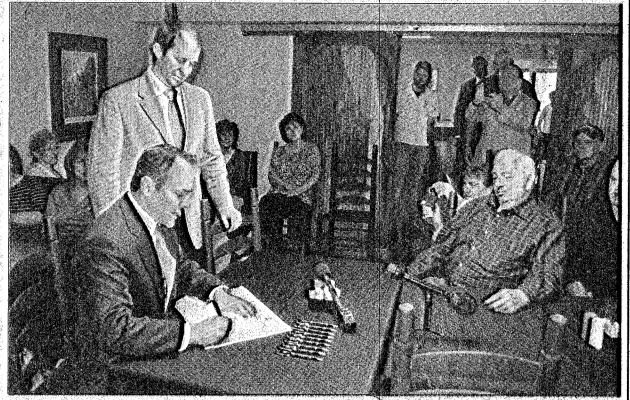
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Governor Matt Bevin signed HB129 in Mt. Vernon this week which provides funding for the widening of I-75 over a 12 mile stretch through Rockcastle County. Bevin held the ceremonial signing at the Limestone Grille in Mount Vernon with State Representative Jonathan Shell at his side. Bevin took questions from the packed

Bevin comes to **Mount Vernon**

By: Mike French

A packed crowd filled the Limestone Grille Monday morning as Kentucky Republican Governor Matt Bevin ceremoniously signed HB 129 into law. The budget bill provides \$100 million for the widening of I-75 in Rockcastle County to six lanes.

The project has been on the agenda for local officials for years and Bevin signed the bill this week providing the funding.

Bevin said the widening will provide greater economic development for the area. "In order for a tree to expand its branches and have healthy leaves, it needs a strong trunk. I-75 is that trunk for Rockcastle County," he said.

Bevin also discussed

safety issues and the unusually high number of traffic accidents on this stretch of interstate.

"There is no reason why this area can't grow like other areas who expanded the interstate. It's a keystone development and growth," he said.

Bevin was introduced by Kentucky State Representative Jonathan Shell who said "this overwhelming crowd is evidence of the importance of this project to the people of Rockcastle County."

Shell said he was proud to vote for the I-75 project and that it's one of the largest projects in the budget...

"I'm so glad we finally have a governor with the backbone of a steel beam. He sticks to his guns and puts the people ahead of politics. He made this commitment and would not back down from it," said Shell.

Shell also said County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop and Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant and other local officials played a part in making this project a possibility.

"They came to Frankfort and gave us insight and def tails to consider from the local perspective on the ground," said Shell.

After Bevin signed the bill, he took questions from (See "Bevin" on A12)

Brodhead council discusses police, curfew

By: Mike French

Several citizens of Brodhead attended the regular City Council meeting there Monday evening and presented the Mayor and Council members with a petition. The petition asked the

School's gym will soon be

usable, after action by the

Rockcastle Fiscal Court

Tuesday at their regular

ing of the Livingston City

Commission, County Judge/

At Monday night's meet-

city to provide a police officer for the town. "We are here to discuss getting some sort of police protection in Brodhead," said local resident Dale Larkin.

Mayor Walter Cash told the residents he is not sure

Fiscal Court approves gym

sub-flooring for Livingston

The former Livingston told Mayor Jason Medley installed over the subfloor at

and the commissioners that

they would work to get the

fiscal court to approve the

installation of a subfloor in

the gym at the former

Livingston School, making

it usable for activities, in-

cluding basketball games.

how it would be possible to hire a police officer in the town. "I can tell you one thing that is pretty simple. A full time police officer would cost the city between \$75,000 and \$80,000 per year and we don't have any-

a later date. The rubber floor

is estimated to cost \$17,000 plus installation.

court meeting, it was the in-

sistence of Magistrate Shan-

non Bishop that \$20,000 in

the 2015-16 budget for the

However, at the fiscal

Judge/Executive says County may help thing close to that," said

> Larkin asked if there is any state funding or grants available. "Have we even tried any other avenue? Possibly a security guard or a part time policeman. Anything is better than nothing,' he said.

> City Clerk Becky Bussell told the residents that she had been looking into such grants but they provide for an officer for one year with the stipulation that the city must then pay for the officer for the following three

"There's simple no way we can commit to that right now," said Bussell. "At best, the City of Brodhead is breaking even at the end of our fiscal year. There is no money."

Residents suggested the petition should give the council incentive to find a way to pay for a police officer. However, Bussell said the petition does not really hold water. "On the first page alone there are 19 signatures and only 3 of them are Brodhead residents," said Bussell. "It is also worded very poorly for real residents to know what they were signing.'

The petition says "Sign below if you are in favor of (See "Brodhead" on A12)

Primary election to be this Tuesday

By: Mike French

The May Primary Elections will be held this Tuesday, May 17.

In the Republican Primary in Rockcastle County 5th Congressional District, voters will choose between Rand Paul, Stephen Howard Slaughter and James R.

GEAR UP officials make

Gould for the Republican nominee for United States

For United States Representative in Congress, voters will choose between Harold "Hal" Rogers and John Burk, Jr.

For State Representative (See "Election" on A12)

Livingston to host **History Expedition**

Executive Doug Bishop and Bishop also said that he felt

Magistrate Mike McGuire that a rubber floor could be

On Tuesday, May 24th, at noon frontiersmen and women will ride into Livingston by fording the Rockcastle River just outside the town. The ride, being undertaken by members of the Boone Society, is to trace Daniel Boone's route from Cumberland Gap to Fort Boonesborough. Livingston is included because they are located midway of the route.

The frontiersmen and women will be in Livingston for a two-day event which will include, on Tuesday,

education stations set up in the former Livingston School, pioneer presentations by Chief Black Hoof and Mark Sage, frontiers-

On Wednesday, the 25th, there will be a local pioneer history mural and museum room presentation, Appalachian Science in the Public Interest (ASPI) will hold a presentation on wild edibles for food and medicine and from 6 to 7 p.m. there will-

be a community cookout. The two day event will (See "History" on A12) Livingston gym, which had not been used, could be used

to install the subfloor, which will cost \$8,500 for materials. "It's already there and hasn't been used, I think we should go ahead and lay the floor," Bishop told the court. The motion passed and the use of inmate labor and

pressed wood sub-flooring.
The court also approved the cost of erecting two new basketball goals at the play-

volunteers was discussed for

installing the 2x4s and 3/4"

ground at Livingston. In other action, the court approved an extension of (See "Court" on A12)

presentation to school board

By: Mike French The Rockcastle County School Board held its monthly meeting Tuesday

night with a full agenda. The first action came when officials of the GEAR

UP (Gaining Early Awareness of Undergraduate Programs), gave a presentation to the board explaining their many programs that benefit

Rockcastle students. Speakers reported that GEAR UP had provided over \$1 million to the school

During discussion and actions, the board approved the 2016-2017 salary sched+ (See "School" on A12)

Founders Day Parade



Neal James (Turtleman's sidekick) rode in the Livingston Founders Day parade Saturday with Mayor Jason Medley serving as his driver. Events were held throughout the day in Livingston and local residents spent the day enjoying the festivities. See more Founders Day photos on pages A10 and A11.

Relay for Life event planned for May 20

By: Mike French

The annual Rockcastle County Relay for Life will be held Friday, May 20th at the Rockcastle Middle School track beginning at 5:30 p.m. with the Survivor Dinner in the school cafete-

The theme for this year's event is "Let's Paint Rockcastle Purple."

"Not only are we working together to raise funds," said Melissa Brock, Relay for Life Community Chairperson, "but we are also raising awareness of the importance of healthy lifestyles, preventive measures, and education on early de-

tection through appropriate screening."

The event culminates a season of team and individual fundraising. According to Relay for Life officials, in 2015 Rockcastle County Relay for Life raised \$34,052. For 2016 the goal is \$42,000.

The Survivors' Victory Lap and Opening Ceremony will be at 7 p.m. with special performances by RCHS Color Guard and the Relay for Life Cheerleaders.

A live auction will take place at 8 p.m., Luminary Ceremonies will be at 10 p.m. and the Closing Cer-(See "Relay" on A12)

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By Mike French



I often wonder about cave men. How in the world did humans survive to be 7 billion strong after the life they must have had?

It must have been really difficult to order pizza in those days.

Every meal without exception had to be something they killed and cut up and held over a fire.

I wonder if back then the cave woman was standing behind him saying, "No! You're turning it too fast. Hey, that's too close to the flame. Don't let it touch the ashes. Hold it over the blue part of the flame..." Hence, the invention of the club.

After a good meal, there must have been nothing to do for entertainment. Maybe that's where cave drawing came from.

It must have been a nice family event to gather up the plant dye and make crayons and draw pictures on the cave walls to decorate your home. I envision one cave man telling his wife, "watch this! I'm going to draw something completely ridiculous and let it drive scientists crazy in a few thousand years," as the family laughed.

I wonder if they took vacations. If so, where did they go? They couldn't have gone very far. Maybe over to old Ug's cave for a visit. "Hey Ug, what up brother?"

I've read they had some very complex game with different shaped stones that they apparently gambled with (according to research)

But no one has been able to figure out how the game was played. Archeologists have recreated complex possibilities using algorithms and probabilities and statistics. But, It was probably much more simple than we expect. Maybe you just dropped the rocks and the first one to hit the ground

It must have been a very difficult life for them. I wonder if they sat around

thinking, "these kids today have no idea how rough we had it when we were their age. I don't know why they want to wear their buffalo skin sagging so low on their

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ramblings....

by: perlina m. anderkin

If any mother in Rockcastle County had a better Mother's Day weekend than I did, well, I would be surprised...

My five daughters took me to dinner at Boone Tavern on Saturday and gave me gifts besides and, on Sunday, son Travis came in

Points
East
By Ike Adams

Okay, it seems that I have caused some confusion. Well, actually, not a day goes by that I fail to cause some confusion but this particular incident is a tad aggravating because it happened here in the column about a month ago when our family started its annual campaign to help raise funds to fight diabetes.

As you long-time readers of POINTS EAST know, Loretta and I, along with half a dozen other members of our family, have been participating in the central Kentucky Step Out Walk ToStop Diabetes over the last half dozen years. I use the space your family newspaper allots this column around this time every year to try to talk readers into making cash donations to, in effect, 'sponsor" us in the Lexington walk that takes place, annually, at Keeneland around the end of May.

Step Out Walks will also be going on at every major municipality in the country at the same time and they comprise the American Diabetes Association's (ADA) principal fund raising drive for the entire year. The net effect is that millions of walkers across the country will generate tens of millions of dollars to help fight this horrible disease. The Keeneland walk, alone, will draw in over 2,000 walkers

and aims to generate about

Many families, civic organizations, professional associations, and even businesses including Kroger Stores, Walmarts, Walgreens, Kay Jewelers, Visionworks, Nutrisystems, Novo Nordisk, and Davis

Stores, Walmarts, Walgreens, Kay Jewelers, Visionworks, Nutrisystems, Novo Nordisk, and Davis Vision Eyecare, organize teams of walkers.

Our family team is named for our grandson, 8-

named for our grandson, 8year-old, Tyler Kane Ochs, who deals with type 1 diabetes every day of his very active life. Tyler was, early on, getting at least 3 insulin shots every day and doing a minimum of 6 daily blood tests. Now, thanks to research largely paid for by ADA, he wears an insulin pump, attached to his belly, and only has to deal with a large needle one time every couple of days. If you don't believe there's much difference between getting stuck with a needle 1 time, as opposed to 6, just ask our Tyler about it and you'll get an ear

Anyway, we call ourselves Team TKO and for the last few years we have been the top fund-raising family team at the central Kentucky walk. Team TKO usually hits about \$5,000 each year, well over half of which comes from readers of this column. However, if things don't pick up speed

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from Lexington to attend church with me and brought along a huge bouquet of flowers plus a dozen Krispy Kreme doughnuts -- guess which I was happiest to see.

All in all, it was a memorable weekend and one which I hope to repeat for several more years...

Rain, rain go away. I think the rain for the last two weeks has pretty much nixed my plans for a big garden since we missed the only chance we had in April to get it out and now it doesn't look like there will be another chance for some time.

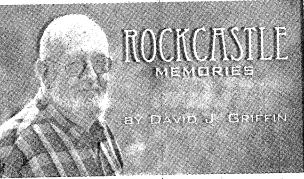
I had planned to have the girls (and their husbands) put out 90% of the garden in corn and tomatoes since that is our mainstay for freezing and canning but looks like we will be scrambling to buy both from gardeners more foresighted than we were.

One of the worst things about Tuesday night's storms was my Jack Russell who goes bananas when it thunders and lightning. He demands to be let outside where he runs frantically around the pool barking constantly. Even after I force him back inside he sits at the door and growls and then wakes me up during the night doing the same thing.

He's a far cry from my first Jack Russell who dived for cover at the first sign of lightning and stayed there trembling until well after the storm had passed...

This is a rare week for *The Signal* newswise. Except for the week we have numerous meetings to cover (school board, fiscal court, city councils) we (read Mike) are usually scrambling to fill up our front page. But this week, which also happens to be the week of aforesaid meetings, we have news running out our ears and are trying to decide what can be held and what can't.

It's actually a nice problem to have for a change but a little stressful.



The Greening of Kentucky
I have spent the last week admiring the greening of Kentucky that spring always provides on Furnace Mountain. Maybe it is just me, but the colors of green just seem to become glorious this time of the year. In light of these thoughts, I have decided to share a bit of trivia with my faithful readers.

My wife frequently tells others of a fact that she learned while in college. There are only two places in the world where if you ask someone where they are from, they will answer with the county rather than the name of the town. Those two places are the state of Kentucky and the country of Ireland. You see, when the Irish immigrants first came to the United States and saw the rolling hills of eastern Kentucky, it reminded them of home and many of them settled in the area for that

Kentucky is indeed a most lovely place in the spring, when renewed life just seems to spring from every blade, plant, bloom, and tree. And who doesn't. react with at least an inner smile when all of our beautiful wildflowers start popping up everywhere? This time of the year always reminds me of my grandmother (Mommie Katie) as she went about tending her flowering plants in our yard. By the middle of June, our yard was simply spectacular - showing every color of blooms that you could imagine.

It is the mark of spring around here when you see the first crocuses pop up their heads, often pushing through a light snow to reach the rays of the sun. By then, the grass has started its greening and provides a dashing background for the small flowers. Then you

also begin to spot the lovely yellow daffodils; they seem to have their own special little dances when the spring breezes stir. And, of course, depending on where you are located, there are various arrays of color coming to life in the yards of neighbors and friends who love to garden.

The colors of the blooms appear exceptional this year. The hillside behind our house and the wooded lot of ours across the highway from our home were filled with numerous Redbud trees whose blooms seemed to last much longer than usual. Those beauties are always followed by smatterings of pink and white Dogwoods, and this year has been no exception. Kathy and I sat on our deck and commented on the beautiful colors all around us and how blessed we are to live

in such a lovely place. As I told my readers last week, Kathy and I spent a week in Gatlinburg recently and were able to witness the spring flowers found in the Great Smokev Mountains. We were able to photograph many of these beauties as we drove though the Roaring Fork Motor Nature Trail. This is a trip that we take every time we visit Gatlinburg in order to see the flowers, the grand forest, and occasionally the waking of the black id bears. We saw a bear this last time we visited the Smokies.

Some of the flowers that 1-we saw this year included 14 the following.

Trillium – These plants are made up of parts in threes – three leaves and three petals on the blossoms. This year they were everywhere, covering the forest floor. Their white

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"Points East"

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in a hurry, that ain't gonnahappen this year. At this writing, our total stands at \$649.00. In other words, we've a long way to go to maintain bragging rights.

And that's really all it is, bragging rights, I mean. In reality it does not matter whether Team TKO is in first or last place in the overall scheme of things as long as we put forth our best effort to help find a cure for this disease that puts such a heavy burden on kids like Tyler and causes untold suffering among adults. Diabetes is, by far, the leading cause for foot and leg amputations among adults and also, by far, the leading

"Memories"

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blooms covered the banks of the roadway, making the sides of the road white with occasional sprinkles of their yellow cousins.

Mayapples - These plants look like small umbrellas as they rise above the ground floor of the forest looking for sunshine. One large leaf indicates that the plant is a male. Two leaves are the mark of a female, which can bear fruit. (Many folks who hunt mushrooms in the spring look for these plants because they love the same environment.) This was one of the first plants I saw on our drive through the Nature Trail.

Wild Strawberry - These low growing plants show their flowers in the spring, with fruit appearing later in the summer. The fruit is ac-

"Aces"

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hips! How are they going to

chase a gazelle wearing

"I have to go vote for Ug.

He's promised to give me a

free rock if he's elected

Life had to be very diffi-

But it makes one wonder

as time progresses and so-

ciety changes. Does every

generation get worse or bet-

Did they have politics?

them like that?"

cause of blindness and internal organ failure.

We have done our homework to the point that we know, with certainty, that supporting ADA is the most efficient use of our time and \$ when it comes to participating in the battle against the disease.

As to the confusion, I caused, you may recall that I advised potential donors to

StepoutDiabetes.com website and click on donate to a walker. Three individuals interpreted that to mean that their \$ would go directly to me, personally, as opposed toADA. They went ahead and made donations to the general fund, which means that I don't get

tually very sweet and the bears love them. And finally

Dutchman's Britches -These plants look like a pair of pantaloons hanging on the line to dry. It has a white, nodding flower on a leafless stalk that hangs over dissected leaves.

Our own byways in Kentucky have been displaying their familiar springtime wild flowers as well. My wife and I sometimes marvel at the fabulous paintings and photographs of nature that display themselves before us. Springtime in eastern Kentucky - makes you feel alive and full of hope, doesn't it?

(You can reach me at themtnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 2167 Furnace Road - Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

Someday will scientists

dig up a remote control and

try to figure out how we

used it? If they are like our

scientists now, they will as-

sume it is proof that we used

to be monkeys because it

took opposable thumbs to

the Lord delays) people will

look back at our society and

wonder how we got by at

I suppose some day (if

as I'm concerned, that's better than not making a donation at all, but, again, the reality is that if you donate to a walker, ADA still gets the donation and we simply get credit for talking you into making it.

credit for raising the money,

nor does Team TKO. As far

I believe it's easier, however more confusing it may be, to utilize the website. Hey, you can even join Team TKO on the site and we would love to have you accompany us on the walk. You are welcome to join the team even if you don't feel up to walking with us at 9:00 AM at Keenelandon June 4.

