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Two projects for the price of one at lake

By: Mike French
Editor

As any contractor will admit, nearly every large project has its problems and two of the projects planned by the City of Mount Vernon are no exception.

Lake Linville is in need of a dredging and the Lake Linville Camp Ground needs updating and improvements, according to local officials. "The lake and campground are tremendous assets to our community," said RCIDA Chairman Corey Craig at Tuesday's monthly meeting of the board. "The tourist traffic and services it provides to our community is a significant part of our county and is an important part of our future. But the lake needs dredged and the campground needs to be upgraded and expanded."

Mount Vernon City Administrator Josh Bray agreed. "We served well over 1,000 boats off our dock last year and the banks on a sunny day are lined with people fishing and enjoying the lake," he said. "In fact, there were license tags from 49 states down there last year."

Since officials agree that both local assets are in need of upgrading, and most agree both projects would include problems, Bray had an idea to turn the two biggest "problems" into assets.

"The biggest problem with dredging the lake is the work and expense of getting rid of the materials dredged. The biggest expense with upgrading the campsite is the need for fill material and having it hauled in. So, we are trying to work a puzzle and coordinate the two projects and actually use the material dredged from the lake as fill for the campsite."

Bray said rather than

pay to have the dredge materials hauled away, he plans to use it as the fill that would have had to be brought into the campsite.

"The campsite needs raised about three feet," he said, "and the new ma-

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Ten years ago

The Lady Rockets were the talk of the state ten years ago this week after winning the 12th Region Championship against Lincoln County to move on to the State Tournament.

Farmer's/Business Banquet

Don't forget the Farmers/Business Banquet tonight (Thursday, March 5) with special guest Tim Farmer. The annual event will begin at 6:30 p.m. at RCMS

Dinner with a Doctor

Nearly all older men have a question or two for a doctor. Rockcastle Regional Hospital is hosting Dinner with a Doctor with a free catered meal on Thursday, March 12. For more information, call (606) 256-7767.

47th District Champions

The RCHS Lady Rockets captured the 47th District Tournament with a win over Casey County last Wednesday night. Members of the team are shown above, back row from left: Natalie Dillingham, Jordan Harper, Karlee Smith, Haley Thacker and Calliegh Burdette. Back row from left: Natalie Dillingham, Addison McClure, Aliyah Lopez, Darby Smith, Keelee King, Hallie Brown, Kenzi Himes, Shelby Newland and Casey Coleman. The girls are taking part in the 12th Region Tournament this week in Lincoln County. They play in the semi-finals Friday night at 8 p.m. when they take on Wayne County.

RCIDA discusses projects

By: Mike French
Editor

As with most meetings of the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) recently, there were many subjects to discuss. This month even guests Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Kentucky State Representative Travis Brenda and Mount Vernon City Administrator Josh Bray took part in the discussion.

After the approval of the minutes, the budget and the financial reports, discussion moved to the progress of the new Marathon station locating in Livingston.

Mayor Jason Medley reported that the project is still on schedule and current plans are to be open for business by Memorial

Day.

RCIDA Chairman Corey Craig related his feelings concerning the importance of the new store. "I know some people may complain that it's only five or six jobs,

Grand Jury hands down 14 indictments

14 indictments were handed down by a Rockcastle County Grand Jury on Friday, February 14th.

Terry W. Anglin, 43, of Lambert Road, Mt. Vernon and Scotty A. Vanwinkle, also 43, of McKee were named in a joint indictment for the offense of receiving stolen property.

Their bond was set at \$5,000 cash/property (c/p) each.

Ryan W. Ison, 38, of

Farmers' Market on schedule

but say that to the five or six families who now have income in their home," he said. "Tell that to the people of Livingston who now won't have to travel 20

miles for a gallon of gas. Tell that to the people of Livingston who are watching their hometown grow and develop and provide better services. I think those five or six jobs, and what that convenience represents, is of vital importance."

Medley echoed Craig's remarks. "I am just thankful that we sit on a board and live in a community that recognizes that very fact," said Medley. "That station is a big deal for the quality of life for all of us in Livingston."

Craig moved on to discussion concerning the upcoming Farmer's Market to be located on Richmond Street in Mount Vernon.

RCIDA Executive Director Jeff VanHook said the project is also moving ahead on schedule. He said the purchase of the house on the property is now complete and demolition has begun.

"This will provide a much safer means of in-

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RTEC gets visit from national transit organization

By: Mike French
Editor

Not many citizens outside the transportation industry are familiar with the acronym CTAA. But staff and employees of RTEC are very familiar with the organization and welcomed them to Mount Vernon this week.

The Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA)

is building member profiles this week and, according to Shirley Cummins, RTEC Executive Director, the local organization is pleased with the visit.

"It is quite the honor to have this national organization touring our facility," she said. "This is the first time we have hosted them and that national

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Farmers' Market facility in early stages



Goff Excavating of Mount Vernon has started the sitework for the upcoming Farmers' Market facility on Richmond Street. The house on the property, in the background, is also being demolished to make room for an entrance and more parking.



Time will spring forward Sunday, March 8 at 2 a.m. in observance of Daylight Savings Time. Officials suggest setting your clock ahead one hour before going to bed Saturday night.

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ramblings...

by; perlina m. anderkin

Our Lady Rockets did an excellent job Wednesday night in the finals of the district tournament, taking care of business by defeating the Casey County Lady Rebels 47-37 after losing two regular season games to them.

The girls seemed determined and regained their composure quickly after losing the third quarter 13-7.

They were sent to the free throw line five times in the closing minutes of the game and they calmly and coolly sank all of them to seal the 47-37 win.

They also, from all accounts, came up with a great draw in the 12th Region. They defeated Garrard County Tuesday night in the first round and will face Wayne County in the semi-finals Friday night, a team they beat in regular season by four points.

The Coronavirus crisis is wearing me out. I don't mean to make light of it but, come on folks, look at the number of people who have died from this virus - nine as of Tuesday, March 3rd, all in Washington state. Compare this to the number who have died from the flu in this country - 4,800 in 2020 alone, besides 87,000 hospitalized.

We are freaking out over these nine deaths and tanking our stock market and the Dems are busy castigating our President over his handling of the situation when the H1N1 (Swine Flu) pandemic of 2009, on President Obama's watch, killed 12,469 people in the United States from the 60.8 million cases and 274,304 were hospitalized and I never heard one Republican talking mean about BHO's handling of the situation.

I have never taken the flu shot. I was bullied into

getting a pneumonia shot back a couple of years ago by daughter Jamie and a pulmonary doctor in Lexington and I'm glad I was, I guess. But, I have heard several horror stories about the effects of the flu shot that have scared me off and, since I have never had the flu in all of my 78 years, I'm going to take my chances.

We all need to use commonsense, which I am told doesn't involve wearing a mask. Wash our hands often, avoid sick people and large crowds and get plenty of rest.

I was amazed at how much money is being spent on the Democrats' efforts to gain their party's nomination to run

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



Things are just plain nicer now.

I complain a lot about how much better things used to be. But in most cases, I'm referring to moral values and work ethics and a country based on Christian ideas.

And, of course, I don't care for the digital world. I just don't like a chip or the government making decisions for me.

But as for daily life, it seems like things are nicer.

When I grew up, I didn't know what carpet was. I didn't see carpeting until I was in my teens and that was at some government building. We had linoleum or just plain old oak boards. Now, it's hard to imagine a nice house

without either hardwood floors or some kind of carpet.

A lot of people have no clue what it's like to live without air conditioning. Believe it or not, I did it all of my growing up years.

My college dorm did not have A/C at ECU. Of course, we didn't know any different. It didn't exist.

And, yes, it is very nice to be able to go in the other room to take care of nature's call and then back to the bed. No trips through the snow in the night anymore. Indoor plumbing is great.

Being away from the house without a phone was also an inconvenience that we didn't know inconvenienced us. There was no such thing as a cell phone.

Heat that runs off of something other than wood or coal is also very nice. It is really quite the bother to get up during a good night's sleep to add coal to the stove. It was even worse to spend your Saturday off work or out of school, chopping wood. But, we didn't know any better. It had to be done.

I don't know what on

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Points East

By Ike Adams



Prior to last Sunday's event at the Pizza Hut in Mount Vernon, I am reasonably sure that the last, and only, baby shower I had attended was in 1975, a few weeks before my daughter, Geneva Marie (Genny) made her entrance into broad daylight. I showed up at that one, in Manchester, because it was the only place I could find a cup of coffee without having to drive 3 miles to a gas station that had a coffee machine. I had already borrowed an industrial grade, 2-gallon, coffee pot specifically for use at the shower and figured I could slip in, unnoticed, to sneak a fresh cup.

Then I got roped into opening a box that had a

photo of one of those A-frame, spring-loaded, wind-up, baby swinging rockers gizmos on the side, with a notice, under the picture, that said, "SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED." There were about 30 women, one of whom was immensely pregnant, in the house and they had about 30 different opinions on how the swing contraption needed to be assembled and not a single one of those opinions involved reading the instructions.

An hour later I managed to slip away sans coffee and my father-in-law said, "I told you not to go in there."

We went out to the service station and got ourselves cups of hot, black water that may or may not have been in touch with coffee. After the shower was over it took him about 30 minutes to assemble the swing while I read the instruction sheet and handed him parts labeled "cotter key A, slot pin B, crank handle M, side brace Z, tube cap AA", etc.

I believe the list of parts went through the alphabet 3 times before we got to "short bolt ZZZ." The 2 gallon coffee pot was empty before we started but we perked a regular pot after we figured out why the shower

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Slingshots

When I was about 10 years old, my grandfather (Pop) taught me how to construct a slingshot. One of my friends had one, and I asked Pop to show me how to make a similar weapon in order to hunt small game and to target practice. Of course, he readily agreed and off to the woods we went to locate just the right willow-forked branch.

I was excited as I watched the slingshot come together in Pop's hands. To me, he was a genius concerning such things. He could make a great number of useful items by using only his own knowledge and a few tools.

After completing my slingshot, Pop was careful to explain to me that this was a dangerous weapon that could kill small game or even put out someone's eye if it was not used correctly.

For the next few weeks, I became a "big game hunter" and stalked trees, Coke cans, and a few birds with my trusty weapon. Pop had told me that I could shoot at any Blue Jays, crows, or

grackles when I located them, because these birds destroyed the eggs of songbirds - thus allowing them to be eliminated when possible. I was excited to learn I could actually hunt some animals with my handy slingshot.

A few years thereafter (when I was approximately 12 or 13 years old), my brother (Al) was pastor of the Woodbine Baptist Church near Manassas, Virginia. One week Al and his wife, Eva, took a vacation and came back to Mt. Vernon to spend some time with family. I was permitted to go back with them to spend about ten days in Manassas. (When it was time for me to come home, Al and Eva drove me to Washington, D.C. so I could catch the George Washington Special to return to Lexington. That trip still stands out in my mind, even though it was more than sixty years ago.)

While still in Manassas, I was with Al while he shopped in a local hardware store. There I was excited to find a

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Bookmobile Schedule

Mon., Mar. 9th: No service. **Tuesday, March 10th:** Maple Grove, Orlando and Climax.

Rockcastle Garden Club

The Rockcastle Garden Club will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, March 9th at the Rockcastle County Extension Office. The program will be about beekeeping by Eddie Wilson. Public is always invited.

Livingston Fire & Rescue Spaghetti Dinner

Livingston Fire and Rescue will have a Spaghetti Dinner this 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.

Census Quilt now at Rockcastle Library

According to Rockcastle County Librarian Pam Chaliff, the 2020 will be on display at the local library now through March 13th. Library hours are 9:30 to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:30 to 2 p.m. Saturday.

First RCHS Alumni Banquet scheduled for April 25th

The First Annual RCHS Alumni Banquet will be held April 25th, this year for the classes of 1973 through 1985. For more details, go to rchs.alum.assoc@gmail.com or visit the Facebook group page at Rockcastle co. High School Alumni Association.

KPR Meeting is March 16

The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Monday, March 16th at David's Steak House in Corbin.. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be Brandon Storm, Republican candidate for 21st District State Senator and Don Rose, Republican candidate for 86th District State Representative 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.

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.

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.



**LETTERS
TO THE EDITOR**

HB 484 should be defeated...

Dear Editor,

A bill recently introduced in the General Assembly would reorganize Kentucky Retirement Systems. Proponents say HB 484 is needed to address a perceived lack of representation for the County Employees Retirement System, one of three systems under the umbrella of KRS. KRS is overseen by a 17-member board.

HB 484 creates a new, duplicative bureaucracy. It establishes a CERS board and another board to represent the Kentucky Employees and State Police systems. This will mean duplicate expenditures to hire another group of auditors, investment consultants and actuaries. Investment and custodial fees to manage separate fund portfolios will increase. Chief executive officers would be hired for each of the two boards. The total price tag is estimated at \$3.6 million to \$6.7 million.

An argument can be made that the current board is top heavy with gubernatorial trustees. A simple fix would be to do nothing more than change the board's representation. No muss, no fuss, and no spending millions of dollars for a system that needs to hold on to every nickel to ensure fiscal stability.

HB 484 should be defeated, and a more practical approach to board representation should be explored by all affected stakeholder groups.

Jim Carroll

President Kentucky Government Retirees

“Points East”

(Cont. from A2)

goers were not up to their swing assembly A game. The shower goers were so buzzed on coffee that they couldn't have held a hand tool steady if they'd known where to use it.

I had avoided baby showers ever since then, but, late last Sunday afternoon a baby shower presented an opportunity to visit 4 of our 5 surrogate granddaughters, 3 of whom were getting ready to welcome a baby sister. I don't get a chance to spend nearly as much time with the girls as I'd like to and I figured that John and Jack Edwards' daughters, all of whom call me Grandpa, would guarantee that I'd enjoy myself more than I had in the previous baby shower encounter.

Honorable Grandma, Loretta, was in charge of entertainment and served up several baby oriented games that, I assume, are popular with baby shower attendees. At least the 30 or so guests who attended Becca's and John's seemed to be royally entertained.

I actually tied the new big sisters' biological Grandma, Regina Russell, for first place in

a nursery rhyme trivia contest. For example, Who did the dish run away with? What grows in a row in Mary's garden? Where was Simple Simon headed when he met the pieman? Why did Old Mother Hubbard go to the cupboard, Where did Peter, Peter put his wife? What did Jack jump over? Rub a dub dub, how many men in the tub. How many fiddlers for Old King Cole? How does a weasel go? What did Little Miss Muffet have for dinner? What did the mouse run up? How do you catch a tiger? What color was Mary's lamb? How many mice for the farmer's wife? What did Peter Piper pick? What did the dish run away with?

Regina and I got 13 of 15 correct answers. Besides Loretta, we were the only people over 60 in the crowd and nobody else got more than 11 correct answers.

I don't remember what prize Regina won but I wound up with a new coffee cup stacked with Hershey Kisses. I told the girls that I'd share some with them the next time they come to see me. But they'd better hurry. These things are going as fast as Mr. Parkinson can unwrap them.

ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

against President Trump this fall.

Pete Buttigieg dropped out Sunday after spending \$79,000,000. Multi-billionaire Mike Bloomberg has already spent \$600,000,000 of his own money and got his first votes in Tuesday's Super Tuesday Primaries (14 states). He has since suspended his campaign.

It is going to be interesting (and scary?) to see what happens if our very own Comrade Bernie Sanders is somehow denied the nomination in Milwaukee this summer for "I don't know where I am or why I'm here" Joe Biden.

One of Sanders's top campaign officials was secretly recorded by a Project Veritas person detailing the havoc his followers would wreak in Milwaukee as in, "We'll burn Milwaukee down" among other threats. He was also recorded talking about if Sanders won, the "re-education camps" they would have to send millionaires/billionaires to (and no doubt the "deplorables" who supported Trump, regardless of financial status).

I cannot believe in our country that we have degenerated to the point that an avowed Socialist/ Communist has a substantial possibility of becoming our President.

Of course, we will just have to wait and see how this whole depressing scenario plays out.

“Memories”

(Cont. from A2)

commercial, wooden slingshot. Al noticed me looking at the very special weapon and then took the slingshot to the counter and purchased it for his little brother. The clerk suggested that we also purchase a few bags of marbles to use as ammunition, which we did.

As soon as we got back to Al's house, I took my new slingshot into his back yard and began to practice. It wasn't long until I was hunting the wooded area behind his house. I became quite good at hitting my targets with my new weapon.

I kept that slingshot until I left Mt. Vernon to attend UK in 1962. Don't know what happened to it after that, but I always considered that slingshot to be a special gift from my older brother.

(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.)

earth we did before plastic. Everything in my home is made of plastic now. Of course stuff lasted longer but it also weighed ten times more and got rusty.

We also had no idea it was a bother to have to heat up an oven for 20 minutes and then heat up food. Microwaves didn't exist.

Even popcorn meant oil and butter and dirty pans and dirty bowls and fifteen minutes to pop it and 15 more to clean up the mess. That 3-minute ding on the microwave is nice.

Of course televisions are great too. We always had one but the black and white screen was blurry and staticky and the antennae on the roof had to be moved every night so that one of the three channels we got would come in.

Riding mowers are actually life savers. Honestly, they are. Pushing those old rotary blade mowers up hill in a slanted yard was very dangerous for feet and limbs but were also so hard to push that elderly people or sick people risked heart failure pushing them around.

As most know, I smoke like a freight train burning coal. But I still use the old Zippos. I spend every night filling mine with fluid and flint. But most people just buy lighters for a dollar and then toss it away when it's used up. It's much nicer.

Paper towels, Saran wrap, aluminum foil, television remotes, light bulbs, electric stoves, and so much more makes our daily lives so much nicer.

I would love to see my kids spend just one day of their life the same way I lived mine as a youth.

No bathroom, no phone, no air conditioning, one tv channel, no running water, no internet, no microwave, no Bluetooth, only push mowers, etc.

Times were sure harder. Luckily, I came along after cars were invented and we always either owned or had use of a tractor so I never had to plow with a mule.

Anyway, I guess I should be thankful for a lot of the newfangled stuff.

It's just too bad we had to sacrifice moral values to have all these nice pleasures of life.

In a perfect world, we could move ahead and progress and enrich life without giving up ethics or moral values or Christian-based laws. But alas, it is far from a perfect world.

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Obituaries

Kelly Wayne Saylor

Kelly Wayne Saylor, 45, of Dalton, GA and formerly of Brodhead, died Monday, February 24, 2020 surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Middletown, OH on August 8, 1974, the son of Rant and Faye Irene King Saylor. He had been a truck driver.



He is survived by: his wife, Jessica Saylor and their four children, Garrett Saylor, Mackenzie Saylor and partner Emmanuel Jacobo, Matthew Petty, and Jordan Petty; his father and step-mother, Rant and Joyce Saylor of Brodhead; two grandchildren, Roslyn and Knox; four brothers, Jerry Saylor, Robert Saylor, Julian Saylor, and JR Saylor; and two sisters, Randi Saylor and Lisa Saylor. Several nieces and nephews also survive. He was preceded in death by his mother, Faye Irene Saylor and two brothers, Keith Edward Carpenter and Lonnie Clinton Carpenter.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, February 29, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. David Sargent. Burial was in Saylor Family Cemetery at Cartersville.

Pallbearers were: Jason Burkhart, Brandon Evans, Emmanuel Jacobo, Matthew Petty, Jerry Saylor, Michael Saylor, and Peyton Saylor.

Please visit www.Dalton-Funeral-Home.com, www.DowellMartin.com, to view online obituary.

Dorothy Jean Cummins

Dorothy Jean Cummins, 89, of Crab Orchard, died Sunday, March 1, 2020 at her home. She was born in Lincoln County on March 29, 1930. She was the wife



of the late Clancy Cummins. She was a member of Liberty Baptist Church.

Survivors include: a son, Gary E. Cummins of Crab Orchard; a daughter, Roxanne Caldwell of Crab Orchard; a brother, Ron Weaver of Indiana; a sister, Diane Shannon of Indiana; five grandchildren, Rebecca (Brian) Shearer, Rachel (Adam) Nobel, Ramona (Jeff) Barker, Chris (Shannon) Goff and Cristan (John) Reed; six great grandchildren, Talyne Shearer, Trinity Shearer, Lexi Martin, Hailee Reed, Chelsea Reed and Chase McClure

A private funeral service will be held at a later date with burial to follow at Liberty Baptist Church Cemetery.

Rex Hodge

Rex Hodge, 87, of Cranberry Township, PA, died February 21, 2020. He was born in Corbin, on January 15, 1933, the son of Hubert Hodge and Ida Carpenter. He graduated from the University of Kentucky with an Engineering degree in 1956. He later received another Engineering degree and was also a licensed professional Engineer. He founded Fluidraulics, Inc. in 1967 and was the President/CEO for decades.



He will be missed dearly by his three children, Paul Hodge (Susan) of Chagrin Falls, OH, Jenny Hilliard (Randy) of West Sunbury, PA, and Pam Krause (Kurt) of Valencia, PA. His grandchildren will also miss him very much: Christina Fuller (Alex) of Shaker Hts., OH, Natalie Hodge of Chicago, IL, Kevin Hodge of Cleveland, OH, Ryan Krause of Pittsburgh, PA, Ashley Krause of West Palm Beach, FL, Alex Welter of Pittsburgh, PA, Roxanne Welter of Pittsburgh, PA and one great grandchild, Reid Fuller of Shaker Hts., OH.

He was married to Betty Sue Davis for 23 years and they remained close friends. Rex loved genealogy and spent years traveling and researching the family history going back to ancient Europe. He wrote and published a book titled, "From Old World Royalty to the New World Frontier." He also spent winters in Dunedin, FL for 15 years and loved the area and weather there. He was a big Kentucky Wildcats basketball fan and watched them often.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 28, 2020 at LifePointe Alliance Church, 997 Route 228, Mars, PA 16046.

A memorial service, where Rex will be laid to rest with his parents, will be held at Elmwood Cemetery on Old U.S. Highway 25, Mt. Vernon, KY, 40456, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2020.

In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to the American Heart Association of Pittsburgh online (<https://www.heart.org/en/affiliates/pennsylvania/pittsburgh>).

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Boylan-Glenn-Kildoo Funeral Home & Cremation Svcs., Inc., 130 Wisconsin Ave./P.O. Box 2155, Cranberry Twp., PA 16066.

Expressions of sympathy may be shared with the family at www.boylanfuneralservices.com.

Verla Ann Shelton

Verla Ann Shelton, 72, of Livingston, died Sunday, February 23, 2020 at The Terrace Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Berea. She was born in New Miami, OH on January 19, 1948, the daughter of Clarence Bryan and Geneva Bond Bennett. She was a homemaker and a member of Livingston Pentecostal Church.



She is survived by: three sons, William Bryan Mahaffey of Livingston, and Chad Mahaffey and Darren Bennett, both of Mt. Vernon; and three daughters, Starlene Worley and Sabrina Mahaffey, both of Berea, and Sherry Peña of Livingston. Also surviving are 15 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Imogene Hurd.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, February 27, 2020 at Livingston Pentecostal Church by Bro. Jim Miller. Burial was in Red Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Darren Bennett, Chad Mahaffey, William Bryan Mahaffey, Jacob Quintero, Blake Vanwinkle, Chad Vanwinkle, Christopher Vanwinkle, Jared Vanwinkle, and Darrian Worley.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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

Edna "Eddy" Bowman

Edna "Eddy" Baker Bowman, 77, of Crab Orchard, died Friday, February 28, 2020 at her home. She was born in Garrard County on November 10, 1942, a daughter of the late Edith Mae Wethington and Clyde Baker. She was a Christian and member of Oak Grove Church of Christ. She was a retired nurse. She loved each of her family. She enjoyed quilting, working jigsaw puzzles, playing the banjo and she really cared for her dogs.



Survivors include: six children, Tina (Ronnie) Goff, Gary (Anna) Smith, Michael "George" (Tina) Smith, Tim (Stacie) Smith, Tammy (Roger) Brock and Eric Smith; very special step-daughter, Renee Oliver; former husband, Curt Smith; two sisters, Mary "Cotton" Johns and Pat Smith; 15 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews and several cousins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by husband, Jim Bowman; a brother, Bobby Baker; and two grandchildren, Michelle and Brandon Smith.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at the McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Zandall Hasty officiating.

Card of Thanks

Barry "Pap Bear" McClure

It is with humbled hearts that we attempt to express in mere words our sincere appreciation for the outpouring of love, kindness, prayers and support that was shown to our family during this most difficult time of great sadness. You can rest assured that the smallest act of kindness gave us comfort in our time of despair with the loss of our husband, father, son, brother, grandfather, uncle, nephew. We were certainly comforted and amazed by the crowd that waited in line for hours to pay their respects to us at the visitation services and those who took time out of their day for his funeral and burial. The outpouring of love from our small community has overwhelmed us all.

First and foremost, we would like to thank Dr. Karen Saylor for going above and beyond for him throughout the years during his many health scares. Thank you to Neil Bray and Rita Mullins for being so compassionate to him when he was in so much pain. Your professional expertise did not go unnoticed.

Thank you to Marvin Owens and his staff for the comforting down home care that was bestowed upon us during this difficult time. They

honored our every request and left us feeling so grateful.

Special thanks to Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ and the ever caring "church ladies" for the wonderful and bountiful meal that was served after the services for so many in attendance. Thank you to Brother Ova Baker, Dale McNew and Devon Bussell for the eulogy and thoughtful words at the funeral.

We would wish that we could acknowledge each and every one of you personally face to face but we cannot, so we would hope that you will accept this letter of appreciation from us all. We would, however like to make special mention of our sincere appreciation to the Bussell family and for our close neighbors for the fellowship and support shown all of us, thanks for reminding us of your favorite "Barry" stories that made us all laugh. We are still searching for words to express our gratitude to everyone who brought food, utensils, odds and ends, flowers, gifts, cards, money, etc. Your love and kindness has not, nor will ever go unnoticed or forgotten.

Janet, Mickey, Dusty, Tiffany, Fred, Cheryl, Beverlee, and Amos Junior

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Get Real (Stone)

A wholesale stone producer I know has as their marketing slogan "Get Real" and has trademarked it.

In this age when everybody wants something and they want it yesterday, hauling in real rocks and waiting for the masonry work to be completed is becoming a thing of history. You can probably think of a "historical building" of a historical stone wall or monument. Let's look at this subject a little as it relates to landscaping and building.

Fake stone (faux rocks) requires less skill and fewer hours of labor to create a rock wall or stone on the facade of a home. Some of it looks pretty convincing anymore, until you get up close and inspect if it's real or not.

Artificial stone may cost as much, and often more, than real stone. The quickness with which it can be installed saves money and time (again, money). Still, if you've seen the fake rocks falling off of concrete walls along Richmond Road or at Hamburg Pavilion in Lexington, KY; or if you have a mobile home underpinned with a wire mesh coated with mortar and stones that in a few years several have fallen off, you realize it's not "rock solid" the way real stone done properly is.

Rock is often used as a veneer over concrete blocks or poured walls. It also works as a veneer on an old walk or patio, making it look brand new. It may not be cheaper than to jackhammer out an old walk and pour with fresh concrete, but you'll have a fancy stone walk when it's done instead of a concrete one.

Real stonework, especially if the stones are more than an inch or so in thickness, requires a footer. This is something the faux rock doesn't require, because it is lighter in weight. Thick stones can also be used as veneer.

This would be where they are used as a structural element, but over the top of plywood or other sheathing.

A real rock house has walls that may be nearly two feet in thickness. These aren't very cozy, for stone allows the chill from outside to come right through the rock; it will be cold in the same way a concrete warehouse or garage is cold. Still, from ancient

times, stone has been used to build homes and castles.

Besides covering a house or covering a wall, what are other ways stone is utilized at a home or business?

Fireplaces come to mind. Again, these can be constructed of solid rock and lined with firebricks—or they can be veneering covering a fireplace made of other materials. A fireplace in a home looks great, although I'm sure it's not for everyone. There are fireplaces for looks or for cooking that are installed outdoors as well.

Driveway entries and mailboxes are another common way stonework is employed to make a place look more impressive. It also can be more secure, lasting forever.

Cobblestones were used in bygone times for street paving, road building. These are rather rough, but certainly much more durable than a gravel driveway, and look great as well.

Outdoor patios and outdoor kitchens, along with terraces or retaining walls, are other places we find rocks commonly used in the landscaping of a house. You can build these walls completely from stone, like the one at intersection of Center and Forest Streets in Berea, Kentucky. Or you can build a concrete wall, and use either real stone or faux stone to "vener" it.

And dry laid stone walls can also work as retaining walls. This is where flat stack stones are carefully layered so they don't require masonry to hold them up. (Not advisable for holding back an unstable hillside though.)

We can use practical concrete for many things, including nice dyed concrete brick patios and walks, stamped poured concrete, and large blocks to create retaining walls that will look like rock ledge stones from a distance. Yet, real stone will look the most special and make the greatest impression on others.

There are many patterns and looks that a mason can create, and the arrangement or rocks in an artistic fashion is always going to be what really separates the imitation stone veneer with stonework by a knowledgeable stone artist.

The author is a landscaper.
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“RCIDA”

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gress and egress and a more attractive site with 40 parking spaces. The building will compliment the area,” said VanHook.

Though the building will be known as the Farmer’s Market, the City of Mount Vernon, Rockcastle County Fiscal Court and the RCIDA Board are adamant about the building being a multi-use facility available year-round for many different functions or events.

“There will be two offices and a 12 by 20 conference room along with two bathrooms,” said VanHook. “Then, of course, there will be the 37 by 96 open area with 10 overhead doors.”

Craig talked about several local entities and organizations who may be interested in utilizing the new heated and cooled facility once it is complete.

Craig also explained plans to salvage parts of the home such as the heating and air conditioning system. But he explained that the building itself was on a crumbling foundation and presented several safety issues. “This is why we chose to demolish the house,” he said. “There are some things we can salvage but we needed to get rid of the house and provide a safer environment all around.”

VanHook said Bray had an idea of creating an app or a website to pre-order products from the market once it is open.

“Something like a click list so that residents could order products from the Farmer’s Market in advance. This would also help the producers to know how much to grow,” said Bray.

Conversation then moved to the progress of the Microfoodery plant and the new hemp processing plant in Mount Vernon. Craig reported those projects are also moving ahead. “Things are moving ahead at a fast clip now,” he said.

Discussion then moved to the planned widening of Highway 461. Rep. Brenda informed the board that though Governor Bashear’s new budget had pushed the project out to 2025, he had worked with officials to have the project moved back to 2023 as a goal to begin construction.

“We need to keep this conversation going and keep moving on this project,” said the state

representative.

Brenda said he is still working on keeping the project moving sooner.

Holbrook said officials met recently with the local school system to find out what days would be best to close roadways for bridge demolition and they were told “next year there is a spring break. So, that is a good sign.”

Craig agreed. “I can’t over emphasize the importance of this project,” he said. “If we want all the growth that we plan to accomplish near exit 62, widening this highway is an essential part of that growth.”

VanHook told the board about the trip taken by himself and Bray to the Co-Opolooza Economic Development event held in Frankfort last month.

VanHook said events held and discussions and presentations all only served to confirm his opinion that a natural gas line needs to be available in Rockcastle County.

“It is crucial that we have a natural gas line here,” said VanHook. “Companies are looking for the Holy Grail of locations and we have it all, except gas. We have a great quality of life, rail systems, transportation systems, excellent health care, excellent school system and so much more to offer any potential business...except natural gas.”

Craig agreed. “The potential for the exit 62 area has a lot of merit,” he said. “But it would look even better if we offered natural gas.”

Holbrook, Brenda, Craig and VanHook discussed several other projects also in planning stages including flooding problems in Brodhead, the new water basin in Mount Vernon, Brodhead sewer lines and other plans for development.

Craig ended the meeting by emphasizing his pride in the recent growth and development in the area.

“We are living in exciting times here in Rockcastle County,” said Craig. “There are some risks and some liabilities involved with the growth we are experiencing and the development we have planned. But the rewards are tremendous. If we stay focused on the prize, and stay on top of all the moving parts, our community will benefit greatly.”

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 7 at 8:30 a.m.

The public is invited to attend.

Smoke reported in MVES



The Mount Vernon Fire Department was called to the Mount Vernon Elementary School Friday night after smoke was reported in the building. Once on the scene, first responders learned the smoke was from a faulty heating and cooling system and no fire had occurred. Fire fighters ventilated the building and no damage was reported from the smoke.

“Projects”

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material would be graded and provide much nicer, convenient campsites. That sediment is perfect top soil and we would have a beautiful, green area there.”

In fact, if all went according to plan, the new, improved campsites would increase from 20 to 50 and greatly increase potential income from the campground as well as local businesses. “We already make between \$150,000 and \$160,000 from sales at the lake. This could increase that number in many different ways,” Bray said.

So, not only would the cost of both projects be greatly reduced, but income potential would be greatly increased if both projects are scheduled properly, Bray added.

Local RCIDA board member Doctor George Griffith asked if the lake material could be compacted properly and approved for use as fill in the campground.

“We are going to have to work that out with the Corps of Engineers,” said Bray. “I feel certain it can be used but those details will indeed have to be addressed.”

Though all the details are not worked out yet, and scheduling and budgeting is a difficult task, Bray says he feels confident that the idea could save the city a lot of money while providing increased income after the projects are complete. But, only if the two projects, and their problems can be coordinated.

Recently, the City of Mount Vernon received an estimate of over \$1million to dredge the lake alone, according to Bray, but he says not hauling off and paying to store the material from the lake would greatly reduce that cost.

As for the campground, not having to purchase and haul fill material and topsoil would also greatly reduce that project cost.

“In effect, the cost of both projects could be about the same as either one of them would have been if we had done them separately,” said Bray.

Currently, Bray says, the two projects are in early stages of planning. “There is a lot to work out and grants to obtain before anything happens. But if we approach this the right way, we can save a tremendous amount of taxpayer dollars and get an even better result.”

“Indict”

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dicted on three counts: possession of a controlled substance, promoting contraband and tampering with physical evidence.

His bond was set at \$20,000 c/p.

Nathan L. Gadd, 32, of Ottawa Road, Brodhead was named in two separate indictments, one for receiving stolen property and the other for three different offenses: theft by unlawful taking, two counts of criminal mischief and one count of operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs.

His bond was set at \$7,500 c/p;

Joshua C. Page, 32, of W. Main St., Mt. Vernon was indicted for the offense of possession of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

“CTAA”

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recognition is helpful to our organization.”

RTEC (Rural Transportation Enterprises Coordinated) provides transportation for many in Rockcastle County, and adjoining counties, and CTAA plans to hold their annual national conference in the state this year.

RTEC is one of 24 transit agencies in Kentucky and only a few years ago received the National Innovators Award in the transit industry.

The national conference is scheduled for the end of May in Louisville and brings transit agencies from across the country together.

The CTAA central focus is their belief that “mobility is a basic human right” and the non-profit organization is “in the business of moving people efficiently and cost effectively.”

Established in 1979, the CTAA has held conferences across the nation but officials spent part of this week in Mount Vernon. “We are members of the CTAA and attend the conference each year and we are proud to have them here at our facility,” said Cummins.

Dessie L. Hyatt, 68, of Lexington was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, trafficking in a controlled substance and promoting contraband into the Rockcastle County Detention Center.

Her bail was set at \$25,000 c/p;

Melissa Sue Wolke, 38, of Emerald Lane, Mt. Vernon was indicted for murder in the death of Donald Abner.

Her bond was set at \$500,000 cash.

Gregory Scott Durham, 39, of Old U.S. 25S, Mt. Vernon was indicted on three counts of rape and three counts of sodomy.

His bail was set at \$200,000 c/p.

John C. Newland, 46, of West Main St., Brodhead was indicted for the offense of assault and as a persistent felony offender.

His bond was set at \$20,000 c/p.

Brittany M. Ramsey, 26, of Kings Court Road, Mt. Vernon was indicted for the offense of possession of a controlled substance.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 c/p.

Tammy Jo Hensley, 46, of Honeycomb Road, Mt. Vernon was indicted for bail jumping.

Her bond was set at \$20,000 c/p.

Federal student aid programs can help pay college costs

The federal government offers many financial aid programs to help students and families pay for college.

- Federal Pell Grant: Pell Grants provide up to \$6,195 per year for undergraduates with financial need. That amount is expected to increase for the 2020–21 school year.

- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant: These grants provide up to \$4,000 per year for undergraduate students who have exceptional financial need.

- Direct Loans: These loans are available to undergraduate, graduate and professional students. The amount students can borrow depends on their year in school.

- Federal PLUS Loans:

Parents of dependent undergraduate students may qualify for PLUS Loans, depending on the parents’ credit ratings. The amount available depends on how much other financial aid the student receives. Graduate and professional students may apply for PLUS Loans if they have exhausted their Direct Loan eligibility.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is used to apply for all of these programs. The PLUS Loan requires a separate application.

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

Online security can help protect from cyber thieves

The theft of credit and debit card numbers should make everyone, including students, more careful about protecting their money from cyber thieves. The following measures can help, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

Never provide your Social Security, bank account or credit card number in response to a phone call, text or email. If you get a text or email from a bank or company, don’t click on any link in the message. It may lead you to a fake site run by thieves hoping you’ll enter personal information, or it may install spyware or malware on your phone or computer. Instead, sign in through the website you normally use when you do business with that firm.

Never provide bank, credit card or other sensitive data on a website that doesn’t explain how your information will be protected, including encryp-

tion to safely transmit and store data.

When you use your ATM or debit card, make sure no one can see your PIN. Check ATMs for obvious signs of tampering or for a skimming device.

KHEAA is the agency that administers the state’s grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). The agency also provides financial literacy videos at <http://itsmoney.kheaa.com> and free copies of “It’s Money, Baby,” a guide to financial literacy, to Kentucky schools and residents upon request at publications@kheaa.com.

Many of KHEAA’s student aid programs are funded by Kentucky Lottery receipts.

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



The CTAA organization toured the local RTEC facility this week. Left to right is Loreal Lance, CTAA Membership & Business Development Director, Shirley Cummins, RTEC Director and CTAA, Communications and Legislative Specialist Taylor Klocke.

SPORTS

Lady Rockets defeat Casey for 47th District title

Reversing their fortunes from a year ago when they did not make it out of districts, the Lady Rockets won the whole shebang last Wednesday night, defeating the Casey County Lady Rebels, a team that had beaten them twice in regular season play, 47-37.

The Rockets came out strong, going up 14-9 at the first quarter stop. They were ahead 22-17 at the half but, in the third quarter, it was all the way to the 1:50 mark before the Lady Rockets got their first basket which tied the score at 24 all, enroute to a 30-29 lead for the Rebels.

In the fourth quarter, the Lady Rockets drew first blood on two free throws by Kenzi Himes and a basket by Casey Coleman gave the Rockets a 33-30 lead which they would never relinquish, although the Rebels cut it to one at 33-32.

The Lady Rockets last 10 points of the

game came on free throws, the first two from Coleman, Lindsey Jones then hit two and senior Shelby Newland hit six in a row to clinch the win.

Coleman led the scoring with 14 points; Hallie Brown and Lindsey Jones had nine points each; Newland got eight; Himes, who was in early foul trouble and had to sit out much of the game, scored four points and Keelee King got a three point basket.

The Lady Rebels hit seven three point baskets to the Lady Rockets' three and were 6/6 from the free throw line to the Rockets 12/14. The Lady Rockets only had eight turnovers in the game, none in the fourth quarter.

