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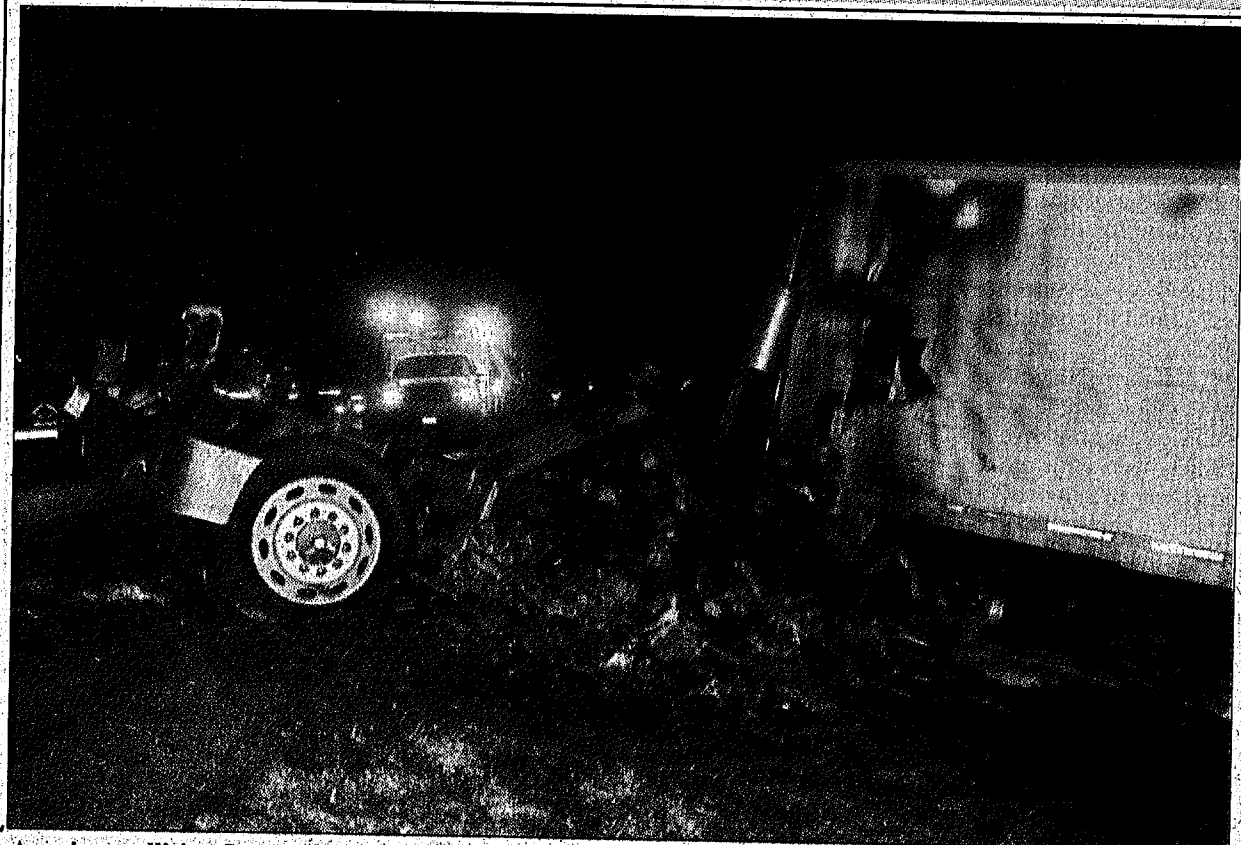
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A serious collision Sunday night shut down traffic for several hours on both the northbound and southbound lanes of I-75 at the 73 milemarker. Authorities say Whitley Logistics driver Milton Barnes of Hickory, North Carolina was traveling northbound when he rear-ended another semi-truck driven by John Silas of Delavan, Wisconsin who was driving for Wisco Transportation. Silas was not injured in the accident. Barnes was transported to Saint Joseph Berea Hospital where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries and later released. Barnes' semi-truck caught on fire minutes after the collision. The semi-truck was completely destroyed and the trailer partially burned. Health inspectors were contacted by officials to properly dispose of the Clabatta bread Barnes was hauling. Health inspectors condemned the bread and transported it to a landfill. Fire departments from Mt. Vernon, Brodhead, Livingston, Brindle Ridge and Berea all responded to the fire scene.

## School Board holds off amending calendar until state law is passed

By: Doug Ponder

The Rockcastle County School Board once again decided to hold off on amending the 2013-2014 school calendar at their monthly meeting Tuesday night.

As of Wednesday, Rockcastle County Schools have missed a total of 25 school days because of snow, ice, subzero temperatures and other inclement weather. If no more days are missed due to the weather,

the last day of school will be on Friday, June 13th.

Director of Pupil Personnel Becky Isaacs asked board members to delay on amending the school calendar until a final bill is passed in the state legislature in both the House and Senate. She said the most popular bill (House Bill 410), which has been passed in the House would approve requests from school districts

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## County Clerk Allen presents court with \$74,207 excess fees

County Clerk Danetta Allen presented the fiscal court with a check for \$74,207.67 for excess fees from 2013 at Tuesday's regular meeting of the court.

Allen had estimated in her budget that her excess fees would be around \$54,000 but the final figures came in \$20,000 better. Allen also said that her books for 2013 were not completely closed and she

expected the court would receive maybe an additional \$1,000 once that was done. Of course, the settlement was made pending Allen's audit for 2013.

The court also saw a presentation by Steve Barber with Sheltoe Trace who are in the process of setting up a visitor and training center at the old schoolhouse in Livingston.

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## Water main break closes Brodhead Elementary School on Tuesday

By: Doug Ponder

A severe water main break closed Brodhead Elementary School on Tuesday and caused major problems for the City of Brodhead.

According to Brodhead Commissioner Ronnie Cash, the water main break was discovered Sunday afternoon at the intersection of Chickadee Lane and Hwy 150 in Brodhead.

Cash said Brodhead Water and Sewer employee Shannon Cash was doing a routine check on the city's master meter when he noticed that the water levels were lower than normal in the water tank.

"During his check on the master meter he noticed the tank was low and knew there had to be a break

somewhere," Cash said. "When he got to Chickadee Lane he saw the water glistening in the sun. He told us that was probably the source of the problem."

Commissioner Cash said that since Sunday the city has been losing approximately 17,000 gallons an hour which totals to around \$30 an hour. He said that seven houses on Chickadee Lane and one house on Cedar Rapids Road were without water for around 48 hours while the break was being repaired.

Brodhead Clerk Becky Bussell said the water main break was repaired Tuesday afternoon and that the repair was delayed because they

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## RCIDA now required to have their own audit

By: Doug Ponder

Several items of interest were brought up at the monthly Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority meeting last Friday, including updates on Rockcastle County's industrial park projects and financial situations.

RCIDA member Corey Craig said he was recently informed that the RCIDA would have to undergo a separate annual audit instead of being included in the county's annual audit. He said that a state law was recently passed requiring the separate audit.

"In the past we have always been included with the county's overall audit. But we can't do that anymore," Craig said. "As a result of all the scrutiny found in the state audits of organizations like the Bluegrass Area Development District the state law now requires us to have our own independent audit."

Craig said that the RCIDA board needed to form an audit committee of

three board members to complete their 2013-2014 audit. He said the audit committee needed to get bids from different auditors and then present the different bids to the board so they can all vote on which auditor they would like to use.

Craig told the board that he was unsure if the current state law requires that they

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## Sidewalk project subject for Livingston council

Livingston city commissioners were given an update on the sidewalk project by Mayor Jason Medley at their regular meeting Monday night.

Medley said the latest cost estimate from engineers still showed the city having to come up with almost \$100,000 as their 20% share of the 80/20 grant. "We have cut and cut this thing and we're going to have to do it again," Medley told the council.

The fiscal court has already paid a \$17,000 bill for the project which involved design work, Medley said and a lot of the \$100,000 can be taken up by in-kind contributions -- work done by the city, work release inmates, county equipment use, etc.

Medley presented the commissioners with the latest breakdown of costs from the engineering firm, which included \$54,272 for concrete sidewalk, \$26,920 for an entrance apron, \$41,448 for concrete removal, \$26,748 for curb and gutter removal, \$12,000 for mobilization and \$12,000 for demobilization.

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## Faircloth arrested for drug possession

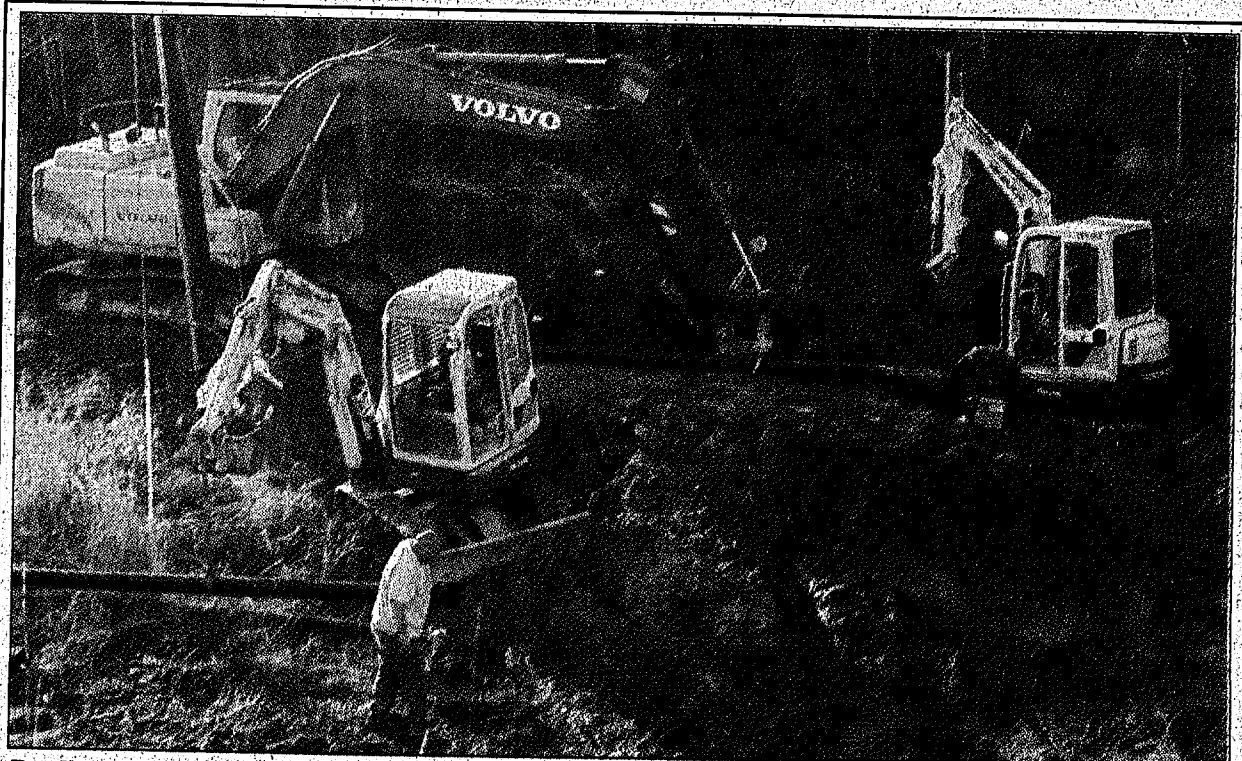
By: Doug Ponder

A Brodhead woman was arrested for drug possession Sunday night after police made a traffic stop on West Main Street in Mt. Vernon.

Arrested at the scene was Cassandra Faircloth, 28, of Brodhead.

According to State Police reports, troopers Adam Childress and Adam Hensley made a traffic stop after observing a suspicious vehicle traveling on West Main Street.

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Brodhead Elementary School was closed Tuesday while crews repaired a water main break near the intersection of Chickadee Lane and Hwy 150 in Brodhead. City workers discovered the break Sunday afternoon during routine checks. The break wasn't repaired until Tuesday afternoon because crews had to order special parts from Tennessee. Brodhead water customers and businesses in Brodhead were asked to conserve water during the water main break because of the low water levels in the city's water tank. Brodhead water customers are still under a boil water advisory.

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# ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

Amelia Martha Anderkin, my second great grandchild, arrived Tuesday. She is the first daughter and second child of grandson Aaron and wife, Lauren.

Unfortunately, she is having some breathing issues and will be in the NICU for 5 to 7 days. We are assured she will be alright but please remember her in your prayers.

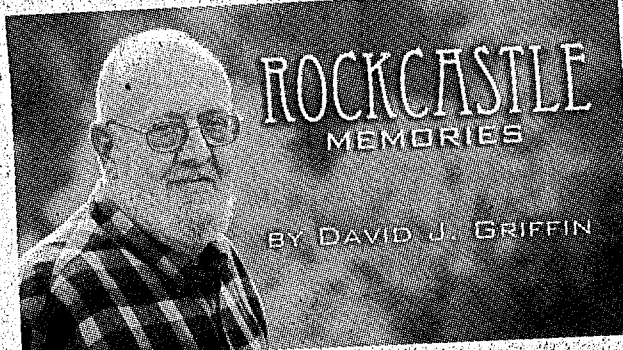
Concerned about the alike sound of Celia, Allison's daughter born in November, and Amelia, Aaron and Lauren have decided to call her Milly. They should be great buddies, being less than four months apart in age. Of course, Milly will probably be six feet tall -- both Aaron and Lauren are tall, and it looks as though Celia may be on the short side.

I often am amazed at the family that has evolved from that time in March of 1959 when I first spied Jim, while I was working in Todd's Restaurant. The poor man never had a chance.

But, alas, the time went all too quickly and these days, besides marveling at the grand and great grandchildren I only have the state of the country, and my dogs, Penny and Jax, to keep me occupied.

So, apropos to nothing I have written about thus far, a Republican won a special election in Florida yesterday against a much better financed Democrat. Perhaps this portends things to come in the November election and Republicans will gain control of the Senate. Of course, this will only force King Obama to rule by edict the remainder of his term, something he has not been shy about doing.

His latest nominee is for Surgeon General and is a doctor who has only been an attending physician for eight years and has no credentials whatsoever for the position except, of course, for the fact that he organized Doctors for Obama and is a strong (rabid?) gun control advocate. Makes sense to me, how about you?



## Lifetime Love of Cars

One of my most dedicated weekly readers recently sent me an email with the following question: "How long have you been obsessed with automobiles?" I had to ponder my response before I could reply. After much thought and consideration, I came to the conclusion that my love of cars has been with me as long as I can remember. I do not recall a time when cars were not a part of my conscious memory and affection.

As a toddler, and for as long as I played with toys, I can recollect having my toy box filled with an assortment of cars and trucks. So I guess the answer to his question is Always and Forever. I played with them, read about them (Hot Rod Magazines), and collected them. They have always been a part of my life -- and I was just as persnickety about them in my youth as I have been as an adult.

When I was too young to play outside alone, my time was spent in the den of our home with my cars and trucks on the braided rug. I would sit for hours on end driving one car or truck on imaginary roads that I had concocted in my mind. Throw pillows from the couch became mountains, and I had to drive my vehicles around the obstacles

in the floor. I built houses out of my mother's (Bee) shoe boxes, and each house had its own automobile. Sometimes there would be traffic jams because of the cars on my imaginary roads. My family was aware of my obsession and purchased me additional vehicles for my collection.

The first real car that I can recall my family owning was my grandfather's (Pop) 1951 Chevrolet Fleetline. I was seven-years-old at the time and was ecstatic when I saw him driving it up the gravel road to our house. The car was green, with two doors, three-speed transmission on the column, six-cylinder engine, and it had a radio. Pop even told me that the radio cost him \$64, and he was aggravated that he had to pay that price. The car had small "moon" type hubcaps that only covered the lug bolts of the wheels. I thought it was the coolest automobile I had ever seen.

Pop knew how I felt about cars, so he took the time to show me all the features of his new automobile. He even let me sit in the driver's seat while he took the passenger's position. At that time, he set all of the radio buttons and showed me how to shift the transmission -- the "H" pattern of

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## Points East

By Ike Adams



A fellow columnist, who works at a big city newspaper, once told me that anytime he ran out of anything to write about he just sat down at his typewriter, loosened up his fingers, and submitted whatever happened. So that's what I'm doing this week, now that it's March, we've had another change of weather, started fast time, and madness has set in.

Back in the 1990's before there was a Mexican or Chinese restaurant on every corner, The late Truman Caudill, Bard of Blair

Branch, came down from Letcher County to spend a week end, hold the light so I could catch night crawlers, and pick on the five string for me and we decided to take him out to eat.

When I asked him where he wanted to go, Truman said, "Didn't I see one of them Mexican joints there in Richmond the other day?"

He said, "I drove an 18 wheeler all over the desert southwest for 20 years and I've never had any of that stuff."

I didn't have the heart to

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## The Way I See it

By Doug Ponder

Everyone has met people in their lives who have been an influence or inspiration in one way or another. Someone who leaves an imprint on your life that you will never forget. I have recently met such a person and grew to know them even more over the past week.

In last week's issue of the Signal, I wrote a feature article about Rockcastle County native Flossie Christine McKinney and her recently published book entitled "My Memoirs."

McKinney's book portrays her life growing up in the Pongo community of Rockcastle County and her almost 70-year marriage to Ivan McKinney.

In order to write the feature article I read McKinney's book so I could get a better idea of the angle I would take. I enjoyed reading the book and one of my favorite aspects was the vivid imagery she used in describing events throughout her life.

After finishing the article, I called McKinney on the phone to ask her a few final questions before putting the article in the paper. In one of the answers, she explained how writing was not only therapeutic for her but it was a way of leaving her imprint on the world after she was gone. It was a way for her to be remembered.

McKinney went on to say that she encourages everyone to write about events in their life and to keep a journal so their family, friends and other people can remember them for the rest of time.

Her comments really made an impact on me as my mind started to wonder about all the people who have passed away who didn't leave behind the story of their life. Of course, there are always memories/stories that loved ones can share with others, pictures, awards/recognitions they can show, etc.

But these things can only

do an individual so much justice and it doesn't portray a person's full story of their everyday life. As the years roll by the people who share the memories and stories will also be gone. After a few generations, the possibility of the memories and stories being told by word of mouth decrease dramatically because the people who knew us have also passed away.

