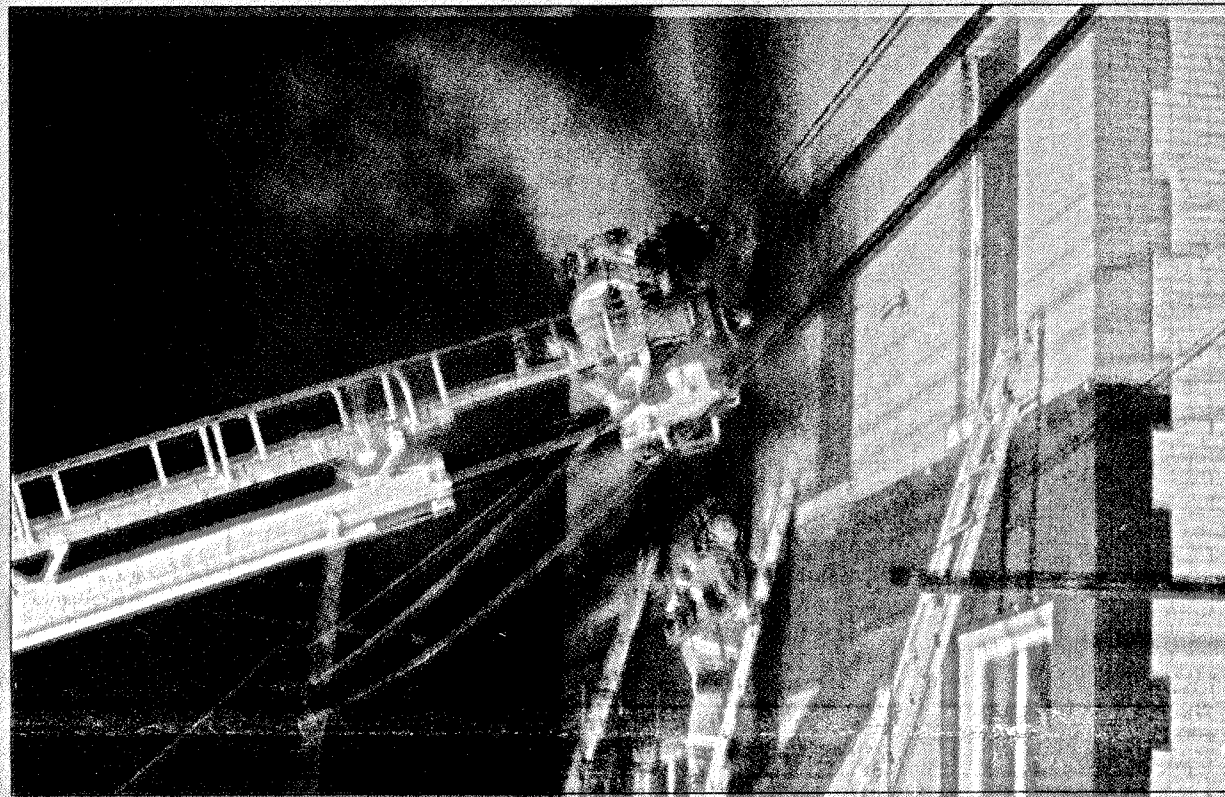


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The Livingston Fire Department, along with six other departments from surrounding areas, fought the fire at the Depot building Sunday Night. Reports of an explosion upstairs came after the fire was spotted. Assessment of the damage to the building is underway, according to Livingston Mayor Jason Medley.



The Mount Vernon Fire Department used their ladder truck to battle the blaze in the Livingston Depot Building Sunday Night. At one time there were 16 fire trucks on the scene working to control the fire. The inside of the Depot was badly damaged and a gofundme account has been set up on Facebook seeking donations to help with the repairs.

## Livingston Depot catches fire

By: Mike French Reporter

The Livingston Depot and Gospel Music building was severely damaged by fire Sunday night around 8 p.m. Several reports indicated an explosion upstairs where the fire started in an apartment occupied by Doug Medley.

The building recently underwent some renovations, through donations and the hard work of volunteers in the city, Livingston Mayor Jason medley said.

Medley also noted that there were greater plans for the building, including a children's theatre and other activities.

The Christian-centered facility was being used every Friday night for gospel music performances and several other activities throughout the week and part of the upstairs renovation had already begun.

Sunday night, Medly noticed the fire upstairs and contacted the Livingston Fire Department who then called surrounding fire departments for assistance.

"Livingston was lit up like a Christmas tree for a while," said Medley as Livingston's Fire Department, along with fire departments from Crossroads, East Bernstadt, Western, Brodhead and Mount Vernon responded and, along with Livingston Police and the Kentucky State Police lined the streets during the event.

But it was too late to save a lot of the interior of the building, according to Medley. "There was some pretty bad damage but the fire department got here in a hurry," he said. "It could have been a lot worse without these dedicated people.

"At one time there were sixteen fire trucks on the scene. They did a great job keeping it under control."

But Medley says this event hasn't changed a thing. "We will rebuild and overcome. With God's help it will be better than ever." We don't understand the Lord's plan sometimes but He knows what He is doing."

Still, Medley admits it's going to take a lot of funds to rebuild the structure and he's not sure yet where that money will come from. But he has faith. "I have no doubt it will be better than ever when the Lord is finished."

Medey and his staff and others visited the building Monday morning to examine the damage and begin to formulate plans about rebuilding of the structure and the cost. "We are already working on a game plan and we will do whatever it takes to bring it back."

The mayor operated his barbershop in the building and it received only minor damage and has reportedly already reopened.

Arson investigators are still trying to discover what started the fire and the structural integrity of the building is being examined.

## Fiscal Court approves application for grant for Livingston park

At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court, a presentation was made by Lynn Tatum, director of the Rockcastle County Development Board and Kelsey Adams, from the Cumberland Valley Area Development District Board, as to an application for a Recreation Trail Grant for the county's Fish Point Trailhead property in Livingston.

Adams told the court that the grant, if approved, could be for up to \$100,000 and would be on an 80/20 basis, meaning the county would have to furnish 20% of the funds, most likely on an in-kind contribution basis.

Tatum said the grant would be used for new trails and finishing existing trails, for signage, benches, a parking area and a kiosk at the trail head with maps and information. Plans to finish the new and existing trails includes sculpting five foot steps, using pea gravel on the steps to facilitate hikers and to help with soil erosion.

However, the grant application is a two-step process. In the first step, the application has to be made to the state and their approval gained before the application can be presented for federal approval. However, after state approval is gained, the county must then hire an engineer to draw up a plan for the 44-acre site, at a cost of between \$10K and \$20K before applying for funding through the federal grant.

Magistrate Mike McGuire made a motion to approve a Resolution to apply for the grant. However, the decision to apply for the actual funding from the federal government will be made when engineering costs are determined.

Tatum told the court that

it could take a year to a year and a half to receive state approval of the grant. Deadline for applying for the grant is April 30th.

Adams also told the court that \$3 million in grants were available from Homeland Security for fire departments and the court approved a Resolution, on a motion by Magistrate Shannon Bishop, to apply for grants for the Pongo, Livingston, Western, Climax and Brindle Ridge Fire Departments. However, the applications will be combined into three grant applications, hopefully improving the chances of approval over five individual applications.

The court also approved a low bid, of \$55,841, from King Crete Construction to

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## Last day to register to vote is April 23rd

The May 22nd primary is coming soon but the time to register to vote is even closer.

In order to vote in the primary, you must be registered to vote. To register you must fill out a card at the county clerk's office in the court house by April 23rd at 4 p.m., if you are not already registered to vote.

Those who wish to vote absentee by mail can call the clerk's office at any time and request an application. The application must be received by the clerk's office by May 15th to give the clerk's office enough time to mail out the absentee ballot and receive it back by May 22nd.

## High speed chase ends in meth arrest

By: Mike French Reporter

Kentucky State Police Trooper Scotty Pennington had a high speed chase develop Monday in Rockcastle County which led to the arrest of Glenn Cockrell, 38, of Irvine.

According to the citation, Pennington saw the car parked on the side of the road on US 25 just south of Livingston. He approached the idling vehicle and knocked on the window but could not see in because of very dark window tinting.

Pennington went back to his cruiser to ask for more officers to help but the car began to back up towards the cruiser. He stopped short of hitting it, rolled his window down, yelled at the officer and lit a cigarette.

He then flipped his middle finger at the officer and took off towards Laurel County.

The chase was on as Cockrell reached speeds of over 90 mph in 25 mph zones while meeting oncoming traffic lane.

The vehicle then turned onto the Dean Hundley Road and continued to reach speeds of over 80 mph on

the very narrow, curvy road.

The suspect eventually lost control of his vehicle and rammed into a dirt embankment, flipping the vehicle onto the driver's side.

The report says Cockrell attempted to crawl out of the vehicle just as officer Pennington jumped on him and a struggle ensued. Cockrell had to be tazed before he became calmer and was then handcuffed.

In his wallet, police say they found meth, marijuana and methamphetamine. Cockrell refused to take the DUI test and police discovered he had an outstanding warrant from Estill County on a burglary charge.

Cockrell was taken to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where he was charged with possession of meth, possession of marijuana, speeding, no seat belt, reckless driving, fleeing and evading police, excessive window tinting, wanton endangerment, failure to maintain insurance, failure to produce insurance card, and menacing. Other charges may be pending.

He was lodged in the detention center and his bond was set at \$30,000 cash/property.

## Brodhead holds monthly meeting

By: Mike French Reporter

The Brodhead City Council held their monthly meeting Monday night at city hall with a light agenda. Councilman John Burton

informed the council that the shed is up in the little park and encouraged everyone to visit the facility.

The council also voted to build four octagonal tables in the park and bolt them to

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## Lake Linville Road closure

By: Mike French Reporter

Beginning yesterday, Wednesday, April 11th, KY 2793 (Lake Linville Road) in Rockcastle County will be temporarily closed to through traffic as crews begin the first stages of bridge demolition as part of the I-75 widening

project.

According to officials at the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, the closures will be each day between the hours of 8 to 11 a.m. and then again from 1 to 3 p.m. and finally from 5 to 7 p.m. for a period of two weeks.

The starting date and

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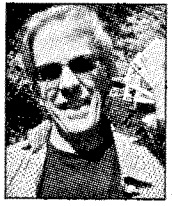
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## Aces Over

By: Mike French



On a cold, cold Korean night in 1956, two men walked guard in front of the camp gates from midnight till 4 a.m. By the time the captain arrived with their replacement, the two men couldn't feel their feet or hands.

They walked back to their barracks limping and using their legs to feel when their feet hit the ground.

After about an hour of walking gate duty, the pair began thinking about warm places to be. One of the two men was my dad.

I could never get him to talk about the Korean Conflict (as government preferred to call it instead of the Korean war) but he told me a few little stories that held my attention more than any stories ever.

Pop, as I called him, told me about the burning sensation his toes went through before they began to get numb. He said it hurt something awful but there really wasn't anything he could do but tough it out.

He told me he began to picture himself riding down Bearwallow Road (his home) in a new 1956 Ford with the heater blowing directly on his feet, full blast.

He told me of very few incidents in Korea since he lost his best friend and blood brother there (Jennings French) who was apparently a lady killer in those days. I've been lucky enough to read some of the letters that were sent to him when the army returned his personal affects. He was "the man."

Going through stuff we found in the attic was a blast. Pop's fifth grade report card. "He doesn't play well with others." I laughed so hard. He was always sort of a loner.

Anyway, there were very few things Pop would discuss about his two years over there and Jennings' life over there. Every time we watched MASH I would ask

if it was accurately portrayed. He would say "Some of it is. But Hawkeye would have been strung up by his toes in real life." That's about all I could get out of him.

I even sat with him sometimes and point blank asked him about his time over there. But still, no definitive answers.

From his expression I got the feeling that he knew if I hadn't been there, there was no way I could understand.

Kind of like a meth or opioid addict. No matter how many books you read, no matter how much you have seen others go through, no matter how much education you have, no matter how you have thought it through, unless you have been addicted and tried to quit, you have no clue what it's like. Instructors at rehab centers NEVER tell an addict you know what it's like. Big mistake and that's the moment you lose their confidence in your ability to

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## Points East

By Ike Adams



Speaking of grandson's, the younger brother of Braden Ochs of whom I spoke here last week, is Tyler Kane Ochs and he has reminded me that I was already late in writing about him when Braden stole the show.

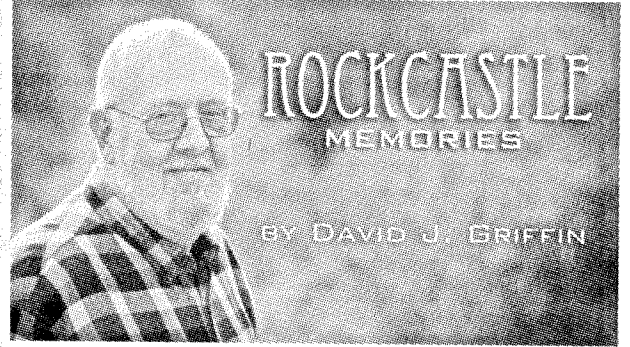
While it doesn't seem possible that a year has gone by since we last asked readers of this column to help us make a big splash in raising funds to find a cure for diabetes, it's actually been a tad over a year.

Over the last several years we've had a family and friends team, named for Tyler, (Team TKO) that has participated in the American Diabetes Association's big, national fundraising event called Step out Walk to Stop Diabetes. This year the name has been changed to Tour de Cure-Diabetes because a large number of participants said they'd rather ride bicycles for 30 miles or so through the Bluegrass area than simply walk a mile or participate in a 5k foot-

race through the grounds at Keeneland. This year participants can choose from among all 3 and I'm guessing upwards of 2,000 participants will choose one or another. Mr. Parkinson and I will most likely sit and watch everybody else but we plan to make the scene and encourage those who are far more ambulatory than we tend to be at these events.

I recall an evening back in the 1990s when Loretta

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Time amongst storytellers

I recently received the monthly magazine Kentucky Living and turned immediately to the last page in order to read Byron Crawford's column. He was expressing the desire to locate more Kentucky storytellers because their habitats have dwindled drastically in the past sixty years. Crawford alluded to several places that my grandfather (Pop) and I visited during the 50s and 60s.

Crawford chose to list several places that were considered ideal for men to gather, sitting and talking for hours on end. Because Pop and I were "buds," he permitted me to spend a great deal of time with him during the summer months when school was not in session. As a result, Pop took me to some of these infamous places in Rockcastle County when I was a young boy. Let's look back to these "gossip" sites in Mt. Vernon.

One of the most frequented places where men gathered was, of course, the yard of the Rockcastle Courthouse. (This was not just true of my home county; it was the same at any courthouse across the commonwealth.) Benches were scattered in the front of and on one side of the building. Most of the time, you had to search to find an empty seat. Many of the gentlemen who were already gathered would get up and offer their spots to Pop.

Occasionally, we would sit in a semi-circle and then commence to whittling as the men solved the problems of the city, county, state, or nation. The con-

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Vote Mike Smith...

Dear Editor,

I have known Mike Smith since the early 90's. I've never known him to be anything less than hardworking, honest, helpful, loyal and simply, a good friend.

Through the years, he has contributed a lot to Livingston as well as the county of Rockcastle. He's helped people with his Christian values of love and compassion giving a listening ear and helpful advice, he's helped people with car issues get to appointments and getting their cars up and running again, he's cleaned driveways in winter weather, and so much more as more of a volunteer than a service. He always sticks to his word and if he says he will do something, you can call it a commitment and not just wishful thinking.

I've never known Mike Smith to make a plan or a promise that he didn't intend to keep and it was done! I've known him for 25 years, at least, and these qualities have never

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**T.J.'s Journal**  
By: Tonya J. Cook



Angelic Encounters, Part II

Dear Journal,

I had been commenting on my experiences with loved ones at the point of death. Sometimes unusual events occur. It's been my experience, in any case. I believe sometimes we encounter angels.

In Mom's case, too, she had been in the hospital for several days with pneumonia. She gradually got worse. On the night before the day when she died, I

pulled a chair to her bedside to sit and hold her hand. She was semi-conscious at this point. I'm not sure she knew I was there. As I held her hand I laid my head over on her bed. In a little bit, I soon had what could be called a vision. I still was conscious of voices and events around me but I saw what I could say was a vision of heaven.

In the vision, Mom and I were hand-in-hand as we were there in the hospital room. Gradually, we were going up and up through the stars and finally came to what I guessed was the gates of heaven. There isn't enough words in Webster's Dictionary to describe this accurately. There was a thick-like fog or incense surrounding a high wall and a huge gate. The gate was closed but I could see a bright golden light coming from the inside, and beautiful melodic music was being played. I asked Mom if this was the gates of heaven. I could understand if she was going but why was I along? We walked close and opened the door a little bit. An unseen hand allowed Mom to enter, but turned me away. I was too evil, I guess, or it just wasn't my time. At that point, I was back in reality and knew she would be leaving me soon. She died in about twelve to fifteen hours later. I believe I saw this as a comforting measure.

In my niece, Sandy's

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**Rockcastle County Sheriff**

Much has been said and written about proposed changes for the Sheriff Department, no doubt all with good intent, but there are duties and limitations set by the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and limitations on the procurement and use of funds if/when they are provided through grants or the courts.

- The Sheriff can write and present any budget he/she deems appropriate, but the Fiscal Court has to approve the budget before it can be implemented.
- The Fiscal Court has to work within the funds provided by the local tax base—this includes the hiring of personnel (deputies, administrative staff, court security, etc.), equipment purchases (vehicles, safety equipment, weapons, etc.), and any other aspects of the department for which the Fiscal Court provides funding.
- Federal and state grants have been reduced in number and amounts. These grants are rarely predictable or renewable, and are becoming increasingly difficult to obtain. Historically, grants our department applied for have been awarded to larger departments (representing counties and communities with large voting populations).
- The successful candidate for Sheriff must be able to communicate effectively with the members of the Fiscal Court, continue to strengthen working relationships with other law enforcement agencies and human services agencies, while working within the limitations of the budget set by the Fiscal Court.

