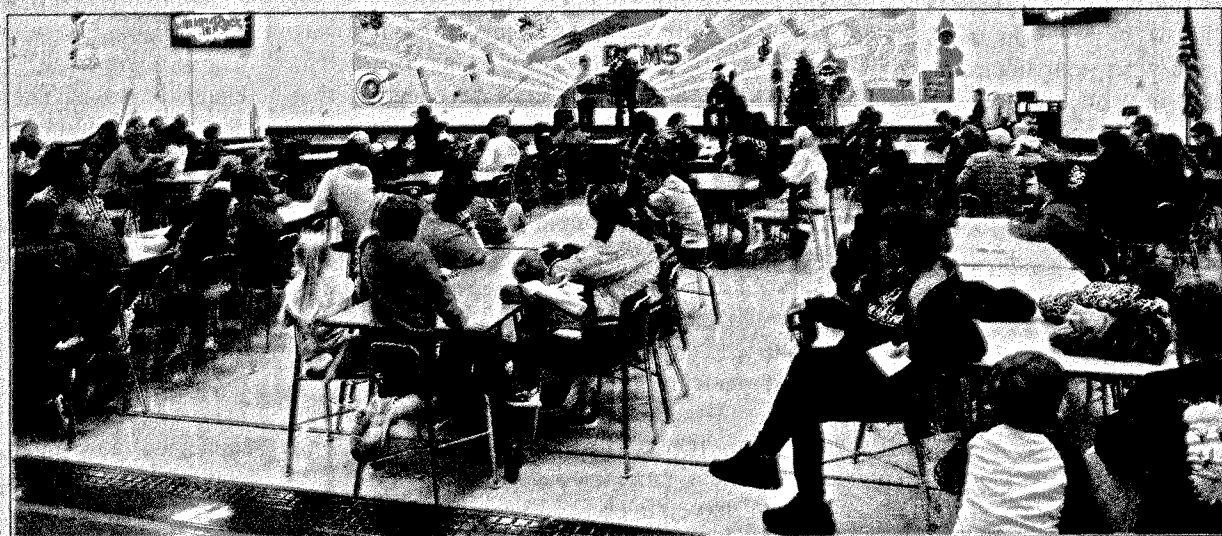


Give Hope event helps hundreds



About 800 Christmas-filled backpacks for boys and girls ages 6-18 filled with blankets, throws and comforters and over 900 new toys were given out during two programs led by Brother Randy McPherson and Brother John McPherson at RCMS last Saturday. The program was part of the Give Hope Christmas outreach, sponsored by the Rockcastle Baptist Association and the Community Missions team directed by Katheryn Pope. Many other churches donated and volunteered as well. Officials say there were 38 professions of faith and 84 re-dedications at the event. Officials thank all volunteers and Country Charlie at WRVK for the live broadcast.



RSV most prevalent

Cold and flu cases are beginning to grow in Rockcastle

By: Mike French
Editor

Once again the cold and flu season is upon Kentuckians and Rockcastle County is no exception. According to the Department of Public Health, cold and flu season in Kentucky runs from the first week of October through mid May and reports of cold and flu-related illness has already begun to rise throughout the state, as well as in Rockcastle County. Even the city hall at Livingston was temporarily closed to the public at least one day recently due to illness.

According to Brandy Bullock, Rural Health Clinics Director, flu cases have not yet begun to rise but other illnesses may be on the increase already. "We are seeing a small number of flu cases, an average number of strep cases and RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) is on the rise," she said.

According to Christi Green of the Cumberland Valley District Health Department, which includes Rockcastle County, flu and RSV are both at expected levels but are ris-

ing, as usual each year at this time. The data that used to track COVID has now been replaced by an RSV tracking page according to Green, since the virus has been much more prevalent after COVID began to slow its progression. "RSV can be very dangerous for infants or elderly people, especially those with underlying conditions such as COPD," she said. "Our data logs have a one to two week lag but currently the data indicates COVID at a moderate level, meaning it is about what we expected, and flu and RSV on the rise."

Green says the flu level is at its highest level thus far this flu season but lower than was registered at this same time last year.

Green said that since November 1, there has been a significant increase in hospitalizations due to illnesses related to COVID and the flu virus.

Green says she feels that flu tends to spread more during this time of year partly due to holiday gatherings. "It is the season for families and friends to get together for

(See "Flu" on A5)

Regional Park nearing completion

RCIDA members proud of community after derailment

By: Mike French
Editor

Members of the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority held their regular monthly meeting last week at the courthouse.

During the meeting, members gave Executive Director Jeff VanHook the authority to purchase property, authorize title searches, approve property line surveys and environmental surveys and to prepare the final steps to complete the Regional Industrial Park in Mount Vernon. "Very soon the

Regional Industrial Park will be a reality," said VanHook.

VanHook said he is dealing with RFIs (Requests for Information)

every week from potential industry considering locating in Rockcastle County.

On a related issue, VanHook also informed

the board that he expects the US-461 widening project to be let for bids in early 2024. The widening project includes the highway from US-150 to

I-75 including new exit ramp technology (possibly including roundabouts) and more. "Both of these projects, and the

(See "RCIDA" on A5)

Fiscal Court work session deals with issues before the regular meeting

By: Mike French
Editor

Members of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court held a work session Monday evening to discuss the agenda of the regular monthly meeting scheduled for late afternoon Tuesday.

In the work session, no votes can be registered and no official action can be taken. "The purpose is to discuss complex subjects that will appear on the agenda of the regular monthly meeting so that everyone understands what we are voting for tomorrow night," said Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr.

The judge and magistrates discussed the 42-acre property in Livingston that the court had previously voted to sell. Holbrook informed the magistrates that Ford Brothers Auction officials had inspected the site and suggested listing the selling price at \$79,900. "Since the county paid \$35,000 for it, I think that is a fair price and I have already

had a couple of people interested," he said.

Holbrook told the magistrates there was no reason to have the land appraised since it has been surveyed and Ford

Brothers could handle all the details. "We would just be out of the picture and Ford Brothers would handle everything," he said. "Tomorrow night the court can vote on

whether to move ahead and let Ford Brothers sell it for that price or whatever the court decides to do."

The court also discussed the Rockcastle County Sheriff's budget for 2023-24. The \$682,586 budget, expected to be presented to the court at Tuesday's regular meeting, is about \$41,000 more than the previous budget. However, Deputy Dale

(See "Court" on A5)

Virtual classes offered for next semester

By: Mike French
Editor

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many Kentucky schools began offering online, virtual classes so that students could attend classes without gathering in close quarters at school buildings. The idea was a success in many ways and soon became a preference with some families, according to most school officials.

Virtual school is vastly different from homeschooling since virtual class students are taught online by a licensed instructor, while homeschooled students are typically taught by a parent.

The Kentucky Constitution establishes the pre-

rogative of the parent to choose a formal education for their child which includes allowing parents to homeschool their child.

(See "Class" on A5)

Local attorney is charged with perjury

By: Mike French
Editor

According to a Complaint Warrant of Arrest, local attorney Kareem Hamdiah, 45, of London, has been charged with perjury in the first degree.

In the warrant, Kentucky State Police Trooper Adam Hensley stated that Hamdiah violated Kentucky statutes when he "made a material

false statement which he did not believe in an official proceeding under an oath required or authorized by law."

The warrant goes on to say that Trooper Hensley was contacted by Rockcastle County Attorney Jeremy Rowe in May, regarding alleged forged documents filed with the Rockcastle District Court

(See "Perjury" on A5)

Livingston meeting

The Livingston City Commission's regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 14 at 4 p.m. at city hall. The public is invited to attend.

Livingston Parade

Don't forget the Livingston annual Christmas Parade planned for Saturday, December 16, on Main Street. The event will include Santa and much more.

The public is invited to the free event.

Law Enforcement Memorial

On Friday, December 15, in the hallway in front of the Rockcastle County Sheriff's office at the courthouse, officials will place plaques with the names of Rockcastle law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.

The public is invited to attend the event.

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

My health issues are much better since my newest cardiologist let me quit taking Lipitor. I had been taking the drug for many years for bad cholesterol and when I finally researched the side effects -- I had them all!

Anyway, long story short, I feel better than I have in many months and only hope that I manage to keep my numbers to where I can stay off this drug which I firmly believe has kept me from feeling my best for some time.

I said all that to say that, if the national news doesn't improve, I'm going to quit watching or reading it entirely because, that probably contributes to my poor health often. There cannot be anything more disheartening on this earth than to hear our quasi-leaders advocating for us to (1) avoid climate change by forcing farmers to quit growing food (2) hearing constantly that our population must be reduced by billions in order for life on earth to be sustained. Of course, number two will be attained if number one is enforced since all of us, except the elite, will starve to death.

Biden's Climate Czar John Kerry is constantly exclaiming how farmers have to quit growing crops since they are responsible for over 30% of the greenhouse gas emissions that are causing climate change.

I honestly don't think I can ever, under any circumstances - even the threat of dropping dead from starvation any moment - force down a roach, or a meal worm, or a cricket, all insects that, according to our climate change doomsayers, are

edible and would keep our earth from being destroyed.

But, according to several climate 'experts' even that won't be enough to save us unless our population is reduced by billions (about a 95% reduction I have heard several times). Now, this is all well and good but they're going to have to catch me and club me to death because I certainly won't go voluntarily.

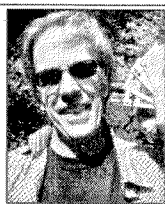
The horrible part of this whole scenario, is that the elite are completely out in the open about it now. There's no more just saying it behind closed doors it's being advocated openly by Kerry, by Bill Gates (and whoever died and left this unelected whiny elite boss is beyond me), by Dr. Jane Goodall, primatologist, anthropologist and Planned Parenthood founder who has said outright, "All of our problems are the result of overbreeding among the working class. The most merciful thing that the large family does to one of its infant members is to kill it." England's King Charles (when he was still Prince Phillip), said "In the event I am reincarnated, I would like to return as a deadly virus, in order to contribute something to solve overpopulation." And, maybe the most simple statement of intent of all from HBO personality Bill Maher, "It's too crowded, the planet is too crowded and we need to promote death."

These elites have no intention of leading by

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



I've watched your Facebook posts and your Twitter comments and your YouTube videos. I know where you work and what your hours are and how long it takes you to get home. I saw your friends talking about you and your habits also.

They were innocent posts simply commenting about your day and about some situation you were in or about your family. But by keeping up with your posts, they have let me know what you drive and what kind of hobbies you have and all about your daily life. I also know you are just about finished with your Christmas shopping and you got yourself a computer recently and I saw a picture of your new diamond earrings.

I have learned everything about you that I need to know. I can come in through a window and I know exactly how long I have to rummage through your stuff before I decide what to take home.

Fortunately, I am not a thief or a thug. I had good parents who raised me to know better. But one thing I know for certain is it is not only your friends and family who see your social media posts. If I

can learn all this about you, then thieves and thugs, who are too lazy and too stupid to earn their own way in life, can learn it also.

Social media can be a good thing when used with some common sense and forethought. It is a great way to communicate with friends and family. The problem is, those who are anything but your friend get to read the same posts that your mama read.

I tested this theory. I picked out a social media person that I have never met and don't really know and I surfed through their previous posts, comments, photos and videos. It took me about thirty minutes to learn everything I would need to know about them to safely enter their home and take anything I wanted. They don't even have a dog.

If I were a thief, I would have all the information I need in order to break into their home and load my truck full of things that don't belong to me but are now mine.

I say all this because 'Tis the season." Until you take the time to think about it from a thief's

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



I'm Freezing, What About You?

Dear Journal,

I think it is safe to say that winter is officially here. I have learned that in the last few years, I have come to hate it worse than I ever thought possible. When I was younger I didn't mind the cold weather. In fact I rarely put on a coat until it was down in the teens or twenties. Now I know why old people go to Florida in the winter.

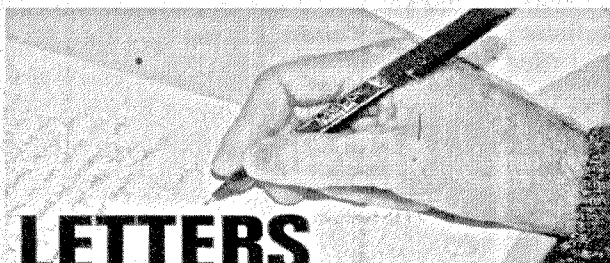
I have decided to stay warm the best way I can. I have a big stack of jogging suits that I plan to wear wherever I go unless the dress mandates otherwise. I try to get different colors so people won't think I just have about two or three to my name.

It is at this time of the year that I really think of the homeless and the stray animals that must stay outside in the cold

and various elements. They are one of the last things I think about as I'm going to bed in a comfortable bed with lots of cover or an electric blanket. They are probably hungry, too. There is nothing any worse than either of these things, but to have to suffer through both at the same time is unthinkable. I can't really understand why this must be in the greatest nation on Earth with advanced technology and all that goes with it. It is a shame and disgrace on this entire country to let our fellow citizens live in such a manner.