I started thinking about historians and their research. Take the Civil War for example, we know the stories of Abraham Lincoln, Jefferson Davis, the main generals on both sides, etc. But the true "gold" to historians are the written journals of everyday people during that time whose writings consisted of their daily struggles during the war, financial problems, missing their loved ones who were fighting, etc.

Their writings not only portrays their lives but it also portrays what it was like to be living during that time period. When people living during the Civil War wrote their journals, they probably had no idea authors would edit and publish them in the future. They didn't think people would be interested in their story but that's not the case at all.

I've been lucky to read some letters written by my great-great-ancestors who were living during the late 1800s and early 1900s. While reading their letters it's as though they are sitting in the same room with me as their writing give me a glimpse of their personality, successes, struggles, etc.

I think it's very important for us to document our lives in writing. It doesn't have to be well written or be written like Shakespeare as long as it comes from our heart, mind and soul.

However, a lot of people don't realize that some of our writings and conversations are already documented.

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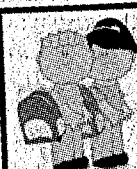
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# Obituaries



## Bessie Payne Cromer

Bessie Payne Cromer, 86, died at her home in Sand Springs on March 11, 2014. She was born January 20, 1928 to Arthur and Lela Norton Payne at Wab. She married Willie Earl Cromer on March 8, 1948 and from this union came seven children. She has taught school, was a Post Mistress, ran a general store and was a homemaker. She loved her flowers, gardening, quilting and spending time with her family. She was also of the Christian Faith.

She is survived by: five children, Arthur Ray (Jean) Cromer, of Brodhead, Willena (Gary) Caldwell of Parkesville, Lela (Tim) Burns of Callahan, FL, and Garry Cromer and Tony Cromer, both of Mt. Vernon; seven grandchildren, Timothy Burns, Susan Caldwell, Latisha Feazell, Tiffany Mesa, Jennifer Simpson, Josua Cromer and Matthew Cromer; and 11 great grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband of 39 years, Earl Cromer; two sons, Denver Earl and David Cromer; five brothers, Dellard, Carlos, Lloyd, Omer and Clyde; one sister, Delora Tillo; and one half-sister, Janie Turner.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 15, 2014 at 2 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Zandell Hasty. Burial will follow in the Earl Cromer Family Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6-9 p.m. on Friday.

Pallbearers will be: Scottie Payne, Coy Cromer, Matthew Cromer, Tim Burns, Josh Cromer and Randy McClure.

Honorary pallbearers will be: Susan Caldwell, Jennifer Simpson, Latisha Feazell and Tiffany Mesa.

Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) to view online obituary.



## Ronnie Dale Evans

Ronnie Dale Evans, 46, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at his residence. He was born in Rockcastle County on December 25, 1968 the son of Robert and Martha Barron Evans.

He is survived by: two sons, Justin Evans of Rush, KY and Daniel Evans of Mt. Vernon; two daughters, Stacey Evans of Harrodsburg and Brianna Evans of Stanford; and one sister, Vickie (Mark) Teague of Brodhead. Also surviving are: three grandchildren, Kaylee Williams, Brantley Evans and Aliyah Williams. He was preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, March 8, 2014 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in High Dry Cemetery.

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## Margie Dene Blanton

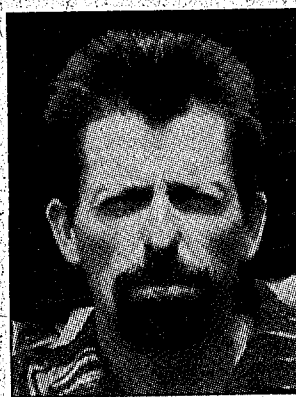
Margie Dene Lawrence Blanton, 84, of Brodhead, widow of Colston Blanton, died Monday, March 10, 2014 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital in Mount Vernon. She was born in Brodhead, November 21, 1929, a daughter of the late Herbert and Mae Elizabeth Lawrence. She was a retired LPN nurse, enjoyed her family, crocheting, gardening and cooking. She was a member of the Ottawa Baptist Church and was a Kentucky Colonel. In 1948, she was united in marriage to Colston Blanton, and from that union came two children.

She is survived by: her son, Charles (Shirley) Blanton of Florence; six grandchildren, Sharon, Karen, Brenda Jean, Bobby Dean, Susan and Hope; eight great grandchildren; four brothers, Eugene Lawrence, Bobby (Lorene) Lawrence, Jackie (Doris) Lawrence, and Charles (Lois) Lawrence; all of Brodhead; two sisters, Wanda Smith, and Evalene (Ronald) Reynolds, all of Brodhead; and many nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, Mrs. Blanton was preceded in death by her husband, Colston Blanton; Her daughter, Patty Daniels; and two brothers, Richard Lawrence and Herbert Ray Lawrence.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 11 a.m. with Bro. Jim Craig and Bro. Zandell Hasty officiating. Burial will follow in the Freedom Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at [marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://marvineowensfuneralhome.com)



## Larry Wayne Denney

Larry Wayne Denney, 48, of Richmond, died Thursday, March 6, 2014 at his home. He was born May 16, 1965 in Rockcastle County, the son of Wayne and Janice Griffin Denney of Mt. Vernon. He was a Team Member at Sherwin Williams Company, a former National Guard, enjoyed fishing, NASCAR racing, and the Louisville Cardinals.

Survivors besides his parents are: one son, Eric (Amber) Denney of Brodhead; one sister, Tammy (Sam) Jackson of Richmond; two grandchildren, Rylee and Makayla Denney; five nieces and nephews; one great nephew; and one special friend, Lisa Bailey of Richmond. He was preceded in death by a sister, Sandra Northern.

Memorial services were conducted Monday, March 6, 2014 at the Flat Rock Baptist Church with Bro. Tony Shelton officiating.

Arrangements were by the Cox Funeral Home where the family has selected cremation services. Send condolences to the family online at [www.coxfuneralhomeky.com](http://www.coxfuneralhomeky.com)



## Dennis Paul Smith

Dennis Paul Smith, 62, died Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at his home. He was born in Lebanon, IN to the late Paul Levere and Ruby Mae Selby Smith. He retired from the Lebanon Utilities as the water treatment plant operator and was also retired from the U.S. Army and Lebanon National Guard. Since coming to Berea six years ago he has taken care of the Fairview Cemetery in Rockcastle County and was a member of the Fairview Baptist Church.

He is survived by: six sisters, Gladys Edwards of Lebanon, IN, Wilma McClain of Cape Coral, FL, Wanda Dickerson and Gloria Smith, both of Lebanon, IN, Norma McBride of Audubon, NJ, and Joan McCord of Plainfield, IN. He was cared for by a nephew, Paul (Angi) Smith and a niece, Jennifer Howard, both of Berea. He is also survived by a host of nieces and nephews.

Other than his parents he was preceded in death by two brothers, Allen and Danny Thomas Smith.

Funeral services were Saturday, March 08, 2014 at Fairview Baptist Church with the Rev. Vaughn Rasor officiating. Burial with full military honors was in the Fairview Cemetery.

Davis and Powell Funeral Home are in charge of the arrangements.

[www.davisandpowellfuneralhome.com](http://www.davisandpowellfuneralhome.com)



## Chasity Sutton

Chasity Brishan Sutton, 39, of Mt. Vernon, formerly of Somerset, and the daughter of Fred Clayton and Patricia Ann Price Sutton, was born January 2, 1975 in Somerset. She died Sunday, March 2, 2014 in Mt. Vernon.

Other than her parents, she is survived by: two children, Layne and Paige Hatton of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Greg (Toni) Sutton Somerset and Jason Sutton of Seattle; and one sister, Stephanie (Scott) Bullock of Eubank.

She adhered to the Baptist Faith.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 8, 2014 at the Chapel of the Pulaski Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Hazeldale Church of Christ Cemetery.

The family of Chasity Brishan Sutton received friends at the Pulaski Funeral Home on Friday evening from 6-9 p.m. and from 11:00 a.m. Saturday until time of services.



## Dorothy Helen Brock

Dorothy Helen Brock, 84, of Wildie Road in Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, March 8, 2014 at St. Joseph Berea Hospital. She was born in Jackson County, to the late George and Effie Kidwell Isaacs and was a homemaker.

She is survived by: her husband, Clarence Edward Brock; one granddaughter, and her husband Gina and Rob McCollum; one great granddaughter, Kendra McCollum; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by: one daughter, Lois Jean Chasteen and son-in-law Tony H. Chasteen; one grandson, Tony Kendall Chasteen; and siblings, Gertrude Damrell, Sarah Mays, Betty Hatfield, Earl Brock, Walter Brock, Virgil Brock.

Funeral services will be private at Berea Cemetery.



## Debra Lois Leger Napier

Debra Lois Leger Napier, 56, of Brodhead, died Monday, March 10, 2014 at her home. She was born in Mount Vernon, January 6, 1958, a daughter of the late Delbert Richard and Deloris Jean French Leger. She began working for Mr. Wayne Stewart when she was 16 years old, and later in life worked in business management until she retired. Many of her years were spent in the Dalton, GA area. She was a member of the Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church and enjoyed spending time with her church family. In addition, she enjoyed gospel music, her family and her beloved dog, Sandy Jean.

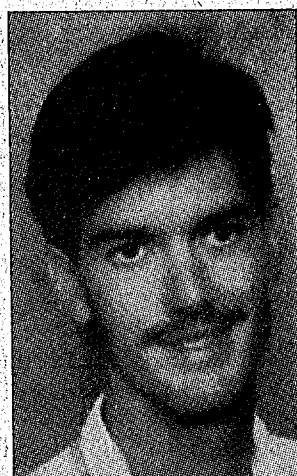
She is survived by: four brothers, Denver (Peggy) French of Brodhead, Mike (Sheila) Leger of Brodhead, Doug Leger of Brodhead, Delbert Wayne Leger of Mount Vernon; nieces and nephews; grand nieces and nephews; many good friends; and her life-long friend Bessie Chesnut Marion.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her paternal grandparents, Robert and Leta Proctor Leger; and her maternal grandparents, Jim and Mary Shepherd.

Funeral services will be held March 14, 2014 at 12 noon at the Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church with Bro. Jerry Owens officiating. Burial will follow in the McNew Cemetery.

Visitation will be held (today) Thursday, March 13, from 6 until 9 p.m. and Friday March 14, from 10 a.m. until noon at the Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

Expressions of sympathy can be made in the form of contributions to the Debra Leger Napier burial fund at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals, Post Office Box 658, Brodhead, KY 40409. Condolences may be made at [marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://marvineowensfuneralhome.com)



## Jesse Ray Mills, Jr.

A Bardstown resident, Jesse Ray Mills, Jr., 46, passed away March 3, 2014.

Survivors are his daughter, Kristina Holley of Bardstown, two sisters, Yolanda Poynter of Mt. Vernon and Annette Caudill of Richmond and one grandchild.

Houghlin-Greenwell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## In Loving Memory

### Pink Rose in Heaven

If pink roses grow in Heaven,

God please pick a bunch for me.

Place them in my mother's arms

And tell her they're from me.

Please let her know I miss her

And when she turns to smile

Will you place a kiss upon her cheek

And hug her for a while.

Let her know I love her and wish she could be here,

Tell her that I'm sorry

It's hard not to shed a tear.

Remembering her is easy,

I do it everyday,

But there's an ache within my heart

And it will never go away.

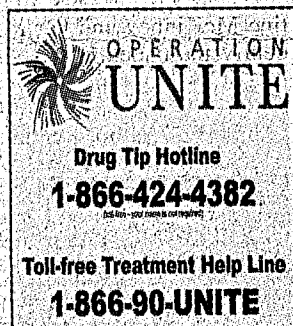
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From the kids and Heather

who helped find this poem



## Celebrating our hometown Doctors



## BRITTANY PERKINS-SAYLOR, PA-C

### Rockcastle Family Wellness

Brittany Perkins-Saylor has been providing care in Rockcastle County since 2012. "I have lived in Brodhead my entire life," says Brittany. "I chose to become a physician's assistant because I wanted to devote my career to helping those in my community."

Brittany earned her undergraduate degree from Eastern Kentucky University. She earned her master's degree in physician's assistant studies from the University of the Cumberlands.

Brittany lives in Brodhead with her husband, Max.



## ALICIA COOK, PA-C

### Rockcastle Family Wellness

Alicia Cook has been caring for patients as a physician's assistant in Rockcastle County since 2012.

Alicia earned her undergraduate degree from Eastern Kentucky

University. She earned her master's degree in physician's assistant studies from the University of the Cumberlands.

Alicia lives in Richmond with her husband, Wes.



## TAMAR GREENLY, APRN

### Rockcastle Family Care

Tamar Greenly has been providing care in Rockcastle County since 2011.

Tamar earned her undergraduate degree from Indiana Wesleyan University. She earned her master's degree in family nurse practitioner studies from Eastern Kentucky University. Tamar is currently work-

ing on a second certification as a psychiatric nurse practitioner.

Raised in a military family, Tamar was born in Germany and now lives in Danville. When not working, she enjoys cooking and creating new recipes, gardening, and spending time with her two dogs and cat.



National Doctor's Day  
March 31, 2014



## Our Readers Write

### Disturbing things at SourceHOV...

Dear Editor,

I have never been one to write into any type of sounding forum. But, due to recent events taking place at one of our local businesses - namely, SourceHOV, I feel it is my duty as a citizen of Rockcastle County to speak out.

First, I believe that any workplace must have rules to govern attendance, performance and behavior. However, I also have the belief that good common sense is a vital necessity in the administering of such rules.

There are some disturbing things going on at SourceHOV. I know for a fact that they (SourceHOV) fired employees during the recent snow storm for clocking in as little as seven minutes late but, at the same time, others, who did not even come in to work, did not get so much as a write up.

No one should have been written up or fired for coming in late or not coming in at all during this last winter storm. Road conditions were terrible. If anything, SourceHOV should have given everyone who showed up a big thank you for their dedication.

Another instance that is just not right - SourceHOV fired as many as 30 people in one day due to not meeting production. I understand that companies have to have goals and quotas, but one employee missed production by 20 records, computing to about two minutes of work. Guess what happened? She lost her job.

Does this sound like a place where you want your children and grandchildren to work?

Our tax dollars are what brought SourceHOV to our county. We need good decent places for our children and grandchildren to work. But I believe that SourceHOV is not treating

their employees fair. I believe if we just sit back and let unfair working conditions go on - we are not doing our duty to our children and grandchildren.

What do you think?  
Concerned Citizen for  
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Gary Parker

### Little League encourages and welcomes all players...

Dear Editor,

The Rockcastle County Little League Baseball is preparing for the 2014 season. We want to thank the dedicated players, coaches, parents, and sponsors in advance. Registration is currently going on during basketball games at Mt. Vernon Elementary. Also, look for a registration form from your child's school or you may request a registration form by emailing the following: rockcastlelittleleague@gmail.com. Either mail the completed form and payment to PO Box 617 Brodhead or drop it off at Jack's Hardware in Mt. Vernon.

The league offers Tee Ball (ages 4-6), Coach Pitch (ages 7-8), Minor League (ages 9-10), and Major League (ages 11-12). Sign up before March 23rd to receive the early registration discount. A 30 minute player's skill evaluation, ages 7-12, is scheduled for March 29 at the Rockcastle Middle School. The scheduled time for each age group is located on the registration form. Games will be played on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays starting in mid-April through mid-June, with an end of season tournament and an All-Star tournament. An end of year family picnic and an awards ceremony, where every player receives an award, will follow the season tournament.

The league encourages and welcomes all players from Brodhead, Livingston, Mount Vernon, and

Roundstone, ages 4-12 to enjoy a summer of fun and competition at Thacker Fields in Brodhead. If you would like more information or would like to help support the league financially, please email or call 606.308.4761.

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### "I See It"

(Cont. from A2)

mented. Statutes we post on social media websites never disappear from the cyber world and our phone conversations apparently don't disappear either, thanks to the NSA. Since the NSA snoops on our social media accounts and phone conversations, maybe they could edit and organize them into a personal journal when we die. It's the least they could do for invading our privacy!

But the fact remains that a lot of people have passed away from this world without leaving behind their story. In order to be remembered, I have started writing a daily journal. I also encourage everyone to take a few minutes a day out of their busy schedules and write a daily entry in a journal as well.

It's important that we document our life story in our own words so we can always be remembered by future generations for the rest of this world's existence.

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### "Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

the transmission, was not a difficult concept even for a child.

When some of my friends came to visit me, we asked Pop if we could sit in his new car and pretend that we were taking a long trip. Once again, I was the driver. Mommie Katie made us some peanut butter sandwiches so we could stop by the side of the road and have a picnic. In those days, my imagination ran rampant.

After Pop purchased his 54 Chevy, I was old enough to take driving lessons from him. Time after time, he allowed me to drive his Chevy up and down the gravel road in front of our house. Finally, when I was about thirteen, he actually allowed me to take the car on the two-mile gravel road by myself. The first time that happened I was on cloud nine. I even called some of my friends, and they came to our house to see if Pop would let me take them for a ride - and he did! I took my driver's test in that car and even had my first car date in it.

The thrill of my young life happened when Pop and Bee decided it was time for me to have my own car, and Pop sold me his new 58 Chevy. It became my all-time favorite automobile. In about two years, I put over 100,000 miles on that baby. Believe it or not, I actually slept in the backseat of that 58 on a few occasions.

Finally, I traded my 58 in on a new 1963 Chevy Impala Super Sport while I was in college. The rest, as they say, is history.

Many of my friends and acquaintances are aware that I abhor having a dirty car and that, therefore, whatever car I own at the time is thoroughly cleaned (inside and out) on a frequent basis. This sometimes drives my wife a bit crazy - she thinks that I am a fanatic. To prove it, she reminds me of the time that she asked my mother about this habit - and, was informed, that I had come out of the womb that way. That is, even as a toddler, every time that I finished playing in the dirt with my toy cars and trucks, I would bring them into the house, wash and dry them, and put them in their proper places. I guess it is probably true that this is not exactly "normal" behavior for a small boy.

So, how long have I been obsessed with automobiles? I guess I'd have to say since the time that I was old enough to hold one in the tiny palm of my hand. It must have been then that the love affair began.