The Lady Rockets shot 57% overall in the game and were 12/14 from the free throw line and outrebounded Casey 23/15.

Himes, Newland and Coleman were named to the 47th District All-Season Team.



Senior Kenzi Himes works hard in the paint during the Lady Rockets' 47-37 win in the finals of the 47th District Tournament.



Senior Shelby Newland breaks free for a lay-up during the Lady Rockets' 47-37 win in the finals of the 47th District Tournament.



Junior Casey Coleman goes up for two of her team high 14 points during the Lady Rockets' 47-37 win in the finals of the 47th District Tournament.



Freshman Hallie Brown scores a basket during the Lady Rockets' win in the finals of the 47th District Tournament. Brown scored nine points in the win.



47th District All-Season
Sophomore Daniel Mullins and eighth grader Will Bishop were named to the 47th District All-Season team.



47th District All-Season
Junior Casey Coleman, senior Shelby Newland and senior Kenzi Himes were named to the 47th District All-Season team. Coleman was also named second team all-region and Himes was named third team all-region.

Play Friday night in semi-finals Lady Rockets win first round of regionals; beat Garrard Co.

The Lady Rockets easily handled their first round opponent, the Lady Golden Lions of Garrard Co., in the 12th Region Tournament Tuesday night at Lincoln County.

The score was 74-56 and the game was never in doubt as the Rockets put up a 21-6 first quarter score, had upped it to 41-23 at the half and were ahead 60-36 at the third quarter stop.

Coach Chrysti Noble got to clear her bench in the contest with nine players getting into the scoring column, four of

them in double figures.

Freshman Keelee King led the scoring for her team with 22 points, hitting five of nine three point baskets, three of them in the first quarter and junior Lindsey Jones got 13 points, including three three point baskets and had two steals. Senior Shelby Newland had a stellar night, hitting for 12 points, and adding five steals and two assists; senior Kenzi Himes got 11 points, three assists and one steal and tied for re-

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Freshman Keelee King makes a pass during the Lady Rockets' win over Garrard County in the first round of the 12th Region Tournament Tuesday night. King led the Lady Rockets with 22 points hitting five of nine from three point land.



Junior Lindsey Jones runs a fast break during the Lady Rockets' win over Garrard County in the first round of the 12th Region Tournament Tuesday night. Jones went three of four from the three point line. The Lady Rockets now face Wayne County Friday night at 8 p.m. in the semi-finals at Lincoln Co.



RCHS graduate and Transylvania University junior Lucas Gentry, was named to the HCAC All-Tournament Team Sunday after the Pioneers captured the Heartland Conference Tournament with a 49-48 win over Rose-Hulman. Gentry had a double-double with 15 points, 14 rebounds, along with a steal and an assist. He is shown in the above left photo with teammate Michael Jefferson. Jefferson was named the tournament's MVP and Gentry is shown at right enjoying cutting down the net. During the regular season, Gentry played in 26 games averaging 11.8 points and 5.2 rebounds per game.

RCHS senior Dylan Bullen had an indoor career best day with two outstanding performances in the distance events at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. In the 1600-meter run, Dylan placed 27th overall out of 105 runners with an awesome career all-time personal best of 4:49.29. He shattered his previous best by over three seconds. In the 800-meter run, he placed 27th out of 100 runners with another exceptional race and an indoor all-time personal best of 2:08.82, nearly two seconds faster than his previous best indoor time.

RCHS freshman Carson King had several outstanding performances, despite only getting to practice one day a week due to his participation in another sport at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. He began his day with an exceptional performance in long jump, placing 8th overall in his first-ever attempt at the event with a great personal best jump of 18'0.25". In the 60-meter dash, he also had a personal best time of 8.08 seconds in his first-ever 60-meter sprint. In the 400-meter dash, he recorded a fast time of 59.51, not far from his all-time personal best.

RCHS senior Aaron Clark had an indoor career best day with several outstanding performances including two school records at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. He began his day with an exceptional performance in high jump, placing 5th overall with an awesome jump of 5'10", equaling his all-time RCCHS indoor record in the event. In long jump, he placed 3rd overall with an incredible jump of 19'6.25", a new all-time personal best and RCCHS all-time indoor record. In the 60-meter dash, he placed 22nd out of 88 competitors with a new personal best time of 7.50 seconds, just missing the all-time RCCHS record by only eight tenths of a second. In the 400-meter dash, he placed 28th out of 89 boys with a fast time of 55.20, another indoor all-time personal best.

RCHS senior and Lindsey Wilson signee, Logan Bullock, had an indoor career best day with two outstanding performances in the distance events at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. In the 1600-meter run, Logan placed 26th overall out of 105 runners with an awesome indoor all-time personal best of 4:48.44. In the 800-meter run, he placed 32nd out of 100 runners with another indoor all-time personal best of 2:10.90. He missed his overall personal best in the event by only 12 hundredths of a second.

RCHS senior and Marshall University signee, Tori Dotson, shattered the all-time meet record in the 800-meter run, winning the event with a phenomenal time of 2:12.70, while also breaking her own all-time RCCHS record at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. Her amazing time was over two seconds faster than the previous meet record in the event. She missed the all-time Marshall track facility record for high school and college competitions by slightly less than a second. Tori's time ranks her 8th in the U.S. national rankings among all senior 800-meter runners, as well as 20th in the nation overall. Also of note, her time would have placed her a very close 3rd in the 800 at Marshall's recent indoor conference championships.

Eighth grader Lexi Dotson, broke the all-time RCCHS indoor and overall record in the 1600-meter run (including outdoor), placing 5th in the event with an incredible time of 5:17.72, while also shattering her own all-time personal best by over 16 seconds at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. She broke the previous all-time overall school record mark held by her sister, Tori, by a slim margin of two hundredths of a second. Lexi's time currently ranks her 5th in the U.S. among all 8th graders that have competed in high school or middle school indoor meets. Later in the meet, Lexi followed her brilliant 1600-meter run performance with a 10th place finish in the 800 with an awesome time of 2:27.96.

RCHS junior Valerie Kendrick won shot put with an awesome new season's best throw of 35'10" at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. Her throw was only 2" away from her all-time RCCHS record in the event of 36'.

RCHS sophomore Allie Martin had several outstanding performances at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. She began her day with an awesome season's best performance in long jump, placing 2nd overall with a great jump of 16'10". In the 60-meter dash, she placed 17th out of 76 competitors with a new personal best time of 8.30 seconds. In the 400-meter dash, she placed 8th out of 60 girls with a fast time of 1:02.07, just missing her indoor personal best. She finished her impressive day with a record shattering performance in the 200-meter dash. She placed 15th out of 81 girls with an incredible new RCCHS indoor all-time record and indoor personal best of 26.65 seconds.

RCHS freshman Emma Watson had several outstanding performances at the Marshall University High School Invitational on Saturday. She began her day with a great performance in long jump. Experimenting with jumping off her opposite leg, she placed 11th overall with a jump of 14'2.75". She decided to switch back to her normal routine on her final jump, which was easily her best at 15' plus, but she just barely fouled. In the 60-meter dash, she placed 28th out of 76 competitors with a new all-time personal best of 8.57 seconds, nearly a two tenths of a second improvement. In the 400-meter dash, she placed 10th out of 60 girls while shattering her indoor all-time personal best by nearly two seconds in the event with a fast time of 1:02.39.



RCCHS Winterguard places in Tennessee Circuit Competition
Recently the RCCHS Winterguard made their premier performance in competition with the 2020 East Tennessee Performing Arts Association. The members competed in two shows in and around the Knoxville area finishing with a 3rd Place win at the Strawberry Plains Winterguard Invitational at Carter High School and advancing to a 2nd place win at the West High School Winterguard Invitational this past Saturday. This year's show is entitled "Still I Rise" featuring the music of Katy Perry and written and directed by colorguard instructors Allison and Steven Renner. Pictured above are front row from left: Kylee Carpenter, Kendra Silva, Emily Alexander - Captain, Lizzie Dixon, Brooklynn Carter, Amber Horn, and Allison Renner. Back row from left: Sierra Payne, Devona Smith - Captain, Zach Robinson, Zaydan Barnett, Allison Dunn, Taylor Long, and Emily Sturgill.



“Regions”

(Cont. from A6)

bounding honors with freshman Hallie Brown with eight. Junior Casey Coleman got seven points, five rebounds, one assist and two steals and, besides the eight rebounds, Brown had four points, six assists and four steals. Other Lady Rockets scoring were Jordan Harper and Addy McClure with two points each and Aliyah Lopez with one point.

The Lady Rockets hit nine three point baskets to Garrard's six and were 11/18 from the free throw line to the Golden Lions 8/10.

The Lady Rockets combined had 15 steals, 14 assists, 27 rebounds and shot 55% overall.

The Lady Rockets will now play the Wayne County Lady Cardinals, Friday night at 8 p.m., a team they beat in regular season play by four points.

The first game will be between the Casey County Lady Rebels and the Danville Lady Admirals.

This is the first time in nine years that the Lady Rockets have won their district and gotten past the first round in the region. Their only appearance in regionals in that time were as runners-up twice.

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New facility coming to Brodhead

Home of Opportunity and Dreams

By: Mike French
Editor

The Home of Opportunity and Dreams. It sounds like a good place for a child in need to be. And, if David Townsend has anything to say about it, it will be.

The 52-year-old Somerset man is in the process of opening the doors to the new home on

Highway 70 in Brodhead. In fact, he hopes to be providing both opportunity as well as the fulfillment of dreams to children in Rockcastle County by mid-spring.

"We are a self-funded grassroots organization and we will put kids on the right path and then keep them there," said

(Cont. to B3)

Running a Marathon



The new Marathon station in Livingston is now under roof and owners are still planning to open for business by Memorial Day of this year. Mayor Jason Medley said the new business will make a noticeable difference to the citizens of Livingston and will provide a convenience that the city has been missing for many years. The station is next door to the new Family Dollar store which opened last year.



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make the \$10 donation when paying your farm license plate tax.

The money from the donation helps the community. The donations collected are separated equally among FFA, 4-H, and the Kentucky Proud Program.

The money donated towards FFA is used for numerous funds. The local chapter uses the funds to pay the dues of students that cannot afford it as well as helping members purchase an FFA jacket.

Remember what impact you can have and make the \$10 donation.



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Essay Winners



Kinsley Smith and Jaycee Ramey were winners of the AARP Grandparent essay contest. Kinsley, shown above, was the MVES winner. She received a certificate and check for \$50.00 sponsored by the Rockcastle County Retired Teacher Association. She is shown with her teacher, Mrs. Marisa Albright and Ms. Nancy Bussell, secretary/treasurer of the RRTA. Jaycee, shown below, was the RES winner. She is shown with her teacher, Mrs. Stephanie Hurst and Ms. Bussell.



News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Marriage Licenses

Esther P. Clark, 55, Orlando, cashier and Roger Dale Thomas, 46, Orlando, Eastern Ky. Recycling. 2/20/2020
 Judith Ann Walker, 74, Fairfield, Ohio, retired and Larry J. Doan, 75, Brodhead, retired. 2/21/2020
 Mary Louise Sparks, 65, Brodhead, retired and Bentley G. Collins, 67, Mt. Vernon, truck driver. 2/22/2020
 Hannah Faith Fox, 18, Richmond, Chick Fil A, and John Marcus Robinson, 24, Mt. Vernon, firefighter. 2/26/2020
 Brenda Virginia Hamm, 30, Paint Lick, unemployed, and Glendle Dick Hembree, 28, Orlando, unemployed. 2/28/2020
 Rhonda Gail Messer, 47, Corbin, unemployed and Floyd W. Mink, 55, Somerset, truck driver. 2/29/2020

Circuit Civil Suits

Melodye McCown v. Malla McCown, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Kalia A. Hughes v. James Dillion Hughes, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Members Heritage Credit Union v. Gabriella Miller, \$11,306 plus claimed due.
 Sherman Gay, Jr. v. Zella Mae Gay, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 21st Mortgage Corp. v. Troy Lane, et al, \$41,334 plus claimed due.
 Citizens Bank v. Billy J. Smith, et al, \$60,305 plus claimed due.
 Credit Acceptance Corp. v. April L. Rudie, \$10,423 plus claimed due.
 Michelle L. Anderson v. Willie N. Feltner, complaint for child support and medical support.
 Onemain Financial Group LLC v. Jordan P. Renner, \$1,186 plus claimed due.
 Elaine Renee Cromer v. Julian Wayne Cromer, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Peoples Bank and Trust Co. of Madison Co. v. Jason Childress, \$25,763 plus claimed due.
 Marie Anders v. David Lainhart, complaint for child support and medical support.
 Ashley Eileen Sizemore v. Christopher Shane Sizemore, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Megan Nicole Taylor v. Mickey Lee Taylor, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Heather Dawn Reams v. Jeremy Roland Reams, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00044

District Civil Suits

LVNV Funding LLC v. Jerry Hensley, \$955 plus claimed due.
 Teresa Alexander v. Fonda Crowe, eviction notice.
 Second Round Sub LLC v. Lois A. Dees,

\$1,494 plus claimed due.
 LVNV Funding vs. Jamie Cyrus, \$913 plus claimed due. C-00048
 Credit Corp. Solutions v. Jason Kirby, \$1,319 plus claimed due.
 LVNV Funding LLC v. Heather Roll, \$2,303 plus claimed due.
 Valley View Apartments v. Linda and Jack Swinney, eviction notice.
 Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Center v. Joshua Miller, \$2,419 plus claimed due.
 Heights Finance Corp. v. Bryan K. Howard, \$1,453 plus claimed due. C-00053

Deeds Recorded

Jason Mahaffey and David Mahaffey, property in Rockcastle Heights addition to Livingston, to Tiffany Gross. Tax \$10.
 Barbara A. Baker, property on U.S. 25S, to Brian Baker. No tax
 Barbara A. Baker, property in Rockcastle County, to Brian Baker. No tax
 Mayfrey and Edward Maxwell, property on Scaffold Cane Road, to Lawrence and Florence McHone. No tax
 Glen E. Cromer, property on S. Wilderness Road, to Jesse M. and Ashley Patterson. Tax \$147
 Russell W. and Amanda F. Owens, property on KY328, to Derrick and Megan Pittman. Tax \$180
 Christy and Jerry Gross, property in Livingston, to Tiffany Gross. No tax
 Glenna Spoonamore, property on KY 2549, to Russell and Amanda Owens. Tax \$140
 Florence McHones, property in Rockcastle and Madison Counties, to Lawrence W. McHone. No tax
 James Edward and Jane Jones and Elsie Jones, property in Livingston, to Clyde Franks. Tax \$5
 David and Lisa Norton, and others, property in Rockcastle County, to Cody and Jennifer Mahoney. Tax \$2
 Peggy Hurd, property on Old Somerset Road, to Neil Bray and Joshua Bray. No tax
 Paul T. and Linda Burton, property in Rainbow Ridge Subdv., to Joshua and Shanlee Childress. Tax \$10
 Kenneth E. Sargent, property in Rockcastle County, to Brenda Damrell. Tax \$6
 Allen Hendrickson, property in Mt. Vernon, to Charles R. Andrews II. Tax \$109.50
 Regina and Danny Hamm, property on KY 461, to Codey Stewart and Raychel McKinney. Tax \$24
 Kenny and Patricia Hobbs, property in Rockcastle County, to Charles Robert Isaacs. Tax \$12.50
 Roger Mink, property in Sunnyside Estates, to David Lee and Merna Diana Overbay. Tax \$16
 Michael K. and Carla Rowe, property in Rockcastle County, to Jerry L. and Janet R. Burke. No tax
 Jerry L. and Janet R. Burke, property in Rockcastle County, to Michael

K. Rowe. Tax \$11
 David William Chasteen, property on Buffalo Hollow Road, to Madonna Mchuish, Trustee. No tax
 John G. and Connie Hamm and John E. and Sheila Clontz, property in Castle Ridge Subdv., to Walter M. and Linda L. Howard. Tax \$7
 Kay Marie Chasteen, property in Scaffold Cane section, to Billy and Karen Barron. Tax \$10 (172)

District Court

2/19 - 2/24

Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless

Toni Jeannine Baker: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, rear license not illuminated, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
 Jeremy James Boggs: speeding, failure to produce insurance card, no/ expired registration plates - receipt, operating vehicle w/expired operators license, license to be in possession, bw issued for fta.
 Speeding: Andrew Blake Conn, \$30 fine plus costs; David Ryan Chasteen, Bryan Lloyd Hatton, Jonathan W. Zambrano, Ryan Thomas Baughman, Dale Bonham, Christopher D. Carrender, Jacob R. Cothron, Jennifer R. Gray, Dang Nhat Le, Farrah M. Mitchell, Tawana Mechele Stoudemire, Kevin B. Taylor, Nizar Vishnani, James Walker, Brian D. Watson, Cassidy Wilson, license suspended for fta; Terry Lee Farmer, \$50 fine plus costs; Tristan Y. Krause, \$36 fine plus costs; John Kentoni Mitchell, order entered;
 Mason Slusher: Pt. 393, federal safety regs, parts needed for safe operation, \$25 fine plus costs.
 David Z. White: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.
 Mitchel J. Devillez: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.
 Elijah Matthew Didelot: possess open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle, \$25 fine;
 Nathan L. Gadd: fines/fees due (\$168), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full. Criminal trespassing, disorderly conduct, no lights on bicycle, failure to comply w/ bicycle safety regulations, bw issued for fta.
 Adam Ray Higgins: criminal mischief, \$50 fine/suspended on condition of payment of restitution plus costs.
 Brent C. LeBlanc: speeding, \$38 fine plus costs; no operators/moped license, \$100 fine; failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, \$50 fine/suspend \$450; possession of marijuana, 90 days in jail/probated 12 months on condition.
 Terry Montjoy: public intoxication, bw issued for fta.
 Richard Zane Sewell: speeding, \$50 fine plus costs; reckless driving, \$100 fine.
 Eddie G. VanWinkle: no/ expired registration plates-receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., bw issued for fta.
 Kelly Dean Whitaker: violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO, bw issued for fta.

Tasha R. Alexander: drug paraphernalia-buy/ possess, five days in jail/ costs waived.
 Joey Bullock: drug paraphernalia-buy/ possess, controlled substance prescription not in original container, possession controlled substance, sentencing orders entered.
 Nicholas Wayne Gadd: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.
 Charles Jullian: alcohol intoxication in public place, sentencing order entered.
 Johnathan Payne: operating on suspended/revoked operators license (two counts), eight days in jail/concurrent/costs waived.
 Charlotte J. Simpson: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, five days in jail/ costs waived.
 Jason E. Smith: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/ drugs, sentencing order entered.
 James D. Wynn: receiving stolen property, sentencing order entered.
 Phillip M. Adkins: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, \$500 fine; failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., \$50 fine; no operators/moped license, \$100 fine.
 Donnie A. Barron: criminal trespassing, \$100 fine/suspended/costs waived; giving officer false identifying information, sentencing order entered.
 Amandrea Jean Blume: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.
 Jacob Matthew Bright: alcohol intoxication, \$50

fine plus costs.
 Janie Jasper Bryant: public intoxication, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia-buy/ possess, possession of controlled substance, tampering w/physical evidence, bw issued for fta.
 Trenai Bryant: speeding, no/expired other state registration receipt - plates, license suspended for fta.
 Randall Keith Bussell: no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, improper display of registration plates, bw issued for fta.
 David Denny: improperly on the left side of road, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, bw issued for fta.
 Jimmy Durham: hindering prosecution or apprehension, sentencing order entered.
 Jocelyn Fletcher: assault, disorderly conduct, public intoxication controlled substance, bw issued for fta.
 Nicholas F. Floyd: public intoxication, theft of services, bw issued for fta.
 Lillie Mae Foster: no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine plus costs; no/ expired registration plates, \$25 fine/suspended.
 Dustin L. Gentry: fraudulent use of credit card u/\$500, bw issued for fta.
 Pranciskus Ivinskis: operating w/inactive/cancelled/revoked motor fuel tax license, bw issued for fta.
 Andrea Faye Lamb Baker: public intoxication controlled substance and criminal trespassing, bw

issued for fta.
 Sam Martin: public intoxication controlled substance, bw issued for fta.
 Milton Terrelle McClellan: Pt 393, Federal Safety Regs, Parts Needed for Safe Operating, failure to add taxable unit to taxable inventory, bw issued for fta.
 Jack McCormick, J. possession of marijuana, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., bw issued for fta.
 Ray D. McIntosh: assault, sentencing order entered.
 Aaron D. Medley: cultivate in marijuana, bw issued for fta.
 Jeffery Mullins: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.
 Billy Jack Rayburn: criminal trespassing (two counts), possession controlled substance, drug paraphernalia-buy/ possess, bw issued for fta.
 Andrew Paul Thornton: no/ expired registration plates, \$25 fine plus costs; no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine/ suspended; improper registration plates, \$25 fine/ suspended; license to be in possession, \$50 fine.
 Maria Esther DeCruz Trujillo: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.
 Kayla B. Whitaker: failure to wear seat belts, no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta.
 Steven Young: speeding and operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw was issued for fta.

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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.

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 359-230-9590/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.

FBC Celebration of Athletes

First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon will host a Spring Sports Celebration Sunday, March 22nd at 10:45 a.m.

The event will recognize and celebrate student athletes.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Gospel Singing

Red Hill Baptist Church, Livingston, will hold a Gospel Singing on Saturday, March 14th, beginning at 6 p.m.

Featured singers will be the Murphys, Gospel Tradition and The Blackburns.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



DATE BREAD GLORIA
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1 cup chopped dates
1 cup chopped walnuts
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup boiling water
1 beaten egg
1 tablespoon melted butter
3/4 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 and 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon baking powder
Mix dates, nuts, and baking soda. Add boiling water. Let cool about 15 minutes. Preheat oven to 350° (325° for glass). Grease a 4 x 8 loaf pan. Add remaining ingredients. Stir to blend. Turn into prepared pan. Bake for one hour (1 and 1/4 hour for glass pan.) Let cool for 5 minutes before removing from pan.

PINEAPPLE COCONUT BREAD

1/4 cup butter
3/4 cup brown sugar
1 egg
1/3 cup pineapple juice concentrate
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 and 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup crushed pineapple (with juice)
1/2 cup shredded coconut
Set oven to 350°. Grease a 9 x 5-inch loaf pan (can use mini loaf pans also). In a bowl, cream butter,

sugar, and egg for about 3 to 4 minutes. Add in pineapple juice concentrate; beat well until combined.

Sift together flour, baking soda and salt. Add to the creamed mixture until combined. Stir in the crushed pineapple with juice coconut. Transfer to prepared baking pan. Bake for about 45 minutes, or until toothpick inserted into center of cake comes out clean.

BANANA BREAD

2 cups whole wheat flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup sugar free applesauce
3/4 cup honey
2 eggs, beaten
3 mashed overripe bananas
Preheat oven to 350°. Lightly grease a 9 x 5 loaf pan. In a large bowl, combine flour, baking soda, and salt. In a separate bowl, mix applesauce and honey together. Stir in eggs and mashed bananas until well blended. Stir banana mixture into flour mixture; stir just to moisten. Pour batter into prepared loaf pan. Bake in preheated oven for 60 to 65 minutes, until a toothpick inserted into center of the loaf comes out clean. Let bread cool in pan for 10 minutes; turn out onto a wire rack.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

The clock is ticking... March 16 is THE LAST day to make what is likely one of the most important business decisions you will make for your farming operation this year.

If you have not already visited your local Farm Service Agency (FSA) county office to make your election for either the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) or the Price Loss Coverage (PLC) program and to sign your annual enrollment contract, you should call and make your appointment now.

Many of you are gearing up to head to the field for spring planting, but I cannot stress enough the importance of not letting this deadline get lost in the hectic day-to-day obligations of farm life. If you fail to enroll for 2019 ARC or PLC, you will be ineligible to receive a payment for the 2019 crop year.

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. These programs cover 20 commodities produced in the U.S.

FSA anticipates more than 1.7 million producers will enroll in ARC or PLC - that's a lot of producers to assist in a short period of time. As of Feb. 10th, FSA records in Kentucky show 10,600 farms out of an expected 40,000 farms have completed ARC or PLC enrollment for the 2019 crop year.

Want to maximize your time visiting with FSA? Inquire about deadlines and options for also enrolling in 2020 ARC or PLC and updating PLC payment yields. Our staff will help you make the most out of your visit or set you up with a future appointment to help check FSA programs off your lengthy "to do" list.

If you're still unsure about the choice of ARC or PLC, we offer online deci-

sion tools to help you determine the best program election for your farming operation. To access these tools, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc.

Call FSA today for an appointment. To locate your local FSA office, visit farmers.gov/service-center-locator.

We know that time is money... so make the time to avoid losing the money.

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 25th - Memorial Day

July 3rd--Independence Day

September 7th-Labor Day

October 12th-Columbus Day

November 11th- Veterans Day

November 26th-Thanksgiving Day

December 25th- Christmas Day

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taken from the home. "Our efforts focus on the family. Efforts to keep the family together as long as the child is safe. Efforts to focus our service on the specific needs of each individual kid."

Townsend has been involved in this line of work since 2003 and has dealt with a few children from Rockcastle County before. But now he says he plans to focus more in the county and he sees the need for the home locally. "I look forward to working in Rockcastle County and providing more opportunities for kids who have a need," he said.

Townsend plans to have 10-15 full and part-time workers at the facility and says there are many different reasons why a child may be taken from a home. He says the new facility will be able to deal with each need specifically.

"A child may be at risk for abuse or neglect or dependency or any other risk," he said. "We will deal with that specific need and then our alumni program will stay with them after they have moved on."

Townsend is the founder and will be the executive director of the non-profit organization but he will be involved in day-to-day activities with the children as well.

"We will provide them with life experiences and show them how to deal with them," he said.

Though children in the facility must be referred, Townsend says anyone who sees a child in need, or even any child who wants to request help, may contact, the Department of Health and Family Services.

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.

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"Facility"

(Cont. from B1)

Townsend as he enthusiastically spoke of his plans. "So many kids age out at 18 and just get left out there," he said. "We are going to have an alumni organization and stay with them."

Townsend spoke of his plans to open the new eight-bed facility with excitement as he demonstrates his desire to help children in need. "We want to give these kids the tools they need to deal with life situations for the rest of their life. We give them structure and life lessons and we will never give up on them."

Townsend says the money to operate and keep the doors open comes through fundraisers such as those held by a mentoring program at Madison Central High School. He says the kids involved work 10-hour days at every University of Kentucky football game and many other UK sporting events.

"This provides structure for the kids as well," he said. "We get there on time, we set up, provide food, clean up and do everything a person would do in a full time job."

Through this one fund raising effort, the mentoring program has already raised over \$90,000 towards the new facility.

The children sent to Townsend come from the Department of Community-Based Services recommendations and the Division of Permanency and Protection.

But every child Townsend deals with is not

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Ashamed of the Gospel

The apostle Paul was not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. We find in Romans 1:16 This man realized there is power in the word of God. (Saving power) Two thousands years ago early Christians paid a great price for their faith and commitment. They not only loved God and Jesus, they loved the Bible and the Church and were not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ or to proclaim to a world that was lost and undone.

Some are ashamed of the Biblical name "Church of Christ" Romans 16:16 as they will no longer identify themselves by this name. They choose rather to be known as "Community Churches", or some other religious name.

Clearly there are some who are ashamed to tell folks what they really believe about the gospel plan of salvation. No longer do we hear the clear call for believers to repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of yours sins, as the Bible teaches in Acts 2:38. Those folks still baptize, but many of the converts don't understand, why they were immersed in water.

So many are trending this way and our worship some have become bored at simple New Testament worship, they thirst for something different more modern. They are not happy with the worship taught in the Bible.

Some have grown tired of singing those great hymns of faith that have stirred the hearts for years and help lead many people to the cross and also salvation of their souls, because they refer to some scripture, either in the Old Testament or the New Testament. Some have decided to hire acapella groups to come and sing for them, instead of heeding the teaching of God's word we find. We all are to sing and make a melody in our hearts, Ephesians 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and in hymns and spiritual songs, singing making melody in your hearts as unto the Lord. Some in the church have their acapella choirs in their long robes, singing to the congregation and for the congregation, when they should be singing to the Lord. When they do this, they show their lack of respect for God's word and they are tired of following the ancient order and are ashamed of the words of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Colossians 3:16 Singing with grace in your hearts unto the Lord. This command to sing is to all the members, it is not the sound we make but the command we obey.

Thank You for reading this article, I pray God has blessed you with the things you need this week and you gave him thanks. "Remember for a man to have friends he must show himself to be friendly"

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Legislative Update...

By Jared Carpenter
State Senator

Week eight of the 2020 Regular Session is in the books. Now that we have passed the halfway point of this session, the countdown begins as we anticipate the 2020-2022 budget bill from the House of Representatives, which we are expecting to receive by early March.



While crafting the biennial budget remains at the forefront of everyone's minds, we are staying the course to uphold our other legislative obligations as members of the General Assembly by passing bills that include specific reforms and amendments to help us move the Commonwealth forward.

I am pleased to announce that this year's school safety measure, Senate Bill 8, has been signed into law by the Governor. Passing both chambers with bipartisan support, Senate Bill 8 requires the trained and certified law enforcement officers already serving in Kentucky schools to be armed. The School Safety and Resiliency Act, which passed in 2019, implemented additional security and safety standards for schools, such as the requirement of a school resource officer and increased mental health services. In loving memory of those involved in the 2018 Marshall County High School shooting, I am encouraged by this momentous stride made by the General Assembly to better protect Kentuckians within our school walls.

The Senate passed three constitutional amendments this week, all of which relate to responsible criminal justice reform. Constitutional amendments passed by the Kentucky General Assembly go through a slightly different process than regular bills by also requiring the approval of Ken-

tucky voters. If a legislatively referred constitutional amendment is passed by both chambers, the proposed amendment will be placed on the ballot at the next general election during which members of the state legislature are up for election. If approved by a simple majority of voters, it becomes part of the constitution.

Passing early in the week was Senate Bill 15, or "Marsy's Law." This measure would enshrine in the Kentucky Constitution certain rights for crime victims, including the right to be notified of all criminal court proceedings involving the accused and reasonable protection from the accused. Kentucky voters approved this law in 2018 with 63 percent support. However, the Supreme Court ruled that the question on the ballot was too vague, therefore, voiding the vote. Senate Bill 15 includes updated language and improvements. Moreover, I hope to see Marsy's Law on the ballot again this November.

Another constitutional amendment advancing this week is Senate Bill 58 which would curtail a governor's ability to issue pardons on the way out of office. In other words, a governor would not be able to issue pardons or commutations during a certain period of time, beginning thirty days prior to the gubernatorial election and ending on the fifth Tuesday after the election—before the next governor is sworn in.

Sections of the Kentucky Constitution granting a governor the power to pardon date back to 1891, when it wasn't unheard of to duel. Since then, our society and the composition of our judicial system has changed dramatically. It's important to keep in mind that the power to pardon allows one man or woman to override the judgement of multiple authorities and of-

ficials within our criminal justice system. To limit the possibility of political corruption, Senate Bill 58 implements overdue, responsible oversight to a governor's power to pardon.

Also passing was Senate Bill 62. This measure would grant the General Assembly the authority to establish standards for giving persons convicted of certain felonies the right to vote. However, the new process to restore voting rights would exclude those convicted of treason, bribery in an election, a violent offense, a sex offense, or an offense against a child. Currently, Kentucky is one of only two states, along with Iowa, with a lifetime voting ban for felons. Although there was an executive order put into place in late 2019, there are around 170,000 Kentuckians that are still without the right to vote due to a prior felony conviction. If approved by the House and Kentucky voters, Senate Bill 62 could give felons a clearer path to regaining their voting rights.

An act relating to blockchain technology is also heading to the House following its passage this week. Senate Bill 55 establishes a blockchain technology working group attached to the Commonwealth Office of Technology to evaluate the feasibility and efficiency of using blockchain technology to enhance the security protection of Kentucky's critical infrastructure. If you aren't already familiar, blockchain technology allows digital information to be distributed but not copied and, in many ways, has become the backbone of a new type of internet. Originally devised for the digital currency, Bitcoin Blockchain, the tech community has now found other potential uses for the technology. I am proud to support this measure and look forward to seeing continued technological advancements here in the Commonwealth.

The Senate also passed a number of other bills this week:

SB 132- Adds individu-

als with state-issued personal identification cards to a master list of potential jurors, giving us a wider representation of our communities within our jury pools. The list of potential jurors was last expanded by the General Assembly in 2002.

SB 156- Ensures that Kentucky's high school career and technical education system is unified, equitably funded, collaborative, responsive to industry, sustainable, and provides equalized access to all Kentucky students.

SB 160- Reorganizes the Office of the Attorney General into the following major organizational units: Criminal Division, Civil Division, Office of the Solicitor General, the Office of Communications, and the Office of Administrative Services. Language within Senate Bill 160 also creates the position of Solicitor General.

HB 24- Appropriates funding to the Department of Veterans' Affairs in fiscal year 2019-2020 for design and preconstruction costs for the Bowling Green Veterans Center.

HB 214- Ensures the availability of a sufficient veterinary workforce through the Veterinary Contract Spaces Program. Given there are not any veterinary schools in Kentucky, this program provides financial assistance and access to key students seeking a veterinary education at participating out-of-state veterinary schools.

The pace in Frankfort is getting quicker, and I anticipate an increase of visitors and advocates from across the Commonwealth. As always, I welcome your input on these issues. I am honored to be your voice 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 by visiting www.legislature.ky.gov.

Frankfort Update

By R. Travis Brenda
State Representative
Lawmakers Continue
2020 Session

Between legislative committee meetings, House Floor debate, and visiting with constituents, the last week of February was a very busy one in our State Capitol Building. However, we still have a great deal of work to do, and the remaining legislative days promise a rapid pace.



As I write this, we have one day left to file new legislation, and almost two-thirds of this session is behind us. While we already have more than 500 bills filed for consideration, this is quite a bit fewer than previous sessions.

Among the bills that passed the House chamber this week is HB 174, legislation that would close a loophole in current open records law to protect victims and their families. Currently, the law allows individuals to obtain and publish graphic and disturbing crime scene photos and videos. If passed by the Senate, HB 174 would prevent the use of the open records law to access images and videos used in court proceedings which show death, rape, and sexual assault. While I believe our government should be open and transparent, I think we can all agree that we can do better to help victims and their families heal and overcome. The bill is named the Bailey Holt/Preston Cope Victims' Privacy Act in honor of the two high school students murdered in a mass shooting at Marshall County High School in January of 2018.

We are one step closer to closing another loophole in existing law, in this case, one that applies to sexual assault victims. Under the provisions of House Bill 256, a perpetrator will not have the right to custody, visitation, or inheritance of a child that is conceived and delivered as a result of sexual assault. This measure protects victims who have been assaulted in the state of Kentucky and those who have been assaulted in other states and move here. Once again, this is a common sense measure, and I was honored to support it.

Legislation that requires local law enforcement agencies to investigate all traffic accidents that result in a fatality. The bill, HB 253, would allow a local law enforcement agency to reach out to the Kentucky State Police for assistance if they do not have the staff or expertise in accident reconstruction necessary to fulfill the requirements of the bill.

In addition to these

three bills, the House approved legislation aimed at reducing the use of e-cigarettes and vaping devices, as well as raising revenue to help pay for state programs and services. HB 32 adds vaping products to the list of tobacco products subject to a state tobacco excise tax and increases the excise tax. Traditional cigarettes would not be subject to a tax increase under the bill. More than ninety percent of my constituents that I contacted me were in favor of this bill.

The House Committee on Appropriations and Revenue approved another bill aimed at improving health care, HB 387. House Bill 387 would allow the Cabinet for Economic Development to provide loans to struggling hospitals to upgrade facilities, maintain or increase staff levels, and provide new health care services. This bill fills two needs – ensuring access to health care and preserving and growing jobs. This legislation comes after reports that many rural hospitals in Kentucky are in poor financial health. Approximately 25 percent of Kentucky hospitals are in poor financial shape.

I also wanted to take a moment to provide an update on a project in Brodhead, Ky. Several months ago, I talked with city, county, and state officials about the flooding issue in Brodhead. In early January, I contacted officials again to get an update of the progress, and was told that the project was put on hold due to a lack of funding. After contacting the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, we were able to locate the \$75,000 needed to fix the flooding problem. City, county and state officials have received the approval from local landowners that was necessary actual to place the new storm drain. Material have been ordered, and the actual work to replace the drain will begin once the materials are completed and delivered.

Thank you for taking the time to read this week's update. I appreciate that our paper is willing to run these columns and, of course, hope you'll let me know if you have any comments or questions. 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 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 @repRTravisBrenda71 or on Twitter @RBrenda71.

Mt. Vernon Message

School News

Girl Scouts meet every Thursday.

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

Class News

Kindergarten classes have been learning about the letter Q and how Mr. Q always goes with Miss U in words. Last week, the classes dressed up and celebrated the wedding of Q and U.

Rockcastle County School's Director of Instruction Jason Coguer kicked off Dr. Seuss week activities at Mt. Vernon Elementary School by reading "Oh The Places You'll Go" to second and fifth grade classes. Mr. Coguer also discussed with classes the importance of working hard, practicing until you get it right, and doing your best.

On day one of our Read Across America

theme week, we read "Fox in Socks" and did extension activities with it. Students were also encouraged to wear their crazy socks to go along with the book. We have theme days that correlate

with Dr. Seuss books all week. Pictured below are second graders with their crazy socks.

Sophie Poe from Kathy Prices's class read to Mrs. Angie Hunt's class to celebrate literacy.

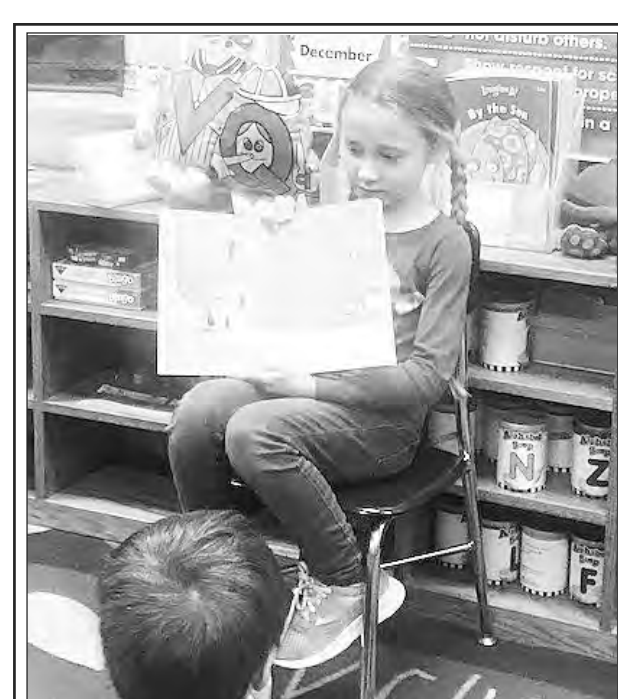
For Read Across America Week, Kooper Sexton- Lear from Mrs. Paula Cowan's 2nd grade class read to Mrs. Angie Hunt's kindergarten class to share the joy of reading.



Josh Bray, Mt. Vernon City Administrator, read to Mrs. Jamie Bryant's first grade class at MVES for "Read Across America" week.



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The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court in conjunction with the Kentucky Division of Waste Management is pleased to announce the:

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Tire retailers, agricultural tire retailers, scrap yards, junk/salvage yards and recycle businesses are not eligible to participate!