**I believe my current employment as a Rockcastle County Deputy Sheriff, having 18+ years of experience in this position, along with my employment experience with the Departments of Juvenile Justice and Social Services make me uniquely qualified to serve my fellow citizens as Sheriff of Rockcastle County.**

**Thank you for your consideration and support**

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**"Aces"**

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help them. It's the same with trying to understand what Pop must have gone through. I guess you had to be there and telling me about it would only scratch the surface of reality.

It must have been rough. He did tell me about some funny stuff he did while over there. Those stories always ended with "I peeled potatoes for two weeks after that."

Once, while on march, he saw a squirrel in a tree and opened up with his auto M-60 or whatever it was and blew the squirrel into a million pieces. "Got him!" he said. He may have gotten out of potato duty but when the squad leader asked him why he did that he said, "It was a North Korean spy squirrel." Yep, Potato peeling.

I know some youngsters who recently joined the army. They are among the most patriotic boys I have ever met.

They were discharged honorably after a few months and I don't understand all the details, but they are home now.

Sitting and watching an Army recruitment commercial on tv, the one said to me, "Yeah right." I asked what he meant.

"They show all these

modern tanks and guns and equipment and night vision stuff. I never even touched a gun of any kind. I had to just work and dig holes and run for hours. I wish they would show people lying on their cot bored to death," he said.

I was very lucky. I just missed the draft. Got my draft card and all but Nixon put a stop to it before I had to go. I'll always believe President Nixon saved my life.

I do know the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force are not what the commercials show. I guess it's their job to show what's possible for the chosen few out of millions.

I'm just lucky my dad made it home and met my mother at Viney Fork Baptist Church.

Whatever Pop went through will also be a secret. He died in 2011 and took those secrets with him. We can only imagine. Here's hoping the age of wars can someday come to an end. A peaceful world may be an outlandish Idea but, according to the Bible, a Man will come and bring us all together for a time.

**"Points East"**

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and I were having what passed for a late dinner at Arby's in Berea.

A family of 6, seated at a table near the back of the

dining room, were the only other patrons in the place at that hour. We had no sooner seated ourselves on the other side of the room when a skinny little girl in a pink jumper, all arms, legs, long, twin braids and a pink patent leather purse, all straight out of a Norman Rockwell poster, got up from the table and traipsed over to a booth away from their table. She could not have been much over 4 years old.

She proceeded to pull a glucometer and a test strip out of her purse and, totally oblivious to our prying eyes, pricked the tip of a finger and performed a blood sugar test on herself. She glanced back at her mother who nodded approvingly. I'm reasonably sure my chin was somewhere on my chest by then but neither Mom nor daughter seemed to realize she had a spellbound audience.

When she pulled a vial of insulin and a syringe out of the purse, I was on the verge of fainting. She calmly shook the little bottle, uncapped the syringe and, with one eye squinted, proceeded to load it with, what I presume, was a precisely correct amount of insulin.

"Oh Lord, surely not", I whispered in total disbelief to Loretta. But the little girl proceeded, with deep con-

centration, to stick the needle in her arm and inject the insulin without showing any trace of a flinch or other irritation. To this day, that was one of the bravest things I've ever witnessed.

Little did we realize, at the time, that our future was playing out in front of our eyes. We had no idea that our son would one day soon thereafter be learning to test and inject himself like that brave little girl. Then, a few years later, our grandson, Tyler was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes.

I'd like to say that, after 20 years of watching our now-adult son and then the last 6 years of watching Tyler face it head-on, I'm used to it. But I'm not, nor will I ever be.

By helping sponsor Team TKO in the Tour de Cure you can join the battle to fight this horrible disease, or we'd love to have you join us at Keeneland a couple hours after the sun comes up on May 19.

Last year, over 50 readers of this column donated more than \$2,500 to support our efforts. During the previous 6 years we've been doing this, you have donated well over \$18,000.

If you would like to help sponsor us this year, the easiest way is to go online to [tour.diabetes.org](http://tour.diabetes.org) and click on "donate" at the top of the page, then click on donate to a participant, type in Ike Adams and that will take you to Team TKO's page. I will try to update our progress page on the website on a daily basis should you want to check in to how well (or not) we're doing. Please also note that we probably will not be able to run a follow up reminder in the paper, so please act now if you can help us out.

If you would rather make a paper contribution, simply mail a check made payable to American Diabetes Association, with Team TKO on the memo line. Send it to my home address and Tyler and I will turn it in on Tour de Cure Day.

Ike Adams, 249 Charlie Brown Road, Paint Lick, KY 40461.

**"T.J.'s"**

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case, I wasn't at her bedside when she passed, but I knew that it would be soon. Stanley and I had been over to London to see her. She had battled cancer for eleven years. On the way back home, when we got off the interstate at Exit 49, we saw the most brilliant shooting star or meteor I've ever seen. It seemed almost close enough to touch and was a brilliant green and yellow. It travelled from east to west. That was about ten or eleven PM. Sandy passed about one or two AM.

I know these events seem unreal and made-up, or the gibberish of someone insane, but I assure you that every word is true to the best of my recollection. I fully believe there are spirits all around us. Some are demons and some are angels. Many of us have indeed entertained angels unawares (Hebrews 13:2).

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**Bookmobile Schedule**

**Monday, April 17th:** Hwy. 3245, Bryant Ridge, Rockcastle Rehab. **Tuesday, April 18th:** Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek, Wildie. **Wednesday, April 19th:** Wayne Stewart Center, Day Health/Senior Citizens, Cave Valley Apts.

**National Day of Prayer May 3rd**

National Day of Prayer will be observed in Rockcastle County on Thursday, May 3rd on the lawn of the Rockcastle County Courthouse at 12 noon. Guest speaker will be Kenneth Felty, pastor of Liberty Avenue Baptist Church in Berea with special singing by Jim Dean, Minister of Music at Liberty Avenue Baptist Church. Congregational singing will be led by Luther Allen, Chaplain at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Lunch, provided by Rockcastle Kiwanis Club, will be served at 11:30 and fruit will be provided, with the meal, by the staff of Rockcastle Regional Hospital. The public is invited to attend.

**Hospice Volunteer Training/Gala**

On April 28th, new volunteer training will be hosted by Hospice Care Plus. The program is open to adults and teens, ages 14 and up. Please pre-register by April 25th to Stefanie at 859-626-9292 or [hospice@hospicecp.org](mailto:hospice@hospicecp.org). The training will be held at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond and is limited to 20 participants. **Reservations are being taken through May 1st for the Gala on Derby Eve (Friday, May 4th at 7 p.m., Keen Johnson Ballroom).** All proceeds benefit Hospice Care Plus. Make reservations online at [hospicecareplus.org](http://hospicecareplus.org), by phone to Brandy Britton at 859-302-2688 or by email to Brandy at [development@hospicecp.org](mailto:development@hospicecp.org).

**Rockcastle Health and Rehab annual Pancake Breakfast and Celebration**

Rockcastle Health and Rehab Center will host their annual Pancake Breakfast and Celebration of the National Day of Prayer, bringing faith and the business community together on Thursday, May 3rd. Ceremonies will begin at 9 a.m. at 371 W. Main St. in Brodhead and, in anticipation of the great turnout that is expected, you are asked to RSVP by calling 606-758-8711.

**RRTA Meets March 18th**

Rockcastle Retired Teachers' Association will meet on Wednesday, March 18th at 11:30 at Limestone Grille. All members are encouraged to attend.

**Freedom From Smoking Program**

If you would like to quit smoking, or using other tobacco products, Rockcastle Regional Hospital can help. Using an innovative smoking-cessation program, called Freedom From Smoking, we can help you become tobacco-free. Join us Tuesday, April 17th to start the eight week program, sponsored by Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Classes are Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. (meet in the outpatient registration lobby). Join the hundreds of other Kentuckians who have quit for life! Interested in participating? Contact Morgan Bray at 256-7704 or [m.bray@rhrcc.org](mailto:m.bray@rhrcc.org).

**DBCAA Directors Meeting**

Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. will hold a board of directors meeting Tuesday, April 24th at 5:30 p.m. in Clay County at the central office, located at 1535 Shamrock Road, Manchester. During the meeting, a possible conflict of interest situation will be discussed between the board and an individual. The public is invited to attend. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.

**Charity Golf Tournament**

RTEC will hold their First Annual Relay For Life Charity Golf Tournament at Cedar Rapids Country Club on Friday, April 27th. Registration is at 9 a.m. with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. Team entry fee is: \$50 per player, \$200 per team with skirts and mulligans available. Contests include: closest to the pin, longest drive and 50/50 drawing plus there will be a golf club raffle. Prizes for first and second place winners. Lunch will be provided by Back Porch Smokehouse. For more information, call Tyler at 606-256-9835 or email at [tyler@4rtec.com](mailto:tyler@4rtec.com)

**Community Resources for Dementia Cares**

Rockcastle Hospital is holding an educational session, focused on identifying and accessing community resources for dementia care for both the individual with dementia and their caregivers. Please feel free to ask any questions you may have about resources available. The program is offered through an interactive telemedicine system to connect with persons who are impacted by Alzheimer's and related memory disorders. This event is free. Registration is required. Contact Hardin Stevens at UK Sanders Brown Center on Aging at 859-323-2997 or [hardinstevens@uky.edu](mailto:hardinstevens@uky.edu) to register. Deadline to register is April 19th.

**Chamber of Commerce Meetings**

The Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce meets once a month, on the third Tuesday, at noon at Limestone Grille. All members are encouraged to attend.

**VFW Post Item**

VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members and is also looking for new and associate members. New hours are: Wed. - Sat., 5 p.m. to ? Call 606-386-1490 for more information.

**Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings**

\***Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead:** Located in the Community Outreach Center (next to Fairgrounds), every Monday, 6 to 8 p.m. 859-230-9590 or 606-308-3099.

\***Celebrate Recovery-Northside Baptist Church - Mt. Vernon** every Tuesday, 6 to 8 p.m. 606-256-5577. Need a ride? Call and leave message before 4 p.m.


\***Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies.** Northside Baptist, Mt. Vernon, Wednesday at 7 p.m. 606-256-5577.

\***Broken Chains Bible Study** at Cruisers Motorcycle Sales, 7223 N. Wilderness Rd., Mt. Vernon every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Leader: Gary Vinson Linville, 859-302-2431.

\***Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only.** Located in the Community Outreach Center (next to Fairgrounds), every Thursday, 6:30 p.m. For more info. call 606-308-3099.

\***Celebrate Recovery-Livingston** at Livingston School cafeteria. Friday, 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

ELECT



**Ken HOLT**

**SHERIFF**

**Where's the Money?**

We are a small populated county with limited money available. This should not be an excuse to obtain needed equipment and supplies for our 1st responders. Taking the right steps, contacting the right agencies, using the right wording and being persistent is the key.

During both Jib Hasty and Darrell Doan's years as Sheriff, I was a Deputy and grant writer. During Sheriff Hasty's term, I submitted a grant and got the Sheriff Department 5 white cruisers completely dressed out except the radios. When I worked for Sheriff Doan, I justified a grant for 5 brown cruisers from the Kentucky DOT. Fayette County donated all the lights, cages, and some other items needed for these cruisers. Through another grant, I got all the deputies bullet proof vests. We used drug forfeiture money to buy firearms and other needed items. Just recently, I was involved with a grant for a generator at the Climax VFD. I sent request letters to multiple Government agencies telling them how bad we needed this equipment due to our remote location. Within one week, I got a call to go to Fort Campbell for a free \$24,000 diesel powered generator. We have applied for and received grants like many other fire departments in the county. The Homeland Security grant application also has a category for law enforcement. Again, being persistent and not giving up is crucial.

My intention as Sheriff, is to continue going after grants, surplus and donations whenever possible to not only better equip the Sheriff Department but also not use your tax money.

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# Obituaries

## Laura Ruth Durham

Laura Ruth Whitaker Durham, 85 of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, April 6, 2018 at Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville. She was born in Evarts on July 27, 1932, the daughter of Judge Samuel and Mary Saylor Whitaker. The Whitaker Family moved to a farm in Lincoln County in the 1940's.



Laura Ruth became a Christian and member of Stanford Baptist Church early in life. She worked as a teenager at Stanford Baptist Church with her parents and others to help establish the Rowland Baptist Mission, which later became the Calvary Hill Baptist Church in Stanford.

Laura Ruth graduated from Crab Orchard High School. She attended Campbellsville College, Georgetown College, the University of Kentucky, and graduated from Eastern Kentucky University with a degree in Music Education. Mrs. Durham began her teaching career at Memorial High School in Lincoln County in 1952. While teaching music at Memorial, Laura Ruth Whitaker asked a colleague, who had a beautiful tenor voice, to sing "O Holy Night" in a school Christmas program. H. Lee Durham sang duets with his bride for hundreds of weddings, funerals, and church services during their 49 year marriage. The Durhams moved to Mt. Vernon before their daughter, Laura Lee was born. Laura Durham became the choir director at Berea Baptist Church and later served the Lord as a faithful member at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon where she directed the Adult Choir, Youth Choir, and Children's Choir for decades. Laura Ruth was instrumental in establishing and filling the position of Librarian for the Eva Majors Bausum Library at First Baptist Church. This library was opened to honor the Bausum Family who had been missionaries in China for many years.

Mrs. Durham taught school in Madison and Rockcastle Counties, and began Student Library Aid Clubs at Livingston High School, Mt. Vernon High School, and Rockcastle County High School. Mrs. Durham retired from teaching in 1985 but continued to assist with many school functions and worked as a substitute teacher in Lincoln and Rockcastle Counties until she was 81 years young.

Laura Durham has always been a welcoming ambassador for her community, church, and place of employment, where she often displayed a warm smile and never met a stranger. She was a regular visitor of people in hospitals, nursing homes, and took pleasure in assisting families in finding a church home. Mrs. Durham volunteered for several years at The Mission in Mt. Vernon to help distribute food and clothing to families in need.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon for 60 years, a Charter Member of Pi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma for 54 years, a past President Central Kentucky Library Association, a member of the Rockcastle Chapter of the DAR where she served as Chaplin and won national and state awards for the promotion of Literacy, the most recent being in March, 2018, held memberships in Rockcastle, Kentucky, and National Education Associations, and was an auxiliary member for Gideons International.

She is survived by her daughter, Laura Lee Durham Wesley and husband Dr. William of Lancaster; one grandson, Lee Hamilton Durham Speaks; one step-grandson, Dr. Paul Lewis Wesley and wife Christie of Rome, GA; one step-granddaughter, Mary Elizabeth Wesley and one step-great granddaughter, Adelaide Ewing Wesley of Lancaster; one special sister-in-law, Ann Durham of Stanford. Also surviving are two sisters, Pauline Wall of Danville and Aline Hail of Benton; and a brother, Dr. Samuel Earl Whitaker and wife Marilyn of Columbus, OH. Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by an infant brother, Harold Whitaker and two sisters, Charlene Swope and Loretta Whitaker.

Funeral services for Mrs. Durham were conducted Monday, April 9, 2018 at First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon by Dr. Nick Manzie, Rev. Kyle Rader and Rev. Brad King. The service included a Delta Kappa Gamma Celebration of Life Service and memories provided by Mrs. Roxanne Hammond. Burial was in Buffalo Springs Cemetery in Stanford.

Pallbearers were: Timothy Hail Atkinson, Dr. Will Hammett, Dr. George Swope Munday, Howard Saylor, John Boone Saylor, Tony Saylor, Zachary Wall, and Dr. Paul Lewis Wesley.

Honorary pallbearers were: Doris and Paul Blevins, Donna McClure, Shirley and Jerry Mullins, Sondra Mullins, Ronna Owens, MaryEllen Hansel Rhoney, Dr. Karen Saylor, Jenny and Keith Taylor, the staff of Rockcastle Wellness Center, and choir members and church family of First Baptist Church.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Donations in Mrs. Durham's memory are suggested to the Building Fund at First Baptist Church or to Gideons International.

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

## Card of Thanks

### Oscar William Day

The family of Oscar William Day would like to thank everyone who showed their kindness and support in any way during this very difficult time.

We would like to thank Dr. Karen Saylor and all the nurses at Rockcastle Hospital, everyone who prepared the food at the church and all that sent flowers.

A special thank you to Marvin and Judy Owens and staff at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals. A special thank you to Bro. Tracy Valentine for his kind words and thanks to all the pallbearers and everyone that prayed for Oscar during his sickness.

May God bless you all.

Wife, Brothers and Sister of Oscar William Day

## Bobby Mullins

Bobby Mullins, 80, of Berea, formally of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, April 7, 2018 at his residence. He was born June 12, 1937 at Climax, a son of the late Shellie and Lizzie Clark Mullins. He owned his own business and was well known for Bob's Car Wash in Mt. Vernon. He was a member of Maretburg Baptist Church, and found great joy in gardening, small engine repair, cars and his family. On July 11, 1964 he was united in marriage to Peggy Mullins and from that union came two sons, Robert Shellie and Scott Allan.



Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife of 53 years, Peggy Mullins of Berea; sons, Robert Shellie Mullins of Mt. Vernon and Scott Allan Mullins of Berea; grandchildren, Zachary Harper of Berea and Hannah Mullins of Brodhead; brothers, Noah Mullins of Brodhead and Sam Mullins (Ruth Evelyn) of Climax; sisters, Marie Mullins of Ohio and Beckie (Cecil) Northern of Ohio; and a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by brothers, Cecil, Ben, Homer and Virgil Mullins and a sister, Gracie Mullins.

Funeral services will be (today) Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 1 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Kevin Slemp officiating. Burial will follow in Cresthaven Cemetery in Mt. Vernon.

In Lieu of flowers- Hospice Care of Berea, KY.

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

## Luther "Gary" Smith

Luther "Gary" Smith, 64, of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, April 7, 2018 at his residence. He was born August 3, 1953 in Ottawa, a son of the late Luther and Wanda Lawrence Smith. He had been a farmer and found great joy in sports, especially U.K. basketball. He was of the Baptist faith.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his sisters, Darlene (Bill) Cromer of Brodhead, Judy (Benny) Childress and Debbie (Rodger) Smith, both of Mt. Vernon; brother, Ronnie (Louise) Smith of Brodhead; a special friend, Bonnie Decker; and a host of aunts/uncles, nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Phillip Smith.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Luther Allen officiating. Burial was in Ottawa Cemetery.

