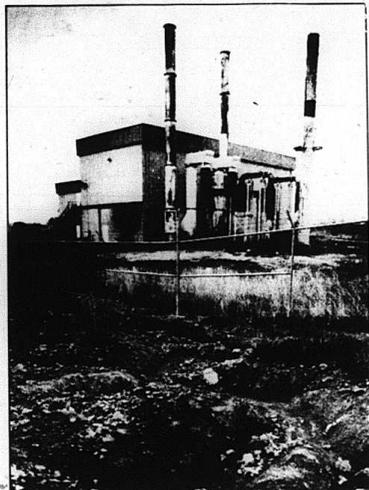


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This multimillion-dollar incinerator in Franklin operated for six months in the mid-1980s before shutting down. Herald/Leader photo

Free hunter education course available

A free Kentucky Hunter Education course will be held on August 27 and 28, 6-9 p.m. and August 29, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Rockcastle Extension Service, Richmond Street, Mt. Vernon.

The ten-hour course, sponsored by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, the Rockcastle Sportsmen's Club and the Rockcastle Extension Service, will include classroom instruction in hunter ethics, wildlife identification, outdoor survival, first aid, firearms, bow hunting and ammunition. The last session will include actual range firing and an examination.

Upon successful completion of the course, a graduate card will be issued which is valid in any state where such certification is required. Attendance at all sessions is required for certification.

Rockcastle students get preview at UK night

Rockcastle County students and their parents can learn more about the University of Kentucky and higher education at Preview Night, scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Quality Inn, 1-75 at U.S. 25E, in Corbin.

University faculty, staff and students will be on hand to discuss and answer questions about admission requirements, financial aid and scholarships, housing, academic programs, career planning and student life.

High school seniors who are considered UK as especially encouraged to attend with their parents, to learn about application procedures and deadlines.

In addition to the Rockcastle County students, all students and their parents from the following Kentucky counties are invited: Bell, Clay, Clinton, Harlan, Jackson, Knox, Laurel, McCreary, Pulaski, Russell, Wayne and Whitley.

Students from the following Tennessee counties have been invited: Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Clairborne, Cocke, Cumberland, Grainger, Greene, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, Knox, Loudon, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Roane, Scott, Sevier and Union.

For more information, contact Randy Mills, associate director of admissions, at 606-257-2000.

Rockcastle included in plan for regional incinerator at Corbin

With landfill space becoming scarcer and more expensive, a Lexington company wants to build a regional incinerator in Corbin to burn trash.

It also would recycle some trash on the way to the incinerator and produce steam and electricity from what is burned.

The plan for what is being called a "recycle/waste to energy plant" will be presented today to the environmental committee of the Cumberland Valley Area Development District. Rockcastle is in the 8 county area.

The 230,000 people who live in the eight counties covered by the district produce 450 tons of trash a day. The incinerator would burn up to 500 tons a day.

Sam Johnson of Johnson Management, which is proposing to build the incinerator, said the plant would need to collect trash from a wide area to be feasible.

Johnson and a partner, Robert McIntyre, have been meeting with merchants and county judge/executives, telling them that burning trash is the answer to state regulations that are pushing up landfill fees.

"It's not a technology issue, it's a matter of cooperation between cities and counties," Johnson said.

Although the proposal is in the early stages, it already has opposition.

The Knox County chapter of Kentuckians for the Commonwealth and the Knox County Solid Waste Advisory Board have decided to oppose the incinerator, said Linda Blair Brock, a member of both.

"We have enough trouble with coal trucks on these roads, let alone garbage trucks," Brock said.

She and other environmentalists went to meet with company officials in Corbin last night.

Similar proposals have run into stiff opposition across the country. Opponents say that even when they meet air quality standards, incinerators put out cancer-causing pollutants that accumulate in the environment. Proponents say it is better to burn trash than bury it in a landfill that will eventually leak, causing worse environmental problems.

The New York Times, in surveying the situation, noted that "because incinerators have become so unpopular, few politicians will propose them."

The unwillingness to approve incinerators has even spawned a new acronym - NIMTOX - Not in My Town Of Issue.

There are 176 municipal trash incinerators operating in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico, according to the Solid Waste Information Clearing House in Washington, D.C. Few new ones are being approved.

