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## WWII Veterans

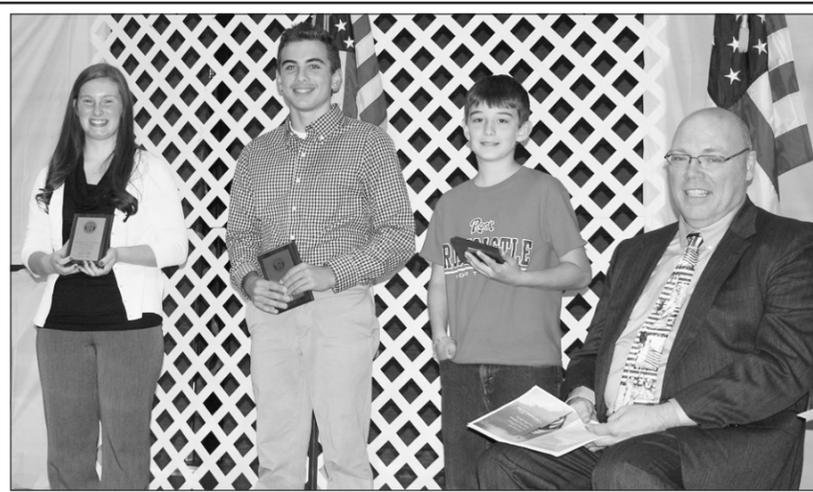
The only two World War II Veterans in attendance at the recent Veterans Day Celebration at the Rockcastle Middle School were Virgil Mullins, left, and Isaac Barnett. Both men are 89 years old with three days difference in their age. Mr. Barnett took part in the Invasion of Normandy.



The Daughters of the American Revolution recognized students for outstanding posters in an art contest for Veterans Day. Tying for third place in the poster contest was Bailey Taylor and Dawson Nicely. Brody Johnson received the second place ribbon and Daniel Mason won first place. Congratulations on your hard work.



Coleson Stevens, a sixth grader at RCMS, presented an American flag that was flown over the camp where his father, CW2 Jay Stevens, is stationed in Kuwait. Along with the flag a certificate of authenticity was presented to certify that the flag was flown in the camp in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Coleson was accompanied to the RCMS Veteran's Day celebration by his uncle, Sgt. Jerrod Stevens and aunt Pheobe.



The local chapter of the Veterans of Foreign War sponsored an essay contest for RCMS students. The winners were recognized during the program. Pictured are 8th grade winner Joy Frith, 7th grade winner Evan Hendrickson, 6th grade winner Wesley Clark and Social Studies teacher Tracy Gabbard.

## Annual Remembrance Tree scheduled for December 14th

The annual Remembrance Tree ceremony is set for Saturday, December 14, 1 p.m., at Eastside Community Church in Richmond.

The event is a long-standing tradition for the Hospice Care Plus and the community.

"The Remembrance Tree is primarily a memorial service, and one that comes at a time of year when many of us feel the need to make

a space for those we've lost," says Gail McGillis, CEO of Hospice Care Plus. "It has really taken hold in our community, with hundreds coming each year to remember."

The Remembrance Tree ceremony gives the community a chance to remember loved ones during the holiday season by placing a personalized memorial ornament on a tree.

After an opening prayer and holiday music, the memorial list of names is read. Guests place their personalized ornament on a Remembrance Tree when they hear their loved one's name. If no one is present to place the ornament on the tree, a hospice staff member will do so.

The Remembrance Tree will remain on display throughout the holiday season

at Hospice's Compassionate Care Center on Isaacs Lane in Richmond. Guests who wish to take their personalized ornament home with them may do so immediately following the ceremony or anytime between Dec. 16 and Jan. 3 by visiting the Center. After Jan. 3, ornaments will be available at the Hospice Care Plus office in Berea.

To request an ornament,

contact Hospice at [hospice@hospicecp.org](mailto:hospice@hospicecp.org), 859-986-1500 or 800-806-5492. Donations for ornaments can also be made online at Hospice's website: [hospicecp.org](http://hospicecp.org). There is no charge for the ornaments or for the ceremony, but the organization does suggest a donation—of any size—when requesting the personalized ornament. Proceeds from the event fund all of

the programs offered by the organization.

Hospice Care Plus is a non-profit organization serving Estill, Jackson, Lee, Madison, Owsley and Rockcastle counties. Services include hospice care, palliative care, bereavement outreach, and hospice inpatient care at the Compassionate Care Center. All services are provided regardless of ability to pay.



## National Hospice Month Care on Your Terms

As we celebrate National Hospice & Palliative Care Month, we want to thank you. For over 30 years, you have welcomed us into your homes and lives. You have blessed us with caring for your loved ones. You've let us honor the lives of your mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, sons and daughters. You've trusted us with their hopes and wishes. You've let us comfort you in your grief.

You've also generously supported our organization. You've given us your time as volunteers, your dollars to make our programs possible, your good will and partnership to help us care for more patients and families each year.

You've made Hospice Care Plus the gold standard for compassionate, quality care in our community.

Thank you, Rockcastle County.

*The staff of Hospice Care Plus*

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