Now it is the Christmas season, several will be thinking of the needy and do their part for the betterment of their welfare, but unfortunately, they are with us year round and I, for one, say that something drastic needs to be done to help.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Prayers and sympathy...

Dear Editor,

I wish to send my prayers and sympathy to the citizens of Rockcastle County for the "Thanksgiving Catastrophe" that has just occurred. I hope everything has returned mostly to normal by now. I also hope the people affected are doing okay.

I almost fell out of my chair when I heard about the incident and "Rockcastle County" mentioned on the national news. Anyway, I finally received the SIGNAL yesterday with its take on the train accident. By all accounts, the derailment must have been very severe on people and the environment; and I am

glad the fire was brought under control. Again, I hope everything now is all-right.

In closing, I want to commend the Editor Mr. Mike French for his coverage of the situation in the November 30th edition of the paper. I think he did an outstanding job.

"Happy Holidays" to Rockcastle County!

Brent R. Laswell

Public retirees...

Dear Editor,

Inflation has made it increasingly difficult for all of us to pay for groceries, mortgage payments and gas for our cars. Public retirees aren't exempt from the pressures of higher costs for

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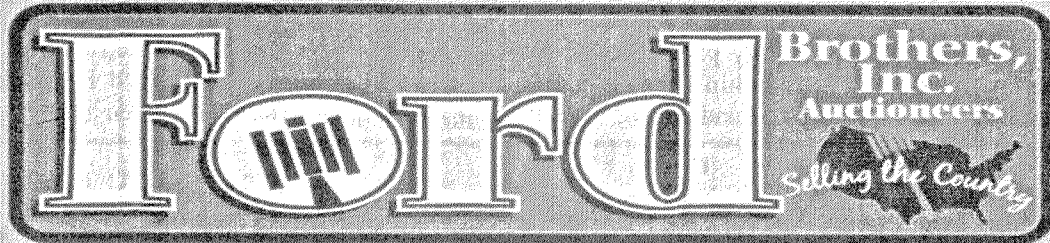
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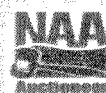
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ramblings

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example. They certainly don't intend to be included in population reduction. They intend for we "little people" who don't own private jets (which Kerry travels on constantly), huge yachts, many mansions and, quite frankly, anything they want to without any consideration for their part in adding to the, according to them, deadly carbon emissions.

I will never stop fighting against them or warning of these evil people's plans, as long as I am aboveground, and neither should you. You can scoff and say it will never happen all you want but there is evil afoot in our land at this time -- more than we have ever seen.

For example, three presidents of three of the most "important" colleges in our country, said, in a House of Representatives hearing, after a question by Rep. Elise Stefanik that if the current protests at their colleges, calling for the genocide of Jews violated anti-semitism policies. The response from all three presidents was, "it depends on the context." Their answers made me wonder just what the context would have to be -- maybe a Jewish student actually being killed by a pro-Palestine supporter as has actually been threatened? Seemed like the only sensible "context" to me.

The president of UPenn submitted her resignation the day after the hearing, probably in light

of a \$100 million donation being withdrawn because of her answer. However, 650+ Harvard faculty signed onto their support of their President Claudine Gay. Harvard has the largest endowment in the country - over \$61 Billion - and still received \$3.13 Billion in total federal payments between 2018 and 2022 while UPenn received \$4.38 Billion and also generous tax breaks on their endowments. Nothing has been in the news about the fate, or lack thereof, of MIT's president.

And, as a further indication of the hatred that a vast swath of academia holds for whites, Rutgers Professor Brittney Cooper says that white people are evil villains and need to be "taken out." She'll probably get a promotion to head of department.

I'm tired of it folks. I'm tired of feeling as though I have to defend myself when I cannot think of one instance, in my 82 years, when I have harmed anyone, simply because of the color of their skin, their religion or their politics.

Please be aware of what is going on in our world today. If you do not, you may regret it very soon.

Aces

(Continued from A2) point of view, you don't realize how much personal, private information they are putting out there for the whole world to see.

After over 30 years of writing this column, my

better half says people know way too much about me, and I would have to agree. Luckily, I don't have much worth stealing.

Fortunately, America is still somewhat a free country and you may legally have a loaded weapon on your table beside your chair and beside your bed at all times. Of course, most democrats want to do away with the human right to protect your family and your property. But that is because they obviously adore criminals and thieves and hate hard working Americans who earn their own way in society.

Every year, since I started working in journalism, at about this time of year, I begin hearing from the sheriff or police officers that robberies and burglaries are beginning to rise. Statistically, thieves are opportunists. Not all of them, but a huge majority apparently steal things that present themselves as easy to steal.

According to research, it is rather rare that a thief starts out his or her day thinking "I am going to steal something today." More often than not, they see an unexpected opportunity or "easy pickings" and then come up with a plan.

So when they see your every move on social media, that is an opportunity staring them in the face. For someone with such low-life ethics and values, that would be a hard opportunity to pass up. "Hey, look Fred. This family is going out of town all weekend to be with their family for

Christmas." Then they start scrolling your social media page to see what your hobbies are. "Oh my. They collect rare, valuable baseball cards. And look what they got for Christmas last year." And boom! You are robbed.

I said all that to say this. Be careful what you tell the world. If it is something important but reveals important aspects of your life, call or text the people involved and tell them on the phone. It is a little more trouble, but the whole world doesn't get to hear about it. Granted, if you are robbed, it is ALWAYS the fault of the thief. It is NOT your fault. No matter how easy you make it, every human has the right to expect their property to be left alone. It is a basic human right to expect to keep everything you have earned. No matter how easy it was, it is still the thug's fault. Any self-respecting, decent human does not steal other people's stuff. But, if you value your things, why make it easy for them?

Be safe this Christmas. Help fight the common thief and don't make their job easy. Be a little more private and a lot more safe. If you have guns, and you should have, target practice with target bullets and then place hollow points in the gun for home use. Your discretion on social media may save the life of a common thug.

I admit it may be traumatic to shoot a thief that broke into my house. But I'd get over it.

Letters

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goods and services.

State retirees participate in a defined-benefit plan that provides a meaningful but modest monthly income. The average annual benefit is about \$21,000. For local-government retirees, the average is only \$12,000.

The state pension plan was in dire straits a few short years ago. Fortunately, legislators have in recent years provided additional employer contributions to address the solvency crisis. The state pension plan is expected to be fully funded by the late 2040s.

This is scant comfort for today's retirees. It has been 12 long years since the most recent pension inflation adjustment payment was provided. Real pension income has since dropped by one-third.

In the 2024 legislative session, public retirees in Kentucky will seek a one-time extra monthly pension check to help defray a portion of the loss

of real income. Given the record Rainy Day Fund, the new revenue from legalized gaming, and the improving fiscal condition of the state pension

program, the time is now for a one-time extra pension check.

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Monday, December 18th: Calloway, Red Hill, Livingston, Maple Grove and Climax.

Vietnam Veterans Meeting Date

Vietnam Era Veterans, that graduated from Livingston High School, are asked to meet the last Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. for breakfast and conversation at Limestone Grille.

Health Department Closed Dec. 14th

The Rockcastle County Health Department will be closed Thursday, December 14th for staff meeting and trainings. We will reopen at 8 a.m. on Friday, December 15th.

KPR Meeting December 19th

The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Tuesday, December 19th at David's Steak House in Corbin. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be 87th District State Representative Adam Bwling. Retirees (and spouses) receiving retirement benefits from KERS, CERS or SPRS are welcome to attend. Membership information will be available at the meeting or on the website (kentuckypublicretirees.org). For more information, call 606-260-0490.

Weekly Grief Support Group

There is a Weekly Grief Support Group which meets each Thursday at 2 p.m. at Hospice Care Plus & Compassionate Care Center, 350 Isaacs Lane, Richmond. Please pre-register at hospicecareplus.org or by calling 859-986-1500. Open to anyone whose loved one was cared for by Hospice Care Plus. If travel is an obstacle, contact Abby at the number above to request alternative grief support options.

Kiwanis Club Meeting

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club now meets at Limestone Grille each Thursday at noon. Kiwanis is a service organization working to improve the lives of children. The public is invited.

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 5908

Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all military service members and their families. The post is open by appointment only, currently. If you would like to rent our event hall for special occasions, please call the number below. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 5 p.m. Those wishing to contact the VFW for help, information or any need, please contact Post Commander Michael Parsons 859-308-3568 and/or District Commander William B.J. Thomason at 606-392-1207.

Rockcastle Historical Society & Museum

The Rockcastle County Historical Society & Museum meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at RTEC garage/training room.

Mt. Vernon Lions Club

The Mt. Vernon Lions Club meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at Limestone Grille.

American Legion Post News

The David M. Smith American Legion meets at Limestone Grille the second Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. If you wish to eat before the meeting, arrive at 5 p.m. For more info, call Commander Kathy Bobo at 606-308-1208 or Chaplain B.J. Thomason at 859-358-2882.

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.

Rockcastle UNITE Coalition

The Rockcastle County UNITE Coalition meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at noon at Marcella's Farm to Fork Restaurant to plan activities. Please join us each month.

Celebrate Recovery/AA/NA

Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, Monday, 6 p.m. 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590, Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon: Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Tuesday, 6 p.m. Contact: J.R. Cornelius 859-314-7828.

Wednesday-Alcohol Anonymous-Mt. Vernon: 12 p.m. 55 Crawford St., Mt. Vernon, KY. Call 606-308-4893 for info. or rides.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only: Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 or Shell Bader 606-219-5653.

Thursday-Alcohol Anonymous-Brodhead: 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Call 606-308-8900.

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe 9226 Main St., Livingston. 6 p.m. Contact: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

Sunday - Celebrate Recovery Step Studies-Men Only. 6 p.m. Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: Jason DeBord 606-386-0646 or J.R. Cornelius 859-314-7828.



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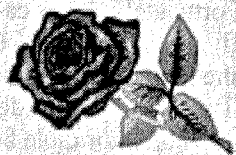
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Obituaries



Tommy E Hodges

Tommy E Hodges, son of Estill and Alyne Hill Hiatt Hodges, moved on from this earthly home on Tuesday, December 5, 2023. He was born in Stanford on September 24, 1946.

He was a member of First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon where he served in positions of duty plus sang praises to the Lord, even after becoming ill.

He was an Army Veteran of the Vietnam War and was very active in the American Legion.

His career in Rockcastle County, with five years in Crab Orchard, included merchant/owner of a Western Auto Store, as well as a staff member of Ace Hardware in Mt. Vernon. He was trained by his father to help customers who needed some extra attention in the Western Auto Store. This resulted in some of the most expressed sweet memories from others to his family in their time of sadness.

Besides immediate family, he is survived by his sister, Jenny Sue Coffey (Gary) plus nine nieces and nephews and brother Jerry Lee (Brenda Stephens), along with their two sons and two grandchildren.

He is also survived by his wife of 55 years and four days, Claretta Carter Hodges. Four children, who resulted from this union: Tim Ed (Loretta Howard), parents of Jessica and her two daughters and Sydney (Jeff Stroesenreuther) and a son, Tate; Chad Alan (Christie Cornett of London) and their two children, daughter, Cheyenne Grace (Jack Carmichael) and son and Chase Alan (LaTerranque Danille) who have one son; Summer Shawne (Brian Francisco Jones) of Elkins, WV, parents of Justin, Keelin, Elliot, Sam, Jackson and Kyra; Amber Camille (Jeff Cromer) and sons, Owen Cade and Jacob Carter.

Funeral services were held Friday, December 7, 2023 at Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Dennis Wilder of First Baptist Church officiating. Pallbearers were his grandsons. Burial was in Camp Nelson National Cemetery.



Raymond Asher

Raymond Asher, 102, died Monday, December 11, 2023. Funeral services will be Sunday, December 17th at 1 p.m. at Crossroads Assembly of God in Brodhead with visitation from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. day of service.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's Signal.



Evelyn Lou Mullins

Evelyn Lou Mullins died December 10, 2023, peacefully while asleep at her home in Climax on her 97th birthday. Lou was born at home in Dayton, Ohio to James Mullins and June Phillips Mullins. Lou had a brief history of teaching in the rural schools of Rockcastle County. She retired from the Climax Post Office after 30 years of service. Lou was a member of the Climax Christian Church, and she was an avid reader from an early age and treasured the many books delivered to her by Pam Chaliff on her bookmobile visits to Climax. Lou also loved gardening, and entertaining friends. She was masterful at board games and crossword puzzles. Lou was always delighted to be with her children and grandchildren.

Lou married Virgil Mullins on April 10, 1945, in Mt. Vernon. She was preceded in death by: her husband, Virgil, to whom she was married 72 years; her parents; and her siblings, Helen, Rose, and James, all of Dayton, Ohio.

Lou is survived by: her four children, June Whitler (Elmer) of Climax, Shell Mullins (Lisa) of Lexington, Rose Brown (Cletis) of Mt. Vernon and Liz Ann French (Garland) of Climax; brother-in-law, Sam Mullins; and three sisters-in-law, Peggy Mullins, Becky Northern, and Virginia Mullins. We give a special thanks to Lou's grandson Brad Mullins and daughter Liz Ann for their loving care of our mother in her last years. She is also survived by 15 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren, plus a host of family and friends.