But, if you'd rather eliminate the confusion andmake a paper donation, you can make a check payable to American Diabetes Association and mail it to my home address. Be sure to put Team TKO on the memo line. Tyler and I will take it with us to the Step Out Walk.. Mail your donation to: Ike Adams, 249 Charlie Brown Road, Paint Lick, KY 40461.



the Ladies' Room?

Can Someone Direct Me to

Dear Journal, I've been to Lowe's again and yes, I've bought some more plants for the yard. I also got some lava rocks, shepherd's crooks for hanging baskets, and more flower bed liners with stakes to keep the weeds at bay. While I was there, I visited the bathroom and discovered the solution to the

Carolina. It seems that North Carolina has enacted a law that people must go to the bathroom according to the sex you were at birth. That, of course, would prohibit the increasing number of people becoming transexual access to a bathroom they identify with. The problem has arisen that others, quite naturally, feel uncomfortable in using the bathroom

problem plaguing North

with the new transexual population.

As a result, notable entertainers have boycotted the state in protest and professional sports teams have voiced their concern. Governmental agencies are looking into sanctions against the state.

Personally, I think the problem will get worse before it gets better. There will be other states getting involved, especially the ones in the "Bible belt" of the south. There'll be more boycotts, sanctions, and who knows what else.

On the other hand, if the transexuals aren't welcome into the "men's-" or "ladies-" rooms that they identify with, it would be rather a shock to see a very feminine-looking, well-dressed, stiletto-heeled beauty stroll into the men's room. Then, let a very muscular, mascu-

line-looking "hunk" walk into the ladie's room. I guess I'd probably have to say, "Pardon me, I've obviously walked into the men's room by mistake." Then, I'd recheck the sign on the door and if it said "Ladies" I wouldn't know where to go.

Now, we need not sit back and say, "Well, I won't be going to any bathroom with men or women, as the case may be. I'm almost safe in saying that all of us have already without even knowing.

So, it seems that transexuals are demanding a right to use the bathroom they identify with. Then, the straight population demand to use a bathroom with others of the naturally-born same sex. I see the only solution is to have a third bathroom available for men or women's use as at Lowe's and other businesses I've seen.

I think I've got another solution, too. I'm going to get a bunch of those Depends under garments and put on a pair just before I leave home. I foreseee a real increase in sales. I think I'll buy stock.

Please vote for Shell...

Dear Editor,

This Friday I will be graduating from EKU with a Bachelors Degree in Child Development. I am very excited to start my career in Education. As we all know, a strong education system is very important. That's why I ask you to please vote for Jonathan Shell on Tuesday.

Jonathan has gotten results for teachers and has time and time again talked about making education stronger in Kentucky. Just this last session, Jonathan fought to make sure the teacher retirement fund was fully funded. And being the good conservative he is, he made sure to do so in a fiscally responsible way. He also voted to fully fund K-

In addition to being a champion for Education, Jonathan Shell has proven himself a leader on other issues important to me and our community. He is a leader in defending life. He is a leader in protecting the 2nd Amendment. He is a leader in advancing the conservative cause in Frankfort!

Rockcastle County has greatly benefited from Jonathan Shell's service. Most recently he went to bat for us to make sure that funding was included in the transportation budget to widen I-75 here. Governor Bevin was here on Monday and asked us to send

Jonathan back to Frankfort. "He is a go getter and I need him in Frankfort!" the Governor said. I agree, Gover-

With Jonathan Shell as our State Representative, Rockcastle has a seat at the table. A reliable Republican and a reliable conservative, Jonathan Shell is the one we should support on Tuesday.

Please remember to vote on Tuesday and please vote for Jonathan Shell!

Kara Canterbury Brown

Bevin visit was political show for Shell...

Dear Editor.

My surprise to see Governor Bevin visit Mt. Vernon for a ceremonial bill signing was compounded by the fact that he was accompanied by Representative Jonathan Shell. This event was purely for show as the highway bill had already been signed in Frankfort, and it was certainly beneficial to Representative Shell as he is currently running for re-election against Rockcastle County's own Buzz Carloftis. Mr. Shell's presence further piqued my curiosity as he has paid little attention to this county in his duties as our represen-

The highway bill at the center of this show funds construction projects through the Department of Transportation; this is part

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Monday, May 16th: Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek and Wildie. Tuesday, May 17th: KY 3245 and Bryant Ridge.

BHS Class of '69 Reunion The Brodhead High School Class of 1969 will hold a reunion on Saturday, June 4th, beginning at noon at the esidence of Hal Hunt, old Hwy. 150/Cedar Rapids Road (look for signs). There will be a potluck meal served. Anyone who was a member of this class, please attend.

For more information, call Carolyn Collins at 758-0185. **Democrat Election Officers Needed**

Democratic party needs election officers for the May 17th primary election. If interested, contact David McCauley, Ir. at 606-308-4261.

RCHS Greenhouse Now Open

The Rockcastle County High School Agricultural Greenhouse is now open from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays.

4th Annual May Kids Event

Room 4 Me will host their 4th annual May Kids Event at First Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon on May 14th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students at all elementary schools will receive a form to sign up for the completely FREE event within the coming weeks! If you are a high school student who would like to volunteer at the event, contact Kelsey Mattingly at 606-386-0372 or Caroline Coguer at Rockcastle County High School.

ERWA Board Meeting

Eastern Rockcastle Water Associationm will hold a board seat nomination meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Livingston School Cafeteria on Monday, May 16th.

US 25 Yard Sale

June 2, 3 and 4, 2016. 5th Annual US 25 Yard Sale. Woodfin, NC and Rocky Top, TN to Richwood, KY. The nation's 4th longest yard sale event. 859-779-3005 or https://www.facebook.com/US 25 YARD SALE.

Alpha Recovery

Alpha Recovery, a program promoting freedom from addiction, not a life long struggle with drugs, alcohol or anything else, meets each Saturday from 3 to 4 p.m. at Chestnut Ridge Church of God in Mt. Vernon. The group is led by Ray Owens and Tommy and Gina Dooley. "The past does not have to be your prison. You have a voice in your destiny. You have a choice in the path you take." Max Lucado For more information, call 606-308-5593.

Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery classes are held every Monday night at the Community Outreach Center in Brodhead. Celebrate Recovery is a 12-step Christ-centered program and is a safe place to share and begin healing from all hurts, hang-ups and habits. Meal at 6 p.m. Music 6:45 p.m. Large Group 7 p.m. Signatures available for court, probation and snap. For more information, please call Chris Martin 606-308-3368.

DAR Meetings

The Rockcastle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meets the first Monday of each month, September-May at 6 p.m. at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. All prospective members are welcome to

Brodhead Lodge Meeting

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #566 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 Tommy Hodges invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors

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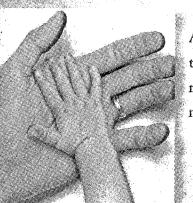
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Notice Dix River Festival 5K Run-Walk Saturday, May 28th 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Expect delays on Hwy. 2250 (Main St.) & side streets. Thanks for your cooperation.

Watch for runners and walkers.

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Dr. Kimberly Cornelius

Dr. Kimberly Cornelius, 56, of Richmond, died Sunday, May 8, 2016 at Baptist Health Hospital in Lexington. She was born in Berea on November 16, 1959, the daughter of Kenneth and Ruby Jean Thomason Cornelius. She was a physician and Medical Director at Rockcastle Regional Hospital and was a lifelong member of First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon.

She is survived by: her daughter. Meagan Griffin (Will) Howard of New Orleans, LA; her "beloved", Michael P. Saunders of Louisville; her parents, Kenneth and Ruby Jean Cornelius of Mt. Vernon; her brothers, Chris (Jamie) Cornelius and and Kenny (Heather) Cornelius, both of Mt. Vernon; and her sister, Gina (Jeff) Nicely of Mt. Vernon. Several nieces and nephews also survive. She was preceded in death by her grandparents.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, May 13, 2016 at 11 a.m. at First Baptist Church by Bros. Raymond Offutt and Eddie Nation. Private entombment will be in Elmwood Cemeterv.

Friends may call at the church from 6 to 9 p.m.

Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family suggests donations to the Susan G. Komen organization at: PO Box 650309, Dallas, TX 75265-0309 or ww5.komen.org.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's Sig-

Visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.



Maxine Kincer

Maxine Kincer, 77, of Mt. Vernon and formerly of Livingston, died Thursday, May 5, 2016 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital, She was born in Covington on November 4, 1938 the daughter of Elmer and Alma Mullins Brossart. She was a retired Key Punch Computer Operator for Appalachian Computers in London and was a member of Livingston Christian

Church. She is survived by two sons, Mike (Melinda) Kincer of Mt. Vernon and Alan (Evonne) Kincer of Paint Lick. Also surviving are four grandchildren, Logan Kincer, Matthew and Morgan Kincer-Bray, Samuel Kincer and Thomas Kincer. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Wilbert Williams Kincer and a step-brother, Warren

The family chose cremation and a Memorial Service will be scheduled at a later

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral

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Leonard "Roge" Hammond

"Roge"

Leonard

Hammond, 84, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at the Terrace Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Berea. He was born in Livingston on August 2, 1931, the son of William Bradley and Fannie Elizabeth Martin Hammond. He was a US Air Force veteran of the Korean War and was a retired Construction Superintendent for

Kay & Kay Construction. He is survived by: his wife of 61 years, Demi Cole Hammond of Mt. Vernon; one daughter, Rebecca Hammond, MD of Berea; one brother, Frank (Vonnie) Hammond of Matlock, IA; and three sisters, Evelene (Jack) Raines of Mt. Vernon, Josephine (Calvin) Meadows of Ashland and Jalette (Joe) Hamm of Richmond. Also surviving are two grandchildren, Cole Hammond and Carter Hammond. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: one son, Glen Hammond; seven brothers; and four sisters.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, May 13, 2016 at 2 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Dowell & Martin Funeral Chapel by Bro. Bill Hammond. Burial will follow in Red Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call from 12 noon on Friday until time of services.

A complete obituary will be appear in next week's

Signal.

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view online obituary. Upcoming Reunions

Mason Day Reunion

The 14th Annual Mason Day Family Reunion will be from noon to 4 p.m. It will be at the Flat Rock Baptist

held Saturday, May 28th Church Fellowship Center on Maple Grove Road in Orlando. Bring your family and your favorite dish and enjoy the day.

If you re not a Mason, come on and "be a Mason for a day.'

Thacker/Brooks

The Thacker/Brooks Family Reunion will be held Saturday, June 11th, noon til ?? at Roundstone Baptist Church.

Please bring a covered

dish and join us. If anyone has a mailing address, e-mail address or phone number of other relatives, please send them to: Jesse Thacker e-mail: jwthacker10@gmail.com or call 606-256-9735 or 606-308-4308 and reunion notifications will be sent them.

Kirby/Thomas

Family and friends are invited to a family reunion by the creek at the home of Alvin and Audrey Hamm, Ottawa Road, Brodhead on Sunday, May

Bring a covered dish and chair and have a good time, getting reacquainted with family and friends. Dinner will start at 1 p.m. Call 758-4927 for any questions or directions.

Berry/Ramsey .

The Berry/Ramsey Annual Reunion will be held Sunday, May 29th at Berry/ Ramsey Park on Wildie Road Potluck lunch at 1 p.m. Come visit with family and friends and bring a lawn chair.



Irene Graves

Hazel Irene (Jordon) Rowe Graves, 78, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, May 6, 2016 at the Hospice Compassionate Care Center in Richmond with her family at her side. She was born in Rockcastle County on May 15, 1937, a daughter of the late Arthur and Bessie Harrison Jordon. She was a housewife who enjoyed gardening, flowers and watching WLJC on television. She was of the Pentecostal faith having attended Crestview Holiness Church for many years.

Those left to cherish her memory are: her children, Judy Williams of Berea, Lewis (Myrtle) Rowe, David Rowe, Virginia Graves, Paul "Buster" Rowe and Glenn Rowe, all of Mt. Vernon and Roger (Roxie) Rowe and James (Sheila) Rowe of Brodhead; and her grandchildren, Terra, Carrie, Jeffery, Micheal, Paisley, Faye, Hazel, Shane, Jamie, Michelle, Jeremy, Karen, Steven, P.J. and Frankie. Also surviving are 20 great grandchildren and host of nieces/ nephews, friends and neigh-

She was preceded in death by: her children, infant Bobby Rowe, infant Floyd Rowe and Jerry Rowe; her grandson, David Lee Rowel great grandchildren, Abigail and Easton James Haddix; her brothers and sisters, Cecil Jordon, Bill Jordon, Raymond jordon, W aner Lee Jordon, Lula Brewer, Marie Gutherie, Dorothy Polly, Ruby Rickles, Pauline Rector, Christine Akers and Mildred Hartley; and her husbands, Lewis Rowe and Bobby Graves.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at Crestview Holy Sanctuary, 105 Crestview Road, Berea, KY, with Bro. Harold Eads officiating. Burial was in the Ott Kirby Cemetery in Mt. Vernon.

Casketbearers were: P.J. Rowe, Steven Rowe, Jeremy Rowe, Nathaniel Powell, Micheal Rowe and Shane Rowe.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Betty Jean Brock

Mrs. Betty Jean Brock, 77; of Orlando, died Monday, May 9, 2016

Arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and are incomplete at

this time. A complete obituary will appear in next week's Sig-

Visit www.DowellMartin.com to

view online obituary. Brenda S. **Owens**

Mrs. Brenda S. (Carroll) Owens, 68, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital.

Arrangements entrusted with the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals and are incomplete at this time. www.marvineqwensfuneralhome.com

Alpha Recovery

Alpha Recovery, a program promoting freedom from addiction, not a life long struggle with drugs, alcohol or anything else, meets each Saturday from 3 to 4 p.m. at Chestnut Ridge Church of God in Mt.

Vernon. For more information, call 606-308-5593.

Cemetery Notices

Briarfield Cemetery

Briarfield Cemetery is accepting donations for the upkeep of the cemetery. Make checks payable to Briarfield Cemetery and mail to Tim Robinson, Briarfield Cemetery, 5408 Big Cave Road, Orlando, KY 40460 or see Dean Carpenter or Tim Robinson. All donations greatly appreci-

Maretburg Cemetery

Please send donations for the mowing and upkeep of the Maretburg Cemetery to: Gloria Seals, 5394 Brindle Ridge Rd., Brodhead, KY 40409.

Livesay Cemetery

Please send donations for the mowing and upkeep of the Livesay Cemetery to: Gloria Seals, 5394 Brindle Ridge Rd., Brodhead, KY 40409.

Johnetta Cemetery

Donations are needed for upkeep of Johnetta Cemetery and should be sent to: Harold Ballinger, 5777 Three Links Road, McKee, Ky. 40447

Sand Hill Cemetery

Please send donations for the mowing of the cemetery at Sand Hill Baptist Church to: Brady Hensley, 2683 Sand Hill Road, Livingston, Ky. 40445 or call 606-453-4511.

All donations greatly appreciated.

Roberts Cemetery

Please send donations for the upkeep of Roberts Cemetery at Freedom to: Don Cummins, 67 School House Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Thank you for contributing to this worthy cause.

Maple Grove Cemetery

Donations for upkeep of the Maple Grove Cemetery should be sent to: Michael Robinson, 503 Maple Grove Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460. For more information, call 308-5439.

Phillips Cemetery

Donations for mowing and upkeep of the Phillips Cemetery at Three Links may be sent to: Joyce Phillips, 3967 Three Links Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Oak Hill Cemetery

Donations are being accepted for the upkeep of Oak Hill Cemetery.

Anyone wishing to help should mail donations to Oak Hill Cemetery. c/o Bill Lear, 60 Hope Drive, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

To contact Bill, his cell phone number is 606-308-

Donations will also be accepted at the cemetery May 28-30.

Thanks to everyone for your support. It does not go unnoticed.

Rice Cemetery

Donations are being accepted for the upkeep of Rice Cemetery.

Please send donations to: Lonnie Reppert at Reppert's Funeral Home, 110 N. Broadway, Berea, Ky. 40403.

Maret Cemetery Meeting

There will be a meeting for Maret Cemetery on Saturday, May 28th at noon at the cemetery.

Donations for upkeep of the cemetery will be taken at the meeting or may be mailed to Sandra D. Ramsey, 245 Sunset Ridge, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. Checks should be made

payable to Maret Cemetery. **Providence Cemetery Board Meeting**

The Providence Cemetery board will hold their annual meeting on Thursday, May 5th at 6:30 p.m. at the Quail Commity Park building.

All cemetery lot owners and relatives are welcome to attend.

Please send donations for maintenance and upkeep of Providence Cemetery to: Bill Long, 882 W. Level Green Road, Brodhead, Ky.

King Clark Cemetery

Donations are needed for the mowing and upkeep of King Clark Cemetery in Climax (beside the old post office). Donations should be sent to: Roberta Clark Richards, 144 Richards Lane, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

All help greatly appreci-

High Dry Cemetery

Donations for upkeep of High Dry Cemetery can be sent to High Dry Cemetery Fund, c/o Coy Cromer, 1058 Rank Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Please make checks payable to HDCF.

McKinney **Cemetery Notice**

The McKinney Cemetery's Annual Meeting and Potluck will be Sunday, May 29th at the cemetery shelter. The meeting will start about 1 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Bring a chair and covered dish. It will be a great time to sit bac, enjoy good food, family and friends.

If you would like to make a donation for the mowing and upkeep of the cemetery, please send all donations to: McKinney Cemetery, PO Box 1691, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Sowder Cemetery

Anyone wishing to make donations for the mowing

and upkeep of the Sowder Cemetery can send donations to: Zandell and Dakota Hasty, 451 Bright Shade Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Morning View Cemetery

Please send donations for upkeep and maintenance of Morning View Cemetery (we still owe a balance from last year) to: Bud Cottengim, caretaker, 67 Misty Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 or call 606-308-4381;

Hiatt Cemetery Donations are needed for

mowing the Hiatt Cemetery at Renfro Valley.

Please make donations to: Hiatt Cemetery Fund at Community Trust Bank in Mt. Vernon.

Pine Hill Cemetery,

Please donations for mowing of the Pine Hill Cemetery to: Hope Sturgillt P.O. Box 1097, Mt. Vernots Ky. 40456.

Hibbard Cemetery.

Notice of Meeting Attention Families of those buried at the Hibbard Cemetery, located on County Road 1612, just off Buffalo Branch Road: there will be a meeting for the Hibbard Cemetery Fund. held at the home of Bobby Hibbard, 8174 Somersel Road, London on Sunday, May 29th at 2:30 p.m.



