

## Hunger Walk fills Main Street and hungry bellies

**Submitted by:**  
**Tina Bryson**  
"Food insecurity is an issue that many families deal with throughout the

year," said Guy Adams, CAP's president/CEO. "We are blessed that the community supports this initiative each

September to spotlight this issue, raise awareness, and make a real difference for their neighbors."

In Appalachia, 19.7% of people lack affordable, nutritious food. Hunger Walk supports CAP's pantries

in Rockcastle, McCreary, and Magoffin Counties. This annual event is sponsored by Texas Roadhouse and Hunt Brothers Pizza. Funds generated from the Hunger Walk help provide food for children and their families. "Some students take food from the lunchroom to take home to their siblings or other

family members," said Lily Hensley, a fifth grader at Brodhead Elementary School, who spoke at the walk in Mount Vernon. "Hunger is a problem in our community that many of us don't realize is happening, but we can help solve this problem. You just have to be

(See "Hunger" on A5)



Christian Appalachian Project's (CAP) Grateful Bread Food Pantry partnered with local schools, businesses, and community organizations to spotlight food insecurity in Eastern Kentucky through the annual Hunger Walk which is held each September as part of Hunger Action Month. This year's event collected 8,566 pounds of food which will be used to help families in need in CAP's service area. The Rockcastle County School District donated well over 1,000 pounds through school events. Shown above from left are School Superintendent Dr. Carrie Ballinger, Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., Mount Vernon Mayor Tim Roberts and Carolyn Lindsey, manager of the Grateful Bread Food Pantry.

### City tax remains the same

## Council tables blighted building ordinance

**By: Mike French**  
**Editor**  
Members of the Mount Vernon City Council held their regular monthly meeting last week dealing with several issues.

Among the most notable was the tabeling of what would have been

### Don't forget Bittersweet

**By: Mike French**  
**Editor**  
Don't forget the annual Bittersweet Festival next weekend in downtown Mount Vernon. The event is expected to be bigger

the second and final reading of Ordinance 2023-11 which deals with the elimination of blighted and deteriorated properties in the city limits.

The ordinance was recently written to give the City of Mount Vernon more authority to force

with more events and activities than ever before and will begin on Thursday, October 5 with a car show and last through Saturday, October 7.

(See "Festival" on A5)

property owners to repair, refurbish, sell or demolish any building deemed to be unsightly, attractive to transients or children, or dangerous for the health and safety of citizens. Properties that will be considered for such designations include properties with buildings considered a public nuisance, dilapidated, infested, abandoned, a fire hazard, disconnected public services, accumulation of trash and debris, or as ineffective for its intended use.

The ordinance also gives the city authority of Eminent Domain and/or a new rate of taxation of \$3 per \$100 of assessed

value which is a \$3,000 tax for a value of \$100,000. Through Emi-

(See "Council" on A5)

## August and September Indictments in Rockcastle

A Rockcastle County Grand Jury handed down 11 indictments of 13 individuals on Friday, August 31. The individuals and their offenses, the majority drug-related, were as follows.

Rhonda Sue Cromer,

53, of Mount Vernon, was indicted on one count of bail jumping by failing to appear on an earlier felony charge.

Cromer's bond was set at \$5,000 cash or property.

(See "Indict" on A5)

## Brodhead Family Fun Day planned

Don't forget the Brodhead Family Fun Day with a Car Show and Corn Hole Tournament as well as countless other events, is planned for Saturday, October 14.

The fundraising event will raise funds for the Brodhead Fire Department and will include many events at the Brodhead Fairgrounds.

Gates will open at noon and visitors will find live music, vendors, inflatables, tractor shows, car shows, firetruck displays, Halloween Costume contests, which will include awards to the coolest, funniest, scariest,

(See "Fun" on A5)

## Chili Cook-Off in Crab Orchard

**By: Mike French**  
**Editor**  
If you like chili, you will love to be in Crab Orchard on Saturday, October 14 beginning at 2 p.m. at the newly-built stage area in the Crab Orchard Veterans' Park.

The 4th annual Chili Cook-Off will give the winner bragging rights for the best chili in town.

The event will begin at 2 p.m. and last until 4 p.m. and there will be a \$10 entry fee.

The Fan Favorite winner will receive a trophy and the judge's pick winner will take all the entry fees, according to the flyer.

Tasting will begin at 2:30 and judging stops at 3:30. There is a \$5 charge for the tasting fee and you must purchase a ticket in order to eat chili and judge entries.

Organizers say everyone is invited and encouraged to attend the annual event.

## Middle School State Champion



Conner Ford won the 2023 Ky. State Middle School State Championship Saturday at Juniper Hill Golf Course in Frankfort. Ford shot a 66 and won the state title on the second hole of sudden-death playoff. Conner and his teammates also finished in the top ten in the state as a team. Conner is the son of John and Angie Ford.

### Vote by mail

The Online Absentee Portal is open September 23 through October 24, 2023 available for those who qualify to vote by mail.

### Election equipment testing

The Rockcastle County Board of Elections and the county's election vendor will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, September 28 to prepare machines for the upcoming election.

Any registered voter may attend.

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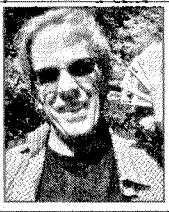
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Aces Over

By: Mike French



I have been working as a journalist for 45 years now. It is what I wanted to do since my childhood.

As a child, while others were playing hide-n-seek, and "Red Rover, Red Rover," I had a Fedora hat with a "news" tag in the hatband and was playing "reporter." Yes, I was that weird kid.

But, I have always believed journalism is one of the most important jobs in America. Even as a teenager I became convinced that without true journalists, there would be no freedom or liberty.

I was raised to love my country and the fact that the very first Amendment protects journalists and the freedom of speech before all else, is evidence of the importance of the job.

I do not think the job is important and illustrious because I am a journalist. I became a journalist because I believe the job is important and illustrious.

It is journalists who provide the checks and balances that keeps government and all officials and big business in line. If there were no way for the people to know what goes on behind closed doors, with their elected officials, there would be no reason for an unscrupulous politician to play fair.

There are some wonderful, caring, dedicated politicians, I know them. But the fact is, there are also some unscrupulous politicians who have no morals or loyalty to America, but ran for office for no other reason than personal gain.

People with a lot of money or a lot of power that have a "sneaky tendency," could basically do anything they want with your tax dollars if there were no reporters to tell you about it.

Without reporters, the manipulative nature of many politicians who would create a bill called "Save the Poor Little Animals," while the bill actually cuts social security in the fine print, would not be discovered by the voters until it was too late.

As for me, I never had an urge to be a "big time" reporter with *The New York Times*. I believe the people of Rockcastle County have the same right to know what is happening in their community as people in New York. And to me, it is just as important to inform people of my own town as it is to inform the people in Los Angeles.

Unfortunately, I am a little concerned about my profession. There was a time that nearly every home in America had a cup of coffee, eggs and bacon, and a newspaper on the kitchen table every morning.

With the advent of the internet, that is a sight that is becoming more rare.

I hate to see newspapers closing across the country so that massive conglomerate media outlets can grow even more powerful. I believe the small town, locally-owned newspaper is slowly drifting into history books and will one day be a nostalgic memory for Americans.


For those who care about their hometown and are interested in life in their community, newspapers will never die. But with the younger generation, the click of a button will bring them what they are looking for anywhere in the world in an instant.

The problem is, they would have to know what to look for. They can indeed search for anything

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LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR



True story

Dear Editor,

In last week's *Signal* I wrote how the late Gov Jones made public water line extensions possible in Rockcastle to serve so many houses throughout our county. When the following story occurred, we had a different governor. In fact, I'm not sure who was governor at that time. Regardless, this is the true story of how a gutted rabbit made an extra \$200,000 possible for road repairs.

Years before I had asked the fiscal court to even consider placing more dreaded taxes upon us all, our county was a pauper county. In fact, I often felt like I was the captain on the Titanic as the cold sea water washed upon the decks. We were sinking. In addition to the standard state funding that wasn't enough to maintain over 500 miles of roads, our fiscal court applied for extra funding from any possible source - almost always denied.

Whenever I went with hat in hand to state officials in Frankfort, I often took not only our lone Democrat, magistrate John Holbrook whom I considered a very ancient man at the time because he was in his late 50s (I was much younger), but often included our Republican chairwoman Juanita Davis; on this particular trip it was just me and John Holbrook.

John's district and the other magisterial districts needed some extra funding. John and I met with the Cabinet Secretary of Transportation along with several others in his office. I explained how and why we needed the extra funding. Naturally, they had records of our regular state funding in front of them. Questions were asked, answers given. Finally, we were told there were other counties needing the funding we sought; we would not be getting the extra help. I stood up (shoulders slumped, I'm sure), shook their hands, and was about to leave the room when 'old man' Squire Holbrook turned and asked a simple question: "Do you have a tea towel around here?" I thought he was going to take it for us to use as a

crying towel.

They presented him with a small, cotton towel. He laid it on the big desk and asked the other people to gather around. This was a do or die moment.

The GUTTED RABBIT: "See that point in the middle of the towel? There's a rabbit there. And at each corner there's a hunter," John said. "The rabbit is surrounded! The hunters are each walking toward the rabbit." At this point he was curling up the towel from the sides until they met the rabbit's hiding place in the center, after which John picked up the towel with each 'hunter' exclaiming, "I've got a front leg!" Another shouting, "I've got a back leg!" All this followed by a lot of grunting and pulling on the four legs, then...Voila! There appeared a completely gutted rabbit right before their eyes.

The Cabinet Secretary and the others bent over with laughter. I remember one slapping his knee in glee. We turned and left the office after John Holbrook had given each a wooden key chain with his likeness (beard and all).

As we were heading toward the elevators a man rushed behind me, grabbed my arm and pulled me toward an office as he was still laughing. "You've got your money." It was music to my ears.

And that's how our fiscal court came up with more funding for your roads.

Buzz Carloftis  
Former County Judge/Executive

Jones will be missed


Dear Editor:

On Monday I felt compelled to show my respects to the family of former Governor Brereton Jones as his body was lying in state at the Capitol Rotunda. He had done so very much to help Rockcastle when I

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



The First of an Exciting Weekend

Dear Journal,

I've had the most eventful weekend that I've had for a long time. There was a powwow in Richmond that Stanley and I attended. It was in the Battleground Park. I even got to take in the grandeur of two old colonial homes while we were out. They looked as if they could have been there during the Civil War. The day was perfect for any outdoor event. There was a bit of a briskness to the air...a hint of fall. There was a wind blowing. According to Native tradition, when the sky is cloudless or at least for the most part, and the wind blows, the spirits are on the move. I assume all spirits, those of our ancestors, animals, trees, water, etc. Everything has a spirit. On the wind I could smell the distinctive odor of sacred herbs smoldering to rid the area of evil spirits/energy.

Stanley got me seated and went to find some fry bread. He came back shortly and the fry bread was delicious. It is a staple of the Native culture. It is something close to funnel cake but with fewer holes. It is often served with butter and honey.

There were two drum circles, good singers and plenty of dancers. What more could you ask for? We toured the vendor that were set up there to see their wares. Rockcastle's own Ashley Neff was set up there, as well. She is a master gardener who grows all kinds of herbs and flowers. She had a booth selling teas, soaps, tinctures etc., for various remedies. She also gives massages. I wanted one but I was afraid to let her get started, I might not want her to stop. I got a selection of soaps.

It was getting to be late afternoon and we needed to be going. Next year this event is a must and we need to plan on either two days or make a whole day out of it.

We were getting hungry by now and Sonny's was calling my name, so we went there. To have Sonny's and a massage all in the same day, I would have thought I'd died and gone to heaven; then throw in a powwow. We thought about finding a pretty spot to park and eat but Stanley went in to get more barbeque sauce and I couldn't wait. I had most of mine inhaled before he got back, sauce or not. Oh, my. Just to think of it makes my mouth water.

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REAPPORTIONMENT OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court at their regular meeting on September 12, 2023 had the Second and Final Reading of the Reapportionment of Magisterial Districts Ordinance #8-8-23 in Rockcastle County, Kentucky  
Copies of the full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection in the County Judge/Executive's Office, 2nd Floor Courthouse, 205 E Main St., Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
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ORDINANCE RELATING TO ELECTRICAL INSPECTIONS

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court at their regular meeting on September 12, 2023 had the Second and Final Reading of the Electrical Inspections Ordinance #8-23.  
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## Letters

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was County Judge/Executive and continued to stay connected with our community long after he had left office. In short, he was a rare and genuinely kind politician who worked to help others. The throng of people who remembered his service to Kentucky was heartwarming, and what struck me was the number of people from all walks of life at the Rotunda - not all politicians in dark suits. That alone spoke volumes about the man who worked to help people and communities regardless of party affiliation. And, yes, his widow and son mentioned the McClures and how those Rockcastle visits are missed.

Respectfully,  
Buzz Carloftis

## Aces

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they want. But unless they know about something that happened in their little hometown, they would never search for information about it.

How would they know to search for a motorcycle fatality at exit 59 last week? How would they know the fiscal court decided to continue the haunted house this year against advice from the Livingston Mayor?

And more importantly, how would they know to search for Fred's 5 year-old son who caught the biggest fish in Kentucky or who where would they search to get the story of the Friday night football/basketball/baseball/volleyball game, along with pictures of hometown athletes?

The need for local,

hometown newspapers will never, ever die. But I am afraid that the new generation is not being taught how important that need really is. And when it is gone, it will be too late.

Supporting the locally-owned, hometown newspaper is just as important as supporting any other local business, and much more so in my opinion. Only a newspaper can provide official records about local events for countless decades.

Newspapers are the best possible way to keep a government as honest as possible and inform the people about their community. Yes, other media is important also but a newspaper can lie there on the coffee table all week and readers can catch up on local events and learn about their neighbors at their convenience.

nience.

In my opinion, hometown newspapers are a priceless part of America's system of checks and balances and a huge part of fellowship with all our neighbors and friends.

I pray that newspapers never fade away and people will once again find the desire to be informed about their community as much as

Ukraine.

I feel blessed that the *Mount Vernon Signal* is holding on to our readers and our publication is still going strong. But many across the state and the country are not. I hope this is a trend that corrects itself. It will take having a country that the people are proud of again. It will take a people who care about their community and play

a part in its growth and development.

People can make their Facebook posts and Twitter comments and thank everyone except their hometown newspaper if they like. They can feel like they have told the world all about it. But the truth is, nothing can replace the small town newspaper.

After all, you are reading this, aren't you!

## Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

### Foreign Buyers Notification

The Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) requires all foreign owners of U.S. agricultural land to report their holdings to the Secretary of Agriculture. Foreign persons who have purchased or sold agricultural land in the county are required to report the transaction to FSA within 90 days of the closing. Failure to submit the AFIDA form could result in civil penalties of up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the property. County government offices, realtors, attorneys and others involved in real estate transactions are reminded to notify foreign investors of these reporting requirements. The data gained from these disclosures is used in the preparation of periodic reports to the President and Congress concerning the effect of such holdings upon family farms and rural communities.

Committee Meeting Date: October 4th 2023 8:30 A.M. at the Mount Vernon USDA Service Center.

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**Application Availability:**  
Rockcastle County Conservation District  
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**For More Information:**  
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Garrard Coffey at (606) 256-2403 or  
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All applications are scored, based on the scoring criteria set by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board.