Visitation will be Saturday, December 16, 2023, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with funeral services beginning at 1 p.m. with Bro. Shannon Franklin officiating. The burial will be in Upper Climax Cemetery.

Casketbearers are: Cletis Brown, Cletis Ray Brown, Matthew Brown, Garland French, Devin Mullins, Michael Mullins, Shelly Mullins, and Elmer Whitler. Honorary casketbearers are: Austin Brown and Patricia Mullins.

Donations to honor the memory of Lou may be made to the Willing Workers First Christian Church, 160 W. Main Street, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

Nora Lavern Henson

Nora Lavern Henson, 79, of Livingston, died Sunday, December 10, 2023, at St Joseph Hospital in London.

She was born April 7, 1944, in Livingston, the daughter of William and Mae Griffith Carter. She was first and foremost a Christian, a long-time member of Pleasant Run Baptist Church, and a shining example of a pastor's wife. She loved to sing, and found great comfort in praying without ceasing. The highlight of her week was making Sunday dinner for her whole family after church, a tradition she carried over from her mother. She enjoyed caring for her animals, being outdoors in her garden, taking walks through the woods, and fishing, where she found inspiration for drawing and painting.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Ruth Collins (Steven) of Lewisburg, TN, Ann Drifmeyer (Tim) of London, and Roger Henson (Pam) of London; grandchildren, Aaron, Amanda, Emily, Sam, Ryan, Gracie, and Madison; great grandchildren, Noelle, Reagan, Oliver, Everly, Amelia, and Adalynn; and one sister, Brenda Parker (Don) of Louisville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bro. Ralph Wayne Henson.

Services were held Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at Marvin Owens Funeral Home with Bro. Chris Reynolds officiating.

Card of Thanks

Tommy E Hodges

The family of Tommy E Hodges would like to express our sincere thanks for the many expressions of support shown us during the time of his illness and passing.

We would like to express a special thanks to Dr. Justin Williams, oncologist at Rockcastle Regional Hospital, and his crew who applied medicines and tests for Tom. They showed much caring and professionalism which was much appreciated.

The Hodges Family

Barbara Grace DeBorde

Barbara Grace DeBorde, 84, of Mt. Vernon, gained her heavenly wings on Monday, December 11, 2023, at her home in Mt. Vernon. She was born March 17, 1939 in Mt. Vernon, a daughter of the late Vernon Houk and Lucille Willmott Houk. She was a member of Grace Baptist Church. She enjoyed sewing and quilting and spending time with family and friends.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Steven Garlan DeBorde of Mt. Vernon, Guy Morton DeBorde and Yolanda of Louisville and Vanna Grace DeBorde Jankowski of Grayslake, IL; her grandchildren, Kayla Nicole DeBorde, Gabrielle Rondina DeBorde, Samantha Nevaeh DeBorde, Angela DeBorde, Kyle James Jankowski, and Ethan Mitchell Jankowski; her step grandchildren, Logan McClure, McKenzie Elam, and Hunter Elam; her brother, Vernon Bruce Houk of Mt. Vernon; her sister, Kathryn Lucille Bunch; as well as a host of nieces/nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides her husband, Garlan DeBorde, she was preceded in death by: one son, Michael Stanton DeBorde; and brother, Billy Warren Houk.

Mother we hold you close within our hearts, and there you shall remain, to walk with us throughout our lives, until we meet again.

Visitation will be Thursday, December 14 from 6-9 p.m. Funeral service will be held Friday, December 15, 2023 at 1 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Butch Lunsford officiating. Burial will follow in Maretburg Cemetery.

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



William Bryan Castleberry, Jr.

William Bryan Castleberry, Jr., died December 3, 2023, after a brief illness. He was born June 3, 1963, in Oklahoma City, OK, to William Bryan Castleberry, Sr. and Judy Herndon.

He is survived by: his loving wife, Kimberly Bevan Castleberry; and one son, Cole (Jessica). In addition, he is survived by: his father, Bryan, Sr.; step-mother, Barbara Marshall Castleberry; his mother, Judy Duff; two sisters, Kimberly (Ray Sikorski) and Suzanne Bender; two nieces, Mary Golsan and Jacqui Verace; and nephew, Dylan Hidalgo.

In accordance with his wish, cremation was done. No services are scheduled. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.lakesfuneralhome.com

Willene Burton

Willene Burton, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at her Home.

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

The Good News!

In a world of so much bad news, it would be easy to become discouraged. News like political leaders fighting among themselves, news of wars across the globe, news of sickness, news of racial and nationalities being promoters and victims of hatred and violence. There's just a lot of bad news in the world today.

But there is GOOD NEWS and we can read about it in the bible. Unfortunately, it's not read and heard as much as the television, radio, social media and all of those things that seem to broadcast bad news. Jesus Christ preached the good news when he brought light into the darkness. Mark 1:14-15 reads, Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, VS 15 And saying, the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Folks the gospel of salvation is the GOOD NEWS. 2 Corinthians 4:6 says, For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. VS 7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

Again in 2 Corinthians 4:17-18, For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; VS 18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

When Jesus came, the light came, hope came, the assured fact of the resurrection came and a choice of choosing eternal life came! Now that's GOOD NEWS!!!

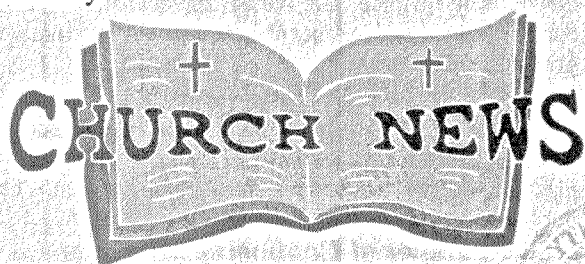
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Sunday Morning Worship: 10:20 Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00



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Creskide Baptist Christmas Play

Creskide Baptist Church will be presenting a Christmas Play Sunday morning, December 17th at 11 a.m.

Everyone is invited and welcome to come and visit with us in this special Christmas Service.

The church is located at 2261 Copper Creek Road. Bro. Jack Stallworth is pastor.

False Ideas of God

Some think God's power is limited to evolution. This is inconsistent, for the same God who can create anything could create everything. (Gen.1:1).

Some think God is an american God-think Americans are God's chosen people. (Acts 17:26) "Hath made of one blood all nations. (Jno.3:16) God loves the whole world. (Heb.2:9) Jesus tasted death for every man. (Acts 17:31) He will judge the whole world.

Some think God is physical. He is not the material creation many have thought. (Jno.4:23,24) "God is a Spirit." (Lk.24:39) "A spirit hath not flesh and bones". The fact that you cannot see a spirit, does not mean that it does not exist. Neither can you see the wind nor can you see pain.

Some think God is local. He cannot be confined to temples. (Acts 17:24) Dwelleth not in temples made with hands.

Some think God created man and then left him on this earth without any instructions. This would be unreasonable. (2Tim.3:16,17) The Bible is the most reasonable thing in the world.

Some think God is afar off-far off in space. (Acts 17:27,28) Though He be not far from every one of us: for in Him we live, and move and have our being. He is so little he can dwell in our hearts and yet so big so big He can be every place.

Some think God is a God of confusion, that He has called one man to deny, while another to affirm. (1Cor14:33) For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.

Some think God is too good to condemn. But He is to good to condone sin (Jno.8:21) Jesus said again unto them, I go my way, and ye shall seek me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come.

Some think God is like man (Psa.50:21) Man thinks one religion is as good as another; so he thinks God feels the same way, but He does not. (Matt.15:13) But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.

Thank you so much for reading this article. We have videos to watch and articles to read on our YouTube channel. Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ. The church assembles for worship, every Sunday morning at 10:00 A.M. and Wednesday evening at 7:00 P.M. The church is located Mt.Vernon Kentucky. We offer free Bible correspondence course. If you would like to contact someone from the church, you can either call or text this number 606-224-1480.

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Church is located 2 Miles South of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 25

“Flu”

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the holidays and one person with RSV is suddenly in a room with an entire family," she said. "Some may think you have to go to such functions, even if you are sick, to show how much you love them. When in fact, if you have symptoms, it shows how much you love them to not go."

Green said there are vaccines available for the flu and RSV, as well as COVID at most pharmacies and doctor's offices as well as most health departments. "People need to talk with their doctor about such vaccines. It takes one to two weeks for the vaccine to fully protect someone so the sooner the better," Green said.

Health officials agree that RSV can be fatal in some cases and while it is not as wide spread this year, there are still several months of the season left to go.

Local Doctor Thomas Fowles, MD, said anyone older than 6 months should get vaccinated. "The vaccine isn't perfect, but it cuts the chances of getting the flu about in half," he said. "Local pharmacies often give such vaccines for free."

Fowles also said anyone with flu-like symptoms should see their doctor immediately. "There are great medicines to help get rid of the flu but they only work if you start them in the first two days," he said.

Dr. Fowles also agreed that those who have other respiratory problems should seek medical attention if you have been around anyone with the flu. "If you have medical problems and have been exposed to the flu, see your doctor to get medications to keep you from getting the flu," he cautioned.

Most health-care officials agree that this year's flu and RSV may include stronger symptoms than usual.

Officials also report absences throughout the school system, including both students and staff, are beginning to rise as it does each year at this time.

Bottom line, local doctors say that to avoid spreading the flu, stay away from others if you have symptoms and see your doctor as soon as you have been exposed to someone with the flu.

“Class”

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dren, using virtual classes when offered or attending their local public school system.

Virtual classes offer parents the ability to keep their child at home while still receiving an education directed by the Kentucky Department of Education and taught by a licensed instructor, according to officials at the Kentucky Department of Education.

According to local officials, the Rockcastle County School District is offering a virtual school option (MyRock Online) for the second semester, for all students from grades six to 12 for the 2023-2024 school year. The second semester runs from January through May.

Anyone interested in virtual, online classes must complete an application, meet all the requirements for the program, attend an orienta-

tion session and sign a contract to be accepted into the program.

According to the school website, applying for the program does not guarantee acceptance.

The application, which can be found on the school website or by contacting central office, must be received by January 5, 2024. The application will be reviewed and you will be contacted by school officials to discuss the application status.

“Perjury”

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by Hamdiyah. The warrant says the document allegedly had a forged notary signature.

The warrant continues to say a notary signature affixed to more than one document had apparently been forged.

Upon investigation, the warrant says another document was also found to have a forged notary signature in a different case. The complaint also refers to documents filed by Hamdiyah in a Laurel County court that contained forged notary signatures. The notary in question testified that she had not signed any of the documents in question.

The case is awaiting presentation to the Grand Jury following the appointment of a special prosecutor.

“RCIDA”

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Delta Natural Gas line, are so close now that industry considers them done, since they will be complete by the time any large industry could build and locate in Mount Vernon," said VanHook. "Those three projects will be a part of our community by the time any big industry is here. We can offer so much more than we could just one year ago. And word is getting out quickly."

Part of the reason word about Rockcastle's impending development is spreading, is due to VanHook and Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., as well as State Representative Josh Bray, Rockcastle School Superintendent Dr. Carrie Ballinger and Senator Brandon Storm, according to RCIDA officials. "We are all making trips to Frankfort and other locations and spreading the word every week making sure that everyone involved in potential site selection or funding procedures, knows all about us," he said.

VanHook, and others on the board, also expressed their appreciation for those who worked throughout the recent train derailment near Livingston. "The truth is, along with the gas line, the industrial park and the 461 widening project, the emergency preparedness and outstanding actions of every first responder and emergency management team is yet another positive attribute that makes our county appealing to potential industry," said VanHook. "Add our growth and development to a hospital that is the envy of every other community and a school system so willing to help others, who would not want to be in a community that shows such working together and dedicated people helping people? The way everyone worked together was another very strong recruitment tool for our county. The school, Hal (Holbrook), EMS, fire

departments, city and county officials, and even civilian citizens went above and beyond through the entire situation."

The board also approved the monthly budget reports. VanHook said the budget was typical of most months and had no new or unexpected expenses.

VanHook also said the RCIDA and fiscal court are doing their part to be ready for HB9, a house bill signed by Governor Beshear in April of 2023 that is expected to establish funds and grant opportunities for growth and development in communities throughout Kentucky. "The judge and I thought of every possible project we could and put our name in the hat," VanHook said. "We are trying to be as proactive as possible and, if money gets set aside for growth and development, we want to be in the middle of it all."

The board then entered closed session to discuss contract negotiations.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

After the meeting VanHook said the building occupied by Exela Company is about to become available to lease and he has already discussed the situation with several potential clients. "Exela is simply moving their operation under one roof. They will keep the same number of jobs and still be a strong part of our community. But the empty space they are leaving by consolidating, has provided us with a strong opportunity for a local business that may

want to locate there," he said. "It is a good situation for us, for Exela and for a local business. Such opportunity is a positive for our county."

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 3 at 8:30 a.m. at the courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

“Court”

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McNew said, if approved, he expects the extra to be available through increased sheriff's department revenues and would not cost the court any more than last year's contributions.