4th Annual

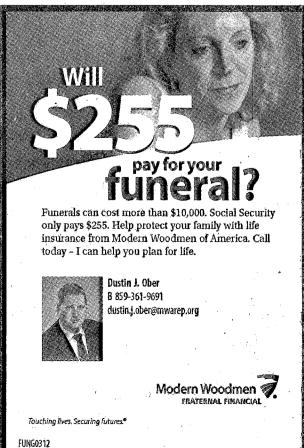
May Kids Event

May 14th • 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

First Baptist Church • Mt. Vernon Students at all elementary schools will receive a form to

sign-up for the completely FREE event within the coming weeks! Any high school student wishing to volunteer at the event contact Kelsey Mattingly at 606-386-0372 or see Caroline Coguer at RCHS







(Continued from A3)

of the Biennial Transportation Plan (House Bill 304) sponsored by Representative Rick Rand. Representative Shell voted against this bill while our state senafors voted to approve the bill. The funds appropriated to do improvements on I-75 were included in this legislation and the majority of these funds are federal dollars, not state highway funds. This begs the question: why did Representative Shell feel the need to be at the signing of the very highway bill that he voted against?

Seems like Governor Bevin and Representative Shell may be playing a Shell game" with the voters of Rockcastle County. Michael Philbeck

Are you kidding me?...

Dear Editor,

₹ Democrats:

I do not presume to tell people how to vote but, in my opinion, they should go with Bernie Sanders.

It has been proven, time after time, that Hillary is unfit to be President of the United States. She claims to be for women, but the only woman she cares about is herself. It has been proven, over and over, that she has been corrupt from the start.

When Bil was in the White House, they campaigned for different charities but it was discovered that \$117 million was unaccounted for.

On the BenGhazi deal. Hillary and Barack knew what was happening, but they turned their backs on our Americans begging for help which never came and Americans died.

Hillary also favors Common Core where parents, teachers and the board of education don't have any say on what their children are taught. They want to force radical liberal standards on our children and grandchildren and pay for it with your tax dollars.

Then the deals she made with China and Korea for uranimu, which they can use to make bombs to use on America.

Republicans:

In my opinion, when Ted Cruz opens his mouth, his brains fall out.

We need Donald Trump or President, he is not a corrupt politicans like the rest f them. He is a business man and knows how to make money and jobs.

He will also secure our borders and keep Mexican indesirables out of this country. These illegals want most of your hard-earned Social Security and Medicare, not to mention welfare and anything else they can get for nothing.

A lot of the illegals are errorists murderers and riminals that Mexico wants to get rid of.

If Hillary gets into the White House, whe will not only carry out Obama's agenda (this is their plan), she will carry out his death fax (if they let it pass), where the government gets half of everything you own, leaving nothing for your ghildren.

This country cannot tand anymore Clintons and Obamas. Shirley McPherron

Livingston

Vote for Carloftis... Dear Editor,

I am writing today to ask that all voters in Rockcastle County stand together on Tuesday, May 17th and vote to send Buzz Carloftis to Frankfort to represent us in

the state legislature.

I am a lifelong resident, as is my family, of Rockcastle County and know first hand what a decent, hardworking and effective county judge he was for us.

We need a state representative who will work for all of our citizens and work to help Rockcastle county attract new jobs and industry. I, like a lot of other young people, worry about my future and Buzz understands the needs of Rockcastle County far better than Jonathan Shell.

Representative Shell has spent his time in Frankfort opposing, rather than creating. We need someone who will help with a positive agenda to promote our communities, small business, education and working family values that include economic growth for all working people, not just a few at the top.

So please vote on May 17th and vote to elect our own Judge Buzz Carloftis as our next state representative. Brian Cromer

Mt. Vernon

Urge you to vote for Shell...

Dear Editor,

Many of you are dissatisfied with the current state and direction of our country. There is no doubt that we have slipped from what we once were. Our backslidings reach into every area of our lives: economically, politically, morally, spirituality, etc.

Those of us who read and believe the Bible should not be surprised at the climate of these last days. And although our hearts are filled with frustration and dissatisfaction, the spirit of fear is not from the Lord. But the help we need will ultimately come from the Lord God.

America has forgotten the God Who has so richly blessed her. And in her forgetfulness she has elected men and women who dishonor the Lord. These are the words of Noah Webster:

"When you become entitled to exercise the right of voting for public officers, let be impressed on your mind that God commands you to choose for the rulers, just men who will rule in the fear of God. The preservation of [our] government depends on the faithful discharge of this Duty; if the citizens neglect their Duty and place unprincipled men in office, the government will soon be corrupted; laws will be made not for the public good so much as for the selfish or local purposes; corrupt or incompetent men will be appointed to execute the Laws; the public revenues will be squandered on unworthy men; and the rights of the citizens will be violated or disregarded. If [our] government fails to secure public prosperity and happiness, it must be because the citizens neglect the Divine Commands and elect bad men to make and administer the Laws." -Noah Webster

We have many unprincipled men and women in office, the government is corrupted, public revenues are squandered and the rights of the citizens are being violated and disregarded. We must stop electing unprincipled men and women to office.

I urge you to go vote for Jonathan Shell. He is a man of principle and is a leader we can trust. Jonathan's honesty, integrity, and willingness to stand up and fight for what is right leave no doubt that he is the best choice in next week's elec-

We are granted the great honor of selecting our leaders. While many are frustrated with politics, this is not an election that is worth sitting out.

Please remember to vote Tuesday and please vote for my good friend, Jonathan

Mark Eaton

Vote Tuesday and vote for Shell...

Dear Editor,

Vote this Tuesday and vote Jonathan Shell in the race for State Representative. He is one of the hardest working people I've ever met and is who we need in that position.

This election is so important to vote in for anyone who wants to see better jobs in our area. 80% of all taxes and regulations that affect business come from Frankfort. Shell is the guy who best understands how make sure government stays out of the way and that taxes stay low so jobs can be created and our local economy can grow.

He's really made a difference for Brodhead and our entire county up in Frankfort. I appreciate him helping us get funding for the fairgrounds in Brodhead, which benefits the whole county, and for getting funding to have I-75 widened. That will improve not only economic development here, but will improve safety for locals, travelers, and first responders.

Anyone that knows me knows that I've always been a Republican. Jonathan is the conservative in this race. He is the candidate that we know will protect the values important to Rockcastle County.

Thank you Jonathan Shell for standing up to career politicians and for all that you've done to help Rockcastle build a better future. Everyone, please remember to vote Shell on Tuesday!

Ricky Kirby Brodhead, KY

Thanks to sponsors... Dear Editor.

On behalf of the Rockcastle County FFA Alumni Chapter we want to take this opportunity to thank the following sponsors of our annual Alumni Chili Supper & Auction. Without our reliable and generous sponsors, we would not be able to have the strong and successful program that we have.

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FFA Alumni Chapter

I'm writing to ask Re-

publicans in Rockcastle

County to please go vote on

Tuesday and to vote for

Jonathan Shell for State

one of the kindest people I

have met. He is a man who

cares deeply about our

county and who takes time

to listen to everyone. His

passion for making a differ-

ence and improving this

community is truly inspiring

and is the reason I decided

this was the candidate I

supported, and helped pass

legislation to help us fight

back against drugs. When it

comes to the second amend-

ment, Jonathan has a record

that shows he is committed

to the Constitution which

earned him the endorsement

of the National Rifle Asso-

ciation. He is a farmer and

he puts that farmer work

Jonathan has introduced,

would be voting for.

Representative Shell is

Shell will help

build a better

future...

Dear Editor,

Representative.

Eldon,

Simpson,

cans went and voted in the Presidential caucus on March 5th. However, we cannot afford to stay home on Tuesday. Please make plans now to go cast your vote for someone who will help us build a better future in Rockcastle County, Jonathan Shell.

Thanks! Brandy Chasteen Brock Copper Creek

A Shell in the House is better than a Buzz...

Dear Editor,

I've only written a letter or two to the Signal editor before and both of those were letters of thanks for help from local merchants for funding various activities that my children were associated with during the fifteen years total both spent with the most excellent Rockcastle County School System. Though tempted, I've always kept to myself from writing to you all about things politically driven down there because I actually live in Garrard County and really had no dog in the fight when it came to political dealings in Rockcastle County. This year I do have some bearing on a choice in a Rockcastle election.

I intend to vote for Jonathan Shell in the primary on Tuesday May 14th in which district both Garrard and Rockcastle Counties belong. I've met Jonathan personally before and he seems like a good hearted and hard working kid that hasn't yet let the job turn him into a career politician. He's seems sincere in his drive to support conservative beliefs such as pro-life, gun owners rights and slowing the liberal budget train that has rolled through Frankfort so long and gotten this state in such a deep financial fix. I like the young man's position and it is a delight for me to actually vote FOR somebody in a political race rather than voting AGAINST someone like I've had to do so many times during the last fifteen years of elections and primaries because neither candidate was worth a spit. In this particular election, I get to do BOTH.

The way I see it, the two choices for the Republican Nominee for this important primary race are EITHER: A fresh faced young farmer that seems to work hard toward helping his district advance, keeping them informed of his voting progress via the local newspaper and voting with conservative ideals. OR: A lifetime politician (conservative or not) that has arguably done SOME good for his community during all of the many, many.....many terms that he served, and who likes the spotlight of politics and would like a political office; ANY political office to serve in.

I'll make sure I get my vote out on May 14th and I'm voting for the FARMER. I encourage people who are tired of the "politicking roosters" we've dealt with so many years to also follow that path and support Shell for another term in office. I'll vote for him until he gives me a reason not to. If only the presidential race would have presented such a cut and dried race with candidates. We'll have to settle on that one with a vote AGAINST.

Scott Lake Cartersville, KY

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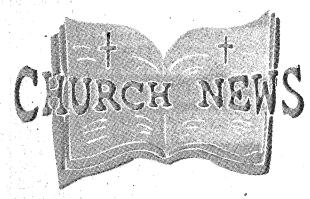
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Let the Bible Speak

Tune in to "Let the Bible Speak," with Brett Hickey, on Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m. on WDKY Fox 56.

Gospel Singing
Lighthouse Baptist
Church will have a Gospel
Singing Saturday, May
14th, beginning at 6 p.m.
featuring the Chimney Rock
Boys from Somerset.

The church is located at 1391 Gabbardtown Road, Berea.

Everyone is invited. VBS at Brindle Ridge Baptist

Vacation Bible School will be held at Brindle Ridge Baptist Church starting Sunday, May 29th through Thursday, June 2nd from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Bible School Commencement will follow on Friday, June 3rd at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 256-9204.

Special Service

Berea Gospel Tabernacle, on US 25S, will hold a special Service on Friday night, May 13th, beginning at 7 o'clock. Speaker will be George Mullins.

Pastor Eugene Webb and congregation invite all.

Benefit Sing

Crossroads Assembly of God will host a Benefit Sing on Saturday, May 21st at 6 p.m. All proceeds will go to the family of Sid Hines. Sid continues to battle against cancer. Together, we can help him fight.

Please make plans to join

The church is located just off Hwy. 150 in Brodhead.



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May 15th - 18th
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Sunday Morning: 11 a.m. • Sunday Night 6 p.m. Monday - Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery classes are held every Monday night at the Community Outreach | Center in Brodhead. Celebrate Recovery is a 12-step Christcentered program and is a safe place to share and begin healing from all hurts, hang-ups and habits. Meal at 6 p.m. Music 6:45 p.m. Large Group 7 p.m. Signa-tures available for court, probation and snap. For more information, please call Chris Martin 606-308-3368.

Gospel Singing

Lighthouse Baptist Church in Berea will hold a Gospel Singing on Sunday, May 22nd, beginning at 6 p.m. and featuring Kevin Spencer.

Revival Services will begin at the church on Sunday, May 29th at 6 p.m. and continue through Friday, June 3rd, with week night services beginning at 7 p.m.

Evangelist will be Bro. T.A. Lester of Winchester and there will be special singing each night.

The church is located at 1391 Gabbardtown Road.

Home coming

Homecoming at New Hope Baptist Church will be held Sunday, May 15th. There will be no Sunday School, or evening worship on Sunday and morning worship will begin at 11 a.m. with dinner on the ground to follow.

There are often games of horseshoe outside and hymn singing back in the church sanctuary after the dinner. Come prepared to make a day of it.

Pastor David Carpenter and the New Hope Baptist Church family invite everyone to come out and enjoy a spirit-filled worship service, followed by an afternoon filled with good food and great fellowship.

The church is located at 3213 New Hope Tower Road, Orlando.

Special Service

Bro. Enoch and Bro. Jay West will be at The Bride of Christ Church, 100 High Street, Mt. Vernon on Saturday for a special service beginning at 7 p.m.

There will be special singing and preaching. Everyone invited.

Gospel Singing

Sand Springs Baptist Church will have a Gospel Singing Saturday, May 21st, beginning at 6 p.m., featuring Roy and Kay Himes of Berea. Bro. Eugene Gentry, pastor, and congregation invite everyone.

Revival

Dixie Park Cornerstone Church in Berea will be in revival May 16-20 at 7 o'clock nightly. Evangelist will be Bro. Rick Holt.

Pastor Joe VanWinkle and congregation welcome everyone.

The church is located on N. Powell St.

Philadelphia United Baptist News

May/June Events
Mowing time again at
the cemetery. Donations are
needed for upkeep. Please
remove old flowers, we do
not have trash pickup.

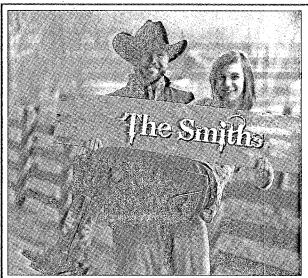
Sunday School is at 10 a.m., Worship Service at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Bible Study at 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

First Sunday of each month, the church is at the Brodhead Nursing Home.

The Fourth Sunday at 6 p.m. of each month, a singing is held. Please come to sing or just enjoy the singing. Country Charlie joined us last month and we really enjoyed his singing.

June 5th, the church going to the Praise Singers Church Homecoming. There will not be any church services that day.

Admiras Audion



Martin - Smith

Sarah Martin, daughter of Willie Martin of Pine Hill and Jennie Martin, of Mt. Vernon and Doug Smith, son of Herman and Connie Smith of Mt. Vernon, were united in marriage Sunday, May 1, 2016 in a small ceremony in Pigeon Forge, TN.



You are invited to attend a

Gospel Meeting

at the

Blue Springs Church of Christ

with

Joe Hisle, Evangelist May 15th - 22nd

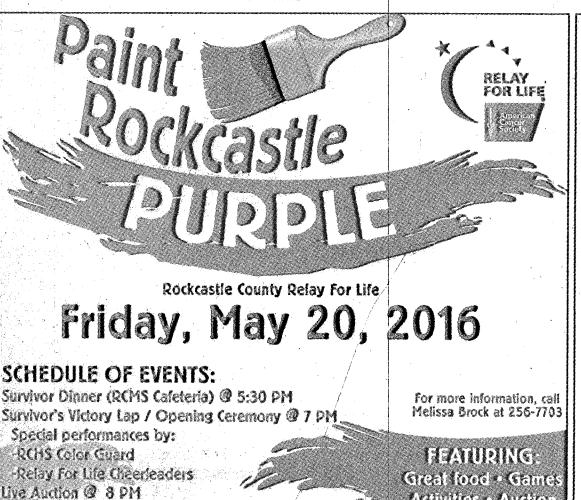
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Lord's Day Worship:

Sunday, May 15th - 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 22nd - 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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Church is located on Hwy. 1249 - 7 miles south of Mt. Vernon



You're Invited... Cancer Survivors Dinner

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Survivors: in
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of Rockcastle County
would like to extend to
you a special invitation
to participate in our
Survivor's Dinner. You
are a personal testimony of
the progress we're making
in our fight to eradicate
cancer!

Please join us May
20, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at
Rockcastle Middle School
for a dinner in your honor.

Food and entertainment will be provided by First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon.

Each Survivor is entitled to bring one guest to the Survivor Dinner. There is no cost for you or your guest to attend this Survivor Celebration! All Survivors will receive a oif!!

After the dinner, we invite you to come to Rockcastle Middle School track for Relay for Life Survivor Ceremony at 7:00 p.m.

Please register by Tuesday, May 17. Call Cali Parker at 256-7486 or Morgan Bray at 256-7704.



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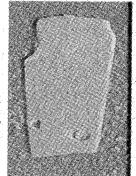


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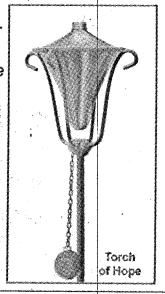
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Wednesday Night 7 p.m. Dixie Park Cornerstone 700 N. Powell St. Berea, Ky. Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

Wednesday Service 7 p.m. Joe Vanwinkle, Pastor Fairground Hill **Community Holiness** Church

Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m. Thursday Service 7 p.m. Robert Miller, Pastor Fairview Baptist Church 520 Fairview Loop Road Mount Vernon, Ky.

Sunday Services Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Children's Choir 6 p.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m. Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m. Wednesday Services Creative Ministry 6 p.m. Bible Study 7 p.m. Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.

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Neal Thornton, Pastor Jesse Wright, Assoc. Pastor/Youth website: www.fbcmvkyorg emaii:Tocmivemon@newwave.net Sunday Services: 8:20 a.m., 10;45 a m. and 6 p.m. Wednesdays: AWANA and

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Baptist 504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004 Orlando, Ky. Sunday School 10 a.m. Fellowship Hour 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. Jack Stallsworth, Pastor Freedom Baptist Church

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www.freedomsbc.com email: pastor@freedomsbc.com Pastor: David Sargent 606-256-2968 Hickory Grove **Pentecostal Church** Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead) Brodhead, Ky. Randal Adams, Pastor

Youth Pastor, Scott Adams Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday Evening 6 p.m. Wed. Evening 7 p.m. Lighthouse Assembly of God

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.7 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a,m. Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m. Wednesday Service 7 p.m. Jim Miller, Pastor 606-256-1709

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Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 Wayne Harding, Pastor Phone: 256-8844 Sunday School 10 a.m. Sun. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Sun. Discipleship Training/ Sunday Youth Missions

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Bobby Owens, Pastor 859-986-1317 Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene

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Sunday School 10 a.m. Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Thursday Night Worship 7:00 p.m. WRVK (1460 AM) Broadcast

Noon Sundays Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church a 81 Limeplant Hollow Road Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor 859-986-1579

Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting &

Youth Service at 7:00 p.m. Prayer Partners Ladies Meeting monthly every 2nd Tues. at 6:30 p.m. Pleasant Run Missionary Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday Evening 5 p.m.