(You can reach me at themrman@att.net or you can drop me a line at P.O. Box 927 - Stanton, KY 40380. I welcome questions and suggestions for this column.)

### "Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

tell him that he'd have been way better off if he'd stopped in Tucson long enough to eat and wanted to taste something similar to the real thing. On the other hand, I figured they knew about as much about Mexican food on Blair Branch as we flatlanders who have had the wool pulled over our eyes, for these many years.

My friend, Sandy Walker, once took me nearly 300 miles down the Baja on a fishing trip, and one night we ate at a restaurant in Puerto Citas, there on the Sea of Cortez, where they served butterfly shrimp that would cover your open hand, fingers and all, along with prickly pear cactus and

a huge helping of grilled peppers. If they had refried beans and rice on the menu, I didn't see it, and I think I wrote about that trip over 20 years ago so now its odds instead of news.

And it's probably unfair to the local so-called ethnic eateries to compare them to the real thing, no matter what nationality they claim to represent. If you really want to eat genuine Italian food, for instance, you'd be well advised to fly to Rome or Naples.

Anyway, we asked Truman how he liked his meal. He'd had a seafood chimichanga, most likely unheard of in Mexico, along with a salad and the ever-present yellow rice and refried beans.

Truman said, "Well that's the first time I've ever had fried beans and they probably had em' way too done to suit me the first time." He said, "I'd bet that you could spoon some soup beans out on your plate and mash em up with your fork and they'd taste a lot like that, but that seems like a lot of work for nothing."

He said, "I first thought that green stuff they dumped on my salad had come out of the back end of a grass-fed chicken but I ate it anyhow cause I seed that Loretta was and I 'figgered' I'm as brave as her. And by golly, it was purty good, but if we ever go back, you can have my beans."

Over the last several years, since a dollar won't buy much anymore, Loretta and I have developed a fondness for both Mexican and Chinese restaurants, mostly because we can go in hungry and leave feeling very well-fed. Not only

that, but you can get out of the place for not much more than you'd spend at, name any fast food joint. I can remember when a Whopper, really was.

We particularly like those Chinese buffet places where you get all you can eat for less than ten bucks. I honestly don't believe they can possibly be turning a profit on me. And lately, I've noticed that they are putting out sliced pizza which is not something you'd ordinarily expect in a place that's supposed to be "a touch of China." But, of course, pizza is not really a touch of Italy, even though I'm told that if you look hard enough, you can find it there now, usually next door to name your favorite fast food place.


What I really wish I could have been able to do for Truman, is take him to The Wind Gap Diner and insist that he order scrapple.

Truman would have said, "I bet hog snouts taste better than this stuff."

And I'd have replied, "Nope. They're the main ingredient in what you're eating."

Truman would have replied, "Oh well I've heard that in some places they eat snails."

And I'd have replied, "Stir that stuff up a little and see if you can't find one."



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#### Bookmobile Schedule

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#### Little League Sign-ups

Little League Baseball, for ages 4-12, can sign-up by emailing [rockcastlelittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:rockcastlelittleleague@gmail.com) or at Jack's Hardware. Early registration discounts are in place before March 23rd. Call or text 606-308-4761 for questions or a registration form.

#### Mt. Vernon City Council

The Mt. Vernon City Council will meet in regular session Monday, March 17th at 7 p.m.

#### CCFFG Meeting

Concerned Citizens for Fair Government will meet Thursday, March 20th on the third floor of the courthouse at 6 p.m. Please use back door.

#### Hot Rod Sign-ups

Hot Rod Signups, for 3, 4 and 5 year-olds, will be held Saturday, April 5th and 12th at Godfather's Pizza from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Registration fee is \$40 (cash only). Parent shirts are available at \$13 each (cash only).

#### Pongo FD Book Signing/Supper/Auction

Pongo Volunteer Fire Department is hosting a book signing of Flossie Christine McKinney's book "My Memoirs" Saturday, March 15th at the Pongo firehouse from 5 to 8 p.m. There will also be a soup bean supper and pie auction. The soup bean supper is \$6 a plate and the auction will follow immediately after the meal. Candidates will also be given a time to speak to the crowd. Everyone is invited to attend the event.

#### Service Office at London DAV Building

A certified and trained State Service Officer will be at the London DAV building on West 80 behind Clark Truck on March 18th from 9 a.m. to noon, or longer, to assist all veterans and their dependents with VA claims. DAV does not charge for this service. For more information, call 606-862-0032 or 606-877-1308. If no answer, leave a short message.

#### Brodhead Alumni Banquet

The Brodhead Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, April 26th.

#### Brodhead Lodge Meeting

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #556 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

#### Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

#### Kiwanis Club Meetings

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at the Limestone Grill. Everyone is invited.

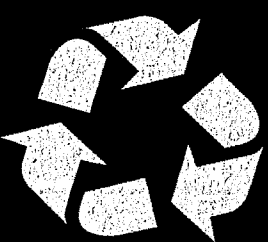
#### Historical Society Hours

The Rockcastle Historical Society is open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building.

#### American Legion Post 71

American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 6 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grill. Commander David Owens invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

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## T.J.'s Journal

by: Tonya J. Cook



### Remembering Charlie Keller

Dear Journal:

Last night, as I often do, I lay awake for about an hour before falling asleep. During this time, my mind usually wanders and explores people and places of the past, the present happenings, and dreams of the future. Last night, my mind wandered back through the years to the time when I was about two or three years old, during the last days of our neighbor, Charlie Keller.

Charlie Keller was a little short, frail man who lived on a small farm that joined our family's property just to the east. He had snowy white hair and, to look back, he was very reminiscent of Mark Twain or Albert Einstein in appearance.

Charlie's wife was an invalid for several years before she died, and he cared for her at home. By the time I came along, he had been

widowed for several years.

The house where he lived was rather small. It was a simple two-story frame house covered in "tar paper", made to look like red brick. It had a front porch with a swing and a sundial, and a side porch near a big stone chimney with English ivy climbing up to the top. There was a well near the side porch, too. Grandpa and I always used the side porch.

My grandpa and I went to visit Charlie at least two or three times a week in good weather. Grandpa would load me up in a stroller, and he didn't bother to take the little dirt road. No, he took the shortest route, right through the pasture and cornfield.

I still can visualize that old stroller being pushed by Grandpa Norton through that cornfield. We went right down a certain row with blades of corn hitting me in the face, and the stroller

humping and bumping over hard, sun-baked clods of dirt.

After a few minutes, we came to the other side of the cornfield where there was about a three-foot wide opening in the fence so the Kellers and Nortons had easy access to each other. From there, just past the opening was Charlie's house.

He was always anxious to see us. As I said, we always used the side door that led to his kitchen. Once there, we joined him at a little table covered with a tablecloth, which had a few condiments sitting to one side near a window. The only other thing on the table was a deck of cards and his Bible.

Once at the table, it wasn't long before he put on a pot of coffee. He would put a few spoonfuls of ground coffee into a pot along with a few dippers of water. Then he put the pot on an old wood-burning cook stove, and waited for it to percolate. This was in the peak of summer, with no air conditioning.

The remainder of the evening, or at least two to three hours of it, were spent playing cards and in conversation. They passed the time with the cards and in conversation, probably about two subjects-World War I stories, as I believe Charlie was a vet like my grandpa, and how the Democrats would save the world. Both of these old gentlemen were eightyish and had many things in common. My grandpa was a strong Democrat, and you wouldn't be with him long until he usually made it point to find out what your political affiliation was.

When it was time to go

home, Charlie asked me in his German accent to do a little dance for him. Charlie was the first generation of Swiss to be born in America, in Swiss Colony, where we lived, near London. In front of his house and "down aways" were his barn and some sheds. There were some millstones about, as well. I would perch on one of these stones and gave my best Shirley Temple act. He usually gave me a dime or a nickel for my efforts.

One day, the sad news came that Charlie had died. This was the first time I knew someone that was dead, and I wasn't for certain what "dead" was. We went to the funeral home, and Mom held me up to see

Charlie in the casket. I came to realize that death wasn't a good thing, and that it took those that you loved and liked to be with, like Charlie.

The years passed, and I grew older. Charlie's son left his dad's house exactly like it was, and locked it up. I could have ridden the bus to school, but some days I chose to walk. I would cut through by Charlie's house and look in at the kitchen window. There was the coffee pot, table, Bible, and the cards in their old familiar places, but there was no Charlie or Grandpa, either, as death had come calling for him, too. It seemed only like yesterday that we sat around the table, and I

danced on the millstones.

I grew into my teen years and was in high school when Charlie's son finally decided to tear down the old house, barn, and sheds, to build a nice brick home for himself. In a way, it was like losing Charlie all over again. Houses have a way of taking on the personality of their owners.

Before it was torn down, in the evening, as the sun lowered over the horizon, its rays would reflect on the kitchen window panes, making it look like Charlie was at home. I would look from my living room across the old pasture and where the corn once grew. I could almost hear Grandpa say, "OK, 'Tonnice', let's go see Charlie."

### Kentucky Afield Outdoors

## March begins new fishing license year in Kentucky

As the latest winter storm took aim at Kentucky this past weekend, a brief break in the weather ahead of its arrival sent many anglers out in search of fishable water.

One trout angler at a Fishing in Neighborhoods (FINs) lake in Boone County kindly reminded his shoreline acquaintances about the significance of the date before they cast a line into the icy water.

March 1 ushered in the new license year in Kentucky.

A fishing license unlocks a myriad angling opportunities across the state and buying one now maximizes its value.

"When you think about what that gives you — all these bodies of water, all these different species that we provide for people — it's a tremendous value," said Ron Brooks, director of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources' fisheries division.

"We have limits on what anglers can take sometimes. Even with those limits they can feed their family a lot throughout the year just by going out on some public water and catching fish, not to mention all the recreational aspects."

Individuals and families on a budget will appreciate the value of what amounts to a season-long pass to the great outdoors.

An annual fishing license runs \$20 for Kentucky residents.

"You can't take your family out to eat for \$20 and you can barely go out and eat yourself for that amount," Brooks said.

New this year is a three-year fishing license for residents. It is \$55 and available online only at fw.ky.gov. Other options include the resident \$30 combination hunting and fishing license, a savings of \$10 if purchased separately. The joint husband and wife fishing license costs just \$36.

Children 15 and younger can fish without a license.

The sportsman's license is available to residents only and at \$95 represents an exceptional value. It bundles a combination hunting and fishing license, statewide deer permit, spring and fall turkey permits, a migratory bird and waterfowl permit along with a trout permit. Buying each separately would cost \$150.

Unless license exempt, anglers intending to keep trout must have a trout permit. All licensed anglers fishing the Cumberland River from Wolf Creek Dam to the Tennessee state line, its tributaries up to the first riffle and all of Hatchery Creek must possess a trout permit.

For those who may only get out to fish once or twice a year, a one-day license at \$7 is a good option. Residents and non-residents can fish any Kentucky waters without a license during Kentucky's free fishing days June 7-8.

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife has documented a slight rise in angler participation over the past two years.

"That's probably due to a combination of the outstanding resources we have, our heightened efforts to promote the opportunities we have in Kentucky and an increase among adults and people in general in locally grown and organic foods," said Brian Clark, assistant director of Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's public affairs division.

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife receives no tax dollars from Kentucky's general fund. Instead it relies on the sale of hunting and fishing licenses, boat registration fees and federal programs for funding.

"Fishing and hunting licenses are extremely important to us," Brooks said. "It really is what makes this whole department run."

Licenses are sold through a variety of outlets. Vendor locations are available on the department's website at fw.ky.gov. Licenses and permits also can be purchased online or by calling (877) 598-2401. The Kentucky Fishing and Boating Guide provides complete licensing information and is available online and wherever licenses are sold.

It can be debated that March belongs in the discussion of the best sports month of the year.

For many anglers, it is unparalleled.

Deciding where to go and which species to target can be difficult with so many options available. The 2014 Fishing Forecast, produced annually by Kentucky Fish and Wildlife and posted on the department's website, contains a wealth of information about Kentucky's major fisheries.

Whether you're after crappie at Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley or white bass at Nolin River Lake, largemouth bass at Cedar Creek Lake, muskellunge at Cave Run, Green River or Buckhorn lakes, hybrid striped bass at Fishtrap Lake or the 39 FINs lakes across the state brimming with recently-stocked rainbow trout, spring is an excellent time to put a new fishing license to use.

Kevin Kelly is a writer for Kentucky Afield magazine, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. He is an avid angler with a passion for muskellunge and stream fishing.

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# Obituaries



## Bessie Payne Cromer

Bessie Payne Cromer, 86, died at her home in Sand Springs on March 11, 2014. She was born January 20, 1928 to Arthur and Lela Norton Payne at Wab. She married Willie Earl Cromer on March 8, 1948 and from this union came seven children. She has taught school, was a Post Mistress, ran a general store and was a homemaker. She loved her flowers, gardening, quilting and spending time with her family. She was also of the Christian Faith.

She is survived by: five children, Arthur Ray (Jean) Cromer of Brodhead, Willena (Gary) Caldwell of Parkersville, Lela (Tim) Burns of Callahan, FL, and Garry Cromer and Tony Cromer, both of Mt. Vernon; seven grandchildren, Timothy Burns, Susan Caldwell, Latisha Feazell, Tiffany Mesa, Jennifer Simpson, Josua Cromer and Matthew Cromer; and 11 great grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband of 39 years, Earl Cromer; two sons, Denver Earl and David Cromer; five brothers, Dellard, Carlos, Lloyd, Omer and Clyde; one sister, Delora Tillo; and one half-sister, Janie Turner.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 15, 2014 at 2 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Zandell Hasty. Burial will follow in the Earl Cromer Family Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6-9 p.m. on Friday.

Pallbearers will be: Scottie Payne, Coy Cromer, Matthew Cromer, Tim Burns, Josh Cromer and Randy McClure.

Honorary pallbearers will be: Susan Caldwell, Jennifer Simpson, Latisha Feazell and Tiffany Mesa.

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## Ronnie Dale Evans

Ronnie Dale Evans, 46, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at his residence. He was born in Rockcastle County on December 25, 1968 the son of Robert and Martha Barron Evans.

He is survived by: two sons, Justin Evans of Rush, KY and Daniel Evans of Mt. Vernon; two daughters, Stacey Evans of Harrodsburg and Brianna Evans of Stanford; and one sister, Vickie (Mark) Teague of Brodhead. Also surviving are: three grandchildren, Kaylee Williams, Brantley Evans and Aliyah Williams. He was preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, March 8, 2014 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in High Dry Cemetery.

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## Margie Dene Blanton

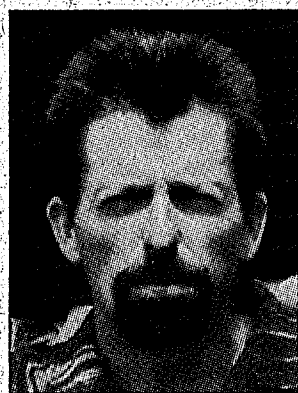
Margie Dene Lawrence Blanton, 84, of Brodhead, widow of Colston Blanton, died Monday, March 10, 2014 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital in Mount Vernon. She was born in Brodhead, November 21, 1929, a daughter of the late Herbert and Mae Elizabeth Lawrence. She was a retired LPN nurse, enjoyed her family, crocheting, gardening and cooking. She was a member of the Ottawa Baptist Church and was a Kentucky Colonel. In 1948, she was united in marriage to Colston Blanton, and from that union came two children.

She is survived by: her son, Charles (Shirley) Blanton of Florence; six grandchildren, Sharon, Karen, Brenda Jean, Bobby Dean, Susan and Hope; eight great grandchildren; four brothers, Eugene Lawrence, Bobby (Lorene) Lawrence, Jackie (Doris) Lawrence, and Charles (Lois) Lawrence, all of Brodhead; two sisters, Wanda Smith, and Evalene (Ronald) Reynolds, all of Brodhead; and many nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, Mrs. Blanton was preceded in death by her husband, Colston Blanton; Her daughter, Patty Daniels; and two brothers, Richard Lawrence and Herbert Ray Lawrence.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 11 a.m. with Bro. Jim Craig and Bro. Zandell Hasty officiating. Burial will follow in the Freedom Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at [marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://marvineowensfuneralhome.com)



## Larry Wayne Denney

Larry Wayne Denney, 48, of Richmond, died Thursday, March 6, 2014 at his home. He was born May 16, 1965 in Rockcastle County, the son of Wayne and Janice Griffin Denney of Mt. Vernon. He was a Team Member at Sherwin Williams Company, a former National Guard, enjoyed fishing, NASCAR racing, and the Louisville Cardinals.

Survivors besides his parents are: one son, Eric (Amber) Denney of Brodhead; one sister, Tammy (Sam) Jackson of Richmond; two grandchildren, Rylee and Makayla Denney; five nieces and nephews; one great nephew; and one special friend, Lisa Baily of Richmond. He was preceded in death by a sister, Sandra Northern.

Memorial services were conducted Monday, March 6, 2014 at the Flat Rock Baptist Church with Bro. Tony Shelton officiating.

Arrangements were by the Cox Funeral Home where the family has selected cremation services. Send condolences to the family online at [www.coxfuneralhomeky.com](http://www.coxfuneralhomeky.com)

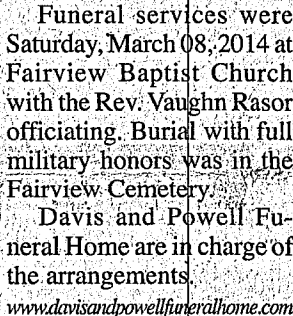


## Dennis Paul Smith

Dennis Paul Smith, 62, died Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at his home. He was born in Lebanon, IN to the late Paul Levere and Ruby Mae Selby Smith. He retired from the Lebanon Utilities as the water treatment plant operator and was also retired from the U.S. Army and Lebanon National Guard. Since coming to Berea six years ago he has taken care of the Fairview Cemetery in Rockcastle County and was a member of the Fairview Baptist Church.

He is survived by: six sisters, Gladys Edwards of Lebanon, IN, Wilma McClain of Cape Coral, FL, Wanda Dickerson and Gloria Smith, both of Lebanon, IN, Norma McBride of Audubon, NJ, and Joan McCord of Plainfield, IN. He was cared for by a nephew, Paul (Angi) Smith and a niece, Jennifer Howard, both of Berea. He is also survived by a host of nieces and nephews.