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

## "Memories"

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versation would generally get heated during times just before elections. And as far as the whittling is concerned, I have witnessed a stack of cedar shavings in the middle of that circle of men that could fill a bushel basket.

As a matter of fact, after Pop purchased my first pocket knife, he allowed me to join the whittlers at the courthouse when he and I were there together. I will never forget the first time I participated in that loafers' ritual. I was a proud ten-year-old boy.

Another place in Mt. Vernon to which I accompanied Pop was Jasper's Feed Mill. Men there sat around on bags of feed in what was the equivalent of a barn-like like environment. They talked, smoked, chewed, and told tall tales. The aromas of that building still linger in my memory, based on the different smells of each type of farm animal feed. Pop and Mr. Jasper were good friends who also served on the Mt. Vernon Board of Education together. Mr. Jasper bought much of his feed from Pop.

About once a month, Pop and I made our trek to Lonnie Durham's Barber Shop, on Main Street. In one corner, several men would be playing a serious game of checkers, while discussing the events of the day. On rare occasions, Pop would pull up a chair and play a game. He was a very good checker player. While we were there, of course, both Pop and I got hair-cuts while visiting Lonnie's shop.

When Pop and I visited one of these popular spots in Mt. Vernon, we frequently topped off our afternoon with a dip of vanilla ice cream at the Ideal Café. Pop and the owner, Conard Parrett, were friends, and he would usually join us at one of the tables. (My mother and dad had previously owned the café.) You could get a plate lunch for a quarter. A treat for me was that Pop would give me some change out of his pocket in order to play the pinball machine in the back of the restaurant.

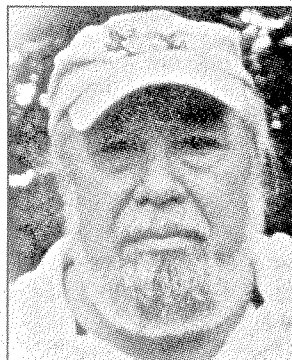
I cherish the times that Pop and I spent at these popular gathering places in Mt. Vernon. I think we became closer because of the interactions that I both experienced and witnessed during those gatherings.

Spending time with the people we love helps define the kind of people we become. Apparently, Pop knew that, too. He was a wise man when I was young, but he became much wiser still, the older I grew.

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

## Morgan "Bruce" Saylor

Morgan "Bruce" Saylor, 72, of Brodhead, died Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born July 22, 1945 in Brodhead, a son of the late Morgan and Ella Rector Saylor. He was a member of Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church and found great joy in Antiques, sports, watching westerns and his cat "Baby". He served his country in the US Army, and had been a 28 year employee of Proctor-Gamble in Cincinnati, OH.



Those left to celebrate his life are: his children, Blake (Brislyn) Saylor of Crab Orchard, Stacia Saylor (Greg Florian) of Apache Junction, AZ, Morgan (Brandy) Saylor III of Cincinnati, OH and Amber Saylor of Milan, IN; his loving companion, Lucy Hatmaker of Brodhead; eight grandchildren; sisters, Susan (Dr. Larry) Daugherty and Francis Burdine, both of Brodhead; brother-in-law, Wayne Berry of Berea; and a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife, Betty Tackett Saylor; a brother, Lloyd Bennett "Benny" Saylor; and a sister, Stacia Berry.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Randal Adams officiating. Burial followed in Saylor Cemetery.

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

## "Letters"

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changed.

I'm confident that if Mike Smith is elected as 5th district magistrate that he can be counted on to do what he says he will and make decisions and changes that would benefit not only the people of the 5th district but the county as a whole. And I guarantee that a vote for him would not be wasted.

Manuel Creech,

John and Kathy Bryant

## Voting for Doug Bishop...

Dear Editor,

I always say if you want the job done right that you have to get the right person to do it. My husband and I are voting for Doug Bishop for re-election in the Judge Executive race because he is a Christian, family man and good neighbor who cares about the people of Rockcastle County. Make your vote count.

James Bratz

## Thank you...

Dear Editor,

I would like to give a huge thanks to all the first responders that helped in any way during the devastating fire at The Depot building this past Sunday.

Also, thank you to all who have helped in any way since this happened.

Mike Smith

## Bishop is fair and honest...

Dear Editor,

My name is Don Wilson. I live in Carthage, Texas and am one of the founding members of Eagle Manufacturing of North America.

I met Judge Bishop during our search for a site to start this business.

We found several sites in

the surrounding area but the Mt. Vernon site fit our needs the best. During our negotiations, we discovered what a fair and honest man the judge is. When he gives his word it means something.

His work with getting us here will help Rockcastle County. We will be paying county and state taxes, buying goods from local businesses, staying at hotels, eating at restaurants, doing business with banks and, most importantly, providing local people with jobs.

Thanks again, Judge. I wish I could be there and attend church with you again.

Don Wilson

## Bishop doing a great job...

Dear Editor,

We feel that Judge Doug Bishop has done a great job. He takes the time to talk to you about problems and knows there is a northern Rockcastle County.

Our Flat Gap Road is the best: it has been in the twenty plus years we have lived here.

You have our vote!

Eddie and Virginia Wilson

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Rockcastle County

Photo by Matt Dees



## April-A special month to celebrate organ and tissue donation

Every April, the Kentucky Circuit Court Clerks' Trust for Life (TFL) and Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates (KDODA) celebrate National Donate Life Month. This is a time to focus national and local attention on every individual's power to make LIFE possible by registering his or her decision to be a potential organ and tissue donor and learning more about living donation.

The Trust for Life and KODA partner with Donate Life America each year during National Donate Life Month (NDLM). To help illustrate the message of donation, Donate Life America creates unique artwork for each National Donate Life Month. The 2018 National Donate Life Month art was inspired by the image of a rainbow and Maya Angelou's quote, "Be a rainbow in someone else's cloud."

Donate Life America chose this year's artwork because often, following a storm, the presence of a rainbow provides optimism and motivates us to endure through dark times. Organs and tissue donation is the bridge of comfort and hope between one family's mourning and another's healing -- turning tragedy into renewed life. The Donate Life rainbow, in the National Donate Life Month artwork, rises from stormy clouds, recognizing that it takes both rain and life to create the gift of a rainbow.

Maya Angelou's message applies to people of all backgrounds and experi-

ences, according to Melissa Cardwell, Butler County Circuit Clerk and President of the Trust for Life board of directors. She said she so appreciates the work done by the Kentucky Circuit Court Clerks and their employees in asking customers about joining the Kentucky Donor Registry and about donating \$1 toward this life-saving mission.

"We all know rainbows in the people that have helped carry us through life and its challenges. In turn, we have the opportunity to be rainbows in other people's clouds through the gift of organ and tissue donation, Cardwell said. "By registering to be a donor, and considering living donation, you can change one ray of light into a spectrum of healing and compassion."

Cardwell said that one of the ways communities will celebrate locally is with 51 billboards across Kentucky and adjoining counties. "We are thrilled to be able to feature donor families and recipients on our billboards during National Donate Life Month 2018! From Kendall in Carroll County, who had a heart transplant as a baby and is now in college, to Wilson in Nicholas County who is a liver recipient about to graduate high school, the faces on the billboards embody hope and a second chance at life."

One can register the decision to be a potential organ and tissue donor by going online at [donatelife.org](http://donatelife.org) or [organdonor.gov](http://organdonor.gov) (and choosing one's state). Also, regis-

tration is possible at [RegisterMe.org](http://RegisterMe.org) (or in the Medical ID tab of the iPhone Health app). To learn more about being a living donor, visit [DonateLife.net](http://DonateLife.net).

Currently, 56 percent of U.S. adults have registered their decision to make LIFE possible and be organ and tissue donors, if that is possible, when they die. Yet the number of people in need of transplants continues to out-

pace the number of organs donated. Currently, 116,000 people are waiting for a transplant and a second chance at life. On average, 22 people die each day because the organ they need is not donated in time -- that is almost one person dying every hour. You can help by registering your decision to be an organ, eye and tissue donor and learning more about living donation.

## PRIDE looking for volunteers for Spring Cleanup in April

Rockcastle County's local PRIDE Coordinators are looking for volunteers to pick up litter during the 20th annual PRIDE Spring Cleanup Month in April.

"We have dedicated groups who do their part to keep our county clean, and I want to thank all those volunteers," said Rockcastle County Solid Waste and Recycling Coordinator James Renner, who also serves as the county's PRIDE Coordinator.

To those who have not volunteered yet, Renner said, "You can make a difference, you just don't know it yet! Show your pride in your community, one piece of trash at a time!"

In addition to Renner, PRIDE Coordinators serve several Rockcastle County communities. Crystal Rush is the Mt. Vernon PRIDE Coordinator. In Brodhead, Becky Bussell serves as the PRIDE Coordinator. The Livingston PRIDE Coordinator is Sandy Singleton.

"I want to thank James, Becky, Sandy and Crystal for their service," said Tammie Wilson of PRIDE, which is the nonprofit organization that organizes the Spring Cleanup across 42 counties of southern and eastern Kentucky.

PRIDE Coordinators are volunteers who are appointed by mayors and judge-executives. They work with the PRIDE staff to organize cleanup activities, recruit volunteers and track cleanup results.

PRIDE Coordinators now are planning local Spring Cleanup activities. They will schedule cleanups and recruit volunteers to participate. They also will assist volunteers who want to plan their own cleanups.

"This will be the 20th anniversary of the Spring Cleanup, and we want to invite all Rockcastle County residents to help us celebrate," Wilson said.

"Since the first Spring Cleanup in 1998, 433,460 people have volunteered with PRIDE, and more than 850,000 bags of trash and 970,000 tires have been pulled from our landscape," Wilson said. "Those are amazing numbers, but our region always needs one more volunteer: you!"

"If you want your community to look its best, and if you like to spend time

## Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

### WALDORF SALAD

3 medium Red Delicious apples, unpeeled  
1/2 cup seedless grapes, halved  
1/2 cup celery, chopped  
1/2 cup chopped walnuts or pecans  
1/4 cup Miracle Whip®  
1/4 cup sour cream or plain yoghurt  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1/2 teaspoon lemon juice  
Dice apples. Combine with grapes, celery, and nuts. In another bowl mix the Miracle Whip®, sour cream or plain yoghurt, sugar, and lemon juice. Pour over fruit and mix gently. Refrigerate.

### CURRIED CHICKEN SALAD

1 cup finely chopped cooked chicken  
1/2 cup finely chopped red apples  
1/4 cup raisins  
1 stalk celery, finely chopped  
1 green onion, thinly sliced  
1/3 cup Miracle Whip®  
1 and 1/2 teaspoons curry powder  
Lettuce of your choice  
3 tablespoons sour cream  
Combine all ingredients except lettuce and sour cream. Place lettuce on salad plates. Spoon chicken mixture onto lettuce. Top with sour cream.

### PINEAPPLE COCONUT SALAD

1 can (20 ounce) crushed pineapple in juice

1 package (3 ounce) instant coconut cream pudding mix  
1/2 to 1 cup flaked coconut  
1 container (8 ounce) Cool Whip®, thawed  
3 ounces of cream cheese  
1/3 cup white sugar  
Mix crushed pineapple with juice, instant pudding and coconut. Fold in Cool Whip. Cream together cream cheese and sugar in separate bowl; fold into pineapple mixture. Let chill.

### CARROT APPLE SALAD

1/3 cup sour cream  
2 tablespoons mayonnaise  
1 tablespoon each lemon juice and cider vinegar  
1 teaspoon honey  
1 pound carrots, peeled and trimmed  
1 apple, cored  
1/2 cups dried cranberries or raisins  
Salt  
2 tablespoons fresh mint leaves, optional

In a small bowl whisk sour cream and mayonnaise until smooth. Whisk in the lemon juice, vinegar, and honey. Grate carrots and then the apples. Can use food processor. Transfer them to a large bowl and stir to combine. Pour the dressing over the carrot mixture and toss. Season with salt to taste.

Roughly chop mint and sprinkle over salad. Serve chilled.

## Golden Family Reunion

What: Golden Family Reunion 22nd year gathering

When: Friday, April 27 through Sunday, April 29, 2018

Where: Beginning at the Cumberland Inn, Williamsburg, at 5 p.m. Friday, April 27, then on Saturday to Golden Creek on the original Stephen Golden & Hannah Helms home lands/family cemetery.

The descendants of our family, going all the way back to the year 1725, will begin arriving to meet other family and join in the celebration of the Golden Reunion. Many surnames make up this HUGE family that I have traced back to Wilkes/Lincoln County Georgia. The families scattered into Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama, Indiana, Illinois and Texas and this was just the real early family members. Now Golden descendants are in every state of the United States. Should you have ties to this family, come out and meet your extended family.

Friday, April 27, 2018 the gathering will begin at 5:00 and end about 9:00 PM. This evening will be a time when we can share our genealogy, pictures, old Bible (Stephen Golden born 1766 s/o Richard Golden's Bible will be on display), and other family stories etc. Plan to participate!

Saturday, April 28, 2018 the gathering will start by 8:30 a.m. and last until the last person departs. This will take place on Golden Creek, named after Stephen Golden and the location of where this family had its beginnings in Kentucky. At 11:30 a.m. we will do the family group picture followed by our noon pot luck meal. The annual auction (all items donated by family) will follow our meal. But WAIT it's not over yet, several very talented musicians will be on hand to play and sing. Plan to come out and have some fun with your cousins! Bring food to share, a lawn chair and your musical instrument to join in the celebration.


Sunday, April 29, 2018 those staying at Cumberland Inn and all others who would like to join in will meet for breakfast at the Inn and depending on everyone's schedule we can do more! Let me know what else you would like to do!

For more information contact Carol Golden (865) 376-7141 before April 25, 2018.

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- More certified officers provide 24/7 security throughout the county.
- A detective dedicated primarily to burglary.

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- Seize items and or property in convicted drug related crimes.
- A Rockcastle County Impound Yard

I have many more ideas and would love to hear yours.  
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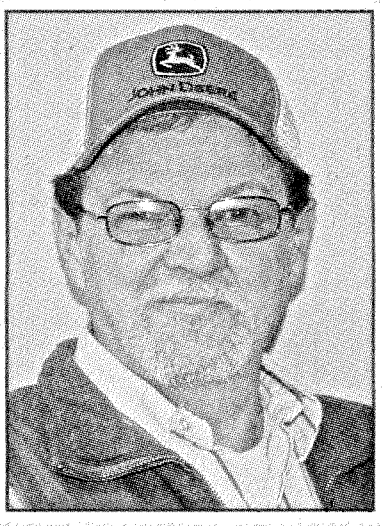
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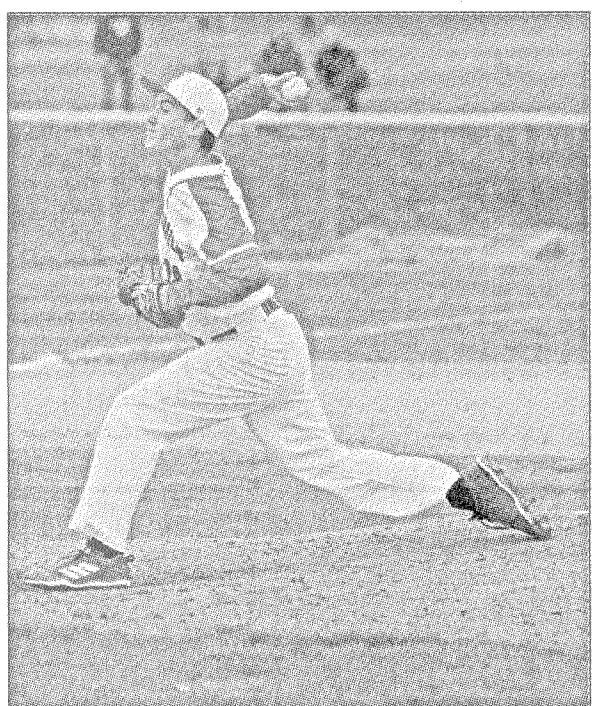
# SPORTS



Anthony Houk beats out a throw for an infield hit during the Rockets' win over Pulaski County Tuesday night.



Jacob Loudermilk doubled in the bottom of the sixth driving in two runs in the Rockets' come from behind win over Pulaski County Tuesday night.



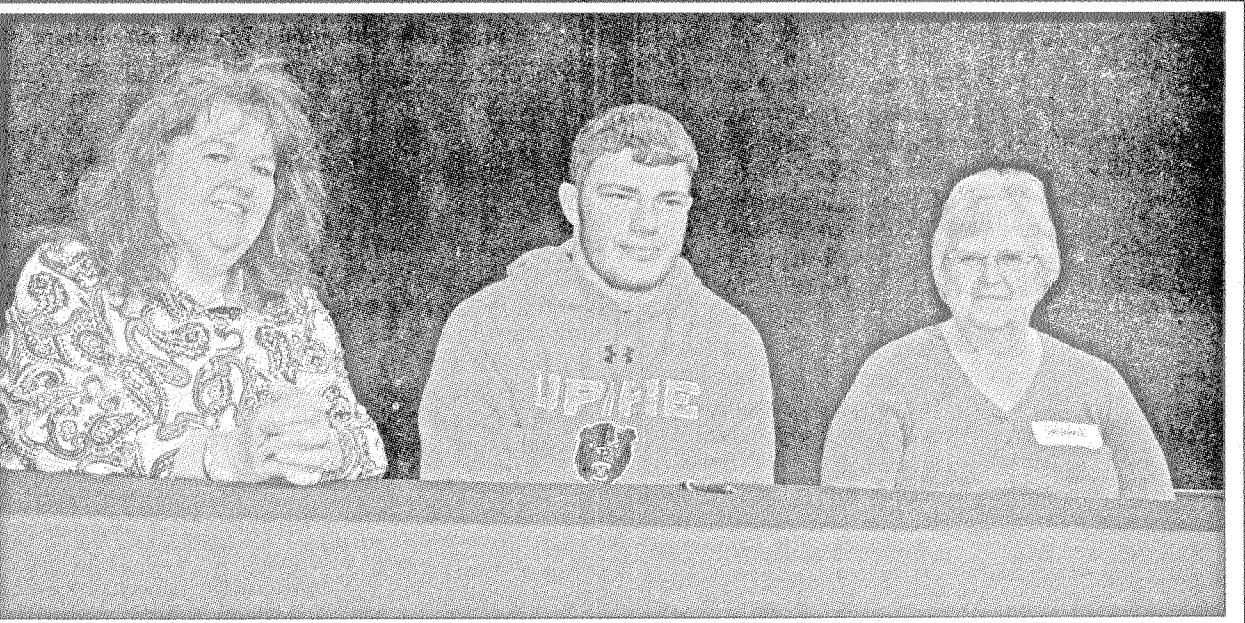
Javan Hasty picked up the win over Pulaski County Tuesday night going four innings, allowing no runs on one hit, striking out seven and walking none.