### Rockcastle County Historical Society

#### Membership Application

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- Lifetime Member: one time donation of \$1,000.00

#### Areas of Interest (optional)

History: \_\_\_\_\_ Genealogy: \_\_\_\_\_ Both: \_\_\_\_\_

List Rockcastle County families you are researching:

- \_\_\_\_\_
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List any specific areas of historic interest (area of the county, specific time period, etc.)

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# Obituaries

## Adrienne Carol Carpenter

Adrienne Carol Sargent Carpenter, 45, of Brodhead, died Sunday, September 24, 2023 at home. She was born at Rockcastle Hospital on March 22, 1978. She is the wife of Jeffrey Lee Carpenter and was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

She is survived by: her husband, Jeffrey Lee Carpenter of Brodhead; her father and mother, Raymond Carl and Madaline Sargent of Brodhead; one brother, David Carl Sargent (Kimberly) of Monticello; sister-in-law, Mattie Miller (Mikie) of Climax; one step daughter, Haley Faith Carpenter of Mt. Vernon; three nephews, D. Andrew and Caleb Zachary Sargent of Monticello, and Dudley Miller of Climax; childhood friend, Krystal Kelley; and many family and friends.

Preceded in death by grandparents, Raymond Estill Sargent, Chassie Sargent, Barney Webb and Maudie Webb.

Visitation will be Thursday, September 28, 2023 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with funeral beginning at 1 p.m. with Bros. Darren Cupp and David Sargent officiating. Burial will follow in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Condolences to the family may be made at [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)



## Thomas McCracken

Thomas Lee McCracken, 72, of Berea, died Monday, September 18, 2023 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. He was born in Rockcastle County on September 2, 1951, the son of Henry and Marie Himes McCracken. He had been a clerk for Napa Auto Parts.

He is survived by: his daughter, Lesley McCracken of Berea; two grandchildren, Chelsea Owen and Whitley Owen; a great grandchild, Esmarelda Willughby; and five sisters, Panna Stewart, Barbara Powell, Marlene Brewer, Geraldine Lawhorn, and Mary Lou Fish. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Martha Brumett, and a brother, Roscoe Himes.

Memorial services were conducted Saturday, September 23, 2023 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Daniel Hosier. Interment was in Johnetta Cemetery.

Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

## Phillip DeBorde

Phillip DeBorde, 76, of Eubank, husband of Linda DeBorde, died Saturday, September 23, 2023.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 27 at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home. Burial was in Old Friendship Cemetery.

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

Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

## Arthur Wayne Bengé

Arthur Wayne Bengé, 65, of the Mooresville Community of Washington County, died at 11:16 p.m., Sunday, September 3, 2023 at the Flaget Memorial Hospital in Bardstown.

He was born July 7, 1958 in Berea, to Samuel Andrew and Neville Burton Bengé.

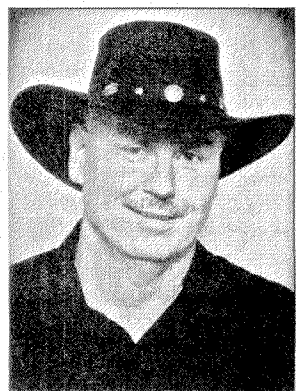
He was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church and had a heart for missions especially in Africa and the Ukraine. He was an employee of AV Gauge of Bardstown. An Army Veteran, he enjoyed gardening, music and was an avid pool player.

Preceding him in death were: a daughter, Martha Elizabeth Sinner on December 16, 2017; his father, Samuel Andrew Bengé on July 25, 2005; and a brother-in-law, Dawayne Denney on September 4, 2019.

Survivors include: the love of his life, his wife, Connie Darland Bengé; a daughter, Sara Barrett (Stephen) of Hustonville; a son, Rusty Bengé of Nicholasville; a step-son, David Bodine (Shawna) of Tyler, Texas; six grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; his mother and step-father, Neville and James Daniel Hacker of Crab Orchard; a brother, James Daniel Hacker, Jr. (Stephanie) of Crab Orchard and four sisters, Gail Messer (Scott), Kelly Denney and Christina Rodriguez-Pavon (Miguel) all of Brodhead and Lisa Rogers of Crab Orchard.

In keeping with his wishes, cremation was chosen and a celebration of life was held Thursday, September 7, 2023 at New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Tobe Yankey officiating.

Carey & Son Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



## Jennifer McLemore

Jennifer Lynn McLemore, 41, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, September 21, 2023 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. She was born in Somerset on October 29, 1981, the daughter of Teresa McLemore and the late Billy McLemore. She was a stay-at-home mother and caretaker of all loved ones. Jennifer enjoyed spending time with family, traveling, Rockcastle football games, crafting, music, dancing, and her sweet baby Brantley. She was of the Pentecostal faith.

She is survived by: her mother, Teresa McLemore; her son, Jesse Rodefer; her daughter, Kylee Rodefer; her fiancé, Donald Ray Newcomb; a brother, Jeff McLemore and wife Brittney; and niece and nephews, Jaden Minton, Blaine McLemore, Katelynn Minton, and Brantley McLemore, all of Mt. Vernon. Also surviving are: special aunts and uncles: Jeanny Baldwin and husband Johnny, Bobby Boreing and wife Becky, Jewel Benscoter and husband Ben, and Jack McLemore and wife Lydia; and a special fur-baby, Gizmo; as well as a host of cousins and friends. In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by: her maternal grandparents, Elmo and Wanda Anderkin, and Gilbert Boreing; and her paternal grandparents, Gillam and Hepsia McLemore.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 25, 2023 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Chris Davidson, pastor of Higher Praise Ministries, and Mr. Phil Boreing. Burial was in Cresthaven Memorial Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jonathan Baldwin, Lance Baldwin, Phil Boreing, Anthony Goodin, Donald Ray Newcomb, and Jesse Rodefer.

Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

## Suzanne Burdette Burke

Suzanne Burdette Burke, 69, of Centerville, Indiana, died Wednesday, September 6, 2023, in the arms of her husband, daughter, and mother.

Suzanne was born February 22, 1954, in Richmond, Indiana, to Walter and Josephine Taylor Burdette. She graduated from Richmond High School in 1972. She was a life-long resident of Wayne County living most of her life in Centerville.

Suzanne met her sweet, handsome husband, James, in 1967 when she was only 13 years old. They married on February 11, 1972, and shared their lives together for 56 years. They had one daughter, Kellee, who was born in 1978. They were the most devoted, wonderful, and loving parents to Kellee.

Suzanne earned her Bachelor's Degree in Business at Indiana Wesleyan University where she graduated with the highest honors.

Her most beloved animals were her Appaloosa horse, Warrior, and her Fox Terrier, Jazper, who she said had a deep soul and was part human.

Suzanne is irreplaceable and was the foundation of our family. Her mother, Josephine, says she was the most perfect child and daughter. She will live forever in our hearts and memories.

Survivors include: her husband, James Burke; daughter, Kellee Jo Suzanne Burke; mother, Josephine Taylor Burdette; special nieces, Rebekah and Sara; sister-in-law, Barbara Burdette; and her adored canine companions, Dakota, Oliver, and Timo as well as her grand-doggies, Santino, Tango, Roman, and Molly.

Suzanne was preceded in death by: her father, Walter Burdette; brother, Dennis Burdette; special cousin, Kathy; her beloved horse, Warrior; and her very special babies, Jazper, Velvet, Izabelle, Josie, and Hewey.

Memorial visitation was held Thursday, September 14, 2023 at Doan & Mills Funeral Home, 790 National Road West, Richmond, IN. Private funeral services and burial will be held at the convenience of the family.

Because of her love for animals, the family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Help the Animals in Richmond, Indiana.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the guestbook at [www.doanmillsfuneralhome.com](http://www.doanmillsfuneralhome.com)

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## Patricia Ann Carpenter

Patricia Ann Carpenter, 74, of Orlando, died Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at UK Chandler Medical Center in Lexington. She was born October 21, 1948, in Hamilton, Ohio, a daughter of the late Joe and Stella Bowman Sparks. She was a member of Maple Grove Baptist Church and found great joy in crafts, painting and sketching, and flowers. On Jan. 8, 1966, she was united in marriage to James Carpenter, and they enjoyed 49 years together prior to his passing on Sept. 23, 2015.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Donald Ray Carpenter (Amy) of Crab Orchard, and Darrell Edward Carpenter (Jessica) of Orlando; grandchildren, Ashley Ann Christian, Matthew Corey Jones, Jessi Nichole Hurd, Jaden Ray Carpenter, Jordan Carpenter, and Hannah Nicole Herren; great grandchildren, Dillon Michael Christian, Jeffery Christian, Taylin Nichole Hembree, Brycen Case Thomas, Matthew Stormy Jones, Maverick Jones, Jaxon Thomas, Aryon Hurd, and Myles Xander Robinson; sisters, Judy Guinn, Barb Lipinski, and Bonnie Watkins; a brother, Dwayne Sparks; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides her parents, and husband, James, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Deborah Ann Carpenter.

Funeral services were held Friday, September 22, 2023 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Kieth Carr officiating. Burial was in Scaffold Cane Cemetery. Donations in Patricia's memory may be made to upkeep of Scaffold Cane Cemetery.

Condolences to the family may be made at [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)



Come on out to the Northside Baptist Church September 30 for our Annual Renner Celebration. Come enjoy with us God's goodness and grace. September 30 from 3-5. God has been so good!



## Card of Thanks

James F. Price

The family of James F. Price wishes to express our thanks and appreciation to all our family and friends for their kindness and support during the loss of our brother.

Thanks for all the prayers and all who sent flowers. We want to especially thank Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals, Marvin and Judy, and their staff for going above and beyond.

We also want to thank Bro. Bob Dalton for the kind words he had for James. Thank you again.

James left a deep vacancy in all our lives and broken hearts. But, we will see him again someday.

Thanks to all the casketbearers and honorary casketbearers.

God Bless you all,  
Ruby, Wendell, Phyllis and Bobby and  
The Powell Family  
(James's in-laws)

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## "Hunger"

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CAP's Grateful Bread Food Pantry serves an average of 850 families which is over 2,000 people each month. In addition, pantry staff pack more than 150 backpacks each week so that students have food on the weekend.

"A hungry student cannot and will not perform as well as their healthy counterparts," said Ella Bussell, president of the Rockcastle County High School Honors Club. "Studies suggest that hungry students struggle with memorization, strategic thinking, athletic performance, speech, reading and a plethora of other important skills. There is so much we can do to help."

Community leadership also showed their support by participating in the walk as well including Judge Executive Howell Holbrook, Mayor Mike Bryant, and Rockcastle County School Superintendent Carrie Ballinger. Amber Philpott, WKYT anchor and Charlie Napier were the event emcees. Alivia Permenter sang the National Anthem and the RCHS JROTC unit presented colors. A special addition to community events was the Hunger Bowl hosted by Rockcastle County High School and sponsored by Momentum Courier. During halftime, Sam Hamilton, founder and president of Momentum Courier, donated \$1,000 to Grateful Bread Food Pantry to support Hunger Walk. Additional community events were held in Prestonsburg, Whitley City, and Lexington.

"It is hard for many of us to understand what it is like to be hungry," said Monica Hurst, a student at Rockcastle Middle School. "Here is the good news. We have the power to change that reality."

It's not too late to help CAP fight hunger and feed hope. Donations and food collection will continue through the end of September. More information can be found at christianapp.org/hungerwalk.

## "Water"

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project as it was bid in 2018 at \$1.1 million, the new calculations show the city with a \$2,645,000 funding deficit.

Williams has contacted officials concerning interest in a Rural Development loan of \$2,645,000 and told the council such a loan "was addressed favorably." Williams then provided the council with calculations that would apply should the city seek such a loan. According to William's calculations, the city would face annual payments of \$165,000 for 38 years at current rates, to fulfil the requirements of such a loan. Officials said the city would have to show an ability to pay that note each year and Williams also provided details to show that ability.

According to Williams, a small increase in water rates would pay back the entire loan plus other expenses to build the new water basin. Calculations show that in order to pay \$165,264 annually, the water rate would have to increase by 6.9% for residential customers, raising the aver-

age water bill from \$24.65 to \$26.36 per month, under current conditions. Non-resident customer would require a 4.9% increase and wholesale customers, such as the City of Brodhead, would require a 12.2% increase.

Williams pointed out, the city may have many more water customers within the next several years, due to economic development. If so, the city would take in even more revenue than required to repay the note with these increases. "This is definitely a worst case scenario," Williams informed the council of average rates of surrounding water districts showing that Mount Vernon's rates are among the lowest in the region. "Even with this increase, we would still be among the lowest," he added.

Williams provided many more details concerning water rates, loan agreement possibilities and construction details. "Just keep in mind, this is all just preliminary information," he said. "There are still a lot of calls to make and things to do before we move forward with anything."

Council member Shelly Raines Lewis asked about the process from here and asked if the bidders may be willing to hold their bids until the city can establish if a loan is the best option. Owner of the Sensabaugh company, John Sensabaugh, spoke up. "We will do anything we can to help, if it is within our ability. Our bid is good for as long as the bond is and we are ready to start anytime." According to the National Association of Builders, construction costs rose 19.2% over the past year.

In a call the following day, Sensabaugh said he takes the project personally. "We eat a lot in Mount Vernon and we live in this area," he said. "I have personal interest in making the water taste better here and I would certainly give a dollar more for a thousand gallons of water if that bad taste is gone."

Sensabaugh also said there is no way to cut the cost of the project that he is aware of. "Where they got us is the sensitive, technical equipment inside the basin," he said. "The rest is just concrete and block. I have the bond and the references in place. They need to just accept the low bid and let's get this done."

City Administrator Jim Bowman said there are still grant possibilities. "The rural loan is one thing we are looking at but there are grants out there that we may be able to get, or other funding avenues. This is all just information for you to digest at the moment until we actually accept a bid and the council decides how you want to fund the project." Bowman and Williams agreed that even if a grant is found for the project, the proposed water rate increase may still be needed.

No motion was made and council members agreed to address the issue in further detail after Williams has finalized his recommendations.

## "Fun"

(Continued from front) cutest and people's choice winners, and the CKCA Corn Hole Tournament will have a 50% payback of entry fees to the winning team.

There will also be a Pumpkin Carving Contest. Pumpkins will be provided as long as supplies last and painting and carving kits will also be available.

A full afternoon of activities are planned and BHFD Chief John Dyehouse said the event is simply a much larger version of the annual Family Fun Day that the department holds each year. "It is the same event we have each year except this year there will be a lot more activities," he said.

Everyone is invited to attend the free shows.

The entry fee for the Corn Hole tournament will be \$20 per person. Entry fee for the Pumpkin Carving Contest is \$3.

## "Festival"

(Continued from front) Organizers say the 2023 version of the festival will have more activities and entertainment than ever before with fun times for all ages.

Activities include a zip line, extreme trampoline, skating rink, inflatables, food trucks, arts and crafts and much more.

Organizers say this is one of the best attended events in the city and workers have been preparing Main Street with upgraded electrical power and decorations over recent weeks.

Everyone is invited to the free event.

## "Council"

(Continued from front) nent Domain proceedings, the property can be taken by the city and sold or used in any way officials choose.

However, since the ordinance refers to some boards and codes officials that the City of Mount Vernon does not currently have on staff, Council member Shelly Raines Lewis asked that the ordinance be tabled until it can be written so that it does not include those positions. "I just don't know how it could come back on the city if the ordinance refers to a building inspector, but we don't have a building inspector," she said.