1st Sunday in Month Church at 2 p.m. at Rockcastle Respiratory Care Bro. Gary Bowling, Pastor **Poplar Grove Baptist**

145 Richlands Rd. • Brodhead Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday Evening 7 p.m.

Wednesday Evening 7 p.m. Providence church of Christ 1 mile off Hwy. 70 on Hwy. 618 Dan McKibben, Minister 758-8524 or 758-9316

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. dan.mckibben@juno.com

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www.WhatSaithTheScriptures.com Roundstone Baptist Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night 7 p.m. Sand Hill Baptist Church

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Skaggs Creek **Baptist Church** Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Bro. Bill Wagers Everyone Welcome! Union Chapel

Pentecostal 1505 Union Chapel Rd. Brodhead, Ky. Letcher Napier, Pastor Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m. **United Gospel of Christ** 4 miles off US 25 on Wildie Rd. Church welcomes everyone Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Valley Baptist Church 4482 Copper Creek Rd. Berea, Ky. 40403 Organized in December, 1908 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Evan Eckler, Pastor Wildie Christian Church 1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie

606-256-4494 Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m. Family Fellowship 6 p.m. Bible Study 6 p.m. Bro. Gary Pettyjohn, Pastor

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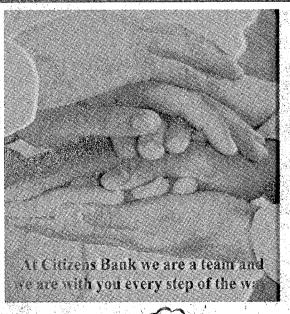








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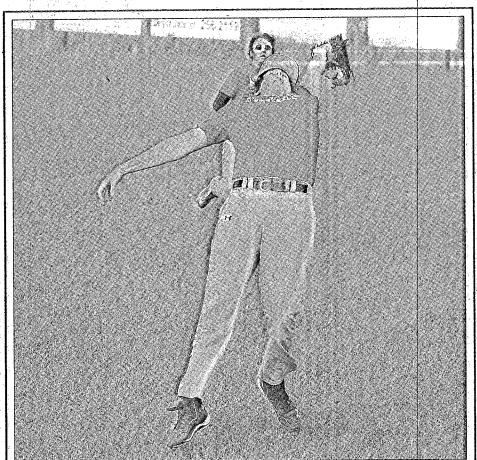


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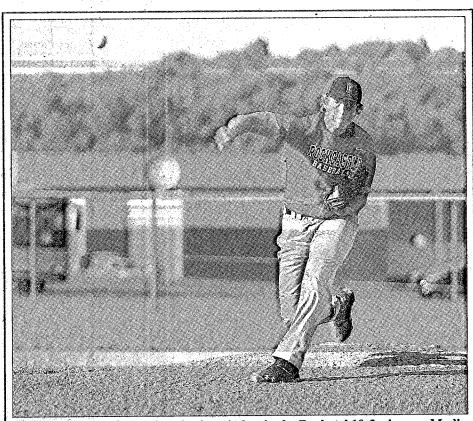
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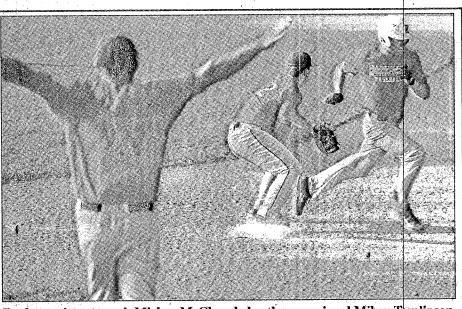
SPORTS



First baseman Hunter Rigsby stretches way back to catch a foul ball in the Rockets' win Friday night. (Baseball photos by Jamie Cornelius.)



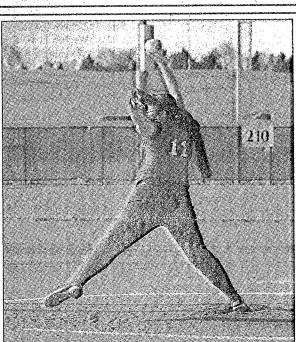
Junior Lucas Jones was the winning pitcher in the Rockets' 10-3 win over Madison Southern last Friday night. It was the 18th win for the Rockets on the season.



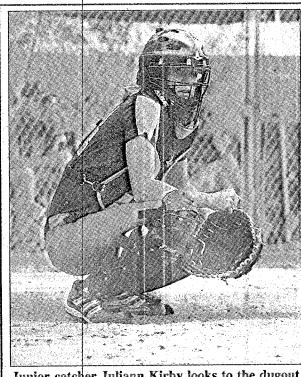
Rocket assistant coach Mickey McClure helps the ump signal Mikey Tomlinson safe at first base during the Rockets' win over Madison Southern last Friday. The Rockets host Mercer County Saturday at 11:00 a.m. and Boyd County at 3:30 p.m. They also take on North Laurel next Tuesday night at home.



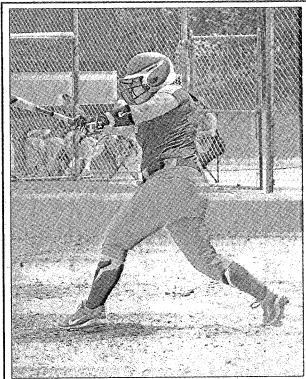
Junior John Cornelius dives back to first during a pick-off attempt in the Rockets win over Madison Southern Friday night. The Rockets lost a close one to Danville Saturday, 3-2. Southwestern handed them their eighth loss Monday night, 14-10. The Rockets defeated Corbin 9-8 Tuesday for their 19th win of the season.



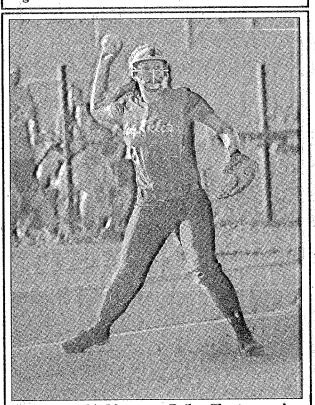
Sophomore Kristin Holcomb was the winning pitcher over Estill County Saturday, 6-1, in the Lady Engineer Triangle held in Irvine. Holcomb gave up just two hits, one earned run, walked two and struck out six during her seven innings of work. The Rockets picked up their 24th win of the season Tuesday night with a 19-5 win over South Laurel.



Junior catcher Juliann Kirby looks to the dugout for a sign in the Rockets' win over Estill County Saturday. Kirby was big at the plate for the Rockets going 2-4 with a single and a double. The Rockets host North Laurel this Thursday, Model next Monday and Lincoln next Tuesday.



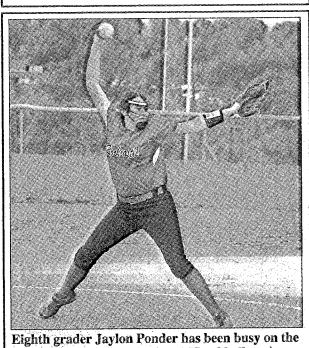
Junior Shelby Ham drove in the eventual winning run during the top of the seventh in the Rockets 1-0 win over George Rogers Clark Saturday. Jayna Albright walked, stole second and was driven home by Ham. (Softball photos by Minnie Kirby.)



Sophomore third baseman Bailey Chasteen makes a throw to first in the Rockets 6-1 win over Estill County last Saturday. The Rockets also defeated George Rogers Clark 1-0 Saturday behind a shutout by Chasteen on the mound. She gave up only four hits while striking out four. Chasteen also faced McCreary Central Monday night going six innings with nine strikeouts, no earned runs, two hits and four walks on the night. The win brings the Rockets' record to 23-7 on the season.



Rockcastle Middle School Softball honored their eighth graders Saturday, along with their parents. Eighth graders shown above, front row: Emma Smith and Jaylon Ponder. Second row: Kaleigh Richards and Ashlyn Brock. Third row: Selecity Broaddus and Ravyn Bullens. Fourth row: head coach Ainsley Bussell and Sadie Howard. Shown in back is asst. coach Tim McIntosh.



mound this season for the RCMS softball team.





The 65th Annual National Day of Prayer was held last Thursday at the Rockcastle County Courthouse. Due to the weather, the large crowd was moved inside to enjoy lunch before the service. The Rockcastle Association of Kentucky Baptists sponsored the annual event.



The Kiwanis Club served lunch before the National Day of Prayer last Thursday. Some of the members working are shown, from left: James Miller, Teresa Vanzant, Tammy Cox, Rose Brown, Martha Cox and Glenda McFerron. Sub sandwiches were provided by Jerry Pensol, in memory of his late father, Bro. Harvey Pensol. Drinks were provided by Vanzant and Miller in memory of their dad, the late Denver Miller.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

STRAWBERRY SALAD

Hearned how to make this in high school Home Economics (June Stevens was the teacher), a class that in the 1960's, all females were re-

quired to take before they could graduate.

1 box (6 ounces) strawberry

Jelfo®
2 cups boiling water
2 boxes (10 ounces each) fro-

zen strawberries
1 can (14 ounce) crushed
pineapple, drained

2 bananas, diced 1 cup sour cream 1 cup chopped pecans or walDissolve Jello® in boiling water. Add partially thawed strawberries, stirring until thawed. Add pineapple and bananas. Pour half of mixture into mold or 8 x 8 Pyrex dish. Chill until firm. Chill remaining half in separate dish until partially set. Spread first layer with sour cream, sprinkle with nuts and gently pour partially chilled Jello® mixture on top.

HEAVENLY HASH
Mum liked this made with
lime Jello®, I like it with
peach, and Rhonda likes it

with the orange. Just goes to

show-it's good with any fla-

Chill until set.

vor Jello®
1 small box orange Jello® (or whatever flavor you like)
1 container (15 ounce) cottage cheese

1 can (14 ounce) pineapple bits, drained

1 tub Cool Whip®
Chopped pecars, optional
Sprinkle dry Jello® over cottage cheese. Mix well. Stir
drained pineapole into mixture, fold the Cool Whip®
into that. Sprinkle with

chopped pecans if desired.

PISTACHIO DESSERT
I believe this recipe came from Mom Hoskins. It was one of her favorites to make, as well as to eat.
CRUST:

1 cup flour 1 stick butter or margarine 2 tablespoons sugar 1/4 chopped pecans Mix crust ingredients. Press into 9 x 13 baking dish. Bake

at 350° for 15 minutes. Cool.

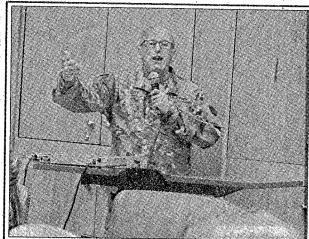
FILLING:
1 block (8 ounce) cream

cheese
2/3 cup sugar
1 container (9 ounce) Coo

1 container (9 ounce) Cool Whip®, divided Blend cheese and sugar. Fold in half of Cool Whip®. Spread over cooled crust. TOPPING:

2 small packages instant pistachio pudding 2 1/2 cups cold milk

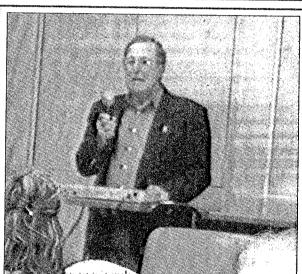
Remaining Cool Whip®
Mix pudding mix and milk on
medium speed for 2 minutes.
Spread over cream cheese
mixture. Spread with remaining Cool Whip®.



Guest speaker for the National Day of Prayer was Dr. John Mark Toby, Director of Missions for the Warren Associations of KY Baptists.



State Representative Jonathan Shell gave some remarks and offered the opening prayer during the Day of Prayer service held last Thursday. Bro. Luther Allen led the crowd in songs and Bro. Randy McPheron, Rockcastle Assoc. of KY Baptists Director of Missions, offered the closing prayer for the service.



Bro. Wayne Harding, Pastor of Maretburg Baptist-Church and Prayer Coordinator for Rockcastle Association of KY Baptists, gave the welcome at the Day of Prayer festivities.



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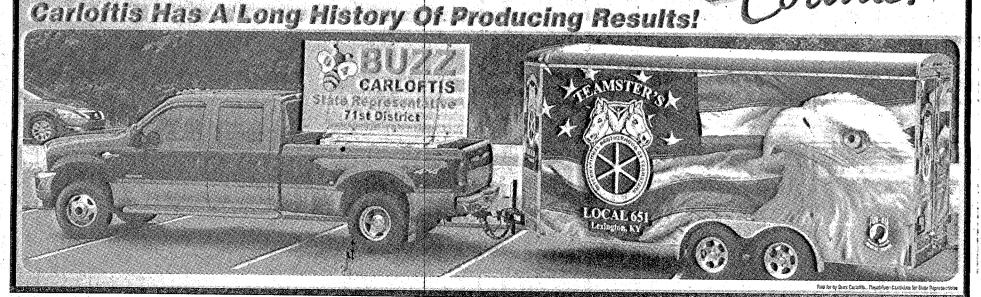
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- · Got public water lines throughout Rockcastle County
- · Constructed 30,000 sq. ft. building for hundreds of new jobs
- Built new parks
- Knows how to work with local governments
- 100% supporter of gun rights
- Helped Livingston Mayor get state's second "Trail Town" designation
- · 100% against drug use
- Was drug use prevention educator

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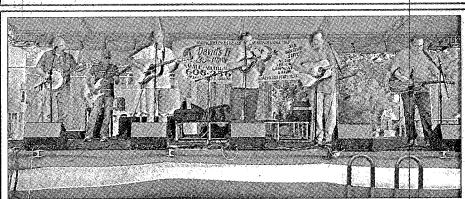
Vote Republican

Tuesday, May 17th





Wilderness Road was one of many groups entertaining during last weekend's Founders Day Celebration held in Livingston. The celebration marked Livingston's 119th birthday.



Level Green took to the main stage Saturday evening at the Founders Day Celebration.



Ronnie and Melissa Owens set up a booth selling her handmade jewelry at the celebration held in Livingston last weekend.

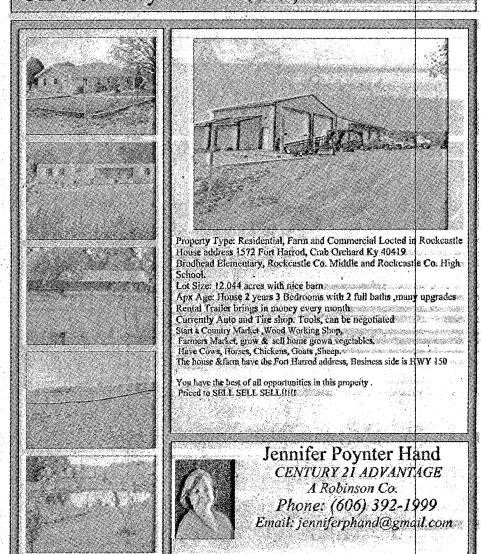


Buzz Carloftis, former Rockcastle County Judge-Executive and candidate for State Representative for the 71st District, took part in the Founders Day Parade in Livingston throwing candy to the crowd.



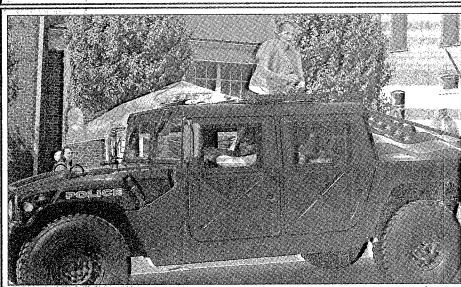
Rockcastle Jailer Carlos McClure and daughter, Palin, rode in Saturday's parade sharing candy with the crowd.

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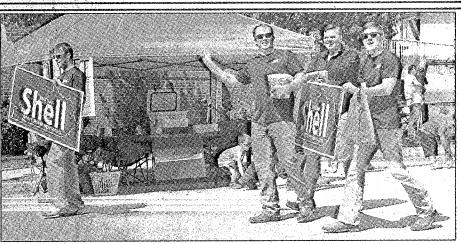




Anthony Medley, Marcos Nieto, and Jackson Brewer enjoying some banjo pickin' and singing by Neal James - The Banjo Man. Neal is The Turtle Man's sidekick on the popular Animal Planet show.



Holly Nolan shares candy with the crowd during the Founders Day Parade held in Livingston last Saturday.



State Representative Jonathan Shell took part in Saturday's Founders Day Parade held in Livingston.



Magistrate Mike McGuire and wife rode in their side by side during the parade Saturday.

Attention Rockcastle County Voters: (Reprinted from The Rockcastle Review) Bank Bailout Costs Taxpayers \$57,000

A complex financial deal, involving an ethical conflict, saw the Plastics Factory bought and sold twice in less than two weeks and cost taxpayers \$57,000.

The bankrupt site was bought for \$2,343,000 and sold for \$2,400,000 thir-

teen days later, representing a \$57,000 profit.

This money went to Citizens Bank, whose president is a longtime chair and

current officer of RCIDA, the county's industrial recruitment group.

RCIDA was also the final buyer of the property.

The financial transactions began when Plasticware LLC took out a mortgage for just over \$2.4 million dollars with Citizens Bank. An additional loan,

worth around a quarter million dollars, followed.

By the time Plasticsware went bankrupt in 2011, it had several other creditors, including a \$70,000 loan from the county. This unsecured loan has been lost.

After bankruptcy, Civil Suit 11-CI-001, Citizens Bank v. Plasticware, LLC,

et al was filed, with several creditors and lien holders seeking repayment.

On December 21, 2011, an auction of the property was ordered. Citizens Bank, as the first creditholder, would receive the first money from the sale.

According to the March 1st Signal, p. A4, "only one bid (was) put forth" for the property at public auction: \$2,343,000 by the mortgage holder Citizens Bank.

It is possible others may have bid if Citizens bid was not made.

In effect, this resulted in Citizens Bank owning the property outright, and other creditors losing their liens.

Citizens Bank's deed to the property, (Deed Book 238, Page 447) filed March 23, 2012, was signed by Corey Craig as "Pres/CEO."

Mr. Craig is also a longtime chair and current officer of RCIDA, a county

subsidiary and the local industrial recruitment group.

Thirteen days after buying the property on April 5, 2012, Citizens Bank sold

the property to RCIDA (Deed Book 238, Page 575) for \$2,400,000.