Shortstop Brent Lovell lines up a pop-up during the Rockets' win over Pulaski County Tuesday night. The Rockets travel to Pulaski Thursday night for a re-match. They host Madison Central next Monday night and travel to Lexington Saturday and Casey Tuesday.



Brent Lovell, third from left, signed a letter-of-intent to play baseball for Eastern Kentucky University Wednesday morning at RCHS. Looking on from left: Brent's brother Logan and parents, Billy and Marcella Lovell.



Anthony Houk, center, signed a letter-of-intent to play baseball for UPIKE Wednesday morning at RCHS. Looking on are Anthony's mother, Jennifer and grandmother, Joyce Allen. Also attending was Anthony's father, Mark Houk.



Lauryn Carpenter gets a hit for the Lady Rockets in their loss to Pulaski County Tuesday night.



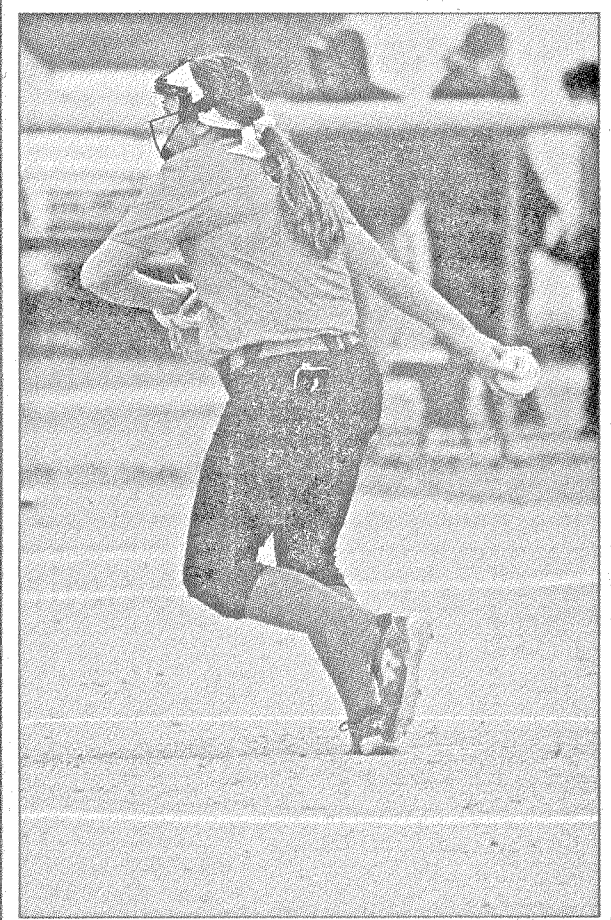
Jaylon Ponder lines up a hit for the Lady Rockets in their loss to Pulaski County Tuesday.

## Rocket baseball ups record to 5-2 on season

Rockcastle County baseball upped their record to 5-2 on the season with victories over Glasgow, Calloway County and Pulaski County. Rockcastle County scattered six runs over six innings taking a 6-0 lead into the bottom of the sixth when Glasgow managed to put four on the board to cut the

lead to 6-4. Rockets added one more in the top of the seventh for the 7-4 victory. Hunter Riggsby picked up the win for the Rockets going five and two-thirds innings, allowing four runs on three hits and striking out 11.

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Kristin Holcomb took to the mound Tuesday night for the Lady Rockets.



Right fielder Madison Yates fields a hit during the Lady Rockets' loss to Pulaski County Tuesday night.

## Softball offense struggles as Rockets go 1-3 past week

Rockcastle County Lady Rockets softball took on Whitley County last Thursday and came away with their fourth win of the young season, 10-0. Senior Bailey Chasteen threw a complete game shut-out leading the Lady Rockets to the victory allowing only five hits, striking out six and walking one. Fellow senior Kristin Holcomb boosted the Lady Rockets at the plate going 4 for 4 with two RBI and

scored two runs herself. Chasteen, Emma Smith and Madison McIntosh each had multiple hits for the Rockets. The Lady Rockets managed to score in every inning but the fourth and tacked on five runs in the bottom of the sixth to end the game. Smith, Holcomb and McIntosh all contributed in the big inning with RBI.

(Cont. to A7)



# Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps  
Landscaping with Fruits and Nuts

While it is a fact some folks don't want to deal with fallen fruit and nuts in the yard, nor colorful bird poop after they steal some of the smaller fruits and then 'nature calls', we are writing for the rest of you all who have a yard and wouldn't mind doing double duty by having both shade and fruit or hedges and fruit. And, who knows, a few of the no-fruit people might change their minds if they read along.

For larger yard trees, typically it's maples and Bradford pears we see on every city block, in practically every yard. (Did you know both produce a lot of pollen, along with oak trees?) Other big trees include ginkgo, sweet gum, elms and zelkova, weeping willow and tulip poplar.

A pecan, chestnut, walnut, fruiting pear, plum, persimmon, or mulberry tree could just as easily provide shade, plus edible nuts and fruits for people and wildlife. Full sized apple trees on seedling or Antonovka rootstocks make a 30 foot tree someday which might produce ten or more bushels of apples per year ten or twenty-five years from now. (And, with careful selection, rather than grabbing a tree at the big box store, you can even find varieties of apples that will hold their fruits for several weeks after they are ripe, or even all winter for a few—unless a great big windstorm comes along, in which case all promises are off about hanging onto their fruit.) Some apples can be as pretty as flowering crab apples.

If you don't have room for a shade tree, then you might replace a redbud or white dogwood with a kousa dogwood or cornelian cherry dogwood that have edible fruit and pretty blooms. Maybe a paw-paw tree or a cherry or a peach. Or dwarf or semi-dwarf apples and pears.

Here's an idea: Bud-9 and M-27 and G-41 dwarf roots produce apple trees no more than 6 to 8 feet tall. Since these little guys need staking, con-

sider an espalier, or how about a hedgerow or cordon with a couple posts and wires to support the trees and plant them three feet apart like you would boxwoods or viburnum shrubs? You could have a thick hedge...loaded with lovely fruit you can pick with no ladder. Wouldn't look bad either—a cordon acting as a hedge with lots of apples for eating and cooking.

Hedges and screens could also be created with jujube trees, currant or gooseberry bushes. A bed of blueberries...especially ones with red or yellow limbs that show in winter, with pink and white blooms in spring, and blue berries in June and July...would look nice.

Borders. Instead of phlox or candytuft or monkey grass, how about a dwarf blueberry or a creeping raspberry or some strawberries? The Forsythia bush might be replaced with a honeyberry bush. A burning bush might be replaced with a dwarf cherry bush.

Most have seen contorted filberts, called Harry Lauder's Walking Stick? Well, since hazelnuts need a second variety to cross pollinate, why not find a spot for a couple more hazelnuts, and your contorted one will have one more added attraction. Nuts!

Arbors and fences could be covered with grapes, kiwi, passion flower vines, hops,

You might not have to give up your fall color with nuts and fruits either. Some apples have red or orange fall color, hickory trees have golden yellow, and some grapes have red leaves in the fall.

For everyone, a couple blueberries or gooseberries worked into the flower bed will not even draw attention to your fruiting ambitions. Add in sun chokes (Jerusalem artichokes which look like sunflowers) and they will fit right in with black-eyed-susans and echinacea.

Other edible cuties would include asparagus, service berry bushes, or a raised bed filled with strawberry plants. Strawberries would look good most anywhere you would have a raised flower bed or a

terraced wall with flowers just beyond it.

Then, let's not forget you already probably grow some edibles...for you can eat daisy, hosta, nasturtiums and a whole bunch of things you probably never even considered.

Oak trees drop nuts and sweet gum and sycamore drops stickyballs, so why not some pears or chestnuts? And a full sized apple tree can be limbed up like a maple, with fruits way up high and you can walk under it's limbs. Should you have trouble finding a full sized apple—you can plant a dwarf one really deep so the graft union will be buried and the top part of the tree would put out roots just below the surface and become a full sized tree. Planting some trees too deep may kill them, but it won't be the case with an apple tree. It will become a bigger tree.

Not every nut, not every apple or peach, just like not every maple, will make a perfect lawn tree. But, there are good ones if you search them out. They may be old varieties your grandparents grew, and hard to find. Yellow and red delicious aren't much to look at in the front yard. I know a well planned yard with fruits and nuts can work, for I've done it more than once over the years. My hope is it will also work for some of my readers.

The author is a landscaper. Contact Max via website: rockcastles.net

## “Baseball”

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Hunter Spivey threw one and one-third innings in relief and recorded the last four outs to earn the save for the Rockets.

Brent Lovell led the Rockets with three hits in five at bats and two RBI. Anthony Houk, Rigsby, Blake King, Javan Hasty and Elijah McKinney each picked up two hits for the Rockets. Keaton Renfro reached base three times on two walks and a hit. Rylee Denney also picked up a hit for the Rockets.

The Rockets continued their winning ways Friday with a 3-2 win over Calloway County.

Javan Hasty took the win for the Rockets giving up zero runs on one hit over four innings while striking out seven. Rylee Denney and Anthony Houk entered the game out of the bullpen and helped to close out the game in relief.

Houk led the Rockets offensively going two four four and one RBI.

The Rockets came from behind Tuesday night to defeat Pulaski County, 7-4.

They were down 4-3 in the bottom of the sixth when Jacob Loudermilk doubled, scoring two runs.

Javan Hasty got the win for the Rockets going four innings, allowing zero runs on one hit, striking out seven and walking zero.

## “Softball”

(Continued from A6)

Friday night, the Lady Rockets hosted Mercer County in the “Where’s The Beach Classic” and came up short with a 5-3 loss.

Holcomb picked up the loss going six innings allowing six hits, striking out five and walking none.

The Lady Rockets were ahead 3-0 before Mercer scored two in the top of the fifth and added three more in the top of the sixth for the win.

Monday night, the Lady Rockets lost a hard fought battle to Garrard County, 3-0.

Chasteen took the loss going six innings giving up three runs on nine hits, striking out three and walking none.

Garrard County’s pitching was quite efficient for the game giving up only two hits on the night to the Lady Rockets.

The Lady Rockets took one on the chin Tuesday night as they fell to Pulaski County in five innings, 10-0.

## “Meeting”

(Continued from front)

the ground

Also present were members of a group seeking a proclamation establishing Indigenous Day.

Angela Arnett Garner asked the council to name a day of the year to celebrate heritage and native Americans. “We want to promote our history here,” said Garner. “We value our heritage.” After discussion Burton and others agreed that the event would be much more recognized if all three local cities and the county worked together and all endorsed the day of recognition.

Members of the council agreed to table the subject until the other entities could be involved.

## “Road”

(Continued from front)

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## “Court”

(Continued from front)

repair a slip on Singing Valley Springs Road which has caused the pavement to split down the middle.

County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop told the court that he would contact the state to see if 80% emergency funding might be available to help with the cost.

The court also approved, on a motion by Magistrate Gary Burdette, a low bid of \$52,000, from Brindle Mountain Co., for a 2003 pumper truck, with 50K miles on it, for the Mt. Vernon Fire Department which will be county-owned and used for the department’s runs outside of the city limits. The bid was accepted contingent on an inspection of the truck.

Another bid was submitted for \$89,000 for a 2004 International truck with 61K miles on it.

However, after the meeting, the item was placed on the agenda for a special called meeting Thursday (today) for further discussion.

Jeremy Bartley, who administers the Rocket Docket program in the county, was at the meeting to discuss the program which has come under some fire recently from the local sheriff’s department and Jailer Carlos McClure.

Bartley told the court that in 2017 he litigated 52 Rocket Docket cases, as opposed to 17 in 2016 and, while the program was not the “be all and end all” solution to the problem of delays in the regular court system, he did feel that it served its purpose in getting defendants through the system quicker and saving the county money in the process.

Bartley said that the county’s cost for the program was \$15,000 a year. Weighed against this amount, he said, was a minimum savings of \$155,000 due to getting defendants through the system more quickly.

“We have to be selective (in who is released through the program),” Bartley told the court. “Is it perfect, no, does it clear out the jail daily, no,” he admitted while still touting the advantages of the program.

Judge Bishop weighed in, saying “The system is getting worse for crime, getting worse every year and people are not getting smarter. Somewhere we’ve missed something.” To prove his point, he asked Sheriff Mike Peters what size jail the county would have to have if every criminal was taken off the streets. Peters ventured a 1,000 bed estimate.

County Attorney Jeremy Rowe told the court that he was convinced the program saves the county money but also noted that “changes can be made that are beneficial to every program.”

Magistrate William

Denny made a motion to continue with the program through the 2018-19 fiscal year, seconded by Mike McGuire and it was passed unanimously.

The court tabled a request by Lauren McQueary for full floor mats for the Livingston gym floor for the Rockcastle County Club Cheer team. In the request, McQueary said the mats cost \$6K-\$8.5K new but the mats requested were used and would cost \$3K.

The court tabled the matter, deciding that the request should come from the Parks and Recreation Board so there would be no question that the mats were for the use of everyone requiring them, not just the cheer club team.

The court approved the purchase of a motor, and other equipment for a brush truck for the Livingston Fire Department amounting to \$8,477, with Magistrate Gary Burdette voting nay.

Burdette made a motion to approve a \$100 donation to the Ky. Select Fast Pitch 13-14 year-old girls team for expenses, requested by Tim McIntosh.

The court also noted the resignation of Mark Dyehouse as Chairman of the Fairgrounds Board and another resignation from the board, that of Travis Burton who now lives outside the county.

Judge Bishop said that the court would await recommendations from the Fairgrounds Board to fill the vacancies.

Fiscal Court Clerk Patricia Martin gave the court information on the county’s workmen’s compensation and general liability policy premiums for the upcoming fiscal year.

Martin said that the workmen’s comp premium had increased \$16,000 from last year to \$153,608 and the general liability policy premium had increased to \$177,988, an increase of \$9,000.

The court also transferred \$150,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund, \$50,000 of which will then be transferred to the jail fund.

## Mt. Vernon Lions will hold Candidates Forum

The Mt. Vernon Lions Club will hold a Candidates Forum, along with a fundraising dinner, on April 21st at Rockcastle County Middle School.

Candidates are asked to reserve a table no later than April 20th by contacting Circuit Clerk Eliza York-Hansel.

Admission for the event will be \$5 which includes a meal of chili dogs, chips, baked beans, homemade desserts and a drink.

Doors will open at 4 p.m. and the event will begin at 5 p.m.

A fundraising auction will also be held. See a Lions Club member for tickets or buy at the door.

Please support the Mt. Vernon Lions Club in their effort to serve our community with several projects through the year, including: buying glasses for the needy, providing a yearly \$1,000 scholarship for a RCHS senior, providing underprivileged children with a Christmas shopping trip and other projects.

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## A Response to Tackling Tax Reform and Pensions

Last week, Rep. Jonathan Shell summarized the accomplishments made by passing the budget and pension reform. However, his summary of the actions of my fellow Republicans in the House and Senate failed to mention the effects of parts of those pieces of legislation.

Mr. Shell stated that money has been spent on education, touting the fact of allocating \$4000 per student, an increase from \$3981, with SEEK funding. Mr. Shell stated this level of SEEK funding was “putting more money directly into the classrooms”. While this is the first time that SEEK funding has reached the \$4000 level, when adjusted for inflation, it falls short of 2008 and 2009 funding levels. Also, while SEEK Funds were increased, other areas that are vital to education were not adequately funded. Preschool and Extended School Services (ESS), which are both used to strengthen and develop the education of at-risk students, were cut by 6.25%. The Kentucky Teacher Internship Program (KTIP), which is intended to help new teachers to be successful during their first year of teaching, received \$0. Funding for textbooks, instructional resources, and professional development also received \$0. While statements have been made about funding transportation, it has not been fully funded for many years. When all of this is put together, the extra \$19 per student quickly disappears as it is absorbed by those areas not fully funded, or not funded at all. I commend the Legislature on the funding for the Family Resource Centers and Youth Service Centers. These Centers are providing necessary resources and support to the less fortunate students in order for them to have an increased likelihood of success.

Mr. Shell also talked about the comprehensive tax reform package. What he failed to mention is that the lower income brackets will receive a tax increase, while the higher income bracket and large corporations will receive a tax cut. Services that many of us use quite frequently, such as veterinarians for small animals, auto mechanics, movie theaters, bowling alleys, and HVAC service, will now charge state sales tax. However, large corporations based in Kentucky will no longer pay tax on income derived from outside the state. In addition, \$310.5 million from the Kentucky Employee Health Insurance Fund is being used to balance the budget. Large corporations and the wealthy are getting a break while the working class and state employees are footing the bill.

As for the pension system, there are claims that the current employees will not be affected. This is not true. Currently, accumulated sick leave is used in the calculation of retirement pay. The pension reform, which was passed in a sewer bill, and without the required actuarial analysis, freezes the sick days that can be used for this calculation. Also, new hires will be placed in a new cash-hybrid system. This will mean that less money will be going into the current retirement systems, and can eventually result in not enough money available to cover retirement benefits down the road. Some estimates have said that the new system will cost an additional \$5 billion for fewer benefits when compared to funding our current retirement systems. This new system will also require additional years of teaching to reach full retirement, and the bill will allow legislators to change the plan at any time in the future. I have already heard some reconsidering their decision to pursue a career of service through teaching due to a lack of certainty in the benefits.

As I am preparing to send this to the press, reports have surfaced that Gov. Bevin has vetoed the budget and revenue bills. If elected, one of my goals is to help restore cohesiveness in the Republican majority of the House.