Other than his parents he was preceded in death by two brothers, Allen and Danny Thomas Smith. Funeral services were Saturday, March 08, 2014 at Fairview Baptist Church with the Rev. Vaughn Rasor officiating. Burial with full military honors was in the Fairview Cemetery. Davis and Powell Funeral Home are in charge of the arrangements. [www.davisandpowellfuneralhome.com](http://www.davisandpowellfuneralhome.com)



## Chasity Sutton

Chasity Brishan Sutton, 39, of Mt. Vernon, formerly of Somerset, and the daughter of Fred Clayton and Patricia Ann Price Sutton, was born January 2, 1975 in Somerset. She died Sunday, March 2, 2014 in Mt. Vernon.

Other than her parents, she is survived by: two children, Layne and Paige Hatton of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Greg (Toni) Sutton Somerset and Jason Sutton of Seattle; and one sister, Stephanie (Scott) Bullock of Eubank.

She adhered to the Baptist Faith.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 8, 2014 at the Chapel of the Pulaski Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Hazeldale Church of Christ Cemetery.

The family of Chasity Brishan Sutton received friends at the Pulaski Funeral Home on Friday, evening from 6-9 p.m. and from 11:00 a.m. Saturday until time of services.



## Dorothy Helen Brock

Dorothy Helen Brock, 84, of Wildie Road in Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, March 8, 2014 at St. Joseph Berea Hospital. She was born in Jackson County, to the late George and Effie Kidwell Isaacs and was a homemaker.

She is survived by: her husband, Clarence Edward Brock; one granddaughter, and her husband, Gina and Rob McCollum; one great granddaughter, Kendra McCollum; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by: one daughter, Lois Jean Chasteen and son-in-law Tony H. Chasteen; one grandson, Tony Kendall Chasteen; and siblings, Gertrude Damrell, Sarah Mays, Betty Hatfield, Earl Brock, Walter Brock, Virgil Brock.

Funeral services will be private at Berea Cemetery.



## Debra Lois Leger Napier

Debra Lois Leger Napier, 56, of Brodhead, died Monday, March 10, 2014 at her home. She was born in Mount Vernon, January 6, 1958, a daughter of the late Delbert Richard and Deloris Jean French Leger. She began working for Mr. Wayne Stewart when she was 16 years old, and later in life worked in business management until she retired. Many of her years were spent in the Dalton, GA area. She was a member of the Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church and enjoyed spending time with her church family. In addition, she enjoyed gospel music, her family and her beloved dog, Sandy Jean.

She is survived by: four brothers, Denver (Peggy) French of Brodhead, Mike (Sheila) Leger of Brodhead, Doug Leger of Brodhead, Delbert Wayne Leger of Mount Vernon; nieces and nephews; grand nieces and nephews; many good friends; and her life-long friend Bessie Chesnut Marion.

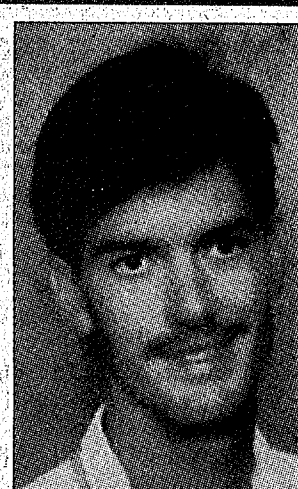
Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her paternal grandparents, Robert and Leta Proctor Leger; and her maternal grandparents, Jim and Mary Shepherd.

Funeral services will be held March 14, 2014 at 12 noon at the Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church with Bro. Jerry Owens officiating. Burial will follow in the McNew Cemetery.

Visitation will be held (today) Thursday, March 13, from 6 until 9 p.m. and Friday March 14, from 10 a.m. until noon at the Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

Expressions of sympathy can be made in the form of contributions to the Debra Leger Napier fund at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals, Post Office Box 658, Brodhead, KY 40409.

Condolences may be made at [marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://marvineowensfuneralhome.com)



## Jesse Ray Mills, Jr.

A Bardstown resident, Jesse Ray Mills, Jr., 46, passed away March 3, 2014.

Survivors are his daughter, Kristina Holley of Bardstown, two sisters, Yolanda Poynter of Mt. Vernon and Annette Caudill of Richmond and one grandchild.

Houghlin-Greenwell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## In Loving Memory

### Pink Rose in Heaven

If pink roses grow in Heaven,  
God please pick a bunch for me.

Place them in my mother's arms

And tell her they're from me.

Please let her know I miss her

And when she turns to smile

Will you place a kiss upon her cheek

And hug her for a while.

Let her know I love her and wish she could be here.

Tell her that I'm sorry

It's hard not to shed a tear.

Remembering her is easy,

I do it everyday,

But there's an ache within my heart

And it will never go away.

In Memory of

Louella Miller

On her Birthday Mar. 10th

From the kids and Heather

who helped find this poem

Drug Tip Hotline

1-866-424-4382

Toll-free Treatment Help Line

1-866-90-UNITE

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## Celebrating our hometown Doctors



## BRITTANY PERKINS-SAYLOR, PA-C

Rockcastle Family Wellness

Brittany Perkins-Saylor has been providing care in Rockcastle County since 2012. "I have lived in Brodhead my entire life," says Brittany. "I chose to become a physician's assistant because I wanted to devote my career to helping those in my community."

Brittany earned her undergraduate degree from Eastern Kentucky University. She earned her master's degree in physician's assistant studies from the University of the Cumberlands.

Brittany lives in Brodhead with her husband, Max.



## ALICIA COOK, PA-C

Rockcastle Family Wellness

Alicia Cook has been caring for patients as a physician's assistant in Rockcastle County since 2012.

Alicia earned her undergraduate degree from Eastern Kentucky

University. She earned her master's degree in physician's assistant studies from the University of the Cumberlands.

Alicia lives in Richmond with her husband, Wes.



## TAMAR GREENLY, APRN

Rockcastle Family Care

Tamar Greenly has been providing care in Rockcastle County since 2011.

Tamar earned her undergraduate degree from Indiana Wesleyan University. She earned her master's degree in family nurse practitioner studies from Eastern Kentucky University. Tamar is currently work-

ing on a second certification as a psychiatric nurse practitioner.

Raised in a military family, Tamar was born in Germany and now lives in Danville. When not working, she enjoys cooking and creating new recipes, gardening, and spending time with her two dogs and cat.



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HOSPITAL & RESPIRATORY CARE CENTER

National Doctor's Day  
March 31, 2014



## “Schools”

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to waive up to ten missed school days that were caused by inclement weather. However, she said the bill still hasn't been passed by the Senate.

Isaacs said that the central office staff are anxiously waiting and keeping track of news from the state legislature on a daily basis. She said there are five different bills in the House and Senate that are aimed at some type of school calendar relief because of the harsh winter. However, she said there is some disagreement between lawmakers in both the House and Senate causing both of them to have their own versions of how they choose to grant relief to school districts.

Isaacs said that representatives from the Kentucky Department of Education are working with lawmakers and advising school districts about pending legislation. She said they believe some type of relief will be given from but the details may not be known until the end of the legislative session next month.

Isaacs went on to say that once a bill is passed in the state legislature, the central office staff will work together and design an amended calendar to present to the board for their approval. She said if the legislature passes a bill within the next few weeks they will likely have their proposal ready to present at next month's board meeting.

"Once a bill is passed in the state legislature and we know all the final details, we will sit down and design an amended calendar to be proposed to you," Isaacs said. "No matter what, we want to have the best amended calendar for our students, faculty and families."

Board members Angela Mink and Anna Stevens both asked Isaacs how Brodhead Elementary School plans to make up their missed school day due to a water main break in Brodhead since they were the only school in the county that was closed.

Isaacs said they will also have that included in their amended school calendar proposal and that they are currently looking at different options but haven't made a decision at this time.

The board agreed to wait to amend the calendar until a future meeting after the state legislature passes a bill giving relief for missed school days because of inclement weather.

Isaacs also presented the proposed calendar for the 2014-2015 school year.

The first day of school will be on Tuesday, August 12th with the first holiday break being Labor Day on Monday, September 1st.

The proposed calendar

calls for school to be dismissed on September 2nd, October 3rd, November 3rd-4th, November 26th-28th for Thanksgiving break and December 22nd-January 2nd for Christmas and New Year's break.

School will also be dismissed under the proposed calendar in 2015 on January 19th, March 20th and May 12th-13th. School will also be dismissed for President's Day on Monday, February 16th and Spring Break from March 30th-April 3rd. However, if more than ten school days are missed due to inclement weather, President's Day and Spring Break will be changed to regular school days.

Isaacs noted that the only difference between the proposed calendar and this year's calendar is that two professional development days have been added that are considered flexible days. She said the flexible days would allow teachers to report on a possible snow day or at the discretion of the school's principal.

The board approved the proposed 2014-2015 school calendar.

Superintendent David Pensol presented the 2014-2015 SBDM allocations to the board for their approval. Pensol said the number of students to teacher ratio has increased to 22:1 from the previous year's 21:1.

Pensol said they are planning to maintain their current staff for next year and there won't be any faculty positions cut in the 2014-2015 school year. However, he said that if a teacher or administrator retires next year the position will be reviewed to see if it could possibly be cut.

"We're going to keep the same faculty but if a faculty member retires then we will talk with the principal of the school to see if it is a position we can possibly cut," Pensol said. "We always have to be budget-aware but the good news about this proposal is we worked it out to where no positions will be considered in being cut unless someone retires or resigns from that position."

The board unanimously approved the proposed 2014-2015 SBDM allocations.

Pensol also presented the board with a list of how Kentucky school district's area technology centers are performing. The Rockcastle County Area Technology Center was sixth overall in the state with 84% of students meeting academic career-ready benchmarks and second overall in the state with 67% of students meeting academic and technical career ready benchmarks.

"I couldn't be happier with these results of how we are helping students be career ready," Pensol said. "This is a testimony of the excellent job our staff is

doing at our Area Technology Center."

The superintendent's personnel action report showed one certified personnel hiring of Katie Clontz as a substitute teacher. Classified hirings were: Loren Reynolds as RCMS volleyball coach, Jason Brock as RCMS assistant softball coach and Brian Napier as RCMS softball head coach. Those resigning were Kayla Bryant as RCHS volleyball head coach, Danny Lunsford as RCHS custodian and Wade Johnson RCMS boys track coach.

## “RCIDA”

(Cont. from front)

review past audits but that he would find out before the next meeting. He went on to say that he liked the idea of the RCIDA having their own audit.

"We are all trying to do things to better Rockcastle County," Craig said. "An audit will show that we are doing that and it will show everyone that we aren't making any negative dealings."

Craig and board members Robert Lawson and Jason Medley volunteered to be on the RCIDA audit board and the nominations passed unanimously.

RCIDA Executive Director Holly Hopkins told the board that she recently received a call from a realtor who had a company that was interested in moving to one of the business parks. She said the realtor wanted to know if the realtor fees were included in the listing price of \$35,000 an acre.

Craig said that realtor fees had never been discussed by the board because none of the current companies in their business parks had a realtor while buying land. He reminded the board that they have invested \$25,000 an acre in land costs and the extra \$10,000 is intended to be profit for RCIDA to be used in other areas.

"Considering what is invested in the land it's already a real cheap price for the company," Craig said. "What they are getting in the land will save the company in the long run so I don't think we need to include realtor fees."

The board agreed unanimously to not include the realtor fees in their listed land sale price.

Craig also reminded the board, during their review of the financial statement, that Jackson Energy Cooperative told him that 16 lights that were installed in both business parks have not been put on their electric bill since 2009.

Craig said Jackson Energy admitted that they made the mistake in not adding the lights to their bill but that the Kentucky Pub-

lic Service Commission was requiring the RCIDA to still pay the backdated bill. He said the RCIDA had to pay around \$13,000 and that they could pay it in increments.

"There is no time limit on when we pay it back as long as we are making monthly payments," Craig said. "There aren't any penalties because Jackson Energy admitted that they forgot to put the lights on the bill."

Craig said the 16 lights will cost approximately \$500 a month extra on the electric bill. He suggested the RCIDA pay \$300 a month for the next three of four years until the backdated bill is paid. The board agreed unanimously.

RCIDA Executive Director Holly Hopkins updated the board on several projects in Rockcastle Business Park South.

Hopkins told the board that SourceHOV is still on track for meeting their goal of hiring 750 employees by the end of the first quarter in 2014.

Hopkins also said SourceHOV still wants to proceed with the parking lot project that was started last fall and the project will prothsis spring once the weather improves. She said SourceHOV offered to pay for the additional four street lights once the new parking lot is completed.

"They are very grateful for the parking lot so they offered to pay for the extra lights. That is very nice and generous of them," Hopkins said. "We can now take the lights in the current parking lot and move them to the back of the new parking lot giving them more lighting at night."

The CSEPP building is "right on target" according to Hopkins. She told the board that everything is going as planned and that they are still hoping to complete the building in May but that it will likely take longer due to the inclement weather this winter.

Hopkins said White House Clinics opened last month at Rockcastle Business Park South and a grand opening ceremony, once the weather improves, is planned.

Hopkins reminded the board that Anchor Packaging are still releasing 14 employees due to one of the inherited old manufacturing lines that is causing the company numerous problems. However, Hopkins said that Anchor Packaging will be looking for more packers and employees to run the machines if a new manufacturing line is assembled in the next few months.

Hopkins also provided an update on the Rockcastle County Food Hub project

and said they are still looking into putting a grocery store at the former Brodhead IGA for that project. She also informed the board about the new industrial hemp pilot project in Rockcastle County and how she believed it would benefit Rockcastle County.

Hopkins told the board that Growing Warriors Founder Mike Lewis is in charge of the hemp pilot project and that it will be located on one of his family's farms in Rockcastle County. She said hemp is still illegal for anyone else to grow and that the Rockcastle County pilot project will be connected with Kentucky State University for research purposes.

Hopkins said that the Renfro Valley Entertainment Center is also planning on producing two documentaries in the summer and fall. She said one documentary is about industrial hemp and the other documentary is about women veterans who found healing through farming.

Hopkins went on to say that she is also working with Renfro Valley on the possibility of having a festival in the fall for hemp. She also said that they are looking to hold public forums for those with questions about hemp in the near future.

Hopkins concluded her Executive Director's report by informing the board of a \$10,000 ECU Cares grant that she recently submitted to the Kentucky Office of Tourism. She said the grant will be a partnership between Renfro Valley and the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame for the design of a children's music series.

## “Court”

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The organization, a non-profit, depends on memberships for funding and presently has 400 members, Barber said. They have 307 miles of trail from above Morehead to 25 miles into Tennessee which offer various camping options and encompasses two state parks. The purpose of the organization is to maintain and expand trails for generations to come, he said.

Barber said Livingston was chosen for its location as the center of their trail system. They will be working on the center at Livingston the first Saturday of each month and the first Saturday in March 20 volunteers from across the state showed up to help, Barber said. He also noted that \$20,000 was raised from members and volunteers to help finance the renovation project.

Magistrate Bill McKinney said there has been a problem with Lower

River Road sliding and that had caused the road "to fail" Tuesday afternoon. The slide affects about six families McKinney said. County Judge/Executive Buzz Carlotis said that there was also a slide onto Lambert Road. These repairs can be funded by emergency funds from the state Carlotis said.

The court also received permission to advertise for bids for repairs to roads which were identified for Flex Funding. The court will have \$367,713 to spend on roads that have already been paved and expects to be able to add several hundred thousand from road funds to work on roads that do not qualify under the Flex Funding.

In other business, the court added Wendell Fortney and Garfield Cobb to the list of electrical inspectors for the county;

\*made a donation of \$500 to the Sheriff's Boys and Girls Ranch;

\*donated \$290 for two athletes to participate in Special Olympics;

\*approved a donation of \$3,000 for two Hotstyx softball teams;

\*donated \$200 to NAMI;

\*approved \$1,000 for Quail Park because of high fuel bills; and

\*paid \$2,077 (90%) of fuel bills for Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Department for August-January period.

The court also decided to continue drop-off day at the fairgrounds in Brodhead. PRIDE normally contributes to the expenses but their support has been dropping in past years and it is uncertain if any support will be coming this year.

Last year, total expenses were \$11,495 and PRIDE contributed \$2,750, the City of Mt. Vernon contributed \$200 of PRIDE funds, \$1,296 was received from scrap metal sold leaving the county \$7,248 in out-of-pocket expenses and this amount did not include wages, meals and other miscellaneous expenses.

Magistrate Lee Earl Adams told the court that he felt the program was still cheaper than the county having to pick up the litter.

The court also opened bids for a new CADD system for 911 (an updated system) and the tower for the Emergency Operations Center being built at Rockcastle Business Park South. The bids were turned over to Hal Holbrook, CSEPP director and a decision will be made about awarding the bids at a later date.

As a last item of business, the court transferred \$100,000 from the occupational tax account to the general fund. \$25,000 of that amount will be transferred to the detention center fund.



## UNITE Run From Addciton 5K

Renfro Valley, Mt Vernon, Ky  
Saturday, March 29, 2014 @ 9 a.m.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Age on Race Day \_\_\_\_\_  
Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ I Am Running In Memory Or Honor Of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name Of Loved One)

If You Would Like To Donate To UNITE In Memory Or Honor Of Loved One And Not Participate In Race Check Here \_\_\_\_\_ Name Of Loved One \_\_\_\_\_ Donation Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Shirt Size: YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL  
AXXL(add \$2) XXXL(add\$2)

Cost: Pre registration \$15 (Deadline/Postmark Date is Monday, March 17th)  
Race day \$20 (Registration starts at 8 a.m. No 1 shirt guarantee)  
Make checks payable to: Rockcastle UNITE Coalition

Mail registration to: Law Office of Bobby Amburgey  
PO Box 3118  
Mt Vernon, Ky 40456  
Attn UNITE

Drop off/pick up form at: Law Office of Bobby Amburgey 185 Main St Mt Vernon, Ky Or  
Law Office of Jeremy Rowe, 40 Church St Mt Vernon, Ky

GE GROUPS: 11U, 12-15, 16-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70+  
No walker medals. If you want to compete for a medal, sign up for the 5K and run or walk at your own pace.  
Questions: Email Teresa Hamilton at [queenoftheridge@windstream.net](mailto:queenoftheridge@windstream.net) or Check out our Facebook Page, UNITE Run From Addiction 5K.

### RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I, the undersigned, understand that running/walking in a race is a potentially hazardous activity. I represent that I am medically able and properly trained to participate in this event. I assume all risks associated with this event including, but not limited, heat exhaustion, falls, contact with participants, effects of weather, etc. and all such risks being known and recognized by me. I hereby agree to discharge UNITE, its volunteers, directors, officers, and employees or any other personnel assisting or connected with this event any claims or demands therefor which I may have or which I may hereafter accrue to me arising out of injury to my person or my property incurred in connection with participation in the UNITE Run From Addiction 5K. I hereby release all publication rights of photographs or video taken at this event. By signing below, I indicate that I agree to abide by this agreement and acknowledge ASSUME ALL RISK ASSOCIATED WITH PARTICIPATING IN THIS EVENT.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent's signature if under age 18)

## 2014 Rockcastle County Little League Baseball Registration Form

(Major league, minor league, & coach pitch games played primarily on Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 5:30 & 7:30 start times)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of May 1, 2014 \_\_\_\_\_ Male ☐ Female ☐  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Participation in Little League Baseball/Softball requires the ability to run, throw, swing a bat and catch a ball. Additionally, participation requires the capacity to understand the rules of the game. Does your child have any current condition that limits his/her ability to participate in this activity? YES ☐ NO ☐  
If "yes", please explain and identify any modification that would enable your child to participate: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Rockcastle Little League Baseball or Softball does not limit participation in its activities on the basis of disability.  
List any allergies or medical conditions the league needs to know in case of an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I/we the parent(s) of the above named candidate for a position on a Little League team, hereby give my/our approval to participate in any and all Little League activities, including transportation to and from the activities.  
☐ I/we know that participation in baseball/softball may result in serious injuries and protective equipment does not prevent all injuries to players and hereby waive, release, absolve indemnity and agree to hold harmless the local Little League, Little League Baseball, Inc., the organizers, sponsors, participants and persons transporting my/our child to and from activities for any claim arising out of injury to my/our child whether the result of negligence or for any other cause, except to the extent and in the amount covered by accident or liability insurance.  
☐ I/we agree to return upon request the equipment issued to my/our child in as good a condition as when received except for normal wear and tear.  
☐ I/we will furnish a certified birth certificate of the above named candidate to League Officials upon request.

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature)  
Name of Family Medical Insurance Plan: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent(s) Guardian(s) Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ President's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
School Child attends: \_\_\_\_\_

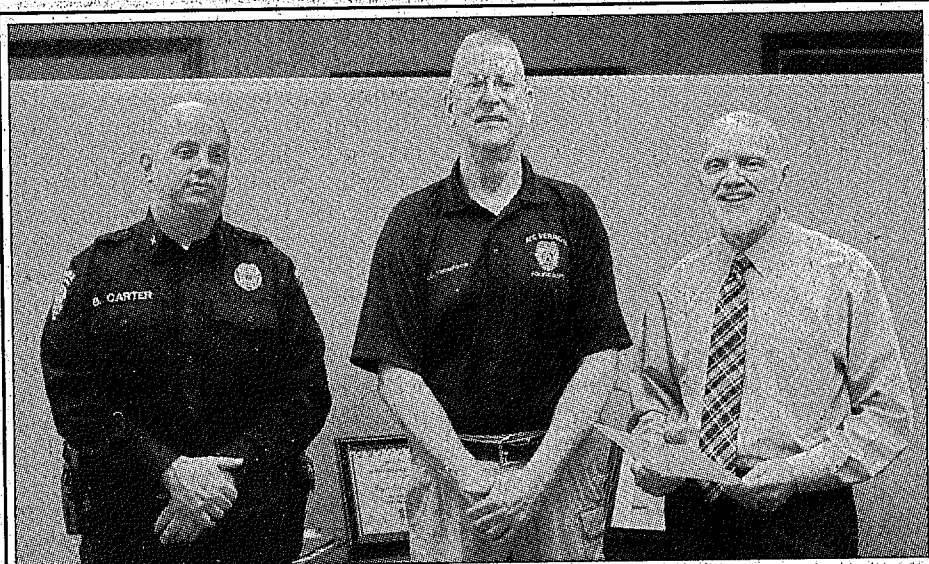
Would you, as a parent be interested in helping the Little League? Please circle the activity you would be willing to participate in.

Managing/Coaching	Field Maintenance	Pre-game Preparation	Post-game
\$30 Early Registration Fee (before March 22nd)	\$45 Additional Sibling Fee	\$55 Registration Fee (after March 23rd)	\$40 Tee Ball (ages 4-6)
*Make checks payable to the Rockcastle County Little League			
Please circle below the appropriate shirt size for uniforms:			
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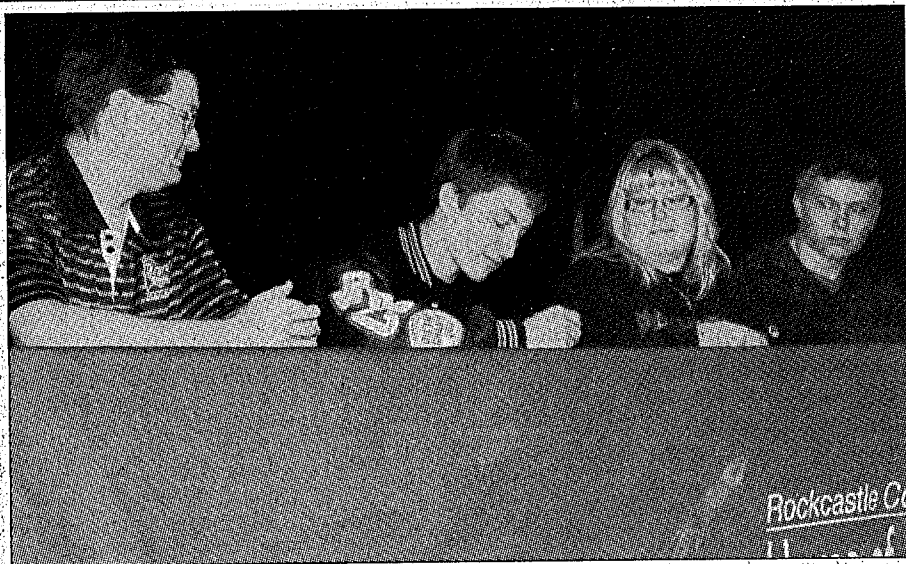
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Brodhead, KY 40409  
Request a form: [rockcastlelittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:rockcastlelittleleague@gmail.com)  
Drop off at:  
Jack's Hardware  
Williams Street  
Mt. Vernon KY  
Twitter: rcll2014

\*\*Mandatory player evaluations, March 29 @ Rockcastle Middle School—12 yr olds 9:00-9:45 a.m. 9 yr olds 11:15-12:00 a.m.  
11 yr olds 9:45-10:30 a.m. 8 yr olds 12:00-12:45 a.m.  
10 yr olds 10:30-11:15 a.m. 7 yr olds 12:45-1:30 a.m.





Rockcastle County native James Thompson was sworn in as a police officer for the Mt. Vernon Police Department on Monday. Thompson has served as a police officer for 30 years at the Mt. Vernon Police Department, Berea Police Department and Madison County Sheriff's Department. Shown above with Thompson is Mt. Vernon Police Chief Brian Carter and Mt. Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant.



Senior Rocket John Hughes signed a Letter-of-Intent last Friday to play football for the University of the Cumberlands Patriots. Hughes was a wide receiver and defensive back for the Rockets. During his senior season he had 47 catches for 742 yards and four touchdowns. He also made 33 total tackles and had 2 interceptions. Hughes is pictured with his father Doug, mother Kelly, and brother Justin.

## “Livingston”

(Cont. from front)

The breakdown also included \$25,000 for five street lamps at \$5,000 each. “Judge Carloftis told me we could get street lamps for \$1,100 each and I sent the engineers this information and the breakdown still shows the \$5,000 each figure,” Medley said. “This project could have been done much cheaper, just by doing it with local funds,” he added.

The project will be refigured by Medley and returned to the engineers in an effort to get the local cost reduced.

During the meeting, Commissioner Katha Carpenter also brought up that she felt the city should be paying Mayor Medley's cell phone bill. “I wish there was some way we could pay him but we can't,” Carpenter said. Even though the motion got a second, Medley quashed the idea saying “I appreciate it but the only thing I would like for you all to pay is for Trisha's fuel (for city business). I feel like the city has a long way to go before we reach the financial status I want it to be.” Medley did concede to reconsider after the budget is checked to see if the budget “could stand” the \$45 per month charge for his cell phone.

The commissioners also discussed Founder's Day, scheduled for May 9 and 10, and the Redbud Ride which originates in London on April 12th. Medley said this year's theme would be a Woodstock theme with 60's music and volunteers are needed to give out food and water to participants. Last year 600 riders stopped in Livingston at the park as one of the rest stops and in 2012, the city won an award for the best rest stop on the ride.

On the subject of volunteers for city projects, Medley commended participation in projects by volunteers and said “the city is a lot cleaner than it used to be. People are taking care of things.”

Medley also noted that work had begun on the rooms leased by Sheltoewe Trace in the schoolhouse which will be used as a conference room and an executive director's office with gift shop. He also reported that a group of students from Loyola University had spent their spring break here and had removed the old ceiling from the main hallway. A Community Baptist Mission Team will also be working, at some point, on the schoolhouse.

Commissioner Carpenter also noted that there will be a soup kitchen at the firehouse on March 20th. Carpenter said that a soup kitchen will be held every week in the county at a different location.

The Main Street Diner is open, Medley said. “It was near to closing and local volunteers kept it open until the owner took back over and has hired a staff,” Medley said. The restaurant is currently holding gospel singings every Friday night and there were 80 and 100 at the two that have been held so far, Medley told the commissioners. He added that the gospel singings would continue.

## “Water”

(Cont. from front)

had to order special parts from Tennessee. She said they were able to supply water to their other customers during the break but were unable to feed their stored water to the eight homes on Chickadee Lane and Cedar Rapids Road.

Bussell said they advised water customers to conserve water during the water main break because of the low water levels in their water tank. She said Brodhead Elementary School had water but was closed in order to conserve water and that the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center was having bottled water brought to their facility. She said many Brodhead businesses were

### Local man arrested for feeding diaper rash cream to baby

By: Doug Ponder

A local man was arrested on a warrant last Friday, charged with feeding diaper rash cream to a three-month old baby last month.

Arrested was Justin Ira Burkhardt, 28, of Berea.

According to state police reports, Burkhardt fed the diaper rash cream to his friend's baby on February 15th at a home on Tyree Street in Brodhead. Reports said Burkhardt fed the baby diaper rash by letting the baby lick it off his fingers.

When the parents of the baby discovered the diaper rash cream in their baby's mouth, they took their baby to the emergency room at Rockcastle Regional Hospital where the baby was treated and later released.

The mother of the baby told officers that she found “quite a bit of cream in its mouth and some on the outside of its face.” Rockcastle County attorney issued a warrant for Burkhardt's arrest due to the fact he put the child in a situation that could have caused serious physical injury.

Troopers Adam Childress and Adam Hensley found Burkhardt and arrested him at a residence on Cass Street last Friday. Burkhardt told officers that he didn't feed the diaper rash cream to the baby and denied all allegations.

Burkhardt is charged with first degree criminal abuse of a child 12-years-old or younger. He remains lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center on a \$10,000 cash/property bond.

### City of Brodhead says Thank You!

The City of Brodhead and Brodhead Water Dept. wishes to express their sincere appreciation to all water customers, Clifford Collins Backhoe LLC, Western Rockcastle Water employees and Brodhead Volunteer Fire Dept. for all their help, patience and cooperation during the main line water break this week.

The break was repaired at approximately 3:30 p.m. Tuesday. However, we are still under a boil water advisory and will announce on WRVK as soon as the advisory is lifted.

Thank you, again  
Brodhead Water and  
City of Brodhead

also using bottled water.

Although the water main break has been repaired, Bussell said Brodhead water customers are still under a boil water advisory until further notice because water samples had to be sent to a laboratory for testing.

Bussell went on to say that the advisory will be lifted, and it will be announced over WRVK, once the required test results are received from the lab.

## “Arrested”

(Cont. from front)

Once officers approached the vehicle, they saw Faircloth sitting in the passenger seat and trying to put something between her legs. When officers opened the passenger side door, a pill bottle fell onto the passenger floorboard. After further investigation, officers dis-

covered twenty-four Oxycodone pills inside the pill bottle.

Faircloth told the officers that the pills did not belong to her but admitted to officers that she was in possession of the pills during the traffic stop.

Faircloth was charged with first degree possession of a controlled substance and prescription controlled substance not in proper con-

tainer. She remains lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center on a \$5,000 unsecured bond.

## Next Week

Rocket Seniors honored during last home game  
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47th All-District team named

# Experience Does Matter... Re-Elect Billy Reynolds County Attorney

### Perspective of a former addict

As a spunky teen who was driven by hope and ambition, I viewed the world in only one way, through rose colored glasses. When I loved, I deeply loved. When I trusted, it was forever. I had joy behind my laughter and passion blazing through blue eyes. I earned good grades, respected authority, and had structure in my life through the people I was surrounded by and the dance team that I belonged to. I felt as if it were sisterhood. Never did I realize how I would later miss that feeling of being part of a group.

The group I chose when I got to college was not the group for me. I joined a sorority. I didn't drink or drug it up in high school, and barely knew what drugs were. Through some social events on campus as part of a sorority I was exposed to heavy drinking and illegal substances. Instead of being a leader and walking away I followed, to fit in. Before I knew it my grades were dropping, I was partying more and eventually chose the path followed by many. I chose this new lifestyle over my academics and my future. I decided to take a break from college, have some fun, and return a semester later. Later never came until years later. All I cared about was my next drink or my next high. During these unfortunate events of my life's transition, I could literally feel hope slipping through my fingers while desperately trying to hold on to myself and who I was. In 2004 my life was changed in a way that later pushed me even further into a deeper realm of drugs. There was now, zero hope!

Before the chaos and demise that I had created for myself, I previously believed that God sends everyone their own earthbound angel. Because of this lifestyle I had chosen, all I could see was misery. I was facing adult consequences as a scared child. Oddly enough with the position Billy Reynolds held as County Attorney, I felt fear as I faced him, but at the same time I knew he would end up being my advocate. I got the sentence I deserved but he could have left it at that. That's when I knew I had met my earthbound angel. I continued on my path of destruction. Little did I know that later my angel was going to ride up to my house on a Harley with my chariot awaiting. As I was taken out in a police cruiser I knew that this life was not the one I had planned! I felt so completely broken and desperate for someone to understand. Billy had chosen a different approach instead. On the one hand he held an iron fist but on the other he reached out and offered me a glimmer of hope. That's when I made the decision to accept the offer of going to a rehab facility. Upon completion and returning home I thought I had overcome and beaten the odds of addiction. But I was wrong! I would take a few steps forward and a few steps back. But through it all Billy was there for support when I needed someone to talk me through my struggles. I feel that if it had not been for Billy, cheering me on, that I may not be here to tell about it!

After many struggles and several changes later, I have began a new journey of my life! One filled with a strong faith in God and the fulfillment of being happy not being high! It is my wish to express my gratitude to my earthbound angel and my forever friend that has always stood beside me! In my opinion there will never be another candidate to fill his shoes!

Peyton Rogers Mounce

### Parent's perspective on addiction

It has been several years back that we attended a graduation ceremony of our daughter's completion of a 90 day stay at a ladies rehab facility in Alabama. The graduation was held at a celebrate recovery meeting. The speaker for the evening was Alabama's Supreme Court Justice Susani Cobb.

As I sat there eager to leave and for the whole ordeal to be over, I listened to her deliver a message of hope. She began by speaking on addiction and saying how easy it was and how it didn't take much time to tell someone facing jail time that they were going to jail. She went on to say that she favored a different course and one that was more difficult and took much more time.

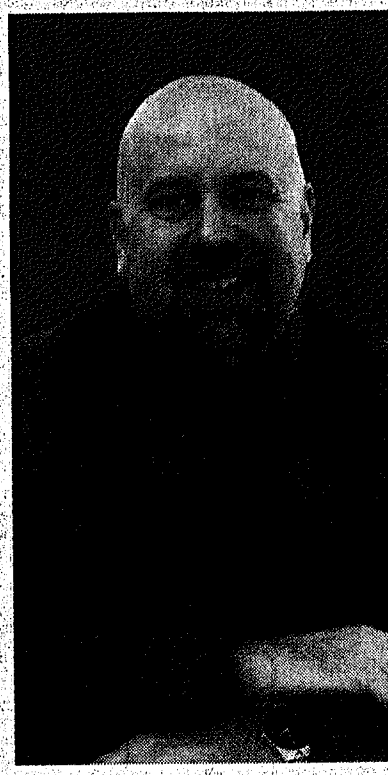
The one of helping repair someone's life! My thoughts suddenly went back, thinking how that was exactly what had taken place back home by our own County Attorney, Billy Reynolds. He had taken the time to get involved, listen and show compassion to our family, especially our daughter. She had not gotten off the hook by any means but his course of action reminded me of sometimes how a parent will exercise tough love, but in a caring and loving way. While not at first, she ended up responding to this method in a very positive way.

Her road to recovery has not been a quick or an easy one like many others. When something is broken it is not easily mended. But gradually she began putting the pieces of her life back together and learning from her mistakes along the way. Along with our faith in God at that very difficult time of our lives, God used Billy to inspire us and bring hope to our family just as celebrate recovery brings hope and healing to all who are going through an addiction or being greatly affected by it. Billy has also been a strong supporter of celebrate recovery here in our county.

Throughout the years he has continued to be a friend of the family and stayed in touch being somewhat of a mentor to our daughter, graciously offering assistance in whatever way was needed. Our daughter will say her angel rode up on a Harley, but in our eyes he has and will always continue to be "Our Hero!"

