Because the QIP Rider is a new rider, it is a 100% increase. Included also is the effect on the average monthly bill for each customer class to which the increased fee applies: Residential: \$0.60 (1.62%); Commercial: \$3.13 (1.62%); Industrial: \$69.76 (1.62%); Other Public Authority: \$11.31 (1.62%); Sales for Resale \$130.56 (1.62%); Public Fire Hydrant: \$0.79 (1.62%); Private Fire Service 6": \$1.29 (1.62%); and Private Fire Hydrant: \$1.24 (1.62%). Any person may examine this tariff filing at Kentucky-American Water Company's offices located at 2300 Richmond Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40502, and on the utility's website at <http://www.amwater.com/kyaw/>. This filing may also be examined at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the Commission's website at <http://psc.ky.gov>. Comments regarding this filing may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its website or by mail to Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602. The fees contained in this notice are the fees proposed by Kentucky-American Water Company, but the Public Service Commission may order fees to be charged that differ from the proposed fees contained in this notice. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication or mailing of this notice, the Commission may take final action on the filing.

Church Directory

Believers House of Prayer
156 Scenic View Lane
U.S. 25 N, left at 18 mile marker
Renfro Valley, Ky.
Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
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
Cable Channel 5 in Berea and Richmond 1 p.m. Wednesdays
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
Buffalo Baptist Church
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.
Bill Hall, Pastor
Bill Mink, Asst. Pastor
Calloway Baptist Church
76 Calloway Branch Rd.
(Off US 25) • Calloway
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
George Renner, Pastor
606-224-4641

Central Baptist Church
86 Maintenance Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
606-256-2988
centralbaptistky.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning 11 a.m.
Bus Sunday School 5 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.
Bro. Ova Baker
Bro. Dale McNew
Bro. Philip Scott
Church of Christ on Fairground Hill
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Different speaker each Sunday
Clear Creek Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Climax Christian Church
Hwy. 1912
308-2806 - 256-4138 - 256-5977
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Climax Holiness Church
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
3rd Sat. of every month at 7 p.m.

Community Worship Church of God
758 Hwy. 3245 • Crab Orchard
Bro. Jeff Warren, Pastor
Worship Service
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
www.cwchurchofgod.com

Conway Missionary Baptist
116 Meadow Lark Lane
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. Ralph Reynolds, 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

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.fbcmvkyorg
email: fbcmtvernon@newwave.net
Sunday School: 9:40 a.m.,
Sunday Worship:
10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.
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Broadcast on New Wave Cable Channel 3 Tues., Thurs. & Sunday at 10 a.m., 3 p.m. & 8 p.m.

First Christian Church
West Main St. Mt. Vernon
606-256-2876
Bro. Bruce Ross, Pastor
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.

Fountain of Life United Pentecostal Church
80 Sally J Rd., Mt. Vernon
Sunday 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Everyone Welcome
Pastor: James Blanton

Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Barry Hurst
859-200-6331

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7 p.m.

Higher Praise Ministries
4896 Lake Cumberland Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Chris Davidson, Pastor
Sunday 11 am & 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Bus Ministry call 606-392-8777

Lighthouse Assembly of God
Hwy. 1004 • Orlando, Ky.
Tim Hampton, Pastor
606-256-4884 • 606308-2342
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercessory Prayer 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

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.

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
606-256-1709

Living Word Community Church
"About our Father's Business"
246 Sycamore St. • Brodhead
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Sunday Worship Noon
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Joe Bussell, Jr., Pastor
606-308-4312

Macedonia Baptist Church
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.

Mareburg 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.mareburgbaptist.org
mareburgchurch@yahoo.com

McNew Chapel Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jerry Ballinger, Pastor

Mt. Vernon Church of God
1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
606-308-3293
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.

New Heights Church
316 Mini Mall Dr.
(off Richmond Rd., US 25 N)
Berea, Ky.
www.newheightsky.net
Sundays 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Worship & Children's Church
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.
Midweek Gathering for all ages; prayer & Bible study, youth worship, and Children in Action
Steve McDaniel, Worship Leader
New Hope Baptist Church
Jct. 1797 New Hope Tower Rd.
Orlando
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Philip "Worm" Johnson Pastor

Northside Baptist Church
777 Faith Mountain Rd.
(Off 461 bypass) Mt. Vernon
606-256-5577
Kenny Allen, Pastor
Sunday
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Tuesday
Celebrate Recovery 7 to 9
Wednesday
Adult & Youth Worship 7 p.m.
Time Warner Cable
Tues., Thurs., Sun.
9 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

Ottawa Baptist Church
1074 Ottawa Rd. • Brodhead
Pastor: Bro. Michael Hail
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training 5 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Service 7 p.m.
758-8453
ottawabaptist@windstream.net

Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church
525 Williams St
(across from MVES)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
606-256-4170
Mass Times:
Tuesdays at 5 p.m.
Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
Holy Days 5 p.m.
Father Gary Simpson, Pastor
Jack Lawless, Groundskeeper
Tom Darst, Maintenance

Philadelphia United Baptist
834 Bryant Ridge Rd. Brodhead
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
5216 S. Wilderness Rd.
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
Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor
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.
Prayer Partners Ladies Meeting monthly every 2nd Tues. at 6:30 p.m.

Pleasant Run Missionary
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
1st Sunday in Month Church at 2 p.m. at Rockcastle
Respiratory Care

Bro. Chris Reynolds, Pastor
Poplar Grove Baptist
145 Richlands Rd. • Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Providence church of Christ
1 mile off Hwy. 70 on Hwy. 618
758-8524
Robby Cable, Evangelist
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Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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4308 Highway 1955
Livingston, KY
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Bill Hammond, Pastor
606-392-1826
Everyone invited to come and worship with us

Roundstone Baptist
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

Skaggs Creek Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Pastor: Bro. Richard West
Everyone Welcome!

Tabernacle of Love
244 Old Somerset Rd.
Mt. Vernon
606-25605894
Sunday Worship 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
Pastor: Clyde Hedge

Union Chapel Pentecostal
Pastor: Eugene Webb
1505 Union Chapel Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Everyone Welcome!

United Gospel of Christ
4 miles off US 25 on Wildie Rd.
Church welcomes everyone
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Valley Baptist Church
4482 Copper Creek Rd.
Berea, Ky. 40403
Organized in December, 1908
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Jeff Draper, Pastor
Wildie Christian Church
1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie
606-256-4494
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
Family Fellowship 6 p.m.
Bible Study 6 p.m.
Bro. Gary Pettyjohn, Pastor

Brodhead Pharmacy
Main Street • Brodhead
606-758-4373
Howard Saylor Pharmacist
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Accepting Applications For 2 and 3 bedroom units at Valley View Apartments. Rent based on income. Call 256-5912. TDD for hearing impaired only. 1-800-247-2510.

For Rent
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606-308-2491

Posted

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to John D. Poynter at Locust, Poplar Streets and Hysinger Hollow Rd. Violators will be prosecuted. 3x4

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