R. Travis Brenda lives in the Cartersville section of Garrard County, and is in his 19th year as a math teacher at Rockcastle County High School. He is a Republican candidate for House District 71, covering Garrard, Rockcastle, and part of Madison Counties.


Paid for by R. Travis Brenda

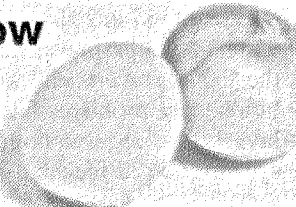


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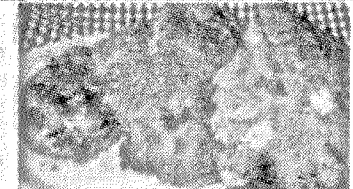
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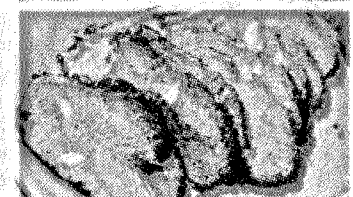
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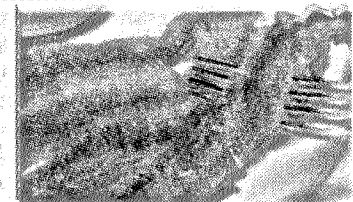
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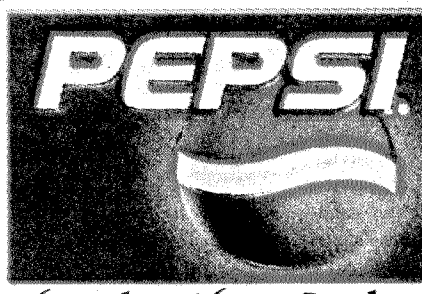
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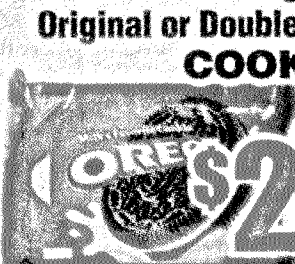
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# Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, April 12, 2018



Drama students Maggie Franklin and Noah VanWinkle look over the script with the play's author, Zac Pensol (center). Franklin and VanWinkle star in RCHS Drama Department's upcoming production of Edgar Allan Poe's *Nightmare Theatre: A Frightful Comedy*, to be performed for the public April 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the RCHS auditorium.

## Drama Department to perform original play by local author based on works of Poe

A gloomy shadow is soon to fall over the auditorium of Rockcastle County High School, but fear not! — there are certain to be many laughs and hopefully a little hometown pride as well.

Edgar Allan Poe's *Nightmare Theatre: A Frightful*

Comedy will be coming to the RCHS stage later this month, presented by the students of the Rockcastle County High School Drama Department. An adaptation of some of Poe's most famous and macabre writings, this show, which is

directed by longtime RCHS theatre director Allen Pensol, is an original work by Pensol's nephew and local resident, Zac Pensol, who first wrote the show last year and saw its debut performance in November by the Junior Redhound Theatre of Corbin Independent Schools.

A 2005 graduate of Rockcastle County High School, Zac says it's a dream come true to see something he wrote performed on the very same stage where he learned so much about theatre. "I was in numerous plays in school and watching my uncle, Allen, directing and writing several of them was certainly an early influence on me," he said when asked about his inspiration for the show. "Add to that my love of dark comedy and Poe's works, and really the idea for the play just flew out from there."

Zac tells us that he is excited to see his uncle's unique take on the play and knows it's going to be just as weirdly fun as he wrote it to be. "Come to think of it, I believe my uncle may've been the first person to introduce me to Poe as a child, so I suppose things have come full-circle," he laughed.

In Edgar Allan Poe's *Nightmare Theatre*, the audience become guests of Poe's as he sits down to regale them with some of his most classic horror stories — however, things quickly go off the rails when a pesky character from Poe's most famous short story shows up to mock the author's seriousness and introduce a little comedy, much to Poe's chagrin. Described as half-heinous, half-hilarious; either way, audiences will be sure to leave the theatre in stitches.

The students of the RCHS Drama Department have been rehearsing the play since February and are eager to perform not only for the public, but for their fellow students as well during an in-school performance earlier in the day. Tammy Reynolds, instructor for RCHS's drama class says, "The students are very excited about performing an original script, especially one written by a former RCHS Drama student. Most of them know Poe's stories from their Language Arts classes. So, the challenge for the students has been to look outside what's familiar and develop their characters beyond the impressions of what they've read previously."

The free public performance of Edgar Allan Poe's *Nightmare Theatre: A Frightful Comedy* will be presented Thursday, April 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the RCHS auditorium. No tickets necessary, suitable for all ages.

## Telecommunicators Week honors unsung heroes

Telecommunicators at Kentucky State Police Post 11 in London will be recognized along with more than 200,000 of their fellow communicators nationwide April 8-14 during National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

These silent heroes of public safety are more than just a voice on the other end of the line. They often save lives on a daily basis.

"KSP telecommunicators are challenged on a daily basis dealing with stressful situations, many that involve life and death, and they are expected to handle these situations with compassion, empathy and professionalism," says Capt. Todd Dalton, commander of KSP Post 11. "They must be at their BEST while dealing with people who may be at their WORST in many cases. People don't usually call them for help when they are having their best day. By the nature of the business, they deal with people who have been victimized or need medical assistance. They may be threatening and belligerent, or in some cases, not able to communicate at all, other than dialing 911 with their last bit of strength, in an attempt to get help."

"Telecommunicators provide a lifeline for the public as well as law enforcement and other emergency service professionals who rely on them for critical communications, information and follow up to ensure that they are and re-

main safe from harm," he adds.

KSP telecommunicators handle dispatch duties for Kentucky State Troopers, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officers, Kentucky Dept. of Fish and Wildlife Conservation Officers and other emergency service agencies. Some of their duties include calling wrecker services, notifying channels of administration, running license plate and driver's license numbers, running criminal histories and notifying family members while continuing to answer new calls and handling other radio traffic.

KSP employs 190 telecommunicators at its 16 posts throughout the state. In 2017, they handled 519,474 calls. Post 11 has 10 telecommunicators on staff who handle calls from a 7-county area. Last year, they responded to 26,129 calls.

The Post 11 telecommunications team includes: Brian Bullock, Brodhead; Joe Jones, London; Angel Sloan, London; Angie Matney, Keavy; John Moreland, London; Kris Gilliam, Corbin; Doug Jones, Lily; Angie Owens, Mount Vernon; Skyler Taylor, London; and Tyler McCoy, London.

## DAR hosts series of special guest speakers

The Rockcastle Chapter DAR has hosted a series of special guest speakers covering topics of colonial history, WWI, Rockcastle history and genealogy.

NSDAR Past Registrar General and KSDAR Honorary State Regent, Sharon Withers gave a presentation on the 1918 influenza pandemic and the effects it had locally and worldwide. Linda Jennings.

Chapter Regent Berea-Laurel Chapter and State Chair for Special Grants gave a presentation titled "Tea in the USA-Before, During and After the Revolutionary War" which included the five teas that were dumped into Boston Harbor better known as the Boston Tea Party.

Linda Ashley, lifelong

research Librarian and local resident, was the speaker during Women's History Month. Her presentation was titled "Two Rockcastle Women-Somewhat Unique" and discussed Rebecca Lawrence Adams and her great-granddaughter, Ida Mae Adams and the options and opportunities available to them.

Dr. Anissa Penn Davis, an Anderson Co. school teacher and Adjunct Professor at Eastern KY University, spoke to the chapter about genealogy stories and mishaps during the search for family ancestors.

Scheduled to speak in May is living history presenter from Livingston, Mr. Danny Hinton and he will be discussing Rockcastle history.

## Hospice helps teens give back and prepare for college, career

On Saturday, April 28, Hospice Care Plus will train a new class of volunteers. All are welcome and needed but, as summer approaches, teenagers are especially encouraged to attend.

To pre-register for the training, contact Stefanie Manes, volunteer coordinator, at 859-626-9292 or hospice@hospicecp.org.

Hospice allows teens age 14 and up to participate in its volunteer program, which has over 100 active members.

"This is the last training we'll have before summer," said Manes. "So, teens who want to do volunteer work this summer should definitely attend."

Manes says the teen volunteer program matches teenagers with roles that play to their strengths. Outgoing personalities enjoy front-desk volunteering at the Compassionate Care Center, greeting visitors and supporting family members. Quieter teens often appreciate more behind-the-scenes work, like administrative support tasks.

Destiny Middleton, a sophomore at Madison Central High School, volunteers at the Compassionate Care Center every Monday evening. She's comfortable interacting with patients, family members, and visitors, and with the range of people who call the Center by phone throughout the day. And she gets something out of it, too.

"I want to attend UK and study pediatrics," said Middleton. "And my family and I have had personal experience with hospice care, so I wanted to do something to give back to other families. Volunteering with Hospice Care Plus will help me achieve my career goals, but also my desire to help oth-

ers."

Some of the first teen volunteers have graduated and are now in, or are about to enter, college. Manes says she gets feedback from them on how volunteering helped prepare them for what comes after high school.

"They've shared with me that it helps them build confidence, gain experience, and hone their social skills as they prepare for college and career. Plus, it satisfies their desire to give back. In that sense, it really is a good thing all the way around."

Hannah Wallhauser, a senior at Berea Community School, agrees.

"I became a volunteer at 14 because I think hospice care is so important, and I wanted to support it," said Wallhauser. "But, what I got out of it went way beyond my desire to do something good for my community. My confidence in my ability to handle lots of different situations, to make good decisions quickly and independently, and to interact with a diverse population really improved. I have no doubt that my volunteer experience at Hospice has helped prepare me for college life."

Manes says interested individuals should pre-register for the New Volunteer Training by April 23. Rockcastle County teens are encouraged to participate.

Hospice Care Plus is a non-profit organization serving Estill, Jackson, Lee, Madison, Owsley and Rockcastle counties. Services include hospice care, palliative care, bereavement support, and hospice inpatient care at the Hospice Care Plus Compassionate Care Center. Visit hospicecareplus.org to learn more.

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## News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

### Marriage Licenses

Angela Louise Norton, 49, Mt. Vernon, retired and Mark Edward Mink, 48, Mt. Vernon, self-employed. 4/6/18

### District Civil Suits

Lindsey Wilson College v. Jodi L. Hellard, \$1,945 plus claimed due.  
Midland Funding LLC v. Jimmy Wynn, \$546 plus claimed due.  
Katreka Cash v. Korie Krebs, eviction notice. C-00068

### Deeds Recorded

Joseph Lambert, property on waters of Cove Branch, to Johnathan Robinson. Tax \$20  
Rural Housing Service, property in Rockcastle County, to Frank E. Beaty.  
Matthew A. and Brandy L. Smith, property in Rockcastle County, to Justin K. and Katlyn L. Chrisman. Tax \$35.50  
David and Melissa Johnson, property in Rockcastle County, to Misty Johnson. No tax  
Lawrence David Johnson, property in Rockcastle County, to Misty Johnson. No tax  
Paula Renee and Dallas Clifford, property in Rockcastle County, to Paul and Connie Payne. Tax \$2.50  
Jones C. and Ramona S. Hiatt, property on Lake Linville Road, to Kellan H. Coffey and Molly Kathryn Coffey. No tax  
Carcila McGuire, prop-

erty in Rockcastle County, to Clayton Alexander. Tax \$21  
William Scott Brown, property on KY 1004, to Clayton Alexander. Tax \$12.50  
James E. and Carrie Ballinger, Harold D. Ballinger, Jr. and Leslie H. Ballinger, Sr. and Edith M. Ballinger, property in Rockcastle County, to Harold D. Ballinger, Jr. and Leslie H. Ballinger. No tax  
U.S. Bank Trust, property on Copper Creek, to Eddie and Tracy Simpson.

### Circuit Civil Suits

Jessica N. Robinson v. Tristan C. Robinson, child support claimed due.  
Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Rhonda Evans, complaint for child support and medical support.  
Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Kenneth R. Evans, complaint for child support and medical support.  
Credit Acceptance Corp. v. Samantha L. Couch, et al, \$5,801 plus claimed due.  
Eula Loraine Warner v. Mt. Vernon IGA, complaint.  
Shannon Clark v. Angela Baker, custody petition.  
Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Jonathan Foster, complaint for child support and medical support.  
Midland Funding v. Dorothea McClure, \$8,001 plus claimed due.  
Joshua D. Chaliff v. Astin K. Chaliff, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
Synchrony Bank v. Evelyn Mitchell, \$17,178 plus claimed due. CI-00075

## Frankfort Update...

By Jonathon Shell  
State Representative  
Legislature Will Work to Override Vetoes

Early this week, Governor Bevin vetoed the House Budget and the historic tax reform plan that supported public education while also giving working families more take-home pay.



I disagree with these actions. The Legislature's budget is the result of months of work and listening to constituents. It provides critical support for many important services, including more spending on students, law enforcement, and our foster care system. It also shows great fiscal responsibility by cutting state government agencies across the board.

Even the KEA has commented about how positive the budget is. On Monday, they said that they were "profoundly disappointed" by the vetoes and stated that legislators worked "hard" as well as "thoughtfully" on the tax and budget bills.

A group that represents Jefferson County Teachers stated that passage of our budget would be doing the "right thing for the children of our Commonwealth."

This budget hits all the right notes. It invests in our children by raising classroom spending to \$4,000 per-student- a record amount. It takes care of the health insurance of our retired teachers as well as the transportation of students, both of which were sharply cut by the Governor in his proposal. It takes a responsible approach to pension funding, providing these long-neglected systems with a record \$3.3 billion dollars.

Democratic Leadership in Frankfort called our budget and tax plan "irresponsible." I'm not surprised given their track record of not funding the retirement of our teachers, law enforcement officers, and other public employees.

I am proud of our budget which stands up for these selfless individuals, even in the face of opposition from those who helped create the problem. I am also proud of the comprehensive tax reform efforts we passed to make Kentucky more competitive, simplify the tax code, and increase the take-home pay of working families.

The tried-and-true principle of lowering the tax rates of working families and entrepreneurs while broadening the base, taxing income less and consumption more works. For example, Tennessee gets more than 40% of its revenue from sales taxes (more than double what Kentucky does), yet has a higher level of household income and a faster growing GDP rate than our state.

Fake news is alive and well. The very same people who specialize in class warfare and attacking President Trump's tax plan are back at it, declaring war on the Reagan model of making the taxcode flatter and fairer. The tax reform plan we passed may not accomplish everything we want to do but it is a strong step forward. According to the Tax Foundation, our plan moves Kentucky from 33rd to 18th in terms of states with the best tax climate for job creation.

I am against going back to the days of kicking the can down the road even further. That is why we must work to override Governor Bevin's vetoes.

It is the Legislature's main responsibility to pass a budget. After hearing from constituents, we passed a budget that invests heavily in education and public safety, and found funding through a tax bill that improves Kentucky's competitiveness.

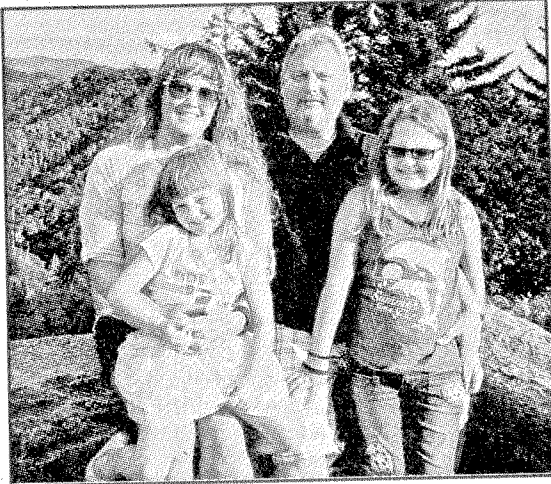
Please let me know if you have questions or feedback by emailing me at [Jonathan.Shell@lrc.ky.gov](mailto:Jonathan.Shell@lrc.ky.gov).

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This is a nice three bedroom brick veneer home on city water and city sewer. It is well located in a quiet neighborhood. It consists of a living room, kitchen, three bedrooms, and two bath. This property is considered unsuitable for the Rural Development, Housing Program. This would be an excellent buy for an investor interested in rental property or for resale after minor repairs.

An open house will be held on May 15, 2018 from 10:00AM - 11:00AM.  
The minimum acceptable bid for this property is \$34,840.00.  
Payment of the current year's property taxes are the responsibility of the purchaser.

Clear title to this property is not warranted. The U.S. Marshal's Deed is not a general warranty deed. Buyers are advised to have the property's title examined. Written notification regarding encumbrances on the property must be made to the Nicholasville Rural Development Office within 30 days.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on May 15, 2018 at 11:00AM at 375B Freedom School Road, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, in order to raise the sum of \$60,813.06, with accrued interest of \$9,389.41, through February 8, 2017, with a total subsidy granted of \$22,458.02, escrow in the amount of \$0, late charges of \$468.48 and fees assessed of \$4,771.30, for a total unpaid balance due of \$97,900.27 as of February 8, 2017. Interest is accruing on the unpaid principal balance at the rate of \$11.4312 per day after February 8, 2017, until the date of entry of Judgment, together with interest on the Judgment amount at the rate of 1.23 percent per annum, until paid in full, plus costs, disbursements, attorney's fees and expenses, pursuant to Judgment and Order of Sale, being Civil Action No. 6:17-cv-00132-DCR on the London Docket of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, entered on August 24, 2017, in the case of United States of America vs. Jenny Lou Pigg, et al, the following described property will be sold to the highest and best bidder:  
Being Lot Number 8 as shown by plat of lot divisions for Benton Bullock, Freedom School Road, dated October 7, 1993, of record in Plat Book 4, page 151, Rockcastle County Court Clerk's Office. Reference is made to said plat for a more complete legal description of said lot. BEING the same property conveyed to JENNY LOU PIGG from Frankie Denny and Sheila Denny, his wife, by Deed dated June 8, 1999, of record in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office in Deed Book 175, Page 56. TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent (10%) of the bid price (in the form of a Certified Check made payable to the U.S. Marshal) on the day of the sale with good and sufficient bond for the balance, bearing interest at the rate of 1.23% per annum until paid, due and payable in 60 days and said bond having the effect of a Judgment. Upon a default by the Purchaser, the deposit shall be forfeited and retained by the U.S. Marshal as a part of the Proceeds of the sale, and the property shall again be offered for sale subject to confirmation by the Court.  
This sale shall be in bar and foreclosure of all right, title, interest, estate claim, demand or equity of redemption of the defendants and of all persons claiming by, through, under or against them, provided the purchase price is equal to two-thirds of the appraised value. If the purchase price is not equal to two-thirds of the appraised value, the Deed shall contain a lien in favor of the defendants reflecting the right of the defendants to redeem during the period provided by law (KRS 426.530). Under law, the purchaser is deemed to be on notice of all matters affecting the property of record in the local County Clerk's Office.  
Inquiries should be directed to: John Johnson, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AREA OFFICE, Shelbyville, Kentucky, Telephone: 859-881-4489 Ext. 4

## ABSOLUTE ESTATE Auction

of the late Mrs. Edith Nicely's

### 46.5 Acre Farm in Tracts & Personal Property

Saturday, April 14, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m.