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# Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, March 13, 2014

*Hensley and Phillips win individual state titles*

## RGHS girls' indoor track team wins state title

The RGHS girls' indoor track team traveled to Mason County this past Saturday to compete in the Class 2A Indoor State Track & Field Championships. RGHS came into the meet in the role of the underdog with Mason County, Highlands, and Christian Academy of Louisville as the meet favorites. RGHS put together a great overall team performance, coming away with the indoor state championship title. They dominated the competition, defeating runner-up Highlands by a score of 101-80. This was the 3rd straight indoor state title for the girls' team, as well as their 7th overall in the last nine years.

The RGHS girls' 4 x 800-meter relay team of freshman Sierra Mercer, sophomore Rachel Cain,

6th grader Tori Dotson, and freshman Taylor Bullock placed 3rd with an exceptional team performance. The group navigated the extremely tight Mason County track in an awesome time of 11:03.21, an improvement of nearly 18 seconds over their previous best time this season.

Next up on the track came the 55-meter hurdles. Freshman Jennifer Mercer placed 5th overall with a

very impressive performance. Her time of 10.07 was an indoor personal best in the event. Senior Alyssa Allen had her starting blocks slip and placed 12th overall. She just missed her season's best time in the event.

Over at the high jump pit, RGHS sophomore Tori Phillips had her sights set on

well, placing a close 4th overall with a great jump of 31'1".

Back on the track, the very competitive 55-meter dash got underway. Senior Lacey Gastineau came through with a season's best performance and just missed her personal best in the event. She finished an impressive 4th overall with

Dotson had already made quite a name for herself in distance running circles so far this indoor season. She ran yet another unbelievable race, finishing as state runner-up with an awesome time of 5:53.05 for 12 laps. 7th grader Kensie Sheffield scored as well with an awesome performance and a great time of 6:27.87.

Samantha Douglas had a great series of throws and finished 5th overall with a very impressive throw of 25'7.5", a new personal best. 8th grader Autumn Davidson had a career best performance as well, throwing the 4 kilogram shot put an impressive 24' and placing 7th overall. Sophomore Nikki McGuire, a new

next for RGHS. 6th grader Tori Dotson had the best half mile race of her career, running down two of the fastest distance runners Highlands has on their team and finishing between them in 3rd place overall. Her time of 2:44.27 was the personal best of her young career. Freshman Taylor Bullock came through with a personal best race, finishing 9th overall with a great time of 2:53.36. Freshman Sierra Mercer had a gutsy performance after becoming ill during the race. She fought hard and finished 10th with a great time of 2:54.04. Had she been her normal self she would have easily challenged the winning time of 2:31. 7th grader Kensie Sheffield had a great personal best race of 3:05.41 and finished 16th overall.

In the 3000-meter run, RGHS freshman Lanna Prewitt navigated the grueling 23.5 laps and placed 6th with an awesome personal best time of 12:43.75. Amazingly, she knocked off over one minute from her previous best time this indoor season. Junior Rachel Cain didn't feel well making the race extremely tough for her to finish. She fought through it and placed 9th overall with a time of

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The RGHS girls' indoor track team won the Class 2A Indoor State Track & Field Championship this past Saturday in Mason County, defeating runner-up Highlands by a score of 101-80. This was the third straight indoor state title for the girls' team and their seventh overall. Team members are from left: Nathalie Skaardal, Autumn Davidson, Tori Dotson, Samantha Douglas, Taylor Bullock, Jennifer Mercer, Sierra Mercer, Alyssa Allen, Lacey Gastineau, Katie Hensley, Rachel Cain, Lanna Prewitt, Kensie Sheffield, Tori Phillips, and Nikki McGuire.



RCMS sixth grader Tori Dotson finished as state runner-up in the 1600-meter run and third in the 800-meter run with a personal best time.

the high jump state title. With the most impressive series of jumps in her career, Tori hit almost every height on her first attempt. She won the state championship title in the event while matching her all-time personal best jump of 4'10".

Meanwhile, at the long triple jump pit, freshman Katie Hensley and senior Alyssa Allen looked to rack up some points in the triple jump competition. Alyssa had the difficult task of splitting time between triple jump and the 55-meter hurdles that took place at the same time. Katie had a very impressive series of jump, finishing as state runner-up with a great effort of 31'6.25". Alyssa has an impressive series of jumps as

a blistering time of 7.84 seconds in the event. Jennifer Mercer was not far behind, placing 7th overall with a very fast, personal best time of 8.04 seconds. Freshman Tori Phillips also came through with a personal best, finishing, 17th in an impressive time of 8.41 seconds. Sophomore Nikki McGuire also recorded a personal best, placing 26th overall with a great time of 8.74 seconds. Junior Nathalie Skaardal ran a personal best as well, finishing 35th overall with a nice time of 9.04 seconds.

Next on the track came the 1600-meter runs. A pair of middle school athletes competed extremely well for RGHS with so much on the line. 6th grader Tori

In the long jump competition, Katie Hensley came into the event as the top-ranked competitor in Class 2A. She performed exceptionally well, despite having to prepare for the 400-meter dash at the same time. On her second attempt, Katie won the state championship title with an awesome leap of 15'8.75". Having won already, Katie did not take her final attempt. Jennifer Mercer came through with another career best performance. She finished 3rd overall with an incredible career personal best leap of 14'10.5".

In the shot put competition, another middle school duo looked to put some points on the board for RGHS. 7th grader

comer to the event, threw an impressive personal best 20'7" and placed 14th overall.

Next up on the track came the 400-meter dash, always a signature event for RGHS. Senior Lacey Gastineau ran one of the fastest 400 times ever for an RGHS competitor at Mason County, finishing as state runner-up with an awesome season's best time of 1:05.07. Freshman Katie Hensley came straight from her winning long jump attempt to capture 9th place with an impressive time of 1:09.65. Sophomore Nikki McGuire ran very well and recorded a new personal best in the event, finishing 36th overall in 1:24.93.

The 800-meter run came



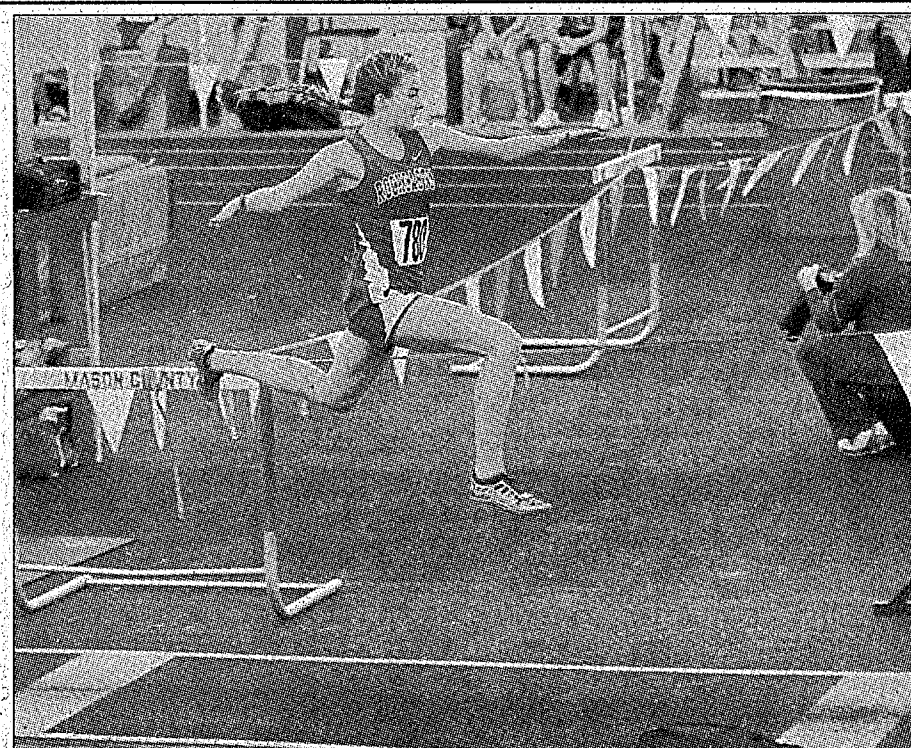
RGHS senior Lacey Gastineau finished as state runner-up in the 400-meter dash and fourth in the 55-meter dash with season's best times in both.



The RGHS girls' 4 x 400-meter relay team of Sierra Mercer, Katie Hensley, Lacey Gastineau, and Jennifer Mercer finished as state runner-up with a season's best time at the Class 2A Indoor State Track Championships.



The RGHS girls' 4 x 800-meter relay team of Rachel Cain, Sierra Mercer, Tori Dotson, and Taylor Bullock placed third at the Class 2A Indoor State Track Championships, improving their season's best time by 18 seconds.



At the Class 2A Indoor State Track Championships, RGHS freshman Katie Hensley won the state championship title in long jump, finished as state runner-up in triple jump with an indoor personal best, and placed 9th in the 400-meter dash.



At the Class 2A Indoor State Track Championships, RGHS sophomore Tori Phillips won the state championship title in high jump while matching and all-time personal best effort.



# News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



## District Civil Suits

Fred Hensley, Sr. vs. Mary Halcomb, forcible detainer complaint.

Ky. Farm Bureau Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Junior Masingo, complaint. C-00030

## Circuit Civil Suits

Comm. of Ky. vs. Jessica Heller, complaint for child support and medical support.

Heritage Acceptance Corp. vs. Sandra Baldwin, \$9,206 plus claimed due.

Natasha Marie Nunley vs. Derrick Carl Nunley, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Citizens Bank vs. the estate of Hugh S. Lawson, Jr., Linda Lawson, administratrix, et al, \$40,925.05 plus claimed due.

Shonda Dee Harris vs. Acree Harris III, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00052

## Deeds Recorded

Charles Smith, property on Old Sandy Road, to William Neal Powell. Tax \$4.50

Judy Abney, property in Rockcastle County, to Robert L. Abney. No tax

Stephen W. Brinson, property in Rockcastle County, to Kimberly D. Brinson. No tax

Rosa Lee Jasper, property in Lear Crest Subdv., to Stephan and Ashlee Carrera and Charlotte Carrera. Tax \$162.50

Marvin and Doa Smith, property on Trace Branch Road, to Delbert and Amanda Slusher. Tax \$7.

Billy and Nancy Caldwell, property on Slaty Branch Road, to Joseph Zachary and Sarah Lindsey Caldwell. No tax

Michelle S. and Keith Briley, property on Hwy. 70, to Kathee Staton. No tax

Randall and Donna Sue Robbins, property in Evergreen Estates, to Larry D. Burdette. Tax \$163.50

Boyd J. and Joanne Graves, property on Sand Springs Road, to Joanne Graves, trustee.

Boyd J. and Joanne Graves, property on Hwy. 1249, to Joanne Graves, trustee. No tax

Boyd J. and Joanne Graves, property on Blacksmith Lane, Mt. Vernon, to Joanne Graves, trustee. No tax

William Neal Powell, property on Old Sandy Road, to Sheila Prewitt Lovell. Tax \$2.50

James M. and Erma Miller, property on B. Brown Road, to Terry M. Miller. No tax

## Marriage Licenses

Heather Michelle Barnett, 21, Brodhead, bank teller to Sean Michael Gentry, 21, Eubank, laborer. 2/28/14

Zella Mae Gay, 63, Berea, retired to Sherman Jr. Gay, 64, disabled, Berea. 2/28/14

Freda Annmegan Milburn, 26, Crab Orchard, housewife to Milo David Thompson, 28, Crab Orchard, computer programmer. 3/1/14

Alice Darlene Burdine, 45, Mt. Vernon, housewife to John Andrew Coffey, 59, Mt. Vernon, disabled. 3/6/14

## District Court

Feb. 26, 2014

Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless Bentley Carpenter: operating motor vehicle on suspended/revoked operators license, 30 days to serve concurrent w/state sentence.

Michael Sanchez: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.

William Henry Brock: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine.

Amy N. Creech: fines/fees due (\$202.11), nench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

Raye L. Daulton: speeding, failure to wear seat belts, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Amanda G. Drury: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Johnnie D. Gray: no/expired registration plates - receipt, license suspended for fta.

Troy D. Harris: fines/fees due (\$357), bw issued for fta/8 days in jail or payment in full.

Adam L. Hellard: fines/fees due (\$383), held in contempt, 8 days in jail/concurrent or payment in full.

Crystal M. Henson: fines/fees due (\$183), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Misty N. Holt: fines/fees due (\$691), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full; public intoxication controlled substance and failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta.

Virginia A. Mahaffey: fines/fees due (\$183), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Timothy J. Perryman: fines/fees due (\$733), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.

Jameson L. Pingleton: fines/fees due (\$258), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Jessica Ann Poole: residents not to use license of other states, license suspended for fta.

William L. Sawyer: traffic, all other, license suspended for fta.

Bruce Smith: receiving stolen property and theft by deception, bw issued for fta.

Elmar Stewart: fines/fees due (\$183), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Vernon L. Thomas: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine/suspended on condition plus costs.

Teresa L. Tipton: public intoxication controlled substance, \$100 fine and costs; possession of marijuana, \$100 fine; drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, \$100 fine.

Miranda G. Vicry: speeding, \$36 fine; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, \$500 fine/suspend \$400 on condition; no operators/moped license, \$100 fine.

Speeding: Donald D. Bostic, Tosha N. Bowling, Rodney R. Hamblin, James R. Wiggington, license suspended for fta.

Raymond Carpenter: no operators license in possession, \$50 fine; no tail lamps, \$25 fine; one headlight, \$25 fine.

Paul S. Milburn: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

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## Auction

### 2010 Modular Home (To Be Moved)

Bidding Ends Friday, March 14, 2014 at approximately 4:00 p.m. EST

6098 North Wilderness Road (US 25) Mt. Vernon, KY



Directions: From the intersection at McDonalds in Mt. Vernon, take US 25 North approximately five miles to the auction. From Berea, take US 25 South approximately nine miles to the property.

This 2010 modular home measures approximately 32'x66' (over 2,100 sq. ft.) and offers formal living room, family room, spacious eat-in kitchen (range, side-by-side fridge, dishwasher and an abundance of cabinetry), master bedroom suite, two additional bedrooms, two full bath and a utility room. Other features include colonial style doors, oak trim, front and rear porches, shingle roof, window treatments and security system.

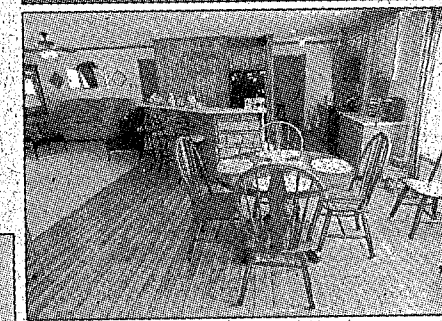
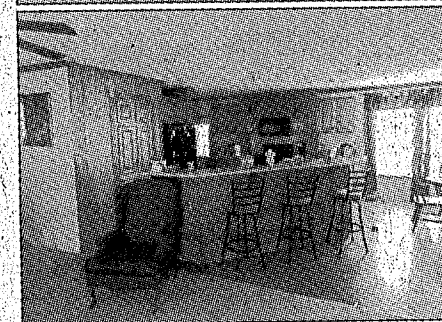
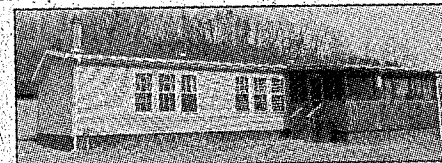
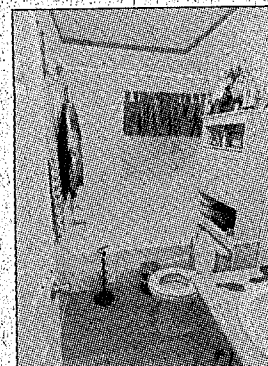
Previews: The modular home may be previewed on March 7th and March 11th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day.

Terms: A 20% deposit must be tendered within 72 hours of sale completion with the balance being due within 30 days. The purchaser will be given possession upon full payment and must have the home moved from the lot by July 1st, 2014.

Note: There will be a 10% buyer's premium added to the last bid to determine the final sales price.

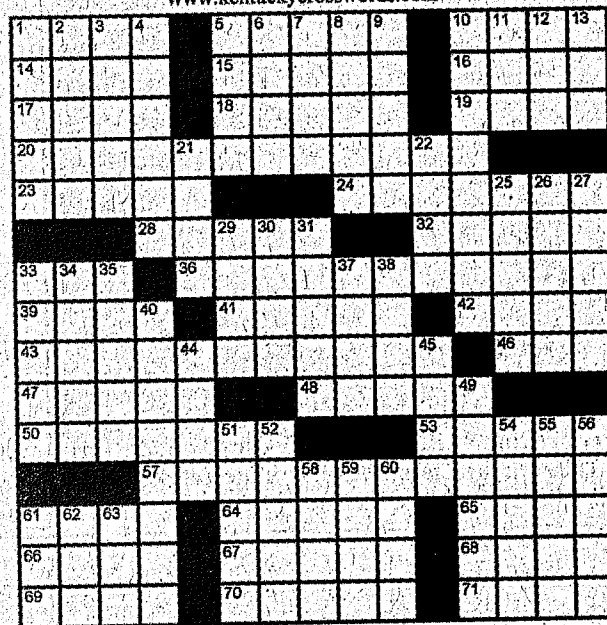
For additional information contact the auctioneers at 606-256-4545 or log onto our website at [www.fordbrothersinc.com](http://www.fordbrothersinc.com).

Announcements made the day of the auction take precedence over printed matter.