McNew also informed the court that a USDA grant for slightly over \$30,000 had been turned down. "The USDA tells us they have no money at all," he said. Earlier in the year, officials had expected the grant and the court had agreed to provide \$10,577 in addition to the grant toward the

purchase of a new police cruiser. However, now that the grant has been refused, McNew said he planned to ask the court to provide the \$10,577 anyway while the sheriff's department would pay the remaining cost of the cruiser through fees and other revenues, instead of through the grant.

The idea was to be presented to the fiscal court, which indicates an apparent interest in the idea, at the Tuesday meeting.

The court also discussed the monthly tourism report from the city of Livingston. The report typically demonstrates how the city uses the \$1,000 per month in tourism support from the fiscal court to the city. However, Holbrook said this month's report, which would be presented at Tuesday's meeting, indicated \$1,928 in expenses.

It was last month that the court rejected a plea

from Livingston's mayor for \$1,000 per month in program support to the city in addition to the tourism support. Magistrates agreed that the court should provide more guidance to the city concerning how the tourism support dollars could be used. "This report lists an expense as 'Christmas presents' but that would not be fair. There are a lot of other children in the county also," said Holbrook. "We need to create a list of what that tourism support money can be used for."

Holbrook said the issue would be dealt with at the Tuesday evening meeting.

The court also agreed to look at several issues within the county's Administrative Code. Holbrook said he would present some suggested changes at the Tuesday meeting.

See next week's Signal for results of the Tuesday regular meeting.

LOST DOG

On the very day Tommy Hodges was buried in the Camp Nelson National Cemetery, his pet dog, which was restricted to our yard, disappeared. Theft is my theory. She has a fine coat of light red hair with a bobbed tail which appears white from her undercoat.

Please be aware and report any possible sighting on Facebook.

Claretta Hodges

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STATEWIDE MOTOR VEHICLE SYSTEM LAUNCHES IN JANUARY 2024

MT. VERNON, KY (DECEMBER 7, 2023): A transition to modernize and improve the statewide computer system which processes all motor vehicle transactions in County Clerk's offices will begin after the close of business on Friday, December 29, 2023. AVIS, the system currently used, is a DOS based system created in the late 70s. "As you can imagine, the old system is dying. We are looking forward to this new technology and a customer-based system that KAVIS will provide," Danetta Ford Allen, County Clerk.

Customers who need to renew vehicle tags in December or customers who have not renewed your tags from any previous month for 2023, please make time to complete your transactions prior to 4PM on December 29, 2023. Unfortunately, customers who renew in January 2024, cannot do so in December because the 2024 tax rates and assessments will not be input until after the close of business on December 29, 2023.

Customers can renew by phone with a debit/credit card at 606-256-2831, or in-person until December 29, 2023. Any mail received in the office by December 29, 2023, and in proper order to complete the transaction, will be completed in the 2023 year. The www.drive.ky.gov web renewals process for 2023 will be operational through December 27, 2023 and will be restored the week of January 8, 2024.

At the close of business on December 29, 2023, AVIS data will be transferred to the new KAVIS system. This transition is expected to take 7 - 9 full days. KAVIS will go live after the data successfully transfers, with more counties onboarding each day until the entire state is utilizing the new system. Rockcastle County Clerk's motor vehicle department will make every attempt to open as soon as possible. We will begin onboarding December 8, 2023 alongside the first wave of counties to test the system. We will gradually work toward a full open the week of December 8th-12th, 2023.

"Our goal every day is to serve our county to the best of our ability. While we realize the closure of our motor vehicle department will impact our citizens, we are hopeful that the new system will help us be more efficient in the future. With any new system there will be hiccups, but we are working hard to be trained and ready to serve you," Danetta Ford Allen, Rockcastle County Clerk.

Visit our website at www.RockcastleCountyClerk.com or our Facebook Page "Rockcastle County Clerk's Office" for updated details as they become available.

Rockcastle County Clerk's Office Hours of Operation December 2023- January 2024

December 7-8

M-F: 8:00AM - 4:00PM
Lunch Break (DAILY): 12:00PM - 12:30PM

Week of December 11-December 16

M-F: 8:00AM - 4:00PM
Lunch Break (DAILY): 12:00PM - 12:30PM
Saturday 8:30AM - 12PM

Week of December 18-December 22

M-F: 8:00AM - 4:00PM
Lunch Break (DAILY): 12:00PM - 12:30PM
** Thursday, December 21st:
CLOSED 12:00PM-1:00PM, Courthouse Christmas Luncheon

Week of December 25-December 29

CLOSED December 25, Christmas
Open December 26-December 29: 8:00AM - 4:00PM
Lunch Break (DAILY): 12:00PM - 12:30PM

Week of January 1-January 5

CLOSED January 1, New Year
January 2-5: 8:00AM - 4:00PM
Lunch Break (DAILY): 12:00PM - 12:30PM

**Motor Vehicle Department CLOSED
Recording and Elections ONLY**

Week of January 8-January 12

M-F: 8:00AM - 4:00PM
Lunch Break (DAILY): 12:00PM - 12:30PM

**Motor Vehicle Department - Gradual Opening
Recording and Elections - Open**

SPORTS

Rockets beat Danville; lose to Jumpers

The Rockcastle Rockets boys basketball team picked up their second win of the season last Friday night when they defeated the Danville Admirals 66-49.

Walker Craig hit the first shot of the game for the Rockets, a three, and went on to take high point honors with 26.

The Rockets had a good night at the charity stripe, hitting 16 of 20 chances and made four three point baskets.

Besides Craig's 26 points, Connor Hunt scored 15, Trent Wilson got 13 and Jace Rogers and Skyler Durham each scored six points.

Friday night, the Rockets traveled to Somerset for their first district match-up of the season and came up short, losing 57-55.

The Rockets led the first half 30-22 and were ahead 48 to 41 at the end of the third quarter stop but, in the fourth, the Briar Jumpers outscored the Rockets, who were actually ahead by four points with less than two minutes to go in the game, 16-7 for the final 57-55.

This time, Hunt took scoring honors, and was the only Rocket in double figures, with 14 points, Craig and Wilson

had nine points each, Rogers and freshman Colton Cash each scored seven points, Caleb Moore and Durham got four points each and Harper McCool one.

Durham pulled down the most rebounds for his team with seven, Cash got six, Rogers five, Hunt four, Wilson two and Craig and McCool one each.

Somerset hit 10 three point baskets to the Rockets three.

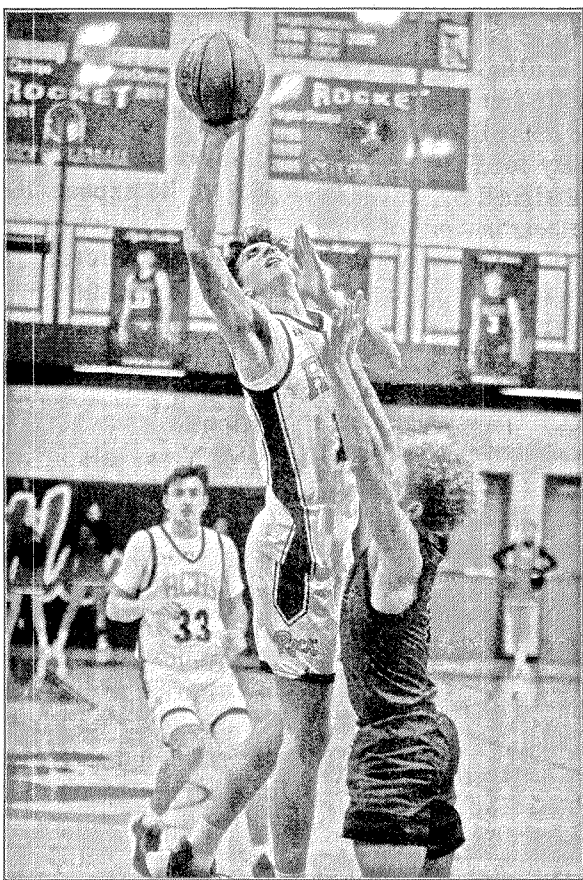
The Rockets, along with the Lady Rockets, hosted the Boyle County Rebels Tuesday night and both teams will also host Casey County Friday night, December 15.

On Saturday, December 16, the freshman Rockets will host a tournament with games beginning at 9 a.m.

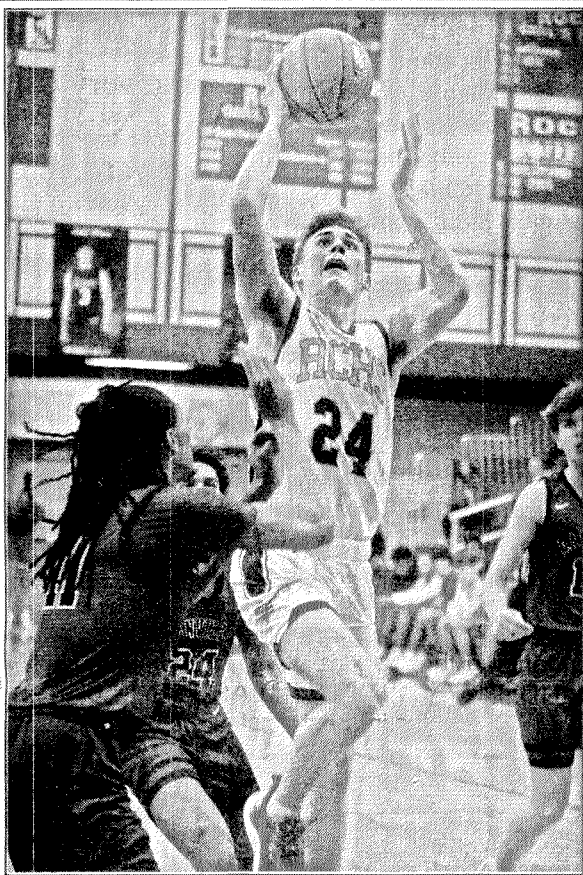
Then on January 18 and 19, the freshmen will play in a tournament at South Laurel.

The Varsity Rockets will participate in the Legacy Nissan Tournament at South Laurel December 20th through the 22nd.

The boys and girls will both finish out 2023 by playing in the Smoky Mountain Winter Classic in Tennessee Dec. 27th-29th.



Walker Craig takes it to the basket for two of his 26 points in the Rockets' 66-49 win over Danville.



Trent Wilson put up 13 points and had seven rebounds in the Rockets' win over Danville.



Skyler Durham runs the offense during the Rockets' 66-49 win over Danville. Durham had six points and 11 rebounds in the win.



Markley Richards plays some tough defense during the Lady Rockets' 61-29 win over Lexington Catholic Monday night.

Lady Rockets beat Somerset and Lex Cath

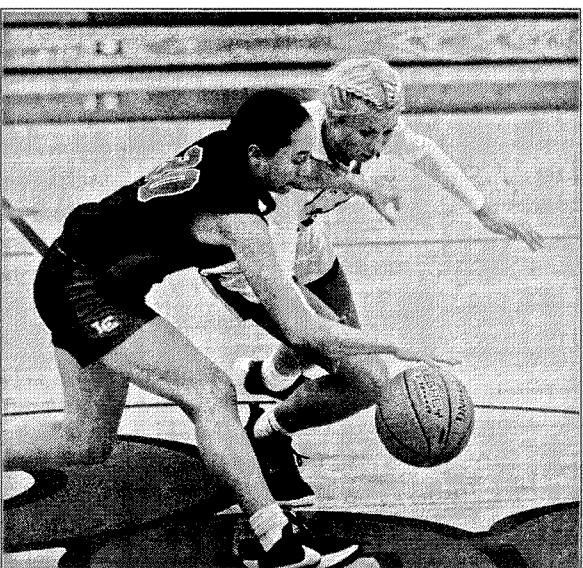
The Lady Rockets added two to their win column in their last two outings, thrashing the Lady Briar Jumpers 68-27 last Friday night and the Lady Knights 61-29 in a home game on Monday.

With the Somerset game's outcome never in doubt, Head Coach Chrysti Noble got to clear

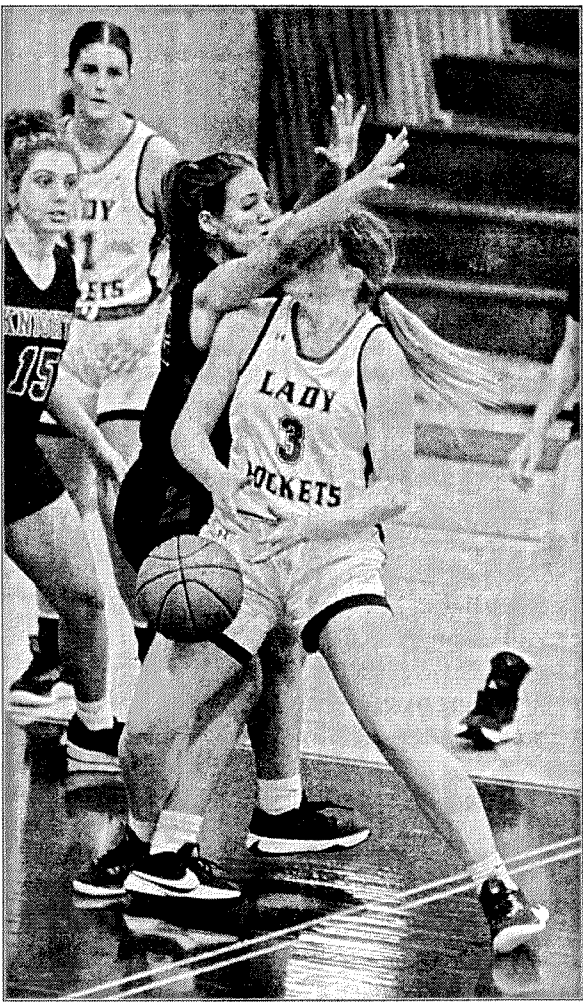
her bench with 12 Lady Rockets getting into the game and all 12 scoring.