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State Champions



The RCHS Girls' Indoor Track Team won the Class 2A Indoor State Championship on Saturday at Mason County by a score of 120 to 70 over the host school, Mason County. This was the team's 13th indoor state title win and eighth in a row. The team won six individual state championship events and the 4x400-meter relay. Team members are front from left: Bethany Martin, Kaylee Hargis, Learnin Reagan, Gracie Peavie, and Madison York. Back row from left: Reina Lykins, Emma Watson, Jessalyn Burton, Valerie Kendrick, Tori Dotson, Karalinn Loudermilk, Lexi Dotson and Allie Martin. Not pictured: Adyson Bradley.

Jail finances cause concerns for fiscal court

By: Mike French Editor

Across the state of Kentucky, operating a jail can be a costly prospect. In Rockcastle County the situation is just as bad, according to local officials. "It's certainly not looking pretty and I don't know how we can do

much whittling," said County Treasurer Joseph Clontz, after looking at the newly-submitted draft working budget from the Rockcastle County Detention Center. "The jail is broke," said Fiscal Court Clerk Patricia Martin at

(See "Jail" on A9)

Alcohol tax will be imposed Livingston drafts ABC Ordinance for first reading

By: Mike French Editor

Livingston joined many other small towns across Kentucky Monday night as City Commission members and Mayor Jason Medley completed the first draft of the city's Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) Ordinance.

to issue licenses to sell alcoholic beverages.

Medley and others in

(See "ABC" on A9)

Meeting next week

The regular monthly Mount Vernon City Council meeting

will be held Thursday, March 19 at 6 p.m. at City Hall on Richmond Street.

Jackson Energy Awards

Kristen Taylor and Jayna Singleton were two of the nine

who received scholarships from the Jackson Energy 2020 Scholarship Essay Contest. Each one will receive a \$2,000 scholarship to an accredited college or trade school of their choice.

School board discusses budget and insurance for all students

By: Mike French Editor

Though several issues were discussed, budget and insurance seemed to be the focus of conversation during the regular monthly meeting of the Rockcastle County School Board Tuesday evening.

Finance Director Jenny Sweet asked members of the board to renew the school insurance contract with Robert's Insurance,

Art Show Planned

The Rockcastle Arts Association will be hosting a Gallery Show Opening featuring two local artists, Aimee Riley and Bobby Barnett. Aimee and Bobby will each have their artwork on display for the public to view and it will also be available

(See "Art" on A9)

Coronavirus being watched

through KK Insurance, though the cost will increase about 5% over the next fiscal year. "The increase is a cost of living increase that all companies will have and the

price with Robert's Insurance is competitive with other companies," said Sweet.

Board Chairman Angela Mink said she had heard complaints from

some parents concerning the insurance. "Several parents have told me they have a difficult time getting the school insurance

(See "School" on A9)

Visitation guidelines for hospital facilities

What you need to know about Coronavirus

Submitted by Rockcastle Regional Hospital

What is coronavirus?

Every time you switch on the television, turn on the radio, or browse your social media news feed, no doubt you are seeing news on coronavirus. So let's talk about it.

Coronaviruses are not new. They are a family of viruses that typically cause mild colds. We see them year round, although like all cold and cough viruses, we see

them more in the winter.

COVID-19 is a 'novel,' or new, strain of Coronavirus. That means it's something our immune systems have never seen before. This is the strain of coronavirus that you are hearing about in the news.

Like other coronaviruses, COVID-19 will cause cold/cough symptoms, likely with a mild fever and, like other viruses, there is no treatment besides simply treating the symptoms.

(See "Corona" on A9)

Cox appointed to 28th District Circuit Court

By: Mike French Editor

Brodhead resident Jerry Jones Cox, was appointed and sworn in yesterday, Wednesday, March 11th, as Circuit Judge of the 28th District. The 28th District includes Lincoln, Pulaski and Rockcastle counties.

Judge Cox joined nominees William Matthew Thompson II of Somerset and Teresa Kay Whittaker of Science Hill in the nomination process after the resignation of Judge David A. Tapp.

Tapp resigned the position last year to accept

(See "Cox" on A9)



First responders rescued a dog from an abandoned home on McHargue Branch Road after a fire broke out Wednesday morning. Officials do not know the cause of the fire but neighbors say that sometimes homeless people stay in the house. Volunteers of the Mount Vernon Fire Department kept the flames from spreading to the house next door. No injuries were reported.

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



Having an in-law in a nursing home, I visit quite often. Each time I go, I can't help but notice some older fellow sitting by himself staring into space. Just sitting there, thinking.

I find myself wondering what on earth he could be picturing. What thoughts have him, and others, so occupied that they barely notice my passing?

The stories he must have in his mind would most likely be astonishing. They could be stories that we would never believe or imagine, yet he lived them and remembers them well.

In fact, the things that we will never know about what is going through that old gentleman's mind might shock us.

I know those days are coming. I experience them to a tiny degree already.

Though I am completely happy with my life now, there was a glorious and fast-living time in my young life when I played guitar and sang harmony parts for what was, at the time, the

number one country music band in the nation.

The latest album the band released had just become a Gold selling album and our bunch was the headliner act across the nation.

I would play and sing every week for 80,000 plus screaming fans reaching out for each of us. People would stand in line for hours waiting for us to sign their t-shirt. We played in the world's most famous and biggest concert halls in America and we were all considered "stars."

Most of life was spent

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Miss Lucille

Dear Journal,

Never let it be said that nothing is so bad that it can't get worse. As most know, I recently had brain tumor surgery with some reconstruction again and came home on Sunday a

week ago. I felt really bad all week and the gloom of the week was really setting in and making the worst seem worse than I ever thought possible. Depression was taking hold. Then things really took a turn straight down. Stanley came home from work and said that he had seen Buzz Carlofis at the local Family Dollar store and that Buzz told him that his beloved mother, "Miss Lucille," had passed from this life earlier that day.

It was so shocking that all I could do was to just sit quietly and not say a word for a few moments. Wow, how overwhelming. The first thoughts that ran through my mind was the tragic loss considering her long and well-deserved position in our county. She was such a wealth of knowledge and inspiration to so very many people of many walks of life and of varying ages. She was God's gift to Rockcastle County.

I first met "Miss Lucille" several years ago when I first moved here from London. She made a new place seem a little more friendly and helped put me at ease. After chatting for a while it seemed that we knew quite a few of the same people and had been quite a few of the same places. She said that we had traveled in the same circles which was quite the compliment coming from such a gracious lady. Be-

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Points East

By Ike Adams



If you have never grown, so called, "fall beans," you have missed out on one of the best tasting vegetables in the garden. Fall beans have a taste, so unique from other green beans, that they are their own vegetable. You've heard of comparing apples and oranges. Compare a kettle of fall beans to, say a kettle of half runners or blue lakes and you'll see what I mean. They will look more like each other than apples and oranges but that's where the similarity ends.

I suspect the reason so

few gardeners raise fall beans is because the seeds are so hard to find. Apparently the seeds do not lend themselves to commercial harvesting and, except for one variety, you just about have to find someone who saved some to get started.

There are more than half a dozen distinct varieties of fall beans that range in color from solid white to solid red to solid black to speckled, striped or bicolored. One of my favorites is called red-eyes and Loretta would tell you they are the best canning bean she has ever tasted. I also love a va-

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Bubbling Streams

I have often wondered what it is that makes Appalachians so dedicated to the land. I think it is the mountains, bubbling streams, and the majestic trees that inhabit and define the mountaintops dipping into the valleys. I think, for me, the exhilaration has always been found when walking near rushing creeks.

When I was a young boy, my best friend was



Kenneth Hansel, and we both loved to spend time in the woods near Big Fill Cave in Rockcastle County. We especially loved the cool, clean creek that ran in front of

the cave. Kenneth and I often visited the mountainside site where the creek water comes rushing out of the ground. This spot was relatively high on

the mountain, and the water was clean sweet-tasting. We drank out of that site quite often.

Kenneth and I played in that stream as frequently as we could. We caught crayfish to use as bait for our fishing excursions. We used the big rocks to dam up spots so we could wade and swim in the cold water. Sometimes, we would bring a couple of cans of Vienna sausage, crackers, and a RC Cola so that we could picnic on the bank of that rushing stream.

One day Kenneth and I decided to spend the afternoon in the Big Fill Cave area, which was within walking distance from our homes. We spent some time in the cave and finally decided to take a hike up our favorite stream. As we casually walked up to the water's edge, we noticed many insects, frogs, and

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bias at Ky. Dept. of Insurance...

Dear Editor,

Health insurance companies in America make a staggering one hundred billion yearly in profits. The Kentucky Dept. of Insurance should, in theory, provide a check and balance by keeping the insurance companies half way honest.

When a citizen files a complaint with the department, they do an impressive job of shuffling papers but little else. It is quickly discerned that the agency in charge of protecting citizens interests is on a first name, footsie-playing basis with the companies they pretend to oversee.

As a fountain doesn't give off two waters, both sweet and bitter, neither can the department of insurance serve two masters. They exhibit little to no interest or finesse as they quickly dismiss complaints by first sanitizing them. As such, this behavior simply serves as a protective service in shielding the insurance companies from wrongdoing.

Reasonable minds can only wonder why this corruption can't or won't be cleaned up. For the answer,

one can only surmise that the insurance companies donations to political war chests have become an unbelievably addictive drug.

One would think the governor would take some sort of action but, believe me, he knows all about this and does nothing. What does this tell us all?

Sincerely,
Wayne Gilreath
East Bernstadt

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<https://eec.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx>.



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Class of 1970

Reunion Planning Meeting

Monday, March 16th

6:30 p.m.

Marcella's Farm to Fork Restaurant

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Monday, March 16

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Tuesday, March 17th: Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek, Wildie. **Wednesday, March 18th:** Day Health/Senior Citizens Center, Wayne Stewart Center, Cave Valley Apartments.

FFA Alumni Annual Chili Supper and Auction
 FFA's annual Alumni Chili Supper and Auction will be held Saturday, March 14th at the RCHS cafeteria. The chili supper will begin at 5:30 p.m., the auction at 6:30 p.m. and tickets are \$5 per person.

First RCHS Alumni Banquet scheduled for April 25th
 The First Annual RCHS Alumni Banquet will be held April 25th, this year for the classes of 1973 through 1985. For more details, go to rchs.alum.assoc@gmail.com or visit the Facebook group page at Rockcastle co. High School Alumni Association.

KPR Meeting is March 16
 The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Monday, March 16th at David's Steak House in Corbin.. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be Brandon Storm, Republican candidate for 21st District State Senator and Don Rose, Republican candidate for 86th District State Representative 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.

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: Katheryn 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.

“Aces”
 (Cont. from A2)
 in a Silver Eagle bus traveling the country and the world was at our fingertips. There were adventures on the road with very famous people that I think of often. I would sit and chat with the biggest and most famous stars on earth on a weekly basis.

Now, I (like most others in that band) am just another fellow going to work each day and scraping through life like nothing special ever happened.

No one knows my name and the only time someone wants my autograph is if I am promising to pay them money.

I occasionally tell parts of the story to a young person who dreams of being a musician. But the truth is, either they only partially believe me, or when I tell them of it, they have never heard of the band. It was before their time.

I feel certain each of those old fellows sitting there thinking so deeply, probably have much more interesting stories and had more exciting lives than I had as a young man.

They are most likely thinking of things that I would not believe or never heard of, that was their time in the spotlight.

I bet they each have stories that would rock my world if I only took the time to hear them. And actually paid attention.

I guess we all have stories to tell. I guess each person has had a spotlight or two in their life. But especially those who have been around so long that they remember a time that we don't even understand anymore.

Even now, a little before I am nursing home ready, I already see younger, bouncy, energetic fellows living that life filled with an unpredictable future, glance at me with a dismissive expression. They have no idea the stories I have inside me or the mistakes I see them making, just like I did.

Perhaps I will be blessed to live long enough to be one of those the young fellows pass in the hallway on the way to visit his grandmother. Maybe they will smile and say hello as I stare out my window.

But they will never know that old guy they just passed had a story they wouldn't believe.

Here's hoping someone will listen to our stories when we are only visited on the weekends and spend our time waiting for that first young fellow to stop as he

passes and say, “hey, old man, what's your story?” If it happens to me, I'll give them an ear full.

“Points East”
 (Cont. from A2)
 riety called black satin that happens to be the favorite of my sister in law, Brenda Joseph. Unfortunately, neither of us have enough seeds saved to share with any readers. Last August and September's drought did us in.

But here's the good news! Both R.H. Shumway Seed Company and Vermont Bean Seed Company have a variety they call “lazy housewife beans.” They don't mention the word “fall” in the title, but take my word for the fact that they are, indeed, my favorite fall bean of all time. Simply google either company and type “lazy housewife” in their online catalogue search bar.

My brothers and I grew up calling them lazy wife fall beans. I have no idea why they, nor any other fall beans, have “fall” in their names because they will all grow well whether they are planted in late April or late July. My brother, Andy, and I have discovered that the red eyes will mature at least two weeks faster if they are planted late. In 2016 we planted them on August 5 and picked a couple bushels near the end of September.

Please note that all varieties of fall beans need to be isolated from other green beans that may be blooming at the same time. Otherwise they will cross pollinate and you will wind up with numerous, inedible, tough hulls from both varieties. Fall beans will cross pollinate one another but the hulls won't get tough. You may wind up with a rainbow of seed colors, but, in my experience, they taste just fine.

Also note that fall beans are big viners and absolutely have to be trellised to a height of 6 feet or as tall as you can reach. I'll have more information on bean growing soon but I need to get in one more plug before this column runs out of space and unduly irritates your editor.

In other news, I'm not yet sure what I'll be doing for a column next week. I'm scheduled for bladder cancer surgery at 5:15 a.m. on Friday, March 13, and figure I'll still be in the hospital by writing time. If this next go round proves to be as painful as the last two, identical operations I've endured, over the last 4

months, I can tell you, for sure, that I will not have a laptop sitting on my belly for at least a week. If the pain killer works as well as the medical professionals are promising, it's no telling what I'd write about, anyway.

The current plan is do a piece, this week, having something gardening related (more beans) that could run anytime this spring. If I'm not able to report on the surgery, Loretta will get it out before next week's deadline along with a footnote letting readers know how the procedure went. If I get better faster, I won't let the early effort go to waste. In the meantime your prayers will continue to be much appreciated. The outpouring of support you have already given us is way beyond encouraging and heartwarming. THANK YOU!

“T. J.’s”
 (Cont. from A2)

sides all of that, she decorated her home like my grandma. After looking around, I could see such decor that adorned my grandma's home for many years. She also reminded me of various older women in my own family, the true Southern Belles of a disappearing generation. It made me feel at home. “Miss Lucille” seemed to always know just what to say in any situation, it was a case of a fit word justly spoken, a talent only mastered by a rare few. She had many other talents as well. One talent was the ability to allow a pauper the sense of feeling like a prince. You could walk away feeling like you were really somebody, or at least had the potential to be. She never seemed rushed or hurried when chatting, like you were the most important and interesting person to ever exist.

You know, time is probably the most dear and precious thing God can give mortal man, but what do we do with it? Most of it is just wasted on foolish things that really don't matter one way or the other when all is said and done. Stanley always says that there is always more said than done. He is right, too. When we don't take advantage of the time we're given, we are cheating ourselves. Time IS our life, so let's take advantage of what we have left of it. Enjoy our time.

“Memories”
 (Cont. from A2)

a variety of birds near the water.

All at once, one of the largest birds I had ever seen leaped off the bank and took flight right in front of our eyes. We looked at each other with disbelief, completely stunned. This huge bird flew along the surface of the water before it came to rest on one of the tree limbs adjacent to the water. I thought it was the most beautiful bird I had ever seen.

The bird's long legs, sharp pointed beak, and light blue-grey color stood out in the green forest. Neither of us knew the name of this majestic bird, but I later located a photo of it in my World Book Encyclopedia. It was, of course, a Great Blue Heron. From that point on, until the present time, I have kept my eyes open for them whenever I am near a stream.

Several years ago, my wife and I were camping at Natural Bridge State Park. During the late afternoon, she was sitting near the fire reading a book when I decided to take a walk along the creek. This area is one where the State Wildlife Department stocks rainbow trout each year. After walking a few hundred feet, I stopped to fish for a while. As I cast into the stream, I was delightfully surprised to see a huge Great Blue Heron land on the bank directly across from me. I stood very still and watched him walk into the water and catch many more fish than I was able to catch.

I suppose my love of forests, creeks, and the wildlife found therein began when Kenneth and I played in the woods near our homes. I am ever thankful that I have my own form of “wildlife heritage”—one that was nourished by the countryside locale of Rockcastle County. I have always been thankful for my childhood friendship with Kenneth. I miss him to this day.

And don't forget to keep your eye out for those lovely Blue Herons whenever you are near a Kentucky creek during the coming spring and summer months. You will not be disappointed. It's such a blessing to live in Kentucky.

(You can reach me at themtman@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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Lucille Bowling Carloftis

A Blessed Life Well Lived – The Beautiful Journey of Lucille Bowling Carloftis began February 14, 1928, on Little Goose Creek in Clay County to Verda Mae Marcum and Robert Franklin Bowling. When her mother became very ill, her paternal grandmother, Margaret Bowling Garrison, raised her until her mother could return where all of them made a loving home in Manchester and helped care for her blind uncle, Chester Marcum. A cheerleader at Manchester High, she graduated in a wheelchair after having been in a full body cast for many months.

Lucille married Carlos “Carlo” Carloftis of Pineville on January 3, 1947, to whom were born six children - Carcille, Buzz, Koula, Betsy, Dusty, Jon, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She later earned her degree from Cumberland College, graduating Magna Cum Laude. Lucille and Carlo built a tourism business, Fort Sequoyah, with help of Cherokee Indians in 1955, and later the Rockcastle River Trading Co. and Gardens with son Jon. Lucille was an author, founding board member of Cumberland River Comprehensive Care, member of the Governor’s Tourism Board, member of Kentucky’s Landscape Architects Board, song leader at Livingston Baptist Church, recipient of numerous awards and honors, with gardens named in her honor at Lexington’s Central Baptist Hospital and at the President’s Home at the University of the Cumberlands and Carloftis Garden at EKU. Her love was working daily alongside Carlo. Everyone describes her as a kind, quiet, gentle, very gracious, dignified Southern lady, greeting every single person with a genuine smile – always.

She quietly slipped from this life at her home on the Rockcastle River while sleeping in the sunshine on March 5, 2020, at age 92.

Condolences may be made at: www.bowlingfuneralhome.com

Billye (Shoemaker) Bryant

Billye (Shoemaker) Bryant, 38, of Brodhead, died Monday, March 9, 2020, at UK Medical Center in Lexington. She was born April 9, 1981 in Mt. Vernon, to the late Billy Hatmaker and Lucy (Shoemaker) Hatmaker. She was a member of the Philadelphia Baptist Church, and enjoyed fishing and crafting.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Tristan Dale Winstead of Mt. Vernon and Emily Downs of Waco; one brother, William (Christina) Shoemaker of Mankato, MN; five sisters, Rayann Caldwell of Manchester, Nina Lamb of Berea, Grace (J.W.) Erwin of Mt. Vernon, Robin Turner of TN and Penny Turner of FL; her mother, Lucy Hatmaker; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by: her father, Billy Hatmaker; and two brothers, Donald Shoemaker and Billy Hatmaker, Jr.

Funeral services will be (today) Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 1 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Gordon Mink officiating. Burial will follow in Shoemaker Cemetery.

Casket bearers will be: William Shoemaker, Gracie Erwin, Eugene Shoemaker, Nina Lamb, J.W. Erwin, and Cody Combs.

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

Larry Douglas Benge

Larry Douglas Benge, 52, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at St. Joseph East in Lexington.

Arrangements are incomplete at this time and have been entrusted to the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.

Condolences may be made at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Loretta (Owens) Bray

Loretta (Owens) Bray, 92, of Brodhead, wife of Donald, died Friday, March 6, 2020, at Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation in Brodhead. She was born December 5, 1927, in Corbin, to the late Roscoe and Ethel (Ramsey) Eldridge. She married Donald Bray on July 2, 1948 and from that union came six children, Linda Lee, Donna Sharon, Dennis Dale, Ricky Dean, Michael Roy, and Melissa Carol. She was a member of Bible Baptist Church, enjoyed embroidering, quilting, cooking, and cleaning. She was a member of the Quail Homemakers.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her husband of 71 years, Donald Bray; children, Linda Lee (Jim) Ervin of West Chester, OH, Donna Sharon Pennix of Stanford, and Dennis Dale (Rhonda) Bray, Ricky Dean (Tammy) Bray, Michael Roy (Jennie) Bray, and Melissa Carol Deathridge, all of Brodhead; 14 grandchildren, Jamie Web, Laura Beth Boerman, Natalie Huston, Leslie McFall, Zachary Pennix, Jackson Bray, Tanner Bray, Josh Bray, Matthew Bray, Haley Bray, Aliah Bray, Ben Bray, Shanlee Childress, and Kaylee Deathridge; as well as great grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by three siblings, Carl Eldridge, Pauline Mott, and Dorothy Blair.

Services were held Sunday, March 8, 2020 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals in Brodhead with Bro. Travis Gilbert officiating. Burial was in Otawa Cemetery.

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

Free educational session on dementia April 23rd

Join us April 23rd from 6:30-8 p.m. at Rockcastle Regional Hospital & Respiratory Care Center in the Hospital Chapel for an educational session focused on difficult behaviors among individuals with dementia and strategies for how to manage these behaviors.

Discussion will include challenging behaviors that may occur and expert advice on tips for how to respond.

Following the presentation we will have a general questions and answer session.

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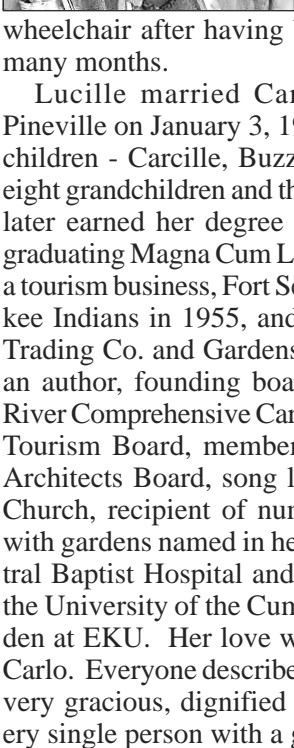
Registration is required. Contact Sally Scherer at the UK Sanders Brown Center on Aging at 859-323-5550 or sally.scherer@uky.edu. Deadline to register is April 16th.

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Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Eat Some Ugly Apples
Ugly apples were as likely to be growing in the yard or orchard or hedgerow of the average citizen of the Western world 100 years ago, or 500 years ago, as were cute shiny red or yellow apples. There has really been a marked change in the appearance, and many of the other traits, of the apples (as with many other fruits) we typically buy and eat. Grocers and fruit markets typically only carry a few varieties of the shiniest of apples. Where did the heritage of our ancestors go? Where are the ugly apples? And where are the apples a great grandma used to fry or make apple butter out of?

When we reach the last line of today's story, I hope you will have gained an appreciation for the heirloom or old-fashioned apples of days gone by. The days before cold storage, before shipments from distant lands, and the days when grandparents or their neighbors grew their own apples and looked forward to a new crop ripening each summer (for all the ones they had picked and saved from the year before were either used up or had ruined).
Apple grafting had been a trait some folks had learned many centuries ago, and passed along. That's why we have a few apple varieties still in existence from the days of George Wash-

ington or Thomas Jefferson, and way before that even. Grafting is how you get another apple tree just like the one you already know and like. Planting seeds of an apple will seldom result in a new apple tree with fruits good as the one the seeds came from.
Yet, it was the apples that came up from seeds in a fence row, or seeds planted by plantsmen like Johnny Appleseed, that caused there to be such a huge number of differing apple trees. The English from the Old World called seedling trees "pip-pins" which were often simply found seedling trees someone liked well enough to name, and perhaps share with other folks in the community.
I know many of us seldom stop and think as to

why we have Red Delicious, Yellow Delicious and Granny Smiths, and not the thousands of other apples that have come and gone through the ages.
Apples eaten in our day and time are usually grown in huge orchards with thousands or maybe even millions of trees, and usually you can count on one hand the different kinds (cultivars) an orchard grows. Perhaps a local community orchard with a roadside stand may grow a dozen or so varieties. Regardless, what they usually have in common is they look pretty, don't bruise easily, and can be kept for extended periods of time in refrigerated storage without rotting. Sometimes they also have great taste, but don't count on it until you try a sample first.
Consumers have been "taught" that apples with blemishes, blotches or dull colors or with visible bug bites and other imperfections are to be avoided or rejected. The trade-away has been big tractor rigs going through fields every week spraying pesticides, fungicides, and who-knows-what with air-blown mists. (Just consider the suit, mask, and enclosed tractor cab as you see a worker applying spray to an orchard, and you might be more willing to eat an ugly apple next time.)
Ugly was more common than pretty and shiny back when our ancestors went out back and picked up the "drops" from a tree to fry up some sliced apples for breakfast or make the first pie of the season. And if you wanted an apple to eat, you usually simply picked one from a tree (or often picked up one from under the tree, as these were usually sweeter and would soon spoil if not eaten or cooked promptly anyway). The kids would soon learn which were sweet and which were sour.
It was never all that important what an apple looked like if you were going to peel it and make a pie, make apple butter, make apple juice or apple jelly, dried apples, or canned fruit in mason jars. For many, hard cider was the only alcoholic drink they might have access to, and was usually made from sour or bitter apples that also had a high sugar content (even if you couldn't taste the sugar for the sourness). Farm animals got some of the apple crop or peels or leftovers, too.
Apples as we know them came from Europe mostly, and Asia before that. The only native apples in America are thorny little crab bushes. I used to know where one grew as a kid.
What can we do? How can we remedy the lack of varieties and flavors, and

how can we maybe grow some of the old apples again that our forefathers loved so much?
You could go to the local garden center and buy a young apple tree, or a bare-root one online. But if you want the old-timey apples, you probably need to consider buying from a nursery that sells "antique" or "old fashioned" or "heirloom" apples. This will usually necessitate shopping online or mail order—there are just a few scattered nurseries that propagate and sell dozens or hundreds of different apple trees, some of them old varieties rescued from going extinct by some noble nurseryman who cares about the gene pool and the lost traits and flavors and various uses of the old apples enough to have not only "saved" them, but grafted new ones so others can experience some of these old time varieties of the fruit.
I have grafted dozens of various apple trees, doing my part to create young trees of some old varieties. (If you know of an old, old tree that produces wonderful apples and don't have a clue what variety it is, I suggest you find someone to graft some new trees from it before it becomes lost forever. You never know, it might be the only tree of its kind in the whole world!)
So, what can you do? How about searching out some old apples, from old catalogs, from online repositories, or whatever means of search you care to embark on? And then take the plunge and plant a tree or two at your place. (I don't mean another Granny Smith or yellow delicious....we have them everywhere already....and besides they will be ugly apples if you grow them and don't spray them the way the commercial growers do.)
I suggest growing some disease resistant trees. Here are but a few to get you thinking.

Williams Pride, Liberty, Enterprize, Macintosh, Sweet Sixteen, Winecrisp, and possibly Gala. These are recent varieties. Some old time varieties that do well with little or no spraying would include:
Williams Favorite, Yellow Transparent, Arkansas Black, King David, Roxbury Russett (which came with the Pilgrims), Akane, Spartan, Grimes Golden, Wolf River, Virginia Beauty, and many others.
Besides some sooty blotches, scabs, worm holes or a bug bite or two, there is no harm to eating an ugly apple. (Well, maybe if you find a half a worm, but I know of nobody who has ever died from eating half a worm—or even a whole one.) The upside is you may discover flavors in apples you never dreamed of (some you will consider wonderful, and some not so much, probably). The stores may carry a half dozen varieties, but the homeowner can choose and plant from oodles of good old apples you'll never see in the supermarkets. You'll also be able to decide if a few blotches and bites are OK, or you can choose to spray with whatever you feel good about on your fruits.
Now that you've reached the final paragraph, how are you feeling about growing an old fashioned apple tree or two? Remember you can get all sizes from a pole apple to go in a giant pot to a full sized orchard tree. Most trees aren't self pollinating, so you'll need to buy and plant at least two unless there are flowering crab apple trees nearby, or you have neighbors also with a tree or two that could solve that issue. Here's wishing you try eating an ugly apple soon; better yet, try growing one yourself.
The author is a landscaper. Visit www.rockcastles.net or call Max (859) 684-0642 with comments or questions.

Frankfort Update

By R. Travis Brenda
State Representative
House Approves Budget with school safety funding, record education spending, fully funded pension commitments, and additional rainy day funds



While we consider many bills and resolutions during a legislative session, the one task we are constitutionally obligated to accomplish is passing a budget. I am pleased to report that we are one step closer to that goal as I joined my colleagues in voting for the two-year, \$23 billion spending plan for our state. Members of the House budget subcommittees have worked countless hours and held many meetings over the past few months, all with the goal of crafting a responsible spending plan that not only meets today's needs but helps prepare us for tomorrow's opportunities.

Our goal with this budget is simple – do the most we can with the resources we have while being smart in how we raise new revenue. To use a well-worn phrase, no state has ever taxed its way to prosperity. That is why tax policies passed by the House are aimed at broadening the base in order to lower individual taxes. I have long believed that our state has a spending problem. Without a doubt, we have many needs, but the House version of the budget balances those needs with a responsibility to the men and women who get up every day, go to work, and pay taxes. Every dollar spent is an investment in moving our state forward.

The House budget includes a record level of funding for education, including an increase in the per-student allocation sent to schools (SEEK), monies to implement the school safety act, and an increased investment in postsecondary education. The bill also includes a debt service ratio of 5.3 percent and a Budget Reserve Trust Fund ending balance of \$392.4 million. This fund is basically a savings account we often refer to as the "rainy day fund."

Education Funding: The House budget proposal includes a record level of per-student education funding, with \$4,061 in the first year and \$4,112 in the second year of the budget. All certified and classified school district staff will receive a one percent salary increase, paid through SEEK funds. This one percent increase will be on the base salary of these staff members, as opposed to the \$2,000 stipend proposed by the Governor. Education funding also includes \$1.13 billion over the biennium to fully fund the Teacher's Retirement System's actuarial required contribution (ARC). An additional \$61.7 million is committed in the first year to cover health insurance premiums for those who retired after 2010.
Postsecondary Education: The House proposal includes \$26 million in additional funding for our postsecondary institutions, \$16 million of which will be

invested through the Performance Based Funding Mechanism. Performance-Based Funding has proven to be an effective method of ensuring that higher education institutions continue to focus on educating students for successful career paths.

School Safety Funding: This budget includes the first step in funding the school safety programs called for by the School Safety Act we passed last session. The measure adds \$18.7 million over the biennium to fund facility changes needed to implement the requirements of SB 1, as well as an additional \$2.9 million transfer from Restricted Funds in the first year of the budget. The House also included \$48.75 million to help school districts hire new guidance counselors to meet the goals of the School Safety Act.

Social Workers: Like many states, we have a critical need for social workers in order to ensure the safety and well-being of children and others placed under state care or oversight. Our budget creates a hundred new positions, but also a five percent raise to retain those who already work for us.

General Government: All state employees will receive a one percent annual increase in wages in both fiscal years, including constitutional officers but not including legislators. The House budget also provides restricted funds support of \$4.8 million for vacant nursing positions in the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. The proposal also increases support for the Local Government Economic Development fund from zero percent to 70 percent of coal receipts, which equals approximately \$23 million.

Public Pension: The House budget proposal fully funds the state's pension contributions in both fiscal years. For the second budget in a row, legislators are not contributing to the legislative retirement plan. The state's public pension crisis has left us with a more than \$44 billion liability and, frankly, that will take a long time to pay. I do not participate in the legislative retirement plan.

Debt Service and Budget Reserve Trust Fund: The budget proposal approved

by the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee includes a debt service ratio of 5.3 percent. Also, the ending balance of the Budget Reserve Trust Fund will be \$392.4 million, more than \$76 million more than the original proposal issued by the Governor in January.

In addition to the executive branch, or general government, budget, we also approved the legislative branch budget and the revenue component to the spending plan. All of these bills now go to the Senate for their consideration. I expect that we will have a final product to send to the Governor by April 1 in order to ensure adequate time for review and, if necessary, to override any vetoes he might issue on the document.

Along with passing the budget, the House Judiciary Committee also passed two pro-life measures. House Bill 451, would expand the power of the attorney general to regulate abortion facilities, including bringing civil or criminal penalties for violations. It also ensures the attorney general is free to act against any violations at abortion facilities and clarify the state's laws. House Bill 370 would require health facilities or abortion facilities to treat fetal remains with respect and dignity by requiring the use of cremation or burial by a licensed funeral facility. Of course, the bill does not prevent parents from handling the remains of their child on their own terms, should they decide to.

Thank you for taking the time to read this week's update. I appreciate that our paper is willing to run these columns and, of course, hope you'll let me know if you have any comments or questions. 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.

Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. will be accepting applications for the Weatherization Assistance Program beginning March 12, 2020. The mission of the program is to improve energy efficiency, household safety and to educate the public about maintaining energy efficiency. To be eligible, your family's income must fall below 200% of federal poverty guidelines (maximum income limit for a family of 4 is \$52,400). To apply, please contact Tammy Cox at 606-256-5315 to schedule an appointment.

You will be required to bring the following documents:

- Proof of income for all household members
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SPORTS

State Champion



RCMS senior Lexi Dotson finished her brilliant indoor track career with several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Lexi defended her 800-meter run state title from last year, winning the event with a sensational time of 2:23.62. Her time broke the all-time Class 2A record for the facility and just missed the overall record by only four hundredths of a second. She finished as state runner-up in the 1600 with an awesome time of 5:32.04.

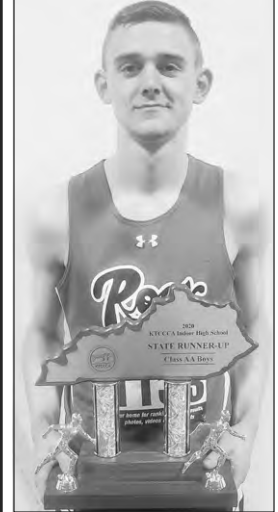
She also ran a blistering lead leg of the state title winning 4x400-meter relay team.

State Champion



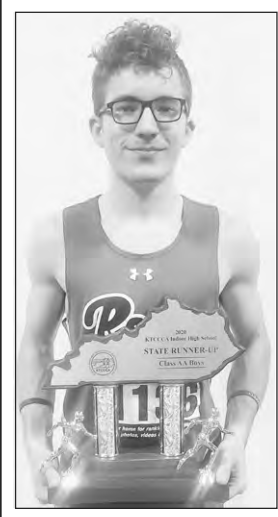
RCMS 8th grader Lexi Dotson had several outstanding performances in both the Middle School and Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Lexi started off with an impressive double in the middle school 1600 and 800-meter runs, winning state titles in both events with awesome times of 5:29 and 2:30.11, respectively. Her time in the 1600 broke the all-time middle school indoor state record in the event. Her 800 time ranks her 5th on the all-time list. She also ran a blistering anchor leg of the 3rd place 4x400-meter relay team. In the Class 2A high school meet, she once again won the state title in the 1600-meter run with an exceptional time of 5:30.02, the 3rd fastest ever in Class 2A at Mason County's facility and 5th fastest overall there. She finished her amazing day with a very fast 2nd leg of the state title winning 4x400-meter relay team.

State Champion



RCMS senior Dylan Bullen finished his brilliant indoor track career with several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Dylan ran exceptionally fast legs on the record-setting 4x800 and 4x400-meter relay teams that won indoor state titles in both events. Dylan also placed 3rd in the 800-meter run with an outstanding performance of 2:11.27 and 5th in the 1600 in 4:57.28.

State Champion



Senior Aaron Clark finished his brilliant indoor track career with several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Aaron ran exceptionally fast legs on the record-setting 4x800 and 4x400-meter relay teams that won indoor state titles in both events. Aaron also placed 3rd in long jump with a great jump of 17'9.25" and 5th in high jump with a solid performance of 5'6".

State Champion



RCMS sophomore Allie Martin had several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Allie defended her long jump state title from last year, winning the event with an awesome jump of 16'11", a new indoor all-time personal best. She also defended her 400-meter dash indoor state title, winning with an amazing time of 1:02.93. In the 55-meter dash, she blazed her way to a 5th place finish, just missing her all-time personal best by only two hundredths of a second with a fast time of 7.75 seconds. She also ran an exceptional 3rd leg of the state title winning 4x400-meter relay team.



State Runners-Up

The RCMS boys' indoor track team finished 2nd for the second straight indoor season on Saturday at Mason County, scoring 65 total points. Despite having only five members, the team won 3 state championship events. Individually, Logan Bullock won the 1600-meter run with an awesome performance. The 4x800-meter relay team of Dylan Bullen, Carson King, Aaron Clark, and Logan Bullock won state in the event, shattering their all-time indoor school record mark with an amazing time of 8:56.27, over 22 seconds better than their previous best. The four also won the 4x400-meter relay state title with an incredible RCMS indoor school record time of 3:49.24, nearly 2 seconds faster than the previous record. Team members are from left: Aaron Clark, Carson King, Dylan Bullen, Jaidan Burton, and Logan Bullock.

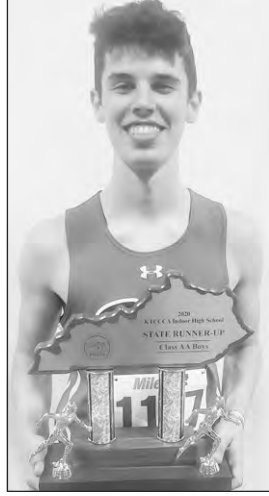


State Runners-Up

The RCMS girls' indoor track team just missed their 13th indoor state title, finishing a very close 2nd on Saturday at the KTCCCA Middle School Indoor State Championships at Mason County. Farnsley Middle School out of Louisville won by a close score of 64-63. Team members are from left: Jaily Brown, Adyson Bradley, Learnin Reagan, Madison York, Bethany Martin, Gracie Peavie, Kaylee Hargis, Cayla Marcum and Alyssa Hodge. Not pictured: Lexi Dotson, Mahala Miller, Caitlin Kirby, Maliyah Swinney and Lauren Cromer.

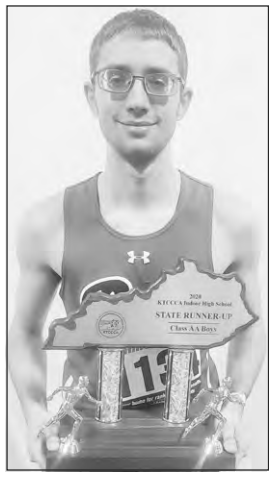
High School and Middle School Track Teams make big splash at Indoor Track State Championships

State Champion



RCMS freshman Carson King had several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Carson ran exceptionally fast legs on the record-setting 4x800 and 4x400-meter relay teams that won indoor state titles in both events. Carson also finished as state runner-up in long jump with a great jump of 18'0.25" and 7th in the 400-meter dash in 58.81 seconds.

State Champion



RCMS senior Logan Bullock finished his brilliant indoor track career with several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Logan ran blistering anchor legs on the record-setting 4x800 and 4x400-meter relay teams that won indoor state titles in both events. Logan also won the individual state title in the 1600-meter run with an outstanding performance of 4:57.28 and placed 4th in the 800 in 2:16.19.