Ottawa Section of Rockcastle County • 2648 Ottawa Rd., Brodhead

**Directions:** Turn off US 150 near Brodhead onto 1229 and go 4.3 miles to auction. From Lincoln County, turn off Hwy 39 onto Hwy 618 at Dogwalk and follow auction signs.

**Multi-Parcel Auction:** The property will be offered in tracts utilizing the multi-parcel method and selling in the manner that reflects the best returns for the sellers. This concept gives each and every prospective buyer the ability to purchase his or her individual tract or combination.

**Tract 1:** Located on the north side of Ottawa Rd./KY 1650, contains 3.225 acres, all cleared. It's improved with the pictured house, in need of repairs. In addition to the house, there are 3 outbuildings.

**Tract 2:** Also located on the north side of Ottawa Rd./KY 1650, and is adjacent to tract 1. This tract consists of 4.249 acres, is all cleared and is improved with a barn.

**Tract 3:** Lot measuring 170 x182, consisting of 0.727 acre on the south side of Ottawa Rd./ KY 1650.

**Tract 4:** Fronts the south side of Ottawa Rd./KY 1650 and consists of 18.470 acres. It is improved with a barn and concrete building, previously used as a milk house.

**Tract 5:** Is located on the south side of Ottawa Rd./KY 1650, has 5.698 acres, and is improved with a barn. Most of this tract is all cleared.

**Tract 6:** Located on south side of Ottawa Rd./KY 1650. This tract is 6.327 acres of mostly cleared land.

**Tract 7:** On the south side of Ottawa Rd./ KY 1650, has 8.565 acres of most cleared land.

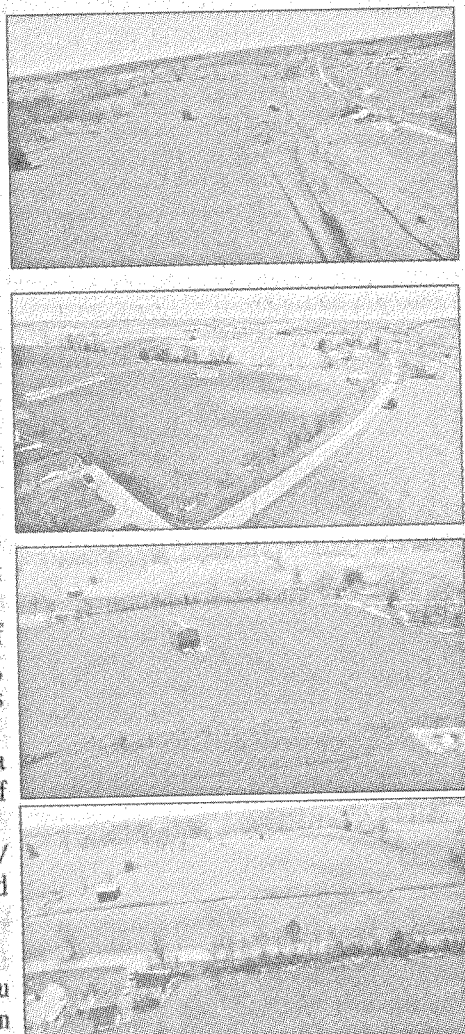
All tracts have city water available.

**Auctioneer's Note:** It is rare that you have an opportunity to purchase land in the Ottawa area. If you're looking for a baby farm or an entire farm, be sure to attend this auction. In addition to the real estate being sold, there will also be some personal property items being sold. Included in those items will be: Singer sewing machine ~ living room suite ~ loveseat ~ chairs ~ gossip bench ~ table ~ lamps ~ gun rack ~ quilt rack ~ shelves ~ pictures ~ beds ~ dishes ~ electric stove ~ refrigerator ~ fuel oil stoves ~ linens ~ hutch ~ concrete flower planters ~ porch furniture ~ electric churn and much more.

**Buyer's Premium:** A 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to the winning bid to determine the final sale price on both real estate and personal property.

**Terms:** Real Estate- 20% down due day of sale with balance in 30 days. Personal Property- Payment in full at time of sale in the form of cash, check, Visa or MasterCard with an additional 3% processing fee (\$3 minimum).

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## Tiger Pause

Mrs. Sierra's 3rd grade students worked collectively to gather evidence guiding their minds to make inferences based on items in a pretend garbage collection. Students were challenged with various objects providing clues to the events that took place before the trash was taken out. Students made connections between their prior knowledge that brought to their groups and collective investigation efforts to infer these situations. Observations lead students to determine there was a family movie night, a birthday party, a family carry-out night, and a night where chicken noodle soup was needed to help soothe a sore throat.

Pictured from Mrs. Sierra's 3rd grade class during their investigations are Jacob Anderson, Aubrey Clouse, Jaken Masters, Jayden Wren, Brian TaeShawn Baker, Kayleigh Miller, Kendra Bullock, Keara Santo, Sadee Payne, Zakary Lear, Gracie Robinson, Caden Barnett, Madison Hysinger, and Makala Johnson.



Brodhead Elementary would like to thank the Rockcastle Farm Bureau for their book donation to the BES library. Pictured receiving the book is Cadence Means with Rockcastle Farm Bureau representative Mrs. Carla Parsons.

## Minds in the Middle

Congratulations to the Y-Club on a great effort at the Kentucky United Nations Assembly. Emma Ballinger and Bailey Bullock were winners of Outstanding Speaker Awards after their bill was passed through all committees. Mya Hunt received an Outstanding Ambassador Award. The club also received an Honorable Mention Ribbon for their country sign and had an excellent performance on the international stage. Congratulations to them all!

Congratulations to Bailey Bullock, Kaitlyn Burgin, Connor McGuire and Joseph Pickle who were selected and participated in the Duke Talent Identification program. They were all very impressive. We send a special congrats to Bailey and Joseph who qualified for state recognition for their scores.

Thank you to our Kind Kids of the week: Ethan Gibbons, Marquise Gentry, Jayda Hubbard, Granville Graves, MaKenzie Craine, Makinlee Kirby and Harper McCool.

Congratulations to our top ten attendance winners for last week. Mrs. Owens's 8thgrade Comets took third place. 6th grade Voyagers homerooms took the top two spots with Mrs. Stewart's group in second place and Mrs. Todd's homeroom in first place.

Keep in mind that the spring assessment will take place on May 2-8. Please avoid scheduling appointments on those days.

## RES Honor Roll

Honor Roll - 3rd - 9 weeks

**K - Tanya Clark**

Krysta Chasteen, Mya Didelot, Sophie Hart, Colten Isaacs, Jase Lear, Harlan Long, Ryan Long, Makenna McNally, Braxton Owens, Vivie Short, Wesley Thompson, Chloe Ward, Eli Williams.

**K - Imogene Williams**

Alayna Alexander, Boaz Bishop, Nicholas Denny, Lily Forbes, Astrid Forsythe, Leah Gregory, Eli Hayes, Jaylee Howard, Ariel Lear, Cody Lee, Alena Shearer, Clara Shearer, Lilah Sizemore-Rankin.

**1st - Michelle Atkin**

Nevaeh Anglin, Grayson Bowles, Eli Chasteen, Wyatt Craig, Arianna French, Ryan Lamb, James Murphy, Savanna Lamb, Logan Rogers.

**1st - Lisa Noe**

Gabby Collins, Brycen Dollins, Olivia Linville, Lucas Millett, Lacey Prewitt, Sebastian Rosiere.

**2nd - Emily Craig**

Kylee Ashcraft, Austin Baker, Kortney Coy, Madison Grant, Katelyn Hagen,

Evan Hayes, Aiden Ingram, Leighton McKinney, Matthew Moore, Beatrice Robinson, Brandon Robinson, Jasper Rogers, Kinley Shearer, Catelyn Snyder.

**2nd - Ainsley Bussell**

Aaliyah Abney, Abby Dees, Jay Durham, Halen Fugate, Bobby Hensley, Marrick Hester, Alyssa Howard, Brooklyn Johnson, Grant Johnson, Taylor Jones, Andi Lee, Lacey Seals, Mason Taylor, Grace Williams.

**3rd - Nikki McKinney**

Trinity Abney, Tatum Bishop, Noah Cain, Ethan Kidwell, James Nagel, Sadie Osborne, Logan Poynter, Aiden Richard, Arrahlyn Richards.

**3rd - Jennifer Peavie**

Lydia Begley, Nolan Bryant, Payton Lake, Aedan Owens, Layne Poynter, Chaslyn Savage, Myles Watson, Chloe Wilson.

**4th - Melissa Fairchild**

Nathan Alexander, Katelyn Barron, Chloe Begley, Emaleigh Bowman, Ally Chandler, Walker Craig, Colin Hamilton, Hannah King, Cailee Mullins, Samuel Mullins.

**4th - Krystal Gatliff**

Joyce Blevins, Jaydon Bowles, Santana Hacker, Brianna Hensley, Ella McKinney, Jaden Melton, Samuel Moore, Hunter Pingleton, Hunter Riddell.

**5th - Stephanie Hurst**

Makyla Hester, Kali Jones, Haley McClure, Will Miller, Gracie Peavie, Bryce Vance, Brandon Wright.

**5th - Harold Woodall**

Bethany Chasteen, Justice Flora, Bailey Hensley, Isaiah Kirby, Aylee McClure, Dillon Pickle, Markley Richards, Jace Rogers.

# ABSOLUTE Auction

of 107 Acre Farm, Commercial Properties & Equipment

Saturday, April 14, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.  
Hwy 461 - Somerset, Kentucky

Directions: Take East Hwy. 80 to Hwy 461 and turn left. Follow Highway 461 approximately four miles to the auction site. Auction signs are posted.

Established commercial location, productive farmland, pastureland, wooded creek frontage and scenic home sites - this farm consisting of 107 acres is strategically located having quick access to Somerset, Mt. Vernon and I-75!

Tract #1 has a total of 6.69 acres fronting Hwy. 461 and is improved with these pictured commercial buildings. The main building is a metal building featuring reception and lobby area, two individual offices, restroom facility and a large garage/workshop area. There is an additional metal commercial building measuring 240'x60' with concrete flooring, an attached 16 ft. shed and a 4-car garage.

Tract #2 also fronts Hwy. 461 and has 5.63 commercial acres. This site would be an excellent addition to Tract #1 to increase the size of your commercial location.

Tract #3 measures 8.51 acres. This tract fronts Dahl Elrod Road approximately 196 ft. This all-cleared tract would be an ideal baby farm site.

Tract #4 and #6 measure 1.13 and 1.18 acres respectively. Perfect building sites, these tracts front Dahl Elrod Road and are all-cleared.

Tract #5 and #7 are those rare find small acreage tracts having 6.69 and 6.13 acres respectively. Both front Dahl Elrod, are all-cleared, have fantastic home/building sites and are also the perfect size for running cattle/horses.

Tract #9 measures 8.98 acres and is all-cleared cropland. For access, this tract must be purchased as a combination with Tract #10 or an adjoining land-owner.

Tract #10, the largest of the tracts, contains 46.87 acres. This acreage is all-cleared and is excellent cropland. This tract has creek frontage along Buck Creek.

Tract #11 consists of 8.35 wooded acres also having frontage along Buck Creek.

Equipment & Personal Property include: Hay equipment, tools, lumber, car lift & much more!

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: This well established commercial location was the site of West Somerset Wrecking for many years!! This versatile property offers not only successful commercial sites but also farm-cropland and sites. Join us for this all important land auction on April 14th.

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

TERMS: Real Estate: 20% deposit the day of the auction with the balance due in 30 days.

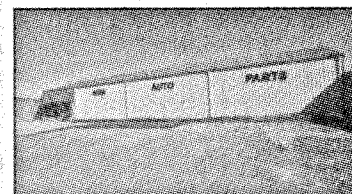
Equipment: All equipment items must be paid for in full the day of the auction with cash, check or VISA / MasterCard in full.

NOTE: This will be a multi-parcel absolute auction, giving each and every prospective purchaser the ability to purchase any or all tracts or combination of tracts.

AUCTIONEER/BROKER/SELLER DISCLAIMER: The information contained herein is believed to be correct to the best of the auctioneer's knowledge. The information is being provided for the bidder's convenience and it is the bidder's responsibility to determine the information contained herein is accurate and complete. The property is selling in its "as-is" condition with no warranties express or implied.

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## RCHS

### SBDM Parent-Member Elections

#### Attention All RCHS Parents!

It is time to elect parent representatives to serve on the RCHS SBDM Council.

The council is a chance to learn about our school, work closely with teachers and help make our school even more successful than it is now.

The parents' members are elected by parents. They receive training and will serve from July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019. The parent election will be held on May 1, 2018. On this day, any parent of an RCHS student in the 2018-2019 school year may come to the office to vote. The time for voting on this day will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Submit your nomination in writing, signed, to the principal by 3:00 p.m. April 16, 2018.

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ to serve as a Parent Member of the Rockcastle County High School SBDM Council for the 2018-2019 School Year.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Anyone who is the parent/guardian of a child who will be enrolled in Rockcastle County High School for the 2018-2019 school year is eligible to serve on the council or to nominate someone to serve on the council.

Parent members of the council cannot be relatives of Rockcastle County High School staff members.

Forms may also be picked up at the high school.



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# MVES Academic List...

## Entry Level Adkisson

Sadie Adams, Gus Akin, Trapper Bray, Arianna Davidson, Jake Durbin, Bryce Hunt, Ali Ison, Charlie Laws, Layla Long, Desmond Martin, Dameon McClure, Izabella McClure, Titus McGuire, Chloe Mullins, Angileigha Nunery, Peyton Powell, Chase Prewitt, Ryden Rudie, Brylee Silcox, Matthew Vanwinkle, Spencer Woods.

**Collins**  
Aniya Barnett, Landon Carvalho, Carlee Davidson, Damian Day, Kylie Dees, Destiny Gadd, Jaylen Hager, Ethan Hall, Lacey Mize, Chesney Payne, Dawsynn Santo, Amiyah Scalf, Noah Stallsworth, Olivia Stewart, Madison VanWinkle, Chloe Wren, Kiley Yates.

**Hunt**  
Lilyanna Asher, Johnna Bates, Ryli Harris, Alia Hensley, Kennedy Hopkins, Colten Johnson, Gabby Milburn, Haylee Miller, Noah Rader, Jacob Renner, Camden Richards, Carlie Vance, Gabby Vanwinkle, Brooklyn York.

**Lambert**  
Braydon Booth, Brylee Hiatt, Henry Joyner, Noah Lindsey, Gavin Lovett, Maleigha McFerron, Bryson Miller, Ayden Nolan, Abigail M. Northern, Kylie Phillips, Aubree Winkler.

**Phillips**  
Charles Ashcraft, Jacob Bolin, Parker Burdette, Elizabeth Cotton, Nikolas Couch, Eliza Evans, Kerri Jo Fox, Carabella Mink, Abigail I. Northern, Caeli McFerron, Gracie Parker, Erika Pheanis, Katie Renner, Maddy Richardson, Brodie Rumsey, Kaylee Williams.

**First Grade Bowman**  
Esme Alcorn, Landon Alexander, Gage Childress, Morgan Cochran, Jacob Dykes, Jocelyn Hosier, Karleigh Isaacs, Jace Johnson, Roscoe Lewis, Hailey Mize, Lexus Naylon, Josiah Rodriguez, Zaydon Scalf, Braxton Winkler.

**Brown**  
Karleigh Allen, Jady Croucher, Levi Dorton, Madison Hasty, Zeik Mullins, Alyssa Wagers, Abby Whitaker.

**Bryant**  
Levi Adams, Levi Bullock, Parker Cash, Bryce Hiatt, Emma King, Sophia Owens, Gabe Powell, Beckham Smith, Caleb Smith, Macensie Strunk.

**Isaacs**  
Dillon Bradley, Alexis Bradley, Lincoln Bryant, Sawyer Bryant, Casen Burdette, Kynlee Calico, Sawyer Cash, Audrey Cromer, Jaxon Cromer, Grace Lambert, Sophia Lewis, Sophia Lovell, Addie Payne, Jasper Reynolds, Lila Rigsby, Andrew Robinson.

**Price**  
Kaleigh Carpenter, Jaydon Convery, Brynna Davis, Aliyah Dodd, Dakota Higgins, Tyson Johnson, Stormy Jones, AJ Martin, Elizabeth Santo, Addison Smith, Kevin Valle.

**Second Grade Burton**  
Liam Barton, Trey Cole,

Jazzline Durham, Addi Fox, Briana Hensley, Aidan Lear, Sophia Pendery, Zoe Phelps, Cal Rader, Baylee Taylor, Ethan Whitaker.

**Cowan**  
Kyley Ashcraft, Davin Barnes, Samantha Benge, Shaun Boyd, Lexi Burkhart, Cayden Durbin, Zaden Graham, Zander Graham, Brian Lovell, Abigail Miller, Landon Napier, Bobby Noble, Landen Paquette, Bella Smith, Caleb Thomas, Katie Valle.

**Gentry**  
Gabriel Carvalho, Brooklyn Doan, Jacob Dobbs, Brady Gibson, Emma Hensley, William Henson, Alexis Ramsey, Chase Sandusky, Landyn Shepherd, Olivia Weaver.