The county ethics policy forbids a person "serving the county government" from acting in matters in which he "has a direct or indirect financial or personal involvement"

Despite the county code of ethics forbidding such a conflict of interest, they have been common in the recent past. (See Conflicts Story Page 1).

The purchase of the property was approved by the fiscal court "by resolution dated March 30, 2012." Discussions about this purchase were in closed meetings.

Since the meetings were closed, it is not clear if the \$57,000 price differential, or the apparent lack of bidders at public auction, was discussed.

Another Accomplishment??

There was also a new roof for the former plastics building, which was contracted for by the bank and was supposed to have cost \$500,000, which wound up costing the county \$782,000+. *Inflation at work?*

Paid for by Gary Mason

Livingston Mayor Jason Medley presents Clyde Carpenter with the "Good Neighbor of the City of Livingston" award during an awards ceremony held Friday night during the Founders Day Celebration.



Mayor Medley and Fire Chief Chris Mason presents Russell Barron, center, the "Firefighter of the Year" award for the City of Livingston.

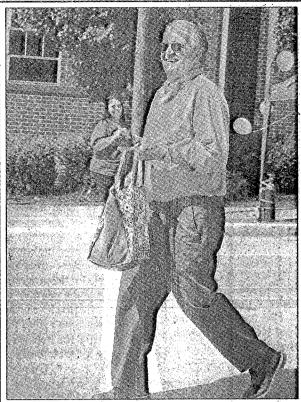


Mayor Medley and Mike Smith, right, presented Rodney Cameron (not pictured) the "Special Friend of the City of Livingston" award.

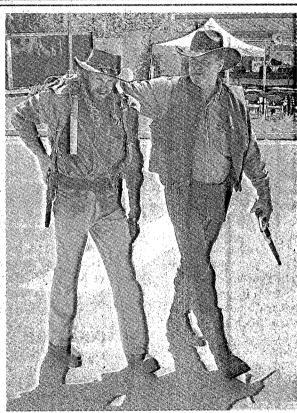


Tessa Begley enjoyed the bungee/trampoline during the Founders Day Celebration last Saturday. (Photo by Janetta Begley)

Livingston holds annual Founders Day Celebration

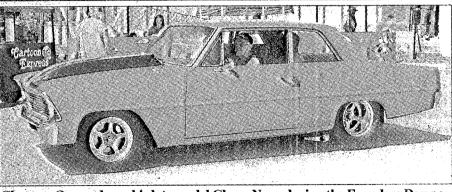


County Judge-Executive Doug Bishop walked in Saturday's parade and shared candy with onlook-



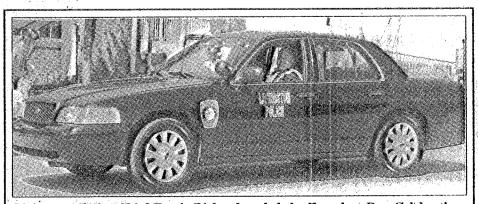
Phillip McLemore and Willie Martin, above, and Chuck Gray, below, took part in a Wild West Shootout during the Founders Day Celebration held in Livingston last weekend. The celebration marked the 119th birthday of Livingston. (Photo by Janetta Begley).





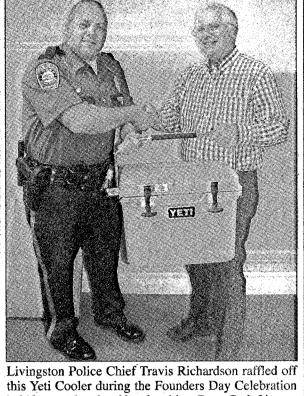
Clarence Owens drove his late model Chevy Nova during the Founders Day parade held in Livingston Saturday.

Founders Day Celebration photos by Paige Benge



Livingston Police Chief Travis Richardson led the Founders Day Celebration

Parade down Main Street last Saturday.



held last weekend and local resident Buzz Carloftis was the winner. The raffle is part of an effort to raise funds for the Livingston Police Department to purchase and equip a 4-wheel drive truck. During the raffle, 225 tickets were sold for a profit of \$617 with an additional \$49 in donations towards the purchase of the truck. Richardson has obtained a matching Federal U.S.D.A. grant toward the truck and equipment. If the department raises \$12,500, he will have \$50,000 available for the purchase through the grant. Richardson is planning another raffle soon with an even bigger Yeti Cooler and will raffle it at the Homecoming Celebration in September. Richardson said he would like to thank all those who donated or purchased raffle tickets. "This will make a big difference in our ability to protect and serve the good people of Livingston," he said. Anyone interested in donating to the Livingston Police Department should make the check payable to the Livingston Police Department and mail it to P.O. Box 654, Livingston. Raffle tickets for the new cooler are available at City Hall in Livingston or you may call City Hall. Tickets are \$5 each, 2 for \$8 or 6 for \$20.

<u>In Southeastern Kentucky</u>

KY Fish and Wildlife advises: bears out of dens and active

Hungry black bears are now roaming the mountains of southeastern Kentucky looking for food, and feeding them is against Kentucky law.

Bears fresh out of their dens haven't eaten for a few months and are hungry when they leave their dens in spring," said John Hast, bear program biologist with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "Natural foods are still sparse through the month of May, so the bears are looking for an easy

Bears, a rarity in Kentucky 20 years ago, are now more plentiful as they have migrated from surrounding states. Kentucky Fish and Wildlife does not stock

Garbage, food scraps, pet food and bird feeders can draw bears. Citizens can resolve 99 percent of issues with bears by removing or securing these sources of

Bears primarily inhabit southeastern Kentucky, but may wander farther in spring and summer as family groups disperse. Residents in bear areas should wait until the morning of pickup before putting garbage out. Unsecured cans left out overnight are an invitation to a hungry bear.

Another draw for bears is pet food left on a porch, especially at night. Residents

should only put out enough pet food for one meal and remove the bowl at night. Food left outside can attract other unwanted wildlife, including raccoons, opossums, rodents and coyotes. Residents should avoid throwing table scraps to pets in the yard, as the scent can

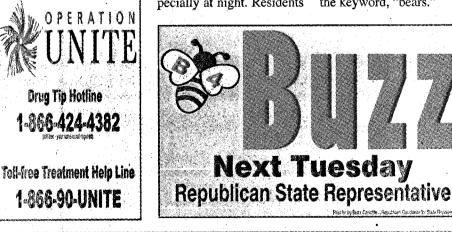
attract wildlife. Birds can survive well in the warmer months because plenty of natural food is available. Residents should consider taking up their bird feeders in spring and not putting them back out until the arrival of cold weather.

Visitors enjoying the mountain visas in spring or summer should store food or coolers in a trunk or out of sight if they leave the vehicle unattended.

"These simple solutions will keep a bear that is passing through from overstaying their welcome," Hast

"Bears become habituated to humans when people feed them," he continued. "Bears that lose their fear of people or have been routinely fed will likely have to be captured and destroyed as they are more likely to approach people expecting a handout."

For more information about black bears in Kentucky, visit the website of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources at fw.ky.gov. Search under the keyword, "bears."



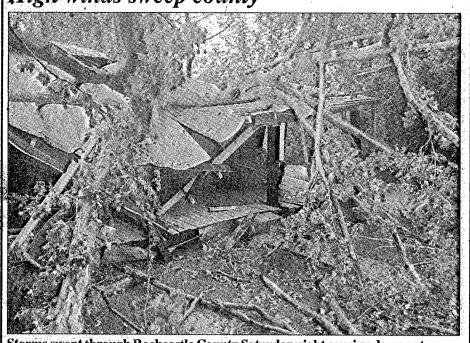


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High winds sweep county



Storms swept through Rockcastle County Saturday night causing damage to some local residences and felled many trees, according to officials. This home on Sweet Water Road was partially destroyed whena tree fell on one side of the home. Though owners were home at the time, there were no injuries reported.

"School"

(Continued from front

ule. Superintendent David pensol said he and others had contacted surrounding school systems to keep Rockcastle County in line with other schools.

The salary schedule shows a first year teacher with 54-95 semester hours will make \$28,589 per year. On the other end of the scale, a teacher with 27 years experience and a Masters Degree will earn \$56,991 per year. No increase in the salary schedule for teachers was included in the schedule.

The board also heard ign Jason Coguer, Finance lifector, who recommended the school system etain White and Associates P.S.C. as the official auditors at a cost of \$16,000.

"We have worked closely with them before and are familiar with each other and I recommend we

"History"

(Continued from front

end with a campfire and

will also be a special show-

ing of traveling pioneer art

by David Wright in the Mu-

seum Room of the former

Livingston School and a

book signing by Sue

Ballard, author of "My

Blessed Wretched Life"

about Rebecca Boone, wife

Medley informed the com-

missioners of the event at

Monday's regular monthly

meeting of the town coun-

included County Judge/Ex-

ecutive Doug Bishop and

Magistrate Mike McGuire.

Bishop told the commis-

coners that he was "looking

ward to continuing to work with you guys, call us

and we will respond."

Bishop said that he and

McGuire would bring up in-

stalling a subfloor in the

Livingston School gym at

Tuesday's fiscal court meet-

Visitors to the meeting

Livingston Mayor Jason

of Daniel Boone.

On Wednesday, there

music from 7 to 9 p.m.

stay with them," said Coguer. The board agreed.

Members also discussed the working budget with Coguer who said he expects to have a working budget in September. "We are working hard on it right now. We don't expect a lot of change but there are details to work out yet," he said.

The board also approved payment and change orders from contractors who have been performing work at local schools. In a rare situation, one of the change orders actually provided a reduction in cost to the school of over \$1,000.

Among the contract payments was the final payment for the new roof on MVES.

Coguer also provided good news to members of the board. "the insurance package for the 2016-2017 school year is \$6,000 cheaper this year partly because we had very few claims," said Coguer. Also the athletic insurance for the system will drop. "I think when companies discover we are getting other prices, it helps them be more competitive," said Coguer.

The athletic insurance coverage will remain the same but the price will also be about \$6,000 less than last school year.

Members of the board also discussed the employee handbook and the coaches handbook for the next school year and plan to hold a second reading of the handbooks at June's meet-

 The board also approved the personnel report submitted by Pensol.

hired as the new Head Vol-RCMS.

This month's resignations also include Courtney

Loren Reynolds was

leyball Coach at RCHS after resigning as the coach at

ing and indicated that he felt a rubber floor over that, at a later date, would be the best solution. The subfloor would cost \$8,500 in materials, Medley said, with an additional cost for installa-

Bishop said that more work would be done on existing trails in Livingston that are used as part of the city's Trail Town program. He also said that if the city would install a "nice" gate near Livingston's city hall that would also serve as a safety feature for the new playground located behind the building, he would ask the court to install two ball goals at the playground. The council is working on expanding the playground, to

behind the fire department. McGuire, who is the magistrate for the Livingston area, said that it was his intent to "make Livingston better and improve the quality of life there for everyone." He also promised to work to keep the program support

for Livingston for their Trail Town project in the upcoming 2016-17 budget. The support was dropped from \$1500 a month to \$1000 a month last year and Medley said the support was essential for the town to continue improving the Trail Town

Project. The Mayor told Bishop and McGuire that the town presently had three projects going: the Start Your Life Adventure Wedding Program; the Kentucky Proud Program and, of course, Trail Town. He also reported that in three years the number of businesses in Livingston had grown from two to ten and the number of employees at these businesses from five to 21.

On question from a commissioner, Mayor Medley said that the cable project for the town was in abeyance at present since the owner was "wrestling with Windstream for the right to use their poles for his cable."

acquiring a canine unit ve-Brock, RCMS Academic Assistant Coach, Elizabeth Midden, Head Cheerleading

Coach at RCMS and David

Jamison, Food Service

"Court" (Continued from front

their support for the Rocket

Docket program. This pro-

grams cuts the number of

days an inmate spends in jail

between the time of his ar-

rest and the disposition of

the case, when the cost of

his care is taken over by the

time assistant common-

wealth attorney who heads

the program, told the court

that thus far this year, 28

cases have been handled

through the program, saving

the county a minimum of

\$25,000 in housing costs.

Only nonviolent offenders

are eligible for the program,

Pongo area, was before the

court asking for help with

Tony Bullock, of the

Bartley told the court.

Jeremy Bartley, a part-

state if he is convicted.

Manager at RCMS. New classified substitutes hired include Kayla Hale, substitute bus monitor, Courtney Boreing, substitute cook/baker, Joseph Masten, substitute bus driver, Damien McDaniel, lawn care, Chelsey King, substitute cook/baker, and Betty Miller as substitute cook/baker.

Volunteers approved include Jessie Clouse and Shiela Chasteen as parent volunteers for band, and Jessica Blevins as parent volunteer for ROTC. The next meeting will be June

"Brodhead"

(Continued from front

getting a police officer in Brodhead." However, Bussell said that is misleading. "It should read, 'Do you want your taxes raised' an then see how many signatures you get," she said.

give up."

Bishop said his goal is to can to help," he said.

> Resident Randall

needed in several races, in-

cluding the race for State

hicle. Bullock is the handler of the bloodhound recently donated to the county and said he had spent quite a bit of money himself being trained in the care and handling of the bloodhound and wasn't asking for reimbursement for his expenses but rather that the county help with acquiring the vehicle. He said that he is presently using his own vehicle and has to load the vehicle when called out and a canine unit vehicle would save

responding to a call for help. The court tabled the request until they can investigate if there are any county vehicles available for use.

him at least a half hour in

Vince Elliott of Casey County was before the court asking for a donation to help them put on a tractor show in Renfro Valley Sept. 29-October 2. Elliott said the show is an economic boon to local businesses in the county. No admission is charged to the event and the group has to rent the land to hold the show on from Renfro Valley. In the past Renfro has charged \$1,000 for rent, the amount given in the past by the fiscal court, but has raised the rent to \$1,500 this year.

The court voted to donate \$1,000 to the event with Magistrate Bishop voting no. Bishop said he felt the county was going to have to tighten their belt because of cuts from the state to the county's rev-

The court tabled action on a name change of the Cherokee Road to the Merky-Deaton Cemetery Road. Magistrate Bill McKinney said the two road names got switched during mapping.

However, another road to a different cemetery in the same area has the name American-Deaton Road, according to 911 director Bonnie Roark, and she said she felt there would be confusion between the two names if emergency personnel had to be dispatched.

Deputy Sheriff Dale McNew presented the court with an excess fees check for 2014 for \$3,842.67. McNew said the presentation was delayed because the state had just completed their audit for 2014. McNew said that estimated excess fees for 2015 was \$10,000 but that audit would have to be completed before payment to the court could be made.

The court approved a yearly payment of \$88,226.25 for the construction note for the Rockcastle County Detention Center. **However County Treasurer** Joe Clontz told the court that there was a discrepancy between the amortization schedule and the actual billing of \$5,000 that he would iron out before actual payment, which is due June 1st, was made

As a last item of business, the court approved the transfer of \$176,665 from the general fund to the forestry fund \$665; \$20,000 to 911 and \$150,000 to the detention center and the transfer of \$200,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund to cover the bulk of the transfers.

Also attending the meeting was Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop. My heart is in this community and I am going to try to get the fiscal court to allot some money in our new budget to help in some way," said Bishop. "Even a part time officer is better than nothing. We can hold fund raisers or anything to get more funding. We can't

get at least a 20-hour officer in Brodhead. "I'll do what I

Local resident Luther Rose said he is one of many who would be willing to pay more taxes in the city if it would provide a police presence. "It's not fair that we pay an occupational tax and Brodhead gets none of the money from it. The county gets it all," he said. "But if raising taxes is what it takes, I'm willing."

turbing citizens. State Po-Abrams told the council he is concerned. "If we don't get some kind of police presence, it wont be long before our citizens begin taking things into their own

hands," said Abrams. Bussell said people have to realize there are more expenses that most realize to having a police officer. "We not only have to pay the salary but also Social Security and Medicaid, buy a vehicle and provide insurance an maintenance, uniforms, equipment and more," she said.

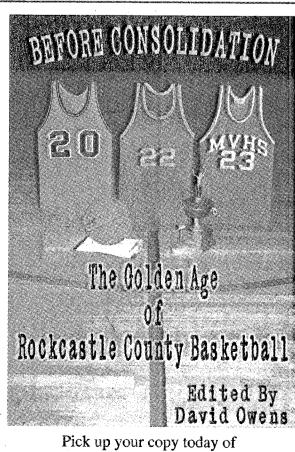
The subject of a curfew was also discussed. "With a curfew in place we could stop a lot of the late night activity going on that is dislice and local deputies could help enforce it for the time being," said Bishop. Several members of the

council and in the audience agreed that a curfew may help discourage late night criminal activity.

Mayor Cash said he feels the council should discuss it in more detail after they see if the county can help. "Let's wait to hear what Doug (Bishop) can do and if the county can help us out. Then we will know a lot better where we stand," said Cash.

Bishop said he will approach the fiscal court and get back with council members soon.

Next Tuesday Republican State Representative



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"Election" -

(Continued from front 71st District the candidates are Buzz C. Carloftis and Jonathan Shell.

In the Democratic Primary Election, 5th Congressional District, voters will choose their nominee for President between can-

"Bevin"

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the crowd of over 100 people.

During his stay, Bevin touched on the fact that he will dismantle Kynect in 2017 and discussed a natural gas pipeline through Rockcastle County to attract more businesses. He also discussed the possibility of an on/off ramp being added to I-75 in the Conway area as well as new legislation to cate children about drug

evin called on the ple of Kentucky to "step up and intervene" when they suspect drug use or drug sales. "It's time we stop being sheep and just take it. Get involved. Drugs

Rocky De La Fuenta. And for United States

Senator Democrats will choose between Tom Recktenwald, Grant T. Short, Sellus Wilder, Jim

didates Martin J. O'Malley, Gray, Rory Houlihan, Jeff Bernard "Bernie" Sanders, Kender and Ron Leach for Hillary Clinton, and Roque their nominee. "Even though many vot-

ers participated in the March 5th Presidential Caucus, all Republicans are urged to get out and vote next Tuesday. your voice is

Representative," said Doris Cromer, Chair of the Rockcastle Republican Party. "It is very important for conservatives to make plans to vote at their normal precinct Tuesday."

travelers may not see actual to put Jonathan Shell back into office this November. road construction till mid Work is already under-2017 while easements and way on the local project but utilities are being secured.

"Relay"

are your problem and my

problem. Not a government

Bevin also asked voters

problem," he said.