State Champion



RCMS junior Valerie Kendrick had another outstanding performance at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Valerie defended her shot put state title from last year, winning the event with an awesome throw of 34'9", nearly 5' farther than her nearest competitor.

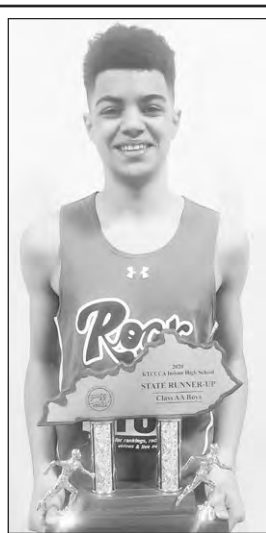
NOTICE

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.

State Champion



RCHS sophomore Reina Lykins had several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. In the 55-meter dash, Reina placed 3rd with an awesome all-time personal best of 9.67 seconds. In triple jump, despite sustaining a sprained ankle, Reina won the indoor state title with a great jump of 30'6.5", only inches away from her all-time personal best. Her ankle injury forced her to sit out the high jump competition later in the meet.



RCHS freshman Jaidan Burton had an outstanding performance in the 55-meter dash at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. With only a few practices since finishing basketball season, Jaidan ran an all-time personal best of 7.78 seconds.



State Champion

The RCCHS girls' 4x400-meter relay team had another sensational performance at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. The team of (from left) senior Tori Dotson, 8th grader Lexi Dotson, sophomore Allie Martin, and freshman Emma Watson defended their state title from a year ago, winning with an amazing new all-time, all-class Mason County facility record of 4:19.28. Very impressive considering the track is only a little over 133 meters long.

State Champion



RCCHS freshman Emma Watson had several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. In the 400-meter dash, Emma finished as state runner-up with an awesome time of 1:04.16, her fastest ever at the indoor state championships. In long jump, she placed 4th with a great jump of 14'8". In the 55-meter dash, she blazed her way to an all-time personal best of 7.89 seconds, placing 9th overall. She also ran an exceptional anchor leg of the state title winning 4x400-meter relay team.



RCCHS junior Jessalyn Burton had another outstanding performance at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Jessalyn had one of her best throws this season, placing 3rd overall with a great throw of 29'5.5", only 5.5" away from being state runner-up in the event.



The RCCHS girls' 4x800-meter relay team had an outstanding performance at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. The team of (from left) 7th grader Madison York, 8th grader Bethany Martin, 7th grader Gracie Peavie, and 7th grader Kaylee Hargis earned bronze medals and placed 3rd overall with a season's best time of 12:59.21.

State Runner-Up

RCMS 7th grader Learin Reagan had several outstanding performances in both the Middle School and Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Learin had an awesome all-time personal best state runner-up performance in middle school long jump, leaping an impressive 14'5.75". In the 55-meter dash, she placed 12th with another all-time personal best of 8.34 seconds. In the 400-meter dash, she placed 6th with an all-time personal best of 1:09.62. She also ran a very fast lead leg of the 3rd place 4x400-meter relay team. In the Class 2A meet, she placed 6th in the 55-meter hurdles with yet another all-time personal best of 10.38 seconds.



RCMS 8th grader Bethany Martin had an outstanding performance in shot put at the KTCCCA Middle School State Championships on Saturday at Mason County. Bethany came through with a 3rd place finish overall and an all-time personal best of 26'10.75". Kind of rare for a thrower to compete in distance events, but she also ran the fastest split of the girls' 3rd place 4x800-meter relay team in the Class 2A meet.



RCMS 7th grader Alyssa Hodge had several outstanding top five performances at the KTCCCA Middle School Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Alyssa had an awesome all-time personal best performance in long jump, placing 5th with an impressive leap 13'0.75". In the 55-meter dash, she also placed 5th with an amazing all-time personal best of 8.15 seconds. In the 400-meter dash, she placed 5th with yet another incredible all-time personal best of 1:09.07. She also ran a very fast 3rd leg of the 3rd place 4x400-meter relay team.



RCMS 8th grader Cayla Marcum had two outstanding performances at the Middle School Indoor State Championships. In the 55-meter dash, Cayla ran a personal best, placing 29th overall with a time of 8.91 seconds. In the 400-meter dash, she placed 38th with a personal best of 1:21.09.



RCMS 6th grader Lauren Cromer ran a personal best in the 55-meter dash at the Middle School Indoor State Championships. Lauren placed 52nd with a personal best of 11.27 seconds.

State Runner-Up



RCMS 6th grader Mahala Miller had an outstanding performance in shot put at the KTCCCA Middle School State Championships on Saturday at Mason County. Her first-ever state track competition, she came through with a state runner-up finish and an all-time personal best of 27'7.25", even though her practice time has been limited due to participation in softball.



RCMS 7th grader Gracie Peavie had two outstanding performances at the KTCCCA Middle School Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. In the 55-meter dash, Gracie ran an impressive all-time personal best, placing 37th overall with a time of 9.20 seconds. In the 400-meter dash, she placed 36th with an exceptional all-time personal best of 1:20.19. In the Class 2A meet, she also ran on the 3rd place 4x800-meter relay team.



RCMS 7th grader Madison York had two outstanding performances at the KTCCCA Middle School Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. In the 55-meter dash, Madison ran an impressive all-time personal best, placing 43rd overall with a time of 9.53 seconds. In the 400-meter dash, she placed 40th with another all-time personal best of 1:21.73. In the Class 2A meet, she also ran on the 3rd place 4x800-meter relay team.



MVES 5th grader Maliyah Swinney had two outstanding performances at the Middle School Indoor State Championship. Maliyah placed 40th in the 55-meter dash in a fast time of 9.53 seconds. She also placed 23rd in the 400-meter dash with a personal best of 1:16.62.



RCMS 7th grader Kaylee Hargis had an outstanding performance at the Middle School Indoor State Championships. In the 400-meter dash, she placed 43rd with a personal best of 1:26.14. In the Class 2A meet, she also ran on the 3rd place 4x800-meter relay team.



RCMS 7th grader Adyson Bradley had several outstanding performances at the KTCCCA Middle School Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Adyson had an exceptional all-time personal best performance in the 55-meter dash, placing 26th overall with a great time of 8.80 seconds. She had her best individual performance of the meet in the 400-meter dash, placing 12th with an awesome all-time personal best of 1:12.70. She also ran a very fast 2nd leg of the 3rd place 4x400-meter relay team. In the Class 2A meet, Adyson placed 14th in the 55-meter hurdles with another all-time personal best of 11.50 seconds.



RCCHS sophomore Karlann Loudermilk had several outstanding performances at the Class 2A Indoor State Championships at Mason County on Saturday. Despite nursing a sore knee for most of the meet, Karlann placed 5th in triple jump with a new season's best jump of 27'10.75". In high jump, she placed an impressive 9th overall with a great leap of 4'6" without any practice at the event. Karlann will be looking to hit 5' plus during outdoor season once she heals and gets some practice time in.



RCMS 7th grader Jailyn Brown had two outstanding performances at the Middle School Indoor State Championships. In the 55-meter dash, Jailyn ran a personal best, placing 20th overall in a fast time of 8.54 seconds. In the 400-meter dash, she also placed 20th with a personal best of 1:15.57.



RCMS 7th grader Caitlyn Kirby had two outstanding performances at the Middle School Indoor State Championships. She placed 5th in shot put with a personal best throw of 25'4.5". She also placed 49th in the 55-meter dash with a great time of 10.13 seconds.

Lady Rockets lose in region finals to Casey

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets had a really good five halves of the 12th regional tournament last week but that last half got them as they lost to the Casey County Rebels last Friday night 55-41 in the finals.

After easily defeating Garrard County Tuesday night in their opening round of regional play 74-56, the Lady Rockets cruised through their semi-final game with the Wayne County Lady Cardinals Friday night 67-30.

The Lady Rockets took off in that game, outscoring the Lady Cardinals 16-5 the first quarter, 36-11 the first half and 56-24 through three quarters.

The Lady Rockets did everything well in that game, shooting a combined 63% in field goals, hitting 89% of their free throws, grabbing 26 rebounds and six steals, recording 16 assists and limiting turnovers to a total of 11 for the game.

Four Lady Rockets were in double figures, led by junior Casey Coleman with 15 points. Coleman also tied with freshman Keelee King for rebounding honors with five each. Freshman Hallie Brown added four rebounds and seniors Shelby Newland and Kenzi Himes and junior Lindsey Jones got three rebounds each.

King scored 14 points in the game, including four three point baskets. Besides the five rebounds, King was also credited with two steals and two rebounds.

Sixth man junior Lindsey Jones got 13 points, three of them three point baskets; Newland had 12 points and added six assists and two steals; senior Kenzi Himes, who will advance her basketball career at Union College next year, along with Shelby Newland, got eight points, one assist and one steal; Brown got three points and also had two as-

sists and two steals and Junior Jordan Harper got two points.

Finals
RCCHS 41
CCCHS 54

The Lady Rockets had a traumatic season with the Lady Rebels of Casey County, losing to them twice in regular season and defeating them in the finals of the 47th district tournament before losing to them in the finals of the 12th region tournament.

The Lady Rockets got set back on their heels early in the first quarter, losing it 16-7, but they had come back somewhat at the half, being down 27-22. In the third quarter, the Lady Rockets mounted another run, pulling to within one at 31-30 and had the ball at the 5:30 mark but, a series of turnovers and some hot shooting by the Rebels, gave Casey a double-digit run and the third quarter 16-8 and the fourth 12-11. In the fourth quarter, the Rebels, who were 16/16 from the free throw line on the night, were 10/10 from the charity stripe.

The Lady Rockets hit 5/7 free throws and made three three point baskets, two by Jones and one by King. The Rebels hit five three point baskets.

Newland and Himes tied for scoring honors for their team with 10 points each; Coleman got seven; Jones six; King five and Brown three.

Coleman was named second team all region and **Himes** was named to the third team.

Newland, King and Jones were all named to the regional all-tournament team.

The Lady Rockets finished the season with a 26-8 overall record, a big improvement over last year's 17-13 record.



Senior Shelby Newland drives to the basket during the Lady Rockets' 55-41 loss to Casey County in the finals of the 12th Region Tournament.



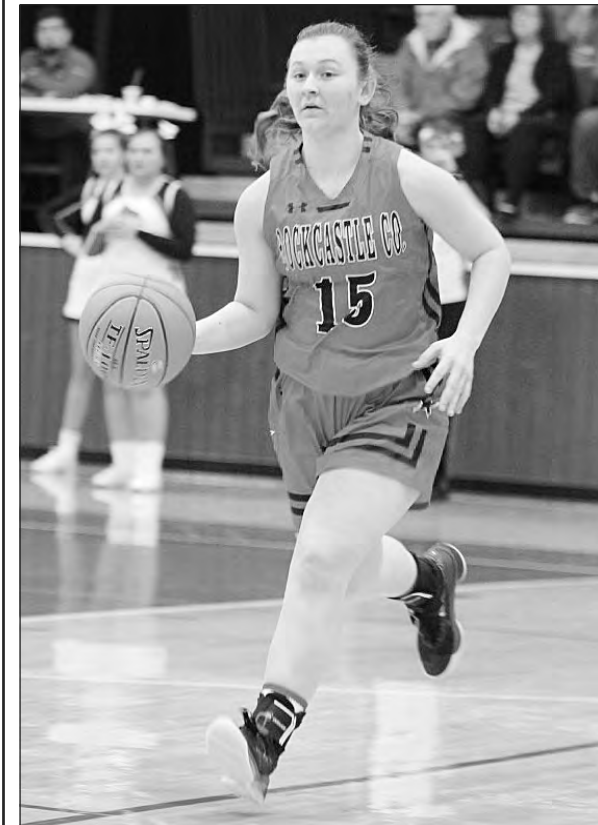
Junior Casey Coleman fights for a rebound during the Lady Rockets' 67-30 win over Wayne County in the semi-finals of the 12th Region Tournament.



Senior Kenzi Himes puts on the defense during the Lady Rockets' 67-30 win over Wayne County in the semi-finals of the 12th Region Tournament.



Freshman Keelee King looks to pass during the Lady Rockets' 55-41 loss to Casey County in the finals of the 12th Region Tournament.



Junior Aliyah Lopez runs a fast break during the Lady Rockets' 55-41 loss to Casey County in the finals of the 12th Region Tournament. The Lady Rockets' finished the season with a 26-8 record.



Lindsey Jones, Shelby Newland and Keelee King were named to the 12th Region All-Tournament Team.



Junior Lindsey Jones drives to the basket during the Lady Rockets' 55-41 loss to Casey County in the finals of the 12th Region Tournament.



Freshman Hallie Brown guards the three point line during the Lady Rockets' win over Wayne County in the semi-finals of the 12th Region Tournament.



Junior Casey Coleman, left, was named second team all-region and senior Kenzi Himes, right, was named third team all-region last week.



The RCCHS Cheerleaders, Rocket Rowdies and the RCCHS Pep Band were a big support system for the Lady Rockets during the run in the 12th Region Tournament last week.

“Jail”

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Tuesday's regular fiscal court meeting as she was adding how much money needed to be transferred to meet the county's monthly expenses. "It (the detention center) is definitely our problem child."

Jails across the state and the nation have had trouble with budgets in recent years and Rockcastle County Jailer Nathan Carter says one of the biggest problems is that there is not much a jailer can do about the income for a jail. The jailer can cut expenses in several areas but most officials agree that Carter has already made those cuts even to the point that Clontz said he doesn't see much room left to cut.

But the income for a jail is based largely on the number of inmates, specifically state inmates, who are housed there.

"Typically, we have many more state inmates than we do right now," said Carter. "It takes about 65 state inmates for us to be able to balance the budget." However, right now, the local detention center has only 51 state inmates.

"We receive \$31.34 per state inmate, per day and that is a large part of what pays the bills." The additional 14 inmates would add up to around \$15,000 per month.

Add to that lack of income the rising cost to provide mandated services and proper security and Carter says the jail simply needs more state inmates. "I even called surrounding jails asking them if they had any they could send to us," said Carter. "But they were low themselves."

At the end of the meeting, the fiscal court approved transferring \$100,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund and \$50,000 from the general fund to the jail fund and another \$50,000 from the general fund to the 911 fund.

Originally Martin had asked for \$150,000 but Clontz said he expects some revenue before the next payroll is due and there will be another fiscal court meeting before then, if the funds are still needed.

Some officials also expect more drug testing mandates in the future which would increase jail expenses even more.

Officials plan to work on the jail budget together and possibly organize a work session to work on details.

In other action Carrie Ballinger, Student Service Director for Rockcastle County schools, and several local students on the student council for the census, asked the fiscal court for \$752 as a reimbursement for advertising they had prepared concerning the 2020 census.

The students told the court they had created and ordered banners and placed advertising on the radio and in the *Mount Vernon Signal* educating citizens of the importance of the census. Several Magistrates and Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook thanked the students and the Rockcastle County School system for their help in getting the word out about the upcoming census. The request was unanimously approved.

The fiscal court also received a check from Rockcastle County Clerk Danetta Ford Allen for

\$71,725 in excess fees for 2019, as well as \$1,125 from rental of the Livingston Gym.

The county also accepted the responsibility of keeping the intersection well lit at KY 461 and US150, once the state widening project is complete. Holbrook said the state requires the intersection be lit and the responsibility will be that of the county but probably not until after the state completes the project.

Magistrates also agreed to set May 23 as Rockcastle County Trash Drop off Day. Last year the cost of the project was over \$17,000 but may be a little more this year.

Magistrates asked visitor RCIDA Executive Director Jeff VanHook about the progress of the Microfoodery plant. "Things are going well. I understand there are seven employees now," he said. "They are making the little packages of beer cheese now."

VanHook also said owners of the plant are "working on" several potential contracts that could ignite growth for the plant.

Holbrook also presented the court with two separate grant applications that may improve local roadways. "Nothing is approved yet, these are just applications," he said. "We may as well try to get the funding."

The court also approved over \$17,000 for audits of the Sheriff's Department as well as \$16,556 for equipment on the two new police cruisers.

The court also set the speed limit on Ford Hollow Road at 25 mph. There was previously no speed limit posted.

Magistrates also agreed to give themselves, Commissioners and the Coroner a raise of 2.3% which will increase Magistrate's salary by \$12.57 per month. The cost of living increase was the first in many years according to the court.

Several other reimbursements and donations were approved by the court. No reimbursement or donation request on the agenda was refused.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14 at 4 p.m.

“ABC”

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the city used the Kentucky State ABC Ordinance as a guide and adopted it for use in the City of Livingston. "It is our responsibility as elected officials to provide this ordinance for the people of Livingston," said Medley. "We have worked hard to put together an ordinance that meets all the state requirements, while serving the citizens of Livingston. Sometimes that is a delicate balance but thanks to Josh, and people who care about Livingston, I believe we have done that."

Livingston City Clerk Patricia Doan was appointed as the Livingston ABC Administrator.

Doan's duties will now include providing license applications and the administration of those licenses once approved. Her duties also include inspection of facilities that sell alcohol and all other duties of the Kentucky State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control within the

City of Livingston.

The first reading of the ordinance will be held at the April monthly meeting where commissioners will hear the entire ordinance and discuss any issues they think may develop, according to Medley.

Then Medley says a special called meeting will be held soon after to hold the second reading and adoption of the ordinance.

According to Medley both the Family Dollar and the Marathon station in Livingston have expressed interest in applying for a license to sell alcohol and others may also apply.

"It is my understanding that there is no limit to how many licenses we can issue to sell beer, but as a city we are also allowed to issue two licenses to sell liquor.

According to Medley, a city the size and population of Livingston would typically only be allowed to issue one liquor store license but, because of antimonopoly regulations in Kentucky, no city may offer only one liquor store license.

Also thanks in large part to the lobbying efforts of Bray and Jeff VanHook, RCIDA Executive Director, the State of Kentucky changed the law last year that will now allow Livingston to charge a 5 percent alcohol tax on every alcoholic beverage sold in the city.

"We intend to utilize the tax to help our entire community and benefit the town as a whole," said Medley.

Medley acknowledged the tax money may only be used for expenses related to the sale of alcohol, but that may free up other funds within the budget for use in growth and development of the city.

"We expect two locations in Livingston where beer may be sold and there are others from outside the city who have expressed interest in our liquor store licenses," said Medley.

“Cox”

(Continued from front) an appointment from President Donald Trump as federal court judge of the US Court of Federal Claims.

After the office of Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton chose three candidates to fill the district seat, a letter recommending the candidates was sent to the governor's office for the appointment.

Though the governor had 60 days to assign the appointment, Cox was appointed in only two weeks.

Besides his local law office, where he has been in practice for 52 years. Cox is also president of the Public Advocacy Commission and received his juris doctorate degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law.

Cox will hold the judgeship until the general election in November when voters will choose from the three candidates.

The circuit court is the court of general jurisdiction that hears civil matters involving more than \$5,000 and capitol offense cases as well as felonies, divorces, adoptions, termination of parental rights, land dispute title cases and contested probate cases.

“Art”

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for purchase.

Both Aimee and Bobby have shown their artwork at the RAA Art Show in previous years.

The Gallery Show Opening will be held at the Arts Place on Main Street on March 21, 2020 from 5-7 p.m..

This is a free event and additional gallery hours will be held the following week - Monday from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday from 2:30 to 4:40 p.m. and Thursday from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

For more information, please visit the Rockcastle Arts Facebook page.

“School”

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to pay their claim," she said.

Sweet said there are some common misconceptions about school insurance. "We provide a secondary insurance," said Sweet. "Our insurance is there to help with copays and provide secondary insurance to the primary policy of the family."

Sweet said sometimes parents are not aware of the steps they must take to file a claim.

"It is the responsibility of the parent to complete the required forms and submit them to the insurance company for payment," she said. "This insurance is also a limited coverage and some injuries may not apply."

However, Sweet says the insurance covers all students during school hours and at all school events and extra curricular activities.

Sweet said the school provides the needed forms but parents must remember to complete them and submit them.

In other action, Sweet also presented financial reports to the board and answered questions about the status of the school system's finances.

"Our budget is trending on target," she said. "We have had a good year with facilities and maintenance and most all line items are running exactly where they should be."

Superintendent David Pensol said part of the reason maintenance is doing well is the recent construction at the high school. "All the new equipment and upgraded facilities is taking less maintenance and providing better service to our students," he said.

Sweet agreed that even utility bills are noticeably lower due mostly to the new equipment and roof repairs.

Sweet reports about \$400,000 left in the budget after that construction project was completed.

Pensol said concerns about budget cuts and other issues caused him, and other officials, to cut back on furniture and other fixtures during the construction to leave money in the account in the event there were more budget cuts.

"We were concerned about the budget at the time and decided to hold back on the fixtures and furniture and other similar items," said Pensol. "These are things we still need to purchase but we are just waiting to make certain the budget stays on track and there are no surprises," said Pensol.

In other action, the board heard department reports concerning ACT testing of all juniors Tuesday. District Instructional Supervisor Jennifer Mattingly told the board the testing went as planned. "It was a very

good day," she said. "The ACT helps students with scholarships and college preparedness and also helps us gauge how we are doing as a district."

Mattingly also reported 1,585 field tests given on the new online platform recently and said those tests also went well, once minor computer glitches were corrected.

Kenneth Hopkins, Transportation Director, told the board he plans to auction away only one bus this year though the school bought two new buses to start the school year.

"We usually get rid of two buses when we buy two new buses," he said. "But one of the buses that we replaced is actually still a very dependable bus. We decided it would be to our benefit to keep it as a back up bus or possibly use it for special functions," he said.

Following in line with all school districts, Pensol addressed the Coronavirus issue and provided information to the board about the school system's response to the virus.

"We are reacting every day and taking the advice of professional health care workers who stay in constant communication with us," he said. "Our attendance is still high and no cases are reported in the county. So we will continue to rely on daily guidance from the Department for Public Health, local health officials and the Kentucky Department of Education and will immediately pass along any pertinent information we receive."

The board also received the Superintendent's Personnel report. It is as follows:

Full time classified employees

Lisa Durham, MVES cook/baker
Lori Smith, MVES interim food service manager

Resignations

Wanda Coffey, RCMS instructional assistant
Greta Tompkin, MVES cook/baker
Lisa Durham, MVES food service manager

Certified substitutes

Katelyn Hensley, substitute teacher
Allison Renner, substitute teacher

Classified substitutes

Rebekah Hurley, substitute instructional assistant
Paula Pierce, substitute instructional assistant.

“Corona”

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The spread of COVID-19 in other countries has been exacerbated by people flooding the emergency departments and doctors' offices. Please refrain from doing this.

Rockcastle Family Wellness physician Dr. Karen Saylor advises that if you or anyone in your family are experiencing only mild cold symptoms and have not been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 or recently traveled to an area with widespread or ongoing community spread of COVID-19, to simply stay home and treat your symptoms.

"Mild colds are present in our community right now, just as they are this time every other year," said Dr. Saylor. "There is no cure for the cold but you can feel better by getting lots of rest and drinking plenty of fluids. Over-the-counter medicines may help ease symptoms but will not make your cold go away any faster."

Dr. Saylor advises to carefully read the directions on medication labels and follow them, taking note of what medications are appropriate for younger children.

If you are experiencing

these symptoms and suspect you have been in contact with someone with COVID-19 or recently traveled to an area with widespread COVID-19, then call your doctor and explain your symptoms over the phone. Your doctor can advise you if you need to seek medical treatment.

Coronavirus on a laboratory respiratory panel

Some patients who have been tested for illness with a hospital or laboratory-based respiratory virus panel may see a positive for coronavirus on that panel. This is not the COVID-19 that is on the news.

Current respiratory panels do not detect the COVID-19 and a special test must be ordered and processed at the state public health laboratory, at this time. Public health officials are working with providers to assist in determining who may need the COVID-19 testing. Currently, only people who have traveled to affected areas and start showing symptoms or people who have been in contact with confirmed cases of COVID-19 will be approved for testing.

How to prevent it and stop the spread

There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19.

Rockcastle Regional Infection Control Coordinator Traci Bullens, RN, says the best way to prevent the illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. She says that is why it is important to practice the same steps we use every day to prevent the spread of other respiratory diseases:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue then throw it away, or cough and sneeze into your upper shirt sleeve, completely covering your mouth and nose.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
- Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly for at least 20 seconds. Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.

At this time, Rockcastle Regional doesn't have any cases of COVID-19 in the facility, nor do we have them in our community but, since the organization serves the entire state of Kentucky and many surrounding states, we are being ever so vigilant. **The hospital has implemented infection control protocols recommended by the CDC to help reduce the potential for the virus to enter the facility.**

Visitor Guidelines

Acute Care Hospital: Visitors to the Acute Care Hospital will be allowed to visit if they are without a fever, runny nose, or flu-like symptoms.

Respiratory Care Center: Visitation to the Respiratory Care Center will be limited to those loved ones that are receiving end-of-life care. For those who do visit, we ask you to be extra cautious when deciding to enter our facility as this patient population is extremely vulnerable and every step must be taken to prevent the introduction of COVID-19.

If you are visiting patients or residents at Rockcastle Regional, you are encouraged to wash your hands with soap and water when entering and leaving patient rooms. Those with fever, runny nose, body aches, or respiratory symptoms

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60th Annual Farmers/Business Banquet



Kiwanis Club members Eliza York-Hansel and Vicki Cox presented Ercel Cromer with the Rockcastle Kiwanis Club Distinguished Community Service/Business Person of the Year Award during the Banquet Thursday.



Sam Ford was the newest inductee into the Rockcastle County Agriculture Hall of Fame. Rockcastle County Conservation District Board Members Tommy Harold Mink and Mark Dyehouse presented the award.



Kiwanis Club members Eliza York-Hansel and Vicki Cox presented Larry Dale Bullen the Rockcastle Kiwanis Club Distinguished Community Service Award during the Banquet Thursday.



District Conservationist Randall Templeman presented the Master Conservationists award to Suzanne Thacker on behalf of the Rockcastle County Conservation District. With Ms. Thacker are two of her daughters, Melanie and Amy.



Josh Bray, on behalf of the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce, presents RCIDA Executive Director Jeff VanHook the 2019 Business of the Year Award to the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority.



Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce President Steve McKinney presented Rockcastle School Superintendent David Pensol the *Heart of the Community* award at this year's banquet.



Tim Farmer, five-time Emmy award winning host and executive producer of *Kentucky Afield*, was the keynote speaker at the annual Farmers/Business Banquet last Thursday. Farmer work with the Department of Fish and Wildlife for 20 years before retiring in 2015.



A large crowd attended the 60th Annual Farmer/Business Banquet held last Thursday at the Rockcastle County Middle School. The annual event was presented by the Rockcastle County Conservation District. The District along with the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce and the Rockcastle Kiwanis Club presented awards and the keynote speaker for the evening was Tim Farmer.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



District Civil Suits

Discover Bank v. Donald M. Dees, \$3,090 plus claimed due.
Second Round LP v. Alexis Lovell, \$844 plus claimed due. C-00055

Circuit Civil Suits

Justin Lee Caldwell v. Rachel Page Caldwell, petition for dissolution of marriage.
C&F Finance Co. v. Jacqueline D. Burton, \$13,087 plus claimed due.
Brea Jill Proctor v. Kevin Proctor, petition for dissolution of marriage.
Rodney Bottoms v. Root Insurance Co., complaint.

Town Branch Road, to Merrell and Patsy Chandler. Tax \$23

Evan Bradley Warrick and Lexie Elizabeth Warrick, property in Rockcastle County, to Michael Joseph Pichette. Tax \$168

Kimberly Smith and Jacob VanWinkle, property on Hwy. 1326, to Terri Sanders. Tax \$4.50

Crystal Davidson, property on Wallin St., Brodhead, to Michael Price. No tax

Barbara Barger, property on Barnett Road, to Jesse Strunk and Elizabeth Hering. Tax \$20

Linda G. Penrod, property in Rockcastle County, to Anthony Earl Penrod. No tax

Marriage Licenses

Brittany Nichole Cromer, 26, Mt. Vernon, SRNA and Thomas Edward Spencer, Jr., 29, Berea, fork lift operator. 3/6/20

Whitney Amber Harrison, 28, Mt. Vernon, SRNA and David Lee Cromer, 33, Mt. Vernon, construction. 3/6/20

District Court

Feb. 2-26/March 02, 2020
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
Hon. Kathryn G. Slone

Jackie D. Coomer: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

David Howard: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, 30

days in jail/costs waived.
Jerel David Smith: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Kenneth Matthew Becknell: fines/fees due (\$423), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/nine days in jail or payment in full.

Lesley Allen Bryant: failure to or improper signal, improper registration plate - receipt, no/expired registration plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Jeremiah Alexander Cain: fines/fees due (\$183), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.

Justin J. Carpenter: speeding, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, bw issued for fta.

Evelyn Clines: fines/fees due (\$138), bw issued for fta/three days in jail or payment in full.

Speeding: Megan Coats, Andy Floyd Scott, Barbara Ann Hinkle, Frank A. Caincone, Jael Mahla Cobb, Daniel Steven Harrison, Stefanie Sue Tanner, license suspended for fta; Allison Stepp, \$38 fine plus costs; Steven Blackwell: no/expired Registration plates, \$25 fine; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$25 fine plus costs. All converted to five days in jail.

Joshua D. Howard: disorderly conduct, 30 days in jail/costs merged.

Charles Sambo Almgren: speeding, no/expired registration plates - receipt, license suspended for fta.

Sherman W. Collins: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, improper display of registration plates, rear license not illuminated, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

John Mark Coyle: operating on suspended/revoked operators, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Amanda Gayle Hopkins: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, failure to register transfer

of motor vehicle, improper display of registration plates, improper registration plate, rear license not illuminated, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Veronica G. Martin: operating vehicle w/expired operators license, license to be in possession, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, one headlight, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., rear license not illuminated, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jose Perez Mendez: no operators/moped license, \$100 fine plus costs.

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

Seth T. Taylor: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.

Jeremy Wayne Whittenburg: fines/fees due (\$738), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.

Mitzy Sue Collett: no/expired registration plates - receipt, bw issued for fta.

Bobbie Michelle Collins: fines/fees due (\$738), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment

in full.
Rhonda Cromer: drug paraphernalia-buy/possess and possession of synthetic drugs, sentencing orders entered.

Phillip Falin: fines/fees due (\$243), converted to five days in jail.

Matthew R. Fletcher: failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, 10 days in jail plus costs.

Brandon Griffin: improper towing, reckless driving, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, improper equipment, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, bw issued for fta.

Cody Helton: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.

Michael B. Houk: possession controlled substance, and drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued for fta.

Austin Wayne Lamb: alcohol intoxication in a public place, bw issued for fta.

Brandy Lamb: alcohol intoxication in a public place, bw issued for fta.

Billy Jack Rayburn: fines/fees due (\$248), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

Kristian L. Rice: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Brian S. Roberts: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired registration plates - receipt, bw issued for fta.

Wesley Robinson: fines/fees due (\$263), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.

Alfaro Ruiz: no operators/moped license, failure to wear sea belts, careless driving, \$25 fine each.

John D. Saylor II: possess open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle, \$100 fine; real license not illuminated and failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine each.

James L. Seals: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/three days in jail or payment in full.

Tina R. Spivey: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

James Cody Spoonamore: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta.

Deeds Recorded

Nikkita McGuire, property in Rockcastle County, to Brandon Bullock. Tax \$3
Eric and Shelby Eversole, property on

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RCHS Archery Team members are pictured front from left: Liz Renner, Emily Maupin, Jillian Wallin and Alyssa Martin. Second row from left: Lara Renner, Allison McCoy, Jameson Mink, JT Kelly and Haley Sanders. Back row from left: TJ Ramsey, Ethan Cromer, CJ Cameron, Gentry Phillips, Jacob Cook, Daejean Dean, and Luke Cromer. Not pictured: Kyle Coffey and Jasmine Johnson.

RCHS Archery prepare for NASP State Tourney

The Archery team has been busy preparing for the NASP State Tournament. On Friday night, Archers took on Madison Central, Madison Southern, and George Rogers Clark High Schools at the Madison Co. State Warm-up Tournament. RCHS took home third place.

Kyle Coffey shot 3rd place of 200 for overall male shooters with a 293. Jacob Cook shot a personal best of 288. Emily Maupin was the top female shooter with a 275. Freshman Daejeon Dean added 274 to the team total. Gentry Phillips shot 269. Jameson Mink shot a personal best of 268. Senior CJ Cameron shot a 262. TJ Ramsey scored 259, while Liz Renner shot 256. Trace Boone wasn't far behind with a 255. JT Kelley shot a 253, while Allison McCoy added a 249 to the team score.

On Saturday, RCHS Archery shot at Garrard County placing 2nd in Bullseye.

Kyle Coffey placed 5th in overall boys shooting 286. Jacob Cook shot 281. Daejeon Dean added 280 to the team score. TJ Ramsey shot a 278. Once again, sophomore, Emily Maupin, was the top female shooter with a 271. CJ Cameron shot a 268. Jameson Mink added a 263 to the team total.

Freshman, Haley Sanders shot a personal best of 253. Lara Renner shot 253. Ethan Cromer shot added a 241 to the team score. JT Kelley shot a 240 and Liz Renner shot a 239 for the team.

The Archery team debuted in its first ever NASP/IBO 3D Tournament on Saturday where they earned 3rd place. The team ranked 26 in the state. Jacob Cook led the team, placing 4th with a 276. Kyle Coffey shot a 272. Daejeon Dean added 271 to the team score. Ethan Cromer shot a 262. Emily Maupin, top female, shot a 256. TJ Ramsey added 249 to the team total. Liz Renner shot 238 to round out the team score.

Kyle Coffey and TJ Ramsey have been preparing for state individually, as well. On February 22, Kyle shot at the Harrison County 3D Tournament placing 3rd with a 284. He and TJ shot a 3D Tournament at Farristown in Madison Co. scoring 288 and earning 1st place, while TJ Ramsey shot a 273.

On February 27, Kyle shot a 290 at the Bullseye Model Archery Tournament. On February 27, Kyle shot a 286 at the Thorobred classic State Warm-up placing 1st.

The team is scheduled to shoot at the NASP

State Tournament in Louisville on Friday, March 13.



Kyle Coffey took 3rd place of 200 for overall male shooters with a 293 at the Madison Co. State Warm-up Tournament.



Mrs. Kristy Parkey's 4th grade class had a guest reader for Dr. Seuss Week celebration. Mrs. Vanessa Bullock read "Yertle the Turtle" and brought special turtle treats for the class.



KSP Trooper Adam Hensley read to Mrs. Parkey's 4th grade class for Dr. Seuss Read Across America Week.



The MVES 5th grade would like to thank Rep. Travis Brenda for reading "If You Hopped Like a Frog" by Dr. Seuss to them during Read Across America Week.



RCMS Band Members chosen for District Honor Band

Recently members of the RCMS 7th and 8th Grade bands performed as selected members of the 2020 District 11 KMEA Middle School Honors Band Program. These students competed with over 400 students from across the district during auditions for the group in January. Honor Band members spent two days of intensive rehearsal with guest conductors Ashley Bell, Associate Director of Bands at Grayson County High School and Dr. Amy Acklin, Associate Director of Bands and Professor of Music at the University of Louisville. The event culminated with a concert given Friday March 6th at the Danville High School Center for the Performing Arts. RCMS students are pictured from left: Leah Whitworth, Loareta Krebs, Marcos Bengé, Gabriel Clouse, and Joseph Elam.

Mt. Vernon Message

School News
Girl Scouts meet every Thursday.

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

Our Spring Book Fair will be March 23-27th. Our Family Event Night will be during Parent Teacher Conferences on March 26th, 4-6:00 PM.

Class News
Mrs. Kristy Parkey's 4th grade class had a guest reader for Dr. Seuss Week celebration. Mrs. Vanessa Bullock read "Yertle the Turtle" and brought special turtle treats for the class!

Mrs. Ballinger read Mr. Brown Can Moo Can You to Ms. Slone's class.

Thanks to Trooper Adam Hensley for reading to Mrs. Parkey's 4th grade class for Dr. Seuss Read Across America Week!

Thanks to Ms. Stormie Mullins who came to read to Mrs. Kristy's 4th grade class.

Thanks to Mr. Robby Taylor for reading to Kristy Parkey's class!

During Read Across America week, Mrs. Paula Cowan's 2nd grade class at MVES enjoyed listening to wonderful readers share Dr. Seuss

books. The students also enjoyed celebrating Dr. Seuss by dressing up to go with some of his books. Thank you to ALL of the following readers: Brandon Reynolds, Matt Smith, Rachel Wright, Ken and Serenity Hopkins, Phil Hull-Brown, Angie Adams, Danetta Allen, and Jeremy Rowe.

MVES 5th Grade would like to thank Rep. Travis Brenda for taking time to read "If You Hopped Like a Frog" by Dr. Seuss to us during Read Across America Week. Rep. Brenda also spoke to us about how state government works and his experiences in the legislature.



Mrs. Carrie Ballinger read "Mr. Brown Can Moo Can You" to Ms. Slone's class.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 19-CI-00032

Caliber Home Loans, Inc. Plaintiff

V.
Marie Charette aka Marie Margaret Charette, Glenn Dale Pollard aka Glenn Pollard, Timothy Ray Charette, unknown defendant, spouse of Timothy Ray Charette, Phillip John Charette, Jennifer Charette, unknown defendants, who are the heirs or devisees or legatees of Tasianna Charette aka Tasianna Hinz Charette and their spouses and any unknown person who may have an interest in the property which is the subject matter of this action Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on February 14, 2020 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY NINE DOLLARS AND 53/100 (\$135,189.53) 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, March 20, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:
3240 South Wilderness Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
PVA Map #060-00-058

Being the same property conveyed to Amos Owens, Jr. and Janet K. Owens from Billy Donald Smith and his wife Glenna Smith, by Deed dated October 10, 1970 and of record in Deed Book 90 page 429 in the office of the Rockcastle County Clerk. Janet K. Owens died on October 15, 2016. Pursuant to the right of survivorship, Amos Owens, Jr. thereafter inherited the interest of his wife Janet K Owens. And being the same property conveyed to Tasianna Charette, single, by Deed of Conveyance from Amos Owens, Jr., widower, dated September 11, 2017 and recorded in Deed Book 261 page 620 Rockcastle County Clerk's Office. Tasianna Charette aka Tasianna Hinz Charette died on September 25, 2017. Upon her death, all right, title and interest became vested in her heirs at law.

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

1. The real property shall be sold together as a whole.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2019 local, county and state property taxes.
5. 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.
6. Full satisfaction of the judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
7. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
8. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
9. 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**

CHURCH NEWS

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.

FBC Celebration of Athletes

First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon will host a Spring Sports Celebration Sunday, March 22nd at 10:45 a.m.

The event will recognize and celebrate their student athletes

Everyone is invited to attend.

Gospel Singing

Red Hill Baptist Church, Livingston, will hold a Gospel Singing on Saturday, March 14th, beginning at 6 p.m.

Featured singers will be the Murphys, Gospel Tradition and The Blackburns.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Special Service

There will be a special service at the Berea Gospel Tabernacle on Friday night, March 13th, beginning at 7 o'clock with Bro. Bruce Alcorn speaking. Everyone is invited and welcome.

Fellowship Meeting

Livingston Pentecostal Church will hold a Fellowship Meeting Monday, March 16th at 7 p.m.