## Kentucky Crossword # 624

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### ACROSS

1. Networks
5. Office papers
10. Social group
14. Wheel shaft
15. Select group
16. Kentucky county, birthplace of Bill Monroe
17. Kind of admiral
18. Destiny
19. Davless Co. area, or Italian capital
20. Hopkins Co.'s seat
23. Gender material
24. Part of the course
28. Tournament round
32. Nickel, e.g.
33. Prized
36. Morgan Co.'s seat
39. Eye part
41. British checks
42. Casting need
43. A river that borders western Kentucky
46. Like some humor
47. Follow, as advice
48. Intimidate, with "out"
50. Provided personnel
53. Grocery section
57. Former ABA Kentucky Colonels' star
61. Tiny Kentucky school that won the 1952

### DOWN

1. Heats up
2. School vacation
3. Skate part
4. One thing after another
5. Ocean menace
6. Enthusiasm
7. Missile type
8. Pertaining to smell
9. Play for time
10. Clairvoyant
11. PI follower
12. Ambition
13. Boot part
21. Large number
22. Gentle one
25. Spread around
28. Gourmand
27. Knavishly
29. Millions
30. Mother of Horus
31. Bacon bit
33. Cougars

### boys H.S. basketball championship

64. "M\*A\*S\*H" role
65. Get wind of
66. Londoner, e.g.
67. Chilling
68. Shrek, for one
69. Blackthorn fruit
70. Fills up
71. Remain unsettled
34. Oust
35. Flower seed protection
37. Cuts off
38. Old Bill Cosby series
40. Recently
44. Data
45. Type of streaming video
49. Popular music
51. Continental money
52. Goddess of the hunt
54. Military blockade
55. Discover
56. Goofed
58. Cut and paste
59. Small freshwater fish
60. Mars' counterpart
61. "60 Minutes" network
62. Dot-com's address
63. Life story, in brief

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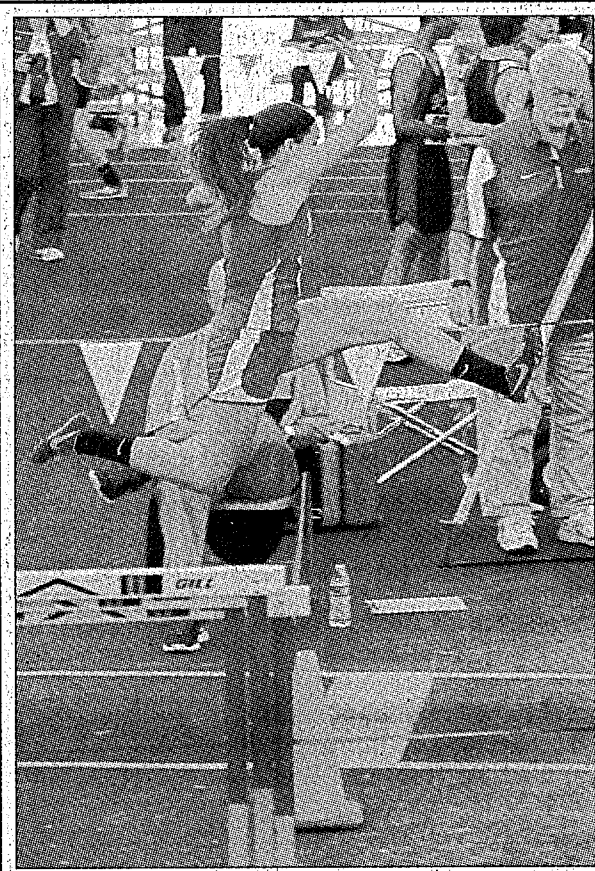
It doesn't take the luck of the Irish to run or walk a 5K (3.1 miles); it just takes a little determination and time. And whether you've done 100 5Ks or none, we invite you to join us for the 2nd annual St. Patrick's Day 5K run/walk on Sunday, March 16, at 2:30 p.m.

The run/walk begins in the Renfro Valley parking lot and goes down Hummel Rd. before coming back to the finish line at Renfro. All participants get a free tee-shirt and the knowledge that they've contributed to the March of Dimes, which funds lifesaving research and programs to end pre-

mature birth, birth defects and infant mortality.

Pre-registration has expired, but for only \$20, you may register before the race on Sunday beginning at 1:30. Two-hundred, eighty-three came out for last year's race — help us make this year's race even more successful.

For more information, go to [rockcastleregional.org](http://rockcastleregional.org) and click on "Countywide Stride" on the right side of the homepage, or call 256-7746. The St. Patrick's Day 5K is the third in 2014's monthly Countywide Stride race series.



RCMS freshman Jennifer Mercer placed third in long jump, fifth in the 55-meter hurdles, and seventh in the 55-meter dash with personal bests in all three events.



RCMS senior Alyssa Allen placed fourth in triple jump.



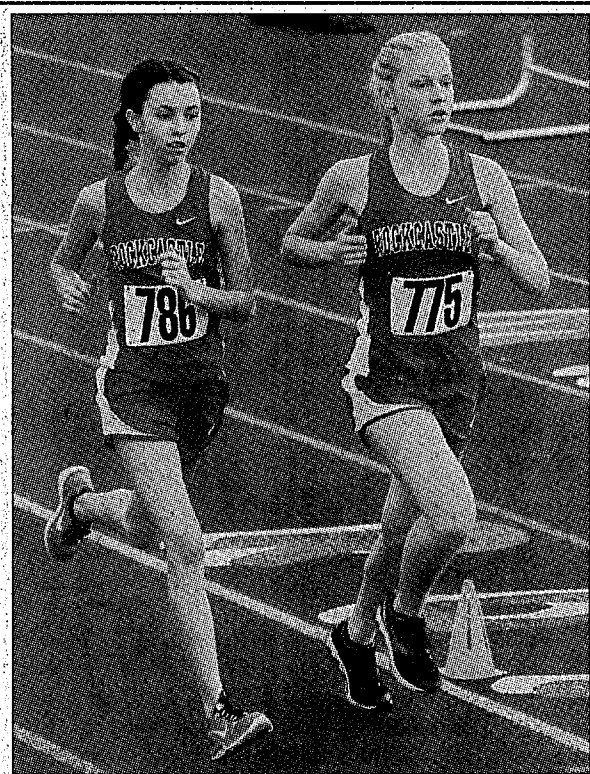
RCMS seventh grader Kensie Sheffield finished seventh in the 1600-meter run.



Freshman Sierra Mercer placed 10th in the 800-meter run and ran lead leg of the state runner-up 4x400-meter relay team, as well as the third place 4x800-meter relay team.



RCMS freshman Taylor Bullock placed ninth in the 800-meter run with a personal best time at the Indoor State Championships.



In the 3000-meter run, RCMS freshman Lanna Prewitt placed sixth with a personal best time and junior Rachel Cain placed ninth.



RCMS junior Nathalie Skaardal ran a personal best time in the 55-meter dash.



RCMS 8th grader Autumn Davidson placed seventh in shot put with a personal best throw.



RCMS seventh grader Samantha Douglas placed fifth in shot put with a personal best throw.



RCMS sophomore Nikki McGuire had personal best performances in the 55-meter dash, 400-meter dash, and shot put.

### "Title"

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13:24.14 after qualifying earlier this season with a great time of 12:29.

The RCMS girls' 4 x 400-meter relay team of freshmen Sierra Mercer, Jennifer Mercer, Katie

Hensley, and senior Lacey Gastineau firmly secured the overall team win with a state runner-up performance. The girls' finished with an awesome season's best time of 4:38.36 in the event, guaranteeing another indoor state title for RCMS.

The girls would like to thank our parents, fans, administrators, bus drivers, and everyone else who supported us along the way. We'd also like to thank Linda Loudermilk for the awesome action photos she takes for the team.

## Mt. Vernon Message

### School News

The Jump Rope Club meets each Tuesday from 3:05 until 4:30. If your child is participating in this after school club, please be here promptly to pick them up.

MVES FRC will be having their council meeting on Tuesday, March 18 at 12:00.

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## USDA enhances Farm Storage Facility Loan Program

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) today announced the expansion of the Farm Storage and Facility Loan program, which provides low-interest financing to producers. The enhanced program includes 22 new categories of eligible equipment for fruit and vegetable producers, and makes it easier for farmers and ranchers around the country to finance the equipment they need to grow and expand.

This is part of a broader effort to help small and mid-sized farmers and ranchers, as announced today by Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.

Producers with small and mid-sized operations, and specialty crop fruit and vegetable growers, now have access to needed capital for a variety of supplies including sorting bins, wash stations and other food safety-related equipment. A new more flexible alternative is also provided for determining storage needs for fruit and vegetable producers, and waivers are available on a case-by-case basis for disaster assistance or insurance coverage if available products are not relevant or feasible for a particular producer.

Additionally, Farm Storage and Facility Loans security requirements have been eased for loans between \$50,000 and \$100,000. Previously, all loans in excess of \$50,000 required a promissory note and additional security, such as a lien on real estate. Now loans up to \$100,000 can be secured by only a promissory note.

"The Farm Storage and Facility Loan program has helped American farmers and ranchers to finance on-farm storage for almost 13

years," said Farm Service Agency Administrator (FSA), Juan M. Garcia. "We anticipate these changes will increase the number of individuals who qualify for these loans and help them access new market opportunities."

The low-interest funds can be used to build or upgrade permanent facilities to store commodities. Eligible commodities include grains, oilseeds, peanuts, pulse crops, hay, honey, renewable biomass commodities, fruits and vegetables. Qualified facilities include grain bins, hay barns and cold storage facilities for fruits and vegetables.

Other new changes to the Farm Storage and Facility Loan program will allow FSA State Committees to subordinate Commodity Credit Corporation's lien position.

These changes to the program were issued via an official notice to state and county Farm Service Agency offices and are effective immediately.

More than 33,000 loans have been issued for on-farm storage, increasing grain storage capacity by 900 million bushels since May 2000.

More information about tools and resources available to small and mid-sized farmers will be rolled out in the coming months, including information about access to capital, risk management, food safety, and locating market opportunities on USDA's Small and Mid-Sized Farmer Resources webpage.

Visit [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov) or an FSA county office to learn more about FSA programs and loans, including the Farm Storage Facility Loan Program.

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**Adopt-a-Highway****Volunteers will be out cleaning roads next week**

Volunteers will be out in force next week to spring clean highways in Adair, Casey, Clinton, Cumberland, Lincoln, McCreary, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell and Wayne counties. The Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) announces that Adopt-a-Highway Spring Clean Week is March 17-23.

"The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet appreciates the efforts of our Adopt-a-Highway volunteers who help keep our highways and communities beautiful and litter free," Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock said.

More than 700 groups participate in Kentucky's Adopt-a-Highway program, which was established in 1988. Volunteers clean approximately 4,800 miles of roadside annually, setting an example of responsible environmental stewardship.

The Adopt-a-Highway program promotes public environmental awareness and supports tourism. The program also creates a partnership between citizens, community and government, and establishes a sense of pride in the Bluegrass State.

**GET INVOLVED!**

How can you contribute to the community, make a difference, send a message and educate others – all while having fun with friends and family? Join Kentucky's Adopt-a-Highway Program. By taking responsibility for an area roadway, you set an example in your community.

The environment is everyone's responsibility. Adopt-a-Highway provides the opportunity to be a part of the solution. Each year, the KYTC spends about \$5 million and 200,000 worker hours to remove 96,000 bags of highway litter. Adopt-a-Highway

volunteers help save thousands of taxpayer dollars and demonstrate that a shared environment is a shared responsibility.

Any permanently established business, association, community or public organization, or government entity can adopt a stretch of highway. A wide range of groups throughout Kentucky now participate, including homemaker clubs, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, high school organizations, service clubs, veterans, college fraternities and sororities, sports teams and church groups, among others.

Volunteers adopt two-mile sections of highway under a two-year, renewable contract with the Transportation Cabinet.

Adopt-a-Highway coordinators can explain the fundamentals of the program to volunteer groups, work with group members in locating an available highway, and keep them notified of news and upcoming events.

Litter pickups are held at least four times per year or as many times as necessary to keep adopted areas reasonably litter-free. The Cabinet coordinates three annual clean-up efforts.

**HOW DO I JOIN?**

Groups interested in becoming members of the Adopt-a-Highway Program can find details and district coordinator information at <http://adopt-a-highway.ky.gov/>. Safety guidelines are provided to volunteers and should be reviewed prior to each cleanup.

The Adopt-a-Highway coordinators help volunteers get in touch with the county maintenance crew superintendent to arrange warning sign placement on the date of pickup. Trash bags and safety vests can be obtained at each state maintenance facility, and litter removal is provided by the state highway crews.

For more information, visit <http://adopt-a-highway.ky.gov/> or contact Amber Hale, District 8 coordinator, at (606) 677-4017, or by e-mail at [Amber.Hale@ky.gov](mailto:Amber.Hale@ky.gov).



Corey Craig, President/CEO of Citizens Bank, presented a check to Lynn Tatum for sponsorship of Leadership Rockcastle. Leadership Rockcastle is a yearly class made up of Rockcastle County residents who wish to gain leadership qualities and also gain knowledge about Rockcastle. Since the program started in 2004, the program has graduated more than 120 individuals who are now members of the Rockcastle County Development Board. The knowledge that each graduate obtains enables them to work toward and be a part of the progress of Rockcastle County.

**Diabetes Alert Day**

American Diabetes Association Alert Day is a one-day "wake-up" call asking the American public to take the Diabetes Risk Test to find out if they are at risk for developing type 2 diabetes. The next Alert Day will take place on Tuesday, March 25th.

You can pick up a copy of this simple questionnaire at Rockcastle County Health Department or take the test online at [www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org) and click on Are You at Risk for Type 2 Diabetes. Preventive tips are provided for everyone who takes the test, including encouraging those at high risk to talk with their health care provider.

Although Alert Day is a one-day even, the Diabetes Risk Test is available year-round.

**Commonwealth of Kentucky  
28th Judicial Circuit  
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II  
Civil Action No. 11-CI-00269**

**The First State Bank** **Plaintiff**

**V.**

**Johnny F. Abney, a/k/a Johnny  
Fred Abney, Alecia C. Abney and  
Bank of America** **Defendants**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 24, 2014 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY THREE DOLLARS AND 52/100 (\$50,453.52) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street**

**Mt. Vernon, Kentucky**

**on Friday, March 21, 2014**

**Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Box 313, Route 4, Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle County, Kentucky 40456

Beginning at a steel pin set in the property line of Roland Perry, also a corner of the Mike Schide the following call: South 81 degrees 37 minutes 49 seconds East, 118.56 feet to a steel pin set on the south side of the Sugg Todd Rd.; thence with the south R/W of the Sugg Todd Road the following call: South 85 degrees 19 minutes 23 seconds East, 92.10 feet to a steel pin, a new corner of Edward Burdette; thence with a new line with Edward Burdette the following calls: South 0 degrees 58 minutes 24 seconds West, 376.54 feet to a steel pin; thence North 85 degrees 48 minutes 11 seconds West, 327.54 feet to a steel pin set in the fence & line of Roland Perry; thence with the line & fence of Roland Perry the following call: North 18 degrees 11 minutes 29 seconds East, 397.07 feet to the point of beginning, contains 2.346 acres more or less by survey of Gary W. Holman, KY L.S. 1837.

The real property is improved by a Manufactured Home, Vehicle Identification No. 7469Z.

Being the same property conveyed to Johnny Fred Abney and wife Alecia C. Abney by deed dated August 1, 1995 and recorded in Deed Book 159, Page 277 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

**The property shall be sold on the  
following terms & conditions:**

1. The mobile home and real property shall be sold together as a whole.
2. The mobile home and real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
4. The full satisfaction of any liens for delinquent ad valorem taxes assessed against the real property of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
5. The purchaser shall pay the 2013 local, county and state property taxes.
6. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
7. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
8. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
9. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**John D. Ford  
Master Commissioner  
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

## AHEC and Partners for Education join together for Second Chance Project

More than likely you have heard of someone who has graduated from college but can't find the right job. This is why the Southern KY Area Health Education Center (AHEC) and Partners for Education have come together to have the first-ever Second Chance Project.

The event, which will be March 25 at the Berea College, is for anyone who already has a degree or vocation but is considering a transition into healthcare. Representatives from Eastern Kentucky University, Somerset Community College, University of Kentucky, and the University of Louisville will be there to showcase their health science degree options, including those designed for people who already have degrees in another field. Attendees will also hear success stories, including one who recently transitioned from being a hairdresser to a nurse practitioner.

The Second Chance

Project will begin at 5:15 p.m. with registration followed by a catered meal at 5:30 and the program at 6:00. It will be held in the activities room at Berea College's Alumni Building. Visit [berea.edu](http://berea.edu) for a campus map. There will be ample time for questions and answers after hearing from the panelists.

We ask that you register in advance by going to [www.soahec.org/healthcareers.html](http://www.soahec.org/healthcareers.html). If you have questions, please contact Kelsey Adams at 606-256-0950 or [keadams@soahec.org](mailto:keadams@soahec.org).

The Southern KY AHEC's covers a 15-county region from south of Fayette County down to the Tennessee border. With a mission of improving health through education, the AHEC supports clinical rotations, provides continuing medical education, and engages in health promotion and the promotion of health careers. For more information, go to [www.soahec.org](http://www.soahec.org).

**Commonwealth of Kentucky  
28th Judicial Circuit  
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II  
Civil Action No. 13-CI-00029**

**Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.** **Plaintiff**

**V.**

**Rebecca Givens, Joseph B. Givens, and unknown defendant,  
spouse of Rebecca Givens** **Defendants**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on October 11, 2013 and order to reschedule sale entered on January 22, 2014 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE DOLLARS AND 83/100 (\$16,945.83) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street**

**Mt. Vernon, Kentucky**

**on Friday, March 21, 2014**

**Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 p.m.**

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

240 Madison View Road, Berea, KY 40403

A tract of land lying and being in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, also located on the East side of the Linville Road;

Beginning at a set 1/2" steel pin with cap 1837 set in the East R/W of the Linville Road also a corner of Donald Dees (DB 157, PG 621); thence with East R/W of the Linville Road the following call; thence North 9 deg. 46 min. 23 sec. East, 130.58 feet, to a set 1/2" steel pin with cap, 1837 also a corner of Donald Dees Tract 1; thence with the line of Tract 1 the following call; thence North 82 deg. 44 min. 06 sec. East 324.70 feet, to a set 1/2" steel pin with cap 1837 set in the fence and line of Gordon Miller (DB 156, PG 271); thence with the line and fence of G. Miller the following calls; thence South 26 deg. 28 min. 32 sec. East 192.35 feet, to a set 1/2" steel pin with cap 1837 and pine at the head of a branch; thence south 28 deg. 57 min. 24 sec. West 64.75 feet to a set 1/2" steel pin with cap 1837 a corner of Donald Deed (DB 157, PG. 621); thence with the line of Donald Dees the following calls; thence North 61 deg. 34 min. 11 sec. West 403.02 feet to the point of beginning. Contains 1.593 acres more or less.