Macy Spivey took high scoring honors with 17 points, 15 of them coming in the first half of play; Haven King and Camryn Cash each scored eight points; Taylor King got seven;

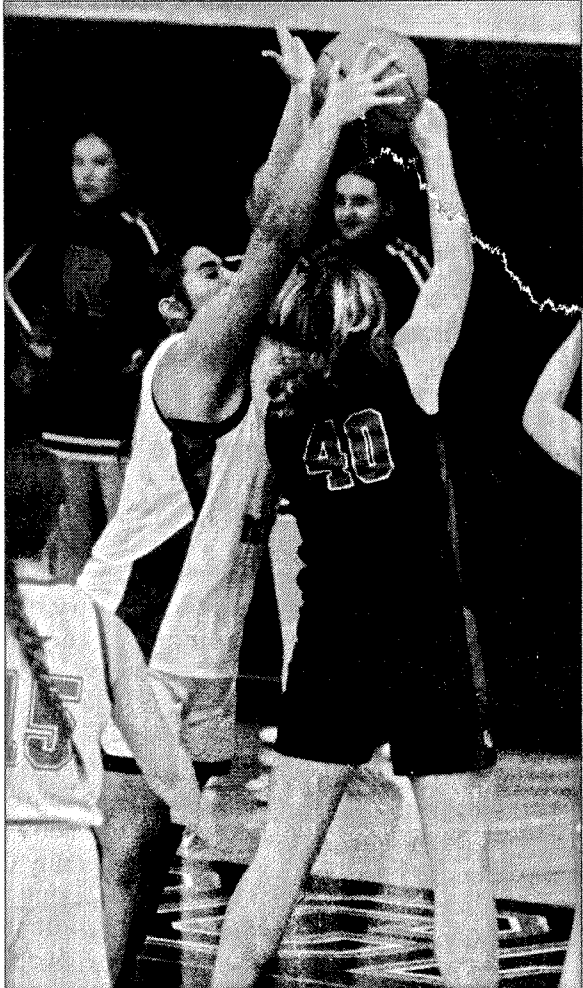
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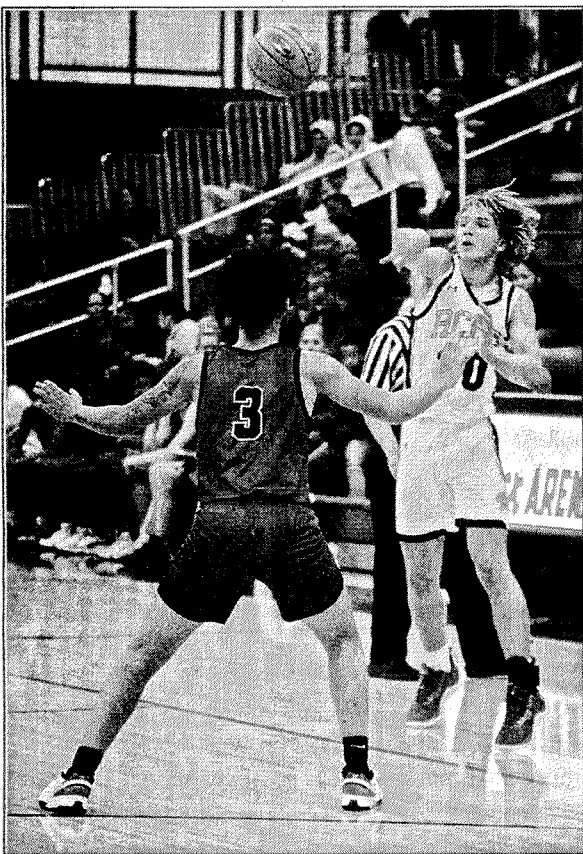
Macy Spivey comes up with a steal during the Lady Rockets' 61-29 win over Lexington Catholic.



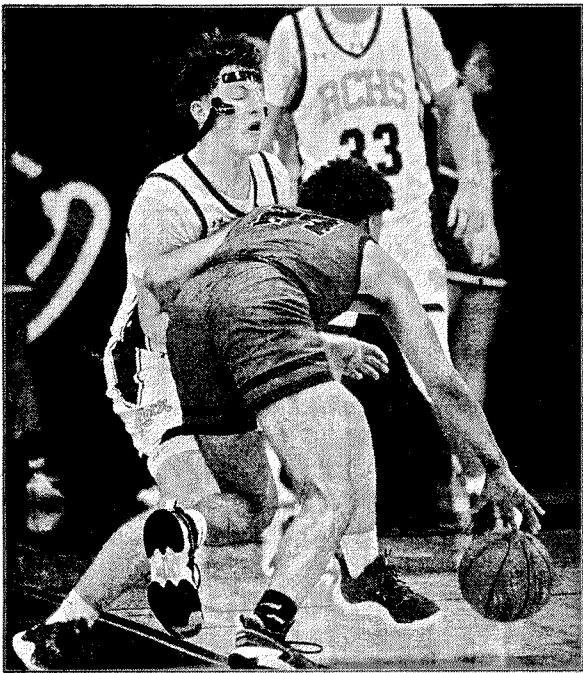
Haven King gets fouled going to the basket during the Lady Rockets' win over Lexington Catholic.



Abby Deleon fights hard in the paint during the Lady Rockets' 61-29 win over Lexington Catholic Monday night.



Connor Hunt makes a pass during the Rockets' 66-49 win over Danville. Hunt had 15 points and 10 rebounds in the victory.



Jace Rogers cuts off the lane during the Rockets' 66-49 win over Danville. Rogers had six points and four rebounds in the win.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Enclosing Spaces –
Creating Intimacy

Intimacy seems to be more and more crowded out of modern lives. Our homes have so many gadgets, our lives so many electronic devices; how and where does one find solitude or intimate moments out of the sight of others? I hope to supply a few answers to this common situation.

A sprawling lawn has it's appeal; however, a modern spacious home and big lawn is not what most people knowledgeable on the subject would call an intimate setting. A nice home scrounged up on a small city lot where you look out your window into your neighbor's living room offers little opportunity for any outdoor private spots.

Sitting in front of the TV, computer or smart device is stealing moments alone on the porch, the times better spent on a lovely bench, or strolling a wooded path from ourselves or our loved ones.

The lack of a secluded spot for personal meditation or private time with those we care about is something we need to remedy if we wish to retain our sanity in an insane world.

Frayed spirits after a long day at work, and perhaps an arduous commute in traffic, beg for secluded moments. We need time to declutter and refresh our mental state. Couples need such opportunities to nurture relationships. Quality time with family and friends can be redeemed if we are willing to exert a little effort. For many, creative landscaping and alterations to an existing yard are the enablers to solving this all-too-common inability to find private time.

We have sufficiently identified a situation pleading for a solution I'd like for us to consider a few of these added elements for our yards. Trees, shrubs, hedges, fences, structures, raised or sunken spots, raised planted beds, water features, potted plants and yard art, benches and boulders Intelligent layout of a few changes to our homes can create an area for a private moment from time to time.

Greenery veritably lowers stress (and blood pressure), and the sounds

of water or musical sounds of the wind can help with creativity and concentration. Incorporating some of these elements can be a huge step in the direction of additional peace, and opportunities for the intimate moments with our Creator, our spouse, etc.

Outdoor structures of many types and functions can help in building private spots. Back in the "dark ages" when there were no street or security lights illuminating the world, darkness gave privacy. In more graphic terms, before there were back seats of cars—there were barn lofts and 'out behind the barn'. I don't mean to get too graphic for a general reading audience, so let's just say a small building or a bench hidden behind a clump of bushes can assist in creating a get-away spot in our own yard.

Considered careful plantings of trees can function to frame or showcase a home or a view. Or, they can hide and obstruct a view. (And that view might be of you in fact.) Taken to an extreme, large evergreens can hide someone under their branches from spies in the skies, or anyone else nosing in your business.

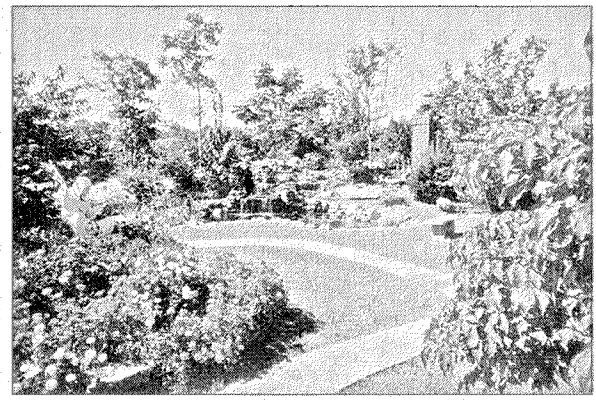
Some homeowners hide the front of the home from street view with large trees and a winding driveway so they're not visible from the street. Cuts down on salesmen and trick-or-treaters for sure!

Berms and other artificial movement of the soil are frequently used by golf courses, gated communities, for privacy and for noise control. At the moment I'm imagining a sunken firepit and seating for a couple obstructed by a horseshoe shaped berm that is thickly planted in small trees or flowers would make an ideal spot for intimacy.

Huge planters of greenery that can be rolled around a patio could be used to provide temporary screening from something or someone nearby.

What can you think of to help you find more private moments? To make your home, yard, gardens feel more like paradise?

The author is a landscaper. Call (606) 416-3911 or visit: www.rockcastles.net



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Lady Rockets

(Cont. from A6)

Markley Richards scored six; Kelsey Rowe five; Talyne Shearer four; Ella McKinney three and Brylee Mullins, Tessa Begley and Sadie Osborne, two each.

Monday night, the Lady Rockets hosted the Lexington Catholic Lady Knights and came away with another lopsided win 61 to 29.



Harper McCool puts on the "D" during the Rockets' 66-49 win over Danville.

Noble once again got to clear her bench and nine Lady Rockets scored.

Spivey was the only Rocket in double figures with 14 points; Ella McKinney got nine; Shearer and Taylor King scored eight each; Haven King got seven; Richards and Cash each scored five points; Kelsey Rowe got three and Abby DeLeon two.

The Lady Rockets will take part in a tournament at Bath County where they will play

Bath County at 6:30 p.m. on December 21, Raceland at 2 p.m. on the 22nd and Menifee County at 5 p.m. on December 23rd.

They will then participate in the Smoky Mountain Winter Classic in Tennessee December 27-29, along with the Rockets.



Taylor King gets a block during the Lady Rockets' 61-29 win over Lexington Catholic Monday night.

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 23-CI-00003**

Wintrust Mortgage, A Division of Barrington Bank & Trust Company, N.A. Plaintiff

**V.
Mary Wilson, Bradley Wilson Defendants**

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on July 11, 2023 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of FIFTY THREE THOUSAND FIFTY NINE DOLLARS AND 07/100 (\$53,059.07) 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 Thursday, December 21, 2023
Beginning at the Hour of 10:00 a.m.**

Said real property being more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract of land located in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, which is more particularly bound and described as follows:
Beginning at a stake and set concrete block in the east right of way of Old Highway #25 and a corner common to Elizabeth Zeiger; thence S 7 E 184 feet with said Old Highway #25 to a stake and stone in old line, corner to James D. Goforth; thence S 82 E 150 feet with Goforth's line to a stake and stone, corner to Goforth and Collins; thence N 1 E 207 1/2 feet to a set concrete block in Collins' line; thence N 77 W 45 1/2 feet with Collins to a set concrete block, corner to Elizabeth Zeiger; thence with Zeiger's line S 82 W 125 feet to the point of beginning, and containing 8/10 of an acre, more or less.
Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants to all legal highways and easements.
Commonly known as: 463 Upper Calloway Loop, Mount Vernon, KY 40456

Being the same property conveyed to Mary Wilson and Bradley Wilson, wife and husband who acquired title, with rights of survivorship, by virtue of a deed from Zannie Burdine, unmarried, dated July 1, 2019, recorded July 8, 2019, at Deed Book 0269, Page 0389, Rockcastle County, Kentucky records.