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The event will include food, games, auctions, activities for all ages and much more. Officials for the event say this is a lifechanging event that brings the community together each year to celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember those who lost their life to the disease and to fight back

against the disease that takes

This year's Relay for Life of Rockcastle County will be one of over 5,000 events held across the United States and 24 coun-For information about

the event call Melissa Brock at 256-7703

Sponsors for this event include Citizens Bank, Community Trust Bank. Don Marshall and Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Cen-

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Toll-free Treatment Help Line 1-866-90-UNITE

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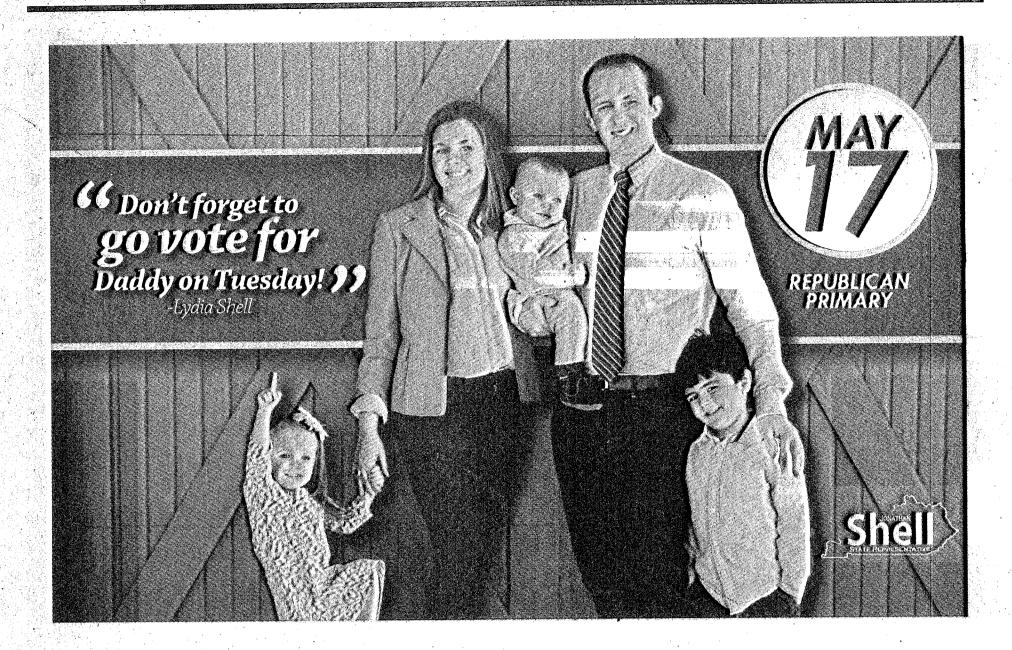


In an ever-changing world of healthcare, we strive to maintain a passion and a focus on patient safety and quality care. Every day our employees report to work, ready to provide compassion and kindness to those for which they care. We are able to achieve all of this by working together, as a team.

May 8-14 is National Hospital Week. During this week, Rockcastle Regional Hospital & Respiratory Care Center will celebrate this teamwork and the dedication of all its employees.



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Second Section

Thursday, May 12, 2016

Livingston receives grant from Jackson Energy

closer to reaching their goal of \$5,000 to purchase playground equipment. The Rockcastle County Development Board applied for a Jackson Energy RoundUp grant and on May 4th Mayor Jason Medley and Lynn Tatum, Director of the Development Board was presented a \$1,000 check to go towards the purchase of playground equipment. Mayor Medley now has \$2,000.00 that has been donated to the development of a playground area.

Operation Round-Up is an easy way for co-op members to give a small amount each month to deserving in-

The City of Livingston is dividuals and organizations in their local communities. Operation RoundUp works when co-op members voluntarily have their electric bill rounded to an even dollar amount.

The donated funds go directly into a trust account that can only be used for grant funding. This account is administered by a sevenperson Board of Trustees who meetquarterly to review grant applications. Any individual or community group with a worthwhile project can apply for funding.

We are very appreciative (Cont. to B8)

vency of the state's nearly

\$38 billion pension liability.

We fought for funding pub-

lic pensions at historically

high levels in order to ful-

fill our retirement commit-

ment to Kentucky's teach-

ers and workers, and all

without borrowing any

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Mount Vernon Fire Department, along with Brodhead Fire Department as automatic aid, was called to a residential structure fire at the intersection of West Main and Williams St. in Mount Vernon early last Thursday morning. This is the same location that saw a fire last Tuesday. Livingston Fire Department also responded for a mutual aid request. The cause of the fire is suspicious in nature and is being investigated by the Mount Vernon Police Department and the Kentucky State Police. If you have any information that may be helpful to this investigation, please contact the MVPD.

State's final budget reflects priorities of Kentuckians

By Jonathon Shell leap toward reaching sol-State Representative

As expected, House Bill 303, the Executive Branch Budget, was vetoed in part

by the Governor. Due to prolonged conference committee negotiations which



pushed until the final hour of the session, the General Assembly negated its ability to override any veto made by the Gov-

Therefore, every veto made to the budget bill will stay intact and I believe the language the Governor vetoed makes a good bill even

After the veto statement dust settled, it is clear Kentucky's final budget reflects the priorities of Ken-







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to wear seat belts, speeding,

failure to produce insurance

card, failure of owner to

maintain required insurance/

security, failure to surrender

revoked operators license,

excessive windshield/win-

dow tinting, possession con-

trolled substance, drug para-

phernalia - buy/possess, car-

rying a concealed deadly

weapon, improper parking

violations, bw issued for fta/

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Circuit Civil Suits

Glenna Edith Whitaker v. Marvin Allan Whitaker, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Billie Jo Anderson v. Shaun K. Anderkin, complaint for child support and medical support.

James C. Robbins v. Tricia E. Doty, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Douglas Denney v.
Janice Denney, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Amy Holtkamp v. Kay Shelton, et al, complaint.

Christi M, Benge v. James C. Benge, complaint for child support and medical support.

Capital One Bank v. Rita Hayes, et al, \$23,387.97 plus claimed due.

Deeds Recorded

Elbert C. and Trina G. Bustle, property on Schoolhouse Road, to Allen Hendrickson. Tax \$88

Ronald and Susan Sears, property on Clinney Coffey Lane, to Blevins Law,

Brodhead Fairgrounds.

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May 14, 2016

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Trustee and Ronald K. and Susan L. Sears. No tax

Joy Louise Thompson, property in Rockcastle County, to The Joy Louise Thompson, Revocable Living Trust. No tax

James A. Davis, Charles
Tony and Rosella Davis and
Leonard W. and Kimberly
Davis, property in Rockcastle County, to Charles
Tony Davis. No tax

Jarrod and Patricia Singleton, property on Little Clear Creek Road, to Joshua Lee Singleton. No

Steven and Marsha Caudill, property in Hysinger Heights Subdv., to Eric J. and Velsie Elam. Tax \$259

Jean Skeen, property on waters of Skeggs Creek, to Judy Dillingham. No tax

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., property n Flat Gap Road, to Barbara Wheeler. Tax \$48

S&M Mining Mfg., Inc., property in Countryside Estates, to Orville and Bernice Burkhart. No tax

S&M Mining Mfg., Inc., property on Cove Branch of Roundstone Creek, to Orville and Bernice Burkhart. No tax

Sam and Judy Ford and Danny and Sue Ford, prop-

erty on Hwy. 1326, to Kayla N. Cook. Tax \$83

Vicky Farthing, property in Rockcastle County, to Perry and Amy Mink Properties. Tax \$34

The Nina Barnett Estate, property in Rockcastle County, to Michael D. Wolken. Tax \$15

Linda McCracken, et al, property in Joyce Norton Plat, to Joyce Norton. No tax

Marriage Licenses

Sheena Dee Miller, 32, Brodhead, teacher to Danny Chris Settles, 31, Brodhead, self-employed. 4/30/16

Sylvia Blaine Gabbard, 18, Livingston, Wendy's to Edward Lee Gray, 23, Mt. Vernon, self-employed. 5/5/ 16

District Civil Suits

Heights Finance Co. v.
Justin L. Marcum,
\$3,031.13 plus claimed due.
Cavalry SPV I LLC v.

Cavalry SPV I LLC v.
Paula Russell, \$763.55 plus
claimed due.
Americredit Financial
Services, Inc. v. Hencie N.

Childress, et al, \$3,945.81 plus claimed due. Southeastern Emergency Physicians LLC v. Kellie Smith, \$573 plus claimed

due. C-00062

District Court

Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
Raymond Baker: failure to produce insurance card and operating vehicle with expired operators license, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., no tail lamps, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/license suspended.

Speeding: Teresa Brown, \$5 fine plus costs; Benjamin G. Gray, Christopher Scott Estes, Tonya M. Gray, Kenneth D. Terry, license suspended for fta; Larry Woodall, \$36 fine plus costs; Robia L. Rose, paid;

Chad Mahaffey: terroristic threatening, possession of synthetic drugs, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, 30 days (each count) plus merged costs.

Joshua Spurlock: criminal trespass, 210 days in jail

plus costs

Jacob E. Bussell: failure to wear seat belts and one headlight, license suspended for fta.

Thomas Ray Scott: public intoxication, \$100 fine plus costs.

James C. Thompson: driving DUI suspended license, \$100 fine plus costs.

Ford Joseph Wagers: public intoxication, bw issued for fra.

Derick L. Wiggins: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Raeqwon J. Harris: license to be in possession, \$50 fine plus costs.

Kenneth P. Kelley: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and license to be in possession, 5 days in jail (each count)/concurrent, costs merged.

Viçki N. McDaniel: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Steven M. Miller: theft by unlawful taking, bw issued for fta.

Natasha N. Owens: reckless driving, operating vehicle w/expired operators license, possession controlled substance (two counts), drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, bw issued.

Michael D. Peters: theft by unlawful taking, \$100 fine plus costs, 90 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Eric M. Puro: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Cecil Rucker, Jr: possession of synthetic drugs, public intoxication controlled substance, possession of controlled substance, controlled substance prescription not in original container, bw issued for fta.

Freddie Denny: drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, \$100 fine plus costs.

Jason M. Durham: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure license suspended.

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James A. Foster: DUI/ under 21 years of ge, \$100 fine plus costs, 30 days operator license suspension, Zero Tolerance Program.

Roger French: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Rockcastle County Recycling Center open for recycling drop-offs

The Rockcastle County Recycling Center is located at 2528 South Wilderness Rd (US 25 South) next to the Rockcastle County Road Department Garage and is open Monday thru Friday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. (closed on major holidays).

The following items may be recycled:

Newspapers w/inserts, magazines, catalogs, office paper, junk mail, shredded paper (needs to be bagged), books, phone books (paper products cannot be plastic lined or coated), cardboard (corrugated and slick), plastics #1 Pet or Pete, plastics #2 HDPE, plastic grocery store bags, bread bags, and shrink wrap (no other sheet plastics can be accepted), metal cans, aerosol cans, aluminum cans, aluminum foil, aluminum pie plates, glass bottles and glass jars, old cell phones, car batteries, empty printer and toner cartridges, old computers and all related accessories, telephones, radios, digital clocks, rechargeable batteries (if the battery says rechargeable on it, then it is recyclable), and large bulky metal items.

Clean used motor oil may also be dropped off at the Rockcastle County Road Department.

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Recycling Drop-Off Trailers are available for use at:
Brodhead (at the back baseball field)
Conway (by Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Dept.)
Livingston (behind the old school gym)
Pongo (by Pongo Volunteer Fire Dept.)
Climax (by Climax Volunteer Fire Dept.)

Violations will be issued for putting trash in the recycling trailers!!!

If you have any questions, you may call the Rockcastle Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902.

Funded in part through a grant from the Kentucky Pride Fund, Division of Waste Management.

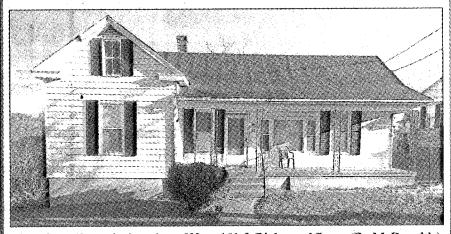


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Bidding Ends: Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Bid Online: www.fordbrothersine.com

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Directions: From the junction of Hwy 461 & Richmond Street (By McDonalds), follow Richmond Street 3/4 mile to Tevis Street. Turn left onto Tevis Street. The property is located on the left behind People's Bank.

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Note: The purchaser of a single-family dwelling built before 1978 has a period of ten days to inspect the property for the presence of lead based paint. The inspection period is from May 8th through May 18th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day post inspection period.

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For additional information, contact Auctioneer, Jeff Cromer, at 606-256-4545.

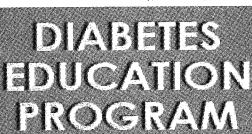




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RCHS Music Department awarded high honors at Gatlinburg Festival

Ensembles from the RCHS Music Department recently competed at the 2016 Smoky Mountain Music Festival held in Gatlinburg, TN April 29th-

The groups competed with other music programs from across the nation including music ensembles from Indiana, Illinois, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, and Texas.

The festival is held annually each year and invites musical groups to compete and be judged by some of the finest names in music performance including Kirby Shaw, world renowned choral composer and educator, a featured judge this year.

All of this year's events were held at the Gatlinburg Convention Center culminating in an awards ceremony that recognized and ranked all of the competing ensembles.

RCHS groups receiving awards included the RCHS Chamber Choir, earning first place in the Madrigal Choir Division, the RCHS Winterguard receiving first place in the Intermediate Winterguard Division, the RCHS Concert Band receiving first place in the

Class AA Concert Band Division, and the RCHS Marching Rockets, earning 1st place in the Class AA Street Parade Division on

Saturday morning.

Congratulations to these fine students and their instructors on their achievements in this years' festival?



Concert Band Members pictured front from left: Brooklyn Lane, Lizzie Dixon, Allison Renner, Hannah Mullins, Haley Graves, Caitlin Daugherty, and Frankie Woodall. Second row from left: Megan Peacock, Allie Pheanis, Trista Graves, Morgan Didelot, and Aaron Pevley. Third row from left: Tarrylton Dunn, Ben Tyler, Dylan Dooley, Brandon Hammond, and Corey Parkerson. Fourth row from left: Katherine Coffey, Tessa Pickle, Connor Noble, J.J. Clouse, Andrew Didelot, Miranda Brown, Jay Imaide, and Samarah Lovins. Back row from left: Logan Anglin, Greg Daugherty, Band Director, Megan Bond, Ryan Martin, Abigail Fletcher, Nora Pulliam, Jonah Pillion, Joseph Cowan, and Zach Feltner.

Students named 2016 Rogers Explorers

Rockcastle County Middle School students Amy Clark, Valerie Franklin, Ashlyn Brock, Katherine Coffey, and David "Luke" Peavie have been selected to attend The Center for Rural Development's Rogers Explorers youth leadership program.

Rogers Explorers is open to eighth-grade middle school students in Southern and Eastern Kentucky who have a strong interest in developing their skills in leadership, technology, math, science, and community service.

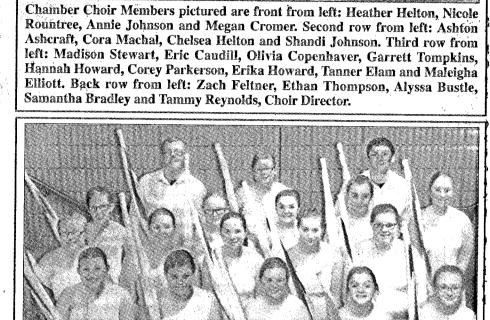
One hundred and eightytwo students—the largest class ever-will converge on the campuses of six Kentucky colleges and universities this summer for the Rogers Explorers program.

Rogers Explorers gives students a one-of-a-kind learning experience to explore different career opportunities and possible career paths in the fields of math, science, and technology," said Delaney Stephens, community liaison and youth programs coordinator for The Center. "The program also encourages creative thinking and teamwork and builds leadership skills as the region's next generation of leaders and entrepreneurs.'

Rogers Explorers is presented by The Center for Rural Development in partnership with Lindsey Wilson College, University of the Cumberlands, Eastern Kentucky University, Morehead State University, Asbury University, and the University of Pikeville.

Students spend three days and two nights on one of these leading Kentucky college campuses, where experts guide them through hands-on assignments, all of which encourages participants to build their math, science, and technology skills. The program is provided tuition-free to eligible students within The Center's 45-county primary service

For more information about Rogers Explorers, call The Center at 606-677-6000. youth@centertech.com, or visit the website at www.centeryouthprogams.com. . Follow Rogers Explorers on Facebook to keep up with the latest news on the summer camps.



Winterguard Members pictured front from left: Samarah Lovins, Trista Graves, Allison Renner, Emily Alexander and Brooklyn Lane. Second row from left: Morgan Didelot, Caitlin Daugherty, Megan Peacock, Hannah Mullins, and Abigail Fletcher. Third row from left: Allie Pheanis, Lizzie Dixon, Madison Smith, Megan Bond, and Devona Smith. Back row from left: Zach Feltner, Nora Pulliam, and Frankie Woodall.

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Congratulations Micah

Micah William Wyatt of Livingston graduated from Eastern Kentucky University on December 11, 2015. He graduated in the Class of 2000 at the Rockcastle County High School.

Micah earned EKU President's List and Dean's List honors for attaining a 4.0 grade point average for all

semester hours of his

college attendance. Upon achievement of the GPA 4.0, Micah graduated with the University Honor SUMMA CUM LAUDE. He also earned, at EKU, two college degrees, Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy Bachelor of Science in Psychology.



Micah is the spouse of Jessie Wyatt, and the son of Earl and Rosemary Wyatt of Livingston. He is the grandson of the late Frank and Wanda Mason and the late Hobert and Lottie Wyatt. The great-grandson of Gladys Mason, and the late George and Mary Isaac Mason, and the late Logan & Mary McGuire.

Micah, we love you so much and are very proud of you. Wherever your heart my roam, may you always remember "your old Kentucky home".

Love you always Dad, Mom and Jessie

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May 12, 2016 5:00-7:00 PM **MVES Playground**

(In case of bad weather, the event will be moved to the MVES Gym)

- For ALL Rockcastle preschoolers
- Pick up enrollment forms
- Make appointments for entry screening & health requirements
- Tour a school bus
- Inflatables & FREE face painting - FREE hot dog cookout
- Kona Ice Truck all incoming preschoolers will receive a FREE Kona Ice.
- Library Bookmobile - Rocky the Health Hound



RCHS Library hosts 5th Spring into Reading Event

102students and 30 adultsgathered in the Rockcastle County High School Library for ninety minutes of book discussions during fourth period. Students signed up to read a popular young adult bookwith the discussion led by a surprise adult leader from the school district or community. After enjoying a spread of refreshments, the library was filled to capacity with 22 groups enjoying book discussions and conversation. This was the fifth consecutive year for this event organized by RCHS Librarian Janet Wells.