The Fellowship Meeting is being sponsored by the Full Gospel Ministerial Association of America.

A Revival will follow the Fellowship meeting on March 17th and 18th at 7 o'clock nightly.

Speaker will be Ernie Wyatt.

Pastor James Miller and congregation welcome everyone.

David Coulter, Governor Elect for the KY-TN Division of Kiwanis visited the Kiwanis Club of Rockcastle County on Thursday, February 27th. Various local projects were discussed and he shared plans and ideas for the 2020-2021 club year. Pictured from left are: Louise Coulter, Vicki Cox, David Coulter, Rose Brown, Crystal Rush and Jamie Saylor.



Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



PEACH PRESERVES CAKE

2 cups sugar
3/4 cup oil
3 eggs
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup buttermilk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup peach preserves
3/4 cup black walnuts
Preheat oven to 300°. Grease and flour tube pan. Beat together sugar and oil until fluffy. Add eggs one at a time. Sift together flour and baking soda. Add to sugar mixture alternately with buttermilk. Beat well. Fold in vanilla, peach preserves, and black walnuts. Pour into prepared pan. Bake for about 2 hours. Let cool on rack 15 to 30 minutes before removing from pan.

PEACH SHORTBREAD COOKIES

2 tablespoons peach preserves
1 cup unsalted butter, softened
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 and 2/3 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
If there are any large pieces of fruit in the preserves, cut them into smaller pieces. Using an electric mixer on medium speed, beat the preserves, butter, and vanilla until thoroughly combined. Transfer the butter mixture to a sheet of plastic wrap. Shape into a thin disc or a log. Wrap and freeze for 1 to 2 hours, or until firm. Preheat oven to 325°. Line baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone liners. Whisk together the flour, sugar, and salt. Add the butter mixture; mix with a pastry blender or a fork until the mixture resembles fine crumbs. Use your hands to continue mixing the dough until it forms a cohesive dough. Divide the dough in half. Place one half on a lightly floured surface. Roll to a 1/4-inch thickness. Use a 2-inch round cookie cutter to cut out cookies. Repeat with the other half of the dough. Place the cookies on the prepared pans, leaving about an inch between cookies. Bake 14 to 16 minutes, or until the edges of the cookies begin to brown. Cool the cookies on the pan for 5 minutes. Then transfer the cookies to a wire rack to cool completely.

BAKED PEACH DISH

3 cans (15 ounces each) peach halves
1/4 cup packed brown sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon, optional
3 tablespoons butter
Preheat oven to 325°. Drain peaches, discard juice. Place peach halves in 9 x 13 baking dish.

Sprinkle with brown sugar and if desired, cinnamon. Cut butter into small pieces and place over peaches. Bake for 45 minutes. Good as is or serve with ice cream or whipped cream.

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Young Men

We have an obligation according to the Psalmist to show our younger generation the power of God's word. Psalms 71:17-18 O God, thou hast taught me from my youth, and hitherto have I declared thy wonderous works. Now also when I am old, and gray headed, O God, forsake me not, until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power and to everyone that is come. Do we show the power of God to the younger generation by our actions, by the way we live and the way we study the word of God? What is the point in saying we are people of the Book, if we never read it or study it, a life like this is not going to lead people to Jesus Christ, it is not going to fuel the interest of the young man or woman, if we know very little or nearly nothing about this Book.

In Ecclesiastes 11:9 the young man is told to Rejoice in thy youth and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes. Being young is a wonderful time in our life, it is a time for happiness and joy, but we must remember to flee those things that are evil, that can and will bring sorrow and heartaches to our life, unless we avoid those things at every point. In the very next verse Ecl. 12:1 Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, The Creator God. He made you for a purpose and that is revealed throughout the scriptures. The young man needs to seek God while he is young, before the world sears his heart and mind with evil and turns him away from God, and God's way. Ecl.12:13 The whole duty of man is to fear God and to keep his commandments. Sometimes young people will say if I keep the commandments of God. I will have no life, I will not get to experience anything or do anything. These ideas are false, when God is first in our life, we see things differently, and what we esteemed to be important is going to take on whole new meaning. Matthew 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these shall be added unto you. Our life even if we are young will be more special and have more meaning, because we are a Christian a servant of Jesus Christ, the very best life we can live at any age, young or old.

Paul told Timothy - in 1 Timothy 4:13 - To give attendance to reading the word of God, to exhortation, to doctrine. Young men today are told to be free thinkers, to think out side the box. Solomon said, that this is vanity. 1 Timothy 6:6 Godliness with contentment is great gain. There is nothing more wonderful, and grand than seeing young men and women who value the Christian life in such away they put serving God first in their lives. Hopefully this article will help you choose the Christian life.

Thank you for reading this article submitted by the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ, come and worship with us - Sunday morning 10:00 a.m. or Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. Bro. Ova Baker-606-878-8104 - Bro. Dale McNew-859-582-4021.

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by Thursday, March 19.





Operation UNITE staff spent the day at Rockcastle Middle School educating 7th graders. On The Move is a drug education- 5 component program provided to school for free. They partner with the KY Army National Guard and target 7th and 10th grade. The Interactive Mobile Classroom students are educated about drugs and the effects in a relaxed, small group settings. Students are surveyed through a 40-minute power point presentation that provides immediate feedback. During the Simulated Impaired Driving Experience students utilize a battery-powered go-kart, controlled by a UNITE staff member, to simulate the effects of distraction and impairment from alcohol or other drugs on a motorist's driving skills. The students also participate in a small group discussion about making the right decisions and the positive benefits from making good choices.



Makyla Hester during the Simulated Impaired Driving Experience to simulate the effects of distraction and impairment from alcohol or other drugs on a motorist's driving skills.

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28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 10-CI-00100**

Flagstar Bank, FSB **Plaintiff**

V.

**Michael Bruce Houk aka Michael Houk,
Jessica Houk, Cumberland Financial
Services, University of KY Federal Credit
Union, Commonwealth of Kentucky,
Finance and Administration
Cabinet** **Defendants**



Jaz Reyes and Benjamin Brenda during the Simulated Impaired Driving Experience utilizing a battery-powered go-kart, controlled by a UNITE staff member, to simulate the effects of distraction and impairment from alcohol or other drugs on a motorist's driving skills.

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 16-CI-00195**

Onemain Financial Services, Inc. **Plaintiff**

V.

**Unknown Heirs, Legatees, Devisees,
Executors, Administrators and Assigns
and Their Spouses, if any, of Chris L.
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of Kentucky, Department of Revenue,
Division of Collections, Commonwealth
of Kentucky, Department of Revenue,
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LLC, Johnny Mackey aka Johny Mackey,
unknown spouse, if any, of Johnny Mackey
aka Johny Mackey, Katie Mackey aka
Kathryn Mackey, unknown spouse, if any,
of Katie Mackey aka Kathryn Mackey,
Ditech Financial LLC FKS Green Tree
Servicing, LLC** **Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 27, 2020 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FIFTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWO DOLLARS AND 09/100 (\$53,102.09) 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, March 20, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #047-00-035.07
203 Sowder School Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 including a 1995 Horton Manufactured home (Vin No. H68117GLR and Title No. 063131020003).
All that certain property situated in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, on the waters of Skeggs Creek, and more particularly bounded and described as follows:
Beginning at the northeast corner of the Gregory Renner and Jerry Muncy line at a stake; thence with Jerry Muncy line 240 feet to a stake, Jerry Muncy and Henry Falin corner, thence southeast with line of Falin 177 feet to the right of way of Marrow Road; thence northwest with the right of way of said road 258 feet to a white oak tree in line of Gregory Renner; thence with Renner property line 207 feet to the beginning corner, containing 1-1/2 acres more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Chris Mackey and Lisa Mackey, from Henry Falin and wife, Lorene Falin, by Deed dated 11/21/1988, record 11/22/1988, Deed Book 135, page 429, Rockcastle County Clerk's Records and being known as 203 Sowder School Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

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

1. The real property and mobile home shall be sold separately 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**



Connor Winstead and Rex Parkey during the Simulated Impaired Driving Experience utilizing a battery-powered go-kart, controlled by a UNITE staff member, to simulate the effects of distraction and impairment from alcohol or other drugs on a motorist's driving skills.

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.

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on October 11, 2019 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWO HUNDRED FORTY SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHT DOLLARS AND 87/100 (\$246,508.87) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
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Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. 022-00-034.01
1305 Mareburg Cemetery Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

Being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Federal National Mortgage Association from Flagstar Bank, FSB, Michael Bruce Houk a/k/a Michael Houk, Jessica Houk, Cumberland Financial Services and Commonwealth of Kentucky, Finance and Administration Cabinet by John D. Ford, Master Commissioner, duly recorded in Deed Book 239, Page 485 and being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Michael Bruce Houk, a married man, from Michael Bruce Houk and Jessica Houk, husband and wife, duly recorded in Deed Book 218 page 660 and being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Michael Bruce Houk, married, from Vernon Bruce Houk and wife, Joyce Houk, duly recorded in Deed Book 192, page 426, all records of the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

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

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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".
9. If the property includes insurable improvements, then the successful bidder at said sale shall, at bidder's own expense, carry fire and extended insurance coverage on said improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is fully paid, in the amount of the court-appraised value of the improvements or the unpaid balance of the purchase price, whichever is less, as a minimum, with a loss payable clause to the Master Commissioner of the Rockcastle Circuit Court and Flagstar. The purchaser shall furnish written evidence of such insurance to the Master Commissioner within twenty-four (24) hours of the date of sale. Failure of the purchaser to obtain such insurance shall not affect the validity of the sale or the purchaser's liability thereunder, but shall entitle, but not require, Flagstar to obtain said insurance and furnish the policy or premium thereon, and the property portion thereof shall be charged to the purchaser as the purchaser's costs. If there are purchase money bonds in connection with the purchase of the Property at the sale, the deed of conveyance shall provide that such insurance shall be carried and failure to carry such insurance shall be a default on the part of the purchaser for which the purchase money bonds may be declared due.

**John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
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Notice is hereby given that Dean McClure, 2397 Sand Springs Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executor of the Estate of John Shirley McClure on the 2nd day of March, 2020. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Dean McClure or to Ho. Jeremy B. Rowe, 205 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before September 2, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. 6x3

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Covid-19 causes closures School closed



By: Mike French
Editor

Schools are empty, many church pews are vacant, some government building doors are closed, restaurant doors are locked, public gathering is limited, many sporting events and concerts are

cancelled and much of daily life in Rockcastle County, and across the country, has changed this week.

In an effort to limit the spread of the Covid19 version of the Coronavirus, national,

(See "School" on A8)

Government buildings closed in Rockcastle

By: Mike French
Editor

Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook has signed a Declaration of Local and State Emergency closing all county government buildings to the public.

The declaration lists in-person services that will not be offered until further notice. Holbrook says the declaration is an effort to help slow the spread of the Covid19 virus and protect the citizens of Rockcastle

County. All citizens may still contact government offices for individual needs.

- Judge/Executive 256-2856
- County Clerk 256-2831
- PVA office 256-4194
- Sheriff 256-2032
- County Attorney 256-2730
- Emergency Mgmt. 256-8436
- Circuit Clerk 256-2581

Rockcastle County High School has locked gates keeping out students and guests while the circuit court clerk's office (right) remains open but has restricted access to a single entrance. Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook has signed a declaration closing all government buildings due to the Coronavirus, Covid 19. Citizens are asked to practice social distancing and remain at least six feet away from others and avoid public gatherings of more than 10 people.



LEPC holds local emergency meeting

By: Mike French
Editor

There are no reported cases of the Coronavirus, Covid19, in Rockcastle County.

The Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) held a special

meeting Tuesday at the Emergency Operations Center in Mount Vernon to prepare for a possible outbreak of the virus.

Officials representing health agencies, first responders, businesses and

(See "LEPC" on A8)

Fiscal Court talks about Coronavirus and jail budget

By: Mike French
Editor

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court held a special called meeting Tuesday afternoon to address issues before the next regular meeting.

Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook told magistrates that he is still waiting on information about ARC grants and will inform the court about the grants as soon

as he receives some answers.

While some neighboring counties have closed their courthouses, Holbrook says he doesn't feel that is necessary here

since he is concerned about citizens having access to government.

Circuit Clerk Eliza York-Hansel has already limited hours and, as of 5 p.m. Tuesday, the driver's license portion of circuit clerk's offices throughout the state was closed by order of the Administra-

tive Office of the Courts (AOC) and Holbrook says he believes that system will work for other county offices as well.

"There are some unanswered concerns about

our employees before we just send them home," said Holbrook. "How to handle their health insurance is just one of those questions."

So, Holbrook said of-

fices in the Rockcastle County Courthouse will remain open and employees will continue to work. But, officials will close

(See "Court" on A8)

License extension

Driver's License expiration dates have been extended 90 days and there will be no driver's or written test given in Rockcastle County until further notice, according to Circuit Court Clerk Eliza York-Hansel.

Library closed

The Rockcastle County Library and bookmobile will be closed until further notice. Officials will reevaluate next week and announce updated plans when available.

Late fees/disconnects halted

Jackson Energy and LG&E KU have suspended disconnects and late fees due to uncertainties about COVID 19. Call your electric service provider for more details.

Election postponed

The Kentucky Primary Elections on May 19 has been postponed until Tuesday, June 23 due to the Coronavirus scare.

Sheriff releases PSA

Your sheriff and all deputies will continue to respond to all emergency calls as usual. Non emergency calls will be handled by phone when possible.

This will help limit exposure and protect citizens and staff in accordance with recommended guidelines from the health department and CDC.

We will be working with all appropriate agencies to provide service and keep you informed.



Mount Vernon Attorney Jerry Cox was sworn-in last Wednesday as the new circuit court judge for Rockcastle, Lincoln, and Pulaski Counties. Justice Dan Venters administered the oath of office as Judge Cox's wife, Vicki, looks on.

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

I have been really patient with all this “the sky is falling” attitude about the Coronavirus, prompting closing, well, everything but when I found out Monday that our bowling league had been cancelled for two weeks that was just the final straw.

Actually, I’m kidding. In the grand scheme of everyone that is getting hurt by all the closings of businesses and events, that will cause financial hardships for so many, my being inconvenienced by our bowling league being postponed for two weeks pales in comparison.

I am of two minds about the measures being taken to combat the spread of the Coronavirus. My immediate reaction was that it was overkill caused by panic being spread by the main stream media mainly.

I don’t recall this sort of reaction to the Swine Flu epidemic of 2009-10 when almost 12,500 people died and 60,000,000 Americans were sickened. In fact, I didn’t remember the Swine Flu epidemic at all until reminded of it on Twitter recently. I don’t recall this sort of reaction to the common flu which killed 80,000 people in this country in the 2017-18 season.

Again, I’m not saying defensive measures are not warranted but, cancelling the high school basketball tournaments, the SEC tournament, the NCAA tournament, postponing the Kentucky Derby, the primary election, closing schools, etc.? We practically had to put Paige on suicide watch. “It’s my favorite time of the year,” she lamented (more than once, believe me).

As of Tuesday, 94 people have died in this country, the majority elderly with underlying medical issues and over half of them in Washington state alone, most of

them in one nursing home there, with New York and California contributing most of the rest. Three states have five or less deaths and in 14 states, including Kentucky, there has been only one death, leaving 30 states with no deaths to date.

Meanwhile, right here in our community, businesses are being shut down and lives completely disrupted when a much better solution would be to tell everyone, especially older people (60+), to wash their hands often and limit contact with others.

As usual, it’s not that simple but is practically declaring martial law really necessary? San Francisco has told 7,000,000 residents to “shelter in place” and officials have suddenly reportedly found a way to house their homeless which is a good thing but why did it take this to come up with the solution?

Meanwhile, an
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Aces Over

By: Mike French



What a simple time it was.

Every night, without fail, the National Anthem would blast across my tv screen. I had a deal with mom, until that tiny white dot was gone in the center of our old black and white tv, I didn’t have to go to bed.

One of the brightest and strongest memories of childhood was the day I came home from school to find a color television set.

Mom and dad were watching the only tv when I came in the door and I froze in my steps. I had never seen a color tv, or even a color photograph.

I remember that I didn’t even notice that it was in color. I just noticed that it was a different and bigger tv. The fact that it was a color picture took a moment to sink in.

We made comments about how real everything looked. Almost as if we could walk right into the screen and shake old Ralph Kramden’s hand

while he and Norton talked about their wives Trixie and Alice.

It was high-tech.

It used to take the longest time to come on after I hit the switch. Of course I had to get up and walk to the tv and turn the knob to turn it on.

I’d sit in the floor by the two knobs so I could change channels until my dad said to stop.

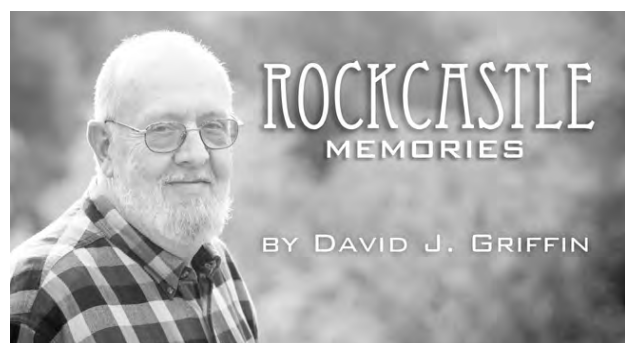
There were only three channels but I would dial through the three until he decided which we were going to watch. In those days, adults decided what was on the tv at night.

I can’t remember the size of the screen on our color tv but I remember the top knob only had two settings. “UHF” and “VHF” and none of us ever knew what they were for. Still don’t. When I flipped it, the tv went to pure static, so I just didn’t flip that one.

The body was made of wood. No, not that plastic with printed woodgrain taped over it. But real wood.

The bottom button changed channels but it didn’t click from one to

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1960

I received a topic request recently asking me to write about my favorite memories from the year 1960. This topic is not one that proves difficult for me to address because that was the year that I turned sixteen, a momentous occasion for just about any American.

1960 was a year that drastically changed my life. In March of that year, I received my driver’s license. I took my test in my grandfather’s (Pop) 1954 Chevy. It was a standard shift with a six-cylinder engine. He made me practice parallel parking and stopping on a steep grade in order to determine if I could stop and go without rolling backward. I was proud to report to him a score of 100% on my actual test.

1960 was also the year that Pop got me my first car, a black 1958 Chevy. That vehicle was one of my most favorite cars of all time. It provided me (and many of my friends) with a great deal of freedom. I no longer had to ask permission to use the

family automobile.

Bud Cox and I spent a great deal of time during that year customizing my new black ride. Believe me when I say it was a labor of love. I was mighty proud of how my car looked after Bud and I completed that process.

In addition, many events occurred during 1960 that directly began to change our lives. One television program that aired for the first time was when seventy million viewers tuned in to the first televised presidential debate between John F. Kennedy and Vice President Richard Nixon. Their appearances and performances are credited with handing Kennedy a leg up on the campaign to win the Presidency.

There are two events in sports that I recall being held in high esteem by Kentucky sports fans. The first was Cassius Clay bringing home the Olympic gold medal. He was, and remains, one of Kentucky’s most favorite sons. In addition, Arnold Palmer (my favorite golfer) overcame a staggering 7-stroke deficit to win the US Open Tournament.

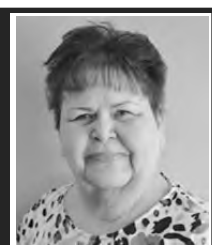
Several other important events made the headlines. The FDA approved the birth control pill for married women. The U.S. launched the first weather satellite, Tiros 1. And the new 50-state American flag, honoring Hawaii’s admission as a state, unfurled in Honolulu.

Several special entertainment events also occurred in 1960. Elvis

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T.J.’s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



The Times, They are A-changin’

Dear Journal,

A wise man of the 1960’s once said in a song, “The times, they are a-changin’”. That was the legendary Bob Dylan. Although the 1960s were a turbulent time and did bring about a lot of change, they are nothing that can possibly compare with today. The most change came through the style of music being made popular by such groups as the Beatles and other such groups and the war in Vietnam. Then there was the change in clothing styles and hair length in

men. When the 1960’s left, they left us altogether a different kind of people. None for the better I’m sorry to say.

Back then we had good old “Uncle” Walter Chronkite to tell us the “way it is” every evening on the CBS Evening News. I stopped watching the national news several months ago as all you hear is how the media want to “spin” a certain story. If there is a way to bash the president that is the way the story will go down. Never mind the honest truth. That is precisely why people don’t know to trust the national news agencies about life threatening diseases that have recently come along that threaten to kill hundreds if not thousands of people around the world. Who can you believe? Does the truth even exist any more? I mean the actual let God strike me down dead truth if I’m lying.

CBS News had a fine, young news man they had groomed for years to take Walter Cronkite’s chair and finally he did just that until one day in September of 2004, he thought that he would put his spin on George Bush Sr.’s military report. It didn’t go over too well. Now there are a lot of people who never heard the name Dan Rather. That was what happened when you lied about the president or someone running for the office back then. Wonder what Dan is doing these days? That was when the news had some trustworthiness and integrity.

Very early last Sunday morning we went to Walmart so I could get an electric scooter cart, hopefully find something on the shelves and avoid as many people as we could and their germs. It was five AM. It worked out very well.

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Points East

By Ike Adams



For those of you who wanted to know, my most recent ordeal with bladder cancer surgery resulted in survival. I’m actually too angry to talk much about it because the procedure did not come close to living up to expectations but, at least, I’m still breathing.

Last Friday made the third time, since last October, that I have endured more than 12 consecutive hours of the most pain I’ve ever felt in my life, despite a doctor’s assurance that he would put me in the hospital and keep the pain under control. That did not happen. If anything, this third time around was more painful than the previous encounters.

By the time you read this, unless I have a dramatic change in attitude, I will have been in touch with at least one television lawyer in hopes that he or she will be willing to persuade said doctor as

to the errors of his ways. I probably should refrain from getting into much detail because I suspect the lawyer will tell me to keep my mouth shut in regards to pending litigation.

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ramblings...

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American living in the Wuhan Province of China is reporting that life there, the epicenter of the disease, is "greatly improving" with only one new case reported Monday. Using that timeline, the best case scenario is that this country should start seeing an abatement in another month.

Regardless, it's been a weird time in this country. I don't understand people raiding grocery stores, especially for toilet paper. Do we think that restocking is not going to happen or do we not trust our government to not restrict us to our homes?

I personally know one thing. If this thing goes on much longer, it's going to require a winch to get me where I want to go. Weekend before last, a nasty stomach bug laid me low for about four days and I lost a few pounds by going over 48 hours without eating. Trust me, I have regained any weight lost by that and added pounds for good measure and, man, those banana splits have hit the spot.

"Aces"

(Cont. from A2)

the other. It was a smooth turning knob. When you found the channel, you had to move it real slow until it was right in the center of the station number.

Two other tiny knobs

were under the big knobs.

One of them clicked to turn it on and then the more you turned it, the louder the tv got.

The other said "tone" but we could barely tell a difference no matter how much we turned that one.

On each side of the screen were the speakers. They were covered with some kind of rough cloth material.

This was a big day in a kid's life. The transition from black and white to color Our tv did two things. It changed channels and it turned on and off. That's it.

My calculator did four things. Add, Subtract, multiply and divide.

My phone did two things. Dialed and hung up.

And if my dad had walked in the house and said "Alexa, play Hank Williams," mom would have started searching the closets.

It was a simple life. Everything did what it was supposed to do, and that's all it did. If the tv had another knob, we wouldn't have used it. We didn't even use all of the knobs it had.

Our car didn't talk to us and if you wanted to know the weather report, you waited till 11 p.m. After that, you stood while the National Anthem played and jets flew across the screen in technicolor.

And then, when the tiny white dot was finally gone, you got tucked in and you said your prayers. Simple times. Good times. I'm thankful I lived in such days.

On a side note:

I have nothing to say about this pandemic, we-are-all-dying, close everything, promise "free" stuff to everyone, election year, Coronavirus scare.

The flu has been around every election year since Noah stepped off the ark and every one of them are hard on the elderly.

I know all this is costing the state a lot of money. Look out teacher's pension fund...again.

But they have worked the plan very well. When this is over, watch how many politicians stand and sing about how the world would have ended if they hadn't acted so decisively.

They can preach the end of the world all they want. I'm not buying it and I have plenty toilet paper. Just my own opinion.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

Presley left the Army after serving two years in Germany, coming home to screaming fans who were ready to once again lavish him with their devotion. The movie Ben Hur won a record 11 Oscars.

In London, the rock and roll band The Quarrymen renamed themselves The Beatles. Alfred Hitchcock's movie Psycho opened to screams all over America. And, lest we forget, the Etch-A-Sketch became one of the world's most popular toys, one that survives to this day.

I would love to hear what stands out in others' minds about the happening year of 1960. I am thankful that one of my regular column readers asked me to recall my special memories of that important year. Please keep the requests coming. And thanks again to all of my faithful readers!

(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.)

"T. J.'s"

(Cont. from A2)

I, for one, would like to hear the truth about the Coronavirus. Is there really cause for panic or not? If there is I want to do my part of worrying and panic and praying.

If we can all pull together and do our part we may be able to save our collective lives. If not we will all, or quite a few, perish together. Let's be considerate of each other and check on our family, friends and neighbors and help out when and where we can. For now, we all need a little space apart so the coming back together can be that much more sweet.

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

tion.

In the meantime, I will be looking for a new urologist who knows something about bladder cancer. For starters, I'd like to know if I really have cancer and, if so, what he or she intends to do about it that does not include so much pain. To say that I'm having some serious trust issues is the understatement of decade.

However, since I believe it best steer clear of the details of my most recent medical misadventure, this column deadline is looming and I feel compelled to write about something. It just oc-

curred to me that that there is a medically related subject that I have been concerned about that might also be of interest to you readers.

I would really like to know why hospital patient gowns have not undergone any noticeable improvements over the last hundred years or so. I was hospitalized for a few days in 1969 and I still recall some conversations I had with a nurse while I was in there. I was far more modest, in those days, than I am now and I had a bit of a crush on this particular nurse. I believed that it was far too easy for her to be seeing stuff that she didn't have any medical reasons to be seeing. I found it nearly impossible to flirt with her while I was lying there darn near naked.

She told me that hospital gowns had been made that way for over 50 years. Now, 52 years later, they are still made the same way and, in my opinion, they could have had vast improvements.

Nobody, for example, has ever convincingly explained to me why they have to be worn backwards, nor why they still have to be fastened with those little apron strings. It seems to me that a dime's worth of Velcro or even a couple of bra clasps would be infinitely more practical when it comes to opening and closing the things. The best I can figure is that Betsy Ross must have gotten the original patent and signed a permanently, binding contract to produce the things.

So what do Protestants, Catholics and Jews have in common? Their hospitals all seem to have identical patient gowns and, if you are uncomfortable when you check into one of them, chances are very good that you are going to stay that way for an altogether different reason.

On the other hand, if you went in suffering, chances are very good that the gown will take your mind off your pain.



On Tuesday, March 10th, the Rockcastle County Farm Bureau Federation presented a check to the Rockcastle County Honor Guard to help purchase uniforms. Pictured from left are Tommy H. Mink and Terry Lawson, Federation President.

Livingston phones now working again

By: Mike French Editor

Many say that communication is the key to growth and development throughout the ages. One of the most notable inventions in creating a world in constant communication is arguably the telephone.

However, according to some Livingston residents, this means of communication is rather difficult to hang on to.

"We have been without a phone service for 14 days," said Rosemary Wyatt of Livingston.

Wyatt is one of several residents in the small Rockcastle County community who claim her phone service stopped working on March 2 and repeated attempts to have the service repaired have failed.

"I have called them every single day, except weekends, and I cannot get them to come out and fix my phone," she said.

Livingston Mayor Jason Medley says he was also aware of the problem and is working with Windstream about the situation. "It must be a terrible inconvenience to them" said Medley. "Especially now with everyone wanting to check on their family and friends during this Coronavirus situation."

When we called Windstream, our call was soon returned by the Vice President of Government Affairs Stephanie Bell.

According to Bell, vandals had cut into the lines underground near the Livingston area causing the phone blackout and crews were working on the issue.

"Even as we speak, we have crews there working on the lines," said Bell. "We feel for those customers and are working on it as hard as we can."

By Monday evening, the phones were operational again.

Wyatt said she is pleased to have phone service again.

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Rockcastle Library Information

Rockcastle County Library closed until further notice. The issue will be reevaluated next week, according to Librarian Pam Chaliff. There will be no bookmobile service.

First RCHS Alumni Banquet scheduled for April 25th

The First Annual RCHS Alumni Banquet will be held April 25th, this year for the classes of 1973 through 1985. For more details, go to rchs.alum.assoc@gmail.com or visit the Facebook group page at Rockcastle co. High School Alumni Association.

No Written/Driver's Test or Driver's License Issuance

Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk Eliza York-Hansel has announced there will not be a written test or driver's test or drivers licensing given until further notice.

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 606-308-8226, 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

Betty Lou McFerron

Betty Lou McFerron, 71, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, March 12, 2020 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. She was born in Berea on December 14, 1948, the daughter of David and Myrtle Stevens Kidwell. She was a member of Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ and enjoyed fishing, genealogy, and spending time with her family.

She is survived by: her children, David (Branda) McFerron, Donald Ray Hopkins, Jr., and Myrtle Crouch, all of Mt. Vernon; a sister, Julie Ann Blackburn; a half-sister, Peggy Dickerson; and two step-sisters, Nancy Kirby and Carol Sue Bentley. Also surviving are four grandchildren, Nicole McFerron, Brandon McFerron, Ashley Crouch, and Caleb Crouch. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: a brother, James Kidwell; a sister, Linda McWhorter; and two infant brothers.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 16, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Ova Baker and Dale McNew. Burial was in Ottawa Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: James Allen, Hershel Callahan, Jacob Durham, Brandon Himes, Dominic King, Brady McClure, and Brandon McFerron.

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

Russell Neal Blanton, Sr.

Russell Neal Blanton, Sr., 77, of Crab Orchard, died Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at his home. He was the husband of the late Barbara (Hiatt) Blanton, who preceded him in death on November 10, 2008. He was born in Hamilton, Ohio on June 2, 1942, to the late Gip and Martha (Wallin) Blanton. He was a hardworking man and enjoyed the simple things in life. He was a down to earth man and did what it took to provide for his family by working several jobs which included carpentry, concrete and block work.

He always enjoyed hunting, fishing, trapping and just being outdoors, especially in the woods. He was well known as one of the best deer hunters around. He loved his family and the Lord and he believed in the Pentecostal faith.

Survivors include: his 10 children, Jimmie Neal Blanton, Gary Wayne Blanton and Lucy, Regina Christine Blanchett, Russell Neal (Stacey) Blanton, Jr., Twila Dawn (Bruce) Miller, Christopher Paul (Bobbie Jo) Blanton, Bobbie Lynn (J.T.) Wilson, Lisia Marie (Gary) Noland, Shanda Ann (Brandon) Brown, and Rachel Lynn Blanton; 27 grandchildren, Barbara, Christopher L., Jody, Yule, Lonnie, Chrystle, Neveah, Jamie, Ashton, Savannah, Colin, Wyatt, Aniston, Jaden, Breanna, Brooke, Hunter, JJ, Sara, Mercedes, Samuel, Sawyer, Emily, Shaelee, Trevor, Blake, and Natalie; and 10 great grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by: a daughter, Paula Sue Chandler; a son, Jacob Blanton; a sister, Goldie Ray; and a brother, Harold Dean Blanton.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 13, 2020 at the McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Dan Gutenson officiating. Burial was in Wilmot Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jimmie and Gary Blanton, Brandon Brown, Bruce Miller, Charlie Chandler, Rusty Bengé and Bobby Barron.

Mary Etta Kaylor

Mary Etta Kaylor, 60, of Richmond, died suddenly at Baptist Health Hospital in Lexington on Friday, March 13, 2020. She was born in Rockcastle County to the late Billy Allen and Joyce Carter Bussell. She retired from the Madison County Board of Education as a bus driver. She was also a member of Spout Springs Baptist Church in Estill County.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Kidder.

She is survived by: her loving husband, Jimmy Lee Kaylor; children, Nichole Eads-Goodson, Ashley (Cole) Van Winkle, and William Kaylor; siblings, Genny Whitaker, Patsy (Herb) Alcorn, David Bussell, Johnny Bussell and Teddy Michael Roberts; and 10 grandchildren, Brittany Eads, Michael Eads, Brayden Eads, Tucker Goodson, Kendall Goodson, Allyson VanWinkle, Abbygail VanWinkle, Allen VanWinkle, Lilyanna Kaylor, and Kira Kaylor.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at Crestview Holy Sanctuary with Bro. Tim Floyd officiating. Burial was in Flatwoods Cemetery in Waco.

Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.lakesfuneralhome.com

Bob Silcox

Bob Silcox, 84, of Brodhead, was surrounded by family when he passed on Friday, March 13, 2020 at Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation in Brodhead. He was born May 20, 1935 in Indianapolis, IN, to the late Radford and Mildred Silcox. He married Doris Jean Riddle on August 12, 1954 and from that union came two children, Deborah Jean and Michael Duane. He was a member of Brodhead Baptist Church and was a construction worker by trade,

helping to build many bridges in Kentucky and surrounding states. He enjoyed reading, watching western movies, being outdoors, and visiting with family and friends.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his children, Debbie (Everett) Harper and Mike (Donna) Silcox, both of Brodhead; four grandchildren, Beth (Mike) Jones, Greg (Casey) Harper, Matthew (Kayla) Silcox and Chris (Marisa) Albright, all of Brodhead; 11 great grandchildren, Lucas Jones, Lindsey Jones, Jordan Harper, Nash Harper, Lee Harper, Brylee Silcox, Allie Silcox, Lincoln Silcox, Olivia Albright, Jordan Albright and Emilee Albright; one brother and sister-in-law, Hubert and Shirley Silcox and one sister, Estelle Adams, all of Indianapolis, IN; a special couple, Amy and Larry Higdon of Fairland, IN; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: Jean, his loving wife of 57 years; five brothers, Jack Silcox, Bill Silcox, Don Silcox and two infants; two brothers-in-law, John Adams and Bill Riddle; and one sister-in-law, Carol Riddle.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 16, 2020 Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Ralph Baker officiating. Burial was in Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Mike Jones, Greg Harper, Matthew Silcox, and Chris Albright.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the Gideons or Brodhead Baptist Church in Bob's memory.

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

Charles "Chuck" Napier

Charles Edward "Chuck" Napier, 48, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington, with his family by his side. He was born in Mt. Vernon on September 30, 1971, the son of Charles Napier, Sr. and the late Helen Brock Greer. He had been a construction worker.

He is survived by: a son, Zachary (Courtney) Napier of Crab Orchard; a grandson, Jase Napier, of Crab Orchard; his father and step-mother, Charles, Sr. and Carolyn Napier of Crab Orchard; two sisters, Tammy (Danny) Miller of Mt. Vernon, and Amanda (Rick) Winkler of Richmond; and two brothers, Robert Napier of Mt. Vernon, and Dale Greer of Berea. In addition, he is survived by a host of loving aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his mother, Helen Brock Greer; and a brother, Christopher Greer.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, March 14, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Dan Gutenson and Darren Allen. Burial was in Piney Grove Cemetery in Brodhead.

Pallbearers were: Danny Miller, Logan Miller, Alex Napier, Larry Napier, Larry Settles, and Rick Winkler. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

Maggie Mae Leach

Maggie Mae Thacker Leach, 79, of Milton, Tennessee was called home on March 16, 2020.

She was preceded in death by: her parents, Hubert and Zella (Martin) Thacker of Mt. Vernon; Betty Sue (Thacker) Bullen of Mt. Vernon; Bobby Thacker of Conway; and Ruth Thacker of Cynthia.

She is survived by: her husband, Austin Leach, of Milton, TN; sisters, Patricia Thacker of Lexington and Ruby (Thacker) Lawson of Berea; daughter, Leandra Greene (Tommy) of Murfreesboro, TN; two beloved granddaughters, Sarah and Amanda; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of a service or flowers, the family ask you make a donation to an autism research charity.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Woodfin Funeral Chapels.

Online guestbook is available for the Leach family at www.woodfinchapel.com

Larry Douglas Bengé

Larry Douglas Bengé, 52, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at St. Joseph East in Lexington. He was born August 17, 1967 in Cincinnati, OH to Larry James Bengé and the late Linda (Hubbard) Bengé. He was a laborer and a member of the Brodhead Baptist Church. He enjoyed motorcycles, go-carts, and racing.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his children, John Tyler (Autumn) Mofield of Burnside, Daniel (Amber) Legg of Berea, Koty Bengé of Berea, and Tommy Bengé of Brodhead; two grandchildren, Iddie Bengé and Riley Price; one brother, Paul (Sandy) Gardner of Cincinnati, OH; two sisters, Bridget Bengé of Moreland and Jamie Dale Bengé of Georgetown; his father, Larry James (Ann) Bengé; and his first wife, Jennifer Whittemore.

He was preceded in death by: his mother, Linda (Hubbard) Bengé; and paternal grandparents, James I. (Avis) Bengé, and Harvey (Florence) Puckett.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 14, 2020 Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Luther Allen officiating. Burial was in Ottawa Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Jerry Reynolds

Jerry Reynolds, 59, of Lancaster, died Thursday, March 12, 2020 at Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville. He was born in Louisville on July 27, 1960, the son of Homer Newberry Reynolds and Lucille Carnes Maupin Reynolds.

He had been an electrician for A1A Electric.

He is survived by: a son, Jerry Allen Reynolds of Harrodsburg; a daughter, Amanda (Daniel) Stratton of Harrodsburg; two grandchildren, Shiann Stratton and Searra Stratton; five brothers, James (Sandy) Reynolds, of Lexington, Lester (Jennifer) Miller of Somerset, Timothy Miller, Jr. of Mt. Vernon, Ernest Miller of Crab Orchard, and Robert Miller of Brodhead; and four sisters, Betty (Daniel) Lock of Somerset, Kathy Baird of Pineville, Sandra Miller of Georgia, and Lawana Begley of Mt. Vernon. He is also survived by his girlfriend, Janet Kidd. He was preceded in death by three brothers and a sister.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Robert Miller. Burial was in Cresthaven Memorial Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Robbie Bodner, Corey Goode, Dan Locke, Daniel Locke, Lester Miller, and Mike Watts.

Honorary pallbearers were: Dustin Goode, Cody Greene, Jacob Miller, and Daniel Stratton.

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

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



DEBBIE'S POTATO SALAD

5 pounds red skinned potatoes (chopped in large pieces)
3 or 4 stalks of celery (finely chopped)
1 or 2 small bunches green onions (green tops only - finely sliced)
1 container (16 ounce) sour cream
1 to 2 cups mayonnaise (depending on how wet you like it)
2 tablespoons whole celery seed
Salt to taste
Bring large pot of water to boil. Leave skin on potatoes, clean and cut off any bad spots; chop into large pieces and boil for 25 minutes. Drain the and let cool either in the refrigerator or under cold water (water is much faster). Drain and place potatoes in very large bowl; slice up any large pieces while combining all ingredients well. Refrigerate for at least one hour then enjoy!

REGINA'S POTATO SALAD

5 medium-sized white potatoes
1 tablespoon dill pickle juice
1 to 2 tablespoons yellow mustard
1/3 to 1/2 cup Miracle Whip®
1/2 cup chopped sweet pickle
1/3 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped dill pickle

2 hard boiled eggs, chopped
Salt

Scrub potatoes and place in large pan. Cover with cold water, add one teaspoon salt and boil in their jacket about 20 minutes or until fork tender. Drain and let cool until you can peel them without burning your hands.