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 (4.75%) 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 2023 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**

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 22-CI-00163**

**Click n' Close, Inc. Plaintiff
V.
Linda Rhodus Defendant**

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on November 7, 2023 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY SIX THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 05/100 (\$126,968.05) 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 Thursday, December 21, 2023
Beginning at the Hour of 10:10 a.m.**

Said real property being more particularly described as follows:

Lots Number 119 and 120 as recorded on the Plat of the C.L. "Lafe" Owens Subdivision, in Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle County, Kentucky, Plat being recorded in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk in Plat Book 1, Page 1, said lots fronting on Joyce Street. Reference is made to said Plat for a more complete description of said lots.
All of Lots number 121 and 122 in the C.L. "Lafe" Owens Subdivision to the Town of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, as recorded on Plat of same in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court in Plat Book 1, Page 1. Said lots fronting on Joyce Street. Reference is hereby made to said Plat for a more complete description of said lots.
AND Lots number 123 and 124 as recorded on Plat of the C.L. "Lafe" Owens Subdivision to the Town of Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle County, Kentucky, Plat being recorded in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk in Plat Book 1, Page 1, and lots fronting on Joyce Street and reference being hereby made to the aforementioned Plat for a more complete description of said lots.
Property Address: 215 Joyce Street, Mount Vernon, KY 40456
Parcel Number: 046W-18-019

Being the same property conveyed to Linda Rhodus, Unmarried, from Billy R. Cummins and Shirley Cummins, husband and wife, by Deed dated 08/20/2021, recorded 08/31/2021, Rockcastle County Clerk's Records, and being known as 215 Joyce St, Mount Vernon, KY 40456

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 (2.875%) 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 2023 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**

Rockcastle Historical Haven

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By: Markita Proctor

Many can recount the founding fathers of Rockcastle County. Most of our local historical can recant the story of Stephen Langford and James Proctor are some names that come to mind, but some women also stand out. One young girl, Mary Love Joplin, known as the belle of Rockcastle County, captured the heart of a president.

On December 20, 1901, the Mt. Vernon Signal published an article titled "Mt. Vernon and the Early Settlers of Rockcastle as given by one of our oldest Citizens. The article retells the history of the county and the state of Kentucky. The article includes the fact that Kentucky was admitted as a state in the year 1792 and reports that there were originally four counties: Jefferson, Madison, Lincoln, and Fayette. As I have previously stated, Rockcastle was not orga-

nized until 1810 from portions of Lincoln and Madison Counties. The writers go on to discuss some of the counties' original homes and original citizens. The article lists some of the earliest settlers of the county: Stephen Langford, John Hill, Frederick Akers, James Lewis, Elijah Kirtly, Wm. Buford, John Burdett, Josiah Bull, Uriah Gresham, Samuel Carson, James H. Anderson, James McCall, James Kincaid, Henry P. Buford, Thomas Jones, James Terrill, William Smith, Hezekiah Farris, Reuben Elkin, Absolom Waters, James A. McClure, Patrick Cherry, John E. Woodyard, Barney Haley, Mason C. Miller, Wm. Fish, Bros. Bennett, and W.P. Hiatt, John Owens and Wm. Adams, are all listed as some of the earliest citizens of the county. Interestingly,

many of these individuals have descendants remaining in the county today.

The writer references a Dr. Josiah Joplin, the individual who I want to focus our attention on this week. Dr. Joplin and his daughter, Mary Love Joplin Lawless, a young lady once known as the Belle of Rockcastle County.

Dr. Josiah Joplin was well known for his skill in the practice of medicine. Dr. Joplin, according to the 1901 Signal Article, came to Rockcastle County in 1820 and remained here until he died in 1863. According to John Lair in his book Rockcastle Recollections Joplin was the "first regularly licensed doctor to practice in Rockcastle County." If Joplin was not the first to practice medicine in the county he was the first to have a formal education and a medical diploma. Lair states,

"Dr. Joplin was born in Virginia on November 2, 1800, and came to Rockcastle County in 1820. After coming to Rockcastle County he married Elizabeth, the only daughter of Devil Bill Adams, who, at the time was the widow of an

earlier settler, John Crawford"

Lair goes on to say that the doctor is probably buried in the Adams burial plot, but others argue that Dr. Josiah Joplin is buried in an unmarked grave in the Mt. Vernon Cemetery.

Dr. Josiah Joplin and Elizabeth apparently had a daughter, Mary Love Joplin Lawless. The August 4, 1899 publication of the Signal includes a story from Lexington, Kentucky.

"Mrs. Mary Love Lawless died at her home in this city [Lexington] last week. She was once the belle of Rockcastle County and the sweetheart of Lincoln [Abraham Lincoln!]. Her romance with the man who afterward became President was more than a half-century ago. She was just budding into girlhood. Lincoln had accompanied Alexander McKee from Illinois to Mt. Vernon to attend McKee's wedding. Mrs. Lawless, then Miss Mary Love Joplin, was a bridesmaid, and although 17 years his junior, Lincoln fancied he loved her...In after years, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln on different occasions visited the Lawless home. [Cincinnati Post]. Lincoln may have gone to Lancaster with Alexander McKee, but never came to Mt. Vernon."

The Chicago Tribune picked up on the Lincoln Lawless story on Aug. 6, 1899: The Tribune says this:

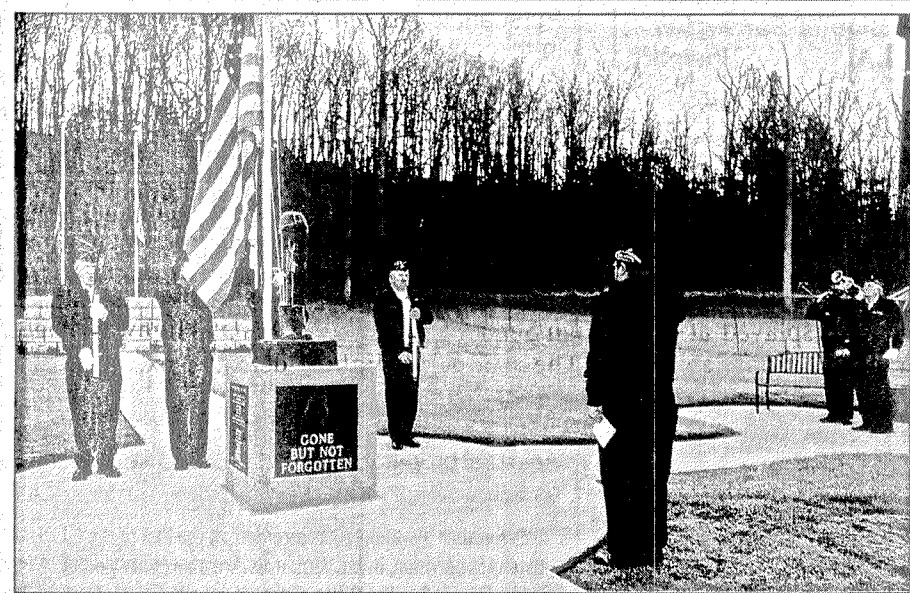
"Mrs. Lawless was Miss Mary Love Joplin, daughter of Dr. Josiah Joplin, and resided at 2

Mount Vernon, Rockcastle County, where, after her twelfth year, she became a reigning belle and was known throughout the western and southern parts of Kentucky for her extraordinary beauty and conversational powers. The occasion of her introduction to Mr. Lincoln was the marriage of Judge Alexander McKee, at that time a resident of Illinois, to Miss Mary Hardin at Mount Vernon. The Wedding was one of the swellest occasions in the history of Rockcastle County, and the aristocratic acquaintances of the McKees and Hardins from all over the state were invited. Judge McKee was a Kentuckian and had gained the friendship of Mr. Lincoln before either of them had left the state. Mr. Lincoln's home was La Rue County, and McKee was raised in Garrard, but they had met and formed a strong attachment for each other. Miss Joplin's father, Dr. Joplin, while

imitating the example of Henry Clay, who rode on horseback through Kentucky prospecting, became infatuated with the beauty Miss. Love, the daughter of a wealthy citizen of Mount Vernon, and married and settled there. She was one of the bridesmaids at the McKee-Hardin wedding and was pointed out to Mr. Lincoln as being the handsomest young girl in all Kentucky...Mr. Lincoln soon afterward married Miss Mary Todd...Miss Joplin was married at the age of 20 to Mr. James Richard Lawless...Mr. And Mrs. Lincoln were treasured friends of Mrs. Lawless and frequently visited them."

Dr. Josiah Joplin was a well-respected, up-standing citizen of the county and many will remember the good he did for the families here, but his daughter, Mary Love Joplin Lawless, the belle of Rockcastle will also be remembered for stealing the heart of a President.

Flags lowered to half mast December 7



Rockcastle County Memorial VFW Post 5908 stood at attention as flags were dropped to half mast in honor of the attack on Pearl harbor last week during the anniversary of the attack.

It was on December 7, 1941 that a surprise attack, by the Japanese on Pearl Harbor, killed well over 2,000 American soldiers. The event changed the world and eventually led to the use of the first Atomic Bomb at Hiroshima (Japan).

President Franklin D. Roosevelt made one of the world's most famous speeches after the attack. In the speech, Roosevelt said December 7, 1941, was "a date which will live in infamy."

The Rockcastle County VFW Memorial Post 5908, gathered last Thursday on December 7th to remember the 2,404 servicemen who lost their lives in the Pearl Harbor attack 82 years ago.

The local post lowered flags near the post at the Veterans Memorial Park to half staff through the day. The flags were raised to full standard at dusk on the same day.

Mamaw's Kitchen

Regina Poynter Hoskins

MARY'S DREAM CHICKEN
Mary is my sister-in-law. She is a wonderful cook and loves to try new recipes—made her own way!

6 chicken breasts, skinless, boneless
1/4 cup butter
1 package Italian salad dressing mix
1 can golden mushroom soup
1/2 cup white wine or water
1/2 of an 8 ounce tub of cream cheese with chives and onions

Place chicken in crock pot. In medium saucepan, melt butter. Stir in dry Italian dressing mix mushroom soup, white wine, and cream cheese. Mix until cream cheese is melted. Pour mixture over chicken. Cover and cook on low for 4 to 5 hours.

Serve with angel hair pasta.

MARY'S BROCCOLI

CHEDDAR SOUP
1/4 cup chopped onion
1/4 cup butter
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1 and 1/3 cups 2% milk
3/4 cup chicken broth
1 cup chopped fresh or frozen broccoli
1/2 cup shredded cheddar cheese

Sauté onion in butter until tender. Stir in the flour, salt, and pepper until blended; gradually add milk and broth. Bring to a boil; cook and stir until thickened, about 2 minutes. Add broccoli. Cook and stir until heated through. Remove from heat; stir in cheese until melted.

MARY'S BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP
4 cups fat free vegetable broth
12 ounces uncooked butternut squash, peeled
1/2 large Vidalia onion, cut into 2 inch cubes

1/2 small fresh apple, peeled and cut into to 2 inch cubes
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon black pepper
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

In a large stock pot, combine broth, squash, onion, and apple. Cover and bring to a boil over high heat. Simmer until squash is very tender, about 10 minutes. Puree soup in pot using an immersion blender (or a regular blender in batches). Season with salt, pepper, and nutmeg.

NOTE: You can purchase already peeled and cubed squash in the produce section of some supermarkets. You can also swap frozen, cubed squash for the fresh. I prefer to cut in half, remove seeds and bake in the oven until tender. Then it is easier to peel.

ADMIRER BY ABE LINCOLN.

Death of a Kentucky Beauty Recalls a Possible Romance in the Early Life of the Martyred President About Which Little Has Ever Been Said.