There were two trash incinerators in Kentucky, but both have shut down.

An incinerator in Louisville operated from 1957 until last year, when air pollution standards got stricter.

A much smaller one in Franklin in Western Kentucky operated for only six months in the mid-1980s before shutting down. Franklin Mayor Bill

Young said it was improperly built and the city is suing the French company that built it.

Despite his town's problems, Young said he still thinks a properly built trash incinerator is a good idea.

And Johnson said the "dirty old incinerator most people think about" is not the high-tech plant he has in mind. The \$20 million incinerator he is proposing would be designed Euthenberg Systems, Inc., which has extensive

experience in building and operating incinerators.

The incinerator would be built in the Corbin/Tri-County Industrial Park, one mile east of Corbin.

It would help attract other tenants to the park, which is empty, Johnson said. It might, for example, attract a company that would melt recycled aluminum cans into ingots for shipping or a food-processing plant that needs steam.

Electricity not used by other tenants of the industrial park would be sold to East Kentucky Power Co., Johnson said.

The ash from burning would go to a regular landfill, he said.

Cleland Thorpe, a member of the Corbin City Commission and the Whitley County Solid Waste Advisory Board, said he has questions about whether pollutants would be in that ash. (Cont. to B9)

Special programs available at EKU

Whether you've been bitten by the computer bug or the "Cyrus Virus," you can probably find a class to your liking among the more than 80 community education courses offered this fall by Eastern Kentucky University's Division of Special Programs.

Some of the courses teach old dogs new tricks, others teach new dogs old tricks. Some are fun, while others are serious. But they all promise to be informational and inexpensive.

Yes, you can learn how to dance the "Achy Breaky." But you can also learn how to publish newsletters, make gingerbread houses, play guitar, decorate cakes, develop a profitable investment strategy, and more.

All the courses are open to the general public. No previous college experience is required. And the classes are informal, with no tests or grades. Many of the classes meet only once; others meet on several occasions, many are for an hour or two, others all day. Almost all the courses are offered in the evening.

Seventeen computer courses will be offered this fall: Introduction to the PC for the Scared and Nervous, Introduction to DOS, Advanced DOS 5.0, How to Buy a PC and Software, Introduction to Windows 3.0, Lotus 1-2-3, Advanced Lotus 1-2-3, Introduction to WordPerfect 5.1, Intermediate WordPerfect, WordPerfect 5.1 for Windows, WordPerfect Flyers 5.1 and Forms, PageMaker 4.1 for the PC, Desktop Publishing, Introduction to the Macintosh for the White-knuckled, Beginning PageMaker on the Macintosh and Even More PageMaker on the Macintosh.

Most of the classes are hands-on, with instruction from EKU faculty

and staff, and community professionals. Continuing education units are available for each computer class. The CEU is a nationally recognized, standard unit of measurement that is awarded on the basis of one CEU for every 10 contact hours of participation in an organized continuing education experience, under responsible sponsorship, capable direction and qualified instruction.

While the CEU is not intended to be equated with academic credit, many business firms and professions have recognized the CEU when considering persons for promotion, salary increases, transfers and professional recognition, according to Leigh Ann Sadler, community education coordinator.

Finance and business courses include: Investment strategies, Advertising for a Small Business, General

Bookkeeping Skills I, General Bookkeeping Skills II, English for Today's Business World, Finding and Getting the Job You Want, Newsletters: Communication for the '90s, and Selling When You Hate to Sell.

A highlight of the personal development course schedule is Make It and Take It Craft Saturday, Oct. 24, when participants can create their own handmade gifts in the company of friends and kindred spirits. "They are asked to choose three courses from among six: Dried Herbal Basket, T-shirt Decorating, Faux Finishes, Gingerbread Houses, Cake Decorating and Glass Etching.

Other personal development courses on tap include: Basket Weaving, Brainstorming and Creative Thinking, Adult Driver Education, Home Landscape Design. (Cont. to B9)

Volunteers needed for foster care review board

District Judge Walter F. Maguire in Rockcastle County is seeking additional volunteers for the Rockcastle County Foster Care Review Board. Review boards are comprised of community volunteers, who examine the case files of children placed by the district court into the custody of the Cabinet for Human Resources. All volunteers are trained after being appointed to the review board by the district judge.