In a large bowl mix the dill pickle juice, mustard and Miracle Whip®. Dice the potatoes into the dressing. Add rest of ingredients and stir.

JEFF'S POTATO SALAD
8 medium white potatoes
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup white wine vinegar
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
1 cup shredded parmesan or cheddar cheese
Wash potatoes. Cook the whole potatoes in boiling salted water until tender but still firm, about 20 minutes.
Peel the potatoes while still warm and cut into slices. Place in a large bowl. In another bowl, combine the salt and vinegar. Mix until the salt dissolves. Add the oil and parsley and mix well. Pour over the potatoes and toss gently, but thoroughly, until all the liquid is absorbed. Sprinkle with cheese. Serve warm or room temperature.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Circuit Civil Suits

Dustin Cameron v. Chloe Shaver, verified petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Jeremy Holton v. Seven Earth Movers LLC, et al, complaint CI-00056

District Civil Suits

Unifund CCR LLC v. Sharon M. Gadd, \$650 plus claimed due.
 Unifund CCR LLC v. Jordan Akin, \$527 plus claimed due.
 Synchrony Bank v. William Smith, \$708 plus claimed due. C-00059

Deeds Recorded

Jackie Clontz, property in Rockcastle County, to Judy Mitchell. No tax
 Roger Hasty, Adm., property in Rockcastle Co., to Kristie Doan Walker. Tax \$18
 Jeffrey Logan Stamper, property on Red Foley Road, to Kristopher D. Cromer and Matthew Logan Stamper. Tax \$5
 David Norton and Dora Pace, Co-Adm., property on old KY 461, to Cody McCormick. Tax 50c
 Victoria Schrag and David Fargo, property on Brian Lane, to John Chandler. No tax
 Mary L. Mink, property in Rockcastle County, to Danny Mink, Jr. and Angie Bullock. No tax
 Derek Scott Todd, property on KY 618, to Becky Lynn Todd. No tax
 Roger Eugene and Barbara Carolyn Durham, property in Rockcastle County, to Tiana Danielle Smith. No tax
 Laura Beth and Thomas E. Kidwell, and others, property in Rockcastle County, to John Rigsby. Tax \$10
 Laura Beth Kidwell, and others, property in Rockcastle County, to John Rigsby. Tax \$10

District Court

March 4-9, 2020
Hon. Kathryn G. Slone
 Phillip B. Barnett: possession controlled substance (two counts), drug paraphernalia-buy/possess (three counts), no operators/moped license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired registration plates - receipt, obstructed vision and/or windshield, operate motor vehicle under influence alcohol/drugs, driving DUI suspended license, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
 Henry Brewer: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.
 Dallas Matthew Cope: rear license not illuminated, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain req.

insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, failure to wear seat belts, booster seat violations, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 James Robert Daniels: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, instructional permit violations, no operators/moped license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Sarah N. Dawson: failure to wear seat belts, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Speeding: Ryan Charles Hall, Rachel Davenport-Campbell, Clayton R. Burton, Christin Dawn Carver, Bryan Eugene Edwards, Justin D. Manning, William Reed, Donald Thomas, license suspended for fta; Johnathon Robert Burns, \$40 fine plus costs.
 Joshua D. Bengel: receiving stolen property, 30 days in jail plus costs.
 Betty Hellard: theft by unlawful taking, 90 days/probated 24 months on condition plus \$100 fine plus costs.
 Katelyn Marie Helton: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Brooke Ann Kiser: criminal trespassing, menacing, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, bw issued for fta.
 John H. Marcum: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Anthony Edward Mason: theft by unlawful taking, theft by deception, no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure to produce insurance card, and contempt of court, bw issued.
 Edna Mae McQueen: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 James Shawn Mink: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to wear seat belts, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Chasity Owens: fines/fees due (\$252), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.
 Anthony Powell: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Randall Zachary Wagers: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine plus costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension.
 Jason Paul Allen: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.
 Christopher Barron: fines/fees due (\$763), bw issued for fta/16 days in jail or payment in full.
 Ronnie W. Belt: fines/fees due (\$368), eight days in jail or payment in full.

Jason Blair: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.
 Roger Boshers: fines/fees due (\$168), four days in jail or payment in full.
 Johnathon Eric Coffey: fines/fees due (\$743), five days in jail or payment in full.
 Jacob Cooper: fines/fees due (\$293), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.
 Kayla M. Doan: fines/fees due (\$163), four days in jail or payment in full.
 Chloe Edwards: fines/fees due (\$21), bw issued for fta/one days in jail or payment in full.
 Jennifer Lyn Fuller: fines/fees due (\$273), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.
 Paul Anthony Fuller: public intoxication, bw issued for fta.
 Matthew C. Gilbert: fines/fees due (\$173), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
 Dustin Ray Griffin: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
 Randall Robert Hagan: fines/fees due (\$1,533), 32 days in jail or payment in full.
 Tonya Hammonds: public intoxication, bw issued.

Dennis M. Howard: fines/fees due (\$743), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.
 Kevin Douglas McCoy: fines/fees due (\$211), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.
 Devon McKeehan: fines/fees due (\$623), bw issued for fta/13 days in jail or payment in full.
 Timothy S. Milburn: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, no operators/moped license, obstructed vision and/or windshield, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Sherrill Padgett: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
 Timothy Reeves: fines/fees due (\$167), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
 Jason Paul Robinson: fines/fees due (\$643), bw issued for fta/13 days in jail or payment in full.
 Wesley D. Robinson: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
 Michael Ray Saylor: fines/fees due (\$193), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.
 Tracey M. Slusher: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/four days in

jail or payment in full.
 Dustin Ray Smith: fines/fees due (\$228), bw issued for fta/five days in jai or payment in full.
 David B. Thacker: fines/fees due (\$268), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.
 Leeanna Hope Thacker: fines/fees due (\$268), six days in jail or payment in full.
 David Calvin Barnes: improper display of registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine each charge; no brake lights, \$25 fine plus costs; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security and failure

to register transfer of motor vehicle, 30 days in jail (each count)/probated 24 months on condition.
 Kathy Stewart: criminal trespass, 360 days/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 19-CI-00032

Caliber Home Loans, Inc. Plaintiff
v.
Marie Charette aka Marie Margaret Charette, Glenn Dale Pollard aka Glenn Pollard, Timothy Ray Charette, unknown defendant, spouse of Timothy Ray Charette, Phillip John Charette, Jennifer Charette, unknown defendants, who are the heirs or devisees or legatees of Tasianna Charette aka Tasianna Hinz Charette and their spouses and any unknown person who may have an interest in the property which is the subject matter of this action Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on February 14, 2020 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY NINE DOLLARS AND 53/100 (\$135,189.53) 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, March 20, 2020
 Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

3240 South Wilderness Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
 PVA Map #060-00-058

Being the same property conveyed to Amos Owens, Jr. and Janet K. Owens from Billy Donald Smith and his wife Glenna Smith, by Deed dated October 10, 1970 and of record in Deed Book 90 page 429 in the office of the Rockcastle County Clerk. Janet K. Owens died on October 15, 2016. Pursuant to the right of survivorship, Amos Owens, Jr. thereafter inherited the interest of his wife Janet K Owens. And being the same property conveyed to Tasianna Charette, single, by Deed of Conveyance from Amos Owens, Jr., widower, dated September 11, 2017 and recorded in Deed Book 261 page 620 Rockcastle County Clerk's Office. Tasianna Charette aka Tasianna Hinz Charette died on September 25, 2017. Upon her death, all right, title and interest became vested in her heirs at law.

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

- The real property shall be sold together as a whole.
- 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 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 judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
- The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

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

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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.

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.

Special Service

Cupps Chapel will have a Special Service Thursday night, March 19, beginning at 7 p.m. Bro. Marlow Napier will be preaching.

Pastor Dwayne Carpenter and congregation invite you to come out and worship with them.

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Wedding vows said

Congratulations to Leavin and Madison Webb on the marriage which took place Saturday, February 29th in Berea with Bro. Eugene Webb officiating. The couple will make their home in Berea.

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 16-CI-00195**

Onemain Financial Services, Inc. Plaintiff

V.

Unknown Heirs, Legatees, Devisees, Executors, Administrators and Assigns and Their Spouses, if any, of Chris L. Mackey aka Chris Mackey, Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Revenue, Division of Collections, Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Revenue, Interitance Tax Division, County of Rockcastle, Independent Capital Holdings, LLC, Johnny Mackey aka Johny Mackey, unknown spouse, if any, of Johnny Mackey aka Johny Mackey, Katie Mackey aka Kathryn Mackey, unknown spouse, if any, of Katie Mackey aka Kathryn Mackey, Ditech Financial LLC FKS Green Tree Servicing, LLC Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 27, 2020 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FIFTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWO DOLLARS AND 09/100 (\$53,102.09) 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, March 20, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #047-00-035.07
203 Sowder School Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 including a 1995 Horton Manufactured home (Vin No. H68117GLR and Title No. 063131020003).
All that certain property situated in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, on the waters of Skeggs Creek, and more particularly bounded and described as follows:
Beginning at the northeast corner of the Gregory Renner and Jerry Muncy line at a stake; thence with Jerry Muncy line 240 feet to a stake, Jerry Muncy and Henry Falin corner, thence southeast with line of Falin 177 feet to the right of way of Marrow Road; thence northwest with the right of way of said road 258 feet to a white oak tree in line of Gregory Renner; thence with Renner property line 207 feet to the beginning corner, containing 1-1/2 acres more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Chris Mackey and Lisa Mackey, from Henry Falin and wife, Lorene Falin, by Deed dated 11/21/1988, record 11/22/1988, Deed Book 135, page 429, Rockcastle County Clerk's Records and being known as 203 Sowder School Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

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

1. The real property and mobile home shall be sold separately 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**

Wedding announced

Traci Shirkey, Lisa Doan and Rob Doan would like to announce the marriage of their parents, Judy Fletcher Walker and Larry Doan.

The couple were married on March 4th and will reside in Brodhead and Fairfield, Ohio.

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**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 10-CI-00100**

Flagstar Bank, FSB Plaintiff

V.

Michael Bruce Houk aka Michael Houk, Jessica Houk, Cumberland Financial Services, University of KY Federal Credit Union, Commonwealth of Kentucky, Finance and Administration Cabinet Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on October 11, 2019 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWO HUNDRED FORTY SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHT DOLLARS AND 87/100 (\$246,508.87) 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, March 20, 2020
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. 022-00-034.01
1305 Maretburg Cemetery Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

Being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Federal National Mortgage Association from Flagstar Bank, FSB, Michael Bruce Houk a/k/a Michael Houk, Jessica Houk, Cumberland Financial Services and Commonwealth of Kentucky, Finance and Administration Cabinet by John D. Ford, Master Commissioner, duly recorded in Deed Book 239, Page 485 and being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Michael Bruce Houk, a married man, from Michael Bruce Houk and Jessica Houk, husband and wife, duly recorded in Deed Book 218 page 660 and being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Michael Bruce Houk, married, from Vernon Bruce Houk and wife, Joyce Houk, duly recorded in Deed Book 192, page 426, all records of the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

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".
9. If the property includes insurable improvements, then the successful bidder at said sale shall, at bidder's own expense, carry fire and extended insurance coverage on said improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is fully paid, in the amount of the court-appraised value of the improvements or the unpaid balance of the purchase price, whichever is less, as a minimum, with a loss payable clause to the Master Commissioner of the Rockcastle Circuit Court and Flagstar. The purchaser shall furnish written evidence of such insurance to the Master Commissioner within twenty-four (24) hours of the date of sale. Failure of the purchaser to obtain such insurance shall not affect the validity of the sale or the purchaser's liability thereunder, but shall entitle, but not require, Flagstar to obtain said insurance and furnish the policy or premium thereon, and the property portion thereof shall be charged to the purchaser as the purchaser's costs. If there are purchase money bonds in connection with the purchase of the Property at the sale, the deed of conveyance shall provide that such insurance shall be carried and failure to carry such insurance shall be a default on the part of the purchaser for which the purchase money bonds may be declared due.

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

What Has Happened to Christianity?

"Christian." (kris-chan) Noun. a follower of Christ; one who duplicates our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Somewhere along the way we have gotten the idea that Christ is *all things to all people*, regardless of how we live. Christ is a Savior to all who accept His leadership and guidance. Christ says, "if you love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). However, we cannot call ourselves "Christians" if we refuse to be led by Christ. Matthew 28:18-20 says, "And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.'" In conclusion, Christ does not adapt himself to our lives, but rather we conform our lives to Christ and His teachings. In short, that is a fundamental principle of being a Christian.

Sundays @ 10 a.m. & Wednesdays @ 7 p.m.
Everyone Welcome

Robby Cable - 606-305-8452

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Father Forgive Them

The words of dying men sometimes are impressive. Certainly, the words of this man. It is the words of the Son of God, interceding that day for those who stood there and crucified him. Jesus spoke these heart wrenching words in, Luke 23:34 Forgive them Father for they know not what they do. Some three years later, Jesus denounced the Jews perverted interpretation of the Law of Moses. Matthew 5:43-48 You must love your enemies, do good to them that spitefully use you.

Now on a Roman cross, obeying that very law he lived and died under, he practiced the very thing he had preached. Father forgive them. Our savior practiced what he preached he was not like the Jews that were living during the time of his ministry. They said and did not.

Romans 5:8 The scriptures tell us, while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Can we comprehend that? I doubt that our finite minds can grasp what this statement really is saying. Not for friends, or for the good and charitable, not for the loving, or the obedient, but for his enemies, you, me, and every sinner that has ever walked upon the face of this earth or that will ever walk on the face of this earth, Christ died for us.

It is generally accepted that the trial of Jesus was illegal, both by Jewish law and also Roman law. His condemnation was unjust. Pilate, in the same hour, avowed his innocence, and then condemned him to death. Such was a fulfillment of prophecy. The apostle John even declared him to be the Lamb. Revelations 13:8 Slain from the foundation of the world. It was the divine plan of God, that Jesus would ultimately die as a sacrifice for mankind, even before the worlds were framed.

Friends with this before you, if you're not a Christian how can you continue to reject the Lord? We are sometimes criticized for trying to get people to save their souls from this untoward generation. Because we are concerned with people's souls and the direction they are headed, if they don't make Jesus Christ the Lord of their life. Don't forfeit your right to a home in Heaven, through sinful and disobedient living.

Will you not confess that Jesus Christ is the son of God and be baptized for the forgiveness of your sins, as the Bible teaches in Acts 2:38. Thank you for reading this article, I pray God continues to bless you and keeps you safe. If you would like to get in touch with someone from the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ. You can contact us at - Dale McNew - 859-582-4021 or Ova Baker-606-878-8104

• Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ •

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Church is located 2 Miles South of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 25

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:
RA's & 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.
"Central Time" Radio
Broadcast
WRVK: M-F 11:15 a.m.
WOPW: M-F 9:15 a.m.

Cupps Chapel Holiness Church

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.
RA's and GAs 7 p.m.
Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Razor, Pastor
606-256-3722
email: fairviewbapt@aol.com

Faith Chapel Pentecostal Church

S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday 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.fbcvkv.org
email: fbcvkv@newwave.net
Sunday School: 9:40 a.m.,
Sunday Worship:
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Wednesdays: AWANA and Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
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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

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.

Clear Creek Baptist Church

Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Crab Orchard Pentecostal Church

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Donald King
606-355-7595

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 Church
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Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.
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Gordon Mink, Pastor

Maple Grove Baptist Church
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.
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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

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.
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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.newheights.org
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.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church
81 Limeplant Hollow Road
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
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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
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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
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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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.
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Mt. Vernon
606-25605894
Sunday Worship 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
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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

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.
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Wednesday Prayer Meeting & Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Everyone Welcome!
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Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
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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
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606-256-4494
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Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
Family Fellowship 6 p.m.
Bible Study 6 p.m.
Bro. Gary Pettyjohn, Pastor

United Pentecostal Church

80 Sally J Rd., Mt. Vernon
Sunday 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Everyone Welcome
Pastor: James Blanton
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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

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Home Phone 606-256-3075
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Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
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Covid19 affects businesses



Restaurants across the state have closed their inside dining due to the Covid19 scare. Many other businesses and government buildings have closed as well.



Since the onset of the Covid19 virus, gasoline prices have continually dropped as the stock market has fallen dramatically. This sign was seen Wednesday morning at the Marathon station in Mount Vernon. Other stations have lowered their gas prices as well.

“LEPC”

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community leaders gathered to address how Rockcastle County and local cities are preparing for the possible outbreak of the virus.

After President Trump declared a National Emergency and Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear declared a State of Emergency in Kentucky, local officials joined other communities in helping stop the spread of the virus, though there are no reported cases in the county and only 21 in Kentucky have tested positive for the virus as of Tuesday.

Rockcastle County Emergency Management Director David Colson hosted the meeting and gave each guest an opportunity to update officials about the situation.

Following the advice of Governor Bashear, local restaurants are closed to inside dining and the school system has closed for two weeks and many local events have been cancelled.

“I want to thank our local restaurants for voluntarily closing their doors to inside dining at the governor’s recommendation,” said County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook. “We are all working together and that is how we will come out of this just fine.”

Representatives of several local grocery stores and convenience stores were present, or on conference call, for the meeting.

All local grocery store owners agreed there is an obvious shortage of some items such as hand sanitizer and other cleaning products. But owners and managers say they have increased orders and expect to restock shelves immediately with large supplies of items that have been selling quickly such as toilet paper and cleaning wipes.

Some also report meats are selling faster than normal but shelves should be restocked quickly.

All grocery store managers also said they are continually cleaning their stores and restocking shelves and some are also adjusting their hours and designating certain hours of their day to senior citizens in an effort to protect the most vulnerable to the virus.

Angie Thacker, of the Rockcastle County Health Department told members that there are no known cases of the virus in the county but there is information available for anyone concerned about it.

“I highly recommend www.covid19.ky.gov,” she said. “It is filled with information about the virus and how to protect yourself from it.”

Sheriff Shannon Franklin, Mt. Vernon Police Chief Brian Carter, and Mt. Vernon Fire Chief David Bales brought up the point of first responders who come in contact with people from out of state every day. “We are taking extra precautions and setting up protocols to keep our deputies safe,” said Franklin. “We are here to serve and don’t want to become carriers ourselves.”

Nathan Carter, Rockcastle County Jailor, said all activities at the jail have been cancelled until further notice. “We are also checking all new arrestees before putting them with other inmates,” he said. “We are keeping our jail clean and doing everything we can to protect our inmates.”

Brian Bussell, Emergency Management Coordinator for Brodhead, reported that fire departments are closely watching out for contact with others and that officials are in constant contact with the nursing homes in the area.

Carrie Ballinger, representing the Rockcastle County School system, said all school officials are willing to help the community in any way and the system is continuing to feed students who may otherwise not have a meal since school has been cancelled.

Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant called in and thanked those who were participating in the meeting as well as those who are helping in the community. He said city bills may be paid via the drop box at City Hall or at Community Trust Bank.

Mt. Vernon City Administrator Josh Bray said the lobby of city hall is currently closed and employees are keeping their work spaces disinfected. Bray also said the city is working with the county and other cities to plan for a possible outbreak of the virus.

In closing, Holbrook said he feels confident the community will work together. “The most important thing is that no one panics and we just stay calm and continue to work together. If we do that, everything will be fine and we will come through this together,” he said.

“Court”

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lobbies and stop walk-in traffic. The City of Mount Vernon and the City of Brodhead have already

closed their lobbies to walk-in traffic.

Holbrook said citizens may call each office or set up an appointment and continue to handle business. “Offices such as the county clerk’s office and the PVA office will remain open for business but closed to the public,” he said.

Danetta Ford Allen, Rockcastle County Clerk is offering several options for handling government business to local citizens.

For information about renewing car tags, vehicle transfers, obtaining marriage licenses, voter registration or other public needs, call (606) 256-2831 or 256-2841.

Magistrates also heard County Treasurer Joe Clontz read amendments to the budget and inform them that Microfoodery owners will begin paying principle and interest (instead of interest only) on the loan from the county to the new plant starting in April.

The county is also working on the budget for the Rockcastle County Detention Center and officials expressed concerns that the local facility is losing money.

During the regular monthly meeting last week, Clontz said he and Holbrook and others would work on the jail expenses trying to balance the budget. However, Clontz said last week that Jailor Nathan Carter had already cut expenses so low that there was not much room to “whittle” more away.

Holbrook agreed. “We made a few more cuts in the jail budget but there just isn’t room for more cuts,” he said.

Currently the jail has only 20 employees, according to Carter.

Clontz gave the magistrates the latest version of the jail budget and several magistrates asked about areas that may be cut. But in each case, Clontz and Carter explained the mandates and state requirements that would not leave room for more cuts in those areas.

In the end, all agreed to continue to study the jail budget but expect that it will continue to be supplemented a lot from the county’s general fund in their upcoming budget.

Meeting postponed

The regular monthly Mount Vernon City Council meeting, planned for tonight, Thursday, March 19 has been postponed until further notice due to public health concerns.

“School”

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state and local officials have joined in closing, cancelling or postponing most public events. All restaurants are closing to indoor service.

The new strain of the flu, which originated in China and soon spread around the world and into Kentucky, caused Governor Andy Bashear to declare a State of Emergency and to recommend several public closures, including schools, day care services, some state positions and restaurants with walk-in service.

Following the advice of officials, Rockcastle County School Superintendent David Pensol announced that schools will be closed until Monday, March 30. All sporting events and all after school activities related to the Rockcastle County school system have also been cancelled until further notice.

Officials say the closure is an effort to avoid the spread of the Covid19 virus. However, unless parents and students follow some guidelines, officials say the closures will be useless in stopping the spread of the virus.

Health officials say parents should keep children away from gathering with friends, remain six feet away from others, avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth and wash hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds.

A press release from the school says wearing a facemask will not help avoid the virus.

School officials say the first week of missed school will be made up at the end of the school year as regular school days. However, make up for the second missed week will be determined based on “additional information and future planning.”

Rockcastle, along with several other counties, has been approved to implement an emergency Nontraditional Instruction Program. The program will begin on March 23 and parents will receive learning activities and resources for your child by mail prior to the start date.

School officials say each child will be contacted by their classroom teacher to provide assistance and support.

Some local grocery stores are adjusting business hours and providing certain hours of their day for senior citizens only to stop.

Some church activities have also been cancelled or postponed as well. Residents are asked to

call ahead before attending special events.

Pam Chaliff, Librarian of the Rockcastle County Public Library, has announced closure of the library, and the bookmobile service, but will re-evaluate circumstances next week and keep the public informed she said.

Officials have closed portions of the Rockcastle County Courthouse and some services at Mount Vernon City Hall are also limited.

Renfro Valley has announced suspension of some ticketed performances through April 9. For questions, call 800-765-7464.

Nursing homes and senior care facilities across the state have stopped allowing family visits unless an emergency arises.

Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk Eliza York-Hansel has announced

there will be no written or drivers tests offered until further noticed in Rockcastle County and driver’s license expiration dates have been extended 90 days..

The public is asked to stay home as much as possible, especially if you feel any flu symptoms. However, if you feel possible symptoms, health officials encourage everyone to call your doctor first to explain the symptoms before you go your doctor.

Health experts say everyone should stand at least six feet away from other people at all times and avoid shaking hands or any other physical contact.

Local residents are encouraged to call ahead before attending any public event that may be cancelled.

For more information go to kycovid19.ky.gov.

Brodhead Police Chief gives first monthly report

— FEMA money trickling in

By: Mike French
Editor

Due to illness, only two members of the Brodhead City Commission and Mayor Walter Cash attended this month’s regular meeting last Monday night at City Hall.

During the 20-minute meeting, Emergency Management Director Brian Bussell informed commissioners that FEMA some money from past flood damage has been received and deposited into special accounts

and the remaining money due to the city has been approved. “You have about \$40,000 in a special account and another \$32,000 or so yet to come,” he said. “All of the funds have been approved but the rest of it will arrive in Brodhead on the federal government’s schedule.”

The money is placed in a special account since the city must provide 13% of a matching grant for other projects planned in the city, according to Becky Bussell, City Clerk.

“The funds in those accounts are very restricted on how we are allowed to use them,” she said.

Commissioners also heard the first report from the new Chief of Police Richard Reynolds.

“As of now, the department is in good shape,” said Reynolds. “Once we establish our immediate vision and our long term goals, as a police force in Brodhead, we will discuss what the department may need to fulfill those goals. But for now, our cruisers are in good shape and we are well equipped.”

In other action, Brian Bussell informed the commission of a faulty valve in the sewer system and said the computer screen attached to the valve is not functioning properly.

Commissioner Dallas Todd told water and sewer department employees to purchase the screen and replace it.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 13 at 7 p.m.

Events cancelled

Local officials are recommending that all citizens call ahead before attending any meeting or event for the next two weeks. Officials say there are many cancelled or postponed events due to the Coronavirus and a quick call may save time and effort

State level actions

Some of Governor Andy Beshear’s actions, due to the spread of the Coronavirus which may affect Rockcastle County residents, include the following:

Childcare centers to close Friday.

Three month extension on driver’s licenses.

Closing in-person government services.

Postponing May primary elections.

Restricting restaurant to carry-out.

Restricting bars to carry-out.

Issued unemployment executive order.

Attempting to provide low-interest loans.

Declared State of Emergency.

Prohibited price gouging.

Limited long term care facility visitation.

Attempting to waive insurance copays.

Closed prisons to visitors.

KEMI wage replacement for first responders

Activate state Health Operations Centers.

Close public schools.

Allow commissions and boards to cancel meetings.

Recommend businesses utilize telecommunications to allow employees to work from home.

Recommend hospital cease elective procedures.

For details about any of the governor’s orders, or information about the Coronavirus, Covid19, please go to

www.kycovid19.ky.gov.

A life well lived

The year was 1955 and Americans were traveling highways that brought them right into the middle of rural communities. Trailers captured the hearts of almost everyone, and they were hungry for adventure. A new concept, a new age – the regular family loved the idea of having the freedom to glide down the highway in search of interesting stop-overs and inexpensive entertainment.

Crude, handmade wooden signs cropped up everywhere, enticing the many travelers crowding the roads to stop and rest a while after long, grueling hours of pulling their compact-sized ‘rooms’ behind. Roadside diners and small, family owned single-story motels were abundant, dotting the highways, along with small gift shops teeming with souvenirs that were often scattered and displayed to the road’s edge. It seemed the perfect time and opportunity to open a small replica of an authentic Indian Village and an ideal place with its natural settings – all complete with Cherokee natives from North Carolina waving to the many that passed, arousing their curiosity – which soon became more than a dream. And, a river right out back...Carlo and Lucille Bowling Carloftis were young with three small

children and a new baby not quite six weeks old.

The Carloftis’ had made many journeys back and forth to St. Augustine, Florida, and to the majestic mountains of Cherokee, North Carolina. They discovered the perfect place to start a tourist business and raise their family was not far from their own roots – a place where they began an over 60 year journey and love affair on the Rockcastle River.

Young and fresh with ideas, and being the entrepreneurs they were, came with a price. Carlo was brought up working in his family Hub Grill Restaurant owned by his stepfather, George Karloftis – an establishment that provided fine dining in the hills of Pineville, Kentucky. It was located very near the stately town of Middlesborough which was once a contender for Appalachia’s own steel manufacturing town and the famed Cumberland Gap which opened a whole new chapter of life for the many settlers passing through where Daniel Boone had blazed a trail.

Lucille, a cheerleader at Manchester High School, sold tickets at the local theater and dipped ice cream at Porter’s Drug Store, surrounding herself with ‘Evening in Paris’ perfume and

Porter’s makeup counter. She was quite naïve when she met and married Carlo and moved to Pineville. She traded in her bobby socks for nylon hose and became both wife and mother, having never cooked a meal. Her life in Pineville was very carefree,

strolling Carcille and Buzzy along the sidewalks and eating meals at the Hub before heading to Knoxville with her husband and small family to eat yet another late-night dinner while viewing all the bright lights of a city. Yet, by Carlo’s side, she left a beautiful home in the heart of town, only to have meager necessities for a while, working alongside her husband with the original idea of spending only summers along the Rockcastle River. This brave, happy couple, filled with energy and brimming with enthusiasm, shared a dream to do something quite outrageous and most different at the time – with no running water, no telephone, and for a while, no electricity. Together they laid out their plans, working side by side to make

it come together and become the reality that even family members doubted.

Lucille and Carlo moved to Rockcastle County and quickly everyone’s heart.



Within days, buildings cropped up and the small wooden structure for a shop would soon

become Fort Sequoyah, named for the great Cherokee Indian who invented his tribe’s alphabet.

That hot summer day in July 1955 was disappointing; not too many customers and even less in sales. But that didn’t stop their dream. They opened their wooden doors with a skeleton key and very little stock. The walls were mostly bare except for some items and relics that Mr. John Lair, well known founder of Renfro Valley, who was so taken with this vivacious, handsome couple, loaned from the walls of his own home.

Quickly becoming the ‘feel-good’ era of the 1950’s, Fort Sequoyah didn’t take long to catch on. The doors were open from early morning until late at night, seven days a

week on US Highway 25. Fort Sequoyah, nestled along the river, became a popular destination and stop-over for weary travelers who kept coming back, time and again on their way for vacations or just to stop and visit for a while.

Many wonderful friends over the years were made inside the little plain rustic shop as well as outside on the long covered porch; like Charles Baldwin and his sister Mary from northern Kentucky, who took the children on long walks along the river on Skaggs Trace in heavy, serious search of geodes and unusual rocks; and Mrs. Smolka, who never failed to stop by on her monthly pilgrimages from up north to hunt rocks in North Carolina; or Mrs. LaRue Paytiammo, an orchestral pianist, married to a most handsome Southwestern Indian, an accomplished silversmith who went to college with Jim Thorpe. The Paytiamos’ love affair and the love of searching for relics took them to Equadorin the 1930’s and to the mountains of North Carolina. In her later years, Mrs. LaRue (James) Paytiammo made her home across the lawn from the Carloftis’ house, eventually living her last years in Florida and out west, where she sent Lucille long, descriptive

letters of their many travels. Lucille especially loved this wise and much older lady who adored Lucille as a daughter.

The Carloftis’ taught by example when they often gave gifts from the shop to those who could not afford to make a purchase, especially the little children. Among them, newfound friends such as these, and the Indians, along with all the many other customers from different walks of life, made their lives all the richer by walking through their doors.

And so, their story began...

Written by
Betsy Carloftis

Lucille Bowling Carloftis departed this world, leaving a legacy that is treasured by her children - Carcille, Buzz, Koula, Betsy, Dusty, Jon, grandchildren - Laura Whitney, Koula Verda (Chris), Carly Rae (Lyle), John Zachary (Sallee Beth), Betsy Lucille (Gary) Carlo David, Emma Kate, Ellie Jane, and three great grandchildren - Charlie Anna, Gatlin Jude, Bennie Belle and her many friends and customers. She was a woman ahead of her time - a business woman before women entered the workforce. She was also a published author and received numerous recognitions in her lifetime.

Frankfort Update

800-722-5725. Of course, go to an emergency room if you believe you have an emergency situation. For more information about COVID-19 and our state’s response, visit www.kycovid19.ky.gov.

I want to take a moment and commend the Governor and our Department of Public Health for how they are handling this situation. They are providing a great deal of information while stressing that the actions we take today should be about limiting exposure and not overreacting. I agree that it’s time to be prepared, not panicked.

It is statewide public

health issues like COVID-19 that make us realize how critical our public health system is. In light of that, I am particularly pleased to share that the Public Health Transformation Act is now on the Governor’s desk awaiting his signature. This measure, HB 129, will allow local health departments to return their focus to communicable disease control and emergency preparedness. It will not only save valuable resources but also lead to improvements in the delivery of health services and overall public health. House Bill 129 comes as many public health departments are dealing with budget

problems that amount to an almost \$40 million deficit. As many as 41 local health departments are at risk of financial insolvency for the 2020 fiscal year. A portion of that deficit can be attributed to the tremendous increase in their pension liability. However, public health experts believe that many health departments offer services that duplicate those offered by other private agencies.

In addition to HB 129, I also joined my colleagues in the House in unanimously passing a measure to help health departments and other quasi-governmental agencies with their pension

burdens. House Bill 171 would allow the organizations to make payments based on what they owe, rather than as a percentage of payroll. This is called “level-dollar” funding, meaning they will only pay what they owe into the pension system. The amount owed will remain fixed and will be paid back with steady payments for the next 27 years. This stability allows entities to budget appropriately. In addition to health departments, the bill provides a way forward for rape crisis centers, spousal abuse centers, and other similar agencies.

Thank you for taking the

time to read this week’s update. I appreciate that our paper is willing to run these columns and, of course, hope you’ll let me know if you have any comments or questions. 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 RepRTravisBrenda71.

Legislative Update

By Jared Carpenter
State Senator

The Kentucky General Assembly was postponed during its 10th week in light of efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19.



In a bicameral and bipartisan decision, leaders from both chambers opted to exercise an abundance of caution and pause legislative business for Friday and Monday. This will provide an opportunity to further evaluate safety procedures and next steps. The well-being of visitors, members, and staff are of highest priority.

I would like to reassure you that Kentucky health officials and state leaders are working closely with the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention, federal authorities, and other health agencies to ensure that collaborative and proactive measures are implemented throughout the Commonwealth. It is important that we remain calm during this time and utilize the resources provided to help all of us prevent the spread of disease and stay healthy. The state also issued a new hotline, 1-800-722-5725, to assist Kentuckians who have questions or need help.

We anticipate that we will resume regular legislative business on Tuesday, as we are constitutionally required to pass a balanced budget by April 15 and there is still much work to be done.

The Senate finally received the state biennial budget bill from the House this week. The Appropriations and Revenue Committee and budget staff have been working long days to carefully review the bill and discuss any possible changes to be made in the Senate. Crafting the state’s two-year financial plan is no easy task, but I feel confident in the Senate’s ability to negotiate a responsible budget bill that Kentucky can be proud of.

In the midst of receiving the budget and a global health interruption, we continued to advance bills through committee and out of the Senate, including several House measures.

House Bill 59 seeks to bring awareness to the problem of suicide within the farming community. It requires the Governor to declare the Wednesday of “National Farm Safety Week” (the third week in September) as “Farmer Suicide Prevention Day” to encourage the citizens of Kentucky to recognize the mental health challenges faced in the farming com-

munity.

Senate Bill 63 allows high school dropouts who are 21 or older to complete graduation requirements through “virtual instruction,” a non-traditional form of education that uses the internet to deliver distance learning. The House amended it to state that the schooling could be completed in another district if the student had moved. The Senate concurred with the House change by a 34-0 vote.

Senate Bill 106 contains a proposed constitutional amendment to repeal Section 233 of the state constitution, which states that any laws in effect in Virginia before June 1792 are in effect in Kentucky. Section 233 came about when Kentucky separated from Virginia to become the 15th state. A case law search found that section 233 was last cited in the early 1940s.

House Bill 153 establishes the Kentucky Mental Health First Aid Training Program within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. It would be tasked with training professionals and members of the public to identify and assist individuals with mental health or substance use disorders. I am proud to support this legislation, as mental health “first aid” helps communi-

ties address individuals’ mental health or substance use disorders before they lead to more serious problems.

Senate Bill 174 incentivizes a more relevant and economical pathway for teachers to earn Rank II status by allowing National Board Certification as a qualifier. Currently, the only way a teacher can achieve a Rank II is by earning a master’s degree or the equivalent.

SB 178 regulates plaintiff lawyer advertisements that target consumers of prescription drugs and medical devices. A much-debated provision would require the ads to display this warning: “Do not stop taking a prescribed medication without first consulting with your doctor. Discontinuing a prescribed medication without your doctor’s advice can result in injury or death.”

House Bill 208 requires wireless providers of Lifeline federal-assistance telephone service to make monthly 911 service fee payments to the state. This measure wouldn’t make anyone’s mobile phone bill go up; it would just close a loophole that one service provider exploited to avoid paying the fee.

Senate Bill 218 prohibits a driver for a taxi company or ridesharing app from having sexual contact

with a passenger within 12 hours of the drop-off. A driver who violated Senate Bill 218 could be charged with the crime of sexual abuse. This legislation is much needed, as Uber alone self-reported 235 rapes, 280 attempted rapes and 5,981 sexual assaults in 2018.

House Bill 266 allows honorably discharged veterans to enroll their children in a school district in which they are building a house—even if it’s not ready for occupancy. This bill would simplify the relocation process for military families.

Join me in praying for those who have been affected by the coronavirus and that our state and national leaders will be given the wisdom and resources necessary to maneuver through this pandemic. I will be sure to keep you informed of any additional changes to the legislative calendar in these final weeks. Thank you for allowing me to be your voice 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.

By R. Travis Brenda
State Representative

State response to COVID-19 highlights importance of legislation aimed at public health



While my work as your State Representative has kept me busy over the past week, I have also been closely monitoring the state’s response to COVID-19. Without a doubt, our lives have changed in a big way since last week. As I write this update, we have 20 diagnosed cases of COVID-19, a new strain of the Coronavirus, and an extremely contagious respiratory virus. We have monitored this virus as it has crossed the globe. Now that it is here, our public health leaders are working hard to contain its spread and help those who have it recuperate.

Of course, containing it means taking some common-sense steps like washing your hands regularly, avoiding large crowds, and staying home when you feel ill. At the recommendation of our state’s public health director, schools across the state are closed for several weeks, courts are open only for emergency business, and state athletic events are canceled for this year. And, we are not alone as states across the nation are taking similar states.

This will likely be our new reality for a few weeks. However, I think it is important to recognize that all of this is done out of extreme caution and not panic. According to the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Human Services, our risk rate is still low. As with most contagious illnesses, those who come into direct contact with someone who has COVID-19 are the most likely to get it. While COVID-19 can feel like a common cold, it can be far more dangerous to Kentuckians who are already sick or have weakened immunity. It is important to be aware of the symptoms: fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. If you have these symptoms or questions, call the COVID-19 Hotline at 1-

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Notice is hereby given that Doris Lawrence, 6378 Quail Rd., Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed Executrix of the estate of Jackie Lawrence on the 24th day of February, 2020. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Doris Lawrence or to Hon. Joseph P. Lambert, P.O. Box 989, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before August 29, 2021 at 11 a.m. 6x3

Notice is hereby given that Dean McClure, 2397 Sand Springs Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executor of the Estate of John Shirley McClure on the 2nd day of March, 2020. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Dean McClure or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, 205 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before September 2, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. 6x3

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State and county Government open but continuing to take precautions

By: Mike French Editor

Rockcastle County officials, like most statewide, are finding ways to continue business but protect themselves and the public from the Covid19 virus at the same time.

Eliza York-Hansel, Circuit Court Clerk, says her office will remain open unless there are more unexpected developments in the spread of the virus.

As of the first of this week, the clerk's office is open to the public but visitors are being screened before they are allowed to enter the building.

All employees, including Hansel herself, are working on a rotating schedule, five will work one week and the other five the next. Officials say this is basically the same as cutting the staff in half and reducing risk, while keeping all workers employed.

Officials at the clerk's office says all employees will still get paid the same as always.