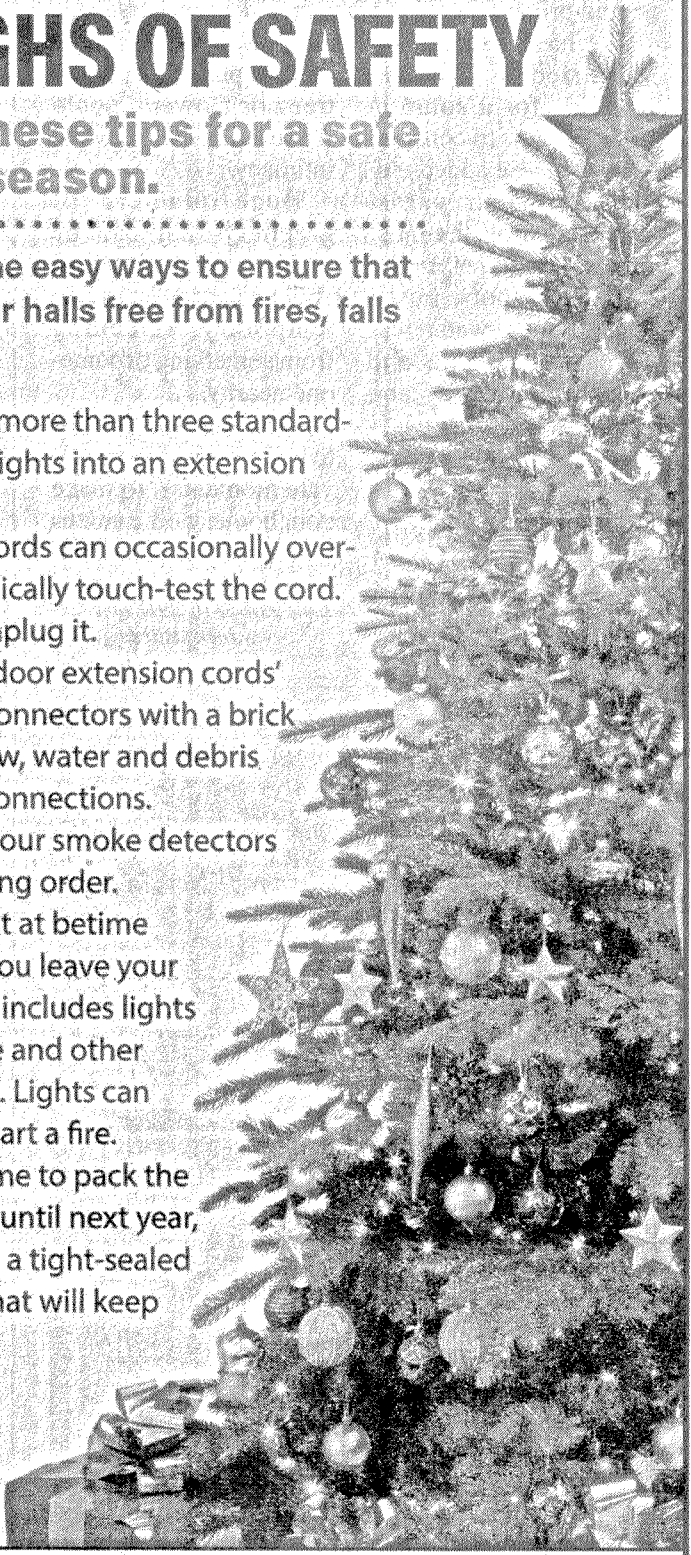


DECK THE HALLS WITH BOUGHS OF SAFETY

Follow these tips for a safe holiday season.

Here are some easy ways to ensure that you deck your halls free from fires, falls and fears:

- Never plug more than three standard-size sets of lights into an extension cord.
- Extension cords can occasionally overheat. Periodically touch-test the cord. If it's hot, unplug it.
- Elevate outdoor extension cords' plugs and connectors with a brick to keep snow, water and debris out of the connections.
- Make sure your smoke detectors are in working order.
- It's lights out at bedtime and when you leave your house. That includes lights on your tree and other decorations. Lights can short and start a fire.
- When it's time to pack the lights away until next year, put them in a tight-sealed container that will keep them dry.



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RCHS FFA team takes regional honors

By: Mike French Editor

The RCHS FFA (Future Farmers of America) Chapter took part in the Kentucky River Winter Regional Contest Day on December 5 at North Laurel High School, bringing several awards and recognitions home to Rockcastle.

The Ag Mechanics team placed first in the regional contest. Team members were Paige Cash, Emily Thacker, Benjamin Brenda and Madison Hayes. Cash was actually the high scoring individual.

The Welding team also placed first in the region with team members Nick Cromer, Ezekiel Graves, Andrew Powell and Timothy Caldwell. Caldwell was the high scoring individual.

Also taking first place honors was the Agriculture Sales team.

Team members were Emma Payne, Anna Chaliff, Ethan Gibbons, Kyndall McNew and Allie Cable.

The Small Engine team took second place in the event with members Ethan Faulkner, Anthony McGuire, Ransom Wolfe and Dwayne Clark. McGuire was the high scoring individual.

"We are very proud of our FFA teams and each student," said Coach Lewis Mink, who coaches alongside Matthew Whittaker. "Our kids had a really good day and did the best RCHS has done in a long time."

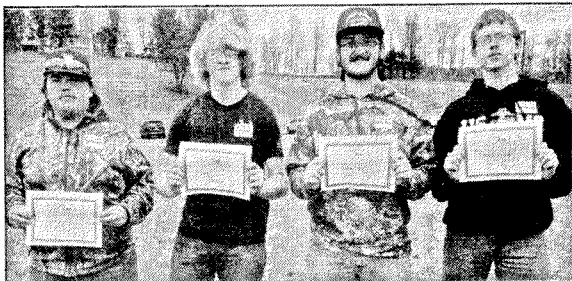
Mink said taking such awards takes a lot of work. "This was all possible only because of the dedication and hard work each one of these kids put into it and they represented Rockcastle County well."



The Small Engines team placed second in the regional contest. Team members were Ethan Faulkner, Anthony McGuire, Ransom Wolfe and Dwayne Clark. Anthony was the regional high individual



The Ag Mechanics team placed first in the regional contest team members were Paige Cash, Emily Thacker, Benjamin Brenda and Madison Hayes. Paige was the high individual in the event



The RCH Welding Team placed first in the Winter Regional Contest Day held at South Laurel High School on Tuesday, December 5th. Members were Nick Cromer, Ezekiel Graves, Andrew Powell and Timothy Caldwell. Andrew was the high individual scorer.



The Agricultural Sales team placed first in the regional contest. Team members were Emma Payne, Anna Chaliff, Ethan Gibson, Kyndall McNew and Allie Cable.

Local student named in recent Adopt-A-Highway art project contest

Gov. Andy Beshear announced recently that 12 students representing 11 Kentucky counties were top finishers in the Kentucky Transportation Cabinets 2023 Adopt-A-Highway Art Contest. The annual contest allows young Kentuckians to showcase their talents while promoting an important message of keeping roadsides free of litter. A Rockcastle County resident was among the

winners.

This years theme Can it, Kentucky drew in nearly 900 entries statewide from students ages 5-18. The winning art came from students representing 12 unique schools.

Were thankful to have young and talented Kentuckians lend a hand at sharing an important message to encourage us all to do our part to keep Kentucky beautiful, said

Gov. Andy Beshear.

Adding his congratulations to the winners, KYTC Secretary Jim Gray touched on the importance of promoting a cleaner Kentucky.

Litter-free roadsides do more than protect our scenic byways; they also keep harmful materials from washing off roads and sidewalks and into our drinking water, said Secretary Jim Gray. Were grateful to have

students be part of the solution of maintaining a clean and safe environment.

The top finishers in each of the four age divisions will receive a \$100 gift card, while second- and third-place finishers will each receive a \$50 gift card. First-through third-place recipients for all age groups will have their pieces displayed at the Transportation Cabinet

Office Building in Frankfort.

Among the winners was a Rockcastle County student in the 15 to 18 age group.

1st place Jasmine Beckwith Christian County High School

2nd place Shannen Eckert Rockcastle County High School

3rd place Cloey Bowman Morgan County High School

The Adopt-A-High-

way program is a statewide volunteer effort to reduce roadside litter and keep Kentuckys highways beautiful. Litter-free roads promote a clean environment, foster civic pride, and save taxpayer dollars. More information on Kentuckys Adopt-A-Highway program can be found at <https://transportation.ky.gov/AdoptaHighway/Pages/default.aspx>.

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- 1) "The King"
- 5) Sports figures
- 10) Sitar player Shankar
- 14) Horse-and-buggy handful
- 15) Sound heard after a lot of brooding
- 16) Bator, Mongolia
- 17) Pole on a sailing ship
- 18) It's a funny thing
- 19) Half a doorbell sound
- 20) Country film?
- 23) Bit of BBQ
- 24) Zero, to soccer fans
- 25) Country film (with "The")?
- 32) Sue Grafton's "___ for Alibi"
- 33) Fish-catching eagles
- 34) Best way to leave Vegas?
- 37) "Give ___ rest!"
- 38) Take a playful poke at
- 40) X-ray relative
- 41) Org. that awards the Spingarn Medal
- 44) A, as in eggs?
- 46) Groaner of a joke
- 47) Country film (with "The")
- 50) ___ de Cologne
- 51) Out ___ limb
- 52) Country film (with "The")?
- 60) ___ the crack of dawn
- 61) A nose that shows
- 62) R&B legend Redding
- 64) Odometer unit
- 65) Lodge (motel chain)
- 66) Place where one asks to be hit
- 67) Person of equal rank
- 68) ___ Hall (New Jersey campus)
- 69) White-crested duck

DOWN

- 1) It's said the law has a long one
- 2) Tidy
- 3) Deep-___ pizza
- 4) Hospital staff member
- 5) "The Unfinished Symphony" composer
- 6) Consequently
- 7) Aligns crosshairs
- 8) Counselor to Capt. Picard
- 9) Leaped
- 10) He sheds light for Santa
- 11) Moises or Felipe of the diamond
- 12) Moving vehicles?
- 13) "Bus Stop" playwright
- 21) "Interview with the Vampire" author
- 22) Slangy greeting
- 25) "No ___, no gain"
- 26) Rudner or Moreno
- 27) Funk of Funk & Wagnalls
- 28) Europe's second-largest lake
- 29) Rock's Tears for ___
- 30) Piece of Lamb or Bacon?
- 31) Musical speed
- 35) Boxing promoter Bob
- 36) Wine's partner
- 39) "Ralphie-boy" utterer
- 42) "Gunsmoke" deputy
- 43) "La Vie en Rose" singer Edith
- 45) "Laverne & Shirley" character
- 48) Babish
- 49) Many hospital workers
- 52) "Things that go ___ in the night"
- 53) Ron Howard role of old
- 54) School in New Haven
- 55) Twice from three
- 56) Like some points
- 57) Lead singer of U2
- 58) Gossiped-about pair
- 59) Row of waiters
- 63) Female pig

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Property For Sale

30 Acre Stand of Timber Sawmill nearby. Call 606-594-8990. 33xntf

Posted

Posted: No hunting, trespassing, dumping, ATVs on land owned by Lawrence and Kendra Claunch on Cove Branch Road (known as Buzzard Rock). Violators will be prosecuted. 44x2

Posted: No trespassing on property owned by Shannon Hellard on Cove Branch Road in Rockcastle County. All violators will be prosecuted. 8/17/23

Posted: No trespassing or hunting on land belonging to Wayne and Marie Bullock on Kincade Ridge Road. 39x24

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Brian and Angela Burdine and located at 428 Black Bear Lick Lane, Livingston. Violators will be prosecuted. 47xntf

Posted: Absolutely no trespassing on land belonging to L.J.L. Honeycomb LLC for any reason. Formerly known as Christ Outreach for the Blind. Violators will be prosecuted. 33(23)x25

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on farms, belonging to Gary and Peggy Roberts, on KY 3245. Violators will be prosecuted. (46(24)x52)

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Orville and Bernice Burkhart on Cove Branch, Livingston, Mt. Vernon. **Anyone entering the property must be with Orville Burkhart.** Violators will be prosecuted. 35(23)x51p

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 or trespassing on Carlton Hunt Property, located at 230 Frosty Hollow Road, Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted. 43x2p

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on the former Berl Hopkins' land (now belonging to Judy Hopkins Marsh) on KY 461 near US 150 and KY 461 intersection. 40(23)x25

Posted: Property belonging to Kitty Reese on Smallwood Road at Roundstone. All trespassers will be prosecuted. 49xntf



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Posted: No trespassing on property known as C.B. Owens Farm across from Fairgrounds in Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 25ftn

Miscellaneous For Sale

Cresthaven Cemetery Plots. Contact Billy Dowell, 606-308-1058. 39xntf

Notices

I will be selling a 2019 Ford F250, Vin #1FT7W2BT6KEF87925 on Friday, December 22, 2023 at 11:30 a.m. for storage and repair bills. Inspection of the vehicle is only available by calling 859-699-6300 for an appointment. 43x3

Notice is hereby given that Peggy Mitchell, 1097 Muirfield Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45245, has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Charles Evert Murray, deceased, on the 4th day of December 2023. Any person having claims against said Estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Peggy Mitchell or to Hon. John D. Ford, P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before June 5, 2024 at 11 a.m. 43x3

Notice is hereby given that Charles D. Deatherage, 2259 KY Hwy. 2750, Crab Orchard, Ky. 40419 has been appointed Executor of the Estate of Charles C.

Deatherage, deceased, on the 22nd day of November, 2023. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Charles D. Deatherage or to Hon. John D. Ford, P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before may 22, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. 42x3

Notice is hereby given that Zach Ellison, 2628 Copper Creek Road, Crab Orchard, Ky 40419, has been appointed Executor of the Estate of Glenn Edward Ellison, deceased, on the 11th day of December 2023. Any person having claims against said Estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Zach Ellison or to Hon. William A. Leger, P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456, on or before June 12, 2024 at 11 a.m. 44x3

Notice is hereby given that Angie Yauger, 49 Barnswallow Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky 40456, has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Brian Yauger, Sr., deceased, on the 6th day of December 2023. Any person having claims against said Estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Angie Yauger or to Hon. B. Travis Newman, 2420 Frankfort Avenue, Suite 300, Louisville, KY 40206 on or before June 10, 2024 at 11 a.m.

Bid Notice: The Housing Authority of Berea is taking bids on two mowers. This will be sealed bid process and bids will be accepted until Friday January 19th at 4pm. The bids will be opened publicly at the Housing Authority of Berea Board of Commissioners Meeting on Monday January 22nd, 2024. The meeting begins at 11:30. The winning bidder will be contacted January 22nd, 2024. To place a bid

please mail in your bid amount name, address, and phone number to The Housing Authority of Berea 110 Orchard Street Berea, Ky 40403. If you would like to see the equipment, please contact the Housing Authority of Berea office 859-986-4436 or email berhousing@windstream.net.