**McKinney**  
Katie Adams, Derrick Arthur, Nelson Baker, Zane Bullock, Makayla Burke, Trey Cundiff, Katie Davis, Caleb Howard, Caden Payne, Brailyn Skinner.

**McQueary**  
Caylee Cash, Clay Cash, Conner Ford, Azlyn Howard, Madelynn Parsons, Ethan Phillips, Layne Price, Clara Shaffer, Brady Valentine, Samuel Whicker.

**Third Grade K. Asher**  
Principal's List  
Hadley Bray, Tessa Begley, Colton Cash, Owen Cromer, Abby Hopkins,

Jaden McPhetridge, Kenzie Owens, Wyatt Rigsby, Kinsley Smith.  
**Honor Roll**  
Katelyn Cromer, Christian Kimsey, Kelsey Maupin, Landon Mullins, Colson Powell, Samuel Spoonamore, Maliyah Swinney.

**Bradley**  
Principal's List  
Shelby Couch, Caleb Crouch, Lyndsey McNew, Shelby Sandusky, Autumn Scalf.

**Honor Roll**  
Dilan Baker, Dakota Denney, Dawson Durham, Madison Hayes, Canaan Houk, Harley Newcomb, Cole Powell, Teyton Yauger.

**McClure**  
Principal's List  
Izak Gibbs, Makayla Griffin, Averej Napier, Marley Ramsey, Madison Shuart, Emma Stanley.

**Honor Roll**  
James Gadd, Eli Powell, Makayla Wagers.

**Rumsey**  
Principal's List  
Jace Paquette.

**Honor Roll**  
Hunter Birney, Kristopher Johnson, Blake Mullins, Ashlynn Rose.

**White**  
Principal's List  
Sydney Bussell, Kelsie Cameron, Ben Chaliff, Breonna Cromer, Javen Hellard, Landyn Johnson, Palin McClure, Carleigh Philbeck, Lucas Saylor, Kaylee Smith.

**Honor Roll**  
Kyera Brown, Jacob Camel, Jackson Eaton, Bella Smith.

**Fourth Grade Alexander**  
Principal's List  
Lavan Evans, Zeke Fain, Adrianna Graves, CayDee Hasty.

**Honor Roll**  
Hannah Benge, Michael Camel, Avery Hayes, Kayla

Miller, Hunter Payne, Kendal Rader, Kaden Riddle, Brayden Skinner, Michael Sparks, Macy Spivey.

**J. Asher**  
Principal's List  
Darcy Barton, Dillan Bullock, Dalton DeBorde, Keathlee Justice, Cheyenne Moore, Maddox Parsons, Maggie Reynolds.

**Honor Roll**  
Caleb Bradley, Brooklyn Ledford, Natalie Renner, Sara Robbins, Jacorey Washington, Abigail Watson, Ava Watson.

**Martin**  
Principal's List  
Carleigh Collins, Ashley Napier, Ainslee Renfro.

**Honor Roll**  
Payton Howard, Tristan McKinney, Lydia Navarre, Jaxon Robinson.

**Parkey**  
Principal's List  
Alex Abrams, J'Lena Diaz, Hunter Gilliam, Adyson Ledford, Harrison Mullins, Susanne Mullins, Aisha Njje, Abby Phillips, Aubrey Phillips, Connor Wright.

**Honor Roll**  
Aubrey Burke, John Clontz, Cole Martin, Dakota Ramsey, Rilely Taylor, Coren Wagers.

**Rose**  
Principal's List  
Donovan Bradley, Matthew Bullock, Carson Cameron, Nevaeh Daniels, Shannen Eckert, Addy King, Jesse Ramsey, Emily Renner, Jocelyn Reynolds, Christian Swanigan, Sydney Woods.

**Honor Roll**  
AJ Cromer, Luke Ellis, Andrea Lovell, David Mason, Kylie McPhetridge, Nathaniel Rowland.

**Fifth Grade Cable**  
Principal's List  
Aiden Baker, Jackson Stallsworth, Ethan Weaver.

**Honor Roll**  
Davany Bullock, Nathan Doan, Joshua Rowe, Holleigh Senters.

**Cameron**  
Honor Roll  
Alyssa Hodge, Jacob King, Trinity Messenger, Ethan Nicely, Brooklyn Smith.

**Coffey**  
Principal's List  
Conor Barton, Anna Chaliff, Patience Gleissner, Learin Reagan.

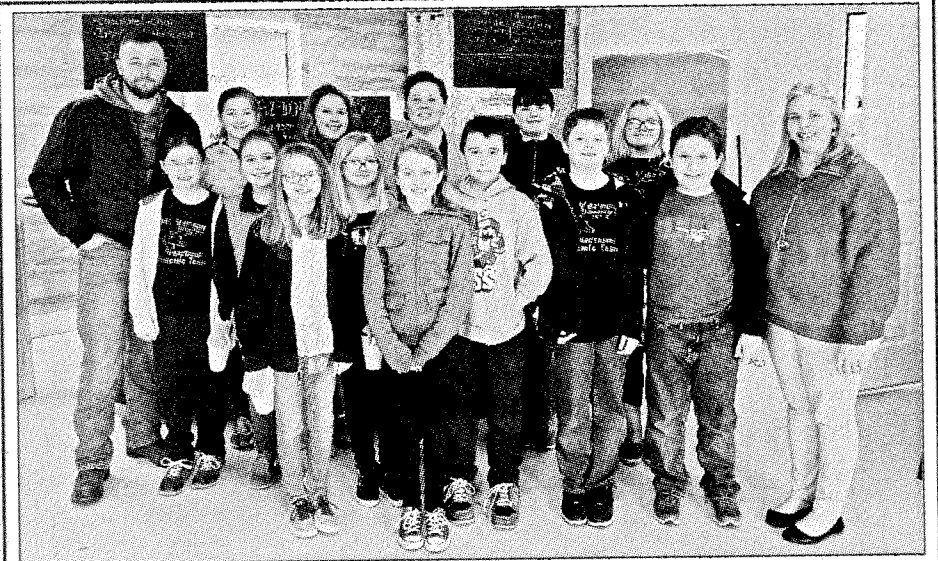
**Honor Roll**  
Starla Baggett, Alyssa Barron, Jenna Eaton, Clayton Flannery, Kaylee Johnson, Jacob Leger, Alexis Ludemann, Victoria Munguia, Axton Reynolds, Regan Robinson, Addison Rush, Nicholas Shumate, Conner Winstead.

**Coguer**  
Principal's List  
Kendra Barnes, Madison Hayes, Hana Singleton.

**Honor Roll**  
Liza Perrine, Brandon Valle.

**McQueen**  
Principal's List  
Lila Holt, Caitlyn Kirby, Peyton Napier, Rex Parkey, Allie Payne, Lincoln Rader, Anna Brooklyn Smith, Katielynn Smith.

**Honor Roll**  
Isaac Asher, Austin Davidson, Creed Gabbard, Gabby Hatfield, Connor Hunt, Allie Owens Cable, Elizabeth Smith.



MVES Academic Team members are front from left: Allie Cable and Emily Renner. Second row from left: Susanne Mullins, Kendra Barnes, Nevaeh Daniels, Jackson Stallsworth, Harrison Mullins, AJ Cromer and Coach Michelle Martin. Back row from left: Coach Blake McKinney, Anna Chaliff, Emory Hazelwood, Coach Kandace Rose, Damien McGuire, and Ella Vance.



Susan and Caitlyn from Kentucky Farm Bureau came to visit Mrs. Kami and Ms. Lisa's kindergarten classroom. Thank you for the goodies and lesson.

## Mt. Vernon Message

Girl Scouts meet each Wednesday after school.

After school tutoring is each Tuesday and Thursday. Please be here for pick up at 4:25.

SBDM Parent Election will be Wednesday, April 18.

Kindergarten performance is scheduled for Thursday, April 19 at 6:00.

The 2017-18 MVES Academic Team season has ended and we are very proud of our members. To commend the students for an awesome year, they were taken to Snack Shack and the Grind for a celebratory lunch. In District Competition on Saturday, February 10, 2018, MVES took home the District Runner-up title. Also in District Competition, MVES had several students who placed and then went on to compete in the Regional Academic Meet. Those students include: Emory Hazelwood who placed 2nd in Math and also 4th place in Arts & Humanities. Anna Chaliff placed 1st in Science and 1st in Written Composition. Jackson Stallsworth placed 4th in Written Composition as well.

In Language Arts, Nevaeh Daniels came in 2nd place, Kendra Barnes 3rd place, and Allie Cable 5th place. Students placing individually along with the Quick Recall Team competed in Region Competition on Saturday, March 3, 2018.

Although no one placed individually at Regions, the

MVES Academic Team was awarded the Hume Sportsmanship Award.

Congratulations to all of the members of the team and we look forward to another great year next year.

As a part of their 12 Days

of Kindness activity, Mrs. Kathy's and Mrs. Kaci's first grade classes chose to "stock the fridge" of the Rockcastle County Ambulance Service. The students brought in 345 bottles/cans of soft drinks.

## May 12, 2018 Rockcastle County FREE TRASH DROP-OFF DAY

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court is pleased to offer a **Free Trash and Bulk Goods Drop-Off Day**. This event will be held **Saturday, May 12th from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.** (rain or shine) at the **Brodhead Fairgrounds**.

**This event is open to Rockcastle County residents only! Identification and sign in at the gate will be required!**

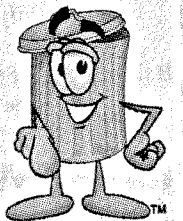
We will be accepting the following items: household trash, bulk goods (such as couches, chairs, mattresses, etc.), appliances, televisions, computer equipment, etc.

Some personnel will be on hand to assist with unloading some items, **however**, you may have to unload yourself if we are either short-handed or getting behind.

This is a service to our citizens, if you are able to unload, then you should be willing to do so!

We will **NOT** accept any tires, liquids, paint, brush, leaves, clean wood, propane tanks or hazardous materials.

For more information, call the **Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office** at **606-256-1902**



## Are you ready to live a tobacco free life?

If you would like to quit smoking or using other tobacco products, Rockcastle Regional Hospital can help. Using an innovative smoking-cessation program called Freedom From Smoking, we can help you become tobacco-free.

Join us **Tuesday, April 17, 2018** to start the 8-week program sponsored by Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Classes are Tuesdays at 5 p.m. (Meet in the outpatient registration lobby.)

Join the hundreds of other Kentuckians who have quit for life!

Interested in participating? Contact Morgan Bray at 256-7704 or m.bray@rhrc.org.



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### Sunday, April 15th

### 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Host: Matthew Silcox  
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# CHURCH NEWS

## Free Bible Courses

Free Bible Correspondence Course. Send your name and address to 3168 Quail Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

## Let the Bible Speak

Tune in to "Let the Bible Speak," with Brett Hickey, on Sunday mornings at 6:30 a.m. on LEX18.

## Special Service

Berea Gospel Tabernacle, U.S. 25, Berea will hold a Special Service on Fri., April 13th.

Special speaker will be Eugene Webb. Ralph Chasteen and congregation invite everyone.

Revival Services will be held April 16-20 at 7 o'clock each night.

Speaker will be Charles Whittemore.

Everyone invited.

## Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

\*Celebrate Recovery - Brodhead: Located in the

Community Outreach Center (next to Fairgrounds), every Monday, 6 to 8 p.m. 859-230-9590 or 606-308-3099.

\*Celebrate Recovery - Northside Baptist Church - Mt. Vernon every Tuesday, 6 to 8 p.m. 606-256-5577. Need a ride? Call and leave message before 4 p.m.

\*Celebrate Recovery - Step Studies. Northside Baptist, Mt. Vernon, Wednesday at 7 p.m. 606-256-5577.

\*Broken Chains Bible Study at Cruisers Motorcycle Sales, 7223 N. Wilderness Rd., Mt. Vernon every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Leader: Gary Vincen Linville, 859-302-2431.

\*Celebrate Recovery - Step Studies - Women Only. Located in the Community Outreach Center (next to Fairgrounds), every Thursday, 6:30 p.m. For more info. call 606-308-3099.

\*Celebrate Recovery - Livingston at Livingston

School cafeteria. Friday, 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

## National Day of Prayer

National Day of Prayer observance will be held in Rockcastle County on Thursday, May 3rd on the lawn of the Rockcastle County Courthouse at 12 noon.

Guest speaker will be Kenneth Felty, pastor of Liberty Avenue Baptist Church in Berea.

Special Singing will be brought by Jim Dean, minister of music at Liberty Avenue Baptist Church.

Congregational singing will be led by Luther Allen, chaplain at Rockcastle Regional Hospital.

Lunch, provided by the Rockcastle County Kiwanis Club, will be served at 11:30 a.m. and the Rockcastle County Regional Hospital staff will be providing fruit for the meal.

The public is invited to attend.

## Homecoming and Revival

McNew Chapel Baptist Church will hold their Homecoming on Sunday, April 15th at 11 a.m.

Revival services will also begin on the 15th and continue through the 20th at 7 o'clock each evening.

Evangelist will be Bro. Rick Holt of London.

Pastor Bro. Jerry Ballinger and congregation welcome everyone to attend.

## Special Singing

Philadelphia United Baptist Church, Brodhead will hold a Special Singing Sunday, April 29th at 6 p.m.

Featured singers will be Shepherd's Way.

Sunday morning services are at 11 o'clock. Sunday evening at 6 o'clock and Wednesday night service at 7 o'clock.

Everyone welcome.

## Temporary traffic signals in place KY 461 in Pulaski reduced to one lane beginning next week

Beginning, Monday, April 16 KY 461 in Pulaski County at Buck Creek Bridge (mile point 3.8) will be reduced to one lane as crews perform maintenance operations on the structure.

Temporary traffic signals will be in place on the north and south approaches for the lane closure.

The lane closure is expected to be in place for two weeks. The start date and duration of work may be adjusted for inclement weather or other unforeseeable delays. Drivers should expect delays and are encouraged to allow extra time in reaching their destination.

For Kentucky's latest traffic and travel information, visit [goky.ky.gov](http://goky.ky.gov) or navigate traffic by downloading the free Waze app at [www.waze.com](http://www.waze.com). Motorists can also access traffic information for the District 8 counties at [www.facebook.com/KYTCDistrict8](http://www.facebook.com/KYTCDistrict8) and at [www.twitter.com/KYTCDistrict8](http://www.twitter.com/KYTCDistrict8).

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During the month of March The Nine Patcher's Homemaker's club completed a pillow case making project. A total of 42 pillowcases were presented to Paula's Quilting Pantry located in East Bernstadt, where they will then be distributed to children's foster homes. Members of the club present for the photo are front row from left: Robin Kendrick, Apryl Kirby and Olivia Kirby. Back row from left: Elaine Murphy, Lydia McLemore, Helen Abney, Angela Wyatt and Brenda Chappell.

## Cemetery Notices

### McKinney Cemetery

McKinney Cemetery is now accepting bids for the mowing and upkeep of McKinney Cemetery (2018 season).

Anyone interested in submitting a bid, please mail to: McKinney Cemetery, P.O. Box 1691, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 with phone number included.

All bids must be received by April 16, 2018.

The McKinney Cemetery board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

### Morning View Cemetery

Donations for upkeep of morning View Cemetery should be sent to: Bud Cottengim, 67 Misty Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

### Mareburg Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing and upkeep for the Mareburg Cemetery to: Gloria Seals, Mareburg Cemetery, 5394 Brindle Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

### Livesay Cemetery

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

### Roberts Cemetery

We are accepting donations for the upkeep of Roberts Cemetery at Freedom. Please make checks payable to Roberts Cemetery and mail to: Don Cummins, 67 School House Hill Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 or Nancy Meadows at 20 Trinity Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. Thank you.

### Briarfield Cemetery

Briarfield Cemetery is accepting donations for the upkeep of the cemetery. Donations can be mailed to: Briarfield Cemetery Fund c/o Tim Robinson, 5408 Big Cave Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460. Make checks payable to Briarfield Cemetery Fund.

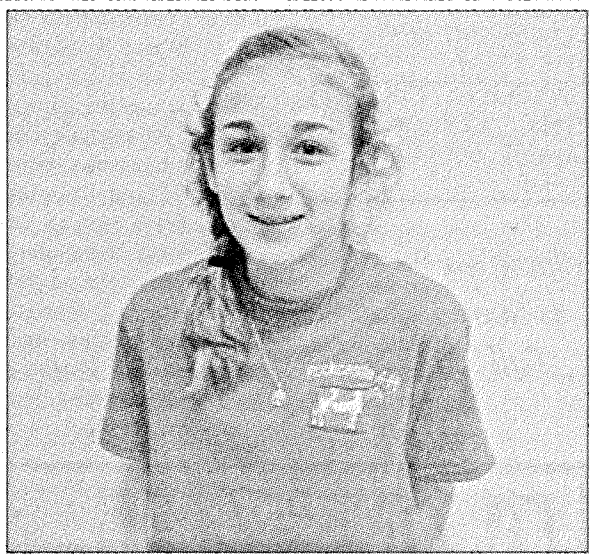
Donations can be made in person to committee members: Dean Carpenter, Kenny Reams or Tim Robinson and caretaker Joe Robinson.

All donations are greatly appreciated.

## Lawn Service

Mowing, Trimming, Blowing, Reasonable

606-386-0347



Liliann Storm from Brodhead Elementary School participated in the State 4-H Dairy Jeopardy Contest held March 29 at the Barren County Extension office.

## Property Tax Notice

The last day to pay your 2017 Rockcastle County Property Taxes to the Sheriff's office is Monday, April 16th at 4 p.m. At the close of business on April 16th the taxes will be turned over to the Rockcastle County Clerk's office with additional penalties added. During the transition of transferring the bills between the Sheriff's vendor and the Clerk's vendor no taxes will be collected. The first day for collection by the Rockcastle County Clerk for 2017 bills will be Monday, April 23rd, 2018 (No bills will be collected between April 17, 2018 - April 22, 2018.) If you have questions, you may contact the Sheriff at 606-256-2032 or the Clerk at 606-256-2831.

## Strain Out The Gnat

Jesus rebuked the Pharisees. Matt. 23:5, But all their works they do to be seen of men. The Pharisees considered themselves to be very religious, close to God, but Jesus said what they were doing parading around with this huge garment attached to their body with the ten commandments attached to their clothing, was not what God was pleased with. Paul writes, Gal. 1:10, for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ. They were more interested in being popular and being noticed than doing what God's word teaches. These Pharisees were full of themselves. Ever been around folks that way? It seems they want you to worship them instead of worshipping the Lord.