The council agreed unanimously to table the ordinance until rewritten, which is expected to be completed by the October meeting.

In other action the council accepted a FEMA reimbursement of about \$400,000 for the recent lift station project behind the Snack Shack on Richmond Street.

The council also approved the proposed tax rates for real and personal property along with the tax for motor vehicles and motor boats. The real estate and personal property tax was set at .1497 cents per \$100 of assessed value. The motor vehicle tax rate was set at 16.7 cents per \$100 of assessed value. All taxes are the same as last year's rates.

Raines asked City Administrator Jim Bowman if he feels comfortable keeping the tax at the same rate since there are some projects coming soon that will require revenue. "Do we need to raise it?" she asked. However, Bowman said with the recent increase in assessed values, the city will receive more revenue from the taxes than last year which enables the council to leave the rate the same as last year.

The proposed rates passed unanimously.

The council also approved the monthly financial report and balance sheet.

The council also heard department reports. The All-American Club report was read by Mayor Tim Roberts.

Mount Vernon Police Chief Joe Rush read the monthly Police Report listing 647 calls for service with 44 total arrests in August.

Mount Vernon Fire Department Chief David Bales read the MVFD report listing 79 runs in August and using 32,755 gallons of water.

Having no further business, Mayor Roberts adjourned the meeting. The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 19 at 6 p.m. at City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

## "Indict"

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Casey Lee Hayes, 32, of Berea, was indicted on one count of fleeing and evading police in the first degree, one count of fleeing or evading police in the second degree and one count of possession of a controlled substance in the first degree.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 cash or property.

In a joint indictment, Casey Lee Hayes, 32, of Mount Vernon and September D. Stamper, 23, of Berea, were indicted on one count of possession of a controlled substance (Meth) in the first degree and one count of possession of a controlled substance (Fentanyl) in the first degree.

The bond for each defendant was set at \$5,000 cash or property.

Billy J. Rose, 42, of McKee, was indicted on one count of assault in the second degree for hitting Tommy Oliver with an axe.

His bond was set at \$10,000 cash or property.

Terry D. Montjoy, 50, of Mount Vernon, was indicted on one count of possession of a controlled substance (Meth).

His bond was set at \$5,000 cash or property.

Helen Renee Tye, 50, of Mount Vernon, was

indicted on one count of possession of a controlled substance (Meth) and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 cash or property.

Krintin Laura Lainhart, 47, of Mount Vernon, was indicted on one count of possession of a controlled substance (Meth), one count of possession of a controlled substance (Gabapentin) and one count of operating a motor vehicle under the influence.

Her bond was set at \$2,500 cash or property.

Austin Larry Renner, 24, of Mount Vernon, was indicted on one count of possession of a controlled substance (Meth) and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

His bond was set at \$5,000 cash or property.

Amanda M. Gibbons, 39, of Livingston, was indicted on one count of possession of a controlled substance (Meth.)

Her bond was set at \$5,000 cash or property.

In a joint indictment, Garret S. Payne, 32, of Mount Vernon and Heather N. Payne, 35, of Mount Vernon, were indicted on one count of theft by unlawful taking by unlawfully taking control of property valued under \$1,000 owned by Billy Barron and one count of criminal mis-

chief in the first degree by damaging or destroying said property.

Their bond was set at \$7,500 cash or property each.

Hubert D. Stewart, 42, of Winchester, was indicted on one count of possession of a controlled substance (Meth) and one count of possession of a controlled substance (Hydrocodone.)

His bond was set at \$7,500 cash or property.

A Rockcastle County Grand Jury handed down two indictments on Friday, September 22. Those indicted were as follows.

William Randall Chasteen, 48, of Berea was indicted on one count of unlawful imprisonment in the first degree by restraining Ruby Hasty, one count of possession of a controlled substance (Meth), one count of possession of drug paraphernalia and one count of being a persistent felony offender.

His bond was set at \$10,000 cash or property.

Jonathan Daulton Alcorn was indicted on one count of assault in the first degree and one count of criminal abuse in the first degree by abusing a person under 12 years of age causing serious physical injury or torture.

His bond was set at \$50,000 cash or property.

## HOSA Blood Drive



On September 15, 2023 HOSA sponsored its first blood drive of the year. We had great student participation with 46 students registered and 35 units of blood donated. Through the partnership with the bloodcenter, HOSA receives an educational grant and the opportunity to offer a scholarship to seniors active in the CTSO programs. HOSA sponsors 4 blood drives per year, the next blood drive will be December 8th, 2023.

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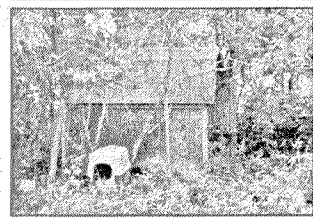
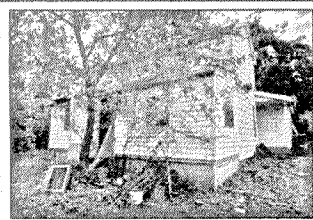
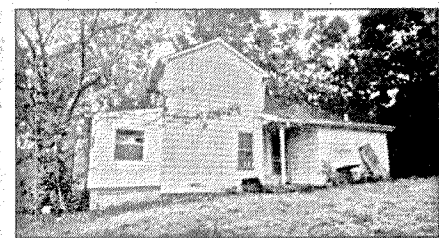
This 1.5 story house has 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, living room and kitchen. It has shingle roof, aluminum siding, KU electric and city water and sewer. All situated on a city lot.

**Note:** The purchaser of a single-family residence built before 1978 has a maximum of 10 days to inspect the property of lead-based paint. The period for inspections begins September 18th through September 27th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day inspection period.

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# SPORTS

## Rockets defeat Clay 63-28 in first district match-up

The Rockcastle County Rockets used a 34-0 run in the second half to blast their way past a previously unbeaten Clay County squad 63-28 en route to winning the Operation UNITE Bowl trophy.

Rockcastle (5-1) scored those 34 points during the decisive stretch from the 9:12 mark in the third quarter to the 11:05 point in the fourth quarter to turn a close game at the half (29-20) into a blowout an enducing the running clock.

Seniors Christian Larkey and Tucker Warren, who were named the team's co-offensive MVPs for the UNITE Bowl, combined for four touchdowns during the scoring spree while freshman Blake Mullins scored his first defensive score to give Rockcastle its fifth pick-six in as many games.

Mullins, who ended his night with a pair of tackles including a tackle for loss and a quarterback sack, was named the co-defensive MVP along with Carter Powell, who added seven tackles with two going for negative yardage as well as a quarterback sack.

The Rockets bounced back and were firing on all cylinders against Clay County (5-1) to earn the key victory in both teams' Class 3A District 7 opener after taking a hard-fought loss at Paris on Sept. 15.

"The Paris game got us ready for the Clay County game," said RCHS head coach Chris Larkey of his team's resiliency to move past last week's loss. "We faced a

very tough team the week before and it helped us by having to play a whole game and a physical game at that. Also, the loss to Paris really motivated our kids to not feel that way again. I thought our kids came out ready to play and we just kept working hard and hitting. We played well and fought hard. My coaches deserve so much credit as parents' and fans will never know how great of a staff we have."

Part of that defensive staff includes Josh Martin, who has held the role of defensive coordinator for many years now. Martin and the rest of the staff were able to make the necessary changes at halftime to hold a talent quarterback in Tate Rice in check long enough for the Rocket offensive attack to put the game away.

"This was the first game Clay Co. has had to play a whole game and they have had just a good season so far as we have," added Coach Larkey. "Clay Co. has a really good team and one of the best quarterbacks we will face all year. Our defensive coaches just flat out took away what Clay does well and made some great adjustments at halftime. Josh Martin had these guys ready to roll and it showed. It's amazing we have had a pick-six in every game so far. That just goes to show how fast our kids are in the secondary. For a team like us that is so undersized to compete against the teams we have had to face, it's amazing what they do."

The Tigers knew they were going to have to

battle from the start if they stood a chance so after winning the opening coin toss, Clay Co. decided to go on offense first. What ensued would be a precursor for how tough it would be for the Tigers to maintain any kind of sustained drives throughout the night.

Thanks to strong defensive plays by the like of Mullins, Powell, Warren, Larkey, Hunter Pingleton and Isaiah Jackson, the Rockets held tough forcing Clay County scoreless on their first possession.

The Rockcastle offense, however, was able to strike first when Warren connected with Jackson from 17-yards out with 8:33 to go in the opening quarter.

Both teams would then trade a pair of touchdowns each on the next four possessions.

After the Tigers took a brief 8-7 lead, Rockcastle responded 2:17 later Larkey scored on a run from 2-yards out and followed that with a 2-point conversion for a 15-8 lead. Larkey's scores were set up by a clutch completion from Warren to Caleb Moore for 27 yards down to the Clay County two.

Another Clay County touchdown was answered by a Larkey 4-yard scoring run just 0:37 into the second quarter.

A big defensive stand by the Rockets would force the Tigers into a punting situation that went bad in a hurry as the snap could not be handled by the punter and Jackson was able to pounce on the ball for Rockcastle.

The turnover proved

costly for the Tigers as RCHS used its quick-strike scoring ability to put major pressure on the visitors when Warren completed a pass to Moore for a 29-yard score on the next play after the turnover for a 29-14 lead with 9:32 left before halftime.

Clay County put together a strong, sustained

drive that culminated in a touchdown run, but Larkey was able to intercept the pass on the 2-point conversion so the Tigers would only cut their deficit down to 29-20.

After halftime, it was all Rockcastle thanks to outstanding plays on both sides of the ball and in the special teams portion to

help aid in the decisive 34-0 run that covered just 10:07 of game clock action.

Larkey, who eclipsed the 1,000-career receiving yard mark against Paris, got the scoring spree started with a rushing touchdown from a yard out before scoring

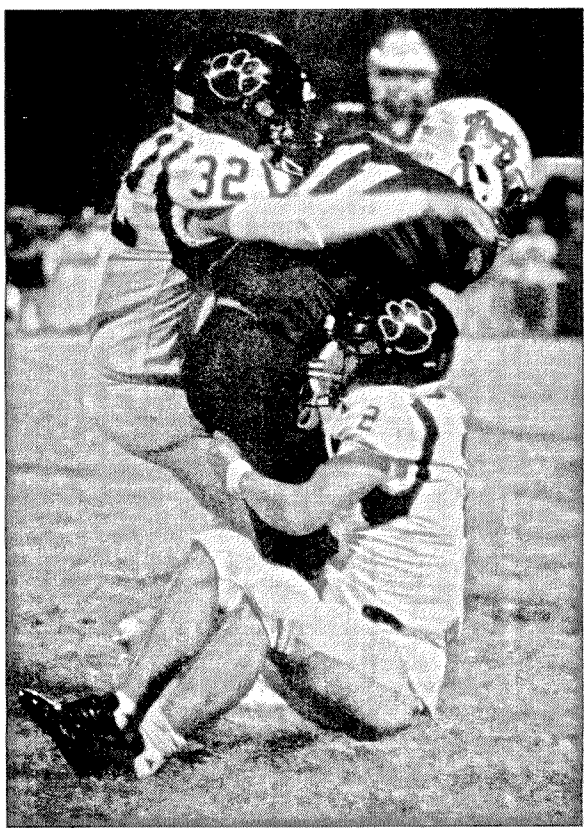
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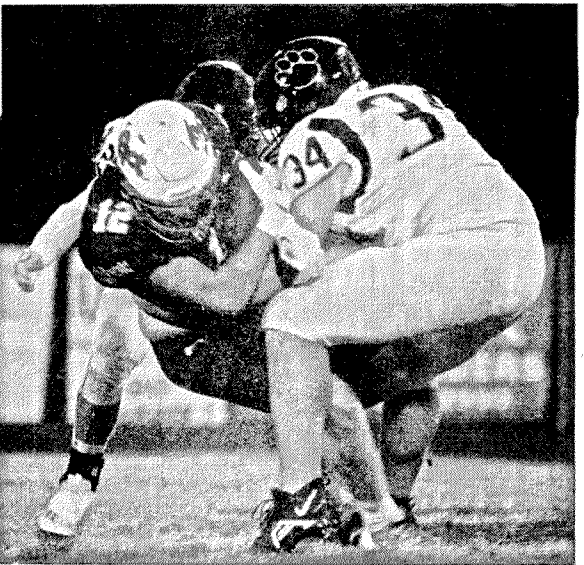
Isaiah Jackson gets a block from Cam Smith as he goes in for a touchdown during the Rockets' win over Clay County Friday night.



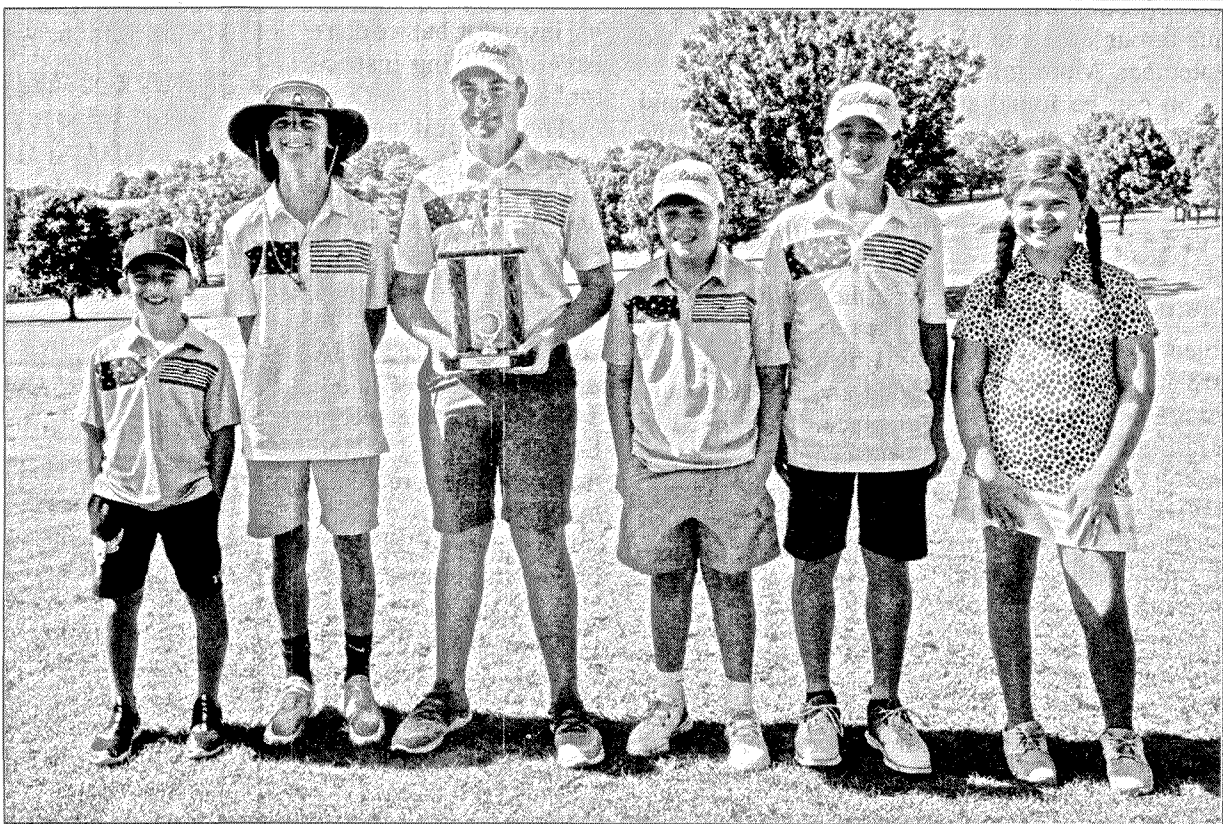
Caleb Moore catches this touchdown pass from Tucker Warren in the second quarter to put the Rockets up 29-14 over Clay County.