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Lost

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Notice: Cellco Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless and TAG Towers, LLC are filing an application with the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("PSC") to construct a new wireless communication facility on a site located at 321 Frosty Hollow Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456, (North Latitude: (37° 19' 32.58, West Longitude 84° 15' 28.77"). The proposed facility will include a 300-foot tall antenna tower, plus a 4-foot lightning arrestor and related ground facilities. You have a right to submit comments to the PSC or to request intervention in the PSC's proceedings on the application. You may contact the PSC at: Executive Director, Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, PO Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602. Please refer to docket number 2023-00368 in any correspondence sent in connection with this matter.

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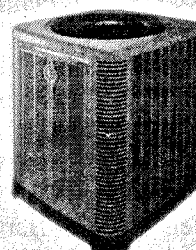
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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Deeds Recorded

Etta and Steven Chaney and Glen Denver and June Cromer, property located in Park Subdivision, to Cameron Properties, LLC. Tax \$8

Jessica and Jimmy S. Alexander, property on Grace Loop Road, to Jacob Thomas and Raelyn Nicole Gieling. Tax \$180

Derrick and Amber Payne, property in Rockcastle County, to Rodney Payne. Tax \$30

Rodney Cameron, property on Sowder School Road, to Allyn Jones. Tax \$18

Amy Renee Ada, property in Rockcastle County, to Harriett Griffin. Tax 50c

Lorraine Maggard, property in Woodland Heights addition, to Nick Bowers. tax \$13.50

Christian Lamb, property on KY 1912, to Kendall L. and Sandra Billiot. Tax \$210

Bobby and Bonnie Barron, property on KY 70, to Coy Vance. No tax

Judy Mitchell, property on Gold Dust Drive, to Highlands Housing Corp. Tax \$19

Jonah Mikhael and Callie Ellen Shaffer, property in Eliza Bullock Estate, to Derrick and Chelsea McClure. Tax \$225

Emory and Carolyn Johnson, property on Cook Road, to East KY Power Coop. No tax

Michael Christopher Hansel and Eliza Jane York Hansel, property in Rockcastle County, to Freddie D. Denny. Tax \$11

Tasha L. and Joshua R. Ramsey, property in Rockcastle County, to Kesia and Christopher Christman. Tax \$50

Katie C. Belville, property on West St., Brodhead, to Katie C. Belville and Travis Powell. No tax

David E. and Virginia C. Durham, property in James Poynter Division, to KMa Journeys, LLC. Tax \$330

Deborah S. Roth, property in Rockcastle County, to Timothy L. Calhoun. Tax \$5

Catherine Carrier, property in Rockcastle County, to Wendell and Jessica Renner. Tax \$331

Gordon and Stella Hisel, Jeffery Alan Johnson and Felisha Marie Murphy, property in Rockcastle County to Felisha Marie Murphy. Tax \$2.50

Vickie Lavelly, property in Rockcastle County, to Melissa Raichel. Tax \$315

Patricia Philbeck, property in Rockcastle County, to Armanda King. No tax

Sherry and Lewis Cox, property on Dailey Street, to Sherry Cox and Shane Campbell. No tax

Brandon and Melissa McIntosh, property on Copper Creek Road, to Kistin and Arthur Joseph Scott and Charlotte Keathley. Tax \$398.

Larry B. and Jerlene C. Hansel, property in Green Hill Acres, to Ethan and Kelsey Thompson. Tax \$20

Robert and Melinda Monk, property near Hwy. 25 in Renfro Valley, to Jennifer Sharon and

Kenneth Alan Gilmer. Tax \$125

Judy Mitchell, property on Old Rocky Road, to John and Lisa Bloom. Tax \$50

Larry and Sarah Logue, property on Copper Creek/Lambert Road, to John Henry and Edith Cope. No tax

Larry B. and Jerlene C. Hansel, property on Green Hill Acres, to Christopher Graves. Tax \$40

Mary V. Shelton and Tim Wayts, Tracy and Rick Plancke and Theresa Jackson, property in Rockcastle County, to Michael Roy and Stacy Clark. Tax \$8

Brandi Leah Ricketts, property in Rockcastle County, to Joleena N. Robarge. Tax \$158

David Perkins, property on Chestnut Grove Road, to Brandi Leah Ricketts. Tax \$250

Ted and Mary Ann Saylor, property on Wallin St., to James E. and Ruth M. Lunsford. Tax \$47.50

Tarina and Donnie Helton and Emma Tudor, property in Craig and McBee Subdv., to NeShay Helton. Tax \$120

Michael D. Wolken, property on Sand Springs Road, to Kristie Doan Wolken. No tax

Christopher Glenn and Crystal Bullock and Ricky Dale and Brenda Bullock, property in Owens Subdv., to Ricky Dale and Brenda Bullock. No tax. (593)

District Civil Suits

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Midland Credit Management, Inc. v. Tommy Oliver, \$790 claimed due.

Midland Credit Management, Inc., v. Rhonda Sizemore, \$970.80 claimed due.

Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center v. Carrie Erwin. \$1116.11 claimed due.

Midland Credit Management, Inc. v. Sonya McCreary, \$1,926.75 claimed due.

Mariner Finance LLC v. Fred Young, \$3,042.74 claimed due.

Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC v. Dwayne Burdette, \$4,300 claimed due.

Tony Baugh v. Robert Woody, III, forcible detainer complaint-eviction notice.

Barclay's Bank Delaware v. Corey A. Baker, \$4,641.60 claimed due.

Cash Express, LLC v. Margie Caldwell, \$614.20 claimed due.

Cash Express LLC v. Jackie Huff, \$614.20 claimed due.

Cash Express LLC v. Ronnie Cromer, \$597.30 claimed due.

Cash Express LLC v. Terry Cromer v. Lynda Rogers, \$198.65 claimed due.

Cash Express LLC v. Lynda Rogers, \$198.65 claimed due.

Cash Express LLC v. Hazel Robinson, \$568.55 claimed due.

Cash Express LLC v. Zachary Robinson, \$528.65 and \$68.65 claimed due.

Cash Express LLC v. Kyle Fletcher, \$614.20 claimed due.

Cash Express, LLC v. Audrey Fletcher,

\$614.20 claimed due.

Cash Express LLC v. Jeanitta Montano, \$601.15 claimed due.

Capital One, N.A. v. Ronnie W. Vanzant, \$2,505.20 claimed due.

Midland Credit Management, Inc. v. Brittany Edward, \$1,329.02 claimed due.

Midland Credit Management, Inc., v. Tiffany Gibson, \$1,114.69 claimed due.

Robert Kendall v. Augie Mink, et al, forcible detainer complaint - eviction notice.

Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC v. Lyndsay West, \$1,889.96 claimed due.

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC v. Sara Williams, \$3,245 claimed due. (224)

Circuit Civil Suits

James Kirby v. Rita Kay Kirby, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Cavalry SPV I, LLC, as assignee of Citibank v. L. Montgomery, \$6,461.32 plus claimed due.

Cavalry SPV I, LLC, as assignee of Citibank v. L. Montgomery, \$6,048.28 plus claimed due.

Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Christopher Winn, complaint for child support and medical support.

Nelson Blake Barnett v. Hayley Brook Allen, et al, petition for custody and time sharing.

America's Car-Mart, Inc. v. Melinda K. Hillard, et al, \$13,200.69 plus claimed due.

Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Lyndsey B. Charlton, complaint for child support and medical support.

Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC v. Taylor Carter, \$11,073.42 plus claimed due.

Discover Bank v. Shannon Clark, \$9,289.61 plus claimed due.

Discover Bank v. Aaron C. McKeel, \$7,111.70 plus claimed due.

Connie Lewis v. Jonathan Wayne Lewis, verified petition for dissolution of marriage. (252)

District Court

11/22-11/30

Hon. Kathryn G. Slone

Hon. Benjamin R. Hardy

Sherman W. Collins: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 365 days/probated 24 months on condition plus court costs.

Brandon Bray: no/expired registration plates-receipt, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

Christopher Tyler Burkhardt: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Speeding: Olivia Aislinn Cunagin, \$48 fine plus costs; Lindsay May York, \$28 fine plus costs; Crystal S. Purcell, Carlos Omar Acosta Salazar, \$52 fine plus costs; \$38 fine plus costs; Sierra Pridgen, \$50 fine plus costs; Walter O. Perez, \$3 fine plus costs/state traffic

school (sts) authorized in lieu of fine; Mary Beth Spoonamore, Hannah Titlebaum, Dashei Nemiah Norton, license suspended for fta; Cassandra Lea Whitlow, Syde James Landry, paid;

Zachary Curtis Smith: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, reckless driving, possession of open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Nicole Gadd: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to produce insurance card, failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Billy Lee Mason: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, failure to produce insurance card and four other charges, bw issued for fta.

Jessica Mahaffey: parole violation, 180 day sentence imposed.

Ricky Glenn Pittman: shock probation granted on condition.

Devin Biggs: possession controlled substance, 90 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Kristen M. Frederick: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, \$500 fine plus costs.

Charles A. Green: Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, Driving f motor vehicle, bw issued for fta.

James Richard Melder: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, 30 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition plus reasonable restitution and court costs.

Johnny Palmer: assault, 4th degree minor injury and strangulation, 1st degree, bw issued for fta.

Daniel Jonathan Yeary: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, \$500 fine plus costs.

William Baker: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

Justin Buck Branson: failure to comply w/helmet law, \$25 fine plus costs.

Curtis Broughton: public intoxication, bw issued for fta.

Donnie Childress: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine plus costs.

Elliott J. Dooley: receiving stolen property, 90 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition plus court costs.

Jacob Cody Jewell Kells: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of stolen vehicle, bw issued for fta.

Jesse O. Mason, Jr: no motorcycle operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.

Jack McCormick: failure to or improper signal, failure to wear seat belts, failure to produce insurance card, \$25 fine each charge; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.

Dillard Norman: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta.

Jeremiah Lee Pevton:

speeding, no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.

Angela LaShawn Russell: Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, Driving of Motor Vehicle (two counts), bw issued for fta.

Adrian Jo Smith: public intoxication, bw issued for fta.

Angela Kea Smith: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, \$500 Fine plus costs.

Christopher Alan Smith: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine, costs merged.

Jonathan Price: failure to wear seat seatbelts, license suspended for fta.

Deanna Renee Rice: failure to wear seat belts, booster seat violations, license suspended for fta.

Keith Wayne Hensley: attempt to failure to comply w/sex offender registration, 365 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition plus court costs.

Dennis Bowman: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine plus costs.

Erica Davidson: operating motor vehicle under influence alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine, \$425 service fee license suspended six months.

Joseph A. Dawson: criminal trespassing, public intoxication controlled subs., violation of conditions of release, bw issued for fta.

Donna Ferch: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol drugs and six other charges, bw issued for fta.

Matthew Gentry: fines/fees due (\$643), 13 days in jail or payment in full.

Jennifer Glovak: assault and disorderly conduct, bw issued for fta.

Henry R. Haling: fines/fees due (\$173), bw issued for fta, four days in jail or payment in full.

Scotty Hellard: criminal possession forged instrument plus 14 other charges, bw issued for fta, license suspended.

Larry Lawson: theft by unlawful taking, 90 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Amber Partin: harassment - no physical contact, defendant failed to appear.

Billy Adam Pence: criminal mischief, 90 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition, plus court costs.

Jason Perkins: fines/fees due (\$218), bw issued for fta/five days in jai or payment in full.

Steven Pitman: fines/fees due (\$243), bw is-

sued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

Christian John Roark: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security and five other charges, bw issued for fta.

Rebecca Sanders: trafficking in legend drug, possession controlled substance, drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, 365 days (each count)/probated 24 months on condition; controlled substance prescription drug in original container, 90 days/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Patrick Tenney: fines/fees due (\$243), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

James Allen Turner: failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance and five other charges, bw issued for fta.

Eddie Gilbert VanWinkle: fines/fees due (\$243), five days in jail or payment in full.

William Edward Willis: fines/fees due (\$243), bw issued for fta/ five days in jail or payment in full.

Christopher L. Winn: fines/fees due (\$1,536), bw issued for fta/31 days in jail or payment in full.

Christopher Sean Tyler Dye: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Larry D. McClure: operating on suspended operators license, 10 days in jail/credit 10 days served plus costs; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, 10 days/credit time served/costs merged.

Matthew McClure: reckless driving and four other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Tony Mills: theft by failure to make req. dispensation of property, bw issued for fta.

Brooke S. Nicely: failure of non owner operator to maintain req. insurance, \$500 fine plus costs; failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, 10 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Thomas Scott: trafficking in controlled substance, bw issued for fta.

Aaron French: operating motor vehicle under influence of controlled substance, \$20 fine, \$425 service fee plus costs, license suspended up to six months.

Terry Montjoy: non-support, 365 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Ashley Yauger: public intoxication and criminal trespassing, five days in jail/each count/costs merged.

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