This description prepared from a physical survey conducted by Gary W. Holman, KY L.S. 1837 on 10-15-99.

Being the same real property conveyed from Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation to Rebecca Givens by deed dated January 11, 2010 and recorded on February 16, 2010 in Deed Book 229, page 363 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
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Rockcastle Circuit Court**

**Adoptable Shelter Dogs**

Hi. My name is Speck and I am a male German Shepherd/Australian Shepherd mix. I was a stray in the Wildie section of the county when I took up residence at a gentlemen's house. When he realized he couldn't keep me then he brought me to the shelter. I am very loving and friendly with everyone I meet and I would make an excellent pet. If you could give me a home then call the shelter @ 256-1833.



Hello Everybody!! My name is Daisy and I am a 1yr. old female Blue Heeler/Shepherd mix. I am a owner surrender to the shelter and I am looking for a new home. Could it be yours?? I am very friendly with everyone and I have a lot of energy. If you would just give me a chance then you would see at just how wonderful of a little dog I am! If I have captured your heart then call the shelter @ 256-1833.



## 4-H Variety Show at Mt. Vernon Elementary

The Rockcastle County 4-H Variety Show will be held April 8th at Mt. Vernon Elementary School. Registration deadline is April 4th.

Now is the time for all 4-H'ers to begin their preparation for the County 4-H Variety Show. This event consists of specialty and club acts and is held annually on the county and area level. It provides an opportunity for large numbers of 4-H participants to gain poise and confidence and develop character and sportsmanship while working cooperatively with others.

Clubs planning to participate need to carefully read over and follow the rules and guidelines.

Specialty Acts shall consist of four 4-H participants or fewer and have a time limit of four minutes. A 4-H club may have up to 2 specialty acts. Specialty acts will be divided up into junior and senior divisions. Anyone in a specialty act who is 14 years of age by January 1, 2014, will be in the senior division.

There must be 5 participants or more for a Club Act. Club acts have a time limit of 8 minutes.

Only one person other than 4-H participants, such as a pianist, may accompany the act. Other than the one accompanist, only 4-H participants may appear on the stage during the act.

Variety Show participants may only represent one club and must participate within their own grade and home room.

There shall be absolutely

no pantomiming in any act, club or specialty.

Please use good judgment on dance routines.

An act exceeding the time limit should be permitted to finish but cannot be awarded Champion.

Since participation is of the utmost importance, the combination of clubs for the purpose of presenting a club or specialty act is not permitted. Dramatic readings can be entered as a variety show act.

All acts must use the same P.A. system. No act will be allowed to provide their own system.

Leaders must take care of their own music. (Have CD set at starting point.)

Each school will sit together until time for their acts. Club leaders are responsible for keeping their group together and quiet. Parents should be recruited to help as chaperones.

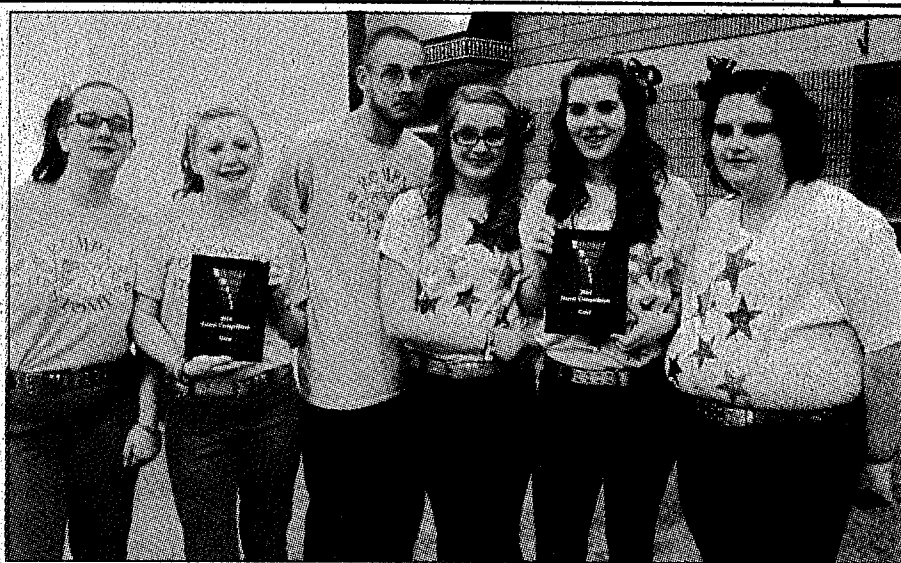
Admission will not be charged. Clubs must register their act by calling the Extension Office at 256-2403.

Registration information will include:

- 1.) Name of Act
- 2.) Type of music that will be used (CD, piano, etc)
- 3.) Number in the Act
- 4.) Names of participants if it is a Specialty Act

All acts will receive either a Red or Blue Ribbon, according to their score. (No green ribbons will be given). The First Place Specialty and Club Acts will also receive a Champion Ribbon. First and Second Place acts will receive plaques.

The Kentucky Romp N Stomp Clogging teams both won the Gold at the Stars Clogging Competition at Smoky Mountain Encore in Gatlinburg Tennessee over the weekend. The local clogging team is directed by Ginger Taylor of Mt. Vernon. Team Awesome is made up of Sarah Cornelius, Kim Reed and Hayley Alexander, all from Mt. Vernon. Team Believe is made up of Zack Stephens, Kendra Engle and Shaylin Hoverton, also all of Mt. Vernon. For more information about clogging you can contact 606-256-1891.



## Students should take care when signing contracts

At some point, students will have to sign a contract. When they do, they should keep in mind these tips from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

A contract is a written legal document between two or more parties in which an offer is made and accepted. Contracts would include an apartment lease, an insurance policy or a cell phone plan. Read all contracts thoroughly and ask

questions before you sign. Complete everything and keep a copy for yourself.

Consumer protection laws let you change your mind and cancel some contracts within three days of signing. Before you sign any contract, find out if you have that option. If you don't but later find it's necessary to cancel the contract, you may have to pay a big penalty or have to pay what the contract calls for.

Never sign a contract un-

less you read and understand the terms of the agreement. If you feel pressured, walk away.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). It provides financial literacy videos at <http://itsmoney.kheaa.com>. KHEAA also provides free copies of "It's Money, Baby," a guide to financial

literacy, to Kentucky schools and residents upon request at [publications@kheaa.com](mailto:publications@kheaa.com).

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, go to [www.gotocollege.ky.gov](http://www.gotocollege.ky.gov). For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com); write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

## Kentucky Historical Society's HistoryMobile to visit BES

Students at Brodhead Elementary School, 27 School St., will have an opportunity to learn about the tough choices Kentuckians made during the Civil War era when the Kentucky Historical Society's (KHS) HistoryMobile comes to the school March 10.

Classes will tour the HistoryMobile from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (EDT) and see the exhibit "Torn Within and Threatened Without, Kentuckians in the Civil War Era."

This interactive exhibit is housed within a semitrailer that travels around the state. It uses comic book-style graphics and authentic artifacts to tell the stories of eight people, ranging from the famous to the enslaved, to show the importance of personal choice in shaping Kentucky's history.

Media interested in covering the visit can call Laurel Harper, director of marketing communications, at 502-352-3879, for more information.

The KHS HistoryMobile is supported by the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, the Pilot Corp. and the KHS Foundation. This exhibit is made possible through a reimbursement program from the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

### Financial Aid Tip of the Month

## Tips about student loans

Many students find that they must use loans to help pay for a higher education, especially if they're working on a four-year degree. These tips from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) may help lessen the impact of borrowing.

• If you haven't already done so, submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You may not think you'll qualify for federal aid, but the only way to find out is to apply.

• Find all the sources of financial aid that don't have to be paid back first — grants, scholarships and work-study — before turning to loans.

• Borrow only what you need. Remember, you have to repay your loan. If the school's financial aid package awards you \$5,000 in federal loans but you only need \$3,000, just borrow the \$3,000.

• Use federal student loans first. You'll generally have more repayment options when it's time to start making payments.

• If you can, pay the interest on Federal Unsubsidized Loans while you're in school. Otherwise, the interest will be added to your principal and you'll end up paying more.

• If you need a private loan, do some research to find the one that best fits your situation.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's student financial aid programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES).

To find links to other useful education websites, go to [www.gotocollege.ky.gov](http://www.gotocollege.ky.gov). For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com); write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

## Mt. Vernon Message

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# The 2nd Chance project

For anyone wanting to make a transition into healthcare.

**March 25, 2014**

5:15pm ~ Registration

5:30 - 6:00pm ~ Dinner Served

6:00 - 8:00pm ~ Program

*Berea College Alumni Building ~ Activities Room*

College representatives from ECU, SCC, U of L & UK will explain their health science programs.

*Hear from people who went back to college to get a degree in a healthcare related field.*

**Registration is required to attend.**

**Register HERE!**

[www.soahec.org/health\\_careers.html](http://www.soahec.org/health_careers.html)

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**Two Bedroom Mobile Home** in Mt. Vernon; city limits. Private lot. No pets. References required. Asking \$350/month. Available April 1st. Call 606-308-1861. 9x4p

**Redwood house, on one acre lot for rent.** 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, stove and refrigerator furnished, electric heat. Located off Cedar Rapids Road (old Hwy. 150), between Mt. Vernon and Brodhead. \$450 month rent/\$450 deposit. Credit check and reference required. Available April 1st. No pets. Shown by appointment. 606-256-8156 (no calls after 7 p.m.). 10xntf

**14x70 Mobile Home.** 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. 487 Tyree Street, Brodhead. No pets. Rent \$400 month/\$400 deposit. New carpet and paint. 606-758-9683 or 606-510-3759 or 606-510-3719. Cecil King. 10xntf

**Trailer on Barnett Road** (lake road). Two bedrooms, two baths, like new home on a scenic lot on the lake. \$400 deposit/\$400 rent per month. Call 606-308-3847.

**Trailers and house in Brodhead.** No pets. 758-8922. ntf

**Accepting applications at Mt. Vernon Housing Authority** on Mondays 4 to 8 p.m. and Wednesdays and Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m. Rent based on income. 256-4185.

**Accepting Applications:** For 2 and 3 bedroom units at Valley View Apartments. Rent based on income. Call

## For Rent

**Maple St. Storage of Brodhead**

**256-2884 or 606-308-2491**

256-5912. Equal Housing Opportunity, TDD for hearing impaired only. 1-800-247-2510. 36tf

**Clean three bedroom trailer** in Mt. Vernon for rent. Central heating and air. \$350 mo. and \$350 deposit. Call 256-4754.

## Property For Sale

**34 acres w/barn.** Good farm land with road frontage. Ottawa section on Carl Brown Road. Call 606-256-4536. 11x2

**New 3 bedroom home** on scenic view lot. Located at 20 Connection St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. \$55,000 or best offer. Call 1-907-460-1037.

**16 1/2 Acres, m/l,** with 24x60 mobile home, 20x20 attached garage, 2 large barns, 2 large outbuildings and carport. Blacktop driveway. \$69,000. Call 606-386-1470. 12x4p

**Between Mt. Vernon and Somerset:** 5.7 wooded acres for \$31,500. Near Berea - 10.2 acres \$31,900. Owner financing available. Call Dwight at 859-331-4888. 8xntf

**For Sale or Lease:** 3 bedroom furnished house on land contract in Brodhead. No pets. 758-4729. 48xntf

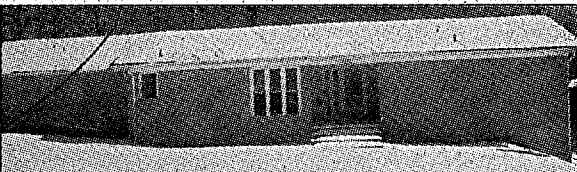
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**Notice is hereby given that** Ricky Smith and Doris Smith, 297 McHargue Branch Road, Mount Vernon, Ky. 40456, have filed a Periodic Settlement of their account as co-guardians of Jamason Ray Keith Smith, a minor. A hearing on said settlement will be held on April 14, 2014 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before this date. 12x2

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**Notice is hereby given that** Mark McKinney, 70 Running Ridge Rd., Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed administrator w/will annexed of the estate of M.L. McKinney on the 26th day of February, 2014. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Mark McKinney or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Aug. 27, 2014 at 11 a.m. 11x3

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## Frankfort Report

By Jared Carpenter,  
State Senator

Things are staying busy in Frankfort. Many bills are making their way onto the Senate floor from various committees. This past week several important pieces of legislation were debated and passed. I am particularly proud of the success we had in advocating for Kentuckians' Second Amendment rights.



I introduced Senate Bill 106 to allow anyone who has been granted an emergency protective or domestic violence order to receive a provisional CCDW permit from the Kentucky State Police in one business day. In some of these cases, victims need this type of protection as quickly as possible. Under the bill, applicants would undergo the same background checks and application requirements as any other CCDW applicant. In this case, however, the permit would expire in 45 days if the training requirements for a full CCDW license were not met. My bill passed unanimously in the Senate and now moves to the House for consideration.

Senate Bill 100 would modernize and streamline the concealed carry (CCDW) application process by allowing electronic submission for licenses in the state. This would expedite the electronic application process to two weeks (as opposed to two months for a paper application). Senate Bill 100 has the support of the Kentucky State Police, the Kentucky Sheriff's Association, and the National Rifle Association.

The goal is to reduce the backlog of CCDW applications the state is dealing

with. This would not change any training or licensing requirements but would simply allow law-abiding citizens to receive their CCDW license more quickly.

In an effort to make the CCDW application process more straightforward for veterans, Senate Bill 125 would further clarify the allowance for honorably discharged service members to forgo the training requirement for a CCDW license. The measure would allow them to sign an affidavit confirming completion of military handgun training.

We also passed Senate Bill 109 – legislation that broadens our current cigarette laws to include "electronic cigarettes." E-cigarettes are sometimes marketed as a safer alternative to traditional cigarettes because they are smokeless. However they still emit a vaporized form of nicotine to users that supporters of the measure feel is addictive and unsafe for youth.

Recently the Richmond Register reported about the heroin problem in Madison County. The article quoted Richmond Police Chief Larry Brock as saying "Heroin is dominating the market right now. It has absolutely taken over." Senate Bill 5, which I co-sponsored, takes aim at Kentucky's overdose problem, creating more treatment beds for addicts and lengthening prison sentences for drug traffickers. It would allow more people to get help and would allow emergency responders and families to more effectively help those who need it. The bill awaits a hearing in the House of Representatives.

If you have any issues or concerns, please call my office in Frankfort at 502-564-8100 or toll free at 1-800-372-7181. I appreciate all input.

## Fish and Wildlife proposes new fishing regulations

The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission recommended prohibiting the culling of trout statewide and proposed other fishing regulations at its quarterly meeting March 7.

The commission recommends all hunting, fishing and boating regulations for approval by the General Assembly and approves all expenditures by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. All recommendations must be approved by legislators before they become law.

In fisheries-related business, the commission recommended several new fishing regulations to take effect March 1, 2015.

- No culling of trout statewide. Culling is holding a trout in a livewell, basket or on a stringer and later releasing it. Trout usually do not survive such treatment and banning this practice will reduce wasting of the stocked trout.

- Prohibiting the harvest of alligator gar by sport fishing methods or by bow fishing. Kentucky Fish and Wildlife is in the beginning stages of an alligator gar restoration project designed to produce self-sustaining populations in western Kentucky, the former range of this species.

- Seasonal catch and release regulations on rainbow trout caught in Floyd's Fork Creek in Jefferson County. All trout caught from Oct. 1 through March 31 would have to be immediately released.

- A registration require-

ment for catfish tournaments on the Ohio River with more than 25 boats participating. Tournaments would provide data such as lengths and weights of catfish caught, winning weights, total weights and other pertinent information. The information gleaned will help better understand the current structure of the trophy catfish population in the Ohio River.

- A catch-and-release trout regulation for a new section of Hatchery Creek to be built below Wolf Creek Dam. The regulation would only allow the use of artificial baits. The new regulations are in anticipation of commencement of construction of this stream in 2014. The existing handicapped accessible portion of the creek would not be affected by this regulation.

- The Maysville-Mason County Recreation Park Lake to be enrolled in the Fishing in Neighborhoods (FINs) program. This lake will be stocked in 2015.

In boating-related business, the commission proposed changing the name of the Letcher County Boat Ramp on the North Fork of Kentucky River to Watts Boat Ramp.

In wildlife-related business, commission members recommended changing the time frame in which bear chase permits may be purchased to July 1 through the closing day of the bear quota hunt with dogs season. Previously, the time to purchase these permits was July 1 through Aug. 31.

The next Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. (Eastern time), Friday, June 6. Meetings are held at Kentucky Fish and Wildlife headquarters, located at 1 Sportsman's Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort.

Persons interested in addressing the commission should contact the department at 1-800-858-1549 for more information.

## Lions Club holds Spaghetti Supper

By Robbie Lawson

Recently the Mt. Vernon Lions Club celebrated their Second Annual Spaghetti Supper. We would like to say thank you to everyone who came out and those who donated supplies.

Thank you Pizza Hut for helping us provide the great spaghetti and Save A Lot for their donation of bottled water.

We want to say a huge thank you to the bands that volunteered to play for us -- Wilderness Road and Tangent the Band. The music was wonderful and so much fun.

We also had a great selection of donated items for the silent auction. Thank you Michael Crouch of Ford Brothers/Weichert Realty, Terri Woodall-A Cut Above, Ellis McNew of McNew Monuments, Pam Martin - Sparks Flowers and More, Pam Burdette of Pam's Flowers, Mahaffey's Quick Lube, Robbie Lawson-Ky. Music Hall of Fame, Tonya Prewitt-Mt. Vernon Florist, Bill Kelsey, Bobby

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Thank you to some of our local candidates for your participation in our fundraiser and your financial support.

The Lions Club is a non-profit organization, celebrating 70 years of community giving, service and support. The Mt. Vernon Lions Club was chartered in February, 1944 and is still going strong. Our main goal is to help families of children and senior citizens, who qualify, purchase much

needed eye exams and glasses that are often unaffordable. We are always looking for new members. If you would like to make a contribution to your community, contact any club member. Our meetings are always the first and third Tuesdays at 6 p.m. and are currently being held at the Limestone Grill.

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