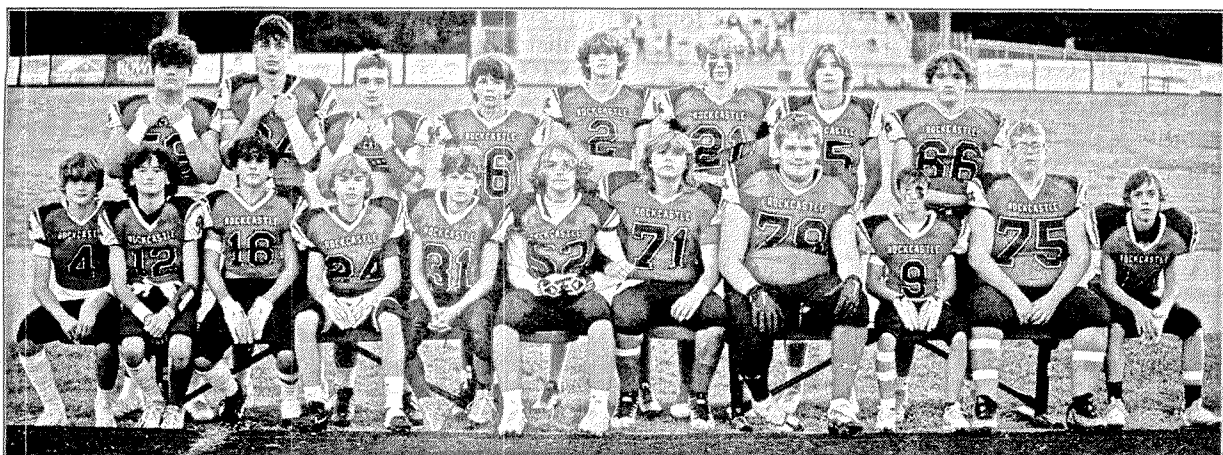
Christian Larkey is tackled after a run in the first half of the Rockets' 63-28 win over Clay County.



Cam Smith is brought down during the Rockets' 63-28 win over district foe Clay County Friday night.

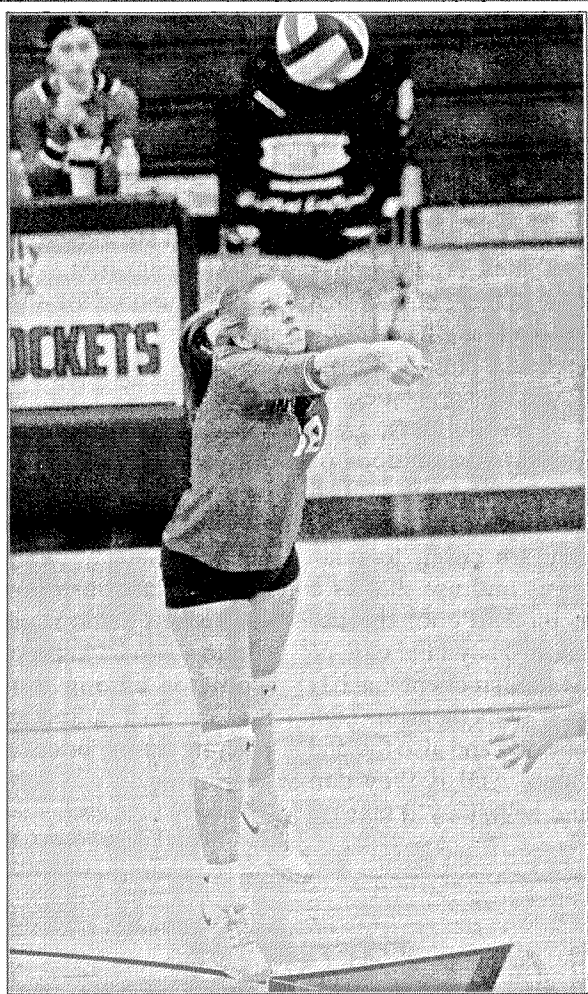


The Rockcastle Middle School golf team finished in the top ten in the state Saturday at the 2023 Ky. Middle School State Championship in Frankfort. Team members are shown above, from left: Cooper Ford, Gavin Isaacs, Conner Ford, Carson Neeley, Parker Cash and Ella Ford. Conner Ford finished as state champion individually for his 66 he shot on the day. Ford won in a two hole sudden-death playoff.

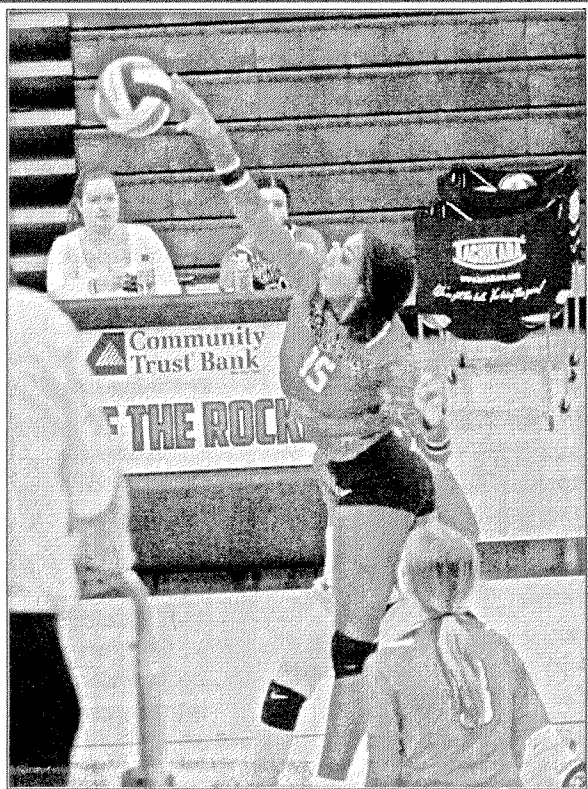


RCMS recently honored their eighth grade football players. Players honored are shown above, front row from left: Camden Larkey, Gavin Isaacs, Gabe Ray, Brayden Isaacs, Sammy Taylor, Jamie Howard, Keegan Riddle, Grant Johnson, Ross Mink, Jayden Burton and Albert Barracks-Ketchum. Back row from left: Merrick Hester, Zane Bullock, Jasper Rogers, Layne Price, Jacob Camel, Brayden Thacker, Sam Elam and Aiden Ingram.

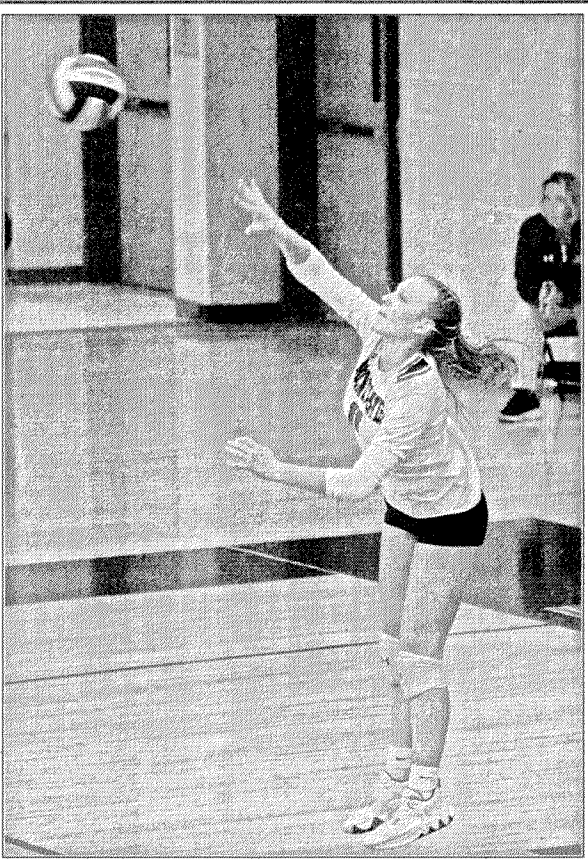




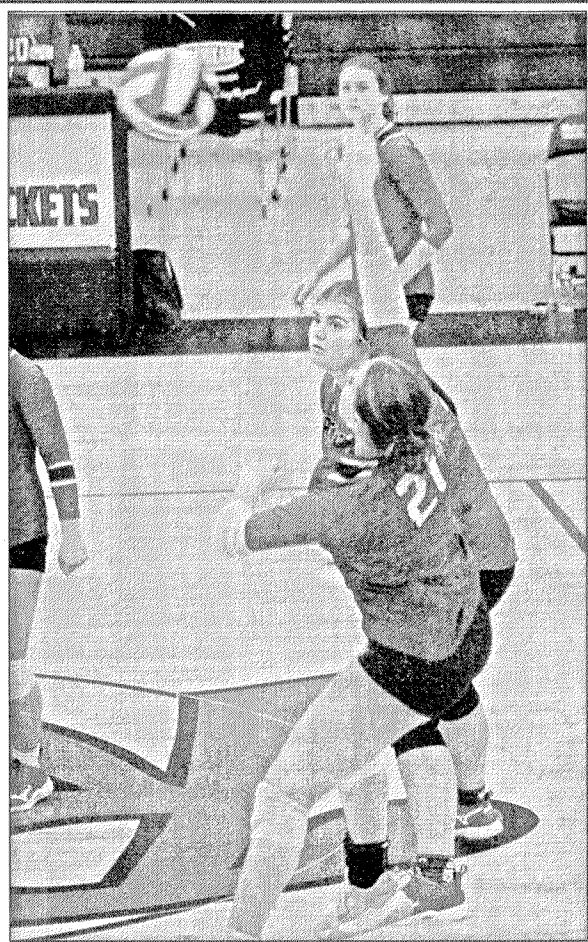
Paige Cash sets a teammate during Rocket volleyball action last week against Southwestern. The Rockets went on a tear this past week winning four of their last five matches. Their next home match is October 10th against Russell County and October 12th against Lincoln County.



Aisha Njie goes for a kill during Rocket volleyball action last week against Southwestern.



Hannah King puts up a serve during Rocket volleyball action last week against Southwestern.



Addy King goes for a kill during Rocket volleyball action last week against Southwestern.

## “Rockets”

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against less than six minutes later after catching a pass from Warren and scampering in from 15 yards out.

Mullins got a 15-yard touchdown of his own when he made a successful leaping attempt at a Clay County pass and raced in for the score. The pick-six would later on in the night be awarded a spot on the Top 5 Plays of the Night by WYMT's SportsOvertime crew.

Another Larkey rushing touchdown early in the fourth quarter was followed by an outstanding squib kick by junior Benjamin Brenda that none of the Clay County players jumped on allowing Larkey to recover the ball setting up the final score of the game for Rockcastle.

Warren's 30-yard touchdown run on the next play gave Rockcastle its final tally of the night.

A late CCHS score against the junior varsity defense would provide the final margin of 63-28.

Larkey's performance against Clay County was one of the best single-game performances by an individual player throughout the state this season as he had 76 yards and four touchdowns on nine carries to go along with three catches for 42 yards and a touchdown as well as a successful 2-point conversion on offense.

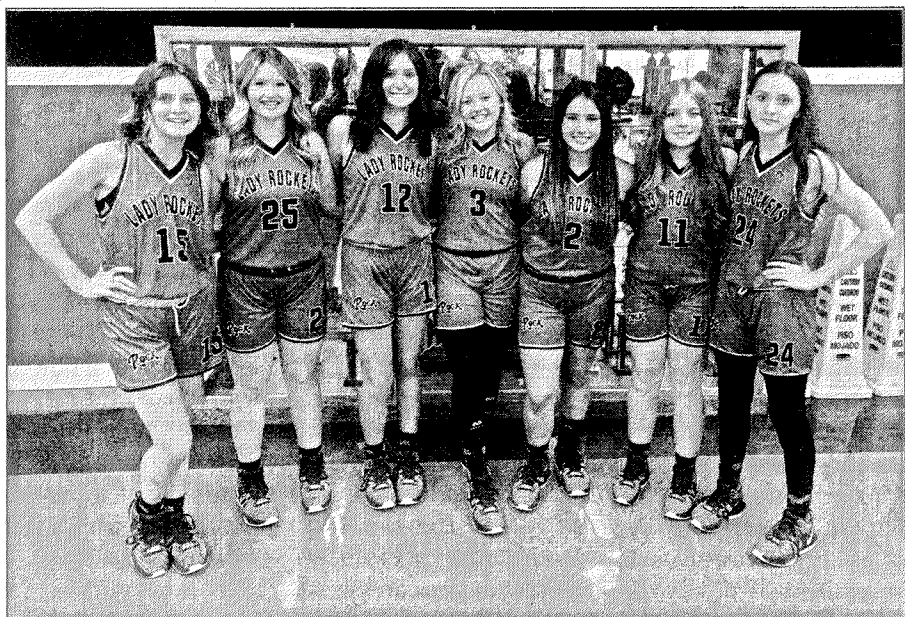
Defensively, Larkey amassed nine tackles, three tackles for loss, an interception and a fumble recovery.

“Christian is the most unselfish great player I have coached,” boasted Coach Larkey. “All the kid wants to do is win and go far in the playoffs. He wants everyone around him to do great and succeed. He is a very smart player too. He watches so much film and studies the other team and knows ahead of time what they are going to do. He knows this is his senior year and it is all or nothing now. He is a lockdown defensive back and a clutch player. He can't stand it if it's not perfect.”

Warren broke the 1,000-yard mark through the air on the season with 170 on 10-for-15 passing with three touchdowns and one interception. Warren also led the way on the ground with 125 yards on eight carries and one touchdown thanks to his ability to read the defenses in the offense that the Rockets have been so successful running this season.

“Tucker is another kid who studies so much film on the other team,” mentioned Coach Larkey about his senior signal caller. “He gets our calls in for the offensive line to block as well as what routes for the receivers to run. He knows ahead of time where he is throwing the ball and when. It has taken a lot of practice to do what he has done and it's not something that is just learned in one year. It has taken a few years for him to get to this point and he is doing great. He has some great and fast wide receivers to throw to and it helps a lot.”

Another brilliant performance by Brenda on kickoffs and extra points helped the junior kicker extend his lead in made extra points in Class 3A and tie for second in the state regardless of class in extra points per game (5.8) with kickers from strong programs such as



RCMS honored their eighth grade basketball players last week. Players are shown above, from left: Leighton McKinney, Lauren Hensley, Jaycee McIntosh, Tatum Bishop, Haley Hopkins, Kylee Ashcraft and Kylee Ashcraft.

Scott County, Boyle County and Paducah Tilghman.

“Benjamin doesn't have an easy job,” said Coach Larkey when asked about how important it is to have a kicker a coach can count on to convert extra points instead of always having to go for two after a touchdown. “There is more to just going out and kicking a football. The kid comes to practice and kicks more than any kicker I have ever had. He has about 10 kids coming at him to block the kick and he has to block all of that out.”

Powell and Goodin provided the remainder of the rushing stats as Powell had 36 yards on three carries while Goodin totaled four carries for 29 yards.

Moore and Jackson both had three catches and a touchdown each with Moore tallying 75 yards to Jackson's 44. Freshman tight end Cameron Smith caught the first pass of his young career for nine yards on the opening play on offense for Rockcastle.