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Schools closed through April 17

By: Mike French Editor

Rockcastle County Schools will remain closed through Friday, April 17, by order of Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear and the Kentucky Commission of Education, according to Carrie Ballinger, Director of Student Services.

The five days missed last week, due to the fight to stop the spread of the Coronavirus, Covid19, will be made up at the end of the school year. But Ballinger said the extra days missed are being used as NTI (Non Traditional Instruction) days will not have to be made up.

(See "School" on A5)

Working together during crisis



Chris Bishop, principal of Roundstone Elementary School, unloads donated cartons of milk from the school cafeteria to the Grateful Bread Food Pantry. All public schools in the county have donated to help children and families in need.

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Helping out during this time....

Livingston resident Eric Thacker prepared and donated 84 meals last Friday to residents of Livingston Manor and other residents of Livingston. Thacker wanted to do his part to help with the senior center closed due to the current COVID-19 crisis.

Social media page helps local citizens

By: Mike French Editor

As usual, a time of crisis in America brings out the best and the worst in people.

For the best of people, a crisis gives them an opportunity to make a difference and help those in need. The Covid19 virus has provided that crisis and Rockcastle County's Kyle Mullins has found a way to help others. You can help as well by visiting Rockcastle County CVQRG on Facebook. The social media page is known as the Rockcastle County CoronaVirus Quick Reaction Group.

Mullins started the page as a way to provide for those most vulnerable to the new Covid19 virus spreading across the country. "I just got tired of waiting for others and got frustrated with all the negativity online," said Mullins. "Someone had to do something."

Knowing some elderly people in the community, Mullins started meeting local residents in the parking lot of Mount Vernon City Hall every day at 6 p.m. and accepting donations that he gives to those in need.

Since people over 60 are most vulnerable, even those of that age who are

Grand Jury returns 23 indictments

A Rockcastle County Grand Jury returned 23 indictments, mostly drug-related, against 28 people on March 13th.

Indicted, and their offenses, were:

Erin Reynolds, 47, of Tevis Street, Mt. Vernon for the offense of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Her bond was set at \$5,000;

Amanda K. Gadd, 37, of Mt. Vernon was indicted for possession of a controlled substance.

Her bond was set at \$5,000;

Kathy Stewart, 51, of Sowder School Road, Mt. Vernon, was indicted for the offense of bail jumping. Her bond was set at \$5,000 cash/property (c/p);

David A. Ray, 28, of Richmond was indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Stay Home

Officials from the Rockcastle County Health Department and Rockcastle Regional Hospital ask that everyone refrain from visiting the hospital unless you are in an emergency situation. The long term care section of the hospital is temporarily closed to visitors and those going to outpatient care sections will be screened before admittance.

Wildie Road slippage causes portion of the road to be closed

By: Mike French Editor

Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook said officials were forced to close a part of Wildie Road recently due to road slippage.

Holbrook said the damage to the road made passage unsafe for drivers and officials had no choice but to close a portion of the roadway.

Holbrook is currently seeking emergency funding through the state highway department.

"We are working on the funding now but we first have to get an estimate."

(See "Road" on A5)

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

Pertaining to the present Coronavirus crisis we are enduring, I think we may be ahead of the game, by living in our small town, as opposed to those who live in much larger urban areas in our country.

New York, for example, with the most cases in our nation, 26,355 as of Wednesday morning, also has the most deaths, 271. They are followed by: Washington State with 2469 cases and 123 deaths; California 55 deaths and 2,617 cases; Louisiana 46 deaths/1,338 cases; New Jersey 44 deaths/3,675 cases; Georgia 38 deaths/1097; Michigan 24 deaths/1,791 cases; Florida 20 deaths/1,467 cases; Illinois 16 deaths/1,535 cases. Texas, Connecticut and Indiana all have 12 deaths and a total of 2,553 cases and Colorado has 11 deaths/912 cases.

These numbers account for 695 of the 785 total of deaths in the US as of Wednesday morning.

22 states, including Kentucky, and DC have had 9 or less deaths, accounting for the remaining 90 deaths and there are still 15 states with no deaths.

I realize that something has to be done, in New York, at least (although I wonder how many common flu cases/deaths they have also had this year?). Lock it down, if necessary but, for goodness sakes, use a little common sense. What is the point of protecting people against this virus if we are deprived of one of the basic necessities of life, human contact?

Congress had the right idea to pass a stimulus package to help individuals and businesses monetarily to get through these trying times. But, as we should have expected, the Democrats, never one to let a crisis go to waste, decided to pack the stimulus bill with their wish list of programs that

have absolutely nothing to do with the Coronavirus.

Their wish list included: abortion funding; funding for sanctuary cities; amnesty for illegals; quotas for race/sex of board members of corporations; all states allow at least 15 days of early voting; no-excuse mail-in voting with notarization or witness signatures not required; the ability to obtain an absentee ballot with no identification required; elimination of \$10,000 of federal and private student loan debt for each borrower; \$35,000,000 grant for the Kennedy Center; corporations that receive any federal assistance must pay all of it workers at least \$15 hour; airline carbon emission offsets for airlines and a mandate for airplanes to be carbon neutral by 2025 (wonder if this includes private planes such as those used by these same Democrat politicians?); elimination of \$11 billion of United States Postal Service debt; cash for clunkers

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



Seven words can scare a person to death.

For 45 years I have attended meetings and sat quietly and wrote down what everyone else said. As an "old school" journalist, I don't believe I have anything to do with what goes on in a public meeting.

My job is to inform citizens of what others say without bias or any opinion on the matter.

I just write what others think. After all, no one voted for me to represent them and those speaking are much smarter than I.

For all of my professional career, I have listened and refrained from trying to add my two cents worth, even if the subject happened to be something I know a lot about -- though that is rare.

However, last week at the LECP meeting about the Corona virus, after listening to very eloquent, intelligent people express their ideas for helping the community, David Colson, Emergency Man-

agement Director said, "Mike? Do you have anything to add?"

I know I felt my heart stop beating. For a moment I wondered if it was going to beat again. No! I will not wipe the sweat that appeared instantly on my brow.

Then I wondered if he was referring to another Mike. I looked behind me and there sat Brodhead's Emergency Director Brian Bussell. He's not talking to Brian.

Top dogs of the local school system, the jailer, the sheriff, a police chief, attorneys, judges, hospital administrators, a fire chief, mayors, people with really long titles and

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Willow Ware

I first became aware of the distinctive and detailed china pattern commonly referred to as Blue Willow while watching The Andy Griffith Show. At the time, I was a teenager. My mother (Bee), or maybe my grandmother (M o m m i e Katie), had a couple of these plates that were displayed but never used.

I recall my mother pointing out the plates on

our black-and-white television as we watched the adventures of Andy, Barney, Aunt Bea, and Opie. Whenever the scene took place in Aunt



Bea's kitchen or at the family dining table, Blue Willow dishes were involved. Being a teenager, I never really paid much attention to the dinnerware, until my mother brought it to my attention.

Little did I know that years and years later, I would marry a gal who had collected Blue Willow ware from the time that she was in junior high school.

Her motivation for beginning the collection began when she was a young girl because those were the dishes that her paternal grandmother used in her home in rural Bath County. Her favorite color had always been blue, and once she heard the story associated with the pattern, her mind was set.

There are numerous versions of the romantic fable associated with the design of the dinnerware. They involve the characters of two star-crossed lovers who overcome the many taboos and struggles of the young couple to remain together. The details of the story are reflections of the particular items dis-

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Points East

By Ike Adams



I haven't personally had any problems with social distancing or holding up inside the house, for weeks at a time, for several years. Keeping to myself has pretty much been modus operandi, over the last several years, because Mr. Parkinson insists on being a very stubborn recluse. As the years have flown by, Parkinson's determination to be secluded and avoid public contact has grown steadily worse or better, depending on one's perspective. This behavioral phenomenon

is, oftentimes, one if the more noticeable symptoms for people who have the disease. Except for washing my hands more frequently, Covid 19 has not done much to make me change my ways.

I could count on my fingers, without using my thumbs or the same finger twice, the number of times, since the beginning of this year, that I have been out and about and actually got out of the car to go inside a place of business. Three

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Christmas is Now Past but the Lesson Learned was Short Lived

Dear Journal,

Today I find myself in a situation that I've never experienced, as well as many others. We're on lockdown in an attempt to save our lives from the dreaded Covid-19 virus. I don't have to tell you about all of the closings... in short just about everything is closed or will be closed soon. There is no certain date of when or if things will open again. What a situation!

On the TV they said something that made me laugh until I almost cried and would have if things

hadn't been so hopeless. Some poor misguided soul said that times like this brought out the best in people. I'd like to know where they live.

From what I've seen and heard, it is everybody for themselves Snatch, grab, fight, wallow around in the store aisle over what we need. Can killing be far behind? It isn't that there is a shortage of anything but greed has taken hold of the country and hoarding is in control...or should I point the finger of blame where the root of the problem really is? It is Satan, the master of greed and all things related. People have just let him take control and he knows how to work in the minds of men. The mind is his playground.

It's only been less than three months ago since Christmas when most everyone was caught up in the spirit of peace, joy and goodwill to our fellow man. We had those warm fuzzy feelings of giving, sharing and love toward all. We just couldn't do enough for the elderly, poor, sick and needy. Now it's taking what we need for ourselves no matter who we have to take advantage of to get it. Hoard that food from the children and the elderly and sick plus other essentials. Don't forget that God is so pleased with you. No, not at all. He may curse you more than you could ever imagine possible.

Then, there are those who are upset about missing church services. Well, it's always been my belief that God sees and hears us wherever we are. He hears our prayers, leads us in our Bible study and even knows our thoughts. He knows exactly what we have need of before we even ask and one day we each will have to give an account of every idle word we've ever uttered and every action we've ever done.

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ramblings...

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for older airplanes; \$1.2 trillion in grants over five years for the production of sustainable aviation fuel; return of the Obamaphone; \$300 million for the National Endowment of the Arts and an additional \$300 million for the National Endowment of the Humanities, and more believe it or not.

The bill was originally intended to: increase unemployment benefits and expand the people served under the program; provide \$350 billion for small business loans for businesses who don't layoff workers; provide \$75 billion for hospitals; provide hospitals and

health workers with personal protective equipment and other supplies; tax break assistance for all adult Americans and \$500 billion in aid for corporations.

What any of the Democrats additions to the stimulus bill have to do with the Coronavirus crisis I have no idea but it is obvious how the Democrats plan on cashing in on this particular crisis.

Supposedly there is a bill agreed on in the Senate on Wednesday morning that denies the vast majority of these additions. I haven't had a chance to research it yet but hopefully some common sense prevailed.

It's disheartening. It is also disheartening to

learn, during all of this, that China controls the manufacture of 95% of the antibiotics used in the country, including Penicillin (the last Penicillin plant in the U.S. closed in 2004). 80% of the active pharmaceutical ingredients are made in China.

During the three presidential administrations before the present one, drug companies were allowed to shift all of this manufacturing to China, so they could take advantage of the much lower labor costs.

If China shut the door on exports of medicines, and their key ingredients and raw materials, U.S. hospitals, military hospitals and clinics would reportedly cease to function within months, if not days.

China also has the ability to weaponize medicines -- sell us medicines without any medicine or with lethal contaminants in them.

In other words, what federal doofus allowed this to happen and, when we find out, they should be run out of our country, along with the CEOs of these pharmaceutical companies, on a rail with tar and feathers streaming behind them.

"Aces"

(Cont. from A2)

many others suddenly turned and looked at me. People who impress me when they speak, looked at me. That's kind of like Elvis saying, "Hey Mike, sing me a song." I instantly remembered I hadn't combed my hair.

David has a very authoritative voice too. It's not like he asked under his breath. It was very clear and strong and straight forward. "Mike, do you have anything to add?" Seven big words.

Ok, I'll admit it. For an instant I considered telling a joke. No! This is not the time or the place to be joking. This is serious, I thought.

Let's see...what do I have to add? I need to sound smart here. They don't care about the Pyramids. I know a lot about pyramids. But, that's not what they are asking.

It hit me. Here is my chance! After 45 years, an official standing in the front of the room wants to know what Mike thinks about a situation that is affecting the entire community.

Finally I can make a difference. Instead of just informing the public of what others think, I can tell them what I think!

Have you ever noticed how quiet a room full of people can be? I hadn't. Till then.

I thought to myself, "Let's see! I need to word this carefully and sound

as though I am well informed." Actually I was indeed well informed. I had been researching the subject for weeks and had been writing about it for several days.

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Yes, that is what I was about to say. Those were the words on the tip of my tongue. Sounds pretty good, huh? And it's true.

I don't know exactly what I really said but I think the words I used to express that sentiment were more like, "oh. uhhmmm. We are doing fine. Thanks."

Next!

There goes my heart. It restarted as soon as the next person started talking.

I missed what the next person said because I was trying to figure out what I had just said. I pretended to scratch my forehead as I wiped the sweat away but no one was looking at me anymore.

Anyway, I guess I am better at writing things down than I am at saying them out loud. At least I won't have to worry about being called upon in another meeting for awhile.

I'll set them all straight at the next council meeting. I'm an experienced public speaker now. Yeah, right!

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

played in the design: a palace, a boat, a pagoda, a bridge, and an island. The story resolves with the fairytale ending of the lovers turning themselves into birds in order to be together forever.

My romantically minded wife was likely the very kind of people that the manufacturers of the dinnerware had in mind when they created the story that was completely fictional. It must have worked on a lot of others as well because this pattern of dinnerware has remained in production since its creation at the end of the 18th century. Many Chinese-inspired patterns had become popular in England during that time, but Willow ware prevailed over any other.

My wife's collection was aided and abetted by her mother, an antique lover who eventually be-

came a dealer. Whenever Kathy's family was on the road when she was young, her mother insisted on stopping at nearly any antique shop that popped up along the journey. There was never anything else to do for Kathy and her sister while their mom was perusing what seemed to them like every single item in the shop.

As a result, by the time she was 10 or 12 years old, my wife began to use these stops to find lone pieces of Willow ware. A piece here, another there, and an occasional find of several dessert plates or such, and the collection came together over years of time.

By the time we married, my wife's collection was quite extensive, even though we often used the plates for regular meals. She wanted a place to display the collection. However, we were living at the time in a small apartment. It really did not contain a place for a full-sized corner cupboard, which was, of course, what she was really wanting.

Therefore, I took it upon myself to create an "apartment-sized" version, along with the help of the shop teacher at the school where I was employed. It was a Christmas gift to her—and she was more than delighted. (The only Christmas gift from me that topped this one was a Cocker Spaniel puppy!)

Even though we now live in a full-sized house, that oak corner cupboard with its lovely collection of Blue Willow still stands out in our modest home. Kathy has given away many pieces of her collection over the years, but the corner cupboard is still packed full.

Frankly, it wouldn't seem like home to me now without it.

(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.)

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

of them were visits to doctors' offices and we've also gone out to eat a couple of times since last December, but most of my "out and abouting" consists of sitting in the car and not getting out until we get back to house.

Sometimes Loretta will absolutely insist that I need to get out of the house just for the sake of doing it. She doesn't understand why this self-imposed confinement has not driven me crazy. Maybe it has and neither of us are willing to admit it. On the other hand, I don't know anybody who

really wants to go to Walmart simply because they might run into someone they haven't seen in awhile. However, whether it's intentional or not, I can almost guarantee that, every time she goes to Walmart, my wife will run into someone she hasn't seen in ages and they spend a long, long time, there in the dog food aisle, reminiscing about the good old days.

Very often this long lost soul is someone from the 1967 graduation class at Madison Central High School and they haven't seen hide nor hair of each other since marching down the aisle to Pomp and Circumstance. Chances are good that both of these old friends have grandchildren who will soon be walking those same hallowed halls, which means they have much to talk about. They both may be wearing sweat shirts that proclaim, Ask me about my Grandchildren. This was well before Covid 19 came along and screwed up some of our lives. But I've been "sheltering in place" years before this virus was sprung on us.

Meanwhile I am sitting in the car, having just finished a very long novel on my Kindle and getting ready to start another one while hoping the battery will last another hour or two.

Speaking of Kindles and other "e-readers", now would be a good time to purchase one for yourself or for a grandchild. There are several, free internet libraries that will allow you to check out practically any book that suits your fancy. You can also download any book in the Kentucky library system.

Of all the digital gadgets in my arsenal, including our personal computer, the Kindle is my favorite and most used. If you are stuck at home, try reading a good novel or even a self-help book. Have you always wanted to start a garden but never had the time? There are hundreds of good gardening books that won't cost you a penny beyond what you paid for your e-reader. I just noticed that ebay has numerous listings for a refurbished kindle fire for less than \$50.00. You can find a good used one for less than 20 bucks.

Right now would be a perfect time to start a vegetable garden. Because there's only two things that money can't buy and that's true love and home grown tomatoes!

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Rockcastle Library Information

Rockcastle County Library closed until further notice.

RCHS Alumni Banquet

The First Annual RCHS Alumni Banquet is postponed and will be rescheduled ASAP for the classes of 1973 through 1985. For details, go to rchs.alum.assoc.org or the Facebook group page at Rockcastle co. High School Alumni Association.

Postponed

Rockcastle Regional COVID-19 Hotline

If you suspect you might have COVID-19, please call your doctor's office or Rockcastle Regional's COVID-19 hotline at (606) 256-7385

No Written/Driver's Test or Driver's License Issuance

Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk Eliza York-Hansel has announced there will not be a written test or driver's test or drivers licensing given until further notice.

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 606-308-8226, 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

Donald Lewis Hurst

Donald Lewis Hurst, 79, of Poplar Grove, died Saturday, March 21, 2020 at his home with his sons by his side, following a short illness. He was born at Willailla in Rockcastle County on September 29, 1940, the son of Lewis and Ruby McKinney Hurst. He retired after 27 years of service as a timekeeper for the Kentucky Department of Transportation. He was a member of Poplar Grove Baptist Church and enjoyed farming and gardening, as well as spending time with his family, friends, and neighbors.



He is survived by: three sons, Garry (Sheila) Hurst, Barry (Stephanie) Hurst, and Donnie Hurst, all of Brodhead; four grandchildren, Nicholas (Amber) Leger, Jason (Kayla) Leger, Derreck (Tiffany) Hurst, and Chris (Monica) Hurst; and 10 great grandchildren, Liv, Kennedy, Jacob, Kayden, Xavier, Madden, Konnor, Canaan, Tyson, and Emma. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Ora Lee Gooch Hurst; and an older infant brother.

In accordance with current state mandates, the funeral services were private with Bro. Bradley Goforth officiating. Burial was in Poplar Grove Cemetery with his grandsons as pallbearers.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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

Trena Lynn Robbins

Trena Lynn Robbins, 53, beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, and aunt. She was born May 19, 1966, in Corbin, to Flora Teague and the late Pastor Roy Teague. She was a member of New Life Church. She married the love of her life 33 years ago on April 17, 1987, Elmer Robbins Jr. She was a lover of puzzles and her grandchildren.



She is survived by: her children, Dioni and Danny Hansel of Brodhead, David Robbins and Kayla Howard of Martin, Dana Robbins and Destiny Cook of Brodhead; her mother, Flora Teague of Greenville, OH; sister and brothers, Kelly and Gary Fort of Greenville, OH, Joe and LaCosta Teague of Rosburg, OH, and James and Nicki Teague of Greenville, OH; and six grandchildren, Meghan Sumner of Stearns, Cole and Alissa Martin of Brodhead, Kaytlyn Greer of Martin, Ella (Gracie) Howard of Brodhead, and Natalie Robbins of London. She was a second mom to many bonus children. She was loved by her many nieces, nephews and extended family.

She was preceded in death by: her father, Pastor Roy Teague; grandparents, Ella Grace and John Taylor, Lela Mae and Lawrence Seibers, and Isaac Teague. She was an amazing woman, with a huge heart and more love to give than one person could ever know.

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

John Thomas Nichols

John Thomas Nichols, 76, of Bowling Green, died Monday, March 23, 2020 at his residence. The Rockcastle County native was a son of the late Earl "Red" Raymond Nichols and Ruby Harris Nichols.



In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: his first wife, Irene Waldon; son, John Shannon Nichols; brothers, Bill Nichols and Burl Nichols; and sister, Shirley Rosinski.

He served in the Army during the Vietnam War. He was a retired electrician for General Motors and was a leader in his community.

He is survived by: his wife, Rhonda Nichols; one son, Raymond Nichols; one sister, Earline Nichols-Flynn; three grandchildren, Sara Irene Nichols, Lauren Irene Nichols and John Raymond Nichols; niece, Dana Patterson; and several other nieces and nephews.

The family will schedule a celebration of life at a later date.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Johnson Vaughn Phelps Funeral home.

Martha Elizabeth Bond

Martha Elizabeth Bond, 78, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, March 20, 2020 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born at Pine Hill in Rockcastle County on December 1, 1941, the daughter of Walter and Janie Josephine Payne Turner. She was a retired secretary and a member of Livingston Pentecostal Church. She enjoyed quilting and sewing.



She is survived by: her husband of 50 years, Arthur "Ott" Bond; three sons, Johnnie Otis Bond of London, Ronnie Roark of Wildie, and Randell Eugene (Tammi) Bond of Mt. Vernon; and seven daughters, Renee Lynn Gillium, Rhonda Lucille (Mike) Smith, Regina (Eddie) Stallworth, Katerina Francis (David) Phillips, and Mary Ann Hutton, all of Mt. Vernon, Laura Ruth Herbes of Baltimore, MD, and Kathy Elaine Tyree of London. Several grandchildren and great grandchildren also survive. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Bobby and Monroe Turner.

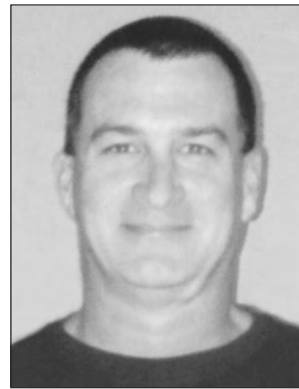
In accordance with current state mandates, the funeral services were private with Bro. Jim Miller officiating. Burial was in the Skaggs Creek Cemetery with pallbearers: Christopher Ayers, Dalton Hutton, David Phillips, Bryce Smith, Jessie Smith, Jodi Stallworth, Teddy Stallworth, and Jeffery Turner. Jimmy Perrin was an honorary pallbearer.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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Kevin Wayne King

Kevin Wayne King, 51, of Richmond, died Sunday, March 15, 2020 at his home. He was born in Starkville, MS on October 21, 1968, the son of Milton Stanford and Billie Jo Barrows King. He had been a painter.



He is survived by: his loving wife, Mary Burkhart King; a son, Austin Taylor King; his mother and step-father, Billie Jo and Richard Dandeneau; four grandchildren, Baylee Helton, Brayden Whitt, Elliana Monroe King, and Cayzlen Dahlia Whitt; three step-children, Michael Whitt, Christopher Whitt, and Bryan Whitt; a sister, Kelly Muschong and husband Fred; a nephew, Joseph Muschong; and a niece, Jenna Muschong. He was preceded in death by his father, Milton King.

In accordance with current state mandates, the funeral services were private with Bro. Ray Owens officiating. Burial was in Saylor Family Cemetery at Cartersville with pallbearers: Brandon Burkhart, Zachary Burkhart, Bryan Whitt, Burley Whitt, Christ Whitt, and Mike Whitt.

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Sen. McConnell calls for increased Coronavirus testing in Kentucky

U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) contacted U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) Alex Azar to advocate for drive-through testing sites to be located in Kentucky. He also requested additional testing kits and personal protective equipment (PPE) for health care workers in Kentucky. Senator McConnell contacted Secretary Azar following a conversation with Governor Andy Beshear (D-KY) to discuss Kentucky's response to coronavirus.

In the letter to Secretary Azar, Senator McConnell wrote: "Every American is impacted by the spread of the coronavirus differently. Rural communities in Kentucky and across the country face particular challenges in combating the coronavirus. I am proud to be their voice in Washington and to partner with the Trump Administration, which prioritizes the needs of these communities."

"I commend your department's innovative response by establishing drive-through testing sites across the country. As your department implements this public-private program, I ask that you establish these testing sites in the Commonwealth. Kentucky is widely recognized as one of our nation's premier

logistics hubs and is centrally located to easily receive the necessary tools to make drive-through testing accessible to our most vulnerable.

"I also appreciate the steps HHS has taken to increase the supply of testing kits and personal protective equipment (PPE) for health care workers. As you address the shortage of these supplies, I urge you to work with Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear as his administration requests additional PPE and test kits from your department. It is imperative that Kentucky's hospitals, community health centers, nursing homes, and other critical providers have access to this equipment to care for patients while stopping the spread of the coronavirus in the Commonwealth.

"Additionally, there are communities in Kentucky that stand ready to establish local testing sites, but only lack kits to do so. I ask that you work to fulfill requests from the Commonwealth quickly, so these communities may accelerate their efforts to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus. Therefore, I ask that you consider these requests as we continue taking bold action to protect American communities from the spread of this virus."

GED test is offered free

The Rockcastle County Skills U Program has announced that GED testing is currently being offered for free.

Officials with the program say that all first-time GED test takers may be given the test free of charge for a limited time.

Anyone interested in taking the test, or getting more information about the test, should call (606) 256-0218 or visit 150 Main Street in Mount Vernon.

Officials say no matter how long anyone has been out of school, you will still be eligible to take the test required to attain a GED.

The Kentucky Skills U Program funds education centers in all 120 counties in Kentucky in an effort to improve an individual's ability to read, write, speak in English and function effectively in the workplace, family and society.

Rockcastle County Funeral Homes Joint Statement Regarding the Operation of Funeral Homes During the Coronavirus Crisis

On Tuesday, March 17, 2020, Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear, with guidance from the Center for Disease Control, The World Health Organization, The Kentucky Funeral Directors Association, and the National Funeral Directors Association, set forth guidelines as it pertains to Kentucky deaths and funeral services. His requirements are that NO PUBLIC VISITATIONS OR FUNERALS be held at this time, only private services with a small number of immediate family members in attendance. In addition, CDC Guidelines, dictate that gatherings be ten people or less.

Therefore, in accordance with the Governor's recommendations, the undersigned funeral homes, in Rockcastle County, KY have until FURTHER NOTICE ADOPTED THOSE GUIDELINES. We stand united in doing our part to compassionately care for and serve our community. As a caring community, we are facing the challenges that are arising with the Coronavirus. Please know that all three Rockcastle funeral homes are open and serving families, in accordance with these temporary guidelines.

We appreciate your cooperation in working with us in honoring your loved ones in ways that are meaningful, and that also take into consideration current FEDERAL AND STATE GUIDELINES regarding public health and safety.

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Brandon Reynolds, with the Grateful Bread Food Pantry, helps Regina Hull-Brown, family resource coordinator for Mt. Vernon Elementary School, load food to deliver to the homes of children. Christian Appalachian Project normally packs about 450 food backpacks a month to go home with children struggling with food insecurity.

“Crisis”

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Director of student services for Rockcastle County Schools, agreed. “In this unprecedented time of emergency, we needed to be 100 percent sure that our Rockcastle County families would have enough food. This partnership with CAP has allowed us to coordinate our resources to make certain that all families in need of food or other resources are properly taken care of.”

The school district has helped the pantry over the years through sharing resources to make certain that the most vulnerable families in the community received those resources and that there are open lines of communication to assess needs. High school students from the Honors Club have packed food boxes at the pantry for seniors, many who live below the poverty line. School children from elementary to high school annually support the Hunger Walk which raises awareness about food insecurity in Rockcastle County.

“Rockcastle County Schools is here to serve our community in whatever capacity is needed,” Ballinger said. “When we discovered that there was a need for food donations within our community we immediately inventoried our schools and made the needed donations to CAP, our long-standing partner. These donations have allowed us to make certain that no family in the Rockcastle County community has to do without during this state of emergency.”

Many students in Rockcastle County Schools are being raised by their grandparents. Through referrals received by school Family Resource Centers, and through the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren program, the district is working with CAP to make certain that seniors also have their needs addressed. This partnership is allowing all members of the community to be served during this health emergency.

“We are so thankful for this partnership, it helps us to make an impact not only for our students but also the seniors that are in need of food,” Barnett added. “CAP also fills around 450 food backpacks a month for three of our local schools. This is a wonderful community that comes together in times of need to help take care of the most vulnerable among us.”

Referrals are being taken on a daily basis at both the school level and through the school system’s central office. Each school principal is at school each day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to receive calls from families. The central office is also open during this time for community calls. Students and families that have a specific need are encouraged to reach out by phone or email.

For additional information about Christian Appa-

lachian Project, please visit www.christianapp.org.

Christian Appalachian Project has been building hope, transforming lives, and sharing Christ’s love through service in Appalachia since its founding more than 50 years ago. With the help of donors, volunteers, staff, and the communities it serves, CAP has grown to impact the lives of more than one million people each year.

“Road”

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mate and then submit that to the state,” said Holbrook. “This is separate from the 15 other projects we are working on now.”

Holbrook said the Wildie Road slippage is the latest in many road slippages throughout the county due to the continual rain and extremely saturated ground.

“We are still working on all the other road projects through federal funding and nothing has changed on those projects,” he said. “But we are seeking the funding for this project now and will keep people informed of the progress.”

“Indict”

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His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Shannon Lee York, 44, of Carolina Lane, Mt. Vernon was indicted for possession of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000;

Andrew W. Thomas, 30, of Castle Village Drive, Brodhead was indicted for burglary and theft by unlawful taking.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Matthew D. Spoonamore, 34, of Burnsides was indicted for possession of a controlled substance and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol/drugs.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Bethany L. Green, 32, of Floyd Street, Mt. Vernon was indicted for criminal possession of a forged instrument.

Her bond was set at \$5,000;

Jackie Dale Arnold, 52, of Southend Loop, Livingston was indicted on three counts of theft by unlawful taking and four counts of criminal possession of a forged instrument.

His bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Ronald W. Ball, 41, of Harrodsburg was indicted for possession of a hand gun by a convicted felon and possession of a fire arm by a convicted felon.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Tonya N. Fryman, 39, of Acorn Fork Road, Mt. Vernon was indicted for possession of a controlled substance.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Jerriett B. Wagers, 35, and Brandon L. Grubb, 33, both of Manchester, were named in a joint indictment both were charged together with possession of a controlled substance.

Wagers was also charged separately with possession of a controlled substance and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol/drugs.

Each man’s bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Billy J. Smith, 46, and

Stacy L. Scott, 35, both of Crab Orchard were named in a joint indictment.

Smith was indicted for the offense of possession of a controlled substance and Scott was indicted for possession of a controlled substance and falsely reporting an incident.

Both men’s bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

David R. Madden, 69, of Reverend Green Loop in Mt. Vernon and Jennifer R. Creech, 40, of Lovell Lane, Mt. Vernon were named in a joint indictment.

Madden was indicted for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Creech was also charged separately for possession of a controlled substance.

Madden’s and Creech’s bond were both set at \$5,000 c/p;

Joey W. Bullock, 45, of Hewitt Lane, Mt. Vernon, Nicholas J. Denny, 30, of Paint Lick and Morgan A. Dixon, 27, of Berea were all named in the same indictment for the offense of theft by unlawful taking.

Each man’s bond was set at \$15,000 c/p;

William Brandon Cromer, 30, of Berea was indicted on two counts: trafficking a controlled substance and tampering with physical evidence.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Teddi Faye Day, 48, of East Bernstadt was indicted for possession of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Jacob A. Cooper, 34, of Dogwood Lane, Orlando was indicted on two counts: theft by unlawful taking and tampering with physical evidence.

His bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Cody M. Ramsey, 27, of E. Main St., Mt. Vernon was indicted for promoting contraband (into the Rockcastle County Jail) and possession of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Heather M. Johnson, 31, of Crab Orchard was also indicted for promoting contraband (into the Rockcastle County Jail).

Her bond was set at \$5,000 c/p, and

Raymond Michael Cloud, 64, of Middlesboro was indicted on three counts of possession of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p.

“Open”

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Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook is also working to balance the safety of county employees with the safety of the public.

“We need everyone to practice the recommendations of the CDC and wash our hands constantly and don’t touch our face,” said Holbrook. “I mean our employees as well as the public.”

Currently, Holbrook says there are no plans for layoffs or reduction of hours for county workers, but the courthouse is closed to the public though all offices remain open.

“Citizens can call and still come in by appointment and all the numbers for each office is posted on the courthouse doors,” he said. “We are still taking care of day-to-day business and everyone is still in their office. We are simply being diligent and protecting our workers as well as our citizens.”

Officials at Mount Vernon City Hall are also taking precautions to help avoid the spread of the new virus.

City Administrator Josh Bray says city hall will remain open the same hours as always except the lobby is now closed.

“Citizens may call or come to the drive through during our regular hours and we are continuing to handle all city business,” said Bray.

All city workers are also still employed. “We

have no layoffs planned currently and are working on contingency plans in the event that something changes,” he said. “But currently, everyone is still working full time and we are taking care of city business as usual.”

However, Bray has a warning for residents of the city as well as the county. “Please don’t believe everything you see on Facebook,” said Bray. “Only trust officials from the CDC or the hospital or the city or county,” he said. “The City of Mount Vernon has a social media page where citizens can get the truth without rumors or misinformation mixed in.”

All local officials have recommended the COVID19.ky.gov website for any information concerning the virus, including symptoms and suggestions to protect yourself from the virus.

“If we all work together and listen to those who know, and practice the recommendations of the CDC, then we will come through this just fine,” said Holbrook.

“School”

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up. The schools are required to provide 170 days (1,062 hours) of instruction to students but NTI days are counted as those hours, Ballinger said.

According to school officials, parents have now received the NTI work that must be completed by the students and turned in to teachers when classes resume.

Ballinger said principals are in the school building every weekday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and parents with questions may call the school.

Officials are also accepting calls for those who are seeking school meals.

Officials are currently submitting requests for more NTI days to be available in the event the delay in returning to classes are extended, Ballinger said.

“Currently we are scheduled to return to school April 20 but if the commissioner happens to extend that time, we hope to have NTI days available,” she said.

Ballinger and all school system officials are continually monitoring the situation and will keep parents and student updated via their website rockcastlecounty.kyschools.us.

The central office is also currently open from 9-1 on weekdays and anyone may call at (606) 256-2125.

Officials say all missed school days must either be made up or replaced with NTI days unless an emergency situation is declared by the commissioner of education, but no such emergency has been declared.

Editor’s note:

Legislation has been introduced that will provide an unlimited number of NTI days for all schools in Kentucky in the event that more days are missed this school year. If passed, more missed school days will not extend the final day of school this year.

However, though the measure is expected to pass, the vote had not been taken at press time.

“Elderly”

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able to get out and gather needed items such as groceries, they shouldn’t get out of their home.

Officials have even suggested anyone over 70 stay home unless an emergency arises.

So, Mullins began putting the word out on his new Facebook group page, meeting them in Mount

Vernon, and delivering the donated items to those in need.

What started as a small group with an idea that may help someone, soon had 900 members and Mullins was being overwhelmed with donations.

Mullins talked about the donations and thanks everyone daily as more and more demonstrate the goodness of people.

“Jeremy Rowe (Rockcastle County Attorney) has been helping us a lot and he helps investigate the requests to make sure we aren’t getting scammed,” said Mullins.

Donations of all kinds began to roll in and even an 11-year-old boy walked up to Mullins in the parking lot recently and handed over his piggy bank.

Posts of different kinds started showing up on the social media page with photos of truckloads of wood that a local resident will deliver to anyone who is elderly and heats with wood.

Businesses have also begun to use the page to inform local residents of their changed hours and special hours for elderly.

Mullins says he is attempting to keep an open

line of communications going among all Rockcastle County residents and he hopes to provide for as many people as possible who find themselves in need during the Coronavirus scare.

Mullins and other page administrators find families in need through several local sources and uses many Rockcastle County programs to find those in need, he said.

And Mullins and his helpers have more ideas to help the community as well. **This Saturday March 28, from 5-8 p.m. there will be a “Sanitation Day” and everyone is invited.** “We are asking anyone that would like to participate to meet us at the city hall parking lot with spray bottles and we are going to go throughout the city sanitizing park benches and playgrounds,” he said.

Anyone who may like to donate and be part of the best of those in a crisis, is encouraged to visit the Facebook page and contact Mullins.

During this crisis, someone is in need at all times and those like Mullins are willing to help you help others.

Local clinic finds a way Covid19 test kits are in Livingston

By: Mike French Editor

There are Covid19 test kits at the Rockcastle County Family Health Clinic in Livingston. “Dawn (Carpenter, co-owner of the clinic) didn’t wait for people to tell her what to do. She just went after it,” said Livingston Mayor Jason Medley.

President Donald Trump and Governor Andy Beshear have announced that money is no object as they join officials across the country in searching for Covid19 test kits. Officials world wide agree that testing is the key to beating the new Coronavirus but test kits have been elusive and experts scramble to find them at any cost as states bid against states in the search, according to Beshear.

But, thanks to Dawn Carpenter, Livingston was among the first communities in the region to have the test kits, Medley said.

“I can’t say enough about Dawn Carpenter,” Medley said. “She is a firefighter along with her husband Jeff, who is the fire chief, and she runs the clinic like a well oiled machine. Livingston is blessed to have them here as part of our community.”

In fact, the mayor called a special meeting Monday night with Jeff and Dawn Carpenter, along with other Livingston officials, to discuss the testing and how the City of Livingston plans to deal with possible Covid19 outbreaks.

Medley said officials in Livingston have contingency plans depending upon what scenario should develop.

“This could become a major outbreak or it could die out,” said Medley. “There is no way to know at this point. So we have to plan for different scenarios depending upon what happens with this virus.”

Carpenter said she ordered the test kits when the virus started to become an issue in this country and she recently received 50 tests.

“Last week we gave five tests and none were positive,” she said. “I doubt if these 50 will last very long but we will use them wisely.”

In order to have the tests available for those who may be a candidate for the virus, the test will not be given to just anyone that asks. Instead, the test will only be given to those who display symptoms of the Covid19 virus, or those who have been in contact with someone who has the virus, or someone who may be high risk for the virus.

“We are so proud of Dawn and Jeff and all that they do for our community,” said Medley.

But Dawn Carpenter expressed her modesty on the subject. “It wasn’t just us,” she said. “It took people working together and helping us to get the test here at our clinic.”

In fact, the Rockcastle Health Department is also making the tests possible. “The health department in Mount Vernon provided us with the personal protective equipment that we needed to be able to perform the test,” said Carpenter. “Without that equipment, I couldn’t have asked my workers to perform the tests.”

As the rest of the state scrambles for test kits and bids against other states the test is available in Livingston.

The local clinic is only open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays but Carpenter said anyone who feels they may have contracted the virus may call the clinic seven days a week to schedule an appointment. If it is an emergency situation, Dawn said she will go to the clinic anytime.

“Mostly, I would just like to urge everyone to stay safe. Practice hand washing and cover your cough and avoid this virus,” she said. “We don’t have all the information about the virus yet so no one knows what to expect. Everyone should simply stay informed and be cautious and considerate of others.”

Medley agrees. “We are making every attempt to stay ahead of the virus and yet be prepared and have a plan if it becomes worse,” he said. “If we are diligent and considerate of others, we can get through anything together.”

The clinic number is (606) 453-3901.