The following participated in this year's event: Susan Norton (RCHS

English Teacher), Complicit, with students Michael Collett, Kendra Hensley, and Dakota Tillery.

Cynthia Rogers Roundstone Elementary School Librarian), The Fault in Our Stars, with students Hope Holbrook, McKenzie Lowery, Kaitlyn Smith, Bailey Johnson, and auryn Carpenter.

Iris Young (DAR Member), Exposed, with students Ashley Crouch, Bethany Blevins, Maggie Bourland, Tiffany McGuire, and Halie AcGuire.

MaryAnn Kolloff (Eastern Kentucky University Library Science Department), One Safe Place, with students Samantha Bullock, Brianna Lay, Aleya Powell, and Daya McGuire.

Jennifer Lake (Retired Jackson County High School Librarian), I Hunt Killers, with students Caitlin Whitt, Clare Beichler, Kerra Robinson, Amber Rice, Raymond Rose, and Morgan Didelot.

Sherri McKinney (RCHS Attendance Clerk), The Lucky One, with students Kailey Lovell, Jaden Payne, Lindsay Mink, Hannah Johnston, Autumn Davidson, and Valerie Cummins.

Norma Eversole (DAR dember), Don't Expect Magic, with student Rebekah Renner.

Holly Robinson (RCHS Social Studies Teacher), Out of the Easy, with students Akira King, Adam J. McKinney, Rachel Chadwell, Maggie Franklin, Melanie Mink, and Dahsoam Jeong.

Carrie Alcorn (RCHS FMD Teacher). I Am the Weapon, with students Ashley Hollin, Shandi Johnson, Haley Bullock, Megan Peacock, and Rebekah Lake.

Amanda McNew (DAR Member), Jane in Bloom, with students Rebekah Pearson, Adrianne Walker, Marina Blevins, Abigail Fletcher, Jennifer Mercer, and Kendra Engle.

Donna Lauerman (RCHS Collaborating Teacher), Salt to the Sea, with students Savannah Bullock, Rachelle Doan, Kaitlin Hensley, Cameron Brown, Lea Ellen Rogers, and Sarah Roberts.

Ralph Turner (Eastern Kentucky University Library Science Department), Raider's Night, with students Keith Carpenter, Kaitlyn Allen, Houston Arnold, Mark Isaacs, and Paige Fowler.

Jean Gentry (DAR Member), Tighter, with students Lindsey Harrison, Madison M. Stewart, Megan Hampton, and Rebekah Kersey.

Markita Proctor (RCHS English Teacher), The Last Great Game, with students Cole Ballinger, Kensie Sheffield, Kagan Miller, Patrick Gadd, and Hunter

John Wells (Retired RCHS Math Teacher), Ten Mile River, with students Cora Machal, Christie Samples, Maleigha Elliott, Michael Allen, and Dakota Hoskins.

Mary Adams (RCHS English/Agriculture Teacher), Grandmaster, with students Tristan Begley, Charles Clark, Kristina Hayes, Calan Cromer, Ryan Martin, and Brianna Clines.

Betty Holt (RATC/ RCHS Collaborating Teacher), Fitz, with students Megan Bond, Megan Taylor, Kiarra Clouse, and Sam Brickley.

Jennifer Mattingly (RCHS Principal), All You Never Wanted, with students Ginger Cornelius, Kennedy Carpenter, Apryl Volk, and Hannah Renner.

Les Scalf (RCHS Art Teacher), Gated, with students Alyssa Bustle, Erika Howard, and Haylie Mad-

Angie Hendrickson (Rockcastle County Gifted and Talented Coordinator), Red Heart Tattoo, with students Sierra Robinson, Shelby Swanigan, Kayla Ginter, Serena Shackleford, and Jillian Roebuck.

Molly Belcher (DAR Member), Project Cain, with students Jordyn Powell, Breonya Napier, Logan Jett, Nikki McGuire, and Secret Pearson.

Patsy McFalls (DAR Member), Revenge of a Not-So-Pretty Girl, with students Mahala King, Joy Frith, Shyann Reynolds, and Miranda Brown.

Special guests included Rockcastle County Schools Administrator Jason Coguer (Direction of Instruction and Finance), and RCHS Administrators Jennifer Mattingly, Barry Noble, and Becky Smith, as well as DAR members Laura Durham and Debbie Brown. Mrs. Brown noted that the Rockcastle Chapter of the DAR had been honored in the past year at both the state and national levels for their partnership with the RCHS Spring into Reading event, and that Mrs. Laura Durham was receiving a state award for her work with the DAR.

Appreciation is extended to the following for their efforts in preparing for this event: Laura Durham, Marianne Joenborg, Carolyn Wells, Sondra Mullins, Jennifer Houk, Coy Taylor, and Tim Reynolds. A special thanks to the RCHS teachers and staff who covered classes and supervision duties for colleagues who were participating as discussion leaders.

Planning is already underway for the 2017 Spring into Reading event.

If you are interested in serving as a discussion leader, please contact Janet Wells at (606) 256-4816. She will be happy to suggest possible books and recruit up to six students for the discussion. Discussion ques-

tions and other materials are provided. Interest has grown each year from 60 students in 2012, 72 in 2013, 106 in 2014, and 111 last year. We especially need male community leaders to interact with our young men.



Students enjoyed a delicious spread of refreshments as part of the fifth annual Spring into Reading event at RCHS.

Mount Vernon Message

School News

Brownies (2nd & 3rd Grades) will meet each Wednesday from 3:30 until 4:30.

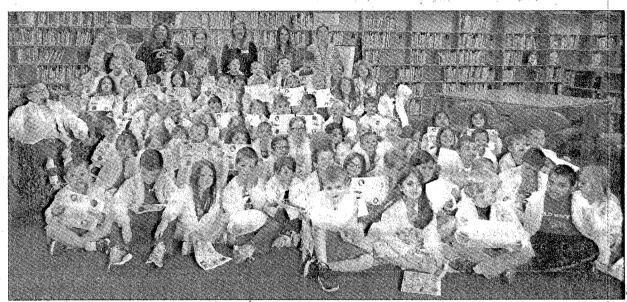
Preschool Bash is scheduled for Thursday, May 12. MVES Student Council meets on Thursday, May 12. Preschool and Kindergarten Registration for 2016-2017 school year will take place on Monday, May 16 at the Adult Education Center.

No School on Tuesday, May 17 due to Election Day. RCMS Chorus Concert is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18 at 9:30.

MVES Chorus Concert is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18 at 1:00.

Jiggy program is scheduled for Thursday, May 19 at

Thank you to Dr. Callie and Ms. Nicky Howard of AHEC for teaching our Kindergarten students about health and being a doctor. Our students participated in a 10 week long Doctor's Bag Program. They received doctor's Coats and a certificate.



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PROGRAM OPTIONS

There are two programs in Rockcastle County that offer free early childhood education services to qualifying four year old children. (Three year old children may be eligible with an identified disability.) The programs are: The Rockcastle County Public Preschool and

WHAT TO BRING FOR REGISTRATION

Please bring your child's state birth certificate (hospital copy will not be accepted), SOCial security card (optional), immunization certificate, proof of income and proof of medical coverage (i.e. medical card or insurance card) to register. Call your school with any questions and to make an appointment to register your child.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

The following health requirements must be met in order to enroll in the early childhood program and kindergarten.

- Physical exam
- Blood pressure and lead screening
- Dental exam
- Vision exam **Immunizations**

Kentucky River Foothills Head Start.

Early Childhood & Kindergarten REGISTRATION & SCREENING

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for Rockcastle County Public Preschool, your child must be 4 years old by August 1st and meet one of the following requirements:

- 1. Be eligible for Free Lunch
- 2. Have a disability
- 3. Three year olds may be eligible with an identified disability
- 4. Non-qualifying four year olds may attend the Early Childhood program as space

To be eligible for Head Start, your child must be 4 years old by August 1st and meet one of the following requirements:

- 1. Meet Federal Income Guidelines
- 2. Have a disability
- 3. Be eligible for Public Assistance
- (SSI, K-TAP, Child Care Subsidy) Meet guidelines for being considered a
- homeless family Reside in a foster home

What is a disability? A delay in one or more of the following areas is considered a disability:

- 1. Speech and language
- 2. Large and fine motor 3. Cognitive skills
- Social and emotional
- Self-help skills

REGISTRATION DATES

Students will only be enrolled by verifying residence within a school's attendance zone.

Brodhead Elementary School

Early Childhood & Kindergarten 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM Monday, May 16th - Friday, May 20th

Please make an appointment by calling your school at (606) 758-9756.

Mt. Vernon Elementary School AND **Roundstone Elementary School**

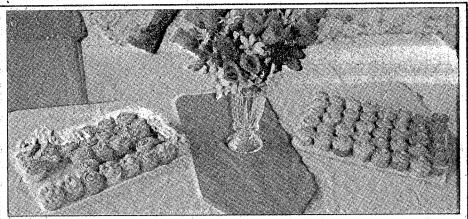
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Registration will be located at Rockcastle Adult Education Center 955 West Main Street Mt. Vernon, KY Beside Rockcastle Middle School

Please make an appointment by calling your school:

Mt. Vernon - (606) 256-2953 Roundstone - (606) 256-2235

*No screenings Election Day, Tuesday, May 17th.



Roundstone Elementary News...

Mrs. Imogene Williams' and Mrs. Tanya Clark's kindergarten classes at Roundstone Elementary School have been learning about Kentucky, Kentucky traditions including the Kentucky Derby, and animals.

They had a Derby Day Celebration. The students were treated to cupcakes decorated and placed in the shape of a horse. They also had Roundstone Mint Juleps.

As a family involvement activity, each student designed and created a Derby Silk, which they wore in during the Roundstone Derby.

As a culminating activity, Dr. David Bullock visited classes to discuss how to care for horses and horse safety. He brought his Tennessee Walking Horse, Sunshine. Each child had the opportunity to sit on Sunshine, who was adorned with a beautiful saddle and a garland of roses, and have his/her picture taken wearing his/her silk.

Special thanks to Dr. David Bullock for visiting and sharing his knowledge and Sunshine; Mrs. Sharon Lovell for making and designing the cupcake horse; Mrs. Tanya Adkins for being the photographer and making the race horses; Mrs. Jamica Richards for the Roundstone Mint Juleps; and Mrs. Pam Burdette for creating the Garland of



Transportation Cabinet offers surplus highway maps to schools

Classrooms across the state will soon receive an educational resource thanks in part to a surplus map program offered by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC).

"The Maps to Schools program gives students and teachers an additional tool to learn more about Kentucky's vast transporta-tion network," said Greg Thomas, Acting Secretary for KYTC.

The Cabinet's 12 highway districts will begin distributing surplus copies of the 2015 Official Highway Map to educators and students over the next month. The maps are used for many educational purposes including geography, mathand social studies classes, as well as library reference materials.

The Maps to Schools program has been a popular initiative for teachers, students and Cabinet employees. Statewide, more than 100,000 surplus maps have been distributed to classrooms since the program's inception in

To receive the surplus maps, educators are encour-aged to complete and submit the following informa-

> Teacher Name: School: School Address: City:

County: Number of Boxes* Requested:

*(KYTC can only supply boxes containing 200 folding maps)

Teachers must submit their requests to Courtney

Money Tips for Students Now is time for retirement planning

Retirement may be the farthest thing from your mind when you're still in school, but now is the time to start thinking about it. In fact, the farther away it is, the better off you may be, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

For decades, U.S. citizens have depended on Social Security for much of their retirement income. However, Social Security benefits for younger workers are not guaranteed.

Another source of retirement income for many people has been pensions. But many companies are scaling back or ending their pension plans.

When it comes to retirement, you should hope for the best but prepare for the

Every time you get paid, set something aside for retirement. A little can go a long way. For example, if you save \$200 per month for 40 years without earning any interest, you will have saved \$96,000. If you can invest that money at 2.5 percent, you will have more than \$164,000 saved.

Develop and maintain a

budget that includes saving as much as you can, then invest those savings wisely. When you begin your career, work with an investment professional to pick the plan that is best for you. Even if you don't have Social Security or a pension upon retiring, you will still have something to help get you through your retirement years.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship

KHEAA provides financial literacy videos at http:/ /itsmoney.kheaa.com. KHEAA also provides free copies of "Ît's Money, Baby," a guide to financial literacy, to Kentucky schools and residents upon request publications@kheaa.com.

For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7214.

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courtney.leflore@ky.gov or (502) 782-4827 by Friday, April 15. Cabinet employees will deliver the maps to the schools.

The program is a collaboration between KYTC, the Kentucky Department of Education and the Kentucky Education and Workforce Cabinet

25 year celebration



The Family Resource & Youth Service Centers are celebrating 25 Years of Success. Rockcastle County Schools would like to thank the Family Resource and Youth Service Centers for everything they do to help advocate for students each day. Pictured from left are: Regina Hull-Brown, Sandy Bullen, Satica Morgan, Angie Payne, Kim Hunter, Barbara Mullins and Jesse Mahaffey.

Financial Aid Tip for Students

Make college more affordable

When it comes to comparing the costs of various colleges, remember that on the broadest level, costs can be tangible or intangible. To save money, follow these tips from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

Tangible costs include tuition and fees and room and board.

Intangible costs include everything else: textbooks and supplies; computers; and personal items, such as shampoo, clothes, entertainment, laundry, and other expenses.

You can save money, sometimes a lot of money, by controlling the costs of your lifestyle. That doesn't mean skimping on shampoo, soap, food and doing your laundry. But you can cut costs by finding sales or etsing coupons. Always be looking out for buy one, get one free deals.

You can also save quite a bit of money by cutting back on treats such as entertainment and dining out. Doing those things less often will make them even

more special when you do treat yourself.

Remember: The less you spend on the intangibles, the less you'll have to take out in student loans. That means that after you graduate you can afford more of the things you enjoy.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers the Kentucky Educational Ex-

Scholarship cellence (KEES), need-based grants and other programs to help students pay their higher education expenses.

For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7214.



Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 15-CI-00126

Planet Home Lending, LLC ekong parametrik te

Plaintiff

Robert Anderson, et al

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on September 25, 2015 and order to reschedule sale entered on March 25, 2016 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of EIGHTY FOUR THOU-SAND EIGHTY FOUR DOLLARS AND 74/100 (\$84,084.74) 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, May 20, 2016 Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said property being described as follows: 640 Old State Road, Mount Vernon, KY 40456

PVA Parcel #042-00-049

The property shall be sold on 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 ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.

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.

3. The purchaser shall pay the 2015 local, county, and state property taxes.

4. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.

5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.

6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.

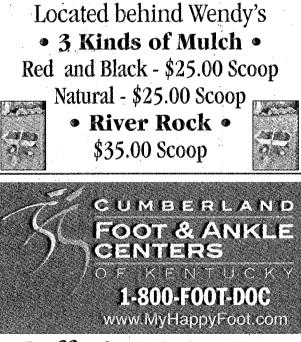
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or

bond shall be required. 8. The purchaser shall at their own expense

carry fire and extended insurance coverage on said improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is paid in full, to the extent of the Court appraised value of said improvements of the unpaid balance of the purchase price, whichever is less, as a minimum with a loss payable clause to the Master Commissioner.

9. This 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**



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DAR installs new officers...

Rockcastle Chapter DAR had their installation of new officers at their May meeting on May 2nd. These officers will hold office during the 2016-2019 administration. Pictured from left are: Jamie Bryant (Historian); Tonya Cook (Chaplain); Amanda McNew (Secretary); Jean Gentry (Registrar); Kathy Bobo (Treasurer); Patsy McFalls (Vice-Regent); Debbie Brown (Regent) and current Chaplain Laura Durham, Molly Belcher (Librarian) was not present.



Boy Scouts guest speakers at DAR meeting...

Boy Scout troop 256 and troop leader John Tyler were the guest speakers at the Rockcastle Chapter DAR May Meeting. They gave a very informative and patriotic presentation on the US Flag retirement ceremony.

2015 highway fatality count released

Kentucky increased last year, according to the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety (KOHS) and Kentucky State Police (KSP).

There were 761 fatalities in 2015, 89 more than

"The number of fatalities during 2015 will not discourage our agency from striving 'Toward Zero Deaths' in the future," said Tpr. Kendra Wilson. "We are utilizing real-time. digital traffic data to identify high crash corridors and increasing patrols and

Highway fatalities in enforcement efforts in those areas."

> Of the 761 fatalities last year, 51 percent were not buckled up and 18.7 percent involved alcohol. More than 36 percent involved speeding or aggressive drivers. Motorcyclists accounted for 80 fatalities, with 65 percent not wearing helmets.

"KSP wants to remind motorists not to become complacent when it comes to highway safety," said Tpr Wilson. "We are vigilant in enforcing seat belt laws and will continue tar-

geting impaired, aggressive and distracted drivers who endanger the lives of others."

Mild winter weather and lower gas prices during the last quarter of the year led to increased traveling on Kentucky roadways and are considered to be contributing factors in the fatality increase.

Bill Bell, KOHS executive director, said there were some encouraging trends in 2015 on which to build.

"Because more motorists took responsibility for their driving habits, there were 59 days last year in which no one lost a loved one on our roadways," Bell said. "We are committed to focusing our efforts until that number of zero-death days reaches 365."

Until then, KOHS will analyze highway data to identify existing issues and attempt to predict future problems.

So far in 2016, preliminary numbers indicate there have been 151 roadway fatalities – down from 173 compared to the same time last year.

For more information, http:// highwaysafety.ky.gov/ and www.kentuckystatepolice.org.

Rachel Wright joins **Extension Service Staff**

Rachel Wright joined the Rockcastle County Extension Service on May 2nd as a SnapEd Nutrition Program Assistant. Rachel was raised in Rockcastle County and previously worked for Rockcastle Regional Childcare Center.

Rachel will receive extensive nutrition and curriculum training with the University of Kentucky for the next three months. At the beginning of August Rachel will start enrolling clients in a series of Nutrition Education classes that will help families to eat

healthier diets. If you, or someone you know would benefit from the classes, please contact the Extension Office at (606)256-2403.