The defense was once again led by Pingleton, a freshman linebacker, with 13 total tackles (eight solo and five assisted) and one tackle for loss to up his season totals to 45 total tackles (30 solo and 15 assisted), eight tackles for loss, three sacks and a fumble recovery for touchdown in the season opener against Anderson County.

Pingleton is one of many freshmen including Smith, Mullins and Caden Lowell that have been thrust into action earlier than normal for players just entering into high school this semester.

“These kids have stepped up and as of now are playing great,” added Coach Larkey. “They put in a lot of time and film to get ready each week. It's a shame that ninth graders have to play, but it's the reality of 3A football. Hopefully they just continue to get better each week.”

Jackson would tie with Larkey for second in tackles with nine while family member Jai

Denny tallied six tackles with one for loss and a quarterback sack.

Others to earn tackles were Warren (five), Moore (three), Smith, Heath Barnes and Colin Hamilton (two each) and Lovell, Jayce Bowles, Dalton Flannery, Alex Smith and Creed Gabbard (one each).

With the electric play on the field, the booming fireworks after each Rockets score and an even larger and louder crowd than usual, one can understand why Fridays in the fall in Rockcastle are just so special.

“The fans, student sections and crowd have been nothing short of spectacular,” Coach Larkey exclaimed. “We always say, when people have to park at Save-A-Lot, then it's a great crowd. Our spirit line is awesome and just like it should be. Our kids feed off the crowd and love to see them after the game on the field. Our county is what Friday Night Football is all about. Our

kids are proud to say who we play for. Pride in our school, pride in our county and pride in the program...that's what makes our tradition keep going.”

The Rockets are going to welcome all the support they can as they embark on a road trip this week for their toughest test of the season when they face off against the Dudley Hilton-led Bell County Bobcats, who are undefeated and have one of the state's leading rushers and scorers this season in senior running back Daniel Thomas.

“Bell Co. has a very good team and there is no denying that,” mentioned Coach Larkey of the undefeated Bobcats. “They are a very veteran team and of course whenever you play there you need not expect to catch any breaks or get any calls.”

Kickoff on Log Mountain in Pineville is at 7:30 p.m. for what some are calling the deciding game for the Class 3A District 7 regular season crown.

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# Take Action

**What is the Safe Haven Law?**

KRS 405.075 states that a newborn infant can legally be placed in a device designed to permit a parent to anonymously surrender their baby with the intent for an emergency medical services provider to remove the newborn take custody.

**Safe Haven Baby Boxes**

- There are currently 136 SHBB
- 16 of those boxes are located in KY
- The first baby was placed in a KY SHBB on 2/10/2023, less than 2 mths after installation

**The nearest Safe Haven Box to Mt. Vernon, KY is in Mt. Washington, 97 miles away.**

For more information, or to make a donation contact

**Makaela Brooke Abney**  
makaela.abney@rockcastle.kyschools.us

### NOTICE ABC LICENSE

Casey's Marketing Company, d/b/a Minit Mart with a mailing address of One S.E. Convenience Blvd., Ankeny, Iowa 50021, hereby declares its intention to apply for an NQ Malt Beverage Package not later than September 1, 2023. The businesses to be licensed will be located at:

1. 1565 Richmond Street, Mount Vernon, Kentucky 40456; and
2. 1970 Richmond Street, Mount Vernon, Kentucky 40456.

Casey's Marketing Company is an Iowa Corporation authorized to do business in Kentucky, wholly owned by Casey's General Stores, Inc., the Officers of which are: Samuel J. James, President, One S.E. Convenience Blvd., Ankeny, Iowa 50021; Brian J. Johnson, Vice President, One S.E. Convenience Blvd., Ankeny, Iowa 50021; Scott A. Faber, Secretary, One S.E. Convenience Blvd., Ankeny, Iowa 50021; Douglas M. Beech, Assistant Secretary, One S.E. Convenience Blvd., Ankeny, Iowa 50021; and Eric M. Larsen, Treasurer, One S.E. Convenience Blvd., Ankeny, Iowa 50021. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the approval of the license by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 500 Mero Street 2NE33, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, within (30) days of the date of legal publication.

### MEMBER NOTICE

#### Residential Electric Vehicle Off-Peak Charging Program (Pilot Program)

Notice is hereby given to the members of Jackson Energy Coop. Corp, 103 Mildred Rd., McKee, KY 40447. A person may examine this tariff filing at the office address listed above for the cooperative.

On or after October 1, 2023, Jackson Energy will file with the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission"), a tariff for a Pilot Residential Electric Vehicle ("EV") Off-Peak Charging Program ("pilot program"). The proposed effective date for the tariff is December 1, 2023 through June 30, 2029. The pilot program is voluntary in nature. Jackson Energy does not have a DSM Rider in effect, so there will be no change in the rates charged for electric service to any customer class. However, if the proposed tariff is approved, the pilot program will offer an incentive for residential retail members of \$0.02 per kWh to delay their daily EV charging until off-peak hours.

The proposals contained in this notice are the items being proposed by Jackson Energy, however, the Commission may order a program that differs, or rates that differ, from the proposed program contained in this notice. The proposed tariff does not amend or revise existing rates of Jackson Energy and does not include any proposed new rates for Jackson Energy. Consequently, an analysis of the amount of change in dollars and percentage change or the effect upon an average bill for each customer classification is not provided.

A person may also examine this tariff filing at the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>. Comments regarding this tariff filing may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its Web site or by mail to Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication or mailing of the notice, the Commission may take final action on the tariff filing.



# Yards to Paradise

**By Max Phelps**  
*Don't Charge that Landscape, Big Purchase or Luxury Vacation Right Now!*

Probably that sounds a bit off-beat for a gardening column in the paper. But as the spending impulse has been on the loose ever since the trillions in government spending over COVID, prices keep going up, and up, and up. And that is likely going to be the situation until the majority of folks have gone through anything in savings, leveraged their home for a loan, and maxed out their credit cards. At that time, inflation will become a recession, when the spending goes down.

So, the suggestion to hold off on anything major unless you have the cash and want it really bad would be smart. When prices finally tumble, you'll be the one that has money left to get things at a bargain. So, from the home loan to the second or third vacation, from the withdrawal from the 401K for the big dream item, for the new credit card you can transfer balances to so you can spend some more on the original ones—the wise option is just be patient and save for the purchase rather than pay extra using high interest loans. If people run out of money, prices will stop going up and interest rates will too.

Then, there'll be some bargains. (Right now, stores are selling stuff faster than they can get the merchandise—bargains are hard to find in this situation. Same advice applies to a new vehicle—there are no “end of model year” bargains currently to be had. So, it's smart not to pay full price, and especially if it's on credit.)

So it is with a new house, a new driveway or a complete yard makeover—if every contractor is covered up with more work than he can find the help or labor for, there will be no cheap

pricing. It's as simple as economics.

My business—let's just say as I inch closer to full retirement, so far as I know none of my clients in recent months have had to finance anything. Being able to write a check of pay cash is a blessing for all involved. (And the boom and bust cycle doesn't go boom and bust if folks only purchase things they've saved for.)

So much of the distortion in the economy is the fault of the big, powerful and political. (No wonder the song “Rich Men North of Richmond” went to the top in popularity overnight!) But, lest somebody grumbles I'm getting political or

getting in to private matters like credit purchases, let's move on to a conclusion for today's column.

This year has been 100 percent working for previous clients, I've neither sought nor taken on no new ones. And because some of them know when I may be caught up...they wait and call when the slower season comes.


When builders, grass cutters, any outdoor or indoor living pros are so busy they can't do it all, they are going to raise prices and use that as a method to cool the demand. They take care of the regular client that has been with them through the good and also the bad times. And if they can find help, they'll take on

new clients, but at a higher price. It's the laws of supply and demand. Demand has to cool or the price increases will continue next year. Of when savings are empty and cards are maxed out, if that comes first.

What contractor—any organization for that matter—urges folks to shop for bargains rather than spending today more than you can really afford? My landscaping advice isn't always the conventional, but after nearly twenty three seasons, old followers know I seldom give stupid advice. I hope you won't be among those that keep spending and pushing up the prices on everything.

*The author is a landscaper.  
Web: rockcastles.net*

### Attention Non-Profit Groups or Organizations



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

#### Rockcastle County Solid Waste \$100.00 Per Mile Roadside Litter Clean-Up Program!

Non-profits such as Churches, School Groups, Clubs, Fire Departments or other organizations which have a state tax-exempt ID number on file, may now raise needed funds to help their respective organization or group by cleaning up roadside trash, while also helping to

#### Keep The Rock Clean!

The Rockcastle County Solid Waste office will assign qualifying groups or organizations a road and/or section of road to be cleaned up, while funding remains available.

Contact the Rockcastle Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for further details

## KENTUCKY'S BOONE WAY YARD SALE

### OCTOBER 6 & 7, 2023

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Mt. Vernon  
Livingston  
London  
Corbin  
Williamsburg

## HEALTHY JOE EXPO 2023

Calling All Rockcastle County Men

### Men's Health Fair

Tuesday, October 10  
Marcella's Farm to Fork

The twelfth annual Healthy Joe Expo will be held Tuesday, October 10, 6-8 p.m. at Marcella's Farm to Fork Restaurant.

This year's speaker will be Dr. David Bullock, board certified family medicine physician at Rockcastle Family Wellness, and will be presenting on the topic of lung health.

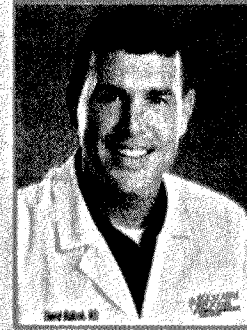
Various health screenings will be available and vouchers will also be given for free cholesterol screenings and blood glucose tests.

For those wanting to go ahead and take care of the blood glucose test before dinner, come on out between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. in Marcella's parking lot and visit Rockcastle Regional's Mobile Health Clinic to get screened for diabetes and pre-diabetes.

In addition to these valuable health screenings, the event will also feature health education booths, a free meal, and door prizes.

Space is limited, so those planning to attend should reserve their place by contacting Chelsea Dillingham at (606) 256-7767 or e-mail at c.dillingham@rhcc.org by Friday, October 6.

#### Guest Speaker:




Dr. David Bullock

#### Event Features:


- Health education
- Vouchers for cholesterol and PSA screening
- Free meal
- Door prizes

Space is limited. Please call (606) 256-7767 to reserve your place.



### ROCKCASTLE REGIONAL

HOSPITAL & RESPIRATORY CARE CENTER



### ROCKCASTLE FAMILY WELLNESS



## Charles Ray Noe Still loving life and going strong at 94

By:

Nancy Mullins

He bought his first car, a Model A Ford from his cousin when he was 16 for \$150 by doubling his money on an investment in calves which he bought for \$25 each and sold a few months later for \$50 each. At 18c a gallon, 50c worth of gasoline would do him all week, he says.

Those are some pleasant recollections of Charles Ray Noe, a resident of Signature Health Care, locally known as Brodhead Nursing Home. If you think everyone who lives in a nursing home is dissatisfied, you'd be wrong.

Four years ago, Ray Noe was living alone and got sick and had to go to the hospital. When he was released, he was sent to the Brodhead Nursing Home for four weeks for rehabilitation and to get built up. After he had been there for two weeks, he informed his family and friends that he was not going home. He loved being there. He laughs now and says, "I had my meals cooked, my laundry done, people around me, and, he laughs, "all these pretty girls."

It wasn't long though before Ray began loving going outside in the courtyard and enjoying sitting

there. Having been a farmer, he knew just what care the plants needed, especially the Knockout Roses that grew against one wall. Being 94-years-old didn't mean he wanted to stop working, and being in a wheelchair most of the time didn't mean he couldn't work! So he began tending the roses, fertilizing, watering, pruning, and occasionally cutting blooms and taking them to patients or the nurses. When asked why he did that, he remarked, "I like to see them smile." So Mr. Noe has gained notoriety as 'The Gardener' at the Nursing Home and has recently been voted as President of the Nursing Home Garden Club.

Ray was born March 23, 1929 to Will and Betty Saylor Noe of Brindle Ridge, their eleventh child. His mother died one hour after he was born, and his dad, unable to care for the newborn, took him to Lincoln County to his wife's brother, John H. Saylor and his wife Mahalia Hopkins Saylor and asked if they would be interested in taking the infant. The Sayers had two older children, and gladly welcomed the infant and raised him as their own. He always called them Mom and Dad. He smiles and admits they and the two older children petted him.

He had a good life with the Sayers, but that doesn't mean he didn't have to work hard. Those

were Depression years. The Sayers were farmers "all round." You made what you ate and there was very little money coming in. They raised chickens, hogs, calves, the feed for the animals and food for themselves. Ray remembers his Dad taking him to the fields when he was 12, hooking up the horse and plow, and leaving him alone to plow.

When he was 7 or 8 years old, Ray says his mother would tell him, "You help in in the garden real good, and I will buy you something in town." So he helped her raise a big garden, pick and gather vegetables which they took to Crab Orchard and peddled up and down the street. Then she would keep her promise and "buy me something I needed or wanted."

He says back then, the Blacks and Whites mixed together in his remembrance. They didn't marry, but at least he was not aware of conflict. His mother sold vegetables in the Black neighborhoods, and when other peddlers would try to sell to them, they would say, "Naw, we will just wait for Miss Mahalia." Hers were the best.

If there is one thing, says Ray, that he would fault his parents for, it would be that they let him drop out of school in the second grade. He says he went to first grade, but when he started to second grade, he didn't like it, so he

quit. It's one of his few regrets in life. "You can do good without a lot of book learning," he says, "but it sure helps."

Ray spent two years in the military, mostly in Germany, France, and Holland. "I've been in more foreign countries, I tell people, than I have states." His memories of Holland include the vast fields of beautiful colorful bulbs grown commercially.

At 23, following service, he married Estline Ellison of Copper Creek and they were married for over 60 years before she died. He says he had saved so much of his army pay that when they got married, they were able to buy everything they needed to "set up housekeeping."

His mother's dad signed for them to buy their first rough 100 acre farm. It cost \$600 or \$700 and was part woodland which he says was useful for timber to build farm buildings. He was a successful farmer, later buying the farm he was raised on. Early on, he bought a farm for \$17,000, kept it 4 years and sold it for \$45,000. He has bought and sold property often, making a hefty profit each time.

He loved raising tobacco, but not so much milking cows. The milk money helped with cash flow, but when he could get by without it, he gave it up and focused on cattle and tobacco.

"Republicans raised

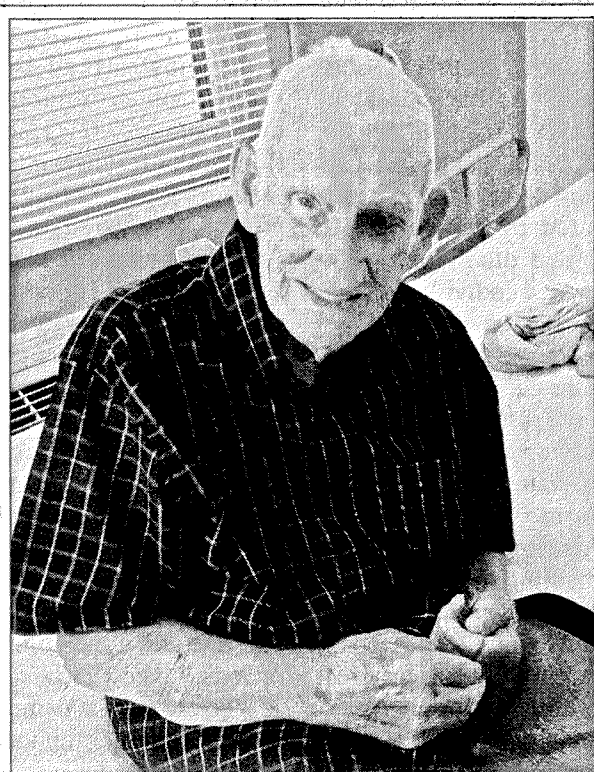
me," but Ray doesn't care much for politicians. He says they all talk bad about each other and leaves a person not knowing who to believe or what to think. He thinks, "There's not much to vote for." The only U.S. President he ever voted for was Eisenhower.