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, Brodhead, 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.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Upgrade Your Castle (Instead of Vacation This Year)

Anytime and any year is a good one to make your home and yard a better place. Let's look at some ideas to consider; things to improve the appearance, the usefulness and the security of your home. Then consider why this is the perfect year to get around to some of those projects—a new butterfly garden or perimeter fence, a kitchen outdoors, a greenhouse or storage shed—as opposed to a cruise on an overcrowded ship and end up in quarantine, or sitting in front of a coughing passenger on an airplane. Again, it's always a good time to invest in an upgrade of your place, and this year is shaping up to give us extra incentive to get started.

Upgrades of a home can be simple as new carpets or new draperies, to kitchen re-do's and finishing the basement or attic. Upgrades can also mean an addition of one or more new rooms, a new garage, some extra storage space, fencing in a garden from destruction by wildlife (or pilferage by the 2-legged kind), a hedge or berm to screen unwanted views, or screen yourself from viewing by neighbors. A stone or brick wall or driveway, new board or chain-link or other fencing, a new lawn, a new driveway that curves and blends rather than the straight and stark one most homes seem to have. How about a new tornado shelter or indoor safe room?

(I even kiddingly suggest a moat with crocodiles....and a draw-bridge to lower for invited guests!)

A small orchard with dwarf fruiting trees, or even shade trees that double as pear trees (rather than Bradford pear trees), cherry trees (rather than flowering cherry trees), and why not a red fleshed apple tree with purple leaves and pink blossoms instead of just one that has tiny little fruits for the birds.

Someone whose flowering beds I worked on last Spring is on a cruise

to South America. I had suggested something closer to home last time I saw her. Now, she is apt to be spending two weeks or more in forced quarantine following her "bargain cruise to South America". We hope spreading viruses are not what forces us to stay home instead of vacation. However, in these uncertain times, spending the vacation money on a project you will enjoy all year long, or even for many years, might make sense this year even more than usual. And vacation money is gone at the end of the trip, but money spent on your castle may well be recovered with interest if you ever decide to sell your place.

Think of the upgrade you might do if you stay at home this year. Have you seen something at a friends place and admiringly said, "I wish I had one of those?" Have you seen something on HGTV or This Old House that interested you? Putting some ideas down on a list, and look back at those things a few times before getting started on anything in particular would be smart. Why not do it before you forget?

Someone will say, I wish I could move to a better neighborhood, this place isn't one I want to invest more in!

I hope not, but if you've come to that point with your property, maybe it's time to put yours on the market and shop for another that more completely meets your needs. For the cost of some family vacations, you could practically make a down payment on a new home.

There are oh so many upgrades I could list in this article. But the main point is for you to think and consider if this is the year for a staycation—the year to spend that money on your place and do your vacation time at home.

Since ancient times, one's home has been considered their castle. The place you come home to, and feel secure and at ease. Will this be the year you choose to upgrade that castle of yours?

The author is a landscaper. Contact Max at rockcastles.net or rockcastles@gmail.com



Wedding vows said
Congratulations to Keavin and Madison Webb on the marriage which took place Saturday, February 29th in Berea with Bro. Eugene Webb officiating. The couple will make their home in Berea.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

USDA Service Centers Taking Precautionary Measures to Help Prevent the Spread of Coronavirus

Effective March 23, 2020 the following is being provided: Due to recent public health concerns, this Service Center is open by phone appointment only. The Rockcastle County

FSA office number is (606) 256-2525.

Producers can find other Service Center phone numbers at: farmers.gov/service-center-locator.

FPAC agencies continue to look at the flexibilities to deliver programs on behalf of producers, just as they have in past situations, such as natural disasters. Farmers and ranchers are resilient and FPAC agencies will continue to deliver the farm safety net programs and resource conservation programs that keep American agriculture in business today and long into the future.

Online services are available to customers with an eAuth account, which provides access to the farmers.gov portal where producers can view USDA farm loan information and payments and view and track certain USDA program applications and payments. Online NRCS services are available to customers through the Conservation

Client Gateway. Customers can track payments, report completed practices, request conservation assistance, and electronically sign documents. Customers who do not already have an eAuth account can enroll at farmers.gov/sign-in.

For the most current updates on available services and Service Center status visit farmers.gov/coronavirus

Office Closure

May 25th - Memorial Day

July 3rd--Independence Day

September 7th-Labor Day

October 12th -Columbus Day

November 11th- Veterans Day

November 26th- Thanksgiving Day

December 25th- Christmas Day

Important program dates and Interest Rates

Farm Operating Loans-Direct = 2.625%

Farm Ownership Loans-Direct= 3.250%

Limited Resource Loans= 5.000%

Farm Ownership Loans-Direct Down Payment= 1.500%

E m e r g e n c y

Loans=3.625%

Farm Storage Loans= 3

5 yrs. =1.375%

7 yrs. = 1.500%

10 yrs =1.625%, 12 yrs = 1.625%, 15 yrs =1.750%

Commodity Loans= 2.500%.

Sweet or Bitter

James 3:9-11 There with bless we God, even the Father and therewith curse we men, who are made in the image of God. Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessings and cursing. My brethren these things ought not to be. Doth a fountain, send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter? One of the most important characteristics of a Christian's character is our speech. We find in Romans 12:1 Our bodies are to be holy a living sacrifice for God. If out of your mouth comes blessings and cursing there is something wrong with this Christian life, and people are going to see and hear this first, the word of God tell us this should not be.

I sometimes wonder if we realize the impact of our speech in the eyes, or in this case, the ears of others. The onlookers of this world, not to mention our brother and sisters in Christ, are carefully watching and listening to the way we conduct ourselves. We may be the only Bible that a lot of people ever read, so we must be careful to the utmost that we do not deliver the wrong message.

What is the difference between a blessing and a cursing? Cruden's Concordance renders blessing as kindness, favor, and goodness of God. The means of conveying a blessing to others. Isaiah 19:24 wishing, praying for, and seeking the good of our enemies. 1 Peter 3:9 A gift or present Genesis 33:11 Webster renders blessing to pronounce holy or happy, to invoke divine favor upon, to wish happiness, to make happy or blest, prosperous, wish or prayer for happiness or success.

Webster renders cursing as to send some injury upon the one cursed, to invoke or wish evil upon, to vex or torment, wishing evil or harm, to swear, a great difference in the two words, as much different as daylight and dark, good and evil, sugar and salt.

The apostle Paul tells us 1 Corinthians 6:20 That we are bought with a price, therefore he tells us to glorify God in this body. Jesus said Matthew 12:36 Every idle word that men shall speak they shall give account there of in the day of judgement. Thank you for reading this short message. My hope and prayer is that you are saved, but if you are not the Bible tells the conditions we must meet to be saved by the grace of God, That is to hear, Romans 10:17 faith cometh by hearing and by the word of God, 2 we must believe John 8:24 Unless we believe we will die in our sins, 3 Repentance Luke 13:3 Unless we repent we will perish 4 We must confess Jesus Christ is the Son of God Matthew 10:32. 5 We must be baptized. Mark 16:16

If you would like to get in contact with someone from the church, you can call us at the numbers listed at the bottom of page. Bro. Dale McNew-859-582-4021- Bro. Ova Baker-606-878-8104

(Children, need strength to lean on a shoulder to cry on, and an example to learn from.)

• 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

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



SAUSAGE BREAKFAST CASSEROLE

1 package (1 pound) sausage patties or links
1 bag (26 to 32 ounce) frozen shredded hash browns
2 cups (8 ounces) shredded mozzarella cheese
1/2 cup (2 ounces) shredded Parmesan cheese
6 green onions, sliced
12 eggs
1/2 cups milk
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
1 cup chopped fresh tomato, optional
Crumble sausage into skillet. Cook until no pink remains. Spray a 6-quart slow cooker with cooking spray. Layer 1/2 of the potatoes on the bottom of slow cooker. Top with half of the sausage, mozzarella, Parmesan cheese, and green onion. Repeat layering. Beat eggs, milk salt and pepper in large bowl with a wire whisk until well blended. Pour evenly over potato and sausage mixture.
Cook on low setting for 8 hours or on high setting for 4 hours or until eggs are set.

CARAMEL SOUFFLE FRENCH TOAST

1 stick unsalted butter
1 cup light brown sugar
2 tablespoons corn syrup
8 slices firm white bread with crusts
1 and 1/2 cups half-and-half
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 teaspoon salt
5 eggs
Melt butter, brown sugar, and corn syrup in a saucepan over medium heat; stirring until smooth. Pour into a 9 x 13 baking dish. Arrange bread slices in a single layer over sugar mixture. In a medium bowl, whisk together remaining ingredients until well combined; pour over bread. Cover and refrigerate at least 9 hours or overnight. When ready to bake, bring soufflé to room temperature and bake in a preheated 350° oven for 35 to 40 minutes or until puffed and golden brown. Serve immediately.

PEACH PECAN UPSIDE-DOWN PANCAKE

2 tablespoons butter, melted

2 tablespoons packed light brown sugar
1 tablespoon maple syrup
1 package (16 ounce) frozen unsweetened peach slices, thawed
3 tablespoons pecan pieces
2/3 cup biscuit baking mix
2 eggs
1/3 cup fat-free milk
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
Preheat oven to 400°. Coat 8- or 9-inch pie pan with nonstick spray. Pour butter into pie pan. Sprinkle with brown sugar and maple syrup. Arrange peach slices in single layer on top in decorative circle. (If you have peaches left over, use as garnish.) Sprinkle with pecans. Bake 15 to 18 minutes or until lightly browned and toothpick inserted into center comes out clean. Cool 1 minute. Run knife around outer edge of pan. Invert onto serving plate. Serve immediately.

Scholarship Awarded

Debra "Lizzie" Dixon, a senior at Rockcastle County High School, was recently awarded a Berea College Tuition Promise Scholarship, which completely covers the cost of tuition after other forms of grant and scholarship aid are applied.

Students at Berea graduate with one of the lowest rates of student educational debt in the nation and one in three students graduate debt free.

Berea admits students based on their academic achievement, community service, leadership, potential and financial needs.

Lizzie is the daughter of Shane and Donna Dixon, the granddaughter of Greg Dixon and the great granddaughter of Donnie Bullock.

She plans to major in nursing.



Debra "Lizzie" Dixon

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, 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.

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.
"Central Time" Radio
Broadcast
WRVK: M-F 11:15 a.m.
WOPW: M-F 9:15 a.m.
Transportation and Nursery provided for all services
Home of Well of Pure Water
Radio - 93.3 FM
Mark Eaton, Pastor
Church of Christ at Chestnut Ridge
2 miles south of Mt. Vernon
Turn left off US Hwy 25
Sundays 10:00 a.m.
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.

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 Church

S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
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
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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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
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Sunday School 11 a.m.
Sunday Worship Noon
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
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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.
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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

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

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.
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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.
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Pastor: James Blanton
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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

Mt. Zion Baptist Church

606-308-3293
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.
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Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.
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Steve McDaniel, Worship Leader
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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
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Tuesday
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Wednesday
Adult & Youth Worship 7 p.m.
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1074 Ottawa Rd. • Brodhead
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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
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Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
Holy Days 5 p.m.
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Jack Lawless, Groundskeeper
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Philadelphia United Baptist
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
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Pine Hill Holiness
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.
Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church
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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting & Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.
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- Biscuits (2) any size can
- Toilet Paper & Paper Towels - (2) any size
- Eggs (1)
- Bread (2)
- Can Vegetables (6 per variety)
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If you think you are sick with COVID-19

For those who are sick with COVID-19 or think they might have come in contact with someone who has it, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends they stay at home except to get medical care.

If you suspect you might have COVID-19, please call your doctor's office or Rockcastle Regional's COVID-19 hotline at (606) 256-7385. Symptoms may include fever, cough, shortness of breath, headache, body aches, runny nose, or sore throat. A medical professional answering the call will assess your symptoms and advise you of the steps you should follow.

Calling in when symptoms are mild, rather than coming in to see the doctor, will prevent potentially exposing healthcare workers and others to the virus.

In fact, Rockcastle Family Wellness physician Dr. David Bullock says those individuals who are mildly ill with COVID-19 are usually able to recover at home. But during that time, they should practice home isolation, not leaving their home except to get medical care.

"Many cases of COVID-19 can be managed at home in home isolation with a watchful eye for worsening symptoms," said Dr. Bullock. "However, if you develop any emergency warning signs for

COVID-19, you need to seek medical attention immediately. These warning signs include difficulty breathing or shortness of breath, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion or inability to arouse, bluish lips or face. Make sure if you have a caregiver, that they are aware of these symptoms and are keeping an eye out for them, as well."

If home isolation is recommended, your healthcare provider will discuss with you your home setting to determine whether home isolation is appropriate for you. Questions used to determine the appropriate setting are:

- Is your current health condition stable enough to receive care at home?
- Are there appropriate caregivers available in your home?
- Is there a separate bedroom where you can recover without sharing immediate space with others?
- Are resources for access to food and other necessities available?
- Do you, as the patient, and other household members have access to appropriate recommended personal protective equipment (at a minimum, gloves and facemask) and are capable of adhering to precautions recommended as part of home care or isolation (e.g. respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette, hand hygiene, etc.)?
- Are there household

members who may be at increased risk of complications from COVID-19 infection (e.g. people older than 65 years of age, young children, pregnant women, immunocompromised individuals, or those who have chronic heart, lung, or kidney conditions)?

While at home, it is important to separate yourself from the others in your home.

"As much as possible, you should stay in a specific 'sick room' and away from other people in your home and use a separate bathroom, when available," said Dr. Bullock.

The CDC says that although there have not been reports of pets or other animals becoming sick with COVID-19, it is still recommended that people with the virus limit contact with animals until more information is known.

To protect others in your household, Dr. Bullock says, "When in the presence of others, those who are sick should wear a facemask. If you are sick and cannot wear a facemask, then your caregivers should wear a mask while in the same room."

The CDC also recommends the following steps in keeping your household safe to prevent the spread of the virus to others in your home:

- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, discard the tissue, then immediately wash your hands.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol content.

- Avoid sharing personal household items. For items that must be shared, such as plates, utensils, etc., wash them thoroughly after each use.

- Clean all "high-touch" surfaces everyday both in the "sick room" and bathroom. If you are sick, try to clean your bedroom and bathroom yourself. If a caregiver must do the cleaning, they should wear a mask and wait as long as possible after the sick person has used the bathroom.

- Allow the caregiver to clean the rest of the home's "high touch" surfaces such as phones, remote controls, counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, keyboard, tablets, and bedside tables.

The CDC has established the following conditions that must be present for you to stop home isolation:

- You have no fever for at least 72 hours (that is three full days of no fever without the use of medicine that reduces fevers) AND
- Other symptoms have improved (for example, when your cough or shortness of

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From COVID-19 state of emergency KY unemployment insurance new procedures to manage new influx of claims from workers

In an effort to serve the large influx of Kentuckians who are filing for unemployment insurance (UI) benefits as efficiently as possible during the COVID-19 outbreak, the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet (EWDC) is implementing new UI filing procedures and starting new local office phone lines for customers.

My obligation is to keep people safe during this time. I realize many of the steps I am taking to protect Kentuckians during this COVID-19 emergency are affecting employers and workers financially, said Gov. Andy Beshear. Temporarily waiving some of the UI benefit rules during this time is one step I can do to help protect

Kentuckians financially. I know this is a difficult time but we are going to get through this by working together to help each other.

Beginning today, Kentuckians filing for UI benefits should follow a schedule that pertains to the first initial in their last name as to what day they can file their claim. The schedule can be found here.

We are putting this new procedure in place so that we can handle the large influx of new claims that we are seeing this week. The number of UI claims being processed by the cabinet has jumped significantly after new restrictions were placed on restaurants and other public places, said

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Customers beware of utility scammers during COVID-19

Now more than ever, businesses and residents should keep their guard up when it comes to scammers. Knowing that people are naturally distracted while managing the impacts of the coronavirus outbreak on their daily lives, consumers may be prime targets for scammers.

Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company are warning customers to stay vigilant and protect themselves against falling victim to those who may attempt to take advantage of them during the ongoing crisis.

"We'd like to think everyone's energy is focused on protecting our families and our community as a whole, but we know that scammers like to take advantage of these types of situations," said LG&E and KU Vice President-Customer Services, Eileen Saunders.

"That's why we all need to make sure we stay alert and, along with every-

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



District Civil Suits

Unifund CCR LLC v. Sharon M. Gadd, \$650 plus claimed due.

Jack Collins v. Jacob Singleton, eviction notice.

UCCR LLC v. Jordan Akin, \$527 plus claimed due.

Synchrony Bank v. William Smith, \$708 plus claimed due.

Lendmark Financial Services LLC v. William J. Lewis, et al, \$2,375 plus claimed due. C-00060

Circuit Civil Suits

Iris S. Gross v. Garry Michael Gross, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Jeremy Helton v. Seven Earth Movers LLC, et al, complaint.

First Bank v. Karen D. Brummett, \$35,192 plus claimed due.

Cabinet for Health and Family Services v. Cora Collinsworth, complaint

for child support and medical support.

Cabinet for Health and Family Services v. Anthony Barnett, complaint for child support and medical support. CI-00063

Deeds Recorded

Carlos McClure, property on sand Springs Road, to Willie Thomas McClure. No tax

E. Glenn Sanderfur, property in Crooked Creek section, to John Hishon. No tax

Rhonda W. and Dennis Bray, Rodney L. and Rebecca Wright, Roy W. and Katharine Wright, property in Rockcastle County, to Emily S. and Matthew W. McClure. Tax \$32.50

REV Trust Agreement and James C. Brown, Trustee, U-T-D, property in Rockcastle County, to Glen E. Roberts. Tax \$800

Elizabeth Newman, property on Copper Creek Road, to Shawn Newman. No tax

Rickie and Katherine

Hysinger, property in Rockcastle County, to Richard and Tiffany Hysinger. Tax \$400

Cecil Gregory Thacker and Angela Dawn Thacker, property on Hwy. 1617, to Larry and Elizabeth Eversole. Tax \$180

Joshua C. and Jessica L. Dollins, property in Rockcastle County, to Billy and Ashley McKeehan. Tax \$2.50

Michael and Leslie JaDawn Lopez, property in Barnett Subdv., to David and Megan Eller. Tax \$145

Sandra J. Conn, property on KY 1004, to Christopher Watkins. Tax \$135.50

Citizens Bank, property on Chestnut Ridge Road, to Gregory M. Chandler. Tax \$18

Joshua C. and Jessica L. Dollins, property in Rockcastle County, to Jeffrey and Lavon Jett. Tax \$7.50

A2R Property LLC, property on Falcon Lane, Brodhead, to Crystal L. Langley and George Hubbard. Tax \$177.50 (315)

Marriage Licenses

Genesis Beth Ygonia Betonio, 24, Mt. Vernon, teacher and Nathaniel B. Johnson, 23, Mt. Vernon, industrial maintenance tech. 3/16/20

Tiffany Lynn Shaw, 27, Somerset, unemployed and Ranulfo Garcia Cruz, 27, Somerset, Kentucky Hardwoods. 3/16/20

Jenna Blue Owens, 34, Mt. Vernon, office manager and Michael Lynn Parsons, 39, Mt. Vernon, field support representative. 3/17/20

Amanda Jill Hedrick, 28, Mt. Vernon, dental assistant and Dewey Wayne McFerron, 29, Mt. Vernon, Hendrickson. 3/17/20

Kelly Leighanne Damrell, 23, Brodhead, SourceHOV and Dustin Cord Kirby, 29, Brodhead, SourceHOV. 3/18/20

Mary Beth Spoonamore, 33, Livingston, Cracker Barrel and Mark Phillip Arnold, 45, Livingston, technician. 3/19/20

Katlyn Nicole McGee, 23, Richmond, social worker and Addison Thomas Atkin, 22, Richmond, paramedic. 3/19/20

District Court

March 11, 2020

Hon. Kathryn G. Slone
Toni Jeannine Baker: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine plus costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension.

Jerry D. Barron: public intoxication, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

Jason Castle: speeding, \$48 fine plus costs; reckless driving, \$100 fine.

Mary Elizabeth DeJohn: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to notify dept. of transp. of address change, rear license not illuminated, bw issued for fta.

Paul Ferrell: flagrant non support, bw issued for fta.

Speeding: John Webster Hendrix, Martha Marie Hinsberg, Barbara Grant, license suspended for fta;

Vladimir Ivanecky: Ot. 396 Fed Safety Regs Inspect/repair/maintenance (two counts), Pt. 396, Fed Safety Regs, Parts needed for safe operation (four counts); Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, Driving of Motor vehicle; Part 395/Fed Safety Regs-Hours of service for drivers, bw issued for fta.

Jeff W.Puckett: no operators/moped license operating on suspended/revoked operators license and license to be in possession, five days (each count), credit time service, plus one cost.

Alexandria N. Shafer:

no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Melissa Smith: license to be in possession, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Angela Dawn Thacker: possession of

marijuana and drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, 30 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition (each count) and one cost.

Wilbarn Lee Yates: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

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/ license suspended.

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Jackson Energy continues to put safety first while caring for members

As COVID-19 continues to spread across Kentucky and the nation, Jackson Energy is continuing to take proactive measures with the same care and concern for its employees as we have for our membership.

Our main priority is the safety of our employees, our members and our community. Jackson Energy is steadfast in following the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines to limit face-to-face contact and practice social distancing. In addition, Jackson Energy employees have implemented elevated health procedures in our daily business practices, such as, increasing the frequency of using hand sanitizer, wearing protective gloves, disinfecting workstations and vehicles.

Even though we have implemented a controlled change in operations over the past week, Jackson Energy will continue to utilize our remote workforce, employees who remain in the office and field operation personnel to ensure essential service to its members will not stop.

"With the uncertainty created by the coronavirus pandemic, we know that the people we serve are facing many concerns and unknowns," says Carol Wright, President & CEO. "Jackson Energy is dedicated to finding the best solutions for our membership while ensuring the continued safety of our employees and our members during this difficult time."

Jackson Energy will continue to take care of day-to-day activities and answer any inquiries the members may have and by working together - we will get through this challenging time.

As members are encouraged to stay home if possible, rest assure that should any questions or issues arise, Jackson Energy is here for you. Please visit our website at www.jacksonenergy.com or call us at 1-800-262-7480.

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RECOVERY BY ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY'S 2020 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PLAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that in a March 31, 2020 Application, Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") is seeking approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") in Case No. 2020-00060, pursuant to Kentucky Revised Statute 278.183 of an amended compliance plan ("2020 Plan"). Once approved, KU will begin recovering capital costs associated with new pollution control facilities in the 2020 Plan under KU's existing Electric Rate Schedule ECR (also known as the Environmental Surcharge tariff) through an increase in the environmental surcharge on customers' bills beginning in late October 2020.

Federal, state, and local environmental regulations require KU to operate facilities that produce energy from burning coal in an environmentally compliant manner. To do so, KU is seeking Commission approval to construct certain water treatment systems at the Ghent and Trimble County generating stations and to install a wastewater diffuser in the Ohio River and construct a Bottom Ash Transport Water recirculation system at the Ghent generating station. Each construction project is a component of the 2020 Plan.

KU is seeking an order approving the 2020 Plan to recover the costs of these new pollution control facilities through its Environmental Surcharge tariff. These projects are required for KU to comply with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's 2015 Effluent Limitations Guidelines Rule as amended. The estimated total capital cost of these new pollution control facilities is \$252.3 million. Additionally, KU is requesting recovery of operation and maintenance expenses associated with certain projects in the 2020 Plan.

Beginning in late October 2020, the initial bill impact for KU's Group 1 customers is estimated to be a 0.64% increase with a maximum increase of 2.13% in 2025. Group 1 includes Rate Schedules Residential Service (RS), Residential Time-of-Day Energy Service (RTQDE), Residential Time-of-Day/Demand Service (RTQDD), Volunteer Fire Department Service (VFD), All Electric School (AES), and all Lighting Rates (i.e., LS, RLS, LE, and TE).

RS, RTQDD, and VFD customers using 1,139 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$0.05 up to \$2.45. AES customers using 19,744 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$0.75 up to \$28.88. LS and RLS customers could expect a monthly increase of \$0.01 up to \$0.33. LE customers using 3,573 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$0.10 up to \$5.12. TE customers using 174 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$0.04 up to \$0.38.

Beginning in late October 2020, the initial bill impact for KU's Group 2 customers is estimated to be a 0.08% increase with a maximum increase of 2.98% in 2025. Group 2 includes Rate Schedules General Service (GS), Power Service (PS), Time-of-Day Secondary Service (TQDS), Time-of-Day Primary Service (TQDP), Retail Transmission Service (RTS), Fluctuating Load Service (FLS), and pilot program Outdoor Sports Lighting Service (OSL).

GS customers using 1,717 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$0.11 up to \$5.59. PS-Secondary customers using 33,725 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$1.45 up to \$77.01. PS-Primary customers using 58,355 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$2.46 up to \$130.68. TQDS customers using 205,133 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$5.80 up to \$308.40. TQDP customers using 1,294,955 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$29.04 up to \$1,543.53. RTS customers using 4,508,868 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$94.85 up to \$5,041.26. FLS-Transmission customers using 51,873,959 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$89.74 up to \$45,945.77. OSL-Secondary customers using 5,204 kWh/month could expect a monthly increase of \$0.44 up to \$23.50.

The Application described in this Notice is proposed by KU. However, the Commission may issue an order modifying and denying KU's Application. Such action may result in an environmental surcharge for customers other than the environmental surcharge described in this Notice.

Comments regarding KU's 2020 Plan and Application may be submitted to the Commission through its Web site or by mail to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

Any corporation, association, body politic or person may, by motion within thirty (30) days after publication, request leave to intervene in Case No. 2020-00060. That motion shall be submitted to the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Blvd., Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, and shall set forth the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. Intervention may be granted beyond the thirty (30) day period for good cause shown; however, if the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of initial publication, the Commission may take final action on the Application. Any person who has been granted intervention may obtain copies of the Application and testimony by contacting Kentucky Utilities Company at 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202, Attention: State Regulation and Rates.

Copy of the Application and testimony is available for public inspection on KU's website (<http://www.ku-ky.com>), on the Commission's website (<http://www.psc.ky.gov>), and in paper medium Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the office of Kentucky Utilities Company, 100 Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky or the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, after March 31, 2020.

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Rockcastle FBLA compete in Region 6 competition

On March 6th, the Rockcastle Area Technology Center's FBLA Chapter traveled to EKU for FBLA Region 6 competition.

Several of the chapter members competed in specialized events with many of them placing in the top three.

In the team event presentation of Broadcast Journalism, Gentry Phillips, Taylee Owens, and Alexis Moore, placed second.

In the team event test of Entrepreneurship, Logan Bullock, Will Isaacs, and Dalton Pash, placed first.

In the team testing event of Global Business, Gary Ramsey and Carson White placed first.

In the testing event of Computer Problem Solving, Camron Couch placed second.

In the testing event of Introduction to Business Communication, Jailey Martin placed first.

In the testing event of Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure, Nataleigh Wilkerson placed second.

All of the Chapter members placing in the top three will advance to the state competition in Louisville on April 20th through the 22nd.

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On March 6th, the Rockcastle Area Technology Center's FBLA Chapter traveled to EKU for FBLA Region 6 competition. Pictured are front row from left: Kara Bullock, Nataleigh Wilkerson, Brooke Abney, Jailey Martin and Erin Hindman. Second row from left: Gary Ramsey, Kenya Cromer, Audrey Childress and Lacey Robbins. Third row from left: Jackson Vanzant, Taylee Owens, Demarcus Robinson, Peyton Cotton, Madison Jasper, Rayvn Bullens, Brylee Gill, Jonas Cox, Gentry Phillips. Back row from left: Carson White, Alexis Moore, Micah Sparks, Camron Couch, Will Isaacs, Jessalyn Burton, Dalton Pash, Logan Bullock, Joseph Frith and Alex Vanzant.



Several FBLA Chapter members competed in specialized events with many of them placing in the top three at Region 6 competition. Pictured are front row from left: Nataleigh Wilkerson, Alexis Moore and Gentry Phillips. Second row from left: Jailey Martin, Dalton Pash, Will Isaacs and Logan Bullock. Back row from left: Taylee Owens, Carson White, Gary Ramsey and Camron Couch.



The RCHS Rifle Team recently defeated Eastern High School from Louisville in a head to head rifle match. Rockcastle shot a season high score of 917 to Eastern's 860. Team members are Jasmine Hanson, Jade Hanson, Ocean Rohrer, Robert Rhodus, Caleb Tompkins and Kansas Kirby. Both teams are comprised of first year competitive shooters. The Rifle Rockets next match is scheduled with Waller High School from Waller, TX.

Four selected as Cadet of the Month

Rockcastle County Junior ROTC would like to congratulate four deserving cadets for their selection as Cadet of the Month for school year 2019-20. Cadet of the Month involves a rigorous selection and screening process of new cadets. Cadets earning this distinction are awarded a ribbon to wear on their Army Service Uniform, certificate, and typically early promotion to their next rank. Cadet Sergeant Andrew Bradley, Cadet Corporal Logen Dykes, Cadet Private First Class James Kirby, and Cadet Corporal Robert Rhodus all have earned this prestigious award this year.



For families and educators

KET provides free learning at home toolkit

In response to the urgent need for at-home learning resources while Kentucky schools are closed due to the COVID-19 outbreak, KET has created an online toolkit for families and educators at KET.org/learnathome. The toolkit provides families free high-quality educational resources for children of all ages.

Educators can also visit this site to find helpful tips for making learning from home successful and to be directed to the thousands of instructional resources available through PBS LearningMedia. "With students at home, we know teachers, parents and caregivers are doing their best to keep everyone learning," said Shae Hopkins, KET executive director and CEO. "We're here to help with educational resources for students of all ages. Education is at the heart of our mission, and we're here to serve Kentuckians during this crucial time."

For parents and caregivers seeking trustworthy, easy-to-use instructional resources, KET.org/learnathome features collections for PreK-third grade, grades 4-8, and grades 9-12.

The PreK-third grade collection features learning resources from PBS KIDS, including information on all the ways families can access the

24/7 KET PBS KIDS channel on air and online. There's also information on the many free apps and games that facilitate learning alongside each PBS KIDS program. In addition, the collection provides resources for specific grade and subject levels.

The collections for grades 4-8 and 9-12 include information and resources from PBS LearningMedia, a free repository of classroom resources used by Kentucky educators. KET is

encouraging parents to also use this free resource, which organizes lessons, video clips, and activities by grade level and subject area in an easy-to-use website that doesn't require registration.

In addition, beginning Monday, March 30, KET's normal weekday program lineup that airs on the main KET channel from 7/6 am to 5/4 pm will be replaced with a special lineup containing programming specific to at-home learn-

ing for PreK-third grade, grades 4-8, and grades 9-12. More information about that schedule change will be available later this week.

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Posted: No trespassing on the late Murphy Martin property in the Red Hill area. 8x10

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on farms, belonging to Gary and Peggy Roberts, on KY 3245. Violators will be prosecuted. 47x50p

No Trespassing of any kind, and not responsible for accidents, on land belonging to James E. and Maxine Cass or Collin Cass in Rockcastle County. Violators will be prosecuted. 38x51

Posted: No trespassing on land belonging to James and

Dorothy Rash heirs on Rash Branch Road off Chestnut Ridge. No hunting, camping, ATVs, trespassing for any purpose. Not responsible for accidents. Violators will be prosecuted. 30x51

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

Posted: No trespassing of any kind on land belonging to Eugenia Cykowski Heir(s) at 402 Albright St., Brodhead, Ky. 17xntf

Posted: Property belonging to Don and Kitty Reese on Smallwood Road at Roundstone. All trespassers will be prosecuted. 49xntf

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Glen Roberts at 560 Dix River Branch Road, Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 35xntf

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

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

Posted: No trespassing, hunting or fishing on land belonging to Rachel Denney on Hwy. 3245 (former Reggie Benge property).

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

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Cresthaven Cemetery Plots. Contact Billy Dowell, 606-308-1058. 39xntf

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Craig, Patrick Evans Craig and Dana Craig Sanford or to Hon. John D. Ford, Coffey & Ford, P.S.C., 45 East Main St., P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before September 14, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. 8x3

Notice is hereby given that James Anthony Wilson, 47 Happy Lane, Crab Orchard, Ky. 40419 has filed a Final Settlement of his account as Conservator of James Christopher Wilson. A hearing on said settlement will be held on April 20, 2020 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before that date. 9x1

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This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov

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Frankfort Update

By R. Travis Brenda
State Representative
Legislature continues work
on budget, acts to pass
COVID-19 relief bills

While I want to share information about what we are doing in Frankfort

to address the COVID-19 spread, I would like to start this week's update by sharing a little bit about my thoughts on what we are facing. Our state, nation, and world are facing an unprecedented challenge in dealing with this new strain of the Coronavirus. Drastic but necessary steps have been taken to control the spread in order to prevent overwhelming our medical providers and health care system. The only way we will be able to combat this virus is by standing united and working together, just like we have overcome every other challenge in our state's history.

The Kentucky General Assembly is responding to this outbreak and acting to help our Governor and Kentuckians. Be-

"Scammers"

(Cont. from B1)

thing else we are juggling right now, follow tips to help guard against becoming a victim."

Currently, the only in-home visits being conducted by LG&E and KU are those to perform essential service-related work including gas leak investigations, move-in requests and new service turn-ons, much of which is scheduled with the customer in advance.

Due to COVID-19 and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines, LG&E and KU employees are practicing social distancing when feasible; requesting customers who are sick remain at a distance and may need to wear protective equipment including masks, respirators, gloves and protective suits to ensure their safety. Despite the possible new "uniform," employees always carry an authentic company ID badge which — whether issued to an employee or a contractor — show the companies' logos. An employee ID card always has the employee's name and color photograph on the front as well.

LG&E and KU encourage customers to always obtain positive identification in the event someone appears at their door stating they are there on any company's behalf.

Customers are reminded to be aware of other potential signs of scam activity, which include threats to disconnect service, requests for immediate payment, and requests for a pre-paid money card.

The utilities encourage customers to follow these SAFE tips to protect your personal information.

- Secure your personal information: LG&E and KU will never call and ask for credit or debit card numbers or other personal information.

- Always remember you have bill payment options: LG&E and KU offer customers a variety of official payment options. A complete list can be found here.

- First check with LG&E and KU if you're suspicious: Customers

cause, while some have questioned our decision to remain in session, we know that our constitutional obligation is more important now than at perhaps any other time. As you may know, we returned to Frankfort on Tuesday to continue work. While we passed the state budget on March 6, the Senate is still working on their version. They were able to pass it Thursday, March 19. However, it included several changes that my colleagues and I in the House could not support. The budget is now in a working group called a free conference committee, where members of legislative leadership will work out a third version that hopefully everyone can agree to support. We must have the budget to the Governor by April 1 in order to allow us time to consider any vetoes he might make.

The \$23 billion state budget provides funding for every single state agency and program. We are facing what could be one of the worst health and economic disasters in world history and the leg-

islature has a responsibility to the people of Kentucky. If we leave here without a budget, state government will shut down because only the legislature can allocate money. That means public health, child welfare, unemployment insurance, and hundreds of other programs critical to Kentuckians during a health crisis will cease to exist.

While the Senate worked on their version of the budget, we used our time to pass legislation that will help the state respond to COVID-19, and other priority bills that were still pending. For example, we approved measures that will keep state dollars going to our school districts and help employees and employers cope with lost wages and lost business. I had the opportunity to work with a few other Republican House members to draft the framework for what became House Floor Amendment 3 on Senate Bill 177. This amendment provides relief to our schools through this trying time. And, it is a relief that only the legislative branch has the authority to provide since only this body can enact laws, even in a state of emergency.

Before I close, I want to thank our Governor and our President for their efforts to address COVID-19 on a state and federal level. We are blessed to have public health officials like Dr. Steven Stack with the Kentucky Department for Public Health, Dr. Andrew Fauci with the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, and Dr. Deborah Birz who is serving as coordinator of the Corona Virus Response Coordinator, have also done a phenomenal job. They continue to work, day in and day out to do everything possible to stop the spread of COVID-19. I do not envy their responsibilities, but I certainly appreciate their leadership and guidance. I hope everyone will heed the warnings they have issued.

I hope you will all continue to stay informed on this issue. The Governor and the Department of Public Health have put together resources, including this website, www.kycovid19.ky.gov. Check this website for accurate and update information on the spread of the virus. If you think you have symptoms but are not experiencing a medical emergency, please call the COVID-19 hotline at (800) 722-5725 before you seek medical care.

We are Kentuckians, and we are strong and resilient. Listen to the advice of the medical professionals. Stay home if you are sick. Wash your hands. Practice social distancing and encourage those around you to do the same. We will get through this together. Kentucky is better when we are united.

Brodhead Alumni Banquet cancelled

The Brodhead Alumni Banquet that was scheduled for April 18 has been cancelled.

Library Closed

Officials have announced that the Rockcastle County Library will be closed until further notice.

"Insurance"

(Cont. from B1)

EWDC Deputy Secretary Josh Benton.

Please follow this new process if you are filing a UI claim so that our computer and phone systems will perform at optimal levels. We want to make sure we can receive and process claims for all those experiencing job loss, said Benton.

Effective immediately, Kentucky Career Centers (KCC) across the state have been closed to the public to prevent the spread of COVID-19 but KCC workers are still providing services by telephone and videoconference.

Below is the location and phone number individuals can call for KCC services including UI questions. Please use the phone number for the location nearest you so that no location is overwhelmed by customers.

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Paducah area
270-575-7000

Prestonsburg area
888-503-1423

Somerset area
606-677-4124

Claimants can also call the UI Help Line at 502-564-2900, if they have questions.

In addition to these new ways to communi-

cate with KCC staff, other KCC programs are continuing to assist customers through the following services.

- Re-employment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA) helps laid-off people get back to work faster.

- Trade assistance helps workers who have lost their job as a result of increased imports out of the United States.

- Employment services assists job seekers with items such as resume writing, job search and training opportunities.

- Veteran services helps those who have served in the armed forces with finding a job or training opportunities.

- Business services such as rapid response, recruitment and work-based training assists employers.

On March 16, Gov. Andy Beshear directed EWDC to waive the states seven-day waiting period to receive UI benefits and the work-search requirement for UI benefits during the state of emergency.

As a result, the following policy has been activated.

1 Individual is laid off and files initial claim application to request UI benefits.

2 After claimant files and requests payment, UI staff conducts eligibility review and processes benefit request concurrently.

3 If approved, initial payment is authorized for 14 days of benefits.

4 Claimant may request benefits every two weeks. This process may continue for a maximum of 26 total weeks or until the claimant obtains employment or returns to work.

5 The weekly benefit

amount is based on the workers past wages.

All of the new measures have been implemented to help people who have temporarily lost their jobs or are quarantined because of COVID-19.

"Sick"

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breath have improved) AND

- At least 7 days have passed since your symptoms first appeared. Or, if you tested positive for COVID-19, and then have received two follow-up negative tests in a row, 24 hours apart.

"The decision to stop home isolation should be a shared one between you and your healthcare provider," said Dr. Bullock. "Your healthcare provider is staying up to date on the COVID-19 situation as it continues to evolve as well as the ongoing guidance from the CDC."

For additional information on tips for home isolation and protecting others in your home, please visit the CDC's website at cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019.

If you feel you may have COVID-19 or have come into contact with someone with COVID-19, please call your healthcare provider or Rockcastle Regional's COVID-19 Hotline to speak with a healthcare professional at (606) 256-7385.

OPERATION UNITE

Drug Tip Hotline
1-866-424-4382

Toll-free Treatment Help Line
1-866-90-UNITE

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