This kind of attitude is also sin, it's wrong, it may not be murder. We know the Bible teaches it's wrong to kill, 1 John 3:15, Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer. Even the very thought of committing a sin is wrong, so we have to be very careful in this life that we don't allow ourselves to commit sins of the heart, they can be just as dangerous. 1 John 3:4 tells us that sin is the transgression of the law. Jesus said, Matt. 5:28 That whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart. We don't have to physically commit the act to sin under the teaching of Jesus Christ, when we allow ourselves to think things, see things, and desire things, that are not ours, we can sin with the heart.

Peter told Simon, Acts 8:22 Repent and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee. Thoughts cannot be seen by others, but they trigger actions. Mark 7:21-22, For from within, out of the heart of men proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. All these things come from within to defile a man. Man may never see your thoughts but God does. We find his word in Heb. 4:12 is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

These Pharisees that Jesus rebukes at the start of this study, their heart was not into serving the Lord they went through motions, but their heart was a million miles away. As Solomon said Prov. 23:7, For as a man thinketh in his heart so is he. Knowing God's word and not applying those words to our lives allows our heart to grow cold and dark and filled with things that are evil. Matt. 15:8 The people draw close to me with their mouth, and honour me their lips but their heart is far from me. Where is your heart today? Is it close to God or has it gotten far away from where it should be? Thankyou for reading this article.

This was submitted by the brethren of the...

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## 2018 Lincoln Dinner

Saturday, April 14th • 6:00 p.m.

Kentucky Music Hall of Fame

\$20 per person • Sponsorships available for \$100

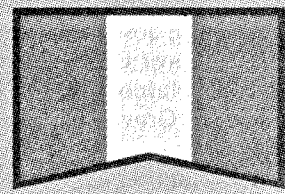
(Sponsorship receives 3 tickets and name in program)

\* Tickets can be purchased at PVA Janet Vaughn's office \*

For more information contact:

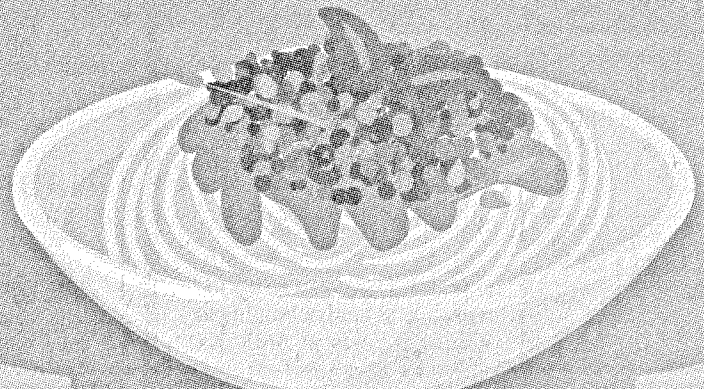
Chairman Doris Cromer or Youth Chairman John Hughes

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Relay For Life

## Spaghetti Supper & Pie Auction



Tuesday, April 17, 2018

5:30 p.m. • KY Music Hall of Fame

Tickets: \$8 each or \$10 at the door (Ticket includes: salad, spaghetti, bread, and drink)

To purchase tickets or make a donation contact Kayla Rowe at (606) 256-7767



# Classifieds

## CLASSIFIED RATES

• Local Rates - \$4 for 25 words or less - .10 each additional word  
 • Display Classifieds \$5.00/Inch  
 Deadline for Classifieds is 10 a.m. TUESDAY

## For Rent

**2 Bedroom Mobile Home.** 2 miles between Brodhead and Mt. Vernon. Water furnished, wood heat. \$275 month/\$200 deposit. 1-606-308-3997. 13x1

**House and Trailer in Brodhead.** No pets. 758-4729. 33xntf

**Mink Apartments, Inc.** Owens: Gary and Gertha Mink. Must have: references, proof of income, background check required. 606-308-1209. 10x4p

**Chism Drive Thru Storage.** 9 1/2 x14 indoor units. \$50. 24 hr. access and security cameras. 859-559-9903. 3xntf

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

**Mt. Vernon Housing Authority** open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Applications accepted Monday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf

## House For Rent

Daniel Boone Community Action Agency (DBCAA) is taking applications for a two bedroom house located in the low-income rental complex on Town Hill in Mt. Vernon. Please apply at the DBCAA office located on Main Street in Mt. Vernon. Section 8 Rental Vouchers are accepted. Contact 256-5315 for more information.

DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity agency.



## For Rent

**Maple St. Storage of Brodhead**  
 256-2884 or  
 606-308-2491

## Accepting Applications

For 2 and 3 bedroom units at Valley View Apartments. Rent based on income. Call 256-5912. TDD for hearing impaired only. 1-800-247-2510.

## Property For Sale

**For Sale:** 3 bedroom house w/ 1 1/2 baths. Living room, dining room/kitchen combination. Located in Mt. Vernon. 606-308-4780. 13x4p

## Help Wanted

**Lisa's Little People Day Care** is now accepting applications for full time and part time positions. High school or GED diploma required. Please apply in person Monday-Friday at 100 Crawford Lane Must be 18 years or older. 10x8

**OPERATION UNITE**  
 Drug Tip Hotline  
 1-866-424-4382  
 Toll-free Treatment Help Line  
 1-866-90-UNITE

## Posted

**Posted:** No trespassing, hunting or fishing on land belonging to Rachel Denney on Hwy. 3245 (former Reggie Benge property).

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

## Notices

**Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc.** will hold a board of directors meeting Tuesday, April 24th at 5:30 p.m. in Clay County at the central office, located at 1535 Shamrock Road, Manchester. During the meeting, a possible conflict of interest situation will be discussed between the board and an individual. The public is invited to attend. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider. 13x2

**Mechanic's Lien Sale:** We have a 2009 Ford Focus with VIN: 1FAHP35N59W1076808 that is registered to Brittany Cromer, 255 Shirley St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 at Don Franklin Ford Lincoln, 388 W. Hwy. 192, London, Ky. 40741. Please contact us at 606-864-3555 regarding the sale of this vehicle. 11x3

**Notice is hereby given that** Paula Figueredo and Jennifer Wells, 8755 E. Washington St., Winchester, Ky. 40391 have been appointed Guardians of Hunter Tackett, a minor on the 9th day of April, 2018. Any person having claims against said guardianship shall present them, according to law, to the said Paula Figueredo and Jennifer Wells on or before Oct. 10, 2018 at 11 a.m. 13x2

**Notice is hereby given that** John G. Eaton, Jr., 230 Perciful St., Mt. Vernon, Ky.

40456 has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Patricia Lee Holland on the 21st day of March, 2018.

Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said John G. Eaton, Jr. or to Hon. Jeremy G. Rowe, P.O. Box 1250, 205 Richmond St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Sept. 24, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. 11x3

**Notice is hereby given that** Jennifer Gail Brock, 3905 Old Brodhead Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Teddy Anthony Brock on the 21st day of March, 2018. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Jennifer Gail Brock or to Hon. Willis G. Coffey, Coffey & Ford PSC, P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Sept. 24, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. 11x3

**Notice is hereby given that** Emory Johnson, 4873 Three Links Road, McKee, Ky. 40447 has been appointed Executor of the estate of Virginia Johnson on the 28th day of March, 2018. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Emory Johnson or to Hon. Kendall L. Duerson, P.O. Box 523, 117-A Clay Drive, Berea, Ky. 40403 on or before October 1, 2018 at 11 p.m. 12x3

**Notice is hereby given that** Clay Bigler, Kentucky Guardianship Administrators, 2220 Nicholasville Road, Ste 110-321, Lexington, Ky. 40503 has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Carson Thomas Watts on the 14th day of March, 2018. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Clay Bigler or to Hon. Brooks Stumbo, Erdman and Stumbo, PSC, 1000 Commercial Drive, Ste 3,

Richmond, Ky. 40475 on or before Sept. 17, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. 12x3

**Notice is hereby given that** Ricky Smith and Doris Smith have filed their periodic settlement, as co-guardians of Anna Brooklyn Marie Smith, a minor. A hearing on said settlement will be held April 30, 2018 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to settlement must be filed before this date. 12x2

**Notice is hereby given that** Ricky Smith and Doris Smith have filed their Periodic Settlement as Co-Guardians of Jamason Ray Keith Smith, a minor. A hearing on said settlement will be held April 30, 2018 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to settlement must be filed before this date. 12x2

## Miscellaneous For Sale

**Three Burial Lots** in Cresthaven Cemetery. Two side by side, one single. \$600 each obo. Call Larry 513-659-4547 or 513-607-0116. 37xntf

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

*Classified Deadline is Noon Tuesday Call 256-2244*

## Yard Sales

**Yard Sale:** Multi-family Thursday and Friday, 12121 N. Wilderness Road, between Berea and Conway.  
**Yard Sale:** Given by Amy Todd and Amanda Parker April 13 and 14. Freedom School Road. Look for signs and decorations on mail box. Lots of boys and girls clothes, men's and women's clothing, lots of household items, tools, a couple of TVs and everything under the sun. Starting at 8 a.m. Rain postpones.

**Garage Sale-Dealer:** 3138 Hurricane School Road. Friday. Dewalt Saw Saw blades, \$2; wood and metal new springs, 50c each; Holo Saws, \$1; 6 inch adapter, \$3-two inch \$1.50; Nut Driver 2 inch \$1.50; punches 50c; gas line filters for lawnmower \$2 - 3 for \$5; 4 1/2 inch cutting disk 50c; Dewalt 4 1/2 and 6 inch \$2 and \$3; brass cut off valve \$3; PTO pins \$1; Milwaukee Knuckle \$10 - reg. price \$24.95; trailer hitch pins \$2; brass air nozzle \$3; Foster Grant sunglasses, 3 pair for \$5; Head and Shoulders Finish, Oxi Clean \$3; computer paper, 500 count, \$2 pack; costume jewelry toothpaste, Acuvue Panteen, vitamins, razors eye pads; AA batteries - 3c for \$5 - C batteries \$1. All prices below retail.



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**Dale Miller Concrete Work:** driveways, sidewalks, patios, etc. Also Bobcat work. 606-392-3548 or 606-386-1281. 13x8

**Greg Spoonamore Roofing.** 20 years experience. Free estimates. Shingles, metal, tear-offs -- we do it all. Satisfaction guaranteed. 606-379-3612 or 606-341-3250. 11x4p

**Handyman:** Painting (interior and exterior), remodeling, roofing, porches, floors laid. Any job, big or small. References available. Call 606-661-9310 or 606-386-1664. 2xntf

**Hayes Gravel Hauling and Driveway Spreading.** 256-4695 or 859-544-7730. 50x12

**J and R Pressure Washing.** Pressure washing of all type homes, outbuildings, decks, sidewalks and concrete patios. Owner and operator Jonathon Collins. Free estimates. 606-308-3533 or 758-1986. 49x4p

**Jonathan Collins Remodeling and Repair Service.** Home improvements of any kind from doors and windows, painting, new floors, to roofs and decks - will do it all. Any home, any problem, "we're the one to call." 606-308-3533 or 758-1986. 49x4

**Owens Monument:** Located behind Owens Funeral Home in Brodhead. Open Mon-Fri. 8 to 5 and Sat. 9 a.m. to noon. 606-758-9600. 14xntf


**Notice:** Will haul off or buy scrap metal, junk cars or trucks. Metal hauled for free. 231-6788. 14xntf

**Grave Markers & Monuments:** In stock at all times. McNew Monument Sales, US 25, 4 miles north of Mt. Vernon. Phone 256-2232.

**U Call We Haul!** Anything that fits on a truck. Local or long distance. Building - demolition - moving - clean-ups - landscaping. No garage. 606-256-9222 or 308-1629. 35xntf

**Gail's Pampered Pooch** 57 West Main St., Brodhead. For appt. call 606-758-0064 20xntf

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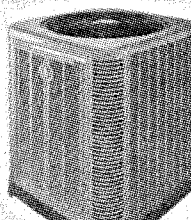
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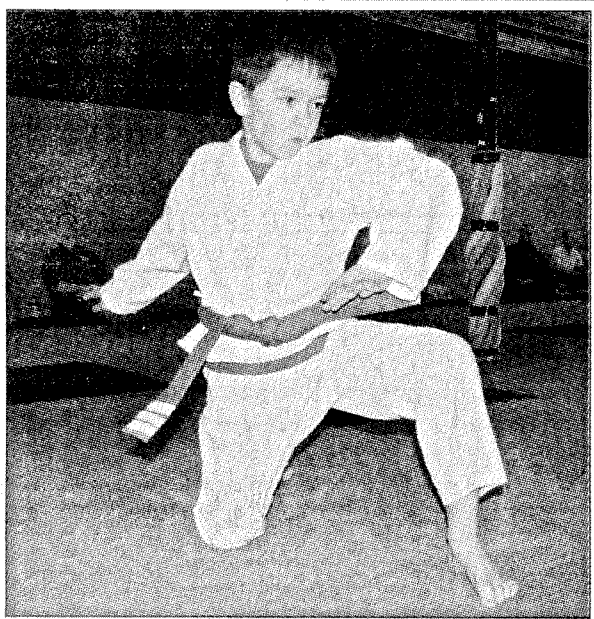




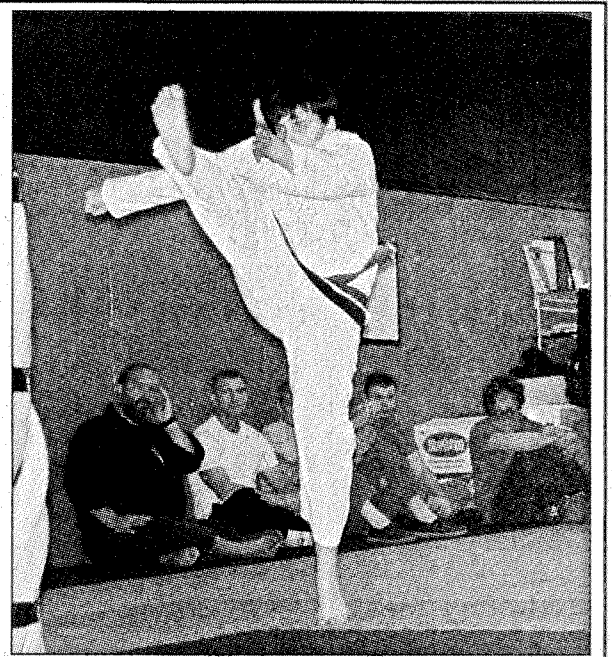
Students at Rockcastle Shaolin Do have been working hard and several advanced into their next rank this March. Students attended from Richmond, Berea, and Harlan classes along with students from Mount Vernon. Text (859)588-8905 for more information on classes. Students advancing are pictured with their instructors and Grandmaster Sin Teh'. Front row from left: Nate Thomas, James Coldiron, Isaac Turner, Jacob Rogers, Caylin Noe, Lindie Ross, and Sensei Cassie Bullock. Back row from left: Grandmaster Sin The', Senior Master Eric Bullock, John Asher, Aiden Jackson, Catherine Woodruff Tait, Layla Rogers, Keysten Rogers, Malachi Lewis, Piper Kubiak, Silvia Coldiron, Sensei Stephen Robinson and Sensei Chris Miniard. Not pictured: James Mullins, Alexis Helvey, Isaac Sartor, Peyton Johnson, and Jennifer Woodruff Tait.



Isaac Turner performing his sparring technique.



James Coldiron performing the 1st White Crane.



John Asher performing Interconnecting Fist.

### Livingston Lions Club to host Soup Bean Supper

The Livingston Community Lions Club will be hosting an Old Fashioned Soup Bean Supper at the Preston Parrett Gymnasium in Livingston Saturday, April 14, beginning at 6 PM. The meal will include beans with lots of pork, cornbread, onions, and a drink for \$5.00. Children age 12 and under will be \$3.00. There will be a pie and cake etc. dessert auction. Everyone is asked to bring a dessert to auction.

All politicians are invited to attend and will be given an opportunity to speak. There will be an "open mic" for groups or individuals who would like to sing.

The Lions Club has many community projects in mind other than the purchase of glasses for those unable to pay. We need funding for those projects and rely on the strength of community support. There is much to be done.

Considering the turn of events with the fire at the Depot in the old Foister Mullins building, the club will be donating half of the funds raised for the restoration of the Mullins Building. Let's all pull together and be "Livingston Strong".

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**JOBS**

- Working diligently with community leaders to bring new jobs into Rockcastle County.
- SourceHOV - Hundreds of new jobs
- NEW - Eagle Manufacturing of North America has begun hiring (approximately 100 jobs)
- NEW - Microfoodery Plant (approximately 100-200 jobs) RCIDA, Rockcastle Fiscal Court and City of Mt. Vernon working together to bring this about.

**SAFETY**

- Working closely with school leaders and Sheriff's Department to provide safe environment for our children.
- Purchased equipment to upgrade road department, fire department and ambulance service.
- Increased funding for Sheriff's Department for salaries and equipment to better serve and protect our citizens.
- Provided funding to Brodhead for police protection.

**PARKS & RECREATION**

- Approved first ever Parks & Recreation Board.
- Livingston gym is now refurbished and open to the public.
- First ever Veterans Park in progress.
- New 24,000 sq. ft. agriculture building at Brodhead fairgrounds made possible with funding from grants, donations and Fiscal Court.

**TRANSPORTATION**

- Met with top state officials to get I-75 project moved to top of the list.
- Copper Creek Road is now maintained by the State Road Department due to meeting with Director of Transportation in Frankfort.

**FINANCES**

- First three years in office financial report as of 12/31/17 showing decrease of \$2.2 million dollars in county debt. (From \$7.9 million to \$5.7 million).
- Lowered the county's property tax rate three years in a row.

**DOUG'S COMMITMENT FOR THE FUTURE:**  
 Continue to serve the people of Rockcastle County with his dedication and strong work ethic. Continue to work with community leaders, Fiscal Court and RCIDA to bring more businesses into the county. Continue to seek funding to obtain natural gas for the county.

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