When asked about the country, he says he thinks it's "high time for a change."

"I've been a Christian since I was 50 years old. I've had such a much better life since I've accepted the Lord. He impressed me to come here. I felt from the Lord strongly to come to Brodhead," he said. "Some religions say you don't have to be born again, but the Bible says, 'you MUST be born again.'" Faith in God is very important to him and he quotes passages from the Bible often.

The advice he shares from his years of experience is, "Always be honest and truthful. Be a good neighbor. Do what's right. Don't slave, but do a good day's work. Put money back and don't spend all you make."

The Noes had two daughters and a son (who died soon after birth). His daughter Sue was married to Rockcastle Countian Gary Kidwell, killed in the line of duty as a policeman in Stanford. She has since passed away too, and his devoted daughter Vicki Fely lives a very comfortable life on a farm in Lincoln County and visits often.



Charles Ray Noe, 94, stays busy in the new garden at the local facility. Garden Club members say Noe played a big part and provided labor for the new outdoor garden area.



Kathy McCauley, a Rockcastle Garden Club member and local landscaper, talks with Mr. Ray Noe at a recent Celebration of Appreciation at the nursing home (Signature Health Care) at Brodhead.



A young Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noe

## City Administrator is proud of city workers

By: Mike French  
Editor

City Administrator Jim Bowman told the Mount Vernon City Council, during last week's regular meeting, that there are some names that need recognized. He mentioned, City Maintenance Supervisor Frank Baker, Mayor's Assistant Nicole Roberts, City Clerk Crystal Rush, Vitalize Mount Vernon Director Lynn Tatum, Mayor Tim Roberts, all the city workers, Vaughn Williams and others.

"There are a lot of dedicated people who are going above and beyond their duty for the betterment of Mount Vernon and a lot is getting done," said Bowman. "These dedicated people are moving the city forward and completing tasks that make a better city with very little recognition for their dedication."

Bowman listed countless accomplishments including electrical work on Main Street, decorations and other preparations on Main Street, handrails at local city buildings, restroom repairs at the City Park, pole lights and new pole bases, work on new cyber security systems, planning for new sidewalks and bike paths, street repairs, water projects and much more.

"I can't say enough

about Frank and his crews. Repairing the restrooms at the park means we no longer have to rent portable restrooms at \$85 per week. And that is just one of the many accomplishments he has led the way on," Bowman said.

Bowman continued to discuss the work with the Mayor's Assistant in getting information and preparing to take the city to a new level of cyber security with

ky.gov email addresses for all city staff and departments. He also discussed potential planned new sidewalks and existing sidewalk repairs, as well as the new playground equipment at Lake Linville Park.

Bowman also discussed plans for the Noel Night Market planned for later this year and preparations for the event. He also mentioned new water service expanding to

new areas as well as the water project that was recently bid along with other projects and ideas underway in the city.

"People are working hard and we have an extraordinary bunch of people working together right now," he said. "Sometimes people deserve to be recognized when they do more than they have to do. There are many unsung heroes in our city who are working to make our city better."

## New Playset



Shown above is the new playset at the Lake Linville Park. Mayor Tim Roberts and City Administrator Jim Bowman with the assistance of Mayor's Assistant Nicole Roberts, City Clerk Crystal Rush, and City Maintenance Supervisor Frank Baker, the expandable play area was installed this month as part of the city's plans to grow the local park. The set was specifically ordered with adaptable construction so that additional playground equipment may be added to it at a later date. Officials say the play set is expected to grow each year as the budget allows to provide a safe, family atmosphere and clean environment for all visitors of the park. The play area is surrounded by a new rubber material that is safe for children as well as the environment, according to manufacturers.



# News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



## Marriage Licenses

Brooke Shay Nicely, 31, Mount Vernon, Factory, to Andrew Michael McCloskey, 30, Mt. Washington, Maintenance Worker. 8-22-23

Crystal Darlene Coleman, 28, Mount Vernon, Factory, to James Russell Cornelius V, 32, Mount Vernon, Retail. 8-23-23

Tammara Arlene Arthur, 39, Mount Vernon, unemployed, to Jordan Brian Davidson, 21, Berea, factory. 9-1-23

Cora Elizabeth Machal, 23, Mount Vernon, Dental Hygienist, to Kagan Andrew Miller, 22, Brodhead, teacher. 9-1-23

Bethany Lynn Howard, 29, Liberty, Medication Manager, to Ronald Dustin Smith, 31, Brodhead, laborer. 9-5-23

Nikole D'Laine Shipley, 22, Mount Vernon, Vet, to Zachary Wayne Sowder, 24, Mount Vernon, lineman. 9-5-23

Holly Nicole Akemon, 42, Tyner, Social Worker, to Jesse A. Bugg, 45, Mount Vernon, Area Supervisor. 9-13-23

Kayla Cheyenne Smith, 26, Brodhead, Taco Bell Manager, to Tiaha Nash Giovetti, 26, Spokane, manager. 9-13-23

Makayla Desiree Goff, 26, Mount Vernon, unemployed, to Derek Kendrick Kessee, 32, Somerset, unemployed. 9-14-23

McKenzie Alyssa Nicole Lamb, 20, Livingston, Rockcastle Regional, to Cager Nithanuel Eugene Carl Wesley Doan, 21, Mount Vernon, unemployed. 9-15-23

Kelsey Leanna Morgan, 30, Mount Vernon, Lawyer, to Dakota Lee Dwight Mahaffey, 32, Mount Vernon, Civil Engineer Technician. 9-16-23

Hannah Renee Bullock, 28, Brodhead, Resident Doctor, to Chad Wylie Stephenson, 28, Brooksville, Software Engineer. 9-16-23

Callie Elizabeth Delph, 20, Berea, servc, to Noah Samuel Mink, 22, Berea, field technician. 9-22-23

Evelyn Christine Warren, 37, Mount Vernon, Medical Records Director, to Eric Dale Renner, 40, Mount Vernon, machinist. 9-22-23

Kara Elizabeth Dalton, 29, Brodhead, Patient Access, to Anthony Dylan Coomer, 29, Crab Orchard, lawn care. 9-22-23

## Deeds Recorded

Pamela Jo Ramsey, real property located on Ferguson Street to James Mcauliffe and Margit A. Mcauliffe. Tax \$55.00

Christopher Logan Robinson, real property located in Sunset Place Subdivision, to Jeremy Eugene Fleming. Tax \$197.00

S&K Real Estate, LLC, real property located in Lovells Court Addition, to Rockcastle Recovery Properties, LLC. Tax \$290.00

Nancy E. Wudtke, and

others, real property located in Renfro Valley, to John Lawson. Tax \$65.00

Judy Mitchell, real property located in Rainbow Ridge Subdivision, to Mark and Mary Thomason. Tax \$9.00

Cameron Properties, LLC, real property located on Frank Thacker Road, to Jason and Tabitha Upchurch. Tax \$12.00

Judy Mitchell, real property located in Rainbow Ridge Subdivision, to John and Angie Payne. Tax \$5.50

Keith and Sara Edeste, real property located on Lambert Road, to Brandon K. Edeste. Tax \$140.00

Claud Akers, real property located in C.L. "Lafe" Owens Subdivision, to Chad and Cathy Payne. Tax \$15.00

Phillips' Properties, LLC, real property located in Hill View Subdivision, to Orvil Renner, Jr. Tax \$120.00

Clyde H. Franks, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Dart Construction Services, LLC. Tax \$80.00

Randall M. and Patricia A. Farrell, real property located on Clyde Barnett Road, to Keith F. and Trudi R. Davis. Tax \$68.00

Deloris Holt and Paul Holt, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Chasteen Enterprises, Inc. Tax \$26.00

Ronnie James Marshall, and others, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Noah Thomas Davis. Tax \$90.00

Melinda Raw Howard, Administratrix of the estate of Elaine Lois Howard, real property located in Rainbow Ridge Subdivision, to John and Angie Payne. Tax \$12.00

Allen Madden, III and Hailey Madden, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Dalton Jones. Tax \$169.00

Cameron Properties, LLC, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Hunter James Goodwin. Tax \$190.00

Jeffrey Wayne Cromer, and others, real property located on Hwy. 25, to K&S Land Company, LLC. Tax \$140.00

Trevis and Kimberly Gibson, real property located on Chestnut Grove Road, to Donald and Amy N. Carpenter. Tax \$145.00

Rosetta F. Milburn and Joshua Milburn, real property located on Green Hill Road, to Anthony Joseph DeMart. Tax \$160.00

Shannon Damrell and Paul Damrell, real property located on Bradley Powell Road, to Bennie Joe Fuller. Tax \$10.00

Nell W. McNew, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Lisa G. Wilson. Tax \$10.00

Larry Bradley, real property located in Rockcastle County, to James E. and Ruth M. Lunsford. Tax \$30.00

Jacob's Well Baptist Church, Inc., real property located on Woodland Drive, to Cameron Properties, LLC. Tax \$40.00

Lindsey Haas Turner and John Michael Turner, real property located in Rockcastle County, to James Lee Wilbur and Kalyn Courtney Wilbur. Tax \$210.00

James Gary and Linda Lou Burdette, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Luther and Evie Marcum. Tax \$164.50

Nathan W. and Dana Carter, real property located on Ford Drive, to Matthew Ray Donahue. Tax \$139.00

Kimberly Renner, and others, real property located on East Fork Skaggs Creek Road, to Cameron Properties, LLC. Tax \$15.00

Jordan and Haley Briggs, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Amber Begley. Tax \$172.50

Allison C. Reynolds, and others, real property located in Frith Subdivision, to Allison C. Reynolds and Roger Reynolds. Tax \$75.00

Connie Blevins and Ronald Keith Kirby, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Terry Scott and Mary M. Burdette. Tax \$12.00

Cameron Properties, LLC, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Terry Scott and Mary M. Burdette. Tax \$28.00

Keavin Aaron and Madison Nicole Webb, real property located in Asher Addition, to Erica Hope Halfacre. Tax \$139.00

Fred Nathaniel Hampton, III and Racheal Hampton, real property located on Negro Creek Road, to Meredith Curtis. Tax \$150.00

Brenda S. Hodges and Jerry Lee Hodges, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Chloe Combs. Tax \$65.00

Thomas P. Croskey, real property located on Cable Knob Rd., to Harvey and Wilma Mink. Tax \$100.00

Maggie D. Lewis and Ernie Lee Lewis, real property located on Calloway Hollow Branch, to Calloway Holiness Church. Tax \$35.00

Jack and Evelyn Fletcher, real property located on Kentucky Highway No. 328, to Derrick and Megan Pittman. Tax \$72.00

Janet Kay Foster, real property located on Old Copper Creek Road, to Jose Perez-Ramirez and Ashley F. Perez. Tax \$139.00

Eric Logan and Casey Nicole Pheanis, real property located on Hwy. 25, to Judy Mitchell. Tax \$20.00

Bryan and Kristi Hansel, real property located in Mountain View Estates, to Ricky W. and Virginia A. Miller. Tax \$220.00

William Albert Payne, real property located in Lear Crest Subdivision, to Bryan A. and Kristi K. Hansel. Tax \$279.00

Kathy and Robert Dees, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Sarah and Steven Lutes. Tax \$235.00

## Circuit Civil Suits

Republic Finance, LLC vs. Anita Smith, complaint.

Republic Finance, LLC vs. Eva Hume, complaint.

Glatha Nicole Roy vs. Eric Scott Roy, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Kasey Newcomb vs. Oscar Newcomb, petition

for dissolution of marriage.

Isaiah David Scarborough vs. Patty Nicole Scarborough, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Amy Burke vs. Casey D. Burke, complaint.

Kristen McKayla Ruppel vs. Tristan Noah Zane Ruppel, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Roger Pigg vs. Betty Lou York Pigg, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Takina Cottrell vs. Justin Bishop, petition for dissolution of marriage.

AVID Acceptance, LLC vs. Megan N. Wilson, complaint.

Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Christopher J. Baldwin, complaint.

Trenton Bryant, et al vs. Richard Bishop, et al, complaint.

Betty Sue Collins vs. Teddy Rose, et al, complaint.

Foursight Capital, LLC vs. April Ashcraft, et al, complaint.

America's Car-Mart Inc. vs. Angel Smith, et al, complaint.

Eliza Mason vs. Austin King, complaint.

NCB Management Services, Inc. vs. Joshua Burke, complaint.

Ronnie Dale Lainhart vs. Patricia Anne Lainhart, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Mary Barnett vs. Phillip Brandon Barnett, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Ravana Bronkhurst vs. Mauricio Gallardo Hinojosa, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Mariner Finance, LLC vs. Dominic King, complaint.

## District Civil Suits

CKS Prime Investments, LLC vs. Scherrie Gwaltney, complaint.

Capital One, N.A. vs. Alissa M. Forman, complaint.

Capital One, N.A. vs. Matthew A. Isaacs, complaint.

Heights Finance Corporation vs. Lonnie Vanwinkle, complaint.

Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Billy Bullock, complaint.

Mariner Finance, LLC vs. Sherri Harness, complaint.

Mt. Vernon Heights, LLC vs. Billy Bullock, forcible detainer complaint.

Jimmy Guinn vs. Johnny Bond, complaint. LNVN Funding LLC vs. Steve Robbins, complaint.

Citibank, N.A. vs. Chadwick A. Burdette, complaint.

Capital One, N.A. vs. Matthew A. Isaacs, com-

plaint.

Discover Bank vs. Nathan Garrett, complaint.

Discover Bank vs. Emanuel R. Miller, complaint.

LNVN Funding, LLC vs. Robert Abney, complaint.

Absolute Resolutions Investments, LLC vs. Jason Proctor, complaint.

Absolute Resolutions Investments, LLC vs. Dwayne Burdette, complaint.

Capital One, N.A. vs. Heather Barnes, complaint.

## Sen. Storm completes fellowship program

The Council of State Governments (CSG) named 45 outstanding leaders to the 2023 Henry Toll Fellowship Program in July. State Senator Brandon Storm, R-London, was the lone Kentuckian selected by the program's alums to participate after being nominated by his peers. He joined other highly esteemed individuals from around the country.

Founded in 1933, CSG is the nation's largest non-partisan organization serving all three branches of state elected and appointed officials. The mission of CSG is to champion excellence in state government.

Storm attended the organization's Henry Toll Fellowship Program's intensive six-day, five-night leadership boot camp in August. This event is held annually at CSG's national office in Lexington, Kentucky, which houses CSG's projects, publications, and special initiatives. These programs foster collaboration and community between elected and appointed officials from across the country and the six U.S. territories.