Rachel Wright

PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE WESTERN ROCKCASTLE WATER ASSOCIATION

This Public Notice is pursuant to KAR 5:001, Section 10, making notice of a new requirement for Fire Departments to receive free water for fire suppression and firefighting training purposes. Western Rockcastle Water Association will make this new requirement effective on and after May 16, 2016. The proposed tariff is an addition to the current tariff and reads as follows:

Fire Department Use

Any city, county, urban-county, charter county, fire protection district, or volunteer fire protection district ("User") may withdraw water from the utility's water distribution system for fighting fires or training firefighters at no charge on the condition that it maintains estimates of the amount of water used for fire protection and training during the calendar mouth and reports the amount of this water usage to the utility no later than the 15th day of the following calendar month.

Any User that withdraws water from the utility's water distribution system for fire protection or training purposes and fails to submit the required report on water usage in a timely manner shall be assessed the cost of this water. A User shall submit a monthly report even if it withdraws no water for fire protection or training purposes.

A non-reporting User's usage shall be presumed to be 0.3 percent of the utility's total water sales for the calendar month. A non-reporting User may present evidence of its actual usage to rebut the presumed usage. The utility shall consider this evidence and shall adjust the presumed usage amount accordingly.

The non-reporting User shall be billed for this usage at the lowest usage block rate regardless of customer classification that the utility charges.

A non-reporting User shall also be assessed a \$25.00 penalty for each failure to submit a report in a timely manner.

The charges/rates contained in this notice are the charges/rates proposed by the Western Rockcastle Water Association. However, the Public Service Commission may order charges/rates to be charged that differ from these proposed charges/rates. Such action may result in charges/rates for consumers other than the

Any corporation, association, body politic, or person may, by motion within thirty (30) days after publication of this fee change, request leave to intervene; and the motion shall be submitted to the Public ervice Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602, and shall set forth the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party.

Intervenors may obtain copies of the application and related filings by contacting the Water Association office located at 371 New Brodhead Road, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456.

WESTERN ROCKCASTLE WATER ASSOCIATION s/ Darrell Whitaker, President

Summer travel on a budget

Warm, sunny days are the perfect occasion to hit the road to discover new things. But the dream of getting away may seem impossible to some of us when the costs of traveling, includ-

These tips may make it easier for you to get away without breaking the bank.

ing food, lodging and enter-

tainment, are piled on top of

everyday living expenses.

1. Shorten the length of your stay. Everyone would love to stay on the beach for a full seven days, but for some, that may not be economically feasible. Instead of canceling your trip, look at your budget and see how many days you can afford. You may find that you save several hundred dollars just by shortening your stay by a few days.

2. Choose off-peak vacation spots. While summer is the peak season for most places, destinations like ski resorts that do the majority of their business during the winter months may offer discounts during the off-season. You won't be able to ski, but you can enjoy nature, restaurants and tourist attractions, not to mention fewer crowds.

3. Look for last minute deals or specials if you are flexible with your dates. Often airlines or hotels will offer discounts to fill empty seats and vacant rooms. Make sure you book with a reputable company when searching the Internet for deals.

4. Save money by eating in. Food can be one of the biggest expenses of a vacation next to lodging. Think about whether you could bring food or purchase it at

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Hazel Jackson

Rockcastle County Extension Office



a local grocery store instead of dining out for every meal. Breakfast and lunch may be easy to do, if you have refrigerator access or are ok with grab-n-go food. Having access to a kitchen in your room or vacation rental could help you prepare a couple of home-cooked

meals for your family. 5. Have a staycation. Become a tourist in your own city or region. In (COUNTY NAME), we have attractions like (LIST ATTRAC-TIONS). You can also contact the visitor's bureau at (PHONE NUMBER) for more information on free or low-cost summer events offered in the county.

6. Set a budget and follow it. Make sure everyone in your family knows the daily spending allowance and agrees to stay within it. Families can plan each day's

events based on their bud-

7. Start a vacation savings account for next year. Like Christmas savings accounts, some banks offer vacation club savings accounts. These allow you to spread the cost of the vacation over an entire year instead of being hit with a lump payment at once.

For more information on topics related to family financial management, contact the Rockcastle County Cooperative Extension office at 256-2403.

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ATTENTION

Mt. Vernon Water Customers

The Mt. Vernon Fire Department and the Mt. Vernon Water Works Department will be testing/flushing fire hydrants on Monday nights during the month of May. This will be done in the evenings or at night. Water may have a muddy color after testing/flushing.

During this testing, customers should let water run a short time, always checking before washing clothes.

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Commercial/Investment Property

Bidding Ends: Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at approx. 4:00 p.m.

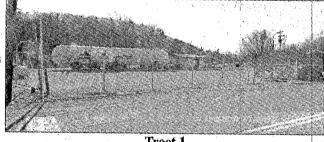
Bid Online: www.fordbrothersinc.com

Roundstone section, Rockcastle County

Directions: From Mt. Vernon, take US 25 north approx. 6 miles. Turn onto State Rd. 1786 and the property is immediately on the left. From Berea: take US 25 south for 8 miles to auction site. Auction signs are posted.

Tract 1: measures .78 acre and has 288.5 feet of frontage along Hwy 1786. There is a storage building on this tract with a concrete pad.

This tract also has railroad siding. The portable office building on this tract is not part of the sale as it belongs to the tenant. There is a lease on this tract with approx. 3 1/2 years remaining



with option for lease to renew. It is leased for \$1500 per month and the lease will be transferred to the new owner.

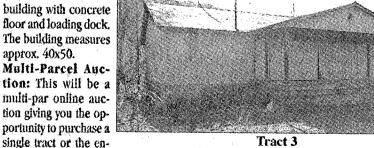
Tract 2: This tract measures .59 acre and fronts Hwy 1786 239 feet. It is improved with the

pictured brick building measuring approx. 2100 square feet. It offers retail showroom and reception area. It has an executive office and 2 additional offices, 1 bath w/ shower, 2 additional half baths, kitchenette, storage



room that could be utilized as an additional office & a utility/maintenance room combination. The building has gas furnace and central air, carpet and tile flooring, shingle roof & much more. It could also be easily converted to a single family residence or duplex.

Tract 3: measures .97 acres and it has frontage of 247.78 feet along Hwy 1786. This tract is improved with a block and metal warehouse



Tract 3

tire property. Bidding on the individual tracts only will be available until May 16th at 12 noon. At that time, you may bid on any single tract combination of tracts or the property in its

Auctioneer's Note: If you're interested in property with a cash flow already working for you, a commercial building or a property that could easily adapt to a residence, or just need a building for storage, you need to check this one out.

Preview Dates: Tuesday, May 10th & May 17th from 2-4 p.m.

Buyer's Premium: A 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to winning bid to determine the final sales price.

Terms: 20% down within 48 hours of conclusion of sale with balance in 30 days with deed. Announcements made day of sale take precedence over printed material.



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The Rockcastle County Development Board applied for a Jackson Energy RoundUp grant and on May 4th, Mayor Jason Medley and Lynn Tatum, Director of the Development Board was presented a \$1,000 check by Phillip Thompson to go toward the purchase of playground equipment.

NRA endorses Jonathon Shell

State Representative Jonathan Shell has been endorsed by the National Rifle Association PVF in the Republican primary for the 71st District State House seat which includes Rockcastle County.

"Jonathan Shell is an avid sportsman and defender of the Second Amendment we can trust to protect our freedoms in the Kentucky House of Representatives." said Daniel Hall, the State Liaison of the National Rifle Association of America.

"I'm always going to stand up for the rights of Rockcastle's gun owners and sportsmen. Liberals in Frankfort and Washington never stop looking for ways to limit our Second Amendment rights. I will be vigilant in making sure our guns rights are protected." said Shell in response to the endorsement.

A graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, Shell is a farmer and a small business owner. He and his wife

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Brooke, have three young children.

In addition Rockcastle, House District 71 includes all of Garrard County and a portion of Madison County.

"Grant"

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of having this opportunity to build our funds for a very worthwhile community project. For more information an Operation RoundUp call 1-800-262-7480, or log on to Jackson Energy at, www.jacksonenergy.com/ content/operation-roundup.

"Budget"

(Cont. from B1)

money. We must correct this shortcoming, and it is unacceptable to do it while strapping our children and grandchildren with more debt. I am proud to have helped lead this charge.

Kentucky's final budget fully funds the Judicial Branch, and dodges poten-

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tial cuts which would have been devastating to our state's third branch of government - necessary for maintaining checks and balances. Without full funding, our court systems would have faced nearly 600 lost jobs and major delays in a very functional, efficient

Furthermore, important and highly successful programs such as drug court would have been eliminated. It is important our courts function effectively and efficiently, and it is just as important that programs like drug court remain intact to help those in need.

Another area which received ample funding was K-12 education, which is certainly near the top of the priority list for Kentuckians. As I have written before, my education priorities included full funding for elementary and secondary education, which is reflected in the final budget. There won't be any reductions in 2017-18 from our current funding levels, which ensures all important childhood learning programs continue and are left

completely intact. Finally, our two years budget includes funding for a savings account to ensure we invest in the future of Kentucky. Just like your family, our state must have a savings account should we fall on hard economic times. We must ensure our future stability by retaining enough of a savings to fund the important programs for our children, families, and businesses for generations to come.

As always, I welcome your comments and concerns on any issues facing Kentucky. I can be reached through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181, or you can contact me via email at jonathan.shell@lrc.ky.gov.

Yards to Paradise -

By Max Phelps Selecting New Trees,

Maintaining Existing Trees It's not unusual to buy a new home with no trees, as it's quite rare for real estate developers to save good quality trees and build around them in a development. Perhaps if you owned the lot and hired your builder, you got to do it. more to your liking. And many a homeowner buys a place with more mature trees that have been planted by a former owner, and wonders if they should be kept and how would they know how to care for them.

Let's take a moment to look at these situations and see if we can come away with more confidence in selecting and maintaining trees in our landscapes.

If you have the luxury of having a wooded property that you plan to build a home on, you have choices to make. Which trees will need to go, and which can stay? There is not one perfect answer, of course. (Just don't do like a neighbor of mine who cleared a tract and removed a native, natural occurring pink dogwood that would have been 20 feet from the spot he chose for building. That was a bad selection of what needed to go or stay.)

For those with a house having few or no trees, you have the luxury of choosing what you would like. What are your favorite trees? Will they look good with this home? And will they grow well under the conditions that are present? It is still not as simple as going shopping for the trees you happen to like and planting them.

Right tree, right spot. That is a good rule to follow. If your yard has bedrock or compacted clay soil just under the surface, will the tree you prefer do well in that spot? If the spot you need a tree stays wet all the time, do you go ahead and plant a tree that needs good drainage? Does your favorite tree need some shade; and if so, do you plan to put it in the front yard in full sun? Sometimes you need to think natives, or at least think what would do best in my spot-not go with the tree with pretty blooms or because you had one where you lived as a child.

When selecting trees, consider the various pros and cons, and be willing to consider trees you'd not thought of or haven't seen in other people's yards. Let your spot, including location and soil and mature size help choose what would work well. Try to avoid impulse decisions, and get professional advice if you need

The homeowner who wants a lovely dogwood might ought to consider putting it on the shady side of the home away from midday sun. The one who wants an oak tree might want to consider the acorns, the roots, and how much space it will take up 40 years from now. The folks who live by a busy street that gets' treated by salt trucks several times every winter when it snows might ought to ask the nursery some questions, such as "what is the salt tolerance of this plant" if they want to plant it near the street, or where highway runoff will be flowing across their property.

As real estate changes hands, so do the trees and other amenities. Often a new homeowner will have no idea if a tree is healthy, if it presents a hazard in a windstorm, or should they accept and love it even if not one of their favorites.

Quickly, some trees with disease or fungus issues that perhaps you should avoid, would include: Ash trees, walnut trees, native dogwoods, hemlocks, to name a few. But what if you have these trees and they are healthy?

Usually I would advise to keep a watch and be prepared to treat with a spray or systemic at the first sign of trouble. But, if you have badly diseased trees, prompt removal may be the best with selection of something different and tough and disease resistant.

Problem soils, wet or rocky or dry locations, are all problems that can probably be solved with some good soil trucked in and plant in that.

Smaller trees, containerized trees, even little ones dug from the forest or fallow field often perform better than balled and burlapped large trees. Unless you're the impatient type, or have a terminal illness and want to enjoy trees right away, planting smaller sizes will be way cheaper, and within 5 or 10 years will probably catch and pass the growth of the bigger trees.

Landscapers and nurserymen may try to sell you on the instant gratification. In practice, if a customer has me designing a landscape on a fairly small budget...I will often recommend oné

big, pretty tree, plus several much smaller ones. That way they get one lovely bit of instant shade or screening, and wait on the others to fill in, saving many dollars in the process.

Before you make decisions on existing trees, get to know what species it is. Learn if it's a good tree to have, or if it was a bad choice from the get-go. And, don't go cutting down or topping trees without seeking expert opinions. Topping is a very poor tree care practice, generally speaking, Removing a few select limbs and bringing shapes back into control would be preferred if a tree needs

When the desire for a problem tree wins out, due to sentimental factors or personal preferences, it's not the end of the world. Just find an appropriate place, plant with care, and give it a bit of TLC and hope for the

So many things can go into having a pretty landscape. If you have lovely trees, take good care not to harm them. And if you are in need of trees, or simply want some for shade, screening, attractive appearance, or whatever, carefully consider size and shape, how will it grow in your poor (or rich) soil, and will it look good in relation to the home and other elements both now, as well as many years from now, as it becomes a big tree?

Choose smartly, and select for diversity rather than what everybody else has in their yards.

Plant and maintain trees for a more valuable and more useful property, Only one special or specimen tree is needed, it will show off better (and you'll save money also) if the other trees and shrubs are ordinary in appearance. As with most things, some forethought before acting is the better course of action.

The author is a landscaper. Feedback welcomed. Visit www.rockcastles.net



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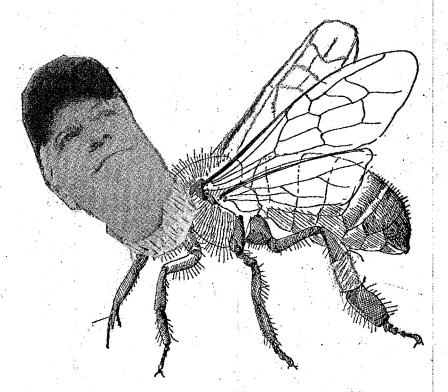
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Posted: Property belonging to Don and Kitty Reese on Smallwood Road Roundstone. All trespassers will be prosecuted. 49xntf Posted: No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Glen Roberts at 560 Dix River Branch Road, Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 35xntf

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Yard Sale: Saturday, May 14th, 8:00 to Noon at 504 Countryside Circle. Girls 4-4T; Women's 12-16, L-XL; shoes 6-7.5; miscellaneous furniture (bar stools, end tables) and household items; queen comforter sets; books, puzzles, DVDs. Look for signs.



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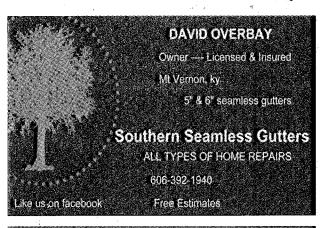
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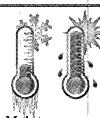
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Agricultural News By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

USDA Establishes New Partnerships to Link Underserved Farmers to

FSA Programs Minority, Women, New and Beginning, Military Veteran and Urban Producers to Receive Training and Information on Agency Ser-

USDA announced cooperative agreements with 55 partners to educate farmers and other producers that have been underserved by USDA programs historically about Farm Service Agency (FSA) programs that provide financial, disaster or technical support. Nearly \$2.5 million will go to nonprofits, associations, universities, and foundations that will provide training and information on agricultural best practices, local networking opportunities, and more.

FSA, which solicited applications last fall, received nearly 100 proposals that requested over \$9 million in funding. Cooperative agreements, encompassing more than 28 states, will be between \$20,000 and \$75,000 each and several involve multi-state or national efforts. A list of awardees can found www.fsa.usda.gov/out-

FSA also announced today that it is accepting proposals for consideration in the second evaluation period. Applications are due no later than July 11, 2016. Projects not selected during the first evaluation period will be reconsidered during the second period. Additional information on the funding solicitation and the related FSA programs can be found at www.grants.gov using reference number

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USDA is also helping producers find an entry into farming through urban agriculture opportunities and the increasing consumer demand for locally-produced items. Under this Administration, USDA has invested more than \$1 billion in over 40,000 local and regional food businesses and infrastructure projects. USDA is committed to helping farmers, ranchers, and businesses access the growing market for local and regional foods, which was valued at \$12 billion in 2014 according to industry estimates. More information on how USDA investments are connecting producers with consumers and expanding rural economic opportunities is available in Chapter IV of USDA Results on Medium.

Next FSA County Committee Meeting Date: June 1, 2016 8:00 A.M. at the Mt. Vernon USDA Service Center.

Office Closure Schedule The Mt. Vernon Service Center (FSA, NRCS and Rockcastle Co. Conservation District) offices will be closed the following dates for observance of a Federal Holiday: May 30, 2016-Memorial Day.

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Buzz Carloftis was the guest speaker at the April 14th Kiwanis meeting. Carloftis is a candidate for State Representative in District 71 and discussed his plans if he is elected to office, while also stating his position on various political topics. Pictured above, Kiwanis President Rose Brown presenting Carloftis a Certificate of Appreciation.



Local author Carrie Mullins was the guest speaker at the April 21st Kiwanis meeting. Ms. Mullins shared a passage from her current book, Night Garden. She also discussed how the idea of the book came about and took questions from the audience. Pictured above, Kiwanis Board of Director Martha Cox presenting Mullins a Certificate of Appreciation.



State Representative Jonathan Shell was the guest speaker at the April 28th Kiwanis meeting. Shell shared his position on various political topics and how they affect Rockcastle and surrounding counties. Pictured above, Kiwanis President Rose Brown presenting Representative Shell a Certificate of Appreciation.

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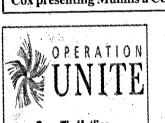
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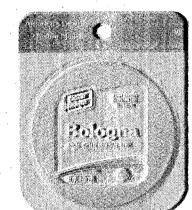
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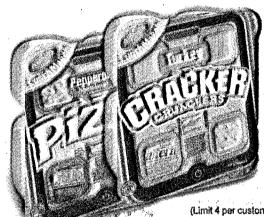
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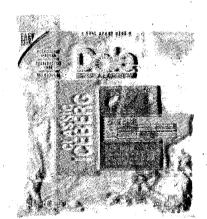


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