In Kentucky, over 4,500 children are placed out their home. Foster Care Review Board members examine the files of these children several times a year to determine if proper

decisions concerning permanent placement are being made and are being carried out promptly by the Cabinet for Human Resources. Board members submit their confidential findings and recommendations concerning each child's placement to local district judges.

Anyone interested in foster care or child welfare is encouraged to volunteer. For further information, contact the Foster Care Review Board Program, Administrative Office of the Courts, 100 Millcreek Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 or call 1-800-928-2350.

Life and times of Emory Martin

By: Ray McClure

operated it for several years, while still playing on the barn dance.

Linda also had her day on the barn dance. When Jerry Bruff left to go to Nashville with Ernest Tubb, Linda played the steel guitar on BCS "Sunday Morning Gatherin'."

In a foreword to the book Patricia Hager Rucker, associate professor of sociology wrote:

"Country music, originally of interest in the rural south, has grown into one of the great American success stories. Part of the reason for such success is that the music speaks

of the people who love it. Emory Martin was one of those entertainers who made a difference.

Linda and Emory have gone an admirable job of making a difference. Readers will find it full of memories.

Incidentally the Martins have a son, Roy Arnold and two grandchildren, Stephen and Gina. Roy and Billy Dowell operate Dowell and Martin Funeral Home.

For those who wish a copy of the book, write Linda Martin, Rt. 4, 184B, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.



The Harry Sparks Vocational School and the Rockcastle Hospital recently hosted officials from Frankfort and Washington, D.C. They conducted a clinical site review for the respiratory care program at the Vocational School. Front row, from left, are David Collins, Instructor, HSAVEIC; Donna Hopkins, Principal, HSAVEIC; Tara Parker, Deputy Commissioner, Department for Adult and Technical Education in Frankfort; Bertha King, Vocational Education Specialist from Washington, D.C.; Kim McGowan, Director, Rockcastle Respiratory Care Center; Finley Begley, Executive Director, Kentucky Tech-Southeast Region; Kenny Boggs, Education Consultant, Kentucky Tech-Southeast Region; Lee Keene, Administrator, Rockcastle Hospital, Inc.; and Ginger Timmins, Director, Respiratory Care Department, Berea Hospital. Back row, from left, are Paul Abney, Shift Supervisor, Rockcastle Respiratory Care Center; Jess Hoskins, Instructor, HSAVEIC; Wayne Stewart, Regional Advisory Board Member; Herbert Parker, Office of Communication Services in Frankfort; R.V. Halcomb, Training and Development Coordinator, Kentucky Tech-Southeast Region; and Craig Chiles, Anesthesia Technician, VA Medical Center in Lexington.

The trials and tribulations and successes of the one-armed banjo player, Emory Martin, is recounted in his wife of 49 years, Linda, in a new book recently published. From his beginning on Aug. 26, 1916, through his years at the Grand Old Opry and Renfro Valley, Emory has been a first-rate entertainer despite years of little pay and little recognition.

Emory's father was a sharecropper who worked very hard in Hickman County, Tenn., area, but he had an "extra amount of good common sense and was a good man," Emory's mother, Maud, reports.

The family moved to Nashville in 1923 and Emory got his first taste of country music.

But their stay in Nashville was short, and they returned to Hickman County.

The book recounts Emory's life from early childhood, his first job with Sid Hartkeader of the Grand Ole Opry; his employment with Uncle Dave Macon, Johnny Wright and Kitty Wells; The Louisiana Hayride, and his time spent with Jack and Fairley Holden.

He spent several years on the Renfro Valley Barn Dance and with John Lair.

"Lair's dream was to have a barn dance in a real country area and have traditional country style music played," Linda writes. Mr. Lair had two road show units on the road continuously, all year round, including tent shows during the summer."

In time, Emory took over the Renfro Valley Gulf service station and



From the Grand Old Opry in 1932 to Renfro Valley, The Life Story of Emory Martin, One Armed Banjo Player. Great stories and interesting history of the early years of country music. Written by wife, Linda Lou Martin. \$7.95 Postpaid to: Emory Martin, Rt. 4, Box 184-B, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. Collector's Item - Will autograph upon request