"I was proud to complete the program and now be a Henry Toll Fellow," Storm said. "This experience was a rewarding and unique leadership opportunity that will empower me to better serve

the 21st Senate District and our commonwealth. It was truly an honor to be selected to represent Kentucky."

Fellowship participants must attend the graduation ceremony during the 2023 CSG National Conference held Dec. 6-9 in Raleigh, North Carolina.

CSG says the leadership boot camp[1] stimulates personal assessment and growth, empowers leaders to collaborate and communicate more effectively and provides non-partisan networking and relationship-building opportunities. According to its website, CSG has sponsored the program for state and government officials since 1986.

The program is named in honor of CSG founder Henry Wolcott Toll and is one of the nation's premier leadership development programs for state government officials. The fellowship has more than 1,350 alums, including five state and territorial house speakers, three sitting state supreme court justices, 10 sitting members of Congress, five sitting governors, and more than 200 currently serving in either state or territorial legislatures.

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# Rockcastle Historical Haven

By: Markita Proctor

## Hunting Rockcastle County

As September comes to a close I begin to think of cooler weather...a nice fire and something warm and hearty to eat. For many of our ancestors, their comfort food was brought in by hunters.

Kentucky is widely known as a hunting ground. There is a long-standing myth that Native Americans did not live in Kentucky, but kept it sacred as a hunting ground. While that concept has been disproven, there is a truth in the idea that Kentucky is a land full of resources and the wildlife has always been (and still is) plentiful. Deer season officially opened this year on September 2, 2023, but Kentucky has been open to hunting for generation upon generation.

The term long hunter or longhunter comes from the 1800s. A long hunter was an explorer who hunted but also explored the American frontier. There were several Long Hunters who made their

way into Rockcastle County. John Lair writes about the Long Hunters in his book, *Rockcastle Recollections*. He states, "Among historians, it has become increasingly common to refer to various hunting parties who made prolonged expeditions into the wilderness of Kentucky, as Long Hunters" (183). Lair references a Lyman C. Draper and his argument that the only authentic group of Long Hunters included men under the leadership of Joseph Drake and Henry Skaggs. These men hunted and explored Kentucky from 1770 through 1772. Lair lists a group of men who were known to have hunted and explored the area we now know as Rockcastle County. They were: Joseph Drake, James Knox, James Aldridge, William Allen, John Baker, Isaac Bledsoe, Abraham Bledsoe, William Blevins, Daniel Boone, Castleton Brooks, William Graham, Valentine Harmon, William Crabtree, Robert

Crockett, James Dysart, Charles Ewing, David Hughes, William Butler, Charles Cox, James Graham, William Lynch, Casper Mansker, William Miller, John Montgomery, John Rains, William Pittman, Samuel Newell, "Old Man" Russell, Christopher Stoph, Uriah Stone, Michael Stoner, Obediah Terrill Elisha Walden, and Edward Worthington. Many of these notable men are famous in Kentucky and a few have nationwide recognition. Others are known specifically to our region of the state. John Baker, for example, made his home in Rockcastle County. Baker discovered the Great Saltpetre Cave. His grave was discovered in the vicinity of the cave. Valentine Harmon returned to the Rockcastle County area after his expeditions and settled here. According to Lair, "he was a member of the Transylvania Convention held at Boonesborough in 1775" (185). James Dysart, according to Lair, "ranks as one of the most important early residents of Rockcastle County" (185). Charles Cox was originally a member of the Long Hunters and it is believed that Cox's Ridge in Rockcastle County is named for this Cox. The Long Hunters are detailed on the website Frontierlife.net. The writ-

ers state that these hunters traveled into the areas over the Appalachian Mountains and the lands just past known as the Ohio River Drainage, Kentucky and of course, Rockcastle County was in this area. They predominantly hunted buffalo, deer, and bear. After killing these animals the meat and hides would be dried and taken back to the settlements in the spring. The website NRAfamily.org published an article titled "Throwback Thursday: Who Were the Long Hunters" by W.H. "Chip" Gross. The article details the lives of these men. Goss wraps up the article with these thoughts, "While Long Hunters saw themselves as simply providing for their families, the colonial government saw them as creating problems and the Indians saw them as poachers. Few of the hunters got rich, or even climbed out of debt, as they had hoped. Yet, for many, it was the time of their lives. Once safely back home, and seated in front of a crackling hearth fire in a snug log cabin, they regaled their children and grandchildren with their wilderness hunting stories west of the Blue Ridge until the day they died." Ultimately, the Long Hunters left an impact on history just as their experiences left an

impact on them.

Hunting led to good eating. Many Rockcastle Countians have their favorite recipes from the rewards of a good hunt. Stews, jerky, and other delicacies come from a good hunt. Kentucky is known for its chicken, but apparently, there is more to our state pantry than chicken. Below is a recipe for Kentucky Burgoo which incorporates many of the wild game that would have been available to the men and women of the frontier and the early days of Rockcastle County. Kentucky Burgoo: made from a variety of wild game.

3 tbsps lard or other fat  
1-2 squirrel or rabbit  
2 to 3 pounds venison, 3 to 4 inches wide, cut into large pieces

to 5 pheasant legs/thighs, bone-in

Vegetables: onion, Carrots, cabbage, celery, potatoes, corn, green beans

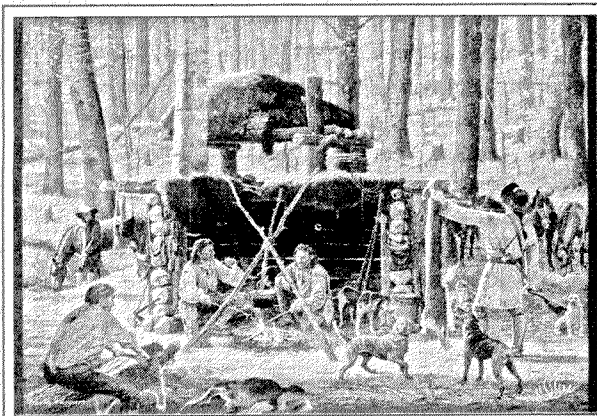
and/or dried beans (lima or black-eyed peas)

Add a couple of quarts of chicken or other stock and crushed tomatoes

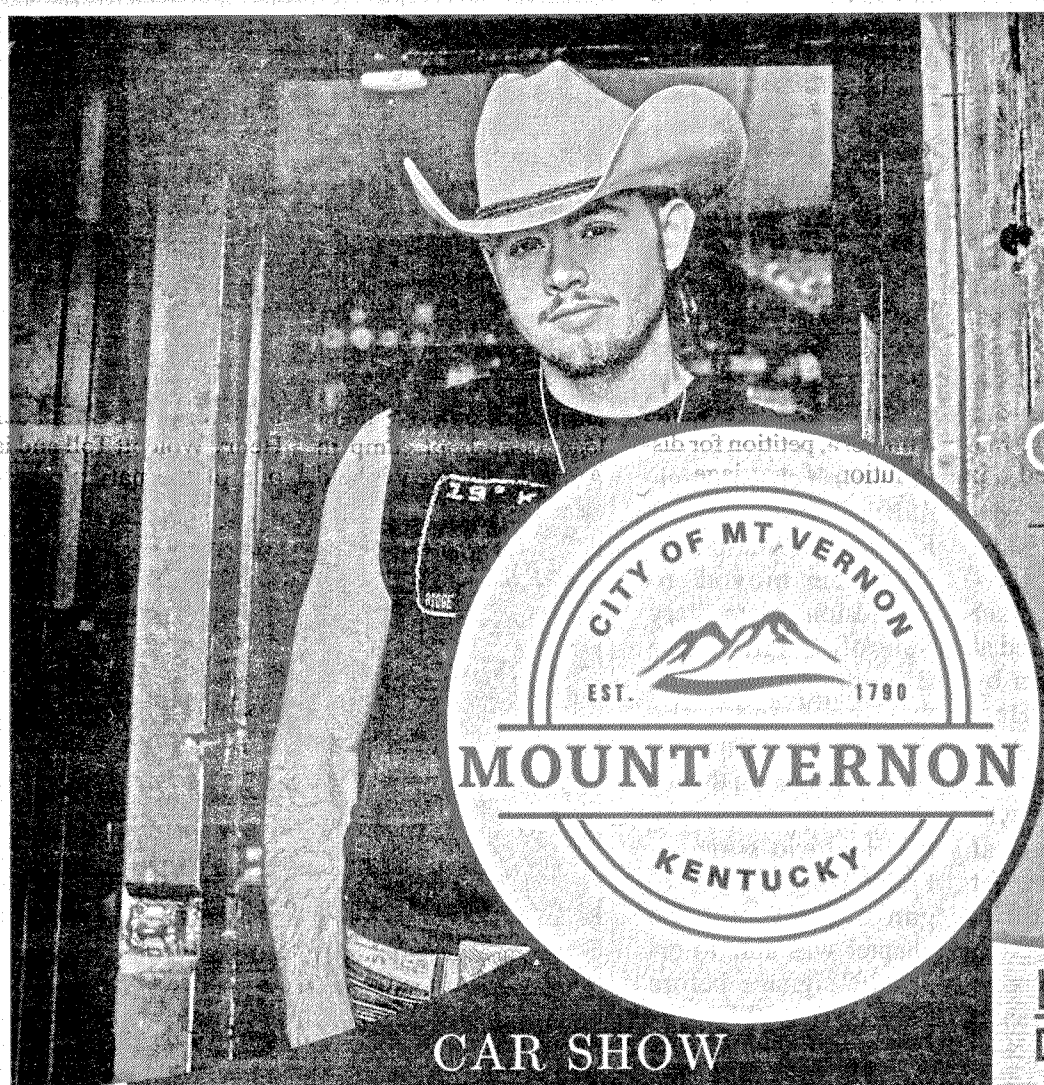
Modern recipes call for Worcestershire sauce but this authentic stew would have added salt, pepper, garlic, apple cider vinegar, and other herbs for flavor.

Brown the meat and then add the other ingredients and allow to cook all day outdoors in a giant cast iron pot, over a fire, stirring regularly. Most describe the thickness as a spoon should stand up in the finished product. This is NOT a soup, but a hearty stew.

I do not have the most adventurous palate. In fact, I was shocked to learn that people actually did hunt and eat squirrels when I moved to Kentucky in 1983. I have yet to try fried squirrel, but my children swear that it is quite tasty. I will take their word for it.



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**Music on Saturday**

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# Yards to Paradise

**By Max Phelps**  
*Fragrant Landscaping*  
Scents and smells in and around our homes can create profuse and diverse reactions among different people. The stimulus of smell may linger in memory way beyond other sensory experiences. A certain smell may remind us of a loved one, a fun experience (or one not so fun), or may grab our attention for myriads of other reasons. Today let's explore mostly the pleasing smells, with the thought of adding them to our homes by choosing plants with nice fragrances for our landscapes.

Landscaping in general helps define and establish our homes, with quality landscaping enhancing the appearance and value of them. Sometimes multiple benefits can be obtained when we choose landscaping plants. Looks, privacy, windbreaks, fall colors, fragrant blooms, aromas of the foliage as you brush against it, fruit, etc. So often, fragrant plants are bought on a whim or it smelled good as you walked past it on a shopping trip. I'd like for us to give more thought to fragrant landscaping than that.

Improving the appear-

ance and adding value certainly are important considerations in landscaping. Appearances that make good first impressions are a significant part of why we landscape our yards. Lovely combinations of greenery in various sizes, colors, textures should be used to show our homes in a good light to others. Functions are also very important in landscaping—wind flow, privacy, shade, ease of maintenance, the life expectancy of plants we select, and so on.

Value added landscaping should add some intangibles from our unique perspective, among them creating an agreeable ambience for our abodes. At least some part of that is fragrance. Adding the things we like; such as pretty flowers, relaxing sounds, lovely smells helps us enjoy our place in our own unique ways. Home is one's castle, and our landscapes can be like paradise painted not on canvas but in our yards.

Fragrance is the cardinal point of this column, so what are some plants with highly desirable fragrances we might wish to install? Consider the pros and cons of each plant choice. Certainly I cannot mention every fragrant plant in this short column,

but let's look at some that might work for you.

Trees that have fragrant blooms, let's look there first for adding good smells to our yards. I think the Southern magnolia, magnolia grandiflora, is one of the first on any list of fragrant trees. A number of other magnolias are also fragrant. Citrus trees, Chinaberry, black locust, basswood, some apples are others with nice smells. I realize there may be messy leaves, big roots, seedlings and other issues with most any tree or plant we cover, so do your own additional research as you select fragrant trees for your place.

Then, how about trees with fragrant leaves, sap and so forth. It's hard not to want a fir tree! Firs are the #1 holiday tree and greenery for a reason. They smell so good. Even very popular in scented candles. Pine and hemlock trees have delightful smells if bruised (and lovely sounds as the wind whips through their branches). The Katsura tree give off a cinnamon smell as it's leaves separate from the twigs in autumn. Sassafras has a nice aroma. I bet you can come up with other fragrant trees, too.

Shrubs and vines that have neat smells are next.

How about wisteria—what an experience to walk on the down-wind side of a large vine in bloom on an arbor or pergola. Daphne, lilacs, mock orange, roses, honeysuckle, jasmine, gumi berries, privet, gardenias, etc. One of my clients has three different cultivars of gardenia surrounding a table for two at the end of a curved stone path in the yard—how romantic! Clethra and itea are shrubs with good fragrance. Some viburnum, some forsythia, mock orange, lilacs, calicanthus or allspice, and arbutus or the strawberry tree are more examples of fragrant shrubbery.

Fragrant perennials, bulbs and annuals with pronounced fragrances include: hosta, (especially the old fashioned one of green leaves and white blooms), hyacinths, daffodils, peonies, some iris, most marigolds, lavender and thyme. Many a water lily is fragrant; if you're able to be near several blooms at once you may notice.

Not every fragrance is delightful, and not everyone's nose is alike in that way. Some of the viburnums almost seem to stink, some people think ginkgo fruits stink, and it's almost unanimous that a skunk stinks. Good

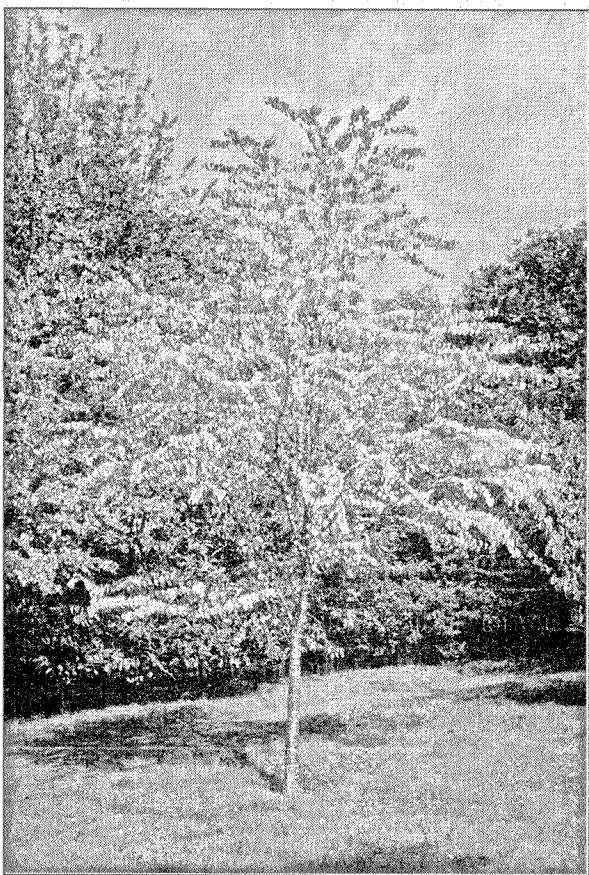
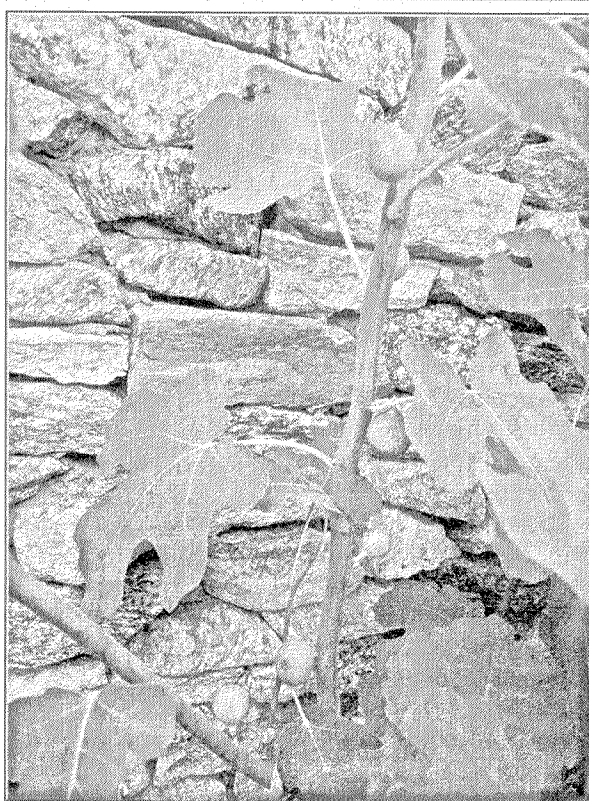
or bad, not everyone will agree on the one that smells best (nor worst). Allow your preferences, together with a little research, help you make your selections. Sometimes a visit to a park or arboretum can be eye-opening (or would it be "nose-opening") to some new plant you'd not thought of.

Pronounced scents among our modern landscape plants are not as common as you might think. Plant breeders are often selecting for dwarfs, extra blooms, hardiness, ease of care

and such, pretty foliage, and other traits are bred out. Often this is true of smells. (Just like it is true of taste in modern tomatoes.)

Perhaps you will be inspired to select some plants based upon fragrance next time you are looking to do some landscaping. And as is the case with variegated plants, plant them close to your walk or sitting area or near the front door, for the maximum impact and enjoyment.

*The author is a landscaper. Comments and ideas welcome. Website: rockcastles.net*



## 1915 DAR signage marking the trail of Daniel Boone replaced

In 1915 the Daughters of the American Revolution raised money and marked the trail of Daniel Boone through several states ending at Ft. Boonesborough. It was during the 100th Anniversary of the placement of these markers, when it was discovered that

Rockcastle had four of the signage here in the county. One is located on the one-time farm of Phillip Allen near Livingston on Mt. Holly Road. It was placed by the John Marshall Chapter NSDAR of Louisville.

The second marker was placed at Boone's

Gap by the Bryan Station Chapter NSDAR of Lexington on US 25 at the Rockcastle-Madison County line. This marker was placed in a rock wall and was admired by many in a time when US 25 was heavily traveled. The third marker was originally placed at Roundstone Station by the Susannah Hart Shelby Chapter NSDAR of Frankfort. The fourth marker was originally placed at Boone's Hallow at Brush Creek at the spring, which tradition holds, was a favorite camping site of Daniel Boone. This marker was placed by the Big Springs Chapter NSDAR of Georgetown. This marker was later placed at the Cove Branch School.

In 2015, during the marker's 100th Anniversary, three of the four markers were taken down, professionally cleaned, and were returned to the same spot the DAR members had

originally placed them with the exception of the Roundstone and Cove Branch markers. The Roundstone marker which was originally placed at Roundstone Station has now been moved to Roundstone Elementary School. The Cove Branch marker was missing and the Rockcastle Chapter NSDAR took on the responsibility of replacing this historic signage. Fundraising efforts began in 2019 and the chapter was able to order the signage before COVID-19. The epidemic delayed getting the signage made, but the chapter is happy to announce that the replacement marker has been returned to Cove Branch Road. Rockcastle Chapter would like to thank all those involved in helping this project come to fruition. This marker was again completely funded by women of the DAR in the tradition of the original marker.



Vice Regent Kathy Bobo

### Check from Governor



Shown above, the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court accepted a token check from Governor Andy Beshear's office for \$1,407,833 for funds awarded to Rockcastle as well as other counties, cities and entities. From left are Magistrate Mike McGuire, Magistrate Lee Earl Adams, Magistrate Shane Thacker, Magistrate Doug Prewitt, Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook Jr., County Treasurer Vickie Miller, County Attorney Jeremy Rowe and Magistrate William Denny.

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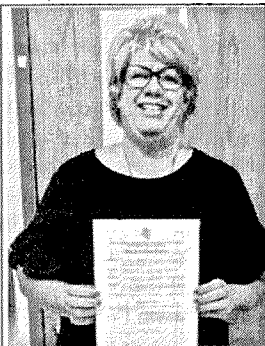
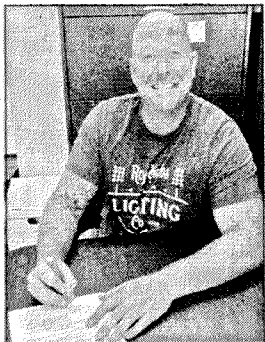
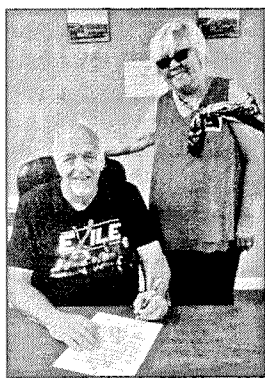
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## Constitution Week proclamations...

Rockcastle Chapter DAR celebrated Constitution Week by having proclamations signed by the mayors of Rockcastle and all the school principals. Displays and Constitution Week packets for the students were set up in the school libraries and the chapter donated age-appropriate books to each library. DAR Co-chairs Jennifer Poynter-Hand and Joan Garrison were on hand for the signings.



## Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

### VANILLA WAFER CAKE

Many of you may remember Mamaw—Martha Owens—who was very active in the community and the Brodhead Baptist Church. She and my aunt Jean Albright used to make vanillawafer cake frequently. It is a very rich moist cake and goes just as well with a cold glass of milk as it does a cup of hot tea or coffee.

1 cup butter, room temperature  
2 cups sugar  
6 eggs  
1 box (12 ounce) vanilla wafers, finely crushed  
1/2 cup milk  
1 pkg. (7 ounce) shredded coconut  
1 cup chopped pecans  
Cream butter, add

sugar and beat until smooth. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition. Add vanilla wafer crumbs alternately with milk. Stir in coconut and pecans. Pour batter into greased and floured tube pan. Bake in 350° oven for 1 hour and 15 minutes. OR Pour into prepared 9 x 13 baking pan. Or if using mini cake or muffin pans fill cups 3/4 full. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes if using a 9 x 13 pan bake. For mini cake or muffin pans bake for 13 to 16 minutes. Let cool in pan 15 minutes before removing to wire rack to cool completely.

### OLD FASHION BUTTERSCOTCH PIE

My favorite pie of all time.  
2 cups brown sugar

6 tablespoons cream  
6 tablespoons butter  
4 egg yolks  
2 cups milk  
3 tablespoons corn starch  
1 pie shell (9 inch), baked  
In skillet or heavy pan melt butter, cream, and sugar together. Mix egg yolks, milk, and corn starch and add to mixture. Cook over medium heat until thickened. Pour into baked pie shell and top with meringue.

### MERINGUE

4 egg whites  
6 tablespoons sugar  
Beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Gradually beat sugar into mixture until forms stiff glossy peaks. Spread on top of pie and bake at 350 for about 12 minutes or until browned

## Church News

### Let the Bible Speak

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

### Homecoming

Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church will be holding their annual Homecoming on Sunday, October 1, 2023, beginning at 11 a.m.

Bro. Jason Medley will preach the service and there will be special singing by Bro. Ralph Allen and his singers.

Lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall at noon. Join us for a day of fellowship and worship. Everyone welcome!!

### Suicide Warning Signs for Adults

Risk is greater if a behavior is new or has increased, and if it seems related to a painful event, loss, or change.

- Talking about or making plans for suicide.
- Acting anxious or agitated; behaving recklessly.
- Talking about being a burden to others.
- Talking about feeling trapped or in unbearable pain.
- Increasing the use of alcohol or drugs.
- Talking about feeling hopeless or having no reason to live.
- Sleeping too little or too much.
- Withdrawing or feeling isolated.
- Showing rage or talking about seeking revenge.
- Displaying extreme mood swings.

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## Legislative Update

By Brandon Storm  
State Senator  
Constitution Week

It is officially Constitution Week. In 1955, the Daughters of the American Revolution petitioned Congress to set aside a week in September annually in dedication and observance of the United States Constitution. A joint resolution of Congress on August 2, 1956, preceded President Dwight D. Eisenhower's first Constitution Week proclamation (Proclamation 1351), officially designated September 17-23 each year as Constitution Week.

The aim of the Constitution Week celebrations has been to:

- emphasize citizens' responsibilities in protecting and defending the constitution,
- inform the public the constitution is the foundation for America's great heritage and way of life, and
- encourage the study of the historical events leading to the framing of the constitution.

Constitution Week is an excellent time to study the Constitution of Kentucky, established in the constitutional convention of 1891. This was the fourth constitution for Kentucky; the original one was adopted at the state's founding in 1792 at a constitutional convention in Danville.

Our U.S. and state constitutions have gone down in history as some of the most remarkable documents on self-governance the world has ever known. The system of government of a bicameral legislature (this means two chambers; a house and a senate), is significant to the American and Kentucky governmental structures. The concept of 'innocent until proven guilty,' the right to trial by a jury of your peers, freedom of religion, privacy, and other inalienable rights, and civic responsibilities are ideas we should never take for granted. Elected officials such as myself should always remember our first duty is to our oath to defend the constitution and not to a political party. We should always remember the United States is the world's longest-surviving representative republic.

Also, the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission makes constitutions available to Kentucky residents. You may request copies of the Kentucky Constitution and other publications by emailing [lrcpublications@lrc.ky.gov](mailto:lrcpublications@lrc.ky.gov)

directly. You can also call them at 502-564-8100, Ext: 59955.

Every American is responsible for becoming familiar with these documents, as they clearly outline our constitutional rights and, more importantly, our citizens' responsibilities.

I remain grateful for you granting me the privilege of swearing an oath to these documents as I serve as your state senator. Enjoy a wonderful Constitution Week.

**REVIVAL**

**Maretburg Baptist Church**

Friday October 6th 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday October 7th 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday October 8th Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning worship 11:00 a.m.  
(Join us for fellowship meal after morning worship)

Evangelist, Dr. Todd Gray  
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## REOPENING of Macedonia Baptist Church October 1st!

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### What Does the Bible Say About Judgement?

We live in a society that views judgement in a negative way, for example we often hear phrases like, who are you to judge me, I can do anything I want. It is true the Bible tells us that we are not supposed to judge people and Paul even acknowledged in 1st Corinthians 4:1 let a man so account of us as the ministers of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. V2 moreover it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful. V3 but with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of any man's judgement: yes, I judge not my own self. V4 I know nothing by myself; yet I am not hereby justified: but he that judges me is the Lord. What Paul is saying in the text is this, we don't have to be concerned with the judgements of men but what we do need to be concerned with is the judgement of God. We often want to be fruit inspectors when our responsibility is to be seed sowers.

Matt 13:40-42 says, therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so will it beat the end of this age, the son of man will send out his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that offend and those who practice lawlessness and will cast them into furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Psalms 96:13 also tells us that, before the Lord; For he cometh to judge the earth shall judge the world with righteousness and the people with his truth. Again in Luke 8:17, for nothing is secret that will not be revealed, nor anything hidden that will not be known and come to light. Romans 2:16 God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ. Hebrews 4:13 Nothing in all of creation is hidden that will not be known and come to light. Romans 2:16 God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ. Hebrews 4:13 Nothing in all of creation is hidden from God. Everything is naked and exposed before his eyes, and he is the one to whom we are accountable. Final verse, Hebrews 9:27 and it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement.

We may choose to shake our fist in God's face today and say who are you to tell me what's right and wrong, but friends, we all have to be reminded of this truth and that God is the authority and that is all that will be all that matters come judgement day.

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Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00

### Sacred Charge

"That this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren". (1Thes. 5:27) Just as the Old Testament was read in the synagogues, the New Testament was to be read in the churches. (1Tim. 4:13) "Give attendance to reading". (Rev. 1:3). Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand. The reading of God's word should be a delight. (Psa. 1:2) But His delight is in the law of the Lord; and in His law doth he meditate day and night.

"That they teach no other doctrine" (1Tim. 1:3) As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia, that thou mightest charge some that they teach no other doctrine. (1Tim. 4:16) Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee. (2Tim. 4:3) For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; A curse has been pronounced upon those who preach a different doctrine (Gal. 1:9) As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

"Charge them that are rich in this world". (1Tim. 6:17) Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

"I charge thee". (2Tim. 4:2) Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

This way we can lay up for ourselves a solid foundation which cannot be moved.

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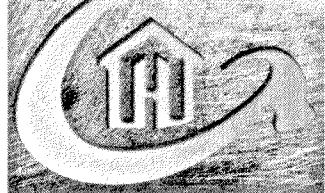
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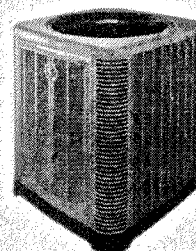
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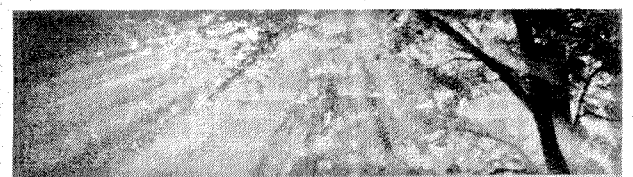


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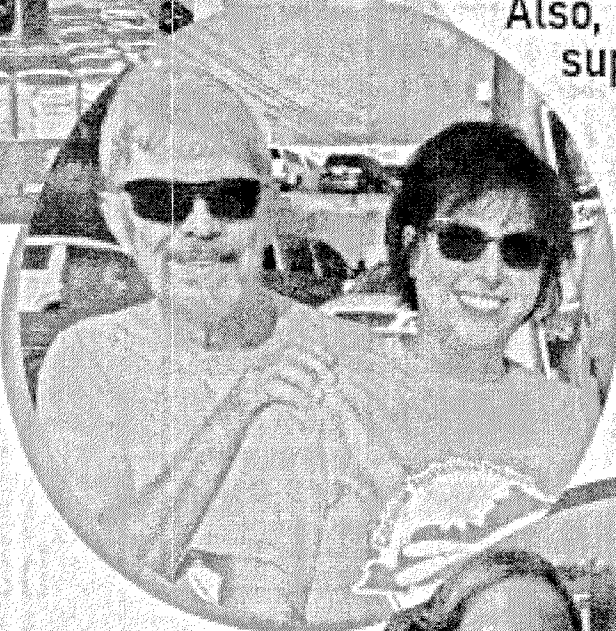
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